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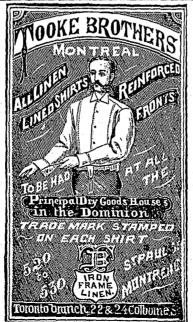
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ST. THOMAS, Ont., is preparing to have a Board of Trade.-The Cochrane Manufacturing Co. resumed operations on the 15th.

Eu Sawyer, hatter, London, Ont., has obtained an extension on liabilities of about \$500.

A. C. ANDERSON, secretary of the Duluth Chamber of Commerce, has mysteriously dis-

THE LIQUIDATORS of the Exchange Bank have declared their intention to pay a dividend of 20 per cent to depositors and other creditors on the 2nd February.

THE rubber market is quiet at the late decline, sales of fine Para being made at 60c. This figure however, is fully 25 per cent above the low price which ruled some time since.

THE yield of corn, wheat and oats in the United States for the past year, the largest ever recorded, is respectively 1,795,000,000, 513,000,000, and 583,000,000 bushels.

Le Canadian says the tanneries and boot and shoe factories of Quebec are running full time, and in some of them the workmen are obliged to work extra hours.

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P.S., CITY.-In the case of a bank whose capital has been reduced by Act of Parliament, shareholders are doubly liable only for the amount of their shares under the reduced capi-

THE bankrupt stock of Geo. Lyman, confectioner, London, Ont., was purchased on the 14th inst. at the assignee's sale by J. Cleghorn & Co., of Toronto for 362 cents in the

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The total visible supply of cotton on January 17 was 3,140,796 bales against 3,354,166 bales at the same date last year, showing a decrease of 213,370 bales. The price of Mid. Upl. at Liverpool to-day is 5 7-8d. against 5 15-16d. a year ago.

A DISSOLUTION has taken place in the dry goods firm of J. & J. F. Scott, Chatham, Ont., Mr. John F. Scott retiring. Mr. James Scott will continue the business under the style and firm of Jas. Scott & Co. The retiring partner is about to take a trip to Australia.

The coal trade is prospering in Nova Scotia, the sales for the last three years having reached 1,250,000 tons annually, equal to three times the average sales during the period of reciprocity, when coal was exported to the United States " in such great quantities."

A NEW oatmeal mill has been completed in Winnipeg at a cost of about \$15,000. The building is 50 by 60, and four storeys high. There are four run of stones, one being for chopping. The capacity is about 50 barrels a day. Mr. A. Nairn, the proprietor, was formerly of Rockwood, but more recently of Toronto.

A RAILWAY to connect Learnington & Comber, in Ontario, and representing a distance of 12 miles, will probably be constructed during 1885. The line will connect with the Canada Southern, and communication with Lake Erie will be had over the proposed line of the new Detroit & Cleveland Company.

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THE liabilities of E. A. Walsh, of Hamilton, men's furnishings, are nearly \$4,500; the assets are about \$3,710, consisting of stock \$3,300, accounts about \$200, and furniture_about \$200. There is a chattel mortgage of \$950. His capital at the start was nearly all borrowed from his mother.

THE late auction sale of 300 lots of Royal Canadian Ins. Co. stock, comprising 2841 forfeited shares, realized a total of about \$30,000. Among the chief purchasers were some of the largest shareholders, an evidence of confidence in the position of the company. A dividend of 5 per cent has been declared.

ISAAC Whitlock, a carriage builder of Janetville, Ont., and formerly of good reputation, has been carrying on a systematic plan of forgery by duplicating notes which he received from customers. He has left Janetville, and will not be liable to return of his own accord, His liabilities are about \$2,000, exclusive of the notes issued.

A somewhat improved demand has occurred in the Boston wool market, which resulted in a good week's business, some 2,893,381 lbs. changing hands against 1,787,000 lbs. during the corresponding week last year. Prices were steady, Michigan fleeces selling rendily at 30c for X, but some holders ask 31c. Combing wools are very scarce and in demand.

Mn. Chanles G. Fothergill, late manager of the London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Co., succeeds Mr. D. Marshall Laing as head manager of the Commercial Union Assurance Co. Mr. Laing, who retires from the Commercial Union, is a brother of the Rev. Gavin Laing of Inverness, Scotland, well known to the citizens of Montreal as a resident among them for some years.

W. G., of THOMASBURG, Out., has our hearty thanks for the encouraging words accompanying his two years' subscription .- Mr. E. Berube, formerly of the firm of Berube & Fitzpatrick, Essex Centre, Ont., has opened in the dry goods business at Amherstburg .- W. H. R. Beauharnois -The information, however important, does not come within the range of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.

THE cold wave which visited the city at the close of last week, bringing with it quite a driving fall of snow, was welcomed by all interested in the success of the winter carnival. During the mild and rainy weather which prevailed during the early part of the month there were some fears lest the ice palace should prove a failure. The festivities bid fair to eclipse all former efforts of the kind.

An old correspondent writing from St. Leonard, Madawaska County, N.B., says: "There is considerable lumbering going en-more than the times will warrant. The winter roads have not been favorable. The crops have been large and barns are full. When we take a bird's-eye view of all civilized countries, our own is among the best of them ; we have peace and plenty-except money to lay out on extravagant luxuries."

REPRESENTATIVES of the grain trade of Montreal, Toronto and other cities are interviewing the Minister of Inland Revenue on the adoption of a standard classification of wheat throughout the Dominion instead of the present system of separate classification for each Province. The delegation endeavor to show that, if their plan were adopted, a great benefit would be conferred on trade and the different cities would fare alike. An additional grade is required for Manitoba.

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Buttish Columbia's gold product is still a considerable item; \$691,000 was the output for

The annual report of the chief of the Hamilton fire department shows 32 fires, causing a loss of \$60,000, insured for \$128,966.

Peareer imitations of Bank of England notes from £50 to £100, more especially of the former, are reported in circulation both in America and Europe.

The correspondence on the subject of the inspection of fish oils, to be found elsewhere, will be read with the interest due that important subject.

NINE New York defaulters, five from Chicago, four from Boston, and several from other localities, are now among us. Montreal is their favorite "stamping" ground.

THE estate, including the stock, good-will, plant, etc., of the late Robt. McCready was sold on the 19th inst. to the well-known boot and shoe manufacturers, Messrs. James Mc-Cready & Co., of this city, in consideration of \$40,000. The business will be continued under the name of R. McCready & Co., as heretofore.

The offer of 40 cents in the dollar made by Mr. Henry Tiffin for the estate of his brother Joseph Tiffin (Tiffin Bros.), has been accepted by all the creditors, save a claimant for \$23,-000, whose services as a negotiator and endorser of one-name paper evidently appear to have been somewhat overlooked in the recent nego-

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THE directors of the Bank of London in Canada have purchased the south-west corner of King and Richmond streets, at present occupied by Powell & Son as a marble yard, and will begin operations in the spring upon a fine building for bank purposes,

ROBERT ALLERDICE, who in September was discharged from the Windsor, Ont., branch of the Bank of Commerce, has been arrested for a defalcation of \$1,000 discovered shortly after his discharge, but allowed to run as Allerdice promised to make good the deficiency by an anticipated remittance from "home."

John Cavers, carrying on a cooperage and planing mill, and William Kynock, a carriage factory, both at Galt, Ont., assigned on the 17th inst., the former to Alex. Barrie and the latter to Jas. Warnock .- Robt. Dawson, carriage maker, Aylmer, Ont., has also assigned. Liabilities small.—Twopenny & Rich, painters, St. Thomas, are also among the assigned.

MANUFACTURERS of grey cottons are studying out some plans of agreement by which they may obtain a prolit on their products. The proposed organization is to include a central bureau, probably in Montreal, the duty of which, among other things, will be to see that the arrangement is strictly carried out, but not, as stated, to act as a selling

THE Hudson Bay Co.'s ship Prince of Wales, which left Moose Factory on Sept. 26th, with a cargo of furs valued at \$200,000, as noticed last week, has been lost in Hudson's Bay

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Shortly after leaving the vessel became covered with ice and unmanageable. A boat sent back to Moose Factory for supplies reached that place in safety, but all attempts to return to discover the vessel have been fruitless.

Bayce & Murcheson of Winnipeg, Man., who in August, 1883, purchased the bankrupt estate of Alexander & Bryce, dry goods merchants, at 72 cents in the dollar, secured, have assigned. . The liabilities of the former firm were about \$125,000; no statement of the affairs of the present house has yet been furnished, but when Mr. K. Marchison visited the Montreal creditors at the close of last month they showed an apparent surplus of \$40,000.

Some time ago, D. Barron, of Amherstburg, Ont., induced his father-in-law, Pierre Langlois, of Windsor, to mortgage his property for \$2,000, in order that he, Barron, might build a mill which cost nearly \$15,000. The mill was erected and put in modern shape, but mortgaged to the father-in-law as security for the debt. The interest on this and other charges, with debts for machinery, plant, etc., have been too heavy for success, and Barron has been obliged to assign to Geo. N. Botsford, of Amherstburg.

CHAGNON Freres, grocers, Sorel, Que., have assigned to A. A. Taillon, himself doubtless a creditor. The estate is a good one, and at a meeting at Dufresne & Mongenais', this city, an offer of 60 cents on the dollar, half cash and half secured, was refused, as the creditors expect to realize 75 to 80 cents on the dollar. The liabilities are \$6,000; assets \$500 more. The failure was the result of a dissoultion caused by differences between the partners.

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THEODORE Dupuis, trader, St. Theele, Que., has assigned to Kent & Turcotte. Dupuis is a young man and was doing but a small business. One of his creditors pressed, and, as usual, in the state of the law, scooped up the whole of the \$300 stock to satisfy his claim of about \$200. He owed about \$1,000. - The book and stationery stock of Jno. A. Burns, London, Out., valued at \$1,075 has been sold by the sheriff for 35 cents in the dollar to T. F. John-

J. C. A. CHAMPOUX, salvonkeeper, Main street, this city, is an evidence of the privileges of landlords as creditors under the law, as compared with merclandise creditors. He recently assigned to Kent & Turcotte, owing about \$1,000, but the landlord, who claimed \$1,400 for five years rent, swept away the whole of the assets, leaving nothing for the other creditors. J. I. Thibaudeau, doing a small custom tailoring in this city during the last 18 months has assigned.

H. WATERMAN, grocer, Ottawa, has assigned to P. Larmonth, with liabilities of nearly \$11.000, and nominal assets of about \$7,000. He began business early in 1881, and has been attempting a business out of proportion to his capital. He has latterly been chiefly in the hands of one firm, Messrs. Kinloch, Lind-

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say & Co., this city, who are understood to hold security .- E. McGillivray, another grocer at the Capital, assigned also to the same party on Monday last. A meeting of creditors is called for the 29th.

H. G. UHAMPEAUX, grocer, Montreal, assigned to one Rousseau, but the estate is now in charge of M. Quintal & Co. He owes some \$800. Champeaux, who is quite a young man, left his position as a clerk and engaged in business for himself last spring, with his father as landlord .- M. B. McNamara, who began business as a tailor in this city about 18 months ago with very little means, has assigned. He owes about \$1200 and showed a deficiency of about \$400. One or two creditors do not understand how his stock had been reduced so rapid. ly for some time past.

CALIFORNIA as a State is sound financially, but the treasurer's accounts are not balanced, owing to the following defalcations: The ex-Emigration Commissioner, \$24,903; Commissioner Van Ness, \$2,382; Harbour Commission officials, \$91,678; ex-Supreme Court Clerk Taggart, \$2.998; ex-Supreme Court Clerk Gross, \$2,880; ex-Secretary of State Malone, \$8,900; ex-Secretary of State Burns, \$31,739. After making due allowance for these trifling differences, which are wholly attributable to the glorious climate of the State, the public accounts of California will be found to be correct.

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J C. FAWGETT; formerly carried on business on King street, Toronto, but not being succ ssful he started on the road. He again opened on his own account in fancy dry goods, but is again unsuccessful. At a meeting on the 15th nothing definite was done. He owes about \$6.500 and claims assets of equal amount nominally. An offer is probable. - Wm. Jeffries, hatter, Toronto, is in trouble. He was burnt out last July, and estimated his net loss at \$2,000 over insurance, probably all he was worth. He gave a chattel mortgage for \$175 in November last.

N. S. VALIQUETTE, groceries and crockery, Montreal, has assigned to Kent & Turcotte. He attributes his troubles to circumstances which led him recently to sue his collector for \$300 to \$400. His own debts are about \$600.-L. A. Laurier, small wares, Notre Dame street west, has also assigned, owing about \$300, and has about \$200 worth of stock .- C. Desmarteau & Co., a small wholesale liquor firm in this city, are again in trouble. The liabilities do not exceed about \$5,000. The firm failed before in the spring of 1883 and offered 30 cents in the dollar.

