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Tas Ontario legislatue will probably meet on the 6th of January.

Tus Bank of Hooholaga and the Union Bank of Canada give notice of 3 per cent dividends.

Two thousand bne hundred and twentygeven ounces of gold were mined in Nova Scotia last month.

Potatoss are selling from vessels at Halifax Whatees at 24 conts per bushel. They ares mostly from Prince Edward İland.

Ir is definitely settled that Mr. E. J. Price, of Quebec, shall entor the Senate, Bucceeding the late Mr.J. G. Ross for Laurentides division.

- The Ottawa City connoil has Issued eirculard to all municipalities in Ontario, urging united action to abolish all exemption from taxation.

The colonization road between North Bay and Lake Temiscumngue has been extended to opposite the Hudson Bay fort on the lake,

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wh John B. Edpards, Profossor of Chemistry, Montroal, ssya: "II find them to be remarkably gound ales, brewed from pare malt and hops."
9. Rey. P. J. Page, Profoggor Of Ohemistry, Laval University, Ouebeo. says: "I have analysed the India Pale Ale manufaotared by Johnitabatt, London, Ontario, and a aro found it a light: ale, oontaining but little aloohol, of a delidious flaporyand of a very agreeable taste and saporior quality, Eiu compares with the best imparted ales i I have also analyrod the Porter XXX Stout, of.the game Brewery; whioh is of excollent quality, itg Gavor is vory agreable; it is a tonlo, more onergotio than the abovo, ondy with anyimportod aniole?", and sonn bo oompared adpantage-


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Mr. Rofus Stevrnson is urging tho Minister of Ninance to impose an export duty on hemlock loge, which are produced chlelly in Kent, Essex and Linmbton counties.

I're not lose by the peculations of W. R. Qethy, late cabhier of the Allas and National Insurance Companies, is \$300. He has pleaded gallty to one of the charges.

Thes shjpuonts of currauts from Grerec to Onndin from the opening of the season to the 6th inst., were 1,615 tons, against 1,072 tons last year ; and to all polnts, r9ji77 tong, Agafat 79, 147 tons to samo time in 1887.

SAMPLES NOW READY FOR SPRING TRADE 1889.


The Chatham by-laws granting a bonus of $\$ 40,000$ to the Cabadlan Pacific Railway to run their line through that town was carried on the 29 th ulto. by a large majority.

We learn from press tolegrams that Smith, :the Customs officer at Deloraine, N.W,T., who decamped the other day, was considerably short in his accounts with the Government.:

If is understood that the Fisheries depart. ment will make another attempt next spring to transport live lobsters from the Maritime Provinces to British Columbla for propagation

Tas proposition to take a popular vote in the North-West on the liquor question has been abandoncd. The opinion of legal experts is that such a course would be illegal and its results void.

Sodthampron, in Bruce County, has voted a bonus of $\$ 4,500$ to Vanstono Bros, for a chair factory, and they havo formed a partnership with A. O. Morran to operate the gamo and a saw mill thero:

Mresses Oasslay have been awarded a contract for the construction of twenty sets of locomotive engines frames for the Canadinn Pacific Railway, The weight of each set,will bó about three tons:-

Roorn Bnos, whose woollon mill near Southampton, Bruce Co. was udestroyed by fre in October lait have asigued to John Forguson, of Toronto The insurance will nearly pay all liabilities:

Tna Kingston by-laws granting a bonus of $. \$ 75,000$ to the Napanee and Tamworth railWay and $\$ 140,000$ to the Kingston and Smith's Falls railway were carried on the 29 th. ulto. by substantial majorities.
Ous worthy Mnyor, Hon. J. J. Abbott, Who has just returned from a trip to the world's metropolis and the chief continental cities, Gay Montreal is the first colonial city to effect a three per cent. loan.
Is is reported that nome three weeks ago a mall from tho West; consisting of registered and unregistered lotters; was either lost or stolen in traneit to Ottawa, and that no trace of it has so far been found.

Taz Nova Scotia Commissioner of Mines has received from tho Eastern Development Company a box of copper ore from the ten foot vin of the Coxbeath copper mino, where it was taken from the 200 foot lovel of No. 2 shaft.

Tha Moncton Sugar Refinery are ereotiog additions to their buildings, the latest of Which is a hoop manufactory which will bo filled with the most improvid machinery, and enable the company to make thoir barrels complete on tho spot.
CEorge'Dubenger hotelkeeper of Pointe-aPic, Que, bas asigned. He has been-over Lead and ears in debt for eome time past. The scason whe far too short for the expense he wont to, and it is ovident that his summer bording business was tot a romunerative وдe,

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Jorn Morasn, grocer, of Blyth, Ont., has assigned. He was originally a farmer and succeedel J Emigh in the summer of 1886: Having no experience in storekeeping he naturally made no headway, and finding the business unprofitable has been compelled to nssign.

The neceseary steps are being taken to organize the Bay of Quinte Bridge Company. The firt call of 10 per cent. has leen made on the stockholders, and the cogineer is pre paring the plans and specifications upon which tenders for the structare will be asked.

Ir looke as if Roland Yrrael Gideon Barnett, tho financial fakir, will spend his Christmas in Toronto jail aftor all. A cable has been received to the effect thas Barnett had sailod on the steamer Sarnia, of the Dominion line, in the custody of Inspector Andrews, of Scotland Yard.
$\Delta T$ a gencral court of directors of the Northern Assurance Company held at the company's office in London, Eng, on tine 15th November, it was, resolyed to pay to the shareholders an interim dividend of $£ 1$ per share, being at the rate of 20 per cont. por annum for 1888.

The O.P. R. telegraph is rapidly pressing on to St. John, N.B.; and thence to Halifax. Large gangs of men are working on various parts of the line erecting poles and stringing the wires so, that by Christmas, the St John office will probably be prepared to recolve and transmit messages.

Mí C. J. Beydges, land commibsioner of the Hudeon Bay Company, reports that the company has sold as much farming lands so far this yenr as they did in the preceding fivo yeare. The company also sold a much larger amount of Winnipeg property this year than in any year since the boom.
Jons Russest, dry goods, of this city, has assigned. He owes $\$ 3,900$ His wife was a dressmaker; and between them thoy worked up a very fair trade; but in a ovil moment he Was tempted to launch out on a large scalo on St Catherine Strect and from that moment seems to have run bebind.
JA3BS W. GAMRETT, baker and confectioner, of Smith's Fulls; Ont, has assigued. Ho has been in derp water, financially, for some time past. Last september be gave a chattel mortgage for $\$ 4,600$ and as it was known that this covered all he possessed, his credit since then has been very limited.
Tas Dominion Commercial Travellers Agsociation is the largest commercial aseociation In the oity every member, should therefore take an interest in the clection of offcers and bend in yoting papers before 150 th mastant. The annual dinner lakes place 20 th December in the St. Lawrence Hall.

The annual meeting of the sharoholders of the Windsor Hotel Company wag held on the Sth inst: A dividend of five per cent was declared apd $\$ 18,000$ set apart for renovating and repairs General satisfaction was ax pressed with the mangement and the pros pects for the coming year are good.
P. C. Lennon, tins, of Brockville, Ont, iLas assigned. He was burnt out in 1884 and since then has been more or less embarrassed. -John J. Allen tea'merchant, of Coburg, Ont, has absigned He commenced businees in 1887, but never got ahead, ind of late has not been regarded as a mark for credit.
Josspa D: Smita, furniture dealer, of Mount Forect, Ont: has assigned. Tho firm was formerly Smith and Smith, who dibsolved last October, Since then he has done a fair buainess on a very limited capital - E. P. Oates, fruit dealer, of Toronto and Niagara, has assigned. His liabilities will reach $\$ 7,000$. 租
Cont. A. Beoniver importer and manufacturers' agent, of this city, has assigned. Liabilities about $\$ 6,000$. Ho bought ont the insolvent estato of Beutbner Bros., some eighteen monthe ago, paying 60 , cents in the dollar, casis which was too high a agure, considering the varied character of the stock.

The atock of raisins in Malaga on the 30 th instant was said to consist of - Fine mounted layers, 1,000 , boxes $;$ all bunch, 0,000 do; London layer, 10,000 do common do, 12,000 do ive-crown loose 5,000 do ; four-crown loose, 10,000 do ; threc-crown loose, $6,000 \mathrm{do}$; two-crown loose, 12,000 do; total, 61,000 boxes.
Tee preesent population of Prince Edward Island is about 120,000 , and Charlottetown, the capital city has just one-tenth of the Island or 12,000 The new water works of Obarlotteto wareapproaching completion and will be a blessing to the town, which has been

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Sutton \& Sutton, general storekeepers of Barnston, Quc., have assigued. They obtained an extonsion of four, eight, aud twelve months from first of March Inst on linbilities of $\$ 6,000$, claiming assets of $\$ 7,000$. They wero unable to meat the first payment in full, and since then their assignment has only been a question of time.

Join Hamiliton, dry goods merchant, of this city, hus assigned. His liabilities aro placed it $\$ 5,600$ and his assets at $\$ 4,700$. He opened out on St. Ontherine street only last May, on n capital of a few hundred dollars saved from his wages while working for his uncle, and has been compelled to assign after oight monthe trial.
W. J. Ramits, frults, ote, of this city, who had tho rofreshment stand at tho old Bonaventuro Depot, failed to obtain it at tho neiv station. As a consequence lio is compolled to abk the indulgence of his creditors, and is

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D. Depre, has dealt in second-hnnd stoves and furniture in Ottawa for some seventeen yars past. This year has bean a bid one. Business has been dull all eummer and as a consequence we hear of his assignmentThos. R. Wilson, a small grocer of Hanover Ont., has assigned. He has nover more than just held bis own.
J. B. Bnoussend, general storekeeper of Lapatrie, Que, has assigned owing $\$ 7,000$. Ho was formerly a blacksmith and carriagemaker, and started in groceries in 1884." His capital was limited, and having no experience he was hardly likely to succeced. Add to this that he gave credit froely; and it is not difficult to say Why he has assigned.
Routa Beos, woollen manutacturars of Chippawa Hill, Ont, have assigned. They Wero burnt out and lost everytaling they posseased. The insurance was payable to the creditor from who n they purchased the real

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Soür atir has been caused in banking circles by the reported sudden retiroment of Mr . Edmond Barrow, manager in Quebec fur the Banque du Peuple. It is said Mr: Dumoulip, of the branch in St. Roch's, has been appointed in Mr. Barrow's place, and will enter upon his naw duties at once, Mr. Lavoie will take charge of the St: Roch's branch.
Mr Joun White, sr, and Mr. W. Thombon, of Mitchell, entered into a mutual agrecerent on the 29 th November to put in an electric light system in that town at a cost of $\$ 3,000$, and agree to submit to a muncipal yearly audit, and to hand all accumulated profits over and above ten percont. on the capital invested over to the town treasurer. 4 .
A ortizess committee has been formed in the enterprising village of Mill brools, onti, to confer with manufacturers with a viow of inducing them to locate there, It is understood that advertisements to that end will be inserted in Hontraal and Toronto newspapers and trade journals, and we trust that this exhibition of business energy will bring its due reward.

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M. J. LoosnoEr, dry gooda merohant of Sherbrooke, Que, has assigned, He oweb $\$ 3,800$. He opened in the spring of 1887 with very little capital and severe competition' to face, and has naturally not made a saccess of it-Louis M: Trotier, jewolice of St Jobne, Que, has assigned, Ha was only in a small way and all his means wero in stóck. ?

David ETbier, genoral storekeeper of St. Eustache, Que, bas absigned He has been soven or eight years In business bat appears -to have gradually run behind. of late he has: been slow in paymonts and his assignment is not unexpected, He owes $\$ 8,000$ and claims: a nominal surplus ofs $\$ 1,000$ - W. F Jones, roofer, of Hamiltonf Ont, has assigued.
\Tuz Montreal Moulding and Miror Manufacturiog Company bavo suspended payment and held a meeting of thetr creditors. Four inspectors were appolnted to carry on the business until 10 th Janhary when another meeting will bo held, and a statement pre.
sented. They have an authorized capital of $\$ 25,000$, of which 60 par cent is paid up.
Tak Atlantic fishing season is oyer the Dominion cruiserg have gone out of commission, and the Maritimo Province fishing vessels are laid up for tho winter Thougb the catch is far below thnt of last yoar, yet, oring to the inoreased prices for all kinds of fish prodacts, the íshermen will receive just as auch money as they oltained last year.
$\therefore$ A BRIPMENT of about 170 tons of Engligh superphosphate has been received in this city which is said can be sold at $\$ 28$ per ton for general compound fertilizar, $\$ 33$ for cereal compound fertilizer, $\$ 37$ ifor compound root fertilizer and $\$ 38$ for fruit compound fertilizer. It is said to be a low grade apatite, ground, and is being used by farmors as an aboordent.
$\rightarrow P \cdot A$ Lendota small merchant tallor of this city, has assigned, Ho owos $\$ 1300-$ James Johnstone, general storekepper of-Drummond: Fille, Que, ihas agsigned He is a carpontor by
trade, who started as a storukeeper in the fall of 1886 . Ho had then the equivalent of $\$ 1500$ in capital which he appears to have lost inhis new venture. He owes $\$ 3,000$ and has assefs worth $\$ 2,500$.
'rai Qazelle gives the following statistics of tho movement of butter and cheese from this port compared with that of la-t year:-9


IT is underatood that an orderin-council has been passed granting, Bubject to the ap. proval of Parliament, a bubsidy of 6,400 acres of land per mile to the Red Deer Valley Railway and Coal Oompany notice of incorporation of which was given a shortitime ago. The road is to run from Oheedle on the Canadian Paclfc Railway to the Red Deer coal fields.

