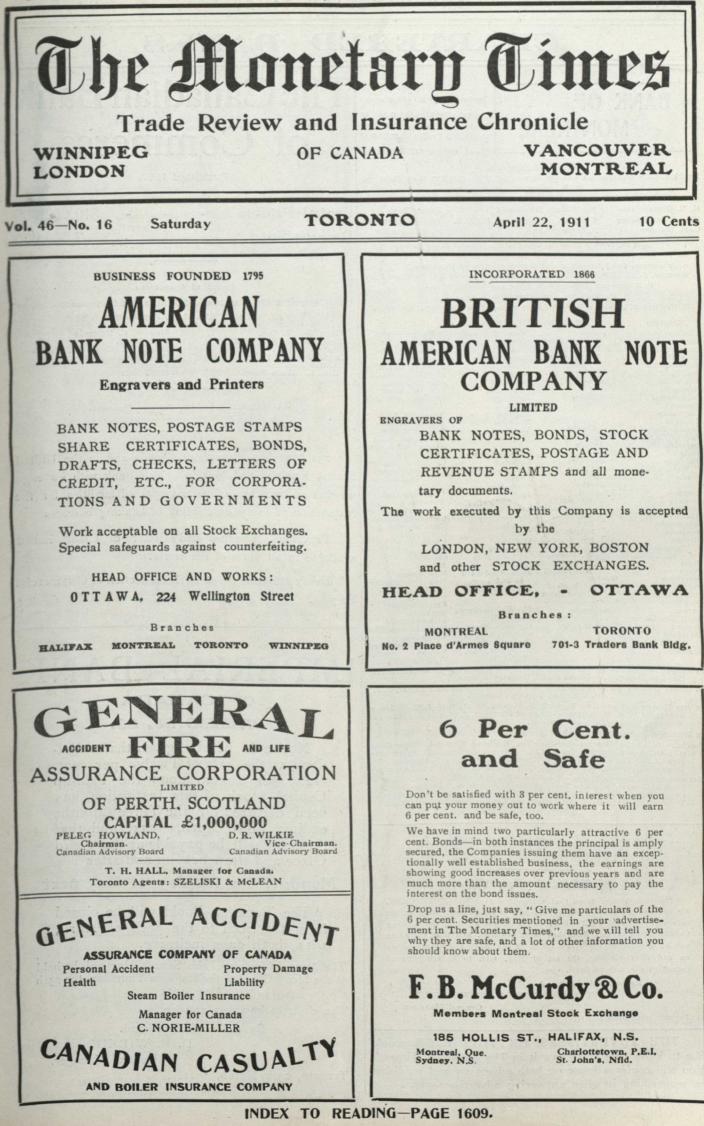
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#### DIVIDEND No. 82.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of THREE PER CENT. for the current quarter ending the 29th of April, 1911, being at the rate of TWELVE PER CENT. PER ANNUM upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Bank has been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office of the Bank and its Branches on and after Monday, the 1st of May, 1911, to Shareholders of record of the 20th of April, 1911.

By order of the Board,

GEORGE P. SCHOLFIELD, General Manager.

Toronto, 28th March, 1911.

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Reserve Fund -	-	-	7,000,000

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#### DIVIDEND NO. 83.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of Twelve per cent. (12%) per annum upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the Three Months ending 30th April, 1911, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office and Branches on and after

#### Monday, the 1st day of May next

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 20th to the 30th of April, 1911, both days inclusive.

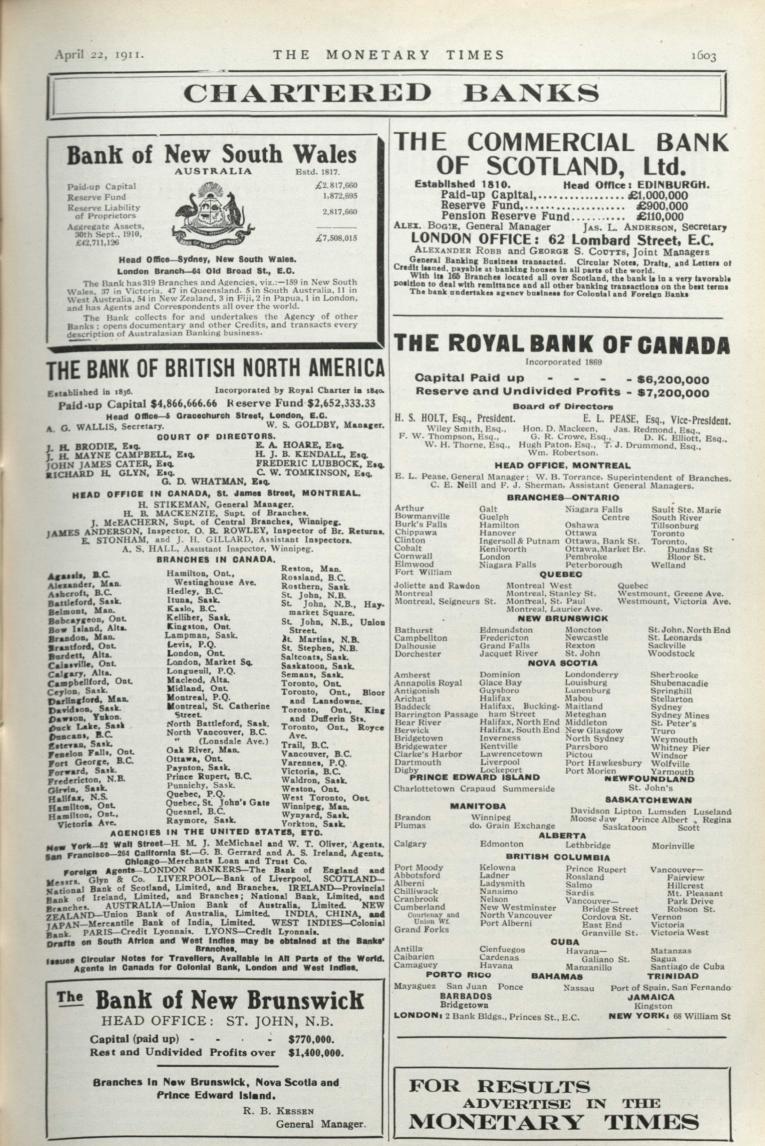
The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank on Thursday, the 25th May, 1911

The chair to be taken at noon.

By order of the Board. D. R. WILKIE, General Manager.

Toronto, 29th March, 1911.

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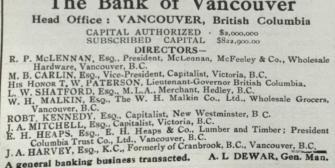
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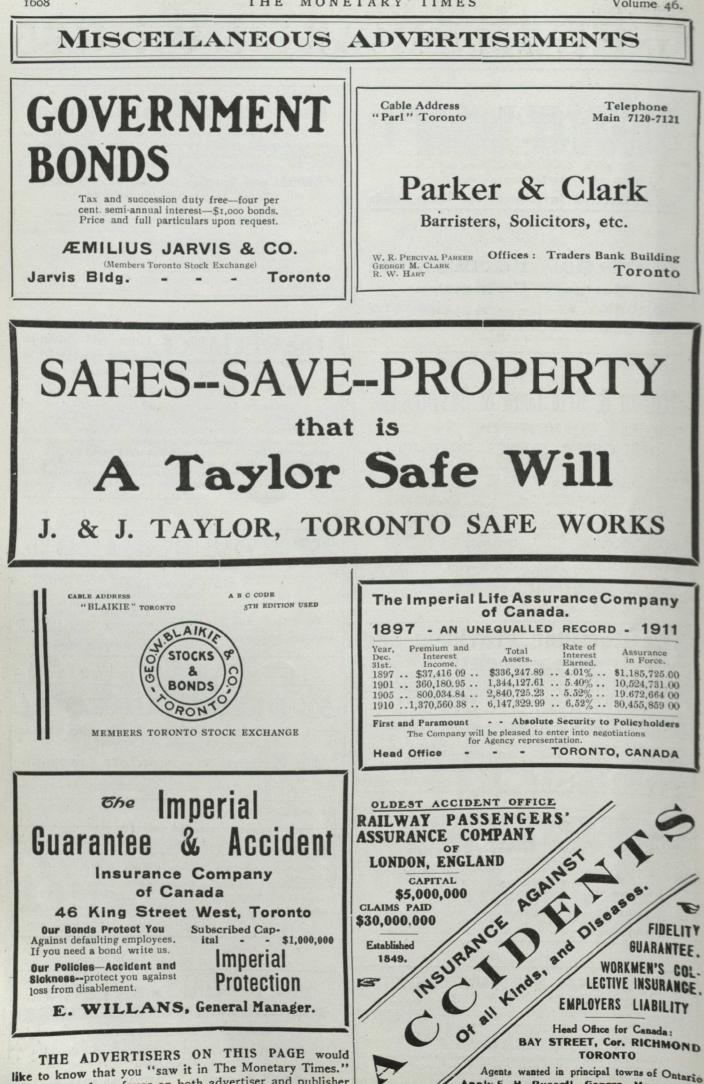


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#### PEACE AND WAR.

The sending of twenty thousand American troops to the Mexican border and the preparation of a practical plan for the abolition of war are two events which President Taft has directed in the past few weeks. They illustrate that the best intentions may be temporarily checked by immediate circumstances. Canada has a double interest in these happenings. Several millions of Canadian capital are invested in Mexico, and changes and disruption there naturally have a vital bearing on those investments. Secondly, the Dominion has a close interest in the drafting at Washington of a new arbitration treaty between the United States and Great Britain. Events move rapidly in these days. War usually comes suddenly, sometimes unexpectedly, often from the smallest provocation. That the United States and Great Britain-both powerful and influential nations, one of them with extraordinary spheres of influence, the other with enterprise and ambition-should not become embroiled in warfare, is necessary for the world's peace and welfare. Canada as the leading overseas empire of Great Britain and as the geographical partner of the United States has no desire to become the bone of contention. For many reasons, then, we may wish Secretary of State Knox and British Ambassador Bryce the best progress and results in preparing and consummating the treaty.

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The world was greatly astonished the other week by an official announcement across the border that some 20,000 troops had been ordered to San Antonio, Texas, to Los Angeles, and other points near the Mexican border, for participation, so it was originally phrased, in "extensive manœuvres to try out organization and equipment," the movement to embrace joint action with the navy at Galveston. Many conjectures were made as to the reasons for this action. Its warlike appearance was mollified by the following dispatch of the Associated Press correspondent accompanying the President on his holiday journey to Atlanta :-

"All doubt as to the purpose of the Government in sending 20,000 troops to the Mexican border has at last been swept away. The United States has determined that the revolution in the republic to the south must end. The American troops have been sent to form a solid military wall along the Rio Grande to stop filibustering and to see that there is no further smuggling of arms and men across the international boundary.

"There is a general belief that the rapid movement of troops into Texas and Southern California will so speedily accomplish its purpose that the net results in the end will constitute a valuable lesson in quick mobilization of an effective fighting force that will prove a revelation to the country at large, to the critics of the army in particular, and a justification of the diplomatically worded explanations that have been given out from official sources in Washington.

"There is no longer reason to doubt that the sudden move on the part of the American Government was the result either of unofficial representations of foreign governments regarding the situation in Mexico or the intimation that several of the European Powers were sounding each other as to the desirability of making representations to the United States at an early date. At any rate, the matter was put up to the Administration in such a way as to call for the quickest sort of action.

It was represented at the State Department that the United States must act, and act quickly, if the Monroe Doctrine was to be maintained."

Members of the American Senate who have been taken into Mr. Taft's confidence declare that recent developments, notably the resignation of the entire Diaz Cabinet, have justified the alarming view which the President and other United States authorities had of the situation. But there are still many critics of President Taft's policy.

Another factor which led to the sending of the troops to the frontier is said to be the fact that the Mexican Government had withdrawn the most of her army from the south and north to the central part of the country to protect Mexico City.

After this tickling of the war dog, comes the British-American arbitration treaty, the framers of which hope to make it a model for all such treaties in the future. Each word that goes to make up the text is given the fullest consideration. The treaty is expected to be brief and free from ambiguity. It will provide for arbitration on practically every dispute that can possibly arise, and will include matters of national honor and integrity. President Taft has strong hopes that France and other European powers may eventually become parties to such an agreement with the United States, and thus make war with that country less possible.

#### RAILROAD CAPITALIZATION.

Some interesting statistics of railroad capitalization have been compiled by Mr. Frank Nay, of the Rock Island lines. The latest figures of the interstate commerce commission show that on June 30th, 1909, the total capital stock of all railways in the United States aggregated \$7,686,278,545; the total funded debt on the same date aggregated \$9,801,560,390, a total capitalization of \$17,487,868,935 for 235,402 miles of road, or an average per mile of road of \$74,289. A superficial look at this figure would indicate that it is very large, and sustains the theory advanced by many that railroads are over-capitalized.

But no two miles of railroad cost exactly the same. Mr. Nay has kept the accounts of railroad construction as the work progressed in nine different States, and knows that the original cost at time such lines were put in operation varied from \$18,000 per mile to \$70,000 per mile. Some individual miles cost less than \$18,000 and some other individual miles cost \$500,000, not including equipment. Some miles of yard tracks in large terminals where right-of-way is expensive cost more than some miles of main track on the level prairie.

An idea as to the average capitalization per mile of track for all kinds of tracks may be obtained by adding together the main tracks, second, third and fourth tracks and siding and spur tracks, making a grand total of 3<sup>27</sup>,5<sup>11</sup>.4<sup>1</sup> miles of railroad tracks. Then divide that total into the capitalization in the hands of the public, \$<sup>12</sup>,8<sup>33</sup>,5<sup>91</sup>,5<sup>10</sup>, less the estimated cost of rolling stock hereinbefore given, viz., \$<sup>2</sup>,9<sup>31</sup>,7<sup>66</sup>,0<sup>00</sup>, leaving \$9,9<sup>01</sup>,8<sup>25</sup>,5<sup>10</sup>, will give an average per mile for all tracks of \$<sup>30</sup>,2<sup>34</sup>. Any man at all familiar with the construction of railroads will not say that the cost per mile for all tracks all over the United States was less than \$<sup>30</sup>,0<sup>00</sup>, including every bridge, building and appurtenance of every kind as they exist to-day except rolling stock.

"In the foregoing," says Mr. Nay, "the basis of capitalization of railroads is their cost. As railroad financing is carried on to-day, it is entirely proper and regular for a railroad property to be capitalized at the cost of construction plus all of the additions, improvements and betterments to the property after the road is put into operation, and on this theory, which, I understand, is not questioned, a railroad property may be said to be over-capitalized when the total amount of stock and bonds or other liens on the property in the hands of the public exceeds the total cost of the property up to the date the stock and bonds are placed in the hands of the public. If the total capitalization in the hands of the public is less than such cost, a railroad is said to be under-capitalized."

A recent statement of the Bureau of Railroad News and Statistics in the United States gave the capitalization per mile of American roads at \$57,201. The following comparison was made with other countries:—

Country.		per mile.
Great BritainBelgium		169,806
France		139,390
ItalyAustria	••••	124,730
Germany		109,788
United States		57,201

In analysing the statistics respecting Canadian railroads, we find that the capitalization is \$55,638 per mile, which thus gives Canada the credit of possessing the lowest capitalized railroads in the world.

The capital obligation arising out of Canadian railroad stock and bond issues, totalling in 1909 \$1,308,-481,416, amounts to \$54,285 per mile of line. But that result is somewhat misleading, since, before such a calculation can properly be made, certain facts have to be taken into account. For example, the above total of \$1,308,481,416 includes the stock and bond liability of the Grand Trunk Pacific, while the mileage of that line is not embraced in the total of 24,104 miles forming the divisor. On the other hand, the mileage of governmentowned lines in Canada forms a part of the 24,104, against which there is not any issue of either stock or bonds. Therefore, in dealing primarily with corporation railways, the capital liabilities of the Grand Trunk Pacific must be eliminated, along with the mileage of government-owned lines. This process reduces the money side of the equation to \$1,222,089,976 and the mileage to 21,965. On this basis the result is \$55,638, which correctly represents the stock and bond liability of Canadian corporate rail-ways per mile. The capital obligation may be set down as follows: Stocks, \$28,345 per mile; bonds, \$27,293 per mile. This is a creditable record.

#### SMALL CHANGE.

The salary increases of Toronto civic officials were justified if only because of the marked increase in the cost of living during recent years. The professional classes have suffered most during this economic development.

An English contemporary is arranging an alliance between the Grand Trunk Railway and the Cunard Steamship Line. This is commercial bigamy, for the Grand Trunk has already been married to the Allan Line, to say nothing of previous ceremonies negotiated by rumor makers. April 22, 1911.

#### CHAMP CLARK Annexationist and Autocrat of the Gavel BY FRED. W. FIELD

For sixteen years in the United States House of Representatives, the democrats have sat and watched the republicans do the bossing. To-day, the position is reversed. Speaker Joe Cannon, breezy and dictatorial, has yielded to Speaker Champ Clark, domineering and brusque. And it is interesting to study the amused countenance of the dethroned Illinoisan while the reigning Missourian swings his gavel twice, thrice, even six times to get order in the House. Champ Clark has had varied experiences in his sixty-one years. For twenty-two years he held the record of being the youngest college president in the United States. He has worked as a hired farm hand, clerked in a country store, edited a newspaper and practised law. This vocational mixture has left him with the means to attain power, to retain power, and to talk with poet and peasant, pinprick and politician, press and people, with assurance and determination. He graduated from the Kentucky University with the highest honors. The day of his graduation he was offered the presidency of Marshall College, West Virginia, and being asked to make a formal application, giving his qualifications, he wrote: "To the Trustees: I have just been awarded my diploma at Bethany with highest honors, I am 23 years old, 6 feet 2 inches tall, weigh 170 pounds, am unmarried, a Kentuckian by birth, a Campbellite by religion, a democrat in politics, and master mason." His character runs down his arm into his gavel. His gavel beats two hundred voices in the legislative chamber when Clark and mallet fight for silence. Admirers decorated his room with flowers the other day when he took office, but the llttie American flag stuck in the stationery case looked better than flowers to him.

His facial expression is always on the defensive. It is a smart man who can beat him at repartee. A man without nerves could not face his interview. He looks like a walled fort. He talks big guns fired rapidly. Get him on a displeasing subject and the man behind the guns is in action. His eyes penetrate. Having said what his mental general commands him, his lips close sharply, firmly. Nothing more on that topic is to be said. Only those who make a hobby of storming high walls would dare open the question again. As a schoolmaster, he would be the terror of the dullard and the loafer. As a man, he is one of that strong type we seldom see in these days of high civilization. There is some of the hired farm hand's experiences back of him, some of the warmth he must have put into his editing, some of the logic that law gave him, some of the routine of the country store. His bluntness was his birth gift. As a politician, he is counted two men by his opponents. As the future president, many see him, others shrug shoulders, and some laugh. This then is the manner of man whose annexation utterances have caused a furore in Canada.

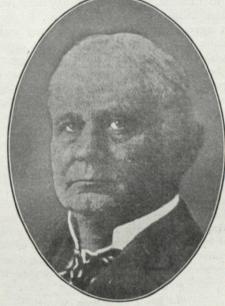
That the people of Canada were interested and were talking of his annexation theories, was mentioned to him. "They may talk to the day of judgment," he replied. And had the gavel been at hand, a dent in the table would have formed the period to the sentence. One could see that a reminder of his past words rankled, just then. "I do not want to hear anything more about annexation until the Canadian reciprocity agreement has been put through," he added. And that was the final word for the time being. The face hardened, the eyes darted defiance to comment, the lips snapped, and the human fort was ready for stray or directed verbal shots.

That the reciprocity bill will pass the House is the opinion of its Speaker. He recalled, too, the fact that only five democrats voted against it in the Senate last time. His desire is that the agreement should be passed as soon as possible. "But mind," he says, "I do not say what order it will take in our business." In other words there are a few political flowers to gather in the garden of republicanism be-

fore the democrats can rest comfortably in an arboreal bower of success. Then perhaps they may pluck the presidential bloom.

"I have been preaching reciprocity for twenty-five years," he exclaimed suddenly. His head turned White House way. "President Taft is a new convert to the principle," he added. The fort was closed again. No one could doubt that Champ Clark had any doubts as to whose measure was or is this Canadian bill. When he made his first speech as Speaker of the House, reciprocity was not mentioned. His remarks were confined to democratic pledges. President Taft's message had nothing else but reciprocity. Champ Clark's omission meant that reciprocity reference was unnecessary because according to Champclarkism, it was born, nursed, and raised in the democratic cradle. "For the last fourteen years," he said, "the republicans have been appropriating democratic ideas for their own uses. A man grows weary of that sort of thing."

What may we expect from this big man from Missouri? He will have the reciprocity bill passed in the House. It will be nailed to the democratic counter as a piece of their good work. Champ Clark's gavel will help keep it there.



Champ Clark.

After making a few yards of political waterproof for rainy days prior to the presidential elections of 1912, the bill will march forward. The democratic party are practically a unit on that. But is there anything to follow? They swallowed Canadian reciprocity at one gulp, and if it came from the republican doctor they thought he was disguised as a democratic physician anyway. Champ Clark boldly proclaimed the policy of annexing Canada, mountains and markets, politics and people, nation and needs, wheat and the West, Empire and the East, bag and baggage. His followers may have been a little surprised but their strong approval was voiced. A unit for reciprocity, are the democrats a unit for annexation? "They can talk to the day of judgment," said Champ Clark. "I do not want to hear anything more about annexation until reciprocity has been put through." And when it has, what then?

The party is progressive. There is no backing out of a position which supports reciprocity, which approves annexation. Champ Clark does not speak without thinking. He may have spoken a little too soon on annexation, but the fault was prematureness rather than verbosity. Congressional documents show that his opinion has been that our tariff negotiations point always to ultimate annexation. What then has Champ Clark in store for us? We must wait and see. But if the distant and nearing signs do not fail, we shall hear the guns of the Missourian walled fort thundering forth with greater emphasis than before that Canada should, must and will become part of the United States. So is Champ Clark, annexationist and autocrat of the gavel, the slumbering stronghold of surprises. May Fate withhold the presidency from his grasp !

## AMERICANS ARE WORKING FOR FREE TRADE

#### With Canada as Soon as Possible - North and South Trade Is Primary Object.

Canada at the earliest possible moment, but by its famous diplomacy will compel Canada to abolish its tariff barriers. By ratifying the proposed reciprocity agreement, the Dominion will present the United States with ground for a substantial step in its march on Canada. The neighboring republic has grown under the policy of protection. The Republican party, with a Republican president, has supported that policy. Yet now we are confronted with the spectacle of a protected country willing to abandon its principles so far as Canada is concerned. Mr. R. F. Broussard, a minority member of the United States Ways and Means Committee, has described the reciprocity bill as not only un-Republican, but also un-Democratic and absolutely un-American. President Taft instructed his Secretary of State to offer free trade to Canada. This fortunately was refused by the Canadian Ministers, who, however, in formulating the present agreement have paved the way well for the ultimate desire of the United States. The abandonment of the republic's protective principles in respect to Canada is the best possible demonstration of their appreciation of Canada's prospects and possibilities. By the obtention of free trade within ten years, they figure that they can rapidly assume control of our markets. They recognize the disparity in the extent of general development and population. Canada is showing a blind eye to that disparity.

The chief opposition to the Canadian reciprocity bill in the United States is that it does not go far enough. The legislation as re-introduced in the United. States House has a new clause authorizing the president to continue negotiations for reciprocity with Canada on articles not covered by the pending agreement and a bill to put on the free list about one hundred articles now dutiable under the general tariff. Through the reciprocity agreement, the Americans hope to unite the wheat of the two countries, making one crop-that of North America. The American grain growers desire to combine prices so that Europe will get Canadian and American wheat when the American is ready to sell. With the entire remission of duty on farm produce, the Americans expect their market in Canada for those products to be vastly increased-we are quoting an American writer. Live stock will go on the free list, and the Canadian market for them is to be as untrammelled as the market in any part of the United States. The reductions offered by Canada on meats are so sweeping that there will be an immense increase in those exports from the United States to Canada. A big market will be opened in Western Canada for Minnesota, Dakota and other State dairy products. This will take the business away from Ontario, prevent it being fostered in Western Canada, and give it to the United States. The Americans recognize that their imports of Canadian agricultural products are comparatively so small as to be lost in the immense volume of their domestic products. They do not anticipate that the situation will be greatly changed if the proposed agreement be made law. "The agreement, if adopted," says an American, "means a larger field for our merchants and manufacturers, more welcome prosperity for our cities, and, therefore, better home markets for our farmers." The Americans, therefore, have every good reason to effect at the earliest date the commercial annexation of Canada.

A bill has been introduced at Washington which will place one hundred articles on the free list. That is to say, the American barriers will be lowered to the Canadian producer. That is as it should be, although if the United States were to abolish their protective tariff

The United States not only desires free trade with | against Canada altogether, it would not benefit the Dominion to any great extent. The Americans recognize that fact: hence their desire for Canada to abolish its protective barriers. Unless the Canadian reciprocity agreement is defeated in Canada, the Americans will have won a signal victory in their fight to control our markets.

#### CANADIAN RECIPROCITY BILL.

#### In the American House-"'Uncle'' Joe Cannon Thunders **Opposition**.

(Special correspondence to The Monetary Times),

Washington, D.C., April 20th.

The reciprocity bill has been introduced into the House of Representatives. It follows the lines of the McCall bill passed last session with the addition of a clause authorizing the President to continue negotiations for reciprocity with Canada on articles not covered by the pending agreement 

Rye flour, ½ cent per pound. Oatmeal and rolled oats, 1 cent per pound. Biscuits, bread, wafers, etc., not sweetened, 20 per

cent. ad val. Timber, hewn, sided or squared, and round timber, 36 of one per cent. per cubic foot.

Shingles, 50 cents per 1,000.

Lathes, 20 cents per 1,000 pieces. Sawed boards, planks and deals, 50 cents per 1,000 feet board measure.

