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- 4. No Commissions allowed or charged.
- 5. No expenses of renewals.
- 6. Loan completed with greatest despatch.

The Company also purchases mortgages at liberal rates.

Forms of application and full particulars may be had or pplication to D. McGER, Secretary, as Teronto Street Toronto.

UNION LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY

DIVIDEND NO. 30.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of TEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM, on the Capital Stock of this Company, has been declared by the Directors, for the half-year, ending 29th February instant, and the same will be paid at the Company's Office, Toron o Street, on and after MONDAY, the

Sth day of March proximo.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to the 29th instant, both days inclusive.

By order,

W. MACLEAN, Secretary.

BRISTOL & WEST OF ENGLAND

CANADIAN Land Mortgage & Investment Company,

CAPITAL. - - - \$500,000 Sterling.

ADVISING BOARD—H. S, HowLand Chairman, (President Imperial Bank of Canada). Patrick Hughes, John Gilles, ic. William Ke steman.

Bankers—Imperial Bank of Canada Solicitors.—S. G. Wood (Smith, Wood & Bowes).

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WM. KERSTEMAN, JR.

Manager. OFFICE:

The Loan Companies.

CANADA PERMANENT LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY

INCORPORATED 1855.

 PAID-UP CAPITAL,
 \$2,600,000

 RESERVE FUND
 850,000

 TOTAL ASSETS
 6,500,000

DIRECTORS.—Joseph D. Ridout. President, Peter Paterson, Vice-President, Jas. G. Worts, Saml. Nordheimer, A. M. Smith, Edward Hooper, Joseph Robinson, S. B. Smith.

BANKERS.—The Bank of Toronto, The Bank of Montreal, The Merchants Bank, The Federal Bank,

SAVINGS BRANCH.—Money received on deposit and interest paid or compounded half-yearly. Circulars supplied on application.

J. HERERT MASON, Manager.

THE FREEHOLD Loan and Savings Co. TORONTO.

ESTABLISHED IN 1840.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL \$1,050,400 CAPITAL PAID UP - - RESERVE FUND - - -690,080 234,024 CONTINGENT FUND - -11.209

President, - - HON. WM. McMASTER.
Secretary-Treas. - CHAPLES ROBERTSON
mapactor, - - ROBERT ARMSTRONG. HON. WM. McMASTER. nspector,

Money advanced on easy terms for long periods, reayable at borrower's option.

Deposits received on Interest.

THE HAMILTON

PROVIDENT AND LOAN SOCIETY.

Hon. ADAM HOPEPresident. W. B. Sanford......Vice-President.
 Capital authorized to date
 \$1.000,000

 Subscribed capital
 950,000

 Paid up capital
 \$341,026

 Reserve and Contingent Funds
 125,328
 MONEY ADVANCED on Real Estate on favourable

erms of repayment.

MONEY BECEIVED ON DEPOSIT and interest a lowed thereon at 5 and 6 per cent, per annum.
Temporary Office: No, 23 James St. 8, Hamilton.
H. D. CAMERON, Treasurer

THE ONTARIO . LOAN & DEBENTURE COMPANY, OF LONDON, CANADA.

Paid up capital, -Reserve Fund, - - - - - - Total assets - - - - -180,000 2,500,000 Total Liabilities - - - - -1,367,470

Money loaned on Real Estate Securities only. Muni ipaland School Section Debentures purchased. WILLIAM F. BULLEN,

London, Ontario, June 15, 1878.

Dominion Savings & Investment Soc, LONDON, ONT.

.. \$1,000.000 Capital.....Subscribed 641,578 83,686

Loans made on farm and city property, on the most avorable terms.

Money received on deposit subject to call at 5 per cents
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D. MACFIE President. F. B. LEYS, Manager. THE

British American Business college,

112 & 114 King St. West, TORONTO.

The natural resources of Canada are equal to those of any country in the world; and the time must soon come when she will be one of the great commercial nations. The tide of emigration is setting strongly towards our shores, and the next decade may see the present population of our country nearly doubled. Our industries, mercantile and manufacturing, must grow enormously; and the demand for young men and women, well-trained in business habits and customs, will increase proportionately; therefore

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Young Men, get a Business Education.

The British American Business College is the leading commercial school in the Dominion. Its location is in the business and educational centre of this Province. Its staff of teachers and lecturers are thoroughly capable business men. The course of studies has been specially arranged to give a sound commercial training. Every subject in the course is taught by men who make these subjects specialties. ARITH-METIC, BOOK-KEEPING, PENMANSHIP, CORRESPONDENCE, & COMMERCIAL LAW are each thoroughly taught. In addition, every student, after getting a thorough course of training in Arithmetic and Theoretical Book-keeping, is required to pass a rigid examination, and, if found competent, is put into actual business, where he engages in actual transactions independently, buying, selling, sending away and receiving goods on commission and joint account, taking and giving notes, banking, etc. In fact he enters a miniature business world; and under the direction of a competent tutor he must transact almost every kind of business, keeping his books for the same in the most modern style. Each in turn has to become a bank manager, doing with his fellow students all kinds of business, just in the same way as in the real banks of the country. Many of the best accountants and book-keepers in the Province have been trained in this institution. The President is thoroughly acquainted with the commerce of this country, and is in a position to do much in aiding worthy students to places of trust.

We most cordially invite any who wish to get a business education, to come and see this school, which has lately been handsomely re-furnished.

Address The Secretary and get our last Annual Circular

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With a capital of #30,000 to take the place of a retiring partner in a WHOLESALE GROCERY BUSI-NESS in Ontario which has been established for many years.

Business is in a FIRST-CLASS CONDITION. All communications strictly confidential. Only principals dealt with.

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Within range of Hydrants in Hamilton.

Water-Works Branch:

Within range of Hydrants in any locality having efficient water-works.

General Branch:

Farm and other non-hazardous property only.

One branch not liable for debts or obligations of the



CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Tenders for a second 100 miles section West of Red River will be received by the undersigned until noon on Monday, the 29th of March, next.

The section will extend from the end of the 48th Contract—near the western boundary of Manitoba—to a point on the west side of the valley of Bird-tail Creek.

Tenders must be on the printed form, which, with all other information, may be had at the racific Railway Engineer's Offices, in Otawa and Winnipeg, on and after the 1st day of March, next.

By O.der,

F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, Ottawa, 11th February, 1880.



CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Tenders for Rolling Stock.

TENDERS are invited for furnishing the Rolling Stock required to be delivered on the Canadian Pacific Railway, within the next four years, comprising the delivery in each year of about the following, viz.:—

viz.:—

20 Locomotive Engines.
16 First-class Cars (a proportion being sleepers).
20 Second-class Cars
3 Express and Baggage Cars.
3 Postal and Smoking Cars.
240 Hox Freight Cars.
100 Flat Cars.
2 Wing Ploughs.
2 Flangers.
40 Hand Cars.
5 Hand Cars.
6 Hand Cars.
THE WHOLE TO BE MANUFACTURED IN THE DOMINION OF CANADA, and delivered on the Canadian Pacific Railway, at Fort William, or in the Province of Manitoba.

Drawings, specifications and other information.

Drawings, specifications and other information may be had on application at the office of the Engineer-in-Chief, at Ottawa, on and after the 15th day of MARCH next.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to noon of THUESDAY, the 1st day of JULY next.

By Order, F. BRAUN, Secretary.

DEPT. OF RAILWAYS & CANALS, Ottawa, 7th February, 1880.

STUCK AND BOND REPORT.

	Capital			Capital Rest.	Dividenc	CLOSING PRICES			
NAME.	Shares	subscribec			last 6 Months	Toronto, Feb. 19.		Cash value per share	
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Canadian Bank of Commerce	\$5¢	6,000,000	6,000,000		4	116	1174	58 37	
Consolidated	100	4,000,000	3,471,936						
Du Peuple	50	1,600,000	1,600,000	240,000	2 4	55	59		
Dominion Bank	50	1,000,000	970,250	330,000	4		118	59.00	
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000						
Federal Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	165,000	34	102	1:32	102.00	
Hamilton	100	1,000,000	707,950	70,000	4	101	104	101.00	
Imperial	100	910,000	884,613	80,000	4	951	97	95.50	
Jacques Cartier	50	1,000,000	96 ,745						
Merchants' Bank of Canada	100	5,798,267	5,499,3 3	475,000	34	4	921	92.25	
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Quebec Bank	100	2,500,000	2,500,000	435,000	3				
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Union Bank	100	2,000,000	1,992,490		2				
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HURON AND ERIE LOAN & SAVINGS COM'PY LONDON, ONT.

RESERVE FUND,.....\$240.000 CONTINGENT FUND......810,000.

Money advanced on the security of Real Estate on favorable terms of repayment, Interest allowed on Deposits

President, - - - WM. SAUNDERS.
Manager, - - - R W SM VIE.

LONDON AND CANADIAN Loan & Agency Co.

(LIMITED).

PESIDENT—HON. W. P. HOWLAND, C.B.
VICE-PRESIDENTS:
C. S. GZOWSKI, Esq., C.B.
A. T. FULTON, Esq.

Money lent on security of Improved Farms, and productive City and Town Property.

Mortgages and Municipal Debentures purchased,
J. G. MACDONALD

Manager.

Manager,

44 King Street West, Toronto.

WESTERN CANADA LOAN & SAVING COMPANY.

Offices: No. 70 Church St. Toronto.

CAPITAL - - - \$1,000,000 RESERVE& CONT'GT FUND 4^1 8 9 4^1 8 9 3,248,110 President—Honorable Geo. W. Allan, Senator. Vice-President-Geo. Gooderham, Esq.

Walter S. Lee, Manager. Money received on Depost and interest allowed there.

Money Loaned on the security of improved city or farm property.

BUILDING & LOAN ASSOCIATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL

DIRECTORS:
Larratt W. Smith, D.C.L., Pres. John Kerr, Vice-Pres.
Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, M.P. Geo. R. R. Cocaburn, M.A.
J. S. Fieming. Jos. Jackes.
W. Mortimer Clars.
D. Galbraith, Manager.

OFFICES-Corner Toronto and Court streets. Money advanced on the security of City and Farm rigages and Debentures purchased.

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Savings and Loan Co'y, LONDON, ONT.

INCORF JRATED 1872.

CAPITAL,	.000.000
SUBSCRIBED PAID UP	600.000
RESERVE FUND	38,000
TOTAL ASSETS	717,000

WM. GLASS, Esq., Sheriff Middlesex, President.

Money advanced on Real Estate. Mortgages, Muni-cipal and other Debentures nur. hased. Interest allowed on Deposits ir Savings Bank, JOHN A. ROE, Manager.

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F. Bossom, Insolvent oil dealer of Halifax. offers to his creditors a composition of 15 per cent. covering 12 months, a meeting is called for 28th inst.

R. H. EARLE, of St. Johns, N. F., has made application to be declared an insolvent. His assets are stock about \$8,000 and furniture \$400, while his liabilities are \$11,921.

A DEALER in millinery at Winnipeg, Mr. J. Furner, is offering forty cents in the doll ir to creditors. His small business has been eaten u by expense, hence his difficulty.

WM. HAWKER, Druggist, of St. John, N. B., has assigned in trust to P. D. Mc arthur and E. T. C. Knowles, agreeing to pay a composition of 40 per cent. in 3, 6, 9, 12 and 15 months.

THE annual meeting of the Citizen's Insurance Co. has again been postponed; this time until February 24th. The small number in attendence on the 16th is the reason given for the postponement.

D. R. McElmon, of Moncton, N. B., at a meeting of his creditors on 9th inst, showed liabilities of \$7,662, sssets \$4,924, he offers 20 per cent in composition, 6, 9 and 12 months. It is likely the estate will be closed up.

THE firm of Shouldice & Herron began busi. ness as grocers in Ottawa in 1878 with about \$1,000 capital. It now turns out that the former named partner is missing, with \$500 of the firms money. An attachment has issued.

An attachment has issued against Tucker & Beer, carriage makers, Mitchell, Ont. The firm was formerly Styles & Tucker. The former retired, and the latter, being caught by the fever of investing in joint stock companies, took about \$16,000 stock in the A. M. Gibson Manfg. Co., this was too heavy a load, their estate has been served with a writ.

THE Whitby harbor, elevator, etc., has been sold to Messrs. Gálbraith & Co. of Bowmanville, for \$35.

Jos. Wilson, lumber, Strathroy, suspended payments some years ago and afterwards paid in full. He then bought back some property from his creditors, but paid too much for it, which has been the cause of his present business trouble.

Mr. ROBERT ROWAN, was not long since a farmer. In the autumn of 1878, he began a grocery business at Kincardine, in which, however, he was unable to succeed, and has been attached at the instance of a Hamilton firm.

A coal dealer in Hamilton, Mr. H. Barnard, has just assigned. His principal obligations are to the Consolidated Bank, Montreal, and to an American Bank.

THE Norfolk Transportation Co., at Simcoe, at one time owned a good deal of vessel property, and earned good profits. Of late years that kind of floating stock has not paid, and the Company lost money every season. It was in difficulty at the close of 1878, and is now

In reference to the case of Mr. W. T. Crisp of Ingersoll, we learn that a demand of insolvency was made by the Imperial Bank against him, instead of issuing a writ of attachment. That demand was not complied with.

LORENZO LONDRY, a grocer at Sault Ste. Marie, who failed for \$5000 and compromised at 30 cents some time ago, has now assigned. This man never was fitted for business; he lacked both capital and the necessary knowledge; had he stuck to the farm or, later on, the butcher shop, he and his creditors would have been better off. His liabilities are now \$2000 with about \$750 assets.

THE beet sugar factory enterprise, at Coaticook, we learn from the St. Johns News, has been abandoned, owing it is alleged to disagreement among the promoters. The Farnham people have now a double incentive to push ahead with their scheme.

MESERS. J. & J Livingston purpose running their flax mill in Brussels to its full capacity during the coming season. The flax season has again brightened up with more favorable markets.

Bogus one dollar bills on the Merchants' Bank of Montreal and ones altered to fours on the Bank of Commerce have been passed in London. Counterfeit ten dollar of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax are in circulation, in Nova Scotia. A man was arrested at Londonderry Iron Mines and lodged in Truro jail charged with passing these bills.

The creditors of R. Flaherty & Co., safe manufacturers in St. John, N. B., accepted the offer of Mr. G. J. Chubb to pay \$14,000 for the estate. The creditors of H. Chubb & Co. also accepted Mr. Chubb's offer to pay \$11,000 for that estate. The payments will be due in 4, 8 and 12 months.

THE Hudon Cotton Mills Co. held their annual meeting last week. The Directors' report was adopted and the following Board elected: -Messrs. V. Hudon (President), A. F. Gault

(Vice-President), Jacques Grenier, A. Dubord, J. Hodgson, Hon. J. R. Thibaudeau, and M. H. Gault, M. P. The manufacture of Canton Flannel is to be undertaken by this Company at their works, Hochelaga, near Montreal.

In the fall of 1878, Mr. A. G. Duncan, who was previously in the pork-packing business, began general storekeeping in Elora then bought the bankrupt stock of W. C. Wortley of Drayton, portion of which he took to that town. He then opened a branch store at Salem, which was afterwards sold to his brother. Mr. D., we understand, had some \$1,500 capital, his own. and his wife's mother gave her \$2000, which now ranks on the estate. He had two experienced assistants, but has done a reckless business, and branch stores added to his difficulties. which have culminated in an assignment, liabilities \$23,000! a heavy amount for such a man with such a capital.

WE find twenty six attachments issued during the week against traders in Canada and four assignments made. Of this total, three were general store keepers, viz J. G. Hayes & Co., Almonte; A. G. Duncan, Elora, Lorenzo Londry Sault Ste Marie. The following have sold out ; Rounds & Brown, Drumbo, W. M. Baker, Newington, Mrs. C. Byrne, Bothwell, W. P. Conn, Ridgetown; general dealers: Kierman & Hughson, drugs, Durham; Samuel Woodhouse, grocer, Hamilton, R. A. Duncan, dry goods. Sarnia. James McClenaghen, Winnipeg, has given up business; likewise W. H. George, tailor, Norwich, Townsend & Co., teas, Dundas, are selling off by auction, P. D. Burrager, grocer, Cobourg, is giving up business. Compromises include that of G. K. Hamilton, general store, Clifford, at 60 cents in the \$ W. Trusdale hoe makers, Hamilton at 25 cents in the \$; while J. B. Loftus, of London offers a composition, Wm. Rennie, shoes, Chatham, has stopped payment, McLaurin & McNeice, flour, Montreal are attached, also J. & W. Reid, paper dealers, Quebec.

