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THE MONETABY TIMES, TRADE REVIEW AND INSURANCE OHRONICLE.

DIVIDEND No. 20.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of THREE per cent. upon the Capital Stock of this Bank has been declared for the half year ending May 31st, next, being at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, and will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on the 1st day of June next.

The Chartered Banks.

The Chartered Banks. THE MOLSONS BANK. The Federal Bank of Canada. Incorporated by Act of Parliment, 1855. HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL. CAPITAL, -- - - \$1,250,000

HEAD OFFICE, MONTREAL. Paid-up Oapital, \$5,000,000. Book Fund, - \$600,000. BOARD OF DIRECTORS THOS. WYRENAN, J. H. B. MOLSON, President. Fice-Tresident. R. W. Ehepherd. Sir D. L. MacPherson. B. H. Ewing. A. F. Grault. F. WOLFERSTAN THOMAS, M. HEATON, General Manager. Inspector. BRANCHES — Aylmer, Ont., Brockville, Olision, General Manager. Inspector. BRANCHES — Aylmer, Ont., Brockville, Olision, Morrisburg, Uven Sound, Edgetourn, Bmith's Fails, Sorel, St. Thomas, Toronio, Trenton, Waterloo, Ont. Woodstock. Court - Agents in Canada:

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UNION BANK OF LOWER CANADA CAPITAL PAID-UP, -\$2,000,000. Head Office, Quebec DIRECTORS. DIRECTORS. ANDREW THOMPSON, Esq., President. HON. G. IBVINE, Vice-President. H. Groux, Esq. D. O. Thomson, Esq. Gatter - P. MacEwen. Inspector - E. E. WEBB. BRANCHES-Savings Bank (Upper Town) Montreal Otawa, Three Rivers, Winnipeg. Foreign Agents-London-The London and County Bank. New York-National Park Bank. THE PICTOU BANK. (Incorporated by Act of Parliament.) Subscribed Capital - \$500 000. Paid up _____ 250 000. JEFFERY McCOLL, - PRESIDENT. DONALD FRASER, JAMES KITOHIN, ALEX. FISHER. D. M. FRASER, - - - CASHIER. BRANCHES: New Glasgow, N. S., Stellarton, N. S., Amherst, Antigonish. BANKERS.—Bank of Montreel and Branches; AGENTS.—Bank of Montreel, New York Imperial Bank, Limited, London. New Glasgow, N. S., BANK OF YARMOUTH, VABMOUTH, N.S. Directors : L. B. BAKER . Directors : C. E. BBOWN, Vice-President. John Lovitt. Hugh Cann. J. W. Moody. T. W. JOHNF, Cashinga. Haifar. Correspondents at Barliar. The Merchants Bank of Halifar. do. The Bank of Montreal. Montreal. Montreal. New York.......The Bank of Montreal. Rew York.......The Bank of Montreal. Rew York.......The Bank of Montreal. Routreal. Condon, G.B. ...The Union Bank of London. Guida and Currency Drafts and Sterling Bills of Deposits received and interest allowed. Prompt attention given to collections.

8T. STEPHEN'S BANK Incorporated 1836.

ST. STEPHEN'S, N. B. CAPITAL,

· · · · \$200,000

F. H. TODD, J. F. GBANT, Cashier.

AGENTE.-London - Mesars. Glyn, Mills, Ourrie Co.; Mess York-Bank of New York, N.B.A.; Bos-Globe National Bank; St. John-Bank of New

The Transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, both days inclusive. of the Stockuolders, for the Elect on of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at their Banking House, in this city, on TUEBDAY, the 16th day of JUNE next. The chair to be taken at 12 o'clock The Annual General Meeting of the Share-holders will be held at the Bank on Tuesday, the 16th of June, next, at noon. By order of the Board, oon. By order of the Board. E. A. COLQUHOUN, Cashier. G. W. YARKER, General Manager. E. A. COLQ Bank of Hamilton, Hamilton, April 22nd, 1885. Toronto, May 1st, 1885. BANK OF OTTAWA. Eastern Townships Bank.

DIVIDEND No. 18.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of Three and One-Half per cent. upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Bank has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches, on and after Monday, the 1st day of June next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th of May next, both days inclusive. By order of the Board,

GEORGE BURN, Cashier. Ottawa, 30th April, 1885.

MERCHANTS' BANK OF HALIFAX.

CAPITAL PAID UP, - - -\$1,000 000 RESERVE, -. 200,000

HEAD OFFICE-HALIFAL, N.S. HEAD OFFICE-HALIFAL, N.S. DIRECTORS.-THOS. E. KENNY, President; J Butler, Thos. A. Ritchie, Allieon Smith, J. Norman Ritchie, E. J. Davys, D. H. DUNCAN Cashier.

D. H. DUNOAN Cashier. AGENCIES.—In Nova Scotta.—Antigonish, Bad-deck, Bridgewater, Guysborough, Londonderry, Lun-enburg, Maitland (Hante Co.,) Pictou, Port Hawkes-bury, Sydney, Truro, Weymonth. In New Brune-wick.—Bathurst, Dorchester, Kingston, (Kent Co.,) Newcastle. Backville. In Prince Edward Island.— Charlottetown, Souris, Summerside. In Bernuda.— Hamilton.

HALIFAX BANKING COMPANY. INCORPORATED 1872.

INCORPORATED 1872. AUTHORISED CAPITAL . \$1,000,000 CAPITAL PAID UP . 500,000 BESERVE FUND . Halifax, N.S. W. L. PITOAITHLY, Cashier. DIRBOTOHS: Bobie Uniseke, Free*. L. J. Morton, Vice-Pres. Thomas Bayne, F. D. Corbett, Jas. Thomson. AGBNGUS-NOVA SCOTA: Antigonish, Barrington, Lockeport, Lunenburg, Parreboro, Shelburne, Truro, Windsor, Oxford, N.S. Naw Bauxswicz: Hillsboro, Petitoodisc, Back-ville, St. John. CORBEFEONDENTS: Ontario and Onebec: Moleone

ville, St. John. Conservonmerts: Ontario and Quebec: Molsons Bank and Branches. New York: Bank of New York, National Banking Association, John Paton & Co. Booton-Suffolk National Bank. London, Mng., Union Bank of London and Alliance Bank.

THE PEOPLE'8 BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

FREDERICTON, N. B.

Incorporated by Let of Parliament, 1864.

A. F. RANDOLPH, President, J. W. SPURDEN Oashier. FORMER AGENTS London-Union Bank of London. New York-Fourth National Bank, Boston-Eliot National Bank. Montreal-Union Bank of Lower Canada.

Capital, £5,000,000.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND,

LIMITED. Incorporated by Royal Charter and Act of Parliamont. ESTABLISHED 1825.

HEAD OFFICE-EDINBURGH.

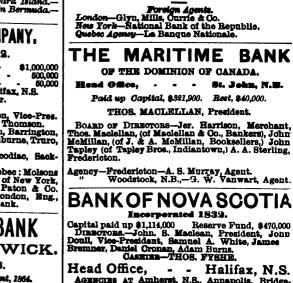
Pald up, £1,000,000.

LONDON OFFICE-37 Nichelas Lane, Lembard Street, E.C.

charge. The Agency of Colonial and Foreign Banks is undertaken and the Acceptances of Customers residing in the Olonies, domiciled in London, retired on terms which will be furnished on application. All other Banking business connected with England and Scotland is also transacted. JAMES ROBERTSON, Manager, London.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS are kept agreeably to usual custom. DEPOSITS at interest are received. CIRCULAR NOTES and LETTERS of CREDIT available in all parts of the World are issued free of

CASETER-THOS. FYREE. Head Office, - - Halifax, N.S. AGENCIES AT Amberst, N.S., Annapolis, Bridge-town, Canning, Digby, Kantville, Idverpool, New Glasgow, North Bydney, Picton, Yarmouth, Camp-beliton, N.B., Chatham, Fredericton, Monston, New-cessis, Richibucto, St. Andrews, St. John, Stephen, Sneex, Woodstock, Winnipeg, Man., lottetown, Montague, and Summerside, P E I. Collections made on favorable terms and promp ly remitted for.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS-Jer. Harrison, Merchant, Thos. Maclellan, (of Maclellan & Co., Bankers), John MoMillan, (of J. & A. MoMillan, Booksellers,) John Tapley (of Tapley Bros., Indiantown,) A. A. Sterling, Fredericton.

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The Chartered Banks.

BANK OF HAMILTON

DIVIDEND No. 25.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Four per cent. for the current half-year upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has this day been deel red, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Agencies, on and after

MONDAY, the 1st day of JUNE NEXT. The Transfer books will be closed from the 16th to 30th May, both days inclusive.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shreholders of this Bank will be held at their Banking House, in the City of Sher-

Wednesday, 3rd day of June next. The chair will be taken at 2 o'clock p.m.

LA BANQUE DU PEUPLE.

Betablished , in 1866.

OAPITAL \$2,000,000

C. S. CHEBRIKK, President. A. A. TROTTIER, Cashier.

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WM. FARWELL,

General Manager.

Montreal,

brooke, on

Head Office,

By order of the Board.

Sherbrooke, 28th April, 1885.

Reserve Fund, £660.000.

THE MONETABY TIMES, TRADE BEVIEW (AND INSUBANCE OHBONICLE.



THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the Shareholders will be held at the Bank on MONDAY, the 15th day of June next. The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock noon. By order of the Board.

A. A. ALLEN, Cashier.

Toronto, 23rd April, 1885.

By order GEORGE S. C. BETHUNE,

Sec.-Treas.

Money loaned at low rates of Interest on the Scourity of Real Estate and Municipal Debenters Percents received and Interest allowed. W. F. COWAN, President. W. F. ALLEN, Vice-President.

T. H. MOMILLAN

THE MONETARY TIMES, TRADE REVIEW AND INSURANCE CHRONICLE.







S. GREENSHIELDS, SON & CO., WHOLESALE DRY GOODS **MERCHANTS** 17, 19 & 21 Victoria Square, 730, 732, 734, 736 Graig St., MONTREAL.

Mercantile Summary

MB. J. K. BARRETT, a former resident of Hamilton, has been appointed Collector of Inland Revenue at Winnipeg.

A LOT consisting of eighteen shares of Bank of New Brunswick stock was sold in St. John at auction on Saturday last, at \$140 per share.

THE St. John Sun estimates that the amount of birch timber cut in New Brunswick during the past season amounts to something more than

HON. L. E. BAKER and others have purchased the steamer Dominion and wharf property of the N. S. S. Co. at Yarmouth, for \$32,000 according to the Times of that place.

An auotmatic cut-off engine,3) horse-power, is now building in Hamilton for the Lincoln paper mills, and another engine 40 horse-power is to go to a new roller mill in Mount Forest.

A NEW scale manufacturing works, making scales of all sizes from heavy wagon scales to small union scales, are now run in connection with the Osborne, Killey company's business in

A NEW bridge over the creek near Dundas has been erected for the Hamilton and Dundas railway. It is what is known as a "queen-lost trues," the centre span being 40 feet and the two shore spans 12 feet each.

A CHEMICAL Co. at Rothesay, N. B., is adopting a popular method of advertising. It is spreading its make of manure throughout the country by sending free to farmers a 20 p und package of grass manure.

WE observe with interest that Messrs. J. Harris & Co., of the New Brunswick Car Works and Rolling Mill at S. John, have been awarded a contract for one hundred six ton gondola cars for the Intercolonial Railway.

THE general store firm of Cameron & Cummings, Brandon (Man.) to which we referred last week, has assigned.----M. Keachie, a livery keeper in Winnipeg is in trouble. His affairs are said to present anything but a favorable

ONE of the ladies employed on the day force of the telephone office has been suspended by manager Mead, says the Des Moines Leader, the reason assigned being that her exhuberance cf verbiage led her to unnecessarily prolonged coaversation with subscribers.

NOBDDY has ever attempted to defend the swinging-sign abuse. It is one of those slowgoing nuisances, says the Philadelphia Record. to which people gradually become accustomed. just as a man becomes reconciled to a wen over his eye. He knows it is there, but he doesn't see it and doesn't care. How much handsomer,

nevertheless, he would be without it; and how much better our streets would look if the obnoxious signs were removed ?

THE customs, returns of Port Townsend show that British Columbia bought from the U. S. during 1884, \$1,198,981. American vessels carried exports thither to the value of \$824,049.

C. H. MARTIN, of Bedford, Que., has failed and assigned. He was formerly of the firm of Martin Bros. who began business only in the fall of 1883, and shortly after dissolved. Liabilities not yet ascertained.

FRESH lobsters in the shell were selling on the streets of Shediac last Saturday. The Yarmouth Packing Co. are getting four hundred lobster traps made and will have them put out in a few days. This company is located at Point du Chene, N. B. where they intend to ship lobsters green by rail to Boston during the season.

MB. D. H. CHARLES, who has been manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Dundas since 1877, has been appointed to the management of the Woodstock branch of that bank. He was presented, on leaving Dundas, with a complimentary address and a substantial testimonial.

THE Toronto Manufacturing Company, which suspended operations about Christmas last year, has again begun the production of stoves. The company has been thoroughly reorganized and is now, we are told, in good shape for the fall season's business, of which it has good prospects of getting its share.

For the month ending April 30th three vessels eleared from Burrard Inlet, B.C., with lumber, going to Shanghai, Melbourne and Buenos Ayres, and carrying 2,066,930 feet rough, 20,845 feet timber and green lumber, 920 bdls. lath and 31,555 feet pickets, of the value in all of \$22-542,37.