Sewing machines, 30 per cent. ad val.

Salt in bulk, 7 cents per hundred pounds. Salt in bags, sacks, or barrels, 11 cents per 100 pounds. Plows and other agricultural implements, 15 per cent. ad val.

Bagging for cotton, 6-10 of 1 cent per square yard. Burlap for covering agricultural implements, 7-8 of 1 cent per square yard.

Hoops, of band iron, for baling cotton, 3-10 of one cent per pound.

Leather, grain, buff and split, 7-12 per cent. ad val.

Leather, rough and sole, 5 per cent. ad val. Boots and shoes, 10 per cent. ad val.

- Harness, saddlery, etc., 20 per cent. ad val. Beef, veal, mutton, lamb, and pork, 1½ cents per pound.

Ham and bacon, 4 cents per pound.

Other meats, prepared and preserved, 25 per cent. ad val. 11/2 cents per pound. Lard,

Buckwheat flour, 25 per cent. ad val.

- Cornmeal, 40 cents per 100 pounds.

Wheat flour, 25 per cent. ad val. Barb Fence Wire, 13<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cents per pound.

#### Will Print Their Speeches.

Despite the objection of certain Representatives to the publication in the Congressional record of speeches not actually delivered on the floor of the House, Representative Underwood, of Alabama, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, obtained unanimous consent for all members to print their speeches in the record on the subject of reciprocity for five days.

Representative Lenroot, of Wisconsin, made one of the most spirited speeches of the week. He contended that if most spirited specifies of the work of producing agricultural no difference existed in the cost of producing agricultural products between the United States and Canada, and free products between the United States and Canada, and free trade was warranted, then there should be free trade also in manufactured goods. He maintained that there is a differ-ence in the cost of production of farm products. The cost of the Canadian farmer's land, he said, was from one-third of the Canadian farmer's land, he said, was from one-third to one-half less, while his production per acre was from fifteen to forty per cent. higher. The position of the Am-erican farmer would be made still worse by the advantage gained by the manufacturer through the free admission of wheat, live animals, and a lot of other things which were his raw materials, thus greatly increasing the protection he Representative Augustus P. Gardner, of Massachusetts, called attention to the bill passed by the New Brunswick Legislature, prohibiting the export of unmanufactured logs. "Just when we are forced to make one-sided concessions to Canada," he said, "this is the time when a great Province in Canada strikes a blow at our great manufactures. What a commentary that is on the argument that this agreement will give us freer raw materials. Its first effect will be to forbid their raw materials altogether."

The Ways and Means Committee, which reported the reciprocity bill to the House, consists of twenty-one members of which fourteen are Democrats and seven Republicans. Of the Republicans, Mr. S. E. Payne, New York, is former chairman of the committee; Mr. S. W. McCall, Massachusetts, introduced the bill at both sessions, while both Mr. J. Dalzell, Pennsylvania, and J. W. Fordney, Michigan, signed the minority report of the Ways and Means Committee. A part of this report reads: "When the President's message was sent to Congress this manifest sacrifice of American interests was sought to be justified on lofty philanthropic grounds: Good will to our struggling neighbor, of the same language and traditions, and all that sort of thing, a fantastic combination of altruism and revenue. Now, however, the advocates of the measure find themselves driven by the logic of the situation to confess that this is free trade and was intended to be so far as it could be secured, and that it ought to be free trade altogether. A new definition is sought to be given to the term protection." Mr. R. F. Broussard, who also agreed with the minority report, added, "that the bill is un-Republican, is not nearly so accurate as the further statement, that it is also un-Democratic and absolutely un-American."

Ex-Speaker Cannon spoke against the bill for three and a half hours on Wednesday, stating that it represented an attempt to abandon the policy of protection. He declared "that the great steel corporation has so large interest in the district represented by my friend Underwood, who introduced the reciprocity agreement, that it is very desirous that this reciprocity bill should pass. You say that we must pass this bill as it is, because if it is amended Canada will not have it. Who is legislating for the United States, we or Canada?" He referred to publishers who made an effort some years ago to induce the Republican House leaders to consent to a report on a pending bill placing wood pulp and print paper on the free list.

#### MR. PATERSON ON THE TRADE ACREEMENT.

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A mass meeting was addressed by Hon. William Paterson, Minister of Customs, at Brantford this week, respecting the proposed reciprocity agreement. The pact, said Mr. Paterson, would give to the Canadian farmer a market of 90,000,000 people, and it was his right to sell the product of his labor to the best advantage. No one compelled him to do so, but he had that right. The Conservative obstructionists were going back to the days of the Stuart kings when laws were passed forbidding the colonies to trade with any country except Britain.

Opposition to the agreement had been aroused by the financial and railway interests. Mr. Paterson declared that if American railways could carry the wheat of the farmer cheaper than the Canadian transcontinentals, they should get the grain. The British preference had not been touched and in no way was the British trade affected,

In dealing with the Opposition from Canadian milling interests, Mr. Paterson further declared that if the American miller was able to pay more to the Canadian farmer, the latter had the right to sell where he could get the better price. The same principle applied to the lumbermen and the Nova Scotia fishermen.

In concluding, Mr. Paterson expressed the opinion that both governments would adopt the agreement and the people would decide the question within a year.

Mr. F. W. Moore, secretary of the Ontario Securities Corporation, Toronto, has returned from a successful busi ness trip to the Pacific Coast.

When the spring sitting of the high court of justice opened at Belleville, Ont., recently, Sir. William Mulock was presented with a pair of white kid gloves, as there were no criminal cases. His lordship advised the grand jury to visit the theatres, places of amusement, hotels, factories, etc., and see that they were properly provided with fire escapes and exits.

#### LONG CONTEST IN AMERICAN SENATE.

#### Canadian Reciprocity Bill Will Meet Much Opposition in the Upper House—Many Amendments to be Introduced.

#### (Special correspondence to The Monetary Times.)

Washington, D.C., April 20th.

Mr. Joseph Cannon, former speaker of the House, speaking of reciprocity, described the Senate the other day as "No Man's Land and Any Man's Land." Uncertainty exists as to the course which will be adopted in the Upper House. Fifty Republicans and forty-one Democrats are there and it is said that fifty-six senators have promised to support the Canadian reciprocity bill. In that case a majority in favor is assured. On the other hand, in many well informed quarters there is a disposition to think that the Senate will prove a box of political and economical surprises.

Senator Penrose, who will be become the new chairman of the Committee on Finance, is friendly to the bill, and will urge favorable action. The friends of the bill also make a decided gain in the absence of Senator Hale from the committee. He not only opposed the measure in committee, but obstructed it in the Senate. Senator Bailey, who moves up to the place of senior minority member of the committee, is opposed to the bill and will make an effort to have it amended. Senator Cummins will also introduce amendments.

#### Democrats May Not Vote Solidly.

A long contest in the Senate is inevitable. It would not be safe to predict at this date whether or not the bill will meet the final approval of the Senate. The New York American's Washington correspondent has some decided opinions on the matter believing that the Senate will repeat its action and fail to ratify the agreement. In a poll made by The American it was shown that if the Senate democrats voted solidly for the house bills a sufficient number of republican progressive votes could be secured to insure the passage of the tariff revision measures. It is not certain now that the Democrats will vote solidly.

passage of the tariff fevision measures. It is not certain now that the Democrats will vote solidly. Senator Bailey 1s already at work against the farmers' free list. He and his followers are preparing to duplicate their tariff attitude of 1909, when they stood with Aldrich on many of the most vital questions.

#### Says Senate Will Fail to Pass.

It is understood that Senator Bailey will make a determined fight against free lumber. One of the best-known leaders of the House informed the correspondent that the House will have disposed of its entire legislative programme by June 1st. This leader, discussing the probable action of the Senate, declared that among the well-informed members of the House it was generally agreed that the Senate would pass nothing—not even reciprocity, and that by about the end of August an effort will be made to take a recess until October 1st.

#### CRAND TRUNK TO RAISE THIRTY MILLIONS.

A Canadian Associated Press cable says that at the Grand Trunk half-yearly meeting on Thursday, Mr. A. W. Smithers presiding, stated the hard fight between the management and working expenses was still very keen, but, with some satisfaction, he was again able to report a small advance in the net result. In the first half-year of 1910 they had managed to pay a full half-year's dividend on second preference stock. In the second half-year they were able to pay a small dividend on third preference, the first of the kind since the second half of 1907.

Mr. Smithers continuing, said the time had arrived when it was necessary to provide further capital for the western section, so that the company might be put in a strong position regarding capital for a considerable period. Powers had been taken for mortgaging it for thirty million dollars, the interest on the same to be guaranteed by the company, half the amount to remain in the treasury, the other to be issued as required. This was entailing no additional charge on the company.

The western section had paid all charges for the last ten years, and it was not considered the company would be called on to assume any payment in giving this guarantee. The future of the company was bound up with the success of the controlled lines.

The report and accounts were adopted, and the Grand Trunk Railway 1911 Act was unanimously assented to, with authorization to the directors to exercise the powers of such Act.

## THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

#### Triennial Gathering Will Be Held Next Month When Important Problems Will Need Solution-History of the Order.

on the 2nd day of next month, and as a great deal of interest is attached to the proceedings now taking place in view of that meeting, our readers will be desirous of refreshing their memory as to the history of that Order.

#### Early History.

From some leaflets of an early date we learn that it had its origin in Ontario as a mere branch of an American society, called the United Foresters, in 1874, but, owing to a dispute over a certain certificate, which became a doubtful death claim in the Canadian branch, the representatives from Canada to the Supreme Court at Indianapolis decided to withdraw from the United Foresters, pay the claim, and set up business for themselves under the care of the late Dr. Oronhyatekha, then practising medicine at London, Ont. Incorporation as a Canadian association was obtained in 1881, and in October of the following year the society had a membership of 880 and a balance of \$1,145 figures grew slowly and steadily 1886, they had become 5,703, with \$6,504.26; also an accumulation of paration for the future demands exp reaper, Death, as the members shou this point we may give a table und showing how the society developed its field of operations to the United and even to far-away Australia:-

As the next triennial gathering of the Supreme Court | the rates all round, and a scale was reported by a special of this important Canadian fraternal assessment life in- committee, but failed of adoption, which would have surance association is announced to be held in Toronto changed all the foregoing figures-and others correspondingly-to \$1.05, \$1.65, \$2.76 and \$4.31.

#### No Change of Rates Promised.

This latter scale, it was hoped, would be again introduced at the gathering of next month, and adopted and put into immediate operation. But as the time of the meeting approaches the word has gone out from those in authority that no change in the rates is likely to be made. Instead, a great effort is being made, under promise of no increase of rates, to run the total membership up to a quarter of a million (250,000) before the Supreme Court opens on May 2nd in the Temple Building in this city. Considering that the second column of above table shows the membership on January 1st to have been 236,509, it would seem, at first glance, that only 13,491 new certificates would be needed; but account has to be taken of the fact that lapses have been exceedingly heavy of late years. For instance :-

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1 States, to England,	Totals 136,162	143,205 \$1	10,238,872	\$127,327,487
Statistics Show	ving Growth.			
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233,293 246,736 257,267 239,716 233,030 236,509	240,801,000 258,695,000 264,960,142 246,027,884 239,241,845 240,170,989	2,163,718 2,368,774 2,290,466 2,199,863 2,239,636	9,666,524 9,666,524 10,456,211 12,234,809 14,687,719 15,668,827	36.43 37.37 39.46 49.73 60.07 65.24

#### Beginning to Recede.

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What strikes one, in looking at this table, is the drooping appearance of the figures relative to the membership and amount of dollars' worth of insurance in force of late years. Notwithstanding all that the officers and agents and enthusiastic I.O.F.'s could do in the solicitation and initiation of new members, the lapses and the death losses have eaten into the membership rolls in a most discouraging manner. One cause of these excessive lapses was the increase of the rates upon the older members-those who had entered previously to 1899, and were, therefore, paying most inadequately for the benefits received. Previous to that date the rates per month at ages 25, 35, 45 and 54 were \$0.67, \$0.78, \$1.30 and \$3.00. Since that time they have been \$0.94, \$1.38, \$3.00. Since that the solid of Eng \$2.08 and \$3.90. An effort was made in 1908 to raise (\$4,736,100), and the Sons of Scotland (\$5,636,387).

The showing for the past three years is rather a ghastly one in its progress toward early extinction. The total insurance in force in 1907 was \$264,960,142. At the close of 1910 it was only \$240,170,989, as appears from the larger table above. This is a falling off of no less than \$24,787,153, or equal, of itself, to the total extinction of a pretty large fraternal society. Indeed, the following well-known fraternal insurance societies might wholly disappear without wiping out much, if any, greater amount of so-called life insurance than is covered by this sum of \$24,789,153, viz.: The A. O. Foresters (\$1,893,029), the Canadian Oddfellows (\$2,888,450), the Orange Grand Lodge (\$5,183,370), the Royal Templars of Temperance (\$5,962,250), the Sons of England

Year ending.

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1892 ..... 1893 ..... 1894 ..... 1895 ..... 1896 ..... 1897 ..... 1898 ..... 1899 ..... 1900 ..... 1901 ..... 1902 ..... 1903 ..... 1904 ..... 1905 ..... 1906 .....

To see all six of these societies pine away and die within the short space of three years and not a single outgoing member get a dollar of salvage would cause a sensation of some magnitude. A good many friends of fraternal insurance would sit up and take notice. They would say, "How are the mighty fallen!" And some of them would, no doubt, ponder upon, and try to study out, the real cause of such instability, or such wholesale robbery of the innocent, by whichever name it were thought proper to call it.

But wait a minute. The \$24,789,153 is only a part of the record, and the smallest part. Look at the millions of new certificates issued during the same three years, and all swallowed up in the landslide. The new insurance consists of 63,861 certificates, issued during 1908, 1909 and 1910 for \$50,092,837 of insurance. This, again, is nearly equal to the whole amount on the books of the following well-known Canadian associations, viz.: The Catholic Mutual Benefit (\$28,320,500) and the Canadian Order of Home Circles (\$26,786,839). Thus no less than eight societies, with all that is now left of the new insurance they have written during the past three years, might have closed their doors and destroyed their books without seriously exceeding in importance what has taken place in the ranks of the internationally sustained Canadian society whose legislative body is to assemble in this city next month.

#### A Quarter Million Rally.

Looking down over the precipice toward which the whole body of the I.O.F. appeared to be rushing head-long, like a herd of wild buffaloes, the officers at the Temple headquarters some time ago issued a clarion call for a "quarter million" effort on the part of the remaining members. That meant, in other words, a rally towards running up the membership from the 236,509, at which it stood at the close of 1910, to 250,000 by the 2nd of May, 1911-the date of the Supreme Court meeting. This would seem to require, as we have said, only 13,491 new entrants on the face of it. But the terminations of the same foun months have to be taken into account, and covered with an equal number of new members in addition. The number terminated during 1910 was 23,242; so that, at the same rate for the four months of 1911, no less than 7,745 more than the 13,491 would be needed, or a total influx of 21,236 new members would have to be accomplished. Appearances thus far indicate that about half the number will be rounded up by the end of the four months. But, of course, that will be deemed something to be thankful for by the chosen legislators or

e representatives who will assemble from the High Courts of the different provinces, states and countries.

#### Where They Will Come From.

Representatives of Central Ontario will number 13, of Western Ontario 13, and Eastern Ontario 9, making 35 from this province. From the other provinces 16 will be admitted, making a total of 51 from Canada as compared with 99 from outside. Of the latter number, New York sends 17, New Jersey, Illinois and Michigan 32, and from other states and countries there will be 58 more entitled to come. The total I.O.F. parliament for the year 1911 will, therefore, consist of about 160 legislators, and, no doubt, they will take a great many matters into their serious consideration during the two or three weeks that they will spend in our goodly city of Toronto.

#### Figures from the Blue Books.

The figures at the foot of this page, taken from the Ottawa Blue Books, will show how much of the total business, in its up-rising and down-going, comes from Canada and how much from outside places.

#### Lessons from the Figures Below.

A striking evidence of the lapse of the younger members and persistence of the older and less desirable is afforded by comparing the death losses of 1909 with those of 1903. With about the same "amount in force" as six years previously, the deaths show an increase of nearly sixty per cent. The income also shows an increase, but of only about half that rate. This points to a time in the early future when there will be found a balance between the income and outgo. This is something that might be deemed favorable in the case of almost any other business; but in the old age of a life insurance association it points to the need of a very large accumulation of wellinvested funds to meet the heavy drain thereon which is sure to come, as everybody now pretty well understands. Thus far, the I.O.F. has, by the increase in the rates upon its old members in 1908, ran its accumulation up by \$10.27 per member in 1908, and again by \$10.34 in 1909. But in 1910 the increase was only \$5.17, as will be seen by the last column in the table given at the beginning of this article. On December 31st, 1907, 1908, 1909 and 1910, the assets per \$1,000 were \$39.46, \$47.73, \$60.07, and then \$65.24. Invested at 4 per cent. interest per annum, the \$65 produces only the small contribution of \$3 per annum for each member, or otherwise, it reduces the amount of the insurance carried from \$1,000 to \$65 less than that sum, viz., \$935.

Business	Income	New	Total	Amount	Death
originated.	for year.	members.	members.	in force.	losses.
Canada, 1896	\$ 647,032	7,120	50,913	\$ 61,603,000	\$ 438,020
Elsewhere	679,481	17,004	51,925	67,188,000	272,488
Totals	\$1,326,513	24,124	102,838	\$128,791,000	\$ 710,508
Canada, 1900	\$ 946,979	8,936	71,429	\$ 81,671,000	\$ 648,976
Elsewhere	1,471,970	22,911	106,215	124,893,500	731,218
Totals	\$2,418,949	31,847	177,644	\$206,564,500	\$1,380,194
Canada, 1903	\$1,116,661	10,869	83,791	\$ 91,146,000	\$ 662,053
	1,905,691	25,447	135,701	146,978,000	991,130
Totals	\$3,022,352	36,313	219,492	\$238,124,000	\$1,653,183
Canada, 1907	\$1,358,854	13,019	102,946	\$102,374,776	\$1,076,560
Elsewhere	2,207,061	19,720	154,321	162,585,366	1,411,204
Totals	\$3,565,915	32,739	257,267	\$264,960,142	\$2,487,764
Canada, 1909	\$1,638,144	7,151	94,267	\$ 89,837,217	\$1,082,039
Elsewhere	2,432,640	11,365	138,763	149,404,628	1,431,840
Totals	\$4,070,784	18,516	233,030	\$239,241,845	\$2,513,870

An accumulation of \$15,668,827 looks somewhat formidable, but in view of the undertakings, including assessments dispensed with after the age of 70, and onetenth of the amount of insurance carried becoming then payable each year for the succeeding ten years, and the unpaid balance in case of death before age 80, it is believed that not less than five or six times the fifteen millions ought now to be on hand to render the institution safe. Just how much the funds on hand come short of producing solvency is a matter of supreme importance, to which the 160 representatives ought to bend their energies, and not adjourn until they discover where they are at. And then, having discovered the shortage, the next step would naturally be to provide some way of raising the needful funds during the coming five or ten vears.

#### New Laws to Compel Solvency.

During the past year the Insurance Commissioners of the several states of the American Union held a conference in New York city for the purpose of agreeing upon uniform legislation affecting the fraternal assessment societies. They invited all the leading societies to meet with them and study the question of what ought to be done. It was soon discovered that the two bodies were very wide apart in their ideas as to what would be the right way to proceed. The society conference held that it would not answer to fix any definite scale of monthly assessments for all societies to collect, though it might be wise to fix a certain sum to be accumulated within the next eight or ten years, according to size of society, and then leave each of them free to devise some means of raising it. However, all agreed that their societies were not now in a solvent condition, and that something ought to be done very soon to bring about a more safe condition. Accordingly, bills have been introduced in several of the state legislatures, but whether any of them will ever emerge in the shape of statutes remains to be seen.

#### What the May Meeting Will Do.

The I.O.F., for some reason, was not represented at that conference last summer in New York. Perhaps this was because it operates under a Canadian charter. But as its membership is so large throughout the neighboring Union, it ought not to be backward in making provision for solvency, so that no charge of criminal negligence could be made against the members of a Canadian institution. The Canadian Government has made provision, in the portion of the recently enacted bill which relates to assessment societies, by which the I.O.F., or any other fraternal society, could begin at any time to operate two separate accumulating funds. That is, to let the present assets continue for the benefit of the present members and start a new fund that would give every new member an assurance of belonging to a solvent institution. Instead of doing this, however, the indications are that the old confessedly inadequate rates are to continue for another three years, but that a radical departure will be made on a new economical line. The proposal is to enact an ordinance abolishing the annual sessions of the High Courts, and requiring them to assemble only triennially, and devote the heavy expense of the two annual gatherings to the promotion of the Order's benevolent work. This would yield a substantial support to the Foresters' Orphans' Home at Oakville and to the new consumption sanitarium in the Adiron-dacks at Rainbow Lake, N.Y. Those would be useful charities, no doubt, but not for a moment should action in that direction be allowed to obscure or delay the supreme importance of providing the necessary means for the safety of the main institution.

After receiving seven threatening letters the store of Mr. J. Capello, 522 Burrard Street, Vancouver, B.C., was de-stroyed. The letters received by Mr. Capello have been placed in the hands of the police, and an investigation will be conducted.

#### WESTERN CANADA.

Gratifying Expansion of Business-Crop Prospects Are Excellent-Increased Demand for Farm Loans.

Monetary Times Office, Winnipeg, April 17th.

With the exception of the somewhat inclement weather which prevailed last week, nothing has occurred to stop the advancing tide of prosperity in the West. General trade con-ditions are satisfactory. The present year has made a splendid start in establishing new records, and the rapid advance of spring has given the necessary impetus to all lines of business. The volume of wholesale trade is reported as unprecedented in the history of Western Canada, and a further expansion is looked for as the season progresses. An index to this may be found in the returns furnished by the collectors of customs at Winnipeg and other points in the West, all of which show a larger volume of foreign imports, and this

of which show a larger volume of loreign imports, and this means increased domestic trade. The recent rain and snowstorms have retarded work in the fields to some extent, and seeding generally will be delayed until well on in this week. In many places, particu-larly in Southern Manitoba, the prospects were not by any height owing to the absence of mojeture means bright, owing to the absence of moisture, but the heavy precipitation of the past week will make the seed-bed excellent by the time operations can be resumed, so that the excellent by the time operations can be resumed, so that the whole West can now start the season under normal condi-tions. According to advices from Alberta the prospects for the winter wheat crop were never better. To sum up the prethe winter wheat crop were never better. To sum up the pre-sent Western situation, it is safe to say that seldom have conditions been more favorable or held out better hopes for the future of the crop of 1911.

#### Loan Requirements Are Heavy.

As was anticipated, the demand for loans on mortgages As was anticipated, the demand for loans on mortgages are more numerous than at any previous period in the records of the West. The increase in the number of maturing homesteads has naturally led to the requirements being on a larger scale, and, as probably ninety per cent. of home-steaders find it necessary to secure a loan, it will be seen that greater provision is essential this year to meet the in-creased demands. While the supply of money from abroad for farm loans is larger than usual, there are greater claims upon it, and the early summer demands this year will be for farm loans is larger than usual, there are greater claims upon it, and the early summer demands this year will be exceptionally heavy. In addition to the circulation of this money, there will, of course, be in addition the large sums brought in by settlers. With bank money tight and mortgage loans so much in request, it is probable that such a tightness will prevail as to maintain the prevalent rates.

will prevail as to maintain the prevalent rates. The Dominion Government has decided to have an in-spection made to determine what portions of Canada's vast forest reserves should be set aside as new government reserves, as has been done with the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains. Parties will be sent out by the Forestry Dependence River country R C Department this summer to the Peace River country, B.C., and parts of Manitoba and Saskatchewan. An important announcement in this connection is that it has also been de-cided to make an inspection of the timber along the line of the projected Hudson Bay Railroad. A party will leave the projected Hudson Bay Kallroad. A party will leave about the end of this month and work along the line of road for ten miles on either side. There is much valuable timber in this territory, and its preservation, could fires be pre-vented, would be important for the future of the railway. leave

#### Industries in Southern Saskatchewan.

A company of Eastern capitalists has decided to erect A company of Eastern capitalists has decided to erect a plant at Estevan for the manufacture of sewer pipe, and the promoters are figuring on having the main building com-pleted by November. As the result of boring operations the company has succeeded in finding suitable clay, and not only so, but the boring tests revealed three seams of coal, so that the new plant will have abundance of coal as well as clay. The estimated cost of the plant will be in the neighborhood of \$150,000, and it is expected that about two hundred men will find employment in connection with the new works. It is also announced that the Canadian Northern Railway

It is also announced that the Canadian Northern Railway It is also announced that the Canadian Northern Kallway has become the owners of large coal mines at Roche Percel and Bienfait. The company has had for some time a branch under construction from its main line, south from Maryfield, to terminate at Bienfait, and this will bring the coal fields of Southern Saskatchewan into touch with an extensive tract of new territory.

A tramp, who wandered into an unused bunk-house at Kenora, Ont., recently, proceeded to light a fire with a can of gasoline, the result being that the fumes ignited and an explosion took place, burning the house to the ground. The tramp made good his escape and had reached Deception, before being captured. A charge of vagrancy will be preferred against him.

#### NOVA SCOTIA CAR WORKS.

#### Organization Has Been Completed - Notes of Capitalization.

## Monetary Times Office.

## Montreal, April 19th.

The organization of the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, has been completed, and \$600,000 of the first preferred 7 per cent. cumulative stock is being offered to the public by Messrs. F. B. McCurdy & Company at the cash price of 971/2 per cent. par, a bonus of 75 per cent. common stock

going with the purchase. The Nova Scotia Car Works Company was organized by Mr. F. B. McCurdy and Mr. J. R. Douglas, of Halifax, to take over the Silliker Car Company which has been in busi-ress at Halifax some few years. Mr. McCurdy is a wellness at Halifax some few years. Mr. McCurdy is a well-known broker with offices at Halifax, Montreal, Sydney, Charlottetown, and St. Johns, Newfoundland, and who has been interested in the organization of a number of concerns such as the Mexican Northern Power, Stansfields, Limited, the Empire Trust and the Eastern Trust and other concerns. Mr. J. R. Douglas was formerly a director of the Rhodes-Mr. J. R. Douglas was formerly a director of the Rhodes-Curry Company, which was taken over by the Canadian Car and Foundry Company. Mr. Douglas' connection with the Rhodes-Curry was not only most remunerative, but also placed him in possession of experience which he has put to good use in connection with the reorganization of the Silliker Company.

