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-Simments of flour and apples from Montreal to Great Britain continue to be heavy.
-Advices rrom various parts of Nova Scotia note that the potatoe acreage is large and the quantity to be gathered is small.
-Tononto advices note that higher prices for some varietles of produce have stimulated trade in Ontario and that Toronto jobbers have felt the benefit of $i t$.
-Advioes from Washington note that the promise of several millions of Australian gold which is now on the ocean will carry the gold reserve of the United States Treasury above $\$ 130,000,000$.
-The German Imperial trade returns .for the firsteight months of 1896 show an increase of $2,570,148$ tons of imports and $1,280,575$ tons of exports over the corresponding period of 1895.
-Tine Now England catch of salt mackerel to Oct. 2, amounted to 37,829 barrels, against 18,088 for the same period last year; 38,401 barrels in 1894; 38,652 barrels in 1898; 46,375 in 1802, and 30,881 in 1891 . The imports of new salt mackerel at Boston from the beginning of the season to Oct. 1st were 11,545 barrels, compared with 13,847 barrels for the saume time last year; 22,186 barrela in 1894, and 20,411 barrels in 1803.
-Durina the first six months of this year the exports of frozen meat from New Zealand were 78,702,107 pounds, or at the rate of about $157,000,000$ pounds per an. num. Compared with the preceding year's (128,039,522 pounds) and with those of earlier years, this is a considerable advance. Of beef there was exported 1,817,801 pounds for the half year, which is an increase of something like 750,000 pounds on the preceding half year's 0 atpat.


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-The sugar production of Germany during August was 691,168 cwts, against $1,082,724 \mathrm{cwts}$ in 1895 . The exports of sugar were $040,448 \mathrm{cwts}$ against $608,169 \mathrm{cwts}$. last year.
-Tue Ottawa, Arnprior \& Parry Sound Railway Co. has completed the laying of railg from Ottawa to thirty miles beyond Whitney a distance of 175 miles from the Capital.
-P. I. Creyien \& Co., hotel, St. Laurent, Que., who were previously reported as having assigned, are now offoring to compromise at 25 cents in the dollar, cash.
-Ingrainam \& McLiean, general etore, Sydney, N.S., whoge fallure was reported some months ago, are through A. G. McLean offering 40 cents in the dollar, 25 cents cash, and 15 cent $_{8}$ in 3 months.
-J. A. Brennan, shoes and liquors, Tignish, P.E.I., has assigned to John P. Brennan, in trust, for beneft of creditors. No particulars have been received.
-Tafimports into France during August amounted to 200,351,000 francs, a decline of $13,803,000$ francs on the month of July; but the exports, amounting to 201,810,000 francs, increased $22,003,000$ francs in the mouth.
-How are the mighty fallon! Terence Powderly is reported to have lost his huld upon the affections of the workingman. The other day the members of a lodge of Knights of Labour in Pittsburg removed his picture from a frame which hung in their clubrooms, burned it, and replaced it with one of Bryan's.
-Tiur demand for puddled pig, soft steel, steel, 带iron and splegeleisen in Germany is rapidly growing, and new works will soon be completed which will incroase the production about 20 per cont. Plg iron is almost sold out until the first quarter of 1807.
-Tme bank clearings last week at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal, and Halifax, amounted to $\$ 18,623,000$ compared


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-There are thousands of species of sponges, but only half a dozen have any commercial value. There used to be much dispute, bat science has decided them to belong to the former kingdom, being very low down and degraded relatives of the corals.
-Advices from New York indicate that the increase in exports of manufacturers from the United States for the past eight months of this year is larger than for any previous year in the commercial history of the country. The increase ovar six years ago is nearly 66 per cent.
-S. O. Jacquitm, dry goods, etc., Beeton, Ont, has assigned to G. F. Summers. The liabilities and assets are not given, but ho has only been in business a short time, commencing in March last, when he claimed a capital of $\$ 1,000$. It is not thought that the estate should turn out a very bad one, and he will probably be able to effect a seltiement and continue.
-THE exports of wheat, flour included, from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal last week amounted to $4,215,784$ bushels, compared with $3,980,000$ bushels the previous week, $2,613,000$ bushels in the corresponding week one year ago, $8,243,000$ bushels two years ago, $3,189,000$ bushels three years ago, and 4,017,000 four years ago.
-New York advices note that John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, who recently purchased the entire business of the late firm of Hilton, Hughes \& Co., of New York, will enter immediately upon the occupancy of the premises of the new purchase. The business will be run upun the same lines as the Wanamaker Philadelphia store.
-A return of the French wheat crop for the year issued by the Department of Agriculture, estimates the total at 118,905,098


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-Advices received here from British Guiana are to the effect that the yield of gold in that country is steadily increasing and mining property is rising in value. Shares in the Barima mine of the par-value of $\$ \overline{5}$ are now selling at $\$ 15$ and a further advance in value is expected. The greater portion of the goldproducing territory is within the domain cla med by Venezuela.
-THe advent of autumn is always the signal for cigar dealers to overhaul their stocks and make preparations for the atmospheric changes that follow. No one in the trade needs to be told that tobacco, raw and manufactured, needs more careful attention at all times than does almost any other article of commerce ; but this is especially the case during the changes which precede winter and the conditions ruling in that season.
-Anong those returned to Canada after'having combined business and pleasure during the last few months in the old land, are Messrs. David Morrice, sr., (D. Morrice, Sons \& Co.), D. McMaster, Q.C., David Torrance of the Dominion Line, Hon. A. W. Atwater, Provincial Treasurer, M. S. Lonergan, advocate, \&e.
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-Last year, it will bc remembered, some of the Whitstable oyster merchants, by way of experiment, sent over to selected points on the west and southwest coast of Ireland a number of young oysters, says the London Fish Trade Gazettc. A. recent visit of inspection proves that the idea has turned out a great success, the young oysters having grown very rapidly and proving exceptionally large and well flavored, so we may take it for granted that the transplantation will be repeated, and, we hope, with the same surceess.
-Dorina the past nine months the business fallures in Canada have aggregated 1,651, an increase of 31 compared with the corresponding period of last year. The total liabilities show a considerablo increase, amounting to $\$ 12,210,000$, against $\$ 9,760$,000 last year. The lạcrease in number was distributed chlefly throughout the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, 150 in the former and 120 in the latter. The liabilities were smaller in Ontario than for the last year, but for Quebec the total is a little larger.
-Wabirngton advices note that a paint invented by a navy yard painter has been shown to be teredo-proof. An experiment has been made with four pieces of pine, three of them covered with the new paint and the fourth loft bare, were submerged at Pensacola during several months. Upon being lifted, the piece that had been left bare was found to be completely honey-combed

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in the usual way by the mollusk (called by our fathers "worm"), so as to be held togother by the calcareous deposits of the creature. The three pleces that had been painted with the new composition were untouched,
G. S. Tioksia \& Son, furniture, Bolleville, Ont., have assigned to G. F. Mlope. This firm is an old one, but it has not been a success, and has always been more or less in difticulties. They failed years ago, and also obtained an extension of time in 1805. They havo been working under chattel mortgage, and having uphill work. The assignee is at present proparing a statement of affairs, and no ligures are obtainable just at present-P. Pigeon, genemal store, Bonfiold, Ont., whoso failure was previously referred to is offering to compromise at 50 cents in the dollar on liabilities of $\$ 7,400$.
-'Tys Lotal number of business failures in tho United States from 1st January to 30th Soptember this year is 11,280 , the largestakgregate reported for a like poriod since failure records havo been kept. The noxt largest corresponding total was 11,140 for nine months of the panic yoar 1893. Contrasted with the corresponding portion of 1895 , the increase in number of failures is 21 per cent.; in total liabilitios 50 per cent, and tho assats 63 per cent. This heavy record of failure is attributed in part to the efliects of the widespread, active agitation for a change in the standard ol value.