THE number of envelopes manufactured yearly in Great Britain is estimated at 700,000,000, while in the United States they amount to 2,500,-000,000. If hand-labour were employed to do the work now done by machines simply in making envelopes, taking no account of the printing done by some of them, the services of 275,000 work people would be required.

THE annual meeting of the Chicago Produce Exchange was held on the 18th inst. It has a membership of 488, assets amounting to \$16,-695, a total expenditure for last year of \$5,000 and a total income for the same period of \$6,087. George W. Linn, the newly elected president, was installed. The board of directors re-elected N. C. Orvis treasurer and R. M. Littler secretary.

THE manager of the Toronto Paper Co. made an acceptable present to the troops at the front when a few days ago he had sent a package containing several reams of paper, with envelopes and pencils, to each of the regiments. These parcels were forwarded from Cornwall to the militia department at Ottawa, and thence to the front, with consignments of war material and supplies.

At present, says the Kingston News, none of the iron-ore mines in Frontenac county are being worked, as the trade is very dull. In January last it looked very bright, but at present it is as flat as it has been for years, and there is now no telling when mining operations will be begun. Mr. Roberts last week found that there was fine ore on three sides and bottom of the shaft just sunk on his new mine at Bristol, Que.

WE are told of a recent test of agricultural implements in which American and Canadian came into competition, and the Canadian received the preference. Sample binders from the United States and Canada were forwarded to South America for inspection, and the preference has been given to the Canadian machine, at the same price. An order was received by cable on the 12th instant for fifty Brantford grain binders, which will constitute four car loads.

LAST week was held in this city the annual meeting of the Merritton cotton company. The report stated that owing to the company's large expenditure on its premises and in new machinery it had been thought advisable not to declare a dividend. The manufactures of the company were, in growing demand and were giving satisfaction. The election of directors resulted as follows : P. Hughes, president ; B. B. Hughes and Thos. Long, vice-presidents ; J. H. Hunter, W. F. Kiely, T. Lailey, R. J. Walker and H. H. King.

UNDER the head of silver mining, the Aylmer, Que. Times notes that Mr. Edward Wright, of Hull, is going into mining on an extensive scale in the village of Temiscamingue, where he has a rich silver mine. The mining machinery wen^t up the C. P. R. to Mattawa a fortnight ago. The ore will be taken by boat from Temiscamingue to Mattawa and from thence to its destination by rail. "This makes two mines now in active operation in this country, and a third one, the silver mine in the township of Onslow, will, we believe, be opened out this spring."

A WARNING is given by the Port Hope Times which farmers might do well to heed. It relates to buying shoddy goods from peddlers. There is a class of flying "merchants" going about the counties of Durham and Peterboro'; it appears these fellows are disposing of inferior goods at superior prices to innocent people. It is said that people residing in the northern townships of Hastings have been "bled" by these vendors. The *Times* properly advises thus: Pay no attention to the "truck" or the stranger who hawks it, but buy goods from your home merchant.

F. B. BERNARD was the cash-book keeper in the head office of the Bank of Montreal. Having developed a taste tor luxuries which could not be maintained on his salary as a clerk, he helped himself to the funds of the bank and was not detected till something like \$1,200 had been taken. The sheriff's officer told a *Star* reporter that Bernard's chambers on McGill College avenue were furnished with silk velvet curtains, expensive furniture, costly bric-a-brac, supboards with plenty of good cigars, wines and liquors, and portraits of reigning beauties in the theatrical world, pipes and walking sticks of all assortments. The Guarantee Company of N.A. had a policy on him.

An enterprise of much importance, as well as of novelty and interest, has been begun at No. 66 Front st. east, in this city, by Mr. Daniel Shanonn, late of Montreal. It is that of a creamery or butter factory, run by steam power. The milk, as it comes from the farmers in covered cans, is put through the "Delaval Separator." in which ingenious machine, run at high speed, the cream is separated from the milk, by centrifugal motion, and each runs away from the separator in a separate stream. Next the cream is removed to a cellar and churned into butter. the quality of which as shown to us, was admirable. It is to be hoped that Mr. Shannon may meet with the success which a move in this needed direction richly deserves.

MAUBILLE BESNER, of St. Justin de Newton, was a farmer, in a fair way, able at any rate to support his somewhat numerous family in comfort. But two years ago he foolishly embarked in storekeeping, for which purpose he sold his farm. After paying some small debts he had about \$2,500 in cash, which he invested in a store, and the goods to stock it. Starting without experience, and being possessed of little education, it was only reasonable to suppose that

his success would be unlikely. The unfavorable predictions made at the time of his start have been verified by his assignment the other day to a firm of Montreal accountants. He has to begin life anew and is soured by his experience as a "merchant."

Among the "curiosities of commerce," writes the Kimberley (South Africa) correspondent of the London Times, none, perhaps, is more curious than that the major portion of the produce exported from South Africa is simply used for the adornment of ladies. Out of a total value exported of £7,500,000, ostrich feathers and diamonds account for £5,000,000. Twenty years ago all known diamonds had come to Europe or the United States from immemorial Eastern stocks or from the scanty produce of mines in Brazil and elsewhere, which were calculated to yield not more than £50,000 worth in thelyear. To-day, situated in the midst of a widestretching plain affording at all points a sea-line horizon of flat "veldt," we find this town of Kimberley with a large European population of wealthy and well-to-do people, and a large native population earning every year more than £1,-000.000 in wages. And from this mining oasis in the agricultural desert has been sent in the last 15 years something like £40,000,000 worth of diamonds in the rough, which, with the cost of cutting, setting, and selling, must have taken from the pockets of consumers something approaching £100,000,000.

A GANG of what appear to be old-country exconvicts made a simultaneous attempt, in Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, and other Canadian points, on Tuesday last, to raise money on forged circular notes. The man who tried it on in Hamilton, described as being very bald, wearing shepherd's plaid trowsers and a lavender tie, got no cash. Neither did those operating in Montreal, but were arrested instead. In this city, however, a bogus note of £50 on the National Bank of Scotland was cashed by the B. B. N. A., and another by the Federal Bank. It is satisfactory to know that the rascals, Thomas White and Bent, alias Powell, were caught by detectives on Wednesday at a hotel in Cobourg. In Montreal, two of the gang, named Box and Hall, tried the same game at the B. B. N. A., offering one out of some dozens of National Bank of Scotland circular notes, which bore the names of G. L. Rorie, pro manager, and J. Duncan pr accountant. In Chicago too, they made an attempt on Tuesday, when H. W. Strong managed to get £50 out of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. The whole scheme was cleverly laid and it is to the credit of our bank officials and detective police that wherever in the Dominion they did succeed in raising any money, they were nabbed the same day.

AT a meeting of the creditors of R. F. Killaly, hardware merchant, of Cannington, lately held, a compromise of 70 cents on the dollar was accepted. He has been in trouble ever since the failure of Messrs. Wm. Thomson & Co.--Jno. Thom, a cigar manufacturer in Hamilton has called his creditors together for the 17th prox., when it is thought a compromise will be effected. Liabilities are placed at \$5,000; his wife and a Montreal house being the principal creditors. Some weeks ago we made reference to the affairs of P. Learn & Son, founders, Ridgeway. -Mrs. Doyle, Their failure is now announced.---who kept a small dry goods store in this city, has been closed out by bailiff-An assignment has been made by Quetton St. George and Co., wine and liquor merchants in this city, to Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson, who is at present busy preparing a statement.----H. J. Squires, a grocer in Warkworth, has failed, and after the landlord's claim has been satisfied there will be little, or nothing, for other credit-

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No.

-A small fancy goods dealer in Berlin, S. OTR. O. Erb, by name, has assigned.--- The creditors of Jno. Latimer, a store keeper in Durham, were surprised to be notified of his assignment. He removed from Priceville a month ago .-Fred. Murphy, doing a large dairy business in Hamilton, has assigned. He is said to own real estate, more or less mortgaged, worth about \$60,000, and cattle worth from \$6,000 to \$7,000. -A bailiff has disposed of the stock of shoes belonging to J. Wills of Hamilton.---J. F. Byrne, who manufactured gas machines in this city, has assigned. He was supposed to be doing well.

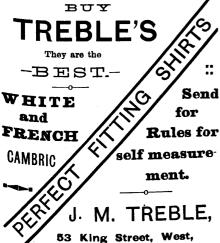
STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTBRAL, May 20th, 1885.

STOCKS.	Highest Point in Week.	Lowest Point in Week.	Transao'n in Week.	Bellers.	Buyers.	Average Price like date 1684.
Montreal						
" x.d.	194 1	193	680	1941	193	1881
Ontariox.d.					106	103
People's				60	56	57
MOISON'S		113	4	114	1113	109
Toronto x.d.		176	28	177	176	174
480. Cartier	60		14			
Merchants r d.	111	110	163	1114	1107	
Commerce	1221	122	268	123	122	123
Union				59		
Federal						
Mon. Tel.	123	122	437	124	123]	
Dom. Tel.						
Alch &O	58	56		58	57	61
City Pass	115		235	1154	· · · · · · · · · ·	121
UBS.	1813			1813		
C. Pacific R. R.	41	40	150	42		
N.W. Land				3 9	361	473
Mon. Cotton					'	
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Quebec Agent, ROBT. MITCHELL, P. O. Box 575.



TORONTO. COR. OF BAY,

MB. ROBERT DONALDSON, of Glasgow, who is one of the largest iron masters of Great Britain, and largely interested in Canadian Pacific investments, has just made, with his party, a tour in the United States. They reached Toronto on Tuesday last, where they were met by Mr. William Cassils of the Montreal Telegraph Co. directorate, and Mr. Charles Cassils, of the wellknown wholesale house of Cochrane, Cassils & Co., who escorted the party as far as Montreal in the Saskatchewan, the directors' car of the C. P. R.

-Still another great Ocean Steamship Com--Still another great Ocean Steamship Com-pany, the "Orient," announces that, owing to unsatisfactory business during the year past, it is obliged to pass its usual dividend. The "Orient" is an Australian line. Part of their losses during the year was the disaster of the *Austral.* Still the Company has a reserve fund of £140,000, and apart from its inability to make any return to its shareholders, its financial position is far from being an uncomfortable one.

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tions among the "small bosses" Chief Clerk (to head of establishment)—Good morning, Mr. Largewealth. Head of establishment—Good morning Mr.

Smith.

Second Chief Clerk (to chief clerk)-Good morning Mr. Smith ; pleasant morning. Chief Clerk—Morning, Brown.

Ordinary Clerk (to second chief clerk-Good orning, Mr. Brown. Glad to see you looking morning, Mr. Brown. Glad to see you looking so well this morning, sir. Second Chief Clerk—Ya-a-s. Hang up my

coat, Jones.

Office Boy (to ordinary clerk)—Good morning ir. Jones. Can I do anything for you this Mr. Jones.

Ordinary Clerk—Hustle around lively now, and get things in shape. You ain't worth the

nd ges tillige if shape. Fou and sworth and powder to blow you up. Negro Porter (to office boy)—good mawnin', James. How's yer health dis mawnin'. Office Boy—Come, you black nigger, get down stairs and sweep out the basement, or I'll report

you.

The negro porter then goes down stairs and abuses the eat.

-A gentleman who was blessed with a musical son-in-law, on seeing a joke to the effect that "the musician, like the cook, makes his bread out of "doh," remarked :---"That may be so in some instances, but in my case the musician makes his bread out of me."

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THE SITUATION.

The charge at Batoche by which the enemy was dislodged, broken and dispersed, followed by the capture of Riel the insurgent leader, practically put an end to the organized resistance of the Halfbreeds. Numbers of the fugitives have since surrendered to General Middleton. Gabriel Dumont and a few Indians and Halfbreeds escaped and declined to surrender. Dumont is much a more redoubtable warrior than Riel; but he can never again collect any formidable force of Halfbreeds to make a stand against the government. He will probably join the forces of Poundmaker and try to keep up the flames of an Indian war. The opinion that Col. Otter made a serious mistake in attacking Poundmaker on his reserve gathers strength ; it has found an organ in Lord Melgund and is almost certainly shared by General Middleton. That the attack was made without orders is distinctly stated ; and in that case Col. Otter has committed a serious breach of military discipline. General Middleton will proceed to Battleford and take command, and it re mains to be seen whether Col. Ottor will be called to account by a court martial. The Indians are now the most dangerous foes we have; and they have been plundering Hudson Bay Company's stores as far north as Arthabaska. But they had not then heard of the capture of Riel. Many white prisoners in the hands of Indians, have still to be rescued.

The Minerve, which ought to be good authority on the point, states that an agreement for the joint possession of the North Shore Railway by the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific has been signed by both companies. The details of the agreement are not given. A third line might have produced competition which will now be absent; but there is certainly no need of a third railway between Montreal and Quebec, and its construction would involve a waste of capital. To build it would be to repeat the folly of the promoters of the Nickel Plate over again, with infinitely less chance of success, and that misplaced enter-Prise led to two of the three rival roads, the Nickel Plate being one of them, going into

public interest, to be closely scrutinized. The advocates of a third railway cling tenaciously to the ruined fortunes of the lost cause: some of them desire a colonization road to run a considerable distance to the north, and others imagine that the drooping fortunes of the ancient city of Quebec can be revived by means of a new road. It would be criminal folly, if it could be prevented, to throw away capital on a third line when there is not enough business for two to do.

Speculative business, on Wall street, is at present almost dead. Investment business, on the other hand, is booming. One house states that its business thus far this year, in handling capital for investment, is far in advance of 1884; another, that its April business is the largest it has ever done. Money is abundant, as the statement of the Associated Banks of New Yorks hows-their surplus reserve being \$57,416,050 against over \$7,000,000 a year ago-and where the secur rity is undoubted and the rate of discount unusually low. In one case a loan was made at four months at 2 per cent. per annum, secured by gilt edged bonds. Mercantile paper was quoted in New York on the 20th at 31 to 4 for first class double-named and 41 to 5 for single-named.