THE affairs of Mr, James Worthington of the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, who failed last week are considerably mixed up. He has had a deal of accommodation paper floated in ineffectual struggles to keep up, and in one case-that of J. & W. Reid, of Quebec-it has caused the suspension of the latter firm. Worthington owes, approximately, \$280,000, direct and indirect. His merchandise liabilities amount to \$63,782. that to the syndicate \$30,000, prior claim, rent and unpaid taxes, \$23,574; \$8,000 wages, endorsed accommodation paper for syndicate \$70,000. Assets are about \$126,000 and consist of provisions on hand \$25,000; furniture paid for \$50.000: Bills receivable \$6,200: board due by guests and transient customers, say \$5,000: while it is estimated that some \$30,000 to \$40,-000 may be realized from his outside contracting business. The heaviest supply creditor is S.W. Beard, to whom is owing for coal \$21,000; while Alex. McDonnell of Winnipeg, appears for \$34,500; the Buckingham Mining Co. \$20,240; Credit Valley and Toronto Bridge Co. appear as interested in an accommodation

way with Worthington to the extent of \$10,000, as also do the Hotel Syndicate Co. to some \$30,000. The Hotel will continue business without interruption under the management of the Syndicate-which is composed of good men.

A MERCHANT can make no mistake in living a life of simplicity and frugality, but there can be, and there are, great mistakes made by such as adopt an opposite course. Mr. Alex. Mc-Gowan began about eleven years ago a hardware business in Orangeville, and did a business in some years of \$30,000 or \$40,000, carrying a stock of between \$10,000 and \$15,000. True, he had not much capital, but from the way he lived he seemed to thirk himself wealthy, and from the way he obtained credit, other people seemed to consider him wealthy. In former years Mr. McG made money, apparently, but of late he has been hampered and slow, which is partly to be accounted for by unwise laying out of money on a fine dwelling and for heavy household expenses. Messrs. Morland, Watson & Co. sold him largely and have now a claim against him of \$22,000, not much of which, however, is of recent incurring. This firm has placed him in insolvency; six Toronto creditors, several in Orangeville, Galt, and elsewhere, (two Loan Societies for \$1,224), the Presbyterian Church for \$300, make the total claims against his estate \$30,067. The total assets at their greatest valuation amount to but \$20,including ooo, including stock at invoice cost \$3,600, and real estate, and the firm first named value their security at \$6,000. The offer made by Mr. McG. to creditors amounted to about 12½ rer cent. to those unsecured, but it was refused, and now he " steps down and out." A popular man, of good name and repute, he was fond of display beyond his means or earnings; besides which his bookkeeping was wretchedly bad and negligent.

"And though he promise to his loss He makes his promise good."

Such is the rendering, by Tate & Brady, of the character of a man properly solicitous as to keeping his word. There is another kind of loyalty to one's word however, where a promise rashly made is adhered to from mere bravado. This appears to be the sort described in the following letter received by a Toronto merchant from a country customer. We preface it by saying that the writer's draft was for an amount admittedly excessive, while the city merchant's draft was agreed to previously by the country dealer. The letter is one of the most amusing pieces of coolness we have seen.

"Cannington 16th. Jan. 1880. MR. D-DEAR SIR .- Your favor received, asking explanation for not honoring your draft. This is easily told if you will look a little In August 1878, I drew on you for \$166; you refused to honor my draft, which was protested, and cost me no less than \$3.52 as I see by reference to my bank book. Of course I was very much displeased, and made up my mind to offset your action at the first convenient opportunity, although I would not watch for an opportunity, neither did I. But, upon the presentation of your draft, my better half being present reminded me of the circumstance; and as I had promised of course I could not go back on my words: hence the protest. Trusting that this explanation will be entirely satisfactory, and that our understanding will be on a better footing and a more satisfactory basis nereafter, I have the honor to subscribe myself,

Yours truly,

TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade was held on the 12th instant, Mr R. W. Elliot, the retiring president, in the chair. An unusually large number of members were in attendance; for, independently of the weighty matters to be discussed, such as the report of the Council, the recommendations of the Committee on Insolvency, it is understood that the preside icy was a matter of keen outside dispute among the friends of rival candidates. Any such occassion as the advocacy of one gentleman for office or the opposing of another, is more certain, it would seem, to ensure a good attendance at meetings of our Canadian Commercial bodies than such tame matters as the discussion of principles, or even the redress of abuses.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been adopted, and new members received, the report of the Harbour Commissioners was presented by Mr. Worts, showing that our harbour is now in a better position than ever before. Mr. Gillespie, the Treasurer, presented the financial statement. Receipts during the year were \$1,047 90; Balance on hand Jan., 1, '79 \$875,55, total, \$1,923 45. The disbursements for the year were \$1,184 84, leaving a balance on hand of \$741 61.

The report of the Council was there read by Mr. Elliot, showing that twelve general and thirteen Council meetings had been held during the year. Conferences had also been on the subjects of the Tariff, and suggestions relating to fiscal policy &c., made to the Executive. The Council properly warns the business community, whether employers or employes against being led to speculate in "options" in grain or produce in Chicago, or stocks in New York. Nothing can be more certain than that the ultimate result of such operations is disaster, while the moral tendency of them is distinctly bad.

"The condition of trade generally is much more hopeful," in the opinion of the Council, than a year ago, "the first impulse being felt in the iron trade, which was speedily followed by an improvement in chemicals. Textile and fictile manufactures next felt the beneficial impulse. Our country has been specially blessed in respect to the harvest. The anticipations in the early spring were realised, and prices obtained by farmers for their produce have been satisfactory and remunerative."

The membership of the Board has increased, we are glad to be told; a good idea is expressed in the direction of bringing together our Bank Managers. Cashiers, and presidents to confer upon possible changes.

Among "unsettled questions," the report mentions as deserving discussion. The appointment of a Railway Commission: The advantages of Toronto, as a point for Iron Rolling Mills: using Snowden ore and American coal: The re-imbursement of our importers for duties charged in excess of that levied on the fair market value: Drawing the attention of the manufactures of woodenware to the large quantities of doors, sash, blinds, and mouldings annually exported from American ports to Great Britain, a trade in which, with proper information and facilities, we might compete.

The report of the Committee on Insolvency is voluminous, and contains some very practical suggestions. It is evidently the result of much thoughtful consideration.

Officers were elected as follows:—John Morison, President; W. B. Hamilton, Vice-President: John Gillsenie, Trassurer

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RUINOUS RATES IN MARINE INSURANCE .-The stockholders of the Mercantile Mutual Marine Insurance Company of New York have decided to withdraw from business owing "to the general depression of business, the decline of shipping interests, the stagnation in the carrying trade, the low rate of freight by water, keen rivalry among marine insurance companies, the introduction and sharp competition of foreign companies or their agencies, and the consequent low rates of premiums obtained upon marine policies." For these reasons, added to the slender prospect of improvement in the marine business, the stockholders are unwilling to take further risks and the concern will be wound up by the Supreme Court at the stockholders' request. This Company was incorporated in 1842 and has always done a large busi-Canadian shippers contributed their quota to its gross premium income, which was 1 1874 nearly \$1,500,000; its paid capital, \$500,000, and its assets \$1,000,000. Their surplus assets being at that time \$153,420. These These assets gradually dwindled away until the stockholders have hopelessly abandoned the business. This result needs little comment. It ought to serve as a warning to those who are continuing the present system of reckless underwriting.

—In considering the prices of various commodities, which seem at present high in comparison with those which prevailed six months or a year age, it deserves to be noted, that, in spite of the continued rise in values which has prevailed for a few weeks or months, prices are yet from 20 to 60 per cent. lower than they were in the inflated times of 1872-73. To take an example from the hardware trade: pig iron was then worth \$45 instead of \$33; cut nails, which sell now at \$3.75 were then \$5.00; char coal tin plates, sold at \$13.00 which are now \$10.50.

—We have been favored with a copy of the statement of the Standard Fire Insurance Company a perusal of which satisfies us that the position of the Company has improved considerably during the past year. Its business is growing in amount, and there has been, we are glad to see, a large reduction made in expenses. At the expiration of its business year we shall furnish our readers with more precise and detailed information as to its improved condition. In this connection we may state that the Royal Mutual Insurance Company, has reinsured its risks in the Standard.

—MR. JOHN H. PARKS, of the New Brunswick Cotton Mills, has been elected President of the Merchants' Exchange in St. John, N. B.

—Depositors and bill holders of the Consolidated Bank are notified that they will be paid on and after March 18t.

CASH TRADE WITHOUT PROFIT.

To the Editor of the Monetary Times.

SIR,—I have read with much interest your short editorial in the last number of your wel-

come paper, about short credits or cash sales on small profits mounting up quicker than larger profits, taking longer to turn over. And I confess the figures are startling enough, and there is no getting away from the truth of them.

One thing is needful, though; and that is, to make sure of getting a profit, and a profit that one can live by. I sometimes think our town and country stores, especially the retailers in towns and cities, often do not get profit enough to keep them going. And here comes in the application of what you say about importing at so much "on the sterling." I believe you are right, that many lines of goods cost more to lay down from the old country than they used to; and that storekeepers imagine they are getting 15 per cent. profit, when they do not get over 10 per cent. or 7½. They should look to it without delay.

I hope you will keep on recommending shorter credit. The cause is a good one, and worth an article once a month upon. No one can properly understand the advantage of the "nimble sixpence" until he has had to wait, as I have, twelve, eighteen, aye, twenty months for the "slow shilling."

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THE EXTENDING AREA OF MUNI-CIPAL TAXATION.

The bill before the Legislature of the Province of Ontario to amend the assessment law has this undesirable feature: that it tends immoderately to extend the area of municipal taxation. And this extension means, in effect, an increase of taxes, A redistribution of taxes might not increase the aggregate amount; nor would an extension of the objects of taxation necessarily have that effect. The taxes are now limited to two cents in the dollar, exclusive of school rates, and in some cases railway liabilities; and if that limit be retained, and the number of taxable objects greatly increased, a large increase in taxes will fol-

The bill, as generally understood, proposes to assess the shares of joint stock companies against the companies, and then to assess the income of the individual shareholders derived from their shares. Against this double taxation a deputation went to the Premier to remonstrate. They took the ground that the stock should not be taxed, but only the income derived therefrom. The deputation went away with the idea that it was not intended to tax shares, but only dividends. Stock yields only dividends; and any taxes not paid out of dividends go in reduction of the amount of capital, and have the same effect as would be produced by the famine-stricken people of Ireland eating their seed potatoes. A tax should never be so laid that it will certainly diminish the capital destined to reproduction. It may sometimes be impossible to prevent a tax more or less trenching on capital; but the object should always be confined to taking part of the revenue it produces.

A tax on supposititious income would come out of capital. For instance, a tax on the previous year's income of the shares of a joint stock Co. would be paid out of capital, if no income were earned for the current year. This result would happen although the intention had been to confine the tax to the income,

The more an assessment law is economically objectionable, the more certain is its constitutionality to be scrutinized. If a tax on an incorporated company's stock or revenue be an indirect tax, it is quite certain that the local Legislatures have no power to levy it. Not only is the British North American Act perfectly clear on this point, but the Privy Council in the case of the Angers vs. Queen Insurance Co., declared the law in a way to leave no doubt on this point. An indirect tax, of which the Local Legislatures are not empowered to authorize the levy, is a tax advanced by one person and ultimately paid by another. If a tax on the capital stock of an incorporated company would have the effect of causing the company to take measures to recover the amount from its clients—an insurance company, for instance, to raise the rate of insurance, or a loan company to raise the rate of interest-the tax would be indirect. If that would be the tendency of the tax, economists would class it as an indirect tax; and in the case of Angers vs. the Queen Insurance Co., the economists were altogether relied upon by Mr. Justice Taschereau, of the Court of Appeal, and by the Privy Council, in England, for the definition of indirect taxes.

The reason why the local Legislatures are confined to direct taxes is obvious. The Dominion occupies the field of indirect taxation already, and if the local legislatures were permitted to trench on the same ground, undue pressure, amounting to positive injustice and even partial confiscation, would be liable to be felt at some point. Besides, the local governments are supported largely by subsidies derived by the general government from indirect taxes. As the local legislatures cannot raise indirect taxes, for the purpose of forming a Provincial revenue, it is clear that they cannot authorize municipalities to do what they cannot do themselves. The same tax may sometimes be direct and sometimes indirect, according to circumstances. Adam Smith mentions many such; and where a tax was liable. under certain circumstances, to be indirect, it would for this purpose have to be classed as indirect; otherwise it is obvious the forbidden line would sometimes be crossed. The taxing powers of the local legislatures are specifically defined and limited, and can in no case exceed these limits. These bodies possess no powers not specifically given to them; the residuum of authority, of which there is no specific grant, being reserved to the Dominion.

The abolition of what are miscalled lawn, park, paddock and garden or pleasure ground exemptions, will not make nearly so much difference as is generally supposed.

They are now required to be assessed " at a valuation which, at six per cent., would yield a sum equal to the annual rental which, in the judgment of the assessors, it is fairly and reasonably worth for the purpose for which it is used, reference being always had to its local position and advantages." This does not, in any sense, constitute an exemption. The only objection to this principle of assessment is that it authorizes land which might be sold for building purposes to be assessed for the other purposes named, and may thereby diminish the taxes. If the land be in a position where it is urgently required for building purposes, there may be public reasons for refusing to allow it to continue to be applied to its present purpose. For the proposed change means the suppression of lawns almost as completely as if that were the avowed object. Streets in which there are now many lawns will hereinafter be closely built up. The new houses will be added to the assessment; but if they had not been built there, they would have been in some other part of the municipality. The price of land, and with it the assessable value, on Jarvis Street, is largely increased by the occurrence of lawns. Build the street up closely and the price of land will go down forty per cent. Besides, some of the lawns, in Toronto, are now, through the perjury of assessors, assessed nearly at their full value as building land, and it will be impossible to increase the taxes on them under the proposed new law.

Though we do not agree with the modern physiocrats, who wish to throw all taxes on real estate, we see great difficulty in extending, as far as proposed, the area of municipal taxation. The physiocratic idea originated in France; and it was never accepted by English economists. Almost as soon as Quesnay broached it in France, Adam Smith refuted it in England. It is strange that the idea which of all others has been longest discredited, should now be revived. In the remarkable book by Mr. Henry George, just published by the Appletons. the physiocratic idea is pushed to its extremest extent. The author declares, as his avowed purpose, the confiscation of rent by confining all taxes to land. Land can now be taxed for municipal purposes. between two and three cents, on the nominal capital value. Add local improvement taxes, and you will get, sometimes between three and four cents on the dollar. This will be a confiscation of one-half the rent.

We fully concede that there are other things besides real estate which ought to contribute towards municipal revenue. But besides the constitutional difficulties at which we have hinted, the practical diffi-

culty of collecting taxes on personal property is almost insuperable. Take New York, for an example:

"Out of 16,623 persons assessed in this city," ays The Public, "only 1,899 swore that they savs The Public. had any taxable proyerty; 6,219 swore that they had none, and 8,505 made no return or excuse whatever. Out of \$1,000,000,000 of personal property reported for assessment, less than one-fifth, or \$197,532,075. was finally held subject to taxation. It is obvious that a very large proportion of the property which should be taxed escapes by the failure of assessors to detect it. According to the estimates prepared for the census of 1870, the aggregate of personal property in this city was not far from \$1 900,000,000, and the assessed value of individual and corporate property, prior to the "corrections" of 1877, was about as large. But the corporations swore off all their property, except \$27,696,230, and the aggregate assessment of all personal property, as finally "corrected" was less than one-ninth of the actual amount.

