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Notice. - We trust those of our mail subscribers in arrears who have not already responded to the appeal enclosed in our issue of the 12th inst. will do so without delay.

- Two prominent real estate dealers in New York have failed.

-The Home Savings Bank, Elgin, Ill., has suspended; deposits, \$60,000; assets, \$100,000.

-Potatoes are in demand here for export to England.

- New York has commenced to ship fresh meat to France.

- The water in the St. Lawrence, which has been very low, is rising slowly.

- The vintage throughout France will be the largest known for a hundred years.

- The Ontario Manufacturers' Association was to meet in Toronto yesterday.

-One of the largest oil operators in Pennsylvania says the oil supply will be exhausted in ten years.

- Toads are commencing to have a commercial value in Europe, on account of an alleged weakness for Colorado beetles.

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- George Lazarus, of the well-known pawnbroking firm of Lazarus & Co., died suddenly on Sunday last, of heart disease.

A San Francisco firm offer to supply Chicago with strawberries next month if the demand justifies shipments by the carload.

—Morton's distillery property at Kingston has been purchased by Mr. McMillan, of Montreal, who proposes to convert it into an oil refinery.

- The first export of Manitoba wheat to Europe was made last week, a car load being sent to a firm in Glasgow.

- Two Watertown men contemplate establishing a paper mill at Kingston. They propose to use poplar wood pulp.

— Windsor, Nova Scotia, shipped 81,568 tons of gyrsum and 60 tons of manganese between the opening of navigation and 30th September.

-Nine barge loads of match splints have been shipped from Buckingham, to two factories in the United States, this season.

— Several more savings bank fullures are reported from various parts of the United States

—There has been a fatal colliery explosion near Glasgow, by which about 233 men have lost their lives.

— The National Insurance Co. of Montreal, are suing a number of shareholders, who have neglected to pay up calls on their stock.

— A powerful steam fog trumpet has been placed on Cape St. Francis, Newfoundland, alongside the lighthouse there in latitude 47° 48' 30" N., longitude 52° 46' 50" W.

Twenty years ago it required over five tons of coal to make a ton of iron rails; now a ton of steel rails may be produced from the ore with half that quantity of coal.

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— A Brooklyn firm has purchased a quantity of phosphate land and phosphate near Buckingham, and is now trying to make special terms with the railway companies for shipping.

— A Salem, (Ont.) firm of carriage builders have just shipped a carriage to A. Sinclair, a large sugar planter in Cowick, Ifala, Natal, South

— A new coal mining company, with a capital of \$300,000, has been formed at St. John. It is called the New Brunswick Authracite Coal Mining Company.

-Two or three oil refineries in London, which have been closed, are about to commence operations, to meet the increased demand for oil which always takes place in winter.

— Another sub-contractor on the Lachine Canal, named Gallagher, has abscouded, after drawing what was due him and leaving a large number of poor workingmen unpaid.

— In the Insolvent Court Judge Johnston has granted the petition of Lyons & Co. for their discharge, with costs against Noon, who contested the application.

— At a recent sale of cattle at Winnipeg the following prices were realized: Oxen, \$95 per yoke; cows, \$21.50; heifers, \$20; steers, \$20 to \$30

-The five per cent, taken off the wages of the Great Western Railway employees has been restored to them, and next pay day they get full wages.

— The "epidemic of dishonesty" still continues. Benjamin F. Harney, foreman of the Montreal Fertilizing Company's works, received about \$75 on Saturday with which to pay the men's wages, and forthwith decamped with it.

— The suit of Griffin against W. M. Molson and others, involving the ownership of the Moisic Iron Company's property, has been dismissed with costs. The case has been before the courts for ten years.

— An unusual number of steerage passengers are said to be weekly leaving for Europe by outward bound steamers, an evidence, we presume, that employment will be hard to find the coming winter.

— The American Minister to Holland gives a glowing description of the financial standing of that country—no bank failures, no insurance failures, no swindling officials—a model for the rest of the world.

—A temporary injunction has been granted at New Haven, restraining the National Life and Trust Company and the American Life Company from doing business on account of impairment of their funds.

—An advance of five cents per hundred pounds on east bound freight from Chicago was made last Monday, and on west bound freight on the basis of \$1 per 100 lbs. for the first class.

— H. E. Sargent, formerly General Freight Agent of the Boston and Worcester Railroad, and at one time connected with the Michigan Central Railroad, has just been elected General Manager of the Northern Pacific Railroad.

— The export of American produce to Europe continues brisk. Five heavily laden steamships left New York on Saturday. Among the shipments were a large quantity of honey and over three hundred barrels of oysters.

— The Ontario Express and Transportation Co. of Stratford, having obtained a charter of incorporation, has organized and elected officers, and will commence operations immediately.

—It is reported that mill owners have signed a "Round Robin," binding themselves to manufacture one-third less sawed lumber than usual during the approaching season, and thus endeavor to force prices up to a paying figure.

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as honest as they might be. They often put up at farm houses for the night, and disappear before morning with whatever valuables they can lay their hands on.

- The promoters of the proposed beet-root sugar factory in Quebec evidently mean business. They have made contracts with several farmers for a supply of beets, and have also taken the necessary steps to form a joint stock company and erect the necessary factory.

- The Eric canal men are pushing through their freight while mavigation keeps open. In one day about 1,000,000 bushels of grain and 1,000,000 feet of lumber were despatched from Buffalo in 122 boats; the heaviest business done in five years.

-Mr. Manning, of Toronto, has purchased the hardware stock of the insolvent firm of McNab, Marsh & Coen for 67 cents on the dollar, and the warehouse in which they did business for \$22,000. He was one of the principal creditors.

- The Petrolia Advertiser says that during the past few weeks a silent war has been waged between the London refiners and the producers there, who each struggle to cut the other's throat, for the benefit of the public they so much abused last year.

- The lake schooner M. L. Iliggie, of Chicago, sailed from Quebec, on Saturday, with a cargo of lumber, for Capetown, South Africa. This is the first time a lake vessel has attempted such a distant voyage. Her owners expect a return cargo of wool and hides.

- The city of Montreal is being sued for the pay due the volunteers who did duty on the 12th and 16th of July last. The suits are entered by Lieut.-Col. Bond, of the Prince of Wales, and Lieut.-Col. Handyside, of the Victorias, and Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal

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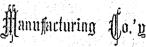
-400,000 cases of canned salmon have been shipped this season from Oregon and Victoria. Most of it is sent east from San Francisco by rail, but a few cargoes were shipped to Australia and London direct. The trade is likely to increase very much next year. A new disease has made its appearance among the salmon.

- The old saying that misfortunes never come singly, has been illustrated in the case of St. John, which was visited with another destructive fire on Saturday, particulars of which will be found in our fire record. The fire took place in Portland, the suburb in which the great fire of June originated.

- A Nova Scotia lobster packer has found a way to avoid the obnoxious "Libster can duty " which the United States authorities impose. He has fitted up at his factory a number of large refrigerators, where the lobsters after being boiled are frozen. They will be kept there till winter, and then shipped during the cold weather.

- The Beaver Line steamship Megantic was detained at Grosse Isle on last trip inward by order of the Government on account of having cattle on board, the importation of which into Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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Canada from infected districts is prohibited The cattle, twelve in number, were afterwards transferred to a barge and anchored in the river to wait the return of the steamer, when they will be reshipped to Liverpool.

- A rather curious case was decided in Court here the other day. The Jacques Cartier. Bank sued one Taylor for the amount of a note made by him in favor of another party who had endorsed it to the bank. The note was profested, and afterwards the maker made three payments on it to the endorser, who was the original payee. The Court held that he should have made these payments to the bank, and gave judgment against defendant for the full amount of the note.

- Toronto is making a move to secure more economical municipal government. There are at present seven distinct corporations having to do with city affairs.

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- The manufacturers of Bessemer steel rails in the United States have formed a combination to raise the price.
- It cost the State of New York about a quarter of a million dollars to suppress the riots in connection with the late railway strike.
- The Wan zer Sewing Machine Co., of Hamilton, have established a branch of their works in Buffalo.
- A dealer has shipped about 4,000 lambs from the Sweetsburg depot this season, the market value of which is about \$10,000.
- The creditors of Thos. Walls & Sons, Toronto, met on Wednesday. The total liabilities of the estate are \$422,928. The principal creditors are English and Scotch firms.
- The Bank of Montreal on Tuesday declared a dividend of six per cent. for the current half year. The stock, on the announcement being made, advanced 2 per cent., but declined again 1 per cent.
- On Tuesday the President of the Passumpsic Railway Company entered an action in the Superior Court for \$07,000 against the Montreal, Portland & Boston Railway Company. The suit is in connection with financial transactions between the two roads.

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- The Canadian barley trade is likely to receive a great impulse from direct shipments to Britain. Several cargoes have been sent to Liverpool by way of New York, and the way it has been received has created quite a demand for Canada barley in bond at the latter port.
- The Grand Trunk Railway has been compelled by the Supreme Court of Massachusetts to pay \$18,335 to one Charles H. Worthen, travelling salesman of a Chicago firm. The plaintiff sued the company on an action of tort for \$50,000, on account of bodily injuries received in 1875 while a train on the Grand Trunk was racing with another on the Michigan Southern, near Springwells.
- The September returns of banks doing business in the Dominion show an increase in circulation of \$3,570,770 over August, and \$1,287,000 over the corresponding period in 1876. Discounts also largely increased during the month.
- Hon. A. B. Foster, who is sometimes called the "Ganadian railway king," while at Newport, Vt., on Friday, was arrested and thrust into the felon's cell at Irasburg jail, for a petty little account of \$27 connected with the Southeastern railway, with which he had nothing to do individually. As soon as the matter became known to his friends he was builed out. The action was evidently prompted by spite, and to say the least was a very high handed proceeding.
- In a paragraph in our issue of the 12th inst. relating to the "Club Chambers," Toronto, an error was committed by our correspondent

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in substituting the name of the proprietor, Mr. D. C. Shears, for that of Mr. G. P. Shears, late proprietor of the Rossin House, against whom a writ of attachment had been issued at the instance of William Rumsay & Co., wholesale grocers of that city, in order to wind up the old estate satisfactorily. The correction should have appeared last week, had we been able to trace the cause of the mistake, which, for the sake of the gentlemanly proprietor of the "Club Chambers," we rejoice to say was only that, and nothing more.

- At the Chancery Court in London a few days ago the following case, brought by the Merchants bank, was disposed of. In December, 1875, McFate & Co., Windsor, made an assignment. At the meeting of creditors a deed of extension was agreed to, and the business continued. In June, 1876, they owed the plaintiffs \$1,700 over-drawn account, being dishonored paper and moneys advanced for wages. The bank then, to enable them to carry on, made an advance of \$4,500 on the security of a chattel mortgage. The proceeds went to pay the \$1,700 overdue, and the balance was advanced for the purposes of the business. The firm again assigned in November, 18 76, and the defendant their assignce, took possession of the goods. The Court sustained the mortgage, and gave a decree for plaintiffs for the value of the goods (\$4,000) and costs.

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- The barge Canadian, recently sunk off Port St. Francis, has been raised.

- The steamer Seymour has been wrecked on Lovely Island, Lake Huron.