The Bank of England rate for money which had stood at $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. since the 19th March last, was reduced on the 7th inst. to 3 per cent. Rates in Lombard St. for short loans remained, at the latter date, at 3 to 1 per cent., borrowers finding their wan s readily supplied at these rates.

The decrease of gold in the national Treasury, at Washington, which keeps pace with the increase of silver, is creating some anxiety in commercial circles. Since January 1884, the decrease in gold not covered by certificates is \$36,538,586 and the increase of silver for which certificates are not out is \$26,870,047. In New York, more silver than gold certificates are received in payment of duties. In this way gold runs out of the treasury faster than it runs in. The situation is not reassuring ; and so long as \$2.000,000 of silver is coined every month the danger must continue to increase.

THE ATLANTIC AND PACIFIC PORTS OF THE C. P. R.

At the Pacific terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the road has been extended some miles beyond the point to which the navigable waters reach. And now there is a project for carrying it, on the Atlantic, as far as Louisburg. Sir John Macdonald, in a random sort of way it is time, once mentioned that as the objective point on the east. The notion that the shortening of the ocean passage, at the expense of length of railway, is desirable, is a delusion which an American engineer, Mr. Alfred F Sears, has disproved by reference to a very wide experience. Mr. Sears, whose paper, read before the American Society of Engineers and the hands of receivers. The details of the printed in Bradsheet's, deduces from a large country than its rival. Glasgow, on the

body of facts these conclusions : "That the commercial port of a region will be as close to the producer as it is possible to go, and obtain reasonably good facilities for the class of transportation demanded by the produce of the country." That "the producer of a given region, whether artisan or farmer, will deliver his wares at such point as will entail on him the least cost of transportation," "the port that he can reach by the shortest road." And that "the agents of the consumers, the merchants who send the crops abroad and import the goods they barter in exchange, are the men who jostle each other in the marts, who push into the interior of a country to get as near the fields of produce as they can reach." The ignoring of these fasts, for facts they are, and the attempt to establish new maritime ports, at points which insure a shortening of the ocean voyage, have been the cause of an immense waste of capital. Given the shortest ocean distance and an excellent harbor, and you seem to have the basis of a demonstration of the success of the route so favored. Engineers fall into the trap and capitalists follow, with the invariable result that the engineer's expectations are falsified by the event and the capitalists lose their money. The evidence adduced by Mr. Sears is very strong, and we apprehend that nothing that can be opposed to it would greatly lessen its force.

Let us take a glance at some of the facts by which Mr. Sears supports his conclusion. Boston is twenty-four hours nearer than New York to Liverpool ; and at the birth of ocean steam navigation, Boston assured itself that it would come off victor in the race. That city had in its favor besides the supposed odds of a short ocean passage, abundance of capital, a highly intelligent population, the reputation for the highest commercial honor, the purest of municipal governments. It seemed to be forgotten that the problem had already been settled in favor of New York when the business across the Atlantic was done by sailing vessels, New York having already attained to three times the population of Boston. Mr. Sears is no doubt correct in giving as the reason of the disparity in the growth of the two cities, that New York is two hundred miles nearer the heart of the country than Boston. Philadelphia, on the Delaware, is one hundred and twenty miles from the ocean ; but all attempts to establish rival cities nearer the great highway of nations have failed. Baltimore, one hundred and eight miles from Hampton Roads, continues to hold its own. Immense sums have been spent at Port Royal, which is nearer the sea, in the attempt to carry off the prize of the business of Charleston and Savannah; and if Charleston does not progress Port Royal remains an insignificant shipping station. Savannah was threatened by a second rival, Brunswick, in Georgia, where there is the superior advantage of twenty two feet of water ; but though capital was profusely spent on this object the threat Jacksonville, Florida, withproved vain. out being much of a place, beat Fernandina on the harbor of which immense sums of public money were spent, because it was twenty eight miles nearer the heart of the Clyde, owes its growth and prosperity to its position at the head of navigation. Altona, on the Elbe, was started as a rival of Hamburg, because it was situated near the ocean; but the experiment shared the fate which has befallen so many others of a like kind.

The same law is found to hold on the Pacific coast, where we are repeating once more the experiment which has so often Astora, situated a few miles failed. from the bar of the Columbia river, was once believed to be the great future city of this region ; Astoria now contains 3,000 inhabitants, while Portland, situated a hundred miles further up the river, contains 40,000. Fourteen years ago capitalists determined that the Columbia terminus of the Northern Pacific railway, sixty miles above Astoria, should be made the commercial port of the great river system. At Kalama, where the railway and the river connected. the future city was mapped out. Corner lots sold for \$3,000 each ; water lo's brought so much per hundred feet. Now the churches for a while well filled, are deserted, and a corner of the Grand Hotel serves the purposes of jail and court house. "And yet," says Mr. Sears, "this bubble was the scheme of men eminent for wisdom. It was inspired by great engineers and accepted by intelligent capitalists. Nor can there be a doubt of the uprightness of intention when we consider the high character of the men who gave the project their approval and practical endorsement." And Kalama is but one of several similar experiments that have sprung from the womb of North-Western enterprise.

Mr. Sears shows that "the trade of a country will not cross a great valley even to reach a market of first importance. It will create centres of exchange in such valleys or having reached them will follow down their course to a port." It remains to be seen whether this law will vindicate itself in the case of the Saskatchewan valley : nothing will prevent it but the difficulty of the navigation of Hudson's Bay and Straits. "In the North-West," says Mr. Sears, "the relation of Portland on the Willamette to Puget Sound closely resembles that existing between the ports of New York and Boston. Portland occupies the site of a great commercial center for an immense region. A11 the country west of the Rocky mountains tributary to the Northern Pacific Railroad and seeking an outlet on the coast will, on going westward, make Ainsworth, at the mouth of Snake river on the Columbia, a common point of departure for Puget sound as for Portland ; from Ainsworth the trade will either descend the great valley or, proceeding along the projected line of railroad, cross the Cascade range and enter a Puget Sound harbor." Whether the principle involved in the following has any bearing on the location of our own Pacific line, considered as a choice between different routes, we leave it to engineers to say :-- "Here occurs a problem the solution of which is peculiarly the duty of the civil engineer. The lineal distance from Ainsworth to Puget sound differs but little from the distance to Portland. In this case there is a descent of more than 300 hundred feet along the Columbia

other a summit of 2,400 feet is to be overcome, besides the curvatures of a sinuous mountain line and the increased cost of constructing a line with fairly practicable grades. These resistances, to be encountered in operating, the engineer will equate with their value in level tangent before determining which terminus is most accessible to the interior. In looking over the American seacoast it is difficult to find room for more speculations of this class than those now presented in the extreme North-West."

At the Pacific terminus of the Canadian railway the extension to the ocean from the original location is not great; but it remains to be seen whether here, as well as elsewhere, the general law which controls the location of maritime ports, will not vindicate itself. It may be regarded as certain that the extension of the line, at the east, would fail to build up a city at Louisburg, and that the expenditure would be a pure waste of capital.

THE RECIPROCITY QUESTION.

Some movement looking to reciprocity between the United States and Canada is said to be on foot. The fact shows that the new administration at Washington is not indisposed to consider the subject. But the administration, without the co-operation of the Senate, cannot perfect a treaty, and when the negotiation is complete, a treaty cannot go into effect till the House of Representatives signifies its approval by passing the necessary enabling bill. The late Secretary of State, Mr. Frelinghuysen, had a passion for negotiating commercial treaties. He set on foot an ambitious scheme the object of which was to include the whole South and Central America among the nations with which the United States would form international agreements for the purpose of fostering trade. Several such treaties were negotiated, but not one of them went into effect. In only one did the Senate concur, and to enable it to go into effect the House failed to pass the necessary bill. The consent of the executive alone does not go far in this matter. The combined imports of South and Central America amount in value to \$293,400,000, of which only \$47,-000,000 is purchased from the United States. Europe supplies five-sixths of the whole amount. England sends \$51,235,000 to these countries including the British West Indies, and the United States only \$3,899,400. In forming treaties with these countries, the United States would be rowing violently up stream ; the tendency of the trade being all in another direction.

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arrangement ends, there must either be exclusion of the Americans from the shore fishery or a license to enable the fishermen to make use of it. Some inconvenience might be put up with for one season, if an arrangement coald be completed before the next.

In the case of Canada the pressure of necessity is felt which does not exist in respect of Central or South America. The United States does not desire access to the coast fisheries of any of these countries; in their case there are not the same motives for urgency. Statesmen who deal with practical questions, the settlement of which is pressing, in preference to ambitious schemes formed on a general plan, are more likely to take up the Canadian case first. But what will be the upshot of any negotiations that may now be going on, nothing but the event can adequately assure us.

TARIFF AMENDMENT.

The more or less arbitrary changes made in the Tariff are still the subject of complaint by various classes of importers. One does not wonder that a tariff newly framed should develop some anomalies and that it should take two or three years to rectify mistakes or to adjust incongruities. But the tariff was begun in 1878, and we are now in 1885, and still these abrupt changes continue, to the annoyance of importers, and to serve no good purpose, so far as can be seen.

For example, a manufacturer of hoopskirts and corsets tells us that certain metal goods, which are not made in this country but are necessary to his business, while once free were in 1879 charged 20 per cent., and afterwards 25 per cent., but are now charged 30 per cent., an example of "protection" which he finds difficult to understand. Suspenders are charged, for purposes of protection, with a duty of 35 per cent. But the materials required in the manufacture of suspenders pay from 20 to 25 per cent., so that the margin is found too small for encouragement.

Carriages made in foreign countries, are charged, since 18th May, 1883, with a duty of 35 per cent.; sleighs and cutters at the rate of 30. The duty was made thus heavy probably, to shut out American goods of this character. Further, as a measure intended to discourage the buying of American carriages, it was a recent enactment that "parts of carriages or of other finished articles shall be charged with the same rate of duty, on a proportionate valuation, as that [chargeable upon the finished article." The intention was to make an extra wheel or an extra pair of shafts imported, say, for an American buggy, pay the same rate of duty as a complete buggy paid. But this was an awkward addition, and defeats its purpose in so far as, when a Canadian maker of carriages buys in the United States for use in his business some sorts of carriage hardware, carriage trimming, or a patent appliance which had hitherto paid only 25 per cent., the vigilant customs' interpreter pounces upon him with a demand for 35 per cent. duty, on the ground that such articles are parts of carriages, within the meaning of the Act!

But to come to a more recent date, let us

consider the memorandum issued by the Commissioner of Customs to collectors, bearing date 1st April last. The first item referred to under dutiable goods is wincey ; and it will be remembered that a number of representative merchants came to an understanding with the government that a duty on winceys of 2 cents per sq. yd. and 15 per cent. would satisfy the trade. What was the general surprise when official Memo. No. 381 came from Ottawa making the duty on "checked, striped or fancy COTTON winceys over 25 inches wide, a specific duty of 2 cents per square yard and fifteen per cent. ad valorem," whereas the third item was "winceys of all kinds not otherwise provided for, $22\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. ad valorem," the amendment to repeal all that related to winceys in the Act 44th Victoria. The word COTTON, interpolated we know not how nor why, was a clear blunder. And now Mr. Fraser, the Appraiser, says he will make this troublesome error all right by a circular. Query, can a departmental circular alter the application of an act of Parliament? We should think an order-in-council more like the necessary authority, if Parliament rises in the meantime. The selection of some one article out of a class, or a particular trade, and imposing upon it a heavy duty is a proceeding which does not commend itself to the business mind.

Again, item No. 30 in this list declares that on "towels of every description 25 per cent. ad valorem" must be paid. But it is necessary for Canadian merchants to be ready with an answer to a conundrum here, thus: "When is a towel not a towel?" Answer: "When it is a towelling." That is, when it forms part of a continuous web of a fabric used for towels. The 25 p.c ad val. does not, we are informed, include towellings by the piece, even though they may be sub-divided by coloured borders and only require cutting to be made into towels.

Still another instance : Item No. 5 places the duty on cutlery, not otherwise provided for, at 25 per cent. But if a pocket-knife, which is "cutlery," happen to have a nickel plated handle, it becomes, we are told, "plated ware" and is subject to another rate of duty, namely, 30 per cent.

These are specimens given us of very many changes and refinements in the interpretation of the Customs Act. We must frankly say that we cannot see the use of such chopping and changing. With every desire to make allowance for the difficulty of administering an avowedly protective tariff, and for the coaxings and threatenings of politcal friends or foes, we still think that a resolute stand against petty or annoying alterations might by this time be made. The more often changes are announced, the less likely are the importers of this country to secure the uniformity of interpretation and valuing which is so much needed.

DISASTROUS BANKING CONDONED.

The Traders' Bank of Canada, we are told, is bound to go on, under the management of Mr. H. S. Strathy. From four to five hundred thousand dollars of its stock has been subscribed in different parts of Ontario, a call has been made, and in millions," as Joe Howe put it, condescend premises, we believe, have been '

rented. It is an astonishing proof of the shortness of memory amongst the business public that thus much should be possible. It is further an indication of unsound business views and laxity of commercial ethics, to find men of capital amongst us so ready to condone serious wrong doing. Do the gentlemen who subscribe stock in the Traders' Bank and allow their names to be used as probable directors of it see nothing improper in acting on a board with the manager who was notoriously a heavy speculator in shares of the institution which he managed ? The courts of at least two provinces are still busy adjusting the affairs of the Exchange Bank. Parts of the country are still feeling the effect of the difficulties of the Federal Bank. The remaining banks, which were harassed in consequence of the entanglements produced by bad banking in both, have scarcely got matters into even tenor again. Business men who were made bankrupt by these two institutions, and investors whose incomes depended more or less upon them, are before our eyes, in need, because of their losses; and yet people can be found, so short a time afterward, to put their thousands into the control of the man who is primarily responsible for the Federal Bank's difficulties, who would not be advised by cooler heads; would not be controlled by old-fashioned ideas of prudence and method ; refused to see danger in speculative ventures, or evil in little machines to evade the law ; persisted in sowing the wind until he reaped the whirlwind, and over two millions of capital were swallowed up in its course.