#### How Securities Are Divided.

The Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, will have the following securities :-

First Preferred 7 per cent. cumulative stock Second Preferred 7 per cent. non-cumulative stock Third Preferred 6 per cent. non-cumulative stock Common Stock	220,600 345,200
Mortgage Loan, 4½ per cent	\$2,415,800

Total 

The promoters of the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, are not resting on the past record of the Silliker Car Company which suffered much from want of capital, but are installing extra machinery and balancing up the plant in order that it may become in every way efficient and re-munerative. The output is about 4 cars per day, but with munerative. the installation of new machinery it is expected that to cars every day will be turned out. The profit on these cars was understood to be in the vicinity of \$80 each. Cutting this down to \$70, and assuming that 2,000 cars will be turned out the first year, the profits would be \$140,000, which is sufficient to cover the bonded indebtedness and the interest on the preferred stock, and leave a good balance against the common, as follows:--

First Preferred cumulative dividend Second Preferred non-cumulative dividends Third Preferred non-cumulative dividends	15,442
Interest on Mortgage loan	\$78,154 5,175
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Total ..... \$83,329 Leaving 4.52 per cent. on common stock, about.... 56,671

#### Obtained Civic Concessions.

It is believed that the above estimate, showing a balance per cent. on the common stock, is conservative. It of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on the common stock, is so it should be satisfactory to purchasers.

Another factor which will be of assistance to the concern is the advantageous arrangement for tax exemption which has been made with the city of Halifax. The city also has loaned the concern, on a first mortgage at 4½ per cent., the \$115,000 mentioned above, so that the concern will have the advantage of the civic goodwill in every respect. The Silliker Car Company had the following securities :-

7 per cent. preferred stock Common stock	\$125,000 249,000
- Loaned by city	\$374,000 115,000
Total	\$489,000

The Nova Scotia Car Works assumed the loan; out of its second preferred 7 per cent. cumulative stock is taken \$125,-

000 to be exchanged for the Silliker \$125,000 preferred, besides which the Nova Scotia Company gives the Silliker holders a bonus of 33<sup>3/3</sup> per cent. of its common stock, in consideration of the Silliker holders accepting second preferred stock for their own first. The Nova Scotia Company gives \$249,000 of third preferred, 6 per cent. non-cumulative stock for the \$249,000 Silliker common.

#### NEW CANADIAN MILLING COMBINATION

#### Will Have Plants Both in Canada and the United States-Details of the Organization.

# Monetary Times Office, Montreal, April 19th.

By effecting a virtual combination between the Canadian Cereal & Milling Company, Limited, and the International Milling Company of Minnesota, Mr. A. J. Nesbitt, managing director of the Investment Trust Company, to a considerable extent, removes these Canadian milling concerns from the difficulties which many Canadian millers predict will follow the adoption of reciprocity. By this arrangement one mill in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, is added to the Cereal combina-tion, besides four mills in Minnesota and Iowa. These five mills have a total daily capacity of 6,000 barrels of flour and These five mills have been over the provide the new

Milling Company of Minnesota. The name of the new organization will be the International Milling Company of Canada, Limited. This new concern will have the following capitalization :--

Cumulative Preferred 7% Stock	\$3,500,000	\$2,500,000
Common Stock	2,500,000	1,500,000
6% Bonds	\$6,000,000 \$2,000,000	\$4,000,000 \$1,500,000

#### Will Absorb Five Minnesota Mills.

The International Milling Company of Canada will take over the five mills of the International Milling Company of Minnesota, as well as all the mills and properties of the Canadian Cereal & Milling Company, Limited, which was organized about a year ago by Mr. A. J. Nesbitt, who is now completing the combination of these two concerns.

	Authorized.	Issued.
7% Cumulative Preferred Stock	. \$2,000,000	\$1,250,000
Common Stock		1,250,000
Bonds, 6% First Mortgage	. I,000,000	750,000

In exchange for these securities and for those of the International Milling Company of Minnesota, the new \$2,500,000 preferred and \$1,500,000 spoken of above will \$2,500,000 preferred and \$1,500,000 spoken of above will be issued. Of the bonds which will be issued by the new company, \$1,225,000 will be held in escrow to retire the outstanding bonds of the Cereal Company and the International Milling

The circular which is sent out by the Investment Trust Co., to the shareholders of the Cereal Company is signed by Messrs. J. D. Flavelle, G. E. Goldie, and A. J. Nesbitt. The capacity of the two companies when consolidated

will be 9,000 barrels of flour and 3,000 barrels of rolled oats per day.

#### Net Profits of Combined Companies.

\$140,000

The net profits of the combined companies for the year ending August 31st, 1910, were about \$430,000. Making due allowance for the fact that the year 1909-10 was a very favorable year for milling, the officials of both companies estimate that the profits of the consolidated company should, in an average year, be from \$350,000 to \$400,000, which would leave 6 to 9 per cent. on the common shares of the company after payment of the fixed charges.

By this conjunction of Eastern and Western Canadian mills, advantage may be taken of varying conditions throughout the Dominion, and by joining up with these Can-adian mills the four mills in the milling districts of the United States, the new company places itself in a position to take advantage of alterations which may occur in the future in tariff, industrial or crop conditions on either side of the International boundary.

The Western Canada Fire Underwriters' Association has notified the insurance agents at Regina, Sask., that in view of the deficient pressure of water in the city, the rate on all buildings over three storeys in height will be increased five cents on \$100 after May 1st, unless the buildings are equipped with pails of water, fire bucket tanks, or approved chemical extinguishers.

#### STILL IN FARMERS' HANDS

#### Are Thirty-four Million Bushels-Large Percentage of Wheat Crop Was Good-Accuracy of Canadian Statistics.

Of a yield of 149,989,600 bushels of wheat harvested last year 141,096,000 bushels or 94 per cent. were merchantable, and at the end of March 33,942,000 bushels or 22 per cent. of the whole were yet in the farmers' hands. The quantity held by the farmers in the maritime provinces at that date was 468,000 bushels, in Quebec 477,000 bushels, in Ontario 5,002,000 bushels, and in Maritaba Sachatcher bushels, and in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta 27,095,000

bushels. At the same date last year the quantity in hand-in all Canada was 30,484,000 bushels, or 18.28 per cent. of the total erop of 166,744,000 bushels of which 159,868,000 or 95.87 per cent. was of merchantable quality.

#### Good Crop of Oats.

Oats which last year gave a yield of 323,449,000 bushels, was merchantable to the extent of 301,773,000 bushels or 93.29 per cent., and the quantity on hand at the end of March was 127,587,000 bushels, or 39.44 per cent. In the maritime prov-inces there was on hand at that date 6,985,000 bushels; in Que-bec, 17,447,000 bushels; in Ontario, 50,742,000 bushels; and in the northwest provinces exclusive of British Columbia, 52,413,-000. In the preceding year the quantity in hand out of the harvest of 353,466,000 bushels was 141,499,000 bushels or 40.03 per cent., and there was a total of 321,190,000 bushels or 96 per cent. of merchantable oats. The barley yield of 1910 was 45,147,000 bushels, and of this quantity there was in hand at the end of March 13,135,000

The barley yield of 1910 was 45,147,000 busnets, and of this quantity there was in hand at the end of March 13,135,000 bushels or 29 per cent. The merchantable yield was 41,505,000 bushels or 91.93 per cent. The barley crop of 1909 was 55,-398,000 bushels, and the quantity on hand at the end of March last year was 16,517,000 bushels, or 29.81 per cent. The mer-chantable quantity of that crop was 51,499,000 bushels or 92.87 per cent. The Ontario crop last year was 20,727,000 bushels and that of the three northwest provinces 21,377,000 bushels.

#### Live Stock Are Healthy.

Live Stock Are Healthy. The merchantable yield of corn last year was \$3.63 per cent. of the whole crop; of buckwheat, \$8.66 per cent.; of potatoes, 77.31; of turnips, and other roots \$6.81 per cent.; and of hay and clover \$8.72 per cent., which is nearly the same as the percentages of the same crops in the previous year. The quantities of these crops on hand at the end of March were nearly the same in both years except that the supply of po-tatoes this year is 20,000,000 bushels less, and the supply of hay and clover 2,494,000 tons more. The per cent. condition of live stock on farms and ranches is nearly the same for both years but is a little higher for all classes, this year. For the respective years 1911 and 1910 horses are 95.37 to 93.98, milch cows 93.29 to 91.42, other cattle 90.87 to \$93.0, sheep 93.77 to 92.43, and swine 94.36 to 92.77. These proportions are closely maintained throughout all the provinces. They denote a healthy condition of live stock in general.

general.

#### Disputes the Canadian Statistics.

Disputes the Canadian Statistics. An Old Country writer in a London contemporary has dis-puted the accuracy of certain Canadian crop figures. Mr. Archi-bald Blue, chief of the Ottawa Statistical Department, has written the following letter in reply:— "Your correspondent does not indicate very precisely the source of his statistics as to the production and exports of Canadian wheat, but according to the figures published by the Canadian department of trade and commence he appears rather to have underestimated the average production and to have overestimated the average exports. These figures are, as re-gards production, supplied by the provincial governments, and in the three earlier years they do not include the province of Quebec, nor in 1905 that of British Columbia. "Being responsible only for the Dominion statistics I would prefer to limit attention to the annual estimates of pro-duction for the whole of Canada (British Columbia excepted) as published by the Dominion gave the actual data as to the production of wheat in Canada and the imports and exports of wheat and flour for the fiscal years 1908-09, 1909-10 and 1910-11, the figures being in bushels:

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#### Consumption of Wheat.

"Estimated production-112,434,000, 166,744,000, 149,989,-

600. 'Imports for home consumption of wheat and flour-224,-000, 200,000, 336,000 (estimated). 'Exports of wheat and flour-57,104,000, 63,785,000, 61,-

000,000.

"Balance retained for home consumption, seed, etc.-55,-<sup>(1)</sup>Balance retained for nome consumption, seed, etc.—55,-554,000, 103,159,000, 89,325,600.
<sup>(1)</sup>Seed—13,563,000, 16,266,000, 18,813,000.
<sup>(1)</sup>Consumption at 6.24 bushel per head—44,833,000, 46,736,-

000, 48,578,000. "Deficiency or surplus-2,842,000 (deficiency), 40,157,000, 21,934,600.

"The consumption of wheat per head in Canada is admittedly high. Some authorities have placed it at 6.70 bushels. Figures I collected two years ago indicated 5.80 bushels as the per capita consumption in the northwest provinces. The estimate of 6.24 bushels, above used, is based upon the statis-tics of production at the census of 1901 and the imports and The exports of that year, the population of Canada being estimated as 7,184,744 in 1908-09, 7,489,781 in 1909-10 and 7,784,900 in 1910-11.

#### Stocks Held Over.

"The table shows a deficiency for 1908 which would have to be made good from the stocks held over from 1907, of which there is no record. In 1909 a proportion of the surplus would be required to replenish depleted stocks in the elevators and mills; and in this connection it will be noticed from the table that while the production of 1909-10 is 54,000,000 bushels in excess of 1908-09 the export is only about 7,000,000 more.

excess of 1908-09 the export is only about 7,000,000 more. "In the spring of each of the last two years data have been collected from agricultural correspondents as to the amount of the previous year's crop then remaining in the hands of farmers. These showed that of the crop of 112,434,000 bushels in 1908-09, 20.23 per cent, or 22,747,000 bushels re-mained in farmers' hands at the end of February, 1909; and similarly that of the crop of 166,744,000 bushels in 1909-10 18.28 per cent. or 30,484,000 bushels were in farmers' hands on March 31, 1910. The weekly report of the department of trade and commerce gives the total quantity of wheat in store at the terminal and eastern transfer elevators for the week ended February 24, 1911, as 9,931,062 bushels, figures which happen to agree rather closely with the reduced surplus of 9,936,000 bushels above indicated. How Estimates Are Compiled.

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"'The estimates are complete." "The estimates of the wheat crop, as published by this office, are based upon returns of reliable agricultural corre-spondents, and any tendency to exaggeration or to too sanguine estimates is carefully guarded against. At the same time the figures published are only estimates and have not the authority of actual statistics. Such statistics will be available upon com-pletion of the results of the forth-coming census on June 1st next, when records of area and of yield will be taken for every farm throughout Canada."

#### HERBERT'S NEW PAPER.

Herbert is a progressive town on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, between Moose Jaw and Medi-cine Hat. It is about eighty miles west of Moose Jaw and is the centre of a large and fertile district. There is population of 600 prosperous citizens, all thoroughly interested in the growth of a town, which is making history and ested in the growth of a town, which is making history and geography in Western Canada. One of the most notable recent developments is the inauguration of the Herbert Herald, a weekly newspaper of eight pages, which will tell the world what Herbert has to offer. Mr. S. R. Polley, form-erly of the editorial staff of The Monetary Times, is running the paper and is also acting as secretary-treasurer of the Board of Trade and of the Agricultural Society. We nat-urally feel great interest in his enterprise and can with good cause congratulate him upon his first two issues, which cause congratulate him upon his first two issues, which would easily do credit to a town of far larger size. The journal's pages contain considerable matter of local interest as well as articles of a ceneral nature. The town's German residents are not overlooked, a section of the paper being printed in that language. We wish our contemporary and the town of Herbert every success.

#### PHOENIX OF LONDON.

The annual report of the Phoenix Assurance Company, Limited, of London, England, shows good results and indicates the sound progress of that old and well-known company. Policies taken out on December 31st last under all classes Policies taken out on December 31st last under all classes of full bonus policies, and at all ages, have already received an addition to the sum assured of \$17 per \$1,000, which vests immediately. These policyholders have in addition, a guarantee from the company, that in the event of a claim arising during the next five years a further addition of \$12,50 per \$1,000 will be made for each annual premium paid before the next valuation on December 31st, 1915. This guarantee also applies to all full bonus policies effected before that date. before that date.

before that date. There has been a substantial advance in the amount of new business written. The company issues a concise leaf-let entitled "Three Minutes." A Canadian board has been recently appointed, consisting of Messrs. Robert Meighen (chairman), James Reid Wilson and C. W. Dean. The joint managers are Messrs. R. MacD. Paterson, and J. B. Pat-erson, and the life superintendent Mr. H. B. F. Bingham.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

#### More About the Steamboat Camp Claims — Another View of Reciprocity.

#### (Staff Correspondence.)

#### Vancouver, April 15th.

There is more news of the big steel plant, which was first mentioned last summer, when Mr. W. Owen, a London mining engineer, announced that the object of his visit was to start the preliminaries of a steel industry. Mr. Owen is back and further states that the site has already been selected and that in the autumn construction work will be started on the plant. The outlay will be  $\pounds_{I,000,000}$  and there will be about 800 men employed. Negotiations are being closed for three iron properties, and it is not improbable that coal areas in the north will also be secured. The importance of such a large industry to the west need scarcely to be mentioned. That it is even contemplated indicates the rapidity of development that makes such an enterprise possible.

Investment of British capital on the coast is steadily going on. In addition to this, there was the announcement regarding the construction of a large drydock at Esquimalt, as well as the one on Burrard Inlet. Recently, the Norton Griffiths Construction Company established an office in Vancouver, bringing to Vancouver a large number of men to occupy the executive positions. This company is engaged in steel and cement construction only. Mr. F. H. Lantz has returned from a trip to Great Britain where he was successful in interesting financiers, and as a result a number of propositions, timber and coal, principally on Queen Charlotte Islands, will be taken up.

At Prince Rupert, things are going ahead. The optimist newspaper has enlarged from the folio pioneer size to the regular seven columns which shows what conditions demand. Up there, too, the Canadian Fish and Cold Storage Company laid its cornerstone of concrete of its large works.

#### New View of Reciprocity.

Not all the ministers of the McBride administration are agreed on the decision to increase the price of unalienated Crown lands, which took effect on April 1st. Hon. Price Ellison, minister of finance and agriculture, feels that the province does not yet possess so many settlers on the land that such a move was warranted. General opinion is that the government took a right step in advancing the price and creating a reserve, since it will enable the man who will make the country by taking up his residence on a pre-emption to get land at a reasonable figure.

In regard to the occupation of the land, a new view of reciprocity was expressed to The Monetary Times by the leading wholesale fruit dealer in the city. He declared that Times by the ruination will not result because of reciprocity. On the other hand, it will have the effect of bringing in settlers, particularly from the states to the south. In Washington and Oregon are many people who have seen from close obser-vation what can be done on a fruit farm, but who have been prevented from acquiring holdings owing to the high price of acreage. If there is free entry into all the markets in the Pacific northwest, it will mean that people will come the Pacific northwest, it will mean that people will come from the south and take up land here, knowing they will have full advantage of the markets in the Puget Sound cities. Fruit growers in Washington and Oregon know their business, and with favorable conditions in British Columbia they will be able to secure a fine product. This dealer says that the fruit grown in this province is of the best, but to secure it the fruit farmer must work. Many have come here thinking that all one has to do is to plant the trees and nature does the rest until picking time. They fail to realize that work must be done and that nothing is attained without a proportionate amount of labor. Conse-quently, every orchard set out has not been a success. Good times for the fruit industry in the province are anticipated with a reciprocal trade arrangement in force.

#### More About Steamboat Claims

Interest is being taken in Steamboat camp and discussion is taking place in regard to the declaration that staking was being done on top of deep snow and that ground was thus being staked more than once. This statement was reiterated to The Monetary Times by a mining man of wide experience who made a trip into the new camp to observe conditions. He talked with men who did the staking in instances and also with employers of men who were setting out claims. He has been contradicted, but quotes his authorities, among whom is the mining recorder at Yale. In the issue of the Princeton Star, there is an item that two men had

just returned from Steamboat after staking 32 claims each. They found the snow seven feet deep on top of the mountain. Claims staked are being offered at \$1,000 each, and one man received a letter offering 14 for \$14,000. It is well that the public should keep a sharp eye on anything that is offered. If the discovery ground, which is being developed, should turn out as good as expected, there will be mining excitement. And the public will be invited to give good cash for anything and everything. Already a good camp is being anticipated. Nearly all of those who are investing money and taking chances are from Seattle. As soon as the snow is off the ground, the provincial mineralogist will go to Steamboat and make an official report.

The drydock scheme at Roche Point, a short distance from Vancouver on Burrard Inlet, is taking shape. Mr. Bullock is back in Vancouver and states that he has given contracts. The largest of these is to the firm of Messrs. Swan & Hunter for the construction of the main structure. This immense dock will be built in sections in England and shipped to Vancouver. The establishment of this industry will mean much to Burrard Inlet.

### REA CONSOLIDATED COLD MINES, LIMITED.

At a meeting of the Rea Consolidated Gold Mines, Limited, the following board of directors was elected:--Mr. Charles P. Hill, president Hillcrest Collieries, president. Directors--Mr. W. W. Butler, vice-president and general manager Canada Car and Foundry Company; Mr. D. Richards, of London, England, Canadian representative Bewick, Moreing & Company; Mr. Thomas H. Rea, of Chicago; Mr. Henry Lockhart, jr., New York manager Mines Finance Company; Mr. John B. Holden, barrister, is acting secretary as well as director; Mr. L. C. Thompson, Montreal. The capital is \$1,000,000, in 200,000 shares of \$5 par

The capital is \$1,000,000, in 200,000 shares of \$5 par value. 20,000 shares are held in the treasury and \$100,000 in cash. The company has 321 acres in Tisdale. Up to April 6th, \$70,000 had been expended in working and equipping the property.

ping the property. The board of directors have entered into a contract with Bewick, Moreing & Company, to act as managers of this property.

#### LONDON FLOTATION FOR PORCUPINE.

Messrs. Playfair, Martens & Company have received the first definite information of the latest Porcupine flotation in London, England, namely: that of the Northern Exploration Company, put out by the Bewick, Moreing house. The parent company is called the Northern Exploration Company, and is capitalized at £400,000, £100,000 of which was issued in London. The company owns fifty thousand shares of the Hollinger Mine at Porcupine, and has an option on an additional fifty thousand. It also owns fifty-two per cent. of the fifty claims bought from the Timmins syndicate.

The board of directors is as follows:—The Earl of Errol (chairman), Mr. John Barry (vice-chairman), Dr. Richards, Mr. C. A. Moreing, Sir. W. Bell. This company will supply capital to the subsidiary companies that are to develop the fifty claims now held or others that may be acquired.

This is the first news of London operations in Porcupine. It was the purchase of the Hollinger shares by this company that stimulated the price of Hollinger.

#### LIFE INSURANCE ESSAY COMPETITION RULES.

The rules for the essay competition in connection with the annual convention of the Dominion Life Underwriters' Association, to be held at Winnipeg, July 12th, 13th and 14th, are as follows:

1. No essay will be considered that contains over 2,000 words.

2. All contributions must be forwarded to the secretary, T. B. Parkinson, and reach his office, London, Ont., on or before June 15th, 1911.

before June 15th, 1911. 3. All papers should be typewritten, and the name of the competitor must not appear on the document or envelope containing same.

4. Each contributor will place his name in a plain sealed envelope bearing a number corresponding to a number on the envelope containing his contribution, and forward both envelopes in one enclosure.

The title of the essay will be "The Future of Life Insurance and Its Function in the Development of Canada." Two prizes will be awarded.

#### RECENT FIRES.

## Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Canadian Fire Losses and Insurance.

The following particulars are gathered from first Press reports of conflagrations. Upon these are instituted further inquiries which appear under instituted further inquiries whic heading "Additional Information."

Stickney, N.B.—Engine room of Peel Lumber Company's mill destroyed; loss about \$30,000; origin unknown. Moosomin, Sask.—McAlpine Store, Front street, de-

stroyed; loss and origin unknown.
Peterboro', Ont.—Gas works on Simcoe street badly
damaged; loss about \$1,500; origin unknown.
Parry Sound, Ont.—Old Seguin house badly damaged.

s unknown; origin, supposed incendiarism. **Cavan, Ont.**—Cavan Cheese factory dest Loss

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Cavan, Ont.—Cavan Cheese factory destroyed; loss
 about \$8,000; origin, supposed incendiarism.
 Belmont, Ont.—Frame house belonging to Mr. Samuel
 Quigley destroyed; loss about \$1,200; origin unknown.
 Port Dover, Ont.—Ice house of Mr. H. W. Ansley badly

damaged; loss unknown; origin, sparks from passing engine.

Routh, N.B.—Mill belonging to Mr. John S. Scott de-stroyed; loss estimated at \$12,000; fire originated in engine room.

Compton, Que.—Residence of Mr. Victor Blake, Young's Corner, destroyed; loss about \$3,000; origin un-Blake, known

Pilot Mound, Man .- The Don Cereal and Milling Company's elevator destroyed; loss estimated at \$30,000; origin unknown.

Vancouver, B.C.-Grocery store of Mr. J. Capello, 522 Barnard street, destroyed; loss unknown; origin, supposed incendiarism.

Walkerton, Ont.-Flour mill of Messrs. B. P. Kent & Company destroyed; loss about \$14,000; fire originated in purifying shaft.

Ottawa, Ont.—Motor house of Ottawa Improvement amission, Sussex street, destroyed; loss about \$500;

Commission, Sussex street, destroyed; loss about \$500; origin, oil boiling over. Winnipeg, Man.—Boarding house of Mrs. Margaret Greenfield, near Portage avenue, badly damaged; loss about \$1,500; origin, overheated stove. Margaret

Lethbridge, Alta.—Home of Mr. Oren Brooks, 35 miles from Coutts, destroyed. Three children burned to death;

Arberts, destroyed. In ree children burned to death,
 loss unknown; origin, kerosene explosion.
 Amherst, N.S.—Barn belonging to Mr. Amos Pugsley,
 Lower Victoria street, destroyed; loss unknown; origin,
 boys setting fire to grass at rear of barn.
 Prince Rupert, B.C.—Houston's restaurant badly damaged; loss unknown; origin, coal oil stove explosion. House
 occupied by Mr. William Angle badly damaged; loss about
 \$1,500; origin, oakum ignited.
 London. Ont.—Frame stable rear of Columbia Hotel

London, Ont.—Frame stable rear of Columbia Hotel destroyed, also five horses owned by Sylvester Harvesting Company; loss estimated at \$1,000; origin unknown. 117 Dundas street destroyed; loss about \$6,500, partly insured; origin unknown.

Colborne, Ont.—South side of King Street destroyed.
The places burned are: Express Printing office, Bank of Toronto, Messrs. Chase Bros., Nursery Company, Mr. McCracken's hardware, Mr. Wilson's insurance office and the residences of Mr. Walter Burleigh and Mrs. Yeomans. Loss about \$35,000; origin, supposed incendiarism.
Montreal, Que.—Residence of Sir Montagu Allan damaged; loss about \$300; fire originated in furnace room. Store of Mr. J. Paquette damaged; loss unknown; origin, while lighting gas paper caught fire. Packing case factory of Messrs. G. & J. Esplin, 36-40 Ottawa Street, damaged; loss unknown; origin, incendiarism. Messrs. F. Tremblay & Company, lumber merchants, plant damaged; loss unknown; origin, incendiarism. Old England millinery establishment, St. Catherine Street, destroyed; loss about \$20,000; origin unknown.

#### OCEAN ACCIDENT AND CUARANTEE CORPORATION. LIMITED.

The fortieth annual report of the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited, shows that during 1910 the company enjoyed much prosperity.

