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The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Banking House of the Institution on Monday, the Fourth day of June next. The chair to be taken at One o'clock.

By order of the Board,

E. S. CLOUATON, General Manager.

Montreal, 20th April, 1900.

The Bank of Toronto.

DIVIDEND No 88.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. for the current helf-year, being at the rate of TEN PER CENT, per annun, upon the Paid-up capital of the bank, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the bank and its branches on and after Friday, the FIRST DAY OF JUNE next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the Seventeenth to the Thirty first day of May, both days included.

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Banking House of the 1-stitution on Wednesday, the Tweatieth day of June next. The chair to be taken at noon.

By order of the Board,

(Signed)

D. COULSON, General Manager.

The Bank of Toronto, Toronto, 23th April, 1900.

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Friday, the First Day of June next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st May, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Banking House in this City, on. TUESDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF JUNE next.

The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock noon. By order of the Board.

C. McGILL. General Manager,

Toronto, 23d April, 1900.

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The Canadian Bank of Commerce

DIVIDEND No. 66.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT. upon the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches On and after

TRIDAY, the 1st day of June next

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th of May to the Slet of May, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank will be held at the Banking House, in Toronto, on

TUESDAY, the 19th day of June next.

The chair will be taken at twelve o'clock By order of the Board.

J. H. PLUMMER, Assistant General Manager.

Toronto, April 24th, 1900.

The Traders Bank of Canada.

DIVIDEND No. 29.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend at the N rate of Six PER CENT. Per annum upon the Capital Stock of this Bank has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office and its Branches, on and after Friday, the 1st of June next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Banking House in Toronto, on Tuesday, the 19th of June. Chair to be taken at twelve o'clock noon. H. S. STRATHY,

General Manager.

Toronto, 17th April, 1900.

BANQUE D'HOCHELAGA.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Tunez AND A HALF PER CENT. (31/2 p.c.) on the paid up capital of this institution has been declared for the current half year, and that it will be payable at its Head Office, in Montreal, and at its Branches, on and after the FIRST DAY OF JUNE next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May next, both days inclusive.

The General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank, in Montreal, on Friday the 15th day of June next, at noon.

By order of the Board of Directors,

M. J. A. PRENDERGAST, General Manager.

Montreal, 20th April, 1900,

Bank of Hamilton.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of four per cent, on the paid up capital stock of the Bank, for the half-year ending list May, has this day been lectared, and that the same will be payable at the bank and its branches on and after 1st une.

The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to the 31et May both inclusive.

The Annual Meeting of the sharcholds will be held at the head office of the bank, in the city of Hamilton, on MONDAY, 18th JUNE, at twelve o'clock noon.

By order of the Directors,
J. TURNBULL,

Cashier.

HAMILTON, 25th April, 1900.

Eastern Townships Bank.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of this Bank will be held in their Banking House in the City of Sherbrooke, on

Wednesday, 6th day of June next.

The chair will be taken at 2 o'clock p.m. By order of the Board,

WM. FARWELL, General Manager. Sherbrooke, 5th May, 1900.

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Friday, the first day of June next

The transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Bank, on Wednesday, 20th of June next, the chair to be taken at twelve o'clock

By order of the Board.

GEO. P. REID, General Manager.

Toronto, April 26th, 1900.

The Bank of Ottawa.

DIVIDEND No. 48.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of four and one half per cent upon the paid-up capital stock of this Bank, has been declared for the current builtyear, and that the seme will be payable at the Bank and its Branches, or and after Friday the ist day of June, 1900.

The Transfer books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st May next, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

GEO, BURN,

General Manager.

Ottawa 20th April, 1900.

UNION BANK OF CANADA.

DIVIDEND No. 67.

NOTICE is bereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Six per cenv. per annum, on the Paidup Capital Stock of this Institution, has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches, on and after Fridax, the First day of June next

The Transfer Books will be closed from the Seventeenth to the Thirty-first of May, both days inclu-

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held on Thursday, the Fourteenth of June next, at the Banking House in this City.

The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock. By order of the Board.

> E. E. WEBB, General Manager.

Quebec, April 25th, 1900.

QUEBEC BANK.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

OTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Three Percent. upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House, in this city, and at its Branches, on and after Friday, the first day of June next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st May, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Bank on Monday, the 4th day of Junanext. The chair will be taken ut 3 o'clock.

By order of the Board of Directors.

THOMAS MoDOUGALL, General Manager.

Quebec, 24th April, 1900,

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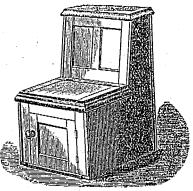
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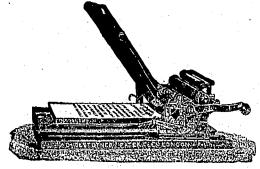
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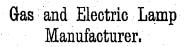
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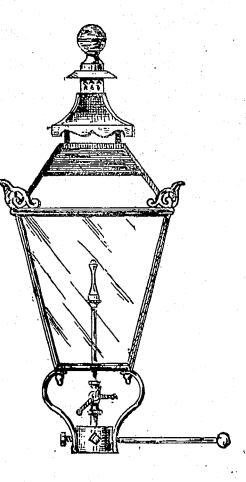
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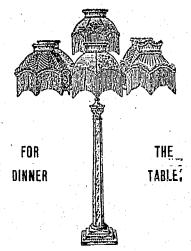
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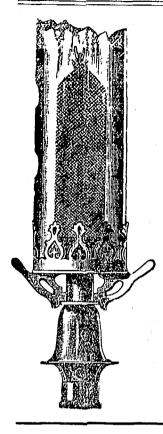
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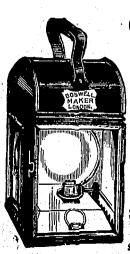
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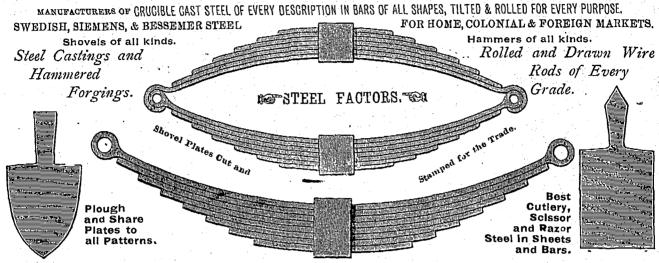
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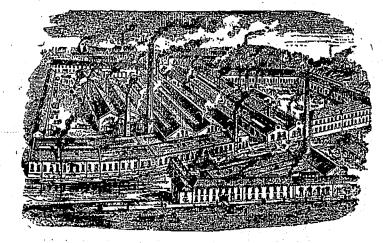
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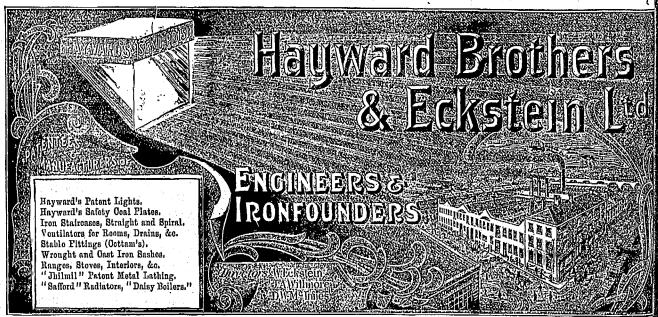
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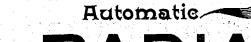


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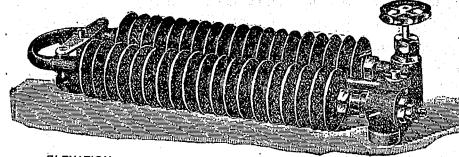
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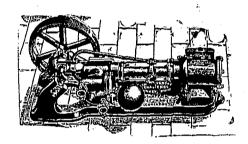
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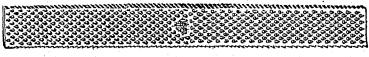
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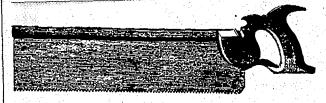




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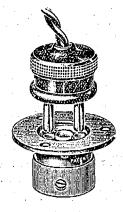
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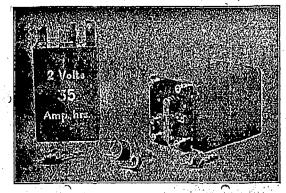


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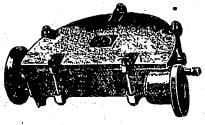
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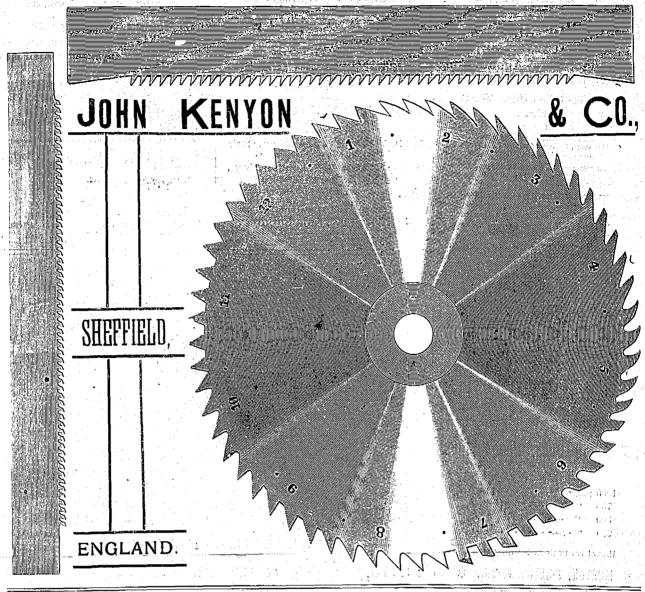


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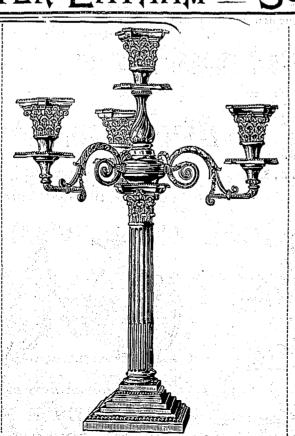
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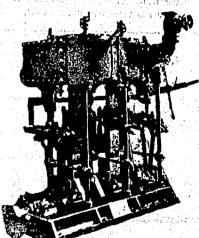


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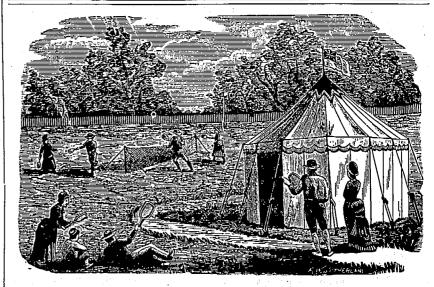
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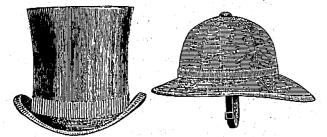
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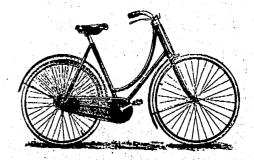
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-The steamer Assyria which arrived at Halifax, N.S., on the 1th inst., brought 1,200 immigrants.

-A London cable states that the Leyland Steamship Company has taken over the West India Steamship Com-The purchase price was £992,pany.

-Safe-blowers at Burlington, Ont., on the night of the 18th inst., did their work too well. In blowing open the safe in Baxter's private bank, they scattered \$1,200 with the debris, where it was found the following day. The damage to the safe is covered by insurance in the Banker's Casualty Company.

-Advices from New York state that there will be incorporated under the laws of New Jersey the Royal Ulster Steamship Company. The company will be limited. It purposes to run a line of fast freight steamships between New York and Liverpool, and, soon after the opening of this line, to run branch lines to Havana, Santiago, Porto Rico, and Venezuela, The company will be capitalized at one million pounds sterling. Horace Gould of New York, Louis Daly of Jersey City and M. W. Baldwin of New York are the incorpor-

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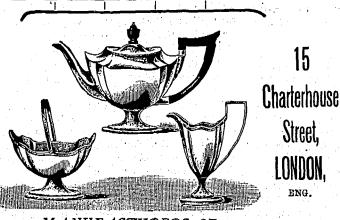
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-Letters patent have been issued by the Ontario Government incorporating the Cramp-Ontario Steel Company, capital, \$5,000,000, to erect and operate a steel plant at Collingwood, Out., for bridge, railway and shipbuilding material. It is stated that at least one-third of the steel produced will be used in shipbuilding at Collingwood where Captain Alex. McDougall, the inventor of the whaleback, has located his new yards, having sold his Duluth plant. He will operate this yard in co-operation with the Cramp enterprise.-The plant will be one of the latest modern type consisting of a blast furnace of 250 tons daily capacity, easting machines, three 30-tons open hearth furnaces, also a blooming mill and a large rolling mill. The company will also produce nickel steel ingots and castings. It is said that a number of the big grain barges for the Conners' syndicate will be the first work of the new shippard. Wiltiam Cramp, one of the incorporators is a son of the founder of the celebrated shipbuilding firm.

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-Danger is soon forgotten. An Ottawa dispatch states that the City Council by a vote of 12 to 11, threw out the new fire by-law, which extended the fire area so as to prohibit the erection of wooden buildings and the piling of lumber in large quantities in the recently burned district of Ottawa. Hull has passed a by-law prohibiting the erection of wooden buildings. One of the immediate effects of this action on the part of the Ottawa council will probably be that the proposed \$200,000 station of the C.P.R. will not be built, but a cheap structure erected instead.

-Recent legal proceedings instituted against Montreal Chinese laundrymen appear to be more favorable toward filling the jails than filling up the city treasury with forty dollar rolls. It is pretty hard to get money from John except when he has been a partner in the bargain, and those bargains are about as scarce as they are unproductive.





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—The President of the Northern Pacific Railway is stated to have intimated to the Ottawa Government and its Montreal agents that construction in Manitoba will be abandoned and the branch already built sold to the highest bidder. This is attributed to the action of the C.P.R. in paralleling the Northern Pacific's lines in Manitoba. The Northern's Manitoba branch was known as the Northern Pacific and Manitoba, and with siduary lines, had a mileage of 262 miles of operated roadway.

—Paper and pulp mills seem to be receiving more than the usual share of visits from fire of late. Lloyd's large paper mills at Sittingbourne, England, were partially desstroyed on the 16th inst. The estimated loss is \$1,000,000.

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—The New York Tribune said in a recent issue: "Mr. Kruger calls Great Britain the Boers' 'constant enemy since 1836.' Yet in 1877 this same Mr. Kruger took the oath of allegiance to that 'vindictive and voracious foe,' accepted the office under its Government, and drew his salary in British gold with unfailing regularity."

—Canada's trade returns for April, show an increase of \$1,475,948 in imports, as compared with the same month last year, and of \$1,420,136 in exports. The duty collected was \$2,269,400, which is \$51,010 less than was collected in same month 1899, the reason being that the large increase in value is almost entirely in free goods. For the ten months of the fiscal years the figures are:

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Imports		
Dutiable goods\$	87,472,837	\$ 72,805,321
Free goods	55,830,922	48,324,021
Coin and bullion	6,293,615	4,115,771
Total	149,597,374	\$125,242,123
Duty collected	24,286,148	21,072,127
Canadian goods\$	127,461,445	\$111,062,315
Foreign goods		15,000,518
Coin and bullion		3,746,410
Total	148,335,451	\$129,815,249

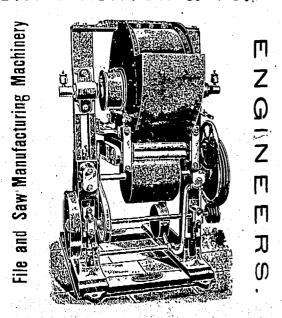
The folowing Ontario companies have recently been incorporated: The Toronto Foundry Company, share capital \$50,000; the Canadian Steam Carriage Company, share capital \$250,000; the Cramp Ontario Steel Company, share capital, \$5,000,000; the York Laundry Machinery and Supply Company, share capital \$40,000; the Nut Oil Refining Company, share capital \$40,000; the Riverside Canning Company of Wallaceburg, share capital \$20,000; the Black Jack Zinc Syndicate of Ontario, share capital \$100,000; the Paris Electric Light Company, share capital \$20,000; the Grand Toy Company, share capital \$40,000. The Sun Oil Refining Company of Hamilton is permitted to increase its capital stock from \$15,000 to \$50,000.

