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Mercantile Summary.

- A Merchants Exchange is proposed in

--- The Oshawa fire brigade has been re-organized and placed on a good footing.

-A large new floating dock has been launched at Quebec.

- The Consolidated Bank has declared a half-yearly dividend of three per cent.

- Barnett's Museum at Niagara Falls is to be sold by auction.

- A felt hat factory is to be started in New-

- The egg trade is a considerable one in Belleville. Over 4000 dozen were exported last

-Wages are so low in London that men are engaged on the new water works for seventy cents a day.

- Mr. Robert Thomson, of Portage du Fort, one of the oldest lumbermen on the Ottawa, died last Saturday.

-The familiar proverb that "Figures won't lie" was invented before the present Bankrupt law went into operation.

- There is a good depth of water in Lake St Peter, about 25 feet. The depth will be reported daily at the Corn Exchange.

- Mr. John Brown, one of the leading merchants of Carleton Place, and well known throughout the Ottawa valley, died last week, after a long illness.

-A special train of six cars conveyed to Halifax, for the last outgoing Allan steamer, 582 quarters of beef from Toronto for shipment to England.

- The first cargo of English coal for the season, consisting of 500 tons, arrived in Quebec on the 18th inst., and was sold for \$5.25 per Quebec chaldron.

- The deed of composition in the case of A. MacIntosh, forwarder, Ottawa, has been confirmed by the creditors. He is to pay 50 cents on the dollar, in 9, 18, 27 and 39 months.

- Great Britain expended last year in foreign countries the respectable sum of five millions of dollars for the purchase of food. Canada got a considerable share of this amount. We hope this year the share will be considerably increasLeading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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- The estate of Alphonse Dion & Co., grocers, Quebec, has been sold by tender to Messrs. Leclerc & Letellier, for 621 cents on the dollar.
- -500 cords of willow wood are at Port Perry ready for shipment to Rochester, where it is to be used in the manufacture of paper.
- A committee of the Guelph Town Council has reported in favor of adopting the Holly system of waterworks. Its introduction would cost \$50.000
- A number of Toronto shoemakers have gone to San Francisco, to work in a factory where hitherto Chinese labour has been employed.
- Toronto is about to issue debentures to the extent of \$150,000, for laying out the new exhibition grounds and erecting buildings there-
- The Transatlantic Marine Insurance Co., of Berlin, Prussia, is about to make the usual deposit of \$50,000 with our Government to enable it to transact an inland business also.
- —The stock of pork packing material belonging to the insolvent estate of Girdlestone, Orris & Co., of Windsor, Ont., is to be sold by tender to wind up the estate.
- —Manitoba is exporting large quantities of wheat this spring. Some of the steamers have carried as much as one hundred tons at a trip. Most of it is consigned to Europe, and is shipped by way of New York.
- A considerable amount of ice has been taken to American ports this spring by Canadian lake vessels, and the question is exercising the Customs authorities whether it is subject to duty.
- The Oshawa Malleable Iron Co. is bringing coal from Buffalo by rail, finding it cheaper than water. This is not in accordance with the generally prevailing idea that water carriage is the cheapest.
 - As anticipated last week, Thomas Cramp,

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— The Grand Trunk report has been published. The last half year shows a net revenue of £256,000, against £177,000 for the corresponding period of the previous year, with extra charges for repairs and renewals of £66,000.

— Mr. R. W. Smylie, manager of the Bank of Commerce, London, has been selected as manager of the Huron and Eric Loan and Savings Society, in place of Mr. Gibson, whose defalcation we noticed a few weeks since.

— Western cities are imitating the example of Montreal in having cheap trips to induce retail merchants to visit them. Toronto, Hamilton and London have had, or are about to have such excursions.

- —A German has devised a Bank Note Album with leaves of asbestos paper. Papers placed betwixt the leaves will, it is said, be legible even after exposure to fire which reduces them to cinders.
- Messrs. Morton, Rose & Co. announce, in London, England, the numbers of 68 Bonds of the city of Montreal 5 per cent sterling Loan of 1873 that have been drawn for redemption on May 1st.

It is stated that owing to the progress of the Dunkin Act the consumption of beer has fallen off 300,000 gallons within the past six months, and that of whiskey increased 80,000 gallons.

- About 2000 tons of phosphates have been taken out from the Ottawa county deposits during the past season. Of this, 1400 tons were brought in on sleighs, and the balance has been shipped down the Du Lièvre since the ice broke up.
- -The purchase of the insolvent estate of Joseph Woodley, shoe manufacturer, of Quebec.

was, it appears, made by Mr. Turner for J. H. Bottrell, who will commence manufacturing at once. Mr. Woodley has no interest in the new concern.

- The buoys are all placed in the Lower St. Lawrence for the season. The first sea-going steamers left Quebec last Saturday. The Venezia, of the Gulf Ports line, reached here from St. John's, Newfoundland, the same day. The Richelien line commenced their trips to Quebec on Saturday.
- M. H. Hyam, dealer in clothing, St. Catharines, has, after a preliminary examination, been committed for trial at the assizes, on a charge of defrauding his creditors, the amount being placed at from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The proceedings have been instituted by Murdoch, Robins & Co., official assignces, Toronto.
- The stock of the insolvent estate of R. Jacques & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers, Quebec, valued at \$16,000, has been disposed of at auction to William Tait, at 27 cents on the dollar for machinery, 501 cents for stock, manufactured and unmanufactured, and 26 cents for book bebts.
- A St. Thomas merchant gives the following advice to farmers in the County of Elgin:

 "I would advise all our farmers not to sow any barley this year, as it is perfectly unsaleable, and in case of a European war, peas, spring wheat or oats will command much better prices."
- Very much more might be done than has been in the way of beautifying and increasing the sanitary condition of our cities and towns by planting trees. Collingwood has adopted a novel method of encouraging tree planting. May day has been appointed a general holiday for the purpose of allowing the citizens to engage in this useful occupation. Other towns might follow this example with advantage.

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- —The Citizens' Insurance Company has made a call of 2½ per cent upon its subscribed capital stock.
- The assets of W. L. Kinmond & Co. are, by instruction of the creditors, to be sold by auction for the benefit of the estate.
- The real estate agents of this city have formed an association, called the "Board of Real Estate Agents," and will shortly open a real estate exchange.
- In addition to the other troubles which have overtaken Mr. F. W. A. Osborne, a writ of attachment has been taken out against him. His liabilities are not very large.
- A writ of attachment has been issued against the estate of George E Preston, merchant tailor, Ottawa. His liabilities are \$1700 and assets \$1300.
- T. F. Hamilton, a grocery concern of Halifax, have called a meeting of their creditors, and want some indulgence at the hands of their creditors. They owe \$7,500, and shew that they have an apparent surplus of \$2,500.
- A leading firm of millers in this city, who have imported considerable quantities of wheat from Manitoba during the last two years, talk of starting a ten thousand acre wheat farm in that province.
- A bill is before the Washington Legislature which provides that agents of foreign insurance companies doing business in the United States be required to take out a yearly license, the fee to be \$10, and also to pay a ten cent tax upon the premium.
- The firm of Muir & Scott, Halifax, fish and commission, have obtained an extension of 9, 15 and 21 months, unsecured. They were reported in difficulties some two months ago, owing to differences between the members of the firm of Muir, Scott & Annand.
- Mr. James Bourne, formerly assistant Manager of the Stadacona Insurance Company, has been appointed Secretary-Manager to the Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company, vice

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James Blackburn. Mr. James Cunningham has been appointed Treasurer-Accountant to the same Company.

- Mr. G. Bart has accepted the position of manager of the Citizens' Insurance Company, and the appointment was formally made at a meeting of the Board on Wednesday. Mr. Brazier, late of the Citizens', has accepted the position in the Northern vacated by Mr. Hart.
- Moïse Memard, a store-keeper of St. Justin de Newton, has been in town within the last few days trying to effect a composition at the rate of 50 cents on the dollar, but apparently without success, as a writ of attachment has issued against him at instance of Messrs. P. P. Martin & Oo., who are his principal creditors. Liabilities are estimated between 5 and \$6,000.
- The somewhat unexpected return to the city of a recent insurance manager has raised quite a dust in a totally different direction from what might have been anticipated. When the dust is laid we shall see—better. The ink-fish when attacked darkens the waters all around it, and thus escapes from its natural enemy.
- A correspondent wishes to know "what has become of the Jacques-Cartier, Laval and Chambly Mutual Fire Insurance Co., with the organization of which Mr. Alberic De Laet, formerly of the Ningara District Mutual, was supposed to be connected in some way." We believe it is rooting around the Townships and among the habitans, seeking whom it may—insure.
- —The total loss by fire in Canada during the month of March amounted to \$572,000; the losses to the Insurance Companies \$331,200; the total losses by specials \$376,500; and the loss to the Insurance Companies by specials \$207,800. These figures include only fires in which the loss amounted to fifty dollars and upwards. Theyshow a considerable increase over the same month in 1876 and 1877.
- In consequence of the remonetization of silver in the United States, and the consequent influx of silver coin into Canada, the Commissioner of Customs has issued a circular to Collectors reminding them of the existing law

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- Moran & Heenan, a somewhat extensive shipping and commission firm of Liverpool, N.S., are in financial difficulties, and are reported as having suspended. Their troubles are believed to have been precipitated by the failure of Almon & M. Intest of Halifax, with whom Mr. Moran was involved to some extent. The firm has been seeking an extension, we cannot say as yet with what success.
- A writ of attachment has been taken out against A. T. Lafrenière, of Maskinongé, storckeeper, who has not been in easy shape for some time past, as is shown by the numerous suits entered against him by wholesale houses. His liabilities are about \$8000, while assets nominally reach to \$10,000, but subject to material boiling down. Mr. Lafrenière has been unfortunate once before, having compromised some seven or eight years ago.
- —A Minnesota gentleman showed on 'Change a few d., ys ago, samples of sugar, the product of a hybrid sugar-cane now grown in Minnesota, and which he says can be raised in Ontario,

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Manitoba, or any place where corn will grow. Twenty-five thousand barrels of sugar were manufactured in Minnesota from this source during the past season. The attention of the Minister of Agriculture for Ontario has been directed to these facts.

- The Canada Gazette contains a notice that letters patent have been issued incorporating George M. Rose, publisher, John Ginty, contractor, Toronto, John Macfarlane, manufacturer, Montreal, William D. Gillean, manufacturers' agent, and R. J. Belford, publisher, Toronto, for the purpose of publishing and selling books, pamphlets, magazines and newspapers in Toronto, and elsewhere within the Dominion of Canada, by the name of the "Rose-Belford Publishing Company (limited)" with a capital stock of fifty thousand dollars, divided into five hundred shares of one hundred dollars.

- Messrs. R. Jacques & Co., shoe manufacturers, of Quebec, have been unable to effect a compromise on their liabilities, the leather and finding trade having apparently made up their minds to discountenance such proceedings as much as possible, and the estate of the insolvents has been put up at auction. The stock realized 501 cents, machinery 27 cents, and book debts 26 cents. This action of creditors, following close upon a similar mode of procedure in the case of Joseph Woodley, will probably have a deterent effect upon others who have been contemplating testing the generosity of their creditors in the way of composition.

- Messrs. T. & J. Kearney, of this city, a jobbing grocery firm of small calibre, are again in trouble, and have been attached at suit of Messrs. Hartlaub, Smith & Co. They previously failed just one year ago, with liabilities of about \$20,000 and compromised at 25 cents on the dollar, the last instalment of which settlement is not yet paid, but is secured by J. E. Mullins & Co. Their present liabilities cannot yet be arrived at, but are not large, as their credit has been very low, and few houses cared to sell them; as to assets, they are still less, and the assignee upon taking possession found very little else than the bare walls.

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to the use of nettle fibre for economical purposes says that some few years ago a gentleman of this city exhibited several samples of this fibre, remarking at the time that it had been in use from time immemorial by the Indians for sewing their clothes and shoes, and stating it grew in large quantities in and about Lake St. Peter; that it ought to make splendid stock for paper, in conjunction with herbe a lieu and espart grass. Persons collecting paper stock should try a few hundred bundles. The fibre is stronger than hemp or flax, and can be reduced to a very fine state.