The revenue for the year amounted to \$8,635,348. Of this the total premium income less re-insurance and bonus to assured was \$8,208,635.37. The income from investments after making provision for depreciation of leaseholders shows \$336,316. The assets and investments total \$11,600,493, while the compensation paid and provided for, including in-

while the compensation paid and provided for, including in-cidental expenses, amounted to \$4,224,090. In addition to the interim dividend paid 31st January, 1911, amounting to \$1 per share on the part paid shares, and \$5 per share on the fully paid shares, a further dividend of

50 cents per share on the part paid shares and \$2.50 per share on the fully paid shares for the year ending 31st De-cember, 1910, was paid on 31st March, 1911, together with a bonus of similar amounts. The balance carried forward amounts to \$1,834,713. The company's latest report is a very satisfactory docu-

ment, and the shareholders are to be congratulated on the progress made during the past year.

#### ANOTHER BIG MERGER.

Another important amalgamation has been consummated It will include several of the largest wholesale crockery and glassware manufacturers and distributors in Canada. The name of the new concern is Cassidy's, Limited, with a capital stock of \$5,000,000, divided into 50,000 shares of \$100 each. The head office of the company will be at Montreal. The following companies are included in the merger:

The John L. Cassidy Limited, Montreal.

Gowans, Kent & Company, Limited, Toronto.

Gowans, Kent Western Limited, Winnipeg.

Bawo & Dotter, New York, (with branch houses and factories in Germany and France).

Wylies, Limited, Montreal.

The charter granted to the new concern gives it power to trade in and manufacture crockery, earthenware, glassware and chinaware, and to enter into partnership with persons or companies carrying on any business which Cassidy's is authorized to transact. A clause in the charter gives authority to take over as a going concern the business of the John L. Cassidy Company, Limited, and as a consideration for the purchase thereof to issue paid-up stock in the company.

All the common stock, \$2,500,000, and also the preferred stock has been issued. Canadian capital only is interested in the amalgamation, which will both manufacture and distribute. New branches may be established in various parts of the Dominion. No bond issue is contemplated. The following are the officers of the new company :-- President, Messrs. Wm. Prentice; secretary, F. Warden; treasurer, Mr. Petch. Directors :- Mr. Wm. Prentice, Mr. Wm. Yuill, Mr. W. D. Birchall, Mr. F. S. Parlee, Mr. J. D. Montgomery, Mr. McL. Yuill, Dr. A. B. Osborne.

#### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretolore subsisting between the undersigned, as General Insurance Agents and Brokers, under the firm name of BURRUSS, JOHNSTONE, AND SWEATMAN, at 12-14 Wellington street east, Toronto, was on the 11th day of April, 1911, dissolved by mutual consent.

By arrangements between the said parties the business of the firm will be continued by Messrs. Grayson Burruss, and H. Stanley Sweatman at the former address of the firm, under the corporate name of BURRUSS & SWEATMAN, LIMITED.

All debts owing to the said partnership of Burruss, Johnstone, and Sweatman are to be paid to Burruss and Sweat-man, Limited, to whom all claims against the former partnership of Burruss, Johnstone, and Sweatman are to be presented for payment.

Dated this 18th day of April, 1911.

#### CRAYSON BURRUSS, WM. JOHNSTONE, H. S. SWEATMAN.

AND, further, take notice that we, the undersigned, on the 11th day of April, 1911, have acquired and assumed the business of General Insurance Agents and Brokers formerly carried on by Messrs. Burruss, Johnstone, and Sweatman, at 12-14 Wellington street east, Toronto, and that we will at the said address continue the said business, which embraces all branches of insurance.

DATED this 18th day of April, 1911.

CRAYSON BURRUSS. H. S. SWEATMAN.

#### BOND TENDERS INVITED.

#### Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Information for Bond Dealers and Municipal Officials.

Victoria, B.C .- The city proposes to expend \$290,000 in the construction of sewers.

Welland, Ont .- On April 26th the ratepayers will vote

on a by-law to grant the water commissioners \$75,000. Monarch, Alta.—Until April 30th for \$1,500 10-year local improvement debentures. S. E. Maylord, secretarytreasurer

London, Ont .- The water commissioners will ask the city council for \$75,000 to extend the Niagara Power system in the city.

Vancouver, B.C.—A by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers to provide for an additional \$150,000 for grading and rocking streets.

Cochrane, Ont .- The town has passed by-laws calling for the immediate installation of electric lights, waterworks and sewage systems.

North Battleford, Sask .- The ratepayers have sanctioned the by-laws for hospital, waterworks extension, and exhibition grounds and buildings.

Westmount, Que .- The sinking fund commission is prepared to purchase from \$20,000 to \$25,000 of Westmount bonds. Offerings are asked for.

Owen Sound, Ont .- On May 6th the ratepayers will vote on a by-law to loan Mr. Cyrus S. Lloyd, of Toronto, who agrees to erect a factory, \$25,000.

Holden, Alberta.—Until May 15th for \$2,000 6 per cent. 10-year debentures. R. J. A. Thompson, secretary-treasur-er. (Official advertisement appears on another page.) er.

Hull, Que.-Contrary to usual procedure, tenders will not be asked for the \$77,000 debentures, but bids will be received in open council at the next meeting on April 24th.

Burnaby, B.C.-By-laws totalling \$84,500 for school purposes were passed by the ratepayers recently. By-laws yet to be voted on are \$500,000 for roads and \$375,000 for a water system.

Dauphin, Man .- Until May 2nd for \$12,000 sidewalks and \$100,000 waterworks and sewerage debentures. J. W. Johnston, secretary-treasurer. (Official advertisement appears on another page.)

New Westminster, B.C .- By-laws approved by ratepayers are:-Street improvements, \$300,000; waterworks ex-tension, \$35,000; extension of the lighting system, \$25,000; harbor improvements, \$15,000; for installation of garbage collecting system, \$5,000; for bridge to Lulu Island, \$30,-000; fire hall, \$12,000; school purposes, \$05,000. **Toronto, Ont.**—The new provincial loan of \$200,000 is to be floated at once, the bonds to be sold during May at The loar authorized at the last assesses of the loci

102. The loan, authorized at the last session of the legis-lature, will be used to buy back certain timber limits in Algonquin Park, for conservation purposes. The bonds are free from succession duties, and all other provincial impo-The bonds are sitions and bear interest at four per cent. Calgary, Alta.—From the preliminary estimate made of

receipts and expenditure for the year the assessment might be as low as 141/2 mills, and not up any higher than 15 mills. So far preliminary estimates have been prepared calling for an expenditure of about \$617,000, but there are some addi-tions to be made to this. On an assessment of \$52,000,000 the revenue, after deducting for prompt payment, would bring in about \$690,000. From other sources there is an estimated revenue of \$193,210. This makes a total of about \$880,000.

#### +0+ DEBENTURES AWARDED.

whitby, Ont.-\$8,850 5 per cent. 20 instalments, to Messrs. Brent, Noxon & Company, Toronto.

Assinibois Municipality.—\$7,383 5 per cent. 7 instal-ments, to Messrs. Brent, Noxon & Company, Toronto.

Saskatchewan and Alberta Schools.-\$8,500 6 and 61/2 per cent. 10 years, to Messrs. Nay & James, Regina.

Thorah Township, Ont.—\$3,015 5 per cent. 20 instal-ments, to Messrs. C. H. Burgess & Company, Toronto.

Town of Chesley, Ont.—\$4,000 5 per cent. 20 equal annual instalments of \$320.97, to Messrs. Brent, Noxon & Company, Toronto.

Stratford, Ont.-\$40,000 41/2 per cent., \$25,000 due 1940, \$10,000 due 1941, and \$5,000 due 1920, to Messrs. Wood, Gundy & Company, Toronto.

#### NINETY-SEVEN NEW COMPANIES.

#### Majority of Large Incorporations for Development of Porcupine-Many Real Estate Concerns.

Ninety-seven companies, with a total capitalization of

838,789,800, were incorporated during the week. Goodwins, Limited, with capital of \$5,000,000 and head office in Montreal, will carry on the business of a depart-mental store. The provisional directors are Messrs. T. Chase-Casgrain, A. Chase-Casgrain, and E. M. McDougall. Mining companies are a feature of this week's incor-portion of the metodic head of the demander of the second state.

porations, the majority being for the development of Por-cupine. The following concerns with capital of a million dollars and over were granted charters: Martin-Bennett As-bestos Mines, Thetford Mines, \$1,500,000; Eurika Gold Mining Company, Porcupine, \$2,000,000; Dobie Mines, Mines, Porcupine, \$1,500,000; S. V. 329 Mining Company, Walker-ville, \$1,000,000; Porcupine Keoro Mining Company, Haileybury, \$2,000,000; Johnstone Strait Power Company, British Columbia, \$1,000,000; Western Canada Lands, B.C., \$1,conumbia, \$1,000,000; Western Ganada Lands, B.C., \$1,000,000. The following have head offices in Toronto: United Engineering and Construction Company, \$1,000,000; Daly, Taylor Porcupine Mines, \$1,500,000; Proprietory Mines, \$3,000,000; Foley-O'Brien, \$3,000,000; Ore Concentrators and Refineries, \$1,000,000; North Dome Mining Company, \$2,000,000; Davidson Gold Mines, \$2,000,000.

The following is a list of charters granted during the past week. The head office of each company is situated in the town, city or province mentioned at the beginning of each paragraph. The persons named are provisional directors :-

London, Ont.—John Labatt, \$250,000; J. Labatt, J. S. Labatt, H. F. Labatt. Holeproof Hosiery Company of Can-ada, \$50,000; C. Freschl, E. Freschl, L. Heilbronner, Mil-waukee, Wis. Mitchell Garage & Sales Company, \$50,000; F. G. Mitchell, J. C. Coote, W. F. Masuret.

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Toronto.—Laurentia Milk Company, \$250,000; A. H. Royce, R. B. Henderson. United Engineering & Construction Company, \$1,000,000; F. P. Metzler, W. J. Taylor, G. B. Taylor. Daly-Taylor Porcupine Mines, \$1,500,000; D. Henderson, W. H. McGuire, E. Harris, Sr. Commercial Press, \$100,000; D. O. McKinnon, J. C. Armer, W. L. Edmonds. Proprietory Mines, \$3,000,000; O. H. King, R. G. Agnew, J. H. Phippen. Foley-O'Brien, \$3,000,000; W. R. P. Parker, G. M. Clark, R. W. Hart. Britnell Contracting Company, \$40,000; E. Britnell, J. H. Garlick, H. J. File. South Dome Mines, \$100,000; E. G. McMillan, H. Riley, J. E. Riley. York Lumber Company, \$40,000; J. Baird, T. L. Monahan, K. F. Mackenzie. Provident Securities Company, \$10,000; J. S. Lovell, W. Bain, R. Govans. Ore Concentrators and Refineries, \$1,000,000; O. H. King, J. H. Phippen. North Dome Mining Company, \$2,000,000; J. E. Day, J. M. Ferguson, J. A. McNevin. Davidson Gold Mines, \$2,000,000; S. Cuddy, P. Kerwin, N. L. Croome. York Knitting Mills, \$500,000; O. H. King, N. S. Macdonnell, J. H. Phippen. J. H. Phippen.

Winnipeg, Man.—Humboldt Land Company, \$800,000;
J. A. Mann, C. G. MacKinnon, J. T. Hackett. Central Canada Securities Agency Company, \$250,000; W. R. Mulock,
E. Loftus, J. W. Eldrigge. Elmwood Curling Rink, \$20,000;
G. F. Munroe, D. Munroe, H. Polson. Wildwood,
\$300,000; S. Stewart, S. V. Carter, H. Mackle. Kelly-Simpson Construction Company, \$100,000; M. Kelly, C. H. Simpson, J. M. Kelly. Winnipeg Titles & Mortgage Company, \$100,000; F. C. Hamilton, T. S. Matheson, A. McIntyre. Roma Societa Italiana di Mutuo Soccorso, \$5,000;
V. V. Welch, G. Baldali, V. Restivo. Morrel & Company, Intyre. Roma Societa Italiana di Mutuo Soccorso, \$5,000,
V. V. Welch, G. Baldali, V. Restivo. Morrel & Company,
\$100,000; W. A. Vrooman, E. Morrel, J. B. Hugg. CanaSubscription Company, \$40,000; C. S. Wigdian Mailing & Subscription Company, \$40,000; C. S. Wig-gins, I. D. R. Campbell, S. R. Flanders. Reliance Electrical Manufacturing Company, \$50,000; C. T. Mitchell, L. A. Smart, A. McCormick. Home Farm Colonizing Company, glis, I. D. R. Company, \$50,000; C. T. Mitchell, L. A. Manufacturing Company, \$50,000; C. T. Mitchell, L. A. Smart, A. McCormick. Home Farm Colonizing Company, \$10,000; H. J. Turner, M. J. Foley, E. P. Thompson. Cor-onation Land & Investment Company, \$40,000; F. F. Car-ruthers, G. McKenzie, B. L. Deacon. John Macgregor Company, \$10,000; J. Macgregor, G. H. Davis, K. L. Pat-ton. Brown Construction Company, \$150,000; J. McDole, S. Brown, R. J. Kennedy. Martin-Senour Company, \$100,000; H. D. Watts, Z. E. Martin, Chicago; J. B. Lord, Malden, Mass. Dominion Sewing Machine & Motor Com-pany, \$40,000; W. Porn, J. M. Yille, G. F. Munroe. Parker-Whyte, \$150,000; C. S. Parker, S. H. Whyte, A. W. Morley. Hammond Stooker Company, \$150,000; J. A. Hammond, R. Hammond, M. G. Wright. Prairie Glass Company, \$60,000; E. B. Eadie, C. S. Scott, W. J. Allen. North Canadian Securities Company, \$40,000; S. Hansson, W. Benson, T. S. Carter.

## TRADE, INDUSTRY, FINANCE, SHIPPING.

#### Their Strands of Mutual Interest Alone Will Hold the Fabric of Empire—Is Canada Taking a Sufficiently Broad Outlook?

The practical note was struck by Mr. Ben. H. Morgan at the Royal Colonial Institute the other week in an unusually attractive address on Empire trade relations. In Canada, we hear too much about Imperialism and too little respecting the strengthening of commercial ties. Trade and sentiment will hold Empires together, but sentiment alone can never do so. Mr. Morgan stated that the cry to-day of the selfgoverning colonies, (we wish he had used a better word), is for population and capital. They prefer both to be. British, but they welcome men and money from all lands. The fabric of Empire, said the Speaker, can only be held together by strands of mutual interest in trade, industry, finance and shipping.

#### Factor of Geography.

"The great factor of geography," continued Mr. Morgan, "acts largely against a united Empire; the self-governing portions are so widely separate as to make inter-communication, and transport too slow and difficult to keep alive a vivid current interest in each other's doings, while being situated as they are almost entirely in the temperate zone, they are capable of becoming self-supporting in the production of food stuffs and manufactured articles."

Asserting that Great Britain has never considered the defence and promotion of Empire trade, industry, finance and shipping, as a whole, and has never made it a matter of national concern and organization, he goes on :- "Is Australia seeking to extend her business connections with Ger-many, Austria, Belgium and France? Is Canada arranging for a nearer market for her food products and raw materials? Is New Zealand arranging to send her butter, wool and other products to America instead of to us? Why are the Crown Colonies sending their raw products to Hamburg instead of to London to an increasing extent every year? Is Empire trade being driven into foreign channels through the action of shipping rings? Is British industry being crippled by foreign trusts? Would industrial banks help us to secure Colonial contracts as they helped Germany to get the order for the Victoria Falls power equipment? Why do we buy foodstuffs and raw materials from foreign nations, when the overseas Dominions can supply all our needs? Why are we not taking steps to divert the flow of British emigrants and capital from foreign lands to Empire territories? These are merely a few of the questions of current interest which should be dealt with by an intelligent and watchful Government, charged with the defence of the Empire's business interests."

#### Question of Colonial Preference.

Dealing at some length with the question of Colonial preference, Mr. Morgan asks:—"Would it not be possible to-day without touching the basis of our present fiscal system—assuming, of course, that the electorate is inflexibly opposed to its present modification—to so rearrange the incidence of our taxation as to give oversea Dominions a quid pro quo for any fiscal preference which they may give us. For instance, suppose that the self-governing States agreed to bear a proportionate share with ourselves of the cost of defending the Empire—a not unreasonable proposal—might we not forego to each State a part of its contribution to equal any fiscal preference given to us. I think this would be quite possible. At any rate the idea seems worthy of serious consideration. If the actual benefit to Colonial producers were but of moderate dimensions the moral effect of such a step on the part of the Motherland would I believe be excellent."

#### Momentous Reciprocity Pact.

Mr. Ben Morgan described the Canadian-American reciprocity pact as the most momentous event of modern history. "No doubt our brothers in Canada and our American cousins," he added, " are nearly related members of the great Anglo-Saxon family, and at a superficial glance it might seem only natural that each of these two States should seek to remove what has been termed an imaginary boundary, or to come to the facts of the case, to remodel the existing fiscal system so far as it concerns their two selves to their own mutual advantage. From the purely technical point of view the position of Canada is no doubt quite correct, because this fiscal arrangement, the most momentous event as I hold of modern history, is no treaty, it is not even a treaty of the commercial order; it is so far an agreement subject to the approval of the respective legislatures of these two neighbors which, even if concluded, it would at of these two neighbors which, even if concluded, it would at any time be in the power of the law makers either of America or Canada to abrocate, and at short notice.

"This is quite true, and I am also aware that many Canadians are saying that in effect they have entered into no pact with their neighbor, because such concessions as they have made in duty reductions are as a grain to the ton conceded by America. There is some truth in this, though conceded by America. such concessions as Canada has made are not without some importance, but granting so much, and admitting that would be possible at any moment for America to do as much. or nearly as much as she did by the recent negotiations at Washington, and to effect this by merely abolishing or re-ducing the duties against Canadian grain, timber, minerals, fish and fruit, yet we would say that that situation, had it arisen, as it might by the mere volition of the American people, would be very different to the situation which has been created by the conclusion of this reciprocity agreement. We have no doubt that the agreement was to a very great extent sprung upon Canada. It is popularly supposed that Mr. Fielding and his brother negotiators never dreamt that any such terms would or could be offered them. That is most likely. But surely it might have occurred to Ottawa, as it has since certainly appeared to a great many Cana-dians, that the conclusion of the agreement under the dians. conditions attending it was equivalent to an altogether new departure in Canadian history. The whole trend of Canadian civilization within the past generation has been in an eastward direction, so to speak. Nor could it be otherwise. The rich prairie provinces of the West would be no more than prairies to-day but for the millions of British gold which have been poured over them by the British investor in the shape of transcontinental railways, which alone have rendered possible the exploitation of that land of promise.

#### Effect on Investments.

"The reciprocity agreement has already produced a serious halting effect in the attitude of British financiers towards Canadian securities and enterprises, and this effect British financiers is bound to increase, for everyone admits that whatever the agreement might contain, it must have the effect of drawing together the two great nations of the North American con-This conceivably might be good for Canada, but it tinent. is certainly bad for England and the Empire. For this same reason a depreciation is bound to take place in those securities in Canada where some 450 millions of British capital are to-day invested. That money was invested in Canadian railways, and government and municipal loans with these general ideas in the minds of the British people, viz., that we were building a granary for Great Britain in Western Canada, that the rewards of production and transport between the prairie and the coast would fructify the railways in which the British millions are invested and the trade coming in that way from west to east would continue to develop the towns and cities where British money is doing municipal work. The reciprocity agreement completely shatters these conceptions. Everyone admits that this agreement will do one thing, and that is to turn the trade from its present route to one leading to the southern Republic, and as certainly it will divest the railways of a portion of their earning power and check the development of the numerous towns and cities which dot the Canadian railroads.

#### Must Guard the Empire's Interests.

"What I consider to be a most mistaken idea exists, namely, that this is a matter for Canada herself to settle and that Great Britain has no right to interfere. This view has been actually repeated and emphasized by one of Canada's official representatives in this country, who, in discussing this question on a recent public occasion, unconsciously diagnosed with remarkable clarity what appears to many of us to be the shortsighted policy of Canada in this matter. He said: "We have recently heard a good deal about the destiny of Canada, but it is quite true to say that Canadians are far too practical a people and far too busily engaged in making money by the development of the natural resources of their country to lose much time over such questions.' This, I should be sorry to think is altogether true, but the best authorities seem to confirm the view and to believe that the ultimate result would be not merely to develop the natural resources of the country, but to utterly sap them.

"In a sense no doubt Canada is quite within her rights in concluding any arrangement she pleases with her neighbor in regard to fiscal matters, but beyond strict legal right there is the higher question of Empire interests, and I am not using the word Empire in its narrow sense of the British Isles, but in the broader sense of the whole family of lesser and greater Britain. The United Kingdom is certainly the pivot of the existing British system, but Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and the Union of South Africa are daughter States, whose whole life is closely and inseparably connected with that of the Motherland and of each other. It is all very well to say that being self-governing States it is free to any member of the family to make such arrangements with foreign states as may seem good to its respon-sible government, but I say that if this' theory be translated into practice it must end in the practical dissolution of the British Empire considered as a living political entity. Neither Australia, New Zealand, nor South Africa could enter into separate commercial relations with foreign powers without modifying in some way or other its status in the British Empire, and its relations both to the Motherland and to its fellow Dominions.

#### There is Commercial Strife.

"The Canadian Premier well remarked during a historic debate at Ottawa, if England is at war with any State Canada is at war. It may be argued that a state of war is an abnormal and happily rare condition, but peace has its battles no less than war, though they are waged in a differ-ent way. There is commercial strife, the struggling of one nation to secure as much as it can of the world's trade, in many cases at the expense of some other nation. It is all very well for the defenders of the reciprocity agreement to maintain that the British preference is not to be diminished by reason of this new agreement with the United States It is difficult to see how such a pledge can be carried out, but quite apart from any loss that may ensue to British trade with Canada this reciprocity agreement seems most regrettable from the breach it makes in the homogeneity of the Empire.

"Another important consideration in regard to this proposed agreement is that in the favored-nation treaties by which Canada is bound, the destruction of a great part of the advantage through preference which we have held in that market will bring about keener competition for Canadian trade, not only with the United States but with about a dozen other countries. This agreement, for the first time in our history, will also establish a tariff in the United States which differentiates against the introduction of goods made in the United Kingdom and other parts of the Empire as compared with those made in Canada.

#### Something Wrong With the Constitution!

"When foreign Powers make commercial treaties which may effect British interest the Foreign Office is kept advised by the Embassy concerned, and the home government is at liberty to make such representations as the case may call liberty to make such representations as the case may call for. But it does not appear that the British Embassy at Washington has any power whatever to make representations in United Kingdom or Empire interests in such a case as this to either one party or the other. Surely there must be something wrong with the Constitution of the British Empire when such a contingency is possible. These nego-tiations, it must be remembered, were handed over by our Ambassador to be dealt with by Canada over twelve months ago, and it has never occurred to the British Government guard the enormous interests of trade and finance to to which we are committed in the Dominion. Apart from some £450,000,000 sterling of capital invested in Canada the volume of our trade with the Dominion, which will be affected by this reciprocity agreement, amounts to some £27,000,000 sterling per annum."

#### VALUE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL.

A dozen or more years ago, the State of Maine passed law compelling investigation into the cause of every fire a law competing investigation into the cause of every fire that occurred in the State. The effect has been, as was also the case in Ohio, to expose at first the existence of incen-diary gangs, and to secure the arrest and punishment of many incendiaries. Still more, it has driven many fire-bugs out of the State and reduced the fire waste greatly.

From a report for year 1910, issued by the insurance department of Maine, we gather that the total number of fires in that year was 2,079, of which one-eighth were total losses, and the damage done by them is estimated at \$2, 437,128. In the year 1895-6, when the law was first applied, the percentage of fires of unknown origin was 32.54 and the percentage of incerdiary fires 8.54. By the year 1900, so well and so consistently had the department pursued its enquiries that the percentage of fires, of which the causes were unknown, was reduced to 19.37 and of incendiary fires to 1.85. In the next ten years the average has been 20 per cent. unknown. But the incendiary figure has gone down to one-half of one per cent. and the total losses by fire have been very greatly diminished. Here is an object-lesson for Ontario and Quebec, and other parts of Canada. The principal of many causes of fires in Maine last year

was defective chimneys and flues, the number of cases being 262. Next to this came lightning stroke, which caused 227 262. Next to this camp with matches, and matches in other fires. Children playing with matches, and matches in other hands than children's were found to have started 145 fires; hands than children's were found to have started 145 fires; lamps, lanterns, chimneys and smoke stacks, 153. were responsible for the setting of 69 fires, explosion of lamps and lanterns for nearly as many.

#### SOVEREIGN BANK ASSETS

#### May Be Taken Over by a New Company - Alaska Northern Railway is an Important Factor.

A new company is being formed to purchase the assets of the Sovereign Bank of Canada, which suspended four years ago. The shareholders of the new company are to be the share-holders of the old institution. If the proposed deal is not con-summated, the bank will probably be liquidated by the courts, and the double liability of shareholders will be called. On December 31, 1907, the Sovereign Bank's lia-bilities were about \$16,174,000. Other banks loaned the direc-tors money to prevent it going into liquidation, and since

tors money to prevent it going into liquidation, and since that time the liabilities have been reduced by over \$12,000,000 and are to-day said to be less than \$4,000,000. The assets of the Sovereign are said to be worth \$5,-

500,000, but much of this is not now realizable. Will Absorb Assets.

The new company will take over the assets of the bank. It will have a capital of \$3,000,000—an amount equal to the capital of the old bank and to the amount the double liability call would bring in.

Tt is proposed to issue about \$300,000 of preferred shares of the new company, and shareholders of the bank will have an opportunity to buy the preferred shares at par, \$100 a share. So far as it will go, this money will be used to pay off the bank's creditors. Bonds will also be issued, it is un-derstood, and creditors will be paid partly in cash and partly in bonds. in bonds.

The following are the Sovereign Bank figures as they appeared in the February Bank Statement :-

Capital authorized\$3,000,000
Capital paid up
Deposits on demand 10.334
Deposits after notice
Loans from other banks, etc
Railway and other bond debentures 440,893
Current loans in Canada 712,532
Overdue debts 3,981,608
Total liabilities 4,123,375
Total assets 5,635,615
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Do Not Want Double Liability.