—Prince Edward Island public accounts show a revenue for the past year of \$282,677, and expenditure of \$276,788. In addition, however, there was an expenditure of \$25,714, chargeable to capital.

-Some loss and trouble was occasioned at Chatham, Ont., on the 17th inst., by the breaking away of a portion of the reservoir walls.

—Preparations are under way for the erection of a new theatre in Quebec to be built on the site of the Old Academy of Music.

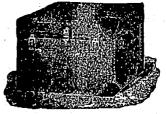
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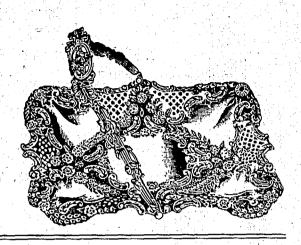
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—There is considerable discussion in New York insurance circles over the recent advance in rates on departmental stores.—Those interested in the latter are protesting against such action, but it is not considered likely that any modification will be made. It is believed that any weakening as to New York advances would have a bad effect on the rest of the country. Those representing department store interests hint at adverse legislation, litigation, etc., but these intimations are not treated with much consideration in insurance circles. Underwriters say that they must have better rates or 1900 will show a much greater deficit than 1899.

The fruit yield in the Niagara, Ont., district is very promising. A prominent grower of Welland County states that never before was there such a good prospect for fruit in that district. All that is feared is a series of rains, for apples need warm, sunny weather. Peaches and plums have wintered exceedingly well. Strawberries will be in about June 10.

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—Residents of Sandwich, Ont., are endeavoring to have the owners of saw mills in adjacent points in Michigan move their plants to the Canadian side. Liberal inducements are spoken of. The Michigan mills are almost idle for want of logs.

-Recent advices from Liverpool mention the launching of four large steamers for Messrs. Elder, Dempster & Co., two of which are for the Liverpool-Canadian service. Monteal is for the Canadian trade. Her principal dimensions are: Length, 470 ft., beam, 56 ft., depth 42 ft. 9 in., (to shelter deck), and she is built up to Lloyd's highest three deck-class, besides being specially strengthened on the upper works. She will carry when loaded about 10,000 tons deadweight, and has capacity in her holds and other eargo spaces for about 18,000 tons of measurement cargo. The second steamer is intended for the Canadian cattle and general freight trade. She is built to Lloyd's highest class, three-deck rule, with continued shelter deck, specially arranged for the conveyance of cattle or horses. Her principal dimensions are: Length, 390 feet; beam, 48 feet; depth (to shelter deck), 36 feet 5 inches, and her deadweight carrying capacity is about 6,500 tons on a light draft of water.

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—A Port Arthur, Ont., letter of the 18th inst., mentions the presence there of two head officials of the Canadian Northern Railway to arrange for the operating of the Port Arthur, Duluth and Western, its Minnesota branch, the Ontario and Rainy River, the Minnesota and Manitoba, and the Winnipeg and South-eastern railways as part and parcel of the Canadian Northern railway system.

The Canadian Pacific steamboat express Toronto to Owen Sound, connecting with the company's Upper Lake steamer service, began its season trips on the 19th inst. The Atlantic express arriving in Toronto in the morning, makes connection with the steamboat express for Owen Sound and Port Arthur, Ist. William and Upper Lake points.

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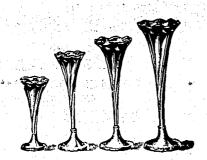
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-From 1st May to 17th there were 17 suicides by drowning in rivers at New York.

—An exchange tells of potatoes being rapidly dug, cleaned and sacked by a simple machine, which has a plow to unearth the tubers, the earth and potatoes falling into an endless chain elevator, which delivers them into a hopper with slat sides, which removes the earth and drops the potatoes into a bag. No mention is made of how stones of a similar size are prevented from keeping company.

—The ex-President of the Globe National Bank Boston, Charles H. Cole, was sentenced last week to eight years' imprisonment for misapplication of the funds of the bank. By making loans in his own interest he had ruined the institution with which he had been connected for 30 years. His co-directors deserve to be his co-prisoners, for had they done their duty the irregularities could not have occurred. The defalcations exceeded one million dollars.



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—An idea of the kind of merchandise being shipped from Canada to foreign countries is sometimes give in the report of a single cargo: The Manchester line steamship Manchester Commerce, sailed from Montreal on the 19th inst., for Manchester, England, with a full general cargo, including 175,000 bushels grain, 220 tons paper, 500 tons pulp, 100 stds deals, 300 loads timber, 200 tons hay, 1,150 boxes butter, 540 boxes cheese, 100 brls. dried apples, and 14 cars provisions.

—Three of the chief American officials in the Cuban post office service have been convicted of extensive frauds. The Spanish residents will smile surdonically at these specimens of the way the public service in Cuba has been reformed by the island's new masters.

The Manitoba & Northwestern Railway, recenty taken over by the C.P.R., will in future be known as the Northwestern branch of the C.P.R.



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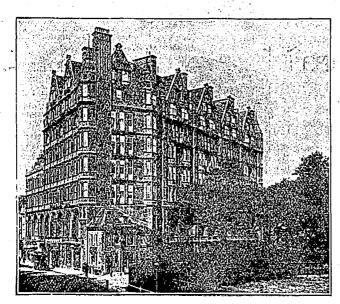
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—A contract is reported closed with the American Shipbuilding Company, of Superior, Wis., for the building of six steel ships for a company which will operate between Duluth and Montreal, using the new Canadian canal. The ships are to draw fourteen feet of water, and carry about 75,000 bushels of wheat. They will ply on the lakes in the summer, and in the winter will go into the Atlantic trade. The organizer of the new company, Mr. A. B. Wolvin, of Duluth, is also the head of the Superior branch of the American Shipbuilding Company.

—A case of considerable interest to wholesale merchants is now working its slow way through the courts. A Toronto dispatch states that Messrs. Bouch, Coath & Co., a Birmingham (England), firm, which is in litigation over the Army & Navy Company's failure, has taken the case to the Court of Appeal. The firm shipped \$1,900 worth of goods to the Army & Navy Company, but before they were received the company failed and the goods fell into the hands of creditors, Appellants were beaten before the Master-in-Chambers and in the Divisional Court, and the case was before the Court of Appeal to-day. They claim as the goods were never really in the possession of insolvent company, they are entitled to their full value.

—Advices from Washington, U.S., state that in response to the recent Senate resolution, the Secretary of the Treasury sent to the Senate a statement from the commissioner general of immigration concerning the immigration to the United tSates of Japanese laborers. From this statement it appears that 2,230 of these laborers arrived in 1898; 3,395 in 1899, and for the ten months ending April 30, 1900, 7,161. These figures indicate only those who went direct to the United States from Japan but do not embrace those reaching the States via Canada. How many there are arriving in this way the department does not know, but the commissioner expressed the opinion that the number is large. The opinion is expressed that there will be a large increase in the coming year. He also states that strict examination is made to prevent the entrance of laborers under contract.

—The location of the site for the Spanish River Pulp and Paper Company's mill in Northern Ontario has been decided on and the work of clearing for building has commenced. The mill will be creeted at the falls on the Spanish River, about four miles northeasterly from Webwood, a site in the latter village being once in contemplation. A road is being opened up and a spur line from the C.P.R. of one mile will be built shortly.

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—Commenting upon the insurance frauds perpetrated in Argentine by one Castro, an English paper says: "The Standard Life Office seems to have scored all along the line in the Argentine Republic. This Scottish company was too wide awake to be let into the trap set for it by Senor Castro."

—The ratepayers of Owen Sound, Ont., will vote on June 12th on by-laws to grant a nineteen-year loan of \$15,000 to a furniture company, which proposes to establish there a factory capable of employing 150 workmen. Mr. W. H. Merritt, formerly of the Strathroy, Ont., Furniture Company, is the chief promoter. Also on a ten-year loan of \$6,000 to the Parkhill Basket Manufacturing Company, which undertakes to remove to Owen Sound, and \$7,000 for school purposes.

-Returning visitors from the Sault Ste. Marie, Out., district report much activity in mining, lumbering, railway and wharf building, etc. Contracts for some 350 miles of railway construction have been given and these works are being pushed rapidly ahead. The Canada Copper Company distribute some \$200,000 per month in wages. Lumber has doubled in price since the Hull-Ottawa fire. goma Central Railway has in operation a division of its system running from Michipicoton Harbor to the Hellen mines, where it taps a mountain of the purest hematite brown ore, calculated to contain many million tons. is being mined for smelting at Sault Ste. Marie, Midland, Hamilton, Deseronto, and also at Collingwood when smelters are put up at the latter point. Another branch is being constructed from a point near Sudbury, tapping the nickel belt of the district with a view of supplying the nickel ore via the C.P.R. to the smelting works and rolling mills at the Soo, and to the smeting works on the Grand Trunk Railway system from Little Current by water to the ports of Midland and Collingwood. The main line is under construction and 25 miles will be completed by July 1, 1900, and an additional 100 miles early next year. It will bring to the pulp and paper mills at Sault Ste. Marie the almost unlimited supply of pulpwood in the vicinity, and also bring down for reduction purposes nickel and other ores.

-The enlargement of the Erie canal is continuing to take a stronger hold on the people of New York State. Among numerous letters recently sent by prominent New York business men to the Board of Trade of that city are the following: Gustav II. Sewab, of the North German Lloyd-"The enlargement and improvement of the Erie canal is a question of the most vital importance to the future welfare and continued commercial supremacy of New York State and the city of Greater New York. Through the enterprise of our Canadian neighbors, and through the competition of and discrimination of the railroads from the West to outports, New York is losing her trade, and unless she takes immediate and energetic steps to recover her The remedy supremacy it will soon pass away from her. is the widening and deepening of the Eric canal to at least 12 feet, which would accommodate barges of 1,000 tons, and would enable the Eric Canal to deliver freight from the West in the port of New York at rates that no railroad discrimination to outports can touch, and that would defy Canadian competition. Every consideration should impel the citizens of New York State to work unceasingly for the carly completion of the great improvements that have been planned in the enlargement and deepening of the Erie caal." W. E. Dodge, of Phelps, Dodge & Co., iron merchants-"I am heartily in favor of the proposed improvement of the State canals, as of vital importance to our commerce and manufactures." Evan Thomas-"This canal improvement is not a matter of opinion but a matter of Either the Erie canal must be improved to modern requirements or New York city, and as a natural sequence the State, loses its commerce, and once started on the down grade the descent is swift." A. C. Barnes, of the American Book Company-"I believe the canal to be the artery without which our vigorous commercial life cannot be sustained. New inventions are hardly conceivable that will enable land transportation to compete with adequate waterways in cheapness. In my own business (publishing) we now rely on the canals for the bulk of our Western shipments. Without them we would have to manufacture there for the Western market."

FRIDAY, MAY 25TH, 1900.

EXAGGERATED ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The retail merchant who makes it a rule to advertise only what he is prepared to sell, who does not deviate in the slightest degree from facts in his announcements regarding the quality, make, size or value of his goods, is naturally a little displeased on reading those of his competitors who do not adhere so strictly to this laudable if not always progressive feature in business affairs .. In a Western city some years ago, the head of a jobbing and retail specialty grocery concern, which had two branch stores located on outside streets, said to a new superintendent: "I want you to change over those branches into prize-giving stores. Other such concerns out there are drawing away the trade we used to control. It's my opinion a man cannot do a straight business in those sections any more." The stores One proved a success, but the other was were changed. eventually closed up.

Legislation against giving premiums with purchases has been tried and proved ineffective. The following act has been brought out and reported by the Judiciary Committee, of the Massachusetts, U.S., House of Representatives, which, if it becomes law, will have the effect of compelling bardian houses to announce only that which they are prepared to sell:—

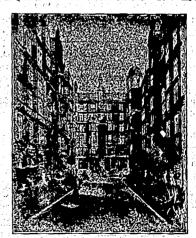
Section 1. Any person, firm or association of persons, or any employee thereof, who, in a newspaper, circular or other publication published in this State, knowingly makes or disseminates any statement or assertion of fact concerning the quantity, the quality, the value, the method of production or manufacture, or the fixing of the price of his or their merchandise, or the manner or source of purchase of such mechandise, or the possession of rewards, prizes, or distinctions conferred on account of such merchandise or the motive or purpose of a sale, intended to give the appearance of an offer advantageous to the purchaser which is untrue or calculated to mislead, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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THE BANK STATEMENT FOR APRIL.

The opening of navigation is to Canada akin in character to the relief of Mafeking. For some months the forces of that arch enemy, the ice king, have kept navigation with its business relations in a state of siege. April comes yearly to relieve the garrison by dispersing the besieger's forces. In the last two seasons the hour of complete relief was unusually delayed, but this year there was a partial relaxation of the enemy's grasp earlier than in 1899, by which a considerable volume of trade was set

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Ci	culation.			٠.			April.	March.	Decrease.
	1899			• •	٠.		\$37,369,800	\$38,409,200	\$1,039,400
	1896						29,654,000	30,789,000	1,135,000
	1894			• • •			29,996,000	30,702,00	708,000
	1893						32,633,000	33, 130,000	797,000
	Averages	in	nbove	y e	urs		32,413,200	33,332,550	919,350
ţ.,	Avenrges	in '	98,	97 a	nd	'95	31,936,530	32,142,000	205,470

This year the circulation rose in April, but only a small amount, the change being from \$43,814,918 in March, to \$43,908,432, the increase being, \$93,514. But this is significant as being the first time in eight successive years that the volume of note issues has been enlarged in April. Their total amount this season is \$5,-538,600 more than in 1899, and \$11,699,000 in excess of of the average for seven preceding years. The movement of deposits on demand is generally upward, the average increase for the eight years up to 1899 was about

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me During 1898, \$6,134,327,27 Death Losses Paid, 1898, \$3,887,500,95 Total Paid Members, 1898, \$4,584,095,12

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\$1,600,000. This year they rose from \$91,852,300, in March to \$94,979,400 in April, an advance of \$3,127,100, which is about double the average increase since 1893. In April last year these balances were less by \$6,442,000 than last month and \$43,048,000, or over 80 per cent. greater than in April 1890. Deposits payable after notice are somewhat erratic in April, but the tendency is towards expansion. The increases this year and in each of the eight years when these deposits enlarged are shown below:

De	pts. p'ble	after	notice.	April.	March.	Increase.
	1900	••,••		\$174,041,600	\$172,937,000	\$1,104,600
į.,	1899			163,093,000	161,382,000	1,700,000
	1897			126,991,000	126,191,000	803,000
3 .	1895			111,457,000	114,417,000	40,000
	1894			109,589,000	108,751,000	835,000
. :	1893	• • •		. 101,206,000	103,700,000	506,000
	Average	'93 to	'99	123,668,000	122,889,000	779,000

In the years 1893 to 1900 the deposits payable after notice have enlarged from \$104,206,000 to \$174,041,000, an increase in eight years of \$69,835,600, which is over 67 per cent. Since April, 1890, these deposits have shot up over \$100,600,000 above the height they had then reached, 11 millions of which enlargement took place between April, 1899, and April, 1900. So large an increase in the volume of resources would be rather embarrassing than helpful to the banks were their discounts not advancing proportionately. They have done so since 1893 since which year the curent loans have gone from \$206,789,000 to \$281,615,500, an increase of \$74,826,500.

The principal increases which have occurred since

1896, when the depression had reached its lowest point, are shown in following figures:

.	1000.	1896.	Increase.	
Circulation	\$43,908,000	\$20,654,000	\$14,254,600	
Deposits on demand	94,979,000	60,860,000	34,119,000	
Deposits payable after notice	174,041,000	120,644,000	53,397,090	
Current loans	281,615,000	210,202,000	71,323,000	
Call loans	28,005,000	13,371,000	15,531,000	
Balance in U.S	19,149,000	16,435,000	2,714,000	
Balance in Great Britain	5,216,000	5,036,000	180,000	
Securities	35,840,000	22,797,000	13,043,000	

Large there as has been the increase in discounts since 1896 it has not overtaken the increase in loanable funds, as is shown by the considerable enlargement which has taken place in those invested in securities, in those deeld in the United States, and in those lent on stocks, bonds, etc. The enlarged profits of the Bank of Montreal, last year will we be rivalled by all the other banks, whose accounts are being prepared for the annual meetings to be held in a few weeks.

The death of Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas removes one the most prominent and successful of Canadian bankers.

The Merchants Bank of Canada is about returning to its own building after its enlargement upwards and interior alterations. The banking office is much lighter now than before which is a great improvement. The gaiety even brilliance of the decorations is being commented upon as a new departure in bank office adornment but when a room is defectively lighted by nature, it is legitimate to utilize art for giving a bright, cheerful appearance which seems more appropriate to a prosperous bank than dinginess and gloom.