- Tr was once remarked by the late Bi!l Nye that a man may use a wart on the hack of his neck for a collar button; ride on the back coach of a train to save interost on hig money until the conductor comes around; stop his watch at night to save the wour and tear; leave his " i " and " t " without a dot or a cross to save ink; pasture his mother's grave to save corn; but a man of this kind is a geutloman and a scholar compared to a fellow who will take a newspaper, and when asked to pay for it, puts it into the post ollice and has it marked "Rolused."
-A non-rumimable bothe has been invented by Emos C. Pollard, of Holt, Montamit, says The I'aint, Oil, and Drueg Revicue. To provent the rembing of butles and their re-use as original packages, the inventur has devised one of which a portion must bo !roken off bofore tho contents can be discharged. The week is mule with an integral sealing extension on which a trade mark may be placed, a groove being formed at the juuction of the neck and extension to facilitate breaking off the latter. Aftor the liquor has beon placed in the bottle a cork is forced into position in the neek below the extension, and a suitable coment placed on the cork, there being eunbedded in the cement a glass
stopper with flared lower end and flanged top, fitting in' the 'top of the oxtension.
-Returns of the railway systems in Europe at the end of 1805, drawn up at the French Department of Public Works, classifles as follows the length of line in each country of Europe, and the order in which each country stands with regard to the development, according to the superficie of territory and to the population. Germany occuples the first place with a total of 46,451 kilometres (five-eights of a mile), of which 27,447 kilometres are in Prussia; France had 40,209 kilometres; Russia and Finland, 85,560 ; Great Britain and Ireland, 33,641; Austria-Hungary, 30,899; Italy, 15,057; Spain, 12,052; Sweden, 9,755; Belgium, 5,600 , and Switzerland, 3,527 .
--Beman advices are again excited on the subject of the American Life companies. Some time since, in view of the retaliatory measures passed by the New York Legislature and directed against the ${ }^{\text {Prussian }}$ companies, the Government ordered a re-examination into the causes which led to the expulsion of the American Lile Companies. Apparently this re-examination lias resulted disastrously for the American companies, for it is said that the old remains in force. . And so it seems that unless the companies considerably modily their rules they are likely to remain barred out from Germany retaliatory legishation; special envoys and powerful American millions to the contrary notwithstanding.
-A neront from the British Consul-General at St. Petersburg, on the flax crop in Buropean Russia, stated that the condition of the crop generally was fully satisfactory, although in those parts of the country in which flax was dew-rotted some portions were shorter in fibre than usual. On the other hand, there was no growth of rank weeds in the crop, thanks to which an abundant yield of flbre is to be expected. The best crops have been yielded on the borders of the province of Livonia. Less satisfactory are the yields in the eastern part of the Pskoy province. The area of cultivation of flax in that province now extends over 60,277 acres, and the general yield is expected to be ouly somewhat above that of last year. The yield of higherclass flax will, it is thought, be considerably greater, as will also be that of the medium qualities. The general yield is expected to exceed that of last year.
-London, England, advices note that England Lias: at length decided to adopt the metric system of weights and measures, and the Government in the person of its president of the Board of Trade, has drafted a bill to be subonitted to Parliament at the



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-A. S. Rusmland, jeweller, Renfrew, Ont., has assigned to J. K. Rochester. He began business here about 8 or 10 years ago, with very slight means, and was under chattel mortgage. His trade has been limited, principally repairing. For some time past he has been in straitened circumstances and has been sued on more than one occaslon. He has done his best to get on, but with strong competition and poor business, he has beon unable to succeed-Alex. Turcotte, shoomaker, Tweed, Ont., finds himself in difficulties, and unable to meet his current liabilities. $\Delta t$ present he is offering to compromise at 35 c in the dollar. Creditors are considering the matter, and the feeling is that he will be able to arrange this compromise-S. Goldstick, caps, etc., London, Ont., who was burned out a short time ago, has since compromised at 75 c in the dollar, payments being spread over 8 months, unsecured. The liablities are about $\$ 2,500$, and assets .

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about $\$ 2,800$, a considerable proportion represented by outstandings." Besides his fire, he made losses by bad debts, and general depression in trade has affected him. It is now thought that he has a fair chance to susceed-s. H. Eagleson, grocer, Ottawa, Ont., has assigned to W. A. Cole, after having been in business here only about a year and a half, but his trade has always been quite limited. He cannot owe much, probably in the neighborhood of $\$ 1,000$.

-     - The foreign trade of France in the first eight months of the last two years was as follows:

| $\because{ }^{\prime}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Imports. } \\ 1886 . \\ \text { Francs. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1805 . \\ \text { Francs. } \end{array}$ |
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| Food. | 705,888,000 | 040,786,000 |
| Raw materials. | 1,506,006 ${ }^{\circ} 000$ | 1,391,578,000 |
| Manufactures. | . .410,956,000 | 875,261,000 |
| Total. | 2,022,850,000 | 2,407,020,000 |
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|  | 1806. <br> Francs. | 1895. <br> France. |
| Food | .. 306,281,000 | 361,429,000 |
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| Manufactures. | . . 1,178,780,000 | 1,183,817,000 |
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-W, E. FARr, grist mill, Cookstown, Ont., has assigned to W. J. Phillips, who is at present engaged in making up a statement of his affairs, and there are no figures to be given until that is completed. He has been in Cookstown since carly in 1803, in business on his own account, prior to that he was engaged in the same line, and had some experience. The property has always been subject to heavy encumbrance, and he has suffered from lack of capital-Jas. Dass, tailor, Fergus, Ont:, has assigned to E. R. C. Clarkson of Toronto, who at present is in charge, the shop being closed. But Dass has removed into other premises, and contemplates continuing business under name of William Dass. The business is an old one, and at one time he had quite a snug surplus, but. of late he has suffered considerably from illness, and business on this account bas fallen off, and he has retrograded. His son and a brother have been looking after the store for him. New. competition has cut into $i$ is trade, and he has lost money rapidly. It is not known at present what the estate will pay-Giese \& Graves, jewellers, London, Ont., have assigned to Alfred Robin: son. This firm was only formed a few years ago, and was com. :posed of Richard H. Giese and Clarence Graves. Giese had previously carried on the business alono, and it is stated that Graves put in $\$ 500$ cash, but he had no practical knowledge. For some time past they have not been pulling well together, and dissolution has boen talked of. One of the partners had a

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chattel,mortgage covering his household effects, and endeavored to raise money to buy out the business. Their assets are not large, and it is probable that one of the partners will continueMrs. A. Rocdding, confectioner, Tilsonburg, Ont., who was previously referred to as being in diffculties, is now offering to compromise at 20 cents in the dollar. Assets are stated to be about $\$ 500$, and liabllities about $\$ 1,000-F$. W. Wilkes, plumber, etc., Toronto, Ont., has assigned to Henry Barber \& Co., and a meeting of creditors is called for the 6th inst. The assets and liabilities are stated to be about $\$ 2,000$ each $-W$. A. Ross, tailor, Fergus Ont., is in difficulties, and offering creditors 25 cents in the dollar cash, in full settlement. If this is not accepted, he states he will assign to E. R. C. Clarkson. The business is only a small one, and has been principally custom work-Wm. J. Allan, grocer, Eamilton, Ont., has absigned to C. S. Scott. He was formerly of the firm of Derby \& Allan, who dissolved 1st of Nov., he raying out Derby and continuing alone. He had only a very small surplus at the time, and his assets were not in a vory realizable shape. He has been favorably regarded as to character, but his prospects have never teen very bright.
-OUn Belleville correspondent, writing under date of 1st inst. says:-George S. 'lickell \& Sons, furniture manufacturers and retail dealers ; assigned yesterday to Sheriff Hope of this county for benefit of their creditors. Mr. Tickell has been in business here in same line about 40 years with varying success. At one tims he did a large manufacturing and shipping business in furniture and was apparently very prosperous, but for some years has had to struggle hard; He has been pressed by numerous small-creditors and there are several small judgments against him. He has more than once before this had to compromalse or get extensions. I speak of him, but as his sons grew up he took one of them at a time into the business with him. At present I think it is Geo. S. Tickell and Edwd. H. Tickell. Assets and liabilitios unknown. Meeting fixed for 12th October-Louis Benmore, retail groceries, made assignment yesterday to one Martin LaRue, bookkeeper for J. E. Walmsley \& Co., wholesale grocers of this place. The stock is only about $\$ 1,000$; book debts about $\$ 8,000$; liablitites about $\$ 5,000$. Mr. Bonmore is a young Englishman and a thorough grocer having served an apprenticeship in Banbury, Bngland, but did not understand the large credit system of this country. He came out some years ago, and entered as clerk with Mr. Walmsley who then had aretail grocery. When Mr. Walmsley became entirely wholesale he sold out to Mr. Benmore and a Mr. Benson the retail part, and they appeared to be doing a good business. . Benson left about a year ago and started on his own account. but failed in ar. very few months, Mr. Benmore continued on but illhealth, great expense extensive creditand hard times have been too much-for him. He was much liked and respected and regrets are expressed on every side as to his illfortune and much more bis illhesith-J. E. Walmsley \& Co., wholesale grocers, are offering to compromise. Firm consists only of J. E. Walmsley, the present Mayor of Belleville, who is now putting in his third year. He was formerly