-At a meeting of the directors of the South Eastern Railway, held in this city last Saturday, a resolution was passed instructing the President to protest the Passumpsic Company on the ground that they were allowing the South Eastern road, which is leased to them, to get into a condition dangerous to traffic, particularly near the Province line at North Troy, where several serious accidents have occurred. The Passumpsic Company consider they are only bound to make the smaller repairs. The South Eastern Directors resolved to at once undertake the work themselves, and steps have been taken to temporarily close through traffic. In the meantime the South Eastern Railway Company will themselves conduct traffic between Montreal and North Troy, for which they have ample funds and rolling stock. This action on the part of the company meets with the general approval of the inhabitants of the southeastern counties.

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- At the Assize Court in Ottawa a case was tried a few days ago which is of some interest to the mercantile community. One Elley brought an action against James Pratt, boot and shoe dealer, to recover the amount of \$490 for goods obtained by false representation, the defendant being charged with being insolvent at the time he gave the order, and therefore not in a position to pay and with little hope of being so. The defendant had made an assignment a few days after ordering the goods, and his estate showed liabilities of nearly \$9,000 with assets of less than \$2,000. Judge Burton, in charging the jury, pointed out that there could be no doubt that the defendant was well aware when he bought the goods that he was insolvent, and pointed out the recklessness with which some people conduct business, contrary

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to all legitimate rules. The jury brought in a verdict for the plaintiff and the court ordered the defendant to pay \$500 and the costs of the trial, in default to be imprisoned for a term not exceeding twelve months. The defendant was in court when the judge was charging the jury, but had departed when sentence was passed. He subsequently appeared and paid the amount.

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FINANCE AND JUSURANCE REVIEW.

MONTREAL, OCTOBER 26th, 1877.

### RECIPROCITY.

We must give our contemporary, the Chicago Tribune, the credit of having at last propounded a scheme of reciprocity that can be easily comprehended whether it be practicable or not. He has, however, only partially responded to our challenge, that he should show how his free trade scheme could be worked out. It is important that we should clearly understand what the free trade party in the States are willing to consent to on a subject of such deep interest to us; and our Chicago contemporary is an influential exponent of the views of that section of the people of the neighboring Republic. We are assured that "any scheme which "proposes to limit reciprocity to any "number of articles or of classes of arti-"cles cannot be tolerated. There must " be general reciprocity or there can be "none." The Tribune proceeds to intimate that "the measure must admit to "the United States every article, the "growth, product or manufacture of Can-"ada, free of all tax or duty, and must also "provide for the like admission of all "things grown, produced or manufac-"tured in the United States to Canada

"free of duty," The Tribune admits that with regard to foreign trade "the ques-"tion is more difficult. Canada has a low "tariff designed for revenue purposes, "the United States have a high tariff for "protection and not for revenue." To meet the difficulty there must, in the opinion of the Tribune, be a uniform tariff, the duties to be divided according to population. Speculating, as we did in our number of the 5th inst., on such a scheme being propounded, we enquired how it would be possible to adjust such a common tariff. We in Canada could probably do so without much difficulty. Either a member of our government or a commissioner appointed by our government could meet a member of the government of the United States, or a commissioner, and arrange with him all the details of a commercial treaty with a reasonable certainty that the Canadian Parliament would sanction what he deemed for the interest of his country. But that very plan has been tried and has been found abortive. Much time and labor were expended in vain only a short time ago in trying to bring about a satisfactory arrangement. True, it was not the precise plan suggested by the Tribune, but it was nevertheless the result of lengthened negotiations with persons supposed to represent the views of the government of the United States, and to know what would meet the concurrence of Congress. We deem it unnecessary to discuss the details of the scheme agreed upon. It would not, we are persuaded, have given great satisfaction in Canada but, nevertheless, we have no doubt that if it had been brought forward by the government it would have received the sanction of our Parliament. We entirely concur in a remark made at the commencement of his late article by the Tribune, that " to " reach any satisfactory reciprocal arrange-"ments between the two countries, the "idea of taking advantage of one another "must be abandoned," but we maintain that practically, owing to the different systems of government which prevail in the two countries, we are left very much to the mercy of our neighbors. We cannot negotiate with Congress, and if we negotiate with the government of the United States, we have not the least security that any agreement arrived at with that government will be sanctioned by Congress. Nay, the probability is, that the mere fact that Canada had agreed to any conditions on which a commercial treaty might be arranged would be sufficient to induce Congress to believe that it was for the advantage of Canada, and consequently to reject it. That seems, so far

as we can judge, to have been the sole reason for the rather discourteous rejection of our last proposals. It must be borne in mind that the matter was so arranged as to assume the form of a proposal from Canada which the President transmitted to Congress or to the Senate, whereas, in fact, it was by no means what Canada really wanted, but a proposal modified in many essential particulars to meet the ascertained wishes of the United States. The Chicago Tribune can hardly suppose that Canada will repeat such a mode of negotiation, and yet the difficulty meets us at once. How is it possible to negotiate with a country which has no government that can give any assurance that its agreements will be sanctioned by the Legislature? We do not think that the Chicago Tribune is at all aware of the difficulties in the way of a tariff that would place a foreign country on a more advantageous footing in a dependency of the Empire than the subjects of the Crown in the United Kingdom and in other colonies, to say nothing of difficulties that might arise from the most favored nation clause in commercial treaties with various European States. We prefer discussing the question without reference to difficulties of such a character, and we shall assume that to whatever extent they may be found to exist, they can be overcome. We do not find in the Tribune's article of the 16th inst. any reply to our question, "Is Canada to have her fiscal "policy regulated by the United States "Congress, or would it be possible to "devise any measure by which joint ac-"tion could be secured?" This really is the practical question. So far as the American protectionists are concerned, we should imagine that nothing would please them more than the very schemo suggested by the Tribune, provided always they were satisfied with the common tariff. Let us, for argument sake, suppose that the present United States tariff were adopted by Canada en bloc, would not the protectionists be satisfied with the abolition of the "frontier custom houses," with all the wonderful results predicted in the former article of the Tribune, which called forth ours of the 5th. Why, the Tribune predicted a sale of American manufactures to the extent of \$50,000,000 at the start, to be increased in five years to \$200,000,000. We own that we do not believe that the Congress of the United States would agree to any such commercial arrangement as that suggested by the Tribune, and which differs widely from any yet proposed by the Boards of Trade, and it is therefore hardly worth while dealing with the question of difficulties with the mother country. We are of opinion that it is not possible to deal with the question in Canada until the United States are prepared to make some definite proposition for a commercial treaty.

## A LONDON VIEW OF RESUMPTION.

Such is the heading of a late article in the New York Bulletin, criticizing a letter in the London Economist, signed " N," that being the well-known signature of a writer whose opinions are entitled to the fullest consideration, and such they have received from our New York contemporary. We do not follow the example of the Bulletin by announcing the name of the correspondent of the Economist, because it has been withheld by the writer. The letter is entitled "The problem of the resumption of cash payments in the United States at the close of 1878," and it cites no less than six recent pamphlets as having engaged the attention of its author. The Bulletin is of opinion that "the numerous inaccuracies of statement and the boldness of the positions" taken in "N's" letter " are calculated to mislead English opinion on this important question," and he has, therefore, considered it desirable to notice it. "N" undertook to discuss three points, all very important: 1st. The kind of metallic money which, under existing legislative obligations, must be provided for the accomplishment and maintenance of the resumption. The amount of depreciated paper, that is, greenbacks, fractional currency and notes of national banks. 3rd. The ways and means available for accomplishing the resumption during the next twelve months and with the least disturbance of business. We do not find that the Bulletin takes any exception to "N's" remarks on the first head, or to the very just conclusions at which he has arrived, and which we shall give in his own words:

"Whatever may be argued by Inflationist parties in the United States, it is clear that this recital, in the judgment of honest and sober people, can lead only to three conclusions, viz.:—

"(1.) The law of February, 1873, has established gold as the single standard according to which, at the end of next year, 1878, the present compulsory note-circulation must be redeemed.

"(2.) The character of the loan, issues 1860-66, the declaration of March, 1869, and the single-standard law of February, 1873. do not permit the United States, without a disgraceful breach of faith, to pay the interest or redeem the principal of its public debt in any medium except gold.

"(3.) The government of President

Hayes are aggravating in a very serious degree the difficulties of the problem of resumption, by delaying the statement of their fixed intention to support only such schemes as are founded upon the gold standard."

In the foregoing remarks it is hardly necessary for us to state we entirely concur, but we own that we feel very anxious as to the decision at which Congress will arrive on the subject.

Under the second head "N" treats of the amounts of outstanding circulation of the three classes: greenbacks, fractional currency and national bank notes, which will have to be redeemed, and the Bulletin charges him, no doubt correctly, with overstating the amount by \$58,000,000. He likewise points out that he has under-est. mated the stock of gold. We confess that, as bearing upon "N's" argument, we do not attach much importance to the criticism of the Bulletin. "N" is, in our judgment, wholly mistaken in all his suggestions under this head. We are of the number of those who think that there has been a great deal of exaggeration as to the difficulties of resuming specie payments in gold; but, inasmuch as resumption after a protracted period of suspension must always be attended with some difficulty, it appears to us manifest that all possible care should be taken to lighten the burden as much as possible. Now all " N's " suggestions tend to increase the difficulties to be surmounted. We are willing for argument sake, and only for that, to concede that the issue of small notes, other than fractional, is undesirable. Even on this assumption we entirely dissent from "N's" suggestions that a "token silver "coinage will furnish in the best manner "the kind of circulation to be substituted "for a very considerable portion of the "present depreciated Government paper." In our opinion the United States committed a grave error in undertaking to redeem the fractional currency in advance of the general resumption. That currency may have been inconvenient, but in round figures it has taken about \$25,000,000 out of the fund required for general resumption, and to that extent has added to the difficulty. The amount is small, but it tends to illustrate a principle. The fractional currency was in the hands of the public, and could not have been dispensed with for the purposes of exchange. The Government had to purchase silver to substitute for this currency to the extent above stated. "N" would just at this time, when all available ways and means are required to carry out resumption, reduce the circulation by calling in the small notes and substituting silver tokens. "N" has committed an error, at least we hope that he has, in asserting that the greenbacks cannot be re-issued after redemption; in other words, as he puts it. "the Federal Government shall cease altogether to issue any kind of circulating paper." The Bulletin is clear that this is an error, and we have never doubted that the Government would re-issue their legal tenders. "N" calculates that, by the 1st January, 1879, the Treasury will have redeemed \$400,000,000 of greenbacks, and, "when that is done, all connection between the Government and the circulation of notes will, it is to be devoutly hoped, for ever cease." We have more than once pointed out the great desirability, with a view to economizing the use of coin (gold or silver, or both), to main. tain a government legal tender circulation redeemable in the city of New York. and which would be the most convenient mode for the banks effecting their ex. changes. For argument sake we will admit that "N" is right in objecting to such notes, though practically they would, if issued under Treasury regulations; be precisely of the same character as notes of the Bank of England. But even if right theoretically we hold that it would be utter madness at such a time as this to increase the difficulties of resumption. If, for instance, 150 to 200 millions of legal tenders can be kept in circulation, surely it would be better to retain them than to sell bonds to an equal amount in order to redeem them, thus putting the country to an annual expense of several millions of dollars. We concur in the Bulletin's remarks on what he calls "N's " " incidental fling" at the national banks. It is certainly by no means disgraceful that out of 2,100 national banks only 49 should have failed during a period of 14 years, and that no noteholder should have lost anything, while the other creditors obtained considerable dividends. We rather incline to the opinion that the Bulletin has misunderstood "N" in one particular, viz., the transferring of the greenbacks to the national banks. "N," although mistaken as to amounts, both of circulation and gold-a point, in our opinion, of secondary importance—is correct in his assumption that the circulating medium will still be required. "N" estimated the greenbacks and fractionals at \$400,000,000, and the national bank notes at \$350,000,000. He then assumed that all, the \$400,000,000 would be withdrawn, and that they would be replaced by \$150,000,-000 of silver tokens, \$150,000,000 gold and \$100,000,000 National Bank notes; and, in his scheme of substituting silver tokens for small notes and fractionals, and on the assumption that his figures were correct, there would be no error. Correcting his figures by the Bulletin the greenbacks and fractionals would be \$377,000,000, and the nationals \$315,-000,000. "N" would divide the aggregates in the same way as he did the larger amount. Now, where we differ with "N" is, that we would retain say \$150,000,000 greenbacks in circulation, a large portion of which would be required as reserves for the national banks. We are convinced that, by retaining the small notes, it would be safe to calculate on an increase to the national bank circulation in substitution for an equal amount of greenbacks of \$150,000,000, leaving only \$77,000,000 to be provided for in coin instead of \$300,000,000, as suggested by "N," or \$277,000,000, according to the amended figures of the Bulletin. "N's" error as to the amount of national note circulation is of no importance whatever, as he assumes that the larger amount will be required by the public. We own to some surprise at "N's" statement towards the close of his letter, that the problem of resumption "is not really formidable to a country with the resources of the United States." We have always entertained precisely the same opinion, but then we never proposed to pay off all the legal tenders at once, and to make resumption so difficult as it would be if "N's" suggestions were carried out. We entirely concur in the concluding remarks of the Bulletin: "The gist of the resump-"tion act is to procure coin enough to "enable the Treasury to maintain the "convertibility of the whole volume of "greenbacks, and to retain those notes "permanently as a part of the lawful "money of the nation, redeeming all that "are presented for redemption and re-"issuing all that are redeemed."