F. W. Howard, commission canned goods, confectionery, vinegar and liquors, this city, has assigned. Liabilities about \$7,000, including rent \$250; assets not much over \$1,000. Among those interested are D. S. Perrin & Co., London; the Simcoe Canning

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JOSEPH PLEAU has carried on a country store at Batiscan for many years, varying his occupation by acting as a pilot on the St Lawrence during the summer while his wife looked after the store. He usually earned during the season about a thousand dollars, which nearly all went outside of his store-in travelling, &c. He now finds himself owing about \$4500 with nominal assets of about \$500 less. As a way out of the difficulty he proposes to pay his creditors 50 cents in the dollar, 25 cents secured and 25 cents unsecured, in eight months. He has assigned to Kent & Turcotte.

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NOBLE & Co., boots and shoes, Guelph, are again in difficulties. He failed in 1878, owing over \$5,000, with nominal assets of about \$2,800. The estate was offered for sale by the creditors and was bought by his wife, who became sole partner in the business, pending his discharge. -Another shoe dealer, G. H. Hausler of Aylmer, Ont., wrote his creditors on the 14th that he could not pay, and called a meeting to be held at his own place of business on the 15th. He began about a year ago, buying out Bingham & Becket .- Fred. Lint, of Attercliffe, carrying on business with his uncle at Kohler, Ont., till the fall of '83, has assigned. The expenses incurred in building a new store-about \$1500-cramped his resources, leaving him only a few hundreds, scarcely sufficient to conduct his business .- Henry Daigle, blacksmith, postmaster and storekeeper, Aldoraine River, near Richibucto, N.B., has ssigned.

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QUESTIONS OF THE DAY.

The leaders of our political parties have had recent opportunities of stating their views on the various questions, which divide them. The supporters of Sir John A. Macdonald in Montreal took the opportunity of celebrating the 70th year of his age, and the fortieth of his entrance into public life, on the 13th inst., and on the same evening the Hon. Mr. Blake delivered before the Young Men's Liberal Club in Toronto an exhaustive speech, which was evidently intended to be an exposition of the policy of the party of which he is the acknowledged leader. Several of Sir John A. Macdonald's colleagues, including Sir Leonard Tilley, Sir Hector Lungevin, Mr. Pope, Mr. Caron, Sir David L. Macpherson, Mr. McLelan, Mr. Chapleau and Mr. Costigan, were present at the banquet, as well as other eminent members of the party. It would be wholly out of our power in the limited space at our command to treat the various subjects discussed by the speakers, but there are some leading questions to which we may venture to call the attention of our readers.

THE FUTURE OF CANADA.

The most important question of all others is whether, on the whole, Canada is in the possession of political institutions that enable her people to enjoy substan tial freedom, and practical independence. There are parties represented in the press, and to some degree in Parliament, who desire change. There are advocates of Imperial Federation, independence and annexation, and to these may be added Mr. Blake's demand for increased power to amend the existing constitution, and also for the right to negotiate treaties of commerce with foreign powers. It would be very desirable indeed if the two great political parties into which the Canadian people are, with few exceptions, divided, were in perfect accord as to the best system of government. There seems no reason to doubt that the number of avowed annexationists is small, and we are inclined to think that there is not much difference in the view taken of independence by Sir John Macdonald and Mr. Blake. The former in his late speech in Montreal said: "gentlemen we want " no independence in this country except " the independence that we have at this "moment. What counfry in the world " is more independent than we are? We "have perfect independence, we have a "sovereign that allows us to do as we " please. We have an Imperial Govern-"ment that casts on ourselves the res-" ponsibilities as well as the privileges of "self-government." Again, Mr. Blake in his laudatory remarks on " the democratic principle," said that " that principle may "go upon two lines, and upon this contin-" entboth are being tried, the presidential "system on the other side, and the "system of British freedom which for " my part! I have approved and advocated " as being in this country. It is being tried "here under circumstances more favor-"able than at the moment exist in Eng-" land, yet in that Old World you see how "strong the democratic spirit is." It must be constantly borne in mind that one important consequence of independence would be the substitution of Republican for Parliamentary Government a change that, in the opinion of many, including Sir John A. Macdonald and Mr. Blake, would be disastrous. It must likewise be borne in mind that "the Bystander, the ablest advocate of organic change, has frequently admitted that there are great defects in the constitution of the United States. While Mr. Blake has not avowed himself in favor of independence, it is at least open to doubt whether he is not in favor of changes that are inconsistent with our subsisting relations with the United Kingdom,

COMMERCIAL TREATIES.

There can be no doubt that the demand which Mr. Blake has formulated for the right to negotiate commercial treaties is looked on with favor in many quarters but chiefly by those who advocate the establishment of a Zollverein between Canada and the United States, with its necessary consequences, discriminatory duties against Great Britain and speedy annexation to the United States. Although we do not desire to magnify a difficulty that might possibly be surmounted, yet we must not omit to notice the preliminary objection, which is that no foreign nation would enter into treaty negotiations with a dependency of another nation. The making of treaties is clearly an attribute of an independent nation. We shall not, however, dwell on this point, because our objection to Mr. Blake's views is that Canada has no object whatever to gain by the concession of the demand which he has made in his place in Parliament as well as on the platform. His professed object is "to enlarge our " foreign markets by making arrange-"ments with divers countries," and he charges on the present Government that they have not succeeded "in taking the " first step as yet in the enlargement of "the market." It is to be regretted that neither Mr. Blake nor any of the organs of the party of which he is the leader, has ventured to state with precision the mode by which they would attain the object which they profess to seek. That object is " to enlarge our markets," and it is to be accomplished by treaties. At present it cannot be said that the Canadian market is not free to the world. We have no discriminating duties, and, as a rule, we have had no ground of complaint against other nations. France is an exception, but then our whole exports to France are not much over the half of one per cent to our total exports. The aggregate trade of Canada is, in round figures, about \$200,000,000, and nine-tenths of it is with Great Britain and the United States. The trade with European countries consists chiefly of imports, those countries taking little in return and for obvious reasons. They nearly all protect their own industries. We shall give a few illustrations: Our imports from France in 1883 were \$2,316,-480, and our exports \$617,730; our imports from Germany \$1,809,154, and our exports \$133,697; imports from Spain \$584,972, exports \$164,925; imports from Portugal \$63,349, exports \$179,843 imports from Italy \$104,441, exports \$218,113; imports from Holland \$297,201, exports \$27,599; imports from Belgium \$415,407, exports \$195,705,

If Mr. Blake were to suggest any legitimate mode of extending our foreign commerce we should be inclined to give him all due credit, but it is obvious that he, a professed free-trader, desires to introduce the most objectionable form of protection that can be devised, that is, the establishment of discriminating duties. We have pointed out that our principal trade is with Great Britain, which charges no duties whatever on our exports, which were very nearly one-half of the aggregate exports of the Dominion. We shall treat the United States after the other countries. Now we should like much to learn from some of Mr. Blake's numerous organs what country he thinks it would be expedient for Canada to negotiate with for extended trade. We have an instance before us in which the United States has entered into a treaty of the Blake type with Spain, but, judging from the tone of the United States press; it seems highly improbable that it will be ratified. Let us, however, assume that it will be. The principle of that treaty is that the United States will discriminate against the sugars of all other tropical countries, except Cuba and Porto Rico, on condition that its exports are admitted into the markets of those countries on more favorable terms than those of Canada and other countries. What Canada would do under such circumstances admits of no doubt. If the Spanish Colonies discriminate against her and n favor of the United States she will most assuredly retaliate. France is the only country that can treat us with injustice, with impunity, and even France was threatened, although Sir Leonard Tilley had not the courage of his convictions and was obliged to succumb to French influence. Now Mr. Blake must perceive that what Canada would do, all other countries, Great Britain excepted, would do likewise. The meaning of commercial treaties is a bargain by which two countries agree to give each other special advantages as an inducement to trade. If the same advantages are given to all other countries they cease to be beneficial, and, if refused, then most assuredly the excluded countries will retaliate.

We desire to treat the United States separately, because Canada has had every possible opportunity of negotiating on her own account. It is perfectly well known that the difficulty in regard to a treaty of reciprocity is the demand of the United States that Canada should discriminate against Great Britain in favor of a foreign state, and there seems no reason to doubt that, so long as the subsisting connection with Great Britain is maintained, such a demand would be resisted. It was firmly

resisted by the late Senator Brown in 1874. It would be interesting to learn whether, by claiming the right to negotiate our own commercial treaties, Mr. Blake desires to obtain power to discriminate against the Mother Country. We have endeavored, and we trust successfully, to place this important question fairly before our readers. We hold that a commercial treaty with the United States, other than for free trade in certain natural products, is impracticable, and that Canada has no object to gain but, on the contrary, much to lose by attempting to purchase the right to enter any foreign market by excluding other countries from her own or discriminating against them.

THE COTTONADE COMPACT.

The agreement entered into by the manufacturers of cottonades in Canada, two in Cornwall and two in Hamilton, bids fair to solve the difficulty hitherto experienced in obtaining a profit, however listle, for their goods. A minimum price has been fixed upon, and a commissioner has been appointed to visit and examine the mills once a month, to see that there is no "kicking over the traces." The compact is a solemn one, and as there is every probability that it will be adhered to there is some likelihood that the time is at an end for selling goods below the combined cost of materials and wages, which are always cash, whatever the returns may be. Canadian cottons had become such a drug in the market that many merchants had abandoned all idea of profit in connection with them, and employed them chiefly as "leading lines "-as an inducement to customers to buy other goods. The idea of a minimum price per pound is eminently practical, and creditable to the gentlemen who conceived it. The trade of Canada cannot desire to continue buying goods at a loss to the manufacturers, for while occasional cheap job lots and bargains are possible with such a condition of things as the cotton factories have been passing through, it could only eventuate in general loss more or less to all concerned. There can be little doubt that any cotton purchases made abroad are not more expensive because we manufacture the goods at home. The retailer who adds a percentage of 10 to 20 per cent to the cost of his cotton goods will realize more from the percentage of a price which allows a living profit to the manufacturer.

THE BANK STATEMENTS.

Our usual comparative abstract of the Bank returns for December will be found at foot. There has been little change in the aggregate liabilities during the month. The circulation has decreased, but the deposits have increased nearly to the same extent. The assets show a reduction in the discounts but an increase in the loans to other Corporations. It is worthy of notice that the specie has been reduced and that in a period of depres-

sion such as exists it will not be surprising if there should be even further calls. The Finance department ought to be strictly conservative. It has assumed the responsibility of maintaining an adequate specie reserve for the Dominion, and it is anything but satisfactory at such a time to find an increase in the Bank reserves of Dominion notes and a decrease in their specie reserves. It is to be hoped that the Minister will realize his duty as to the Dominion note issue before it is too late:—

	Nov., 1884.	Dec., 1884.	Dec., 1883.	Dec., 1874.
Capital authorized Capital subscribed Capital paid up. Reserve fund (Rest)	64,685,934 61,579,333	\$71,896,666 64,685,934 61,605,521 18,339,129	\$69,396,666 63,555,134 61,451,733 17,457,718	\$73,566,666 69,376,976 63,212,035
L	iabilitiks.			
Circulation	33,653,945	\$31,935,933 4,625,625	\$33,589,455 3,729,446	\$28,465,181 5,875,607
Dom. Gov. deposits payable after notice Deposits see'g Gov. Contracts & Insur Prov. Gov. deposits payable on demand	602,753	130,000 575,114 700,099	3,302,965 988,968 741,733	5,709,172 1,671,610
Prov. Gov. deposits payable after notice Uther deposits on demand	2,034,541	1,893,511 42,904,831	2,434,597 44,594,648	3,254,762 35,624,747
Other deposits payable after notice Loans or deposits from other Bks. secured.	342,563	49,405,040 310,296	52,015,098 14,000	33,483,718
Do by other Can. Banks, unsecured Due Banks in Canada Do, in foreign countries	1,361,122	1,113,221 1,074,531 60,104	1,183,289 1,254,326 155,141	2,059,647 833,871
Do. in the United Kingdom	. 688,316	339,654 306,978	1,430,171 378,907	9,235,920 543,240
Total liabilities	\$135,711,720	\$135,374,939	\$145,812,744	\$126,090,487
A	BETS.			
Specie Dominion notes Notes and cheques on other Banks Due from Banks in Canada Due from Agc's or B'ks in for'n. countries Ditto in the United Kingdom	10,757,311 5,105,993 2,749,330 13,174,827	\$7,469,757 11,007,629 6,100,270 2,331,317 12,411,218 6,118,914	\$7,225,553 11,176,840 7,288,368' 3,307,283 18,060,156 4,225,913	\$7,483,919 9,590,456 5,629,727 3,807,632 8,888,004 1,459,038
Available Assets	1,249,479 1,172,330 1,026,489	\$44,439,105 \$1,405,436 1,612,986 1,517,433 850,898	\$51,284,113 \$900,723 825,182 1,696,007 1,325,045	\$36,858,776 \$1,204,842 144,659 20,809
Loans on stocks, bonds, debutes. Can. or for Loans to Municipal Corporations Loans to other Corporations	(1,600,415	11,929,656 { 1,331,503 { 15,878,35		
Loans or deposits in other Banks, secured	535,833	493,494 247,614	334,101	
Nows overdue not specially secured			• •	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Overdue notes, secured	2,840,676 1,221,134	3,091,569	2,120,019 1,095,893	1,597,523 575,449
Bank Premises Other Assets		3,188,745 2,291,199	3,061,835 1,881,453	
Total Assets	:£218,038,375	\$215,787,512	\$228,193,65	1 \$200,905,146
Directors' Liabilities	7,694,560	7,596,401 7,421,108 10,821,886	6,949,102	

RE-INSURANCE RESERVES.