- The correct figures in connection with the failure of Messrs. J. Smith & Co., wholesale grocers, of this city, are as follows: Liabilities direct, \$45,664; indirect, \$26,484; privileged, \$3,948, making a total of \$76,097. Assets are shown to be nominally \$29,128, subject to shrinkage. This makes a deficiency upon the total liabilities of \$46,909, or allowing that the indirect liabilities will all run off themselves, the estate shows about 55 cents on the dollar, which it is not at all probable could be realized. The inspectors will present their report upon the 6th of May, and the matter of compromise will then be discussed; the feeling at present does not seem very favorable to a composition.

- A subscriber writing from St. John, N. B., asks for advice as a policy-holder in the Canada Agricultural Insurance Company, whether he should give up his policy and insure elsewhere. - A correspondent of an exchange referring | In our issue of the 4th January we advised Leading Wholesale Trade of Toronto

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policy-holders in that company to transfer their risks as soon as possible. Policies should be sent in for cancellation without delay. It is better to rank on the estate of the defunct concern for the trifling amount of the rebate premiums than for the larger sum in case of loss by fire, which the company at present is in no position to pay. The company has not been able to collect to any great extent the two calls made prior to the suspension; no other calls have since been made.

- The Eastern Townships Mutual Fire Insurance Company, (lately the Shefford & Brome) of Waterloo, Que., has acquired a new president in the person of J. J. Webster of that town. Mr. Webster, being possessed of some menns, found the company an easy purchase, and he is now, we understand, trying to arrange with the creditors of the Company on the easiest possible terms. A few of these have agreed to accept 75 cents in the dollar, cash. It is to be hoped Mr. Webster will succeed in bringing the company forward to the credit of the lively little town where it is located. To do this, however, he will find it advantageous to rid himself of some equivocal characters. The late lamented Niagara District Mutual Insurance Company, in its latter years, was not the best training school for an insurance man.

- A number of partnership changes have taken place within the last few days and others. are being contemplated. Among the more important we note that the coffee and spice Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal

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Old Tom Giu, Extra No. 1, \$1.25 to \$1.35 per gallon;
Caces \$5,25.

" \$1.00 to \$1.10

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" No. 2 one to \$1.50 to \$1.50

Cases \$4.75.

No. 2, 9°c. to 95c.

Choice Fruit Syrups, 90c. to 95c per gallon;
Cases \$3.00 to \$3.25.

John Bull Bitters, large Cases \$5.00 to \$5.25;
small \$4.00 to \$4.25.

Brandles—Registered Brands \$1.00 to \$1.75 per gal.;
Cases \$3.50 to \$6.00 per gal.; Cases \$3.50 to \$6.00.

Prize Medal and Diploma, Exposition Universelle a Paris, 1867.

Silver Medals, Provincial Exhibitions, 1868, 70-73.

grinding firm of Alex. Wills & Co. has been dissolved by the retirement of Mr. Wilson, whose interest has been purchased by Mr. Patterson, for many years manager of the sales department of Henry Morgan & Co. The well-known commission house of Baird & Kinnear have also dissolved. Messrs. T. & G. Labatt, importers, are about dissolving, consequent upon Mr. G. Labatt going to Europe, where he purposes devoting his attention to the introduction, upon European railroads, of the patent "Refrigerator Cars" in which his firm have an interest. Mr. T. Labatt will continne here alone.

- We are called on this week to record the death of one of our leading merchants, Damase Masson, Esq., which took place on Monday last. The deceased was born at St. Geneviève in 1805, and after receiving a good commercial education commenced business for himself in Beauharnois. He removed to Montreal in 1838, and by his industry and fair dealing made the house of D. Masson & Co. one of the strongest and most successful in the wholesale grocery trade. He sat for some time in the City Council, and was for many years Chairman of the Finance Committee, the affairs of which he Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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managed in a way highly advantageous to the rate payers. He acted for the city in a number of expropriation cases, and was also a government arbitrator. He sat on the boards of a number of Insurance Companies, and was a director of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co. He held a large amount of stock in the Merchants' Bank, and was one of its directors. In all these capacities he performed his duty faithfully, and leaves behind him a name without reproach. He will be much missed in the business circles in which he has been accustomed to move. His family and friends have the heartfelt sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement.

- A return recently presented to the House of Commons gives the following figures respecting the live stock trade of the Dominion from 1st February, 1877, to 1st February, 1878 :-

Imported. Exported. Value No. \$59,120 8.678 500,421 27,375 20 561 235,011 Value : \$806,854 1,059,119 672,065 No. 1.043 Horses. 11,440 10,908 Horned Cattle ... Sheep...... 424,488 45,607 37,364 380,929 Animals for improvement of

729174,314 \$1,178,937 \$2,918,967

The voluntary reductions of banking capital in New York to escape taxation have recently been succeeded by involuntary reductions to bring the nominal capital down to the actual amount to which it has been lowered by defalcations, losses on paper, etc. The Ninth National recently reduced its capital; the Bank of North America has cut down its capital from \$1,000,000 to \$700,000 to make good the defalcation of its Teller, and the German American Bank's stockholders have consented to a reduction from \$1,000,000 to \$750,000 to make good some heavy losses. In the last case, the loss of 16 per cent of the capital has been caused mainly by injudicious investments, eighteen months ago, in United States bonds. These were bought at a high premium, in spite of the obvious fact that the Resumption law was steadily cutting down the currency price of bonds, and that the Refunding not was as surely diminishing their gold value.

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pagnes.

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A. Houtman & Co., Schiedam, Gins. R. Thorne & Sons, Greenock, Whiskies. Wm. Hay, Fairman & Co., Glasgow, Whiskies.

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PRESENTATION.

A pleasant re-union took place at the office of the Citizens Insurance Company on Tuesday last, the occasion being the presentation of a bandsome oil portrait of himself, and a framed address, to Edward Starke, Esq., late Man: ger of the company, who is about to leave for New York to assume a more lucrative position in an Insurance office there. The address and Mr. Starke's reply were expressive of the great harmony and good feeling which have always existed between the manager and employees of the Citizens. It must be gratifying to Mr. Starke to know that he leaves here with the best wishes of those who have been brought into close contact with him, and we are sure our citizens generally will unite with his late colleagues in wishing him every success in his new sphere of usefulness.

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FINANCE AND INSURANCE REVIEW.

MONTREAL, APRIL 26, 1878.

THE BANK RETURNS.

As compared with the preceding month the Bank returns show a very slight variation, but on a comparison with the corresponding month in 1877, it will be observed that there is a considerable falling off both in the government and in the public deposits, aggregating about \$7,000,000, and also a reduction in the Bank capital of about 23 millions. On the other hand, the discounts and loans on stocks and bonds have been reduced to about the same extent.

Feb., 1878. March 1978. March, 1877. Capital au-

thorized....\$66,966,666 \$66,966,666 \$68,966,666 Capital paid

up...... 58,807,620 59,782,790 62,261,792 LIABILITIES.

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cheques on otherBanks	3,204,000	2,8 5,000	3,951,900
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in Canada.	2,713,000	3,011,000	3,114,000
Due from B'ks			
not in Can.	6,618,0 0	6,899,000	6,239,000
Available			
assets\$	25,306,000	\$25,578,000	528,109,000
Government			
Stock	2,308,000	2,308,000	1,405,000
Loans to Gov-	586,000	597,000	103,000
ernments Loans on Stks		991,000	103,000
and Bonds	7,007,000	7,216,000	9,085,000
Loans to Cor-			
_ porations	3,100,000	2,982,000	3,681,000
Discounts1	07,232,000	106,875,000	114,950 000
Real Estate			
Premises	4,323,000	4,583,000	4,084,000
Overdue	3,020,000	4,000,000	4,004,000

\$158,878,000 \$158,930,000 \$169,385,000

7,123,000

1,638,000

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1,532,000

THE UNEMPLOYED.

7,323,000

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Notes

Sundries.....

Of all the elements of success, says Mr. Matthews, in his "Getting on in the World," none is more vital than self-reliance. It has well been called the secret of all individual growth and vigour, the master-key that unlocks all difficulties in every calling. Aide toi, et le ciel t'aiderahelp yourself, and Heaven will help youshould be the motto of every young man who would make his way in the world. A New York paper recently remarked, and with much truth, that one of the most serious hindrances to the return to good times is the vast number of young men who are adrift in the large cities, who can do nothing simply because they cannot do anything that anybody wants done. The number of these aimless young men seeking employment is simply enormous. They are ready to undertake anything which is not "hard work," It is not alone the professions that are overcrowded; clerks' hire is becoming gradually less, while skillful mechanics can scarcely be had for any wage. The character of the work done now a days in trades requiring some degree of skill is most wretched. We stated in our article on the "Local Lumber Trade," last week, that carpenters and other mechanics in our large cities get only about 75 cents to 90 cents a day, while skilled workmen get from \$1.25 to \$1.50. Both, doubtless, get what they are worth. The fact is, that for many years we have been steadily lessening the number of apprentices in the various industries; and employers have gradually been suffering from this lack of skill, as wages have not lessened in parallel ratio. As a consequence the power to pay wages

is being gradually diminished, and these are following the down grade through the competition thus engendered among the employed. On the other hand, the faithful clerk or workman whose heart is in his labor gradually increases his employer's ability to pay more. We have schools and colleges in plenty, but the character of the instruction in them might be made more practical with no additional expense, and with much benefit to the country. Our schools of agriculture-our model farms-unfortunately have not shown results in any degree proportionate to the outlay.

The number of youth who are willingor whose parents are willing for them-to submit to the hard, practical, continuous discipline of the workshop has grown each year less. Living in a society depending for its existence upon the recognition of the worth and dignity of labor, we have somehow contrived to nourish an aristocratic spirit which looks down upon the grime and soot and smoke of the shop and the factory as something coarse and degrading. The practice of apprenticing boys to a useful trade has gone lamentably out of fashion; it is no longer to the shop but to the store that the youth looks for employment; the yard-stick supplants the hammer and the saw; and after picking up a smattering of many sorts of knowledge at school, and rushing through a hasty course of bookkeeping, the boy of the period expects to be at once launched upon mercantile pursuits, with a good chance of attaining success and a competency. The consequence is that those sorts of employment which are classed as "light" and "genteel-" have been enormously overcrowded. The great number of persons who have been driven from business during the period of depression, the number of enterprises closed, has turned adrift numbers of these "genteel" young

The author of "Getting on in the World," whom we quoted above, and whose book should be in the hands of every young man in Canada, asserts that in no other calling is the proportion of failures to successes so great as in that of trade, the mercantile profession. Persons who have been at pains to collect statistics on this subject in large towns, have found that only three out of a hundred merchants are successful; all the others becoming bankrupt or retiring in disgust. Why is this? It is, in every case because they are overwhelmed by sudden disaster, which no sagacity could have anticipated or warded off; because they are dishonest, and after long overreaching others, are overreached themselves; because, after many brilliant winnings at the gaming table, they stake all and lose all; because, after partial success, they expect greater, and build marble palaces, drive "two-forty" horses, and make larger investments in Champagne suppers than in bonds and mortgages. It is because Shylock eats them up with his ten per cent., or because of the expended folly in some new form of investing in eternal lottery tickets and drawing eternal blanks. No; these causes are only the result of a more radical cause, namely: that they have gone into business without business brains. No father, as a general thing, educates his son to be a musician, without first making sure he has a natural ear for music. But hundreds and thousands of fathers make merchants of their sons, who have no more actual fitness for trade than has a man to play at the Academy of Music who cannot distinguish a flat from a sharp, or the "Moonlight Sonata" from the tune of "God Save the Queen." Above all, the notion that the "three black graces," Law, Medicine and Divinity, must be worshipped the candidate for respectability and honor has done incalculable danger to society. It has spoiled many a good carpenter, done injustice to the sledge and the anvil, cheated the goose and the shears out of their rights, and committed fraud on the grain and the potato field. Thousands have died of broken hearts in these professions, thousands who might have been happy at the plough, or opulent behind the counter; thousands, dispirited and hopeless, look upon the healthful and independent calling of the farmer with envy and chagrin; and thousands more by a worse fate still, are reduced to necessities which degrade them in their own estimation, rendering the most brilliant success but a wretched compensation for the humiliation with which it is accompanied, and compelling them to grind out of the miseries of their fellow-men the livelihood denied to their legitimate exertions. The result of all this is, that the world is full of men who, disgusted with their vocations, getting their living by their weakness instead of by their strength, are doomed to hopeless inferiority.