Our usual comparative table is appended, and the bank statement for April will be found on a later page:

BANK STATEMENTS.

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April, 1900.	Mar.,1900.	April, 1899.	Apřil, 1890.
Capital authorized 79,108,664	79,108,664	76,808,661	76,029,999
Capital subscribed 65,701,528	65,613,148	61,578,848	62,580,166
Capital paid-up 64,454,351	61,245,727	63, 126, 015	60,332,641
Amount of rest 30,581,347	30,416,762	28,249,103	20,570,333
LIABILITIES.	'		
Notes in circulation 43,908,432	43,814,918	37,369,887	30,671,938
Balance due Dominion Gov't. 2,401,425	2,982,924	2,957,212	3,500,005
Bal. due to Provincial Govts. 3,099,686	3,151,646	2,299,685	3,004,005
Deposits on demand 94,979,467	91,852,305	\$8,537,362	51,931,630
" after notice 174,011,686	172,936,941	163,093,210	73,406,039
Loans on banks in Can. sec 568,245	479,347	42,000	180,582
Dep, on demand in Can, banks. 2,226,568	2,371,085	3,004,729	1,782,545
Bal, due Can, banks dly exch., 139,427	68,335	76,914	700,521
Bal. due agencies, &c., abroad. 1,107,813	1,248,503	678,707	113,593
Bal. due agencies, &c., in U.K. 5,671,691	4,423,988	6,320,151	2,825,527
Other Habilities 360,726	553,626	550,776	122,514
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Total liabilities	323,883,696	304,931,109	168,522,521
ASSETS.	• •		• •
Specie 10,040,239	9,440,138	9,165,535	6,320,481
Dominion notes 16,973,871	16,655,394	16,008,827	9,913,272
Deposits securing circulation 2,056,344	2,056,308	1,995,523	
Notes & cheques on other banks 10,340,636	8,678,073	8,231,246	6,110,769
Loan to other bks. in Ca. sec. 546,504	157,781	42,000	
Dep. on demand in Can. buks. 3,470,661	3,714,834	3,505,629	2,057,793
Bal, due from b'ks dl exchags. 170,443	157,721	196,138	
Bal. due from for'n baks, &c. 19,148,974	16,540,872	22,560,792	11,055,435
Bal. due from bks, &c., in U.K 5,216,026	7,438,772	9,398,598	1,483,993
Dominion Govl. Deb. Stocks., 4,409,040	4,509,671	5,059,878	2,698,678
Can. Municipal & public secs. 17,001,868	17,009,746	16,601,094	5,387,889
(not Dominion.)			
Can., Brit. & other R.R. secs. 14,336,216	14,507,428	11,880,656	
Call loans on bonds & stocks, 28,905,583	28,966,114	28,611,774	11,721,792
Current Loans & Discounts281,615,493	270,023,194	245,498,939	152,069,797
Loans to the Govt. of Canada			1,163,755
" to Provincial Govts 2,361,468	1,804,498	3,194,891	\$18,789
Overdue debts 1,897,427	1,928,177	2,516,512	3,011,723
R. E. besides bank premises 1,037,131	1,080,870	1,842,823	1,126,336

Nortgages on real estate 690,806	672,676	607,437	786,952
Bank premises 6,192,828	6,172,452	6,083,049	4,023,347
Other assets 3,209,307	3,127,156	2,378,682	2,041,301
Total assets	423,042,107	398,440,210	250,174,575
L'ns to directors and their firm 10,477,190	9,777,107	7,111,614	7,111,605
Average specie for month 0,671,682	9,586,045	9,316,649	6,148,605
A'vge Dominion notes for mo. 16,398,174	16,584,714	15,723,239	9,786,159
Gre'tst circulation during mo. 45,620,310	44,280,053	39,442,891	
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FIRE INSURANCE IN CANADA, 1899.

We recently published the official abstract of fire insurance in Canada last year. The following shows the amount of risks taken last year, the premium receipts, the losses, with the ratio of losses to premiums for 1899 ad 1898:

	of Rieks		Premi	paid per emiume	
	Groes smour t c taken, 1899,	Paid for Losses 1899.	d for 1899.	Logses; of Pre	Loss ratio, 1:98
	roes s taken	ald fo 1899.	Received ums 1	ate of ceat receiv	085 FB
Canadian companies.	œ.	ŭ	ø	AT .	н
British America	\$31,619,429	\$162,872	\$347,188	46.91	52,29
Canadian Fire	6,773,243	19,539	79,661	24.53	53.89
London Mutual	20,724,400	120,541	197,777	60.95	56.75
Mercantile	6,412,280	34,292	09,698		62.78
Quebee	10,423,624	104,916	103,431		46.70
Victoria-Montreal	5,847,903	8,130	41,852	19.44	
Western	48,708,316	186,800	364,251	51.28	49.40
Total	\$130,509,195	\$637,100	\$1,203,860	52.92	62.38
British companies.		_			,
Alliance	18,007,096	106,732	181,326	57.90	63.58
Atlas	12,965,107	107,550	150,158		97.65
Caledonian	20,394,730	144,855	209,221	69.23	55.84
Commercial Union	32,608,354	287,269	343,388	83.66	80.32
Guardian	29,647,249	216,100	320,833	62.01	56.71
Imperial	23,650,690	199,057	275,159	88.33	50,21
Lancashire	28,335,861	243,328	330,996	73.51	49,94
Law Union & Crown	3,135,969	3,535	26,858	13.18	•••••
Liverpool, London & Globe	33,309,313	280,405	349,263	80.28	90.79
London & Laneashire Fire	18,312,814	106,306	207,555	51.22	108.40
London Assurance	15,658,150	77,269	131,420	58.91	119.16
Manchester	20,129,689	147,384	219,727	67.08	56.76
National of Ireland	12,965,107	107,556	150,158	71.63	97.65
North British	43,290,331	345,245	450,854	76.58	63.22
Norwich Union	23,578,530	171,355	279,969	81.20	72.49
Northern	23,003,408	158,868	258,007	61.57	55.91
Phoenix of London	42,875,029	315,076	502,604		57.08
Royal	61,911,035	416,076	613,086	67.77	
Scottish Union & National		106,629	185,416		67.00
Sun Fire	15,478,700	141,113	177,670	81.11	65.51
Union Assurance	26,873,131	179,213	288,231	75.23	75.9 6
Totals	\$524,980,342	\$3,863,935	\$5,656,117	08.31	68.10
American companies.				,	·:
Etna Fire	15,984,613	100,455	175,613	60.61	61.61
American Fire	3,921,259	5,206			
Connecticut Fire		38,774			
Hartford Fire	16,416,337				
Insurance Co. of N. America.	. 13,360,126	77,243	122,924		
Phoenix, of Brooklyn		46,320	77,287	59.94	64.80
Phoenix, of Hartford		106,456	112,586	94.56	85.02
Queen, of America	27,636,917	185,611	303,420	61.17	
Totals	\$100,767,561	\$677,724	\$1,068,099	63.45	63.66
Grand totals	\$756,257,098	\$5,178,760	\$7,928,077	65.32	¢5.10
The total amount a	t risk of	f the di	fferent d	classe	s of

The total amount at risk of the different classes of companies for each of the past six years is returned as follows:

		•		Canadian	British	American
1899	 	 :	•	\$169,792,859	\$654,890,000	\$112,186,809:014
				159,927,706	629,768,638	105,697,763
				151,231,897	611,840,429	102,449,891
				141,251,862	591,656,008	112,666,482
				143,697,862	575,683,150	118,491,852
				150,241,967	567,948,304	117,876,931

It is somewhat remarkable how closely the average ratio of losses in 1899 approaches to the ration in 1898 when the companies had such very varied experiences, the extremes being 46.91 per cent. and 101.44 per cent. of the older companies. The newer companies, as the Victoria-Montreal, had a very low loss ratio, this new enterprise having escaped with a percentage of 19.44. If 30 per cent, is allowed for expenses, there were 11 fire companies whose outlay for losses and expenses exceeded their income from premiums, but, they have a revenue from investments which will bring nearly all of them out on the right side. The great uncertainty of fire insurance business is illustrated by the record of several companies Thus we have the Imperial having for 1898 and 1899. a loss ratio in 1898 of only 50.21, while last year it was 88.32, and the Lancashire in 1898, had a ratio of 49.74, while in 1899 it rose to 73.5f. On the other hand, the London and Lancashire in 1898 had a loss ratio of 108.40, while last year's was only 51.22, and the London Assurance in 1898 had a ratio of 119.16, and 58.91 in 1899. The Atlas and National of Ireland, who divide joint business, had much better luck last year than in 1898, the loss ratio having fallen from 97.65 to 71.63. Out of 33 companies operating in Canada, 17 had a higher loss ratio in 1899 than 1898, and 16 with a lower.

When the whole of their several returns are aggregated, the loss ratio for 1899 was 65.32 as against 65.10 in The general average of the loss ratio to premiums of each class of fire company, in spite of very wide variations in individual cases, came, in 1899, within a very small fraction of the proportion in 1897 and 1898. Whether this indicates the existence of some obscure law by which a general average is successively produced, or, if the agreement between different years is only a mere coincidence we are not prepared to affirm. It is, howover, remarkable how dominant is the ratio of 65 to 66 per cent. of losses to premiums in the fire insurance returns of the last 30 years, that being the average of those years, if the enormous excess of one year, 1877, is left out of the account. Even with the vast loss ratio of 1877, 225.8 per cent., that is, losses over 21 times the premiums, the general average is only 68 per cent. 66 to 68 per cent. of losses, therefore, may be taken as the standard ratio, and, if 30 to 33 per cent. is allowed for expenses, the margin of profits on fire insurance business is reduced to a very small percentage of the premiums. a

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BANK ACT.

The Finance Minister has introduced a bill to amend the Bank Act, preparatory to the charters expiring next year. To discuss a bill satisfactorily before seeing a copy of it is not possible as the synopsis in the press reports from Ottawa cannot be relied upon for this work. We may, however, offer a few criticisms of a general character.

There appears to be provision made for more information being given by the directors to the shareholders than

is now customary at annual meetings. Provision against the issuance of notes after a bank has suspended is also made. Before seeing the exact words of the bill, we refrain from extended comments, but, in regard to the first of the above features, we must say, that the greatest caution ought to be exercised in revealing details of a bank's business to shareholders at an annual meeting, which is practically a public one. Any shareholder can now ascertain what information he has a reasonable ground for desiring, which will be given to him in conconfidence. Some men have a morbid curiosity to know what does not concern them as shareholders but which they desire information upon from mere curiosity or a less worthy motive.

As to preventing directors issuing notes to depositors after a bank has suspended payment the law is now sufficient to effect this, to do so would be a crime entailing a The proposal to include standing timheavy penalty. ber among the things on which it would be lawful to loan money is a very questionable one. Thousands of acres in Ontario on which money was borrowed on the valuation of the standing timber thereon, have been stripped of such timber, in some cases, without the mortgagor or mortgagees' knowledge, and in some cases, known to us, by the mortgagor himself. timber is not easy to locate, or identify, and constitues a very doubtful security for a loan. The same objection applies to products of a quarry. Loans on property in remote districts, unless such property is carefully watched day and night, which entails considerable expense and risk, are very liable to become loans devoid of their supposed security.

The provision to extend the time in which banks may hold land, for purposes of its own business, from seven years to twelve years, will call for careful consideration. The less banks have to do with holding land the better for their interests, on this rock scores of banks have been wrecked, some in Canada. There seems no reasonable objection to drafts unpaid for five years being included in the return now issued of deposits in which no change has occurred for five years.

The bill proposes to use the Canadian Bankers' Association as the official liquidator of a suspended bank, the Association to have power to assume control as soon as suspension takes place. This we regard as a wise provision, it would ensure the affairs of a suspended bank being instantly given in charge of a capable and independent officer, who would prevent any irregularities by the directors or staff of the institution. Such a curator would be in close touch with the ablest bankers of the country whose advice would be most valuable The Bankers' Association could be implicitly trusted to place a thoroughly reliable and skilled bank officer in charge of a bank in suspension, and it would be responsible for his actions, for, by appointing a curator, he would simply be the agent of the Association.

It is also proposed to give the Bankers' Association some powers for regulating the issue of notes, so as to prevent over issuance of circulation. Before seeing the bill we can form no judgment in regard to the method proposed for exercising control over the circulation, but, the bankers themselves will take care that whatever provisions are placed in the bill will not unduly interfere with their business. Cases of over-issue are exceedingly rare, and bank officials are too honourable as a class to make false returns to the Government. There is no inspection in the United Kingdom of note issues, and we

have not heard of any case of trouble arising from the banks being thrown on their honour in making returns, or in observing the law.

Provision is also made for the purchase of the assets of a bank which although solvent may desire to go out of business. Such a bank, by the votes of two-thirds in value of all its shareholders, might sell its assets to another bank. If such assets were so large as to require an extension or increase of the stock of the purchasing bank, the shareholders of that bank would also have to be consulted. Proper provision was made for the protection of noteholders of the selling bank, and to see that all liabilities of the selling bank were properly guarded. Any agreement with regard to the sale of the bank assets in this way would have to be approved by the Governor-in-Council.

It would almost inevitably lead to a bank's suspension were its affairs freely discussed at a meeting such as the above clause seems to call for. This provision will need to be carefully guarded against the risk of its precipitating a ruinous run. The bill to amend the Bank Act will have to stand the ordeal of the Committee on Banking and Commerce, whose deliberations will be helped by the counsel of the leading bankers of the Dominion

ARE WE DEGENERATING? IF SO, WHY?

The above questions have been discussed recently by a prominent American physician. Whether the topic was suggested to him by a play entitled "Degenerates," the morality of which has been hotly discussed in England and the States, we cannot say, but the coincidence is singular of his treatise appearing while such a drama was becoming notorious.

There is a chronic tendency in man to disparage his own times, in comparing them with those of the past. This naturally arises from so large a portion of the race having reached a period of life when its troubles have become disagreeably familiar and the hopeful illusions of an early period are vanishing. Having no experience of the evils of past days and a very keen consciousness of existing ones, it is inevitable that, in comparing the present with the past, the clouds in sight make a deeper impression than those long since vanished. however, we study the records of history so as to bring before the imagination a picture of earlier days, we discover that in regard to "the ills that flesh is heir to," there is nothing new under the sun. The wail of pessimism and of suffering is heard in all the literature of "the days that are no more." Jeremiah was not the There were satirists before first to write jeremiads. Juvenal, whose bitterest passages would be justified if applied to existing phases of modern life. Those vho raise the cry that we, of this age, are degenerates, should read the plays of the Wycherly school of dramatists, or even the writings of the English Juvenal, the famous They would learn that language Dean of St. Patrick's. was in common use amongst the educated classes in England which cannot be heard to-day except in the purlicus of vice and crime.

As to physical degeneration the evidence is demonstrative of the very opposite change having taken place. The average age of our race in civilized lands has been rising for a long period. "There were giants in those days," no doubt, but the armour preserved in museums shows that the frames of the soldiery in olden days were much less robust than are those now bearing arms. There are

few men of to-day that can get into the old armour. In bygone times children and youths were swept away by zymotic diseases like flies at the first frost. Injuries to limbs, which are now cured quickly, were then fatal; surgical operations were rank butchery compared to modern methods; and the art of medicine was mere quackery, often worse.

But the writer whose treatise is before us, has reason for some of his gloomy conclusions. He speaks of the conditions of city life, its late hours; high pressure; dissipation; bad sanitation; crowding into sweat shops; as tending to form "a dark and corrupting current in the stream of our national life." He writes respecting the inflow into cities of settlers from the country, "This great change from rural to urban life has been followed by physical degeneracy in the population of to-day as compared with our ancestors of one hundred and fifty years ago." This, he says, "No one will deny." But it is denied by the statistics of mortality; which demonstrate that the average mortality in cities is not higher than the average of rural places. Country visitors in cities are not notable for their superior robustness, indeed in this city they, as a rule, are less healthy looking than the citizens.