The last report of the directors of the Sovereign Bank stated:-

"You will understand that, while the bank still has assets, which, if worked, are, in the opinion of the directors, sufficient to pay its debts in full without any recourse on the double liability, nevertheless, if payment of our debts is demanded before we have realized on our assets, a call may be made on the double liability and our debts paid off in that way, the remaining assets, if any, being then returned to be liquidated by them for their own benefit. "It is the duty of the directors to do everything possible to ensure that no call shall be made on the double liability until it becomes evident that the call will eventually be ne-cessary, or that the returns from our assets will be so long delayed that we cannot in reason ask the banks to wait any longer." Alaska Northern Railway. "You will understand that, while the bank still has assets,

#### Alaska Northern Railway,

Alaska Northern Railway. The present plan appears to be a method for retaining control of the Alaska Northern (formerly Alaska Central) which the Sovereign Bank practically owns. The directors have considerable faith in the Alaska Northern Railway, an independent road, which was incorporated October 28, 1909, under the laws of the State of Washington, as successor to the Alaska Central Railway, sold under foreclosure October 11, 1909. It runs from Seward, on the south coast of Alaska, northerly to near Fairbanks on the Tanana River, 450 miles, with a branch to the Malanuska coal fields, a total of 496 miles. Of this mileage, 71 miles, from Deward north, were completed for operation September 1, 1907, together with 5 miles of sidings. The railroad has the standard gauge. The rolling stock consists of 4 locomotives and 40 cars. The officers and directors are as follows: O. G. Laberee, president, Seattle, Wash.; R. D. Miller, vice-president, Spokane, Wash.; J. A. Haigh, secretary, Seattle, Wash.; F. G. Jemmett, treasurer, Toronto; A. H. Wheatley, auditor, Seward, Alaska; directors: O. G. Laberee, F. W. Low, Seattle, Wash.; George Turner, R. D. Miller, Spokane, Wash.; E. H. Morrison, Fairfield, Wash. The company's gen-eral office is at Seattle, Wash.

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#### THIS LIFE COMPANY WANTS AN ACTUARY.

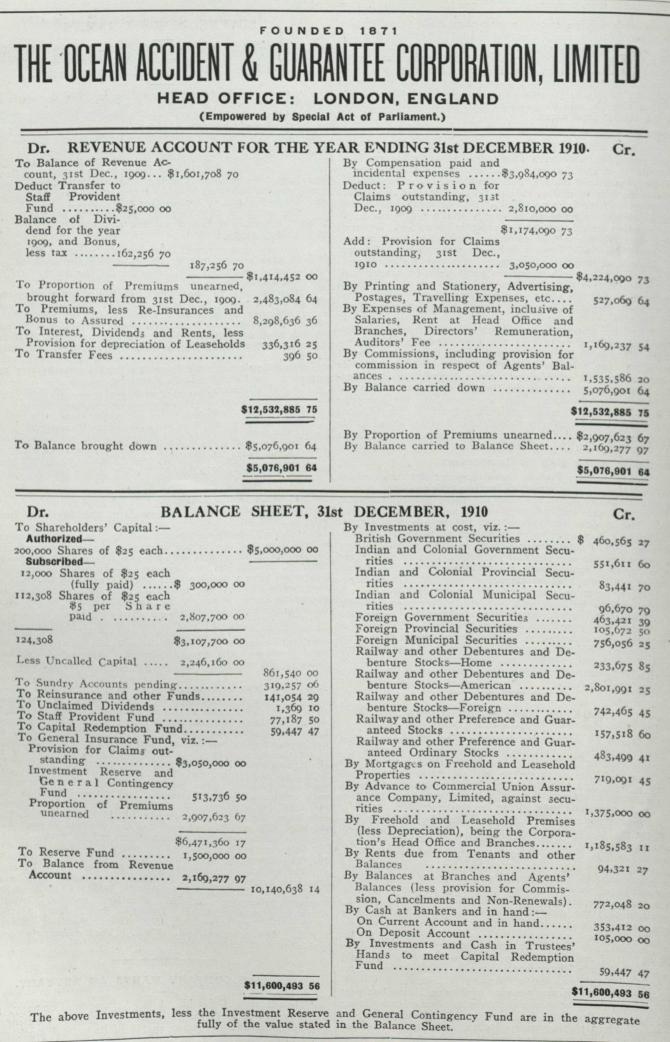
The British Columbia Life Assurance Company, of Vancouver, has received its license to commence business. The company has sold 9,700 shares of its capital stock and has started to canvass for business. It will conduct operations in the four Western provinces, paying most attention to British Columbia.

The company desires the services of an actuary.

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#### CONSUMERS' GAS STOCK AUCTION.

#### More Than Two Thousand Shares Were Withdrawn as Price Declined-Notes of Former Sales.

Ten thousand shares-\$500,000-in lots of ten shares each of the capital stock of the Consumers' Gas Company, of Toronto, were advertised for sale by auction on Tuesday of Toronto, were advertised for sale by auction on Tuesday. After the sale of 7,700 shares it was announced by the auctioneer that the remaining 2,300 shares would be with-drawn by order of the directors. This was due to the fact that, although the bidding opened at 199, the price declined rapidly to 190. A short time before, stock exchange trans-actions had occurred at 199. The sale was stopped, the directors stating they had all the money they required to finance present extensions to their plant. The mayor of Toronto must have three months' notice of the sale of Con-sumers' Gas stock. It is unlikely that another auction will take place for some time. take place for some time.

#### Reasons of Decline.

Many reasons have been given during the week for the slump in the price. The competition experienced by Con-sumers' Gas stock from a lengthy list of safe and remunerative bonds is thought to be one of the leading factors. Absence of independent buying, tightness of the money market and public sentiment created by legislation aimed at public utilities were also among the reasons noted.

The directorate and the management of the company do not appear very disappointed with the result of the sale. The decline in price they are inclined to ascribe to the im-mediate tightness in the money market. The average price, 192.59, realized during the sale represents a return of 5.19 per cent. The Monetary Times understands that one broker was willing to purchase the remainder of the stock, presumably at 190.

Respecting the criticism of the directors in withdrawing the stock when it had dropped to 190, it is interesting to recall that the directors were vigorously criticized in 1907 when they allowed the stock to decline rapidly to 180.

#### Average of Past Years.

In 1909 the company was authorized by the legislature to increase its capital stock from \$3,500,000 to \$6,000,000. A block of ten thousand shares having a par value of \$500,000 was sold on April 5th last year at prices ranging from \$108 to \$203 per share, bringing the total stock issue of the company to \$4,000,000.

The price obtained this week compares with the following results of previous sales :-

Amount.	Average price.
May, 1903 \$50,000	\$209.24
November, 1903 100,000	192.86
June, 1904 100,000	200.00
January, 1904 250,000	210.00
April, 1906 250,000	200.75
November, 1906 300,000	190.66
December, 1907 450,000	180.44
January, 1909 250,000	203.91
April, 1910 500,000	199.99
April, 1911 385,000	192.59

The range of quotations on the stock for some years has been :-

	1910	1909.	1908.	1907.	1906.	
High	. 207	207 1/4	200	206	200	
Low	. 198	1951/2	182 .	182	200	

The purchasers were required to pay a deposit of 20 per cent. on the par value of the stock purchased and 20 per cent. of the premium at the time of sale, and monthly pay-ments of the same amount until the purchase was complete. Anyone wishing to do so could pay cash.

#### LIFE UNDERWRITERS' MEET.

Mr. Wm. McBride, of Winnipeg, was the guest of the Ottawa Life Underwriters' Association at their recent meet-ing, when he delivered a splendid address on "Duty." At the meeting held March 18th, the following officers were elected:—President, Mr. A. J. Meiklejohn, Confederation Life; vice-president, Mr. W. G. Keddie, Manufacturers Life; secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. L. Reid, Sun Life; executive committee, Messrs. R. L. Haycock, Canada Life; I. A. Mill, Travelers of Hartford; W. M. Stevens, Mutual of Canada; E. R. Edey, New York Life; O. B. Shortley, Metropolitan. Mr. W. M. Stevens, the retiring president, was elected hon-orary president. -orary president.

#### INDUSTRIAL STOCK OFFERINGS.

#### Russell Motor Car, Limited, and Belding, Paul Corticelli Silk Company Make Issues of Preferred Stock.

With many new bond and stock offerings, the growing activity on the stock exchanges and the interest in mining speculation is giving the investment and speculative markets an attractive appearance.

The two most notable stock offerings this week are issues of preference shares of the Russell Motor Car Com-pany, Limited, and of the Belding, Paul and Corticelli Silk Company, Limited. Messrs. A. E. Ames & Company are offering \$800,000 of 7 per cent. cumulative convertible pre-ference shares of Russell Motor Car Company, Limited, at par. The directors of the company are: J. N. Shenstone, president, treasurer Massey-Harris Company, Limited; T. A. Russell, Toronto, first vice-president and general man-ager; E. B. Ryckman, K.C., Toronto, second vice-president, of Ryckman, Kerr & MacInnes; Hon. George A. Cox, To-ronto, president Canada Life Assurance Company; Lloyd Harris, M.P., Brantford, of Harris, Cook & Company; J. W. The two most notable stock offerings this week are Harris, M.P., Brantford, of Harris, Cook & Company; J. W. McConnell, Montreal, vice-president Montreal Street Railway Company; A. E. Ames, Toronto, of A. E. Ames & Company.

#### Will be Listed.

The securities are to be listed on the Toronto and Mont-The securities are to be listed on the Toronto and Mont-real Stock Exchanges, and active markets for them are pre-dicted. Payments are: \$20 per share on May 1st, and \$20per share on the first days of July, September, November and January next. The general manager in his statement says that, up to the end of March last, the sales amounted to \$21,143, as compared with \$715,958 for the same period in the previous year, and that, as the sales of the company are principally mede during the last four months of the year principally made during the last four months of the year

principally made during the last four months of the year (which ends July 31st), the total output will likely exceed
\$2,000,000 as compared with \$1,698,009 last year. Mr. Russell, the general manager, says: "The motor car business is more promising than at any previous period in our experience. I believe the expansion in Canada of the motor car business will be still greater than it has been, because up to the present we have scarcely kept pace in this country with the development in the motor car business that has taken place abroad. This company's control of the rights for Canada of the Knight Motor is, I believe, a most sub-stantial asset, the value of which cannot easily be exag-gerated."

#### Silk Company's Offering.

The offering of \$400,000 7 per cent. cumulative preferred stock with a common stock bonus of 25 per cent. was made by Messrs. C. Meredith & Company, Limited, and the Do-minion Bond Company, Limited, the issue being placed on the market at 98%. The capitalization of the company is as follows :-

7 per cent. cumulative preferred	Authorized.	To be issued.
stock Common stock 5 per cent. debentures	1,250,000	\$850,000 750,000 750,000
	-,000,000	750,000

#### Notes of the Company.

Details of this amalgamation were printed in last week's Details of this amalgamation were printed in last week's Monetary Times. Both Belding, Paul & Company, Limited, and Corticelli Silk 'Company, Limited, maintain extensive selling organizations, and have duplicate warehouses and offices in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver. The amalgamation will mean the centralizing of the selling, and also warehousing capacity. This should result in economies. and at the same time permit of a large reduction in the in-ventories and open accounts now being carried. The output ventories and open accounts now being carried. The output of the companies will be standardized, thereby effecting in-creased economies in manufacturing costs.

creased economies in manufacturing costs. The real estate, buildings, plant, etc., of the companies have been appraised by the Canadian Appraisal Company during the month of March, 1911, and the valuation of such appraisals is \$892,800. The surplus of current liquid assets amounts to approximately \$712,000. This is exclusive of any valuation of good-will, trade marks, etc.

### COBALT ORE SHIPMENTS.

The following are the shipments of Cobalt ore, in pounds, for the week ended April 14th:--Coniagas, 126,800; McKinley-Darragh, 51,600; Colonial, 42,000; City of Cobalt, 66,000; Bad-ger, 55,200; Chambers-Ferland, 64,000; Nipissing, 79,700; La Rose, 87,000; Crown Reserve, 66,000; Bailey Cobalt, 40,000; total, 678,300 pounds or 339.1 tons. The total shipments since January 1st are now 14,184,403 pounds, or 7,092.2 tons. In 1904 the camp produced 158 tons, valued at \$316,217; in 1905, 2,144 tons, valued at \$1,437,196; in 1906, 5,129 tons, valued at \$3,900,000; in 1907, 14,040 tons; in 1908, 25,700 tons; in 1909, 29,751 tons; in 1910, 34,041 tons. The following are the shipments of Cobalt ore, in

#### GERMANY'S AGGRESSIVE TRADE POLICY

# Is Bearing Fruit—Trade Statistics Exhibit Marked Pro-gress—The "Potash" War.

Germany is conducting a energetic commercial campaign the world over. Recent trade statistics show that good results are being achieved. An indication of its aggressiveness is ex-hibited in the very early and almost premature request made by Germany to the United States some months ago for the benefits to be granted to Canada under the reciprocity agree-ment. Again, it would appear that Germany is victor in the lengthy "potash" dispute between that country and the United States. The German Empire's seven years' tariff war with Canada resulted in a victory for the Dominion and German trade with our country has improved as a consequence of the removal of the German surtax by Canada. The preliminary report on the foreign trade of the Kaiser's country shows that the value of the imports, exclusive of gold and silver, was 8,609,200,000 marks and the value of the ex-ports 7,467,100,000 marks, an excess of imports of 1,142,100,000 marks.

marks.

#### Relation of Exports and Imports.

In 1909 the aggregate value of the imports increased more In 1909 the aggregate value of the imports increased more proportionately than that of the exports, and an impression prevailed that the new commercial treaties had restricted the export of high-priced goods. In 1910, however, the relation was reversed, the value of the exports having risen more pro-portionately than that of the imports. German traders have therefore succeeded in overcoming the difficulties created by the less favorable commercial treaties, and have again strength-ened the position of German industry in the world's markets. The total values of German imports and exports, exclusive of precious metals, during the last three year are: precious metals, during the last three year are:

	Imports. 1.000 M.	Exports. 1.000 M.
1908 .	7,666,556	6,399,412
1909 .	 8,526,922	6,594,354
1910 .	 8,609,181	7,467,108

The aggregate value of the imports in 1910 thus shows on increase of 82,259,000 marks as against 1909 and of 942,625,-000 marks as against 1908. The value of the exports has in 1910 increased by 872,754,000 marks as against 1909. The increased value of the exports during the last 12 months is almost ten times as great as the increase in the value of the imports during the same period.

#### Some Interesting Figures.

As compared with 1908 the increase in the value of the exports in 1909 amounts to 1,067,696,000 marks. Arranged un-der the chief headings of the German customs tariff the re-turns show the following changes in the values as compared with the preceding year.

with the preceding year	: San Breen and			
	Impo	orts.		ports.
	1909.	1910.	1909	1910.
Articles	1,000 M.	1.000 M.	1,000 M.	1,000 M.
Agricultural produce 5		5,610,567	1,216,614	1,385,506
Min'l raw mat'l	785,697	824,761	527,281	563,440
	100,091	044,101	021,201	
Chem. products, colors	007 107	004 150	c10 002	690,490
and dyes	305,137	334,150	612,223	050,150
Textile mat'ls and				1 005 000
wares thereof	786,429	805,102	1,194,745	1,335,036
Leather and leather				
wares	143,892	$163,060 \\ 24,548$	390,949 42,829	$440,942 \\ 52,439$
Caoutchouc wares	19,805	24,548	42,829	52,439
Wares of material for				
carving & moulding	44,672	48,784	88,600	107,920
Paper and wares	,	,		
thereof	24,698	26,385	200,328	217,252
Books, pictures, paint-	. = 1,000	20,000	200,020	
ings	43,414	44,781	95,097	97,067
Earthenware			76,063	85,252
	6,597	6,960		
Glass and glassware	17,581	20,480	90,029	99,739
Precious metals and			007 150	010 001
wares thereof	355,057	404,558	337,159	219,031
Base metals and wares				
thereof	409,278	470,486	1,037,909	1,220,846
Machinery, electro-				
technical prod	101,388	97,826	682,769	818,980
Fire-arms, clocks, toys	28,137	31,682	158,939	183,288
As to Individual Result	13.			

As to Individual Results. Of individual results the following are worth noticing: The import of mineral fuel (coal) has sunk from 260,600,000 to 238,-800,000 marks, while at the same time the export increased from 413,300,000 to 444,600,000 marks. The imports of chem-ical primary materials rose from 187,500,000 to 203,600,000 marks; the export from 225,500,000 to 266,200,000 marks. The export of colors and dyeing materials rose from 231,300,000 to 248,000,000 marks. Remarkable also is the improvement in the trade in silk and silk goods, the import of which rose from 263,500,000 to 275,900,000 marks. In the case of wool the im-port fell from 264,400,000 to 253,300,000 marks, but at the part fell from 264,400,000 to 253,300,000 marks, but at the marks.

Marks. An official summary of the foreign commerce of the world for 1910 places Germany second in the list in value of products cultivation.

purchased abroad. The United Kingdom is first. The United States is next to Great Britain in merchandise exported.

#### Fotash War With United States.

The resignation of Dr. Hill, the American ambassador at Beris thought in some quarters to indicate that President Taft lin lin, is thought in some quarters to indicate that President Taft and United States Secretary of State Knox, have concluded that Dr. Hill's policy has been too firm in dealing with the "potash" war. This trouble with Germany began in the latter part of 1909, over the question of the potash supply from Germany to the manufacturers of fertilizers in this country. The manu-facturers of fertilizers in the United States appealed to the State Department for the abrogation by Germany of what they lating to be amerous rules regulations, and laws restriction State Department for the abrogation by Germany of what they claimed to be onerous rules, regulations, and laws restricting arrangements made by them with the German producers of potash. Stripped of all verbiage, the controversy developed as a result of contracts made by Americans with a German potash syndicate while the Payne tariff law was in its final stages in Congress.

Congress. The contracts called for large supplies of potash to be delivered to the Americans at such a price that handsome profit could have been realized by the Americans and the price of the commodity cheapened to American fertilizer manufacturers.

#### Prevented Performance of Contract.

But as the German government desired to conserve its

But as the German government desired to conserve its potash supply, a law was passed by the Reichstag shortly after the passage of the Payne law so limiting and controlling the sales of potash as to prevent the German syndicate from carry-ing out its contract with the Americans. From this point the controversy has started, the Americans claiming that the German government deliberately sought to invalidate their contracts after the Payne law had made tariff war unlikely, while the Germans have held that the law was made irrespective of the contracts and simply as a government conservation measure. conservation measure.

Most of the available world supply of potash is mined in Germany, potash in sufficient quantities not yet having been found in the United States, although it is said to exist in large deposits in Austro-Hungary. Germany has carried its point against the United States.

Its application to the United States government for the Canadian reciprocity agreements' benefits received a polite but determined refusal.

#### NATIONS' WEALTH PER CAPITA.

That the per capita wealth of France is greater than that of any other nation in the world has long been an accepted fact. The new demonstration of this situation is published by the Wall Street Journal, which recently printed the follow-ing table of the total wealth of the four nations:—

United States	\$125,000,000,000
Great Britain	
France	
Germany	63,500,000,000
The per capita we	lth, together with the population of the
four nations, is indica	ed in the following statistics:
Country	Population Per capita.
Franco	40,000,000 \$2,075

France	 40,000,000	\$2.075
Great Britain .	 46,000,000	1.930
United States .	 90,000,000	1.390
Germany	 . 64,000,000	.992

Such a statement as the foregoing makes it simpler to un-derstand why the present community of action of England and France in financial as well as political questions serves to block France in financial as well as political questions serves to block effectually German aspirations for the extension of political and commercial influence in the near East. At the present time there is lacking to Germany adequate capital for her own enor-mous industrial expansion at home, and in this her situation resembles our own. As for foreign enterprises, for these she must have the aid of Paris or London, aid which, in the present state of affairs, is steadily refused.

It will be seen that the per capita wealth of France and England is almost the same, the slight advantage resting with the former. A greater advantage lies in the fact that in France, more than in any country in the world, there is an actual division of wealth, which makes a much larger per-centage of French than English, American or German citizens or subjects capitalists.

The Western Agencies and Development Company is the name of a new financing business, the object being to proname of a new financing business, the object being to pro-vide means by which sound western projects may obtain means to place them upon a dividend paying basis. The president is Mr. J. S. Dennis, manager of the Irrigation Department of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Calgary, which place will be the home town of the new company. The directors include many prominent financial men. One of the subsidiary companies will open up large tracts of land in the valley of the Columbia river in eastern British Col-umbia. This land will be made ready for the settler, well irrigated planted with trees and the ground prepared for irrigated, planted with trees and the ground prepared for

#### April 22, 1911.

#### MONTREAL AND FIRE PROTECTION

The rapid growth and the enormous accumulated wealth of Montreal, the difficulties of its narrow streets, and the slow rate of increase in its fire-preventing and fire-fighting features make the question of its adequate protection from fire one of supreme importance. The building inspector, Mr. Chaussé, has expressed the opinion that the building by-laws of the city are well observed, and that Montreal is practically safe from disastrous fires. Such a complacent condition of mind is by no means shared by the fire underwriters of that city. Indeed, it has been observable for years that this official belongs to the laissez-faire school, if, indeed, has ever risen to the height of his responsibilities in a great and busy manufacturing city in the twentieth century.

Very different is the view of the situation taken by the chief of the fire department, Mr. Tremblay. This officer has just made a report to the Board of Control, declaring that the existing protection from fire in Montreal is altogether insufficient for the public safety. It is clear that he is not satisfied with the present inspection of buildings with a view to their protection from fire, for he recommends that such inspection be placed under the supervision of the fire department, which, he says, is the only one adequately equipped for the purpose. Chief Tremblay declares that the building inspector and his staff has not been able in five years to complete such an inspection as is needed for lack of sufficient assistants, whereas the fire department could do it in fifteen days. He had, up to the date of his report, inspected only thirty buildings-presumably he means factory buildingswhereas there are a hundred and thirty requiring inspection. He would refuse to undertake the inspection of all the buildings unless given authority to compel owners of buildings to comply with the regulations. So far as he has gone, he finds only ten per cent. of the factories well equipped with means for protection against fire, and only two per cent. of the fire escapes erected are in good working order. One factory, employing on its top floor two hundred girls, has no fire escape, and there is no exit at the rear through either doors or windows. In view of the shocking loss of life in the recent New York factory fire, this is a condition of things that should arouse any community.

Of the moving-picture establishments, he has "not found one which is in proper shape from the viewpoint of adequate protection in case of fire." A very different state of affairs this, from the story told by the easy-going M. Chaussé, who calls life and property in the city "safe" from conflagration.

#### \*YORK FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

At the annual meeting of the York Fire Insurance Company held February 13, 1911, at the head office in Toronto, the members voted in favor of changing from a cash mutual to a purely stock company. We understand that it is the intention of the company to increase its subscribed capital to \$500,000. With this increased capital and a continuance of conservatism and discrimination in the selecting of risks the company should be able to give greater security to policyholders than ever before.

should be able to give greater security to policyholders than ever before. There was a slight increase in the cash premium income during the year just closed, but practically no increase in liabilities to the public. Over six thousand dollars was transferred to surplus account. The business written in 1910 cost less than did the 1909 business. The fire losses were a trifle heavier than in 1909. Only about one-eighth of the premium income was by the mutual system. The officers of the company are: Mr. Henry Duncan, president; Mr. J. D. Evans, vice-president; Mr. J. G. Wilgar, manager and secretary.

\*(The above notice regarding the York Fire Insurance Company was written last February, but through an oversight was mislaid and overlooked until this week. We offer our apologies to the company and to our readers for the unintentional delay in presenting our comments on the company's annual report.— Editor, Monetary Times.)

#### UNION FIRE OF PARIS

#### Will Write Business in Canada—Application is Being Made for Dominion Licence.

The Union Fire Insurance Company, Limited, with head office in Paris, France, will transact business in Canada, as recently announced in The Monetary Times. The company was established in 1828. Mr. Ferrand, formerly the company's manager at Shanghai, will be the manager for Canada. Application has been made for a Dominion licence and registration sought in the various provinces. It is anticipated that the company will commence operations on May 1st.

Its subscribed capital is £400,000. Its fire reserve fund, £789,395; and future premiums under long term policies, £4,503,272. The losses paid by the company up to December 31st, 1909, total £15,120,000, and the premium income in 1909 was £1,197,620.

#### Last Year's Balance Sheet.

The balance sheet for the year ended December 31st, 1909, is as follows, shillings and pence being omitted :--

#### Debit.

Gross losses paid and outstanding	£568,576 205,771
Management expenses (including clerks' share of	205,771
profit)	80,931
Difference on exchange account	872
Taxes and license fees	130,160
Reinsurance premiums	212,114
and the second	£1,198,427
To the fire reserve fund	85,973
Dividend to shareholders (including income tax)	75,000
Reserve on behalf of clerks and general agents	12,000
Balance carried forward	29,195
	£1,400,595
Credit.	
Balance from previous account Premiums received	£ 47,514 1,197,620

Premiums					~	
	investments					30,159
Reinsurers'	share of los	sses	and	other	recoveries.	125,301

£1,400,595

#### An Influential Directorate,

The directorate is as follows:—S. Derville, chairman of the Paris-Lyon-Méditerranée Railway Company, regent of the Bank of France, director of the Compagnie universelle du Canal maritime de Suez, late president of the Tribunal de Commerce de la Seine, chairman; A. Mirabaud, of Mirabaud & Company, bankers, director of the Paris-Lyon-Méditerranée Railway Company, of the Banque Imperiale Ottomane and of the Compagnie Algérienne, vice-chairman; E. Guët, of Guët & Company, bankers; C. Jameson, late partner of Hottinguer & Company, bankers; G. Mallet, of Mallet Brothers & Company, bankers; G. de Pellerin de Latouche, director of the Paris-Lyon-Méditerranée Railway Company, of the Compagnie Générale Transatlantique, and of the Banque de l'Algérie; G. Sohier, director of the Credit Foncier of France, and of the Paris-Lyon-Méditerranée Railway Company, late president of the Tribunal de Commerce de la Seine; A. Thurneyssen, director of the Landes Railway Company; F. Vernes, of Vernes & Company, bankers, director of the Northern Railway Company, and of the Banque Impériale Ottomane; Baron G. Cerise, late Exchequer Inspector, manager; G. Alby, deputy-manager.