An agency which has contributed very largely to the same result is the selfish and short-sighted policy which tradesunions adopted in their palmy days. Two of the rules which they stubbornly upheld against capital, and in defence of which time and again they ordered strikes, were, first, the limitation of the number of apprentices who should be taught a trade, and second, the payment of the same

wages to an unskilled workman as to a skilled, always provided, of course, that the former paid his dues to the union. By this admirable strategy they put a premium upon ignorance and inciliciency, and did what they could to lower the standard of industrial products in the country, besides perpetuating the evils they created by making the next generation more hay and incilicient than themselves.

There are two principles that may be briefly stated in conclusion, viz.: That in the long run it is only trained labor which can be relied upon to secure steady and lucrative employment, and that the near future will require more trained labor, will respect it more, and will pay it better than ever before, and the sooner these principles are understood and acted on, the better will be the results.

AUCTION SALES. People who complain of "hard times,"

scarcity of money, and similar real and fancied misfortunes of the day, should visit a few of the auction sales of household effects so liberally announced every day in our city journals. The ladies (God bless them!) are the principal patrons of these sales; many go to buy, others to look on, but the rooms in almost every instance are not large enough to hold them all, even in these days of Gabrielle and Princess costumes, and bids are not unfrequently made for articles of which nothing is known beyond what is gathered from the laudatory description of the auctioneer. A fair sprinkling of the sterner sex is occasionally present, and some of the light-fingered fraternity not unfrequently prove themselves in the inseparable adjunct to the performance of the picking of two or three pockets. The prices obtained, as may be expected in such crowded assemblies, are often incredible. Articles of furniture which have seen years of service actually sell at higher prices than the same goods fresh and new from the warehouse. Broken and cracked dinner and teasets bring more than when new and whole, upholstery and bedding bring as much as the articles originally cost, notwithstanding that the purchasers as a consequence may have an opportunity of studying domestic entomology for the rest of their natural lives, unless a total conflagration should intervene. The piano of whatever age and make is in every case "the best in the world," in the language of the glib auctioneer, and "was never bought for less than \$950. Madam, you'll never have such another opportunity. Why, I sold a piano not near so good last week down

-street for \$600;" and up the fair listeners bid it, till it is knocked down at \$400 to \$450, when the same make could have been purchased new from any respectable dealer for little over half the sum. The pianos of leading makers fetch sometimes more than the above figures, although they may have been many years in use, and consequently do not contain any of the recent improvements. Carpets which have been trodden under foot for years, and must be cut up to fit another room, bring \$1.25 to \$1.50 per yard, and these too of so ancient a pattern that they could be purchased quite new of any retailer who may happen to have them in stock for a dollar a yard.

The writer called in a few days ago at one of these sales at the house of a man recently freed from a United States prison. and who on more than one occasion proved to the people of this city that he was not accustomed to pay too dearly for his purchases. The son, a youthful Jacob of seventeen, stood in a quiet corner of the room, laughing in his sleeves at the high prices rapidly bid for the second hand goods, of which he seemed to remember the prices. The wily auctioneer occasionally let an an article go exceedingly cheap as a decoy, while his associate went through the crowd muttering, as if to himself, "Dirt cheap; the goods are actually going for nothing." Occasionally, this associate is used to bid against an earnest customer, but he has never been known to purchase anything himself Little articles of fancy work, parlor ornaments, etc., bring very satisfactory prices.

Many people go to these sales to invest a trifle, and will bid up and up for some valueless article, which hurriedly seizes their fancy. In the articles of pictures, the male attendants show their knowledge of art by paying from \$1.50 to \$3 for ten or twenty-five cent "chromos" or newspaper cuts neatly framed at a cost of perhaps twenty-five cents more, and of which the gilding has long since begun to show the assaults of time. Surely competition is the life of trade; certainly there is the usual proportion of money foolishly thrown away as when times were better. One party who sold out his entire household goods recently assured us that he could refurnish his house new from attic to cellar for less than was realized at the

It is a well known fact, also, that auctioneers often bring to these sales articles from second-hand stores, and find ready sale for them at high prices; and we are informed that it is not an unusual "trick of the trade" to rent an empty house for a week or so, furnish it complete, and in

the sale, announced in due course, realize prices far in advance of what the articles would originally have fetched in the warehouse. In the meantime the respectable retailer with his new and well-assorted stock is waiting till dear experience teaches people that second-hand pianos, furniture, carpets, crockery, etc., like second-hand tooth-brushes, are not very desirable articles in the household.

THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE.

Perhaps no line of business has shown a more marked increase within the last few years than the boot and shoe trade. Probably few are aware of the extent to which this line of business is carried on here and throughout the Dominion, but as, no matter how hard the times may be, people must have their feet protected, the business is every year increasing in magnitude and importance. In Montreal, for instance, the growth in this branch of manufacture has been enormous. The manufacturing establishments in our midst employ not far from 2,500 hands, and produce goods to the value of over \$4,000,000 annually. Nor is it only in Canada that this trade shows such a marked increase. In the United States it is next in value and importance to the agricultural, largely exceeding the iron, coal, cotton and woollen interests. The annual sales of shoes and leather approach \$250,000,000. New England enjoys the bulk of this trade, the State of Massachusetts monopolising three-fourths of it.

In no branch of manufacturing has there been a greater advance made in the introduction of labor saving machinery. Any one who visits any of our large establishments cannot fail to be struck with the variety of machinery employed. A few years ago the work was all done by hand, in many cases the manufacturer cutting out his stock, and sending it out to be made up by men, who did the work in groups of six or eight, or often in the family, and returned the finished article ready for sale. To day the work is all done under one roof, and by the use of machinery, and the deftness acquired in the hand work by the employees, who have only a single process to perform, a much larger quantity of goods is turned out, and the workmanship better performed. As an evidence of the cheapening in the cost of production by the introduction of machinery, it is stated that at least forty per cent. has been taken off the cost of production.

Perhaps a word or two respecting the process of manufacture may be interesting. The upper of a shoe is made of sev-

eral pieces stitched together, though recently some ingenious man has cut out a low shoe, like an Oxford tie, of one flat piece, leaving a hole for the foot, which being properly erimped over a last is made to conform to the requisite shape, and forms a shoe absolutely without a seam a costly process, which only novelty recommends. That part of the upper covering the instep is called the top; that from the instep to the toe, the vamp; the parts running around the heel, the quarters; that above the quarters, the back. In a longlegged boot the vamp and quarters run up into the leg.

The vamp must be of the nicest piece of leather to resist the cracking that would otherwise follow the bending of the foot. The quarters are less good. All these pieces are cut in the "cutting room," by an experienced and high paid hand, from the sides. The cobbler of old used a paper pattern, varied by his eye and judgment and knife. Our cutter of to-day uses a die and mallet. The die is expensive, but in cutting in large quantities it vastly cheapens the labor, as one blow produces a perfect piece. The best mallet is made of rawhide. Some cutters use the patterns, especially for exceptional styles, and there are wonderfully ingenious patterns adjustable for the various sizes. In cutting there is more chance for saving or extravagance than in any other manipulation, and strict calculation as to the quality of the different parts of the hide, and the number of pieces that can best be cut from it, is essential. A perfect cutter is rare.

The upper leather having been cut and a lining added, the pieces are sent to the stitching room, each size and kind in a separate pile. This room is usually the largest and lightest in the factory, and is filled with benches on which sewing machines, operated by power, are running at a speed of from five hundred to two thousand revolutions a minute. Each machine is run by a girl, whose skill is often astonishing. She does not stop her machine when she reaches the edge of any piece, but runs one upper in as the other comes out, thus producing a string of finished uppers, which she cuts apart whenever a straight seam gives her hands an instant's freedom. The sole is also cut with a die and sewed or pegged on by machinery, and even the finishing off of the edge of the sole, and the breaking the pegs inside, is performed by the appliances which the ingenuity of man has devised for reducing manual labor.

In common with all branches of business the boot and shoe trade has suffered by the depression of the last two or three

years. The numerous failures throughout the country have entailed considerable loss, and a number of manufacturing houses have succumbed to the pressure of "hard times." The stoppage of production by these latter has been to the advantage of those who have been able to continue, and they are manufacturing quite as many goods as at this time last year. Our manufacturers enjoy almost a monopoly of the home market, not having to compete with American goods as some other branches of manufacture have. There are a few lines of children's shoes, and goods made of glazed kid in which our neighbours have the advantage, as the material of which they are made comes from across the lines; and prunella being imported from England, goods made thereof can be produced as cheaply across the water, but in the more substantial grades we can command the entire home market, and Canadian goods made of pebble, built and split leathers are being successfully introduced into the English and other markets. These classes of leather are not produced in England, but are imported principally from Canada.

Though the class of goods required for the Canadian market, which after all is that on which our manufacturers chiefly depend for the present, has improved with the growing wealth and taste of our people, during the past year there has been a larger demand for a somewhat coarser grade of shoes, the forced economy of the "hard times" manifesting itself in this way. Of course this is only temporary, and with returning prosperity the demand for the finer classes of goods will again be on the increase.

We are glad to know that the outlook in the boot and shoe trade is good, and that our manufacturers are on the whole prosperous, and able to look forward hopefully to the future. We trust that this branch of business, which is the means of giving employment to so many in our midst, may go on and prosper in the future, more abundantly even than it has done in the past.

The keen competition which, however, prevails, has made it necessary for manufacturers to act unitedly for the protection of their interests, and we are glad to know that at two meetings held within the past week the state of trade was fully discussed, and a series of resolutions adopted for shortening credits and taking action in other respects for the benefit of the trade. We suggested such a course some time ago, and are glad to see that it has been acted on. The formation of an Exchange will be a great advantage. The resolutions will be found elsewhere.

THE CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION.

It affords us much pleasure to be able to congratulate both the policy-holders and the shareholders of the Confederation Life Association on the very satisfactory report of the Directors, which will be found elsewhere. Notwithstanding the depression of the times, it will be seen by reference to the report, that a fair business was done during the past year, and that on the 31st of December, there were 3361 policies in force for \$4,888,755.81, while the assets of the Company had increased from \$289,-000 to \$369,000 during the year showing a clear surplus beyond all liabilities of nearly \$50,000. The financial statement is drawn up with such clearness and completeness and is so intelligible to the general reader that it is unnecessary for us to go into any further analysis thereof. The Company has pursued a thoroughly conservative policy, and has well carned the confidence of the public. We have on other occasions ventured to express an opinion that, with regard to insurance generally, it is in the interest of policyholders, that the different branches of the business should be kept completely distinct. In this business it is of the greatest importance that the managers should be persons entitled to command public confidence, and that the securities in which the funds are invested should be of the most undoubted character. It is satisfactory to find that the Chairman is of opinion that there is no danger of loss on the investments of the Company, and that he has been able to state that up to the present time no loss has occurred. The Confederation Life Association has been founded on the principle of dividing the bulk of the profits among the policyholders, who have the advantage of the security of an adequate capital, while they get nearly all the advantages afforded by the Mutual Companies. We feel assured that the perusal of the last report of the Confederation Life Association will be most satisfactory to the share and policy holders.