The average mortality of London, with its millions of people within a small area, is much lower than the average of thousands of English villages and rural towns. The sanitation of cities is always far ahead of country districts, where as every physician knows, zymotic diseases are very prevalent, owing to lack of drainage, bad water, bad food, and unhealthy dwellings. It is notorious that the greater proportion of lunatics come from rural districts, especially are females in rural parts liable to become mental "degenerates." It is also notorious, that the vast majority of the soldiers in the crack English regiments, as the Highlanders and the Guards, are recruited in cities from city born residents. That children nowadays see less of nature, as the writer alleges, than they once did, is true, but city people appreciate nature to an extent unknown to dwellers outside. We, however, fully agree with the writer, when he says: "When scarcely out of the cradle the child is grappled by tentacles of our educational system, and they never relax their hold until he has run the gauntlet of the kindergarten, the gradel schools, high schools, colleges, and universities, and emerges a finished product of this system. It is during the early years of childhood and youth, when the brain is unstable and easily irritated, that the greatest amount of harm is done by the stuffing, cramming processes, the almost endless examinations, and the continual nervous strain and irritation which attend them." The high pressure of the examination system in schools is doubtless a curse, educationally as well as physically. In Ontario, where this system is rampant, it was recently condemned by a large body of physicians. With the following point made we also fully agree: "The columns of many modern daily newspapers are not only filled with falsehood and misrepresentation, but reek with sensationalism and vileness which make them unfit for decent They bristle with advertisements of vile nostrums, which not only defraud and swindle the unwary and ignorant but carry death and devastation in their

Disparagers of the present day, because of there being so many dailies which cater to low tastes, do not consider the changed conditions of society. In past days, the journals issued were only prepared for the library and office. Later on catering began to the steward's and housekeeper's rooms, where gossip was attractive; then, as education progressed, the servants' hall called for papers adapted to domestics; then the harness room funished readers who needed a supply of sporting news; and later, the cottages of hedgers ad ditchers, of drain diggers and scavengers took a daily paper. As the circle of readers extended there were papers issued to gratily the tastes of classes who, in past years, never read a news-While these changes were developing downwards, the upper range of journals were advancing upwards, so that, while it is true a large section of the modern press caters to low tastes, the better class of journals, those for the office and library are much superior to those of half a century ago, and are much more widely Whether it is better for the lower classes, such as delight in yellow papers, to have papers adapted to their immature or debased tastes, than for these classes to have been left too illiterate to read a newspaper may be disputed. But, because there is now a demand for a low class of papers adapted to the lower strata of society, is no proof at all of the presss having degenerated.

The medical contributor to the "Baltimore Underwriter" seems to think that all the progress in sanitation and medicine has been counter-balanced by modern conditions which have lowered the general vitality. doubt this, but it is indisputable that "the immense number of weaklings saved by modern science will transmit and so lower their vital resistance." But the life insurance companies, for whose benefit the above pessimistic remarks have been published, know how to take care of their own interests. As to the community generally, although grave evils still exist in every sphere of life, for even improved conditions have "the defects of their qualities," there are too many evidences of betterment in social refinement and morality; in popular intelligence; in sanitation; in regard for all that tends to the comfort, the elevation and well being of the people, to justify the disparagement of the present times when compared with those of the past. In no single feature are those of this generation "degenerates." The evils and the scandals now existing are only a survival of those earlier times, with the area of their influence and manifestation crceedingly narrowed. The tide of civilisation has not ebbed, nor has its channel become shallower, but far otherwise, for the waters have so deepened as to have overflowed new districts. The pessimists measure only the depth of the stream in the recently submerged area, hence their gloomy, but utterly erroneous views.

THE LATE MR. F. WOLFERSTAN THOMAS.

It has been feared for some months that Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, General Manager of the Molsons Bank, was gradually approaching the end of his earthly career. Some time ago he seemed to give promise of length of days, for his appearance belied his age by many years. A few months back he gave signs of a serious disturbance of health which it was hoped would disappear after a rest and change. In spite, however, of all that medical skill could do his strength broke down until he passed away in the early hours of the 18th inst. Mr. Thomas was intended by his father, the Rev. Francis Wolferstan Thomas, rector of Parkham, North Devon, for the ministry of the Church of England, or the Army. 17th year, however, he struck out an independent career by embarking for Canada with the intention to engage in farming. This calling not being congenial he entered

the Bank of Upper Canada at Toronto. He was made manager at Goderich, in 1860, from whence he was promoted to London, Ont. In 1870 he was appointed manager in this city of the Molsons Bank, which, at that time, was not so important an institution as it became under his management. It then had no branches, whereas it now has 40 offices open extending from Quebec to Vancouver. Mr. Thomas won his high reputation as a banker and secured for the Molsons Bank its emmence by pursuing a conservative policy looking for the maintenance of and increasing stability of the business primarily, being assured that when these were thoroughly looked after, extension and good profits would certainly follow. extension result is shown by the deposits being now \$12,-337,100, as compared with \$2,193,250 in 1873, and discounts \$14,209,470, against \$4,885,075 in the earlier year. As to profits, the Reserve Fund shows that since 1873 it has gone up from \$350,000 to \$1,625,000, the addition being all in excess of S per cent. dividends. The value of \$2,000,000 capital in 1873 was \$2,120,000, tcday the same capital has a value of \$3,800,000.

Although most assiduous in the discharge of his onerous banking duties, probably too much so for the interests of his health, he devoted a large amount of time to those of a public nature which constituted no small part of his recreation for he took such deep interest in a number of institutions that his service to them was a delight. He was more especially associated with the General Hospital as governor, treasurer, and president. successful in raising \$30,000 for erecting the Jubilee Training Home of Nurses. He was President also et the Mackay Institute for Deaf Mutes, of the Verdun Hospital, and was officially associated with the Art Association, St. George's Society, the Mount Royal Cemetery Co., St. Andrew's Home, the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Society, and other benevolent institutions. He had served many years as Delegate to the Synods of the Church of England. In 1896 he was elected President of the Canadian Bankers' Association, in which he office His inhe delivered an able and interesting addresss. terest in the city's welfare was frequently shown by his trenchant letters in the press on civic management and misgovernment. The removal of so able a banker and so good a citizen is a heavy loss to this city, but he has left an institution that will ever be associated with his life and ever be an honour to his memory, he has left also an example which is a rich inheritance to those who have the wisdom to follow it in the business, the civic, and the private sphere.

NEW GENERAL MANAGER, MOLSONS BANK.

Mr. James Elliot has been appointed General Manager of the Molsons Bank in succession to Mr. F. Wolferstan Mr. Elliot has been forty-one years Thomas, deceased. in this bank, for some years past having been assistant general manager. He is therefore very familiar with the affairs of the bank and with the methods and policy by which his predecessor achieved such success. He is also thoroughly acquainted with the whole of the staff and the bank's customers and connections. The business, therefore may be expected to go on without a break, or any effort to achieve popularity by disparaging past management. Mr. Pratt, who has for some time acted as local manager in this city, succeeds Mr. Elliot as assistant general manager, an appointment which will be acceptable to the connections of the Molsons Bank. While lamenting the too early demise of their esteemed chief, we felicitate both the above officials on their promotion, and feel assured they will fill their respective positions with honour to themselves and the advantage of the bank.

FRENCH STEAMER IN PORT

The Mont Blanc, which is the first vessel of the Franco-Canadienne steamship line to arrive in this port, is now moored in the harbour Her cargo is chiefly French wines, of which the consumption is fast increas-The steamer left Bordeaux on 27th April. She met with strong head winds, dense fog, and heavy seas, but reached Halifax on 12th inst. This vessel was warmly welcomed by the Chambre de Commerce, and French-Canadian visitors, as well as by numbers of prominent citizens, who were glad to see in this port a representative of the mercantile marine of France. proper tariff arrangements, on both sides, a large trade would be done between Canada and France to their mutual advantage. We trust the Franco-Canadienne steamers will become very familiar objects in our harbour as the enterprise has our heartiest good wishes.

THE STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE CO.

Mr. W. M. Ramsay, who for half a century has been associated with the Standard Life Insurance Co., will retire from the position of Manager for Canada in April, He will be succeeded by Mr. David M. McGoun, 1901. who has been twenty-five years in the service of this eminent company, of which 15 were spent at Montreal, five in the West Indies and five in South Africa. He has had, therefore, a wide experience of the business. McGoun belongs to the same school in life assurance as his veteran and much esteemed chief whom he is to suc-He has little faith in fancy plans of life insurance which some companies parade as glittering baits be-He adheres to the old, the sound orinfore applicants. ciple, that a life policy is properly a provision for the bereaved, not a speculation for the living, as are some forms of life insurance, so-called. With such views he is in harmony with the established policy of the Standard Life which has built up its splendid business and immense resources by persistent adherence to conservative methods and principles. For a year, Mr. McGoun will have the benefit of close association with Mr. Ramsay, who, on retiring from the managership, will take a seat at the Board of Directors, we trust for a very extended term of service.

RELIEF OF MAFEKING.

From the 14th October, 1899, to 18th May, 1900, 216 days and nights, the little town of Mafeking, on the border of the Transvaal, has been held in thrall by besieging Boers. During the whole 31 weeks the townspeople, with a small body of British troops, have had their supplies of food and ordinary means of communication cut off with the outside world. Day by day the town has been stormed at by shot and shell. When challenged again and again to surrender the gallant goldier who conducted the defence sent defiant replies. He said, "I will let you know when I have had enough." Exasperated at the unbending courage of the besieged the Boers avan selected the hospital, and the women's shelter as targets

When they dared to approach nearer the town the garrison drove them back, as the Russians were driven when they ventured outside the forts of Sebastopol. As time went on the food supply began to dwindle into such alarming proportions that the whole population was put n short rations. Horses and mules were killed to furnish food. Wheaten bread was no longer available The stock of oats was used to provide in any form. meal, a diet that sickened the children, made even strong men squeamish, and killed the sick. The prospect of absolute starvation was looming up, but, even this caused no weakening in the cry, "No surrender." Sieges there have been in past days, even in the 14th century a garrison of rebels in Yorkshire, was compelled to eat horse-In Paris, when hemmed in for 167 days by Germans, even dogs and rats were marketed as food. Sebastopol which was besieged for over 10 months, the food supply was ample, while the people were little disturbed by the shells of the enemy. Kars, so bravely dcfended by General Williams, succumbed to famine. wonder, then, there was such an outburst of joy and thanksgivng throughout the Empire when Mafeking was An American journal says: "Wounds, sickness and death had reduced their power of resistance, and, at the last, their crude and revolting fare was reduced to a two weeks' supply; yet they had kept a cheery and heroic spirit, always sending word to the world, when their runners could penetrate the Boer lies, that they could hold out longer if necessary. It is the record of deeds like this which justifies the very arrogance of British pride."

Col. Baden-Powell, who held the town in the face of such terrible conditions, will ever rank as a military hero. His whole force was only 600 men of the Bechuanaland military police. The town is on a plain, a position most difficult to defend, yet, such was the genius of Col. Powell, such the bravery of his men, that they kept a large Boer force under Cronje at bay until the foe was driven off by troops sent by Lord Roberts. A more brilliant feat of arms, or marvellous display of courageous tenacity is not on record. The siege and relief of Mafeking will be a fascinating story as long as undaunted heroism command homage and praise.

SIR WILLIAM P. HOWLAND, K.C.M.G.

The National Club, Toronto, has presented his portrait to Sir William Howland, who was one of its founders. Sir William is one of the Fathers of Confederation. Born an American in 1811, of English stock, he came to Can-mills, near Toronto, which have ever since been worked by members of his family. His remarkable energy, (apacity for work, business ability, and sound, dispassionate judgment in public affairs, led to his being for many years a prominent figure in Parliament, where he held successively the positions of Receiver-General, Minister of Inland Revenue, Finance Minister, and Postmaster-Before Confederation, in 1866, he represented Canada on a Reciprocal Trade Commission at Washington, and took an active and very useful share of the work of arranging Confederation in 1866-7. At a grave crisis, shortly after that was consummated, Sir William declined to act with his party in a movement to wreck the government for partizan purposes, in which he showed that independence of character and high minded regard for principle which have ever been his honour and claim to that general respect which Sir William has so, long enjoyed. When Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, his



native urbanity, unostentatious, but generous hospitality, and earnest sympathy with all movements for promoting the public welfare, made him exceedingly popular with all classes. He has been for years President of the Ontario Bank, the Canadian Loan and Agency Co., and the Confederation Life Association. Sir William bears the weight of his nearly 90 years with remarkable ease, especially considering how actively he has been engaged in business occupations and in the duties of public life. We trust he may be still spared many ears to enjoy repose, and to realize how deeply he is respected wherever known.

VALUATION OF STOCK AFTER A FIRE.

In the High Court of Justice, Toronto, before Justice Street, on 12th inst., an important insurance case was decided. The case, as reported in the "Mail and Empire," was an appeal by the Economical and the Waterloo Mutual insurance companies from the report of a special referee, in action upon two policies, each for \$2,-000, with defendants respectively covering the goods in plaintiff's store in the village of Kleinburg. The defendants admitted their liability, but disputed the amount due by each, and the report finds the loss sustained by the plaintiff, Mr. East, storekeeper, to have ceed \$4,000. The method of valuation adopted by the plaintiff's witnesses was as follows: each one independently of the others, estimated broadly the percentage of damage to each class of goods, taking into consideration the inevitable depreciation in selling value sustained by a stock of goods exposed for an hour to fire, heat, and thick smoke in a confined space with the accompaniments of soot, dirt, and water. The defendants' witnesses allowed for the quantity of each article which could be seen to have sustained damage, and treated all besides as retaining their original value, and allowed 21 to 3 per cent. upon the whole stock under the head of "smoke damage." The learned judge unhesitatingly adopts the

plaintiff's method of valuation. The appeal of the companies against the decision of the referee was dismissed with costs.

There can be no question about the value of the whole stock in a store being depreciated by fire, even when some portion is not injured, for the fact of goods having been in a place where a fire has occurred excites the suspicion of purchasers who are not willing to pay the ordinary price for such articles under these circumstances. Goods that have been in a store during a fire of any extent cannot be sold under ordinary conditions. They have to be removed in order to be offered for sale, or to be so handled as to discover the fact of their having been exposed to a fire. The judgment consequently seems a reasonable decision.

CENTRAL CANADA CHAMBER OF MINES

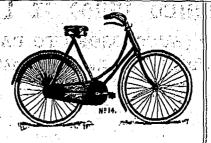
The Central Canada Chamber of Mines has been organized to publish and keep before the world the mineral resources of this country. Amongst the patrons and officials of the new organization we find, His Excellency the Governor-General, His Honour the Lieut-Governor of Manitoba, the Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, the Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, Hon. Senator Cox and a large number of others, all whose names are an assurance of the institution having legitimate and praiseworthy objects. The Chamber of Mines has not been established to make profits, but solely to disseminate reliable information and statistics through the The organization is similar to one established at Johannesburg, South Africa, which has done valuable service to the mining interest of that region. Indeed it is affirmed, that the enormous inflow of capital into gold mining in the Transvaal was mainly owing to the local Chamber of Mines spreading reliable information as to the mineral resources of South Africa. It is regarded as "only reasonable to expect similar results for Canada

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centres of capital throughout the world. Mr. F. H. Malcolmn, Winnipeg, is the secretary of the institution.

WINTER EXPORTS OF ST. JOHN, N.B.

The new Mayor and civic Council of St. John, N.B. entered upon their respective offices on the 1st inst. The retiring Mayor, Mr. Sears, delivered a valedictory address which was characterised by commendable pride in the port, confidence in its expansion, and good taste. His successor, Mr. Daniel, in his inaugural, showed himself to be in touch with civic affairs. He expressed condence in the members of the new Council having each one entered upon his duties determined to act according to his judgment in the best interests of the city, whose interests are our own, and personal motives in carrying out this paramount object, as it is only by so doing that we can hope to retain either the approval or our own conscience and self-respect or the confidence which the electroate has placed in us." The "Telegraph" gives a comparative statement of the winter exports of St. John for the last two seasons. The total value of the grain exports in 1899-1900 were \$2,663,771 as against \$1,-223,652 in 1898-9. The live stock exports in past season were, \$1,103,754, and in previous winter, \$512,817. In dairy products, lumber, apples, and other goods there were much larger shipments than in 1898-9. The total winter exports of St. John N.B., last season are given as \$10,567,051, which is \$7,177,046 in excess of those of previous winter. The inward tonnage was 22,529, and outward 191,754, as compared respectively with 4,287, and 46,508 in 1898-9. So large an increase of exports may well be regarded as promising a prosperous future for St. John:



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. NEW YORK FIRE REPORT FOR 1899.