It is not without skill of a certain kind that the Traders' Bank scheme has been pushed so far forward ; not without adroitness that the gullibility of the public and the foibles of individuals have been played Promiupon. nent business men have been urged to accept directorships in it. Others have been told that there is need for yet another bank which shall be more liberal in certain directions than any of those now existing. Capitalists have been assured that a radical change has come over the views and methods of Mr. Strathy, that he sees where he has been wrong and has "turned over a new leaf." That the gentleman named is penitent, we can readily understand, but his sudden conversion into a prudent banker is a matter far more difficult of belief. We deny, besides, the need of more banks to do the legitimate business of the country. It is bad enough, surely, that men should risk the loss of their money by placing it in hands so little likely to use it with discretion. But this is not the worst of the matter. Even if the shareholders make a direct loss of their contributed capital, there will fall to be added to such a mishap the still greater disasters of financial disturbance. curtailment of credit, calling in of loans, such as ensued last year when the run upon the Federal Bank began. Does any one pretend that there is no danger of such a result? He has only to jog his memory and use his common sense.

If the question be asked-and it has been -how can Mr. Strathy, a man "who thinks to conduct operations on so small a scale as

\$500,000 subscribed, with a per centage called in? How will he manage to secure the stock-brokers' accounts, which he so much affects? how establish branches from Essex Centre to the Bay of Quinte, upon so slender a basis as \$100,000, \$200,000, or \$300,000 paid in-and part of that, probably, in notes-The answer is plain. The deposits of the people are expected to flow into the coffers of this new bank, they always do, somehow, when an extra rate of interest is offered by "liberal" banks. But we are not without hope that Canadian depositors have learned some lessons in the past few years, among them the old one that high interest usually means poor security.

HEMLOCK LUMBER.

It is quite time that Canadians should give more attention than heretofore to the value of hemlock for building purposes. We have abundance of this wood in our forests, and we ought to make use of it, now that first quality pine is no longer so plentiful, for hemlock is a good wood, with respect to toughness, strength and durability. Its use in bill-stuff, already growing in the United States, is hindered amongst ourselves because, being heavier than pine, more apt to splinter and not so free to work, it is less pleasant for the mechanic to handle. But we shall have to come to it, and may as well begin now, for our pine will not last for ever.

In New York State, where good hemlock is to be had, builders are using it largely, pine having become scarce and high in price. In Pennsylvania, too, now that the pine trees are nearly gone, the formerly despised hemlock comes to the front. The Hemlock lumber dealers and manufacturers in that State have formed themselves into an association to regulate the trade in hemlock lumber. "After the hemlock has been used up by the tanneries and the mills, the lumber business in Pennsylvania," says the Record, of Philadelphia, "will come to a standstill. For many years past it has been carried on with a ruthless disregard of sanitary and economic considerations which future generations will find ample reason to regret." In Muskoka, thousands of fine hemlock trees have been cut down for the back and left on the ground to rot. It is high time this improvident waste were arrested.

-THEEE hundred and thirty thousand bushels of grain; twenty-two thousand barrels of flour; two hundred and four thousand pounds of flax and grass seed; four hundred and sixty-four thousand of cured meass; one hundred and thirty-four thousand of lard; one hundred and seventeen thousand of wool, came into Chicago on the lat day of May. At the same date, says Daily Business, the stocks of provisions in store at that city compared with April 30, 1884, as reported to the Board of Trade, were as follows April 80,

884 1,929
8,830
8,318
5,664
8,087
4,634
19,634
73,498
0,869
7,198

BANKING REVIEW.

The figures of the April bank statement will be found in condensed form below, and are compared with those for the previous month:

CANADIAN BANK STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

LL	BILITIES.		
Comital anthonias d	April, 1885.		
Capital authorized Capital paid up	\$71,896,666 61,688 520	\$71,896,666 61,664,110	1
Reserved Funds	18,373,100	18,323,100	
			8
Notes in Circulation	28,491,693	29,791,262	1
Dominion & Provin-	6 904 404		
cial Gov't deposits Deposits held to se-	6,304,404	6,841,447	8
care Government			•
contracts and for			t
Insurance Co's	522,968	581,42 0	8
Public deposits on			1
demand Public deposits after	41.475,748	40,587,556	
notice	50,568,828	50,710,196	
Bank loans or de-		00,110,100	
posits from other			
banks secured	21,000	21,000	0
Bank loans or de- posits from other			18
banks unsecured	1,053,920	841,368	18
Due other banks in	-,000,000	011,000	
Canada	1,593,590	1,425,654]]
Due other banks in	110 100	101.0.0	1
Foreign Countries Due other banks in	113,103	161,6.2	8
Great Britain	1,445,532	1,048,102	t
Other liabilities	194,093	184,517	
			I
Total liabilities	\$131,794,860	\$132,224,144	8
	ASSETS.		9
Specie	\$ 6,592,130	\$ 7,029,817	0
Dominion notes	9,950,823	10,827,090	t
Notes and cheques of			1
other banks Due from other b'nks	4,639,887	4,599,866	8
in Canada	2,606,309	2,692,042	1
Due from other b'nks	2,000,000	2,052,012	6
in for'gn countries	8,463,473	8,187,183	Ľ
Due from other b'nks	0.405.051	•	
in Great Britain	2,427,871	2,728 975	
Immediately avail-			
able assets	\$ 34,680,493	\$ 36,064,973	
Dominion governm't			1
debent. or stock.	1,055,699	1,519,452	e t
Public sec rit's other than Canadian	1,889,051	1 202 522	J
Loans to Dominion	1,000,001	J,383 ,533	lĭ
& Prov. Gov	5,216,475	4,090,055	e
Loans on stocks,			8
bonds or deben	12,534,073	12,364,588	18
Loans to municipal corporations	1,348,691	1,312,320	8
Loans to other cor-	1,010,001	1,012,020	
porations	17,740,181	17,112,648	e
Loans to or deposits			le
made in other banks secured	99,154	380,478	r i
Loans to or deposits	99,104	280,478	r
made in other			e
banks unsecured	376,494	211,404	6
Discounts current	125,172,154	125,045,807	0
Overdue paper unse- cured	8 107 147	9 050 000	r
Other overdue debts	3,127,167	3,258,26 3	V
unsecured	23,682	52,869	t
Notes and debts		,	d
overdue secured	2,579,124	2,735,750	u i
Real estate Mortgages on real	1,254,632	1,292,130	n
estate sold	872,481	874,225	e
Bank premises	8,221,479	3,212,448	g
Other assets	1,881,121	1,89+,722	0
			y
Total assets	\$213,072,154	¥212,805,681	a
Average amount of specie held during			
the month	6,500,430	6,994,138	81
Av. Dom. notes do	10,243,844	10,967,559	3
Loans to Directors	0.080.010		w 9
or their firms	8,950,816	8,989,550	9 0
We remark here	a decline of	\$1,300,000	\$
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in circulation. This may be accounted for by farmers ceasing to market their wheat when the news of probable war arrived. That event not having taken place, we shall probably find the circulation going up again Manager of Government Railways.

in June, when our farmers have finished seeding. Gover. ment deposits are half a million less, while public deposits have gone up \$720,000. But we must defer further comment till next week.

MANITOBA EXEMPTION ACT.

An Act has just been passed by the Legislature of Manitoba which should rouse the earnest attention of merchants, bankers, and all others who have debts due them in the North-West. It approaches very nearly to a measure of confiscation. The present Exemption Act is comparatively harmless; but the Act just passed actually exempts from seizure real estate under occupation to the value of \$2,500, and furniture to the value \$500 It also abolishes judgment summons. An exemption like this would practically operate to protect almost everyone from his credit rs, and prevent recovery of debts at all. If it simply applied to all future transactions, traders and all persons who give credit could shape their course accordingly. Its unreasonableness would soon be demonstrated by the curtailment of credit, and stoppage of business. But it is worse than this. It applies to existing debts, and it applies to them in such a way as practically to abolish them. All classes in Manitoba that credit are interested. All the wholesale dealers who have debts due to them by parties in Manitoba are interested. Every bank in the Dominion is interested. strong, united, and vigorous attempt should be made to get this iniquitous measure disallowed.

THE RAILROADS OF CANADA.*

From the "RAILROAD GAZETTE."

Canada is the country of light railroad The average earnings per mile of earnings. the 9,575 miles in operation for the year to June 30, 1884, as reported by the Chief Engineer and General Manager of the Gov erument Railways, were \$3,491 per mile, against \$7,461 for the railroads of the United States in the last year reported. The Can-ada Southern led, with \$10,600 per mile. Pa ts of the Grand Trunk may have exceed ed this, but the whole system is given to gether, earning an average of \$6,290 per mile. These two companies together, having 31 per cent. of the whole Canadian railroad mileage, had 60 per cent. of the total earnings, and the other 36 companies, with 6,625 miles of road, earned but \$13 313,184, or an average of \$2,010 per mile, on which railroads would starve to death almost any. where else in the world. It might he thought, perhaps, that the average is brought down by the large mileage of the new and undeveloped Canadian Pacific, but its earnings are above the average of the 36 roads, not below. Among t em all only two earn-ed more than \$3,500 per mile, and those together have but 571 miles of road. At the ther extreme are earnings per mile for the ear of \$39, \$230, \$264, \$283, \$436, \$486 nd \$510!

With these attenuated receipts, it is not surprising to find that no less than 12 of the 88 Canadian railroads did not earn their working expenses. In the aggregate the ,575 miles of road earned \$7,826,363 net, or \$817 per mile-6 per cent. on a capital of \$13,617 per mile, while the average capital of the Canadian railroads is \$58,230 per

* "Railway Statistics of Canada," for the year ending June 50, 1884, reported to the De-partment of Railways and Canals, by Colling-wood Schreiber, Chief Engineer and General

mile. The net earnings per mile of the railroads of the United States were \$2,702 per mile.

When we are asked what can have induced capitalists to put their money into such profitless enterprises, we reply that they did not. There are truly a great many buried hopes among the Canadian railroads, but not so many as would appear from the above; for of the \$557,615,069 of total capital, \$144,844,088 was contributed by the Dominion and colonial governments and by Dominion and colonial governments and by municipalities, and several lines are worked by the G vernment. Nearly every com-pany in the Dominion is reported to have received government aid of some kind, but the larger part has gone to the Canadian Pacific and its dependencies (\$85,463,478), he Intercolonial (\$42,582,232) and the numer-ous lines in the Grand Trunk (\$16,814,550) ous lines in the Grand Trunk (\$16,814,559). The latter company, with 26 per cent. of the mileage, has 45 per cent. of the total capital of the Dominion railroad system, there being \$65,000,000 of "ordinary" shares which are a great way from any dividend in the best of times, and more thau \$15,000,000 of a Government loan, which has been made su ordinate to the ordinary shares even, we believe. If we take out the Grand Trunk, the other Canadian roads have a light capital, 7,358 miles having \$204,538,981, or less than \$28,000 per mile Naturally with so light an in-come, the part of the capital represented by bonds is small—only \$11,000 a mile and not one-fifth of the whole. And more than half of these bonds are on the Grand Trunk system, while the funded debt of the other ,358 miles of road is only \$49,029,329, or \$6,664 per mile. This is largely due to the Government advances and Government railroads but most of the Canadian railroads have light mortgage debts, otherwise they could not be kept out of receivers' hands. Several have no bonds outstanding.

The Intercolonial Railway which was built and is worked by the Dominion Government and cost \$42,582,000, earned net last year the sum of \$4,956, or \$5.70 per mile. Its gross earnings are considerably above the average of Dominion roads-\$2,780 per mile. It was not built for profit primarily. The Prince Edward Island Railway, another government line, 1981 miles of 31 ft. gauge, built some 12 years ago, earned \$728 gross per mile, and netted a loss of \$91,924, or \$46 per mile.

The Canadian railroad system is in proportion to population la ger than ours, but, of course, not nearly so large in proportion to area. The number of inhabitants per against 458 in this country. The growth of the railroad system there has been of late years abou as rapid as here. From June years about as rapid as here. From Sun-30, 1880 to 1884, the increase in road in operation was from 6,891 to 9,575 miles, or 39 per cent. in Canada; from January, 1880, to January, 1884, the increase was about 40 per cent. here. From 1876 to 1884 the increase was from 5.157 ± 0.6575 miles in Canada or 86 5,157 to 9,575 miles in Canada, or 86 per cent. Here the increase from 1876 to 1884 was only 60 per cent., but it amounted to 44,800 miles, and in 1881 we built about as much railroad as the total Canadian system last June, and in 1882, 2,000 miles more. The rate of growth has not fallen off as much in Canada as in this country since 1882, the addition in 1883 84 being nearly 10 per cent. The mileage opened for traffic in Canada in each of the last eight years (ending with June) has been

Year.	Miles.
1881	. 369
1882	. 270
1883	.1,196
1884	. 849
	Year. 1881 1882 1883 1884

The railroad mileage of the single State of Illinois is nearly as large as that of the whole Dominion of Canada, but the population of Illinois is probably but a seventh or a sixth the smaller. The Illinois railroads earn more than twice as much as the Canadian roads, however. Indeed, the Massachu-

setts railroads, with only 30 per cent. of the Canadian mileage, had one-fourth more earnings.