How to Light A Gity.—The Puerto del Sol, the principal square in Madrid, is lighted very successfully by electric light. The lamp-posts are two in number, each having six globes of opal glass in sets of three. They are about twice as tall as ordinary lamp-posts. A person can read a newspaper easily at a distance from them of thirty or even forty yards. A correspondent of the London Times thinks it "strange that a country which we consider so backward as Spain shoulds be experimenting with this light, and with such success, while London has not yet even tried the light at such centres as Oxford Gircus or Regent Circus, where a stundard with three globes like these would give a light that would prove invaluable."

THE SUGAR DUTIES.

The subject of the sugar duties has occupied so much of the attention of our Board of Trade and of Parliament that it cannot be uninteresting to direct attention to the views entertained by those engaged in the trade in the principal commercial cities of the United States. The proposed amended tariff which is under the consideration of Congress provides for a new test as to the quality of sugar, viz., the polariscope, by which the saccharine richness can be ascertained, and the frauds which have been perpetrated under the color tests prevented. It appears from the proceedings of a meeting lately held in New York of those interested in the sugar trade, that there is considerable difference of opinion as to the expediency of adopting the polariscope, although the resolutions finally adopted were based on the assumption that Congress would provide for its use. We have thought the proceedings of sufficient interest to justify us in inserting them.

In response to the call issued by leading houses in the sugar trade, a numerously attended meeting of importers and refiners of sugar was held yesterday, at the rooms of the Importers' and Grocers' Board of Trade, to consider the proposed changes in the sugar duties as embodied in the Tariff Bill now before Congress. Among those present were Messrs. Theodore Havemeyer, of Havemeyer & Elders; Solon Humphrey, of E. D. Morgan & Co.; R. B. Minturn, of Grinnell, Minturn & Co.; B. F. Butler, of Maitland, Phelps & Co.; Francis Skiddy, of Skiddy, Minford & Co.; -Burdick, of B. H. Howell, Son & Co. ;- Hewitt, of J. M. Ceballes & Co., and many others. There were also present, by invitation, a delegation from Boston, J. W. Candler, of Candler, Cobb & Co., President of the Boston Board of Trade, and Mr. Spalding, of Nash, Spalding & Co. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Butler, and on motion, Mr. R. B. Minturn was called upon to preside. On taking the chair, Mr. Minturn said that since the Tariff Bill had been put into shape, there had been a nearly unanimous voice of criticism and animadversion raised against it; the sugar merchants of Boston, Baltimore, New York and other places being generally opposed to the measure. The rates proposed for sugar were too high, and it was also a mistake to make the lines of demarcation so broad as they are in the bill. Whatever differences of views there might be on minor points, all were agreed in opposing the proposition of the Ways and Means Committee, and this meeting was called in order to compare notes, and, if possible, arrive at some definite conclusion. He (the Chairman) had a conference this morning with several parties from Baltimore, but they had declined to come to the meeting and had sent him the following letter:

NEW YORK, April 18th, 1878.

MR. ROBE. B. MINTURN.—Dear Sir—The Baltimore Committee, representing the organiza-

tion formed in that city, in connection with the trade of the West and South, to endeavor to secure from Congress a fair and uniform tariff upon the important articles of sugar and molasses, desire to express their thanks for the invitation to attend the meeting to be held to-day in New York for the consideration of this subject. They, however, must decline to take part in the proceedings, for the reason that, although sympathizing with the object in view, viz., to express a decided opposition to the unfair and complicated tariff reported by the Ways and Means Committee, yet they cannot consent to support any other views than those recorded in the printed argument and protest handed you herewith, and which you will please accept as part of this communication.

Very respectfully,
D. J. Foury,
Chairman.

The protest referred to details on the part of the Baltimore sugar merchants, the ground of their opposition to the duties proposed in the tariff, and which they say are mainly drawn up in the interest of the New York dealers. They also append what they consider would be a fair and equitable schedule to adopt. On motion, Mr. B. F. Butler was appointed secretary to the meeting, and permission being given, he submitted a series of resolutions for adoption which had been agreed to by a committee of the sugar trade. He said there was a growing feeling that the tariff, as proposed, was not at all favored by the parties dealing in sugar. While it was not to be expected that there would be perfect unanimity on the subject, he thought there were some general principles upon which they all could unite, and he therefore offered the resolutions. It was thereupon agreed that they should be discussed scriatim, and the first one was read to the meeting. Mr. Solon. Humphries said that after careful investigation the trade committee had made certain recommendations to the House Committee, upon which the provisions of the proposed tariff were based, and now they were going off in the opposite direction. He considered the measure as the best one, under all the circumstances, they were likely to get, and the best, in his opinion, that could be devised to meet the wants of the trade. He believed that the polariscope, as a test, could not be dispensed with, and was a necessity for the Government to use. About twenty per cent. of all sugar was produced in vacuum pans, and these were high testing sugars, which there was great difficulty in adjusting for duty. Muscovado sugar was the next in order, and by arranging them in classes as proposed, he believed they were removing the door for fraud from at least ninety per cent.

Mr. Theodore Havemeyer said that the Ways and Means Committee had fixed on a higher rate of duty than the sugar refiners were willing to pay. The tenor of the advice given to the Committee from the trade in New York was to adopt polarization, and he thought it would show a great want of common sense to go back now on what they had already done. Mr. Minturn said he was opposed to the recommendation made by the New York Committee, and several members of the trade had assured

him that they had acted under a misapprehension, and were dissatisfied with the proposals now before Congress. Mr. Candler said that the sugar merchants of Boston were entirely opposed to the proposed tariff, brileving that the principle of discrimination or prohibiting a lower grade of sugar was entirely wrong. A fair and equitable tariff from the lowest to the highest grade, pro rata, is what should be adopted. The only fair way to get at the strength of sugar is by polarization, and refiners never purchase sugar by any other test. The first resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Hewitt said his firm had informed Secretary Sherman that the polariscope was a most dangerous instrument to collect the revenue by, and they were fortified in this by the opinion of Prof. Chandler, who, not being able to attend this meeting, had telegraphed his views from Washington. He then read the dispatch. Mr. Humphries said that Prof. Chandler was more of a theorist in these matters than a practical man, and after thirty years' experience in the sugar trade he had come to a totally different conclusion from that gentleman. The arguments used against the polariscope could all be used in its favor with equal force. In his opinion it was only a question of time when it would be adopted. Mr. Havemeyer said that Prof. Henry, who was an equally good authority with Prof. Chandler, had given an opinion entirely opposite to the views of the latter, and holding that the polariscope was the only real test for raw sugars. After further discussion as to the relative merits of the polariscope and the Dutch standard, the question was put on the second resolution, and it was rejected. The remaining resolutions were carried singly and then adopted as a whole. They are as follows:

Resolved, That the tariff on sugar as proposed by the Committee of Ways and Means, does not meet the views of the sugar trade of the United States as represented at this meeting.

Resolved, That if Congress adopts the polariscope, we deprecate the divisions of sugars into classes where the difference of a single degree of polarization would make a heavy difference in duty, and recommend that upon all sugars not above No. 13 Dutch standard in color, commencing at 75 degrees of the polariscope, the duty should be assessed on a graduated scale corresponding to the saccharine richness as ascertained by the polariscope, and that there should be a difference of five cents per 100 pounds on each degree.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting, the interests of the importers, refiners and consumers of sugar, as well as the interests of the Government in the collection of the revenue, ought to be equally considered in the formation of a new tariff for the duty on this article.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting the best interests of the country require in the formation of a new tariff on sugar that such duty should not be imposed on a basis of yielding a larger revenue than the existing tariff; sugars already being one of the most heavily taxed articles on the list.

On motion of Mr. Candler, the proposal agreed to by the Boston merchants was adopted, with slight amendments. It fixes a sliding scale of duties on all sugar, &c.; testing above 75

degrees and not above 76, 1 80-100 cents per pound, and on all sugar above No. 13 Dutch standard and not above 16, 3½ cents. The resolutions were ordered to be sent to Congress, and the meeting then adjourned.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

Of the business changes of the week, we note the following. Dissolutions :- Short & Co., hardware, Woodstock, Ont., Jos. Short, retiring ; W. H. Curdy & Co., general store, Antigonish, J. M. King, retires; Baird & Kinnear, merchants, Montreal; A. Lairdlaw & Co., foundry, Hamilton; Jas. Elliott retires and Jas. Jamieson admitted; A. Wills & Co., coffee and spice mills, Montreal, Wm. Wilson, retiring and Jno. Patterson admitted, style unchanged; Lordley, Howe & Co., furniture, St. John, N.B., continued by A. J. Lordley; Lyons & Arthur, general store, Milton, continued by J. E. Arthur; and Keilty, Martin & Co., grocers, Prescott, continued by M. Keilty. T. & G. Labatt, eigars, etc., Montreal, are about dissolving.

W. A. Rose, boots and shoes, Napance, offers to compromise at 55 cents; J. B. Chagnon, general store, St. Joachim de Shefford, at 50 cents; J. Rainville, general store, St. Magdalene, at 40 cents, cash; J. Smith & Co., grocers, Montreal, at 30 cents; and R. N. Weeks, general store, Alberton, at 33\frac{1}{3} cents on the dollar.

The following have compromised:—J. Strong general store, Kentville, at 20 cents; R. Paulin, stoves, Wroxeter, at 75 cents, in 7 and 12 mos., secured; A. N. Whitman, Cape Cause, at 50 cents; C. B. Salter, general store, Glencoe, at 40 cents; Wm. Rutherford, general store, Milbank, at 75 cents, secured; J. R. LeBel, general store, Kamouraska, at 75 cents; H. Peine, boots and shoes, New Hamburg, at 65 cents, secured; D. A. Dion, grocer, Quebec, at 55 cents; Collins & Bros., dry goods, Quebec, at 75 cents; and Chas. Butler, grocer, Peterboro', at 60 cents on the dollar.

The following are selling or have sold out :-R. H. Henderson, hotel, Listowell, to C. Newton; J. M. Clements, hardware and groceries, Niagara; A. Cameron, groceries and liquors, Stayner, to M. C. Harkin; G. II. Snider, mill, Hamilton; L. C. Anderson, boots and shoes, Stratford, to Thos. Lawson; Robert Murray, grocer, Guelph, to David Scroggie; T. Brownlow & Co., dry goods, Galt, to J. Pugsley; Canada Sewing Machine Co., (limited) Hamilton, to R. M. Wanzer & Co.; R. A. Toukins, mill, Blenheim; A. II. Tilden, boots and shoes, Strathallen; D. S. Dunn, grocer, Hamilton; D. Manson, grocer, Hamilton; G. Warren, general store, Wingham; W. S. Jackson, general store, Belmont; Nichol Bros., flax mill, Belmont.

The following have started business lately:

J. Postle, grocer, Alliston; Little & Shepherd, general store, Alliston; Donnell & Griffin, dry goods, Alliston; H. Hughson, mill, Blenheim; J. Parker, grocer, Bobenygeon; H. Haines, mill, Hamilton; A. A. Thompson, grocer, Woodstock, Ont.; Moffat & McDougall, general store, Fenelon Falls; W. H. Odell, general store, Belmont; G. Thompson, boots and shoes, Blenheim; J. R. Benson, boots and shoes, Forest; Wm. McMillan, grocer, Listo-

well; W. N. Moodie, general store, St. Mary's; Wm. Cosgrove, grocer, St. Mary's; and Fraesr Bros., general store, Wingham.

The following are commencing business:—Frs. McCosker, grocer, Hamilton; Wm. M. Thompson, general store, Milverton; H. J. Leivergood, agricultural implements, Brantford; E. Hill, grocer, Hamilton; Johnston & McGregor, agricultural implements, Milton; J. F. Moat, hardware, Durham; and J. Scott, boots and shoes, Halifax.

New co-partnerships:—Steeves & Lockhart, carriages, Hopewell Hill, N. B.; McCurdy, McMillan & Co., general store, Antigonish, N. S., composed of N. H. McCurdy and A. C. McMillan; Hunter Bros., general store, Huntingdon, composed of Jno. and Geo. Hunter.

G. P. Black & Co., commission, Halifax; F. F. Hamilton & Co., grocers, Halifax; and Jas. Walker & Co., fancy goods, Hamilton, have called meeting of creditors.