### WOULD-BE STOREKEEPERS.

Benjamin Franklin, one of the most practical men, illustrates by the following anecdote the folly of those who are not contented with doing well in that sphere for which their training fits them and in which by circumstances they have been placed: "In my youth, I was a passenger in a little sloop descending the river Delaware. There being no wind, we were obliged, when the ebb was spent, to cast anchor and wait for the next. The heat of the sun on the vessel was excessive, the company strangers to me, and not very agreeable. Near the riverside I saw what I took to be a pleasant green meadow, in the middle of which was a large shady tree, where it struck my fancy I could sit and read-having a book in my pocketand pass the time agreeably till the tide turned. I therefore prevailed with the captain to put meashore. Being landed, I found the greatest part of my meadow was really a marsh, in crossing which to come at my tree, I was up to my knees in mire; and I had not placed myself under its shade five minutes before the mosquitoes in swarms found me out, attacked my legs, hands and face, and made my reading and rest impossible; so that I returned to the beach, and called for the boat to come and take me on board again where I was obliged to bear the heat I had striven to quit and also the laugh of the company."

Similar cases in the affairs of life frequently come to our notice. Who that has visited and known the business men of our country towns and villages, cannot recal the names of struggling store-keepers who had at one time been independent and comfortable farmers, but, having seen from a distant point of view, the apparent prosperity and ease of the man who kept for their convenience his stock of dry goods, groceries, shoes, tobacco, &c., in the neighboring village, were charmed with the prospect, and felt how pleasant it were to lead such a life? Ask any young farmer where his ambition lies; any farmer's daughter hers, and truth must answer for the former, to keep a country store, and the latter to go into the millinery business, or marry the storekeeper or the village doctor. The young farmer observes with some envy that even the clerk who works for fifteen dollars a month and his board, is better clad, and that the smiles and blushes of the fair are for him only whenever he condescends to visit the occasional gatherings on fête and gala days. The farmer's daughter, however tasty in her attire, cannot vie with the spouse of the country storekeeper in fashions of dress and bonnets, and pictures to herself how happy it must be to have the choice of a whole store full of goods, and to ride forth whenever she chooses in a"buggy" instead of a market waggon ! The young people usually become more sensible as they grow older, but there are many among them who continue to envy the storekeeper's imaginary wealth and the apparent ease with which it is acquired.

There is scarcely a retailer in Canada who has been in any degree successful, whose means, in the estimation of his rustic customer, are not at least quadrupled. He owes the storekeeper money, intends to pay it—when convenient—and convinces himself that the man to whom so much money is due from himself and neighbors must surely be a man of ample means. He does not consider that for the goods on his shelf he is often largely indebted to

the wholesale dealer, who has taken his note at four, six, or nine months for them, and that, by endorsing and getting it discounted, he has lent the envied retailer a sum of money to carry on his business, and enable him to trust the farmer, and wait for his pay till a visionary market price is procurable for his wheat, which perhaps, meantime lies in his granary gradually lessening in weight by drying, in bulk by the mice and rats, and in value by remaining idle instead of being converted into money and used to breed more; for money, unlike grain, can be made to grow all the year round.

A considerable number of consumers imagine that the retailer charges too high a price for the service which he renders in putting goods into small parcels, and hence the development of granger societies, in which the farmers in many parts of Canada have already had dire experience. In lending themselves to these cooperations they seem to completely forget how often the village storekeeper, more merciful than his customer, sold him of his goods when he had not the wherewithal to buy elsewhere not only of the luxuries but the necessities of existence, a condition of things which would not exist were it not for that sympathy and kindliness begotten among people who are interdependent, as is generally the case in the agricultural district surrounding the village nucleus. And it is clear to any intelligent farmer that the man who thus lends him his goods which cost money till he finds it convenient to return their value must have some equivalent for the increased cost, in the shape of indirect interest therefor, and that, where a cash or short credit system does not prevail, interest in one way or another must be paid for the cash value of the goods thus lent the consumer.

And now let us glance at the normal condition of the landowner who is ambitious to try his hand at storekeeping. Farmers, as a class, are more intelligent and better off than any part of the population, and there are less failures among them. Indeed it would be difficult to point out a single instance of failure where health is given, even in the roughest farms. They all make money, as shown by their success in paying for their land, even when possessed of little or no capital at the outset, and their position is improving from year to year according as the railway system is extended and markets brought nearer. Notwithstanding the generally increased production, the prices of most farm products have gradually advanced; prices are equalized, and in many cases are now cheaper in

town than in country. Again, improvements in the art of agriculture by the invention and development of mechanical devices have lessened the labor of the husbandman, who can now sit at his ease and drive his horses and reaping machine along the ripened field, when but a few years ago he was obliged to swing the heavy "cradle," and watch with anxiety every passing cloud lest the weather should interrupt his comparatively tardy operations. Steam-ploughing is being extensively employed in England, and the day cannot be far distant when some labor-saving invention in this direction will be used in Canada. Let the harvest turn out as it may, the case is exceedingly rare when the farmer is obliged to purchase the chief articles of food for himself and family; this may be said to occur only when he miscalculates in prices and sells more than he ought at the end of the harvest. The great demand for Canadian cattle in Great Britain offers new advantages to the farming community, enabling them to renew worn out soils by running them into pasture. The occupation of the farmer is healthy and agreeable compared with that of other classes of the community, and village doctors in Canada require to be little versed beyond the branch of the healing art known as obstetrics. And this reminds us, whether it be owing to the climate or the increased comforts of living, the fact is indisputable, that the sons and daughters of Canadian settlers, especially in Ontario, appear to belong to an improved race, so stalwart and robust are they as compared with their progenitors. So marked is this in some parts of the country that each successive "son and heir" outgrows his elder brother in strength and stature, and this notwithstanding in many cases the too free use of the goods sold at the " wayside inn."

Yet these are the men who, having made money, and in possession of what their English, Irish and Scotch forefathers so coveted, are casting ambitious eyes at the country store, eager to risk what they have saved in a business of which they know nothing beyond the primary idea that it is merely buying at wholesale and selling at retail. We have been at some pains to discover the proportion of the 5,000 odd mercantile failures of the present year and the two preceding years of depression, and find that about one in every six were originally farmers of the class we have been describing. This is a sad record, and it conveys a still stronger warning when it is remembered that very few of those who left their farms to become merchants have ever

succeeded in even holding their own. They who succeed best in any business are generally those who begin at the foot of the ladder, and are obliged to assist in the most monial services till aptitude and experience enable them to move higher step by step; they are able to count the cost, and when occasionally they fail in business for themselves, it is not through ignorance or incapacity. There are within our knowledge a few men who. having left the plow for the yard measure. have been successful, but they belong to that rare class who succeed in whatever they undertake, and who by their example perpetrate much mischief in the incentive to the many who are less gifted.

### CANADIAN LIVE STOCK TRADE.

In view of the wrong impression which obtains as to the causes of the failure of the large firm of live stock traders, Mossrs. Samuels & Co., of New York, who during the last season exported from Canada to Great Britain immense quantities of fat cattle, we deem it necessary to say that their shipments from this country were a source of considerable profit to them. That profit during the summer last past has been variously estimated. By some it has been placed at about \$10 per head on their cattle, and by others aggregated at from \$12,000 to \$20,000. At the root of Messrs. Samuel's difficulties were, we are informed, extensive land speculations in New York and vicinity, entered into upwards of a year ago, the consequences of which could necessarily have been little olse than failure. Upon the whole the Canadian gentlemen who have recently ventured upon the cattle enterprise have done more than fairly well, and in their interests and in that of those who may subsequently go into this branch of business we again affirm that it is a line of operation which, properly conducted, cannot fail to pay, and the more so since that, recently, the British authorities have relieved Canada from many of the disabili. ties under which other countries labor. Recent advices inform us that in Great Britain it was expected the importation of live cattle from America and Canada would cease after the 1st October, instant; albeit eminent exporters have recently complained of a falling off in the demand owing to the Canadian beeves having to be placed in competition with the British grass-fod cattle, which it is oustomary to throw upon the market in the autumn in immense quantities. These British cattle have necessarily the advantage over those imported, since that they come upon the market fresh from their pas. tures, while the Canadian animals, instead of being allowed a few days to recover themselves, are, after waiting twelve hours in most inconvenient yards for inspection, hurried off to the markets.

It is worthy of remark that at their various agricultural shows the farmers of Great Britain are and have been advocating the almost, if not altogether, entire prohibition of cattle imports, not as they say in the interest of protection, as politically understood, but in that of this protection of the farmer from the inroads of pleura-pneumonia and the foot and mouth disease, maladies brought over from Russia and the adjoining countries, with whom, so long as free intercourse was permitted, cattle disease could only be stamped out at an immense cost. Mr. W. T. Carrington, an eminent midland counties shorthorn cattle breeder, recently said at the Staffordshire Agricultural Society's Annual Exhibition: "There was now no doubt that foot and mouth disease and pleura-pneumonia were propagated by contagion, and if but one case of either disease came over on a vessel, no amount of purification of that vessel could remove the contagion from it, tainting the succeeding cargoes, which, in their turn, tainted the trucks that conveyed them to market." This ought to be a hint to Canadians who at present have no cattle disease among them; alboit the Texan cattle fever appears to be making a northerly advance. To be forewarned, as the old saying has it, is to be forearmed. Moreover, the exceptionally good position, capable of improvement as it yet is, occupied by Canadian cattle in the estimation of the British authorities should induce our farmers, since that almost all other countries are under the ban of breed, to fatten additionally large quantities of live stock for shipment during the months of April, May, June, July and August, either in the body or in the carcase, the latter, moreover, being a method which has proved to be remarkably successful, especially during winter. The figures which we have given as to the profits of Messrs. Samuel are about in the ratio in which other exporters have profited. A few milch cows as well as store cattle from Canada have also met a favorable reception in England. About 5,000 Canadian sheep have during the season been profitably disposed of in England, and a test shipment of live hogs, made by J. McShane, Jr., showed that here was another field for remunerative speculation. The British horse market has been overdone by Canada, besides, too many "weeds's have been exhibited there, it appearing to have been the impression upon this side that almost any sort of an animal would meet with a purchaser. This fallacious

opinion has been the cause of much loss to Canadians, who may, however, rest assured that if they send anything good to the various British markets, it will be properly appreciated. What are wanted there are good roadsters of moderate height, or serviceable, tall, imposing-looking carriage horses; with these latter, speed not being the consideration but style and appearance.