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St．Jonn，NB，is making active and vigorous preparations for a grand Maritime Exhibition next year，and is cnlling upon the Provincial Trensury and the various city and county councils for pecuminry nid to the undertaking． It is intended to make the exhibition a per－ manent one，somewhat after the model of the＇Toronto fairg，which have become so suocessful．

Tan old Aloion Mines railway in Pictou， N．B．，eaid to be the whest in America，having beon commonced in 1836，is now being torn up，as bottor fioilities exist for moving coals fiom the mines to the several londing grounds． A yearor tro ago，the first locomotive engine used on the road was exhibited at a railway oxhibition in Chicngo where it nttracted much attention．

This work of tracli－lnying bas been com－ pleted from the taggont on the Saruia branch， Grand Trunk Railway，to the tunnel shaft on tho river bank，and numorous sldings built in the vicialty of the hopper whore the exozv－ tion to the portal will be made．All the

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buildings have been moved from the shaft to the vicinity of the portal，The exorvation will be proceeded with at once．
Tus Canadian Pacific duilway Gosearnings and expenses for October，1888，are as follows： Gross earnings，$\$ 1,348,700$ ；working exponses， $\$ 768,737$ ；not profits，$\$ 579,933$ ．For the ten monthis ending Ootober 31，1888，the figures are as follows：Gross earnings，$\$ 10,720,130$ ； torking oxpenses，$\$ 7,847,289$ ；net，profta， $\$ 2,872,841$ ；a gain of $\$ 243,529$ over＇the cor－ responding period of last year．
Join Rlobardsoy，wholesale cenfectioner，of Toronto．has assigned．He only slarted this business last Juls In October he was burat out，losing $\$ 14,000$ ，and having insarance to the extent of the $\$ 9,000$ only．As he was just stocked up for the Oliristmas trade，the fre was exceptionally dibastrous．Ho lost the holiday trade entiroly，and has conse－ quently been compelled to assign．

Tife receipte at the Montrenl Custom house for the month of November last，amounted to $\$ 599,886$ ，as compared with $\$ \$ 685,510$ for the corr eponding month of last ygar，showing a decreaselof $\$ 92,623$ for this year．$\because$ The In－ land revenue raturns for the month of Novem－

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ber were $\$ 173,446$ as compared with $\$ 154,638$ for the corresponding month of 188 ，fhowing an iuerense of $\$ 19,807$ for this year：

A．S．McLuAs，general storekeeper，of Sum－ morvilie，N．S．，has assigned．He was formerly a partnor in the firm of Geo．Armstrong $\&$ Oo．，and succecded them in 1882．He had verylittle capital，and dealt principally with one large Halifax house．－Sy．W．Walsh，a tailor of Springhill，N．S．，has assigned．Hó came trom Petitcodiac last February，but seems to have doue very littlo business since．

At the annual meeting of the Moncton Cotion Company，the statement of the opera－ tions of the past year showed a small profit， goods having been sold at a very small margin over cost of production．The trade has been in a rather unsatiefactory condition for bomia time，owing to the breaking of the arrange－ ment between manufacturers to linit prodec－ tion to requirements and maintain fair prices．

Ter proposilion made by certain Ministeria］ papers to increase the daty on American flour foom fifty conte a barrel to a dollar or $\$ 1.50$ ，in the interest of the Ontario and

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Manitoba farmers，is not well received in the Maritime Provinces．．The Halifax Ohronicle calls upon the Nova Scotia members to re－ taliate by demanding the imposition of a duty of a dollar or $\$ 1.50$ upon all Ameican coal．

Mo Cafferty \＆Daly，dry goods merchants， of St．Jolin，N B，have assigned to Robert Harrower，a representativo of Stewart \＆Mc： Donald，dry－goods men，of Glargow．The totul amonnt of liabilitics unknown．A few days ago a bill of sale was recorden for $\$ 18,-$ 500 due the above creditors．The indebted－ ness is of long standing，and it had gencrally been supposed that thio firm was reducing lia－ bilities．

Mn．Harms Myers，hosiery mauufacturer， has left Moutreal and his whereabouts are not known．Mr．John C．Pick，who is a oreditor， petitioned for leave to summon the missing －manufacturer to appear before the coutt on the 12 th instant．This was granted．The estate will not be worth much when rent and wages are paid．Mr．Picle＇s claim is $\$ 230$ ，and the Quebec Worsted Company is concerned to the extent of $\$ 100$ ．

Forler \＆Son，furniture dealerg，of Welles－ lay，Ont．，have assigned．They have been doing very little business of late，and have been slow ：and unentiofactory in their pay－－ ments，－Peter W．Murray，general store－ keeper，of Bennington；Ont．，failed lasit December when he compromised at 45 cents in the dollar，secured． Since then his account has not been sought after and he now assigns： for the second time．

Joun Dosarna，shoe dealer of this city，has assigned．He oves sbout $\$ 4,400, \cdots \mathrm{Ho}$ has done a small living business for some time

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past，but has always been slow in parments－ Charles Wilson，formerly a clerk in a dry goods store，started in the haberdashery line at the west－end last May，with si，000 capital． Eis stand was a poor one，and the competi－ tion he had to face very keen．As a conse． quence he now assigns，owing $\$ 3,600$ ．

Mr．Georgr Kay，a well－known Businesg man of this city，died on the 3rd inst of con－ sumption，in the 48 th year of his age．Mir． Kay visited the Wint Indies last winter for his health，but the insidious discase had already marked bim for ．its victim，and he survived Lise return but a fesp months，to the deep regret of many warm．friends．．Mr．Kay was unmarried．His funerul on Wednę̣day was attended by a large concourse of citizens．

Lasoley，Neili \＆Co，hatters，of Toronto， have assigued．They succeeded T．Nicholls \＆Co．about 32 years ago．＇They had only a very emall capital，and were compelled to give a chatiel motignge for $\$ 1,500$ in part payment for the stock．Later on they gavo another for $\$ 2,300$ to their bankers．In the face of this they nuturally could not get ou． Creditors became shy，ind they fanaly had to assign，owing $\$ 8,000$ and acknowledging $n$ deficit of $\$ 2,000$ in their absets，

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Cape Bieton has the coal fever badly，and there have been several new discoveries of now mines in various directions．Several American capitalists have mado heavy in－ vestments in mining properties，and it is said all the country from tho Straits of Oanso to beyond River Inbabitants，is now uader lease to coal operators．：The－mineral roasures of Caje Breton have searcely been tapped yet， and the whole Issand is kuown to abound in coal，iron，copper，mauguneso and gold．

Tus City Arrears Department has already collected $\$ 121,000$ out of the $\$ 131,000$ arrears of assessmeat due at the close of 1887 for that year．I＇his is the bust relative collection ever recorded，and as there is still one month to spare，an attempt is being made to collect the remaining $\$ 10,000$ ．The tolal arrears collection this jear，including specigal taxes， ctc．，already amounts to $\$ 260, n 00$ ，and it．is expected that at Jeast $\$ 300,000$ will be col－ lected．About $\$ 14,000$ has been collected for interest alone．The assessmont exceeds that of 1887 by $\$ 50,000$ ．

A．Ross \＆Co，wholesale iry－goods mer－ chants，of Toronto，have assigned．Ross was formerly of the firm of Ros＇，Hilyard \＆Co． Who dissolvad in June last．He afterwards continued in the dry－goods buginess alone． His liubilities then，accordiug to his own statement，were far too heavy compared with bis assets，so that were he pressed his failure would be incvitable．When we add to this that his copita！was too small，and that he had to face the competition of powerful and well－established firma，it is ovident that he conld not hope to succeed His liabilitios will be in the wicinity of $\$ 30,000$ ．

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frequently happens that the heavy interest thus created absorbs a large portion of the proceeds of his annual crop, leaving him but little to discharge his usual accounts at the smithy and the corner. grocery or general store. The prospect of eventual redemption having vanished, his only plan is to keep on borrowing, and, with the competition among lenders, be usually manages to transfer his :mortgage to another loan company, probably assisted in the new valuation by some local votehunter, ambitious of getting into office or into parliament, or by some neighbor in a situation similar to his owne: The interest next begins to be neglected, and the loan society, some counties distant, at length sends its valuator to the place, and after an examination the emissary finds the property worth perhaps not more than half the loan 'upon it, and that the best rent obtainable for sucli a farm would not nearly meet the interest upon the loan.
The number of farms throughout the Province in such relation to the loan societies is neither creditable to the management nor pleasant to contemplate by the people whose contributions make such management a possibility. The number of farmers anxious to sell out, the frequent sales of farm stock and implements, and the remarkable increase in the number auctioneers' licenses, attest this condition of things in many districts, while the natural "hunger for land," among those who already have enough, adds to rather than lessens the difficulty of the situation. Many of these borrowing farmers have found their way to the Northrest and, with their experience, prove to be most valuable settlers in that fertile region where; despite an occasional cool season, the crops are much more certain and abundant than in many favored regions of the "Banner". Province. The loan societies have been coinmendably free from s. :... disasters in Capada; but it would be well
for some fem of them to enter upon a thorough valuation of their assets and securities as soon as may be, and to take more heed of the character of the properties on which they may make future loans.

The Ontario farmer is neither slow or stupid as compared with those of his class across the sea; he reads the newspapers to advantage, and is fully alive to the importance of some legislation by which he may occasionally settle with his creditors at a fractional rate on the dollar of what he owes. He is not unfrequently an advocate of a "rag-baby" currencyfor he has his ideas on finance as well as certain editors who ought to know betterand be thinks the "Government" ghould print "money" without limitit and issue it unstintingly, as a permanent loan and without interest, to the farming classes as often as they may require it.

## A BANK CLEARING HOUSE.

Montreal has long had the seputation of being abreast; indeed ahead, of many cities of the samesize on this continent in commercial matters owing chiefly to the enterprise of her citizens. We possess fine wharves, fine streets, fine parbs and public buildings. We have large and prosperous ingurance and other commercial undertakings, and rank second to no city in North America in financial institutions, having numerous banks of undoubted stability, with ample resources well managed and prosperous. ${ }^{\prime}$ Having said this it must be admitted that we lack what has come to be regarded as a necessity for such a centre of commerce, and that in this matier we are behind many smaller cities in the United States. In fact our own small but tbriving city of Halifax has distanced us in this respect. We refer to a clearing or settling house for our banks. Nearly all centres of commerce in America have clearing houses. In England they have been established: for a very long period-nearly a century; in New York for about thirty-five years. Our friends are amazed when informed we have nothing of the kind here, and cannot understand why our bankers have not organized one years ago. Our bankers all acknowledge that a clearing house would be of great benefit here, but although at tempts have been made in the past to organize one, they have from one reason or another fallen through, chiefly, however, for lack of someone to push the scheme forward:

At the beginning of this year the Halifax clearing house was established and it has proved an unqualified success. Why therefore cannot one be established in Montreal, where a greater necessity exists, where its establishment is equally easy; it?
and a like success, would probably attend
We conld detail many of the ad vantages of a clearing house to the banks of the city, but they are well known to our bankers already. The chief ! object would be to simplify daily exchanges between banke, and do "away altogether with the present cumbrous and olsolete system, which entails so much labor; and so much risk also, in effecting the daily clearances. This of course chiefly interests the banks themselves, but the public generally would derive a benefit in a direction much veeded. The clearing house statements in all large cities are regarded as an index of the state of trade, and comparisons with the same periods in other yoars are both intereating and instructive to business men. They are regularly tabulated in financial journals and are anxiously looked for and eagerly perused in mercantile circles. :

The same result would follow the establiabment of a clearing house in Montreal, and we trust our bankers will again take up the subject and push it to completion. Other business mon than bankers being interested in the project in the mauner we have indicated, might well bring their isfluence to bear also on the banks in this direction.