Again, "a business man puts his whole capital into United States bonds, and then borrows on them the amount required to carry on his business. He refuses to pay on the borrowed money the debt balances, and claims exemption on the bonds. In this way, the same bonds are used again and again, as the basis of evasion by different persons; the pretended loans are really fictitious, and the bonds are really bought and sold again; but each holder contrives, if he can, to make them serve him as an excuse for evading taxation."

If all personal property taxable paid taxes, a rate of one cent would suffice for the city of New York; but, so numerous are the evasions, two cents and a half have to be exacted from those from whom it can be got. Some have concluded that a form of taxation which gives such facilities to fraud ought to be abandoned; but the legislature should aim at equity amidst the corruption with which it is surrounded, and if possible devise some means for lessening these frauds. The task, we confess, seems to be nearly hopeless.

Amidst all these difficulties, one thing is, we think, clear. Extension of municipal expenditure ought to be discouraged. A redistribution of municipal taxation might be reasonable; but a large extension of its area in one direction, while there is no attempt to stay its progress in another, is cause for deep regret. If the area of taxation is to be largely increased, it would only be reasonable that the present maximum rate should be reduced.

CANADIAN LUMBER AND TIMBER.

(CONTINUED.)

It is not easy to arrive at the probable

arrive at the quantity on hand is difficult, for although many to whom we applied for information have replied obligingly and fully, all have not done so. As to the cut of 1878-9, too, doctors differ. ample, Mr. John Burstall, of Quebec, estimated a year ago that there were from 9,000,-000 to 10,000,000 feet of square timber made in Ottawa district in the winter of 1878-9. An old operator in square timber, Mr. John Foran, who tells us he has been forty-five years a lumberman and is familiar with all the territory watered by the Ottawa and tributaries, from Grenville to the height of land, considers that the quantity got out in the season of 1878-9 was "about 4,000,000 feet, say one fourth the customary product of recent years," which last estimate is not far from that given in Messrs. J. Bell Forsyth, & Co's. Quebec circular. From another gentlemen who has quite recently visited the square timbes districts, we gather that "The supply will be 4,600,000 feet to go forward, say 3,600,000 white and 1,000,000 red. Of this 3,000,000 is making this season. and 1,600,000 is old." The total of any returns and estimates sent us, does not amount to 5,000,000: being say 464,000 feet in Western peninsula, 115,000 feet in Midland Untario, and 4,330,000 feet on the Ot-Mr. J. R. Booth, of tawa and tributaries. Ottawa writes us: In regard to the quantity of square timber getting out this winter, there is now stock in the Ottawa and below. but not included in the Quebec returns, about the same quantity of white pine as is being got out this season on the Ottawa above this city, (1,500,000) feet and about 170,000 cubic feet red pine.

Mr. Foran thinks, and another firm, large operators in square timber, Messrs. McArthur Bros. of this city, agree with him, that "the stock being wintered at Quebec, and on the streams, amount to about 12,000,000 cubic feet square white pine, 2,000,000 feet waney board pine, and 500,000 feet red pine." The quantity to go forward during the present year, say 4,000,000 feet, is thus apportioned by our informant: New timber now making, 2,500,000 feet; old, of a former season, 1,500,000 feet.

This estimated quantity is very moderate compared with some years gone by, for, in in one season, we think it was 1874, as much as 20,000,000 feet was got out on the Ottawa. This of course was a result of eager folly. The firm last named state that between 8,000, $000 \, \text{and} \, 10,000,000 \, \text{feet came to Quebec in 1879}$. Much of this may, however, have been left over from 1878, in November of which year, according to the Ottawa Citizen "the quantity in first hands was never so great; there production of square timber in Canada this are certainly 8,000,000 feet held, and no Guelph winter, estimates vary so widely. Then, to sales." The supply reported by Bell Forsyth | W. Beatty...... 1,500,000

at Quebec, on 1st December last, however. was only 6,169,000, the smallest for years.

The estimates we obtain of the probable production of square timber in New Brunswick run from 15,000 to 17,000 tons, (about 700,000 to 800,000 cubic feet), of birch, and from 6000 to 8000 tons, equal, nearly, to 300,-000 to 400,000 cubic feet of pine. The shipments of these woods the previous year amounted to 13,600 tons birch, and 5,200 tons pine, figures which exceeded those of 1877 by nearly forty per cent.

Whatever particulars have been sent us by individual operators in the various provinces, may be found in the following list.

	Cub. feet	Cub. feet
	made	on hand.
	1878-9.	
Essex County	75,000	
Bear Creek (Kent)	Oak & hick	ory 60,000
L H. & B.R.R		Zlm 30.000
Norfolk Co. (R. Wood)	400,000	10,000
Ancaster (R. Thompson)	8,000	•
Peterboro, (Irwin & Boyd)	250,000	70,000
Belleville (Thos. Buck)	25,000	299,000
H. B. Rathbun & Son,	90,000	,
Ottawa:		
J. R. Booth	280,000	280.000
Perley & Pattee	150,000	150,000
M. Casselman (Cambridge)	800,000	300,000
New Brunswick:	,	
J. B. Snowball p	ine 10,000	15,000
D. & J. Ritchie & Co		,

Our circulars to lumber operators and merchants aimed to ascertain,

1st. What quantity of lumber and timber respectively was made during the season 1878.9.

2nd. What quantities of sawn lumber, logs, and square timber, respectively, remain on hand.

3rd. What number of logs (or superficial feet of wood in the log) was intended to be got out in season 1879-80.

We gave last week the result of our researches as to the probable cut of logs or sawn lumber during the present season. Statistics of stocks on hand from 1878-79 were not so fully obtainable. We prehowever, what we have sent below, obtained

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	Sawn lum-	
	ber on	Logs on
	hand Jan.	hand
•	1880.	1880.
Essex County	500,000	
Buckhorn (Pardo & Bro)		
Chatham. (Patterson)	1,000,000	
Au Sable River, (Patterson)		
Tilsonburg (Oxford & Nor	•	
folk Ccs		500,000
Brentwood Lumber Co		
George Cooke	600,000	
J. Davidson, Gravenhurst	400,000	
And. Tait		200,000
Taylor & Bryden	2,000,000	
Anderson & Tennant,		
Barrie	500,000	
Dobbie & Mercer	2,000,000	
Longford Lumber Coy	5,000,000	
Muskoka " "	2,500,000	
Parry Sound " "	4,132,000	

Port Perry, Bigelow &	
Trounce 2,000,000	
Fowlds Bros	200,000
Mossom Boyd 3.000.000	2,000,000
R. C. Smith	3,500,000
Green & Ellis 2,000,000	
Irwin & Boyd	2,500,000
Thos. Buck, (Belleville). 400,000	
H. B. Rathbun & Son12,200,000	32,000,000
J. R. Booth	6,000,000
J. A. Cameron & Co 8,500,000	, ,
Perley v Pattee 9 000,000	6,000,000
G B. Hall & Co. (Ottawa) 6,800,000	.,,
Caldwell & Son, (Lanark) 3,000,000	
Tees (Fallbrook) 750,000	
Lyster, Que	200,000
G. B. Hall & Co (Sth Shr)10,000,000	
Ritchie Bros. (S. Shore) 1,000,000	
H. E. Hall & Co. (South	
Shore) 830.000	
Miramichi	12,000,000
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One of the large operators on the Georgian Bay and in Muskoka district refers pointedly to the circumstance that the "last season's cut of logs was sawn up so clear last fall, especially in the Ottawa country, that few were left to begin this year's sawing with. And, partly to guard against such a state of things this year, a number of opertors are getting out more logs than they can saw during the navigable season." The scarcity of logs this gentleman refers to would seem to be confirmed by the small number given in the returns of sixty or seventy different operators.

Mr. Foran, of Ottawa, gives us his views upon the present fiscal policy as it bears upon square timber, and blames "our Government for ruining the timber trade. While protecting smaller commodities, they have left our timber trade so that the Michigan timber, which ruined all Ottawa lumbermen, still has the privilege of being brought to Ottawa duty free, while our timber has to pay 20 per cent. to go their country. And the Michigan lumberers, having a fresh-cut, first-class article, ours was left unsold in Quebec for the past four years."

It may tend to explain the estimated increased shipments from New Brunswick, that Mr. Gibson, for some years the largest shipper, forwarded none in December, and has been holding back since. His shipments for 1879 were only some 29,000,000 feet, While in 1878 he sent forward as much as 78,000,000 feet.

LOAN SOCIETIES MEETINGS.

The people of the City of London can boast of having not only more Loan Societies for the population than any other city in the Dominion, but they have been more Prolific and versatile than people otherwhere in organizing schemes for building up reserves faster than was ever dreamed of by the old-fashioned slow-paced societies. But all other recent schemes adopted,

Shareholders will no longer be satisfied with a society which pays off all its expenses in the first year and gives them eight or ten per cent. dividend. In future, a manager who cannot earn at least twenty per cent. upon the capital entrusted to him, may find it difficult to retain his office.

The English Loan Company, which commenced business about a year ago in London, Ont., has, according to the figures published in its first annual statement, far exceeded even this rate of profit. In another part of this paper may be found its financial statement, and possibly some of our readers who are more skilled than we are in interpreting figures, may be able to discover the secret of its promoters. We gather from the report of the President that the million and a-half dollars of stock subscribed has been disposed of at par, and that "it is intended soon to make a new issue of One Million Dollars of Shares of Stock. which will be offered first to the present Stockholders at ten per cent. premium, and, then to the general public at the same rate. The new issue, it is expected, will be sold chiefly in Great Britain and Ireland."

It is quite clear that no profits have been derived from the sale of stock at a premium; none from money received on deposit. The only source of revenue was the investment of the ten per cent, paid on the stock. With this, see what is claimed to have been done. The Directors "congratulate the shareholders upon the very marked success which has attended the Company from its commencement to the close of the year." They claim to have made, in one year, out of an average capital of about \$50,000, a sum sufficient to pay dividends amounting to \$3,917.77; expenses \$3,459.84; commissions on loans \$919,99; payment on building, office furniture, etc., \$1,127.41 and to have placed \$4,279,34 to reserve fund. This would indicate a profit of from 25 to 28 per cent. The Company is doing a peculiar business. It undertakes to make a loan, say, to a person who owes a previous loan to another company; and it stipulates for the right to pay off this previous loan. It is usual for some companies to exact six or nine months interest as a bonus for allowing a loan to be paid off before due. The English Loan Co. in arranging to pay off the previous loan, appropriates the bonus to itself. It would not matter to the mortgagor to whom he paid the bonus, if the first mortgage were really paid off at once; but frequently it is not, and the borrower's property is burthened with two mortgages. Out of this bonus, improperly taken under estate were less than half those of last the circumstances, it appears to us, large | year. Net earnings were larger, according profits are shown. Such sources of profit to the report, than last year; not quite so

for a service which is not performed, it is a procedure which ought not to be sanctioned by honorable men. Nor is it at all certain that this kind of business possesses the elements of an average of safety.

It is stated by the President of the Huron and Erie Lban and Savings Company. which has just held its sixteenth annual meeting, that ninety-two per cent. of its loans of the securities it holds are upon farm properties in Western Ontario. The sum of its mortgages, amounting to \$2,148,-445 (for which it holds property valued at 23 times the sum) it follows that all its securities other than farm real estate do not exceed say \$170,000. The character of the Company's business, in this respect, prepares one to learn that the losses made upon properties taken possession of and sold was but of the value of \$11,101, exceeding but slightly the appropriation made last year for possible loss upon such properties. The resolve of the management to show their losses year by year instead of deducting them from the face value of the mortgages, is a highly commendable one. The deposits have increased between \$30,000 and \$40,000, but the amount of the interest paid upon them was practically the same, indicating a reduction in the rate paid, which is in harmony with the prevailing and very justifiable tendency on the part of our best banks and loan companies. Its debenture business is not sought to be enlarged. The Reserve is further increased and a balance carried forward, after paying ten per cent. dividend. From the accounts furnished, and the explanations made by officers at the meeting, we are convinced that the affairs of this company have received very thorough examination, and that as to inspection, valuation, and book-keeping, the methods now pursued give every reasonable guarantee of prosperity and and safety.

The name of the Ontario Savings and Investment Society, of London, has been changed, and its title is now the Ontario Loan and Debenture Society. The business of the Company shows very considerable growth. Its outstanding debentures amount to \$1,144,716, an increase of \$214,-670 on the year. Its mortgages and municipal debentures now reach the sum of \$2,468,422, a little less than last year. The mortgages overdue amount to \$37,277, a little over one per cent. of the whole. The repayments on loans were somewhat larger than last year, and the new loans on real must now be laid upon the shelf, ought to be avoided; and if money be taken much is carried to Reserve, which now

reaches 17'3 per cent. on the capital, but the contingent fund is doubled.

The cautious disposition of the management of the Anglo-Canadian Mortgage Company is shown in the fact that about fortyfive per cent. of its applications for loans were considered undesirable and were consequently rejected. Notwithstanding this fact the Company has made good progress, as the following figures indicate. The capital, which stood at \$259,229 in 1878, has reached the sum of \$331,410. The investments have increased from \$432,081 to \$578,018. The net profits, which were considered large in 1878 at \$25,067, have grown to \$32,349 last year. Out of this sum two dividends of four per cent. each have been paid, and \$8,000 carried to the Reserve, which makes this fund \$30,000, nearly ten per cent. of the paid capital.

The business of the Agricultural Savings & Loan Company continues to show growth. The paid capital of the Company is now \$488,690, and the cash value of its loans is placed it \$755,713. The sum of \$3,000 has been written off for losses, leaving the net profits of the year at \$43,550. This sum, less \$933, which was added to the Receive Fund, was expended in the payment of a nine per cent. dividend; certainly too large a dividend considering all the circumstances.

A very full and clear exhibit is made by the Ontario Loan and Savings Company, of Oshawa, whose business appears to be in good shape, exhibiting an earning power equal to 11 per cent., after paying deposit-interest and working expenses. The aggregate of loans repaid indicates that the management is taking the benefit of any doubts which arrears of interest may have occasioned as to the adequacy of securities held upon property. The benefit is now felt of reductions in valuations prudently made, some three years ago, of properties loaned upon. The deposits of the Company are large, and obtained, we understand, at such a rate as precludes them from going abroad for money upon debentures.

PROFIT NECESSARY.

We have a communication from a leading house in the wholesale dry goods trade, upon the importance to a retailer, or indeed to any merchant, of getting a profit upon his wares which shall be sufficient to cover expenses. It is contended by the house in question that a number of retailers, in their eagerness to attract trade for ready money, lower their profits beyond the paying point, and then "their expenses eat them up." Or perhaps, while insisting on a resonable

profit, they do not sell goods enough to cover their expenses. The case is cited of a well known and energetic retailer in the West, who last week had to ask the indulgence of his creditors on account of this very disparity between his expenses and his total profit.

The point is worthy of attention, especially by those in large places where expenses are heavy, who are cutting prices and offering "drives" of this and "tremendous bargains" of the other thing. It is referred to in this issue by a correspondent. It would seem almost needless to argue that while short credit sales, or sales for prompt cash, are highly desirable, they are useless unless made at a profit that will cover rent, interest, and depreciation, clerk hire, fuel and light, insurance, and living expenses. But still it does need to be insisted upon that the probable "turn over" of a merchant be considered when he establishes the profit at which he shall sell his wares.

As an illustration: If a man sell \$12,000 worth of goods in a year, at a average profit of 20 per cent., he makes \$2,400 gross. Suppose he spends \$1,000 a year to maintain his family; he has \$1,400 a year to cover clerk's wages, interest, and other business charges, and his clear profit. But if the same man resolve to put down his gross profit to 10 per cent., he must either reduce his expenses or increase his sales, because \$12,000 worth of goods sold at ten per cent. yields but \$1,200, out of which to live and to carry on the store.

