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Raising Effect of Bank Rate.

The immediate effect of raising the Bank of England rate, as was indicated would be the case in our last issue, was a considerable decrease in loans and deposits. The effect was to counter-

balance a marked falling off in the actual reserve and raise the proportion of reserve to liabilities to 51.26 per cent. as against 49.49 and 48.25 in two previous weeks. Between the 26th August and 2nd September, the bank lost \$3,000,000 in gold and its reserve of notes and coin fell from £25,190,552 to £24,442,214, a decline of \$3,741,000. The deposits in the same week ran down from £43,286,965 to £41,872,061, a reduction of \$7,075,000. Manifestly, there were conditions being created that called for an increase in the bank rate from 3 to 4 per cent.

Water as a ber of furnaces in this city by which a constant sprinkling of water is kept up on the surface of the fire. We are

assured that by this system there is a greater heat produced and a saving of fuel effected. When looking at this peculiar appliance the question naturally arose, how can water feed a flame when it is the most destructive to fire of any liquid? Another question suggested was. Does water thrown on a fire always help in quenching it? Many say no! The "Scientific American" on being asked for an explanation said: "The question resolves itself into this: Can water discharged upon a fire be separated into gases so as to feed the flame? The probabilities are decidedly against this. Water is every day separated into its constituent gases in all our cities in the making of water gas, as it is called, so that the problem of accomplishing this is well understood. From the beginning of dissociation a temperature of 2,200 degrees F. is required. The dissociation is complete at 4,500 degrees F. It is very safe to say that these temperatures are not

possible in the open air. The blast furnace will give a temperature of 3,300 degrees F. In a confined space, as in a water gas plant, anthracite coal under a blast of air will pass the temperature required for dissociation; but with nothing to prevent the escape of the steam there is no reason to suppose that it can be made hot enough to dissociate, and so there is no reason to believe that any open-air conflagration was ever fed by playing water upon it." This is not favourable to the apparatus referred to, but it is a very difficult matter to apply a test that would prove definitely whether it does or does not do what is claimed.

Fire Insurance
Companies' Health bine will give them indigestion, at Ottawa.

for we will all quit business to promote new insurance compa-

nies."

Ottawa is a healthy place, but to insurance companies we should not recommend it as a health resort, for to such constitutions as theirs' Ottawa is much too hot. So hot indeed is Ottawa for insurance companies as to bring on periodic attacks of "sweating sickness," which is very debilitating, and in some cases fatal, especially to the young companies who have not acquired a considerable reverse of constitutional strength. As to the "greed" of the companies giving them "indigestion," the symptoms have been wrongly interpreted by our contemporary. What the companies have suffered from at Ottawa has been an incapacity to retain anything in the stomach, so they have become thin for lack of proper nutriment. Such assertions as have been made regarding Ottawa from an insurance standpoint have been tough enough to give an ostrich a fit of indigestion. There is nothing to prevent our contemporary quitting his business "to promote new insurance companies." When he has had some experience in this form of enterprise he

will discover that insurance companies must establish some reasonable relation between local rates and local risks.

Case Settled.

The House of Lords Judicial Committee has given a final decision Knotty Accident respecting an accident case that upsets two decisions rendered in

lower Courts and settles a much disputed point. A workmen ruptured himself in the course of his work by trying to lift more than his strength allowed. He claimed compensation on the ground that this was an accident, but the Court rejected the claim on the ground that the injury arose from his own injudicious conduct. He went to the Court of Appeal and again lost. Then the case was taken to the House of Lords where his claim was upheld, the injury having been sustained while in the discharge of his duty, and that it was not just to penalize a man for being unduly zealous in performing his work.

An analogous case was that of Horsfall vs. Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co. A policyholder was insured against the effect of bodily injuries caused solely by external, violent and accidental means. He was an exceptionally strong, healthy man, who was in the habit of lifting objects weighing 250 pounds without difficulty. One day he lifted a piece of iron weighing over 350 pounds and was seriously injured by the strain. The Court held that the accdent was covered by the policy.

#### PROGRESS OF CANADA, 1871 TO 1903.

The table we present on another page which shows the progress made by Canada commercially and financially since 1871 is such an exhibit as may well create a glow of pride in every Canadian. In view of the disparaging remarks made respecting the position of this country, to which we made allusion last week, it is a duty the Press owes to the Dominwion to draw attention insistently upon the evidences available that prove how rapidly and how solidly "this country is making progress. There was a time mewhen Canada was, in some measure, open to the reproaches which were recently heaped upon her. That time has long since passed, but it is evident that, the changes which have come over this country at during the last generation are not as widely known as was her condition before the era of development opened. When a journal that circulates widely amongst the educated classes in Great Britain and the Colonies, speaks of this country as "rotten," the ... most effective answer to such a slander is an exhibit such as we now present which has been adapted from an official document issued by the Department of Trade and Commerce,

In order to emphasize the lesson conveyed by the statistical table of Canada's Progress we give the following synoptical comparisons showing the in-

creases made since 1871 in the resources, the accumulated capital, the business, the traffic, and other mercantile interests of the country, the figures bein brought up to date:

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Area of Canada,	13.	1871.	lnc. since 1871. in	P. c. of crease.
	3,946	3,653,946	••••	
Acres *29,00	0,000	17,336,288	11,663,712	40.00
	0,732	6,043,868	58,926,864	90.60
Letters and papers sent, No 239,97	1,000	49,364,160	190,606,840	79.49
	2,134	4,658,227	3,913,907	37.26
	3,197	3,955,620	3,557,577	47.35
	8,864	2,497	16,367	870.00
Passengers carried, No 20,679	,974	2,700,000	17,979,974	86.80
Freight carried, Tons 42,376,	,527	5,576,000	36,800,527	86.80
Telegrams sent, No 5,316	,350		·	
Electric Ra'ways, Miles	557		557	All
Electric Ra'ways, passengers, No 137,681	,402		137,681,402	All
Shipping, Sea.go- ing, Tons 14,73	1,488	5,116,033	9,615,455	65.28
Shipping, Coast- ing, Tons 40,70	0,907	14,000,000	26,700,907	65.60
Shipping, Inland waters, Tons 15,29	3,916	8,009,995	7,283,921	47.60
Total shipping, Tons 70,72	6,311	27,126,028	43,600,283	61.64
Deposits in Banks. \$423,74 Discounts and		68,123,931	355,624,846	83.90
Loans by Bks\$465,65	8,000	86,121,800	379,546,200	81.50
Public Revenue \$ 62,73	39,273	19,335,561	44,403,712	69.60
Gross Expenditure\$ 48,67	9,197	19, 293, 478	29,385,719	60.30
Public Debt, Net \$271,82		77,706,518	194,122,571	71.00
Interest on Debt. \$ 10,97		5,165,304	5,810,631	52.90
F. Ins. in force. \$1,083,70	9,935	228,453,784	855,256,151	78,19
Life Ins. in force \$508,75	4,371	45,925,935	<b>462,968,4</b> 36	91.10
Loan Co.'s, Real Estate Loans 102,69	90,033	7,559,723	95,130,310	92.60
Estate Loans 102,69 Loan Co.'s Depo-				
Estate Loans 102,63 Loan Ce.'s Depo- sits\$ 20,21	4,080	2,399,136	17,814,944	88,13
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Estate Loans 102,63 Loan Co.'s Deposits	4,080	2,399,136	17,814,944 145,118,799	88,13 60.16
Estate Loans 102,63 Loan Co.'s Depo- sits\$ 20,23 Imports\$241,23	4,080 11,770 19,724	2,399,136 96,092,971 71,724,950	17,814,944 145,118,799 154,124,774	88,13 60,16 68,20
Estate Loans 102,63 Loan Cc.'s Deposits\$ 20,21 Imports\$241,24 Exports\$225,84 Total Foreign Trade\$457,06	4,080 11,770 19,724	2,399,136 96,092,971 71,724,950 167,817,921	17,814,944 145,118,799 154,124,774 299,243,573	88,13 60.16 68.20 64.70

above statistics that in the period during which those great increases were made the population of Canada only increased by 32.06 per cent., or less one third. The significance of this is shown by the following comparisons of the amount per head of several leading items :-