In the letter in our present issue signed "Stockholder" the policy of the Government in regard to re-insurance reserves is criticized at some length. The object of the Government is to prevent insurance companies from paying to their shareholders in the form of dividends any portion of the premium income which is still liable for losses which may ensue. The objection, it appears, is not to the principle but to the excessive reservation which the Department has seen fit to require, and which it is alleged places Canadian companies in a more disadvantageous position than their foreign competitors. The subject is one of considerable importance, and is well deserving of the consideration not only of the Department at Ottawa which is specially charged with the supervision of insurance matters, but of all the members of the Dominion Our correspondent has Parliament. treated this subject, so far as we can judge, fairly, and if he has at all exaggerated the extent of the disadvantage to which Canadian companies are subjected as compared with their foreign competitors, he should be met by argument. He seems to us to have made out a strong case, but we leave his letter to the impartial judgment of a public which is deeply interested in having such matters dealt with in aspirit of impartiality and justice.

IMPERIAL FEDERATION.

The information, which up to the present time has been communicated to the Canadian people, as to the practical working of what is termed Imperial Federation, is very meagre, and yet those who commit themselves so far as to become members of the League, assume a considerable responsibility. The avowed object of the League, as declared by its constitution, is " to combine on an equit-"able basis the resources of the Empire "for the maintenance of common inter-"ests, and adequately provide for an "organized defence of common rights." It is hoped by the League that "the permanent unity of the Empire" will be secured by a federation on this basis. We confess that, in our opinion, the proposal for "an organized defence of common rights" is too vague altogether to induce the Colonists to commit themselves to the principle. It is tolerably evident that there are influential parties in Great Britain who are of opinion that a new departure has become absolutely necessary, and that Sir John Macdonald has become convinced, judging from his remarks on more than one occasion, that it is only reasonable that the Colonies should render substantial aid to the United Kingdom, in the event of its being engaged in hostilities with foreign powers. Sir John Macdonald guarded himself by drawing a distinction between what he termed aggressive and other wars, a distinction that it would be hardly possible to establish.

Our immediate object in referring just at present to the question of federation, has been to point out that the gentleman who is specially representing Canada on the London Committee is Mr. Dobell of Quebec, who is known to entertain views as to our trade relations with Great Britain, and other countries, that in our judgment are wholly impracticable. Those views were propounded at the late meeting of the British Association by Mr. Stephen Bourne, and are substantially a commercial alliance between Great Britain and her Colonies on the basis of free trade, while the principle of non-intercourse, either absolutely or by means of discriminating duties, is to be enforced against all other nations. Now our conviction is that it is the height of absurdity to imagine that any British Parliament will hereafter impose duties on the food of the people, even in the improbable contingency that the present policy of free trade should be modified in regard to manufactures.

Mr. Bourne made no secret of his opinion that Canada would be expected to contribute to the Imperial expenditure, and suggested the most practicable mode of raising the necessary revenue. We have expressed our conviction that the Imperial Parliament would not consent to impose a duty on articles of food, but we must go further, and acknowledge that it would be a mistaken policy on the part of Canada to give its adhesion to any scheme that would involve its discriminating against the United States. Such a policy would most unquestionably lead to retaliation and to an interruption of those friendly feelings which have long subsisted between Canada and the United States. We have had before us the report of the Conference held in London on 29th July last, on Imperial Federation, also the report of the adjourned Conference and first meeting of the League, and "information for the use of the branches" but we are as yet completely in the dark as to the mode of giving effect to the suggestions. There has been a more recent announcement that Earl Grey, now a veteran statesman, and ex-colonial Minister, and the Marquis of Lorne have agreed in recommending that the representatives of the various Colonies should be attached to the Colonial department as a Council. The plan appears to be quite unobjectionable, but it would not of course meet the views of those who desire a change in our commercial policy or of those who desire a contribution from the Colonies to the expenditure of the Empire. We notice further that the High Commissioner, Sir Charles Tupper, considers the proposed scheme "chimerical" and likely "to load the Home Government with petty jealousies." The Agent General for Victoria also looks on the scheme as "impracticable." It is not easy to know what is wanted. As to trade regulations perfect independence, as well of the United Kingdom as of the Colonies, is the practicable scheme, as to "defence of common rights" it would be infinitely, better either for the Imperial Government to propound some scheme for the consideration of the Dominion Government, or to deal with each case as it arises. The complications of the European system are so formidable that it may be at once assumed that it would be impracticable for Canada to mix herself up with them.

THE SUGAR TRADE.

The trade is to be congratulated upon the marked improvement which has recently developed in the sugar market, and should we have to record still further progress as the weeks roll round it will certainly not fail to produce a favorable effect upon other branches of business. But whether or not the present gradual development of health and strength increase, there are not wanting good grounds for expecting it. If prices have been battered down below their intrinsic value by the threatened avalanche of beet-root sugars upon the world's markets, they have partially recovered from the scare, now that it is well known that this source of depression has been exaggerated. More than once has Mr. Licht been compelled to revise the over-estimated beet crop of Europe for 1884, his latest chalk marks on the blackboard of statistics showing a further decrease of 30,000 tons from a previously large reduction in his original calculation. It is therefore only fair to assume that values have been crowded down below their

legitimate standard by speculative or false signs. Nor is the prospect of a reduced out-put confined to the beet-root product, as the cane sugar crop of Brazil this season has turned out fully forty per cent less than that of the two previous years. Brazilian sugar is becoming quite a favorite in the American market, and refiners there are now competing with Canadians pretty keenly for it; consequently the latter have now to pay higher prices than they had anticipated; but still our refiners appear to be very loth to stock up. An important feature in the situation is the prospect of a greatly reduced yield of both beet-root and cane sugars for 1885, owing to the heavy losses of planters. In Germany and Austria, the refineries are nearly all joint stock companies, and are run upon the same principle as are the cheese factories of Canada, so that a share of the heavy losses which have overtaken the German and Australian refiners have fallen upon the producers, some of the latter having received no returns at all from last year's crop, whilst many others have not realized sufficient remuneration to pay the cost of production. Unless a very material improvement therefore takes place in the general situation, growers are not going to follow a pursuit which yields them such unprofitable returns.

From theorizing, we will now step into the arena of facts, and we shall there find the drift of events in perfect harmony with the foregoing remarks. Recognizing that prospective supplies are of a less plethoric character than was generally supposed a short time since, prices have responded to the better feeling the world over by a substantial advance in all the great distributing centres, as well as at some of the principal points of production. Recent cable advices from London make known the fact that the price of cane sugar has appreciated 9d to 1s per cwt, which indicates the strongest market experienced for many months past. Catching the sympathetic impulse, the market for beet sugar has spurned rock bottom, and started upward, which course it can pursue for some time, without encroaching to any extent upon the pecuniary inconvenience of consumers. The New York market for refined sugar has gone up 3-8c recently, and here about the same gain in the same period has been established. The stock of raw sugar in this city is now held with much greater firmness, and buyers would find it necessaryito increase their bids materially in order to lay claim thereto.

REMINISCENCES OF HIS PUBLIC LIFE.

BY SIR FRANCIS HINCKS.
W. Drysdale & Co., Montreal.

We have postponed any notice of the work, the title of which is prefixed to these remarks, and which has been very creditably printed by Messrs, J. Lovell & Son, for a reason which may probably have been surmised by our readers. It has been, what is termed "an open secret" that for several years back the author of the work in question has been a regular contributor to our columns, his articles having been inserted on the responsibility of the Editor and Proprietor, a circumstance which we mention, simply because several of our contemporaries, in ignorance probably of usages elsewhere, have persisted in referring to him as the Editor. When the Editor suggested to the author the propriety, if not the necessity, of noticing the "Reminiscences" the latter pointed out the false position in which he would be placed, and proposed to defer any notice until other journals had had an opportunity of offering their remarks, after which an opportunity might be taken by the author to reply to criticisms and to correct errors which might be expected to be made by writers not familiar with the events of thirty to fifty years ago.

The author has reason to feel grateful to the various writers who have honored his book with their notices, and he feels assured that any inaccuracies into which they have fallen have been unintentional. He must beg to assure the Muil that it is a misapprehension to suppose that the "Reminiscences" recently published, appeared at intervals during the past two or three years. They were never published before, although they contain extracts from various documents printed a great many years ago. One error that deserves correction, and into which two of our contemporaries have fallen, is the statement that the author's retirement from public life was at the period of the resignation of Sir John Macdonald's Government, in November, 1873. In May, 1883. Sir Francis Hincks was honored with a banquet given by a number of the members of the Montreal City Club, on which occasion in returning thanks for his health, he thus expressed himself: "As a fact, "before the elections of 1872, I had " given my resignation to Sir John Mac-" donald on private considerations. I was " getting advanced in life, and my health " was suffering from the late sessions of the " House of Commons, and I was advised by ; my physician to retire from public life.

"It was my positive intention to leave "the Government, but I could not do so "honorably, just at the time of a general "election, when reports of all kinds "would have been circulated, so I deter-"mined to go through the campaign with "Sir John Macdonald. I had withdrawn " from my constituency of North Renfrew, "where I believe I should have been re-"elected if I had stood. In the course of "the campaign it was found that there "was a difficulty in getting a candidate "for South Brant, and I really entered "into the contest as a forlorn hope. After "my defeat there Mr. Hilyard Cameron "offered to give way to me in Cardwell, " which I declined, and I was very much "surprised at the intimation that I had "been elected for Vancouver without my "knowledge. My actual resignation took "place prior to the session of 1873, in " February and nearly nine months before "the resignation of the Cabinet." While this correction of the error referred to seems necessary, it must be clearly understood that Sir Francis Hinckshas no desire to evade responsibility for all the acts of the Government prior to his resignation, a responsibility which he has invariably acknowledged.

The Globe has fallen into a trifling error, which is noticed merely that the author may not be thought to claim credit for the acts of others. The mail contract with the Messrs. Allan was entered into by the Government which succeeded that of Sir Francis Hincks. A reference might be made to other criticisms. The want of an index has been complained of, and justly. It was caused by unforeseen circumstances, which led to a deviation from the original intention, which was to supply one. It seems desirable likewise to notice more than one criticism, which we shall give in the language of the Herald: "Sir "Francis would have made his book much "more interesting than it is if he had "gossiped with his readers about the men " who were in those days his contempor-" aries, and said less about disagreements "which passed out of the public mind "long ago." Now, without meaning to dispute in the least the correctness of the foregoing criticism, it may be proper to observe that the plan of the work was a desence of the author's public conduct during an important period of Canadian history, and that in the lives of Rev. Dr. Ryerson, Hon. George Brown, and "The Life and Times of Rt.-Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald," the same period of history had been treated by other writers. The great object was to enable the public to judge as to the soundness of the policy of the actors during the period treated of,

THE INSURANCE TRAMP, NO. 2.

Finding his New Year's experience no improvement on that of the Old, and not caring to beg, beseech and pray for an application for life insurance to be given him as an act of charity, and also being rather tired of taxing the elasticity of truth to the utmost our life arent determined to enter the ranks of the fire brokers, thinking there he would certainly find himself working with men who would, with all fairness, strive for the commission which he believed would only be paid to brokers and special agents. How much that word special agent includes he has yet to discover, and will he ever find out who it does not include? Every day brings to light some novel way of circumnavigating the rules laid down for his guidance in a book which requires a special pocket.

From some of his friends he has at last after repeated solicitations obtained a few risks, but the prices aggregate very little and the result of his month's labor is almost nil. However, spring is close at hand, and then, oh what business he is promised; stocks are low now, everybody is to make large importations, and all will then go well .. The companies will, in spite of the higher rates they have lately imposed, do a safer business, for is not the average clause, into the mysteries of which our broker is now initiated, a great protection, for where the insured have to carry some of their own risk will they not take better care of their property, and will there not be fewer total loss claims. All these favorable things make our new agent very hopeful, for he has yet to discover that in his own ranks are men who always have the "inside track," and that, although he offer to accept payment of premiums in the shape of tobacco, guns, furs, produce, shirts, groceries or millinery, he will always have a hard fight to secure new business without resort to that forbidden bribery or rebate of premium in some form, and then if he can retain it in the face of all the ways that are evil and tricks that are dark, he will have to make the best use of his time. He must also avoid those promisers of business who will put on their rubbers as he enters their doors, and not be particular whether it be a cigar or a champagne luncheon the poor prize-seeker uses for a hait:

Fortunately for his present happiness these things are unknown to our novice and he unsuspectingly yet bears in his face the hopeful look of a man who has started on a career with millions in it. In the immediate future he will awaken to the facts, and then will he join in the cry of the fire insurance shareholders,—Who is it makes the profits out of that overrated business in Canada?

REDUCTIO AD ABSURDUM.