Wo understand a well considered safe and inexpensive clearing house schems will shortly be submitted to the banks of the city, and we earnestly cummend it to their favorable consideration and hearty and prompt support. Moiitreal must no longer be allowed to remain under the reproach of boing more backward in a matter of such importance than western towns in the United States of much smaller population and commerce. We feel a pardonable pride in being the commorcial centre of the: Dominion, but in calling ourselyes such we should justify our aspirations by at least keeping abreast of the times if not by inscribing liorvard on our commercial escictcheon.

## CUSTOMS REFUNDS.

We are slad to notice that the energetic remonstrances of the Council of the Board of Trade have at last resulted in an improvement in the Customs procedure at this port. Thie old method of paying refunds of duty to clerks and agents without any notice to, or possibility of check by, the importers, obviously put a tomptation in the way of young and often poorly-paid employees that has resulted in many a promising lad's commercial future being permaniently blighted, and in two instances, at least, in this city during the summer, bas led to their trial and conviction and to the diggrace of their innocent families.

The fact that no receipt was given by the Customs for duties paid, and the uncertainty which prevails in many lines of goods as to what particular headiag of the tarifl the appraiser may elect to assign them to, naturally opened a door for fraud that too many weak or ill-balauced natures were tempted to avail themselves of. It wab ensy for a therk to enter the goods at a higher duty than was really demanded and then to apily for a refund. $A \mathrm{~s}$ no vouchers were given, the scheme was impossible of detertion under ordinary circamslances, and, in the two cases where discovery followed the crime, it was simply because the Collector of Customs became sispicious of the frequency with which refunds were paid to the guilty parties, and, consequontly, notified their unsuspecting; employers of the fact. How many firms, where the emboziers were more cautious, have never been notified, and, consequently, have paid out duties that never reached the coffers of the Goverument, it is impossible to say, but we trust that, since honesty is the rule and kuavery forturiatoly the exception, their number is a small one.
Thanks to the energy with which the Cumeil of the Board of Trade grappled with the evil, and to the desire of Mr. Ryan to meet in every possible way the requirements of the importers, a system of procedure has been elaborated which, while not involving any alteration in the system of passing entries, will eflectually obviate the possibility of clerks obtaining refunds without the knowledge of their employers. In future the Customs will mail a printed nutice to the importing house in all cases of amendment of entry where a refund is made; and if three copies of all entrics be presented (instead of only two as at prosent) the cashier will stamp the third copy which the clerk will return to his employer as a receipt for the money paid. In the case of amended entry involving a refind, four copies 'of the entry must be made, when the fourth copy will be stamped by the cashier and returned to the importer as an evidence of money received by his employee on his account.
The value of these changes will be at once apparent. They involve recognition by the Govermment of the fact that their refusal to grant receipts 'for monies paid was opposed to the generally received principles of commerce, and they will place the payment of duties at "the Custum Honse on the same footing as the payment of the freight at the steamship ollice, inelead of elevating it into a peculiarly privileged transaction. To the merchant the granting of receipts will give a sense of security that has some times been wanting; while it will remove the possibility of fraud by the clerk, and conse-
quently free him from the temptation to commit it. The old system was not only unbusiness-like but formed a direct incentive to young men of weak moral pierceptions to commit crime. Its abrogation is consequently a concession to the mercantile spirit of the age that cannot fail to be beneficial to all concerned.

## FREIGHTS AND SHIPPING.

The past season has been more satisfactory to shipowners as regards rates of froight than last year, and strong hopes are entertained of a brighter future for this port and for the St. Lawrence route generally. Since the assumption of the Lake St. Peter Channel debt by the Government, wharf dues on sailing vessels and steamers have been removed, so that now the port of Montreal, with the exception of pilotase, is practically a free port.

While recognizug the present favorable outlook, it is, however, difficult to altogether ignore the injurious, we might almost say the calamitous, results whech have arisen from the sad neglect of maritime affuirs at Montreal for many ye..rs past. Time was when this continent had few ports, and Montreal ranked very near the top. The western through traffic sought us, and we did not have any longing to steal the deal and lumber traflic from Quebec. The charges on canal and ocean vessels gradually killed a promising export trade in grain, and from $27,000,000$ bushels we have sunk to shipments of some $7,000,000$ bushels during the present season. Montreal has scen the growth of New- York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Newport News withont being able to hold her own, and when commerce has worked into regular channels elsewhere, it will be next to impossible to entice it back again. Secure of our own grain for export, and with both the G.T.R. and C.P.R. running into Chicago. the prospects aro certainly much better than could have been hoped for not long since, and the Governmont, though tardy in action, has done the right thing at last. If Montreal can secure her fair share of the western trade, Quebec may yet get back what ehe has lost, and may even wish that the. Lake St. Peter debt had been assumed by the Government years ago.
At the opening of the season, grain rates were 1s. Gd. per quarter, and the lowest point was 0d. about June. The main reason for the decline was the poor demand for American grain in Europe, as buyers there were getting it from other quarters, more especially from the Black Sen. The rato thenadvanced untilit tonched 3s. Gd., shortly before the break in the Cornwall Canal'; shippers then liad to provide vessels with other cargo. Catile
freights opened the season at about 608., fell to $45 s$. in midsummer, and reached 70 s . towards the fall. Deals opened up at about 45s.@50s., and continued at that price until mid-season, when a sudden rise in freights all over the world, more especially in cotton, caused a scarcity of tomnage here, and a proportionate rise in rates, reaching in the fall as high as 85 s . Mrany of the free-lance steamers went south to load cotton in preference to accepting the high freights ruling here. Cheese shipments were very large, particularly to London and Bristol. Rates of froight opened in the spring at 17 s . 6 d . and advanced to $35 s$ s to above ports in the fall. Liverpool was within 5 s. of that price. The quantity of phosphate exported tbis year has not been up to the record, and rates of freight ranged fiom 7 s . 6d. (10 12 s .6 d . Rates on apples in the autumn went from 3 s .65 s . The advance occurred late, and was caused by one or two steamers not coming bere which were expected to carry large quantities. Lumber shipments to the River Plate lave been the lowest for some years owing to the scarcity of to age. Shippers held off in the belief that it would be offered lower, but they were disappointed in consequence of the advance in rates abroad. Speaking generally, business was more remunerative than last year on all classes of freight, there being a better demand for Canadian produce in England.
The increase in ship building, which seems to have been unduly exaggerated; is, no doubt, caused by the belief that we shall see more demand for tonnage than during the past five or six years. Investors have certainly shown more confidence in placing capital in ships. 'Many vessels were laid up because they could not be runat paying rates. All these have now been put into commission, and more tonnage is building than last year. Still it is a mistake to suppose that ship-building is boing prosecuted with the vigor of a few years ago. Things iotsed aull in the spring, and owners ui "outside" tonnage in England did not think there was going to be much money in Montreal freights this year, and sont their vessels into other trades-the Mediterranean, Black Sea, India, Soath Americn, etc. Whien the "boom" took place, they were, therefore, not in a position to take advautage of the high rates ruling here. The lines reaped a partial advantage, their space in many cases being engaged ahead. On the whole, they enjoyed a better business than last year.
The ship channel now being 272 feet deep at ordinary water, vessels of large capacity and draught will be able to come to this port. Very: fow ships drawing over 25 feel bave traded here so far. With the ranticipated improvement in
business, and now that the Government has taken over the Lake St. Peter debt and the management of our harbor, steamship agents and shippers are in hopes that the wharves will be put into a more favorable condition for the transport of goods along them, as generally the road-bed is simply abominable. What is wanted, also, is wharlage for 50 ships within half a mile from Windmill Point, instead of its being extended in one straight line for three miles. The largest number of vessels in port at one time this year was 27 , and these were strung along all the way from Windmill Point to Hochelaga. It is stated that extra jetetis would not complicate the ice problem, as the present ones are under water until the ice passes off. The just requirements of the port should be fully considered and readily granted, or the sacrifices already made on its behalf will have been made in vain.

## THE PRESIDENI'S MESSAGE.

Although few of our readers mas nossibly care to wade through the almost interminable paragraphs of President Cleveland's latest message to Congress, it contains many points that will well repay perusal. For vigorous argument, and epigrammatic conciseness of statement, it will, in spite of its general verbosity, rank with his best efforts in this line; and it is evident that the prevailing impression among his followers is that the Democratic party cannot do hotter than mike this message the basis of their future platform.
There is one point about the messaga that will at once strike every Canádian, and that is the fact that it almost ignores retaliation against Canada, and evidently relegates that once vital issue to the ranks of exploded campaign weapons. The socalled "American" fisherman is barely once mentioned, and instead of the bursts of official iudignation at the brutality of Canada in insisting upon her just rights to which we have been so long accustomed, we bave only a few mild and almost perfunctory remarks. The real gist and point of the whole message lies in. that portion of it devoted to the subject of tariffreform and to the rapid growth of trusts and monopolies, and here Mr. Cleveland speaks with no uncertain sound. He points out that the action of Congress in placing a premium upon the production of manufactures, without being able to "similarly protect agricultural products, is certain to produce evil effects in a country whose exports are almost entirely made up of products of the field and foreat. Already he complains that this policy has resulted in a constantly increasing urban population, indicating the impoverishment af rural sections and the growing discon-
tent with agricultural pursuits which is now becoming visible among the younger generation of farmers.
It is gratifying to see that, in spite of defeat at the polls, Mr. Cleveland still possesses to the tull the courage of his convictions. His ulterances on this subject are those of a man who feels that he is in the right, and believes that, although the people the represents have proved themselves not yet sufticiently educated in tarifl reform to be ready to. cut loose from the existing policy, they will eventually follow the course he has indicated. The question of froe raw materials, as against reduction of internal revenue as a means of reducing surplus taxation, is destined to be the burning issue of the future, and we feel, with Mr. Cleveland, that, although the American nation have been so blinded by demagoyism and by the mouthings of those protectionist -orators who see the spectre of Firee Trade in every trifing modification of an exorbit. ant tariff, as to reject an enlightened policy for partisan ends, they will yet recognise the justice of his views.

In his remarks upon the Pomona letter Mr. Cleveland is not so happy. The deliberate discourtesy he permitted himself to use towards a gentleman who had always expressed himself kindly towards his administration, was a difficult point to gloze over. No doubt Lord Sack ville committed a serious indiscretion; but it must not be forgotten that, in writing that now celebrated letter under the seal of privacy, he confided in the honor of a presumed gentleman, and that he was igiorant that in the platform of an American politician bonor is an unknown quality. Lord Sackville is to blame for not rightly estimating the character of the people he had to deal with, just as much as for expressing his views upon the relative merits of the Presidental candidates; but the manner in which he was treated by the very Cabinet with whom he was on such friendly terms has done much to condone his error. Both in the United States and in Canada the hounding of the British Ambassador out of the country, without the usual iplomatic courtesies, is now looked upon not only as an unwarranted affront to the British Empire, but also as an insult to the dignity of the United States. 'It was a political blunder of an uncalled-for type, and as such it has justly recoiled upon the lieads of its perpetrators.

## DATING AHEAD.

Doubtless to many of our readers the question of the undesirability of the present method of permitting dating ahead in the dry-goods trade is already trite ${ }^{4}$ Most of the arguments advanced againat this practice have been so frequently re-
peated as to now be fairly stereotyped, 1 and yet the evils of dating ahead are just as present to-day as they were tiwo years ago, and, therefore, at the risk of repetition, we venture again to draw the attention of the trade to the steady extension of this practice.
The fact that dating ahead extends, so far as Canadian manufactures are concerned, from the mill owner to the retailer, is no urgument in its favor. The Canadian mill owner delivers his goods to the wholesuler in Octuber or November, but dates the note given in payment four months from the tirst of April. If the purchaser be a wealthy firm, or if, as at present, commercial money be procurable at from five to sox per cent., they will pay at once, and thereby gain a discount varying from 8 to 10 per ceut., with an average of nine. In his turn the wholesaler sells to the retailer upon the same terms as to time. He is anxious to get hie goods ont of his store, and, therefore, will deliver at once, whether it be in October or November, and date four months from the first of Apsil; but, if the retailer, in his turn, choose rather to pay prompt cash, the discount allowed to him falls suddenly to tour or tive per cent. In other words the whelesaler reaps a direct advantage of five per cent., if both pay cash, wbile should the retailer take the full limit of time allowed him, he nets just nine per cent. additional prolit.

No doubt a retailer obtaining goods in October or November, and not being required to pay for them until the fourth of the following August, stands in a very favorable position. If he can sell even a portion of these goods during the holiday trade, he has the free use of the cash equivalent he receives for them for perhaps eight months. He may either draw interest upon it from his bankers or, if he be a pushing man of business, may turn'it over two or even three times in his own espectal trade. At the expiration of thirty days from the first of April he can still deduct a cash discount of at least four, and perhapls even as high as six per cent. and, by pasing then, can realize all the advantages of a cash purchase as well as the profits accruing from a long term of credit.