#### THE PROGRESS OF CANADA

SINCE 1871, AS SHOWN BY THE DEVELOPEMENT OF ITS TRADE AND ALL OTHER MATERIAL INTERESTS

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_	1871	1881	1891	1901	1902	1903
AreaS <sub>1</sub> . miles.	3,653,946	3,653,946	3,653,946	3,653,946	3,653,946	3,653,946
Land occupied (census) Acres.	36,046,410	45,358,141	60,287,730		***********	(*********
" under cultivation (census) " Currency and Banking—To June 30—	17,336,288	21,899,181	28,537,242		***** *****	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Capital paid up—Chartered Banks \$	36,415,210	59,384,987	60,742,366	67,095,718	69,548,368	77,093,666
Dominion notes	7,367,340 18,339,893		16,176,317 31,379,886	27,671,452 49,119,479		39,006,199 58,865,845
As-ets	121,014,395 77,486,706		269, 491, 153 188, 337, 504	528,304,110 417,320,761	581,876,985 465,103,425	641,985,372 568,049,963
Deposits in Chartered Banks	57.787,922 2,497,260 2,072,037 5,766,712	6,208,227 9,628,445	142,533,216 24,738,648 17,661,378 10,982,232	315,775,426 39,950,813 16,098,146 19,125,097	344,949,901 42,320,209 16,117,719 20,360,888	.382,140,100 44,538,273 16,515,802 21,241,993
Total Deposits \$	68,123,931	107,188,699	193,015,474	399,949,482	423,748,777	464,436,168
Depositors in Post Office Savings Banks No. Pepositors in Govt. Savings B'ks, except P.O. "	17,153	39,605 28,212	111,230 56,149	157,368 48,569	162,761 49,001	
Chartered Banks	86,121,888	184,113,252	202,692,481	318,240,549	348,690,611	406,184,733
Finance—To June 30—         8           Revenue—Consolidated Fund         8           Expenditure—Consolidated Fund         8           Public Debt—Gross         8           Public Debt—Gross         8           — Net         8           — Interest paid on         8	19,335,561 15,623,0×2 19,293,478 115,492,683 77,706,518 5,165,304	29,635,298 25,502,554 33,796,643 199,861,538 155,395,780 7,691,145	38,579,311 36,343,568 40,793,208 289,899 230 237,809,030 9,584,137	52,514,701 46,866,368 57,982 866 354,732,433 268,480,004 10,807,955	58,050,790 50,759,392 63,970,800 346,358,477 271,829,090 10,975,935	63,739,273 41 449,102 48,679,197 369,107,998 254;934,648
Mineral Productions-To December 31	6,043,868	7,6:0,108	18,976,616	66,712,708	64,970,732	
Post Office Statistics—To June 30— Money orders issued	4,546,434	7,725,212	12,478,178	17,956,258	23,549,402	
Newspapers, periodicals, books, parcels, Ac., sent. No. Post cards sent	22,314,160 } 27,050,000 1,079,767 1,271,006	1 9 640 000	90.425,346 20,300,000 97,975,000 3,374,888 4,020,740	124,362,404 26,842,000 191,650,000 4,641,608 5,153,622	26,343,000 213,628,000 5,158,+08 5,240,784	
Railways and Canals—To June 30— Canals—Vessels through ( Season of ) Tonnage. Freight carried ( ) navigat. ( Tons.	4,658,227 3,955,620		3,973,570 2,902,526	6,462,538 5,665,259		
Railways, steam—  Miles in operation. No. Passengers carried of Freight carried. Tons. Earnings—Gross. \$ Working expense. \$	2,497 14,485,648	7,260 6,943,671 12,065,323 27,987,509 20,121,418	14,009 13,222,568 21,753,021 48,192,099 34,960,449	18,140 18,385,722 36,999,371 72,898,749 50,368,726	42.376,527	19,838
Trade and Commerce—To June 30— Customs Duties collected	11,843,656 4,295,945	18,500,786 5,343,622	23,481,069 6,914,850	29,106,980 10,318,266	32,425,532 11,197,133	37,109,717 12,386,493
Imports, Total— Dutiable Goods	70,295,223 23,064,654	85,516,908 18,690,657	81,286,372 36,870,096	115,574,658 71,303.573	127,955,254 78,003,499	143,836,441 88,398,532
Totals (Mdse)	93,359,877 2,733,094	104,207,565 1,123,275	118,156,468 1,811,170	186,878,2 1 3,537,294	205,958.753 6,311,405	232, 234 973 8,976,797
Total imports \$	96,092,971	105,330,840	119,967,638	190,415,525	212,270,158	241,211,770
Exports—Home Produce— Mine SFisheries SForest Animal produce Agricultural products Manufactures SMiscellaneous SMiscellaneous	2,841,124 3,994,275 23,063,223 12,608,506 9,853,924 2,432,750 387,554	6,867,715 24,960,012 21,360,219 21,268,327 3,975,095	5,784,143 9,715,461 24,282,015 25,967,741 13,665,858 6,296,249 45,337	40,367,683 10,720,352 30,009,857 55,495,311 24,781,486 16,012,208 44,489	34,947,574 14,143,294 32,119,429 59,164,209 37,152,688 18,462,970 32,599	31,064,861 11,800,184 32,336,015 69,817,542 44,624,321 20,624,967 83,784
Total exports \$	71,724,950		95,503,302	196,437,632	211,640,286	225,849,724
Total foreign trade \$	167,817,921	200,598.341	215,470,940	386,903,157	423,910,444	467,061,494
Shipping—Sea going	5,116,033	8,164.337 15,116,766	10,695,196	14,543,962	14,731,188	
Coasting	8,009,995		24,986,130 8,107,452	34,444,796 11,486,746		·····
Total shipping "		28,919,198	43,798,778	60,474,604	70,726,311	

1871	Deposits per head, \$ 18.74	Imports per head. \$ 26.40	Exports per head. \$ 13.40	Total foreign trade p, head, \$ 39.80
1903	82.90	45.20	42.20	87.40
Marian I	Fire Ins, per head,	Lafe Ins. per head.	Letters per head, No.	Revenue per head.
1871	62.80 202.56	12.60 95.10	13½ 45	5.31 11.90

The increase of Canada's imports since 1871 was over 70 per cent., while the imports into the United States only increased 59 per cent. Our exports also were enlarged proportionately as much as those of the United States. Canada's foreign trade at present amounts to \$87.40 per head of the population, while that of the United States equals only \$30 per head. The higher credit of Canada is shown by the national securities being all above par, except those at 2½ per cent., which are now higher by 2 points than British Consols.

Canada looked at from any point of view is one of the glories of the Empire and has more of the "potency and promise" of future greatness than any other Colony, or section of the Imperial domain.

#### THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

The report just issued of the Bank of British North America is for the half-year ended 30th June last, the bank's financial year closing each 31st December. From the Balance Sheet we find the net profits of the past half-year were \$163.775, taking \$5 to represent the £ sterling. From the previous half-year there was \$19,706 brought forward, which being added to the profit to end of June 1903, made the sum of \$183.481 available for distribution. With the liberality so honourably characteristic of this old and solid institution the directors made following appropriations, viz.

7	ransferred	to Officers'	Widows' and Orphans' Fund	\$2,568
	**	41	Life Insurance Fund	2,000
		**	Pension Fund	1,885
				\$6,453

This being deducted from the amount for distribution left a balance available for October dividend of \$177,028. The dividend will absorb \$150,000, so that \$17,028 will be left on hand to be carried on to the next, that is, the present half-year. The statement at end of 1902 and 1901, compared with that of June last is as follows:

	June 30,	Dec. 31,	Dec. 31,
	1903.	1902.	1901.
	\$		8
Reserve Fund	1,950,000	1,950,000	1,825,000
Deposits and current ac'ts.	16,695,272	15,490,885	15,755,600
Circulation	2,614,182	3,080,263	2,505,690
Cash on hand	4,601,627	3,255,520	3,589,760
Cash at call	8,293,340	9,215,775	7,959,000
Securities	2,820,860	2,355,680	2,468,900
Discounts and loans	25, 282, 260	25,459,986	24,050,000

The Bank of British North America is somewhat exceptional in regard to the large reserves it holds

of cash in hand, at call, and other promptly available assets. On 30th June last these funds and resources amounted to \$15.715.800, which came within 6 per cent, of the balances durity discretis and on current accounts, which indicates an unusually strong position, in maintaining which Mr. Stikeman, general manager, pursues a conservative policy that is highly commendable and a distinct addition to the bank's prestige.

Amongst the securities we note \$700,000 of Canada Bonds valued in the statement at par, the premium paid, \$4,000 having been written off out of profits. This large purchase was rendered necessary by the continued expansion of the Bank's note issues, the bonds being held for deposit with the Dominion Government as provided by Section 51 of the Bank Act, 1901. The following new Branches have been opened, Toronto Junction, Rosthern, St. Catherine St., Montreal, Weston, Longueuil and Duck Lake. At Ottawa the old office, Wellington St., is now a Sub-branch and the city office is on Sparks St. The Bank of British North America stands in the old paths of prudence, management, strength in resources, and watchful care of the best interests of its customers.

#### ROYAL VICTORIA INSURANCE COMPANY.

At a meeting of the directors of the Royal Victoria Insurance Company on 14th inst. the following resolution of condolence with the family of the late Mr. Samuel Finley, was passed:—

"That the directors of the Royal Victoria Life Insurance Company desire to place on record in their minutes the loss the company has sustained in the removal by death of Mr. Samuel Finley, one of the members of the Board, and one of the first directors of the company. Mr. Finley's large business experience was of great assistance to the board in its deliberations, and the directors desire to express their sincere sympathy with Mrs. Finley, and the other members of the family."

A copy of this resolution was sent to Mrs. Finley, accompanied by a letter signed by Mr. James Crathern, president, and Mr. David Burke, general manager.

The Hon. Robert Mackay, a director of the Bank of Montreal, was elected one of the vice-presidents of the company, and Mr. Charles F. Smith, a director of the Merchants Bank of Canada, was elected to a seat on the Board.

Assets of a Suicide.—A law suit is brought to decide a singular case. One, Goodwin, clerk of Cassatt & Co., Philadelphia, stole \$1,000,000 of their money. He insured his life for \$95,000, of which \$65,000 were payable to his wife. He committed suicide. Is the insurance money of the suicide liable to seizure by the firm he robbed? The Courts will decide, but the chances are in favour of the widow.

#### VISITING ACTUARIES.

A contingent of the British and foreign actuaries who recently attended the Fourth International Congress of Actuaries, held at New York, arrived in this city on Friday evening last. On Saturday, the 11th inst., they were the guests of the officers of the Canadian and British Life companies in this city, who gave a luncheon in honour of the visitors at the Windsor Hotel.

The members of the reception Committee were: Messrs. T. B. Macaulay, F.I.A. (Sun Life); A. McDougald, A.I.A. (Pelican & British Empire); B. Hal Brown, F.S.S. (London & Lancashire Life); David Burke, A.I.A. (Royal Victoria Life); and D. McGoun (Standard Life).

The following visitors sat down to luncheon: Ralph P Hardy, F.I.A., delegate of the Institute of Actuaries, Londou. Eng.; Henry W. Manly, F.I.A., George C. Stenhouse, F.F.A., assistant actuary Scottish Widows' Fund; E. Phragmen, Stockholm, delegate of the Royal Swedish Government; Fritz Trefzer, actuary of the Swiss Federal Burgal of Assurances; A. Begault, delegate of the Royal Belgian Government; G. Coquerel, delegate of the French Government Paris; Dr. van Schevichaven, delegate of the Holland Society for Life Insurance; Sydney N. Ogden, Mutual Benefit Life Ins. Co., Newark; E. E. Hardcastle, M.A., A.I.A., asst. actuary Union Central Life, Cincinnati; A. G. Wiggins, late secretary Institute of Actuaries, London: Joseph Burn, F.I.A., Prudential Assurance Co., London: Wm. Young, F.F.A., Caledonian Ins. Co., Edinburgh; A. G. Donald, M.A., F.F.A., Scottish Provident Institution, Edinburgh; Miles Dawson, consulting actuary, New York; David Carment, F.I.A., F.F.A., assistant actuary Australian Mutual Provident Society, Sydney; W. A. Sim, F.F.A., F.I.A., Edinburgh; Hy. Moir, F.F.A., F.I.A., actuary Provident Savings Life, New York; A. R. Barrand, F.I.A., Prudential Assurance Co., London; F. Schooling, F.I.A., hon. secretary Institute of Actuaries, London; W. A. Hutcheson, F.I.A., F.F.A., Mutual Life of New York; Alexander Lotta, F.F.A., secretary City of Glasgow Life Assurance Co., Edinburgh; M. M. Johannessan, A.I.A., actuary Institute of Actuaries, London; Sven Palme, delegate of Royal Swedish Government; A. Quiquet, delegate of Institute of French Actuaries; C. Buls, Dr. of University of Brussels; J. Chatham, F.F.A., F.I.A., Scottish Life Assurance Co., Edinburgh; M. M. Johannessan, A.I.A., actuary "Hygea" Life Insurance Co., Bergen; Hy. W. Manly, F.I.A. president Institute of Actuaries, London; Francis F. P. Nelson, F.I.A., barrister-at-law, London; Fritz Rosselet, delegate of the Swiss Government, Berne; Corneille L. Landre, delegate of the Holland Society of Actuaries, Amsterdam; Jean Bosler, L.S.M., delegate of the Institute of French Actuaries, Paris; Edmund Modrach, delegate of the German Society for Insurance Science, Leipsic; H. Duplaix, L.S.M., delegate of the Institute of French Actuaries, Paris; Florimond Hankar, director in "La Calsse d'Epargne et de Retraite," Brussels; J. F. Westerberg, manager the First Rotterdam Life Insurance Company, Rotterdam; Dr. Theodore Walther, delegate of the German Society for Insurance Science, Leipsic; Max Gerecke, delegate of the German Society for Insurance Science, Berlin.