What is a living profit? asks one. The answers to this question would differ widely, no doubt, according to the different views or circumstances of various merchants. But we have little hesitation in saving that ten per cent. or twelve and a-half per cent. average gross profit is entirely too little for the ordinary country retailer to sell his goods at. A frugal shop-keeper who sells \$40,000 worth of goods in the course of a year may possibly live and pay expenses by a 12½ per cent. advance on his invoice price, provided he makes no bad debts; but if he hopes to get on in the world and lay up anything for a rainy day, he will need 15 per cent. on the average cost of his goods. How much the more then, must a man who sells only \$15,000 worth of merchandise annually, require the larger average of profit—for at 15 p. c. he only gets \$2,250 gross profit on a year's sales. Indeed, if he has to give a year's credit, nothing short of twenty per cent. will pay him.

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merchant's business and living expenses amount to 12½ per cent. on his sales, and he marks his goods at 12½ per cent. average profit, he may work till he is gray-haired and bent and spectacled before he finds his capital increased or his burdens so lightened as to deserve the name of a successful and independent trader.

ST. LAWRENCE TRADE AND MON-TREAL HARBOR.

The statistics of imports and exports at Montreal form, at any time, an interesting subject of examination. They are indices of the trade of the great St. Lawrence route, and therefore of especial interest to Canadians. According to the chairman of the Montreal Board of Harbor Commissioners, last year's exports of grain at Montreal Harbor were the largest it has ever known. The exports of grain have been:

In 1870......13,601,310 bushels. 1874......16,739,580 " 1879......22,755,946 "

Those of 1879 showing an increase of 67 per cent. in the decade. This ratio of increase compares very tolerably with some American Atlantic ports which are open all the year round, while Montreal is ice-bound during a long period of each year.

An item of import whose increase last year, owing to altered fiscal arrangements, was very marked, was sugar. The imports of this article via the St. Lawrence were:

In 1878..... say 12,289,843 lbs. 1879..... " 64,375,656 "

An increase of...... 52,085,813 lbs.

The carriage of these thirty-three thousand tons of sugar brought forty-five vessels to the harbor, laden entirely with sugar, representing a tonnage of 20,731 tons, the remainder represented partial cargoes. The revenue derived by the Harbor Trust from this article was \$7,800; from iron, of which 44,000 tens more were imported than in the previous year, \$11,000; from coal, \$4,600, and this is what is stated as to this item: Coal is another large item of increase, the imports via the harbor for 1879 being 189,231 tons, and for the previous year, 142,754 tons, being an increase for the year of 46,477 The quantity from the Maritime Provinces last year was 55,917 tons, and this year 117,256, an increase of 61,339 tons.

The total revenue of the Montreal Harbor Trust for 1879 was \$269,596, an increase of \$40,870 over the year 1878, over and above a slight decrease on local traffic dues. The inward wharfage on goods accounts for half the increase: outward wharfage and tonnage dues furnishing in equal proportions the remainder. The year 1874, it appears, was

the year of greatest tonnage for the port and proportion of loss borne by insurance comthe year of largest revenue for the Trust.

We have already given, in various issues, figures illustrating the tonnage visiting the port of Montreal during the past year; the relative movement of grains; the continued improvement of the ship channel, &c., but we make room this week for the remarks of the Chairman upon the changes in the ship ping visiting the port, regretting that we cannot give the full tables upon which they are based:

It will be observed, said Mr. Robertson, that between 1870 and 1879, the increase of steamers to British and Foreign Ports has been 205 per cent., while the sailing vessels have in the same time fallen off 25 per cent. I merely call your attention to the fact, leaving you to judge whether this falling off in sailing vessels is only applicable to this port in consequence of our towage, pilotage and other charges, or whether it may not be largely attributed to the fact that steamers, not only at this port, but elsewhere are largely superseding sailing vessels.

Now let us look at the vessels to the Maritime Provinces While those to Europe and elsewhere show an increase in steam and a similar decrease in sailing vessels; steamers to the Maritime Provinces increased from 1870 to 1874 nearly 150 per cent; since then they have gradually fallen away till they now stand at 42 per cent. increase on 1870; sailing vessels, which show about 5 per cent. gain from 1870 to 1874, now show 37 per cent. less since the last named period. I am not prepared to say that this decrease in tonnage to the Maritime Provinces is entirely due to, but it must be largely caused by, the facility which the Intercolonial Railway is affording to the trade.

The local vessels show an increased tonnage of 14 per cent. between the years 1870 and 1879. This increase has almost all been gained since 1874. (The year 1879 alone showing an increase of 7 per cent)

The revenue derived from harbor dues or local traffic was \$63,265 in 1874, against \$55,080 in 1879, or a reduction of 12½ per cent. This shows that the vessels cannot be carrying so many goods as formerly, and this is also probably to be accounted for by the opening of the railway system on the north shore of the St. Lawrence.

It has been suggested that vessels between Quebec and Montreal, when in tow of a steamer, should not be objied to take a pilot. It is thought that this charge might be saved by making it compulsory for all tugs, towing vessels, to carry branch pilots. This subject is receiving the earnest consideration of the Board, but as yet no definite decision has been arrived at.

FIRE INSURANCE IN CANADA.

Improper building, carelessness as to fire, and incendiarism are playing havoc with property on this continent. According to the fire ables of the Insurance Chronicle of New York, the losses by fires in Canada during several past years were as follow:

1879	Total losses \$7,159,000	Ins. Co.'s. \$3,856,000	of In. loss.
		3,102,700	52.1
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~/3	8,225,750	4,306,300	52.3
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panies about 36.3 per cent, or a total of \$10,637,000. The losses by special hazards have amounted to an average of \$3,700,000, during the years 1876, 1878 and 1870, the insurance companies' losses on which averaged \$1,800,000.

In the United States, it appears, the losses to insurance companies were in excess of any of four previous years, being \$44,464,700, against \$36,575,000 in 1878 \$39,398,000 in 1877. Something over fifty five thousand fires took place in the United States in these last four years, and the number of them has been increasing yearly, numbering 9,301 in 1876, and culminating in a total of 12,849 last year, which destroyed property valued at \$77,000,000.

The following is a list of special risks burned last year in Canada: Agricultural implement factories, 2; bakeries, 23; barges, 2; barques, 1; bending factory, 1; billiard saloon, 2; blacksmith's shops, 16; bowling alleys, 1; box factories, 1; breweries, 3; Britannia metal factory, 1; broom factory, 1; brush factory, 1; butcher shops, 6; candy factories, 3; carding mills, 1; carpenter shops, 14; carpet stores, 1; carriage factories, 11; cheese factory, 1 chemical works, 1; churches, 15; cider mill, 1; cigar factory, 1; club houses, 1; coal yards, 2; college buildings, 1; confectioneries, 7; cooper shops, 6; court house, 1; crockery shops, 2; custom houses, 2; drug stores, 23; dye works, 3; egg depot, 1; leather factory, 1; engine houses, 4; feed stores, 4; flax-mill, 1; flouring mills. 11; furniture factories, 13; gas works, 1; grain elevators, 3; grain warehouses, 3; greenhouses, 2; grist mills, 19; country grocery stores, 68; wholesale groceries, 1; harness factories, 5; hay presses, 2; hospital, 1; hotels, 80; ice-houses, 2; iron foundries, 10; light-house, 1; lime-yard, 1; liquor shops, 27; lithograph works, 1; livery stables, 35; lobster packing establishments, 2; lumber yards, 10; machine shops, 9; marble factory, 1; match factories, 2; metallic works, 1; music hall, 1; newspaper offices, 7; nickel-plating factory, 1; oatmeal-mill, 1; oil refineries, 2; oil stores, 3; opera house, 1; paint shops, 5; paper roofling factory, 1; paper warehouse, 1: photograph galleries, 9; piano factories, 2; picture frame factories, 2; planing mills, 3; plumbing workshops, 2; pork-packing house, 1; potashery, 1; printing offices, 6; public halls, 7; public libraries, 7; pump factories, 2; rag shops, 1; railway stations, 8; restaurants, 7; rope factory, 1; safe factory, 1; salt work, 1; sash and blind factories, 9; sausage fac-While in the year of the St. John fire, tory, 1; saw-mills, 34; scale factory, 1; Ontario, the object of which is to abolish 1877, the losses were \$29,261,000, and the school-houses, 9; shingle mills, 6; ship market fees. Very great confusion of ideas

wright shop, 1; shoddy mill, 1; shoe factories, 18; slaughter house, 1; smokehouses, 3; soap factories, 3; stamping works, 1: steam ferry boat and tugs, 4; tanneries, 10; threshing machines, 2; tinsmith shops, 2; tobacco factory, 1; town halls, 2; wharves and storehouses, 2; wire factories, 2; woodsheds, 2; wood-turner's shop, 1; woollen mills, 5.

The question: cannot something be done to reduce this frightful loss of property, is often asked, but each recurring year brings no satisfactory reply. Frame buildings; lumber in hideous piles; planing mills and sash factories are permitted to occupy central positions in our towns and cities, ever ready for the torch of the incendiary, or for the no less destructive agency of carelessness or neglect. Energetic action on the part of municipal authorities should drive such risks from all centres, and our people should be taught to be more careful and possibly more honest. Then, we may be enabled to chronicle less destruction by fire.

-The value of the Beauce gold mines, Quebec, will apparently now be put to a decisive test. A strong syndicate is said to have been formed by Mr. Goldring, the promoter, who has obtained a favorable report from experts, by whom the mines have been examined. Among Goldring's connections are mentioned General McCbok, of New York, ex-Governor of Colorado, and Judge Ditterhoeffer. There are few places where it is more difficult to float any mining scheme to which a doubt of the value attaches than New York, at the present time. There the reports of mining engineers are submitted to rigid scrutiny; but at best the subject is one on which a great deal of uncertainty exists. A writer in the last number of the Engineering and Mining Journal says: "The absurd condition of our canons of ore-deposit is well exhibited by the fact that particular masses are grouped with gash veins, chloride holes. and contact deposits, as belonging to a worthless and unreliable class of orebodies, in spite of the fact that the world's mining is done in this despised class much more than it is in veins that can be proved to be filled up fractures." The real want, this writer adds, is a manual containing a clear and suggestive summary of what is truly characteristic among the phenomena of ore-deposits. Present movements indicate that we shall soon know more about the mineral deposits of Canada than we ever knew before.

-A bill is before the Legislature of

on the subject prevails. Market fees a ay be injurious to the city that receives them, and it might be good economy in the cities to abolish them. But the foundation on which they rest is a very substantial one; they represent only a fair compensation for money spent on markets, for the convenience both of sellers and buyers. They are in the nature of building rent, and are as legitimate and as unassailable as any other building rent. It would certainly be unjust for the Legislature, merely because it has the power-if it really has it- to abolish them without the consent of the parties interested. Tolls levied for the maintenance of roads, stand on nearly the same footing as market fees; on'y tolls are more out of date and less in accord with the genius of our times. There is much more reason why they should be abolished than market fees. It would not be a bad compromise to abolish both together; but to abolish market fees, without the consent of those who have a right to receive them in compensation for a direct expenditure, and leave tolls untouched, would be very unjust.

-The report of the Northern Railway for the last half year shows a net earning of \$255.442.64. Beneficial results are claimed for the working arrangement made with the Hamilton and North Western Railway, not only for the two companies interested, but for the public. The economies resulting from the combined management are reported as having led to "some reductions in the tariffs previously in force upon the respective lines;" and Mr. Cumberland, in his speech on the report, stated "they had not increased a single item in the tafiff, but on the contrary the tendency had been to decrease." His statement is in direct contradiction of one recently made by a deputation which waited on the Attorney-General to complain of the alleged results of the amalgamation. It is admitted that the competition between the two companies previous to the present arrangement was made, was very severe. The issue of the company's five per cent bonds has been completed, and the proceeds have enabled the Directors to pay off the floating debt created by the amalgamation of the Muskoka and North Grey roads. After the adoption of the report, the shareholders authorized the Directors to assent to an issue of debentures not exceeding \$10,000 a mile, exclusive of sidings, on the main line of the North Simcoe Railway, ; not more than \$6000 per mile to be made till the conditions of the issue shall have been confirmed at a general meeting of the Northern Com-

HAMILTON BOARD OF TRADE -A meeting of the Hamilton Board of Trade was held on Monday afternoon last, Mr. John Harvey, President in the chair. There were present Messrs. Adam Brown, Alex. Turner, James Stewart, John Scheuer, James Walker, John A. Orr, Jas. Turner, J. C. McKeand, John Osborne, Charles Hope, E. H. Mallory, Robert Dunlop, W. F. Findlay, A. T. Wood, W. H. Glassco, F. Schwarz. Mr. Benner, Secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting, which were confirmed, after which eight new members were received by the Board. After a number of communications had been read Mr. Adam Brown opened the subject of the Ontario and Pacific Junction Railway. He said that "the eastern terminal point of the Canada Pacific Railway was to be at a point where connections could be made with the existing railway systems. It was understood that branch railways to that point should be assisted to \$12,000 a mile. The Canada Central, subsidized by the Dominion, will soon be finished. In justice to Ontario a road from Gravenhurst to Nipissing, 106 miles, should be similarly subsidized. Hamilton will have, by this road, a direct line to Nipissing. The Georgian Bay branch is not to be built, but the road from Nipissing to Sault St. Marie will take its place. If Ontario cities cannot get to the Sault Ste Marie road, that road will work to our disadvantage. The Ontario Government has voted \$8,000 a mile to the Ontario and Pacific Junction line, and the Dominion Government ought to supplement that subsidy.'

Mr. A. T. Wood thought the scheme would be injurious to Canada. "The road ought to be built, but if the Dominion helped it, we in Ontario would pay out eighteen pence for every six pence we get. Lower Canada wants to sell her railways to the Dominion, and if we get this grant we cannot object to the purchase by the Dominion of the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa & Occidental Railway. The Lower Provinces will do the same. He thought our application ought to be made to the Ontario Legislature alone, for aid in money and land. He (Mr. Wood) spoke as a business man, and his interests might differ somewhat from those of railway speculators. The road could be built without the assistance of the Dominion Government."

After some discussion by Mr. Findlay, Mr. Walker and others, Mr. Brown's motion, seconded by Mr. Dunlop, for the preparation of a memorial to His Excellency in Council, praying for aid to the O. & P. J. R. Co. to connect at Lake Nipissing with the Canada Pacific, was carried, eight to three, over a motion to postpone, made by Mr. W. F. Findlay, seconded by Mr. C. J. Hope, a number of members not voting. A communication was read from the Quebec Board of Trade, desiring co-operation in pressing on Government to withhold completion of any contracts on the C P. R. from Thomson River Pass to Burrard Inlet, and to consider the Peace River or some other route. On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by

not consider it advisable to interfere with what has been already determined on by both Governments, after careful deliberation, as to the Western terminus of the Canada Pacific Railway."

THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY.-When a life insurance company has lived thirty years through all ups and downs, inflation and hard times, and has upwards of twenty-five millon dollars of assets in hand, over five millions of which is surplus strength, its officers and its policy holders may well be congratulated upon the accomplishment. Such is the position of the Ætna Life Insurance Company, as revealed in its thirtieth annual statement, presented on another page-This Company having over seven thousand Canadian policy holders and the second largest business in force in Canada, its figures possess some interest for many of our readers. Speaking of interest, it is a little remarkable that upon so large an amount as the \$23,761,342 of assets, at cost price, held at the beginning of 1879, the Ætna should have been able to collect within a fraction of 8 per cent interest. This indicates careful attention to the investments, and the rate of interest earned is undoubtedly of considerable consequence in life insurance management. Death claims and endowment policies matured and paid, both show a good increase over last year, as was to be expected yet the balance remains on the accumulating side by \$737,985.82. The lapses appear to have been very much less than for years past. The hard times have made it impossible for many persons to keep up the large policies of more prosperous years, but the diminution of the Æ!na's amount in force is only \$1,830,028 the past year, notwithstanding increased claims maturing, as against \$3,151,008 in 1878, and \$4,666,481 in 1877. The returning prosperity of the United States, so visible during the past few months, should enable all good companies to show a regular increase for many years to

CANADA FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE COM PANY.-When in mid-year something untoward happens to a public company, and the event is generally made known, not much sympathy is usually evoked; indeed it is fortunate if distrust be not created. The wisest course to pursue in such case, is to exercise patience, and endeavor to remedy the mishap, or mistake, or whatever it may have been. The Canada Fire & Marine Insurance Company has met with a succession of adverse years, that of the St. John Fire (1877) being the most serious of them. The various changes made in its management during the past year appear to have had no really damaging effect. With improved business, an increased premium revenue, and a reassuring aspect of affairs generally, the changes referred to do not seem to have left any trace whatever. Patient labor and an earnest determination to overcome previous difficulties, have fairly succeeded in plac-Mr. A. Turner, it was resolved that "this Board do ing the Company in the good position which it formerly held in public estimation. It is said in the report that "on account of the great number of fires during the year," the Directors were unable to show a larger margin for profit, and therefore pays no dividend. This experience, however, is one which all companies pass through, the most favored being no exception. Persistence in judicious administration of the Company's affairs must tell, and we look forward to a more successful issue at the close of the current year.