At the annual meeting of the Noiseless Typewriter Comvany, held at Middletown, Conn., the other day, the following directors were elected :--Hon. W. Caryl Ely, Buffalo; Col. Jeffrey H. Burland, Montreal; Charles W. Colby, Montreal; Baron G. Collier, New York; Hon. Rolland S. Duell, New York; Henry J. Fuller, Montreal; Arthur Dunn, Scranton, Pa.; S. J. Moore, Toronto; Wm. A. Rogers, New York; W. H. Brouse, Toronto; James H. McGraw, New York; Joseph F. Rankine, New York. The same interests who are connected with the Wm. A. Rogers, F. N. Burt and Carter-Crume companies are also largely interested in the Noiseless Typewriter Company. The Canadian Fairbanks Company, manufacturers of the Fairbanks-Morse engines and Fairbanks scales, have been appointed general agents of the Noiseless Typewriter Company.

### WINNIPEG HAD HEAVY FIRE LOSS

### During First Three Months of Year—Fire Commissioner Lindback Issues Important Statement.

Mr. A. Lindback, fire commissioner for Manitoba, has issued an important report on fire losses in the city of Winnipeg for this year. He says:--"The figures as given are correct and represent the actual financial losses caused by fires in the city, the last three months; they exceed the losses of the same three months in 1910, \$345,026 and for roce by \$325.532.

1909 by \$325,532. "These big figures are mostly due to the fire in the "These big figures are mostly due to the fire in the Kelly block, Bannatyne avenue, January 14th, and that in the McLaughlin block, March 3rd. Both of these buildings were stocked full of expensive merchandise and left unguarded, and in the case of the Kelly building, even unlocked, so that when the fire started during the night it got a firm hold and was not discovered until it burst through the windows.

the windows. "Obviously we cannot stop fires starting, particularly in a climate as severe and rigorous as ours; but by ordinary care and the use of common sense, and enacting and enforcing sane and common sense building by-laws we can bring these losses down to a reasonable minimum.

bring these losses down to a reasonable minimum. "We have the building of a new and prosperous city and should take particular care in new building and constructing in such a manner that the city becomes an improvement on all large cities which have been built before We cannot plead ignorance nor the want of example, as within these same three months, the State of New York has experienced two fires that we will hope may never be duplicated in the province of Manitoba or in the city of Winnipeg.

#### Latest Instance Cited.

"The State House in Albany was considered a modern fireproof building, so much so, that it was held unnecessary to carry any insurance, and yet within a few hours a loss of \$500,000,000 in money was entailed, without mentioning the intrinsic value of the documents and records destroyed.

"In the city of New York, a factory a little larger, but no worse constructed than a number of apartment houses and other buildings in which people are gathered in this city, took fire in broad daylight, with the result, that 160 girls and other employees met a horrible death because of criminal neglect on the part of the owners and some of the officials in the city.

#### Cause of Damage.

"Nineteen thousand six hundred and fifty-three fires in three months by overheated and defective furnaces and chimneys bear witness here of a similar carelessness and neglect of inspection; and our records for 1910 as a whole prove that while our protection for facilities in the shape of fire apparatus and high water pressure, may so far have left us free from widespread conflagrations, the lack of proper preventive remedies and the exercising of common care has caused the city of Winnipeg a loss of over a million dollars in 1910, and for the first three months of 1911 half a million dollars.

"With these figures and facts before us I think any sane person will agree with me, that if we know there is a fire while it is yet in its incipient state, we can avoid many of these heavy losses. This has been my contention from the beginning and was my reason for the introduction of the automatic alarm system about two years ago, which since then has proven its practicability and efficiency by stopping five fires in their incipiency in 1910, and by another remarkable stop on the night of the 11th, when about 1 o'clock a.m. a fire started in the oil vault in Thomas Black's warehouse on Lombard street.

#### Might Have Been Heavy Loss.

"This fire would have been particularly disastrous if it had not been discovered in time, as it started among a number of barrels of varnish in the basement of the building; nobody was in the building at the time, but the automatic alarm immediately sent in the call and rang the outside gong so that the caretaker was awakened, but the fire department was there before he reached the building. The cause of this fire was spontaneous combustion in sawdust soaked with oil, and but for the timely alarm, would in a very few minutes have developed into a very serious oil fire

fire. "I wish to state that I am not calling attention to this for the sake of exploiting any particular automatic alarm device; but let the facts be considered as they are, and with that in view it must be conceded that it is time that all whose duty it is to protect life and property wake up to the fact, that that can only be done by careful and constant work and that mere talking will not accomplish anything."

January—Cause:—	
Cigar stubs and cigarettes	\$ 338
Coal dust explosion	10
Defective chimney and furnace	
Hot ashes	50
Match (careless with)	
Overheated stoves, furnaces and pipes	
Pouring kerosene on fire	25
Unknown, but suspicious of incendiary	361,633
Sparks from furnace, chimney and engines	
Thawing pipes	21-24
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February—Cause :—		
Defective chimney	. \$ 5,107	
Defective stove		
Gasoline explosion	. 2,941	
Hot ashes		
Match (children with)		
Overheated stovepipes		
Sparks		
Smokers (careless)	174	
Spontaneous combustion		
Thawing water pipes	. 290	

	\$11,826
March—Cause:—	
Electric wires	\$10,154
Matches	648
Defective chimney	452
Overheated pipes	4,138
Sparks	20
Gasoline explosion	200
Spirit lamp explosion	12
Spontaneous combustion	2,580
Coal oil lamp explosion	I,442
Candle upset	200
Explosion of chemical	20
Thawing pipes	10
Hot ashes	30
	\$28,915

Total for first three months of year 1911, \$415,879.

#### MR. FIELDING AND PREFERENCE.

In answer to queries of Mr. Borden in the House last week respecting the Canadian trade agreement and British preference, Mr. Fielding said:---

"It has been intimated by many opponents of this agreement, that on making it the government had taken a step which would prevent them from increasing the British preference. It was indicated, especially perhaps in England, that an offer of imperial preference was likely to be made to us and that this agreement would prevent us from accepting it. Consequently I have from time to time denied that there is anything in this agreement to prevent us from increasing the preference if we desire to do it. It was in that sense that I sent the telegram to Lord Strathcona.

"I do not agree," continued Mr. Fielding, "that changes were foreshadowed in that telegram. At the time I introduced the agreement I said that it might be necessary to make some changes. I repeat that statement to-day. But let me say at once that, if such changes are made, they will be in small matters, and they will not include an increase in the preference to 50 per cent. The farmers have asked for free agricultural implements. We have told them trankly that we cannot grant them that, and we are going to persuade them that that is not in the best interests of the country at present. They have asked for an increase in the preference to 50 per cent., and we are going to tell them frankly that we cannot make that change, that the manufactures of Canada cannot be carried on if that change is made. We are going to say to them that by bringing in this agreement we are meeting their demands to a large evtent, and we are going to ask them not to press that matter, because it would be a disturbing influence, while reciprocity will have no disturbing influence, but will work for the general advantage of Canada."

Mr. A. B. Mitchell, of the head office staff of Sterling Bank of Canada, who for the past few months has been on sick leave in Scotland, will shortly return.

Branches of the Canadian Bank of Commerce have been opened at Bengough on the Maryfield extension of the Canadian Northern Railway, and at Biggar, the fourth divisional point on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, west of Winnipeg.

#### APPLE EXPORTS DECLINED.

#### Shipments Last Season from Both American and Canadian Ports Showed a Decrease.

Referring to the season's shipment of apples a letter from Messrs. W. N. White & Co., fruits and general produce, says: "Last week about concluded the exports of apples to Europe, and the following facts and figures may be interesting and instructive:

Port	Exports this season.	Exports last season.
	Barrels.	Barrels.
New York	326,219	398,944
Boston	440,926	263,626
Portland	72,807	248,020
Montreal	169,940	587,287
Halifax and Annapo	olis 204,254	676,424
St. John	5,055	45,356
Boxes of Far West	ern 1,070,500	463,362

"The early spring and late frost destroyed large portions of the crop east of the Rockies and many parts of Colorado. New York kept its supplies up to the average through drawing large lots from the Virginias, where they have gone into ex-tensive planting during the past decade. It will be seen that Boston and Portland combined are about equal for the two seasons. Massachusetts and Connecticut will, in the future, have to be reckoned with. Growers there are taking more pains with their orchards, until to-day the quality is equal to some of the best in New York State.

#### Decline from Canadian Ports.

"Attention is called to the falling off from Montreal, Halifax and St. John of over 800,000 barrels. Last year's warm March followed with bad weather in May accounts for this. Otherwise, Nova Scotia alone, with her increasing acreage, expected 1,000,000 barrels. This year things are re-versed. They still have cold weather and their season is fully four weeks later than last. It is said their trees are looking reall and having had light erons last year Canadian ports are well, and, having had light crops last year, Canadian ports are expected to ship this year 2,000,000 barrels, or 700,000 more

wein, inc., this is year 2,000,000 barrels, or 700,000 more than two years ago. "Further attention is called to the remarkable increase in far Western boxes, the largest in any previous season exported being 520,000 boxes. This industry started in 1885, and my firm sold the first car that ever was shipped to England. The total growth this year has been reckoned about 15,000,000. Each box when sent to New York pays the railways 50-cent freight. At present everything west looks well for good crops. Colorado, that only had 2,500 carloads last season, has already come out with the statement that they expect 10,000 this season. This would mean 8,000 carloads of apples (6,000,000 boxes). The immense tracts laid out in Idaho, Utah, Oregon and Washington during the past ten years, which are now coming into bearing, looks like 28,000,000 to 30,000,000 boxes next season and it remains to be seen if these quantities will be able to stand the present railway charge. Annles Grown Under Irrigation.

#### Apples Grown Under Irrigation.

"All barrels of apples have sold at good prices, but boxes have sold at lower prices than they have in their history, par-ticularly those grown under irrigation. Some of these have ticularly those grown under irrigation. Some of these have arrived in Europe in bad condition, proving that fruit grown under irrigation has poor carrying quality—too much water in the fruit, and as the American Government is expending some \$25,000,000 on irrigation, this season's lessons may be of some value. We are continually being asked about fruit growing in the West by parties who have read glowing descrip-tions of the real estate dealers. We trust they will be able to draw their own conclusions from this report.'' to draw their own conclusions from this report.

#### TRAFFIC THROUGH THE SOO CANALS.

Nearly 19,000 vessels passed through the Soo canals dur-ing the season of 1910. The registered tonnage was about 50,-000,000 tons and total freight carried over 62,000,000 tons. About 67,000 passengers made up the volume of passenger traffic. This was the commerce for all three locks, two Amer-ican and one Canadian lock. The Poe and Weitzel are the two American locks, a third much larger than the others being now in course of construction. This is the greatest volume of busi-ness ever carried on the lakes, the nearest approach being the record year of 1907 with 58,000,000 tons of freight. The following table gives details of traffic through the Poe, the Weitzel and Canadian locks, since the opening of the Can-adian canal in 1895:— Nearly 19,000 vessels passed through the Soo canals dur-

adian canal in 1895:-

	Poe I	ock.	
Year	Registered tonnage.	Freight tonnage.	Passengers.
	2,992,200	3,489,448	3,695
	12,120,867	13,058,291	15,178
TOOL	13,224,816	16,664,519	11,112
1899 .	14,844,888	19,924,822	9,182
	15,632,102	21,548,949	12,125
	16,916,836	23,250,661	6,513
	22,260,719	29,735,671	10,792
TOOL	18,841,962	27,790,831	13,906
1000 .	15,882,986	24,640,923	8,355

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1905		24,176,472	36,542,484	12,763
1906		28,138,888	43,083,490	14,202
1907		26,160,107	40,859,145	17,035
1908		18,816,998	27,839,530	18,224
1909		23,491,289	29,634,802	18,421
1910		21,844,713	25,656,451	27,795
Nors.		Weit	tzel Lock	
1895		16,089,878	14,471,648	30,910
1896		9,904,788	8,189,576	18,743
1897		1,702,969	981,335	13,527
1898		2,646,793	1,519,632	16,446
1899		4,176,601	2,327,317	24,482
1900		4,504,680	2,058,405	24,188
1901		5,305,498	2,331,377	23,188
1902		5,147,302	1,497,124	11,986
1902				9,250
		4,156,902	1,381,421	13,251
1904		4,277,056	1,876,993	
1905		6,944,761	2,258,706	15,638
1906		6,650,905	2,096,802	16,723
1907		5,841,003	1,772,701 817,767	15,840
1908		2,670,501	817,767	4,855
1909		5,448,174	497,572	9,315
1910		4,662,273	271,210	5,741
-			lian Lock.	
1895		716,903	590,932	746
1896		4,352,430	4,560,037	14,628
1897		3,796,097	4,943,129	11,508
1898		2,751,145	3,050,513	15,868
1899		2,936,858	3,003,671	15,418
1900		2,179,052	2,035,719	22,242
1901		2,404,642	2,821,027	29,962
1902		4,547,561	4,728,351	36,599
1903		4,737,580	5,502,185	32,019
1904		4,204,096	5,028,190	16,089
1904		5,496,466	5,468,490	25,803
A CONTRACT OF CALLER OF		6,308,531	6,570,788	32,108
1906			15,585,368	29,883
1907		12,086,864	12,733,260	30,208
1908		9,604,231	27,762,775	32,212
1909		17,812,254	36,435,557	33,397
1910	• • • • • • • •	23,349,137	30,430,007	00,001

The above comparative table shows that the commerce through the Canadian lock has become the factor, exceeding the total through American locks by 11,000,000 tons.

#### LOWER RATES ON CREAM SHIPMENTS.

The full text of the judgment of Commissioner Mills of the Railway Commission, giving reasons for reduction of ex-press rates from 45 cents to 15 cents on a 5-gallon can of cream

press rates from 45 cents to 15 cents on a 5-gallon can of cream within a radius of 25 miles, has been issued. It appears that the rate charged by the Dominion Express Company on a 5-gallon can of cream (outward shipment and return of empty can) for distances up to 25 miles was 16 cents in the year 1903. For the same service the rate was increased to 30 cents in 1907, and to 45 cents on the 2nd of March, 1911. Hence the appeal to the Commission. Commissioner Mills says in part:—''In view of the state-ments made by various parties interested in the shipment of cream, that they had not been heard at the time of the general investigation of the express rates, my opinion is that it should forthwith be arranged, by the issue of a special tariff, that the

forthwith be arranged, by the issue of a special tariff, that the charges on cream for making butter, between all points east of Port Arthur, should not exceed the figures set forth in the following schedule:

Miles.	5-gal. can.	6-gal. can.	10-gal. can.
25	15c	20c	25c.
50	20c	25c	30c.
	25c		
	30c		
	35e		
200	40c	51c	60c.

"Return of empty cans, 5c. each. No reduction for smaller partially filled cans. "And I would suggest that the express companies be direct-

ed forthwith to issue a special tariff on sweet cream for pur-poses other than butter making, adjusting the figures for the entire service, outward shipment and return of empties, so that for the total service there shall be no increase in any charge over the charge made for the said total service between March, 1907, and March, 1911, and submit the same for the approval of the board."

Mr. F. G. James, of Messrs. Nay & James, bond dealers and investment agents of Regina, was a visitor to The Mone-tary Times office this week. He has just returned from a business trip to the Old Country. "On each visit to Great Britain," he said, "I find an ever-increasing interest being Britain," he said, "I find an ever-increasing interest being taken by the British in all that concerns Canada and the Canadians; and this time, in particular, I have noticed how the people of Great Britain are becoming very much alive to the possibilities and potentialities of the Canadian West as a field for investment, for commerce, and for trade in all its branches."

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#### THE MONETARY TIMES

#### TWO UNDESIRABLE ENTERPRISES

The Central Canada Meat Packing Company, Limited, otherwise the Western Canneries, is long lived. Mismanaged from the commencement, it has netted hundreds of investors who will never see dividend returns upon their capital. A Pacific coast committee, with G. H. Williams as secretary, has now become active. In a recent circular letter, shareholders are advised to cooperate "in giving their support to the Toronto and Montreal committees in removing those who (ably supported by 'that truthful, incorruptible and public-spirited journal, The Monetary Times') have 'hoodooed' the company almost from its inception, called up the whole of its capital and uselessly got rid of practically the whole of its available cash funds without adding a 'brick or nail' to the factory or a cent to the capital of the company.' We do not know whom Mr. Williams quotes in referring to The Monetary Times, although the quotation seems to have suffered an orthographical transformation during transition. Mr. Williams thinks The Monetary Times has helped others to "hoodoo" the company almost from its inception. As a matter of fact, we nailed this concern as bad coin on the investment counter immediately the prospectus appeared in 1906. We have managed to keep it there, although it has been necessary to drive in new nails from time to time. The Western Canneries should be wound up without delay. This company promoting farce has had the stage long enough.

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Captain Hackett, who proposes to sail from Vancouver to the Cocos Islands to rescue hidden treasure, is to meet rival hunters when he arrives. A party of six, four men and two women, of whom five are English and one American, are said to have arrived recently at Panama from England. A "Captain Kettle" seemed to have the party under his command, but it is reported that the ladies are in charge of the party which sailed the other day for Cocos Island, 500 miles from Panama, for the purpose of searching for buried treasure. The party carried a full supply of arms and equipment and enough provisions to last a month. Arrangements were made with the Atlantic and California Company for their passage on the steamship Stanley Dollar, which is to land them on the island.

The Cocos Islands Hydraulic and Treasure Company, Limited, of Vancouver, was fitting the good ship Mary Dier for this expedition. Some hitch appears to have occurred, and another vessel is to be sent, although Captain Hackett remains navigator-in-chief. The fiscal agents of the company, in other words, the men who are loading hidden treasure stock upon the credulous simpleton, have resigned, but other agents were ready to fill the gap. The company has not yet adopted the suggestion of The Monetary Times that the Cocos shareholders should accompany the gallant captain on his junketting expedition.

#### ALBERTA GOVERNMENT WATERWAYS BOND TANGLE.

#### Railroad Company Files Defence and Now Denies that it Defaulted Bond Interest.

The defence of the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway and the Canada West Construction Company in the suit brought by the Province of Alberta to recover the proceeds of the sale of the A. & G. bonds has been filed in the Supreme Court at Edmonton.

Briefly, the history of the company's flotation in London is as follows: In December \$7,400,000 5 per cent. 50-year first mortgage bonds of the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway were sold in England. The securities were guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Provincial Government of Alberta. The issue was made by the London branch of Messrs. J. S. Morgan & Company. Mr. William R.

Clarke, a banker of Kansas City, was understood to be chiefly interested. It is proposed to build the road from Edmonton, north-east of the Athabasca River to Fort McMurray, a distance of about 350 miles. Of the total issue \$400,000 covered Edmonton terminals, bùt the bulk of the loan was based on a guarantee of \$20,000 per mile on the main line and branches. The bonds, issued at 110, were rapidly subscribed. Criticism was heard in London to the effect that the Alberta Government were ill-advised in their guarantee, which worked out at about 4½ per cent., when it might just as well and as satisfactorily have been done upon a 4½ th basis.

A crisis in the Alberta Legislature occurred as a result of the provincial government's efforts to force the railroad agreement. The cabinet was dissolved and a royal commission appointed to investigate the deal. The commission's report was non-committal and the commission failed to take the evidence of most important witnesses, including Mr. Clarke, of Kansas City, the chief promoter. The provincial government then decided to cancel the railroad agreement, alleging that the company had defaulted in its bond interest. The money raised by the sale of the railroad bonds in London was on deposit in three banks in Edmonton, the bulk being with the Royal Bank. The government now seeks this money, proposing to utilize it for general public improvements within the province.

After reviewing the acts of the Legislature, proceedings in council and other preliminaries which went to formulate the early legislative and financial being of the transaction the defence which has just been filed states "that the \$7,-400,000 by arrangement between the Government of this province and the Royal Bank of Canada," was placed to the credit of an account headed "The Provincial Treasurer Province of Alberta, Alberta and Great Waterways Specia Account."

If any defaults were made in the payment of the inteest, it is claimed that though the express terms of the mortgage deed did not give the province a right to pursue any other remedies than those given in the deed, otherwise this would be claimed as a breach of covenant. Because notice about the introduction into the legislature of the act providing for any default by the railway company was not given any of its officers, it is claimed the act is not binding upon any of the defendants. It is claimed the defendants were not given an opportunity to oppose the passing of the bill, and that no proofs of the facts contained in the preamble of the act were made to the legislature.

The defence says the statements made by the province disclose no ground of action in law. It is pointed out that specializing certain defaults by the Alberta and Great Waterways has not any repealing effect upon any of the other acts concerned, nor does it annul the contract or agreement between the province and the railway.

The defence says the claim of the province is based entirely upon certain words in an act of the legislature, passed December 16 last. This is "An act respecting the bonds guaranteed for the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway Company, being an act to specify certain defaults of the railway and the consequent rights of the province." The defendants now deny that the Alberta and Great

The detendants now deny that the Alberta and Great Waterways Railway has, as stated in the preamble of the act, "made default in payment of the interest upon the bonds." It is also denied that the railway company made default

It is also denied that the railway company made default in the construction of its line. It points out that the act incorporating the railway company said that it should be completed within four years of the time of its commencement, "unless prevented by the act of God, the King's enemies, internal disturbances, epidemics, floods or other causes beyond their control. And if, for any of these causes, the work be delayed, the company may make application for an extension of time."

It is claimed that if the railway company made any default in the payment of interest upon the \$7,400,000 funds as is alleged, that, too, was through the default of the government preventing construction.

It is stated that the act does not free the \$7,400,000 from the trusts adhering thereto.

Another argument brought forth by the defence is that the Royal Bank and the Canada West Construction Company are not subject to the legislative authority of the legislature of this province, and that the act dealing with the railway's alleged default cannot be binding upon either.

The defence says further that the act cannot be binding in law on any of the defendants, or on the Standard Trust Company, the trustees for the bondholders, or upon the purchasers of the bonds, J. P. Morgan & Company, London, Eng., or upon the fund of \$6,000,000 now with the Royal Bank, which is not and was not at the time of passing of the act in fact or in law situated in the said Province of Alberta. The whole act is claimed to be ultra vires of the Legislature of Alberta.

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Dated at the office of the Secretary of State of Canada, this 10th day of February, 1911.

THOMAS MULVEY,

Under-Secretary of Ste-

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#### MONTREAL STREET RAILWAY.

#### Negotiations Between the Company and the City Have Been Resumed—The Position To-day.

#### Monetary Times Office, Montreal, April 19th.

Financial circles in Montreal are expressing satisfaction at the announcement that the negotiations between the city and the Montreal Tramways-or the Montreal Street Railway as it is still called-will shortly be resumed. It has been evident for some time past that there was some uneasiness in connection with the financial situation generally, and that the uncertainty concerning the Street Railway deal contributed. Brokers who had found difficulty in getting sufficient call money began to offer the explanation that the banks were anxious to have a settlement of several questions before they began to loan freely again.

Among the questions referred to, the Street Railway was always included. The arrangements made with the banks nearly a year ago, when the fight for control began, has apparently existed with few alterations ever since. While the security is just as good, it is the policy of the banks to keep their loans moving, and the Street Railway deal has apparently been too long in the same position. Six months ago, it was generally thought here that when the reorganization took place, English capital would be brought into the deal, possibly through the purchase of part of the \$25,000,-000 debenture bonds, which it was proposed to create. This would retire the outstanding stock and lift the loans now made by the banks against a very large portion of the stock.

#### Cood Deal With Underwriters.

In order to make a good deal with the underwriters of the proposed new issues, the directors made a strong effort at the last session of the Quebec Parliament to obtain a new franchise with the city of Montreal. This effort was made a<sup>r</sup> Quebec rather than with the city, because of various reasons, one of which was that in the negotiations with the Board of Control the terms demanded by Mr. Wanklyn were of a character which the railway considered would lessen the chances of a profitable underwriting. The city opposed the passage of the bill through the Legislature, and succeeded in making it compulsory for the railway to make terms with the city.

Little has been heard since of further details in connection with the renewal of the contract. The feeling has been that should the railway not succeed in its efforts to finance its scheme the effect would be unfavorable upon the situation in Montreal. Should the re-financing prove successful, the result would not only be that considerable money would be liberated for call loans and other stocks, but that confidence would be greater. As the re-financing would naturally depend considerably upon the nature of the contract with the city, the feeling in the street is strongly in favor of the Street Railway getting a fair deal from the city.

At last the first step for the renewal of negotiations has been taken by the Board of Control, and although the final settlement is distant, and many difficulties will have to be removed, the feeling in financial circles is more optimistic

#### Correspondence Reopened.

A letter has been sent by the Board of Control to Mr. E. A. Robert, president of the Street Railway, informing him that the city is ready to resume negotiations with the Montreal Tramways Company, and asking for an appointment. The controllers are insistent upon the point that the merger The controllers are insistent upon the point that the merger should be accomplished, and that the negotiations should be with the Montreal Tramways Company and not with the Street Railway. President Robert is not disposed to com-municate the intentions of the company, which, under the circumstances, is perhaps not unwise. His reply to the ques-tion as to whether or not the merger will take place immediately is non-committal.

It is believed that the directors of the company have been actively working on the re-financing proposition, and that they are in a position to complete arrangements at any that they are in a position to complete us from London the time. It is stated that instead of coming from London the in likely to come from New York. Financial circles money is likely to come from New York. Financial circles are watching every move and will be much relieved when the contract is signed.