### WHAT'S THE MATTER?

At intervals during the last year or two, sinister rumors have been set affoat affecting the interests of the various monetary institutions of this city; sometimes with good, and often without any foundation whatever to rest upon. Let it be whispered in the morning that a customer of one of these institutions is in difficulty, and before night the street knows all about itthe amount of his liabilities, and how much his banker will lose, magnified ten-fold and often more. Again, let it be whispered that this or that individual or firm is using a large portion of the bank's funds, no matter how profitable and safe the business may be to the bank (that has nothing to do with it) the street will take that person's business as well as the bank's in hand, and the price of the stock is regulat. ed accordingly. Most, if not all, of our banks have been thus dealt with. Just now it is the City and District Savings Bank; rumor says one thing and another about the institution, it is not a whisper this time, it is loud-voiced, the telegraph catches it, and it is wasted to New York and thence to other cities. If the name of a worthy clergyman had not been made use of, this prince of "Roorbachs" might have been believed and some damage resulted to the institution; but, knowing how. incapable the gentleman referred to was of committing the acts attributed to him, the public only laughed, and this time paid no attention to rumor. Whose turn next?

It is withal somewhat remarkable that the public have paid so little attention to the rumors affecting the City and District. Is it because its management has been above reproach? or are its patrons less liable to nervous attacks than those of other institutions? or is it owing to the very limited number of shareholders? Probably the latter; shareholders as a rule being very noisy and very confidential, if anything wrong is even suspected it is repeated to best friends, and then a first-class "Roorbach" is the result, with loss and trouble to the institution in question. There is another reason why the street should discourage any rumor affecting the City and District Savings Bank: the large interests the "street" have in that institution. The principal business of that bank being to make advances on stocks, any trouble therein would compel the calling in of loans, and in the face of a tightening money market it would be difficult if not impossible to place with other institutions, and the result would be a bear market such as would suit the most rapacious bruin. The bulls might bellow ever so loud, "saltpetre would not save them." Has this been a "bear" movement? is it the mischief which Satan finds for idle hands to do? is it silly rumor? or what's the matter?

### NO ALTERNATIVE.

Merchants are often blamed for the ease with which they grant compromises, when they should rather make a salutary example by winding up the affairs of the applicant. A case which is not at all uncommon has come under our notice where a trader, not unknown to the hardware trade of this city, endeavored a year or two since to obtain a compromise at 75 cents in the dollar. An examination of his affairs revealed the ability to pay 150 cents. The man procured an extension, and subsequently made a similar offer which was also refused, and the creditors resolved to wind up the business. It has been in the hands of an assignce now for more than a year, during which no dividend has been paid, and recent information reveals the prospect of a probable five cents in the dollar. The moral we wish to deduce is plain. It is of the utmost importance that some means be devised, in the interests of the business community, as well as of the majority of our official assignees, for disposing of and winding up bankrupt estates. Some of the latter have killed the goose that laid the golden eggs, and merchants are consequently driven to accept even unreasonable offers of compromise rather than run the risk of losing all. Although canvassing for estates still largely obtains, it is observable that there has been a considerable falling off in the proportion of business done by some of the profession; and these, we need hardly say, are chiefly among those whose management of estates usually resulted in very small fractional dividends.

— Is it just to the stockholders of Agricultural Insurance companies to take risks on furniture factories, or crowded wooden buildings in cities? Yet we observe that the Canada Agricultural loses by the fire at Tees Bros, and the isolated risk by that at St. John. We understood that both companies were purely agricultural.

### INCIDENTS IN AMERICAN COMMER. CIAL LIFE.

(CONCLUDING ARTICLE.)

There exist certain anomalies in American business life that all tend to show how every help is given the people to develop and extend their commercial enterprises. The fixed policy of the nation is so to protect industries that foreigners cannot compete with their home productions; hence the cheapness now so apparent everywhere in the United States. But, at the same time, whilst all business is safely guarded against foreign encroachments, yet amongst themselves there does not exist a tax or slightest barrier to hinder the fullest and freest trade. Business taxes are not known, and assessments and water rates on all places of business are in every instance paid by the landlord. A store rented at \$500 per annum means nothing more,-this sum including every thing, so one is not trammelled in the slightest by any extras. All trade being free amongst themselves, and fearing no competition now,-protection has so built up the country and its industries, that the most serene composure reigns regarding future foreign competition as perfectly futile. This protection policy unquestionably has wonderfully succeeded in America, say what one may to the contrary. That country to day is a living evidence of the manifest soundness of its policy; and, had not the currency so rapidly approached par, and thereby produced so marked a shrinkage in all values, the United States would possibly have suffered but little depression,-and when she does tide over this crisis, her future looks magnificent.

Capacity to conduct business, I found was a feature studied by many wholesale firms before according credit to country buyers. It was not only ability to pay for goods at commencement of a new enterprise that was alone considered, but, before the new customer got into the books, to feel certain that he was a capable tradesman, and not one likely to get into entanglements from incapacity; also the appearance, education and general habits of the buyer were duly weighed. Some of the large and more conservative business firms look closely into these conditions, and argue that it were better never to make a beginning with a doubtful, incapable man at all—he might pay well for a while but, sooner or later, troubles would arise, and all previous profits made, and a good deal more possibly, would be swept. away. Better to sell goods cheap for cash . than have dealings with a man wanting proper intelligence or doing business on long profits, and past experience had proved the entire success of this theory.

This discrimination is assuredly much wanting in Canadian business; it is marvellous at times to enter some of our wholesale stores in the Fall and Spring seasons, and see the specimens of humanity that are often to be seen selecting and purchasing goods, many of them evidencing in their purchases a very meagre knowledge of their business. And, were this class of buyers closely looked into, the results would show that these are they who entail the greatest losses on the importer, and who are the invariably irregular payers. Untrained, unskilled men, they rush from agricultural pursuits, their proper calling, into mercantile life. purchase indiscriminately, piles up unsaleable stock, and, sooner or later, get into irretrievable difficulties, to the loss of the importer, who, would have been a richer and wiser man, had he declined to sell to this incapable buyer at the outset. As before said, this is a matter that is gaining weight with our neighbors, credit cannot be obtained where a knowledge of business is wanting, even should there be a fair commencing capital. Americans have been through the mill, and are now starting on a new course marked out by the experiences of the past, and which will in time develop into a most healthy condition of commerce.

MERCATOR.

JOHN WHYTE, ASSIGNEE.-Mr. Whyte has found a champion in the Herald. That paper, in an article over a column in length in Monday's issue, takes up the cudgels in his behalf, and charges us with "maliciousness" and "personal spleen" for having, in the discharge of a duty to the public, called attention to his remissness in dealing with the Davis estate, and his cheek in bringing an action against the principal creditors to compel them to refund to him the costs of the suit lost by his neglect. We must disclaim all personal feeling in the matter, in what we have said we have been actuated solely by a desire to serve the public interest, and not by any animosity towards Mr. Whyte.

As to the facts of the case, the Herald says it was not a builder's certificate which somebody failed to file in time. We are satisfied it was but that is not a material point. Some necessary document was not filed, and here is what the learned judge we referred to last week says of Mr. Whyte's negligence:—"It is plain that Whyte neglected to furnish the necessary proofs of the loss," and again, "the Privy Council has corroborated Whyte's negligence, by showing that further time to supply the proofs might have been given to him had he applied for it, but which he failed to ask for," and again, "it is clear that his (Whyte's) negligence, whereby the

loss occurred, made him personally responsible towards the parties interested and he then and there became liable to them." "Under the circumstances Whyte is bound to warrant and indemnify his security for the costs incurred, and in the suit against the latter for such costs Whyte should be brought in as the guaranter." Mr. Whyte shifts the responsibility on to his legal advisers. The judge says of this, "No shelter can be afforded him from the mere advice of counsel taken by Whyte, because the assignce, as laid down in Edgar's Commentary upon the Insolvent Act of 1869, had the sole right to select his own professional adviser; nor can he be released merely by reason of his subjection to the jurisdiction of the Insolvent Judge, whose power might, on cause shown, have discharged Whyte from his assigneeship, but could not relieve him from liability for his personal default and negligence, whereby he has caused injury to others by his neg lect."

But Mr. Whyte and his defender are not at one. They both say Clark was the person to furnish the proof required under the insurance policy, but the *Herald* says he, Clark, could not be found, while Mr. Whyte says he was then in the city of Montreal. Which is correct?

— A Professor in a Baltimore University has recovered a verdict for \$356.43 against an express company for damage to mathematical books, which the company brought from Boston and allowed to remain exposed on a wharf, where they were thoroughly saturated by a sudden rise of the water.

- The business changes of the week include the following : New partnership, Knox & Firth, St. John, N.B. Tudhope Bros., hardware merchants, Orillia, have sold out to P. Bertram & Co. J. Mahoney, general dealer, Clifton; Chas. Philimore, general dealer and auctioneer, Yorkville; Frank Curtis, machinist, Guelph; David Johnson, harness maker, Markham, and M. Warner, grain dealer, Guelph, have absconded. The case of the latter is a bad one. It is said he induced the G. T. R. freight agent to give him a bill of lading for three car loads of wheat, the grain in the cars was barley with a slight covering of wheat, about 40 bushels, over it, he then drew on the bill of lading from the Montreal Bank \$1,400 and left. J. C. Macklin & Co., general dealers, Guelph, are closing up with the intention of going into the wholesale trade in either Toronto or Hamilton. Allan Cameron, sewing machines and shoes, Brockville, has sold out to D. Downey. Morrison & Torrance, engine and boiler works Hamilton; D. Stewart & Co., booksellers, Hamilton, and Shields Bros., grocers, Toronto, have dissolved. A demand of assignment has been made on Gregoire Clement, tobacconist, Montreal. Chas. Turner, Brantford, has called a meeting of creditors. Henry Hogben, grocer, Toronto, has obtained an extension. He is to meet his indebtedness in fifteen monthly payments. The following have compromised: -J. J. Kelly, grocer, Toronto, at 40 cts.; John Kelly, tailor, Toronto, at 20 cts; John Kelze, tailor, Toronto, at 20 cents, at 3, 6, and 9 months; Duncan McDougall, blacksmith, Richmond, at 3 cents. This man's liabilities were about \$5,000, with assets next to nothing, and a privilege claim on the blacksmith shop of \$1,500. The following offer to compromise:-John Bland & Company, dry goods, Toronto, at twenty cents, in three, six and nine months: E. Olive, druggist, Moneton, at twenty-five cents, and Vaughan & Donovan, boots and shoes, St. John, at thirty-five cents, secured, in three, seven and ten months. Whitlaw & Moore, foundry, Seaforth, have assigned, liabilities not known. D. Murray, lumber merchant and saw mill owner, Freelton, has also assigned. He is a partner of the flour milling firm of Murray & McDongall of the same place, and it is stated that the failure may interfere with this connection. Although Mr. Murray carries some accommodation paper, he has expressed his ability to pay all claims in full should a little time be granted. A number of other assignments have been made among small traders. The failure of M. Wardell, anctioneer, Toronto, was brought about by that of T. Walls & Sons. His liabilities, when the latter failed in September, were over \$7,500. A meeting of the creditors of Arch. Grant lumberman, is to be held in Ottawa to-morrow. Chas. Leger, Lachine, and - Little, Montreal, have been granted their discharge.