The figures are :

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	,852
Gross earnings 33,422,204 41,450	5,977
Per mile 3.490 14	535
Net earnings 7,826,363 10,52	,785
	,692

Massachusetts has about 950 inhabitants per mile of railroad, against 400 in Canada. The gross earnings of the Canadian roads were just about equal to those of the 1,000 miles of the New York Central in 1880 and 1883, but their net earnings were nearly a fourth less than the Central's last year, and only about half as great as the Central's in 1880.

In view of the lightness of the traffic that it can afford them, Canada has been remarkably successful in providing itself with railroads. The lightness of the traffic is doubtless chiefly due to natural conditions. The older part of the country has not such a population nor industrial development as our East, and long extents of uniformly fertile country, such as there is in our own Western States, are not found there. The great forests have made an enormous amount of freight, but most of it was not moved by rail. To the north and west Western there was until lately an unbroken wilderness, and so there was little through traffic. In the great prairie country west of Winni-peg there is now opening an agricultural country which may possibly some time afford a traffic like what the roads west of Chicago get. There is much more waste to the contract of the contract There is much more waste land in the and Eastern Kansas and Nebraska, but if too many railroads are not built, there may be a heavy agricultural traffic for a considerable system there, and from the settlement and development of this new country the older Canada hopes to profit as our Eastern States have profited by the growth of our West. But so far as railroad traffic is concorned, the figures above show that a very great growth is necessary before it can be for most Canadian lines what would be thought a moderate business on this side of the border. Moreover, the Canadian railroad system has grown so much faster than the population that even a considerable increase of traffic would have left a considerably lighter traffic per mile of road. Except west of Winnipeg a very rapid growth of west of Winnipeg a very rapid growth of population, such as there often has been in our newer st tes, cannot be expected in Canada It is an old country; and new railroads east of Lake Superior either penetra e distric s already well supplied with transportation, or extended through forests where the work of bringing the soil under cultivation is necessarily very slow.

LOCAL LEGISLATION IN QUEBEC.

We have received a list of the bills sanctioned by the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec and added to the legislation of that province during the present month.

Among them is an Act amending the statute governing the department of Agriculture and Public Works; also one to facilitate the formation in Quebec of clubs for the protection of fish and game. The laws governing the Pharmaceutical Association of Quebec are to be amended and remodelled. We observe, too, that the synod of the church of England in the diocese of Quebec has been incorporated, and the act gives it powers in respect of the temporal revenues of the church.

There is in the list a new enactment respecting employees in factories, intended for the protection of their lives, limbs and general health. Considering the growth of the ar isan population in the province and the serious neglect of sanitary measures which prevails, this step was not taken too soon. In this connection we observe an Act

to amend the Act 38 Vic., Cap, 34, for the better regulation of burials.

The New England Paper Company has been incorporated; the two mill organizations known as the Hudon Cotton Mill at Hochelaga and the St. Anne Mill have been amalgamated under the name of the Hochelaga Cotton Spinning Company, and permission has been given the Magog Textile and Print Co. to borrow money and issue bonds f r the extension of its works.

Among railway enterprises concerning which legislation has been had is the Missisquoi Valley Railway, the St. John and Sorel Railway, the St. Johns city railway (chemin de fer urbain) The Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway has obtained an amendment to its charter, while the Quebec, Montmerenci and Charlebois road gets certain powers.

An "Island and City Park Railroad" is to be built in Montreal, it seems; at any rate an authorizing act has been passed. The abattoirs are under regulation hence forward by "la compagnie de l'union des Abattoirs de Montreal." Going a little further afield we come to the De Lery Gold Mines at the Chaudiere, a company to work which has been incorporated.

What appears to be the Association of retail fancy goods dealers "Societe des marchands detailleurs det nouveautes" of the Province of Quebec, has been formed. Likewise a Botanic Garden Association for Montreal. The Y. M. C. A. of the latter city has secured power to amend the Act 34 Vic. Cap 59 which incorporated it. A bill for the relief of certain persons settled upon Crown Lands, is another of those sanctioned this seesion.

PREFERENCE SUSTAINED.

The well-fought contest of Messrs. John Macdonald & Co., against the preference obtained by Messrs. Stewart & McDonald of Glasgow, over the other creditors of Gideon Morrison, late of Toronto, has reached what is, we presume, its final stage. The Supreme Court has delivered judgment dismissing the appeal of John Macdonald & Co., so that the Scottish creditors retain all the advantage which they secured by getting Morrison's concurrence to the recovery of judgment and execution by them for a large claim, which as a matter of fact was not at th t time due.

The facts are now so well known as to need but a brief recapitulation. The fact of Morrison having been in insolvent circumstances at the time the arrangement in question was made was not seriously disputed. In fact he had shewn to Stewart & McDonald's agent a statement shewing his liabilities to amount to some \$15,-000 more than the face value of his assets. In the face of such a state of affairs, without communication with other creditors, Stewart & McDonald, to whom he was indebted in all to about \$45,000, not only recovered, by the active assistance of the debtor, immediate judgments for their overdue claim -, but also recovered a further judgment for some \$32,000 of current indebtedness.

It was this latter judgment which John Macdonald & Co. sought to impeach as a preference. The case was originally tried before Mr. Justice Armour, who decided in favor of John Macdonald & Co., holding that as Stewart & Mc-Donald had themselves purchased the stock at the sheriff's sale, and that as the evidence shewed that from the beginning they contemplated such a purchase, the transaction was in effect a transfer by the debtor, while in insolvent circumstances, of his assets with the intent of giving one creditor a preference over others. This decision the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice reverseđ. The contesting creditors thereupon

carried the case into the Court of Appeal; but with a similar result, the decision of the Queen's Bench Division being upheld by the unanimous voice of the judges of the higher court. Nothing daunted, the contest was carried to the Supreme Court : but with, as we feared would prove the case, no more favorable resuit. We understand that the members of the Supreme Court are unanimous in sustaining the transaction.

Imperfect as the Creditors' Relief Act is in some respects, it is satisfactory to reflect that since its enactment it would be impossible in this Province to repeat such a transaction as that in question in this case.

TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE.

The Board of Trade Rooms in the Imperial Bank Buildings, grown of late years somewhat dingy, have now put on an appearance better suited to the increased membership and added importance of the organization. The entrance to the rooms has been altered, the stairway remodelled and the whole interior : rotunda, grain inspector's room, Secretary's room, Assembly rooms, retiring rooms, are as bright as paper, paint, gilding and a new sky-light can make them. If Sir W. P. Howland, who a quarter century ago was the president of the Board, and Mr. Erastus Wiman, at that time superintendent of what were then the Exchange Buildings, should visit these handsome premises on the occasion of their format (? festive) re-opening on Wednesday next, they could not but be pleased at the change, as they must be astonished at the growth in membership to almost three hundred. Everything at the level of the eye, and above, save, of course, the prosaic blackboards, is now so bright with color that a dusty pine floor seems incongruous and suggests encaustic tiling. The secretary, we are told, is content with modest line.eum for his room, the inspector has the heavenly constellations illustrated on his, floor by brass nails relieved against a firmament of sheet zinc, but the parlors are so radiant in modern Brussels carpets and New York upholstery that an ordinary business man wants to sand-paper his soles and put on gloves before he treads that floor. But, pleasantry apart, a much-desired improvement has been made. We observe, from the list published by the Board, that every one of the past presidents since Confederation, save two, the late A. R. McMaster and the late J. G. Worts, are still amongst us. They are Messrs. Wm. Elliot, Wm. Thomson, W. H. Howland, W. F. McMaster, A. M. Smith, A. B. Lee, R. W. E liot, J. Morison, W. B. Hamiston, G. M. Rose and the present worthy incumbent, H. W. Darling, and we trust they will all be on hand next Wednesday.

INSIDE A COTTON MILL.

A visitor to the extensive premises of the Merchants' Cotton Company, at St. Henri, near Montreal, will witness an attractive sight if he can manage to be shown through them, as we were last week, when the works are in motion. Having the good fortune to secure he manager, Mr. Walter Paine, as a guide, and to be accompanied by Mr, Cantlie, one of the agents of the mill, matters of technique were made as pleasantly intelligible to a non-artisan visitor as could possibly be expected. A proper feeling of awe is first inspired by a look at the 500-horse Harris-Corliss steam engine with its fifty-ton fly-wheel and half-human valves, "which waves its giant arms and bends its lofty strength to spin with women," with no more noise or jar than a hall-clock.

In the picking-room, 80 feet by 50, the raw

cotton is pulled to pieces, cleansed, and wound on rollers. Thence it is elevated to the roving room. The visitor, when he reaches the top flight, after a climb of fifty feet, finds this flat, 300 feet by 72, cool, airy, light, covered with a mass of moving shafting and machinery which he will not attempt to describe. Down one stair, and behold ! another vast expanse of whirling, buzzing wheels and cylinders, with bare-armed attendants here and there. Down another stair, and entering another room the length of a Hudson River steamer, here we are amongst the looms, how many hundreds of them we have forgotten, each flat more noisy than the last, each process more interesting than its predecessor. Once more descending, and we reach another weaving-room, with its hum and click; and one does not know which most to wonder at, the definess of the operatives or the antomatic accuracy of the marvellous machinery. driven by the engine yonder :

"That vanorous power, whose close-pent breath, Potent alike and prompt to great or small; Now weaves the gossamer, Beauty's fantastic tissue."

Passing by "creels" and "webs," trucks and measuring machines, we reach the bleachery, filled with tanks, vats, vapors and pungent smells; and then the finishing-room, with "fillers," folders, stampers, labels, packers Half dazed with all we have seen (and heard) the cleaning room and the boiler-room not for gotten, we reach the open sir, profoundly impressed, and with an earnest wish that our readers might, like some diable boiteux, b allowed to open the roof of such an establish ment and see for themselves the inner working of the hive of industry like that we have seen Three hundred and twenty-five, out of a staff of 400 were there at work, and it is possible that many thousands of yards of the fabrics we had seen in process, will, before this season is over be found upon the backs of our female population in the shape of Canadian printed calicoes.

INSURANCE NOTES.

—The Montreal Ocean Steamship Company (Allan Line) have recently commenced, says the Montreal Witness, a system of insurance amongst their laborers on the wharf. One cent per dollar is stopped from the men's wages, and if they are laid up through accident or illness, the men will receive \$5 per week and \$500 will be paid to their relatives in case of death.

The very sudden death of Captain Charles Perry, on Wednesday last, is a matter of sorrowful comment in insurance circles. Capt. Perry was-local agent for the Royal Canadian Insurance Company in Toronto, in which capacity he has acted with great success from the organization of the company. He was very much thought of by the insurance men of the city, among whom he was a great favorite, being not only genial but manly, and generous to a fault. His death is greatly regretted by a numerous circle of friends and acquaintances, here and elsewhere, who will miss his vigorous form and his cheery presence.

The general meeting of the Queen Insurance Company was held in Liverpool on the 7th inst., when the twenty-seventh annual report and accounts were submitted. The company's net fire premiums for the year ending 31st Dec., 1884, were $\pounds 565,883$, and the losses for the same period $\pounds 388,929$. The balance at the credit of profit and loss account is $\pounds 60,271$ 8s. 1d. from which a dividend of 10 per cent., has been declared, and the balance ($\pounds 42,267$ 18s. 1d.) carried forward. In the life department 898 policies were completed and issued for $\pounds 272,777$, yielding in new premiums $\pounds 10,002$, which is the larg-

est new premium income in the experience of the company. After paying £11,089 as each bonuses to policy-holders, the life insurance fund has been increased to £487,024.

On the 6th of the present month was held in Edinburgh the annual meeting of the Scottish Union and National Insurance Co. The report stated the profits arising to the shareholders for the past year at $\pounds 73,437$; of which $\pounds 20,017$ was interest on capital and reserve, $\pounds 20,004$ profits of fire business, and $\pounds 33,415$ the proprietors' share of the life profits of the quinquennium just ended. A dividend of 12 per cent. was declared, and a bonus of 6 per cent., the balance of $\pounds 22,574$ being placed to reserve.

Mr. D. Marshall Lang, late fire manager of the Commercial Union Insurance Company, has organized in England a new company under the name of the Victor Fire Office, limited, with a capital of £1,000,000 sterling in shares of £10 each. It is to have the good fortune to start with an income already made, as it is to absorb the Glasgow and London Fire Company. The latter has, we are informed. premium income of £180,0°0 coming mostly from foreign business. Mr. Lang, who is to have the management of the new enterprise, is a good man for the position. The articles of agreement for the purchase and amalgamation of the assets and business of the Glasgow and London were completed on the 21st April 1885. The thirteen directors require to hold each 200 shares on which all calls have been duly paid. The remuneration is £300 per annum and an additional £500 for every one per cent. of dividend The preliminary expenses are to be OVAR 10 discharged upon a novel principle. The shares from Nos. 1 to 30, are to be distinguished as Founders' Shar s, and the holders of these will pay all preliminary expenses up to the allotment pro rata. Nearly half the capital is subscribed, we are told, without any appeal to the public.