The function was presided over by Mr. T. B. Macaulay, F.I.A., who stated that the foreign actuaries, who represented the chief nations of Europe, had been invited to Canada by him on behalf

of the Montreal life officials, lest they should leave America under the impression that the United States occupied all the continent. The desire was to give the foreign actuaries some idea of the extent, the condition, the resources, the prospets of Canada. Messrs. Tardit, Gericke, Schevichaven, Sven-Palme, representatives respectively of France, Holland, Sweden, expressed their appreciation of the courtesy of the officials who had invited them to Montreal and treated them so hospitably.

Mr. King, a well-known actuarial author, proposed the toast of "Canada—an integral part of the Empire." That this was so he said had been shown by Canada's help given during the South African war, and in time of peace she would always be a strong part of the Empire.

Sir Alexandre Lacoste also made an eloquent speech on this toast, saying that English and French were working in harmony to make Canada a great country. He was glad to see men from so many nations meeting together for so good a purpose as the discussion of actuarial matters. He was glad also to have them all meet in Montreal. Mr. Tardit spoke of these international congresses as conducive to good feeling between the nations. After the customary compliments had been presented, the function was closed by "Auld lang syne."

The visitors were treated to a drive around the city to see the sights that are so attractive to strangers. Several left for home at night, and the few who remained have been the recipients of private hospitalities during the week. To Mr. B. Hal Brown, secretary of the Montreal Committee and his associates, much praise is due for the success of this memorable and most pleasant international entertainment.

#### TWO EMINENT ACTUARIES

Amongst other distinguished actuaries from Great Britain and the United States, who recently visited Montreal, were:

Mr. RALPH PRICE HARDY, F.I.A., author of Hardy's Valuation Tables, which are universally used by life offices and members of his profession. The last time Mr. Hardy was in Montreal he was en route to Australia, where he spent a length of time fulfilling a highly important actuarial engagement, the results of which added new distinction to his high reputation.

MR. HENRY W. MANLY, F.I.A., ex-president of the Institute of Actuaries, London, England, Actuary of the Equitable Life, spent a few days in this city recently. The Equitable Life was established in 1762. Mr. Manly responded to the toast in honour of the oldest Life Assurance Company at the entertainment given to the Congress of Actuaries.

It was a source of much gratification to welcome visitors of such distinction to Montreal.

# DOMINION IRON AND STEEL CO., AND DOMINION COAL CO.

After prolonged negotiations an agreement has been arrived at between the Dominion Iron & Steel Company and the Dominion Coal Company, respecting the terms under which their interests are to be separated, chiefly respecting the surrender of the Coal Company's lease.

The agreement is stated to be that the Coal Company is to pay to the Iron & Steel Company \$2.635,-000, is to assume the current liabilities for wages, supplies, etc., of the coal department of the Steel Company's business, and is to receive the benefit of the cash assets of the business, consisting of accounts receivable, coal on hand and in transit stores, It is estimated that the net amount the net value of these assets would be about \$1,500,000, so that the Coal Company, under this agreement, will pay \$1,100,000 to the Iron & Steel Co., for the surrender of the lease and revision of the contract for supply of coal. By the management above outlined the Iron & Steel Co. secures the release of the capital it had engaged in the Coal Company and the obligations it had undertaken in connection therewith. As these are stated to amount to \$2,635,-000 the company will have a supply of capital for completing its works at Sydney and making extensions, from which advantages the best results are anticipated.

A new contract for a supply of coal has been arranged which is reported to be mutually satisfac-

So much is involved in the Sydney iron and steel enterprise, both of capital and the future of these industries of this class in Canada, that universal satisfaction will be expressed at the new conditions being the prelude to an era of prosperity.

#### THREE LOAN COMPANIES AMALGAMATE.

The Southern Loan & Savings Co., Southwestern Farmers' & Mechanies Savings & Loan Co., and the Star Loan Company of St. Thomas, Ontario, have adopted an agreement to malgamate, under the management of Mr. J. W. Stewart, now manager of the Southern, When the agreement has been approved by Mr. Howard Hunter, Registrar of Loan Corporations for Ontario, it will be submitted to the shareholders for ratification. The company stood respectively as follows at date of last report for 1902:

Companies,	Capital paid up.	Deposits,	Debertures.	Loans.
South Western	400,000 193,800 253,817	302,415 178 694 297,937	340,700 278,900 11,300	1,114,979 666,285 549,296
	847,617	779,046	630,900	2,330,560

Each company increased its deposits and loans in 1901-2, and their debentures, which are all issued in Canada, were increased from \$427,250 to \$630,900, so it is evident that public confidence had been well maintained.

The aggregate of the reserve and contingent funds of the three companies amounts to \$121,300.

This amalgamation is a wise step, for, although the management expenses of each company are shown in the report to have erred on the side of economy rather than otherwise, yet their aggregate was heavier than is desirable in proportion to the active business transacted. We trust the new organization will have a prosperous career.

There is an opening for other loan companies to join their forces.

ON THE GROWTH IN CANADA OF LIFE INSURANCE,
ASSESSMENT, INSURANCE, FRIENDLY SOCIETIES,
ACCIDENT INSURANCE, EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY
INSURANCE, HEALTH INSURANCE, PURE ENDOWMENT BUSINESS, ANNUITY BUSINESS, OLD AGE
PENSIONS, WORKMEN'S PENSIONS, AND OTHER
OPERATIONS REQUIRING ACTUARIAL ADVICE.

BY

#### A. K. Blackadar, Actuary, Canadian Insurance Department. PART I.

(4) Annuities and Pure Endowments.

Life annuities are dealt in only to a very limited extent by the people of Canada, and they have never been undertaken by the Dominion government or by the governments of any of the Provinces.

At the end of 1902 there were only 459 life annuities in force in Canada, cut of a population of over 5,000,000, and several of the larger of these annuities have arisen from the granting of pensions to retired officers of companies. Excluding the annuities issued by Canadian companies in foreign countries, the following gives the number of annuities and the amounts payable annually at end of 1902.

Life amulities in force in Canada, December 31,

1902

		No.	Amount payable
Canadian Companies	 	 317	\$ 91,615.27
British Companies	 	 19	16,418.77
American Companies	 	 123	48,335.81
Total		459	\$156.960 s5

Including all the annuities of Canadian companies and the annuities in Canada of British and American companies, the following table shows the amount of payments to annuitiants during the respective years 1892-1902, and the table also shows that whatever growth there has been in the way of annuities in Canada, has been of recent years.

TABLE V.

Amounts paid to annuitants, 1892-1902.

				Canadian	British	American	
,	ear.		(	companies.	Companies.	Companies.	Total.
1892				\$ 33,959	\$ 5,737	\$12,973	\$ 52,669
1893				35,328	5,099	14,960	55,387
1894				38,895	6,002	16,695	61.648
1895				14,219	6,667	19,643	40,529
1896				19,960	7.245	20.388	47.593
1897				32,217	9,919	22,905	65.041
1898				49,612	12,095	27.231	88,938
1899			**	61,776	13,144	29,798	104.718
1900				98,005	14,160	34.111	146 276
1901				110,101	16,499	35,212	161,812
1902				134,608	16,150	43,785	194,543

Pure endowments are not issued by companies operating in Canada, except in combination with other forms of insurance.

#### (5) ASSESSMENT INSURANCE.

Apart from the business done by fraternal societies, no new assessment insurance is now transacted in Canada. Since 1892 there have been, for various intervals or lengths of time, eight assessment companies doing business in Canada—five Canadian and three American. Of these eight, only two now remain, one Canadian and one American, and these are both doing business as ordinary insurance companies upon the reserve basis.

It was during the year 1893 that the largest amount of assessment business was transacted (\$10.917,225), and during the years 1891 to 1895 inclusive, the amount of business written was about one-fourth the volume written by the regular life insurance companies. The amount of assessment insurance in force reached its maximum at the end of 1897, when there were 27.786 policies in force, amounting to \$51.792.765. This amount has rapidly decreased, and at the end of 1901 there was less than \$12.000,000 of assessment insurance in force, and this amount is rapidly decreasing by lapse, or by being transferred to a reserve basis.

TABLE VI.

Assessment insurance in Canada, 1892-1902.

	Y	ea	r.	No. Bus	Amount. iness written.	No. Business	Amount. in force.
	1892.			 6,332	\$10,740,475	22,745	\$43,905,575
1	1893.		.,	 6,064	10,917,225	24,893	47,282,625
1	1894.			 7,782	10,024,650	26,556	49,805,970
	1895.			 5,316	9,264,025	27,786	51,792,765
1	1896.			 3,940	7,056,800	26,590	49,249,399
1	897.			 1,885	3,215,800	24.104	44,172,699
	1898.			 1,693	2,779,455	19,463	35,512,354
	1899.			 1,084	2,064,500	13,853	24,668,377
	1900.	*	***	 864	1,500,300	10,522	17,548,500
	1901.			 378	752,699	7,289	11,651,200
1	1902.		* *	 		6,308	10,547,250

(6) BUSINESS OF THE NATURE OF LIFE INSURANCE UNDERTAKEN BY FRIENDLY SOCIETIES IN CANADA.

Statistics for the past ten years relating to the business of life insurance undertaken by fraternal or friendly societies are obtainable from the reports of the Ontario Insurance Department respecting the business transacted by the societies registered by that department, and from the statements of the societies registered or licensed under the Dominion Insurance Act.

There are twenty-two of these societies reporting life insurance business to the Ontario department—seventeen Canadian societies and five American.

In the case of the American companies, the business in Canada is not separated in these reports from the business over the whole jurisdiction.

There are four societies reporting to the Dominion Insurance Department. One of these, the Canadian High Court of the A.O.F., has a Dominion incorporation, and is regularly licensed under the insurance act as a reserve company, and its business is included in the life statistics given above.

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#### MR. B E WALKER ON CANADA'S GROWTH.

The report of Mr. B. E. Walker's remarks made at a luncheon at the Exhibition, Toronto, was not strictly accurate. Instead of alluding to "Canada's exports 57 years ago as only \$5,000,000," the reference he made was to the entire value of all that Upper Canada had to sell to foreign countries, which was contrasted with the great foreign trade of Canada to-day. In illustration of the great advance made by the Dominion Mr. Walker said: "When I assumed the general management of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, 17 years ago, I little thought that I should live to see the day when two customers of one of our Canadian offices would ship to foreign countries a million pounds sterling worth of manufactured goods in one year."

Referring to the progress of Canada in manufactures Mr. Walker said: "No part of the British Empire, apart from Great Britain, was doing so much."

# RECENT LEGAL PHASES OF ACCIDENT INSURANCE

A Paper read by Mr. J. C. ROSENBERGER, of the Kansas City, Mo., Bar. before the International Association of Accident Underwriters in Annual Convention, July, 1903, at Hotel Frontenac, Thousand Islands, N.Y.