- What the name of Bass & Company is in England that of Carling & Company is rapidly becoming in Canada. Few have any idea of the extent of the brewery business carried on by the latter firm in London, Ontario, an enterprise commenced more than thirty years ago by Mr. Thomas Carling, afterwards conducted by his sons, William and John, and now by Carling & Company. A new building recently erected by the firm, in which to carry on their business, is, without doubt, the largest structure of the kind in the province, and, in point of completeness and adaptability, is second to none in either Canada or the United States. It is 250 feet long by 150 feet wide, and has five main storeys, increased to seven in the malting range. It is built of stone and white brick, and presents a handsome appearance. The inside arrangements are most complete, and are such as to enable the firm to turn out a quality of ale and porter as good as any made in the country and considered by many equal to the English article. An analysis made by Prof. Croft of Toronto proves that Carling's ale has qualities specially adapted to this climate. Its intoxicating qualities are small, the solid or extractive matter is in considerable quantity, and its general quality is "very pure." The capacity of the brewery is 200 barrels (6,000 gallons) per day, and the consumption of barley is about 100,000 bushels per year. The ale and porter produced is rapidly coming into demand not only in Canada but also in the United States. We are glad to know that the enterprise shown by the firm is receiving its just reward.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean says:—Beside the abuse of allowing low-grade vessels to carry grain, our grain-carrying craft generally are loading too deep, and many of them still go one man short before the mast. All this is due to the strife for insurance business. Never before in the history of our lake marine has insurance been so reckless as the present season.

- There is, we fear, danger ahead for the farmers. The Globe has an editorial, warning them against a new wheat pest, the Hessian fly, which has already begun to damage the fall wheat to an alarming extent. It says, in reference to the matter, unless sensible and patriotic measures be adopted it is evident that our country is on the verge of a calamity, perhaps equal in extent to that consequent upon the appearance of the wheat midge a few years ago. For the last two or three years the Hessian fly, own cousin to the midge, has been increasing in numbers. We hear from several quarters that the fall wheat is looking unaccountably feeble, and evidences received prove that this condition is the result of the ravages of this pest. As to the remedies, when the flies have gone into the flaxseed shape, there is but one way to treat them, and that is to destroy the wheat by ploughing up the land, and reserving it for the planting of the spring crop the following season. In conclusion the Globe remarks it may happen that, through the neglect of taking precautions against them, the Hessian flies may suddenly develop into a first-class calamity. We trust that in the storm which will certainly follow, public opinion will be aroused to the necessity of better organized action than is now possible against our insect foes.

- A circular issued from the Insurance Exchange by the Secretary states that, at a meeting of the Committee held last week, it was resolved that, in view of the action taken by the Etna, Hartford and National Companies in refusing the agreement to form a Tariff Association, the first two for the Province of Quebec, and the latter for both Ontario and Quebec, all further action in the matter be abandoned.]

-The statement of the City and District Savings Bank for September shows an increase of \$145,000 in loans on bank stocks, and of \$97,000 in loans on other stocks.

- The St. Louis Republican finds, from careful inquiry of leading manufacturers in that city, that the hard times are passing awaythat there is no sudden increase of business in special fields to note, but a swift and steady revival in all branches.

### ASSIGNMENTS DURING PAST WEEK. PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

John W. Bennett, Maynooth. Auger, Egan & Hill, Bracebridge. John Lorn McDougall, Renfrew. John Lorn McDougall, Renfrew.
A. & S. McDougall, Renfrew.
Samuel McDougall, Carleton Place.
Joshua Doty, Ingersoll.
Daniel McLean, Almonte.
Richard H. Foley, Almonte.
Ellis & Glebe, Greenock.
Dungan Murray, Hamilton Duncan Murray, Hamilton.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Louis Morin, St. Jérôme. Charles A. Perrault, Joliette. Lafayette Sprague, Lachine. Remi Gohier, Montreal. William Wright, Bury. John O'Connor, Quebec, Hugh Mathewson, Clarendon Centre. Lefebyre Bros., Knowltonville.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Prosper E. Paulin, Bathurst. Moses F. Josselyn, St. John.

### WRITS OF ATTACHMENT ISSUED vs.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

William Ballantyne, Goderich, Richard Junes, Goderich, Jacob Green, St. Thomas. L. F. Stone, Peterborough, Johnston Rutherford, Stratford. Joinston Redulerford, Strattord Edwin Doty, Ingersoll. William Wright, Owen Sound. M. Wardell, Toronto. William Walsh, Oakville. Louis Blumburgh, Toronto. Byce & Beach, Prescott. Cudwig Lehman, Ringwood. David Johnston, Markham. William Watkins, Glenwilliams.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Edwin C. Humphrey, Barnston. Bazile Potvin, St. Jean Deschaillons. Bazile Potvia, St. Jean Deschaillons.

Abraham Codaire, Sherbrooke.

A. Godmaire, Montreal.

Louis Laurent, St. Paulin.

St. John's Stone Chinaware Co., St. Johns.

Onésime Pronovost, St. Geneviève de Batiscan.

Beaupré & Piché, Sorel.

Vital Cousineau, Montreal.

Emile Venzeignant, St. Lean Deschaillons. Emile Toussignant, St. Jean Deschaillons. George Potvin, St. Sauveur. J. R. Middlemiss & Co., Montreal.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

John Noonan, Chatham. PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Room & Co., Halifax. John D. McKenzie, Pictou.

### FIRE RECORD.

Barrie, Ont., Oct. 16.—A frame building, one of the Boys' block, owned by George Hayter, and occupied by William Hayes, was destroyed

Dartmouth, N.S., Oct. 14.—A louse belonging to and occupied by Mrs. Gaston was burned to the ground.

Milford, Oct. 16 .- A fire destroyed the Domi-Milford, Oct. 16.—A fire destroyed the Dominion House, with barns, sheds, driving house, and their contents; also J. G. Currie's bakery, dwelling and blacksmith shop, and David Dodge's country store. The hotel building is insured for \$2,600; the others are not insured. Parkhill, Oct. 16.—A wooden building owned by William Hastings, and occupied as a storehouse for flux by Shantz Bros. Loss about \$1,300; neither parties are insured.

Brooklyn, Ont., Oct. 18.—The Canada Methodist church was damaged to the extent of \$100 by fire, occasioned by the furnace.

Kincardine, Oct. 16.—A fire was discovered in the rear of the Bruce Review printing house, in the rear of the Bruce Review printing house, and spread so quickly that it, with five adjoining stores, four of which were occupied by T. A. Johnston, general store and dwelling; Madden & Rutledge, pork packers; Mrs. Bowman, fancy goods and dwelling; and John Williams, shoemaker; one of the stores was unoccupied; all belonging to A. Copp, of Hamilton, were destroyed. Total loss about \$16,000, divided as follows: Copp, on buildings \$3,000, insurance unknown; T. A. Johnston, where and furniture \$4,500, insured Hamilton, were destroyed. Total loss about \$16,000, divided as follows: Copp, on buildings \$3,000, insurance unknown; T. A. Johnston, on stock and furniture \$4,500, insured for \$2,000; Madden & Rutledge, on stock \$800, covered by insurance; Mrs. Bowman, on stock and furniture \$1,100, insured for \$1,000; John Williams, on stock and furniture \$3,000, insured for \$2,000; Bartholomew & Thonson, printing office, on stock and books \$4,500, insured for \$2,400.

Moncton, N.B., Oct. 19.—Willbur's saw mill, situated a few miles from here, was totally destroyed by fire; loss unknown, insured for \$700 in the Western.

Orillia, Oct. 19.—A stable connected with

Orillia, Oct. 19.—A stable connected with the Methodist parsonage was burned down.

Cobourg, Oct. 19.—The barns and outbuildings in rear of St. Peter's parsonage were entirely destroyed by fire; loss \$6,000; no insur-

Ayr, Ont., Oct. 20.-James Piper's woollen mill destroyed by fire on the 16th inst., was insured for \$5000 in the Waterloo Mutual, reinsured for \$1,000 in the Economical of Berlin, for \$3,000 in the Wellington Mutual, and for \$3,000 in the Canada Fire and Marine.

Westmeath, Oct. 23.—A block of work shops belonging to George A. Tucker and Findlay McEwan, and occupied by Kane I. Tucker, I). McKenzie, Findlay McEwan, Fred. Smith and George Leach, was destroyed by fire. None of the contents were saved. Loss \$1,500; none of the parties were insured.

Quebee, Oct. 22.—A hangard attached to the residence of Mr. Dawson, on Ursule Hill, was damaged by fire. The building being of stone, the fire was confined to the first and second stories.

Aylmer, Ont., Oct. 21.—A barn, containing the season's crop, some farming implements and a valuable horse, was destroyed by fire with all the contents. Loss covered by insurance.
Clifford, Oct. 18.— A fire destroyed four stores

occupied by D. Mollison as a general store, E. T. Gibson, fancy goods, John Hillhouse, tinsuith and F. W. Graef, tanner and shoemaker. Mollison is the heaviest loser, and is partly insured.
Cobourg, Oct. 19.—A fire broke out last night

in the hay-packing house of Adam Dickson, quickly consuming it. Loss, \$600 on the building; insured for \$200 in the Canada Agricultural. Loss on the bay and pressing machinery, \$400; insured for \$200.

London, Ont., Oct. 19.—The residence of a man named Elms was damaged by fire. Loss very little.

Portland, N.B .- The most disastrous fire ever was witnessed here occurred on the 21st inst, in which over 200 buildings were destroyed, causing a loss of \$300,000, and rendering homeless over 2,000 persons. The insurance is estimated at \$90,000. The streets or parts of streets mainly devastated are Main, Portland, Acadia, Chapel and High streets. Among the Acadia, Chapel and High streets. Among the principal buildings were the Temperance Italiand the Methodist church. As our space will not permit us going into further details we conclude by giving the insurance, as far as can be ascertained, viz.:—Provincial, \$8,000; Lancashire, \$6,000; Northern, \$7,000; North British and Mercantile, \$8,000; Queen, \$1,400; Citizens', \$8,000; Royal Canadian, \$3000; Ganada Fire and Marine, \$7,000; Atha, \$3,000; Hartford, \$3,000; Imperial, \$10,000; British American, \$500; Isolated Risk, \$1,000; British American, \$500; Isolated Risk, \$1,000; Western, \$2,400; National, \$500; Guardian, \$5,000; Central, \$2,600.

Fredericton, Oct. 22.—A large fire occurred here and destroyed property to the extent of

here and destroyed property to the extent of about \$16,000. It was discovered in a barn in rear of Tower's Hotel, and spread with alarming rapidity and destroyed the following anarming rapidity and destroyed the following property on its way: A barn and an out-house belonging to Mr. Towers, Dr. Currie's dwelling, barn and an adjoining house, dwelling formerly occupied by Edw. Seely, Martin Mackay's grocery store and dwelling, residence of John McPherson, and a lot of barns, sheds, and at the little are Control of the state of of John McPherson, and a lot of barns, sheds, and other buildings on Queen street, a large building belonging to the Ferguson Estate, house owned and occupied by Alderman Dykeman, the Estey Estate, also the barns and sheds in rear of these and the residence of Elijah Clark. The insurance is 50,000; North British and Mercantile, \$32,000; National, \$1,500. Eleven families, composing about sixty persons, are burnt out, and most of these have no are burnt out, and most of these have no insurance, but most of them saved their household goods. The heaviest loser is John McPherson, who is not insured.