-Woodstock Board of Trade.-This board assembled, in annual meeting, on the 12th inst., Mr. John White, president, in the chair, when the report for the year 1884 was submitted. The council congratulates the board on its influence in procuring first a new post office for the town, and now a new railway station. Next the council expresses the hope of procuring an efficient fire alarm, and the water-works transferred to the corporation. Not having any definite assurance that Woodstock would be chosen as the spot for G. T. R. car works, the board is negotiating with Messrs. Patterson & Bro., of Richmond Hill, for the removal of their works to the town. A bill providing that a bonus be paid for the transfer has received its first reading. In conclusion, the report remarks the prosperity of Woodstock and the amount of building which is proceeding or is projected for the current year. Reports are also submitted, by Mr. John Craig, the secretary, of the Woodstock cheese market a.d the Woodstock cattle market. The former, which was started in 1877, continues, we are told, to hold its place, the attendance of salesmen and buyers being good. Total offerings during twenty-five days were 87,196 boxes cheese ; sales made and reported, 26,629. First half May sold at 11c.; latter half May, June and July, 9 to 10gc.; Aug. Sept. and Oct. cheese, 11 to 12§c., and the cheese reported sold here brought to our farmers \$160,000. Factories did well but buyers paid too much as the event proved. The Dairymen's Convention 1s to be held at Woodstock the coming winter. It appears that the Easter and Christmas Fairs of the Oxford Fat Stock Club have rendered monthly cattle fairs in the town, in the opinion

The next Provincial Fat Stock Show of the Agricultural and Arts Association is to to be held in Woodstock on the 9th, 10th and 11th of December next. Apropos of which the report says: "Woodstock must tender them a cordial welcome, and show them that we live in a live town."

—The one hundred and seventeenth annual report of the New York Chamber of Commerce has been issued. It contains a general review of business in the United States for the year 1884. The total foreign trade of New York, imports and exports, of dutiable and free merchandise, precious metals included, amounted last year to \$826,039,632, a decrease of \$15,652,-984 from the figures of the previous year. The following table is given showing that the balance of trade, or the excess of the value of exports over imports of merchandise, continues in favor of the United States in an increasing ratio:

1878
1879 251,414 077
1880 192,874,282 1881 163,348,069 1882 15,138,436
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1882 15,138,436
1883 108,101,035 \$1,036,118,930
Add to this the balance for 1884, viz:

Exports of merchan-

dise......\$749,366,428 Less imports..... 629,261,860 120,104,568

Balance of trade for the seven calendar years ending Dec. 31,

1884 \$1,156.323,498 The report closes with the remark : "We look for a year of gradual revival and a full restoration of true value to every real security and commodity."

-R cent letters from Halifax state that commercial affairs in that city at present are generally quiet. Business in fish is dull, and that being the principal export trade, its condition has contributed to a general feeling of depression which prevails. The manufacturing firms in boots and shoes, report a very fair business considering the general state of trade and the severe competition with Montreal houses. The sugar refineries have received a little impetus from the small advance of prices. All the other industries of the city are looking forward to the summer season for the usual stimulus to their business. The dry goods dealers report a fair trade considering all circumstances. One or two of the large export and import houses of the city are preparing their vessels for the fishing season, and says one letter, "the prospects are gradually brightening for a better state of things." As to the business of the banks, they are doing their usual share but show a tendency to tighten the reins in the matter of discounts.

-The Government of Ontario pays for insurance of Provincial Buildings and their contents against fire, the sum of \$25,788.48. Of this total premium \$2,314.38 is paid annually, being upon workshops and boilers of the value of \$125,750. The remainder, \$23,574.10 is paid triennially and insures \$1,464,940 on a stated value of \$3,117,192. These three-year risks bear 14 per cent. premium. As examples of valuation we may mention the school of Agriculture at Guelph ; school buildings, \$40,000 ; furniture and contents, \$10,000, creamery, other houses and contents \$28,800, live stock \$13,290. Mercer Reformatory and contents \$95,800; insurance \$46,400. London Asylum for Insane, \$371,900, insured for \$204,900. Osgoode Hall and Court of Appeal, exclusive of east wing and contents of library, \$260,019, insured for \$118,-000. School of Practical Science, Toronto, \$37,-000 covered for \$16,000.

THE SUGAR SITUATION.

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The recent improvement experienced in the Sugar markets in this country, but more particularly in London and Europe, has drawn attention to the present condition of the industry, and the present ou tlook is a problem of peculiar importance just at present to the vast interests involved in the cultivation and manufacture of Sugar. No industry, the world over, has suffered more severely from the commercial depression of the past year, and in no industry has this result been more clearly traceable to the evil effects of over production. The enormous development of the Best industry in Europe has become the prime factor in determining values, and accordingly great importance is attached to the prospective yield of that crop. The planting season which has been now about completed affords the first reliable data for estimating the probable size of the next crop, the fabrication of which will commence about next October. The estimates, however, that have been made are rather wide apart, and from equally reliable authorities it is claimed that the acreage already sown will show a reduction of from 10 to 20 per cent. as compared with the crop of last year, that is, that there will be a deficit of about 490, 000 tons or a total yield of not more than 2,000. 000 tons. The crop has not yet commenced to grow and a great deal depends upon its devel opment during the next six months, for the yield depends as much, if not more, upon the saccharine value of the Beet when matured, than upon the acreage planted. Upon the basis of this reduction of this reduction, however, a speculative movement has started in Europe, and all the mar-kets on the other side of the Atlantic have been more or less excited in consequence of the advance established and the increasing proportions of the movement. Beet Sugar has advanced from 9s. 9d., the lowest point touched last winter, to 14s., and the tendency is still upward. The advance has been reflected here to some extent and this market has likewise advanced but the influence has been less potent because the bulk of our supplies are drawn from the West Indies, South America and the Philippine Islands, and buyers here do not appear to have been so forcibly impressed with the urgent importance of the shortage that is likely to exist in the next beet crop. While the beet crop has become the arbiter of values, for all sugar producing countries, it is nevertheless true that Cuba is our chief dependence for supplies, and while the size of the present crop there is still an uncertain question, there is no reason to expect a Scarcity from that locality. There is plenty of cane and it is only a question of favorable grinding weather, as to the volume of supply that will be available from that source. The production of the whole world last year was so production of the whole work last year was so much in excess of the requirements of consump-tion, that prices were depressed until they did not cover the cost of production, but will a pros-pective decrease of twenty per cent. in the European beet crop be sufficient to restore the equilibrium a and dong the present showing war. equilibrium ? and does the present showing warrant the advance already established? This appears to be the conservative way of looking at the present outlook and the response to the recent advance from this side the Atlantic would seem to indicate that buyers here are not dis-Posed to indicate that buyers here are not dis-posed to follow the lead of London. In this connection it may be interesting to note that while this country is actively supplying Great Britain with refined sugar, the exports thither since January 1 amounting to over 36,000 tons, the sugar refining industry of Canada has had to succumb to the ruling depression. A press despatch from Halifax a few days since says:----"There is no improvement in West India busi. "There is no improvement in West India has here, as the German and Belgian steam. Thip lines, subsidized by the Dominion Government, are bringing large quantities of beet sugar to Canadian refiners, thereby excluding the West India article. It is reported that the stocks of mental the stocks of the stock of the stocks of the stocks of the stock of the stocks of refined sugar on hand are so large that both of the Halifax refineries will shortly close down."-N. Y. Shipping List.

A man who had been running his business on the credit system was finally compelled to put his books in the hands of an expert. "Ahem," he remarked, as he looked over them, these accounts remind me very much of the far Western plains." "How?" asked the merchant in surprise. "Because they are very sparsely stilled."

Correspondence.

A BACKWOODS MERCHANT'S VIEWS.

To the Editor of the Monetary Times :

DEAR SIR, ... There have been some very good articles in your paper about clerks and storekeeping which I have read carefully for I have been a subscriber since I was a clerk in Kingston in 1879. And I find a lot of things in it that are good for a merchant to read. But I don't altogether like the way you write sometimes about the storekeepers for I think they are doing their best most of the time and they don't always get thanks but rather kicks and are abased if things don't come out right. And then when they have got to assign and lose all they have in the world and their time besides, the creditors say: "served you right" or something like it, and then may be there is a paragraph in your Mercantile Summary of the MONETARY TIMES, says "He was too inexperienced and got beyond his depth," or else it says: "he was reckless and had too much expenses and he had no right to go on so long."

I just think sometimes your clever men who write such hard things about people in the retail business of any kind, would have mighty hard times running a country store. Out in the back districts, where you can't get help, and don't have time to sweep and dust down and clean windows every day, you just have to run your business, as the Irishman said, "not be rule or be line, but be main strength." And a man doesn't have much of a chance for double entry book-keeping; single is as much as he can tackle.

No doubt your paper is all sound on the credit question. You say too much credit most likely works harm; and I notice some good things on the cash system. Well, I guess it would be good news all round if the "Cash System" spread as the Scott Act is doing some places. Only, how can it be worked when cash is not circulating? and every one knows that some seasons of the year the farmer or the lumberman is short of money. If have had a man owe me pretty nigh \$300 for over six months. He is a good man and if I did not trust him I could not get his trade. So I trusted him and have got my pay. I will now conclude by wishing the MONETARY

I will now conclude by wishing the MONETABY TIMES SUCCESS. But dont spend all your powder on us retail men. Give the wholesalers a blast once in a while, and the commercial travellers that bother our life out. Not but what they are good fellows in their way—only, they know too much for us.

Yours respectfully,

A BACKWOODS RETAILEB. Victoria County, May 16th, 1885.

Paeetings.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The seventy-fifth annual meeting of this company was held at Edinburgh, on March 31, 1885. The directors submit the following report on the business of the company during the year which closed on December 21, 1884.

428,880 5s. 7d. ; deduct re-insurance £314,761 12s. 7d., gives a total of net premiums of £1.114.-128. (d., gives a total of net premum so $\mathcal{L}_{1,112,...}$ 068 13s.; thus exhibiting an increase of $\pounds 6,323$ 3s. 3d. The net losses by fire have amounted to the sum of $\pounds 704,357$ 0s. 2d., which includes a full estimate of all claims that had arisen prior to December 31st, 1884. After setting aside, as usual, one-third of the net premiums for the year, to provide for liabilities on current policies, the balance at the credit of profit and loss ac-count for 1884 amounts to £205,939 5s. 2d. This includes the unappropriated balance, brought forward from 1883, of £52,986 15s. 3d. At the last annual meeting the shareholders re-As the last allocating the superinted yearly, at the general meeting of the company, two share-holders' auditors, whose duty it shall be to report, to the next annual general meeting, on the balance-sheets and accounts then to be submitted to the company, and Messrs. J. H. Beilby and James Romanes were appointed to the office thus created. The report by these gentlemen on the balance-sheet and accounts for the year 1884 is appended.

LIFE BUSINESS .- During the year 1884 there

were issued 937 policies, assuring £952,261, the new premiums on which amount to £84,462 9s. 8d. In 1883 the number of policies were 894, the sums assured were £814,819, and the new premiums were £29,572 1s. 5d. There was thus premiums were £29,572 1s. 5d. There was thus an increase in the gross business of 1884 of 48 policies; of £188,462 in the sums assured; and of £4,890 5s. 5d. in the premiums payable on new policies. The net amount insured in 1884, after deducting sums re-assured, was £749,562. The new premiums, after deducting those paid to the re-insuring offices, were £27,371 8s. 4d. The net amount insured in 1883 was £725,418, and the new net premiums were £26,145 1s. 4d. There was thus an increase in the net business of 1884 of £26,144 in this sum assured, and of £1,226 1s. 8d. in the new net premiums. The income of the life branch, from premiums and interest, amounted in the year 1884 to £495,407 16s. 10d. During the year 313 deaths, by which 395 policies emerged, were proved, and 17 endow-ments matured. The sum which thus became payable amount, with bonus additions, to the sum of £305,107 18s. 2d., after deducting re-assurances. It will be seen from the balancesheet annexed that the life assurance fund now amounts to £3,458,595 18s. 9d., showing an in-crease during the year of £117,977 7s. 9d. The The whole of the fund is separately invested, and, by Act of Parliament, is set aside to meet the claims under this department of the company's business. The quinquennial investigation into the life business of the company will take place at the end of this year, and it is proper to remind not only the insured but also the shareholders of the company that an increase to the business will add to the strength of the life department and to the profits in which the insured and the shareholders both participate. The directors have lately had under consideration the advisability of still further adding to those inducements which in the past have attracted to this company a large share of life business. Their attention has been directed to the propriety —of making payment of claims immediately on proof of death and title ; of granting guaranteed surrender values ; of granting, in respect of policies which may have lapsed in consequence of non-payment of premium, policies of a liberal amount, on which no farther premiums are payable; of holding surrender values of lapsed policies for five years at the credit of those who may be entitled thereto; of declaring that inaccurate statements in

the proposal papers shall not involve forfeiture of policies, unless accompanied by fraud; of granting policies which, if the insurer has attained a certain early age, shall be unconditionally world-wide from their date. Schemes embodying these alterations have now been framed and will be speedily issued, and it is hoped that these will lead to a still further development of the life business of the company; while it will be both for shareholders and present policyholders to assist the directors in bringing these changes prominently under the notice of the public.

ANNUITY BUSINESS.—In the annuity branch 133 bonds were issued, securing the sum of £7,653. 14s. 4d. yearly of immediate annuities, 2155. 5s. 2d. yearly of deferred annuities, and £845 yearly of survivorship annuities, for which the company received the sum of £70,166. 17s. 3d. by single payment, and £337. 16s. 8d. by annual premium. During the year 39 annuities have fallen in, relieving the company of the sum of £3,240. 9s. 10d. yearly. DISPOSAL OF PRCFITS.—At December 31, 1884,

DISPOSAL OF PREFITS.—At December 31, 1884, there stood at the credit of profit and loss the sum of £205,939.55 2d. Out of this sum the directors recommend that—1. A dividend shall be declared of 20s. per share, free of income tax the one-half of which dividend shall be payable on April 7 and the other half on October 5, 1885; making the sum of £100,000. 2. The directors further recommend that a bonus of 10s. per share shall be declared payable on April 7, £50,000, making a total of £150,000; leaving to be carried forward at the credit of profit and loss £55,939.5s. 2d. At December 31, 1884, after providing for the dividend and bonus payable in 1885, the paid up capital, reserves, and undivided profits of the company amounted to £2,222,295.9s. 6d.