So far all the ndvanlages are apparently on the side of the wholesaler and retailer, The ode makes the sale on the same terins as he obtained at his purchase from the mill and reaps a!l the profit of the discount, while the other sells an article for which he has not yet paid and, presumably, profits by the unearned increment. But, on the other hand, it is always an open question as to whether the demoralizing effects of so unbusiness-like a method of carrying on trade do not, eventually," prove deleterious" to both.

PThe retailer soon develops a tendency towards over-stocking; towards the reckless granting to his customers of a portion of that credit of which he enjoys such a surfeit; and, consequently, insensibly, to a neglect of thoso small economies and strict supervision over details which elevate those who exercise them from the lowest rounds of the ladder often to the position of merchant princes.

No doubt the credit system is a vital necessity under our existing methods of conducting business. In a country like Canadi, where the true basis of trade rests upon agriculture, any other as atem is an impossibility. The farmer must wait until the harvest ripens before he can pay his supplier, and, consequently, the storekeeper must exact similar confidance from the wholesaler. But, since tho business of the country is based and built up upon on the credit system, it is all the more impontant that any abuse of that system should be rigorously avoided. In our opinion dating ahead is such an abuse; inasmuch as it practically gives the goods, without the passage of a note or any security save an open account in the ledger or a traveller's memorandum, to the buyer for the period intervening between the delivery of the goods and the date of the note.

The consequence is that the conditions of purchase are made so easy that overbuying has become one of the most fruitful cuuses of failure. The retailer, tempted by the idea that he will have at least eight months to turn over the goods he purchases, assumes future obligations boyond his power to meet; and, if the public do not think til to lielp him out, he Las no recourse save in an assignment. Should he succeed in disposing of the stock the has been induced to buy, too often the possession of the monoy received for the early sale of goods bought on long credit forms a temptation to employ it in outside speculation. The fact that he has a sum of money in hand, waich he does not need to pay out for some months to come, forms an inducement to employ it in stock speculation, in a "flier" in wheat, or in the purchase of real estate which he afterwards tinds himself unable to carry,

No doubt there are many men whose inative caution and sagacity enables them to reap the full, advantages accruing from such asystem and to stear clear of its temptations; but these we may fairly look upon as the minority. To the average storekeeper dating ahead has proved rather a dotriment than an advantage; and has often resulted in his ultimate ruin. 'Io the wholesaler its effects have proved equally deleterious. Tlio practice is at.the best an unsatiafnctory one. It brings an atmosphere of nnreality into
the realm of absolute fact. It is as unfair to the banker as it is to the consumer; and it is of yary doubtfol advantage even to those who are supposed to prolit by its existence. It is one of those excrescences upon legitimate trade which the pressure of excessive competition has brought about; and, unfortunately, until such time as the present cut-throat policy, pursued by too many of our wholesalers, be abandoned, there is little hope of its material abatement.

## COMPULSORY INSURANCE.

In our issue of the 13 th of January last ne gave an account of the scheme of compulsory insurance for the working classes of the German Empire inaugurated under the sanction of Prince Bismark. This scheme was to be applicable to all officials, clerks, workmen, apprentices, or domestic servants whose annual earnings should not exceed $\$ 476$, and was intended to provide against their possible inability to gain their daily bread when that contingency was not provided for by other exist ing insurance. It will be remembered that the preminm was to be paid onethird by the beneficiaries, themeslves onethird by their employers, and the remaining third by the Government; so that it was, in effect, an experiment in state socialism (under the auspices of one of the most conservative governments in the world) whose success or failure was naturally one of the greatest interest not only to the insurance world but to the social economist.

This, at first sight, Utopian scheme bas now assumed taingible form. The requisite legislation has been passed, a Siate Insurance department has been organized, and already $3,275,313$ workmen have bee. compulsorily insured. Up to the present time $\$ 423,400$ have been paid out in indemnities, $\$ 565,500$ for administrative purposes, and $\$ 63,260$ in inspection or enquiries; We can see from these facts that the scheme may be considered as in full working order, and, therefore, it is perhaps worth while to consider the drawbacks which practice has indicated in a scheme which theoretically embodies the most perfost features of socinlism.

All German workmen are now compelled to insure against sickness and death, while their amployers are not only compelled to pay one-third of the cost of this insurance but to provide a fund for the suppost of men disabled by accident. Soon a compulsory insurance against old age will also be added. Upon the face of this then the German workman would seem to be protected at a trining cost against all the ills that fleel is heir to; but unfortunately these schemen, although looking so well on paper, do not turn out to be equally advantageous when put into practice and
already the weak points are becoming unpleasantly manifest.

In the first place the death rate of a promiscuous assemblage of four millicns of lives admitted without restriction as to age, sex, health, habits or occupation, is necessarily an extremoly doubtful factor. This only qualification demanded is that the policyholder shall be one of the classes we have mentioned and in the receipt of less than $\$ 476$ per year. Consequently the compilation of the table of amounts to be contributed in the earlier stages of the scheme seems to offer actuarial difficulties of very considerable magnitude. In the second place it seems nearly certain that the third of the premium ostensibly contributed by the employers is in reality deducted from the wages of the worker; and in the third place the provisions that the scheme shall be administered by a partially elective body on which both the employers and workers are represented has already proved a failure.

It seems that the employers declinedand rightly-to pay wages to men who were absent serving as delegates upon the administrative board. The elected workmas consequently found themsalves confronted with the alternative of either failing in their duty to the Stato-a serious offence in Germany-or losing their wages and thus exposing their innocent families to hardship. Naturally they objected, and implored the Government to release from their obligation to serve, with the result that Prince Bismarck has resolved to modify at least this portion of his scheme. The next difficulty was that the very class that this system of compulsory insurance was to benefit were debarred from par* ticipatlog in its advanlages. Those workmen who were in regular positions and drew steady wages, no matter how small; could profit by the scheme; but the irregular workmen-the lajge clase who get a job when they can, and whose earnings barely keep them in food and rags-dorive no advantage from compulsory" State insurance while they fret under the additional amount of police supervision and contröl which this new logislative departure has necessitated.

Prince Bismark is now confromted with the additional hypothesis, that if every German workman is compelled to insure against sickness, death and old age, he must be paid such wages as will give him a margin for the payment of the requisite premium after the necessaries of life have been provided for. In other words the State must guarantee him the wages requisite to enable him to comply with the law, or otherwise he cannot do so; and as yet grandmotherly legislation is not prepared to go so far. When the State is the sole employer of labor it will be in a position to dictate what the workingman
shall do with his wages; but so lnug as the workman's earpinge are derived from private enterprise, they must of necessity be precarious and, consequently, difficult of taxation, even for the good of the earner. No doubt the scheme will ensure, compulsorily, it is true, but still not the less surely, the benefits of foresight and self-help to a class which unfortunately bears the character if improvidence. It furnishes the workman with an endowment, partly from the effects of his own industry, that will enable him to live in comfort when age or accident has incapacitated him for labor, and by; thus ingrafting in him the spirit of independence and self support must raise the moralstandard of the class But at the same time, in spite of the iron rule of the German autborities, and the rigid hontsty and accuracy with which the funds have been administered, it is evident that the scheme is inapplicable"to the conditions of the present relation of the workman to his employer, and that thus it contains the germs of ultimate failure. The world is not yet ripe for socialism, even when it is fostered by the assistance and countenance of tle State; and thus, although there is something undoubtedly attractive in this new departure, it can only be regarded as a dubious exepriment.

## PARTY DRESSES.

The holiday season is now almost on and as a consequence some very handsome dresses intended for ball, dinner and reception costumes are now on exhibition. Redingote and polonaise effects preyail, as in the rich heay fabrics now most fashionable these are the only styles possible to give the necessary breadth of effect:

One yery lundsome tollet is made of thick, soft, white gros de Lyon silk, cut in princess fashion, but with extra widths let in at the back of the waist to give the fullness required. The fronts of the bodice are embroidered in gold, and open down to the waist in a peak, showing a plaited fichu of white, crape over satin. The skirt-front is also embroidered with gold. It is just draped the least possible on the left side under a bow of fire-red moire ribbon. A sash of the same, pro ceeding from the seams uuder the arms, is loosely tied in long loops, and ends on the right side. The rleeves, short to the elbow, are deeply embroilered with gold. The back of the skitt falls in full, heavy plaits. On the left eide the division between the back and the front is marked by a plaited quilling of the silk; on the right side the skirt opens over a tab of finely plated crape, over which falls the gash of fre-red moire ribboo. This was one of thelhandsomest costumes exhibited, and was internded for a bride.

Another reception, gown shown was made in heliotrnpe gros de Lyon, trimmed With brodad velvet The zedingote, ent princess fashion, opens from the waist over a skit front of plain holiotrope faille. The right side front of the bodice is crossed over the left side front, forming a few plaits, which are fastened at the waist under a large oval silver buckle. The back is cut plain, with side pieceb, giving the: sequired fullness to the skirt. The faille skirt front, is arranged in very narrow plaits, from the waist about half way down, then falls loose at the foot. The sleeves form full putfings in the upper part of the brocaded silk; the remainder is of faille, finely plaited to the olbow, and fnished, with lace cuffs. A deep round lace coliar is worn with this dress.
The third sample dress shown was intended for a dinver gown. It was of iron gray faille and gros-grain silk of the bame color, brocaded with large purple pansies. There is a foundation skirt of thin silk, which is invisible. A skirt-front of faille, put on almost plain over this foundation skirt, is finished at the foot with a deep gray silk fringe, hended with three narrow flounces, slightly gathered, about two inches deep. A redingote of the brocaded silk remains open to show this skirt-frunt. This redingote is composed of a back piece cut princess fashion and forming, from the waist, two treble plaits. The side pieces next the back are also fnished each by an ample plait over the skirt. The fronts and front side pieces terminate at the waist under a wide scarf, which je' draped across the front and fastened on the left side with a small puff, with one large lappel edged with fringe falling down to the foot of the skit: The fronts of the bodice open With revers over a chemisette of the'plain faille. The coat sleeres are of "the faille, with open facings ornamented with two buttons.

These three costumes may be taken as types of the more expensive class of party or reception toilets or conrse for young girls white toilets in tulle, crepe lisse, White India muslins and similar kindred fabrics will be much worn. In fact white is again this year the favorite color for ball costumes and at times becomes almost painful in its monotony. At recent public balls white was worn almost universaily by the ladies, until the eye gladly sought out some spot of bright color as a relief from the monotony of black and white ${ }^{-1}$ y the way, this season witnesses the revival for party purposes of tlie old brocaded silk called paduasoy by our great graid mothers. "It js slightly improved and is now called brocaded poult-de-soie but it is to all intents and purposes the bame fabric. It has a dull-anished fine; soft satin-woven ground on whlch are rich fgares and fowerg in shaded effect;
looking like cut and uncut velvet on surface that simulates soft kid in lastre and finish: These peau de soie broclies cost $\$ 9$ the yard and upwards, and come in all colors for evening wear. It will be seen from this that the price puls them out of the reach of all except the wealthy:

Gold embroidery is extremely fashion: able, but requires to be used with discretion even for party dresses. It is not pleasant for a lady to resemble a walking brass-foundry. A type of its proper use was a white crape dress, plaited at the back, very slightly draped in front; and falling over an underdress of white silk, the foot of which was trimmed with a border in fine gold braid, almost hidden below the crape skirt. The bodice, of crape over white silk, was high at the back, and open in front over a low playtron, peaked down to the waist; of silk braided with gold, the space above the plastron filled up with a finely plaited chemisette of white crape. Short open sleeves of white silk, braided with gold, fall over crape undersleeves finished with a tiny fluting. A wide sash of white moire ribbon goes round the waist, and is tried at the side in long loops and ends. In this case the gold relieved the white without being in the least obtrusive.