#### PART III.

A clause in nearly all policies which thus far has stood firm and staunch as the rock of Gibraltar in many a legal storm, is that most essential provision which says that "this insurance does not cover death or injuries due directly or indirectly to disease or bodily infirmity." This clause has been consistently held to exclude Lability where death has been due partly to disease and partly to accidental injuries. Thus where a man suffering from Bright's disease or fatty degeneration of the heart, sustains a fall and in falling injures himself and dies, claim is almost invariably made that death was due to the fall and not to disease. But the courts say this makes no difference. If at the time of the fall the insured was diseased and but for the disease the injuries would not have been sufficient to cause death, plaintiff cannot recover, notwithstanding the insured did sustain injuries. In other words, full effect is given to the language of the policy, "due directly or indirectly to disease." (Association vs. Shyrock, 73 Fed. 744; Insurance Co. vs. Fulton, 79 Fed. 423; Hubbard vs. Insurance Co., 98 Fed. 930; Sharpe vs. Insurance Co., 139 Ind. 92; Insurance Co. vs. Dorgan, 58 Fed. 945.)

The one discordant note on this proposition is a judicial maverick from Texas, Hicks vs. Insurance Co., 56 S. W. 87, where the Insured, though weakened by disease, against his physician's advice took a trip and while on the cars sustained an injury causing death (so it was claimed) and the beneficiary was permitted to recover. The reasoning, if such it can be called, of the court in this case cannot be defended on any ground. The decision is simply an instance of judicial larceny, and I feel safe in saying that it will not be followed in the Federal courts, where the law is well settled to the contrary on this point.

The Kansas City Court of Appeals in Carr vs. Insurance

Co. (decided June 8, 1903, 75 S. W. 180) expressly declines to follow the Hicks case.

There is one important qualification which must be made as to the effect of this exception against accidents "caused directly or indirectly by disease," and this is as to what constitutes disease. It is quite generally held that a mere temporary disorder, such as a fainting spell, a sudden attack of vertigo, and the like, is not a disease within the meaning of the exception. The disorder must be of a more permanent or chronic character in order to be termed a disease. (Dorgan vs. Insurance Co., 58 Fed. Rep. 945, and cases cited.)

A member of this Association recently sent me, with the request for suggestions, the draft of a policy his company proposed to piace on the market in which he had eliminated every condition and exception usually to be found in an accident policy. It came as near being the "plain promise to pay" as any policy I have ever seen. I wrote to him that if he did not insert an exception against death "due directly or indirectly to disease" he would live to regret it. He replied by inquiring whether he had not covered this point in the insuring clause, which read as follows: "against loss as herein provided caused by bodily injury effected exclusively and directly by external, violent and accidental means," etc. I replied that in my opinion the insuring clause had not obviated the difficulty and cited him to two cases, which have been the undoing of accident insurance companies in many cases, namely, Lawrence vs. Insurance Co., 7 Q. B. D. 216; Winspear vs. Insurance Co., 6 Q. B. D. 42.

In the Winspear case the policy provided that "it should not extend to any injury caused by or arising from natural disease or weakness or exhaustion consequent upon disease."

The insured, while fording a stream, was seized with an epileptic fit and fell into the stream, and was drowned while suffering from the fit. It was held that the company was liable.

In the Lawrence case the policy provided: "This policy covers injuries accidentally occurring from material and external cause, operating upon the body of the insured, where such accidental injury is the direct and sole cause of the death of the insured, but it does not insure in case of death arising from fits \* \* \* or any disease whatseever, arising before or at the time of or following such accidental injuries, whether consequent upon such accidental injury or not, and whether causing such death directly or jointly with such accidental injuries."

The insured, while at a railway station, was seized with a fit and fell forward off the platform across the railway track, and an aproaching train ran over and killed him. It was held that the company was liable.

The reasoning upon which these two decisions are based is that the direct and proximate cause of the death in the vinspear case was the drowning and not the fit, and in the Lawrence case the impact of the train against the insured and not the fit. That while it was true that the indirect cause of the injuries and accident in both cases was disease, yet, the direct cause was in the one case drowning and in the other the blow from the train. It will be observed that in neither policy was there language excluding injuries due indirectly to disease.

Judge Taft, in the Dorgan case, 58 Fed. 945, says that if the policies construed in the Winspear and Lawrence cases had contained an exception excluding injuries due "directly or indirectly to disease," the result would, in his opinion, have been different. The reasoning of the Lawrence and Winspear cases is so subtle and refined that the ordinary mind finds it difficult to grasp the distinction, but both decisions were rendered by a court of the highest authority in England, and they have been

followed on this side of the Atlantic. These cases are referred to with approval by Mr. Justice Gray in delivering the opinion in the now amous case of Crandall vs. Insurance Co., 120 U.S. 527, and in many other cases in this country. It would therefore appear that any policy which fails to contain a proviso against injuries due directly or indirectly to disease will not exempt the company in cases where death is due partly to disease and partly to accident or to both combined.

A recent practice adopted by some of the companies, which I regard as a step in the wrong direction, is that of issuing personal accident policies on an unsigned application called a "Schedule of Warranties." The purpose of this innovation is to aid the solicitor in getting business. and I fear that the companies who have adopted this plan will learn to their regret that it is better to write a small business at a profit than a large business at a loss. The practical operation of this method is as follows: The solicitor obtains from the insured the data usually found in an application for accident insurance; this he reduces to writing, and the company, and in some instances its general agent, endorses in a blank form provided for that purpose the statements contained in the schedule upon the policy, which is then ready for delivery. The policy recites that it is issued in consideration of the statements and warranties contained in the schedule, and that the insured by accepting the policy warrants such statements to be true and complete. Nothing is signed by the insured. All the writing is done by the solicitor or the company. The argument is that by accepting the policy the insured has adopted the answers filled in the blanks of the schedule as his own to the same extent as if he himself had written them.

Now I undertake to venture my humble opinion that the instances will be few and far between in which the company can succeed in establishing the defence of breach of warranty on such a policy as this. It seems to me difficult enough now to show a breach of warranty with a formal application, regularly signed by the insured, and without a signed application, I think this defense is gone entirely.

There is only one type of application, which is, in my opinion, rea onably safe, an dthat is the one which is not only signed by the insured, but in which the answers are also in the handwriting of the insured. It is the invariable contention of the fraud and the cheat, who has made false statements in his application, that he gave the correct information to the solicitor, but, that the solicitor erroneously filled out the answers, and where this is shown it is held in most of the States that the false statements are not binding on the insured. It must be obvious, therefore, that when the insured cannot be confronted even by his signature, the door is opened wide to fraud and deception. When it is remembered that there is no medical examination, and that the sole basis upon which the policy is issued is the application, the importance of having an application upon which the insured can be held bound cannot be overestimated.

It is true that from a strictly legal and theoretical standpoint an unsigned application ought to be binding where the policy recites that the statements therein are confirmed by the acceptane of the policy, but as a practical proposition I do not think the courts will have as much difficulty in disposing of this provision of the policy as the advocates of this form of policy imagine. At best the warranties in such a schedule are not actually but only constructively made by the insured, and it does not strike the judicial mind with favour to let a company plead as a defense a false statement in an application which was never signed or made by the insured and which, perhaps, he never saw.

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#### PROMINENT TOPICS.

The Dominion Exhibition at Toronto closed on 12th inst. The attendance is stated to have been 510,000, an increase of 130,000 over previous year. One attraction which drew many thousands, the magnificent Victoria Jubilee gifts sent so kindly by His Majesty King Edward, will never again be seen in this country. The expenses involved in bringing them out, arranging them for exhibition, guarding them by soldiers, etc., amounted to \$7,000. The work of unpacking and placing them in glass cases occupied three weeks. Another specially powerful magnet was the Coldstream Guard's Band, who aroused the enthusiasm of the visitors to the highest pitch.

The manufacturing exhibits are reported to us as having been a remarkably fine display of Canadian industries. The exhibitors were intensely gratified at the extensive orders they received for such goods as were on show, the buyers being from all parts of Canada and some from Great Britain. As to the Toronto hotels, restaurants, boarding houses, stores, the Exhibition was a bonanza. It is estimated that, not less than \$1,500,000 was spent in Toronto during the Exhibition, some think much more. It is gratifying to record that not a single complaint arose from visitors, or exhibitors. The Street Railway Company earned universal praise and dollars galore. Toronto is entitled to congratulations on the magnificent success of its 1903 Exhibition. Why cannot Montreal have an Exhibition worthy of its pre-eminence, its wealth, its business prestige?

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What can be said of the situation in the Balkans that is not stale as, "the remainder biscuit after a voyage?" There has been a "Balkan situation" closely akin to the present one for near upon a century. There will be one for as long as the Turks occupy a dominant position in, or adjoining lands where there is a Christian population. But for the jealousy of each other of the great Powers of Europe, and their joint jealousy and dread of Russia, the Balkan problem would have been solved generations ago. The difficulty is this, it Turkey is muzzled and manacled politically, as it must be to stop the massacre of Christians by famuatical Mohammedans, some other Power must occupy Constantinople. Whatever Power reigns there will hold the finest site in the world, strategically. That Power is bound to be Russia, if the Turks are ejected from Europe. But neither England, France, Germany, Austria nor Italy could see Russia on the Bosphorous without the gravest alarm. The peril to their interests in such a situation would be so great that they will suffer any moral humiliation, as

they are now doing rather than lift a finger to bring peace to Eastern Christians by suppressing the Turks. Before the Balkan situation is brightened by a civilized power being established in the frontiers of the Balkan States, there will almost inevitably be such a conflict as Europe has not seen since the Napoleonic wars.

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The decline in Consols brings them lower than the figure in March last. Why they have gone so low has been much discussed as there is nothing known to account for it. The most reasonable explanation is that Consols were bought up some time ago by a sanguine syndicate, which operated in hope of a rise. As the advance did not come they have had to realize their holdings and the market price has been lowered owing to the urgency of this syndicate to turn their Consols into cash. This may be so and doubtless some buyers will do well out of securing Consols at their present extraordinary price.

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Buffalo is giving an object lesson as to the accessity of preventing the streets of a city being used by a railway company without the express permission for a specific service being granted by the Corporation. In Buffalo the local street railway is running steam railway freight cars through the streets to the great alarm and annoyance of the citizens. How should we like to see steam locomotives drawing freight cars along St. James, St. Catherine, or any of the throughfares of this city?

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Mr. Robert Archer, has been appointed to a seat on the Board of the City & District Bank, in succession to the late Hon. James O'Brien.

Mr. Wm. Cassils McIntyre, senior partner of Messrs. McIntyre, Son & Co., the eminent dry goods merchants, has been elected a director of the Molsons Bank in succession to the late Mr. Finley, Mr. McIntyre is president of the Dominion Wollen Manufacturing Co., and a director of the Dominion Bridge Co., and Windsor Hotel Co. The appointment is highly approved in business circles.