Montreal, Oct. 22.—A fire was discovered in the four-storey furniture factory of Tees Bros., situated at the St. Gabriel locks. Owing to the exertions of the firemen it was confined to the chair department on the second floor where exertions of the firemen it was confined to the chair department on the second floor, where, also, a large quantity of chairs were stored, which, with the machinery, etc., were nearly all destroyed. Most of the books and papers were saved. The loss will foot about \$5,000, and are insured as follows:—Royal Canadian, \$2,000 on stock and machinery; Citizens, \$3,000 on building; Western, \$4,000 on whole factory; Commercial Union, \$3,000 on building, \$1,000 on stock, and \$1,000 on machinery; Canada Farmers, \$1,500 on machinery and stock; Canada Fire and Marine, \$2,000 on building, and in the

Provincial for a small amount. Cobourg, Oct. 23.—The brick barns and sheds on the "Fowler" farm, three miles from here, on the "Fowler" farm, three miles from here, belonging to Mr. Pettigrew, were burned, together with over 1,000 bushels of wheat, besides a large quantity of other grain and farming implements. His residence caught fire several times, but was every time extinguished. Loss \$5,000, and was insured a few days ago.

Woodstock, N.B., Oct. 21.—The residence of Charles Shears was burned down; insured.

Quebec, Oct. 23.—A fire broke out in the building occupied by Mr. Plante as a grocery store, at Côte d'Abraham Hill, damaging it to the extent of about S150; covered by insurance in the Queen Co.

Cap Blanc, O et. 23.—A fire broke out in the grocery of Mr. Wiseman, and did damage to about \$100; fully insured in the Queen Co.

### Commercial.

### MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS. MONTREAL, Oct. 25th, 1877.

There is no special change to note for the week, beyond those glanced at under special headings. The first snow of the season fell last night, but the storm ceased at noon, and was nearly all converted into slush by evening. The weather has hitherto been mild for October, and retail dealers in 'fuel and winter garments hail the first appearance of winter. Mild frosts have prevailed in Western Ontario. frosts have prevailed in Western Ontario. Farmers have sown extensively of winter wheat, and are anxious about the threatened invasion of the Hessian fly. The money market has maintained the stiffness previously referred to. The evidences of a return to better times remain unaffected, and country merchants will do well to promote the change by every means in their power, by pressing payments among their customers and remitting promnity. It, were well to attenut, a check promptly. It were well to attempt a check upon the evil results of bankrupt stocks by concerted action among dealers in their virepresenting to wholesalers the policy of shielding them from the unnatural competition of incompetent or dishonest dealers who are granted compromises at 40c to 50c. in the dollar.

Ashes.-The receipts of Pots have been fair, and with light demand. Prices have again and with light demand. Prices have again declined, sales having been made at \$3.92\frac{1}{2}\text{down to \$3.80, the latter for poor tares. Seconds \$3.30 and Thirds about \$2.95. Pearls, receipts are falling off. Sales, \$4.35 for First Sort; Seconds continue neglected. There is little speculative demand for either Pots or Pearls, and a further decline is looked for in the former. The receipts from 1st January have been 11,426 brls, Pots and 1446 brls, Pearls. The deliveries 11919 brls. Pots and 1425 brls. Pearls, and the stock in store at 6 o'clock on Wednesday evening was 2122 brls. Pots and 793 brls. Pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES .- There is a little more doing the present week, and a fair sorting up trade seems probable as the cold weather approaches, although commercial travellers report stocks not as much broken up as was expected. Prices are steady without any material change.
Daugs and Chemicals.—Continued activity

prevails in this department of trade, with a slightly firmer feeling in regard to prices of heavy goods on account of higher freights from England. Oils.—Not much doing in this line, and prices remain without change. Naval Stores—Turpentine slightly higher and in fair demand, other articles without change and moving slowly. Paints—A good many orders have been filled during the week, and prices generally for large lots in favor of buyers.

DRY GOODS.—We are pleased to hear that

remittances continue to be satisfactory, and, no doubt, as the season advances, they will be still better. A good many Eastern Townships and Eastern Untario buyers have been here this last week. We are also told that a large number of sorting up orders have been sent by representatives now on the road. Stocks generally are being lessened rapidly, although still well assorted. The City retail trade are busy, the weather of late being just the right kind to favorably influence this very important department of business.

Fish.-Unchanged, not much demand. FISH.—Unchanged, not much demand. Salt Herrings, \$5.50 to \$5.75; No. 1 Draft Codlish advanced to \$7.25; No. 1 Green Cod, \$5.00 to \$5.25; No. 2, \$4 to \$4.25. Salmon dull, \$12, \$11 and \$10 for 1, 2 and 3. FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The lowness of the price to which flour has declined has aided the filling

of large orders for Britain, so that considerable quantities have been bought during the past week for shipment. The chief transactions have week for supment. The chief transactions may been in Spring Extra and Superior Extra, the former selling at \$5.42\frac{1}{2} to \$5.50 and the latter \$6.05 to \$6.15. In other grades the business

S6.05 to \$6.15. In other grades the business has been comparatively small, partly owing to want of stock. Fancy has sold at \$5.70 to \$5.75, and Extra \$5.90 to \$6. Wheat.—No. 2 Canada Spring is easier, car lots selling at \$1.20 to \$1.22. No. 1 held at \$1.26 to \$1.28. No. 2 White unchanged.

Liverpool, 25th Oct., 5 p.m.—Wheat market continues dull and heavy, look for still lower quotations. Flour, 26s 6d to 32s; Red Wheat, 10s 2d to 11s 3d; Red Winter, 10s 8d to 11s 3d; White, 12s 8d to 13s 1d; Club, 13s to 13s 6d; Corn, 29s 6d; Oats, 3s to 3s 6d; Peas 39s; Barley, 3s 6d; Pork, 47s 6d; Lard, 45s 6d; Bacon, 40s to 41s 6d; Cheese, 64s; Tallow, 41s; Beef, 92s 6d.

to 41s 6d; Cheese, 64s; Tallow, 41s; Beef, 92s 6d.

London, 5 p.m.—Consols, 96 1-16; four and a half's, 105; fives, 106\(^3\); Erie, 13\(^4\); pid., 24

N.Y.C., 107; I. C., 77\(^1\) Chicago, Oct. 25, 10.50 a.m.—Wheat, \$1.04\(^3\)

to 104\(^3\) Nov; \$1.09\(^1\) Oct. Corn, 43\(^3\) to 143\(^1\)

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yeur; \$12.52\(^4\) to 12.55 Jan. Lard, \$8.12\(^4\) to 8.15 year; \$8.17\(^4\) to 8.10 Jan.

Furs and Skins.—No change in business or prices since our last review. We quote:—Rat, Spring, 18cts to 20cts; Fall do, 10cts. to 15cts.; Coon, 22c. to 55c.; Red Fox, \$1.00 to \$1.55\(^3\); Cross Fox, \$2.00 to \$3.00. Martin Pale, 70cts. to 90cts.; Martin Dark, \$1.30 to \$1.75; Mink, Western Canada good colors, \$1.00 to \$1.50; Mink, Eastern Canada, prime small, \$1.00 to \$1.50; Mink, Eastern Canada, prime small, \$1.00 to \$1.50; Ming, \$1.50 to \$2.00; Otter dark prime, \$5.00 to \$7.00; Fisher, dark prime, \$4.50 to \$6.25; Lynx, \$1.25 to \$1.75; Beaver, fall clear pelt per 1b. \$1.25 to \$1.75; Winter do. \$1.75 to \$2.00; Bear, large prime, \$8.00 to \$10.00.

Hardware.—The month of October has nearly passed and although a considerable amount of roods have been moved still it must be ad-

passed and although a considerable amount of goods have been moved still it must be admitted on all hands that the quantity is not up to the expectations of the trade. Railroad freight rates will in all probability be advanced next week and, till then, orders for heavy goods

will, as usual, come forward more freely.

Leather.—The manufacturers are busy with their samples of Spring goods, consequently business; is rather dull in this line, but prices. remain firm. Leather houses holding first-class Upper, Buff, Pebble and Slaughter are not anx-Upper, Buff, Pebble and Slaughter are not anxious to push sales, as they feel confident an advance will take place as soon as a demand arises. It is firmly believed that a large business will be done next month. Slaughter Sole has steadily advanced from 26c. to 28c. Very choice light Upper would command 40c.; No. 1 Buff and Pebble 16c. Patent and Enamelled Leather quiet. Spanish is in fair demand at 23c. to 24c. Small lots, 25c. to 26c. Hides continue scarce at \$9.50 to \$10.

Live Stock.—The arrivals of Live Stock at Point St. Charles last week were seventeen carloads of cattle, about eight hundred sheep and

loads of cattle, about eight hundred sheep and lambs, and over twelve hundred hogs; four more carloads of cattle and a carload of logs arrived on Monday. Sales were moderately active at about the same prices as on the previous Mon-

day, good cattle a shade better. The range of prices were from \$3 00 to \$4.50 per 100 lbs for cattle; from \$4.25 to \$5 for logs. The following sales were reported:—21 cattle at an average of \$41; 6 oxen, averaging 1,500 lbs, at \$4.25 per 100 lbs; the balance of this load at \$35 each; a carload for \$652; two carloads, one at \$45 per head, or a little over 4c per lb., the other at \$38 per head; 25 cattle at \$27 each; 22 at \$33 each; 5 oxen at \$60 each; 8 steers at \$35 each; 15 steers at an average of \$38, about \$35 each; 15 steers at an average of \$48, about \$4.25 per 100 lbs; 35 cattle at an average of \$36; 50 cattle at prices ranging from \$25 to \$50 each, or from 3c to 4c per lb. The general price of ordinary sized cows in fair condition is from \$20 to \$25 each, good ones would bring over \$30; common heifers are worth from \$14 over \$30; common heifers are worth from \$14 to \$18 each. Butchers have bought all that they require for the present. Between five and six hundred head of cattle were sold at the different markets and yards on Monday and Tuesday. The following sales of sheep are reported:—100 at from \$4 to \$5.50 each; 27 sheep and 10 lambs in one lot for \$4.25 each; 10 lambs for \$29. Several lots of good lambs were sold at from \$3 to \$3.25 each; common lambs were sold at from \$2.40 to \$2.75 each. Sales of hogs are reported as follows :- 77 at \$5 per 100 lbs.; 35 at \$4.50 per 100 lbs. Between eight and nine hundred hogs remain on the market unsold One dealer had 248 hogs for over a week without selling any. Three earloads of fat hogs were sold at St. Gabriel Marhet on Tuesday, two loads at \$4.50, and one load at \$4.40 per 100 lbs. Dressed hogs sell for \$6 per 100 lbs.