## THE ONTARIO TRUSTS CO.

Our attention has been drawn to the Ontario Trusts Company which by that or a similar title will shortly come into operation with its Eead oflice at Toronto.- From the prospectus before us we give the names of the Directors as follows:-President; Honorable J. C. Aikins, P. C.; Vice- Presidents; Hon Sir Adam Wilson, and Hon. Sir Richard Cartwright, P. C. ; K. C.M. G. The Directors are: Hon.S.C. Wood, Messers. John D. Blaikie, A. I. Wood, Hugh Ryan, W. Cooke, G. W. Kiely, Hon.James R. Cowan; Messus. Wilmut D, Matthews, John Stuart, James Turnbull, J. J. Kenny, Alexander Manning, and Hen. C. F Fraser. The Manager is Mr. A. E. Plummer late Inspector of the Federal Bank, and the Solicitor is Mr. Frank Arnoldi of the firm of Howland, Arnoldi \&Co. Toronto. 'The scheme of the Company is to cuke up the general business of the execution of public and private trusts of all descriptions, the execution of agency business of all kinds, and also that of a sufe duposit company, which will no doubt prove very remunerative.:

The view that such a. Company should obtain incorporation from the Provincial Governments has led the promoters to apply for a charter under The Joint Stock Companies Letters Patent Act of Ontario, with the Intention of subsequently ertending the business of the Cumpany in those "departments in whioh it may:be thought
practicable and desirable to do so, to the Dominion generally; for which parpose an ate of the Dominion Patiament may be apqlied for by the orgauized Company.
The general subseription list has been shown to us and the names connected with the undortaking are of the very strongest in Canada so that the success of the Chm. pany seoms to be fully assuret.
There aro two Directorships for which nominations have yet to be made, and we are informed that onc of these will prub. ably be placed in Montreal and the other at Ottawa.

## LUMBER NOTES.

Tho Dthawa correfpondent of the Norihwestorn Sumberman suys that the lumbermen and export lirms of that city are greally troubled as tis what shatl bo done with the 100,000,00e feet of Jumber now piled in the yards of the Chandiero. Ocem treighes have rufed so high all bummer that the expoit firms bave be en umble to snake nuy heavy shimments of either haglish deals or bomd lumber for South Aumerica or Alustralia. As a result, this lumber which is usually shippeal whortly after cut, is, this seasou, piled up in the yarils it the Chmudiere, which are now full to overllowing. Unhess this large stock is got out of the way, of which there now appears to be littlo prospect matil next opring, there will be a great searcity of room to pila the first instalment of next spring's cut, which aceumbates in the yard until May, when summer shipments begin. The threat of charging the export firms heavy storage has not had the cffect of moving them, as they gay that it is absolutely imporsible to obtain ocean tonnage at present. Two of che leading export firms recently sent representatives; to New York nul Boston to Culenvor to secure tonnage for the shipment of thefr stocks, but they report that there is not a versol to be chartered for Buglish ports. Last sensou 38 shilliugs a stumdard on deals to Eaginud was the ruling rate, but in the hope of securing tonage the Ultawa firms ollered as high as 65 shillinges, hut without avail. As high as 80 shillings a standard has been paid, which figure, however, they could not touch: Steanship compantes, who, int a year ago, were glad to accept any reasomble offier, are now independent and say that they have sullicienit freight hooked to keep them busy. for four months. As regards tomage for South America and Australin, matters are equally as bad, and no vessels are to be obtained The export fims eay that unless they aro able to securo tomage at reasonable rates, the lumber bought during the past serson will have to remain in the yarde until oconv rates show a very marked decline. The lumbermen are in anything than a huppy mood over the outlook. They state that unless this lumber is moved beforo spring it will necossitate a curtailment of operations at tho mills next seabon.

## TIMBER RAFTS.

Shipowners of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick are ulready aginning to realize the dinger which threatens that industry, especially as regards the employment of consting vessels, unless some decisive step is at once taken to secure the necessary legislation to prevent the shipment of loge and timber in large rafte similar to that which was towed from Joggins to New York inst sumaer. The only statute now existing which in any way renches the point in question, is oue in which it is provided that raftis, while drifting or at anchor on any of the waters of Cauadn, shall have a bright fire kept barning on them from sunset to sumrise, und every vessel metting or overtaxing a ruft bhall keep out of the why. Rafts silall be no navigated and anchored as not to canse any unnecestary impediment or obstruction to vessels navigating the same waters. The ship owning interest is oue of the nost powerful industries in the maritime provinces, and wields a strung political influence, and in their determination to sacure the required legislation to prevent the shipment of logit and timber by raft, they are not fight: ing the hattle sivglo handed, but have the bearty co-operation of the saw mill owners, whose busiaess wuuld bo materially injured by having to enter the United States markets in competition with the products of these logs after it had been. sawed into lumber on the other side of the line. The political influence which is now being brought to bear upon the government to secure this legislation is too powerful to be ignored, and there is not the slightest doubt that (or the pretext that these large rafts threaten the safety of navigation) the reesel owners and lumbermen will gain their point next session.

Tas Lonisiana sugar seation hats now been over as aonth iu progress, and more definite information as to tho gield is being received. The effects of an unfavorable growing season have made themselves plainly felt in tho unsatisfactory mill results most plauters have experienced; the cane being fuughand poor in juice, while the percentage of molasses has been abnormally light. Those in a position to express an intelligent opinion as to the outcome estimate that the present crop will: be about 20 to 25 per cent. short of its predecessor. The yield of molasses is calculated to be about one-tbird shert of last eeason's figure. As an increased acreage was planted, and tho cultivating scason proved troublecomu ard expensive, plauters might havo some reasun to be dissatisfied with the outlouk were it not for the fuct that prices are considernbly higher than last season. F'avorable prices promise to offset whatever loss may be sustuined in the size of the crop, bence the sugar trade is more interested in divining the future course of quotations than in estimating tho yicild. The world's supply of sugar continues remarkably small, and consumption promises to again outstrip produc-
;tion, with the result of gradually absorbing the remnant of the surplus stocks. The only bearish feature in the outlook up to the prefent bas been the pro mise of a large beet crop in Europe. Even this has now been re-' moved, as the latest reports by chble state that the beets are spoiling owing to continued rainy weather, and estimates of the yield are beiug continually reduced. There is therefore every reason to hope that present prices. will be maintained.

Cornection.-On the 6th of February last our traveler, while in sherbrooke, obtained the subscription of Messrs. Hebert Bros. of, that city aid the Journal of Commeros was sent them accordingly. On the 6th November last we received an official notice from the postmaster of Sherbrooke ns follows:

Post Office Sherbrooke
$\mathrm{Sir}_{\mathrm{r}}$ - The number of your publication addréssed to Hobert Bros. Shorbrooke; has not been taken out of my Oftice by the purty adaressed, for the following reasins. Not called for (left). I am; Sir, Your obedient servant.
M. Fiskithe, for Pestmaster.

* Pustmasters will state the reuson for not deliv-; aring here, whether "Hefused," "Nate ealled for," "Howoved," or "Denf"; as the ease miny be. madressed to Publishers beyond the hatits of the Dominion exceptin the United Stares.
After makiog some local inquiries in vain, wo seut the following communication :
Office of
Journat of Combisack
Montrenl- Vhth Nov., 2833.
Postmaster, Sherbrooke, Que.
Dras Sik.-Kindly zend us the address of Hebort Bros. formerly of Sherbroulis ind oblige yours truly, M. S Fulte.
To this wa received the following reply :
Post Ofllee, Nuy. 21 st 1858.
Gratleame - Your curd iequestling me to send you address of "" Ileburt Bros." to bind.' Butam sorry to juy " said gentlemen "departed witheut paying their "rarowell cals", consequently um in Ign rance of their whereabouts. Pours truly, M. Fisktre, for lostmaster.

Acting on this information we publibhed the paragraph which nppeared in our iscue of the 23rd ult., assuming that they had followed the example of the many who lad crossed the border, neglecting their dues to us, and interpreting the term; " without paying their farewell calls," in its commercial sense. In" $n$ fow days afterwards we were notifled of an action for damages of $\$ 5,000$ by a Montreal legnal firm because of said paragraph: We placed our case in the hands of our solicitors, but continued to make further inquirics. A letter from a leading law house in Sierbrooke, received yesterday, goes to show that the postmaster meant to say that Meesrs. Hebert left without leaving nny address ; also that the firm paid their local delte, and had removed to Montreal or vicinity, where we liear they ara now carrying on busivess, we basten to correct nay wroog impression that may have resulted, and to express our regrets on having interpreted the official communication of the Sherbrooke pust-oftice in the sense in Which it appeared: Mesers Hebert Bros, wo are further informed, are young men of good character and worthy of credit for their requirements.

- Tres whent exports to Great Britain:-from Russia continue very heavy, and the opinion: gains ground that all the supplies England requires will be obtained without any material advance in prices. It is very early in the year, of course, to hazard any opinion, and, too little is really known of the Enpplies that Russia can furnish. [t. gppears to be certain that everything is being done to hasten furward exports from Rusbia. Whether this is due to a fear that winter may iuterupt navigation in the Black Sea when the Baltic ports are closed by ice, or whether there is a desite to influence foreign opinion by running up the value of the rouble, or whether, finally, there are political or fimancial fears at work, there is a suspicicn that the present rate of export cannot be inaintained. Of course it is to be recollected that the Rus-ian peasints have long been in financial difficulties, and it in natural therefore that they should take advantage of good prices to hurry their crops to market. But the fact remains, nevertheless, that there is a suspicion that something more is at work. It is noteworthy that while the exports of Russia are so large, and the Fi. nance Minister is inflating the eurrency on the ground of the magnitude and prosperity of trade, numeron; failures aie reported ut St. Petersburg and elsewhere.

Interesting Insuhance Case.-The insurance case in which the Herald Company are plaintiffs against the Northern Assurance Compasy, and which involves a very interesting point of law, was heard before Judge Johnson in the Superior Oourt, in the early days of the week, and has beon taken en delibere. The IIerald claims the amount of $a$ policy of $\$ 3,000$, taken out on their plant from the 26 th day of August, 1886 , to 26th of August, 1887 , both days inclukive. On the evening of the latter day tho bililding was destroyed with the plant, and the question which arose is whother the policy expired at noon or midnight. Nearly all companies' policies expire at noon. The policy in the Scottish Union was admitted in evidence as intended to replace that of the Northern, and to bogin at noon of tho $26 t \mathrm{~b}$. In England, it has been decided that policies expire at midnight; in the time-honored Pheenix, of London, of which Mr. Tyre had been manager for many years in this clty, the policy expires at noon. In the Guardian Company, the policy expires at 6 p.m.; and for a reason similar to that whioh makes the business hours of a bank close at 3 p.m., the practice of the Guardian would nppear not unreasonable. Tho public will look with no small degree of interest for the decision of so keen an intellect as that of Judge Johnson in this cause celebre.

Maxy American importing houses have suffered hicavily by the fall in currants, at the optnigg of the scason it was hnown that one of the heaviest crops upon record was about
to be harvested, but fnolwithstanding this the price for first shipments started of at 218.6 d c. and f. At this figure purchases were rather limited, and $i t$ was notlong before the market begar to show a drooping tendency. The declinc which set in, however, failed to stimulate the attention of buyers for a time; though on the downward course small sales were constantly making, but the trade only bought to witness almost immediately a further shrinkage on the cost at primary points. French buyers kept out of the Greek market, and the value in consequence continued to decline, as it is to that countiy that a large distribution is annually expected. Patras fually tonched $13 s$ en and $f$. nt which it was considered a safe point to operate by American importers, so purchases were made of several thousund tons for this continent. This caused a momentary check to the decline, but mith the wants supplied and attention again withdrawn, the market then again started on the down grade until last week 128 , c. and $f$. , is cabled as the quotation or a drop of 986 d per crit since the opening of the season.

Tue statement of the United States Department just issued mukes an unusually bad showing. Thore was as increase of $\$ 11,199$, 817 diring the month of November, raising the public dobt to a total of $\$ 1,148,489,853$, and cutting down the decrease of the debt for the current fiscal year from $\$ 28,294,620$, the reduction noted on November 1 , to $n$ net de. crease of $917,094,803$; a poor exhibit for five monthe' operations.. Last year there was an increase of $\$ 1,490,350$ in the month of November, and a decrease of $\$ 39,245,684$ in the five months of the fiscal year. It will be seen that the present exhibit compares very unfavorable with the figure reported for corresp inding periods in the previous threo years of the Clevoland administration. Tho henvy increase of the public debt in November is largely attributable to enormous disbursements for pensions, which are reported as amounting to some $\$ 22,000,000$ during the month. And the poorness of the exhibit for the fiscal year is partiy accounted for by the payment of a very considerable amount in premiums on the bonds purchased by the treasury during the past five montbs. - The premium payments reduce the cash in the treasury without operating in reduction of the public debt.

Real Estate in Toronto-Toronto's busi:ness men aro congratulating themselves that the so-called "boom" prevailing in and about that city for a year or two past is proving to be nothing more than was, really varranted by the oircumatances. Prices, it is claimed, are being well maintained, and there has been no undue haste to realize. Profitable sales continue to be mado by carly purchasers, and with the exception of some few invest ments by country merchants who could not spare the mones and had consequently to ask
indulgenco from their creditors, no inconvenience has been felt; and well-infurmed merchants' and bankers are in no degreonpprehensive on the sulject A number of large public and private buildinge are being erected, notably, the magnificent new premises; of the Bank of Commerce, to be finished and occupied in the early summer, and these act as a balance wheel for the situation, as giving employment to. a large number of workmen through the winter. Montreal business men will rejoice in these evidences of prosperity in the sister city. Soronto will. bear comparison with any of the progressive: Middle or Western cities of the United States. in the march of progress and prosperity.