U. S. RAILWAY STATISTICS.—Foreclosure sales of roads for some time bankrupt have been going on, but not to an alarming extent. Fifteen roads, with a mileage of only 680 miles, have thus been sold. In the previous year eighteen roads, with a mileage of 1,350 miles,

were sold, and this was less than for several years preceding. But the number of companies which have gone into the hands of receivers indicates that a new era of foreclosures has begun, although it is not likely to be of long duration. In 1884 receivers were appointed for 43 different companies, several of them of much importance. Not a few other companies are struggling with difficulty to keep their heads above water, and unless the times and the public temper improve there is likely to be a considerable addition to the list of receiverships during the coming year. The construc-tion record of 1884 has not been a remarkable one. About 4,000 miles of new main track have been laid on 166 different lines. This shows an average of only about 24 miles to each road, which indicates that most of the construction has been on extensions or branches. The principal lines which have been branches. The principal times which have occar completed during the year are the following: The Oregon Short Line of the Union Pacific Company to its terminus at Hunting don, Ore; the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's main line to the same point; the Wisconsin Central's line from Chippewa Falls, Wis., to St. Paul, Minn.; the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern's extension through Minnesota to and Northern's extension through attinesson to Watertown, Dak.; the extension of the Minneapolis & St. Louis to the same point; the completion of the Northern Pacific's Wisconsin division to Ashland, Wis.; the New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk, which has been finished through Maryland to a point opposite Nor-folk, Va. Among the roads in progress are the Baltimore & Ohio's line to New York; the Milwankee, Lake Shore & Western's extension to Ashland, Wis., through Michigan; the Northern Pacific's main line over the Cascade Mountains to Puget Sound, and the Oregon & California and the Galifornia & Oregon roads.

THE WAY TO SUCCESS .- Few young men of education have patience to begin at the foot of the ladder, and they who succeed in life are usually those whose early advantages are not of the best. The number of what are called selfmade men proves it. The young man of education who is born with a silver spoon in his mouth despises the patient industry of the lad who begins life with little hope and becomes almost a drudge where he is employed. While the clever schoolboy or fashionable clerk is building castles in the air-studying how he may jump into a fortune-the poor drudge whom he almost despises is making slow but certain steps forward to the goal. The few young men possessing the advantages of a good education, with all that it implies of moral training and courteous manners, have ever so many advantages over the "tortoise" in the race, but unfortunately they will not plod; they must fly. To them the drudgery of business routine conducted in the old-fashioned way is too tame. Few begin at the bottom and learn the minute details of business, and rise as a stately building rises—from its solid foundation. A large share of the failures are occasioned by the lack of that knowledge which can only be acquired from a discipline of the faculties and the habits at the beginning. Competition was never more aggressive than it is at the present time, and one needs all the advantages conferred thorough knowledge of the business if he at-tempt to stem the tide and win success. But he must have something beside, and that is a resolute purpose to discard those conventionalities that will lead him into expenditures beyond his means, and enable him to look with indifference upon the pomp and circumstance of the rich.

A BRIGHT VIEW OF THE LUMBER TRADE.-Though there is some uneasiness just now manifest by dealers on account of the extreme quietness of trade, there are reasons why holders of lumber should take a cheerful view of the situation. One of the hopeful signs is the better condition of the grain markets. The advances in price that have been made since January 1 are being well maintained, each falling off being more than made up by subsequent rallies. It is now generally conceded that wheat has been relatively too low, and that wheat has been relatively too low, and that it must come up to its normal value as a matural consequence. This opinion not only prevails in this country, but in England. The stock manipulators have, to a large degree, become converts to this view, and the increasing value and firmness of stock in the New York market is the result. The tendency of prices appears to be upward, and the lumber trade must soon feel this influence. Corn is said to be moving out of Kansas with considerable freedom, though, unfortunately for the Chicago. freedom, though, unfortunately for the Chicago lumber traffic it is going largely to St. Louis. But the bare fact that Kansas farmers are selling their corn indicates that yard men in that State will soon be in better shape to buy more stock, or, at least, to pay for what they have bought. The sluggish movement of the have bought. The sluggish movement of the crops has been a great drawback on the lumber trade since last September; a rise in prices, which is beginning, will set things in motion, and make business more active in every department. Certainly the prospect is brighter than it was two or three weeks ago, for the reason that the indications for blockers. for the reason that the indications for higher prices of grain are more positive.

THE Halifax Herald publishes an interview with Senator R. P. Grant, president of the Pictou Bank, showing the transactions of that bank with John Logan, who conducted a large tannery near Picton. Logan, in addition to a bona fide commercial business, secured advances to the amount of hundreds of thousands of dollars. He also obtained advances upon bogus drafts on Halifax, St. John, Montreal and Boston parties to the extent of \$125,000 from the cashier unknown to the directors. The cashier was dismissed. He made good a personal defalcation of \$12,000, but Logan says he cheated him out of \$20,000. The bank took possession of Logan's tannery, and other property valued at \$200,000, also a life policy for \$2,000, and still incurs a loss of \$90,000 written off as bad. The \$125,000 obtained on bogus drafts was obtained in this way:—Logan would draw on regular customers or imaginary persons for certain amounts and get the money from the cashier. These drafts were duly entered in the current cash account in figures, but not in the books examined by the directors but not in the books examined by the directors, and, instead of being forwarded and collected, were retained by the cashier and renewed again and again by logan with similar bogus drafts. The bank now has \$125,000 of this bogus paper on hand, besides some \$200,000 of Logan's bona fide commercial paper. This is a species of the most audacious swindling yet discovered. But the Pictou Bank is now be-lieved to be perfectly sound. The paid-up capi-tal of the bank is \$250,000, but its "rest" is nil. It divided \$16,250 among its shareholders during the last twelve months.

The Magog Textile Works Co. held their annual meeting the 21st inst. at their offices in this city. A large number of shareholders attended, among them Messrs. T. C. Keefer Ottawa, E. P. Hannaford, G.T.R., John Porteous, G.T.R., Alex. Ramsay, J. K. Ward, Wm.

Hobbs, Geo. Brush, John Macfarlane and Thos. Logan of the Canada Paper Go., Geo. R. Grant, capitalist, Jas. Dakers, C. O. Colby, Leclaire, Letourneaux, Seymour, Melancon, Redfern, Emand and others. Mr. Hobbs, the president, occupied the chair, and Mr. Grant officiated as secretary. The report for the six months in which the works have been running was read, and although not as satisfactory as every one could desire was, on the whole, not unfavorably received. The operation of the first six months under all the circumstances could scarcely be expected to yield much profit. Considerable discussion ensued, after which on motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. Hannaford, the report was adopted with but little dissent. Mr. Thornton, vice-president, was succeeded on the board by Mr. Moore of Magog, the former having resigned, owing to ill-health; and Mr. Selkirk Cross was replaced by Mr. John Macfarlane. At a subsequent meeting of the Board Mr. J. K. Ward was elected president and Mr. Wm. Hobbs, vice-president for the current year.

FAILURES IN U. K.—The number of failures for 1884 was 4,394 of which 607 were in the financial, wholesale and manufacturing branches, and 3,787 in retail trade, professional pursuits, builders, publicans, among the working clusses, &c., &c. The futures in the whole sale trades were distributed as follows:—

		1884	c.
	1883.	1st half.	2nd half
London	377	81	68
Liverpool	59	16	16
Manchester	98	15	G
Lancashire	88	9	6
Yorkshire, excluding			
Middlesborough and			
Hull	215	42	43
Birmingham and Mid-			
land Iron District	109	20	30
Newcastle, Middlesbor-			
ough, Hull and Dis-			
trict	47	21	12
Bristol, Cardiff, New-			
port, and Swansea	37	8	6
Provinces	232	56	48
Scotland	83	44	40
Ireland,	14	8	9
	1361	320	287

Following are the number of failures for the last eight years respectively:

Years.	No. of Fails.	Who.	Retail.
1877	11,022	2172	8,850
1878	15,059	5 2643	12,416
1879	16,637	2546	14,091
1880	13,147	1478	11,669
1881	12,005	1325	10,680
1882	11,019	1314	9,705
1883	10,599	1361	9,238
1884	4,394	C07	3,787

EXTRADITION proceedings are being instituted by Canadian authorities for the recovery of Archibald B. Campbell, late mail clerk on the Emerson division of the C.P.R., and son of the Canadian Minister of Justice, lately arrested at Chicago with \$18,000 in his possession, on a charge of robbing the mails. On October 10th a mail bag_containing \$3,000 in registered

letters was plundered at Emerson, and apon investigation damaging evidence was found against Campbell in the shape of correspondence. He is also charged with the appropriation of \$2,000 in cancelled notes consigned to one of the banks in Montreal, and by a chemical process efficing the cancellation marks. Other mail robberies and smuggling are among his offences. Campbell appears to have been an inveterate gambler. When first charged with the crime in Winnipeg, he became indignant and started ostensibly for Ottawa to see about punishing his traducers, but he got no further than Chicago.

Paul Legarde, wholesale and retail grocer, this city, has assigned to Kent & Turcotte, with liabilities of about \$15,000, and showing a nominal deficiency of about \$2,000. The wholesale and retail stores are under the one roof, and a stock of goods thrown together in such confusion it would be difficult to find elsewhere. Mr. Legarde is not much more systematic in his account keeping than in the manner of keeping his stores; he has not taken account of stock or balanced his books for several years. Among the assets are \$2,000 of book accounts; he kept no discount account. His methods imposed upon the trade, and if his 50 or 60 creditors be any evidence, his credit was at least fair. He opened some new accounts latterly, and as these had not had time to become accustomed to his methods he was pressed for payment, with the result noted.

Great progress has been made by the Canadian Pacific Railway in its extension easterly from Burrard Inlet, B. C. Trains are now running from Burrard Inlet to Savona, a distance of 212 miles. Thence to the end of the track going west, which is now at the summit of the Rockies, extends a gap of 260 miles, to be closed during the present year. The gap is partly under contract, and work is being carried on as vigorously us possible during the winter. For 108 miles east of Savona, the line is contiguous to mavigable waters, and is therefore favorable to cheap and rapid construction. The average cost for 138 miles east of Savona will not much exceed \$20,000 per mile; thence to the summit not \$33,000 per mile. It is, in fact, a cheap line to build, costing far less per mile than the mountain work of the Union or Central Pacific.

The eleventh annual report of the Hochelaga Bank, printed elsewhere, shows carnings for the year equal to nearly nine per cent. of its paid-up capital, out of which two dividends equal to six per cent. per aunum were declared. The circulation has increased over \$50,000 as compared with the period of the previous statement; the circulation also shows some increase, due here also, doubtless to the causes referred to by the president, Mr. F. X. St. Charles, in his few practical remarks at the meeting. Mr. Parent, the cashier, who is probably one of the youngest bankers in Monreal, appears to have proved himself in every way worthy of the high encomiums pronounced in the resolutions of Messrs. Thibaudean & Roy.

Wateriouses for the packing and storage of fruit for the English market are becoming more common in Nova Scotia, the farmers of that province having woke up to the fact that fruit raising is more profitable than the raising of potatoes etc., more especially as the latter

crop is prone to frequent failure, and the American market to uncertainty. Evaporating machines are also coming into favor, as evaporated fruit brings nearly twice the return of the old drying process, and allows of the poorer quality of fruit being turned to good account. We refer of course, more particularly to apples. The raising of small fruits is also receiving increased attention, and to good purpose, on account of the great demand for the smaller fruits of late.

The Union Insurance Company, Philadelphia, at its recent annual meeting, reduced its capital \$200,000. The action was necessitated by losses through the frandulent transactions of one of its agents, Lorenzo Dimick, of Crosby & Dimick, of Buffulo, who has defrauded the company of upwards of \$200,000. Dimick, hearing of disasters to vessels on the lakes, made an entry with the insurance company for large amounts, making the entry ante-date the news of the disaster. It is believed a large percentage of the money was paid on fraudulent policies to be recovered from Dimick.

The statement of the Canadian branch of the Glasgow & London Fire Insurance Co., for the year 1884 shows, premium income of \$309,542.77, making, with interest, a total of \$313,388.27 The losses were \$120,278, and the expenses \$82,788. This statement, even for a first year's business, leaves little to be desired, and speaks well for the executive management. Messrs. Bond & Stewart Browne evidently make a good team.

The shipments of coal from Stellarton, N.S. station, exclusive of those from Drummond siding, are as follows:

1884...... 146,469 1883..... 144,777

Including coal for railway use, the quantity carried would exceed 200,000.

Grindstones.—The method of securing and preparing the material for grindstones, on the coast of Nova Scotia where it largely abounds, is described as follows in a Dexter, Me., paper: "The makers live principally along the Bay of Fundy, and when the tide has receded and the reefs are left bare, they go down on the reefs with their tools and blast out the rocks in as large pieces as may be. They then cut square holes in opposite corners of the stones, smallest at the top, and put in 'Louis bolt' with claims attached. These chains are set up on bars, so that as soon as the tide rises enough to cover the rocks a large boat called the 'joggin' boat is floated over the rock, and the two chains brought up on each side of the boat are fustened to a stout pole which lies across the boat and projects over the sides a foot or two. The tide, rising rapidly, straightens the chains and lifts the rock from its bed, and the boat with its heavy burden—sometimes ten tons—is floated toward the shore, and when the tide attains its full height and the boat in near the shore as practicable, the stone is cut away by a few vigorous strokes of the axe on the middle of the pole, and the liberated boat jumps nearly out of the water. As soon as the tide recedes far enough to lay the rock bare, the men go to work with their tools and work them off into the shape we see them here in our large factories, and the smaller pieces are roughly 'scabbed' off into the semblance of a small grindstone, and then are taken to the building where they are turned in lathes by steam power, and assume the finished appearance of the grindstones we see any day about us."