P. Moir, boots and shoes, Wroxeter, and E. Powell & Co., dry goods and groceries, Tilsonburg, offer each their business for sale.

The following are giving or have given up their business:—Frs. Sherriff, hotel, Huntingdon; Alex. Howell, agricultural implements, Brantford; Juo. Finlay, general store, Port Stanley; Wm. McIntosh, dry goods, St. Mary's; H. L. Gamdet, groeer, Shediac, N.B.; Robinson & Erskine, groceries, flour, etc., Sarnia; Geo. R. McLeod, general store, Stratford; G. Tomlinson, general store, Almonte; V. Straube, groceries, Waterloo, Ont.

Muir & Scott, West Indies produce, Halifax, have obtained an extension; F. H. Hale of the firm of Hale & Boyer, has sold his interest in the business to Shaw & Vince of Hartland; C. E. Moyer, felt shoe manufacturer, Berlin, is given up the present and going into the hardware business; Costello Bros., grocers, Montreal, have removed to Renfrew; and J. Dinwoodie, grocer, Toronto, to Sharon.

NOTES FROM TORONTO.

Toronto, April 23rd, 1878.

It is due to the action of the merchants of Montreal that trade was stimulated in the fashion in which it happened this spring in the cities of Ontario. It was felt at the time the merchants of your city got the railroads thrown almost open to the country merchants of this Province, that the move was a clever one, and as you are aware the example was followed immediately by Toronto, Hamilton, London, and even Stratford. Now there cannot be a doubt that the scheme was an advantage to Montreal; your merchants got all the benefit of a bold stroke in attracting buyers. Its success in the subsequent operations in Ontario I am afraid was not in any respect measurable. The trade that was done in those days of cheap transit to the commercial centres was trade that must be done here in any event; and it had the effect only of pushing through in four days the business that would otherwise have been extended over three weeks. It would appear, however, to be an advantage to most traders to get an opportunity to do his own election from a full stock rather than from the samples of the agent. And part of the consequences I point out are demonstrated by a decided dullness in trade at the whole sate establishments setting in after the "Spring sales." Otherwise, the wholesate merchants are less anxious this spring about their accounts in the country than they were one year ago.

Although we have no ships to come in from the sea, the capital embarked in the lake and river navigation of this Province amounts to a large fraction of the amount affoat in trade and commerce. Sailing has commenced a month earlier this season than it did last year, and although it is certain that the quantity of produce to be moved is double, at least, this year, it does not seem that with even a month longer of time to sail, that the vessel owners will make a better balance than last year's. The railroads are destroying the prospects of the vessels, even along the lakes and rivers. At a recent meeting of the Harbour Trust in this city, the chairman, Mr. Worts, was strongly opposed to laying out any considerable sums for protecting the harbour, as it would not be many years until the railway systems would do all the carrying, and the only boats left on these inland waters would be for pleasure and wealthy tourists. And, although vessel owners still argue that carrying by water must be cheaper than by rail, and is actually cheaper, they have to face the fact that the cheapening process is likely to drive them off the water altogether, as it is within a centa bushel between here and Kingston of doing at this moment, There are twenty good schooners lying in Toronto harbour to-day, and the owners at the moment cannot see, with the rates that are offering, where the running expenses are to come from. And vessel property is peculiarly liable to depreciation. Escaping serious damage a schooner will last nearly as long sailing as she would lying at her dock; so that a few seasons lost in barely paying freights for his vessels will inevitably and rapidly reduce the vessel owner to the proprietory of a lot of useless hulls.

An association formed in this city within the last two months is a novelty in the category of such organizations as are got up for "looking after our own interests." It is named the Property Owners' Association, and is designed to guard the interest of that class in case these interests are endangered by the action of Parliament, of the municipal council, or of any or of all classes of society. I believe it to be the fact that the remonstrance of this association had the effect of blocking the passage of a bill in the Local Assembly which was designed to confer a small measure of safety on the tenants of the more rapacious landlords. And within the past few days the association sent in a recommendation to the Council on the subject of a proposed increase of salaries among the officials, which it is supposed had a very salutary effect. The association has also in view to promote the trade of the city,-however they are to compass such a desideratumand by all possible means to keep down taxation which, under a combination of declining rental and shrinkage of values, threatens to make the man with property the poorest man in the city. The association is going to make itself felt; it numbers now many of the largest property owners in the city; and as its committees are composed rigidly of equal numbers of Reformers and Conservatives, it will be seen

that the civic elections at least are entirely under its control.

The retail trade in the city is not yet in a healthy condition, even after these years of dredging out the bottom layers. There is an unhealthy forcing of business in almost every line. The wholesale merchants, the regulars, have to contend with the competition of the jobbing auction firms with their trade sales of bankrupt stocks; and the retail dealers have all the competition of desperate men who cut prices to the quick. Cash is still hard to be got at; the laboring classes have had a hard winter; and it is not an unkind word to say that many others are not so well off as they used to be. Among the very small dealers it is almost amusing to observe the changes that occur in the occupation of premises. A nice looking, well-appointed shop is opened with dry goods; in a few weeks it is groceries; then some desperate woman tries millinery; for a short time is "To let"; and it generally winds up as a shoe shop, I think you could get ninety out of every hundred who do not know anything about business, that believe they could succeed in the boot and shoe trade. And any of them probably would succeed if they were away from competition, and had a larger custom of cash dealers; conditions not to be looked for in our country.

It is a mere bit of gossip, but it will have some interest in those Toronto notes, that the Grand Opera House is going to be closed. Many of your readers will know that Mrs. Charlotte Morrison has been lessee for the past five years; and Toronto people have to thank her for having brought thither nearly all the distinguished actors that have been on the stage in America. It was built by a company, run for some years at a continually increasing loss, and about a year ago was bought by Mr. Alexander Manning for \$58,000, not one-half of what it cost. But it would have been dear at far less money, for the depression that a Reform Government could not wrestle with fell with fatal effect on the stage, and now the Grand Opera House is to be closed, they say. And, -the quotation may be pardoned, in this connection,-" To what base uses may we not return?"-it is said the intention of the proprietor is to convert it into a boot and shoe factory !

- A correspondent of the Globe, who signs himself " An Old Traveller," expresses the opinion that one of the chief causes of the numerous failures among the country merchants is the habit of unexperienced travellers forcing goods on "weak" men. These travellers are generally timid about approaching men who are rated "A l," as they know from experience in the towns they have been through that unless they offer these parties special inducements they will not succeed in obtaining an order," A 1" men as a rule either go themselves to the wholesale centres to make their purchases, or they have their friends among the travelling community whom they patronize. Failing to do anything with the "best "men in the place, they approach those rated " fair," but this class prefer buying from one house in each line of goods they handle, as in case of their inability to meet their payments they know the wholesaler from whom they regularly purchase will carry them over. The traveller then has only the" weak"

men to sell to, and, rather than leave the town without making a sale, he visits these parties and generally sells some goods, trusting to his good fortune that they will meet their payments. There is no doubt a great deal of truth in this opinion. We think it would be better if the system of commercial travellers could be done away with allogether.

THE PHONOGRAPH AND TELEPHONE.

Nothing is more astonishing about the inventions of the telephone and the phonograph than the rapidity with which they have been matured. The former has already been extensively put to practical use, and promises soon to wholly supersede short-line telegraphs, while it is not improbable that the limitations of distance to its successful working may yet be wholly overcome. Its convenience as a means of ready communication cannot be overestimated. This is an improvement on facilities previously enjoyed, but the phonograph opens a new field altogether. It is as new and distinct an addition to the appliances of society as the invention of the telegraph or the daguerreotype. Its capabilities are so novel and still so indefinite that the fit answer to one who should question its utility might be Dr. Franklin's famous question on a like occasion, viz; "What is the use of a baby?" If the uses of so plain a thing as india rubber have already become innumerable, this power of bottling up sounds is likely to transcend the imagination in its variety of adaptation for the benefit or enfertainment of society.

Mr. Edison, the inventor of the last improvements in the phonograph, points out how easy it will be to have lying beside the parlor phonograph an album of selected matter. For instance, you can take a sheet of a symphony by one of the great masters and place it in the phonograph for delightful performance. "Then," he says, "by changing the sheet, you can listen to a chapter or two from a favorite novel, and this nay be followed by a song, a duet, or a quartette. At the close the young people may indulge in a waltz, in which all may join, for no one need be asked to play the dance music." It has even been suggested that, by the arrangement of a suitable tunnel for collecting the sound, a whole concert-the singing, orchestral performance and all, down to the beating of the cymbals and the applause off the audience-might be reproduced. At any rate, there would be no further excuse for the asthmatic and lugubrious sounds of the street hand organs, when the grinders could as easily give us the identical tones of Nilson or Kellogg. A thrilling temperance story by Gough might be told to a gathering where "it would do most good." A thoughtful deputy sheriff would provide for such an emergency. In short, there is no end to speculating upon such a subject, and not much use in it where inventions are running ahead of men's thoughts. There is no electricity used in the phonograph.

SHARP PRACTICE IN LIFE-INSURANCE.

The following letter, dated from New York, was addressed a short time since to the Chicago Tribune:—

Among the causes which have contributed to bring life-insurance companies into disrepute

there is scarcely one of preater consequence than the confiscation, so extensively practiced, of most of the reserve fund belonging to retiring policy-holders.

To illustrate this, take the case of the largest company in New York, which is one of the boldest offenders in this regard: By every possible means, for many years, the officers of this Company have induced its members to allow their dividends to remain in the Company's bands, upon promise that the additional insurance purchased by such dividends could at any future time be reconverted into cash, and used to pay annual premiums. I quote from its dividend statements:

1867—The efficers of this Company emphatically recommend the acceptance of this privilege as by far the safest and best plan for the policy-helders, as the cash value of the additions may be used as cash in payment of future premiums. This option will be of great advantage to persons who may find it necessary or convenient to diminish immediate payments.

1871—If the above-named dividend is not used in reduction of premiums, it will be applied to the purchase of additional insurance, payable with the policy. This plan is recommended to all our policy-holders, for the reason that such additions may always be re-converted into eash, if at any future time it should be found inconvenient to pay premiums without resorting to this reserve fund.

After regularly using, with much success, these fine premises for many years, with the well-founded expectation in the minds of its policy-holders that their dividends thus left with the officers were available at 100 cents on the dollar whenever surrendered, we come now to find this notice in our dividend slips:

1878-In any surrender of additions hereafter the value will be computed at the rate which would be employed if the whole policy were to be surrendered, and the Company will accept such surrender only when the value thereof is to be used in payment of premiums on the policy to which the additions belong.

When it is known that the "rate employed for a mouting surrenders" is to keep two-thirds of the eash value of the policy and give the retiring member one-third, the beauty of this performance can be appreciated.

FOOT AND SHOE TRADE.

The following are the resolutions passed at meetings of the boot and shoe manufacturers of this city, held on Thursday and Monday last:—

1. That all spring goods shipped previous to the first day of March shall not date later than that day, and all fall goods shipped previous to the first day of September shall not date later than that day.

2. That all goods sold from first of March to fifteenth of June and frem first of September to first of January shall date four months from day of shipment.

3. That full samples shall not be carried by travellers in the Provinces of Ontario or Quebec before the liftcenth June, nor spring samples before the first of January.

4. That all trade discounts on boots and

shoes be abolished.

5. That the cash discount be 5 per cent. in

thirty days from date of invoice.

6. Owing to the seasons in the Maritime Provinces being later than in the Western, and also owing to length of time required for goods to reach their destinations, and frequency of transhipments, resolution No. I shall not apply to said Maritime Provinces, but, instead, be it resolved, that all spring goods shipped to any of said Provinces previous to first day of April shall not date later than that day, and all fall goods shipped previous to first day of October shall not date later than that day: time to be four months from date.