Meetings.

ONTARIO LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY

The seventh annual meeting of this Company was held in its office, Oshawa, on Wednesday, Fobruary 4th, 1880. The following stockholders were present: Hon. T. N. Gibbs, Messrs. W. F. Cowan, W. F. Allen, J. S. Larke, R. S. Hamlin, J. A. Gibson, W. T. Dingle, Lyman English, Wm Read, Wm. John Carter, Chas. Larke, Thomas Patterson, W. H. Thomas and T. H. McMillan.

The President occupied the chair and T. H. McMillan, acted as Secretary to the meeting. After the minutes of the previous annual meeting were read and confirmed.

The Chairman read the Annual Report of the affairs of the Company for the past year as follows :---

Report.

The Directors, in presenting this their Seventh Annual Report, have again to congratulate the Shareholders upon the prosperous condition of the Company's business during the past year.

Notwithstanding the great abundance of money seeking mortgage investment, and the consequent competition for loans, your Directors have been able to find employment on first class securities for the funds of the Company. Your Directors have exercised the greatest care in the selection of loans, which is evinced by the large amount of repayments made during the year, showing the sound and active nature of the loans.

The net earnings of the Company, after deducting all expenses, were \$24,067 41, out of which sum two half yearly dividends at the rate of nine per cent., amounting to \$19,818.76 were paid. leaving the balance, \$4,248.65. Of this amount \$4,005.67 have been carried to Rest Account which account now amounts to \$25,000, or over eleven per cent., of the paid up Capital of the Company, and the sum of \$242.98 carried to credit of Contingent Account.

The deposits in the Savings Department have increased during the year \$54.433 91, and now amount to the large sum of \$245,700.69. New loans amounting to \$129,906.46 were made during the year, and the re-payments were \$122,-267.04. The accounts of the year have been carefully audited and the securities valued.

The Directors desire to express their entire approval of the manner in which the Secretary-Treasurer has discharged the onerous duties devolving upon him.

All of which is respectfully submitted. THOMES N. GIBBS,

President.

Office of the Company, Oshawa, Feb'y 4th, 1880.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Receipts.

man., 1, 1879:			
To Balance from Cash on hand.	1878.		
Cash on hand, in Ontario Bank		415 75	
in Ontario Bank, Whitby,	Oshawa,	10,331 04	
		1.971 77	\$12,718 56

Dec., 31, 1879:		1
Capital Stock,	13,654 46	1
Repayments on Loans	91,520 27	
Deposits Received	338,383 91	
Interest "	30,766 77	
		ı
	\$487,043 97	l
Disbursements.	4201,020 81	ı
Dec., 31, 1879:		ı
By Loans on Mortgages	\$129,906 46	ŀ
Deposite returned	284,950 00	ı
Deposits returned,	12.568 61	
In erest paid,		
Dividends Nos, 12 and 13,	19,818 76	ı
Expense account, including Di-	0.000.00	ı
rectors' and Auditors' fees	3,988 00	Т
Solicitor's and Valuators' fees,		ı
chargeable to mortgages,	1,773 27	Т
Balance as below		ļ
Cash in Ontario Bank, \$30,74	2 63	ı
" less cheques not pres'ted 1,34	5 98	ļ
·	29,396 65	1
" in Ontario Bank, Whitby	4,101 75	
" on hand,	540 47	ı
1	-	1
	\$487,04 3 97	1
STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND	Loss.	ı
Dec., 31, 1879:		ı
By Interest received	\$30,766 77	ı
By Interest received,	11,697 36	
accided in 1075,	11,097 30	ı
Í	\$42,464 13	ı
Contra.	\$12,301 10	1
Contra.		١
Dec., 31, 1879:		1
To Interest paid,	\$12,568 61	Г
Expense Account, including Di-	Q12,000 01	ı
rectors' and Auditors' fees,	3,988 00	L
Solicitor's and Valuator's fees.	0,000 00	ı
chargeable to mortgages,	1,773 27	ì
10 p. c. off Furniture, (*668 44)	66 84	Г
Dividends Nos. 12 and 13,	19,818 76	Г
Amount placed to credit of	19,010 10	ŀ
Rest Account,	4005.05	Ł
" " Contingent Account	4.005 67	١
Contingent Account	242 98	ı
	\$42,464 13	Ŀ
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIAM	RII.ITIRe	1

Assets.

Dec., 31, 1879: To Mortgages, present value, " Office Furniture, 668 44 less 10	\$464,14 9	60
per cent., off,	601	60
"Cash in Ontario Bank, Osh-awa, \$30	742 63	
" 'less cheques not pres'ted 1.	345 98 29.396	55
" " in Ontario Bank, Whitby	4.101	75
" " on hand,	540	
Liabilities.	8498,79 0	07
Dec., 31, 1879:		
By Capital Stock,	\$227.846	40
" Depositors,	245,700	69
" Rest Account,	25,000	00
" Contingent Account	949	

\$498,790,07 T. H. McMILLAN, Secretary-Treasurer.

We hereby certify that the above Statements contain a correct representation of the affairs of the Company as shown by the books on Dec., 31st, 1879. We have examined vouchers and find the same correct.

G. H. GRIERSON. JNO. B. HARRIS, Auditors.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, which was unanimously carried said he felt sure that the Report he had just read must be most gratifying to every shareholder present. For his own part, it was very satisfactory to him to find that the Company had earned, over and above all expenses of management and interest to our Depositors, the handsome sum of \$24,000on an average capital of about \$222,000; that the Company had been able to pay to its shareholders two half yearly dividends of 41 each, or nine per cent. per annum, and add \$4,005.67 to Kest Account, and carry the balance, \$242.98. to Contingent Account, and this had been done when money seeking mortgage investment had been abundant, and competition for loans very great. The Directors, he said, had been very careful in their selection of Loans, which was evinced by the large amount repaid during the year. The deposits in the Savings department had grown to very large proportions, nearly one Loss Account.

fourth of a million dollars, showing the confidence the public had in the standing of the Company. The Rest of the Company had reached \$25,000 over eleven per cent. of the paid up capital of the Company. On the whole, he had to congratulate the Shareholders on the sound and prosperous condition of the Company.

Mr. Cowan said he had much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report. To him it was a most gratifying statement. The President, he said, had reviewed in a very clear and concise manner the progress we had made, all of which he endorsed. From personal knowledge of the Company's affairs, he felt satisfied that the whole of the securities held by the Company were exceptionally good

Mr. W.F. Allen said that he had, in the month of July last, personally inspected all properties on which the Company had made advances which were in arrear, and in all but two cases found the security ample, and these had since, he was informed by the Secretary-Treasurer, been put in a satisfactory shape.

The Auditors, Messrs. Grierson and Harris, were voted eighty dollars for their services for the past year, and were reappointed for the current year.

A vote of thanks was also tendered to the President, Vice-President and Directors, for the very satisfactory manner in which they conducted the affairs of the Company during the past year, and the sum of \$250 was presented to the President, and \$150 to the Vice-President for their services to the Company.

Messrs. John Carter and Wm. Readwin were appointed scrutineers who reported the following nine gentleman duly elected Directors for the ensuing year. Hon. T. N. Gibbs, Messrs. W. H. Gibbs, W. F. Cowan, R. S. Hamlin, W. F. Allan, J. S. Larke, W. T. Dingle, J. A. Gibson, and W. H. Thomas

A vote of thanks was then tendered to the Chairman and the meeting adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors Hon. T. N. Gibbs was unanimously elected President, and W. F. Cowan, Esq, Vice-President.

HURON AND ERIE LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY.

The annual meeting of this Company was held on the evening of the 11th inst. in the offices of the Company, Huron & Erie Buildings, Rich-

mond street, London.

Present, — Messrs. Wm. Saunders. V. Cronyn,
J. G. McIntosh, G. M. Gunn, Geo. O. Challoner, Lewis R. Marsh, Rev. E. E. Newman, John Beattie, H. Burwell, F. Schofield, P. Mackenzie, Wm Gordon, J. B. Strathy, Frank Leonard, W. P. R. Street, J. Pope, R. Brummitt, Hon. E. Leonard, and others.

The President occupied the chair, Manager acting as secretary. The sixteenth annual report. with the accompanying financial statements were then read.

Report.

The Directors of the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company herewith submit to the shareholders the sixteenth annual report of the Company, giving the results of the business for the year ending 31st December, 1879, and showing, that notwithstanding the increased competition for loans and the abundance of money seeking investment, the Company has continued to do a safe and prosperous business.

From the profits of the past year, your Directors have been enabled, after meeting all the expenses of management, to pay the shareholders two half yearly dividends of five per cent. each, to add \$20,000 to the Reserve Fund, making it \$260,000 in all, or more than 26 per cent. on the paid up permanent stock, and to carry forward a balance of \$3,156.97 to the credit of Profit and

The cash value of the mortgages held by the Company at the close of the year amounted to \$2,148,445.39 on property estimated by the Company's valuators to be worth in cash \$5,599,563.

The amount on deposit in the Savings Bank is \$980,839.78, being an increase of \$34,785 during the past twelve months, a gratifying evidence of the confidence reposed in the stability and security of the Company.

The increase in the Savings Bank and the repayments on mortgages during the past year have supplied your Board with money sufficient to meet the demands for desirable loans, hence it has not been thought expedient to press the sale of Debentures, which are being gradually disposed of on satisfactory terms.

The books and vouchers have been submitted to a thorough audit. A monthly cash audit has been made, the balances verified quarterly, and the result duly reported from time to time to your Directors. The correctness of the accompanying annual statement is also duly certified

In view of the depreciation which has taken place in the value of farm property, and the effects resulting from the emigration to Manitoba, your Directors have deemed it advisable, during the year, to make a thorough re-inspection by competent officers especially appointed for that purpose, of the properties mortgaged to the Company, and are pleased to be able to state that the reports received have been most satisfactory.

No Company can carry on the extensive business which your Directors have had to manage without incurring occasional losses, and your Board have thought it best, following the course adopted last year, to show these losses annually in their Report, instead of deducting them from the cash values of the mortgages. The Contingent Fund of \$10,000 set aside last year for the express purpose of meeting anticipated losses in this direction on transactions covering a period of many years has, as will be seen by the statement, been nearly sufficient to meet all requirements of this kind.

The increased business transacted by the Company has made it necessary to expend a considerable sum of money in enlarging and improving the vaults and offices of the Company. Of the amount so expended, \$3 100 has been added to the estimated value of the premises, and the remainder has been written off from the profits of the year.

The Rules and By-Laws of the Company have undergone a thorough and careful revision by your Directors, and the results of their labors will be presented for approval at the annual

meeting.

It affords your Directors pleasure to bear testimony to the zeal and faithfulness with which the Manager and all the other officers of the Company have discharged their respective duties.

The whole of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. Saunders.

President

London, 19th January, 1880.

PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31ST DECEMBER, 1879.

	31st december, 1879.		
Τo	Dividend No 30	\$48,961	67
**	. " 31	49,180	0υ
**	Interest on Deposits	53,662	79
"	Losses on Real Estate sold (anti-	,	
	cipated and provided for by con-		
	tingent account last year)	11,101	39
"	General Expense Account	12,091	85
••	Commission paid valuators	3,804	
••	Directors' Fees	1.184	
**	Interest on Sterling debentures	2,039	
**	" Accumulating stock	769	
44	Commis'n on sale of Debentures	622	
**	Solicitor's Fees (proportion paid	022	02
	by the Commany)	837	86
"	COSt of Land Ingrestion	405	
	Written off for renairs on Raild's	254	
- "	Transferred to Rest Account	20,000	

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10	" Balance carried forward 3,156 97	1
1-	\$208,072 92	l
3-	By Balance brought forward\$ 460 58	ı
k	"Interest earned	ı
r-	" Rents collected 918 75	l
e	" Contingent Account from 1878	l
d	(See item of losses on other side) 10,000 00	l
•	" Surplus on Real Estate sold 478 18	١
9-		l
ır	\$208,072 92	١
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10	STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES AND ASSETS AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1879.	١
1-	Liabilities to the Public.	I
	To Savings Bank Deposits \$ 980,839 67	l
d	"Sterling Debentures 43,135 17	1
16	To the Shareholders.	1
d	To Permanent Capital Stock paid up 984,150 00	1
0	" Accamulating Stock & Interest 8,710 70	I
1.	" 31st Dividend, due 2nd January 49,180 00	I
d	" Unclaimed Dividends 135 41	١
~	Reserve Fund.	l
n	As at 31st Dec. 1878 \$240,000 00	l
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$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{y}$	Cash value of Mortgages\$2	148,445	39
4.4	Real Estate	27,354	10
"	Office premises	19,000	00
"	Cash at Bankers	131,201	
"	" on hand	3,307	15
			

\$2,329,308 03 R. W. Smylie, Manager.

260,000 00

3,156 97

We hereby certify that we have carefully audited the accounts of the Huron and Erie Loan and Savings Company for the year ending 31st December, 1879, and compared the same with the vouchers for payments. We have also verified the entries in all the Company's ledgers, and confirm the above Statements as correct.

GEO. F. JEWELL, Auditors

London, Ont., 22nd January, 1880. Before moving the adoption of the report, the President made remarks on some of the details it contained, and gave some particulars as to the working of the Company. The losses were explained at length, and it was shown that a very large proportion of the amounts placed under this head was not fairly chargeable to the past year but belonged to previous years. The Real Estate, which at the close of the year was esti-The Real mated at \$27,354.10, has been reduced by subsequent sales to \$14,635 19, which is all that is now on hand outside of the office premises. As this portion of the assets of the Company is unproductive, every effort is being made, consistent with prudence, to reduce it, said the speaker. The necessity for the recent improvements in the vaults and offices of the Company were pointed out, and the opinion expressed that the value of the premises as estimated is not in excess of its actual cash value.

During the year a large number of applications for money had been received, but in more than half the instances the Directors declined to grant the amount asked, because they did not regard the properties offered as sufficient security. The Board has been extremely careful in the selection of securities, and has uniformly preferred to accept first-class loans at reasonably low rates of interest, rather than less satisfactory security with higher rates, and a rigid system of inspection has been carried out. About ninety-two per cent. of the securities held by the Company are farm properties in Middlesex and the adjacent counties.

The attention of the stockholders was drawn to the probable effects on future profits of the prevailing reduced rates of interest and the con-

tinually increasing competition for loans, and the opinion confidently expressed that the Huron & Erie with its large reserve would be able, notwithstanding these drawbacks, to maintain its past rate of dividend and add something yearly to its reserve The President expressed pleasure in moving the adoption of the report, which he felt sure was regarded by all present as

very satisfactory.

The Vice-President, in seconding the motion, referred to the manner in which the financial statement was compiled. In arranging the details great pains had been taken to make everything as clear and self-explanatory as possible. The full amount of interest we had earned was shown and every particular connected with the disposition of the sum detailed. We had made some losses and we had frankly reported them; but he did not think considering the period which these losses covered and the extensive yearly business transactions of the Company that they could be regarded as in any way excessive He explained that the Board, after considering the question of borrowing upon debentures, had concluded that for the present it was desirable to adhere mainly to the Savings Bank system, as the rates of interest upon money seemed in an unsettled condition.