Lumber.—Official returns of last year's ing portation of timber show that in the aggregate the three divisions of the Kingdom—England, Scotland and Ireland-imported a total of 6,287,568 loads of hewn and sawn or split timber in 1876 as compared with 5,000,412 loads in the previous years, 429,210 loads of staves as compared with 92,572 loads of the same the same material, and only 52,461 tons of malogny as compared with 80,205 tons in 1875. The distributing ports at which these woods were retributing ports at which these woods were re-ceived were London, Liverpool, Bristol, Hull, Newcastle, Southampton, Dover, Folkestone, Newhaven, Gloucester, Goole, Grimsby, Hartle-pool and Swansea, in England; Leith, Glasgow, Greenock, Aberdeen, Dundee, Grangemouth and Montrose, in Scotland; and Dublin, Belfast, Cork, Limerick, Londonderry and Waterford, in Italiand, England, Granger, stands Gartes, Inc. Ireland. England, of course, stands first on the list of consumption; Scotland second and Ireland last. A despatch from East Saginaw says the prospects of the lumber trade look better than before at any other time since the panic. A large number of dealers from abroad are on the market, and 25,000,000 feet have changed hands during the past week. While manufacturers are firm in their tone, there is a large amount of lumber to go forward, and a carryamount of lumber to go forward, and a curry-ing capacity not equal to the demand. There are fully 20,000,000 feet on the river to go to. Chicago, and no vessels. An advance of fully S1 per M. is reported. At Quebec matters are dull, advices from England offering no inducements to shippers to purchase. A Gatineau lumberman says the cut in that district this winter promises to exceed the season of 1877. It is said that the proprietors of the Eddy, Ottawa, Ketchemin and New Liverpool saw mills have entered into large contracts with lumber merchants for next year's supplies of lumber merchants for near your burder. A number of shantymen have left the Upper Ottawa for the States, in consequence of the extreme low wages. Some of the best horses have been sent to Michigan at fair prices. One pair brought \$500. A dealer from Sydney, Australia, is in Ottawa making purchases of lumber. France has just sustained a rather serious pecuniary loss by the burning of three-fourths of the immense forests which she held in her Algerian colony; 150,400 acres have been destroyed. The North Western Lumbernian contions manufacturers against over production cautions manufacturers against over production a warning which it is said our Ottawa lumbermen are taking. In the Montreal local market we have no changes to note. On Tuesday ten dealers went to Ottawa to buy, seven from the States and three from Montreal. The old stock

is nearly all sold. Prices have an upward tendency. Freights have also advanced.

Phovisions.—Cheese.—No change to note in prices. Butter unchanged. See Prices Current. SALT.—Scarce, 65c asked to arrive; factory filled scarce and dull at 90c to \$1.

Tonacco.—In Manufactured Plug the demand

Topacco.—In Manufactured Plug the demand continues good. Our leading manufacturer has lowered his prices for Blacks from one to two cents per lb., in low grade Brights half cent per lb. and advanced No. 1 Solace half cent per lb. Quotations are now in bond: Blacks, for common to fair, 12c. to 16c.; good to fine, 18c. to 22c. Mahogany and Brights, common to fair, 12c. to 18c.; good to fine, 20c. to 30c.; fancy, 35c. to 45c. Leading brands are quoted duty paid, viz, Blacks, Prince of Wales, 36c. to 39c.; Nelson, Navies 37c. to 40c.; Brights, Solace 35c. to 48c.; Navy, 3's, 45c. to 60c.; Rough and Ready, 55c. to 65c.; Fancy twists, 60c. to 75c. Cigars.—In domestics manufacturer find a good demand for all they can produce. Prices remain stendy and are quoted for Clear Seed \$13 to 25; Seed and Havana, \$25. to \$50; Clear Havana, Seed and Havana, \$25 to \$50; Clear Havana, \$35 to \$75.

S35 to S75.

Wholesale Grocery Market.—Sugars rather easier; reduction of about 1 at least on Yellows and refined White Sugars. Teas—Firm for low grade Japans especially, and sales of such to an extent of probably 1,000 pkgs at full prices. Other Teas without special change. Molasses, 47c. to 49c. for Barbados. Sygups the turn easies but nothing of much recent. are, to 49c, for Barondos. Syraps the turn easier, but nothing of much moment. Coffees, Rice, Chemicals and Spices—Trade in these is moderate and prices steady. Fruits.—The S.S. Strathtay is now at hand with cargo mostly of Straintay is now at hand with eargo mostly of Valentias, held at about 7c, for quantity; §§c to 7½c, is about full range at the moment. Malaga Fruit steady. Currants §§c, to 7½c for new; §c, to §½c, for crop 1876.

Wixes and Spinars.—No change in business or prices. See Prices Current.

Woot.—The wool demand during the past week has been very quiet. Sales limited to small lets on wholly consumitive account We

small lots, on wholly consumptive account. We think the very fact that manufacturers are running so closely to their consumption will have a tendency to make the market very active at some future time. The stock of pulled wool is on the increase, still desirable sorted wools are in active demand at firm prices. We note an improvement on the sales of miscella-neous wools in Liverpool last week, both in quantity sold and higher prices obtained from

### OIL REPORT.

previous sales.

(From our own Correspondent.)

Petrolia, October 22nd, 1877.—The market continues firm, the producers holding well together, and the few transactions which have been made were well up to the prices quoted. Developing is progressing steadily, but no strikes worthy of note. The recent reports from the United States of a combination having been formed creates some hopes of an export trade for this winter, but the shipments during trage for this winter, but the shipments during the past three months from the United States to Europe have been so heavy that it is scarcely probable. The shipments last week were: Crude, 5,066 brls.; Distillate, 792 brls., Relined oil, 448 brls. Prices: Crude, S1.40 to \$1.50; Refined oil, 12 tets. F. O. B. London.

### RAILWAY RETURNS.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY .- Return of traffic for week ending October 13th, 1877, and the corresponding week, 1876, 1877.—Passengers, Mails, and Express Freight, \$61,722; Merchandise, \$159,972; Total, \$221,604. Corresponding week, 1876, \$201,982. Increase, 1877, \$19,712.

week, 1816, \$201,882. Increase, 1877, \$19,712.

MIDLAND RAILWAY OF CANAA.—Port Hope, October 18th, 1877. Statement of traffic receipts for week, from 7th to 14th October, 1877, in comparison with same period last year:—Passengers, \$2,408.76; Freight, \$4,574.40; Mails and Express, \$228.32; Total, \$7,211.47. Same week last year, \$7,167.23. Increase, \$44.24. Total traffic to date, \$208,226.02; do., year previous, \$216,647.10. Decrease, \$8,421.08.

#### IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal per Grand Trunk Ruilway, the Canal and River from 1st January to 25th October, 1876 and 1877:

		The second of	1876.	1877.
		brls		12,890
i	Butter	.brls	96,806	93,418
		.bush	195,652	474,573
	Bacon	boxes	224	162
	Corn	.bush	3,590,579	4,429,512
	Cheese	boxes	291,018	220,708
	Flour	.brls	785,795	628,311
	Lard		23,868	46,430
	Oats	. bush	2,352,006	203,924
	Peas	bush.,	730,227	265,356
	Pork	brls	12,364	19,843
	Whent	bush,	5,727,562	5,829,782

TRECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes .- 253 brls. Pot, 32 brls. Pearl.

Butter, -3,686 brls. \*

Barley .- 34,976 bush.

Bucon .- -- boxes.

Corn,-65,268 bush.

Cheese .- 10,925 boxes.

Flour,-33,340 brls.

Lard.-1,520 brls. Oats .- 6,755 bush.

Peas .- 22,844 bush.

Pork .- 466 brls.

Wheat .- 482,847 bush.

\*A typographical error last week made receipts for the week 28,607; should have been 4,018 brls.

### EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st January to 25th October, 1876 and 1877.

		187G.	1877.
Ashes	brls	11,200	12,245
: Butter	. brls	141,005	93,285
Barley	.bnsh	30,146	492,077
	.boxes		27,285
	.bush		3,060,370
	.boxes,		359,822
	. brls		191,940
Lard	.brls	42,764	32,153
Onts	bush	2,849,697	202,976
	bush		799,126
	.brls	8,992	15,960
Wheat	bush	4,833,302	4,149,315

### AUCTION SALE

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# BUFFALO ROBES.

Second Sale this Season,

On Friday 2nd November,

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# 5,000 ROBES

Of all Grades will be sold.

All are this season's Robes, soft, dark, long-furred, being the selected portion of the united collection of T. C. Power & Bro. and J. C. Baker & Co.

### Terms .- 3 Months Credit, without Interest.

Robes open for inspection, and Catalogues ready three days before the sale at the Robe Warehouse, next door to T. James Claxton & Co., St. Joseph Street, Montreal.

Sale at 2 o'clock,

BENNING & BARSALOU, Auctioneers.

EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes .- 471 brls. Pots. 51 brls. Pearl.

Butter .- 7,143 brls.

Barley, -33,533 bush.

Bucon .- 37 boxes.

Corn.-47,613 bush.

Cheese .- 5,204 boxes.

Flour .- 20,397 brls. Lard.-15 brls.

Oals .- 15,031 bush.

Peas.-116,131 bush.

Pork .- 134 brls.

Wheat .- 523,841 bush.

#### Carsley's Column.

# TATEEKLY TEST.

NUMBER OF PURCHASERS SERVED during the week ending October 6th, 1877,

5.176.

NUMBER OF PURCHASERS SERVED

during the corresponding week of last year,

INCREASE - - - - 702.

#### ARE WE RIGHT OR WRONG?

According to the newspapers, a testimonial is to be presented to Mr. Welf for the services in riding the country of the silver nulsance. We are undor the impression that Sir Francis Hincks is entitled to the oredit of rendering the greatest and most substantial benefit to the business men of Canada that has been done for them during the last twelve years, namely of driving the American silver out of the country. Many an M. P. got hundreds of votes by promising to remove the silver nuisance, but Sir Francis Hincks appears to have been the only man who could and did resist the lobbying of brokers and others at Ottawa, who were making mouey out of it. If we are wrong in giving the credit to Sir Francis, perhaps some one will set us right.

### NEW GOODS.

Men's Double Breast Wool Shirts, 65c.
Men's Double Breast Wool Shirts, 35c.
Four cases Men's Scotch Wool Underclothing,
varying in prices from \$1.45. to \$4.00 per garment.
Boys' Wool Mufflers and Scards from 5c. each.
Men's Wool Mufflers and Scards from 5c. each.
Men's Cardigan Jackets, large sizes, 95c.
Men's Cardigan Jackets, in good qualities, from
\$1.50 to \$6 each.
Men's Oxford Shirts, from \$5c.
Men's Oxford Shirts, Collars attached, 70c.
Boys' Wool Shirts from 35c.
Girls' small size Wool Vests, 25c.
Girls' Wool Drawers, 25c.

### LADIES

One case Ladies' Scotch Wool Vests, Drawers and

Ladies' Wool Hose, all sorts and sizes.

### NOVELTIES.

Two cases of novelties in Ladies' Ties, Collars, Cuffs and Lace Goods.
The New Cronwell Collars.
The New Lace Collars, in new shapes.

### OUR BLANKETS.

Five bales of White Blankets, from \$2.18 to \$12 per pair.

### OUR CLOTHS.

Just to hand, a large stock of Canada Tweeds for men's or boys' wenr, from 45c, to \$1,20 per yard.

### OUR SHIRTS.

Gentlemen will please remember that ours is the store for White Shirts, Collars, and Cuffs.

### S. CARSLEY,

393 and 395 NOTRE DAME STREET, MONTREAL, AND 8 PATERNOSTER ROW, LONDON, ENGLAND.

Dividend Notice.

# Bank of Montreal.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of

### SIX PER CENT.

upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this institution has been declared for the CURRENT HALF-YEAR, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House in this city, on and after

SATURDAY, the 1st day of December next.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be closed from the 16th to the 30th November next, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

R. B. ANGUS

General Manager.