London, Ont., will soon have a new industry. A company is being formed under a Dominion charter to manu-facture the "Holeproof" stocking, and other knit goods, in that city. It will be a branch of the large Milwaukee firm manufacturing this line of goods. The London directors are Mr. Geo. M. Reid and Mr. F. F. Harper. Other London capitalists are interested in the concern.

#### WESTERN CANADA WHEAT MARKETS.

#### Monetary Times Office,

Prices have held fairly well during the week, and the tone of the market is more pronouncedly bullish. exemplified in the last session of the week when, after the holiday, the bull interests took hold of the market and suc-ceeded in tossing wheat almost three cents higher. Instead Instead of the dull market looked for there was quite a tornado of buying orders, our local May being carried from 90% to 93%c. Since markets have taken a more favorable turn there has been an increase of activity, but the fluctuations are frequently erratic. Owing to the steady decrease in visible supplies and better demand for wheat and flour, cash wheat prices and the nearby deliveries have developed a stronger tone. On the other hand, the new crop futures have shown an inclination to decline on the favorable reports of the new wheat prospects. Most of the crop advices coming in are optimistic, and the spring wheat sections have now ample moisture for the beginning of seeding.

The chief event of the week as affecting markets was the publication of the United States Government report on the condition of winter wheat as at April 1st. The showing was not quite so good as anticipated, the percentage condi-tion being given as 83.3, which is lower than the average for tion being given as 83.3, which is lower than the average for ten years, and indicates a probable yield of 510,000,000 bushels as against 464,000,000 actually harvested last year. While the report was not strikingly bullish, it had the effect of advancing prices, but at the same time traders considered that the condition had materially improved since the report

was compiled. The present renewal of strength, however, is mainly the result of the decreasing supplies, the increased demand for flour, and the diminished wheat stocks in North Dakota and Western Canada. On the other hand, excellent growing conditions are shown everywhere in the winter wheat belt, but it is noted that the market does not weaken under the fine crop prospects as it ordinarily would.

#### Winnipeg Market Firm and Active.

Receipts at Winnipeg continue of fairly large volume, a large proportion of the grain still grading No. 3 Northern and under. There is a strong demand by millers for Nos. 1 and 2, while some export is worked almost daily, mainly confined to the lower grades. Cash demand has been fair all week. Seeding will be general all this week in the major all week. Seeding will be general an tills week in the major part of Saskatchewan, with Manitoba following suit imme-diately the ground dries. The opening of navigation has been somewhat delayed by the recent spell of cold weather, but prospects are for the restoration of the lake service about the 25th inst.

#### CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

The following are the figures for the Canadian Clearing Houses for the weeks ended April 21st, 1910; April 13th, and April 20th, 1911, with percentage change:-

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	Apr. 21,'10. \$36,753,563		*Apr. 20,'11. \$30,892,048 27,430,842 16,860,892 8,051,426 3,661,445 3,140,327 2,067,548 2,315,408 2,171,994 1,318,730 2,106,902 1,190,617	Chg. % 
Total Lethbridge . Saskatoon Brantford Moose Jaw		541,399	\$104,292,607 405,671 787,633 452,507 876,066	-11.0

\*Four days only-Good Friday and Easter Monday.

That the La Rose Mining Company will have a cash That the La Rose Mining company will have a cash surplus of \$1,100,000, after payment of dividends on April 20th, and that the company's surplus would have been greater had not operations been curtailed during the past two months through lack of power was a statement made by Mr. D. Lorne McGibbon, president, recently.

#### NEW INCORPORATIONS.

(Continued from Page 1621.)

Ewart, Man.-Ewart Hall Company, \$3,000; W. J. Love, J. A. Smith, J. C. Craig.

Ladywood, Man.-Shaw & Cewe, \$20,000; J. Shaw, Jr.; J. D. Crawford, Beauesjour.

Sudbury, Ont.-Sudbury Rink Company, \$25,000; W. J. Bell, L. O'Connor, R. Martin.

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Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.—Hussey-Ferrier Meat Company,
\$75,000; J. A. Hussey, T. Robinson.
Black Lake, Que.—Thundershild Land Company, \$100,-000; J. N. Morin, P. Poudrier, D. Wilson.
Berlin, Ont.—Canadian "Pyrofugont" Flooring Company, \$50,000; J. J. Walters, C. Huehn, C. Ide.
Windsor, Ont.—Windsor Racing & Athletic Club, \$40,-000; F. E. Glassco, W. Richards, V. M. Chauvin.
Leamington, Ont.—Leamington Brick & Tile Company,
\$10,000; S. G. Morse, J. R. Wigle, R. S. Morse.
Hamilton, Ont.—Knights of Columbus Club, Hamilton;

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Fortierville, Que.—La Compagnie Industrielle A. Bernard.
ard, \$20,000; A. Bernard, O. Mailhot, G. Bernard.
Grand'Mere, Que.—Grand'Mere Shirt Manufacturing
Company, \$45,000; J. A. Nicole, P. Roy, O. Nobert.
st. Tite, Que.—Compagnie de Hardes Champlain, \$45,000; P. E. Delisle, J. H. Desroches, A. Dessureault.
Port Arthur, Ont.—Western Heating & Supply Company,
\$40,000; O. J. Deegan, W. F. Langworth, A. J. McComber.
Walkerville, Ont.—S. V. 320 Mining Company, \$1,000;
J. W. Fowler, H. V. Heard, R. D. Richards, of Detroit.
Peterborough, Ont.—Independent Real Estate Company,
\$40,000; W. Galbraith, H. P. Kennedy, D. F. R. Downey.

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\$2,000,000; W. L. Amiraux, I. H. Harrison, D. W. O'Sulli-

van.

Kars, Ont.-Ottawa Valley Rural Telephone Company, \$1,800; H. F. O'Callaghan, W. A. Wallace, J. A. O'Callaghan

Sherbrooke, Que.—Sherbrooke Land & Water Power Company, \$50,000; R. O. McMurtry, F. G. Bush, G. R. Drennan.

Seven Islands, Que.—Canadian Whaling Company, \$100,-000; B. Sawyer, Westmount, F. Rosenberg, G. Magnus,

St. Catharines, Ont.—Canadian Yale & Towne, \$100,-000; H. R. Towne, J. H. Towne, New York; W. C. Allen, Stamford, Conn.

Canmore, Alta.—Canmore Coal Company, \$50,000; S. B. Thorne, J. B. Neale, Minersville, Pa.; E. M. Parker, Cambridge, Mass.

St. John, N.B.-Hilyard Dock & Construction Company, \$250,000; A. H. Hilyard, Dalhousie; G. A. Hilyard, G. G. Murdoch, St. John.

Thetford Mines, Que .- Martin-Bennett Asbestos Mines, \$1,500,000; R. H. Martin, New York; W. S. Thomas, W. F. Banning, Quebec.

F. Banning, Quebec.
St. Hyacinthe, Que.—L'Ecole Commerciale Pratique La-lime, \$20,000; L. Lalime, St. Hyacinthe; J. E. Belanger, St. Hyacinthe; W. A. Moreau, Montreal.
Calgary, Alta.—Fredericton Land Company, \$500,000;
G. M. Miles-Bailey, Abbess Grange, Stockbridge Eng.; J.
P. Farrar, London, Eng.; G. M. Black, Winnipeg.
Porcupine, Ont.—Eurika Gold Mining Company, \$2,000,000; J. O. Magnan, A. Laurin, L. N. Veilleux. Dobie Mines, \$1,500,000; B. Osler, G. C. Loveys, J. B. Taylor.
Brandon, Man.—British Western Investment Company of Canada, \$20,000; J. J. Anderson, H. L. Adolph, B. D. A. Wallace. Western Ice Cream Company, \$20,000; C. E. Irish, S. Hooper. Hooper. Irish, S.

Quebee, Que.—La Compagnie Cinq, Dix et Quinze, \$20,000; G. Madden, H. Moisan, J. O. Binet. Frontenac Athletic & Land Company, \$145,000; W. J. Ray, P. A. Cho-H. E. Price. quette,

Anneric & Land Company, \$145,000; W. J. Ray, P. A. Cho-quette, H. E. Price.
Montreal.—Goodwins, \$5,000,000; T. Chase-Casgrain, A. Chase-Casgrain, E. M. McDougall. Longue Pointe Lands, \$135,000; F. G. Bush, G. R. Drennan, M. J. O'-Brien. Tayside Realty Company, \$200,000; F. G. Bush, H. W. Jackson, G. R. Drennan. Genin, Trudeau & Com-pany, \$300,000; J. R. Genin, J. A. Trudeau, A. Gravel. Voss & Stuffman, \$250,000; L. Stuffman, A. R. McMaster, Westmount; A. Zabler, Montreal. Pointe Claire Lands, \$100,000; J. A. Sullivan, J. O. Dorion, E. Monarque. Ger-main, Smith & Birks, \$15,000; S. W. Jacobs, A. R. Hall, G. C. Papineau-Couture. G. M. Geller & Company, \$20, 000; G. M. Geller, A. Livingstone, F. Brown. British Columbia.—A. Huggett Company, \$250,000.
British Gas & Light Company, \$100,000. Clarke Brothers, \$50,000. Cordova Building, \$60,000. Cranbrook Railway Y.M.C.A. Edson Townsite Company, \$750,000. Howe Sound Power Company, \$100,000. Johnstone Strait Power Com-

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pany, \$1,000,000. Majestic Builders & Realty Company, \$50,000. Nicola Valley General Hospital. Western Canada \$50,000. Nicola Valley General Hospital. Western Canada Lands, \$1,000,000. Burrard Cigar Company, \$10,000. Can-adian-American Corporation, \$50,000. Co-operative Italian Association. Hat Pin Protector Company, \$30,000. Mac-Arthur & Macmillan, \$25,000. Macdonald Godson Company, \$200,000. Omineca Mines, \$1,000,000. Seymour Arm Fruit Lands, \$500,000; Steamboat Prospecting Company, \$250,000. Thomas Foster & Company, \$50,000. Yellowhead Land & Mines Investment Company, \$100,000.

#### EAST AND WEST.

The Lambton Packing Company will erect a canning factory at Petrolea, Ont., and when completed the plant will be the largest canning factory in the Dominion. The ma-chinery to be installed will be the latest and most up-to-date obtainable. The building will be fireproof throughout. The company has contracted for almost all the acreage necessary, and looks forward to a busy season.

The T. & N. O. Railway Commission has arranged to The T. & N. O. Railway Commission has arranged purchase for \$250,000 the Nipissing Railway Company. The charter of this railway covers from Cobalt, Haileybury, Lis-keard, and runs along the north end of Lake Nipissing to the Quebec border. The road at present runs from Cobalt the Quebec border. The load at present runs from Cobalt to Haileybury, and has been quite a competitor to the line of the T. & N. O. Railway Commission. One of the re-sultant benefits will be that the Kerr Lake Branch, the Haileybury spur, and the New Liskeard spur can all be electrified, which will be an advantage.

Three engineering parties are in the field locating the main line of the Kettle Valley Railway. Two are engaged east and west of Princeton, B.C., while the third is working west from Coldwater Summit to Roberts' Pass to a point south of Aspen Grove. Construction gangs are now busy at grading work from Midway west to Bull Creek Canyon, a distance of thirty miles in all. About twenty miles of this grade has been finished. There is also great activity beyond the end of the railroad, south of Merritt in Nicola Valley. The management expects to have roo miles of track laid before next fall. This total will include the twenty miles already built south from Merritt.

#### WHEN OUR BANKS COMMENCED BUSINESS.

No.	Bank	Charter Obtained	Commenced Business	Banks Absorbed—Remarks
*				
5	British N. America	1840	1836	Bk. of St. Stephen, 1910 (Gore Bank; May, 1870
13	Commerce	1866	1867	Bank of B.C., Jan., 1901 Halifax Bk. Co., June, '03" Merch'ts of P.E.I., June '06
15	Dominion	1870	1871	(meren is or ribin, june oo
8	East'rn Townships	1855	1859	the state of the second s
16	Hamilton	1872	1872	
18	Hochelaga	1873	1874	
24	Home	1903	1906	
20	Imperial	1873	1875	{ Niagara District Bank, July 2, 1875
-10	Merchants	1861	1864	Commercial Bk., Mar., 1868
23	Metropolitan	1902	1902	
7	Molsons	1855	1855	and the second
1	Montreal	1817	1817	Ex. Bk. of Yarm'th, Aug.'03 Peoples Bk. of Hlfx, July, '03 Peoples Bk. of N.B. Apr.'07
9	Nationale	1859	1860	Peoples Bk. of N.B., Apr. '07
2	New Brunswick	1820	1800	City Bank, 1839
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25	Northern Crown	1903	1905	with Crown Bk., July 2, '08 Union of P.E.I., Oct. 1,188
4	Nova Scotia	1832	1832	Picton Bank, 1886
19	Ottawa	1874	1874	
13	Provinciale	1900	1900	La Banque Jacques Cartier July, 1900
3	Quebec	1818	1818	( , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
14	Royal	1869	1869	Union of Halifax, 1910
17	Standard	1873	1873	St. Lawrence Bank, 1875, Western, 1909
26	Sterling	1905	1906	(
6	Toronto	1855	1856	
21	Traders	1885	1885	
12	Union of Canada	1865	1865	United Empire, 1911
28	Vancouver	1908	1910	
29	Weyburn Security	1910	1911	and the second of the second s

\*No. of Bank in Government Monthly Bank Statement.

#### SINKING FUNDS AND GOVERNMENT LOANS.

#### Ontario is Making Small Issue - Brazilian Loan in London.

The Ontario Government is issuing a loan of \$290,000 to provide for purchase of timber licenses in Algonquin Park. The bonds are for 30 years, and bear interest at 4 per cent. This loan was authorized at the last session of the legislature.

As a result of careful consideration of the subject the sinking fund system is now firmly re-established in Canada as applying to government loans. In the earlier history of the Dominion it was practice to attach sinking funds to all loans. With but slight exceptions all loans had such funds in earlier years. But after 1885 that policy was changed, many years none were attached to loans. As these old loans matured the sinking fund attached was found most conven-ient and advantageous which fact has brought about the readoption of former methods.

#### Purchased Equipment Bonds.

The Dominion Securities Corporation has purchased \$3,-500,000 equipment 41/2 per cent. first mortgage gold bonds, series AI, issued by the Imperial Rolling Stock Company, Limited, and guaranteed as to principal and interest by the Canadian Northern Railway Company.

A London cable message notes the rush of subscribers to the Brazilian loan, issued by Messrs. Rothschild, which was at a premium of over one per cent., the day before the list closed, and quotes a resident Canadian banker's remark that this is evidence of the amount of British capical waiting investment. He considered it a distinct sign of the import-ance which was attached in London to the auspices under which issues were made and the inducement offered to the premuim hunters Given the support of an issuing firm of note, the general investor in London does not discriminate between a methic with the battaches and the prime of the battaches and the battaches and the premuim for the premuimer of the battaches and the support of an issuing firm of note, the general investor in London does not discriminate between a republic like Brazil and a portion of the British Empire where his ultimate security is certainly higher.

#### Incident is a Lesson.

The incident is a lesson as to how much easier it is to raise money when the inducement to the broker to recommend issues to his clients is above the average. It is said that over \$500,000,000 was offered and the list actually closed ten minutes after the bank opened; not for a long time has there been such a scene of excitement as was wit-

nessed over this Brazilian issue. Canadian securi ies of fil kirds fre growing in favor and, given reasonable care and attractiveness in the issues made, all the money wanted can be obtained, though in some recent cases the underwriters have had to wait a digestive process on the part of the public to place their holdings. The progress and prosperity of the United States as well as Canis so steady that it must, in the opinion of the authority queted and the general body of financiers, be London rather than New York which will furnish the sinews of war for the further development of their boundless resources. The proposed reciprocity agreement, however, is checking enthusiasm somewhat.

The \$50.000,000 loan to China by a group of American financiers, negotiations for which have been proceeding for some time, has been signed at Peking.

During the past three months there has been a considerable movement of State banks in Oklahoma to take out Na-tional bank charters, and there has been much discussion of this as an evidence of the failure of the bank guarantee law, which has been in force just three years. It has also been remarked that deposits in National banks in Oklahoma have largely increased within a few months, while a decrease in State bank deposits has been reported. There has been talk of a movement among Oklahoma State bankers to bring about a public investigation of the administration of the guarantee fund.

Following closely upon the issuance of a writ by the Union Bank of Canada to recover over \$75,000 from the Wilkinson Plow Company, comes the announcement that the corporation has assigned to Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson, Toronto. The company has assets between \$400,000 and \$500,000 and the liabilities are somewhat less. The plant is in West Toronto and employs 175 hands. An effort will be made to reorganize the industry. The writ issued by the Union Bank was to recover the sum of \$72,231.46 alleged to be due upon promissory notes issued by the Wilkinson Plow Company in favor of the West Lorne Wagon Company. The bank also claims \$3,276.49, alleged to be due on five promissory notes to the Toronto Pressed Steel Company, bearing the defendents' endorsement. ion Bank of Canada to recover over \$75,000 from the Wilkinonts' endorsement.

#### INTEREST ON MONTREAL LOANS.

#### Statement of City Treasurer Issued-Municipal Bond Notes.

The statement of the six months' interest to be paid on May 1st on the various loan issues of the city of Montreal, including municipalities recently annexed, amounts to \$913,-397.51. On November 1st a similar amount will be paid, making a total expenditure during the year for interest of \$1,826,795.02. When the annexed wards were brought into the city, they brought an estimated five millions of debt with them, and the city also made a loan of nearly as much more during the year for general purposes. The statement is as follows:----

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Payable at the Bank of Scotland, Edinburgh .. 46 0 6

This is equivalent in currency to \$553,632.25; coupons payable in New York, \$66,495.50; coupons payable in Mont-real, \$188,103.48; registered stock dividends in Montreal, \$94,166.28; R.C. school coupons in Montreal, \$11,000.00; total, \$913,397.51.

The city council of Saskatoon has been asked to guarantee bonds of the Saskatchewan Power Company to an estimated amount of \$836,000, the company promising to give the city 51 per cent. of the common stock and a controlling representation on the board.

Ing representation on the board. The financial statement of the city of New Westminster, B.C., for 1910 for actual values and including debentures and all other amounts that could possibly be included in the liabilities; assets showed a surplus of \$615,000 over lia-bilities. In 1910 \$299,858.75 was expended, which amount included interest and sinking fund. Last year was the first year since 1898 that the city had been asked to put away money for the sinking fund. The receipts for the year were \$281,182.75 showing a deficit of about five thousand dollars \$281,182.75 showing a deficit of about five thousand dollars. Against this, there is an amount of \$10,000 still due the city from the British Columbia Electric Railway on the Lulu Island bridge account. The council also paid several thousand dollars of accounts contracted by the 1909 council, of which, it is alleged, they had had no previous warning.

which, it is alleged, they had had no previous warning. The present population of the town of Herbert, Sask., is over 600, while the assessment on rateable property is estimated at \$366,432; the tax rate is six mills, and the school district rate ten mills. The debenture debt now stands at \$2,000, this being incurred by municipal improve-ments during the past two years, \$750 being spent in 1000 ments during the past two years. ments during the past two years, \$750 being spent in 1900 and \$1,000 during 1910, while it is expected that with a large increase in the assessment this year further permanent improvements will be made, thus adding to the beauty of the town.

#### GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC PLANS.

The Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad is planning to take early steps in the construction of a line into the United States for the purpose of securing direct connection with Chicago. As a basis for this it is believed that the extension of the Regina branch into Ward County, North Dakota, which has been offi-cially announced as intended, is the first step in plans to reach St. Paul and Minneapolis and there secure connection for Chi-cago. As this extension is to be rushed to completion this summer, such a through route might be a reality in time for summer, such a through route might be a reality in time for the autumn movement of grain.

The Grain Trunk Pacific, it is said, is compelled to make direct connections with the Twin Cities and Chicago in order to be on a parity with the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian Northern. The Canadian Pacific has its own line into Chicago Northern. The Canadian Pacific has its own line into Chicago over the Wisconsin Central. The Canadian Northern this fall will have its own line operating to Duluth and Superior and from there will have a traffic agreement with the Chicago and Northwestern to Chicago.

Northwestern to Chicago. The railroad may be compelled to build a great deal in order to reach the Twin Cities from western Canada, and it is not regarded as likely that it will attempt to construct a line between the Twin Cities and Chicago. It might make a traffic agreement with one of the lines. There also is a possi-bility that it might purchase the control of one of the lines. With the Hill lines connected with the Burlington, the Canadian Pacific and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul hav-ing their connections with Chicago via the Twin Cities and the Canadian Northern via Duluth, there is left only the Grand Trunk Pacific of any of the transcontinental lines with no direct connection with Chicago and the Twin Cities from the West.

April 22, 1911.

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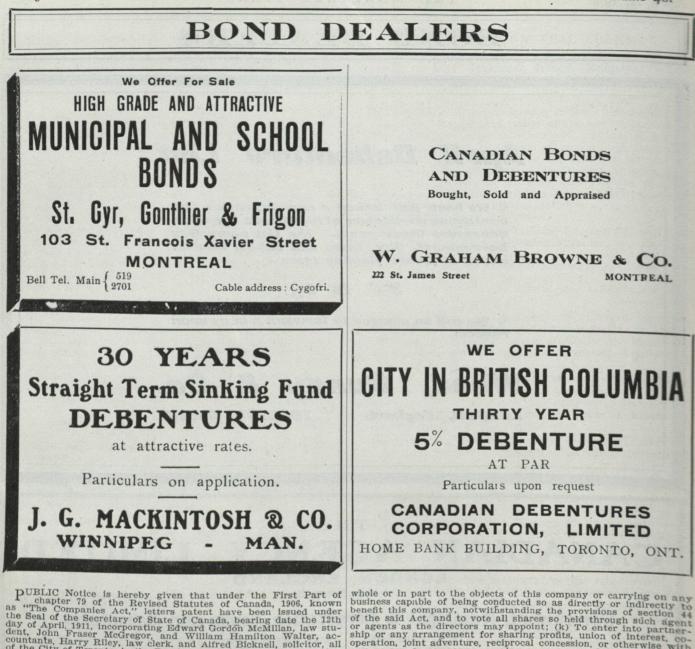
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The Boundary Exploration & Mining Company, opera-ting a coal property at Midway, B.C., elected the following officers at its annual meeting: President, Dr. C. M. King-ston, Grand Forks; vice-president, Mr. S. J. Miller, Grand Forks; secretary-treasurer, Mr. F. L. Smith, Spokane; dir-ectors, Messrs. F. H. Knight, and A. H. Noyes, Spokane. The directors were granted power to raise money by a bond issue, if necessary, to equip the mine.

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# **BOND DEALERS**

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Mr. J. G. Rossman, of New York, has been appointed pewer manager of Winnipeg, Man.

The Bank of Montreal is opening a branch at West Summerland, on Lake Okanagan, B.C.

Mr. A. A. White, of the Sterling Bank of Canada, Goderich, has been transferred to Toronto branch.

Mr. R. W. Thompson, of the Sterling Bank of Canada, has been transferred to the Montreal branch.

Mr. E. Hayes, of the Sterling Bank of Canada, Montreal, has been appointed accountant at Cornwall branch.

Mr. C. A. Chouillon has been appointed manager of the Messrs. Rodolphe Forget financial house at Montreal, Que.

Mr. C. H. Beggs, of the Sterling Bank of Canada, L'Orignal, has been appointed acting manager of the Kearney branch.

Mr. F. O. McIlveen, of the head office staff of the Ster-ling Bank of Canada, has been appointed manager of the Auburn branch.

Mr. J. A. Taylor, manager of Royal Bank of Canada at Moose Iaw, Sask., has been transferred to the management of the Victoria, B. C., branch. He will assume his new duties about May 1st.

#### VILLACE OF HOLDEN, ALTA.

#### Local Improvement Debentures.

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All particulars re the said Debentures may be obtained from R. J. A. Thompson, Secretary-Treasurer, Holden, Alberta.

#### SALE OF DEBENTURES.

Town of Dauphin.

Province of Manitoba.

Sealed tenders will be received addressed to the under-signed and marked "Tenders for purchase of Debentures," up to the 2nd day of May, 1911, at 6 p.m. for the purchase of the following Debentures of the Town of Dauphin:-

\$12,000.00 of Local Improvement (Granolithic Sidewalk) Debentures.

\$100,000.00 of Waterworks and Sewerage Debentures. J. W. JOHNSTON, Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. George F. Wright, of the Bank of Montreal, Chilli-wack, B.C., has been moved to Toronto. He will be succeed-ed by Mr. J. J. Kochan, Greenwood.

The Canada Cement Company will start their works at Lakefield, Ont., at an early date, when the company will manufacture not less than 400 barrels of cement per day. They have asked the town for a fixed assessment of \$15,000 plus business tax for a term of ten years.

Mr. Leslie Burk is in Cobourg jail, charged with firing the buildings at the recent Colborne fire. His claim that he was bound and gagged by burglars and left in a burning building was not borne out by the investigation of Pro-vincial Inspector John Miller of Toronto, and High Constable Jarvis of Bowmanville, and the young man's arrest was ordered.

Mrs. Sarah Paddock, was sentenced at Winnipeg, Man., to two years and three months in Stony Mountain penitentiary for arson, and Mr. Fred. Lake, a boarder in her house, for two years, for perjury, as the result of a fire which damaged the house of Mrs. Paddock on Nairn Avenue, Winnipeg, recently. Lake swore to the usual affidavit, claiming insur-ance, and on suspicion being aroused, made a clean breast of the plan by which Mrs. Paddock set fire to the house, having previously moved out most of her effects, covered by the insurance policy.

There is apparently some person with a mania for burn-I here is apparently some person with a mana for burn-ing barns and destroying horses in London, Ont. One man and 35 or 40 horses have been burned to death in London within a short time. At the fire that destroyed the Harrison and Columbia Hotel stables last fall half a dozen fine animals were burned to death. When Thompson's livery was consumed on Dundas street thirteen animals were suffocated. MacAdam & Ferguson's livery was also destroyed last fall, and the stableman and fourteen horses perished. Smaller fires accounted for the loss of others. It is understood that a thorough investigation into the matter will be undertaken by the police department and an effort made to bring the culprit or culprits to justice.