The report was unanimously adopted, the shareholders expressing their high opinion of the efficient services rendered by the Directors, Manager and other officers of the Company.

The revised by-laws were then submitted, and on motion adopted.

Messrs, Jewell & Complin were re-appointed auditors at a salary of \$350 each.

Before proceeding to the election of officers it was moved by V. Cronyn, Esq., seconded by Rev. E. E. Newman, that the sum of \$600 be presented to the President for his services during the past year, a motion which was approved of by several other speakers and unanimously carried.

Messrs. Wm. Gordon and Frank Leonard were appointed scrutineers, who reported the election of the following gentlemen as Directors for the year: Hon E. Leonard, John Beattie, W. P. R. Street, J. G. McIntosh, Wm. Saunders, P. Mackenzie, all of whom received the unanimous vote of the shareholders present.

After the adjournment of the meeting of shareholders, the Directors met and elected as their officers for the year, Wm Saunders, President, and W. P. R. Street, Vice-President.

ONTARIO LOAN AND DEBENTURE SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of this company was held at its offices in London on Wednesday afternoon, the 11th inst. The President, Mr Joseph Jeffery, in the chair. The following is the ninth annual

Report

The Directors of the Ontario Loan and Debenture Company have the pleasurs of submitting the ninth annual report and balance sheet of the Company for the year ending 31st December. 1879.

The paid-up capital now amounts to \$981,500.79; the debentures outstanding are \$1,144,716.64; the surplus assets over liabilities amount to \$1,206,523.36. The net earnings of the company for the year amount to \$112,355.27, out of which the usual dividends have been paid (\$98,021.62), and the sum of \$14,333.65 carried to the reserve and contingent funds.

The mortgage investments and municipal debentures now amount to \$2,468,422.19, secured upon freeholds valued at \$6,718,043.00; of this amount the small sum of \$37,277, principal and interest, was overdue and in arrears at the end of the year.

The excellent harvest, with good prices and consequent plentiful supplyof money, has induc-

ed your directors to reduce the rate of interest	Commission paid on
to borrowers.	Commission paid ap- praisers on loans \$2,337 34
Pursuant to resolution of the shareholders.	Inspection and other
the directors during the year took the necessary	expenses connnect-
legal steps for changing the name of the society to "The Ontario Loan and Debenture Company."	ed therewith 1,167 40
The directors still continue their former	Office expenses, including Direc.
policy in making loans on the best properties in	tors' fees, salaries, etc 15,429 87
onis and the adjoining counties.	To carry to reserve fund $10,000 00$
All of which is respectfully submitted. WM. F. BULLEN, Jos. JEFFERY,	To carry to contingent fund 4,333 65
Manager. President.	\$218,777,66
CASH ACCOUNT.	Cr.
Revenue.	Interest on mortgages \$206,970 17
Balance in bank and on account	Extra interest
from last year	when sold and agents' balances. 2,938 85
Payments on stock	General interest
Neceived from sale of debentures 358.738 33	
General interest, etc., received 8,868 64	\$218,777 66
91 107 555 70	To the President and Directors of the Ontario Loan and Debenture Society:
\$1,187,555 70 Expenditure.	We, the undersigned, having made the regu-
Loans on Mortgages on real estate	lar monthly audit of the books of the Ontario
(Ireeholds) \$ 543 519 69	Loan and Debenture Company for the year end.
Debentures redeemed and interest 200,060 82 Repaid depositors 121,144 78	ing 31st December, 1879, certify that we have found them correct in every particular, and that
terest paid depositors 20.764 54	the above is a true statement of the affairs of
21Vidends paid 97.358 55	the Company.
* old ledger navments	J. B. Boyle, Auditors.
and on account new office building	A. S. EMERY, Auditors. The report was received and adopted, being
(freehold)	considered highly satisfactory by the share-
expenses connected with loans 3.504 74	holders.
Once expenses, including Direc-	The three retiring Directors, Messrs. Jos.
tor's fees, salaries, etc	Jeffrey, Geo. B. Harris and Wm. Bowman, were re-elected by a unanimous vote.
100,000 04	Messrs. J. B. Boyle and A. S. Emery were re-
\$1,187,555 70	elected Auditors for the year.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT.	At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. Jos. Jeffrey was elected President, and Mr. Alex.
The assets are as follows:— Mortgages (including arrears) on	Johnston Vice-President.
F681 estate \$2.457.772.70	
unicipal debentures 10 648 40	DOMINION SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT
~44GTV Aggetg	SOCIETY.
Company's premises	
Great Britain	The seventh annual meeting of the sharehold- ers of this Society was held in its office, Richmond
Cash on deposit 159,583 94	street, London, on Thursday the 10th inst., the
Assots	President, Mr. D. Macfie, in the chair, and among
Assets\$2.613,165 46 The liabilities are as follows:—	those present were:—Messrs. Henry Taylor,
90001 tures	Samuel Peters, John Burnett, R. Brummitt, Dr. Cattermole, S. McBride, James Blair (Inspector),
	E. J. Parke, F. B. Levs (Manager), T. H. Purdon, 1
Deposits and interest	Edward Trout, Business Manager of the Mone-
\$1,466,642 10	tary Times, Toronto, and others The Manager, Mr. F. B. Leys, read the fol-
	lowing annual report, and accompanying finan-
Surplus assets\$1,206,523 36 Paid as surplus assets are as follows:—	cial statement:
-up capital per-	Report.
	Your Directors, in submitting this, their
up accumulat.	Seventh Annual Report, desire to call the special
ing stock 950 79 \$981,500 79 Dividend No. 32 49,027 50	attention of the Shareholders to the continued prosperity of the Society, as manifested in the
wou interest on	very satisfactory results of the year's business.
	The inflation in real estate, which had been
	growing for several years, was not unobserved
Contingent from 3	by your Directors, and, in consequence, special care was taken that sufficient margin was ob-
To carry to do 4,333 65 7,409 70	tained on all loans; and as evidence of this we
*****	have, since the commencement of our business,
\$1,206,523 36	only lost eight hundred dollars (\$800.00); and this we yet expect to recover by suit now pend-
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. Dr.	ing against the party on the covenant in the
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12,741 25	Companies, awaiting investment, occasioned by
Accrued interest on debentures 16,387 90	the increasing deposits in the Savings Banks,
Expenses connected with sale of debentures. 16,387 90	and by the proceeds of debentures sold in Great Britain. This condition of things will lead not
Savings 1	only to a reduction of interest, but also to ex-
Dividend 20,764 54	cessive competition in business. While your
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Loan and Debenture Society: We, the undersigned, having made the regu-	which force
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ing 31st December, 1879, certify that we have found them correct in every particular, and that	re-ele Henr
the above is a true statement of the affairs of the Company.	Jas. C Duffi
J. B. Boyle, A. S Emery, Auditors.	Th ing to
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Messrs. J. B. Boyle and A. S. Emery were re- elected Auditors for the year. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr.	Balar 31s
Jos. Jeffrey was elected President, and Mr. Alex. Johnston Vice-President.	Balar De Perm
DOMINION SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT SOCIETY.	Accar Repa Savir Debe
The seventh annual meeting of the sharehold-	Extra
ers of this Society was held in its office, Richmond street, London, on Thursday the 10th inst., the President, Mr. D. Macfie, in the chair, and among	Gene
those present were:—Messrs. Henry Taylor, Samuel Peters, John Burnett, R. Brummitt, Dr.	Loan
Cattermole, S. McBride, James Blair (Inspector), E. J. Parke, F. B. Leys (Manager), T. H. Purdon,	Accu
Edward Trout, Business Manager of the Monetary Times, Toronto, and others	Perm
The Manager, Mr. F. B. Leys, read the fol- lowing annual report, and accompanying finan-	Savir Savir
cial statement:— Report.	Gene Expe ors
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attention of the Shareholders to the continued prosperity of the Society, as manifested in the	Deber Balar
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rd will continue to make loans at the current of interest, they will also exercise the greatrigilance in seeing that the business is coned on the same conservative principles as tofore.

he profits of the past year have enabled your ctors, after paying all expense of managet, commission of every kind, and all other enses, to pay two half-yearly dividends of per cent., to add \$6,000 00 to Reserve Fund, th now stands at \$86,000.00, and \$1,455.10 ontingent Account, which now amounts to

ne various departments in our business cone in a most satisfactory condition. There been paid on Stock during the year, \$17,-99, making a total on this account of \$659, 92. Our Savings Bank now stands \$558,-82. We have disposed of Debentures to the out of \$108,283.25. Our Loans on Mortes are \$1,371,015.90, and the property on the Loans are effected would realize at a ed cash sale, \$2,914,890.00.

he rules of our Society require that all the ctors retire annually, but are eligible for ection. The Directors are:—D. Macfie, ry Taylor, W. R. Meredith, Samuel Peters, Cattermole, M D, John Burnett, and Wm. ield.

he Directors have much pleasure in testify-to the zeal and efficiency of the Manager other officers of the Society.

D. Macrie,

President.

don, Ont., February 7th, 1880. SH ACCOUNT ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1879.

Receipts. nce in Merchants' Bank Dec. st 1878,..... \$55,809.72 nce in Union Bank of Scotland ec. 31st 1878

1.622.02 nanent stock..... 54,250.00 mulating stock 8,392.65 syments on loans...... 297,308.55 . ngs Bank deposits 862,801.28 6,326.58 entures a interest..... 9,395.03 eral interest 354.20

1,326,260.03 Disbursements. ns on mortgages..... \$206,063.90 ımulating stock made perm'n't 36,832.52 ımulating stock dividends paid converted stock 11,197.08 nanent stock dividends paid... 59,290.12 ngs Bank deposits withdrawn... 881,694 06 ngs Bank interest withdrawn... 32,767.26 eral interest..... 3,857.11 ense account (including solicits' and directors' fees) 9,951.00 mission on loans..... 1,528.83 entures redeemed..... 243.33 enture coupons paid..... 6,108.35 nce in Merchants Bank of Can. 75,526,89 nce in Union Bank of Scot.

> \$1,326,260.03 Assets.

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value of mortgages \$1,371,015.90 s on Society's stock 1,050.00 in Merchants' Bank of Can. 75,526.89 in Union Bank of Scotland 1,199.58

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nanent stock dividends....... 31,683.17 16,533.19 8,402.73 Savings Bank deposits and Interest 558,708.82 Debentures 108,283.25 Reserve fund,

> Dec. 31st 1878, \$80,000.00 86,000.00 Added this year, 6,000.00 §

Contingent fund, Dec. 31st 1878, \$3,626.11 Added this year, 1,455.10

5,081.21

\$1,448,792.37

FRANK B. LEYS. Manager

We, the undersigned auditors, do certify that we have carefully examined the books and vouchers of the Dominion Savings and Investment Society for the year ending the 31st Dec., 1879. and find the same correct as above set forth; and that the mortgages have been valued at the same rate at which the investments were made.

A. G. SMYTH Auditors. JOSEPH ATKINSON

London, Ont., February 7th, 1880.

Mr. Macfie, in moving the adoption of the report, said the duty devolving upon him in this connection was becoming somewhat monotonous. It was, however, a pleasure to know that if the business of the Society was properly conducted there would be very little for a president to say; and as the affairs of the Dominion were in that condition, his task was not an onerous one on the present occasion. The business of our Society has been properly managed during the year; and he felt that the same care which had been exercised in all the details in the past would be exercised in time to come by both directors and officers. The Society had continued to make loans during the past year only when the directors saw that favourable returns could be made, and that the security was undoubted. By pursuing such a policy in the future, the money entrusted to their keeping could alone be husbanded and made remunerative. He had much pleasure in moving the adoption of the report.

Mr. Henry Taylor, the vice-President, seconded the report, which was carried, in a few neat sentences. The business had been conducted so satisfactorily during the year that he quite agreed with the President in his remarks.

Messrs. Joseph Atkinson and A. G. Smith were voted \$200 each for their services as auditors and reappointed for the current year. The scrutineers then reported the following named gentlemen directors, each of whom received 3000 votes, viz., Daniel Macfie, Henry Taylor, W. R. Meredith, Wm. Duffield, Samuel Peters, James Cattermole M.D. and John Burnett.

THE ENGLISH LOAN COMPANY, LON-DON, ONT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1879. Receipts.

Receipts on Stock...... \$92,015 13

Repayments on Loans .	. 		9,320	36
Sundries				80
Due Federal Bank				38
			\$110,636	67
Disburs	ements.			
Dividend on Stock	\$ 3.917	77		
Interest	. 7			
Payments on Loans	99,996	80		
Payments on Assumed	,			
_ Mortgages	1,195	40		
Expenses	3,459			
Commissions on Loans	919			
Payment on Building,		••		
Office Furniture, &c.	1,127	41		
Petty Ledger		79		
,		••	\$110 636	67

Assets.		First mortgage on real
Company's Interest in 10 years' lease	,	estate 155 00
 of Building, offices and furniture. 	\$ 1.127 41	
Cash value of Mortgages	169 554 15	Office furniture and fixtures less ten
Petty Ledger	. 11 79	per cent
		Interest accrued but not yet due
	\$169,693 35	Bills receivable

Liabi	lities.		
Paid on Stock	\$92,015	13	
Assumed Mortgages	64,428	50	
Federal Bank	8,970	38	
Reserve Fund	4,279	34	
		 \$ 169,693	35

CANADA FIRE AND MARINE INSUR-ANCE COMPANY.

The fourth annual meeting of the above Company was held in Hamilton, on the 11th inst. Mr. John Winer, President, in the chair.

The Secretary read the following Report.

which we summarize:

Regret is expressed that the prevalence of fires during 1879 prevents a larger margin in favor of the Company.

The business of the year, taking everything into account, is considered fairly satisfactory, and now with a general improvement in business throughout the country, and the more re-assuring outlook, the year 1880 may be predicted to be at least fairly profitable.

The gross premiums for 1878 were \$138,416.-94, and for 1879 \$179,654.30, showing an increase for 1879 of \$41,237.36, and the report states that at no previous date since the Company started has the class of business on the Company's books been of such a satisfactory nature as it is at the present time.

A very large number of applications were received for the vacant position of Manager, all of which were carefully examined, and the result was the selection of Mr. John Waldie. After occupying the position for a short time, he, for private reasons, expressed a desire to be released from his engagement, and finally sent in his resignation, which was accepted. The Executive therefore, commenced negotiations with Mr. Cameron, which led to his appointment as Managing Director and Secretary of the Company.

The report speaks feelingly of the loss of Mr. McCallum, one of the directors, and the Board has not filled the vacancy caused by his death, a by-lawhaving been passed reducing the number of Directors to twenty-four.

The Board are happy to say that they have been successful in maintaining and increasing, if anything, the high position the Company has always occupied in the estimation of the in-suring public, and "we can safely say the Canada Fire & Marine stands second to no insurance company doing business throughout the Dominion for honest and straightforward dealings with its patrons, always prompt in adjusting losses and equally as prompt in paying honest claims."

STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 318T, 1879.

Assets.

Cash in Bank and Head Office	19,497	32
Balance in ag'ts' hands (since rec'd)		88
Investments (at market value):	,	-
Stock Anglo-Canadian		
Mortgage Company\$31,806 70		
Stock Landed Banking		
& Loan Co 2,579 20		
C4=-1 D -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1		
Stock Bank of Hamilton 13,254 50		
Debentures—Town of		
Windsor 11,280 00		
" Town of		
Owen Sound 14,100 00		
"Town of		
Walkerton 6,580 oo		
First mortgage on real		
estate 155 00		
	79,755	40
Office furniture and fixtures less ten		•

Balance preliminary expenses and Sundry items due Company 5,729	9 41
Total assets\$130,920	83
Losses adjusted, unadjusted and resisted\$ 23,027 Net amount reserved to re-insure outstanding risks, and to cover all	
other outstanding liabilites 79,093	7 8g
other outstanding liabilites 79,097 Surplus 28,807	2 61
\$130,920	83
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.	
Receipts.	
Gross premiums received during the	,
year\$179,654	
On account of mortgages 7,211	30
Sundries 1,36:	73
\$196,471 Disbursements	21
Paid for losses (including \$26,021.83	
of 1878)\$104.706	05
Agency—including commissions and bonuses, return premiums and re-	
insurances 59,392 Head Office expenses—including	64
salaries and fees, printing, adver-	
tising, stationery, agents' supplies,	
interest, taxes, cost of adjustment	
etc., etc	99
ments 11,470	53

\$196,471 21 To the President and Directors of the Canada Fire & Marine Insurance Co.:

Gentlemen,-I have to advise the completion of the audit of the books of your Company, for the year ending 31st December last, and have much pleasure in certifying to their accuracy. The bank books, vouchers and securities have been subjected to a thorough examination and found correct.