The report of the New York Insurance Department for 1899 is a gloomy document. The total receipts for the year of fire insurance companies doing business in New York State were \$147,518,524, and outlays, \$1.51.478,\$46, giving an excess of disbursements over revenue of \$3.960,322. The receipts for premiums were \$142,599,859. The outlays were, for fire losses, \$96,926,858, for expenses, \$54,541,840, and for dividends, \$7,178,499. The loss ratio was a fraction under 68 per cent, and the expense ratio 38.2 per cent. The 186 companies had \$21,641,889,523 of risks in force at close of 1899. There were 102 companies who paid out more than their receipts, the aggregate being \$7,443,416, and 69 companies, who received \$3,483,004 in excess of outlays. The amount of risk written in 1899 was \$3;

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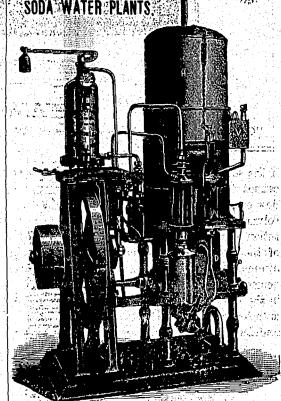
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CALIFORNIA OIL PRODUCTION.

The Los Angelos Times, California, has issued a special l'etroleum-Oil number, from which we learn that a new industry has been established at that city which gives promise of adding enormously to the local resources. There have been 300 wells sunk since oil was discovered, of which 200 are now being operated. The 12 wells of one company produce 2,000 barrels monthly. A sugar factory contracts to take 100,000 barrels yearly. Among the leading products of Southern California we find oil takes the third place, the figures being citrus fruits, 7 millions of dollars,

gold, 6 millions, petroleum, 21/2 millions. Hay comes next with 2 millions, then vegetables and fruits, 334 millions, canned goods, 142 millions. The total year's product is valued at \$34,005,000. . The oil wells are promising to make California the leading old-producing State in America,

-The liabilities of the Quebec dry goods firm of Delage &; Gauvreau, whose assignment we reported last week, amount to \$28,300, and assets \$27,445. The firm secured a settlement only last January.

-The Ontario Department of Agriculture has received many favorable accounts of results in spraying fruit trees with whale oil soap water. It is said to be very successful in cases of San Jose scale.

-The new steamer Tunisian, of the Allan Line, which arrived at this port on the 20th inst., is one of the largest and most perfect vessels afloat. The dimensions are: Length, 520 feet; beam, 60 feet; depth, 43 feet; gross tonnage, 10,576.

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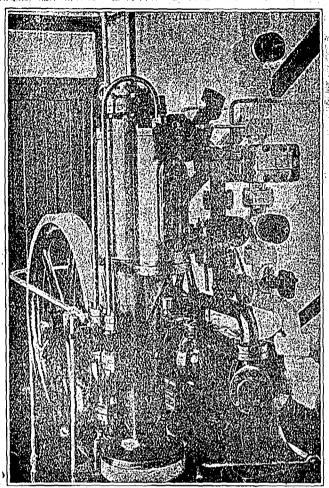




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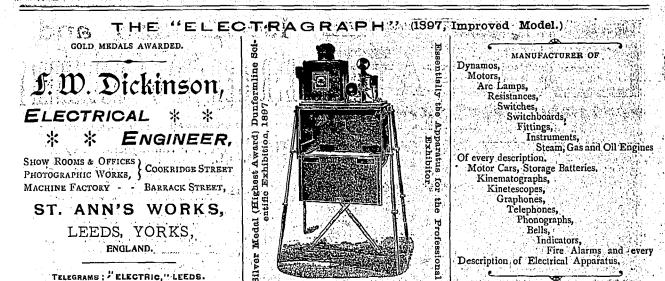
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—A disputch from Levis, Que., states official information has been given that the projected works there, referred to recently, will immediately be carried out, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$300,000. A new station will be built and the old station will be used as a post office and custom house.

RECENT FIRES.

Chatham, Ont., May 18th.—Saw mills at Kippen and Sycacamore burned. Loss about \$2,500.—Athens, Ont., 18th,—Residence of John Green destroyed. Insured for \$400.—St. Catharines, Ont., 19th.—The loss on the Canada Cycle & Motor Company's stock, machinery, etc., will be about \$175,000, with insurance of \$127,000, placed as follows:-North America, \$7,000; Connecticut, \$25,000; Mercantile, \$2,500; Actna, \$5,000; Alliance, \$5,000; British America, \$6,-000; Caledonian, \$4,000; Imperial, \$10,000; Lancashire, \$10,-000; Liverpool, \$5,000; Anglo-American, \$2,500; London & Lancashire, \$2,500; Manchester, \$5,000; National Assurance, \$2,500; North Buitish Mercantile, \$5,000; Northern, \$5,000; Norwich Union, \$2,500; Phoenix, Brooklyn, \$2,500; Phoenix Association, London, \$2,500; Sun, \$2,500; Quebec, \$2,500; Queen, \$2,500; Union, \$7,500; Waterloo Mutual, \$2,500; Royal, \$10,000; Western, \$9,000; Victorin, \$2,500; Canadian \$2,500; Merchants', \$2,500. Total, \$127,000. The loss to stock, machinery, buildings, etc., of Wellad Vale Manufacturing Co. will be between \$150,000 ad \$160,000, as follows: Aetna, \$10,-000; British America, \$12,000; Caledonia, \$8,000; Commercial Union, \$5,000; Imperial \$10,000; Liverpool & London & Globe, \$5,000; London Assurance, \$5,000; London & Lancashire, \$2,500; Manchester, \$5,000; National, \$2,500; North British & Mercantile, \$5,000; Northern, \$5,000; Norwich Union, \$5,000; Phoenix of Brooklyn, \$5,000; Phoenix of Hartford, \$2,500; Phoenix of London, \$5,000; Sun Insurance, \$2,500; Western, \$5,000; Lancashre, \$10,000; Queen, \$3,000; Connecticut, \$1,000. Toronto, 18th.-Building owned by J. Bilton and occupied by H. H. Sparks destroyed. Loss about \$600. Lachine, Quebec, 16th. Steamer Paul Smith, owned by the Adirondack and St. Lawrence Tourist Co., burned. The steamer cost \$25,000, and was being fitted up to run in conjunction with the Canada Atlantic Ralway from Coteau to Montreal. She was under charter to Mr. Alex. McLaren. who has undergone the responsbility for a good deal of interior repairs, but did not have any insurance. Smith was insured for \$3,000.—Shedden, Ont., 15th.—Lightning destroyed barn and contents owned by L.-Bainerd. Loss about \$1,200; partial insurance.—St. Catharines, Ont., 21st.—Attempts have been made to burn the lumber yards of Geo. Wilson & Co., The second succeeded in burning the storehouse and barn, horse and buggies, sleighs, wag-Loss about \$2,000.—Quebec, 21st.—La Syndicate de Quebec's large dry goods store damaged. Insured for \$53,000. The building is insured for \$16,500 .- Kingston, Ont., 17th.—Barn owned by S. Watts, jr., of Portsmouth, burned, with contents. No insurance. Residence of James Dennel, near Collin's Lake, owned by D. Cays, burned with contents. Building partially insured. Barn of B. Knapp, Cranberry Lake, burned. Insured-Portage la Prairie, 18th -Elevator used by the Northern Elevator Co., at Oakville, burned, with 8,000 bushels of grain. The building was owned by W. W. McMillan, of Winnipeg. Building and contents insured in the Victoria-Montreal Insurance Company.-Toronto, 19th.-D. H. Wilson's malt vinegar brewery damaged. Loss, \$7,000; fully insured in Perth Mutual and Waterloo Mutual companies.—Cobourg, Ont., 17th.—Gilroy's second-hand store damaged. Loss covered by insurance in Phoenix of England.—Regina, N.W.T., 18th.—Residence of N. Darke, destroyed.—Pointe Claire, Que., May 22nd. — Twenty-six dwellings and business houses were consumed entailing a total loss of some \$50,000. Some of the losses are: Joseph Carriere, \$2,000; M. Rodier, \$2,000; Isaac Mitchell, \$3,000; F. Lefebyre, \$4,000; A. Charlebois, \$2,000; L. Leclaire, \$6,000; L. Aumais, \$3,000; M. Brunet, \$1,500; A. l'aquette, \$4,000; Rickner's Hotel, \$19,000; Leon Charlebois, 1 \$15,000; Emilie Mayor, \$15,000; H. Duchesneau, \$10,000; Legasse and Desparois, \$5,000; Leclerc Hotel, \$8,000; Moise Leclercy, \$2,500; Town Hall, \$3,000. The total insurance will probably not amount to more than \$20,000. Among the companies interested are: Guardian Fire and Life Asurance Co., \$10,000; Imperial Fire Insurance Co., \$1,500; and the agencies of Mr. Walter Kavanagh, about \$8,000. Among the losers who say they have insurances are Messrs.



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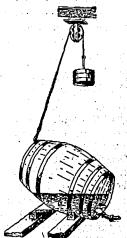
BUSINESS CHANGES.

Ontario.-Miss L. Dawson, general store, Gelert, succeeded by E. H. Sharples; Imperial Cocoa and Spice Co., Ltd., Hamilton, incorporated; Est. J. W. Campbell, furn., Lanark, business advertised for sale; Young & Co., gro., etc., Alvinston, sold out to Woodham & Nuller; MacMahon & Co., bankers, Drumbo, succeeded by Curry & Co.; Richardson & Perkins, general store, Powassan, style now A. L. Perkins & Co. R. L. Twohey, dry goods, etc., Port Colborne, advertising business for sale; Mengic-Turner Co., Ltd., mfrs.

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British, Columbia. J. H. Shrewsbury, gro., Vancouver, stock sold to Welsh & Nightingale.

New Brunswick .- Mrs. K. E. Hallett, millinery, Dalhousie, succeeded by Miss Kate Harquail; W. Howard, gro., St. John, commencing business.

Nova Scotia.-C. H. R. Crocker, mfr. vinegar and pickles, Wilmot, succeeded by Crocker & McMaster; A. Jenkins & Co., meat and prov., North Sydney, succeeded by K. M. Jenkins; Pratt & McEachran, plumbers, Truro, dissolved, style now S. A. Pratt & Co.; J. McLeod, blacksmith and gro., Westville, advertises either grocery or blacksmith business for sale; Donovan & Brennan, plumbers, Halifax, started business; D. G. Kirk & Co., dry goods and men's furnishings, North Sydney, commencing business; McQuarrie & Co., furniture and undertakers, Stellarton, commenced

Manitoba & N.W.T.-J. B. Gowanlock, agent implts., Cypress River, sold out to Venner & Moose; Trimble Bros., general store, Leduc, sold out to J. F. Glanville; N. W. Lee, restaurant, Medicine Hat, out of business.

Quebec.—Price Bros. Co., lumber, Batiscan, Wm. Price, sole owner; Samson & Vaillancourt, hay, Yamachiche, copartnership registered; G. & E. Couture, whol. and ret. gro., Levis, co-partnership registered; Laniel & Frere, gro., Montreal, co-partnership registered; Vineberg Bros., furn., Montreal, dissolution and new co-partnership registered; Matthieu & Gignac, saw mill, Quebec, co-partnership registered; N. Normandin & Co., boots and shoes, Magog, have opened branch at Sherbrooke Thibodeau & Cadieux, men's furnishings, Montreal; dissolution and new co-partership registered; W. Blouin & Co., gro., Quebec, co-partnership registered; Darry, Cooke & Co., importers dry goods, Montreal, dissolved; Duckett, Hodge & Co., exporters butter and cheese, Montreal, dissolved; Western Loan and Trust Co., Montreal, W. Barclay Stephens, deceased.



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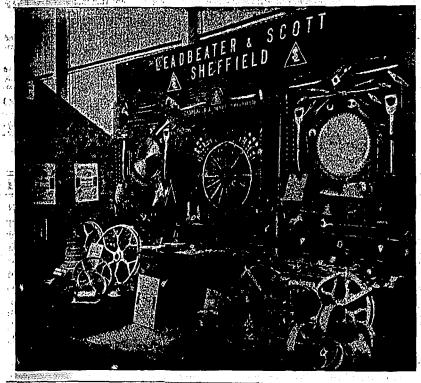
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WRITS ISSUED-ONTARIO.

Fort William-S. Scott vs H. Murphy, \$419; Goderich Tp. -P. S. Wilson vs W. J. Wilson, \$415; Goderich-Ontario Binder Twine Co. vs A. McKinnon, \$489; Haldimand Tp.-Commercial Building and I. Socy. vs W. Gordon, \$900; Hamilton-J. Hargrove vs Dominion Council of Canada and Newfoundland Royal Templars of Temperance, \$1,000; Markham-R. and A. E. Pugsley vs J. E. Pitts, \$762; Ottawa-W. Mann vs W. II. Hurdman, jr., \$1,089; Port Arthur-O. Daunais vs A. Guerard, \$700; Sarnia—Union Bank vs Kidd & Reilley, \$344; Toronto-J. E. Molleur vs G. Anderson and Co., \$546; S. Taylor vs G. G. Christie, et al, \$1,800; C. G. Barth vs.F. P. Cole, \$10,050; W. H. Plummer & Co. vs J. Couzens et ux, \$3,163; S. G. Kingston vs W. C. and A. M. Flint, \$564; A. J. Clue vs J. Joss, \$2,600; E. T. Farrell vs F. Kennedy, as asignee, \$335; J. Blakely vs M. and L. Benjamin & Co., and Sweeney of Spokane, Wash., \$5,001; Quebec Bank vs Shipway Iron and Bell Works, \$727; Quebee Bank vs F. H. Shipway, \$1,522; Confed. Life Assn. vs D. Walker, \$317; Trafulgar Tp.—W. H. Partridge vs N. Henroid et al, \$3,000; Tweed—M. M. Kitcherson vs Elizth.
Honatt, \$348;—Ottawa Electric Co. vs Dominion Electric Heating Co., Ltd., \$549; Contsworth—A. M. Smith & Co. vs. J. W. Simpson, \$394; Goderich—A. Bogie vs. B. Allen, \$2,000; Hamilton—Bank of Hamilton vs. A. Allen, \$658; Loucie A. C. Chown vs C. S. Scott et al, \$732; London — J. McEyoy vs A. Callaghan, \$500; Isabella Griffith vs J. Fleming, \$303; Perth-G. May & Sons vs. W. Furrell, \$582; Tilbury-Canada General Electric Co. vs R. H. Smith, \$1,-216: Toronto-Canada Perm. L. & S. Co. vs T., G. and S. Baldwin, \$1,366; W. H. Syms vs A. W. Godson, \$947; Canada

Per. & Western Canada Mtge. Corporation vs Annie E. Hardy, \$570; Canada Per. & Western Canada Mtge. Corporation vs T. Hardy, \$555; Canada Per. & Western Canada Mtgc. Corporation vs T. and Cathe. M. Hardy, \$551; H. Forman et al vs M. & J. N. Sipes, \$457; Confed. Life Association vs D. and Susan Walker, \$317; Warwick-J. Mitchell vs T. W. Mitchell, admr., \$680; York Tp.-A. Royce vs G. J. Gilbert, \$527; United States-North American Western Life Assee. Co. vs Emily N. and Gertrude Stewart, et ux, \$5,050; Acton-R. J. McNab vs Mary A. Kribs, \$2,268; Listowel-M. Upton vs J. S. Hardie, \$2,000; M. Upton vs H. Irvine, \$2,000; St. Thomas-St. Thomas Gas Co. vs T. Donley, \$478; Toronto-J. Watson vs Anglo-American Fire Ins. Co., \$3,000; J. Gardner vs Sun Savings and Loan Co., \$2,500; J. W. Buchanan vs Ca. Pac. Ry. Co., \$13,587; Hazelwood & Whale vs Lake Sawbill Gold Mining Co., Ltd., and W. 11. Gillard & Co., \$600.