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up Front street and had in opposition to him the late wholesale firm of Pitceathy \& Kelso, who amassed considerable wealth at the business, on the death of the late D. Pitceathy the surviving partner Mr. Walmaley purchased the stock of the firm thus largely involving himself, but it was done I imagine to try and control the wholesale trade of the city. Times have been bad and for some months Mr. Walmsley has been struggling against the tide. He has now lssued a circular to his creditors offering 80 cents in the dollar, secured. The liabilities are about $\$ 15,000$. -Tre manager of the Manchester Ship Canal, who was lately in Montreal, has announced that he has made arrangements for two, and possibly three, lines of freight steamers from Atlantic ports to Manchester. The Liverpool Cotton Association has opposed direct shipments to Manchester.
-The last issue of the Canada Gazette contained the Order-inCouncil appointing Messrs. Robert Mackay, Jonathan Hodgson, R. Bickerdike, A. Racine, D. H. Lemay and W. Farrell to be Harbor Commissioners of Montreal in place of Messrs. H. Bul. mer, W. W. Ogilvie, R. White, V. Hudon, H. Laporte and.F.J. Hart, whose appointments are cancelled.
-L. A. Tropselc, carriages, Ayer's Flats, Que., held a meet-: ing of creditors a few weeks ago, at which he made an offer of 25 cents in the dollar. But there has apparently been some hitch in the settlement and a demand of assignment was made on him by the Miner Carriage Co. of Granby. His liabilities are $\$ 7,000$ or $\$ 8,000$, princlpal creditors: Miner Carriage Co., $\$ 1,000$; E. T. Bank, Sherbrooke, \$1,000; Massey-Harris Co., Montreal, $\$ 1,000$; E. N. Heney \& Co., Montreal, $\$ 700$.
-Canada Máchinery Agency, Montreal, have assigned to the court with liabilities $\$ 80,820$; principal creditors: Banque Hochelaga, securead, $\$ 16,600$; Tees \& Co., secured, $\$ 900$; J. A. Tees'\& Ce., secured, $\$ 1,500 ;$ Hutchlson \& Oughtred, $\$ 200 ;$ F. Nash, secured, $\$ 1,000$; Robb Engineering Co., Amherst, N.S., $\$ 089 ;$ J. Bertram \& Sons, Dundas, $\$ 350$; Gutta Percha \& Rubber Co., Toronto, $\$ 1,139$; Orr \& Sanberers, Reading, Pa., $\$ 1,388$; Yale \& Towne Mfg. Co., New York, \$260; Machinery. Construction Co;, Rochester, \$747; Berlin Machine Works, Beloit, Wis., \$747; Cant Bros. \& Co., Galt, $\$ 1,425$; F. X. Bertrand, St. Hyacinthe, $\$ 835$; S. A. Wood Machine Co., Boston, \$551; H. Whitelaw, Woodstock, \$200, Greenlee Bros., Cliicago, \$209; F. E. Reid \& Co., Worchester, \$281; H. B. Smith Mrehine Co., Smithville, N.J., \$248; J. C. McLaren Belting Co., Montroal, \$410; Robin, Sadler $\&$ Haworth, $\$ 200$. Meeting of creditors has not yet been fixed to appoint curator, but it is understood that in the course of 10 days or so, one will be held. "In meantime, nothing definite can be learned as to assets.

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rived reflects no honor upon the parliamentary system of government. The question will long be debated as to which of the two parties in the State was responsible for the great expense entailed by an extra Session, but posterity will probably apportion the blame equally to both. It is indisputable that, had the late Administration shown proper diligence in conducting the business of the last Session, and not wasted so much time in discrediting its own prestige by unseemly personal quar-rels-quarrels which helped largely to bring disaster to the party it represented-there would have been time to pass all the necessary appropriations for the public service, which, we venture to say, is the first, is indeed the paramount duty of a Government. A ministry which is unable to pass a Supply Bill has ipso facto resigned, whatever be the cause of its impotence in this respect. If it arises from the obstructive tactics of opponents, that is proof of its having lost control of the House, or, in other words, it is no longer in power as the responsible Government of the country. Knowing that Parliament would expire by effluxion of time on the 23 rd April, there ought to have been special diligence shown in preparing the Estimates for earl $\gamma$ submission to the House. Had this been done, and the party been kept solid by unity of purpose aud action, it is highly improbable that the Opposition would have resorted to obstruction, and, had it done so their tactics nuight have been defeated. But a large amount of time was wasted by the mutinous quarrels amoug'st the Ministers which left them at the mercy of their enemies, who took adyantage of the opportunity in order to deprivé the Government, with its majority, of its and their power to provide for meeting the needs of the public service.

The Government had no mandate from the people to pass a so-called Remedial Bill, but its mandate for paying the current expenses of the country. was inperative. While therefore we cannot release the late Administration of responsibility for the cost of the extra Session, which would have been held had it been returned to power, we must regret that the Opposition pressed its obstruction to such lengths. This policy is not creditable to our Parliamentary system, and in this
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case was the less excusable as no possible advantage even to the party, much less to the country, could arise from stopping the supplies on the eve of a general election. It was a grave error in tactics, as is now being realized, inasmuch as the new government saddled itself in advance with the cost of an extra Session which might have been avoided, and made itself responsible for those very heavy expenditures against which its obstruction was a protest. Having, during the recent contest, sharply condemned the extravagance of the expenditures proposed by the late Government, the present one by assuming its predecessors' Estimates without reduction; has answered its own charges against its opponents; and spiked its own cannon which has so long fired heavy shot against needless outlays of public moneys.