The directors have with regret to report the death of Sir John Marjoribanks, Baronet, of Lees, one of their extraordinary directors. During the year Mr. Alexander Drake Kleinwort has been appointed a director on the London Board in room of Mr. Cohen, whose retirement was mentioned in the report of last year.

The directors retiring by rotation from the Edinburgh Board are :--Sir James Gardiner Baird, Bart; Ralph Dundas, Esq., and Sir 101 7 6

James H. Gibson Craig, Bart. And from the Transfer fees. London Board :- Alexander Drake Kleinwort, Esq.; Charles W. Mills, Esq.; and Baron Schroder. These gentlemen are all recommendfor re-election.

The following extraordinary directors retire by rotation :- The Earl of Strathmore : the Earl of Aberdeen. and Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart. They are also all recommended for re-election.

REPORT BY THE AUDITORS .- Having made such an inspection of books; and documents as a committee of the directors, with the manager at Edinburgh, and with the auditor appointed by the directors, and received such explanations as we required, and having also carefully perused the company's contract of copartnery, their royal charter, the various Acts of Parlia-ment which have been passed to regulate their affairs and the bye-laws of the company, so as to make ourselves acquainted with its constitution, -we beg to report as follows :---

1. The balance-sheet and revenue accounts abmitted along with the foregoing report by the directors are in accordance with the books of the company.

2. Detailed lists of all the investments of the company have been laid before us, bearing certificates by the directors' auditor in satisfactory terms as to the existence of the securities representing them. These lists have been care-fully examined by us, with special reference to the company's powers of investment, and we have found that the investments are all of the description authorised by the constitution of the

company. 8. We have made enquiry as to the system in use for maintaining a supervision over the suffi-ciency of the securities for investments, with reference more particularly to loans on heritable security within the United Kingdom, and we find that this subject has received and is receiving most careful consideration, and that in full detail, by the directors and officials of the company. We have received explanations which satisfy us that the amount at which the investments stand in the balance-sheet of the company is considerably within their real value.

4. The subject of expenses has had our anxious and careful consideration, and we are much impressed, as are also, we believe, the di-rectors and officials of the company, with the great importance to the shareholders of a due regard to economy. We have had laid before us in very considerable detail statements of the whole expenses of the year, showing under various heads the expenditure at the different offices and branches of the company, and these we have scrutinized and compared with correswe have scrutilized and compared with corres-ponding statements for the preceding year, ask-ing and receiving explanations where these seemed to be necessary. We have satisfaction in reporting that we find that statements are from year to year prepared which cannot fail at once to call the attention of the directors to the wrat becality and extent of one increase which exact locality and extent of any increase which may take place in the expenditure, and thus to gest to them how it may be possible to curtail the expense of the business consistently with a due regard to the efficiency of the management. We have suggested that in future a somewhat fuller statement of the expenses, arranged under convenient heads, might with advantage be given in the annual accounts.

5. Though perhaps scarcely falling within the scope of our enquiry, we think it may be satisfactory to the shareholders to know that a most careful res rd is from year to year kept, not only of the general results of the company's business, but of the results at each office and branch, so as to guide the directors in keeping a watch over any department where the results may have proved unprofitable, and in fostering business of a remunerative character.

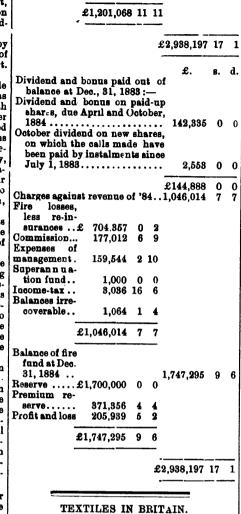
REVENUE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEN-BER 31, 1884.

Fire and General Account.

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MANCHESTEB, 7th May .- The market opened very flat, and has shown no recovery. The de-mand is insufficient to impart a healthy tone to yarn or to give firmness to quotations. These are very seldom above the lowest rates of last are very selfcom above the lowest rates of last week. In cloth the best feature is a little more inquiry for Mexicons, but the prices offered are not often good enough to find acceptors. The China inquiry is also at prices sellers decline. Buyers for India seem to be better supplied with wrating the orders. practicable orders.

WOOLLENS.

-The slightly BRADFORD .-BRADFORD.—The slightly improved tone noticed in our last report of the wool market was fully confirmed. Staplers' stocks have been brought within reasonable limits, and, mohair and alpaca are without variation. Spin-ners of worsted yarns keep well employed. In piece goods the home trade is flat, but there is a revival in the American demand for worsted coatings and other goods and makers of employed. improved tone coatings and other goods, and makers of camlets and lastings are busy

DUNDER JUTE AND HEMP.—The speculative de-mand for jute has increased, but the late advance is supported. In Dundee jute fabrics meet a good demand at firm rates, also jute yarns. "There has been a fair inquiry for flax goods on the pot during the week. Prices show little change, but holders show more disposition to advance than reduce their limits, owing to the prospect of comparatively small shipments dur-ing the summer. Nothing of interest has trans-pired in Manilla hemp, which is firm."

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MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, May 20th, 1885.

The trade situation presents no new features Dry goods show rather an increased movement since the more genial weather, but orders in all lines continue to be carefully restricted. Remittances are mending, but only slowly. Farming operations are progressing fairly well, but warm rains are needed to start the grass and dull, with very few sales reported. Money continues at old rates.

ASHES .- Continue rather weak, with receipts and sales both moderate. No. 1 pots are quoted at \$3.75 to \$3.80, seconds \$3 20 to \$3.25. There

have been no recent transactions in pearls. CEMENTS, FIBECLAY, &c.—Fresh stocks of cements are arriving, and last quotation of \$2.75 for Portland in lots, would be shaded for de-livery ex. ship. Roman and Canadian as before. Fireolay \$2 per bag; firebricks \$25 to \$30 per thousand.

FISH .- Only very little doing in this line. mainly in salmon. Prices are mostly nominal. North Shore salmon \$14, \$13, and \$12; British Columbia ditto \$11 to \$12; Gaspe cod \$4 to \$4.25; American \$3 to \$3.25; boneless cod 4 to $5\frac{1}{2}c$, as to quality and packing.

bic, as to quality and packing. DBUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Stocks of heavy chemicals are arriving pretty freely, and prices have been subjected to considerable revision as noted below. There is some excitement in quinine and prices have receded materially. German manufacturers are pushing their product hard into the States, and American makers have met the competition with a heavy out in prices. Carbolic acid is advanced. We quote : nave met the compension with a newy out in prices. Carbolic acid is advanced. We quote: Sal Soda, \$1.10 per 100 lbs.; Bi-Carb Soda, \$2.50 to 2.60; Soda Ash, \$1.65 to \$1.75. Bichro-mate of Potash, per 100 lbs. \$8 to 9.50; Borax, refined, 11 to 12½c; Cream Tar-tar orystals, 31 to 33c; do., ground, 35 to 37c; Tartarie Acid crystals, 52½ to 55c; do. powder, 55 to 58c per lb.; Caustic Soda, white, \$2.40 to 2.60; Sugar of Lead, 9 to 11c; Bleaching Pow-der, \$2.25 to 2.50 according to lot; Alum, \$1.65 to 1.90; Copperas, per 100 lbs., 90c; Flowers Sal-phur, per 100 lbs., \$2 75 to 3.00; Roll Sulphur, \$2 40 to 2.60; Sulphate of Copper, \$5.00 to 5.75; Epsom Salts, \$1.25 to \$1.40; Saltpetre, 95 to 9.50; German Quinine, hard to quote; Ameri-can do. 90c. to \$1., H ward's about \$1.15 to 1.25; Opium \$4.35 to 4.50; Morphia, \$2.20 to 2.30; Gum Opium \$4.35 to 4.50; Morphis,\$2.20 to 2.30; Gum Arabic, sorts, 40 to 4.5; White, 50 to 65c; Carbolic acid, 55 to 65c; Iodide Potassium, \$4.25 to 4.50 per lb.; Iodine, \$5.00 to 5.50; Iodoform, \$7 50 to 8.00.

DEV GOODS.-Business, according to most authorities, is better, travellers' orders, letter orders are frequent, and some houses report the Eastern Townships. The fine weather is doubtless exerting a beneficial effect on business. and matters with the city retail trade are fairly and masters with the city result brace are many lively. Remittances are on the mend, but the improvement is slow, and there is as yet nothing to boast of in this respect. Cotton values are firm, with a tendency to a slight advance in some lines which are sold ahead.

lines which are sold ahead. FURS.—Some fair lots of rat and fox skins have come in within last few days, but prices in all lines are weak and more or less nominal. Sorting of rats is very strict and 10c. is paid for prime skins only. We still quote: Beaver, fall \$2; do winter, \$2.50; spring Beaver \$3; Bear, \$7.00 to \$10.00; do., cub, \$5.00 to \$6.75; Fisher, \$3.00 to \$500; Red Fox, 60c. to 75c.; Cross do., \$2.00 to \$30.00; Marten, 60 to 80c; Lynz. \$1.75 to \$2.75; Mink, average 35c : fall muskrat 5c.; winter Muskrat, 6c.; spring, muskrat, 10c.; Otter, \$6.00 to \$8 50; Raccoon, 60c. average; Skunk, 15 to 50c., average; fine dark skins will bring \$1. \$1.

GROCERIES .- The feature of the week is the pronounced advance in sugars, in which there is quite an excitement. A cable from Greenock announces a rise of one shilling, and standard granulated is now held at the refinery here at 7c. stiff, and no great desire to sell at that price. Yellows have advanced proportionately, and 5c. is the lowest price in them. Molasses remain quiet at 30 to 81c, for Barbadoes. Prices of teas are steady; stocks of Japans are very light, and there will hardly be enough, according to some, to last till new orop comes in. In dried fruits stocks of Valencia raisins, bad and good, are about all used up. For tobaccos there is a big demand, 7c. stiff, and no great desire to sell at that price. used up. For tobaccos there is a big demand, probably due to the impression prevailing that an additional excise will be imposed, and BOMO In such out of the set of the set

LEATHRE AND SHOES. --Some shoe manufac-turers have been favored with fair sorting orders, and one or two have had some government work. but generally speaking business is not lively. and travellers in some sections report business vegetation generally. The stock market rules very bad. Payments in this line are not gener-

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ally good. Leather men, as might be expected, are not very busy, but there is no great accumu-lation of stocks unless it be in Quebec are not very busy, but there is no great accumu-lation of stocks unless it be in Quebec stock. The British market seems im-proving, and account sales of splits and buff just received show very fair prices realized. We quote Spanish sole B. A. No. 1, 24 to 27c., ditto, No. 2 B. A. 21 to 24c.; No. 1, Ordinary Spanish, 24 to 25 c. No. 2 ditto, 22 to 23c.; No. 1 China, 23c., No. 2 22c., ditto Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 21 to 22c., ditto No. 2, 194 to 21 c.; Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 25 to 27c.; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 38c., ditto heavy, 32 to 35c.; Grained, 34 to 38c.; Splits, large, 22 to 29c., ditto small, 16 to 24c.; Calf-splits 28 to 32c.; Calf skins (35 to 46 lbs.) 70 to 80c; Imitation French Calfakins, 80 to 85c.; Russet Sheepskin Linings, 30 to 50c.; Harness. 24 to 33c.; Buffed Cow. 124 to 16c.; Pebbled Cow, 11 to 15c.; Rough, 23 to 28c. PROVISIONS.—Both the butter and cheese lation of

PROVISIONS.-Both the butter and cheese markets are extremely dulland weak, with prices nominal. New Creamery about 20c. Townships nominal. New Creamery about 20c. Townships about 17c. Morrisburg 15 to 17c. Cheese 91 to 91c. Pork inactive; Western Mess \$14 75 to \$15.25; Short Cut \$15 to \$16.50; Hams 111 to 12c.; Western Lard 10c.; Bacon 11 to 111c. Eggs in fair demand at 121c.