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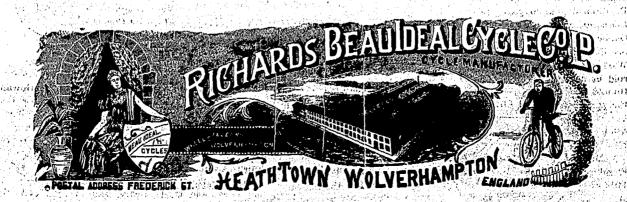
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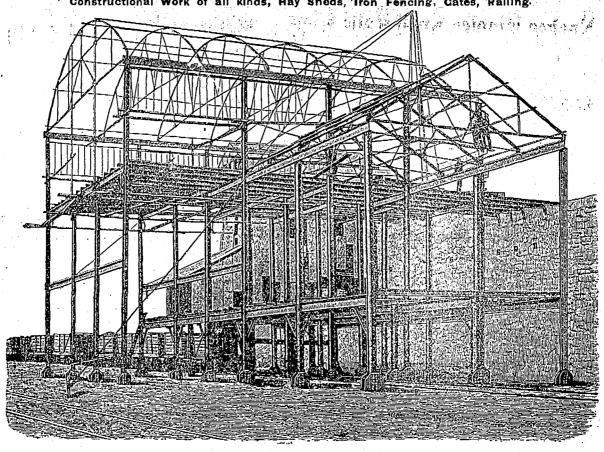
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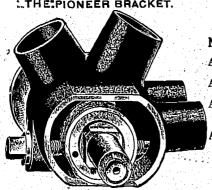
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-Mr. W. Barclay Stephens, managing director of the Western Loan and Trust Co. of this city, died on the 21st inst. The deceased was a man of restless energy and had many irons in the fire. He was associated with a number of local enterprises, as well as being a member of the Stock Exchange. As a business man he was much respected by a wide circle here, in Ontario and Manitoba. In social life, Mr. Stephens was highly popular, being of a most genial disposition. He was vice-commodore of the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club. His sudden death has caused widespread regret.

A Washington, U.S., despatch states that the House Committee on Foreign Affairs acted favorably on the joint resolution authorizing the President to invite Great Britain to join in the formation of an international commission, four from each Government to consider the diversion of waters along the boundary of the United States and Canada. The inquiry is designed particularly to ascertain the effect of the level of the Great Lakes caused by improvements at the Welland canal, Sault Ste. Marie canal, and the Chicago drainage canal. The inquiry will cover the entire lake region, including all the waters of the lakes and rivers, whose waters flow by the St. Lawrence to the Atlantic Ocean.

-A St. Petersburg dispatch states that an imperial ukase has been pub-

ilshed announcing the redemption of the debt of the Imperial Treasury to the State Bank for bank notes issued for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the wars of 1853-56 and 1877-78. 1t. provides that henceforward no bank notes shall be issued to meet the requirements of Treasury. This liquidation is regarded as an indication that the Imperial Treasury will not need further loans to meet budget expenditure. In 1881 the war debt of the Treasury to the Bank of Russia aggregated 964,000,000 roubles. When M. De Witte. Russian Minister of Finance, assumed his portfolio in 1892, the debts still totalled 742,000,000 roubles. This cntire amount has been extinguished within less than eight years.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

-A few more names are being added to the list of those whom the recent Hull fire deprived of stock in trade and whose insurance falls short of equalizing the bills payable. G. Lafond, general dealer, has liabilities of some \$13,-000 against insurance of \$4,000 and is settling at 30 cents in the dollar.-J. B. Pharand, general merchant, was, two years ago, estimated to be worth \$40,-000. He lost \$12,000 by a Hull firm, considerable more in real estate transactions, and the remainder was swept away in fire. He had insurance of \$5,-000 against liabilities of \$15,000. He is settling at 40 cents in the dollar, borrowing a part to make this-up.

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Montreal, Wednesday, May 23, 1900.

We are issuing this journal a day ahead of the usual time owing to Queen's Birthday falling on the day in the week on which we are accustomed to go to press. Since the accession of Her Majesty no natal day anniversary has occurred on which greater pros-

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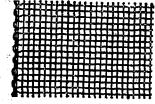
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perity prevailed in the United Kingdom and the Colonies. The famine in India and the war in South Africa are the only clouds in the Imperial sky. The former calamity no human power could have prevented, the latter was caused by the almost incredible folly of the rulers of a State whose ambition was to create a power that would

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have robbed the Empire of its possessions in South Africa. Their ambition has proved to be a boomerang, the missile hurled against Great Britain will prove the destruction of the thrower. The great event of the week, the relief of Mafeking, had little effect on the money market. In a strategic sense this incident had little importance, though its moral effect is great as a demonstration of military genius and indomitable courage. The utter failure of the Boer delegates to secure any form of help from foreign powers culminated this week in their interview with President McKinley, who, of course, declared firmly that the policy of the United States was absolute neutrality. Next month will almost cernainly usher in the last act of this drama as Lord Roberts will have moved up within striking distance of Pretoria, through, probably, he will have captured the Transvaal capital. When that occurs there will be a financial movement on a large scale, that will quite excite the money market as it has not been stirred for a length of The bank statement for April appears in this issue, it is highly favorable. The death of Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas removes one of our most experienced bankers, who has left his mark on the banking history of Can-His successor, Mr. Elliot, who ada. was trained under him, who has been

his assistant for years, will doubtless continue his policy. Outside of Pacific the local 'Change has had another dull week. Pacific seems to have fallen under the stamping fect of bears. Considerable sales have taken place at 93% and a few at 93% to 95. Other stocks have been almost ignored. Money in New York is easier, call money there ranging from 1% to 2. Local money rates remain as last week. There are some who look for a change in the bank rate this week to a lower point which we regard as unlikely.

The following is a comparative table of stocks for week ending May 24th, supplied by Chas. Meredith & Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, May 24th, 1900.

The continuance of cool weather has checked the output in summer lines and these have influenced others to a degree which shows trade to be rather quiet during the past week. Hardware has remained steady in price. Leather continues quiet. Groceries move freely, with sugars 5c per 100 lbs. lower for all grades. In dairy products cheese has declined while butter is becoming firmer. Dry goods are slow in movement owing to the backward season. Crop reports are so far favorable, although growth is retarded.

BUTTER.-The market continues to show firmness an active business being done in export account. Finest creamery is being taken freely at 171/2c to 18c. Barlier makes are jobbing to the local trade at 16½c to 17c. Dairy goods are also commanding considerable attention and sell quickly. Finest Townships 16c to 161/2c, and Western, 14c to 15c. Finest Townships, CEMENTS & FIRE BRICKS. - Arrivals at this port for week ending 23rd were: 54,000 fire bricks; 7,100 Belgian and German cement, and 3.150 brls. English cement. Trade is liberal for car lots at steady prices. Two lots of 10,000 brls. were purchased by the Government this week but details were not obtainable.

CHEESE.—Arrivals are showing a large increase, supplies offering being in excess of requirements. Prices are, accordingly, weakening. Finest is quoted at 94c to 94c. At these prices

large transactions are taking place, exports showing a heavy increase over last week. Liverpool cable is steady last week. at 538 6d. At Ingersoll, Ont., on 22ud 702 boxes colored were offered. 9c bid. No sales. At Campbellford, Ont., same date, 765 boxes offered at 9 1-16c, but no sales.

DRUGS, ETC.-Prices have been steadier during the past week. camphor has advanced 1c lb., while gum and powdered opium have declined Oil of cloves is also lower, while Turkish oil of geranium, has advanced 15c in foreign markets. Sponges are steadily advancing.

Eggs.-The tendency is easier, offerings being much larger. The demand has eased off owing to picklers being fully supplied and no longer on the market. Prices range from 11c to 12c and for No. 2, 10 1/2c to 11c.

FLOUR, FEED & MEAL .- A better trade is being done in all lines. Flour is quotably unchanged in price, wheat showing 4c decline for the week. Manitoba bran, bulk, is now \$15 and shorts bulk, \$17. Other lines are unchanged. Quotations are: Flour-Winter wheat patents, \$3.45 to \$3.65; straight rollers, \$3.20 to \$3.45, in bags, \$1.55 to \$1.60. Manitoba patents, \$3.90; strong bakers, \$3.60 to \$3.70. Manitoba bran, bulk, \$15; shorts, \$17.00; mouille, \$20.00 to \$24.00; per ton; oatmeal, \$3.30 to \$3.35, and \$1.60 to \$165 per bag; baled hay, No.1, \$9.50 to \$10; No. 2, \$8.25 to \$9; clover and mixed, \$7 to \$7.50. Best timothy hay in bulk is held at \$8. 75 to \$9 per load, averaging 1,500 lbs.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—The second auction sale of lemons and oranges, per steamer Endeavor, took place in Monireal on the 19th inst., 38,000 boxes were disposed of. New York buyers purchased freely of 360 size lemons. Oranges brought slightly higher figures than at previous sale. Fancy Messina lemons sold at \$2.75 to \$3 for 300 size; 300 size, \$2.50 to \$3. Choice fruit sold at \$1.50 to \$2.25; lower grades went down as low as 50c. Most of the fancy lemons were bought for western account. Sorento oranges, 300 size, sold at from \$3 to \$3.55; 200 size, at \$2.95 to \$3.15; 360 size from \$3.10 to \$3.15, and 160 size at \$2.70 to \$3. The Catania

\$2.25 for ovals. The bulk were taken by local buyers. Another auction took place on the 22nd inst., the cargo of the steamer Kong Kaakon, comprising 3,000 boxes and half boxes oranges and 1,500 boxes lemons. The bidding was brisk. Lemons brought 90c to \$3.05 per box. Messina oranges, \$1,10 to \$2. Two cars of American strawberries were sold at the depot here on the 22nd. One, slightly inferior brought 5c to 12c qt.; the better bringing 12c to 16c qt. Bannas brought 70c to 75c bunch and pineapples 8c to 12c each. Quotations pineapples 8c to 12c euch. Quotations are: Jamaica oranges, \$5.50 to \$6; seedlings, \$2.50 to \$3; Valencia oranges, 420s, \$5.50 to \$6; oranges, ovals, boxes, \$4.25; do. half boxes, \$2.75 to \$3; do. Messinus, \$3.50 to \$4; do. Messinus, half boxes, \$1.75; do. half boxes, bloods, half boxes, \$1.75; do. half boxes, bloods, \$2.50 to \$3.00; lemons, fancy, \$3 to \$3.25 choice, \$2 to \$2.75; bananas, \$1.40 to \$2.50 per bunch; pineapples, 15c to 25c each; tomatoes, \$3.75 to \$4 crate; apples, \$5 per brl. for No. 1; cocoanuts, \$3.50 per 100; California celery, \$8.00; strawberries, 12c to 18c; cucumbers, hot house, \$1.25 per dozen; mushrooms, 75c; Bermuda onions, \$275 per crate; cauif-flower, per dozen; \$3; California penrs, E Beurre, \$4.25 per box; asparagus, baskets, Canadian, \$1 to \$1.25.

GREEN-HIDES.—A reduction of 1/2c has taken place bringing prices to 81/2c for No. 1; 71/2c for No. 2 and 61/2c for No. 3. This drop has not been a surprise, as it is generally expected at the present season and dealers have been looking for lower figures in keeping with easier markets abroad. Trade continues quiet. Other lines are unchanged. Chicago reports trade dull, with holders anxious to dispose of late winter and early spring take-off of steer hides, but tan-ners were indifferent and prices sagged. New York showed a similar feature as transactions.

GROCERIES.—Sugars have shown considerable fluctuation during the week. On the 19th a drop was made by refiners here of 10c per 100 lbs. on white and 5c on yellows. This was occa-sioned through the arrivals of American sugars at points west ... Later a rise of 5c took place on white sugars in keeping with a similar rise in the U.S., which leaves prices now 5c, per 100 lbs. lower on all grades than existed a week ago. Indications tavor higher prices in foreign markets but it is oranges, fine quality, sold from \$1.60 to addificult to guage the future on this ar-

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ticle. A Havana report of the 18th inst. says: Senor Lacoste, Secretary of Agriculture, discussing the sugar crop to-day, said: "I never expected the crop to be larger than that of last year, Many of those who prophesied a good crop did so without a knowledge of the facts. The bad crop is due to the drouth. Many estates that had intended to grind this year found the crop insufficiently advanced and that it would not be worth while, for the sake of a few thousand sacks, to set in motion, the large machinery of their plants." An importation by the American Sugar Refining Company has arrived at New York. The importation is valued at \$250,000, and the duty will amount to \$150,000. An appraising officer, in speaking of the sugar, said:—
"The importation consists of very high grade sugar, some of it being above 16 Dutch standard in color. Any sugar above 16 Dutch standard in color pays, under the present tariff, a duty of \$1.95 per cwt. We expect the importations of sugar for this month and the next to be very heavy." New prices on Earbadoes molasses are: Car lots, 38c; less than car fols, 39c; bris., 41½c; half bris., 42½c. Trade continues good.

HARDWARE & METALS.— Locally the situation in hardware is unchanged from quotations given last week. L. & F. tin is steady at 34c, and strip at 35c. New York prices on pig tin showed an advance at the opening of the week and London cables reported an advance in that market since the 18th of £1 17s 6d on spot delivery and £1 7s 6d. for three months' futures. The New York copper market has also recovered from the lower price on copper. Iron and steel are steady, with old iron showing a weak tone.

LEATHER & SHOES.—The situation has caused leather dealers to look for little in the way of active business before the turn of the month. Fall cutting has scarce begun yet, and some have only finished spring orders. Prices are unchanged and no features are apparent which might call for comment. The season has been against business so far but dealers are looking for a favorable change. The New York market for heavy leather was dull and in buyers' favor but light stock was in shorter supply with tanners, and prices were well sustained.

MAPLE PRODUCTS. — The market is steady with a fairly good business passing. Syrup in wood, 6% to 7c lb. In

STOCKS AND BONDS

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PAINTS, OILS & GLASS .- The situation in leads and mixed paints is very strong. Heavy advances have again taken place in oils and turpentine as predicted last week. Raw linseed is now 83c to 84c, boiled 86c to 87c, as to Raw linseed is quantity. This is an advance of 4c over last week's quotations. Turpentine has advanced to 74e to 75c, as to quantity. Glass is unchanged.

POTATOES. Offerings of old stock are liberal. Quality is good and demand fair at 35c to 40c per bag of 80 to 90 lbs. New stock sells slowly and can scarcely be quoted as yet.

Provisions.—The activity noted last week continues, all lines being active at firm prices. Present indications

would appear to reflect high figures for the season as receipts are not heavy and supplies are limited, Chicago markets are subject to much fluctuation, but the average shows prices to be fully sustained. Lard is in good demand and steady as to price. Quotations are :—Heavy Canadian short -Heavy Canadian short cut mess pork, \$18 to back, \$17.00 to \$ \$18.50; short to ψ.ς. \$17.50; selected heavy short cut mess pork, boneless, special quality, \$19.00 to \$19.50; and heavy mess pork, long cut, \$17 to \$17.50; pure Canadian lard, 91/2c to 101/2c per lb and comments. 10½ per lb.; and compound refined, 7c to 8c per lb. Hams, 12c to 14c, and to 8c per lb. Hams, 1 bacon, 11½c to 13½c lb. 12c to 14c, and

Wool.-Importers are making lower prices to induce trade but this does not appear to bring much business. The latest sales at London show more firm-

ness in Australian merinos, which are about 5 per cent. higher. Capes are unchanged, and sell here at 18c to 23c; B.A., 40c to 50c. There is no Austrai-Western prices ian on this market. are spoken of as 16c to 18c for new Canadian clip but there will be none for some time. Offerings at the London sales on the 22nd numbered 12,664 bales, of which 8,200 were New Zealand. Values were firmer all round and competition was active, especially for Queensland and Victoria grades. The home trade bought freely and the continent was active and American repre-sentatives took moderate quantities of suitable grades. Some Cape of Good smanne grades. Some cape of coor Hope and Natal was withdrawn, as buyers bid 1/2d. below sellers. A Boston report of the 21st inst., says: "Average fine medium Territory clothing wool

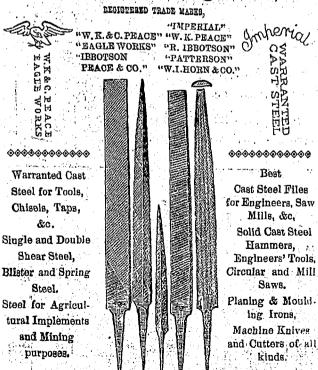
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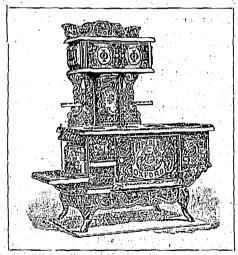


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costs to-day 52c the scoured pound, against 42c a year ago and 62c last Jan-uary, The drop in Europe has been pegged by the withdrawal of half the offering at the London auctions. The advance of five per cent. on low crossbreds in London yesterday is the first favorable news since January. American markets are in a condition of absolute stagnation under the pressure of foreign depression and competition. The sales for the week were 1,572,500 lbs. domestic and 280,000 lbs. foreign, a total of 1,852,500 lbs. for this week, against a total of 1,958,000 lbs. last week, and a total of 7,459,500 lbs. the corresponding week last year.

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

(Revised by Telegraph.)

Toronto, May 23, 1900.