At Lampson's sale of salted fur seal skins held in London on the 6th ult, 97,871 fur seal Alaska salted, 2,129 do. dressed natural, 9,003 do. North-west const were offered. Alaskis middlings brought 88 s per 6 kin; 18 , lots middlings were sold, they rose steadily shilling by shilling from 80 s to 116 b for the first lot; the second lot started at 908 and went to 118s; the next three lots brought $117 s$; and the remaining lots of this grade went at 119 ; one lot of 120 sking brouglat 1208, the highest price reached. Ihe omall begnn at 855 ; the first lot sold for 1038 ; others lrought ni high as 1158 to 116 s a skin. Pups sold at 85 s and 89 s for 160 skins; largé pups, $906,91 \mathrm{~s}$ and 92 s , competion keen; middling, 768 to 816 ; small, 618 to 05s: Mixed assortments brought better prices than enme grades last year. Tho N. W. coast skins sold at an advance on last August prices. Alaska skins dressed natural brought 1198 for smalls, 1305 for middlings and smalls.' Low priced Lobos skins sold for 25 p. c. more than last Jaumary.

A pepretation of millers had a lengthy interview with the Mlnister of Customs, urging a continuation of the present regulations for grinding whent in bond. They claimed that the wheat ground was fall wheat, which could not be obtained in sumfient quantities in Canada; and that the whole of the flour sent to New foundland and a great part of that sent to England was the product of this wheat. The Minister pointed out that this argument was exactly the opposite of that adduced by the millers when the privilege of griadiag in bond was is first allowed. Then it was clamed that it was hard spring wheat the millers wanted to make strong bakers' flour. This wheat could now be obtained in large:quatities from Manitolnand the Vorthwest, and althougl he promised to lay the matter before Council, he did not hold out any hope that tio Government would change its policy of endeavoring to provido a home market for the farger,

In the Boston rubber mirket there is a continued good demand manufacturers comng Into tho market quito extensively paía
is in good call. Gond grates of Central American are recelving attention. African rubber is having a good call. The receipts of African and last Jndian in this market bave been very light. for some time past, and desirable grades art very scarce. .There is no stock of thimbles in the market and no Absam, There is very little Madagargar and almost nothing of Mozambique biscuit, Benin, or Sierre leone niggers. Quotatious on thene stock are therefore nominal. Very little of any class of African or East Indian rubber is reported on the way to this country. Fine Para, $70 \mathrm{c} / 272 \mathrm{c}$; conre, $48 \mathrm{c} / 050 \mathrm{c}$; Nicaragua scrap and heet, $4 \mathrm{fc} \AA 52 \mathrm{c}$; Esmeralda sausage, 45c; pressed Guaynquil, 41c(o42c; Panamn 40 c (042c; Carthagena, 35c; Arican amall roll, 32 c .

IN May and June, 1887, James E. Parker, of Woodstock, N.B, ordered and obtainad large quantitios of stock from wholebale firms throughout the Dominion. Then to his brothers, John 'T. Parker nud Hedley Parker, he quiutly gave bills of sale covering all the goods. After selling all he could Parker alkipped to Calisornia, where he yet is. In July '87 a warrant was issued authoriging the Sheriff to seizo the goods under the ant relating to absconding or concealed debtors. When the Sheriff seized the stock tho brothers produced their bills of sale. The question of right to the property was tried before a jury, who decided that the convogance bad Leou frandulent and that the creditors ahould have the goods. This view the Supreme Oourt sustuined whon the question was afterwards carried to them by certiotari. The last dividend under this judgoment was paid to the creditors on the 30th ulto.

In discussing the recent rise in the duty on satw-loge, we must. remember the fict that Georgiau bay timber has been placed upon this market largely by American capital, aud that the opening of that part of our timber districts has been due in great measure to the onterprisu of American lumbermen. Had the facilities for manufacture been as good on the Chandime side, tho logs would have been satwed here instend of beinu brought to Michigan. With referouce to that point, it may bo suid that the Americans alrendy havo lage mills buit on their own territory, and they do not wioh to abandon thatr plaits so long as any means can be dovised for supplying them with loge. But, very uaturally, our government prefers to have mills built and oporated adjacent to its own timber, so as to get the most bouefit from the various pro. cosses through which lumber must pass.
"Casuisisis lumbermen are complaining that the high rates of ocena freights this suminer have greatly reduced the exporte of doals to - Rugland and of board lumber sto South America nud Australia, and the result is that the yards are fillod to overflowing, it being
estimated that there are over one bundred million feet of lumber lying in the yards, which is sold to the expoit firms, bat could not be exported for want of tonage at.reasonable rates. Last year the rate for lumber from New York to Liverpool was thirtyeight to forty shillings per standard. Two railway men who have just returned from Now York and Boston, say that the rates demanded this year are from sixty-five to eighty shillings per standard. If the Cbaudiere piling grounda are not relieved during the winter there will be no place to pile the first or next spring's cut, and grent inconvenience and loss will result.

Tha European stocks of coffee have been diminishing for some time past, and the present total of ouly 70,993 tons is unusually small. According to the Fconomist the statistical position is remarkable as being entirely opposed to most conjectures formed earlier in the season, and has led to a complete change in the views regarding the future, the result being much considerable speculative animation in the marketa, and a rapid rise in values. The following figures show the stocks at the chief ports of Europe on the 1st of Novem. ber in the present and preceding years :-

|  | 1888. <br> Tons. | $\begin{aligned} & 1887 . \\ & \text { Tons. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United Kıngdonn...... ....... | 8,600 | 20,000 |
| Holland............. ...... | 17,850 | 43,600 |
| Hamburg | 11,100 | 24,500 |
| Trieste.,................... | 4,330 | 6,900 |
| Hnvre. . . . . . . ....... ....... | 19113 | 33,141 |
| Antwerp...... ............. | 5,600 | 9,000 |
| Marscilles | 2,500 | 1,740 |
| Bordeaux . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 2,000 | 2,750 |
| Total...... | 70,993 | 140,631 |

Tus Chignecto ship railway scheme does not strike everybody as being, a, wise undertaktag. The New Glasgow, N S., Chronicle says:
"'lo men who know nothing about shipping this $\%$ beme may appear all right, but those who know how easily our ships are strained, even with the best of care, will look at this as the greatest piece of folly and humbug of the present century. A ship of 1,600 tons registered, when lanuched, weighs about 800 tons, and on the best marine railways will strain when being hanled. Is there any conservalive shipmaster from the nautical adviser of the Minister of Mariue down to the emallest consting skipper who would advise the hauling on this ship railway of a vessel of 1,000 tons register, with 1,000 tons of coal in her? If there is such an one we would like to pubhis, views."

Tur British Currency Commission, like most other monetary conferencee, has ended in miserable fizzle. The only recommendation of practical importance upon which the members were able to agree, was that silver notes of small denomination should be issued, as a convenient form of currency and a means of Roating an increased silver circulation throughont Great Britain. Even this recommendation appears to have awaliened no
popular response and little support in poli,tical circles or from the financial press. . The London Economist condemns the proposition unreservedly as devoid of any substantial advantage, without warrant in any public demand or necessity, and incapable of fulfill. ing the purpose for which it is suggested.

A bprolal committee of the Clity Council of Toronto, appointed to consolidate the city debt, met on the 29 th ultimo, when.: a proposal was made to issue 4 per cent. debentures to the amount of $\$ 1,000,000$ to be negotiated with the Bank of Montreal. It is said the Mayor and seiveral members of the council objected to the Bank of Sontrenl, if equal or better terms could be had from any of the Toronto banks-a repurt which we should be sorry to see confirmed. Considering that every one of our leading banks do business on équal terms in every portion of this Dominion, we fail to ree why any one of them should be considered as appertaining to any particular locality.

Represpatations baving been made to the Government urging a further extension of the telegraph syatem on the north shore of the St. Lawrence towards the Straits of Belle Isie, it is probable that another section of the line will be undertaken next summer. It will be remembered that this was a private scheme of the late Sonator Fortin and at bis intance the Government has built alout three humdred,miles of this line from Baie St. Paul to a point beyoud the Moisic river. It will require about four hundred miles (more, a portion of which will have to be calle, to reach Forteau Bay.

The civic authorities are now discussing the offer of the Royal Electric company to light the whole city. The city agree that the contract be extended for ten years from date, all new lamps required to bo plovided at the reduced rate, the city to have the right, by purchasing the plant, of terminating the contract, at thitty dnys' notice, and if the city providos water power, it is to be allowed tor it at a fair valuntion. The company offered to reduce the price 30 per cent, that is, from 60 cents per lamp 42 cents, but this was not definitely accepted. Under the influence of this discuesion, gas stocks haye decliner three points.

At the meeting oo the Board of Trade, indignation was expressed at the quality of the gas supplied to the city during the past week, and the secretary was instructed 10 address'a letter to the Gas Inapector with regard thereto. With regard to the section of leather and ray hides the council determined to ask the Government for separate inspectorship of hides and leather, and if the present act does vot aumit of the division of these offices, the councilagk that legislation to thls effect be procured at the next session.

Amone those of ouir citizens in the meridiañ of life whom the fell reaper has been so buigy with of late, none will be more regretted than Hon. Benjamin 'Globensky, who died on Sunday evening of diabetes, after a short illness, in the 46 th year of his age. The deceased gentleman had for many years been a lawpartner with his relative, Hon. Senator Lacoste, and was appointed Judge of the Superior Court ${ }^{\text {i for the the }}$ District of Joliette about a year ago. Judge Globensky was unmarried. His nearest relative is his sister, who has the sympathies of a wide circle of friends in the loss of her warm-hearted and distinguished brother.

Tue loss by the recent fire in the McClary Manufacturing Company's works at London, Ont, is estimated as follows: $\$ 15,000$ on one building; $\$ 5,000$ on the second; machinery and stock, $\$ 60,000$. The insurance is about $\$ 50,000$, divided nearly equally between the following companies: British American, Hartford, Etna; Phonix, Imperial, Queen, Commercial Union, Royal; Lancaahire, Royal Canadian and North British and Mercantile. There is $\$ 32,000$ on the stock, $\$ 10000$ on the machinery and $\$ 9,000$ on the buildings. It is hoped that a large saving in the machinery may be effected by the escape of some of the heavier articles, presses, etc.

A Custons' seizure of 24 sets of carriage wheels is reported from Guelph. It appears that in the United States there is a combine smong the manufacturers of this class of goods, and that in order to hoodwink the Canadian Custome officials the wheels are sent into Canada' unbranded and ungraded. In this case the importation was entered as being the lowest class of goods, wherens the evidence in the possession of the Customs. officials inclines them to the conviction that the wheels were first grade. The seizure, therefore, practically amounts to one for undervaluation.

Judar lrving, of the Vice-Admiralty court, made some very apt remarks in his decision reducing the salvage claim on the ship" Ifmir from $\$ 1,200$ to $\$ 300$. He indicates that the courts, while ready to recognize the difference betwéen salvago and ordinary towage work, will not permit undue advantage to be taken of an unfortunate vessel, and will insist, when the matter is brought before them, that the actual value of the services rendered shall not be disproportionate to the amount demanded therefor.

Fros the annual circuar of the Export Lumber Company it is learned that the total shipments of pine and spruce lumber from the St. Lawrence River to the River Plate for for the season of 1888 .were $10,980,814$ feet$14,544,814$ of pine and $3,436,000$ of spruce. In 1887 the shipments amounted to $31,036,076$ feet, and in 1886 to $29,088,204$ feet.

Aocordina-to a-statement to to ${ }^{-1}$. Jobin N B., Gazette, the saw mills : around St. John: produced this season $160,000,000$ feet of long lumber. In addition they have cut a large quantity of laths, whereof the export to date is valued $\$ 175,000$. The export of shingles has been 70,000 ; over 130,000 lime barrels have also been made for export at. St. John saw mills, : The same paper states that one firm of lime burne's has exported 90,000 barrels of manufactured lime.

Reornt private advices from Louisiana predict a decided curtailment in the crop of straight molasses this season, some estimates placing the shortage at 100,000 bble. This is not attributed so much to serious disappointment in the crop of cane as to the improved methods and machinery in vogue, that result in a' larger yield of sugar and more eatisfactory returne to ihe planter, with an idea prevailing among some of the trade here that the production of opon-kettle molasses will eventually fali to very limited proportions.

Some time ago Mr. George Flintoff, of Hullett, Ont, was visited by a couple of men, who persuaded him to take an agency for a, washing machine, on the sale of wbich he was to receive a liberal commission. . Before they left they got Mr. Flintoffs signature on notes to the extent of $\$ 650$. He cluims that he did not knowingly sign auy notes, and thought he was only signing an agreement, while the men of course allege that he knew very well what he was signing.