Correspondence.

RE-INSURANCE RESERVES.

To the Elitor JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.

Sur,-Considerable discussion has lately taken place in the columns of Insurance Jour-nals published abroad as to the liability a Fire Insurance company shall charge itself for a re-insurance reserve. This is a most important question to those interested in the welfare of our local companies, as it forms the heaviest liability they have to provide for, and in this country, being laid down by law, has been com-plied with regardless of its effects upon the Company's financial status and without ques-

tion as to its equity or redundance.

According to the law in Canada a local company (for a most singular and unjust distinction is made in this regard between the local and foreign company) is required to in-clude in its liabilities a sum sufficient to cover upon all its business the amount of "uncarned premiums," which the Superintendent of Insurance arbitrarily fixes at 50 per cent of the premiums on all annual or shorter term policies, live-sixths of the premiums on three year policies, and proportionately less for those having two or one year yet to run, no deduction being allowed for expense of obtaining the business, the reserve being estimated on the gross premium.

It will readily be seen that this liability is

excessive in more ways than one.

1st. While 50 per cent upon the annual and short term insurance is probably far more than is required to return to each policy-holder his due proportion of the premium, as it is admittedly the case that the heaviest receipts of premiums are in the spring months, whereby the policies at the 31st December, the day prescribed for making this return, would have but the control of the proportion of the policies at the strength to the policies at the strength the proportion of the policies at the strength to the proportion of the premium, as it is admitted to the proportion of the premium, as it is admitted to the premium, as it is admitted to the proportion of the premium, as it is admitted to the proportion of the premium, as it is admitted to the proportion of the premium, as it is admitted to the proportion of the premium, as it is admitted to the premium, as it is admitted to the premium of the premium, as it is admitted to the premium of the one-third or one-fourth to run, and short term insurances effected after the harvest would have but one or two months at most to expire; it becomes a still greater burden to the Company when the reserve is upon the pro rata basis instead of that laid down by the policy—and fur-ther enacted by law (vide the Insolvent Act) that the return of the premium can only be demanded in accordance with the terms of the policy upon short term rates, a difference in favor of the company of fully one third the premium. 2nd, in the same manner the reserve laid

down upon three years business is excessive. The Company in returning to each policyholder his pro rata proportion of the premium would not be required to outlay as much as the Government demands. Take a revenue of \$60,000, assume it to come in equal monthly proportions of \$5000, the pro rata we should have to return the policy-holders would be \$40,000, -- the Superintendent exacts \$50,000.

But under the Insolvent Act we should have

a far less proportion to return as, at short term rates (the condition of the contract), it would not amount to more than \$30,000.

3rd. Having shown it excessive as a pro rata return, still more excessive as a short term return in the terms of the contract, it is doubly onerous as a liability upon gross premiums. It is well-known that insurance business is conducted through the medium of agents. commission paid to them is out of the premium, the expenses of the company is an additional charge upon the premium, and, further, the losses are to come out of it. Hence, why should the liability be upon the gross premium, which the company only possibly receives. It is the company only nominally receives. like an income tax exacted upon a company's premium revenue, regardless of expenses and losses, which has just been declared illegal in one of the highest Courts in England. The has the inglest courts in lengthen. The assured pays the premium, knowing full well that the expense of conducting the business in his interests (as he insures to be protected against loss by fire) is to conic out of it. Why, therefore, should he have a claim upon the company for the other contents. pany for the withdrawal of the entire pro rata premium regardless of the expense, when such a ruling is subversive of the safety of all business

co-partnerships; and what is insurance, whether stock or mutual, but a co-partnership of the insured with the insurer! He has no claim to recover, in law or equity, the full pro rata of the premium paid in, but he has to the amount, less the expenses, of conducting the business. Hence the fund required is fully 30 per cent more than it should be, the expense of conducting the business fully equalling this figure, even in the most economically managed offices.

The fund as now exacted in Canada

The find as now exacted in Canada militates seriously against the success of any local company, for the more business it does the heavier this liability becomes, and impairment of capital is the obvious result. Take a new company starting with a cash capital of say \$500,000. It takes in the first year \$200,000 in premiums on annual business and #180,000 of 3 years business. Its re-insurance fund at end of year would be \$250,000. Its expense of conducting the business \$114,000. Its losses, say 30 per cent, \$114,000, leaving an impairment of capital, into very first year of \$98,000, and this to go on increasing as the business is enlarged! The figures here assumed are under the actual results, as claims even in the first year are seldom under 40 per cent, while expenses are much heavier. Under the present law it is obvious no new company can start business with any expectation of escaping an impairment of cap tal or paying a dividend. It is in fact a prohibitory law.

T have shown sufficient cause to condemn the fund as exorbitant, unreasonable and prohibitive from the company's point of view. will now examine it from assured's point of

1st. Is it retained as a safeguard of solvency of the company to him? I answer, no. Nor has it any bearing whatever upon solvency—the fund being totally inadequate to meet exceptional losses from a conflagration hazard, nor is it intended for such a purpose, while the revenue received annually fully meets the ordinary losses and expenses of the company. The solvency of the company is perfectly established without this fund, inasmuch as the debts of the company are fully provided for by correspond-ing assets, paid-up capital of the company being intact in addition to these assets. This constitutes perfect solvency to the assured and public. If a company ceased business and a refund of the premiums was required it could be paid by the shareholders out of capital account, if it had not sufficient surplus assets or reserve fund as it is technically called, to defray it. To meet exceptional or conflagration losses the insured has the security of the uncalled capital, and any additional accumulated entied capital, and any andictional accommence funds the company has in land. It is not the re-insurance reserve that will pay him the abnormal loss; but he relies upon the uncalled capital and other resources of the company, and, according to the extent and value of these, is the company of more or less value to him as an insurer.

2nd. As a fund to meet normal losses it is premium provide for this, the business establishing that an average of 60 per cent of the premiums suffice for losses, 30 per cent for expenses, leaving 10 per cent for profits or surplus on the wards consentions. plus on the year's operations.

3rd. If, as a re-insurance reserve for the purpose of placing the business in some other company upon retirement; all such transfers made hitherto have carried a deduction of 25 to 35 per cent. So that it is admittedly a marketable asset to this extent, and the com-

pany should get credit in account for it.

It cannot therefore be required, in the interests of the assured, as a test of solvency of the company, as a resource of security to meet normal or abnormal losses, or as a fund to the full extent at present demanded in order to refund or re-insure the current premiums. It is a redundance in all stock companies, wholly unnecessary to the company or the insured and should be abolished. At best it is only a fund required upon the discontinuance of business, and should not be allowed to act as a drag upon companies in good standing, when it is fully provided for by the capital of the company.

In England and the Continent generally no such law exists, and consequently companies are free to create such a fund or not as they deem free to create such a fund or not as they deem best. The Post Magazine, a London Journal, states that four companies only in England specially provide this fund in addition to their ordinary liabilities, and these four only adopt 33 1-3 per cent. !! It further says that this reserve of one-third is the usually accepted "standard. It is adopted by almost all com-"standard. It is adopted by almost all com"panies that make a special provision, and is
"the usual statutory reserve in the countries,
"Austria for instance, where Government lays
"down rules for the guidance of the officers
("Sept, 13, 1884.) The Insurance Post,
Weekly Underwriter, and others strongly urge
the injustice of demanding more, and yet we in
Capada cripple our companies by demanding
from them as for greater amount, and one from them a far greater amount, and one not only an unjust liability actually in excess of the revenue they obtain, but which also we do not ask from foreign companies competing on equal terms with them. To point out this further injustice under the Act, I would illustrate a company starting in Canada and one in England, both operating in the same field throughout the world and showing the same result :

Capital Income Canada Income English Co .. 1,000.000 1,000,000 201.000 Losses and Re-Insurance Surplus Expenses Fund 300,000 English Co....600,000 100,000 Impairment Capital Can ada Income Income paid up Canada Co...1,000,000 1.000,000 200,000 Losses and Re-Insurance Surplus Expenses Fund Nil Canada Co.... 600,000 500,000 Impairment Canada Co...100,000

The above table gives you a practical and truthful illustration of the even-handed justice and equity meted out to local companies by the Insurance Act of 1876. To the foreign company, with the same business it gives a surplus of \$300,000 on the year's operations—to the Canadian Company it gives an impairment of capital of \$100,000. The former can go about flaunting its wings—the latter must bury its back in a send bute and this has been the its head in a sand hole, and this has been the actual result since the establishment of this law. There are other serious grievances the Canadian Company suffers from, but this letter being upon Re-insurance reserves, I withhold them at present. I leave it to you or to any them at present. I leave it to you or to any person to say whether, under such circumstances any Canadian company can flourish in fair competition with its neighbors, or why such a gross act of injustice or absurdity should be tolerated by those having their money invested in Canadian Fire Insurance companies.

STOCKHOLDER.

INSPECTION OF FISH AND OILS.

TO THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF THE BOARD OF TRADE, MONTREAL.

GENTLEMEN, -You are aware that during the last session of Parliament, the inspection law -You are aware that during the of 1874, or rather that part which concerns the inspection of fish and fish oils, has been amended. I now ask the liberty of submitting you some observations which, in my position of inspector, I had occasion to make since the law was amended, and which might not come before your honourable council otherwise.

During the last session of Parliament repre-sentatives of the Newfoundland trade called upon the Government to amend the law con-cerning the inspection of fish and fish oils. Their request was granted, and not only did they get what they asked but a good deal more, for not only were the oils the product of Newfoundland exempted from inspection, but all fish oils

from wherever they came.

The result of the abolition of inspection of oils has been to place the door wide open to adulteration of all descriptions. Seal oils from Newform dand have, since the repeal of the law, Newton than have, since the repeat of the law, been adulterated, very generally with a product of mineral oil called "Neutral oil" which only a long experience and chemical tests can detect. The result of this adulteration has been most disastrous on machinery, and in no year perhaps since the invention of petroleum products has there been such breakage in machinery, of which the employers have often been

at a loss to trace the cause.

As to cod oil, the evil is no less, if not still greater, as the color of the oil furnishes a larger held for adulteration than seal oil does for with this last oil the adulteration must be practised with white matter, whilst for the first it can be adulterated with other fish oils, besides

mineral and vegetable oils.

The result of these adulterations is that the tanners are often very great sufferers in the exercise of their trade, owing to the adulteration of one of their principal raw materials which does not answer the purpose expected. Some importers of oils in order to warrant the purity of the oils they sell have in some cases caused the words "imported specialty for " or some

such brand-sieneilled on the barrels.

When out of first hands, the off is adulterated, but the words remain on the barrels, and it is question for the firm referred to if the remedy is not worse than the evil, for if the oil has been adulterated, the users will apply the offence to the names of the parties that appear on the barrels, and not to the second or third hands through which the oils may have passed; and as there is now no inspection, innocent parties have to bear the odium of misdeed.

Since the repeal of the inspection of oils a large quantity of an American oil called "Menhaden oil" has been imported from the United States. Although a fish oil, it is a substitute for cod oil, but the product arising from the use of this oil is much inferior to that obtained from pure cod oil to which it has a strong re-semblance, and as Menhaden oil is much cheaper than cod oil there are very strong in-centives to pass it for such, hence it is sometimes that with short receipts of cod oil, there has been of line large stocks offering. The explanation is found in the stencil plate, which has substituted the words "Pare Newfoundland cod oil" to those which originally appeared on the barrels.

appeared on the barrels.

Coming now to the inspection of fish from Newfoundhand I beg to east your attention to the absence of statistics of the fish trade between Newfoundhand and Montreal. At the Custom House, receipts from Newfoundhand, when fish or oil, or both, are entered as "Product of the sea," with value of import, but it is impossible to find out—which is exceedingly important to the trade of this city—how many barrels of herrings, of salmon, of coddish, or of oils have been imported, and to compare with the product of the fisheries of Canada, as there is no inspection of the products from Newfords. is no inspection of the products from New-

foundland.

Now, gentlemen, during last session, the Government had an Act passed making more stringent the clauses referring to the adulterastringent the clauses referring to the auditera-tion of foods, etc., and at the same time was re-pealing the inspection of oils with the results above mentioned. It is not my province, in my present capacity, to pass judgment on the acts of the Government, but it strikes me I may be permitted to say that the adulteration of oils is just as important to check as the mixing

oils is just as important to check as the mixing of spices which every boy can detect, nutting the full weight in a can of lobsters or tomatoes, or adulterating coffee with chicory which is often done with the approval of consumers.