The Western Union insurance representatives held their annual meeting at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, yesterday, for the first time in its history outside the United States. The Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association tendered them a luncheon on board the "Kingston." The Montreal managers present were: Messrs. G. F. C. Smith (L. & L. & G.), George Simpson (Royal), and E. P. Heaton (Guardian).

#### PERSONALS.

MESSES. G. F. MARTER & SON, have been appointed agents at Toronto, for the Liverpool & London & Globe, in addition to Mr. Jos. B. Reed, who has represented the Company for the past 25 years. The above appointment is made with a view of extending the Company's business in Toronto.

Mr. W. M. Ramsay, director of the Standard Life, and Mr. D. McGoun, manager, left on the 10th inst., on a tour of inspection to the Northwest and Vancouver, and also to look over the ground, with a view to investments. They expect to return to Montreal about 8th October.

## Hotes and Items.

At Home and Abroad.

THE SOVEREIGN BANK is to open a branch at Belmont, Ont.

THE ELECTRIC RAILWAY, Preston and Berlin, Ont., a distance of 8 miles, was opened 26th August.

THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA has opened a branch at Estevan, N.W.T., under management of Mr. A. D. Severs.

OTTAWA CLEARING HOUSE.—Total for week ending 10th September, 1903: Clearings, \$1,740,152; corresponding week last year, \$2,238,188.

The Bank of British North America will pay, on 2nd October next, an interim dividend for half-year ended 30th June last, of thirty shillings per share, being at rate of 6 per cent, per annum.

THE UNION BANK Directors are reported to have let the contract for the building at Winnipeg to a New York firm, on the understanding that the labour and materials are to be Canadian.

Fraternal Congress.—The Fraternal Congress at Milwaukee, approved of the uniform bill of the Insurance Commissioners with some changes. These societies have a membership of 3,672,120, and certificate out for \$5,642,-442,256. The deaths reported were 8.37 per 1,000, as against 8.33 for 1901.

THE PORT OF ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, has reason to be grateful to the British Admiral, who was recently here. He directed blasting operations to be conducted, by which a dangerous obstruction to the entrance to the Harbour was removed and a clear course opened for vessels of the deepest draught.

The Dawn of Sanity re Yacht Races.— The "New York Post," with its characteristic sanity, shown by "aloofness" from popular tides of passion, says, in reference to the recent yacht race between "Reliance" and "Shamrock" III:—"From all this there should be a reversion to the sensible and seaworthy cruising type. Future cup challengers and defenders will, we hope, be staunch enough to cross the ocean under their normal canvas, as did America and many of her successors. We trust, too, that yerterday's race marks the end of the great single-stickers, with their costly bronze hulls and fragile rigging."

REMARKABLE SPEED ON ENGLISH RAILWAY.—A train was run a few days ago from London to Brighton, 50 miles, in 49 minutes, 41 seconds, an average of 63 miles per hour. During the trip a speed of 90 miles per hour was reached to offset slowing down where the roadbed was being improved. The officials think a service can be arranged to cover the distance in 45 minutes. Brighton will then be more than ever "London by the sea."

SUICIDE INCREASING IN THE STATES .- An article in "The Spectator," by F. E. Hoffman, statistician of the Prudential Co., shows that suicide in the United States is increasing. In 1890 the figures show 12 suicides to every 100,000 of population; in 1902, 17. For the period 1892-1901, the ten cities leading in the matter of suicide were as follows: with their rates: St. Louis, 25.7; Hoboken, 24.6; Chicago, 23.4; Oakland, 22.5; New York, 21.2; Milwaukee, 20.1; Cincinnati, 18.5; Newark, 17.9; Brooklyn, 16.2; Boston, 15.9. For 1902, the order was this: Hoboken, 35.7; Oakland, 28.0; Minneapolis, 25.6; Haverhill Mass., 24.8; Chicago. 23.7; St. Louis, 23.5; Milwaukee, 22.9; New York, 21.0; Cincinnati, 20.5; Newark, 20.0, "The Spectator's" statistics exhibit the rate as highest among those of German and French descent and lowest among native-born Americans and Irish.-"New York Sun."

VALUE OF CHEERFULNESS.—"One of the greatest requisites in life insurance is to have, to cultivate—for it can be cultivated—an enthusiastic and cneerful spirit, a spirit that rebounds like a rubber ball when it goes against anything hard; that takes with a smile the hard knocks of the world; that is able to throw off temporary discouragements. Cultivate that sort of a spirit, and even if all the prospects you have banked on to close in June should fall, you can still say, cheerfully: "Never mind—there are just as good fish in the sea," and keep at it pluckily along that line! "There is nothing, positively nothing to be gained by getting blue, becoming discouraged, or believing that you are a predestined hoodoo!

"Be cheery. Be optimistic. Be hopeful."-"Exchange."

SOUTH AFRICAN GOLD FIELDS.—The following shows the yield of the South African gold fields since the war ended in May, 1901. For the whole of the previous year none was mined.

was mined.					
Month		1903.	1902.	1901.	1900.
January	 	199,279	70,341		90,787
February		196,513	81,405		75,170
March	 	217,465	104,128		85,834
April		227,871	119,589		
May		234,125	138,603	7,479	
June		238,320	142,780	19,779	*****
July		251,643	149,179	25,959	
August			162,750	28,474	*****
September			170,802	31,936	
October			181,439	33,393	
November	 		187,375	39,076	*****
December	 		196,023	52,897	
			-	-	\$1-200 METERSON

Total ozs .. .. 1,837,216 1,704,414 238,993 251,801

"The Street," n. [Colloq.] "Rough Notes." 1. That particular locality in a town where most of the insurance offices are congregated. 2. Through a strong natural love for one another insurance agents like to have their offices as near together as possible. It also saves steps in effecting the interchange of business. 3. No stranger in a city can fail to know that he has arrived on "the street" if his almiess wanderings chance to bring him into that locality. There is one thing that an agent is not ashamed of (excessively not), and that is his business. The first thing that he considers in selecting an office is whether there is

room on the front of the building for a sign and whether the windows will afford good space for display of gilt and gold. His first move after selecting an office is to figure on the tallest letters that can be used to spell the word "insurance," an then he gives the order for the sign. As this is a part of the business, the stranger need not be uncertain as to his whereabouts when he strikes "the street." It also explains why sign makers all get rich in insurance

"He doesn't look as if he held the largest lines upon his books. He has the income of a prince? You'd never dream it from his looks. But so 'tis said upon the street." -From "Disguised Prosperity." Canto III.

Messes, Fetherstonhaugh & Co., patent solicitors, Canada Life building, furnish us with the following weekly list of patents granted to Canadians in the following countries. Any further information may be readily obtained from them direct. Canadian Patents-M. Cote. furnace grates. F. Cords, cattle guards. C. P. Cox, locomotive driving mechanism. J. Cryderman, vehicle body raisers. W. Rath, smut-mills. T. M. Ramsay, adjustable or removable drivers' seat. J. L. Taylor, combined scoop and weighing apparatus. A. Rawson Leith & T. A. Drummond, automatic weighing apparatus. J. E. W. Currier, purses. P. J. Smyth, display apparatus. J. E. Fortin, thermostatic alarms. C. L. Bustin & J. White, couch exhibitors. F. H. Stuart, fare-boxes. AMERICAN PATENTS -W. W. Baer, typewriter carriage operating mechanism. P. Dansereau, axle-nut. A. R. Leith & T. A. Drummond, automatic weighing apparatus. W. A. Milne, composite peat block. W. S. Pugsley, wire-fence machine, C. E. Stevenson & R. Watson, hoisting apparatus. F. T. Wilkes, saw-mill log turner. E. F. Wilson, game apparatus. B. O. Beland, peg-strip leaher joint.

VACANT OR OCCUPIED PREMISES.—The "Investigator" reports legal decision re vacant or occupied premises, as follows: "In Liverpool & London & Globe Insurance Company v. Buchstaff, 38 Neb. 146, 56 N. W. 695, 41 Am. St. Rep. 724, it was said "that, where a policy of insurance provided that it should be void if the premises became vacant or unoccupied without the written consent of the Company, and the tenant occupying the insured building partially moved out the day before the fire, leaving in the building a portion of his furniture, in such case the premises were not vacant or unoccupied within the meaning of the policy." In that case the court quoted with approval from Hotchkiss v. Phoenix Insurance Company, 76 Wis. 269, 11 N. W. 1106, 20 Am. St. Rep. 69, as follows: "Under certain circumstances permises may be vacant or unoccupied when, under other circumstances, premises in like situation may not be so, within the meaning of that term in insurance policies. Thus, if one insures his dwelling house, described in the policy as occupied by himself as his residence, and moves out of it, leaving no person in the occupation thereof, it thereby becomes vacant or unoccupied. But if he insures it as a tenement house, or as occupied by a tenant, it may fairly be presumed, nothing appearing to the contrary, that the parties to the contract of insurance contemplated that the tenant was liable to leave the premises, and that more or less time might elapse before the owner could procure another tenant to occupy them, and hence that the parties did not understand that they should be considered vacant and the polley forfeited or suspended, according to its terms, immediately upon the tenant's leaving. This distinction is made in some of the cases-in Lockwood r. Middlesex Mutual Assurance Co., 47 Conn. 561: Whitney v. Black River Insurance Co., 9 Hun. 39. 1 Wood, Ins. § 91, pp. 208-210, and cases cited." In this view of the case, we do not think that there was any error on the part of the court in stating to the jury that the issue they were to try was whether the premises were vacant or not.

UNITED STATES imports last year to 30th June were free of duty \$426,159,441, duplicate \$599,459,686, total \$1,025,619,127. The exports were \$1,419,991.290. The imports were \$122.300,000 more than in 1902, and the exports exceeded 1902 by \$38,270,000.

#### ELECTRICAL FIRES AND CASUALTIES

The quarterly fire report of the electrical Bureau of the National Board of Fire Underwriters just issued reports the following summary of fires and casualties due to electricity during the three months ending July 10:

Twenty-eight fires were caused by the grounding of circuits of which thirteen were on awnings, metal work and roofs of buildings, and ten were on gas

Reports have been received of twenty fires due to crosses of telephone, telegraph and signal wires with high potential circuits.

Five fires were occasioned by open link fuses not enclosed in cabinets.

Ten fires are reported as due to short circuit in flexible cords.

Ten fires were caused by lighting, in four of which the lightning entered over wires, and in two cases over sprinkler pipes.

Five fires were occasioned by overheated rheostats, two of which were on electric cars.

Three fires were due to overheated pressing irons. Five fires in show windows are reported.

Reports of one hundred and twenty-eight electrical fires, losses aggregating \$471,700, have been received during the last quarter.

Reports have been received of one hundred and forty-four fires, losses aggregating \$833,400, supposed to have been due to electricity, but they are not included in this report, as the causes could not be definitely proven as electrical, principally because the fires destroyed the conclusive evidences of their origins.