We are not disposed to criticize the Laurier Administration for its management of the business of the lateSession, least of all in regard to its extension -over the period requisite for the members drawing full Sessional Allowance. There is no little hypocrisy we fear in such criticism, for the members of both parties found the cheques for their indemnity very acceptable: Sir Oliver Mowat, whose "frugal mind" is well known, is said to have urged a shorter Session in order to save expenses. But Sir Oliver's economical ideas are shared but by very fear in either the Commons, or the Senate. Nor do we think it was the duty of the Government to have brought down their new Tariff last Session. Tariffs' do not spring up like the magic shrubs shown by a conjuror; they require careful preparation in detail; which involves prolonged study and a large amount of clerical work. The Tariff introduced in 1879, which is known as the N.P., took several months. to arrange by experts in statistical work, under the advice and guidance of persons familiar with various branches of trade. Mr. Laurier might have introduced one making as great a clearance of duties as was done by Sir Robert Peel, but Sir Robert was ready with a scheme for providing revenue to replace what was sacrificed. The task before the present Government of abolishing duties, or reducing them, and replacing the revenue they provide by new taxes, is not work to be done offhand; the problen it presents will be found exceeding.
ly complicated. Indeed we are satisfied that there will be no reduction at all in the gross amount of Customs revenue proposed to be raised by the forthcoming Tariff, for the country will not sanction an Income Tlax nor Land Tax, which are the only sources from which revenue could be derived to make up for any large sacrifice of Customs duties. Brilliant then as was the speech of the ex-Minister of Finance when attacking the Government for delay in bringing down a Tariff-a speech which would have done honor to any Parliament-it was somewhat untimely, but, no doubt, it will serve as material for another onslaught when the Tariff is introduced. The division which followed might more wisely have been avoided, as a number of members who are pledged to Protection, were not willing to consure the Government for delaying the Tariff.

The one speech which will be historic was the one by Sir Charles Tlupper on the constitutional question as to the prerogative of a Governor-General in regard to declining to act on advice tendered by the Government in power. It is too elaborate for discussion here, but this is beyond dispute, that Sir Charles' address was a masterpiece of argumentive oratory, based upon historical precedents. It is indeed the general conviction that his case was unanswered and logically unanswerable. At the same time there is often wisdom in setting logis aside in practical affairs, and circumstances now and again arise when expediency is the highest wisdom, even when it violates precedents and established usages. Lord Aberdeen is infortunate in having evoled such a criticism as that of Sir Charles Tupper, though full responsibility for his action was assumed by Mr. Laurier.

The only work for which Parliament was called on 10th July was to pass a Supply Bill. This business was left over to the last days of the Session, and the work done was hurried and superficial. We blame the whole House for neglecting so long to undertake its only necessary business, in order to spend time in recriminatory attacks on each other, many of which were unworthy any dignified assembly. We have pleasure in commending the new Speaker, Mr. J. D. Edgar, for the rebuke he gave to Dr. Landerkin, one of his party and personal friends, whose interruptions of members are an intolerable nuisnnce. The House of Commons is not a Circus needing to be enlivened by the more or less comic sayings of a jester. Sir Richard Cartwright has our sincere condolence in his relegation to a Department of second-class dignity. Mr. Fielding, the new Finance Minister, may be a safer man than Sir Richard, but his equal in financial exposition and in debate he certninly is not. But Mr. Fielding has yet an opportunity of showing the stuff he is made of.
On the whole we may fairly congratulate Mr. Laurier over the first performance of his newly organized troupe. Some of them were new to the boards, so their awkwardness is excusable; some were used only to a small provincial Theatre; hence their lack of the style necessary on a wider stage.

But all things considered; the Laurier aggregation give great promise of future achievements, and we shall accord them all the more praise if they are brave enough to act without being hampered by fear of their own utterances when in Opposition.

## CANADIAN BANKERS AND FARMERS.

The habit of grumbling is one uotoriously common to farmers. As a rule they are "agin". everything in general and the weather in particular. The weather has a hard time trying to please them as, if it's good for the hay it is bad for turnips, and when wheat wants moisture to help it to fill out, other crops are pining for more sunshine. When the weather has been a success, then the farmer looks out for another grievance.
Crops having been generally good in Ontario this season, a farmer at Alvinston has found a good subject for professional growling against money in the banks. The Globe has allowed him a large space to vent his complaints. He starts off with this peremptory demand,-"How has it come to pass that our banks "regard only the needs of trade and commerce?" The best answer to this would be,-Because the banks mind their own business ; the only business they were organized and chartered to conduct, which is, affording financial facilities for the operations of trade and commerce. Then another enquiry is fired off thus,-"Who "can tell why our banks take no knowledge of the farmer or mechanic?" We gather from this second question that farmers and mechanics have some claim on the attention of bankers apart from "the needs of trade and commerce," which it is said they alone attend to. A third question follows,-"Is there any "good reason why a bank manager, in the matter of "accommodation, should discriminate in favor of the "man in business, even where more or less "doubtful," "as against the farmer known to be "good"?" This latter query helps us to understand the writer's notions. He regards a farmer as a man not in business, and as having no trade affairs, or those of a commercial nature. But why a man out of business, having nothing to do with trade and commerce should be anxious for "accommodation" from banks we confess is a mystery. He pictures the bank vaults overflowing with money while the poor farmer has to go "from door to door when in need of a little money." He then tells us how different it is in . Scotland .where farmers get accommodation from banks with ease "without going on bended knees to a money-lender." Our farmer friend needs a Jittle instruction, which we give for his benefit and all those who are crying out for "agricultural banks."

It is quite a mistake for a farmer to rule himseif out of the classes devoted to "trade and commerce," and to fancy he is not "in business." An agriculturist is up to the neck in trade, he is a manufacturer, a producer, an exchanger of goods; just as much so as an implement maker, storekeeper, or any other manufacturer or merchant. When he "ploughs the fields and scatters the good seed on the land" he is converting raw materials into a more finished product ; so are all his dairy operations. Selling grain and produce is clearly trading, and the business set in motion is certainly commerce. This being so manifest, it is in order to enquire, what are the natural business relations between a farmer and a banker? We may ask also what bankers do to justify the charge against them, that they ignore farmers, and prefer rather to deal with a business man in doubtful credit than with a farmer "who is known to be good,"
that-is in good circumstances. We suspect our bankers on reading this will exclaim at once that they have a very large number of farmers' names in their ledgers, and are only too desirous of extending their connections among that class. To this it will be answered that the bankers of Canada do not grant loans to farmers as the agricultural banks of Germany do, and as is done by Scotch bankers. That also our bankers will promptly deny. The difference between those bankers and ours is one of methods of administration; the same class of business is done in Canada for farmers but under somewhat different regulations. Whether those regulations are fair to farmers is a matter for discussion, we never heard them objected to except by those who sought to borrow money without giving any security or collateral in any form.
The writer in the Globe wishes the Government to formulate some plan "to induce capitalists to form a "strong financial concern capable of supplying the "great need referred to, the need of a supply of "money for lending to farmers without their going to "some money sharper hat in hand, or to a branch of a " lordly' bank to be shown the door by his high mighti"ness in charge for rank impertinence!" The long account given of the Scotch banking system by this accuser of our banks, is utterly erroneous. The Scotch banks grant what are called "Cash Credits." The amount of the credit is fixed. The sum is not usually drawn out at once, but is available by the customer for meeting cheques. Before the "Cash Credit" is granted it has to be secured by a bond executed by the customer and one or two guarantors. Thus each loan is secured, just as though a note had been given with the name of one or two endorsers besides that of the maker. These Credits are given to those who are likely to do an active business; a mere "Credit" as a loan apart from some active transactions is not favored. The same system is quite common in English banks, with variations in detail. The system in Canada is practically the same, only instead of a bond given by the customer and his sureties, here they sign a promissory note.
The business-like needs of our farmers are being daily met by our bankers when arranged on a busincss basis. Loans by bankers not arising out of "trade and commerce" are irregular and imprudent. A farmer, for instance, who asks a loan to enable him to buy a piano, deserves to be shown the door by a banker. The claborate attack on our banks which appeared ins a recent Globe was gratuitous and unjustified ; the farmer who wrote it did so without knowledge, and we trust he will value our instruction.