Gentlemen,—I think I have done my duty in laying before you a real grievance which may have disastrous effects. I leave to the wisdom, of the Council to say whether a remedy should be sought, or whether you will leave matters in statu quo giving carte blanche, notwithstanding laws to the contrary, to all who wish to practice the adulterations of oils as well as to ruin the reputation of well estables. as well as to rain the reputation of well established houses—by selling adulterated goods under their names—which is their fortune.

I have the honor to be your humble and obd't

L. E. MORIN, Inspector of Fish, etc.

OFFICE BOARD OF TRADE. MONTREAL, 7th Jan, 1885.

L. E. MORIN, Esq.,

Inspector of Fish, etc.

DEAR SIR,-Referring to your communication of 10th uito., to the council of this board, on the subject of inspecting fish oils, I am now to inform you that it was submitted for consideration to the board of examiners for fish and tish oils. Herewith please find copy report of examiners and others with whom they were in conference on the subject.

I am, dear Sir, yours truly, WM. J. PATTERSON, Secretary.

Report of the board of examiners for fish and fish oils on a communication from the inspector dated December 10, 1884.

At a meeting of the board of examiners for fish and fish oits, held on Tuesday, the 24th December, 1884, which a number of firms in that trade were invited to attend, and at which were present:

Messrs. R. FAIRBANKS, John Magor, Members of the Board JOHN BAIRD, of Examiners. C. HEBERT,

And Messrs, James Lord and John B. McLea. With reference to a communication from the inspector (Mr. L. E. Morin) sent to the council of the board of trade and referred to the board

of the board of trade and referred to the board of examiners, it was manimously resolved:
That the inspection of seal oil should not be compulsory, as it would be of no advantage to the consumer, but that it should be protected by the placing of that article under the provisions of the adulteration act;
That it is considered that the inspectors' brand being on the barrel is no guarantee against subsequent adulteration;
That the examiners do not see how the circumstances referred to in the inspector's communication can be remedied by compulsory inspection.

inspection.

(Signed), RUFUS FAIRBANKS, Chairman Board of Examiners.

MONTREAL, 5th January, 1885.

Meetings, &c.

THE HOUHELAGA BANK.

The eleventh annual meeting of shareholders was held on Thursday, the 15th inst., at the Head Office of the bank in this city. Mr. F. X. St. Charles, the president, was requested to act as chairman and Mr. A. D. Parant, the managing cashier, was appointed secretary of the meeting.

Messrs, Louis A. Drapeau and Hubert Morin

were appointed scrutineers.

The chairman read the eleventh annual report to the shareholders of the bank as fol-

Gentlemen-Your directors, in presenting to you their 11th annual report, however satisfactory the operations of the year have been, acknowledge that the result obtained is less that what was anticipated. The financial disasters of 1882 and 1883, the check experienced by the cotton industries, the difficulty of finding an outlet for the surplus production, all contributed to make the capitalist more timid, and content himself with allowing his money to remain idea in the banks. This will money to remain idle in the banks. This will explain to you, gentlemen, the abundance of funds in all our financial institutions. However the year may glide along, each season

appears to promise some amelioration of things. The magnificent appearance of the for two reasons our hopes have been disappointed; the first, the general abundance prevailing in all the countries which America prevailing in all the countries which America supplies; second, the obstinate refusal of our Canadian farmers to sell their produce under pretence that the price is too low. It is true that it is simply a question of time, for the immense quantities of wheat purchased in the west by the syndicate of the Canadian Pacific will have the offect of region theories. will have the effect of raising the price and inducing our farmers to give us in the spring the benefit of the harvest of 1884.

The year just passed has seen a change in the management of this institution in the departure of Mr. Brais, who has found a larger sphere by his admission as a member of the Space Exchange. It gives me pleasure, gentlemen, to inform you that the assets of the bank have been verified several times during the year, that regular inspections have been made at the agencies, and that all has been found satisfactory.

The following are the profits of the year, which enable us to pay you two dividends of 3

per cent. each.

PROFIT AND LOSS TO DECEMBER 31, 1884.

16th dividend of 3 per cent paid the 2nd July, 1884.....

able the 2nd January, 1885 Losses and probable losses of the	21,294.43
year Balance	10,065.12 12,697.34
Cr.	\$65,196.82
Balance to the December 31, 1883 Profits of the year deducting expenses of management, interest	\$2,507.12
on deposits, &c	62,689.70

The whole respectfully submitted.

F. X. St. Charles,

President.

\$65,196.82

\$21,139.93

STATEMENT ON

December 31st, 1884. Liabilities.

Paid-up capital	
Notes in circulation	\$794,804 43 422,028 00 41,898 22 1,490 00 5,251 54 264,409 18 178,450 26 1,651 47 5,383 54

Total...... \$1,715,366 64 Assets.

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Specie	\$34,162	
Dominion notes	40,388	50
Notes and cheques on other banks		12
Due by banks in Canada	39,456	01
Due by foreign banks		
Due by banks in U. K	9,317	06
Bills under discount	1,206,084	53
Loans on collateral security		69
Overdue debts	943	50
Overdue debts secured		71
Real estate		
Mortgages on real estate sold		00
Other assets		

\$1,715,366 64

On motion of Mr. F. X. St. Charles, seconded by Mr. U. H. Letourneux, the report was adopted.

It was proposed by Mr. C. Roy, seconded by Mr. A. Belanger, that the thanks of the chare-holders are due and are hereby tendered to the directors for their successful administration of the affairs of the bank during the past year. Carried.

it was proposed by Mr. G. Thibaudeau, seconded by Mr. F. X. Roy, that the thanks of the shareholders are due to the cashier and other officers of the bank for the zeal they have displayed in the discharge of their duties. Car-

it was proposed by Mr. Louis A. Drapeau, seconded by Mr. C. Roy, that the report of the proceedings of the annual meeting be printed and distributed among the shareholders for their information. Carried.

The scrutineers made the following report: 1 he screeners must be following appointed We, the undersigned scrutineers, appointed at the annual meeting of the Bank of Hochelaga, declare that the following gentlemen have laga, declare that the following gentlemen have been elected directors of the bank for the ensuing year, namely:—F. X. St. Charles, C. Melancon, M. Laurent, G. H. Letourneux and J. Leduc. Signed, Louis A. Drapeau, H. Morin."—The meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of directors Mr. F. X. St. Charles was elected president and Mr. C. Malargan vice-president of the hand for the

C. Melancon vice-president of the bank for the

ensuing year.

The Gorpen Poot.—Latest reports give the following details of the somewhat peculiar specifications under which the recent "pool" sale of Lake Superior ingot copper to home consince of lake Superior ingot copper to nome consumers was made: Aggregate quantity placed, about 1,250,000 to 1,500,000 tons per month; deliveries from January to May inclusive; price based upon the value of Chili bars in London (plus £3 to £4), and fixed at the value there between the 10th and 25th of the months become in which the deliveries hore. preceding those in which the deliveries here are made. For example, January deliveries would be regulated by the London value of Chilibars between the 10th and 25th of December. The Lake Superior companies are also endeavoring to include the condition that the buyers agree to purchase none but the Lake product under any circumstances during the five months for which the contracts are fixed. This arbitrary clause is strennously opposed, however, for the simple reason that consumers are not inclined to forego any advantage that may possibly be derived from the influence upon the market of the prospective continuation of the warfare upon the smaller producers by the Calumet & Hecha and allied companies. In point of fact, it is understood that several bayers would withdraw and take their chances on the open market rather than agree to this proposition, nothwithstanding the assertion of the sellers that no one not included in the "pool" transaction will be furnished Lake copper at less than 124 at 112c per pound.

—New York Bulletin.

FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO .- Sattleet, Jan. 13 .- John Stewart's ONTARIO.—Sattleet, Jan. 13.—John Stewart's barn and stables with valuable contents. Insurance, \$500. Toronto, 14.—Jacob Woltz's residence. Damage, \$2,000 to house and furniure. Covered by the Citizens' and Norwich Union. Brucefield, 15:—A. Smith's grist mill, said to be insured. Fingul.—Robt. Elsie's house Lose, \$200. no insurance. Stretage. sau to be insured. Fingal.—Robt. Elsie's house. Loss, \$300; no insurance. Stirling.—Geo. Lagrow's store and stock. Loss on building, \$2,000; stock, \$1,800. Insured in Mercantile for \$1,250 and \$1,200. Thurlow.—Jas. A. McCrendy's house and most of A. McCrendy's house and most of contents. A. McCrendy's house and most of contents. Loss \$2,000; some insurance. *Chatham.*—Moore & Patterson's grocery. Loss, \$800; insurance. \$500 in Citizens'. *Windsor*,—W. J. McKee's planing mill and lumber yard. Loss \$10,000; mill insured \$3,000, Commercial Union of England. McNally Bro's building. Loss \$1,600; half covered. Eli Pangburn's house; \$300. Vittoria, 17.—Vittoria lecture-room damaged \$2,000. The tin-shop destroyed. Building worth \$800; insured \$500 in Western; contents partly saved; \$800 in Gore District of Galt. Sarnia, 18.—Baggage-car, 7 pieces baggage and 4 mail bags. Toronto, 20.—P. S. Scott's villa. Loss \$7,000. House insured \$3,000, furniture \$800, in Queen's.

Queerc.—Montreal, Jan. 16.—Gault Bros.; damage \$400, insured in Royal etc. 18.—Mrs. Foley, haberdasher. Damage, \$2,000 to stock; \$500 to machinery. Mrs. Foley, insured for \$1,500. Quebec, 18.—Henry Michaels' cigar store. Loss \$2,000; insured \$1,000. S. M. Girdux, barber. Small loss. Insured \$500 each in Citizens' and Fire Insured. in Citizens' and Fire Insurance Association.

New Brusswick.—St. Leonard, Jan. 8.— Cyrie Jarvais' house and store building. Loss \$800; uninsured. St. John, 20.—Marine hospital. Loss \$300.

Nova Scotta.—Maccan Station, Jan. 14.—J. P., Read's carriage shop and buildings destroyed. Insured \$1,000. Weldford—Rob't. Baldwin's house. Uninsured. Hillsboro, 15.—Beatty Steeve's house and barn. House insured in British America.

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Jan. 22, 1885.

Unquestionably, a healthier feeling has pervaded several important branches of trade during the past week, which has led to more confidence and an increase in actual transactions. Remittances during the past few days have shown a better record, a result no doubt attributable in a great measure to better winter roads, and greater facilities for trading in the interior. In Ontario some large transactions have taken place in flour, wheat, peas and barley. Some important deals have also transpired in dressed hogs all of which helps to stimulate country trade, which in turn is reflected in the great business centres.

Monetary affairs are quiet and unchanged, good commercial paper being discounted at 7 per cent, and call loans on stock collateral are obtainable at 4 per cent. Sterling Exchange is firm on a fair run of business at 82 premium for sixties, and at 9 3-8 for demand. New York funds are steady at par, Bank and Miscellaneous securities have remained steady during the week. The following were the quotations of and transactions in Montreal stocks during the past week;

Banks.	Shares.	Highest	Lowess
		price.	price.
Commerce	418	119	118
Merchants	490	1114	110
Montreal	280	189	188∔
Ontario	70	112	108
Peoples	63	581	55
Toronto	60	180	1773
Miscellaneous.	. 00		1112
Can. Pac. Ry	550	413	40
Oun. Cotton Co	. 50	30	30
Gas	2130	1823	1812
Mon. Tel. Co	135	1164	1161
Pusseuger	45	1,194	1197
Richelieu & Ontario	207	58	58
Do x d	75	56	. 56
Windsor Hotel Bond	7500		
" musor ribter bond	1500	105	105

ASHES-Receipts are quite moderate-sales of First Pots at \$3.40 to \$3.45, Seconds \$2.90. Pearls are nominal and neglected-no quotations can be given. Receipts since 1st January 226 Brls. Pots, 19 Brls Pearls. Deliveries 64 Brls Pots, 3 Brls Pearls. Stock 21st January, at 6 p.m., 1618 Brls Pots, 223 Brls Pearls.

Boors and Shors .- Manufacturers, although not as busy as they might be, have received somewhat more encouragement during the past week by increased orders both from travellers and customers direct. Since the welcome full of snow advices from the West report prospects brightening, and travellers write in a more hopeful strain. Payments are fair for the season.

COAL .- The market for anthracite coal remains dull, at former prices, the few small orders received being filled at \$6 per net ton. delivered, for stove and chestnut, and at \$5.75 for egg and furnace. The new arrangement this winter by which hard coal is received by rail direct from the Pennsylvania mines, has had the effect of keeping prices down to the summer level so far. Prices f.o.b. at New York summer level so far. Prices f.o.b. at New York are quoted as follows: Stove, \$3.55 to \$4.00; egg, \$3.20 to \$2.50; broken, \$3.20 to \$3.40 junt, \$3.40 to \$3.60; pen, \$2.25. At Philadelphia f.o.b. prices are \$5.90 to \$4.00 for stove; egg, \$3.25 to \$5.50; \$2.00 for pen; \$3.00 to \$3.15 for broken; special couls, \$4.75 to \$5.00 for broken, \$5.35 to \$5.50 for stove.