The statements herewith submitted have been carefully checked and verified. The books, etc., have been kept with their usual neatness and accuracy. I have only to add that every facility has been afforded me by I have only to add your staff. Respectfully submitted.

H. STEPHENS, Auditor. Hamilton, 30th Jan. 1880.

The adoption of the report was moved by Mr. John Winer, President, seconded by Mr. George Roach, Vice-President, and unanimously carried by the shareholders.

After a few complimentary resolutions were passed, the meeting proceeded to the election of directors, which resulted in nearly all the old Board being re-elected, after which the meeting adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. John Winer was re-elected President, and Messrs. George Roach and David Thompson, M.P., Vice-Presidents for the present year.

NORTHERN RAILWAY.

On Wednesday, the 18th of February, the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Northern Railway of Canada was held at the office of the Company, corner of Brock and Front streets.
Toronto. There were present—Hon. Frank
Smith, Messrs. William Thomson, Noah Barn hart. J. L. Blaikie, George Greig, F. W. Cumberland, John Fishen, J. J. Vickers, G. Moberly, C. W. Moberly, W. S. Lee, J. S. McMurrey, Walter Townsend, Owen Jones, C. Cooke, and Ald. McMurrich.

The meeting was called to order by the Presi 3,753 18 dent of the Company, who presented the follow-2,606 45 ling report as the annual statement of the

8,769 19 Directors :-

REPORT OF THE CANADIAN DIRECTORS.

To the Proprietors of the Northern Railway of Canada.

1. The Canadian Directors have the honor to present their report for the year ending 31st December, 1879.

2. In the early part of the year proposals were made to the Directors to consider how far it might be consistent with the interest of the company to enter into a working arrangement with the Hamilton and North Western Railway Co. for a term of years; and negotiations having been held with that view an arrangement was subsequently concluded, which was ratified by the respective companies at special general meetings held on the 10th June 1879.

3. That arrangement took effect on and from the 1st July, 1879, when under its provisions, a Joint Executive Committee, composed of four representatives from the Board of each company (with the managing director of the Northern as chairman, ex officio), took office, and the combined undertakings have since been [worked under that authority.

4. The valuers appointed under the powers of the agreement for the purpose of valuing the movable and consumable properties of the respective companies were Mr. W. K. Muir for the Hamilton and North-Western, and Mr. Peter Clarke, for the Northern, who, without further reference, agreed upon the following valuation.

The movable and consumable property of the Northern Railway Company\$631.912 21 The movable and consumable pro-

perty of the Hamilton and North-Western Company..... 203,424 03

Total.....\$835,336 24 £171,644 9s stg

5. The Auditors appointed under the agreement are :- For the Northern, Mr. John Langton, late Auditor-General of the Dominion of Canada; and for the North-Western, Mr. Maitland Young, the Secretary and Treasurer of that Company. The Referee (jointly appointed) is Mr. C. J. Brydges, to whom all questions in difference arising out of the agreement are to be referred.

6. A Joint Committee has been appointed in London, England, composed of three Directors, nominated from each Company; and a joint London agency, has been established, Messrs. Cutbill, Son, & DeLungo being named to that office.

7. The staffs of the repective Companies were satisfactorily consolidated; the works necessary for a free interchange of traffic between all the lines were promptly executed; and the whole service of the combined undertakings has been working with smoothness and efficiency, whilst considerable administrative economies have resulted from the fusion, enabling the management to adopt some reductions in the tariffs previously in force upon the respective lines

8. As on and after the first July the control of all receipts and expenditure, and of every detail of management, passed to the Joint Executive Committee, the Directors find it necessary to divide this report into two periods, namely for the six months ending the 30 of June, and for the six months ending the 31st December; and as the circumstances and methods of the two were quite dissimilar and disconnected, they have to be dealt with seperately as periods of transition. The accounts and returns relating to the latter period are submitted as received from and authorized by the Executive Committee, certified and passed by their auditors.

9. The gross earnings for the first half year amounted to \$290,418.91 (£59.675 2s. 7d.). The working expenses to \$206,116.80 (£42,352 1518 lod.), giving a balance to net revenue of \$84,-

302.02 (£17,322 6s. 9d. sterling) for the half year, which was duly appropriated to account of interest dividends on the debenture debt. The period was one of great and universal depression, common to every commercial and industrial interest; but the Directors regarded it as quite exceptional and temporary, and they are now in a position to present a most satisfactory report for the half year ending 31st December. 1879, showing a rapid and substantial recovery of traffic and largely increased earning, which with economies arising out of the combined working, have secured the very sufficient and gratifying results to net revenue summarzied as

Gross earnings of the combined rate of 57.66 per cent...... 347,888 73

Net revenue for the half-year. .. \$255,442 64 £52,488 4c. 5d. stg.

10. Against this sum is to be charged the special expenditure incident to the agreement for joint working, and to such works and supplies as were necessary to put the same in operation. and to provide for the efficient interchange and transfer of traffic between the two systems. These expenses, which of coure have now ceased, amounted to \$15,420 53 (see statement No 3), of which 25 per cent. \$3,855 13 (£792 2s. 11d. stg.) has been charged against this half-year, a similar half-yearly charge having been authorized until the whole shall have been

11. The balance of net revenue available for appropriation to dividend has been \$251,587 51 (£51,696 ls. 6d. sterling), and as, according to the agreement of 6th June, 1879 no final decision of net revenue can be made until 30th. 1880, this sum has been carried over to the next half year, interim advances to the two Companies having been made on account to the extent of their respective dividend liabilities upon all classes of their debentures, together amounting to the sum of £46,569, and therefore showing a surplus balance of £5,127 1s. 6d. sterling to the credit of 1880.

12. The issue of the Company's Five per cent. First Mortgage Bonds has recently been completed, and the Directors submit a statement of the same, showing the appropriation of the proceeds, and the balance held unissued for redemotion of so much of the Northern Extension Bonds as have not yet been brought in for consolidation.

The Directors also present a statement of the issue of Six per cent. Preference Stock, made under the authority of the proprietors at the Special General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th June, 1877.

The result of these issues has been to extinguish the floating debt of the Company on capital account, created by the amalgamation of the Muskoka and North Grey Railways, by the redemption of the lien of the Government of the Dominion upon the properties of the Company. and by extensive additions to the RollingStock and other equipments of the lines; and the Directors regard with satisfaction the relief which these measures will secure to the operations and revenues of the undertaking.

The Directors take the opportunity of submitting a statement of the Capital Account of the Company as it now stands showing the ranks and amounts of the respective classes of Debentures, and of the Preference and Ordinary Stock.

13 There has been so much misconception with regard to the policy and action of this Company in relation to the entrance of the Credit Valley Railway into Toronto that Directors desire officially to record the following facts:-

(1) That on the 19th April, 1879, arrangements were mutually adopted by the companies | Sir Henry M. Jackson, Vice-President.

under which the Credit Valley Railway Company might then, and at any time since, so far as this Company is concerned, have proceeded with the construction of its line into this city.

(2) That on the 3rd July, 1879, the Company, by its counsel, stated to this Railway Committee of the Privy Council that it acquiesced in the decision authorizing the Credit Valley Railway Company to construct a through and independent line from Parkdale to the Bay, according to the plan and report of Mr. F. Shanly, C.E., as approved and adopted by the Privy Council.

(3) That on the 28th January, 1880, the Directors unanimously adopted a resolution reiterating their acceptance of and acquiescence in the order of the Privy Council, and stating that, so far as this Company is concerned, the Credit Valley Company might, in July last, and at any time since, have proceeded with the construction of the said independent line from Parkdale to the Bay, upon the sole condition of paying (by consent or arbitration) the value of any works acquired, and for which this Company had paid.

(4) That a copy of the said resolution was delivered to the President of the Credit Valley Railway Company on the 31st January, 1880, and has by him been acknowledged.

14. The operation of the North Simcoe branch under lease has been satisfactory, and a heavy and remunerative lumber traffic has been assured. The development of the line would, however, be greatly promoted by its acquisition by this Company, vnder the option and favourable terms still open. The Directors accordingly recommend the adoption of resolutions with that object.

15. In closing this report the Directors take leave to say that they have entered upon the operations of the year 1880 with every confidence in the future of the undertaking. The Joint Executive Committee is in working harmony with equitable regard to all the interests confided to it-with increased strength to develop the traffic, and to economise the operations of both railways-and with the confident expectation that an efficient and liberal administration of the properties will command the approval of the communities they serve.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

FRANK SMITH,
President.

FRED. CUMBERLAND, General Manager.

WALTER TOWNSEND, Secretary.

Northern Railway, Toronto, Wednesday, 18th February, 1880.

The report was adopted upon a motion made by the President and Messrs. Gamble and Graham were appointed auditors for the ensuing

After the adoption of several resolutions referred to elsewhere it was voted that the President receive \$1250 for his services and the directors \$2,250.

After lunch, the following gentlemen were declared elected : -From Toronto-Hon. Frank Smith, Mr. Wm. Thomson, Mr. Noah Barnhart, Mr. J. L. Blaikie, Mr. George Greig and Mr. F. W. Cumberland. To represent English stockholders-Sir. Henry M. Jackson, Bart., Right Hon. W. H. Smith, and Mr. Wm. Ford of London, England. Mr. John Fisken was declared elected to represent the shareholders. The election of the last named gentleman was protested against as the representative of the private shareholders, as being in direct contra-vention of Section 12 of the Northern Railway Company Act of 1877.

The meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors Hon. Frank Smith was re-elected President, and

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Feb. 17th, 1880.

This has been a very quiet week in almost all branches of the wholesale trade, and if we except drugs and chemicals, prices have ruled in favor of buyers. In dry goods, business, has hardly come up to expectations, but prices have been generally satisfactory, the demand has been good for cottons and woollens, and various woollen mills are said to have orders on hand which will keep them busy for many months to come. Flour keeps still very quiet and business is confined to the supply of local wants, the stock in store on the 15th inst. was 38,805 brls., being a reduction of 855 brls since the 1st inst. and a decrease of 22,630 brls on the stock held here on the 15th of Feb., 1879. In grain there has been very little movement, except in oats which are changing hands more freely. The stock of wheat in store on the 15th inst was 143,181 bushels being a decrease of 11,981 bush. since the 1st inst., and an increase of 57,323 bush. on the stock in store on the 15 Feb., 1879. The weather is fine and seasonable and good for making maple sugar.

Ashes.—Business this week was not active, and prices have been in favor of buyers ranging from \$3.05 to 4.00; a few sales were made at \$4.05 but these were considered exceptional. Pearls are very quiet and nominal, the latest reported sale which was a pretty large one was

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Business is quiet, spring orders are mostly all received and compare favorably with late years. Prices are as follows. Men's Stoga Boots \$2.00 to 2.75; do Kip Boots \$2.50 to 3.25; do French Calf \$3.75; do Buff Congress \$2.10 to 2.50; do Split Brogans \$1.00 to 1.10; Boys Split Brogans 90c. to \$1.15; do Buff and Pebbled Congress \$1.60; Womans' buff and pebbled balmorals \$1 20 to 1.35; do Prunella and likely to be in good demand for spring lots, Balmorals 60c. to 1.60; do Prunella Congress there is also a demand for large sized otter. In

60c. to \$1.63.

CATTLE.—There was an over supply of cattle on the St. Gabriel market yesterday, the demand being light and prices a little lower than on the previous Monday, ranging from 2½c. for inferior up to 4½c. for good quality. Live hogs were scarce, a sale was reported at 5c per lb. Dressed Hogs are dull and no sales were reported yesterday, they may be quoted at \$5.00 to 5.25 per car load, the outside price for choice carcasses

for butchers.

DRY Goods.-Wholesale houses are only moderately well satisfied with the amount of business done last week. The retail trade in the country does not appear to show any activity, and until there is some improvement in that direction, which better roads are needed to bring about, we cannot expect much increase in the wholesale demand. Country merchants as a rule have been buying very cautiously, but as goods cannot now be laid down at the same price as they are selling for, it would be wise to take advantage of prices at which they are now offered. Prices of all kinds of goods are firm, especially cottons. Remittances have been sparing, and renewals often sought.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Orders during the week have been pretty numerous, but generally for small lots. The European markets here are firm, and holders are not pressing sales principal changes this week are in Bi Carb, Borax Sugar of Lead and Saltpetre, all of which are advanced in price. We now quote Bi Carb

to 1.75; Saltpetre, \$9.00 to 9.50; Sulphate of Cop-\$7.00 to 8.00; Whiting, 60 to 65c; Opi-\$5.75 to 6.00; Quinine, \$4.00 to 4.10; Iodide of Potass, \$6.50 to 6.75; Bromide of Potass, 50 to 55c; Morphia, \$3.00 to 3.25; Castor oil, 12; to 13½c; Cod Liver oil, \$1.00 to 1.10; Shellac, 55 to 6oc.
Fish.—The lent demand has nearly cleaned

out stocks and only small lots are remaining in the hands of dealers. Salmon is scarce and no No 3 is now in the market. We quote No 1 \$18 and No 2 17. Labrador Herrings are steady at \$6 25; Green Cod No 1 is rather firmer with sales from \$5.50 to 5.75; No 2 is easier at \$4.75 to 5.00; Dry Cod unchanged at \$4.00 to 4.25.

FLOUR.—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst was 38,805 brls against 39,655 brls on the 1st inst, and 61,435 brls on the 15th of February, 1879. Receipts during the past week 5,840 brls; total receipts from 1st January to date, 39,631 brls, being a decrease of 19,383 the receipts for the corresponding period of 1879. Total shipments from 1st Jan. to date 14,191 brls being a decrease of 9944 brls on the shipments for the same period of 1879. Market has been dull with a declining tendency and to affect sales of any magnitude holders would have to make concessions, as it is, business has been in small compass and confined to the supply of local wants, and at the close the reported sale which was a pretty large one was maket prices were weak but nominally unmade at \$6.50. Stocks at present in store are Pots 902 brls., Pearls 293 brls.

Boors And Success Process of the Success 0.00; Fancy \$0.00, nominal; Spring Extra, new ground, \$5.80 to 0.00; Superfine \$5.50 to 5.55. Strong Bakers Flour \$6.05 to 6.40; Fine \$5.00 to 5.15; Midlings \$4.40 to 4.45; Pollard: \$3.15 to 3.30; Ontario Bags \$2.80 to 2.90; Oatmeal \$4.60 to 4.70; Cornmeal \$2.95 to 3.00.

Furs.—In New York beaver is selling well and likely to be in good demand for spring lots, our local market there is not much doing, the only furs coming in are a few fox and rats, good fox is now selling at \$1.50 to 1.60, and rats at 10 to 121c, these being the only changes we make in our price list this week. We quote Mink prime, dark large \$1.25 to 1.40; ditto small, 75c. to \$1.00; Marten, prime, 75c. to \$1.00; Beaver prime dark, per lb., \$1.75 to 2.00 ; Bear large, \$7.00 to 8.00; ditto small, \$2.00 to 4.00; Red fox, \$1.50 to 1.60; Musk rat, fall 8 to 10c; winter, 10 to 12½c; Lynx prime large, \$1.00 to 1.50; Shunk prime dark, large, 40 to 60c; ditto white large, 20 to 40c; Raccoon prime, 40 to 60c; Fisher prime, \$5.00 to 7.00; Otter, prime

dark, \$6.00 to 8.00.