## BICYCLES:

The recent announcement that nearly one hundred cars have been taken off the various lines of the West Chicago Street Railway owing to the increasing use of bicyeles, shows that the 'Toronto Street Railway is not the only one which is feeling seriously the effects of the bicycle. But while the affects on street railways may be the more obvious there are other interests affected quite as seriously though it may be indirectly:
The first industry which suggests itself as feeling the affects of bicycle-riding is the manufacture of böts and shoes. The man or woman who rides a
bicycle does very little walking. Hence boots" and shoes last longer, and, besides, new foot-wear is generally avoided most studiously by experienced cyclists. It is true that manufacturers have received several requests of late for shoes specially adapted for bicycleriding, and that in meeting this demand a good business will be done. But it is' only a case of robbing Peter to pay Paul : The machinery now used in supplying ordinary boots and shoes will in part be applied to the manufacture of bieycle foot-wear-which lasts: twice as long as the walking shoe, be it remembered.

If the cyclist is "easy on his shoes" much more so is he "easy on his hats.". A brim of any dimensions is an impossibility on the bicycle, so the rider for the most part contents himself with a little cloth eap which he buys for 25 cents and to which there is no end in the length of wear. During the past sunimer the sale of straw hats was exceedingly small. Dealers attribute the decline largely to bicycle-riding, the cyclist being uuable to keep these hats on his head: Milliners have no doubt felt the affects of the bicycle in their business as well as the hatters. Sensible women-cyclists wear caps. But women have the advantage over men in that they can fasten down their hats more or less securely on their heads, and do not care what pain it causes so long as the effect is becoming.

Tailors and dealers in men's furnishings are affected seriously by the bicycle. The experienced rider wears either his old clothes-which are "quite good enough for the wheel, don't jou know"-or else takes to wide and loose knickerbockers and a "sweater." The knickerbockers are so roomy that when one part wears out, the rider can mend them with a piece taken from a sound part. The sweater serves him in lieu of a shirt, so fewer shirts are sold than formerly, and the laundry man in consequence has fewer to "do up." Coats and vests are also not "in it." Neck-ties with a sweater are out of the question, and the dealer in these articles finds that they linger longer on hislines. Even women: cyclists have taken to wearing sweaters, but as we are not so familiar with the mysteries of feminine toilette, it cannot be said what industries are affected by this novel departure. But that others than dress-makers are affected may be taken for granted.
The horse has had to make way for the bicycle, and all the industries with which the noble animal has for so many centuries been connected, have shrunken since the advent of the wheel. Electric railways and bicycles have greatly lessened the demand for horses, which in turn has lessened the demand for hay and oats and straw, for stables, for carriages, for coachmen and hostlers and blacksmiths, for harness and harness-makers, for carriage and horse rugs and blankets, for whips, horse-shoes and nails, and all the paraphernalia of the blacksmith's shop. Livery men, cabman, ete., all feel the bicycle's affects in their business, and wish its day had never come. These and other people, and they are many, have reason to regret the bieycle's advent as keenly as street railway companies.
How long "the bicy yele craze" will last it is impossible to say, but that it will continue for any time at its pre* sent intensity is very doubtful. For one thing, the cost of repairing the many breakages to which bicycles' are liable even with the miost 'carefuly hatiding's is at
considerable annual charge apart altogether from the substantial frst cost. Indeed it has often been remarked that as some men spend from $\$ 10$ to $\$ 50$ per annum on repairs it would be almost as cheap to keep a horse. As bicycles become cheaper repairs will be both more numerous and more costly as there is as much difference between high grade and low grade bicycles as between high grade and low grade watches which vary in price from $\$ 150$ down to $\$ 15$.

But in the meantime the bicycle is having its own way. It has disturbed many trades and industries and caused several disastrous business failures. It is time that there have been a few bad failures among bicycle manufacturerrs-valuable object lessons to those about to embark in such enterprises-but the demand is still steady. In ungland the business is a most extensive one, but American competition is being felt there by the manufacturers. The Saturday recently Review remarked:
"According to an interesting article in the this w.ek, the great spurt in the cycle trade has only taken place in the present year. In 1804 the cycle industry was in a depressed condition. The clever Americans took advantage of the low prices then prevalent to place forward contracts, which are still running, for the whole of the Euglish output of weldless tubes, which is the reason so mauy people have found a difficulty in getting bicycles this summer when the rush came. The Americans built in 1894-5, it is estimated, over 400,000 machines, and in $18905-3$ upwards of 1,000 ,000, English tubes being used for two-thirds of these. As most of these American contracts expire this year, the English makers will be relieved of their difficulty in supplying tubes, and home-made cycles will probably be cheaper next year. The output of the British trade at the present rate of production is said to be about 750,000 cycles per annum, roughly valued at between $£ 11,000,000$ and $£ 13,000,0<0$. Up to the end of 1895 the capital of cycle companies was stated to be $£ 6,000,000$. In 1890 the capital issued was $£ 18,327,-$ 000 , and many large concer is are not included in this list; ;so that the total capital is well over $£ 17,000,000$.
"But this cycle industry suggests a very instructive coinmentary on our glorious and sacrosanct policy of Tree. Imports. Coventry is the centre of the cycleindustry, and the peculiar characteristic of Coventry, the writer in the T'imes remarks, is its "capacity to substitute for a failing industry [ [sic] a new and flourishing trade." Coventry in its day has been a centre for the manufacture of woollen goods, of watches, of ribbons, and sewing machines. One by one these trades were taken from it by the foreigner. French silk and Swiss watches, within the memory of the middle-aged, nearly reduced Coventry to ruin, and it passed through that bitter period of semi-starvation which the Cobdenites speale of as 'the transference of eapital' with as much awe as the Pythagoreans spoke of the transmis gration of souls. At last the ingenious and industriouinhabitants of Coventry hit upon the bicycle atrade; and now it seenis that this, too, is about to be taken from then by the Anericans. Nirst-grade American bicyles are now'being sold in London for $£ 15$, whereas $£ 20$ is the lowest price for a first grade English machine. A heavy duty has to be paid on Euglish cycles entering foreign conntries, and were it not for the selfishess
of the 'consumer,' a heavy duty would be puty on American machines.'
In Coventry it is said that sleeping-room can hardly be found for the many thousands engaged in the manufacture of bicycles. It is earnestly to be hoped that: when the inevitable decline begins that it will be gradual enough to prevent any great disturbance of busi-: ness, and that personal inconveniences or distress may be avoided. Canadian bicycle manufacturers should proceed with caution.

## THE DISTRLBUTION OF MONEY IN CANADA AND THE STATES.

One of the most difficult of currency problems has been, and is, how to create a system by which automat$i$ cally whatever money is in circulation shall be equally distributed where it is needed. In this respect the currency system of the United States is exceptionally defective. A special enquiry was made some time ago by the U. S. Comptroller in order to acguire the facts regarding the distribution of banking capital in that country. The report based thereon contains striking evidence of the monetary resources of the States being very unevenly spread. The average amount of the banking resources of America per head is $\$ 95.83$, the population being $69,954,000$, and the aggregate capital and deposits of the banks of all classes being $\$ 6,703$,544,084 . In Canada, with a population of about five millions, the banking capital, deposits in all kinds of banks and financial institutions, being about 350 mil lions, gives an average of $\$ 70$ per head of banking resources, to which we mustadd, $\$ 6$ per head for circula tion. Although Canada's aggregate is lower than that of the States, the amount of money distributed over the Dominion is practically the whole sum available, for under our system of branch banks the remotest towns have at their service the same funds as the largest cities. In the States this is so far from being the case that an enormous amount of business of a banking nature is done there by cross roads stores where the local farmer swaps his produce forstore goods and gets advances on his grain for which some 25 per cent is charged to cover insurance, \&c. Under such a system the farmer is between the upper and nether millstone, where he is ground for the benefit of the local Shylock, whose charges often reach up to 30 and 40 per cent. From such ruinous imposts our farmers are free, owind to the more equable distribution of banking resources all over the country in Canada. The remarkable inequalities existing in the Stales in this respect are shown in the following table :-

|  | Banking po per head |  | Banking piower per head |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| State: | \$ | State. | \$ |
| Rhode Island | . 377.55 | S. Dakota. | . 21.83 |
| Massachusetts | . 328.02 | Georgia | 18.63 |
| New York | . 208.74 | S. Carolina. | 18.89 |
| Connecticưt. | .270.35 | Mississlppi. | 10.21 |
| Pennsylvania | .112.81 | N. Carolina | . 9.56 |
| Illinois. | . 77.98 | Alabama | 7.40 |
| Minnesota | 65.88 | Arkansas | 8.90 |

What;is notable in the above table is the extent of the differences between the five Eastern States : which average $\$ 280$ of banking power per head; and the three Western Státes which only average $\$ 33.04$ per head. The six Southern Statees only average $\$ 13.50$ per head.