Forty fires, losses aggregating \$146,500, reported as due to electricity, during the last quarter, have upon further and more reliable investigation, been found to have been due to other causes. Of these: A \$17,000 loss, a \$10,000 loss and a \$6,000 loss are attributed to spontaneous ignition; a \$4,000 loss was caused by a lighted pipe in a coat pocket; a \$10,000 loss was caused by a boy playing with fire. fires attributed to electricity were found to have been caused by rats and matches, a gasoline torch, a boiler, charcoal, etc.

#### CASUALTIES.

During the last quarter four persons were killed and three badly injured by contact with high potential circuits or wires crossed with them.

Officials of electric light companies, contractors and others who receive these reports are requested whenever a fire caused by electricity or its appliances comes to their knowledge, to report the same to this office or to the inspection department having jurisdiction as soon as possible after the occurrence, with all particulars as to the origin and extent of damage.

The next report will be issued October 10, 1903. Detailed accounts of all fires and burnouts should be sent in as they occur, and all are requested for pub-

lication not later than October 7.

# Correspondence.

do not hold ourselves responsible for views expressed by correspondents.

#### NEW YORK STOCK LETTER.

New York, Sept. 16, 1903.

It is a somewhat curious condition of affairs in which the Banks, in the face of the known demands which will be made upon them for funds with which to move the crops, should endeavour to retire their circulation, and to that extent curtail the funds available for the purpose above mentioned. To be sure, the fact that the Secretary of the Treasury is prepared to deposit some \$40,000,000, has advanced the price of Government bonds to such an extent that there is a handsome profit to those banks who purchased their bonds at lower figures, and hence the desire to realize such profit has induced some of the institutions to sell them and retire their circulation. That such action is repugnant to the Secretary of the Treasury is evident from the measures which he has taken to minimize, if he cannot entirely prevent such action, especially as the contemplated extra session of Congress for the purpose of having financial legislation has apparently been abandoned as impracticable, so that the only financial relief which the country can hope for must come from the Treasury. Reports from various sections of the country, but especially from the West and Northwest, are to the effect that being warned by the condition of things at this centre, the various institutions throughout the country have taken the precaution to strengthen themselves, and that they are now in excellent condition, and much better able to withstand a strain than they have been before in a very long time, and it is quite likely that their drafts upon their New York correspondents will be much lighter than usual.

Interest during the week has centered largely upon the condition of the crops and the facility with which some of the wiseacres make or ruin crops upon paper is certainly amusing, according to them; one day we are told that the corn yield will be the largest upon record, and the next day that there will practically be no corn crops at all.

In considering the subject, it is well to remember that the past has been an exceptional one in the yield of hay. Alfalfa and other kinds of fodder, and, that consequently, less corn will be required for stock purposes, so that should there be a slight shortage in the yield of corn there would till be a considerable amount available for export, and at figures which will return a handsome profit to the producer.

The true prosperity of a country is to be measured by the wealth obtained from its exportable crops and its output of precious and other metals. The report by the Director of the mint for the past year shows that the output of gold and silver has been \$109,415,000, while returns from the Customs Department show that the exports from this country for the same period have been \$1,420,-138,114, and that the imports have been \$1,025,751,538, or an eccess of exports over imports of \$394,386,576; so that the increased wealth of the country is approximately \$503,801,576. With such a showing as this the country is by no means in the desperate condition that some of the bears would have us believe.

It is true that there are signs of contraction in various branches of business, but it must be remembered that the pace at which the country has been going for the past three years has been a very rapid one, and it is not at all

surprising that there should be a slowing up in all quarters.

One of the most serious and disquieting questions of the present time is that of labour, especially in the large cities. In Chicago some of the largest concerns are preparing to move away, and matters in this city are not much better. Considerations of this question and of the general financial situation has led to a reconsideration of many plans which had been perfected in various quarters, and the determination not to undertake any new business for some time to come. It is estimated that operations calling for an outlay of over \$180,000,000 have already been shut down or definitely abandoned. It is, therefore, not surprising that the stock market should be as it is, exceedingly quiet. The Standard and good properties should from this on show improvement, but will probably suffer in sympathy when some of the recently inflated bubbles burst. We believe, however, that the former are now a purchase on every decline, for it must not be forgotten that with properties like Atchison, Missouri Pacific and Texas Pacific, the territory through which they run has so developed, that the local traffic is almost sufficient to support the road.

The annual reports coming to hand during the week make very interesting reading. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul shows that gross earnings were \$47,662,738, or an increase of \$2,049,613 over last year. The balance of the year's earnings above all charges, was \$10.473,259, and the surplus at the date of the report after the payment of dividends was \$23,499,652, and shows that the corporation earned about 10 per cent. upon the Common Stock.

The Atchison statement shows that its gross earnings were \$63,668,390, and that the net earnings after all charges, were \$13,898,329, equivalent to the full 5 per cent, upon the Preferred, and 8.033 per cent, upon the Common

Norfolk & Western shows an increase for the year of \$3,608,470. Lehigh Valley an increase of \$1,735,551 New York, Ontario and Wabash \$719,822, while the Wabash shows a decrease of \$5,310. In the latter case, however, it must be remembered that this company is spending large amounts in improvements, for the gross earnings show an increase of \$2,087,335.

The market has been lifeless all day, but there does not appear to be any very great pressure upon it, and it closes without feature, except as to dullness.

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#### LONDON LETTER,

#### FINANCE.

London, 3rd Sept., 1903.

Readers of The Chronicle will be aware that in the United Kingdom the consolidation of industrial business into combines or trusts has, by no means, been a general success. Many of the textile amalgamations which were the fruit of the fusion fancy of three or four years ago have been rank failures to date. In some cases, however, a policy of vigorous retrenchment and reorganization is likely to snatch some of the combines out of the jaws of destruction.

Markets generally continue dull and with a rise in the Bank of England rate of discount, the prospect of greater activity in stock and share dealings becomes more remote. The Banks' reserve of gold has to be protected at all costs. It is the only real basis for the enormous edifice of credit in the United Kingdom. Lately gold withdrawals for the Continent and Egypt have greatly exceeded the imports of the precious metal from the Australian and South African mines. As for the trading outlook it is anything

but bright. The generally held view amongst the streetcorner political economists is that we are going to have hard times this winter, and already the unemployed are crowding about the docks and the homeless into the pubik casual wards.

#### INSURANCE.

Proceeding on slow and cautious lines the Sceptre Life Association has made solid, if not sensational progress, since 1864, when it was established. The funds, built up by slow accretions will probably reach five million dollars before the present year is out. Expenses, including commission, run to 16 per cent. of the premium income, which is moderate and much lower than it used to be. In 1888, the rate of interest assumed for valuation purposes was  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent., in 1893 it was lowered to  $3\frac{1}{4}$  per cent., and in 1898 to 3 per cent.

A year or two ago there seemed every reason for reducing the valuation rates of round offices to still lower figures, but the condition governing the employment of loanable capital improved so much with the demand, consequent upon the outbreak and duration of the South African war that we hear very little of further reductions

Whilst British merchants trading in the Far East are congratulating themselves upon the benefit derivable from the rise in silver, they have also a grievance. The Hong Kong Insurance Association has been sent instructions from London to raise fire rates all the way round by 25 per cent. There is little doubt from the fire insurance point of view that the rise is justified and in fact overdue. For many years past, the fire loss at Hong Kong and Shanghai has been extremely heavy.

There is so much resentment, however, amongst the houses trading with China, that some of the financial magnates are proposing to organize from here a new insurance company on the good old fashioned alleged mutual lines. They are apparently inviting trouble.

Big fires at home are also pretty frequent just now. The day before yesterday, there was a tremendous blaze of acres af stacke valuable mahogany, rosewood and teak down at the docks, which will heavily, involve all the principal companies. There are many others.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Walter S. THE INSURANCE LAW JOURNAL, Nicholls, Editor, Vol. XXXII., No. 8.—This publication, issued monthly by the C. C. Hines' Sons, Co., New York, maintains its high reputation for excellent reports of insurance cases, and for the skilful summaries it gives of the judgments recorded. The August number reports the interesting case of the Aetna Life Insurance Company, vs. Dorney, which is thus summarized: "If a policy of against accident contains a stipulainsurance tion that the insurer shall not be liable on account of the death of the assured, if it results wholly or partly from infirmity or disease, the stipulation is available as a defence, notwithstanding sections 3,625-6, Rev. St., whose effect is limited to defenses provided on fraud or mis-statement in the Another case is that of Friedman, vs. application." Atlas Assurance Co., which turned upon the point as to whether a fire caused the fall of a building, or the fall caused the fire.

AMENDMENTS TO THE INSURANCE LAWS OF ILLINOIS, compiled by Mr. W. R. Vredenburgh, Superintendent of Insurance.

Insurance Engineering, August, 1903. No. 2, Vol. VI. This Magazine is replete with matter of the utmost value to all interested in fire insurance and should be studied by architects, engineers, and builders. The contents of the August number are, "Inferior Buildings and Demoralized Firemen;" "Packing and Slaughter Houses, Statistics of five Serious Fires;" "Concrete Construction," "Blower Systems, their usefulness in reducing fire hazards;" "Some papers of the International Fire Prevention Congress," "Garbage Works, processes of converting city refuse," with a number of interesting minor articles.

#### STOCK EXCHANGE NOTES.

Wednesday, p. m., September 16, 1903.

The inactive conditions, so long prevailing, continued throughout this week's market, and the volume of business is at a low ebb. Many of the brokers are absent from the Exchange, and business generally is almost at a standstill. Prices have, in a number of cases, reacted to a lower level, and this is particularly noticeable in Dominion Coal Common and C. P. R. Dominion Steel Common and Preferred are also decidedly lower than a week ago. Detroit Railway, Montreal Power and Nova Scotia Steel have, however, held remarkably firm. A meeting of shareholders of the Dominion Steel Company will take place on Friday, 25th inst., at 12 o'clock, and a meeting of the Dominion Coal Company shareholders on the same date at 3 o'clock. These two meetings are called to confirm and approve the action of the Directors of the Companies in cancelling the lease at present existing between them. The miniature boom which took place in the Steel stocks when the announcement of the break between the two companies was made, seems to have dwindled away, and the prices of these stocks have reacted from the higher levels reached. It is, of course, almost a foregone conclusion that the dividend on the Dominion Steel Preferred stock, due on 1st October, will be passed. At the meeting of the Steel Directors to be held on the 25th inst., authority to issue second mortgage bonds will also be asked for, and, no doubt, will be granted. The proceeds of the sale of these bonds will, of course, improve the position of the first mortgage bonds through enabling the Company to make the necessary improvements and enlargements to complete their plant. Dominion Coal Common has continued to decline throughout the week and sold as low as 701/2, but has since recovered somewhat from these low prices. The belief that the dividend on this stock will be reduced is generally held, and a 6 p.c. dividend is now looked for. It is possible, of course, that the full dividend of 2 per cent. may be paid on 1st October, but, after that it is thought that a 6 per cent, rate will be established. The issue of new stock of the Montreal Street Railway Company will be made to shareholders of record at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, 14th October next, in the proportion of one new share at par to every 6 shares then held. It is proposed to call up 60 per cent. of this new stock in instalments at once, payments to be made as follows:-First payment of 10 per cent. on 2nd November, and a further 10 per cent. on each of the following dates, 1st December, 2nd January, 1st February, 1st March and 1st April. Shareholders who wish to do so will be allowed to pay the six calls at once on the 2nd of November, and will receive interest at 4½ per cent. per annum on the prepaid calls. They will, however, not be allowed to transfer their shares if this is done until the maturity of the sixth call on the first of April, 1904.