GRAIN.-Wheat.-The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst. was 143,181 bush.against 155,162 bush.on 1st inst. and 85,858 bush. on the 15th of Feb'y 1879. Receipts for the past week 10,800 bush Total receipts from 1st January to date 247,770 bush., being a decrease of 3274 bush; ship-ments during the week 10,248 bush; Total shipments from 1st Jan'y to date 206,383 bush. The grain market continues inanimate and nearly nominal. Spring wheat of which only a few car loads are reported as sold is quoted at \$1.35 to 1.37; Maize 70c D. P.; Peas 77c; Oats meet with more enquiry and sales are reported at 31 to 32c; Barley and Rye are nominal.

GROCERIES — Teas.—There is no particular change in the tea market, which has been dull advanced in price. We now quote Bi Carb Soda, \$3.60 to 3.75; Soda Ash, \$2.75 to 3.00; Bi Chromate of Potash, \$16 to 17; Refined Borax, 10\frac{3}{2} to 12c; Cream Tartar Crystals, 31 to 33; ditto ground, 32 to 35; Caustic Soda, \$3.00 to 3.50; Sugar of Lead, 12\frac{1}{2} to 13\frac{1}{2}c; Bleaching Powder, \$2.25 to 2.50; Alum, \$2.00 to 2.25; Copperas, per 100 lbs \$1.25; Sulphur \$3.25 to 3.50; Rell Sulphur, \$2.25 to 100 lbs \$1.25; Sulphur, \$3.25 to 3.50; Rell Sulphur, \$2.25 to 10 lbs \$1.50; Sulphur, \$2.25 to 3.50; Rell Sulphur, \$2.2 and weak, prices continue to favor buyers.

morning of an advance of ac; but such is not case and we now quote Paris Lumps 102 to 11c; Granulated 92 to 10c; Grocers A. 91 to 92c; Montreal yellow 75 to 9c; Raw Ba-badoes is still selling from 7½ to 8½c; Molasses the only movement just now is in Barbadoes 33 to 35c; other kinds are dull and unchanged. Syrups are steady and in moderate request at our late quotations. Rice is dull at \$4.25 to 4.50; Spices .- Although there is not much doing, prices are well maintained, and accounts received from producing markets would almost point to higher prices for pepper, however no change has yet taken place, and we continue to quote Black pepper 10 to 11c; White ditto 16 to 17c; Allspice 13 to 142c; Cloves 35 to 42c; Cassia 16 to 17c; Nuntmegs 40 to 85c; African ginger 7½ to 9c; Jamaica d tto 20 to 25; Mace 75 to 9cc. Fruit.—The only change in prices this week is in Valencia raisins, which are firm and advancing, and are now held at 75 to 8c. other kinds of fruit are as last quoted, but in little request.

HIDES.—Market is steady and all offering continue to bring \$10. \$9. and \$8.00 for Nos. 1. 2. and 3. Sheepskins .- There are none worth speaking of and lambskins have not begun to

come in yet. Calfskins 121c.

HARDWARE.—Business generally has been dull for the past week, although prices continue firm and with little appearance of their being any lower for some time to come. Still with an absence of demand some merchants are inclined to sell at somewhat less than the present cost of importation, but as stocks are light any few cheap lines will soon find buyers. We cannot make any change on our last week's list and we still quote Pig Iron Glengarnock, \$32 to 33; Summerlee, \$32 to 33; Eglinton, \$30; Carnbroe, \$32 to 33; Hematite, \$40. Bars per cwt, Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.75 to 285; best ditto, \$3.00 to 3.10; Swedes and Norway, \$4.50 to 4.75; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.25 to 6.50; Canada Plates, Swansea and Penn, \$6.00 lo 0.00 Hatton, \$5.00 to 5.50; Arrow, \$6 00. Tin Plates ordinary brands, Charcoal I C, \$10.00 to riates ordinary brands, Charcoal I C, \$10.00 to 10.50; Charcoal I X, \$12.00 to 12.50; Charcoal D C \$9.00 to \$9.75; Coke I C \$9.00 to 9.25. Tinned Sheets, \$14 to 15. Galvanized Sheets best brands, No 28, \$8.50 to 875. Hoops and bands \$3.25 to 3.50; Sheets best brands, \$3.25 to 3.50. Steel, cast, per lb, 13 to 14c; spring per cwt, \$4.00; best ditto, warranted, \$5.25 to 6.25; tire ditto. \$5.25 to 6.25; tire ditto, \$3.25 to 3.50; Sleigh shoe, \$2.75 to 3.00. Boiler Plates, ordinary brands per cwt, \$3.25 to 3.50; best ditto, \$3.75 to 4.00; Lowmoore and Bowling, \$7.25 to 10; Lead per cwt, Pig, \$5.50 to 5.75; sheet ditto, \$6.00 to 6.25; shot, Canadian, \$6.50 to 7.00: Ingot Tin, \$28 to 30; Ingot Copper, \$22 to 23; Horse Shoes, \$3.50 to 3.75. Sheet Zinc, \$6.75 to 7.00

LEATHER.—The market is unchanged and dull Sole Leather continues without animation, and very little has changed hands during the past week. The decline in foreign hides has had a weakening tendency on Sole Leather both here and in New York; though the large shipments of Sole to Europe during the past week has steadied the market somewhat, and stocks are considerably reduced. Slaughter Sols is also quiet, though there is a little more enquiry. All kinds of Black Leather are moving off slowly for the season, but light splits are still scarce and wanted. We now quote Hemlock Spanish Sole, No. 1, B. A. 27 to 28 c; ditto No. Patent cow 15 to 17c; Pebbled cow 13 to 17c; Rough 26 to 30c.

PROVISIONS .- Butter .- - Receipts during the week 924 pkgs.: shipments 2927 pkgs. There has been a slightly better feeling in the market, with a fair enquiry, chiefly from local dealers, not much doing for export, for good to fine qualities we quote from 17 to 20c; Cheese.—There have been no receipts this week, the shipments were 1505 boxes, firmness still characterises this department of the trade, English prices are well maintained and we now advance our quotaions to 14 to 151c; Pork is steady at the late decline, and we continue to quote mess at \$16.50 to \$17.00, but with very little demand; Lard is if anything a little firmer, and Canadian tubs and pails sell at 101 to 111c; Hams 11 to 121c; Bacon 9 to 101c.

SALT .- Market firm at previous quotations.

Wool.-There is still very little to report in the wool trade and sales we hear of run from 32 to 35c for Canadian unassorted pulled. There has been a pretty fair demand for Cape Wool at 22c.

TORONTO MARKETS

Toronto, Feb. 19th 1880.

The present is a dull week; no one appears to be busy, in a wholesale way, and a great many are slack. Provisions are quiet, with weaker prices. In the flour and grain trade prices have settled back nearly to where they were before the spurt of last week. Grocery houses find orders small and few. Hardware dealers, in spite of well maintained prices, admit the dullness. Stocks, too, are inactive,

Loan & Savings stocks are steady.

By British advices at the close of January, business was then very active in Canadian securities. Six per cents advanced 3, and five per cents 1. Railways were very active and buoyant, operations in Grand Trunk Stocks were enormous. Grand Trunk Ordinary has risen upwards of 8 since December. A year ago this stock could have been bought for about 6. Wellington, Grey and Bruce bonds were 4 higher on the week. Great Western stock rose \(\frac{1}{2}\), but perpetual debentures were 3 lower. City debentures were firm all over, but unchanged. Miscellaneous securities generally firm. Bank of British North America was unchanged at 53 to 55 Bank of British Columbia unchanged at 19 to 20. The Trust and Loan Company was as before, at 7½ to 7½. The British American Land Company stood unchanged at 25 to 27. The Canada Company was 2 to 3 higher at 77 to 80. The Hudson Bay Company was 18 higher at 182 to 19.

Day Goods.—Orders are coming to hand fairly. Remittances backward. The new tariff is now making itself felt in favor of home production. The demand for Canadian fabrics of cotton is in excess of the productive capacity of the looms in use. More spindles are required.

British and foreign fancy goods in fair demand.

FDOUR AND MEAL.—Flour.—Stocks in store 15,765 brls against 15,590 brls last week and 21,590 brls. on like date last year. There is only the smallest consumptive demand, buyers are quite indifferent and in the absence of transactions prices are purely nominal. Oatmeal is not enquired for.

GRAIN. - Wheat. - Fall - Stocks in store, 180,-385 bush against 169,258 bush last week and 81,713 bush on like date last year. There is not any enquiry and prices are nominal at \$1.30,

and 233,782 at same date last Oats.—Stocks in store 11,408 bush. against 7.168 bush. last week, and 12,400 bush. on like date last year. A small trade is doing to meet actual requirements, values range from 36 to 37c. Barley.—Stocks in store 145,853 bushels against 155,921 bush. last week, and 134,189 bush. on like date last year. Business is at a standstill, sales being limited to an odd car or so, quotations are 75c. for No. 1; 62c: for No. 2, 55c. for 3 extra, and 48 to 50c. for N . 3. Peas.—Stocks in sto e 48,443 bush. against 46,-109 bush last week and 45,112 bush on like date last year. No demand is felt and prices are nominally quotable at 65 to 66c.

GROCERIES .- Trade is very quiet at present, and country customers find roads bad and sales slow. The sugar market is weak, and we lower quotations. Teas are fairly maintained in price. There are no white fish in market, herrings, we quote 25c lower. Fruit keeps its price well, and there is but light supply, currants are firm and unchanged. Porto Rico sugar is quoted lower, say 73 to 81c; Cuba 73 to 81c; Canada Refined 8 to 92c; Granulated 10 to, 102c; Teas are in very fair supply, but the demand is slack, we do not alter quotations.

HARDWARE.—Complaints are made that the country trade is very dull; this affects orders. and it thus comes about that while prices are strong and a stiff feeling prevails, there is less chance of getting the benefit of higher prices when goods are selling so slowly. Pig Iron we quote Nova Scotia, \$35.; Summerlee, \$31; W. W. & Co., \$31; Carrboe, \$31.00. Bar is firm, both Canadian and British. All goods are firm in Britain, the market does not appear to have weakened in metals, and manufacturers will not look forward. Tin Plates are firm here at quo tations. Canada plates as before quoted except no sales were recorded at yesterday's Board. Hatton, which is higher. Iron pipe is quoted at 521 to 55 per cent. discount off Canadian list, at the present English uotation it could not be laid down, we are told, at less than 48 to 50 per cent. Cut Nails are firm at \$3.75. Cast steel -We quote 131c; and machinery steel 111 to 121c. Glass has advanced abroad, and is ex-

ceptionally firm here. HIDES AND SKINS.—A fall has taken place in hides within the week, 81c. is now the price paid for No. 1. green cows, for steers weighing 60 to 90 lbs. 50c. more is paid. A fair number offer, but as hides are lower in the States, there is not much eagerness among buyers. Cured have sold during the week in lots of various sizes at 9 c. 250 sold on Friday last at that figure, a car on Saturday mixed steers and cows, and 400 same day, some have sold this week at 9c. indicating a weaker feeling. Tallow is very dull, and dealers offer it at 61c; we question if more than 5\frac{2}{3}c. could be got.

Oils.—Lard, extra, in lots of ten brls. 721c. in lots of five bris. 75c; No. 1 6oc for 10 bris. and 65c for five brls.

SALT.—The market is firm and the foreign article scarce. Liverpool is worth 70c. in Montreal, and costs about 95c. to lay down, we quote \$1.00 to 1.10; stoved, \$1.40 to 1.60; Canadian, steady.

PROVISIONS .- Business is dull this week and prices are weak. Chicago market for hog products broke last week with a trifling recovery since. In butter, there is small activity, buyers report good scarce in the country; in a local way choice is worth 19c, but 17 to 18c is as much as can be obtained for shipping lo's. Cheese is in light supply, and price advanced, the rise has affected consumption, but holders are pretty firm at 141c for finest, and 13 to 131c for common. Eggs are not plentiful, but the By Order,

1.28 and \$1.25 for Nos. 1.2 and 3. Spring is as dull as Fall, prices pominal at \$1.26 for No 1;

\$1.24 for No 2 and 1.20 for No 3. Stocks in \$1.24 for No 2 and 1.20 for No 3. Stocks in \$1.25 for No 2 and 1.20 for No 3. Stocks in \$1.25 for No 2 and 1.20 for No 3. Stocks in \$1.25 for No 2 and 1.20 for No 3. Stocks in \$1.25 for No 2 and 1.20 for No 3. Stocks in \$1.25 for price remains as last quoted, some extra brought

7½ to 8½; smoked. 9 to 9½c. Hams are quiet at from 10 to 11c. Very little is doing in Lard. which we quote tierces 9½ to 9½c; tubs and pails, 10 to 10½c. Dried Apples are quiet but firm, there is no movement at present. There is not much doing in Hops, yearlings sell in this market at from 8 to 15c; new are worth from

30 to 35c, very few offering.
Wool.—The market is at present steady with a continued demand both from the States and Canada. The f-eling is generally firm. Fleece continues to bring 31c. with a cent more for pulled Super; 32c. was paid this week for a lot of super and combing, 31c has been paid for a number of lots extra, and dealers are asking 38 to 38 c. for extra.

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F. BRAUN, Secretary.

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THE EQUITABLE LIFE

ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE U.S.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1879.

The state of the s			
AMOUNT OF LEDGER ASSETS, JAN. 1, 1879 Less depreciation in Covernment Bonds, and app		\$ 34,195,368	53
meet any depreciation in other assets	TOPTIALION LO	296,545	79
		\$33,898,822	74
INCOME.			
Premiums	\$6,396,400 15 1,950,689 70	8,347,080	85
•		\$42,245,903	59
DISBURSEMENT	S.	V ==,==,,==	
Claims by Death and Matured Endowments	\$ 2,439,331 97		
Dividends, Surrender Values, and Annuities	2,326 422 12		
Discounted Endowments	223,117 00		
Total Paid Policy Holders\$	4,988,871 09		
Dividend on Capital	7,000 00		
Agencies and Commissions	588,949 66		
General Expenses	598,918 24		
State, County and City Taxes	81,266 98	\$ 6,2 64 ,90 5	97
NET CASH ASSETS, December 31, 1879		\$35,98 ,997	62
ASSETS.			
Bonds and Mortgages	\$10,475,062 90		
chased under foreclosure	8,204,796 02		
United States Stocks	5,488,978 89		
State Stocks, City Stocks, and Stocks authorized	_		
by the Laws of the State of New York	6,696,039 53		
Loans secured by United States and State and			
Municipal Bonds, and Stocks authorized by the			
Laws of the State of New York	3,673,700 00		
Cash on hand, in banks and other depositories,	1 017 104 50		
on interest and in transit (since received)	1,215,194 58		

Risks Assumed in 1879, \$26,502,541.00

From the undivided surplus reversionary dividends will be declared available, on settlement of next annual premium to ordinary participating policies.

The valuation of the policies outstanding has been made on the American Experience Table, the legal standard of the State of New York.

G. W. PHILLIPS, J. G. VAN CISE, Actuaries.

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We, the undersigned, have, in person, carefully examined the accounts, and counted and examined in detail the assets of the Society, and certify that the foregoing statement thereof is correct.

Deferred Premiums...

Due from Agents on Account of Premiums......

Premiums due and in process of collection.....

Of which belongs (as computed) to policies in general class.

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1.-Funds as at 31st December, 1878. Paid-up Capital £350,000 Sts-Fire Reserve Fund 794.577 " Premium Reserve 305, 65 " 794,577 305, 65 57,048

Balance of Pront and Loss Account

Life Accumulation £2,852,567 Annuity Funds 300,060

2.—Revenue for the Year, 1878.

From Fire Department: From Fire Department:
Fire Premiums and Interest............
From Life Department:
Life Premiums & Interest...£438,737
Inte'st &c., on An'uity F'nds. 12,040

£450,777 Total Revenue £1,426,937 or, \$6,944,426 73

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III .- THAT THE FQUITABLE IS THE STRONGEST COM-PARY is shown by the fact that on the most conservative basis its u-plum is larger than that of any other company in the country.

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Travellers'	1,519,590.00	Sun Mutual, 39,052.07
Metropolitan.	360,465.00	London & Lancashire, - 32,575.00
Union Mutual,	548.497.00	Ontario Mutual, 29,149,91
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