Trade in wholesale departments was fairly active this week, some increase in the volume being reported. Orders for dry goods were quite liberal, and the enquiry for autumn goods has increased. The tone of the markets is generally firm, and manufacturers are busy! In hardware and metals business was fair. Pig tin is weaker. Groceries sell well sugars declined and then advanced. Leather in good demand: clicese weaker and cattle firmer. Money unchanged at 6 to 61/2 per cent. for prime discounts. Stocks quiet and irregular: Tatest sales: Ontario Bank. 1271/4, Cable 1651/4, C.P.R. 931/2, Toronto Ry. 1991/2, Western Assurance 141, Gen. Electric 1651/4, London Electric 115 xd, Toronto Electric 1301/2, N.W. Land pr. 501/8, Canada Per. and W. C. Loan 115.

Butter, &c.-The butter market has ruled quiet and steady this week. Choice tuh in moderate supply and firm at 131/2 to 141/2c, and inferior to medium at 10c

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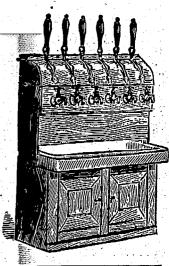
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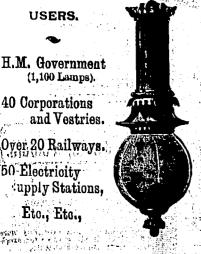
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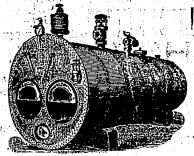
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Flour and Grain, The flour market is. quiet with prices steady. Straight rollers in barrels sold at \$2.75 to \$2.80 west and choice grades quoted at \$3. Manitoba patents \$4 to \$4.10 and strong bakers, \$3.65 to \$3.70. Bran is steady at \$12.50 to \$13 west, and shorts at \$14.50 to \$15. Oatmeal dull at \$3.20 to \$3.30 in car lots. Wheat quiet and steady; white and red 65c to 65½c north and west, and spring 66c east. Goose, 71c-to-72c low freights, No. 1 Manitoba hard is quoted at 77c to 771/c Toronto and west, and at 73c to 77½c Toronto and west, and at 73c to 74½c Owen Sound. Barley is nominal; no business. Oats steady, white selling at 28c east and at 27c to 27½c west; mixed, 26½c west. Peas dull at 60c east and at 50c west. Rye, quiet at 51c to 52c outside. Buckwheet is guested. to 52c outside. Buckwheat is quoted at 50c to 51c. Corn weaker, with Canadian at 43 1/2c here, and at 38 1/2c west, and American 45c on track here.

Groceries.-Trade is moderately active and prices generally unchanged. Sugars slightly easier; granulated, \$4.68 and yellows, \$3.93 to \$4.38. Dried fruits unchanged. Valencia raisins, layers, 7% to 8c. Provincial currants, 4%c to 5c. Filiatras, 5c to 51/c. Coffees unchanged, at 10c to 14c for Rios, and at 23c to 28c for Mocha. Canned goods steady; tomatocs. 95c to \$1; peas, 75c to 90c; corn, \$1.10 to \$1.15. Teas are unchanged.

Hardware and Metals.—Business was good during the week, seasonable lines being in demand. Tin is easier, and prices of iron and steel generally unchanged.

Hides and Skins .- The hide market is quiet. Cured cows sell att 9c, and steers Green, unchanged, at 8% co to No. 1 and at 73%c for No. 2 cows. Calf-skins are firm at 10c for No. 1 and 9c for No. 2. Sheepskins, \$1.25 to \$1.40. Lambskins, 20c to 25c.

Live Stock.—Cattle are firmer, with demand good. Exporters sell at \$4.75 to \$5.15 per 100 lbs. for choice, and at \$4.50 for medium. Choice butchers' cattle bring 4c to 41/c lb., and medium. 31/c to 33/c. Stockers, 33/c to 4c. Sheep, 31/c to 4c per lb. for choice ewes. Lambs, 5c to 6c per lb. Hogs,

are higher, the best bocan lots bringing 6%c per lb., light fats, 51/2c, and heavy, 5c to 54c per lb.

Provisions.-The demand for cured meats is fairly active ,and prices rule steady. Mess pork is jobbng at \$16.00 to \$16.50, and short cut at \$17.00 to \$17.50. Bacon firm at 81/4c to 81/2c for . large lots of long clear and at 8%c to Harms, smoked, 12c to 13c. Lard is firm at 8% to 9% c, according to package. Dried apples, 5% to 6c. Potatoes, 35c to 37c per bag. Hops are dull at 13c to 14c. Beans, \$1.15 to \$1.20 for common and \$1.55 to \$1.65 for hand-picked.

Wool. - Offerings of unwashed are large and prices steady at 10c to 11c. The new clip of washed fleece is 15c to 16c. Pulled supers, 19c, and extras 20c to 21c.

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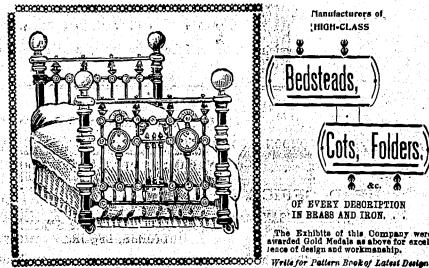
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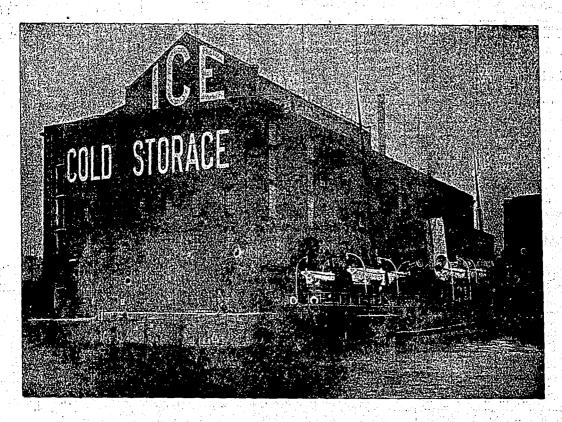
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20 21 43 25 24	Quebec. Union St. Jean. St. Hyacinthe Eastern Townships	4,460,231 186,998 741,411 4,245,341		1,718	1,381	15,000	212,372	1,371 4,500	8,208,158 409,246 1,189,035 0,355,016		21 22 25
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29 30 31 32	Halifax B. Co. Yarmouth Exchange Commercial Windsor. Total, Nova Scotia	460,357 127,052 722,603		1,514 198,285	219 	404,884		932 873 377	3.658,565 619,524 230, 351 1,000,488 40,584,432		29 50 51
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36	British Col			82,769	11,142	16,444		230,489	6,589,288		36

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Imperial Bank of Canada bonus ½ per cent, equal in all to a dividend of 9½ per cent, per annum,

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—A winding-up order has been granted in the case of the Thompson Shoe Company, Montreal, whose difficulties have already been published.

—The war that drags is like a chronic disease, doubly hard to bear and to treat. A Yokohama, dispatch (via Victoria, B.C.,) date 16th inst., states that the United States transport Thomas ar.

rived unexpectedly from Manila on Saturday last. Conversations with returning officers and men of the army elicit the impression among them that by no means justifies the optimistic views of the Philippines situation lately held by the press and the public. Everything seems to point to a long and devastating guerilla warfare, and, altogether,

the outlook is not a reassuring one. Much will depend upon the personnel of the new commission.

—A Chicago letter states that thus far this season to date the various lake yards of the American Shipbuilding Company have launched twelve mammoth freight-carrying steamers, including two 500-footers, These craft cost

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BANKS. Assets.	Specie.	Domini'n Notes	Deposits with Dom Govt, for s'c'rity of note cir.	Cheq. on	Loans to oth'r bks; in Can. secured	day -	Bal, due from bks. in Can, in daily exch'ngs	not in	Due from Bks or Ag in U. K.	Deb. or E	ap.Sec's	Dellmon	Vall' Loans on Bonds and Stocks
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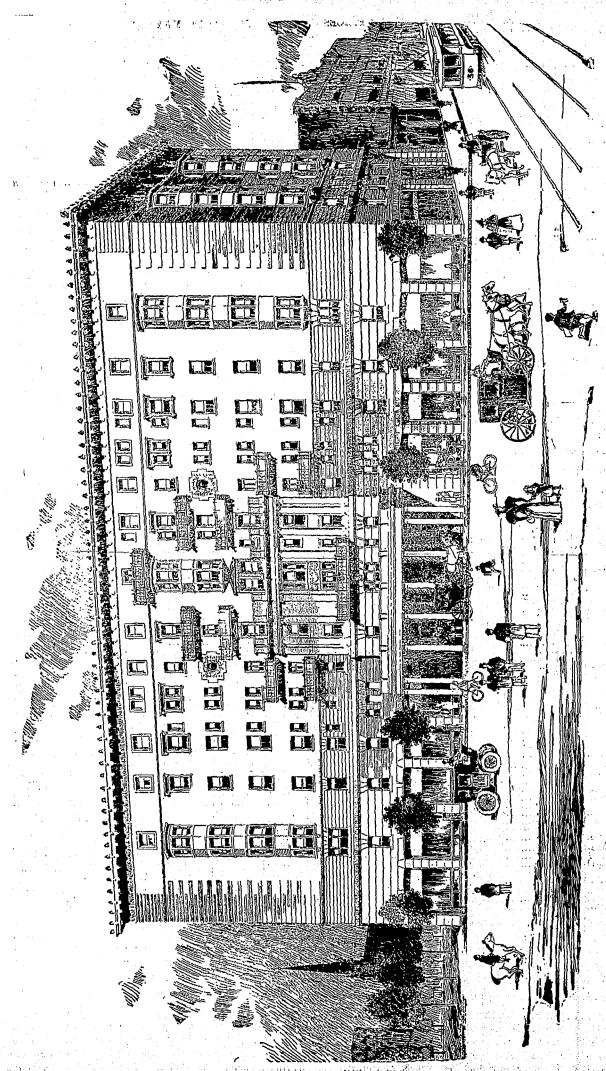
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\$4,500,000, and their combined carrying capacity is 70,000 tons. There are also on the docks in the yards of the company eleven more great craft the combined carrying capacity of which is 60,000 tons; cost, \$4,000,000. Three of

these are at the South Chicago yards, one at Cleveland, three at Lorain, two at Detroit, one at Bay City and one at West Superior. This shows twenty-three new craft, with carrying capacity of 130,000 tons, costing \$8,500,000. In

lake shippards outside of the American Company craft have been launched or are almost ready, with capacity for 40,000 tons, making a total of new tonnage of the largest class of 170,000 and total valuation of about \$11,500,000.



BELLEVUE APARTMENTS, DOMINION SQUARE.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT-THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1900.

					
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Name of Article. Wholesale. Corn Beef 1	Article. Wholesale Ca. Amr. 1b	Copperas, per 100 lbs Cream Tartat Expeom Salte Glycerine Gum Arabic per lb. "Trag." Insect Powder lb. do per keg, lb. Morphis Oil Peppermint lb. Oil Lemon Optiom Oxalic Acid. Phosporus Potash Bichromate Potash Iodide. Quinine. Strychnine Strychnine Licorice. Stick, 4, 6, 8, 12, & 16 to lb, 5 lb, boxes, Acme Licorice Pellete, Cons. Licorice Lozenges, l 5 lb, cans.	0 75 0 80 0 20 0 25 1 75 0 16 0 20 0 25 0 50 0 25 0 40 0 25 0 40 0 22 0 30 1 75 1 25 1 40 1 45 0 08 0 10 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 25 0 80 0 25 0 80 0 25 0 80	Green Cod, No. 1 Green "large Draft" No. 2 " Large dry Gaspe per quti. Ssimon, bris Lah. Salmon, (half bris) "Brit. Col bris. Boneless Fish "Cod Finnan Haddies N. S. Salt Herrings, in half-barrels. Salt Lake Trout, half-bris Flour. Winter Wheat patents. Straight roller. do bags. Strong Bakers. Superine. Oatmeal, bri. Gron meal, bag. Bran Manitobs, bulk. Bran Ontario bulk. Shorts.	4 50 0 00 4 75 5 00 0 00 3 50 0 00 3 50 0 00 7 50 0 00 7 50 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 10 00 0 00 00 0 00 00 0 00 00 0 00 00 0 00 0

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Farm Products.		New No. 1 Hard, Ft. Will	\$ c. \$ c. 0 00 0 68 0 00 0 66 0 00 0 66	Molasses (Barbados) Porto Rico Evaporated Apples, New. do do Old.	0 07 0 074	Vermicelli, Canadiau Macaroni, " " Italiau	\$ c. \$ 0 05 0 0 05 0 0 10 0
oicest to finewaships Dairy estern ''on to choice	0 16 0 17 0 15 0 16 0 14 0 15 0 00 0 00 0 18 0 14	No. 1 Northern do Oats, shoat Barley, No. 1 No. 2 Peas, per 60 lbs.	0 00 0 63 0 00 0 311 0 00 0 50 0 00 0 481	Raisins: Sultanas Loose Musc. Malaga Layers, London	0 08 0 12 0 08 0 08}	Peel—Citron	0 14 0 0 11 0 0 10 0
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nothy, (Can'n) per bel	1.] 2 00 2 50 n 1 50 1 80	Plantation Ceylon, "Chicory"	0 17 0 18 0 17; 0 18; 0 10 0 15 0 27 0 29 0 06 0 11	African " " Pimento " " Pepper, Black " "	0 08 0 10 0 10 0 12 0 17 0 19 0 25 0 27	Cider X	0 17
lax 56 ibs	1 50 2 00 0 75 0 90 0 76 0 90	Sugars: Factory. Ex Granulated, bris German gran'd	0 00 4 50 0 00 0 00	Mustard, 41b W jar, Eng. 11b 12b jars, Cana. 11b Rice, C.C. standard B.	0 23 0 25 0 65 0 70 0 22 0 24	Matches: Telegraph	4 00
NDRIES:— Potatoes, per bag (oney, Comb, 1 lb "Extracted Beeswax	008 010 025 030	Ex Ground, in bris I howdered, in bris Powdered, in bris Doxes Paris Lumps, in bris	0 00 5 35 0 00 4 90 0 00 5 15 0 00 5 15	" Patna \$ 100 lt " Burmah" " Crystal Japan" " Carolina \$ 100	4 00 4 25 6 00 5 25 m 6 75 7 76	Parior, 200's Diamond Jubilee Walkerville	0 00
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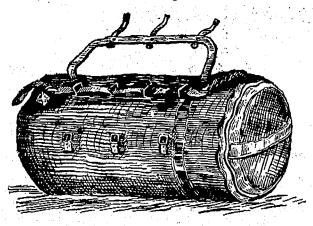