Call money in New York, to-day, was quoted at 21/4 per

cent., and the London rate was 3 to 3½. The local rate for call money remains unchanged at 5½ per cent.

The quotations for money at continental points are as follows:—

	Market.	Bank.
Paris	. 218	3
Berlin		4
Amsterdam		31
Vienna		31
Brussels		3
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The transactions in C. P. R. this week totalled 1,220 shares and the closing quotation was 121%, a loss of 2½ points on quotation for the week. The last sales were made at 122. The earnings for the first week of September show an increase of \$34,000.

The Grand Trunk Railway Company's earnings for the first week of September show an increase of \$139,441. The stock quotations, as compared with a week ago, are as follows:—

1	week ago.	To-day.
First Preference	114	114
Second Preference	102	102
Third Preference	$52\frac{1}{2}$	511

Montreal Street has reacted and closed with 237¼ bid, a decline on quotation of 4¾ points for the week on transactions totalling 330 shares. The earnings for the week ending 12th inst. show an increase of \$7,575.65, as follows:—

Sunday Monday Tuesday	\$6,644.68 8,458.35 7,079.74	\$ 846.46 1,749.91 1,061.80	
Wednesday	6,784.15	659.99	
Thursday	7,044.77 6,863.65	671.14 773.77	
Saturday	8,135.75	1,812.58	

Toronto Railway is lower and closed with 97½ bid, a decline of 2½ points for the week on transactions of 508 shares. The earnings for the week ending 12th inst. show an increase of \$17,488.82, as follows:—

	Increase.
\$6,658.79	\$1,918.28
13,939.50	4,218.33
13,442.32	4,111.18
12,852.35	1,618.77
11,905.72	1,342.55
10,585.18	2,058.36
10,434.61	2,221.35
	13,939.50 13,442.32 12,852.35 11,905.72 10,585.18

The transactions in Twin City this week totalled 340 shares, and the closing old was 91%. This is a decline of 1% points for the week. The earnings for the first week of September show an increase of \$3,735.05.

Detroit Railway closing quotation was 68 bid, which is the same price as that prevailing a week ago, and the last sales were made at this price. The transactions for the week involved 325 shares.

The sales of Toledo Railway this week amounted to 80 shares, and the stock closed with 21 bid, which is the same price as that prevailing a week ago.

R. & O. closed with 77 bid, a decline of 1½ points for the week, and 280 shares changed hands during the week's business. The steamer "Carolina" is still in her old position, but the machinery and furnishings of the steamer have been removed, and only the bare hull is now at risk, and it is possible this may be floated safely. The longer she is allowed to rest in her present position, however, the less likelihood there is of the safe floatation of the hull.

Montreal Power closed with 76% bid, a decline of 11% points for the week, and 1,127 shares were traded in.

Dominion Steel Common transactions involved 1,428 shares, which is just about half the business transacted in this stock last week. The closing bid was 10½, a loss of 2¾ points on quotation. The sales in the Preferred Stock totalled 339 shares, and the stock closed with 32 bid, a loss of 6½ points from last week's closing quotation. The sales in the Bonds totalled \$29,000. The last sales were made at 64 and they were offered at the close at 65, with no bid.

Nova Scotia Steel sales this week involved 225 shares, and the closing quotation was 87 bid, a loss of ½ point for the week.

The closing quotation in Dominion Coal Common was 72½, a loss of 6½ points for the week, but a recovery of 1¾ points from this week's lowest. The transactions involved 1,455 shares for the week, and in the Preferred Stock 20 shares were traded in.

	Per cent.
Call money in Montreal,	51
Call money in New York	21
Call money in London	3 to 31
Bank of England rate	4
Consols	89
Demand Sterling	9.5
60 days' Sight Sterling	875

Thursday, p.m., September 17, 1903.

The total transactions in to-day's market amounted to about 1,000 shares, and during the afternoon business was practically at a standstill, and there were transactions in only four securities. Pacific opened at 122 and sold at 213% in the afternoon. Montreal Street was traded in at 237, and broken lots changed hands at 238. In Montreal Power 100 shares changed hands between 75% and 76% and Steel Preferred sold at 33% and then at 33. Detroit Railway holds steady at 68, and Twin City sold at 91%. There was no news of any kind to influence the market, either one way, or the other.

#### MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE SALES

# THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1903. MORNING BOARD.

No. of Shares.	Price	No. of Price	<b>10.</b>
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	238 237 11 91¾	25 Dom. Iron Pfd 33. 5	1/2
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10	C.P.R	121 1/4	25 Dom. Coal Com 50 Detroit Ry	71% 68

The gross traffic earnings of the Grand Trunk Canadian Pacific, Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic railways, and the Montreal, Toronto, Halifax, Twin City, Winnipeg and Havana street railways, up to the most recent date obtainable, compared with the corresponding period for 1901 and 1902, were as follows:

#### GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Vear to date.		1902.	1903.	Increase
Aug. 31	\$18,687,088	\$19,659,262	\$23,146,621	\$3,487,263
Week ending.	1901.	1902.	1903.	Increase
Sept. 7	637,993	647,590	787,031	139,441

#### CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Year to date.		1902.	1903.	Increase
Aug. 31	\$20,295,000	\$24,051,000	\$29,165,000	\$5,114,000

#### GROSS TRAFFIC EARNINGS

Week ending	1901.	1902.	1903.	Increase
Sept. 7	713,000	801,000	895,000	94,000

#### NET TRAFFIC EARNINGS.

Month.	1901.	1902.	1903.	Inc.
Ianuary	\$ 648,196	\$820,461	\$ 916,771	\$96,310
February	620,680	674,361	742,741	68,380
March	948,335	1,054,915	1,258,564	203,649
April	1,180,808	1,291,705	1,493,173	201,467
May	1,010,284	1,166,892	1,383,357	216,465
June	1,121,432	846,737	1,246,055	399,318
July	1,095,867	1,175,711	1,318,527	142,816
August	1,305,632	1,362,901		
September	1,352,732	1,410,755		
October	1,467,039	1,616,134		
November	1,440,878	1,558,240		
December	1,568,691	1,672,442		

# Total ..... 13,760,574 14,651,255 DULUTH, SOUTH SHORE & ATLANTIC

Week ending.	1901.	1902.	1903.	Increase
Aug 7	53,455	56,857	63,565	6708
14	54,165	61,181	60,011	Dec. 1170
21	53,670	61,786	61,162	" 624

#### WINNIPEG STREET RAILWAY.

Month.	1901.	1902.	1903.	Increase
January	\$26,333	\$32,060	\$44,515	\$12,455
February	24,779	27,315		
March	21,122	27,484		
April	19,641	26,711		
May	20,992	27,738		
June	23,917	28,630		
July	25,212	41,702		
August	26,012	31,832		
September	25,594	32,077		
October	26,504	33,024		
November	31,512	40,138		
December	36,780	45,931		

#### MONTREAL STREET RAILWAY.

Month.	190	or.	1902.	1903.	Increase
January	\$ 142	,886 \$	153,374	\$ 168,882	\$15,508
February	126	999	132,159	139,065	6,906
· March	140	870	154,895	168,987	14,093
April	144	121	152,525	170,050	17,525
May	160		173,902	170,778*	
June		370	182,875	205,454	22,579
July	177	,583	194,194	212,337	18,143
August	179	,586	195,610	208,586	12,976
September.	182	,584	189,150		
October	164	,175	179,433		
November.	153	.568	170,834		
December,		,711	173,042		
Week en	ding.	1901.	1902.	1903.	Increase
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Month.	1901.	1902.	1903	Increase
January \$	121,657	\$ 137,135	\$ 161,938	\$24,803
February	109,512	128,233	146,539	18,306
March	124,499	141,681	159,943	18,262
April	123,006	132,947	162,276	29,329
May	127,961	145,195	174,519	29,324
June	138,154	132,266	177,593	45,727
July	149,631	162,072	192,629	30,557
August	153,481	165,165	185,822	20,657
September.	160,432	195,689		
October	152,514	155,150		
November.	130,616	151,033		
December.	145,398	169,620		
Week endin	g. 1901.	1902.	1903.	Increase
Sept. 7	35,858	51,128	68,699	15,280

#### TWIN CITY RAPID TRANSIT COMPANY.

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Month,	1901.	1902,	1903.	Inc.
January	\$234,446	\$270,485	\$310,084	\$39,599
February	213,884		280,947	37.797
March	240,637	277.575	317,839	40,264
April	230,454	261,456	315,465	54,009
May	249,863	295,153	337,699	42,456
June	276,614	308,131	346,018	37,887
July	288,336	335,715	362,702	26,987
August	281,224	321,842	363,379	41,737
September	306,470	337,965		
October	269,193	302,634		
November	266,800	307,756		
December	292,576	329,686		
Week ending.	1901.	1902.	1903.	Inc
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#### HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY Co., LTD. Railway Receipts.

Month.	1901.	1902	1903.	Inc
January	\$9,544	\$10,764	\$10,867	\$103
February	8,042	8,498	9,322	824
March	9,448	9,761	10,195	434
April	9.371	10,026	10,533	507
May	9,467	11,126	10,768	
June	11,339	11,528	11,844	316
July	14,204	14,835	15,942	1,107
August	16,330	17,177		
September	16,547	17,494		
October	12,581	11,382		
November	9,675	9.947		
December	10,645	11,207		
Week ending.	1901.	1902.	1903.	Inc.
Aug. 7	3,660	3,562	3,897	335
14	4,019	4,361		Dec. 310
21	3,629	4,069	3,687	" 382
31	5,022	5,339	5,150	" 189

#### Lighting Receipts.

	1901	1902	1903	Inc
January	\$10,716	12,969	\$13,683	\$ 714
February	9,418	9,529	11,924	2,195
March	8,392	9,207	10,523	1,316
April	8,092	9,066	10,156	1,090
May	7,392	8,403	9,020	617
June	6,593	7,055	8,368	1,313
July	6,738	7.336	8,351	1,015
August	7.774	8,028		
September	8,960	9,139		
October	11,689	11,528		
November	12,870	12,838		

#### HAYANA ELECTRIC RAILWAY Co.

Month.	1902.	1903.	Increase
Jan	187,597	1102,000	†14.403
Feb	87,014	104,647	17,633
March	101,952	120,389	18,437
April	98,435	119,974	21,539
May	120,712	130,925	10,213
June	91,223	122,125	30,902
July	104,500	127,918	23,418
Week ending	1902.	1903.	Increase
Aug. 2	24,100	29,223	5,123
9	25,695	30,942	5,247
16	24,225	29,900	5,675
23	24,486	29,242	5,675 4 756 6,380
30	23,432	29,812	6,380
Sept. 6	24,742	31,480	6,738

## STOCK LIST

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Corrected to September 16th, 1903, P. M.