DAIRY PRODUCE. - Butter .- The slight enquiry on shipping account noticed last week amounted to nothing, and the market has relapsed into its former stagnant condition. Even finest goods have been affected, holders of large lots baving failed to effect sales, although they were willing to make material concession in prices. A moderately fair business has been done in fine creamery and Eastern Townships on local account, but it has not been sufficient to produce any counteracting influence to the general weakness of the market. English advices by mail are of a discouraging nature, especially on recent consignments received in Liverpool from Western Ontario. Sales of Western butter have transpired in this market during the week at 13c to 14c for medium grades, up to 15c to 16c for good to line quali-ties. Rolls have been placed at 132c to 16c for ties. Rolls have been placed at 13½c to 10c for Western, and Morrisburg rolls at 16c to 17½c. The only business doing in thest packed goods is in Eastern Townships and creamery at about quotations. Cheese—The market for fine fall goods is firm, notwithstanding the decline of 2s in the Liverpool public cable since our lastreport in the Liverpool public cable since our lastreport. to 62s. Holders are asking full former bids, but, in the absence at the moment of export orders, there is no actual business to report. Fine to finest Sep. and Oct. goods are firm at 12c to 124c.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS,-The general drug market is characterized by a fair volume of business for the time of year, and values rule about as last quoted. Quinine is firm at \$1.35 to \$1.40 for Howards and \$1.20 to \$1.25 for German in bulk. Opium is quiet at \$4.25 to \$4.75 as to lot; morphia, \$2.25 to \$2.40,

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Chemicals have undergone no material variation since this day week, the temper of business being very quiet. In the heavy lines there has been a fair trade in caustic soda at \$2.25. Bleaching powder is less firm, in sympathy with the easier feeling in the foreign markets. The American market is very much overstocked, and it is selling there at below cost. Soda ash is steady at \$1.70, bicarb soda at \$2.40, and sol soda at \$1.70, bicarb soda at \$2.40, and sol soda at \$1.10, the latter being very scarce.

Day Goods.—A few orders covering general spring goods have been received from travellers within the past few, days, but the volume of business is not what was generally expected for the beginning of the first, spring trip. Owing to the efforts of the mills to establish an advance in the price of cuttons, some of our leading houses have ordered their travellers to stop selling cotton goods, as they appear to be determined to fight the advance which they chaim is unwarranted. On the other hand, the mills are r fusing to fill orders at former values, which make things considerably mixed. In Canadian tweeds a few sorting-up orders have nome in, but trade is generally very quiet, even in this line. On the whole, remittances are snoken of as improving, and merchants appear to be quite hopeful of the future.

Eags.—There is very little life in the egg market, the supplies keeping ahead of the demand. Sales of limed cave taken place at 18c to 19c, and fresh-packed at 20c, to 21c. The New York market is firm and savancing, with sales of Canadian at 24c to 25c. European fresh eggs 3: Il in New York at 24c.

Fish.—A fair enquiry is experienced for green cod, and the market is firmer. A round lot of No. 1 and large was lately sold at \$3.75 to \$4.00, but the sale would not be repeated, as the market has since hardened, and holders now ask \$4 to \$4.50. There has been some enquiry for salmon from the United States, and No. 1, large is quoted at \$18 per tierce, No. 2 \$16, and No. 3 \$15. Prices are quoted as follows: Green Cod—No. 1 \$4 to \$4.50, and No. 1 large, \$4.50 to \$5.00. Dry cod quiet at \$3.00 to \$3.25 for Nova Scotian and \$4.25 to \$4.50 for Gaspe. Labrador herring, \$5.50 to \$6, and Nova Scotian \$4.50 to \$5.75 for No. 1.

GRAIN AND FLOUR .- Owing to the higher cost of wheat in Western Ontario, where prices have made a further gain of 3c per bushel, prices here are nominally higher and we now quote No. 2 Canada red winter wheat 92c to 93c, and spring and white winter 90c to 92c. Although there has not been sufficient business on spot to establish values, a good brisk business has transpired at points west of Toronto for shipment to Liverpool via Portland and Halifax, at through rates of about 38c per 100 lbs. Course grains are steady under somewhat more enquiry. Pease have changed hands along the line at 60c per 60 lbs, and here they wind at 12 to 12 per 60 lbs. quoted at 71c to 73c per 66 lbs. About 8 cars of Morrisburg barley was sold for America, account at 55c. Oats have changed bands at 30c to 31c per 34 lbs. along the line, and here car lots have brought 32c per 32 lbs. Rye is nominally quoted at 58c to 60c, although holders are asking more money. Flour is very firm at a further advance, and dealers confidently look for a further rise as the advance has not been equal to that of wheat. Superiors have sold at \$4.15 and Extras at \$4 to \$4.05. Spring Extra at \$3.75 and city bags at \$2.30. Oatmeal firmer at \$4.15 to \$4.30 for ordinary, and at \$4.50 to 4.60 for granulated; cornment, \$3.20 to \$3.50. Pot barley, \$4.25 per bb1, and pour barley, \$6.25 to \$6.75. Bran, \$13 to \$15 per ton, and shorts, \$18 to \$17. The Mark Lane Express of January 10th in its weekly review of the British grain trade, says:—"The changeable weather during the past week somewhat retarded farming operations. The demand for native wheats slackened materially, and values were maintained with difficulty. The sales of were maintained with difficulty. The sales of English wheat during the week were 82,891 288 9d for the corresponding week last year. The flour market was stendy throughout the week. Fine grades of burley continue to advance but ordinary market was stendy throughout the week. vance, but ordinary grades are unimproved. The market for foreign wheats was slow and dragging and disappointing to sellers. Foreign flour is somewhat steadier, owing to the idea that the smaller output at the great milling centres in the lakeside districts in America will lessen the exports.

GREEN FRUIT.—A slightly better temper is noticed in the apple market, and holders are not willing to repeat sales at former prices. Transactions have been made at \$2.00 in car lots for good fruit, but holders now ask \$2.25,

and prices are \$2.25 to \$2.50 for good to fine stock, and jobbing parcels at \$2.75 to \$3.00. Advices from England by cable are more encouraging, with sales of Canadian in Liverpool at 13s to 14s per boll. Oranges have again declined fully 25c per case, sales of 300 cases being made at \$4.50 to \$4.75. Lemons remain quiet with an easier turn in prices, boxes having sold as 10w as \$2.00, and quotations range from \$2 to \$2.50, with hincy selling at \$3.00. Cape Cad cranberries \$15 to \$17 per bbl; ordinary \$8 to \$9.50. Dates, new 6c to 7c and old 4c. Evaporated apples 8c to 9c, and slow sale; dried apples in better request at 14c to 5c. Almeria grapes \$3.50 to \$7 per keg as to quality.

GROCERIES .- The pronouncedly firm feeling, noted in our last report of the sugar market has been still further emphasized by greater strength, causing an additional appreciation in values, granulated being quoted at 6 5-8c to 63c for ordinary lots, and 64c for large quantities. Yellows are also up to, ranging from 460 0 54c. Raw sugar is firmer, but refiners do not seem inclined to purchase very freely. A cable received here from London yesterday quotes best sugar stronger at another rise of 3d per cwt., to Ha 3d. The Brazilian and Caban markets are also better, and the position has improved all round. Syrups are strong, an advance having transpired of 3½c per gallon. Molasses are steadier in sympathy. Latest siles of Barbadoes were at 31c, but holders now ask 32c and 324c. The fruit market is quiet and firm Valencia raisins are quoted at 9c to 93c as to quantity, of brands being quoted at 810 to 81c. Malaga froit is scarre and prices steady at 53 to 53.25 for London layers, and \$2.80 to \$2.90 for loose muscatels. Sultanas 6c to 7½c, Eleme raisins 7½c to 8½c with sales at 8c. Currants 4½c to 5½c in barrels. Propes dull at 4½c to 4¾c for Burden Eigenviet at 8.0.5 (1.4 %c) for \$1.00 f to be in parries. Princes and at 45 to 45c for Bordean. Figs quiet, at 9c to 95c for Eleme in cases and 9c to 11c in boxes; in bags and kegs 6c to 7c; and Malaga in mats 4c to 45c. The ten market is steady with an upward tendency owing to the reduction of stocks here, caused by the recent shipments of Japans to New York within the market is betten by carried and control of the market is betten by carried and control of the market is betten by carried and control of the market is betten by carried and control of the following the state of the carried and control of the following the carried and carried and carried and carried the carried and carri where the market is better by several cents per 1b. Coffee is quiet and steady at within range of our quotations. Spices are unchanged. Rice dull at \$3.50.

HIDES, ETC.—A good business has been done in hides during the week, sales aggregating about 1,500 being reported of No. 1 Montreal,

CANADIAN TWEEDS,

COATINGS,

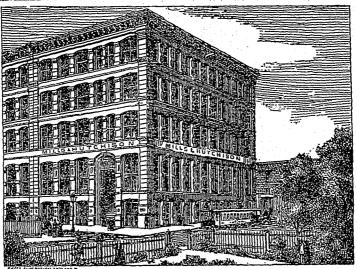
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&c., &c., &c.



HAVE BEEN AWARDED

BronzeMedal, Philad, 187

SilverMedal, Can. Gov. 1876

Bronze Medal, Quebec, 1877

Silver Medal, Toronto, 1877

Silver Medal, Par. Exh. 1878

London, St. Thomas, &c. 1880

Gold Med. 2 Silv.Med.1882

Silv.Med.St.JohnN.B.1883

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Teronto and Hamilton at 9½c; No. 2 Toronto at 9c; and No. 2 Hamilton at 8½c. A fair business has also resulted in green city hides at 8½c, 7½c and 6½c for Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Western No. 1 Buff have also changed hands at 9½c to 9½c. A choice car of buff hides was sold at 9½c, and a car of heavy Chicago belting steers at 10½c. Calfskins are steady, a lot of 1,000 Chicago skins being placed at 13½c. Quotations are 13c to 13½c. Sheepskins have found a market at 75c to 80c each sales of about 2,000 skins being mentioned at the inside figure.

Hors.—The market has not varied in the least from the dullness and weakness which have characterized it for some time past. A sale was made of a pretty fair lot at 9c, and several sales west of Prescott on Toronto account were made at 8c to 8½c. Here prices are quoted at 11c to 12c for fine to choice, 9c to lue for fair to good, and 6 to 8c for poor to medium.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—In pig iron there is no marked change, sales both on spot and for spring delivery being very limited. Travellers advise their principals that some of the chief founderies in Hamilton, London, and Toronto have shut down, whilst others are running on short time. Owing to expected low freights from Glasgow and Liverpool during the coming season of navigation, buyers will not auticipate their requirements far ahead, and consequently those who have light stocksare content with ordering from hand to mouth. A few small sales have been made at within range of quotations, which are as follows:—Siemens, S18 to \$18.50; Coltness, \$20 to \$20.50; Langloan, \$19.50; Calder, Gartsheric and Summerlee, \$18 to \$18.50 to \$19. Dalmellington \$17 to \$17.25; Eglinton, \$16.50 to \$17. Fin shed iron quiet; bars, \$1.70 to \$1.75; sheets, \$2 40 to \$2.60; plates, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Tin plates, I. C. charcoal, \$4.40 and I. C. coke \$4. In metals, ingot tin continues to advance in London, and here prices are quoted at 18c to 19c; copper 13% c to 14c; pig lead 3/c. General hardware is quiet as regards volume of business, although better remitiances are reported.

LEATHER.—As manufacturers are beginning to cut up more freely, and as their stocks are known to be light, leather dealers are anticipating a better enquiry for the next few weeks

A lot of medium waxed upper consisting of about 200 sides was sold on p.t., but said to be at about 33c. Harness has also met some enquiry at 17½c to 29c. Sole leather is quiet, and prices are in favor of the buying interest, whenever large lots change hands. Stocks of leather generally, although by no means excessive, are fully equal to all the wants of the trade. Collections are reported fair.

NAVAL Stongs.—The general features of this market partake of quietude, and will no doubt continue to do so for some time to come. Spirits of turpentine is steady at 48c to 50c. Rosins steady at \$2.50 to \$2.60 for common, up to \$4.25 to \$4.50 for fine pale. Other kinds unclaumed.

Olls.—The advance in steam-refined seal oil noted in our last has been well maintained, further business being reported at a good profit of 3c per gallon. A round lot of 26 puncheons of steam-refined was sold at 60c, and holders are firm at 65c. to 67c in barrels. There has also been more stir in cod oil, a lot of 10c bbls. of Newfoundland changing hands at 55c, but holders are now firm at 57½c to 60c as to size of lot. Halifax is quoted at 52½c to 53c. Linseed is steady at 57c to 58c for raw and at 60c to 61c for boiled.

PETROLEUM.—The market is quiet, and sales have been made at below quotations. It is thought by some in the trade that refiners will have to make concessions in order to induce better trading. Prices are nominally quoted as follows:—Car lots in store 17½c to 17 5-8c, broken lots 18c, and single barrels 18½c to 19c.