Valuators have been in London, Ont., inspecting the plants of the London Street Railway, the London Electric and the London and Lake Erie Transportation Company, with a view of estimating what these are worth to the financiers who are of estimating what these are worth to the financiers who are contemplating a merger. The following statement is made by Mr. M. J. Kent: "A direct offer will be made in a few days. The purchase will be outright. There is no thought of attempting to buy a majority of the stock." The London interests represent the minority board of the three concerns involved. The majority board of the street railway is in Cleveland, the majority board of the London Electric and the London and Lake Frie Transportation Company is in Toron London and Lake Erie Transportation Company is in Toronto.

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The report of the auditor at the annual meeting of the The report of the auditor at the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Moyie Telephone and Electric Light Company showed a sound financial condition. Officers elected are: President, Mr. P. F. Johnston; vice-president, Mr. V. Desaulnier; treasurer, Mr. F. J. Smyth; secretary, Mr. P. Conrad, jr.; directors, Messrs. J. W. Fitch and P. Conrad, sr.

Those who will constitute the special royal commission to make full inquiry into all matters touching or relating to the incidence of taxation in British Columbia, with a view to the incluence of taxation in British Columbia, with a view to further and general reductions next year, are Hon. A. E. McPhillips, K.C., president of the executive council; Hon. Price Ellison, minister of finance; Mr. C. H. Lugrin, editor of the Victoria Colonist, a member also of the Canadian bar, and Mr. W. H. Malkin, wholesale merchant of Vancouver.

The managers and senior officers of the branches of the Canadian Bank of Commerce in the central western district assembled at Winnipeg, Man., recently to do honor to Mr. John Aird, who has just been promoted from the position of Superintendent of central western branches to that of as-sistant general manager of the bank. The attendance of no sistant general manager of the bank. The attendance of no fewer than 68 officers was a tribute to the esteem in which he is held by his fellow-officers. The Alberta contingent num-bered 20 and came in a private car, which for the purpose of the trip was renamed "Canbank." Mr. Aird was presented with a cut glass service of two hundred and sixty pieces. The dinner was presided over by Mr. C. W. Rowley, the bank's Calgary manager, and the vice-chairmen were Messrs. H. F. Mytton and C. G. K. Nourse, of Regina and Lethbridge, re-spectively. Seated at the head table were Mr. Aird and Sir Edmund Walker, the president of the bank. The presenta-tion address was made by Mr. E. M. Saunders, of Moose

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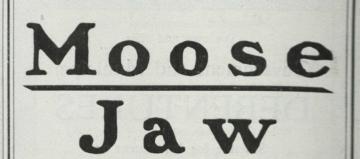
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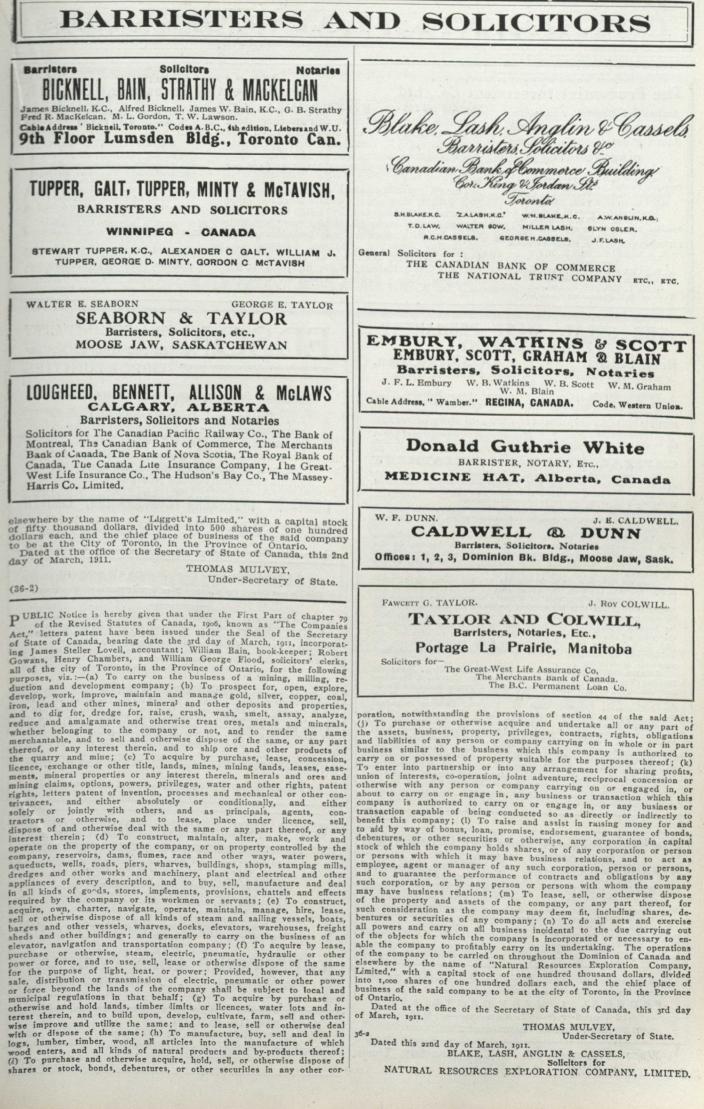
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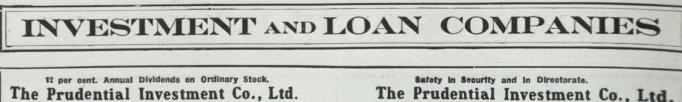


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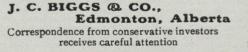
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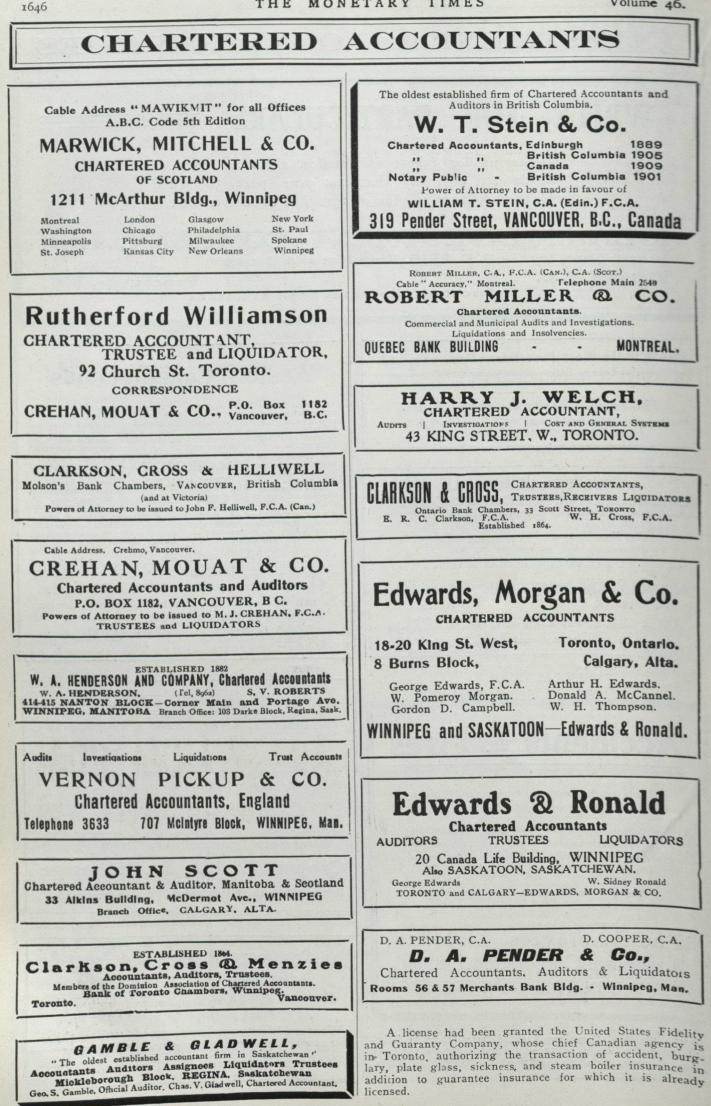
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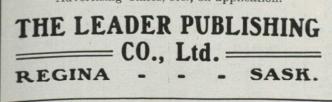
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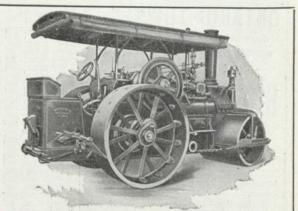
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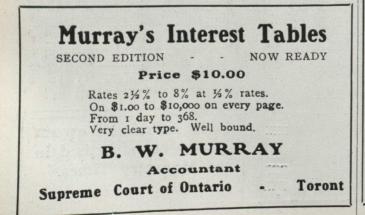
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# **GOVERNMENT FINANCE**

PUBLIC DEBT	1910	<u>1911</u> \$	KEVENUE & EXPENDITURE CONSOLIDATED FUND	Month of Mar. 1910	Month of Mar. 1911	Total to 31st Mar. 1910	Total to 31st Mar. 1911
Payable in Canada. Payable in England Payable in Eng., Temp'y Loans. mank Circul'n Redemp. Fund Dominion Notes Savings Banks Trust Funds Province Accounts.	$\begin{array}{r} 4,897,910\\ 257,451,059\\ 17,033,333\\ 4,111,228\\ 87,232,017\\ 56,330,204\\ 9,083,982\\ 11,920,582\\ 21,813,647\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 4,878,026\\ 275,839,881\\ \hline \\ 4,316,406\\ 89,283,079\\ 56,219,108\\ 9,386,777\\ 11,920,582\\ 24,305,940\\ \end{array}$	REVENUE- Custome Excise Post Office Public W'ks, incl'g Klys. Miscellaneous Total	\$ 5,897,839 1,198,703 750,000 794,131 337,839 8,978,514	$1,409,929 \\800,000 \\796,753 \\418,576$	$\begin{array}{c} 15 \ 108, 633 \\ 7, 551, 667 \\ 10, 066, 999 \\ 6, 354, 208 \end{array}$	10,800,628
Miscel. & Banking Accounts Total Gross Debt	469,873,966	476,149,802	Expenditure	4.981,160	5,002.323	68.857,745	75,590,195
Assers - Investments - Sinking Funds Other Investments. Province Accounts. Miscel. & Banking Accounts.	$\begin{array}{r} 14,606.844\\ 26,216,851\\ 2,296,429\\ 100,777,128 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 15,822,764\\ 27,501,851\\ 2,296,429\\ 102,692,204 \end{array}$	EXPENDITURE ON CAPITAL ACCOUNT. ETC. Pub. W'ks, Rlys, & Canals Dominion Lands Militia, Capital. Railway Subsidies.	$\frac{1.242,651}{7,714}\\94,686$		$746,569 \\1,016,126 \\2,048,097$	1 284,892
Total Assets	143,897,253	148,313,249	Bounties	127,098			
Total Net Debt to 31st March Total Net Debt to 28th February	325.976,712 328,658,879	327,836,553 331,355,198	N W. Territories Rebell'n				-33,688 30,447,470

With the object of determining what portions of Canada's vast forest wealth should be set aside as reserves, as has been done with the whole eastern slope of the Rockies, parties will be sent out by the forestry department. A party will leave next month for Hudson Bay to inspect the timber along the line of the projected Hudson Bay Railroad. The Dominion inspector of reserves is in Calgary engaging a fire ranging gang to protect the forests west of there.

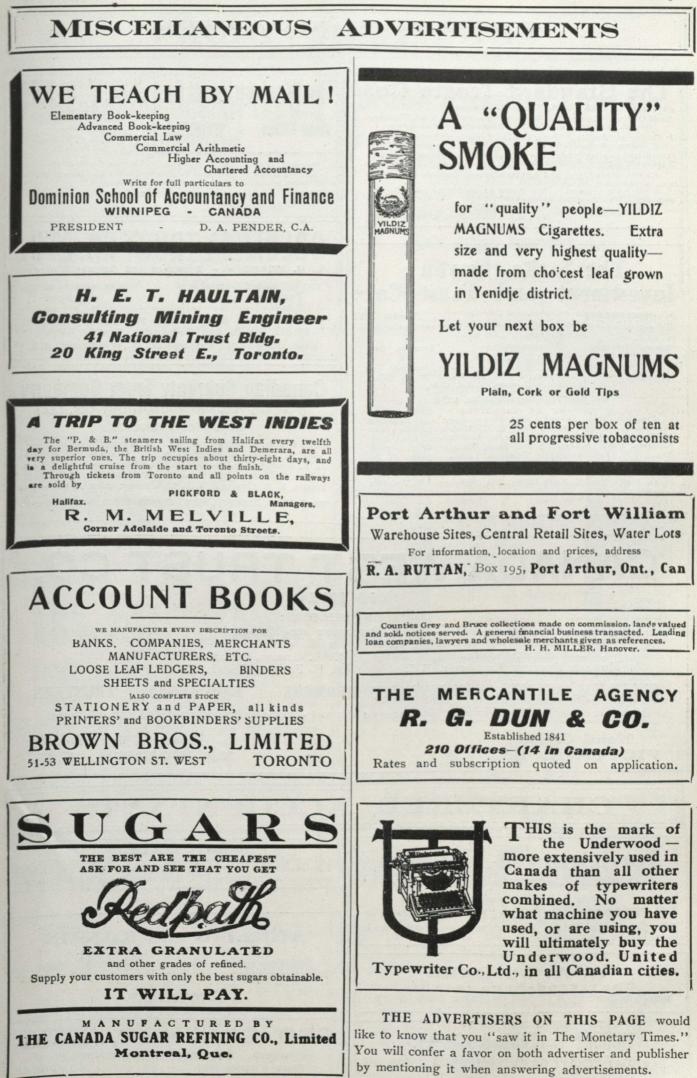




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30th, 1911, both days inclusive. Dividend cheques for the shareholders will be payable at par at the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Can-ada, New York City, N.Y., London, England, Mexico City, Mexico, and its branches.

By order of the Board, W. E. DAVIDSON,

Toronto, April 3rd, 1911.

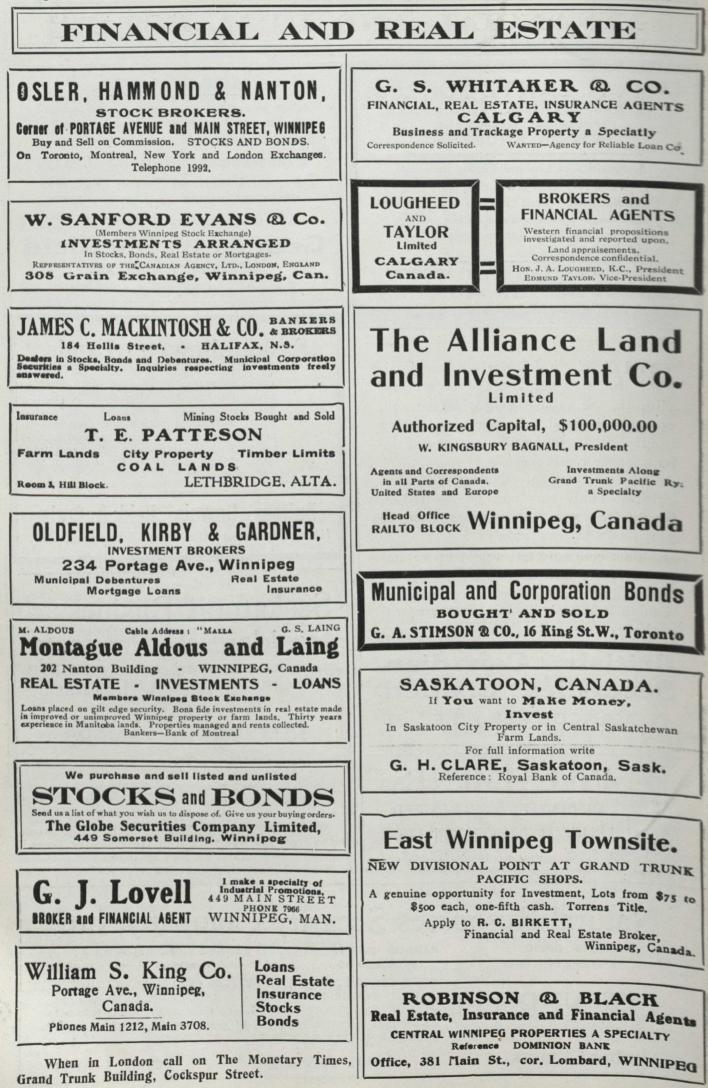
Secretary.

Per Cent. per annum) has been declared on the capital stock of the Mexico Tramways Company for the quarter ending

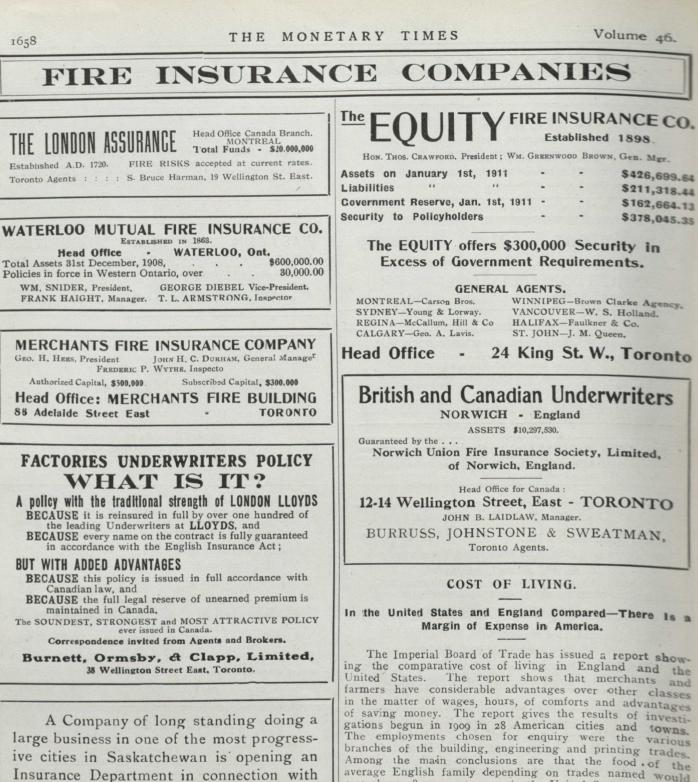
Preferred Stock Holders.
Notice is hereby given that a dividend of 1¼ per cent., for the quarter ended 15th April, 1911, being at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum on the paid-up Preferred Stock of the Mexico Tramways Company for the quarter ending the March 31st, 1911,

A charter has been granted a company with a capital of \$10,000,000 for a shipbuilding plant on Sydney Harbor. Sir Henry Pellatt, Toronto; Gov. J. M. Gibson, Chas. Ellis. Clydebank, Scotland; Alex. Gracie, Fairfield Ship Com-pany; A. Cross, Sydney, are the incorporators. The com-p ny will carry on business under the name of the British-Canadian Shipbuilding and Dock Company.









its business, and is open to negotiate with an English Insurance Company for its representation. Address Box 303, Monetary Times.

Corporation Agencies, a Montreal company, formed recently to make reports upon properties and generally to act in the interests of investors in the Dominion, says "Can-ada," of London, is undertaking, on behalf of a group of French capitalists, the construction of a railroad from Bella Coola, B.C., to Dunvegan, in Alberta. The bill to authorize the building of the line is now going through the House of Commons, and the company's staff of engineers are in the field carrying out preliminary work and making necessary surveys. The road, which will traverse the Rockies through the Pine Pass, will develop the lumber and mining industries in the country through which it passes, and carry the products of the Peace River country to the Pacific The sum of \$60,000,000 will be the approximate cost. coast. of the undertaking. The same corporation, which is superintending the work from its Montreal office, acting on be-half of a group of Montreal capitalists, are equipping and sending an expedition to look into the industrial possibilities of Prince Rupert, the Pacific terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific, and the surrounding country.

Among the main conclusions are that the food of the average English family depending on trades named would cost about 38 per cent. more in the United States, and that the rent in America would be in proportion of 207 to 100 in England. In other words, the cost of food and rent are 52 per cent. greater in the United States than in England.

But the wages in the United States are at the rate of 230 to 100, cr more than two and a quarter times greater in the United States.

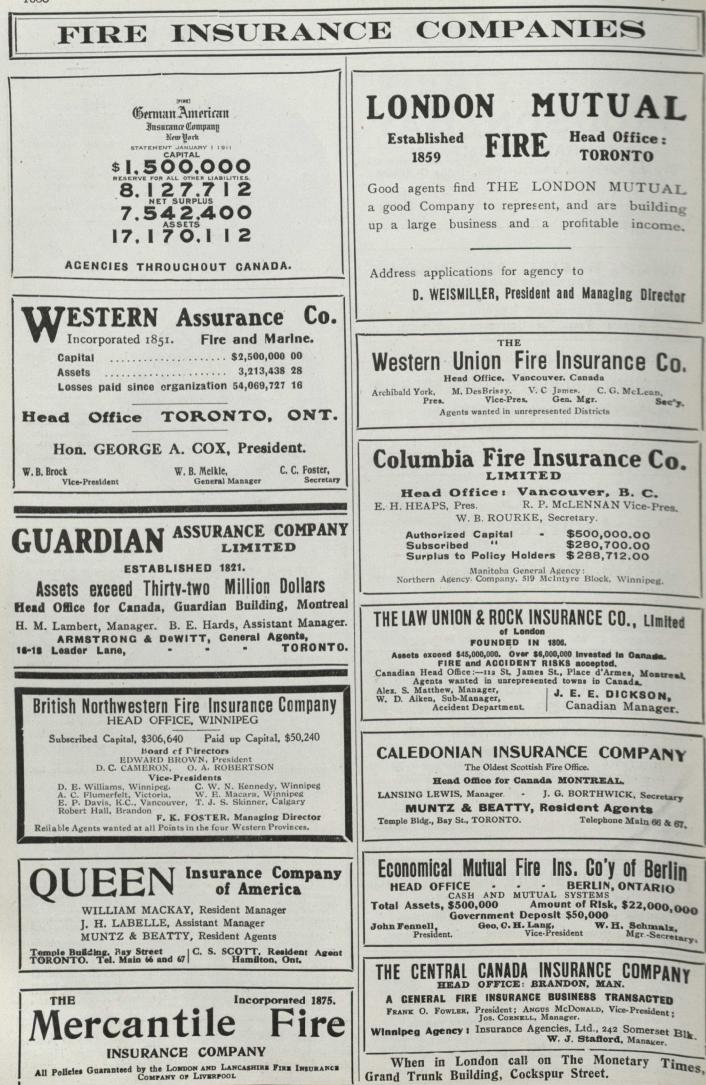
Since there is proof that employment is more intermit-tent in the United States than in England, workers have a much greater margin when allowance is made for higher expenditure. The report says: "The margin is clearly large, making possible the command of necessities, conveniences and the minor luxuries of life to an extent greater than in England, although the effective margin is, in itself, curtailed by the scale of expenditure. The higher expendi-ture is in some instances necessary and in others voluntary, in accordance with a different and higher standard of material comfort."

The report notes further that, although the ability of spending is greater in the United States than in England, and although the American is naturally more extravagant, and although the American is sults, it is a fact that those and great wastefulness often results, it is a fact that those who desire to exercise a strength of will and foresight can save more easily in the United States than in England, because of the larger income.

In the matter of hours, skilled workers in the build-In the matter of nours, stread advantage of about six ing trades in America have the advantage of about six hours weekly compared to the English, and the unskilled hours weekly compared to three and three-quarter hours,



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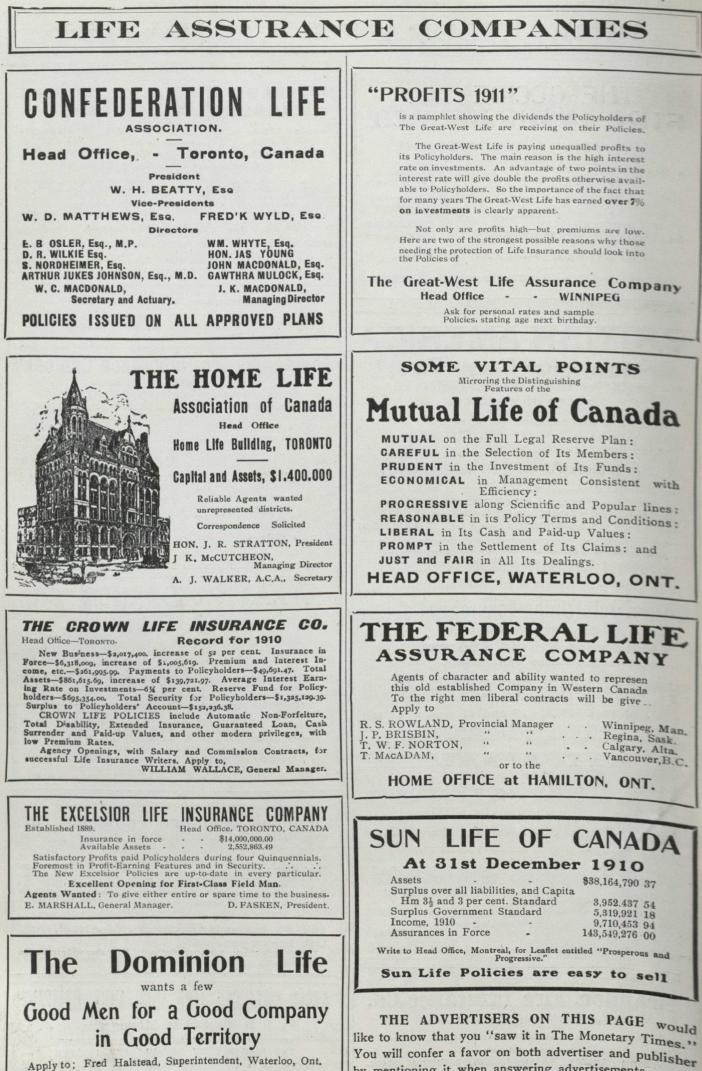


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