METALS AND HARDWARE --- Warrants have dedined a little since last week, being quoted at 41/10d, but prices of makers' brands remain uniform with former figures. There are no large arrivals of iron as yet; local stocks are light for the season and the movement is very moderate. There was an enquiry for 4,000 tons to go to the States, but no business resulted from the quotations given. New bar iron is in the market, but there has been no further cut in prices as anticipated. Some low grades of tin plates have been offered at figures less than our quotations, but standard brands are scarce and firm. There is good demand for galvanized iron for roofing, and several sales of large lots have been made at shaded figures. A good many orders for Canada Plates have been placed for delivery West at \$2.80 to \$3.00. Tin and Copper are rather firmer :----We quote: Gartsherrie and Summerlee \$17.50 to 18 Langloan, and Coltness, \$18.50 to \$19 00 Eglinton, \$16.50 to \$17.00.: Dalmellington, \$17 to 00.00; Calder, \$17.50 to \$18; Hematite, \$20; Langloan, and Coltness, \$18.50 to \$1900 Eglinton, \$16.50 to \$17.00.: Dalmellington, \$17 to 00.00; Calder, \$17.50 to \$18; Hematite, \$20; Siemens, No. 1 18.50: Bar Iron \$1.65 to \$1.70; Siemens bar, \$2.10; Canada Plates about 2.70 to \$2.75. Tin Plates, Bradley Char-coal, \$5.70 to \$5 90; Charcoal I. C. \$4.40 4.50; do: I. X. \$6.00 to 000; Coke I. C., \$3.90 to 4.00; Galvanized sheets, No. 28, 6 to 7c. according to brand; Tinned Sheets, coke, No. 24. 6jc., No. 26. 7c., the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and Bands per 100 lbs. \$210 \$2.20; Sheets, Boiler Plate, per 100 lbs. Staf-fordshire, \$2.50 to 2.75; Steel Boiler Plate \$2.75 to 000; heads, \$4.00; Russian Sheet Iron, 10 to 11c. Lead per 100 lbs.:-Pig, \$3.50 to \$4.00. Sheet, \$4.00 to \$425; Shot, \$6 to 6 50; best cast Steel, 11 to 12c.; firm; Spring, \$3.25 to \$50, firm; Tire, \$3 25 to \$3 50, firm; Sleign Shoe, \$2.25 to 2.50; Round Machinery Steel, 3 to \$26, per lb. Ingot tin, 19 to 21c. Bar Tin, \$4.50 to 4.60; Spelter, \$4.00 to 4.50; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs. Oras AND PAINTS.-Linseed oil, which had Peraded a little bar grain made.

OILS AND PAINTS .- Linseed oil, which had ULS AND PAINTS.—Linseed oil, which had receded a little, has again made two slight ad-yances "at home;" prices here are still firm at 62 and 65c., and likely to remain so, as orders for future delivery up to August have been pleced at advanced prices. Turpentine 48 to 50c. and scarce; olive oil \$1 to \$1.10 for pure; castor 84 to 9c. Cod oil about 58 to 59c. for Nfd; ateam refued seal 63c. on spot 60 to 61c. Castor 81 to 9c. Cod oil about 58 to 59c. Ior Nfid ; steam refined seal 63c. on spot, 60 to 61c. to arrive. We make some slight alterations in Spruce Ochre, \$2 to \$3.

SALT -There is reported a combination of SALT — There is reported a combination of English salt manufacturers to limit the output and put up prices. The figures fixed on for local prices are, elevens 50c., twelves 48c, ex-wharf; factory filled \$1.15 to \$1.17½; Eureka \$2.40 \$2.40.

Woor -Stocks in all lines are much reduced, WOOL —Stocks in all lines are much reduces, but sapplies of foreign wool are expected short-ly. Prices are firm at last quotations. We quote Cape 171 to 19c.; A supers 26 to 28c.; B do. to 28c.; biack 20c.

TOBONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, May 21, 1885. The capture of Riel infused new life into the stock market at a point when signs of weakness were evident, and values were slowly seeking a lower level; the prospect of an earlier termination of the rebellion inspiring operators with confidence. Banks of Montreal, Toronto, Ontario, Merchants, Hamilton and Federal are now selling ex-dividend, allowing for which Hamilton is 1 higher at 118 to 1181, Merchants and Toronto 1 better, with Montreal and Federal relatively unchanged, while Ontario is $\frac{1}{2}$ lower, with buyers at 106 $\frac{1}{2}$. Bank of Commerce has advanced 1 to 1221 bid, 1222 asked. 1871 is offered for Dominion, a rise of §. Standard

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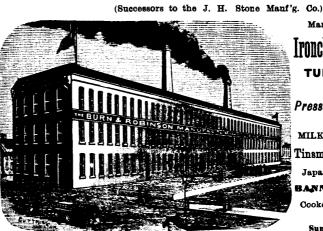
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is 1 better at 1121, and Imperial 1 weaker. British America Assurance and Western declined 1 and 1 respectively. There was a rise of 1 in Consumers' Gas, which sold up to 154. Canada North West Land jumped 4/-, closing 37/9 to 89/-. Among the loan societies' shares Freehold has been about the only strong one, the balance having a declining tendency. Building and Loan Association broke 2, to 104, and London & Canadian sold at 187.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—A pronounced dul-ness has been manifesting itself in this trade during most of the past week, during the last day or two, however, the receipt of some very good orders has improved the tone of things. Remittances are backward.

FLOUB AND MEAL.—Until present stocks of flour are considerably reduced, buying at this point must be very limited and as a consequence of this abundance the movement at present is exceedingly elow, and affairs all round are quiet and dull. We make no change in quotations for superior extra which is nominal at previous figure, viz. : §4.45 and §4.50, but extra is cheaper and will not bring more than \$4.25 to \$4.30; spring wheat extra is also lower by several cents, say \$4.00 to \$4.10. Strong bakers' is unchanged ai \$4.75 to \$5.00, so also is superfine. Oatmeal nd sornmeal continue to rule at former prices. Bran commands only \$10.00 to \$11.00.

GRAIN .- Prices are perceptibly lower since last week and very little attention seems to be paid to grain. No. 1 fall wheat is now worth 95 to 96c.; No. 2 93 to 94c.; No. 3 91 to 92c. The quotations for spring wheat are to day No. 1, 94 to 95c.; No. 2, 92 to 93c. and No. 3, 89 to 90c. Barley also seems to be neglected and we make Derivy also seems to be neglected and we make no change in quotations which are nominal. Peas and oats have both declined in price, the former can now be bought for about 68 to 70c. and the latter for 39 to 40c. Corn and rye continue nominal.

GROCERIES.-Sugars still continue to monopolize the attention of the trade and have ad-vanced a fraction since our last, or about a cent vanced a fraction since our last, or about a cent from the lowest point. Nothing in yellows under 5c. can now be had at the refineries and 7½ is now asked for granulated. A round lot sold here on Tuesday for 7c. but the price has stiffened since then. A fair amount of teas is changing hands and they are steady at our quo-tations. There is a scarcity of canned goods particularly tomatoes the bulk of which is in the hands of a few holders. They command \$1 per dozen and are firm at that price. There is no other item on our list which calls for special reference. reference.

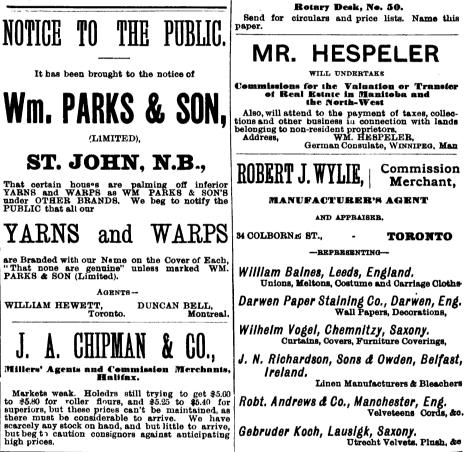
HIDES AND SKINS .--- The weakening tendency of a few days ago has been replaced by one of strength, and prices, although firm, do not indicate an advance over last week. An active de-mand for cured hides is noticeable and indeed trade in most descriptions is fairly brisk at our quotations.

LUMBER.--- A reference to our price list of pine lumber will show that prices are well main-tained. There is but a limited quantity at the mills unsold, and is mostly in the hands of deal-

Ars. The feeling is one of firmness throughout the list, and we advance the price of flooring. All lines of good pine are scarce; the dry is pretty well placed and even coarser grades is pretty well placed and even coarser grades are not in over supply. The market is getting bare of some descriptions of goods, such as flooring. Elsewhere is noted the decreasing supply of pine and the necessity of making use of hemlock. as is being done across the lakes.

PROVISIONS .--- Dulness still reigns in this PROVISIONS.—Dulinees still reigns in this market and transactions are few. New cheese has been offered freely, factories asking 9c., and jobbing at 10c., but these prices, it is said, will speedily decline. Stocks of old are about exhaust-ed and must have sold at remunerative figures to holders. Receipts of roll butter are still large and selling at 10 to 12c. Hog pro-ducts are mither fortune. ducts are without feature; hams are in good de-mand at 114c. Lard is dull and easy; bacon unchanged. Eggs are in fair supply and bring

18 to 13 to. WooL —Nothing of any importance has co-curred in this market since our last report. We have only one change to note, viz. : the price of lambskins is now 25c. as compared with 20c. a week ago. A very fair quality of the various grades of wool is changing hands, the factories taking creditable lots.



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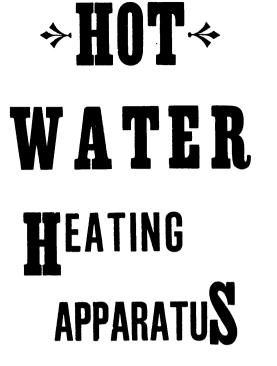
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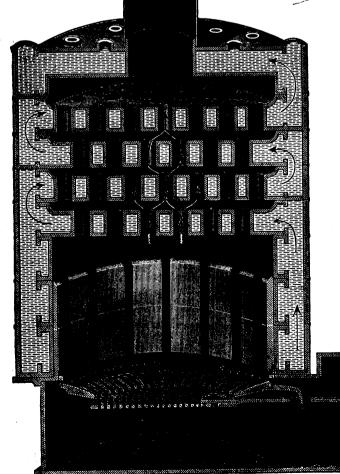
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L. VANKOUGHNET, Deputy of the Superintendent-General of Indian Affairs. DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIBS, OTTAWA, 19TH MARCH, 1885.

CREDITORS. T0 NOTICE

Estate of Donald Cameron Macfarlane, of Mo-Intyre, are hereby notified that the said Donald Cameron Macfarlane has executed an assignment of his stock and other assets to me, Paul campbell, of the City of Toronto. as Trustee for the creditors of the said Donald Cameron Macfarlane, and are further notified to send their claims to me on or before the

FIRST OF JUNE, NEXT,

accompanied with vouchers upon which said claims are based, as I will after the said date forthwith proceed to distribute the assets of the estate among the parties entitled thereto, and will not be liable for the same to any person of whose claim I shall not then have had notice.

PAUL CAMPBELL, Trustee. Toronto, March 27, 188 .

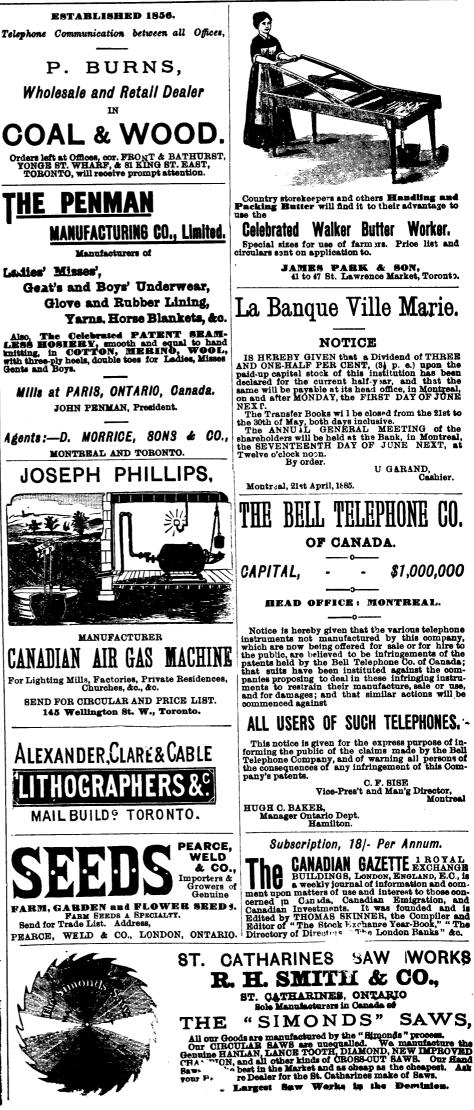
Notice to Creditors.

Estate of George P. Ridge, of Pontypool.

The Creditors of George P. Bidge, of Pontypool, are hereby notified that the said George P. Ri ige, has executed an assignment of his stock and other assets to me John W. Lawrence, of the City of To-ronto, as Trustee for the creditors of the said Geo. P. Ridge and are further notified to send their claims to me on or bafore the Fifteenth of June mext, accompanied with vouchers upon which said claims are based as I will after the said date forth-with proceed to distribute the assets of the estate among the parties entitled thereto and will not be liable for the same to any person of whose claim I shall not then have had notice.

JOHN W. LAWRENCE, Trus'ee. Toronto, April 29, 1865.





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WORKS at CORNWALL, Ont.	Flour : (brl.) f.o.c. Superior Extra	\$ c. \$ c. 4 45 4 50	Jamaica	0 101 0 12 0 15 0 22	Tin-Bars per lb Ingot Copper: Ingot	0 15 0 16			
CAPITAL, · · · \$250,000.	Extra Strong Bakers Spring Wheat, extra Superine	4 75 5 00 4 00 4 10	Mocha Coylon plant'n Fish: Herring, scaled Dry Cod # 112 lbs. Sardines, Fr. Qrs.	0 24 0 26 0 22 0 27 0 17 0 19 4 25 4 50	Sheet Lead (4mos) Bar Pig	0 034 0 044			
JOHN R. BARBER, (President and Man'g Director.)	Oatmeal Cornmeal Bran, per ton	4 40 4 50	"London	2 50 2 75 2 90 3 25	Sheet Shot Linc: Sheet Solder: hf. & hf Cut Nails:	0 05 0 05			
CHAS. BIORDON, (Vice-President.) EDWARD TROUT, (Treasurer.)	Grain: 1.0.0. Fall Wheat, No. 1 " No. 2 " No. 3	0 95 0 96 0 93 0 94 0 91 0 92	Loose Muscatel Currants Provinew	2 65 2 75 U U5 U U61	10 to 60 dy. p. kg 100 lb 8 dy. and 9 dy	2 65 0 00 2 85 2 90			
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