Phovisions.—Pork is less firm and sales of Canada short cut and Chicago short cut clear have been made at lower prices. Western mess has sold at \$15 to \$15.50 as to size of lot, and Canada short cut at \$15.75 to \$16. Lard is quiet at 10 1-8c to 10 1-4c for Western in pails and at \$3c for Canada. Dressed hogs are weaker, and sales have transpired at a decline of fully 25c to 30c per 100 lbs. Large quantities have been offered from Chatham and Essex counties, during the past few days, and lower prices are contidently looked for. Packers,

however, have purchased quite a lot during the last few days. Some are holding off for \$6. Sales were made of good heavy hogs at \$6.25 to \$6.35 per 100 ibs yesterday. Tallow is quiet at 7c to 8c for refined.

RAW Furs.—The principal furs arriving are red fox, mink and skunk, which have sold at \$1.30 to \$1.40 for fox, 75c to \$1.00 for mink, and at 60c to 70c for skunk. Dealers are now awaiting the completion of spring collections, and until then business will be of a limited nature. Prices are quoted as follows:—Beaver, fall, per lb., \$2.75 to \$3.25; beaver, winter, per lb., \$3 to \$3.50; bear, large, per skin, \$8 to \$12; bear, cub, \$4 to \$7; fisher, \$4 to \$7; red fox, \$1.30 to \$1.40; cross fox, \$2.50 to \$5; mink, large dark, 75c to \$1.00; mink, small, 50c to 60c; muskrat, 8c to 10c; otter, large dark, \$10 to \$1.25; raccoon, 40c to 60c, and skunk, 60c to 70c. Skins not prime may be valued at fully 25 per cent, less than these quotations.

Seed.—There is a complete absence of any thing like life in this market. Red clover seed is coming in very slowly, as farmers in Ontario are asking more money than dealers here feel warranted in paying. Americans have been offering seed in this market lately. There is no encouragement to ship to the English market at any thing like what farmers are asking. Prices are quoted as follows:—Red clover seed, \$4.75 to \$5: alsike, \$8 to \$8.50; timothy, \$2; and flax \$1.10 to \$1.20.

Wines and Spirits.—A fair jobbing enquiry exists for the leading marks of brandies, gin and rum, also for ports and sherries, at fairly steady rates.

Wool.—Under light stocks of Cape wool, and a moderately fair enquiry, spot prices are firm, but to arrive it is said sales could be made at about old prices. Sales during the week have been made of small parcels of Port Phillip at 22c to 23c. The mills do not appear to manifest any anxiety to go into the market, except for small lots. Greasy Cape is quoted at 16jc to 17jc. A few lots of Canada pulled wool have been moving at about current rates, which are quoted as follows:—A supers 28c to 23c, B supers 22c to 24c, and unassorted at 18c to 20c

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS. (Revised by Telegraph.)

Топокто, Јап. 22, 1885.

Wholesale trade in this city is of moderate The feeling continues rather dimensions. hopeful, but the volume of business is not as large as it should be. Grain is coming in a little more freely, but the general disposition is to hold for higher prices. The higher prices in Britain and the States have had a set-back, they being advanced a little too rapidly. The visible supply is so large that although a higher range of prices may be established, it is questionable whether they will be more than temporary. A considerable revenue to farmers temporary. A considerable revenue to farmers just now is derived from hogs, which are selling at fair prices as compared with many other products. In most branches of merchandize the sales are confined to small sorting-up parcels, and trade is generally admitted as in a healthy condition in consequence. There is said to be a desire on the part of mills to There is advance cottons, but as yet there is no change with wholesale dealers. Business is keenly competed for, and prices generally are heavy, The money market is quiet, and rates un-changed, on all the rates are 4½ to 6½ per cent, the former being an unusual rate of debentures, etc. Time loans are quoted at 6 and 7 per cent. Prime commercial paper is disconnted at 6½c, and ordinary at 7 and 7½ per cent. Sterling exchange is much firmer, in sympathy with the advance in New York; sixty-day bills between banks are quoted at 108 5-8 to 108 \(\frac{2}{3}\) and across the counter at 108 7-8 and 109. Demand bills are 103 3-8 to 109½ between banks. New York funds 1-10 to 3-16 premium between banks. The Stock Market has ruled quiet and bank shares somewhat irregular the past few days. bid to-day compared Following are prices with those of last Thursday :

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By order of the Board.

January 2nd.

H. BARBEAU, Manager.

Banks.	Bid Jan. 22	Bid Jun, 15		in Jan.
Montreal	188	189	Can. Per 20	7 2071
Toronto	177	178	Freehold 16	
Outario	1064	1064	Western Can 18	0 179
Merchants	110	1091	Bldg. & Loan 10	5 102
Commerce	118;	1184	Farmers' Loan .'	
Dominion	186	186	Lond. & Can'dn 13	2 132
Hamilton,	116	116	Landed Credit 11	7 }
Stand'd	1103		National Invt10	
Federal	47	47 4	Ontario Loan	122
1mper'l	124		Hamilton Prov	
Molsons	111 !	109	Imperial Sav 10	64 1054

BOOTS AND SHORS .- Trade is reported slack without change in prices. Travellers are out, but orders are small for the season, and dealers show a disposition to be cautious. Factories are busy working on spring goods.

COAL OIL .- There is a quiet trade, and prices somewhat firmer, owing to firmer prices in Petrolia. Quotations, however, are unchanged. Canadian refined sells at 16c to 164c per gallon, the latter for single barrel lots. Carbon safety is quoted at 19c. American unchanged at 234c for prime and 264c to 27c for water white. In Petrolia, crude sells at 76c per barrel, and refined at 15c.

COAL AND WOOD .- The demand for coal has been fairly active during the week, and prices are unchanged. All kinds of hard, as well as the best soft, sells at \$6 a ton delivered. Wood is selling \$5 to \$5.50 per cord for the best hard, and \$4 for pine.

Davos, erc.-There is a fair trade doing, and prices generally remain steady. Opium \$4.50; Glycerine, 21c to 23c; Quinine, \$1.20 to \$1.35; Morphia, \$2.40 to \$2.50; Bicarbonate of potash, 18c; Poiass Iodide, S4 to, S4.40; Poiass Bro-mide, 45c to 48c per lb.; Gream of Tartar, 35c to 40c; Linseed Oil, 60c to 62c for raw and 63c to 65c for boiled.

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Consignments of all kinds of goods received.

Hous .- During the week there has been a considerable fall in prices, the good sleighing and cold weather being favorable for supplies. Receipts are quite large, and buyers are less antious to take hold. A few days ago cars were selling at \$6.25, but to-day prices are down to \$5.75 to \$6.

FLOUR AND GRAIN .- Flour is moving slowly, holders generally being firm, and asking more than buyers are willing to give. Good brands of superior extra would bring \$3.65 to \$3.70, but we believe little could be obtained at these prices. Extra sold at \$3.50, and spring extras at \$3.35 to \$3.40. The stock in store is 2.375 barrels, as compared with 250 barrels at the corresponding period of last year. Bran in good demand and firm, being worth \$10.50 to \$11 on track. Oatmeat is dull and prices easy; car lots are quoted at \$3.70 to \$3.75, and small lots at \$4. Wheat has not been in such active lots at \$4. Wheat has not been in such course demand as it was the previous week, owing chiefly to the unsettled condition of outside markets. The general feeling, however, is bullish and higher prices seem to be expected. No sales have been reported on spot, and quotations are nominal at 83c for No. 1 spring and No. 2 fall, and 81c for No. 2 spring and No. 3 fall. The stock in store is 206,636 bushels, as compared with 112,697 bushels the corresponding week of last year. Barley inactive, but firm, with limited offering; No. 1 would bring 72c to 73c. No. 2 sold at 67c, No. 3 extra at 60c, and No. 3 is quoted at 55c to 56c. The stock in store is 127,792 bushels, as compared with 159,255 bushels at the corresponding period of last year. Oats are steady, the supply and demand being about equal; car loads sold at 31½c on track. The stock in store is 869 bushels, as compared with 2,560 bushels at the

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corresponding period of last year. Peas unchanged, No. 2 being quoted at 58e to 59e; stock 13,918 bushels, as against 20,588 at the some period has year. Hya quiet and nominal at 55c; stock in store, 1741 bushels. Corn stendy, Canadian being quoted at 45c to 50c.

GROCERIES .- Business this week is reported fair, and prices generally unchanged. In sugars a slight advance is established at the refineries and dealers have raised granulated 1-8c. Fruits are quiet and prices steady. Coffees steady. Tens fairly active and firm.

HARDWARE.-There is a moderate trade doing, and the feeling is one of hopefulness. The demand is restricted to small lots of seasonable demand is restricted to small lots of seasonable goods, and quotations are unchanged. Nails are selling at \$2.85. Copper steady: ingot from life to 17e, sheet from 23e to 25e; and bar 25e to 30e. The discount on iron pipe is 67½e to 70 per cent. Pig iron dull at \$18 to \$19, and ordinary bor iron \$1.85. Tin plates steady; I. O. coke \$4.40 to \$4.50; I.C. charcoal, \$4.9a to \$5.00 and D. C. charcoal \$4.25 to \$4.50. Manilla rope 10½e to 11e. Boiler plate, \$2.75 to \$3.

HIDES, SKINS, ETC .-- Hides are offering slowly and prices unchanged. Dealers are paying The for No. 1 cows, and 8c for No. 1 steers. Gured sells at 8½c to 8¾c for cows and 9½c for steers. Calfskins are unchanged, at 13c to 15c. Sheepskins remain unchanged: offerings are only moderate; the best bring 90c and country lots 50c to 75c. Tallow quiet and prices steady, rough brings 3½c, and rendered 6½c; small lots of the latter sell at 6¾c.

LEATHER. - There is a little better feeling reported this week, and prices are unchanged. Sole, Upper and Harness are in fair request,

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LIVE STOCK.—The receipts of cattle this week show an increase, and the demand was good. Prices ruled steady, with 51c paid for choice steers. First class butchers cattle sold at 5c; second class at 4c to 4½c, and inferior at 3c to 3¾c. Sheep have been in good demand and prices firm at about 4c per lb. Lambs are also in demand and firm at 4½c to 5c per lb., with some shipments to the States. Hogs unchanged at 4½c per lb.

PROVISIONS .- Bacon .- The demand this week has been slow and prices easy. Car lots of long clear are still quoted at 8c, and small lots job at 81c to 81c. Cumberland cut is quoted at 7c to 72c, and rolls at 10c. Hams are unchanged; smoked sell at 11c, and pickled at 93c to 10c. Lard is dull this week, and prices remain at about 10c for round lots, and prices remain at about 10c tor round 10c, con-at 10\{c} to 10\{c} for small quantities. Mess Pork is steady at \$16 to \$17, but there is little demand here. Butter is dull, and demand is restricted to local wants, there being no shipping. Choice dairy tub would sell at 170, but there is little offering; large rolls of good quality sell at 15c to 16c, and inferior store-packed at 10c to 12c. Eggs are steady, and case lots of limed selling at 18c to 19c; fresh are quoted at 20c to 22c. Cheese unchanged at 12c to 12fc in a jobbing way, but little moving.

Wook.-Business is quiet, but a good dea of enquiry is said to exist. Prices remain stendy; selected fleece is quoted at 18c, and ordinary to good at 15c to 16c. Southdown, 22c. Supers in fair request from factories, and steady at 21c to 22c. Extras, 24c to 25c.



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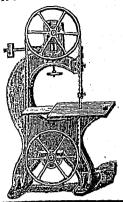
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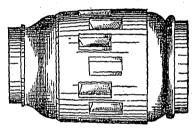
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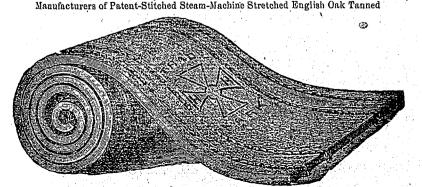
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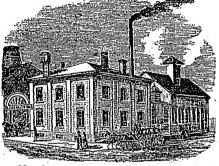
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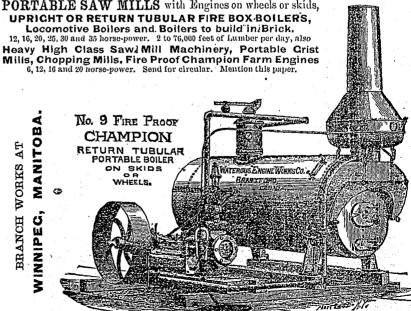
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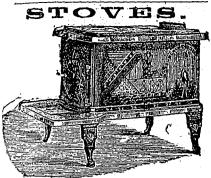
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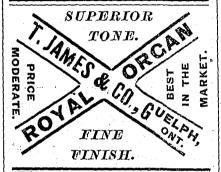
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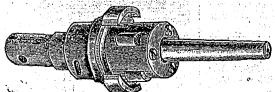
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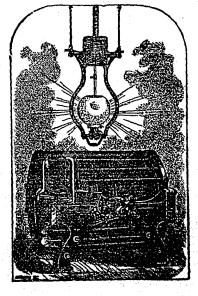
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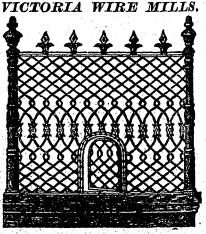
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