- 7. That any firm or any party sig ing and agreeing to these resolutions, and who shall infrarge any of the same, shall be liable to a fine not to exceed \$500, said fine to be imposed by an investigating local committee appointed for the purpose, and to be named hereafter. There shall be two local committees, one for the Province of Quebec and one for the Province of Outario.
- That these resolutions shall not be binding unless signed and agreet to by the principal manufacturers and jobbers in the Province of Outario and Quebec.
- 9. That Mr. Popham, the Chairman and Secretary be a committee to have these resolutions drawn up in legal torm by a notary, and to procure signature to the same.
- 10. That this meeting do stand adjourned until alled by committee named in previous resolution, for the purpose of forming a Boot and Shee and Leather Board of Exchange.

THE DETROIT & MILWAUKEE.

The home bondholders of the Detroit & Milwankee Railroad bave received a printed proposal, emanating from the Parchasing Committee, by which a solution of the existing difficulties may be arrived at. The course indicated by the Committee is as follows: The mort-gages to be foreclosed, the road sold, the Company to be reorganized, and the claims of the boudholders settled. The incombrances, all told, are \$5 310,876, divided into seven mort-gages, upon all of which, with the exception of the Detroit and Pontine mortgages, there are arrears of interest and habilities contracted by the Receiver, together with unscented debt. Suits are now pending for the foreclosure of the railroad property under the first, second, and coupon-mortgage bonds. The plan of redemption is to bring the property to sale as soon as possible under one or more of the mortgages, and to acquire it through the Purchasing Committee; to reorganize the Company, issue an equipment mortgage for \$2,000,000 United States currency at 6 per cent, and a consolidated mortgage of \$3,260,060 at 5 per cent for five years and 6 per cent afterwards, the payment of principal and interest to be guaranteed by the Great Western Railroad; the new bonds to bear interest from the day the Great Western is placed in control of the re-organized company, the control being given in consideration of the guarantee. Every holder of first, second, or coupon bonds, participating in the arrangement and becoming a party to it, will receive in full of his claims 70 per cent of the principal of his bonds in the new guaranteed consolidated bonds. The total mortgage liabilities of the reorganized company will be \$5,200,000, for the payment of which both the Company and the Great Western will be responsible. The mortgages will cover all the unconveyed property. The Purchasing Committee, who have power, if they see fit, to conclude modified conditions is composed of Samuel Parker, solicitor of the Great Western, Hamilton, Ont.; George W. Davies, Marietta, O.; George Jerome, Detroit; Edward Martin, Q. C., Hamilton, Ont.; Francis Pays and Thomas Wilde Powell, London, Eng; Robert P. Tems, Detroit. It is understood that the decree of forcelosure will be taken in Wayne County (U. S) Circuit Court this term, and the Company reorganized immediately afterward.

The New York correspondent of the Boston Commercial Bulletin puts it pretty pertinently as follows:—

"' How the deuce can they do it?' is the question which business men who pay one hundred cents on the dollar sometimes ask respecting men whom they know have settled with their creditors in Boston at a percentage, and whom they find living at the Fifth Avenue Hotel with their families. The same question has been put by many other creditors respecting failed men at home, who go right on without any alteration in style of living, while their hundred-cent paying creditor is compelled to pinch and squeeze and deny himself to get along. One-third of the present settlements with creditors are rascally swindles. The days of common honesty seem to be a thing of the past, and honest business men seem to have less and less encouragement to be so, 'It's right to be honest and pay your debts, but you can make more money and get your rent cheaper, and live just as well by not doing so, and the world apparently thinks none the less of you for it, argues the hundred-cent-on-thedollar man, with such justances staring him in the face."

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MERCHANTS BANK OF PRINCE ED-WARD ISLAND.

Dimecrous:—Robert Longworth, Esq., President; Hon. John F. Robertson, Hon. A. A. McDonald, Hon. L. G. Owen, George R. Beer, Esq., Artemas Lord, Esq., Alexander Brown, Esq.; William McLean, Cashier.

General Statement of Liabilities and Assets of the Merchants Bank of Prince Edward Island, March 7th, 1878.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in Circulation	\$203,136	00
Deposits bearing Interest	168,397	
Deposits not bearing Interest	-78,160	
Balances due to other Banks	3,355	35
Liabilities to the Public	\$453,049	26
Capital paid up	40,000	00
Dividends unpaid	113	
Net Profits on band	10,270	
	\$649,433	6.1
Assets.		
Specie-Gold and Silver	\$25,210	45
Notes of and Cheques on other	100	
Banks	15,810	
Balances due from other Banks	69,631	16
Bills of Exchange	28,969	74
Assets immediately available	\$139,652	07
Notes discounted, Loans and other	•	
Assets	596,075	01
Bank Premises, Furniture, &c	3,706	
	\$619,133	11.1
	.5010,100	., .
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	NT.	١.
To Dividend No. 10	\$7,300	00
" Dividend No. 11	7,300	
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" Transferred to Rest Account ...

" Balance on hand.....

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\$34,870 82 William McLean,

uliam Meliean, Cashier, FIRE RECORD.

Port Dalhousie, April 9.—Unoccupied store owned by Wm. Mossip, and three other stores owned by W. E. Clarke and B. Neelon, one occupied by H. McAvoy, one occupied by E. Murphy, as a grocery and dwelling, the other was vacant, destroyed Loss, \$2,000; insurance, Mossip, North British and Mercantile, \$400, which will nearly cover his loss; Murphy, Royal Canadian, \$500; the others are uninsured. insured.

Grey, April 10.-Several large barns and stables, together with their contents, consisting of two span of horses, a yoke of oxen, buggy and harness, 300 bushels wheat, 350 bushels outs, and a large quantity of pens, barley, flux and other seeds, faming mill, pigs, poultry, dried pork, several tons hay, and other feed, two sheep and 13 lambs, all belonging to Jos. Goombs, destroyed. Loss \$3,000. Alton, April 11.—Woolen mills, with all the

contents, belonging to E. Kennedy, destroyed. Loss \$5,000; insurance, Phomix Mutual of Toronto, \$1,800; Manufacturers of Hamilton, \$1,200.

Gloucester, Out., April 11.-Barns belonging

Gloicester, Out., April 11.—Barns belonging to Wm. Kealy destroyed. Loss, \$1,500.
Bridford, April 11.—The Model School destroyed. Loss, \$3,000; insurance, \$1,500.
Port Dalhousic, April 11.—Three barns, owned by Messrs. McNulty, Gregory, and Walkerly. Loss, over \$1,000; Mr. Gregory only was insured, and that for a small amount in the Boyal Canadian. Royal Canadian.

Royal Ganadian.

Newmarket, April 14.—Two stores owned by John Bentley, one occupied by him as a drug store, the other by Mortimer & Son as a tinsmitt's shop; and bakery belonging to W. H. Bowden, totally destroyed. Loss.—Mortimer & Son, \$1,000; Bentley, unknown; insurance, on buildings, \$1,500; on stock, \$2,000; Bowden, unknown; insurance, on building, on stock \$2200. \$200.

Cataraqui, April 14.—Bakery, residence and store owned by J. Northmore, the latter occupied by him as a grocery, post and telegraph office; and the hotel and residence owned by Mr. Foote. Loss, Northmore, \$1,000; insurance, \$1,800 in the Royal Canadian. Foote's loss is covered by insurance.

Kemptville, April 13.-Store occupied by II. McKeon; destroyed. Loss on stock, \$12,000; insurance about \$8,000 in the North British and Mercantile, British American, and Western. Loss on building covered by insurance.

La Jenne Lorette, April 12.—Barn and stables belonging to Remi Pinsonnault destroyed.

Belleville, April 14 .- Dafoe House slightly damaged.

Hamilton, April 15.—Residence of Hugh C. Baker slightly damaged. Cause: defective

Hamilton, April 16.—Soho Machine Works, owned by R. Hincheretiffe, almost destroyed. Loss on contents, \$6,000; insurance, Waterloo Mutual, \$3,000.

Halifax, April 14 .- Two buildings owned by A. Fordham, one occupied by himself as a leather store, the other by H. C. Evans & Co. as a general store, entirely destroyed. Insurance, Fordham, on buildings, \$7,000; on stock, \$25,000, which will not cover his loss. Evans & Co., \$6,000, which will cover their loss. The risks are all held in English companies. The risks

llibbart, Ont., April 18.—Barns and stables, together with 900 bushels of grain, owned by D. Gallagher, destroyed. Loss, \$3,000; partially insured.

Yorkville, April 16 .- Stable belonging to Geo. White destroyed. Loss, \$25); no insurance. Cyrsville, April 16.—Building owned by Mr.

Gillaume, and occupied by Mr. Lewis, des-

troyed. Harriston, April 19.—Cabinet factory owned by Silas Welte, and residence of Jas. Taylor, destroyed. Loss, \$3,000. The former is insured for \$1,400; the latter is uninsured. Bear River, N.S.—Carpenter's snop, contents and machinery, belonging to E. F. Jones, destroyed. Loss, \$3,200; insurance, \$1,500. Belleville, April 17.—Grocery and residence belonging to Mr. Spong damaged. Loss on building covered by insurance in the Liver-

pool & London & Globe. Loss on stock and household goods, \$800; no insurance. Montreal, April 20.—Shed in rear of 125 Sanguinet street destroyed, and residence of N. Belanger, dumaged. Loss on shed and contents \$1,000; insured in the Canada Mutual.

Montreal, April 21.—Office of the Silver Cor-

net Band, printing office of D. Rose, and store of G. H. Holland, berlin woods, &c., considerably damaged.
Chaudi re, April 19.—Outbuildings in rear of Mr. Baldwin's residence destroyed. Loss

Halifax, April 19 .- Spencer's grocery on Argyle street slightly damaged.

Perth, April 19.—Haggart's saw mill destroyed. Loss small, as the mill was a small and

Auburn, April 18.—Presbyterian Church

Abuten, April 18.—Tresbyterian Considerably damaged. Insurance,—Ontario Mutual, \$3,000. Cause: lightning.
Gobourg, April 23.—Store owned by Geo.
Plunkett, occupied by himself as a boot and shoe store, and F. F. Mechan, as a barness shop, and dwelling over the store occupied by B. Rooney together with all the contents. D. Rooney, together with all the contents, destroyed. Loss: Plunkett, stock, \$1,500; no insurance. Insurance on building \$500. Mechan's loss on tools and stock is about \$600; insurance \$200. Rooney was also insured.

Gloucester, April 23.—House owned by J. B. Leetere' destroyed. Loss, \$500.

ASSIGNMENTS.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Moffatt Bros., mills, Pembroke. Henry Lieich, general store, Baden Jas. Watt, general store, Fergus. John Comerford, grocer, Brantford. Allan Mitchell, Scaforth. J. B. Wright, grocer, Ottawa. Jos. Brown, general store, Bobeaygeon. Jos. Walker & Co., dry goods, Hamilton. Wheeler, Dawson & Co., Sarnia. Robt. Cashey, Stirling.

A. M. Galbraith, hardware, Bowmanville.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. A. Picard, general store, St. Jean des Chaillons.

Wm. G. Le Roy, general store, Bryson. Chas. A. Depocas, grocer, Montreal. J. B. Guerard, trader, Galineau Point, Alfred Martel, grocer, Quebec.

E. Langlois, general store, Rimonski and River Blanche.

J. Biscornais, hotel, Montreal. Sorel Gas Company, Sorel.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA. Jas. W. Salterio, grocer, Halifax . J. B. Fraser, tanner, Schubenacadie. W. C. Calder, grocer, Halifax.

WRITS OF ATTACHMENT.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO. J. A. Whitmore, grocer, Dunville. Hatch & Johnston, sash factory, Straffordville. Macauley & Brown, general store, Palgrave.

John Garvin, broker and insurance agent,

Toronto. L. E. Lemieux, saw mill, Fournierville. G. Marr, gruin, Corinth. A. If. Mathews, hotel, Brussels. Jas. Walkey, Goderich.

Smyth & Linton, wood and coal, Toronto. D. S. Miller, furniture, Farrau's Point.