The effect of this is to make interest rates higher where there is deficient distribution of banking resources, with the natural result of giving the bankers in such States better dividends. But the mischief is, that such dearth of resources depresses enterprise and drains away profits from Western States, where banking facilities are deficient to supply the local need for Capital -to the great centres of finance in the East. Owing chiefly to this congestion of money in New York, Boston, and other exporting cities, and the entire absence of such arrangements for the distribution of capital as exist in Canada, the Western producers have the market value of their crops seriously reduced by the cost of placing them en route for transportation to the seaboard.

Thus the defective banking and currency system of the United States subjects the Western producers to a heavy impost on their goods, which is oppressive. The outcry of the Western and Southern farmers, cotton growers, and other traders against the capitalists of the East, which is at the root of the free coinage of silver agitation, is a clear case of barking up the wrong tree. It is not the Eastern capitalists who are responsi ble for the dearth of banking facilities in the West, and for the congestion of currency near the ports, as the requisite financial machinery does not exist for such a continuous, or temporary, supply of money throughout the great food producing districts as are needed for handling the crops. The State banks in the two Dakotahs have only $\$ 805,000$ of banking capital; those of Ohio have only $\$ 1,368,000$; Texas, $\$ 548,000$; South Carolina, $\$ 425,750$; Alabama, $\$ 124,000$. Hence we find the net earnings of the banks in the States where banking power is lacking are double what they are in the great financial centres, the highest earnings being in the Southern States where those of Georgia made 5.03 per cent; Florida 4.77, and Texas 4.26; while in the same period-1895-the rate of the Boston banks was about one-third of these figures.

The currrency system of the States is analogous to that which would exist in regard to the food supply were every district restricted to the use of only such products as were raised in the immediate vicinity, without facilities for sharing in the general crops of the whole country. The result would be that some districts would bed famishing while others had a superabundance. The badly arranged currency system of the United States produces similar inequalities in the distribution of moner, and until that system is so reformed as to give America a currency system as elastic as that of Canada, there will exist there that deficiency in the distribution of money, which is so serious an element of disturbance in the finances of the United States.

## THE G.T.R. REPORT.

Although it is yet too soon to expect any marked change in the affairs of this, our great pioneer railway in Canada, arising from the radical changes made in the management scarcely a year ago, nevertheless there is much curiosity to see if any signs of improvement are apparent. Unfortunately for the new management the times have not been such as to warrant any increase in traffic, passenger or freight. The share hdtders and the public at large will therefore not be
surprised at the statement placed before the meeting of the Board in London, England, on the 6th instant.
The report shows the gross receipts for the year as $£ 1,707,539$, and the working expenses $£ 1,218,244$. Added to this exhibit of receipts, the amount received from: the International Bridge Co., and to the expenses, the interest on the securities of controlled lines and other interest obligations, leave the net revenue receipts $£ 579,471$, and the net revenue charges $£ 574,812$. Thé Chicago and Grand Trunk Line shows a net revenue deficiency of $£ 54,666$, and the Detroit, Grand Haven * Milwaukee, a deficiency of $£ 32,054$, leaving the System a net revenue deficiency of $£ 82,062$. The decrease ${ }^{\text {in }}$ ' the number of passengers is 59,497 , and in passenger: receipts $£ 1,537$. The report also shows a decrease of $£ 570$ in the mail receipts, but an increase of $£ 5,355$ in the receipts from parcel expressage. The increase of freight and live stock traffic is 154,075 tons as compared with the first half-year of 1895.-The working expenses amounted to $712-5$ per cent of the gross receipts, as compared with 704-5 in 1895. The cost of repairs increased $£ 7,189$, which increase, it is explained, was due to the enforced economies of the previous year. The half-year's net charges to the capital ac: count was $£ 32,316$, the chief item of which was $£ 12-$ 199 for the Union station.

The charges upon the Capital Account; according to the report, have been kept within the narrowest limits possible, the expenditures having been mainly on ae: count of works in course of completion. The directors; however, have thought it prudent to conclude with and: co-operate with the city authorities in an arrangementfor the erection of a new grain elevator at Portland; Me., which is urgently needed in view of the increased capacity of the steamers which are now crossing the Atlantic. The amount required is $\$ 200,000$ whieh will be subscribed by the banks and the city of Portland under guarantee of the company of the payment of ins: terest at four per cent.

Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, the president, revisited Canada and the United States last spring and person-: ally conferred with the General Manager, Mr. Hays; and the other executive officers of the company apon important matters. In view of the continued business depression in Canada and the United States which has been intensified by the election campaigns in both countries, a return to the normal operations of railways could hardly be expected, but the board was confident that with the removal of these disturbing influences the Grand Trunk is in as good a position to avail itself of any improvement as any of the Trunk lines. General Manager Hays, the report adds, has applied himself to his work with zeal and energy, and the direotors confidently anticipate that a gradual improvement: of the affairs of the company will result from the varis ous measures which he has introduced into the Systeind

THE MCPHERSON SHOE FAMLURF,
to motara
If further proof were noeded to convinog the trade that: the proper centre for the manufacture of boots and shoos iss; not to be sought for in or near the larger citios of Ontario, it is to be found in the lamentablecollape of the old-time Hamilton firm of John MePherson \& Co . The departure of J. D . King \& Co., for Lovis, Que., and the removal of Harver, Van Nơriman "Co., to the Anciont Capitail, both not Iong since,
were sulficient to convince mostmen that the causes which from time to time have led to disasters or nearly so, among western shoe houses are still strongly existent,-that the cheap labour of the large cities of the Province of Quebec give the manufacturers of shoos an undoubted advantage over their more advanced western brother artisans. The endeavour to get nearer to the distributor and the consumer has not been as fortunate in results as the resolve to keep near to the cheap workman, especially in these latter days of cheap carriage for long haulage. Montreal, which strikes the golden mean between the two extremes, best fulfills both requirements.
The meeting of the creditors of the concern referred to, J. McPherson \& Co., held in 'Toronto on the 30th ult. naturally drew a large attendanse. The following statement (not over lucid) was submitted by the solicitor of the insolvents :
The statement of liabilitios and assets is as follows:-

## LIABILITIES.

| To shoe and leather firms...................... \$ $\$ 64,430$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| To Bank of Montreal, unsecurad. | 70,800 |
| To privileged claims........... | 50,000 2,770 |
|  | \$188,000 |
| Co Bank of Montreal, indirect, (customers' paper under discounts, \&c.). | 76,300 |
|  | \$264,300 |
| Assets. |  |
| Stock manufactured. | \$ 4,647 |
| Stock in process and leather | 28,191 |
| Stock held ly bank. | 46,544 |
| Cash. | 56 |
| Book accounts. | 2,697 |
| Machinory. | 30,290 |
| Factory, real estate. ..................... $\$ 20,900$ |  |
| Less Mortgage...................... 14,445 | 6,455 |
| J. . McPherson's residence. . . . . . . . . . . \$ 7,000 |  |
| Less Mortgage....................... 5,000 | 2,000 |
| Real Estate in Chatham.........................' 2,500 |  |
| Total assets | \$123,380 |

The assets of the estate will doubtless prove less valuable than the above table shows. The machinery valuation will probably have to be considerably reduced, while the real estate margins will doubtless prove much smaller than at present estimated, so that the deficit is considerable.