When the premiers and anditors of Ontario and Quebec were in Ottawa for the purpose of endeavoring to settle the ontstanding debt between these provinces and the Dominion, Mr. Mercier had an interview with Sir John Macdonaldiwith a view to arranging for a meeting for the purpose of trying to agree on the northern boundaries of Ontario and Quebec. It is now understood that arrangementa for such a meeting are in progrees and it is expected to take place sbortly.
oc AT the annual meeting of the Western Ontario Commercial Travellers. Association Mr. S. Monroe was re-slected president; W. S. Case, first vice; Geo. H, Walker, eecond vice; and R. H. Green (Hamilton), third vice; S. N. Sterling, treaburer. All the directors were ro lected. The president stated that an increase of 50 had been made in the membership during the year, and the total rest fund was now $\$ 1,300$. A committeo was appointed to arruage for a suitablé entertainment during this month.

Tus Pbilladelphia and Reading Cona and Iron Compainy announces that it rill make no change in the price of anthracite coal ${ }^{3}$ for December. Next Saturday it will shixt down elghteen collieries and run about 3 oh threequarter time.
-Test mall fuancial institution in $n$ westèn city which had fuch a close call not many months ago through the loss of abont :half a million of dollars, and of some customers Whom it consequently could not hold, has still much to welcome in all the evidences of prosperity in its vicinity. $\cdot \mathbf{A}$, little of the practical wisdom which for years labored to such good effect within the same walle, would not be amiss as an exemp,ar.

- Mrssrs Henry Moraan t Co havo purthe property on St. Catherine street on the upper side of Pbillips' Square, from the residence of Dr. Hingston, corner of Union Avenue to that of Dr. Ibbotson on the corner of Aylmer street, both inclusive; in all over half an acre, for $\$ 90,000$, and propose erecting a large warehouse upon it before the expiry of their present lease in; May 1801.

Tas Northern Pacific continues to be a remarlable exception to the genernl rule of comparative railway receipts this year, its earnings for October amounting to the immenso sum of $\$ 2,218,894$, nn increase of $\$ 544,813$ over the same month last year. The expenses, of course, show a largo increase, but in a much lower proportion than the earnings.

Tar Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company won thioir suit against the Thames.and Meisey Insurance company for $\$ 10,000$ worth of insurance on the steamer Spartan.a The steamer strauded on Onriboo Island, fake Superior; hence the action which, involyed some very important points in marine insurance law.
Two thousand one hundred and twentyeeven ounces of gold yere mined in Nova Scotia lat month. The Old albion mine at Montague, near Ealifax, io being re-worked by a small compnay. A $\$ 900$, nugget was found on the lat inst., and purchased by the local Government. It will be sent to the Imperial exhihition of London.

Tur statement of exports from Canadi for October shows a total of $\$ 11,32 \overline{0}, 986$, of which $\$ 10,590,623$ is the produce of Canada. This shows an increase over thy same month last year of $\$ 559,938$ in produce of Canada. and $n$ decrease of $\$ 75,463$ in other exports.:

We learn from prese telegrams that W.W. Smith, well known in sporting circles in Winnipeg, and lately collector of Custome at Elliarney, bas skioped across the line. Ho borrowed sume of money from a number of peopla in that section; and also $\$ 200$ from a hotelkeeper in Winnipeg:

Tue. G. T. R. freight houses at Guelph were destroyed by fire the morning of the cth, with much loos of freight.

Tue Gouranaent subsidy to the Bobsiete Linic of Steamships will be continued.

A digastrous fire took place en the night of the isth, in the wholesale drug store of Messrs. Lyman Sons \& Oo., St. Punl street. The fire caught in tho bothom flat, and spread rapidly up the hoist into tho roof, where it ran down into the flat of the top storey. In a few minutes the whole of the roof was in a blaze, the ruflection of which could be been for miles around. Tho fircmen, as men, worked well but the discipline was bad. Insurance men looked for the new chief, and were surprised to sec a man without uniform running about soreaming incoharent orders. Hu ngain did not know where his ongines were placed and the Gazelle states that No. 7 engine was on Sit. Sulpice atrect the worst time of the fire and it stood there the whole night without being used. After two hours' hard work the water proved tho mastery over the fire mid the blazo was got under control, but still a stream had to bo kept playing all night. At one timo it was thought that adjoining buidinge might be destruyed, but this was fortunately not the case. I'he insurance is about $\$ 150,000$, and tho lons is entimated at (at least) $\$ 200,000$. Most of the insutance companites in Montreal are interested. The damage to the stock of Benny Macphereon \& Co.; next door, will not exceed a few thousand dollars. Five hardware merchants and Mr. 'Thomson, anctioneer, have been asked to extimate theloss for tha firm and and the insurers, Measrs, Lymna Sons \& Co. have menntime resumed business in the nuighboring premises, on sic. Paul streat, recently occupied as oflieces and warchonses by the Moutreal Rolling Mills Co.-opposite Custom Hohse squaro.

The trullic roturns of tho Graud Trunk Railway for the week ending lst December, 1888, sbiow an increase of $\$ 9,562$ over the corresponding period of 1887.

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## Montriaic, Thursday Evoning, <br> Dec. 6th, 1888.

The money market is absolutely unchanged; but, if any thing, is a shade stiffer. Call loans are at $3 \frac{1}{2}$ to 4 per cent. with the Jatter figure predominating. Commercial paper runs from 5 to 7 per cent., the bulk being done at 6 per cent., and all throughout, although no quotable change can be recorded, there 8 a firmer tendency and a feeling that bigber rates are coming. Rewitlances show an improvement, although they are still hardly up to the mark; but a glance at our eummary columns will show that the failure list of the week is unusually heavy, even if the individual insolvencies are mostly of an unimportant character. Altogether the situation is not very promising; and some doubt is now expressed as to whether the bright anticipations as to the boliday trade are destined to be verified in their entirety.-Sterling excbange continues high. We quote sixties at 9 an9 1-16 between banks and $9 \frac{1}{8}$ (axs over the counter. Demand-
 rates in Now York are 485 and 489 . Actual rates being $4.841 \times \frac{1}{2}$ aud $488 \frac{1}{2}$ 衣 Money in London is cabled it 4 per cent. with the Bank rate at $\overline{5}$ per cent. New York funds are at 1-16 discount to par between banks and $\frac{1}{6}$ to 1 premium over the counter.-On the locul stock exchange only ansalping businesi has been done. 'the feature of the week has been the placing on the market of 4500 shares of Commerce stock, 1,000 by W. O. Macdonald and 3,500 by the Estate McMaster. Owing to the excellent showing of this bank no break in values has resulted, and we can chironicle to day a sale at 117 , the highest figure of the week. Gas broke heavily; partly from the conclusion of a contract for electric lighting by the city for 10 years, and partly uwiug to the indignation of the citizens over the quality of the gas supplied since Monday and the consequent boom in incandescent lighting. The other stocks do not call for comment. The bull syndicate continue to hold the market up and, in the absence of any disturbing feature, values show; very little change:


Tre great Eaglish Salt I'Irust is encountering opposition and competition. The trust. it will be remembered; at once advanced prices sharply, affecting the market at home and in this country. It further appears that they cut down the wages of the employees to some extent. Now a movement is started to organize the workmen for an effrctive strike, on the one hand, and on the other hand the well-known firm of Brunner, Mond \& Co. the only brine pumpers of importance left out of the "deal," and one of the largest chemical manufacturing concerns in the world, have discovered a supply of brine at Anderson from which it is calculated that 260,000 tons of salt can be made per annum, and this it proposes to work in opposition to the trust.
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## MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreat, 'Thursday Evg., Dec 6, 1888.
The wholesale trade has been moderate in somo lines and dull in others. Although business is generally quiet between the close of navigation and the holiday trade com-plaints-are numerous 'about the unusual slackness of things and poor payments. In many branches, stock-taking and the wind-up of the past ycar's business bas engaged almost exclusive attention and trade will drag along slowly until January. Payments from this section of the country are poor and the standard excuse is rain-ruined crops:s
Brans.-The market is firm. The Lower Canada crop continues to show inferior quality, and is scarcely saleable. This is due to the wet season which damagid the crop. The Upper Canada crop, especially around Chatham, was nover finer. Samples are uniform in quality, and they are sound, bright and clem. We quate Quebec at $\$ 1 \times \$ 1.25$ per bushel, and Oitarin at $\$ 1.75 \ldots \$ 2.10$. Yellow beans of fine quality $\$ 2 \ldots \$ 3: 25$.
Cuemioati, to.-In this line wo have little to notice except the firmness of sulphate of copper, which is up $£ 4$ per ton abroad. The extonsive warehouse of Lyman Sons \&.Co., in this city, has been greatly damaged by fire.

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$\therefore$ Dry : Goods-Remittazces: are somewhat better and, as the weather is olightly more seasonable, a corresponding improvement in the City retail trade is noticeable. Travellers on special and sorting trips are sending in small orders, and report people willing enough to buy, if they could only get rid of what is still ujon their shelves. Bad rouds throughout the country are responsible doubtless for nitich of this; but we notice that although the roads are good enough to get the gooes cut to the storekeoper and the farmer, tifey are always too bad to bring remittances back. A state of affairs which doubtless many wholecalers may have noticen. Most of our large houses are now ; finishing taking stock, and wo trust that the results may be satisfactory. It is feared, however, that in many cases stocks will bo found too large, in apite of the cantious buying of their European representatives. The expenses of salling, too, are greater this year than ever before. Travellers are taployed in greater numbers than over, and as sales are now made from British Columbia to the Maritime Provinces, the cost of selling goods has increased so materially as to be an important item in these days of closely cut prices and severe competition, Aitogether the outlo $k$ is ouly fair; and wo still look anxiously for the expected improvement.

Dairy Phoduos and Provisiong.-Butter has been dull and inactive during the past week: Medium grades are in full supply, but the very finest and good qualities are enquired for aud hard to get. It is ralmost jimpossible to secure really jaultless creamery. The checse market is very strong, and pres nt indications are that the market is likely to advance to $12 \mathrm{c} ळ 13 \mathrm{c}$ on account of fiuest goods being very scarce and held in two or three hands whose trade is exclusively with the British markets That ie, there is no probability of the stock being thrown on this market. ": We quote from $10 \mathrm{c} \circ 11 \mathrm{c}$ for good qualities and $11 \frac{1012 c}{}$ for finest. The Ohnal Vermont carried 8,739 boxes of cheese from Montreal for England for week ended 1st December, some going vis Now York and some via Boston. The, Vancouver may take 10,000 boxes from Portland. If shipments continue at this rate the supply will soon run very low. Local provisions quict, owing to the mild werther. Dressed hoge, $\$ 7.25 \AA \$ 7.35$ in car-lots; emall lots, $\$ 7.50$ (a $\$ 7.75$. Some btrictly frech egge, in single caser, sold at 28c, and ordinary fresh at 21c: Limed $18 \frac{1}{2}$ 19c.
${ }^{2}$. Fisi and Orls.-A moderato business has been done in herrings. For green cod there bas been a very guod demand with sales at about quotations. We also hear of some business in cod oil.

Floun and Gran -The four market las again been very quict, with prices on the downward grade. The changes will be found elsëwhere. Among tho recent eales were 125 brls. patent wiater, $\$ 6.50$; 125 doi, $\$ 6.25$, and 125'do. straight ioller at $\$ 5.75 / 0 \$ 0$. Grain is also dull, and prices are maintained at about tho same range-- There has been little demand, but the position abroad makes holders confident of the future. In Clicago, whent prices advanced 2 c $\$ 222 \mathrm{c}$ on reports of several cargo shipments from San Francieco to Australia, where the crops in sections are reported very light. Coru advanced a fraction Provisjons in the west were firm on light receipts of hogs and heavy shipments of log products. The quantity of whent jn sight is 60,618,000 bushels, an increase of $\$ 87,000$ bushels with a week ago, of $2,644,000$ with four weeks ago, and of $5,797,000$ with a year ago. The English markets pere çabled îlow,
with very few bids for cargoes off coast. - The Intest, crbles, however, quote the English markets improving. At the close wheat in Chicago was irregular, with a better undertone. December wheat, \$1.041; January,
 May. The Mrark Lane Express env6:-Sound English wheats have manintained their values. Inferior grades have declined 6dß1s. The gales of English wheat during the past-week were 54,020 quarters nt 31 s 8 d , against 61,404 quarters at $3183 d^{\text {dur }}$ during the corresponding week last year. Flour is slow of salo. Inferior kinds have dropped 6d. Foreign wheat is inactivo. At Liverpool prices declined 2d per cental. Flour bas lost Griole per Rack for all but the best. Corn is firmer. At Liverpool American dropped la per cental on Thursday, but recovered on Fridny.