BANKS.	Capital subscribed	Capital paid up.	Reserve Fund.	Per centage of Rest to paid up Capital.p	Par value of one share.	Market value of one share.	Dividend for last half year.	Revenue per c at on investment at present prices.	Clos pric (per con po	cent	When Dividend payable,
							Per Cent.	Per Cent.	Arked	Bid.	
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<sup>•</sup> Quarterly. † Bonus of 1 per cent. † Monthly. ¶ Price per Share. § Annual

#### STOCK LIST-Continued.

BOND8.	Rate of Interest per annum	Amount outstanding.	When Interest	Where Interest payable.	Date of Redemption.	Latest quota- tions.	REMARKS
Commercial Cable Coupon	:	\$18,000,000	{   Jan.   Apl.	New York or London	1 Jan., 2397.	96 96	
Canada Paper Co	8	2,000,000 200,000	2 Apl. 2 Oct. 1 May 1 Nov.	Bank of Montreal, Mnotreal Merchants Bank of Can., Montreal	2 Apl., 1902 1 May, 1917	100	
Bell Telephone Co	6	1,200,000 2,704,500 £ 308,200	1 Meh. 1 Sep.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal Bank of Montreal, Montreal	1 Apl., 1925. 1 Moh., 1913 1 Jan., 1916.	· iii	Redeemable at 110 Redeemable at 110
Dominion Iron & Steel Co		\$ 8,000,000	1 Jan. 1 July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal	1 July, 1929	65	Redeemable at 110
Halifax Tramway Contercolonial Coal Co Laurentide Pulp Montmorency Cytton	8 6 8	\$ 600,000 344,000 1,200,000 1,000,000 880,074	1 Apl. 1 Oct.	Bk, of N. Scotia, , Hal. or Montreal  Company's Office, Montreal	1 Jan., 1916. 1 Apl., 1918	106 <u>1</u>	Redeemable at 100
Montreal Street Ry. Co	5 44	292,000 681,333 1,500,000	1 Meh. 1 Sep. 1 Feb. 1 Aug. 1 May 1 Nov.	Union Rank Hallfar or Bank	1 Mch., 1908 1 Aug., 1922. 1 May, 1922.	 'ióa	
Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co	6	2,500,000 1.000,000	1 Jan. 1 July 1 June 1 Dec.	of Nova Scotia, Mo't'l or T'r'nto	1 July, 1931 1 June, 1932.	119	Redeemable at 11
Richelieu & Ont. Nav. Co. Royal Electric Co. St. John Railway. Toronto Railway	5 4 5	£ 130,900 \$ 675,000 6°0,000 2,509,953	1 Apl. 1 Oct.	Montreal and London	1 Meh., 1915	103	after June 1912. Redeemable at 116 Redeemable at 116 5 p.c. redeemable yearly after 1916
Windsor Hotel	5 5 5 5	340,000 1,000,000 700,000 5,185,000 4,000,000	1 Jan. 1 July 1 Jan. 1 July 1 Jan. 1 July	Windsor Hotel, Montreal	2 July, 1912. 1 Jan., 1927. 1 July, 1912. 1 July, 1909. 1 July, 1909.	1	

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Toronto, Sept. 9, 1968.

#### THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Dividends for the half-year ended 30th June, 1963, have been declared as fol-

June, 1968, have been declared as follows:—
On the preference Stock, two per cent.
On the Common Stock, three per cent.
Warrants for the Common Stock dividend will be mailed on or about 1st October to shareholders of record at the closing of the books in Montreal, New-York and London respectively.

The Preference Stock dividend will be paid on Thursday, 1st October, to shareholders of record at the closing of the books at the Company's London Etc.
The Common Stock Transfer Books will close in Montreal, New York and London, at three P.M. on Tuesday 1st September. The Preference Stock Book will also cless at three P.M. on Tuesday, 1st September, All books will be "reopened on Thursday, 8th October.

By order of the Montreal.

By order of the Board.

CHARLES DRINKWATER,

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	Capital	Last Dividend	Date	Range :	for 1902 Lowest	Range f Highest	or 1903 Lowest	Wednesday Bid	
Amal. Copper Co	30,000,000	p.c.	Feb. 24, '03 Aug. 1, '03 Aug. 1, '03	37 93 36 49	53 28; 85; 26 38; 90	75‡ 41‡ 92 30‡ 52 98‡	37 30 81 16 411 88	443 304 814 184 43 904	44½ 31 82½ 19 43½ 91
American Sugar Refining Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, Prefd Laltimore & Ohio. Laltimore & Ohio, Prefd.	36,968,000 102,000,000 114,199,500 47,874,000 59,227,000		Apr. 2, '03 June 1, '03 Aug. 2, '03 Sept. 2, '03 Sept. 2, '03	135 96 106 118 99	113, 74, 95, 95, 92,	132 89 101 103 96	110 54 874 78 85	65) 89) 80) 86	1124 652 90 804 864
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leveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis leveland, Lorain & Wheeling, Prefd lolorado Fuel and Iron lolorado Southern commercial Cable	28,000,000 5,000,000 23,000,000	ij	Sept. 1, '03 Apr. 15, '02 July 1, '03	1081 96 1101 351 180	93 90 733 14 152	97 118 81 31 175	674 65 41 11 140	71 75 43‡ 13 146	72 85 434 131 166
Detroit Southern, Com	7,000,000 6,000,000 35,000,000 26,200,000	1	Sept. 15, '03 April 20, '03	25 484 1844 297 513	13 29 1534 231 364	191 381 182 272 411	11 18 155 230 20	10j 18 161 235 22j	11 19 165 237 25
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Missouri Pacific National R.R. of Mexico. New York Central. New York, Chicago, St. Louis, Com. do. do. Ist. Pref'd. do. do, 2nd. Pref'd.	93 350 00	11	Jan. 20, '03 July 15, '03 Mar. 1, '03 Mar. 2, '03	168	963 124 147 40 119 804	115; 24; 154 44; 120 86;	86 17 113 22 105 70	904 1204 23 100 59	90/ 120/ 25 110 61
New York, Ontario and Western Norfolk and Western Yorfolk & Western Pref'd Pennsylvania K.K Pacific Mafi	58,113,90 66,000,00 23,000,00	1 2 3	Dec. 19, '02 Feb. 20, '05 May 29, '63 Dec. 1, '99	28 801 98 170	281 55 90 147 341	35 764 924 157 402	20 58‡ 87 118‡ 17	22 61‡ 88 123‡ 21	22] 62 89 123] 22
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Union Pacific. Union Pacific, Prof d United States Steel, United States Steel, Prof d Wabash	99,514,70 550,000,00 550,000,00	0 1	Apr. 1, '03 Apr. 1, '03 June 30, '02 Aug. 15, '03	113 94, 46, 97, 58,	76 814 24 69 114	1034 95 394 804 324	68 85 194 68 18	731 851 191 69 201	73 86 19 69 20
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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF

#### The Bank of North America

TO THE PROPRIETORS

The Court of Directors submits the accompanying Balance Sheet to the 30th June last.

The profits for the half-year, including £3,941-58 5d., brought forward from last account, amount to £36,696 6s 9d., out of which the Directors have now to report the declaration of an Interim Dividend of 30s per share, payable, free of income tax, on the 2nd October next, being at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, leaving a balance of £5,405, 15s, 5d. to be carried forward.

The dividend warrants will be remitted to the proprietors on the 1st October next.

The large purchase of Dominion of Canada Bonds has been rendered necessary by the continued expansion of the Note circulation of the Bank, the Bonds being held for deposit with the Dominion Government as provided by Section 51 of the Bank Act, 1901. The premium paid on the purchase, amounting to over £4,000, has been written off out of the profits of the half-year

The following appropriations from the Profit and Less Account have been made for the benefit of the staff, viz: -

£513 14s. 0d. Life Insurance Fund. £400 0s 0d. £376 178, 4d. Pension Fund... Since the last report Branches have been opened at and Sub-Branches at

Toronto Junction. Rosthern

St. Catherine Street, Montreal,

Weston, sub-branch to Toronto Junction. Longueuil, sub-branch to Montreal, Duck Lake, sub-branch to Rosthern

and a new office has been opened in Sparks Street, Ottawa, the old office in Wellington Street being retained as a

LONDON, 1st September, 1903.

#### THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA

Be	lance Sheet, 3	0th June. 1903,		
DEBIT.		CREDIT		
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20,000 shares of £50 each, fully paid	1,000,000 0 0	By Cash and Specie at Bankers and in hand 920,325 11 6		
To Reserve Fund	390,000 0 0	By Cash at Call and Short		
to proposite and	3,339,054 9 8 522,836 9 9	Notice	2,578,993 10 10	
To Notes in Circulation	022,830 9 9	By Investments £ s. d.	2,010,000 10 10	,
To Bills Payable and other Liabilities, including provision for contingencies	3.060,633 4 8	Consols, £225,000, at		
To Rebate Account	19,538 10 0	90 202,500 0 0		
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To Liabilities on Endorse-		£50,000, at 90		
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To Profit and Loss Account-		£25,000 24.546 17 6		
Balance brought forward		272,046 17 6		
from 31st December,		Dominion of Canada		
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Dividend paid April, 1903 30,000 0 0		Other Securities 152,125 11 9		
			564,172 9 3	
3,941 5 5		By Bills Receivable, Loans	301,112 0 0	ì
Net Profit for the half-		on Security, and other Accounts	5,056,452 3 1	1
year ending this date after deducting all cur-		By Bank Premises, etc., in London and at	0,000,102 0 1	١.
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Pension Fund 376 17 4				
Balance available for				
October Dividend				
1,290 11 4				
	35,405 15 5			

Note.-The latest monthly Return received from Dawson City is that of the 30th May, 1903, and the figures of that return are introduced into this account. The balance of the transactions for June with that Branch has been carried to a suspense account, pending the receipt of the June accounts.

Auditors.

We have examined the above Balance Sheet with the Books in London, and the Certified Returns from the Branches, and find it to present a true statement of the Bank's affairs.

£8,367,468 9 6

EDWIN WATERHOUSE, GEORGE SNEATH,

Of the Firm of Price. Waterhouse & Co., Chartered Accountants

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#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF INSURANCE, of the Dominion of Canada, for year ended 31st December, 1902. Bound volume, two copies. statistical tables in this report are, as usual, exceedingly comprehensive, most skilfully compiled and issued in a form that reflects the highest credit upon the Insurance Department.

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Decades	anma	186,592 18,59	1,112,953 275,507	516 1382
Decano	Policyholders Total Payments	14,279	77,841	445
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