Montreal, 22nd October, 1877.

Notice.



## Notice to Contractors.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Heating Apparatus, will be received at this office until FRIDAY, the TWENTY-SIXTH instant, at moon, for Henting Apparatus of New Educational Block, Military College, Kingston, On-

Plans and specifications, &c., can be seen on and after THURSDAY, the ELEVENTH instant, at the office of Mr. R. Gage, Architect, Kingston; at the office of Mr. Sppell, C.E., Lachine Canal, Montreal; on enquiry of Mr. Wills, Foreman Engineer, Custom House, Toronto; and also at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, where forms of tender, &c., can be obtained. be obtained.

No tender will be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and—in the case of firms—except there are attached the actual signature, occupation and place of residence of each member of the same.

The tenders to have the actual signatures of two solvent persons, residents of the Dominion, and willing to become sureties for the due performance of the Contract.

This Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

F. BRAUN,
DEPARTMMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
OTTAWA, October 6th, 1877. SecretaryNew York Advertisements.

# Whittemore, Peet, Post

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Nos. 346 & 348 BROADWAY,

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Ever shown in this country, comprising a full assortment, in sizes and qualities, from the following well-known manufacturers:

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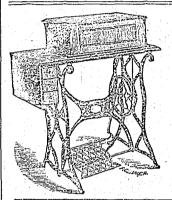
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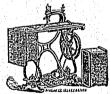
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Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates,	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates,
Leather (at 6 m'ths:)  In lots of less than 50 sides, 10 p.c. higher Spa'sh Sole, 1st q'l'y heavy wgis., per lb Spanish Sole, 1st quality, and wts., ib Do. No. 2.  Buffalo Sole No. 1. Do. do. 2. Slaughter, heavy Do. light Zauzibar No. 1. Do. No. 2.  Usper heavy ' No. 2.  Usper heavy ' light Grained Upper. Red Upper. Rip Skins, French. Euglish. Hemlock Calf 30 to 40 lbs. Do. light Freach Calf. Fine Calf Splits. Sloga Splits. Splits, large, per lb. Stoga Splits. Leather Board, Canadian Enamelled Cow, prft. Patent. Polished Grain. Poble Grain Buff. Russetts, light ' heavy  Oils.  Cod Oil, Newfoundland, Straits Oil—A merican Straw Seal. Pate Scal. Pate Scal. Pate Scal.	\$ c. \$ c.  0 24 0 25 0 23 0 24 0 22 0 23 0 21 0 22 0 23 0 24 0 25 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25 0 21 0 25	Linseed raw  boiled Olive machinery  cating  yet, per case  pis,  fueca, Flasks Spirits Turpentine Whale, refined  Est Paints, &c  White Lead, gen, 100 lb, kegs  No. 1  White Lead, genine, in Oil, per 25 lbs  Do., Xo. 1  Shifts Paints, &c  White Lead, genine, in Oil, per 25 lbs  Do., Xo. 1  Canada Grain:  Treadwell Canada Spring, (No. 1.)  ""  Red Winter  Dats  L. C. Barley, per 48 lbs  Peas  Peas  peas  pea 66 lbs. Oatmeal. Corn.  Flour  Superior Extras Extra Superine. Strong Bakers  Fancy Spring Extra Superine Middlings  Will please bea	0 75  1 33 1 35 1 26 1 28 1 29 1 28 1 29 1 32 1 32 1 35 0 30 0 32 0 30 0 32 0 4 5 0 5 0 \$1 5 82 4 0 57 0 00  6 05 6 6 6 6 00 6 00 6 00 6 00 6 00 6 00 6 00 5 20 6 00 5 20 6 00 5 20 6 00 5 20 6 00 5 20 6 00 5 20 7 5 40 0 00 7 5 20 7 5 40 0 00 7 5 20	U. C. Bagsper 100 lbs. City Bags  Provisions.  Butter, Townships, pr lb Do Brockville Do Morrisburg Do Western Dairy. Do Store pneked Cheese, fine Pork, mess, inspected Do thin mess Ham, smoked pails  "Andread Lard pails "Incked Tallow rendered Reef, prime mess, Trees India Mess Prime mess brls. Mess Hops New "Old  Wool. Fleece Pulled Wool, Super No. 1 Medium Wines. Liquors, etc. Ale English, qts Stout: Guinness qs. Montreal, qts Montreal, qts Brandy: Hennessey's.gal Bisquit, Dubouché & Cogal	27 (0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 5 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	*** " " do *** " " do V V. Chaloupin	\$2.50



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INSURANCE COMPANIES. - CANADIAN. - Montreal Quotations, Oct. 25th 1877.

NAME OF COMPANY.	No. Shares.	Last Dividend, per year.	Share par value.	Amount paid per Share.	Last Sale, per Share.	Canada quotations per ct.
British America Fire & Marine Canada Life	2.500	5-6mos. 5	\$50 400 100	\$50 50	\$58 85	116 <u>1</u> 170
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The liability on all Bank Stocks and the Canada Guarantee Co'y is limited to double the Amount of the Subscribed Capital. On all other Stocks the liabilities of shareholders is strictly limited to the amount of Subscribed Capital.

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"The following statement shows the relative progress of the following Companies during the LAST FIVE years:-

" Name of Company. No. of Policies issued and amount. "CANADA LEFE..... \$11,690,912 4,001,689

The said statement is hereby officially declared by me to be a flagrant misrepresentation as will be appearent from the following figures extracted from the Government returns. Whether said misrepresentation is wilful or otherwise, the Canada Life is hereby called upon to explain and apologize for.

EXTRACT FROM GOVERNMENT RETURNS.

YEAR.	CANADA	LIFE.	CONFERENCE A TRON.			
I EAR.	No. of Policies issued.	Amount.	No. of Policies issued.	Amount.		
1872 1873 1874 1875 1876	1512 1651 1279 1593 1396	\$2,114,094 2,267,013 1,854,766 2,443,311 2,227,900	1206 467 1107 1005 1101	\$1,833,790 649,300 1,552,908 1,383,915 1,500,746		
Total for 5 Years.	7431	\$10,907,084	4889	\$6,920,659		

N.B.—In judging of the "relative progress" of the two Companies, the fact must not be lost sight of that it has taken the Canada Life about 30 years to attain their present position, while the above results have been accomplished by the Confederation during their first five years. It might have enabled the public to have formed a more correct opinion upon the subject had it been shown (only it did not suit the purpose of the Canada) that the Confederation had a larger number of policies in force at the end of its fifth year, than the Canada Life at the end of its Eight EENTH year.

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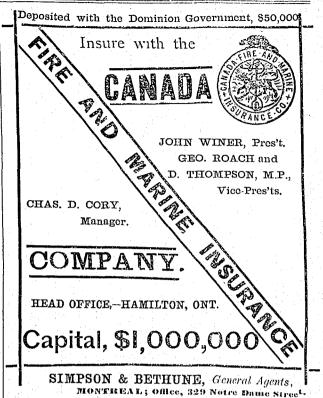
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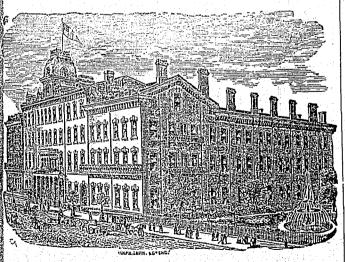
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NAME.	Shares.	Capital subscribed.	Capital paid-up.	Rest.	Dividend lust 6 Months,	Closing Prices Oct 25th.
. Canadian Bank of Commerce	S-50	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	1,900,000	4pat.	118; 119;
/ Consolidated Bank of Canada	100	4,000,000	3,477,950	230,000	4pst.	87 89
Dominion Bank	50	970,250	970,250	270,000	4	1991 694
Du Peuple	03	1,600,000	1,600,000	275,000	3	122] 87] 90
Eastern Townships	63	1,272,350	1,302,507	300,000	1 4	107
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	75,000	3	75 79
Federal Bank	100	800,000	800,000	40,000	์ รั	1:01 1011
Hamilton	100	1,000,000	590,160	9.496	4	973
Imperial Bank	100	910,000	532,000	25,000	4	101
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Mechanics' Bank	50	500,000	456,510		l	0- 01
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Montreal	200	12,000,000	11,998,400	5.500,000	6	165 165
Maritime	100	1,000,000	489,640	20,100	3	
Nationale	50	2,000,000	2,000,000	400,000	3,	
Ontario Bank	40	3,000,000	2,950,272	400.000	4	1021 103
Quebec Bank	100	2,500,000	2,499,920	475,000	3,	
Standard	50	840,100	628,633		$ \tilde{6}^2 $	73 75
Toronto	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	4	1511 155
Union Bank	100	2,300,000	1,989,986	200,000	3	65 69
Ville Marie	100	1.000.000	842,866		-	68 703
* British North America	£50	4,866,666	4,866,666	1.170,900	21	105
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	750,000	66,000	41	123 1221
Canada Landed Credit Co	50	1,000,000	500,000	40,000	4	1331
Canada Perm, Loan and Savings Co	50	1,750,000	1.750,000	580,000	1 6	174
Dominion Sayings & Investment Socs.		860,000	350,500	69,000	5	123 125
Dominion Telegraph Co	- 50	600,000	600,000		8 1	- 50
Farmers' Loan and Savings Co	50	400,000	400,000	17,000	4	1124
Freehold Loan & Investment Co	100	600,000	600,000	180,000	l ŝ l	1435
Hamilton Provident & Loan	100	950,000	686,749	63,000	-4	117
Huron & Eric Sav. & Loan Soc	50	1,000,000	963,461	201,000	5	
Imperial Building and Savings Society	80	000,000	600,000	25,000	4	1081
London & Can, Loan & Agency Co	50	2,000,000	200,000	20,000	5	132 - 134
Montreal Telegraph Co	40	2,000,000	2,000,000	••••	31	123 - 123
Montreal City Gas Co	40	2,000,000	1,860,000		5	1481 149
Montreal City Passenger Ry Co	50	600,000	600,000	•••••	0	65 671
Montreal Building Association	00	500,000			8	621
Montreal Loan & Mortgage S'y	50	500,000	525,000	75.000	5	120
Ontario Savings & Inv. Soc	ňŎ	1,000,000	621,900	135,000	5	126 - 130
Provincial Permanent Building Soc	100	280,000	280,000	10,000	3	162
Richelieu & Ontario Nay, Co	100	1,500,000	1,500,000		0	66 68 <u>}</u> .
Toronto City Gas Co	50	600,000	600,000	••••	5	1.6
Union Permanent Building Soc	50	400,000	400,000	35,000	5	1331
Western Canada Loan & Savings Co.	50	1,000,000	800,000	250,00C	5	143

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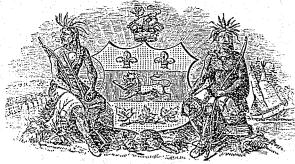
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110	Buffalo and Lake Huron 6. p.c	all	97	
100	Do. do, 54 p.c. 2nd Mort	100	84	
100	Do. Preference	100	01	
100	Canada Southern 1st Mort, 7 p c	all	0	
100	Grand Trunk of Canada	100	73	
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100	Do do 6 p c Mrt Pref Shr, Scp	all	103	
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100	Midland of Canada, st. let mort	nll	40	
100	Tor, Grey & Bruce, 7 pc Bds, 1st Mort	all	70	
100	Well, Grey & Bruce, 7 pc Bds, 1st Mort	•••	70	100
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