Grese Froits, \&c.-Business moderately active at steady prices. Winter apples are worth $\$ 1.50 \curvearrowright \$ 1.75$ in car-lote, as to quality. Retail prices \$2Fa $\$ 2.50$. New figs are selling $9 \lambda \mathrm{c} \sqrt{a 14 c} \mathrm{lb}$. Sweet potatoes, dull at $\$ 2.50$ § $\$ 2.75$ brl. Crmberries, $\$ 6 \Omega \$$ brl. Jamnica orangen, $\$ 4.50 \nsim \$ 500$ brl. Lemons, new, Messina,: $\$ 3.25$ ail $\$ 3.50$
 new. Crystalized, $18 \mathrm{c} / 020 \mathrm{c}$. Grapes, bluos
 90c crate, demand good. Fameuse apples; $\$ 1.75 \not 2 \$ 2.50$. Fresh coconnuts, $\$ 5.60$ per 100. Almeria grapes, $\$ 4$ fo\$5per keg. Brazil nuts, 91c@10c per Jb. Canadian chestnutr, $5 c$ per 1 lb . Evaporated apples, 60 lb b xes, $8 \mathrm{c} / \mathrm{a} 8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ lb. Dried apples 51c. Sicily filberts ${ }^{4}$ 91c/o10c. New Ivicn S.S almondB, $130 / 0132 \mathrm{da}$

Groonries - Not much enquiry is reported at the moment, and with the exception of a holiday movement with the jobbers, trade- is expected to bo fiat, as the business of the year is pretty well over and the trade will not bay auything except for January now: Sugars are firmer aluroad and there is some talk of putting them up here. In Brazil and otier producing countries they have advanced fully lsa 18 3d per cwt during the past four wecks. Tens are gaing out in a hand-tomouth sort of way and stocks are in better shape. If there does not seem, to be any particular strength in tea it is because things are dull and there is no anxiety to buy at tho moment. The position certainly looks better. Romittances are very bad, especially in the Province of Quebec. What promifed to be a most successful scason has turned out most disastrous. Heavy crops were rotted on the ground by the incessant raing. Some dried fruit is selling as is usual at the approach of the holidays. No really sound fruit has been offered below the quotations in our prices current but rain dumaged has been placed at low, îrregular figures. Sales of this fruit bave affected the market, for sound at the moment but the latter. is expected to be worth tull value later on as it has got keeping qualities which the rain damaged has not. Malaga fiuit scarce nad firm at former prices. Sultanas firm and hard to get under ، $70 ;$ wo quote $7 \mathrm{f} \AA \mathrm{Dl0c}$, the latter for extra choice. Uloves somewhat scarce and we : quote $22 \mathrm{c} \lesssim$ 25 c . Citron peel is firm and we quote for the jobbing trade 282@32c. Orange peel! stearly at $16 \frac{1}{2}$ ca18o and lemon at $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~b}$ ail7c. Cuffee is decidedly firmer in this market and we note a strong European Tmarket and a "squecze" in New York: Rio is up 2c here and other grades we advance Ic., Referonce is difected to prices current.

Hides and Tallow-The itake off" is large, and dealers are pretty well supplicd with hides. We ręduce dfontrand stock $\$ 1$ per

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100 lbs , and western hides are also easier. Our current prices for western would be shaded. It is axpected that reduced prices will rule for sond time ahead. Tallow is firm but unchanged here. It is stated that sales have been mado in Toronto at 6jc.

Hosky.-The market is still firm at quotations with a good demand. There is not mach coming in and! tho supply here is limited.

Hpps - Cousumers are still backward ada business is dull. We quote firsts at $25 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{a} 27 \mathrm{c}$, and seconds at $20 \mathrm{c} ळ 222 \mathrm{c}$. No demand for yearlings at present.

Inon and Handwame.-As we have already naticipated, pig iron hus advanced one dollar perton, although the last lots are only just golag into yard, and $i t$ is altogother probable that $n$ further advance will shortly take place, since pig irm could not be imported to-day at less than fifty cents over the ruling price. Sume small lota of Calder have certainly sold for westeru points at a figure which will only not the eellers $\$ 2225$ here ; but none can now be procured under $\$ 23$ and we advance Coltness No. 1 (none of which is at present in the market) to $\$ 23.50$. We advance Summerleo to $\$ 23$, Langlomin and Gartsherrie to $\$ 22$, and Carnbroc and Eglinton to \$21, with a firm markot and every prospect of bigher prices. The sensation in bur fron circles is the report that one of our leading uail manufacturing firms will commence rolliag bar iron'early in the spring, and is now making tho necessary alterations and preparations. This, it is predicted, will clange the course of trade, as these mills will sell direct at wholesale rates to the consumur, nud necessartly hardware mon will cease to handle bar iron. Some such course as this was reudered necessary by the fierce compotition of western rolling mills who, of late, bave pushed their products even into Montreal. Now we can defond ourselves, ns these mills Fill handle bar iron solely and sell direct, thus obvinting the intermediate profit and consequently being ablo to undercut their rivals. Owing to the incresse in freighte, we advauce tin plates (I. C. Charcoal) 35 icents, although ingot tin is weaker. This is the only change in prices outside of pig iron. :It is rumored, and on good authontr, that a leading hardware firm havo decided to give up the
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sale of heavy metals, and to confine themselves in future exclusively to shelf hardware. It is understood that the manager of the heavy hardware department is about eecuring another position.

Leather and Shors.-Buainess quiet and in fact scarcely anything is being doneas in both trades merchants have been taking stock and wiuding up business of the past year. As already intimated some houses in boot and shoes have already started on spring goods. English trade is repurted quiet by. the last mail, but some shipments are still going from here.

Wool,-There havo been fair bales of Cape wool at the advance noted last week. Other forcign Fools, such as Australian, are in demand. Some Cape is still selling at $14 \frac{1}{2} c$. but hoiders geem to be aiming at 15c, as an inside price. The mills all over the country have been buying freely of Jate, and stocks here have been well drawn upon Supplies of domestic have not been heavy here, and the movement has been satisfactory: London, December 3.-At the wool sales to-day there was a numerous attendance. Buyers eagerly bid for their specialties. Prices were stiff. Desirable grades advanced. There were offered 10,283 bales. Little was withdrawn. There are arailable 109,000 bales.

## TORONTO WHOLESALE MAREETS (Revised by Telegraph.)

Toronto, Dec 6, 1888.
In most branches of business the transactions have been only on a moderate scale. Farcsagoods in fair demand, but trado restrictedrowing partly to unfayorable weather. Theresis very little activity in staple goods, thought prices generally. are steady. Paymonts fair. The stock market has been un:

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usually dull the past week, with bank shares in most cases lower. Following are closing bidsto-day as compared with last Thursday :

| Banks. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bid } \\ D_{\text {ec }} \\ 6 . \end{gathered}$ | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Bid } \\ \text { Nov. } \\ 29 . \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | Loan Cos. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bid } \\ D_{\text {ece. }} \\ \hline . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bid } \\ & \text { Nor. } \\ & 29 . \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mod | [20] | 222 |  | 200 | 200 |
| Ontario | 125 | 1251 | Freehold | 162 | 162 |
| Toronto | 27. | 208 | Western' Can.... | 185 | 185 |
| Merchants. | 134 | 134 | Union: | 130 | 131 |
| Commerce. Imperial :- | 1185 | 138 | Landed Crod | 115 | 163 |
| Dominion | 213 | 2131 | Lond'n d Can'd | 143 | 143 |
| Standsrd.. | 13: | 183 | Farmers Lasn... |  |  |
| Hamilton. | 135 | 136 | Ontrino Losn.... | 122 | 121 |

Bortra.-The receipts continue liberal and prices unchanged. Choice tubjobs at 18coli9c and the best rolls at $15 c \not a l i c^{c}$. Some inferior lots sold at $12 \mathrm{c} \sqrt{a 13 c}$. Creamery nominal at 22 c a 23 c . Cheese is firm, with a हmall jobbing trade at 10 zerouc and occasionally 11 hc . Eggs in fair receipt, and prices steady at $20 \mathrm{c}(\hat{\not a}$ gle for fresh, and $17 \mathrm{c} a 18 \mathrm{c}$ for limed:"
$\therefore$ Druas -Trade is fair, with orders generally for small lots. Opium is quoted at $\$ 3.60 \square$


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Flour and Grant．－The demand for flour is almost＇nil，and trade is exceptionally dull for this seasos of the year．Straight roller， $\$ 5.25 \check{\omega} \$ 5.35$ ；catras，$\$ 5 \sqrt{\omega} \$ 5.10$ ；patent， $\$ 5.75 \omega \$ 6.10$ ．Wheat is quiet，but the feeling has improvedustightly the last day or two． Sates of No． 2 fall aud No． 2 red wers made outside of olty，the first of the week，at $\$ 1.020 \$ 1.03$ ；they close firm at $\$ 1.03$ No． 2 spring nominal at $\$ 1.04$ ；No． 1 Manitoba hard sold early in the week at $\$ 1.20$ ，and to day $\$ 1.18$ was bid；No． 2 sold on p．t． No． 1 frosted Manitoba nominal at 95 c ．，and No． 2 at 80 ca85c．Barley dull and weak， with sales of No． 1 at 66 c ，No． 3 extra at 80 c and No． 3 at 57 c, No． 2 nominal at．63c．Oats dull：and prices easy at $35 \sqrt{a} 36$ on track and to arrive．White quoted at 361 crad $37 c$ on track．Peas dull and steadyatit59c at outside points．Rye brings $70 \mathrm{c} \neq \mathrm{at} 2 \mathrm{c}$ ，and corn is nominal at $55 \mathrm{c}(060 \mathrm{c}$ ．Bran steadr， with shipping lots quoted at equal to $\$ 13.50$ here，and cars op track $\$ 1450$ ．
Groceriss－－Buisiness this week lass been fairly goodiand prices steady．Teas and coffees firm with Rios quoted at 19 c © 19 192 c ． Sugars are steady，granulated being quoted at 7 15－16caxs 1－16e，and yellows at 53082 c ． Valencias quoted at $6 \mathrm{c} a 64 \mathrm{c}$ ，and layers at 82 cayc．Curiante 5 dera6c；loose muicatel， \＄2：65＠\＄2．75．

H $\triangle$ DDWARE－Trade this week s reported less active：Pig iron steady at \＄22a\＄22．50 for Carnbroe Bar tin 26 c a 28 c ，and ingot． $26 \grave{2}$ © 26 c ；tin plates， I C coke \＄4，naile， \＄2．80＠\＄2．85．

Hoss asd Skins：－Recipte of hides：in－ creasing，and the fecling easier at 6atc for No． 1 cared cows，Green are unchanged at 54 c for ＂Thank God for books－plenty of，them－books to mako you stads，books to make Jou Feep，books
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Dersesd Hoos．－The supply has been fair this week，and prices rule steady．Sales of choice，yesterday，at $\$ 6$ 60／a $\$ 6.75$ ，and inferior to medium $\$ 6.00 \lesssim \$ 6.25$ ．

Livs Srocx－Offerings have been fair this week，and the demand moderate．Prices un－ chsinged，with sales of good butchers cattle at 31233c per lb．Inferior cattle sell at 2cio3c． Stockers are quoted $2 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$ a2 ${ }^{3} \mathrm{c}$ ．Sheep in fair demand，with small lots of butchers＇bringing $\$ 4.250 \$ 5.00$ s head．Jambs firm at $\$ 3.75 \AA$ $\$ 450$ Hogs， $6 \mathrm{~d} \sqrt{6} 5 \mathrm{C}$ for light fat and $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ for store hoge．
－Provisions－Trade remains quiet，with few chavges in prices to note．Long clear bacon sells at 10 c ow 10 cis the latter for small lots； bellies and backs at 12 c ；and rolls at 11 c ． Hams are quoted at 113 c 012 c ，and $\mathrm{Heser}^{\prime} P_{0 \leq 1}$
at $\$ 18$ ow $\$ 18.25$ ．Lard sells in small lots $11 \mathrm{c}(12 \mathrm{c}$ ．Onions steady at $\$ 1.50 \times \mathrm{a} \$ 1.75$ ，and band－picked Beans \＄1．75．Potatoes unchanged at 35c per bag on track．Hops steady at $22 \mathrm{c} \lesssim 24 \mathrm{c}$ for new，and $15 \mathrm{c}(16 \mathrm{c}$ for yearlings．

Woos．－The demend is still very limited， withno ordere from the other side．Selected Feece quoted at 1912ca20c，Southdown at 23c， andirejections at 16 c al7c．Pulled supers $21 \frac{1}{2 c} a 22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ ，and extras－27ca28c．

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