J. J. Bowman, Hamilton. Thos. A. Maybury, general store, Park Hill.

M. Robertson, grocer, Aylmer. J. J. Stritch, grocer, Barrie.

A. W. Coburn, grocer, Pembroke. Brown & Co, hats, caps, etc., London. Jas. Milne, Westboro'. L. Bentty, Goderich.

Adam Gray, Goderich.
J. A. Smith, Hamilton.
V. Konber, sewing machines, Napance.
Alfred Shetton, Whitby.
John Clifford, general store, Peterborough.
Toby Sandars, aront, Peterborough. John Saunders, agent, Peterborough.
Anstie Bros. & Co., sewing machines, Loudon.

Sibbald Bros., commission, Toronto.

Dougall Bros., dry goods and general store, Windsor. Hugh McNair, groceries and boots and shoes,

Milton. II. Walter, boots and shoes, Ti'sonburg.

Husewell Bros., Picton. Coleman & Braden, Barrie. PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

T. C. Griggs, hotel, Granby D. Daigneaut, lumber, Waterloo.
Hy. Vassal, speculator, Pierreville.

M. O. Tousignant, general store, St. Pierre les

Thos. Gilchen, saloon, Quebec. J. Morin, confectioner, Lauzon. J. J. Ford, confectioner, Montreal. Hy. Duford, grocer, Montreal. J. Smith & Co., grocers, Montreal. 1. Morin, grocer, Levis. A. F. Lafreniere, general store, Maskinonge. T. Dupuis, trader, St. Thecle.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Neil Sutherland, & Co., general store, New

Chasgow.
Thos. F. Hamilton, grocer, Halifax.
F. A. McLaren, boots and shoes, Halifax.
J. O'Connor, grocer and liquors, Halifax. N. Best, Kentville.

Jas. M. Murphy, Amberst. Mackasey & Co., commission, Halifax.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Green & Wilson, contractors, St. John. W. B. Chapman, hotel, Moncton.

J. E. Morrissey, foundry, Summerside.

Correspondence.

RE, KINMOND & CO.

To the Editor of the Journal of Commerce.

DEAR SIR,-An article in your journal, under date 19th inst., would seem to convey the im-pression that the Kinmond & Co. failure was allowed to take place with a purpose.

We, as inspectors, beg to state that the cause of failure is solely owing to the inability of said firm to pay the third note of a composition which fell due on the 5th April inst., and in consequence the estate reverted to the assignee in the ordinary course of law.
W. H. KILBY

ARCH. M. CASSILS.

Montreal, April 24, 1878.

The above certificate requires no comment from us. It speaks for itself. [Ed. J. of C.]

AN OLEOMARGARINE PRODUCTION.

The following letter, which we reproduce verbatim et literatim has been sent us by Mr. Benford, whose flight into Gotham we noticed in our issue of the 12th:

NEW YORK, April 15, 1878.

To the Editor of the

JOURNAL OF COMMERCE, Montreal.

I received a copie of your valuable Journal dated April the 12th in which it was printed a paragraph against me—stating that I victimized so many Butter dealers in Montreal & country to the amount of \$10,000.

Allow me to correct your error regard my liabilities c.t.c.

It is true that I did not inform 3 Butter dealers that I was going to New York—but when the proper time will come I will be able to prove in a Court of Justice that I did not kept a secret of my going to New York. My object of comming here was to raise money on my Property of Real Estate, and to return to Montreal to pay of my creditors, and not to follow the footsteps of the Canadian Merchants to ring

the Bell at	Bankrupey	Court	door-	or to	settle
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As you did not stated the correct amount of my liabilities. I will furnish you with the correct amount-

in the City of Montreal Butter Dealers Messers, Kirpatrick & Cookson \$58.00 Mr. McBorney...... 30.00 " Vaillencourt...... 14.00

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Gazette	520.00
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for advertizing in a book	
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Messrs. Dunseith & Thompson of St. 29,00 Belleville a gentle.....

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The Sherbrook Coy, has collateral one Press value \$600.00.

I left also all my fittings including steam boiler behind me—of which I paid eash over \$7.00.00.

However I will seek my remedy in a Court of Justice as soon as I will return and the meantime you will have ample time to collect evidence, wether I have victimized more Butter dealers then I have given the names.

I started my business with a Capital of \$1500, cash with the Consolidated Bank, I lost every cent of that money and others besides.

If I wished, I could have embraced the Bank-rupcy law but, believe me, that every body will be with. be paid=

Yours

T. BENFORD

Commercial.

MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, April 25th, 1878.

Business has been comparatively quiet during the past week. A few buyers from the bastern Townships have been in town, but very few from the West. Some letter orders are coming in, which keeps the clerks in the wholesale houses from stagnating entirely. Some of the houses have sent out their travellers for the sorting up trip, but no news as to the prospect has yet come to hand. The dry goods houses expect to do a good business for the next two months, as Western merchants have bought lightly. Though-navigation is open below, no great improvement in trade generally can be looked for till the spring fleet arrives. The retail dry goods trade keeps up well. Remittances are improving, and there is a more hopeful feeling among merchants throughout the country. The money market remains unchanged.

"Ashes.-Receipts of Pots fair for season. Sales 150 brls. at \$3.924 to \$4.00 for Firsts Seconds; \$3.40; Thirds, none. Pearls.—No arrivals and sales only 3 bris. for local use. We quote nominal at \$5.75 for First. Nothing done in Seconds. The receipts since 1st January have been 1,946 bris. Pots and 60 bris. Pearls. The deliveries 548 brls. Pots and 313 brls. Pearls, and the stock in store on 24th instant at 6 p.m. was 3,293 brls. Pots and 400 brls Pearls.

Boors AND Shors.—A moderate but steady trade continues, and stocks are now well reduced. A light'sorting up business is expected, and manufacturers are already turning their atten-tion to full goods. Prices are without change, being as low as they can be, and afford any margin for profit.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business has been fairly active since our last report, without any particularly new features to report. In heavy lines there is not much doing, intending buy-ers waiting for arrival of spring shipments. when there will be more competition in selling, and more favorable figures to purchasers ex pected. Quinine still maintains its high price and very little on the market. Opium has receded to about the same figures which prevailed previous to the recent sudden advance. Sala-cine is very much higher. Borax, slightly easier. lodine and potass, fodid, higher and firm at advance.

Day Goods.-Sales this week have been few and far between, quietness being the order of each successive day. We hear, however, of a good many letter orders, but of very few buyers from the West. Some Eastern Township men have visited our market this week to make their Spring purchases. We are told that some of the travellers are already out on the sorting trip, but having started so recently, they have not had time yet to report what the prospects are. We anticipate a good trade in May and June, buyers generally in the West having purchased lightly. Our City trade continues to be more satisfactory than usual at this time. Remittances show an improvement, and people in remitting write more cheerly as to the present and near future of business prospects.
FLOUR.—The demand for flour is still light,

but holders being firm in their views, prices are well maintained. The receipts have been fair, but, on account of the absence of tounage, the shipments are much smaller than customary

at the opening of navigation.

Furs and Skins.—No change to report and few skins offering. We quote:—Rat, Fall, Sc. to 10c.; Rat, Winter, 9 to 11c.; Rat, Spring, 11c. to 132c; Fox, Red, S1 00 to S1.10; Mink, dark prime, S1.00 to S1.50; Mink, western, 50c. to 75c.; Fisher, S3.00 to S5.00; Otter, dark prime, \$4.00 to \$6.00; Beaver, Fall, clean pelt per 1b., \$1.00 to \$1.20; Beaver, Winter, dark prime, \$4.00 to \$6.00: Beaver, Fall, clean pelt per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.20; Beaver, Winter, clean pelt per lb., \$1.25 to \$1.50; Marten, pale, 75c; Bear, large prime, \$6.00 to \$8.00; Bear, medium prime, \$4.00 to \$6.00; Bear Cubs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; Lynx, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

Hardwark.—A fair trade in both shelf and heavy goods has been done during the past

week, some of the houses having to work their wheek, some or the masses may be done their hands extra time to keep up with their work. When navigation opens, the demand for heavy goods will no doubt still further improve, the out just distribution of freight rates which Montreal new enjoys having a tendency to restore the Western business which was temporarily lost. In the home trade stagnation and consequent suffering still continues. Prices are unchanged.

LEATHER.—We have no particular change to note in this line. A very fair business has been done the past week, and prices continue to favor buyers. Light and medium splits are in good demand. Nice light waxed upper is called for. Harness leather has met with rather more enquiry, but at low prices. The hide market

continues fairly active.

LIVE STOCK .- Business has been rather dull at the St. Gabriel Market for the last week on account of the Easter holidays. Four carloads of cattle arrived from the west on Monday, and as city butchers seem to have all the cattle they require for another week, there is not a very good prospect for those wto want to sell, except their cattle are large enough and fat enough for shipment to Britain. Sales have been made at from 4 cents to 5 cents per lb., and a pair of very fine oxen brought \$235, or about \$5.75 per 100 lbs. At the Viger Market milch cows have been plentiful, but very few sales have been The best commanded about \$30 each. Unives were plentiful but of poor quality, a few sales were made at from \$2 to \$4 each. Spring sales were made at from \$2 to \$4 each. lambs were in good supply, the best selling at from \$3 to \$3.50 each. The export trade promi-ses to be brisk. Two Guelph dealers and 80

head of cattle pass through Point St. Charles on Monday on their way to Boston, to be there shipped to Britain on the SS. Victoria. They were a very choice lot, averaging 1,550 lbs. The SS. *Ontario*, which sails from Boston to-morrow, will take 117 head of cattle belonging to Reeves Denoin & Co., of Toronto, 100 head of cattle belonging to S. & J. Price of this city, of eithe belonging to S. & J. Price of this city, and 70 head of cartle belonging to E. J. Hooper of this city and Thomas Hooper of Quebec, also 34 horses belonging to Mr. Hodgens, of London. The SS. Lake Megantic, which sailed from Portland last Saturday, had 120 head of cattle and ten horses aboard. The next vessel of this and ten horses aboard. The next vessel of this line, the Lake Nepigon, will sail from this city about the 4th May, taking 230 head of cattle and a number of horses. The first of the Allan Line of steamers to Glasgow will leave this port during the first week in May, with a full cargo of cattle. A Belleville firm has received an order by cable from a British army contractor for the arm of the large quantity of sheep. tor for 1,500 cattle and a large quantity of sheep. The demand for Canadian horses in the United States continues, and its extent may be judged of by the report of Hon. R. J. Saxe, U.S. Consul at St. Johns, Que, for the quarter ending March 31st, from which it appears that there were expected from that port to the United States 404 horses, costing \$30,800.