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Name of Article.	Wholesale.	Name of Article.	Wholesale.	Name of Article.	Wholesale.	'sot Name of Article.	Wholesele
Hardware.	\$ c \$ c	Coil Chain-No. 14	4 95 0 00	Lead Pipe, per 100 lbs.	7 00 0 00	Tallow. cake	Wholesale
Antimony	0 104 0 11	9-16	4 80 0 00	Zinc:	less 15 p.c.	barrel (refined)	0 00 0 05
" Strip " Copper: Ingot	ו כמיטיטיטיו	%	4 75 0 00 4 75 0 00	Spelter, per 100 lbs Sheet, Zinc "	0 00 5 50 6 75 7 00	Rough	0 00 0 02
Copper: Ingot " CUT NAIL SCHEDULE,	0 181 0 00	Galvanized Staples—	4 10 0 00	Dia-2: 024 7		No. 1 B. A. Sole. No. 2 B. A. Sole. No. 3 B. A. Spanish Sole Slaughter. No. 1	0.96 0.92
Base Price, per Keg, car lots Extras—Over and above 80d.	2 85 0 00	100 lb. box, 1½ to 1½ Bright, 1½ to 1½	\$ 60 0 00	Btack Steet Iron. Per 100 lbs. S to 16 guage. S to 20 do 22 to 24 do 26 do 28 do Wire:		No. 2 B. A. Sole No. 3 B.A. Spanish Sole	0 25 0 26
40d, 50d, 60d and 70d Nails.	-	Galvānised Iron: Queen's Head,)		18 to 20 do	3 05 0 00 2 75 0 00	Slaughter. No. 1	0 28 0 29
Cut and Fence Nails— 16 and 20d Hot Cut, per 100 lbs	0 05 0 00	Queen's Head, or equal. gauge 28 Comet. gauge 28 do 28 gauge Bar Iron, per 100 lbs.	4 75 5 CO	22 to 24 do	2 95 0 00	No. 2	0 28 0 29 0 26 0 27
0 and 12d' 4'	0 10 0 00	do 28 gauge Bar Iron, per 100 lbs.	4 40 4 65 2 45 base	28 do	3 10 0 00	No. 2. Harness Upper, heavy Upper, light Grained Upper. Scotch Grain. Kip Skins, French. English	0 81 0 84
and 7d	0 30 0 00	I Car IOIB	2 30	Plain galv'd, No. 6, 7, 8. do do No. 9		Grained Upper	0 35 0 37
3d ** **	0 65 0 00	Ord. Crown, base Best Refined	0.00 0.00	uo uo No. 10	3 20 0 00 4 10 0 00	Scotch Grain	0.85 0.88
Jut spikes 10c. per Keg ad-	1 100 000	Am. Sheet Steel, 621 14	4 25 0 00 8 75 0 00		3 15 0 00 8 15 0 00 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	English.	0 45 0 55
vance. Fine blued nails—		Norway, base Am. Sheet Steel, 621 14	3 60 0 00 3 75 0 00	do do No. 18 do do No. 14	1 × 45 0 0.1 1	English Canada Kip Hemlock Calf ' Light French Calf	0 50 0 60
d per 1001bs	100 00	11 11 1 22 & 24	885 8 05 3 90 0 00			French Calt.	0 50 0 60 0 85 1 10
d "Casing. Box, Tobacco Box and Flooring Nails—	1 20 20 00	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	43 LMJ 2 (M)	do do No. 16. Barbed Wire— Spring Wire per 100, 1.00	8 40 f.o.b.		
0 to 30d per 100 lbs	0 55 0 00	Boiler plates, iron, 14 in.	0 00 2 50	I HOU OALIN.	Montreal.	heavy heavy heavy Leather Board, Canada	0 17 0 20 0 18 0 20
and Gd 46	0 60 0 00	I MOOD Iron, base for # in.		Iron and Steel Wire pl'n 6 to 9	8 20 bess	Enameled Cow, per ft	0 16 0 10
	0 70 0 00 0	and larger		Pone	U ao Dabe.	Glove Grain	0 12 0 14
d Finishing nails—	120 000	iron, smaller size Extras		7-16	0 00 0 111	B. Calf Brush (Cow) K(4	0 15 0 20
inch and longer per 100 lbsi	0 60 0 00	Canada Plates: Galvanized, 50 sheet	4 00-	[]	0 13	Buff	0 13 0 18
and 212 "	0 65 0 00 0 70 0 00	52 sheets	3 15	" 8-16 " "	0 181 0 181	heavy	0 35 0 40
Kandik	0 95 0 00 1 20 0 00	Canada Plates	8 25 8 35	Manilla, 7-16 & lgr.	0 14 0 16	Leather Board, Canada Enameled Cow, per ft. Pebble Grain Glove Grain B. Calf. Brash (Cow) Kid Buff. Russetts, light. No. 2. Saddlers doz.	0 35 0 46 7 50 9 C0
	1 50 0 00	Wro't Iron pipe, in in.	3 75 8 10	[0 16 0 16	Imt, French Calf	0 65 0 76
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linch nails—	1 50 0 00	"Spring, 100 lbs	0 00 base	2d f	1 00	Cod Oil S. R. Pale Seal	0 85 0 40
inch and longer per 100 lbs	0 60 0 00	"Spring, 100 lbs "Tire, "Sleigh shoe, 100 lbs	3 00 base		0 65	O. A. T. Land O. C. Sandaria	U 428 U 45
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% " "	0 95 0 00 1 20 0 00	" Machinery	8 40 base	10d and 12d "	0 15 0 10	Cod Liver Oil, Niid. Norw Process Castor Oil Castor Oil bris Lard Oil, Extra Linseed, raw, nett.	1 25 1 85
harp and flat pressed nails	1 50 0 00	Tin Plates: IC Coke, 14 x 20	4.50	16d and 20d "	0 05 Base	Lard Oll, Extra	0.08 0.09
Inch and language was 100 that	1 85 0 00	IC Coke, 14 x 20	4 75 4 80	Hides and Tallow Montreal Green Hides		Linseed, raw, nett	0 65 0 75
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oil Chain—No. 6	0 11 0 00	Russ. Sheet Iron Lion & Crown tin'd sh'ts	0 101 0 CO	Sheepsking		Gasolino 78 gravita	ej <u>u</u> regajo
" 8	0 10 0 00	22 and 24 guage case lots 26 guage	7 50 7 75	Clips Lambskins each	0.00 0.15 11		
1 inch	0 081 0 00	Lead: Pig. per 100 Iba: 16	0 00 4 KB []	CHIERIES, NO. 1	0 00 0 11		
% 7-16	5 40 0 00 H	Sheet, Shot, 100 lb., less 7; p c	00 4 25	Horse hides, No. 1 No. 2	0 00 2 00	Imperial Acme American W. W. Astral	0 19 0 20 0 20 0 21
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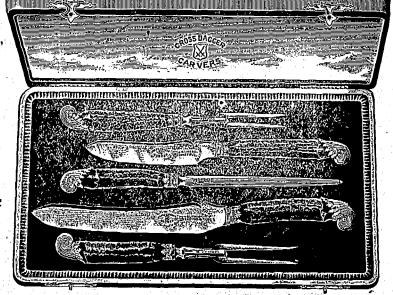
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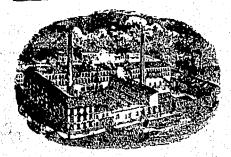
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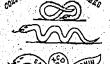


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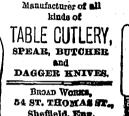
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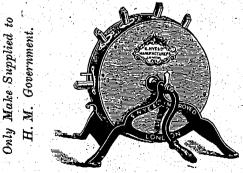
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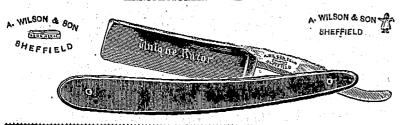
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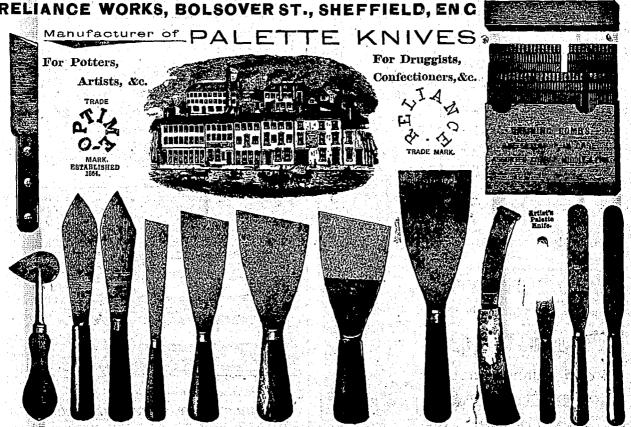
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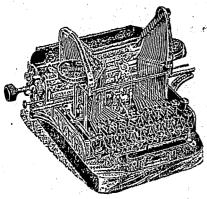
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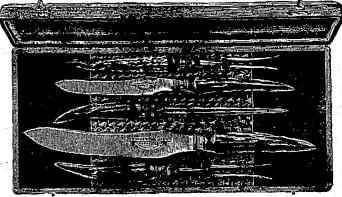


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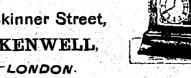
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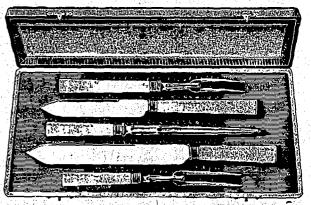
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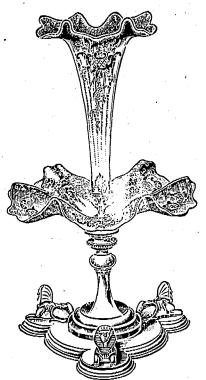
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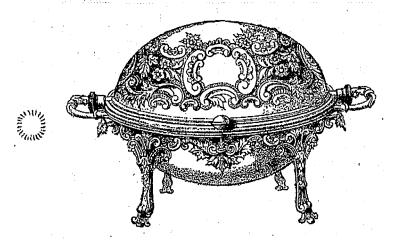
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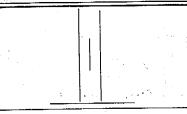
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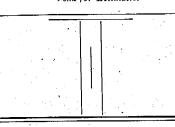
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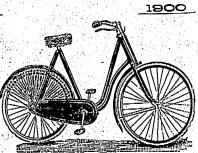
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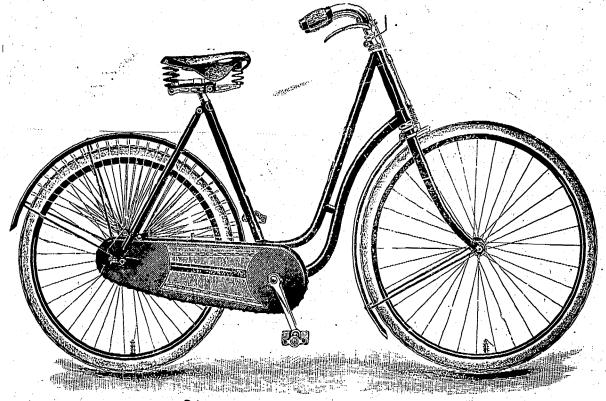
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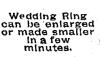
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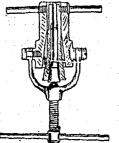
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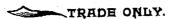


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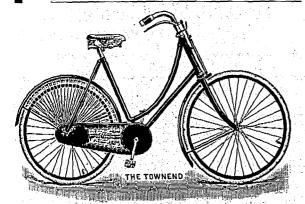
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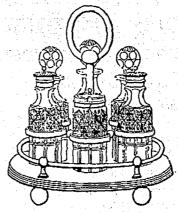


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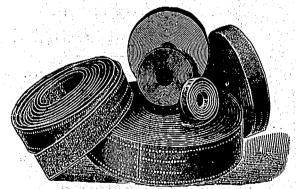
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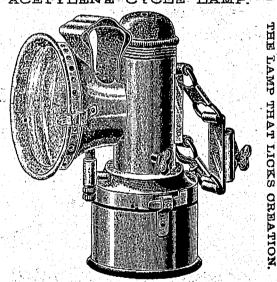
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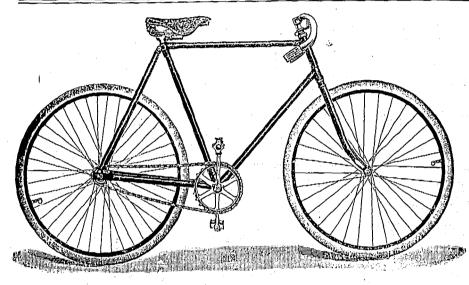
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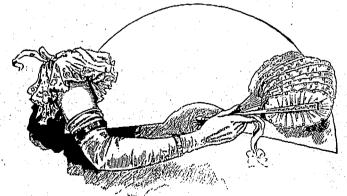
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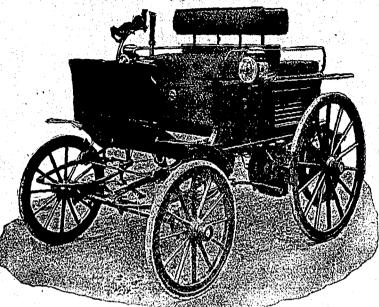
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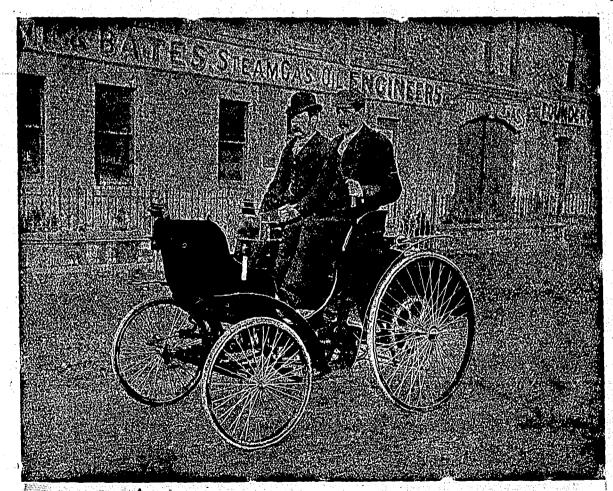
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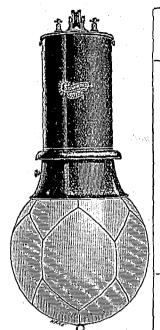
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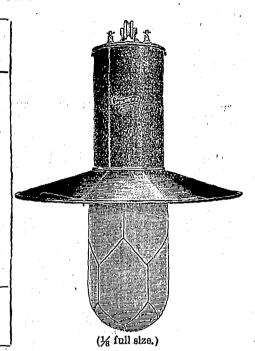
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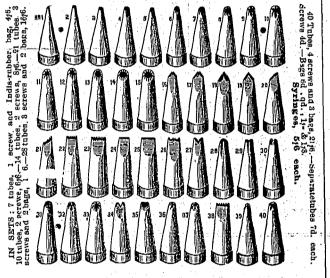
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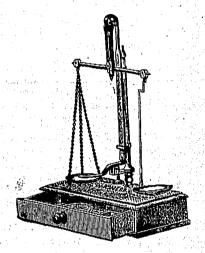
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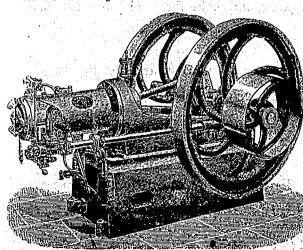
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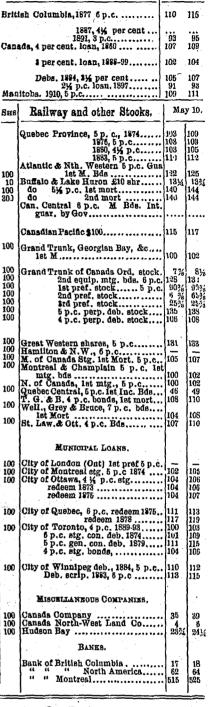
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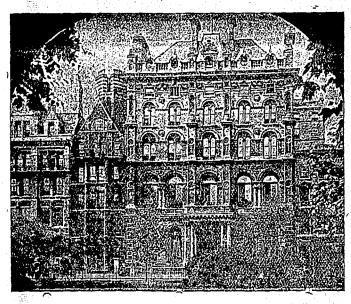
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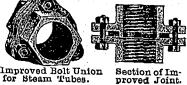
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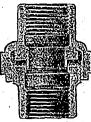
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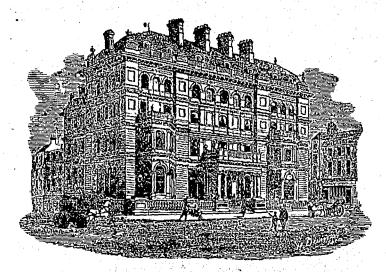
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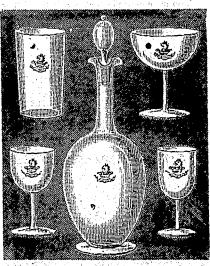
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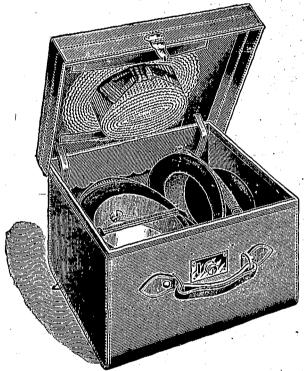
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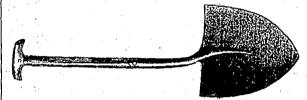
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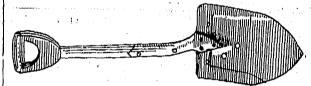
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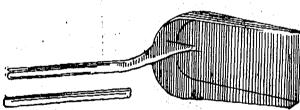
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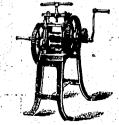
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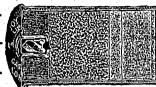


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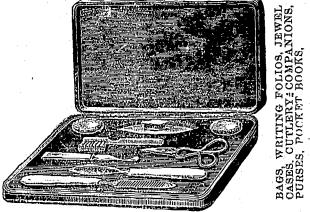
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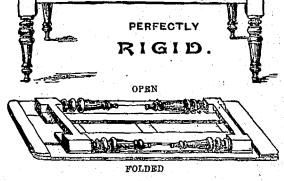
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