It was pointed out that the bank's claim of $\$ 120,888$ would be ceduced by the anount which the goods held by it (\$46,548) would realize. This would bring down the total liabilities to about $\$ 160,000$. In the assets it was explained that the item of $\$ 28,190$ was composed of :

| Leather. | \$12,925 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Cat | 11,521 |
| Sole leather cut. | 3,221 |
| Nails, icc. | 523 |

The cut leather would be subject to depreciation. In respect of real estate and machinery, it was the opinion that if disposed by assignee, it would not realize much more than the mortgage covering both-about $\$ 14,500$-that there would be no margin in Mr. McPherson's residence, leaving for the unsecured creditors stock in hand and in process of manufacture of about $\$ 32,840$, together with book-debts of about $\$ 2,700$. 'lhe insolvent's offer of 10 c in the dollar, and its acceptance without examination were favored by C. S. Hyman, P. Jacobi, Beardmore \& Co. and others. The bulk of the creditors refused without an investigation, in which the bank concurred. After a recommendation of Mr. Chapman, Chas. King (King Bros.) favored by the bank, W. A. Marsh of Queber and J. F. Weston for the bank were appointed to examine, and report. The offer was
coupled with a condition to discharge Mr. McPhersory. A later offer of $12 \frac{1}{3} \mathrm{c}$ has been made.
The meating on Mondayelicited considerable feeling, resulting in the appointment of Messrs. Chapman, King \& Clarke (A. R. Clarke \& C 0 .) to investigate thorouglily and report at a meeting to be summoned when the report is complete. The troubles of the firm are attributed (apart from the general causes aforesaid) to the withdrawal of their shares of the estate by the other members of the family; another brother, and a sister who married in Rochester. The old house had made money, but all did not turn out for the best with the three heirs of the practical and economical Highland Scot who started the bisiness and conducted it had successfully for so many, many years. The highl $j$ honourable chief executor had his own time of it-finding the inherited energy and shrewdness of the father directed into channels somewhat awry in the persons of one or two of the children-whose education, it may be remarked, was not by any means neglected.
The following statement has been sent us by a Toronto correspondent :-

## LIABILITIES, (DIRECT).

Trade Creditore, per list
$\$ 64,42080$
Bank of Montreal,
Overdue Advances $\$ 24,96528$
Unaccepted Bills. $\quad$,770 98
Overdraft . . . . . . . 39, 292 10 \$70,028 40
Security Receipts........... $50,88045 \quad 120,88885$
Tax98......................... . . 串 1,10478
Preferential Wages.......... 1,576 29 2,771 07 \$188,08672
ABEETB.
Stock on Hand, Manufactured $\$ 4,64670$
Stock in Process, Leather, etc. 28,19096
\$32,837 66
Goods held by Bank........ $46,54866 \$ 79,38632$
Cash on Hand............... $\quad 5000$
Book Accounts Receivable... $2,69080 \quad 2,74780$
$\$ 82,13412$
Machinery ( 5 por cent, written
Off yearly except 1895 )... $30,290.97$

## Real Estate-

Factory and Warehouse, as-
sessed value.... $\$ 20,000$
Less Mortgage....... 14,445
J. A. McPher-
son's res. \$7,000
Less Mortgage 5,000 2,000
Equity in R. E. at
Chatham held by bank $\quad 2,500 \$ 10,955.00 \quad \$ 41,245,9 \%$
\$123,380.09
$\$ 64,70663$
Indirect Liabilities-
Bank of Montreal, Bills under Discount $\$ 76,301: 00$.
The total liabilities are as follow :-C. S. Hyman : \& Co., London, $\$ 5,469$; Warren, Tobey \& Co., Collingwood, $\$ 5,502$; E. Frank Moseley \& Co., Montreal, 44,064 ; Migner \& Goulet, St. Rochs, Que., $\$ 4,086$; A. R, Clarke \& Co.. Toronto, $\$ 3,832$; Shaw, Cassils \& Co., Montreal, $\$ 1,970$; Jas. Robson \& Sons, Oshawa, $\$ 2,431$; King Bros., Co.,Toronto, $\$ 2,344$; Beardmore $\&$ Co., Toronto, $\$ 2,219$; J. S. Langlois \& Co., Quebec, $\$ 2,094$; Newton \& Bro., Richmond Fill, \$1,982; Bickell \& Wickett, Toronto, $\$ 1,450$; W. A. Marsh \& Co, Quebec, $\$ 1,434$; Canadian Rubber Co., Montreal, $\$ 2,049 ; H$. J. Fisk \& Co., MontreaI $\$ 1,388$; W. H. Polley, Qúabec, $\$ 1,318$; P. Jacobi, Toronto, $\$ 1,012$; Harvey \& Van Norman Co., Quebec, $\$ 1,006$; Duclos \& Payan, St. Hyacinthe, Que., \$805; H. Griffith, Quebec, \$859; Jno. Hallam, Toronto, $\$ 774$; Bowman \& Zinkan, Southampton, $\$ 763$; A. Gibb, Hamilton, $\$ 556$; Pfistor \&

Vogel Leather Co., Milwaukee, . $\$ 538$; White : Bros. \& Co., Boston, $\$ 519$; A. Davis \& Son, King, 8547 ; Jno. Ritchie, Quebec, \$560; Dominion Shoe Co:, Quebec; \$487; Boissonault, Vermette \& Lacharce, Quebec, $\$ 530$; L. H. Packard. \& Co., Montreal, $\$ 698$; Bell \& Co., Tilsonburg, \$412; E. Schultze, Son $\mathbb{\&} \mathrm{Co}$. , Montreal, $\$ 665$; Magnetawan Tanning Co., Toronto, \$546; J. Palmer, Fredericton, \$372; D. W. Alexander, Toronto, $\$ 395$; Mitchell \& Thomas, Wilmington; Del:, $\$ 307$; Thos. Samuel \& Son, Montreal; ${ }^{\text {F }} 791$; W. A. Spratt, Hamilton, $\$ 274$; Robin, Sadler \&Howarth, Toronto, $\$ 262$; J. L. Goodhue \& Co., Danville, Que., \$240; Greef, Bredt \& Co., Barmen, Germany, \$206; New England Leather CO., Boston, \$245; Farnsworth, Hoyle \& Co.; Boston, \$214; Helburn Leather Co., Boston, $\$ 208$; McKay Metallic . Fastng. Assn., Boston, \$238; Crerar, Crerar \& Bankier, Hamilton, \$225; F. Schrylourt \& Co., St. Roch's, Que., \$193; Barrio Tanning Co., Barrie, $\$ 193 ;$ A. Stroud \& Son, Galt, $\$ 172$; Murton Coal Co., Hamilton, $\$ 167$; Hoff \& Roedler, Milton, $\$ 141$; P. Dugal, St. Roch's, Que., $\$ 245$; Geo. D. Ross \& Co., Montreal, $\$ 159$; Routh \& Payne, Hamilton, $\$ 117 ;$ J. G. Reiner, Wellesley, $\$ 190$; Ontario Tlack $(0.0$, Hamilton, $\$ 150$; A. B. Hoffman, Lynn, Mass., $\ddagger 126$; orticelli Silk Co., Toronto, \$140; J. Ciolty (vages), Hamilton, $\$ 106$; E. Robinson, Hamilton, $\$ 115$; Sundry creditors for sums under $\$ 100, \$ 19$; Sundry contra accounts, $£ 416 ;$ total, $q 64,426$. It will be remarked doubtless that the favors have been indiscriminately divided among the truice.