LUMBER.-There is nothing new to report in this branch of trade. Dealers in square timber and logs are making what progress they can in getting their stocks to market, a rather difficult matter on account of the low water. Advices from the Upper Ottawastate that large quantities have been stuck in the crecks and cannot possibly be marketed this senson. A few sales of sawn lumber are reported. A Whitehall dealer is in Ottawa, and intends purchasing several millions of feet. There are no changes in quotation. Some dealers in Potton, P.Q., have purchased about 4,000,000 feet of spruce and hemlock logs in that township for exportation, and a large quantity has been purchased by local dealers at prices varying from \$3 to \$4 per M. We give the local quotations:—

Ash, 1 to 4 in., per M\$16 00 to \$20 00 Cedar, flat, lineal foot 00 034to 00 05

 Codar, square, lineal foot
 00 07 to

 Elm, I to 4 in., per M
 18 00 to

 Elm, timber, per M
 20 60 to

 Elm, timber, per M
 30 00 to

 Elm, Rock, I to 4 in., per M
 08 00 to

 Hemlock, I to 3 in., per M
 08 00 to

 Hemlock, 3x3, scantling, each. 00 07 to
 10 00 to

 Hemlock, imber, per M
 10 00 to

 Maple, hard, per M
 20 00 to

 Pine, good clear, per M
 25 00 to

 Pine, sound, In., planed
 13 00 to

 Pine, sound Booring, planed
 11 00 to

 Pine, sound planed
 1 00 to

 Pine, rough planed
 1 00 to

 Cedar, square, lineal foot 00 07 to 00.09 25:00 40.00 10 00 00.08 12 00 Pine, roofing, planed, per M... 10 00 to Pine, strips, 1 to 2 in., per M... 07 00 to Pine, strips, planed, 1 to 2 in., 11 00 10 00 Pine, common 3 in culls, per

Pine, 3x3 scantling, each...... 00 07 to Pine, 3x4 scantling, each...... 00 09 10 Pine, 1x2 furring, each 00 021to Spruce, 1 to 2 in., per M....... 08 00 to Spruce, planed, 1 to 2 in., per M 09 00 to 09 00 10 00

... 05 00 to 06 00

Oils .- Not much movement except in Linseed Oil, which has been moving off pretty freel

at unchanged prices. Holders of S. R. Seal Oil are beginning to be anxious to sell, fearing the arrival of New Oil shortly, and are inclined to favor buyers. Other Oils dull and nominal. Naval Stores.—Turpentine fluctuates up and down a cent or two every other day, but stocks here are light, and buyers are cautious and wait opening of navigation, when freight will be lower. Rosins and Tars dull and nominal. Paints—White are in good demand without

change. PROVISIONS.—Butter.—Old stock continues to be moved at 8c, and during the week from 700 to 800 pkgs, have found buyers at about this figure. New is coming in more freely, and prices, as a consequence, are somewhat lower. The business passing, however, is principally of a retail character, and prices may be quoted at 17e to 20e for choice, fancy lots a lling at 21c. Latest English advices report a want of activity Intest English advices report a want of activity in the market and prices very irregular. Really choice in fair demand at 100s to 110s, but the stock of such is almost exhausted; holders of lower grades are anxious sellers at 40s to 90s, according to quality. Cheese.—Only a limited demand for the City trade at about previous quotations. The Public Cable still quotes 63s, and Mail advices report a steady consumitive and Mail advices report a steady consumptive demand, with prices slightly in buyers favor. There was a good attendance at the Utica mar-

There was a good attendance at the Utica market on Monday, and the prices for full cream were 11c to 12½c. The quality of the offerings at Little Falls was an improvement on last week, and full cream sold at 11c to 12½c.

Seeds—No change in prices. We quote Red Clover, 7c to 7½c; Timothy Seed, \$1.75 to \$1.85.

Wholesale Grocery Market.—Sugars fairly steady, with slight tendency to a little lower prices. It is, however, very slight, and gradually the market here is pretty much as it was a week since. Granulated 9½c to 10c. Yellow Refined, 7½c to 8½c for low to fair ordinary. Good to Choice, 8½c to 8½c and 9c, including Extra Choice. Teas.—Demands for low to fair ordinary Japans continues, with a range from 25 to Choice. Teas.—Demands for low to fair ordinary Japans continues, with a range from 25 to 30 ets.; fine to choice are 37c to 50c. Green and Black Tens show little business of moment. Market on the whole is firm. Molasses, 27c. to 32c. for Sugar House, 37c. to 39c. for Trinadad, and 41c. to 45c. for Barbados. Syrups.—In moderate request. Rice.—\$4.45 to \$4.60. Chemicals.—\$3.25 to \$3.40 for Bi-Carb Soda. Sal Soda, \$1.10 to \$1.40. Spices.—All kinds only moderately dealt in at a range of prices much as before. Fruits.—Valentia of good quality scarce, 54c. to 6c. Malaga Fruit dult. Currants, 5c. to 7c. Oils.—The Seal Fishery does not show at all favorably. Steam Refined Seal, 60c to 66c. Cod, 53c. to 58c. Sall.—Coarse, 60c to 66c.; Factory, 88c. to \$1.10.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY .- Return of traffic GRADI INDEX RAILWAY.—Return of traffic for week ending April 20th, 1878, and the corresponding week, 1877. 1878.—Passengers, Mails, and Express Freight, \$56,306; Freight and Live Stock, \$114.300; Total, \$170,606. Corresponding week 1877, \$192,118. Decrease, 1878 \$21,412 1878, \$21,512.

NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.—Traffic receipts for speriod ending 8th April, 1878.—Passengers, \$4,818 57; Freight, \$7,930.59; Mails and Sundries, \$501.08. Total Receipts for current period 1878, \$13,250.24. Corresponding period 1877, \$11,537.83. Increase, \$1,712.41.

FOR SALE.

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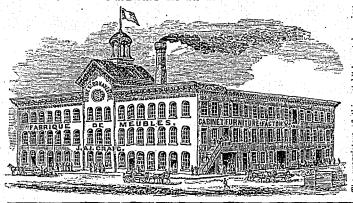
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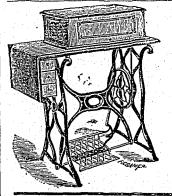
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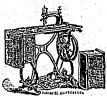
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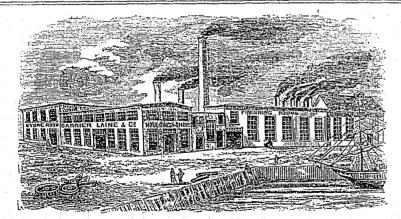
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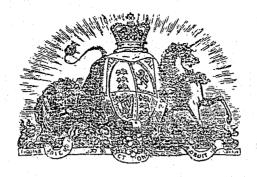
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NAME.	Shares.	Capital subscribed.	Capital paid-up.	Rest.	Dividend last 6 Months.	Closin g Prices, April 25 th
Montreal	\$200	\$12,000,000	\$11,979,500	5,500,000	6	1663 1691
Ontario Bank	00	3,000,000	2,996,000 456,510	400,000	9	89, 301
Merchants' Bank of Canada	100	8.697,200	8,323,276			68½ 69
Consolidated Bank of Canada	100	3,500,000	3,477,950	230,000	84	78° 80
Du Peuple	50	1,600,000	1.600,000	240,000	34	76 80
Jacques Cartier	00	1,000,000	1,000,000		10	471 483
Molsons Bank	50	2,000,000	1,996,715	400,000	3	921 95
Toronto	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	4 31	139 145
Quebec Bank	100	2.500.000	2,499,920	475,000	31	
/Nationale	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	300,000	34 2 4 4 4	
Canadian Bank of Commerce	100	2,000,000	1,990,956	200,000	1 2	60 70
Eastern Townships	50	6.000,000	6,000,000 1,314,954	1,900,000	1 1	118 1184
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Standard	100	626,550	507,850	20,000	3	771 781
Federal Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	80,000	3 3	771 781 105 107
\ Ville Mario	100	1,000,000	888,820		3	67 75
* British North America	£50	4,866,666	4,866,666	1,170,000	21	105
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	750,000	66,000	4 5	1171 1181
Canada Landed Credit Co	50	1,000,000	500,000	40,000	4	184 135
Canada Perm. Loan and Savings Co	50	1,750,000	1,750,000	550.000	6	1791
Dominion Savings & Investment Socs.		800,000	350,500 600,000	69,000	5 31	1243
Dominion Telegraph Co Farmers' Loan and Savings Co	50 50	600,000 400,000	400.000	17.000	42	82 841
Freehold Loan & Investment Co	100	600,000	600,000	180,000	5	112} 148 150
Hamilton Provident & Loan	100	950,000	740,300	87,000	4	1144 1154
Huron & Erie Sav. & Loan Soc	100	1.000.000	977,622	220,000	5	137
Imperial Building and Savings Society	5ŏ	600,000	600,000	25,000	4	1123
London & Can, Lonn & Agency Co	50	2.000,000	200,000	20,000	5	144 150
London (Ont.) Loan Society		418,500	129,400	15,129	9-7 mos.	
Montreal Telegraph Co	40	2,000,000	2,000,000		4 (122 - 1224
Montreal City Gas Co	40	4,000,000	1,860,000		5	148 150
Montreal City Passenger Ry Co	50	1,200,000	600,000		0	30
Montreal Building Association	50	500,000	500,000	******	8	***
Montreal Loan & Mortgage S'y	50	1,000,000	1,000,000	75,000	5	116
Outario Savings & Inv. Soc Provincial Permanent Building Soc	50	1,000,000 280,000	718,018 280,000	144,000 10,000	5	130
Richelieu & Ontario Nav. Co	100 100	1,500,000	1,500,000	10,000	3	601 61
Toronto City Gas Co.	50	600,000	600,000	•••••	5	1397
Union Permanent Building Soc	50	400,000	400,000	35,000	5	186 1874
Western Canada Loan & Savings Co	őã	1,000,000	800,000	230,000	5	148
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Dominion 5 per cent. Stock	99 1013 1014 1183 983	102

EXCHANGE.	Montreal April 25
Bank of London, 60 days	91 3
Gold Drafts on New York	1011

Shrs.	RAILWAYS.	Pd.	Closing Quotations Len. Mch.
100	Atlantic & St. Lawrence She	all	104
100	Do. 6 p.c. Ster. Mt. Bonds	100	100
100	Do. do. 3rd Mort. 1891	100	103
110	Buffalo and Lake Huron 6. p.c	all	iol
100	Do. do. 54 p.c. 2nd Mort	100	00
100	Do. Preference	100	74
100	Canada Southern 1st Mort. 7 p c	all	65,
100	Grand Trunk of Canada	100	86
100	Do Eq Mort Bds, 1st charge, 6 p c	nll	102
100	l Do do 2nd do do	all	101
100	Do do lat Prof Stock	all	514
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100	Do do 3rd Prof Stock	all	167.8
• •	Do Island Pond Stg Mt Deb Scrip	100	974
Stk	Do 5 p c Peru Deb Scrip	100	691
204	Great Western of Canada	all	838
100	Do 51 do pay 1877-1878	all	100
100	Do 6 do do 1890	all	95
100	Do 5 pc, prof conv till Jan 1st, 1880	all	75
100	Do Perpetual 5 p c Debenture Stock	all	84
100	Internat, Bridge 6 p c Mort Bds, Scrip	all	101
100	Do do 6 p c Mrt Prof Shr, Sep	all	101
100	M of Canada 6 poStg, 1st Mort	all	423
100	N of Canada 6 p c lat Prof Bonds	100	98
100	l Do qo 2nd do	100	81
100	Northern Extension, 6 p c	• •	91
- : :	Do do 6 n c. Tun Mort	all	91
100	Middand of Canada at lat mort	all	40
100	lior Orey & Bruce, 7 p a Bds. Ist Morti	all	70
100	Well, Grey & Bruce, 7 pc Bds, lat Mort T. G. & B. 6 p cont. bonds lat mort		72
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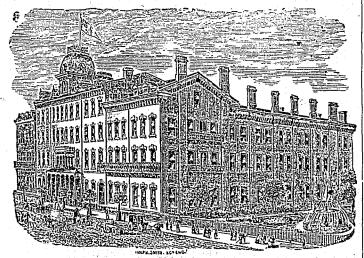
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NAME OF COMPANY.	No. Shares.	Last Dividend, per year.	Share par value.	Amount paid per Share.	Last Sale. per Share.	quotation s
British America Fire & Marine Canada Life	2.500	5-6mos.	\$50 400	\$50 50 20	\$55 85	1131 1851
Citizens, Fire, Life, Guarantee & Acc't Confederation Life. Sun Mutual Life and Accident	5.000	4-6 mos. 4-6 mos.	100	10 12}	11 123	111 102 25 43
Isolated Risk, Fire Quebec FireQueen City Fire	2,500 2,000	12½ 10	100 400 50	10 100 16	120 10 273	1291 100 105
Royal Canadian Insurance	60.000 2500	7 1 6 mos. 8 per ct.	100 100	20 45 20	20	144 145 82 825 100
Canada Guarantee Co	5 000 20,000	8 per ct.	50 100 100	20 20 3)	201	1924
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Briton Medical Life Briton Life Association	10.000	10 p.c.	£10 1	2 1	£1 21.	
British & Foreign Marine	60,000	50 30	20 50 100	4 5 15	16 191 42}	
Edinburgh Life	5,000 20,000	10 15	100	50	78	••••

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\$1,134,013 61 Less called and paid in...... 400,000 00

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