## THE MACLEAN FALLURE.

After contending against adversé circumstances extending over the past five years Mr. John MacLean, trading as John MacLean \& Co., wholesale milliners, St. Helen street, has assigned on demand of J. N. Greenshields. The firm was formerly Russell, MacLean \& Co., Russell retiring in 1874, and John Heath with D. J. Craig continuing with Mr. MacLean. The two former retired in 1886 , and were succeeded by-Alex- Stewart and J. H. Smith. The firm susponded payment in 1891. After the dissolution of the partnership in August, 1891, Mr. MacLean, having obtaingd a composition from the creditors of the old firm; continued the business. At that time the capital account of the firm showeid a credit balance to Mr. Stewart of $\$ 17,185$, and a credit balance to. Mr. J. H. Smith of $\$ 27,739$, while Mr. MacLean's account was overdrawn $\$ 29,079$. After the estate had been handed over to Mr, John MacLean at 50 cents in the dollar: the two junior partners sued in respect of the new condition, as already explained at the time in our columns. Mr. MacLean replied that it was a debt to the partnership and as such was included in the assets he had purchased and had consequently been extinguished by confusion. Mr. Smith took. no further part in the litigation and the action resolved itself into a claim of $\$ 10,261$ by Mr . Stewart. The Superior Court and Court of Appeals decided in his favor, but the Supreme Court subsequantly reversed the judgment of the two other courts, and the case was taken to the Privy Council. Here judgment was rendered in favor of Stewart, largely through the efforts of Mr. Donald MacMaster. . This was an unfortunate ending for Mr. MacLoan, and his assignnent is the outcome. An interesting legal question is likely to arise in the connection. A leading wholesale man went security for costs in the appeal before one of the first courts, and the question is now just how far he is liable for the costs of the subsequent cases and appeal. A decision on this point is awaited with much interest. Mr. J. N. Greenshields, who made the demand of assignment; has been appointed provisional guardian of the estate. A full list of the creditors shows total liabilities of $\$ 175,484.79$. A. F. Gault, $\$ 23,500$, City of Montroal; $\$ 890$, Wm. McLean, $\$ 767: 37$; C. G. G: Matlieson, \$2,652; E. Guillet \& Co., Marieville, \$1,188,25;

Alex Stewart, judgment, $\$ 14,500$; Merchants Bank, $\$ 65,000$ mercantile paper, \&c. Mr. MacLean has the sympathy of the trade and a large circle of friends in his misfortunes, and mauy will. wish that his puck and endeavors may bring him better days than he has enjoyed for some years past, that the darkest hours which precedes the dawn may shortly pass away.

## THE PRESIDENT'S POWER RE. FREE SIL VER.

It is very generally assumed that even if Mr. Bryan were elected it would require a length of time to establish the free coinage of silver. Legislation by Congress and the Senate are said to be necessary to affect this change. 'This is a misapprehension. As the U. S. law stands, it is in the power of the President to establish the currency on a silver basis. All he would have to do would be to let the gold reserve run out and to pay silver when gold is asked for. So far every President has regarded it his duty to maintain the gold basis. Mr. Cleveland's bond issues illustrate the power a President has. If he had let things slide, the gold standard would have been practically set aside, and with this would have come an overwhelming panic. If Mr. Bryan were elected he could, of his own motion, bring the silver scheme into operation without any legislation, and no doubt he would, as he would regard his election a mandate from the people to abolish the gold standard.

## THE COLLAPSED BANK AT NEW ORLEANS.

Enquiries into the affairs of the New Orloans Bank of Commerce which collapsed some weeks ago, are revealing a very rotten system to have been in operation. Large overdrafts appear in the books of which a number of the directors declare they had no knowledge. When small loans were being put through, the Board was gravely consulted and their judgment asked. This seems to have thrown them off the scent; as loans of thousands, and a hundred thousand, were passed by the President and Cashier without any reference to the other directors. The Bank of Commerce, New Orieans, had a high reputation, and its suspension came " like a bolt from the blue" in its unexpectedness. It is probable the directors will have to stand trial, as the last statement issued was utterly false. We need hardly say that the above bank was not in any way connected with the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

## A HINT TO THE HARBOR BOARD.

Now the pier opposite the city wharves is so near completion, its succoss as an eye sore, as a deformer of the river view, is very pronounced. Anything more absolutely ugly could not be imagined as a pormanent object for the eye to rest on when looking across from the city to the south shore, or on the river from the mountain. A prodigious dirt heap of great length is now the leading attraction in the view of our harbor. We fear it is hopeless to expect the pier to be ever a thing of beauty, butits unsightliness might: be lessened by its sides being covered with verdure:. Anything green on the sides would do to make the pier less repulsive to the eye; and as this improvement could be effected at a very trifling cost, we trust the new Harbor Board will adopt our suggestion. If they heard some remarks". such as we have listened to from visitors to the city their ears would tingle.

## SOME FASHIONS.

Paradise plumes are an impurtant feature in the trimming of early autumn lats. The shape, stỳle and color seem of small consequence, the plumes being the part particularly insisted upon.-This mode, however, is a triffe outre for the sedate woman, and quite as stýlish an effect can bo obtained by the use of iridescent quills. These give a chic air to a
pretty hat of soft gray felt: Around the crown is'a double raffle of changeant blue, green and gray taffeta ribbon, the groups of quills being placed near the back at the left side, nestling in a big rosette of white silk mousseline.-A variety of French felt hats, having a double brim, is being made ready for the openings. The under brim, generally of a contrasting color, is sometimes bound to the upper, at the edges; or is left free, the separate edges producing a very pleasing effect.-This season's millinery ribbons are decidedly narrower than those of last year, and a great number of novel designs is promised. One of the handsomest patterns has a centre in solid moire, with half inch edges in chine figured effect. Satin and taffetas are popular in plain, plaid and figured designs, and at least six rosettes are used on larger shapes.Lace, jewels, velvet roses and tulle are seen on dressy toques, and it is said that piece velvets and moires will be in vogue before the winter sets in. - Satin braids, in imitation of straw pleating, are stylish for youthful chapeaus, and are effective in yellow and in green. Ostrich plumes in aigrette style, with foliage of Parma violets and pink roses, form a handsome trimming on a large hat of green satin braid.-Among the newest imported models one's admiration is immediately commanded by the beautiful "Marie Louise " bonnet.

## CONCERNING OCHRE.

Good ochres are generally found near the rivers of hilly regions where iron abounds, and they seem to be a product formed by nature, says the Plumber and Decorator. Through what length of period it is necessary for nature to work to produce these earths has never been determined, but the fart remains that good ochres can only be expected where the proper proportions of colored silica and colored clay exist intimately mixed.
The old-fashioned Spanish brown is a true ochre, cailed by some "rut" or "rivulet" ochre. It is usually of a very fine red, but so hard and rough as to render it undesirable when nice work is required. It is very obdurate, and the wear of mills in grinding it would be so great that it would scarcely pay to use it,while so many varieties of reddish earths can be obtained which can be readily produced. Spanish brown, however, is really one of the most durable and unfading earths ever discovered.
It is very doubtful if the ochres having the strongest coloring power, are the most durable as an article of paint. Such ochres are usually soft, sticky and work badly. If an article of ochre which has sufficient covering power, with the largest possible amount of silica, is used, it will be found to be far more durable and better suited for priming and painting than the softer: ochre.
There has been upon the market for a number of years a so-called golden ochre, which consists of about 60 per cent of good French ochre of a light shade, 30 per cent of barytes, and 10 per cent of chrome yollow. This article, which is sold at a high price, is deceptive in its shade, and would be very likely to give undesirable results when used as a paint.
In purchasing an ochre for general use it is thought desirable to purchase only that which is pure, silicious ochre, ground in pure oil. Where cheaper goods are required it would be desirable to purchase ochre mixed with silica and barytos, and ground in pure oil.

All light gravity ochres, which are sold at a low price, are. more or less "doctored" in the matter of linseed oil.

## THE SLAUGETER TROUBLE AGAIN.

Complaints are reaching. us from varlous quarters of the slaughtoring process going on for some time .past along:our border towns. Notwlthatanding the: opinions expressed here and there that the duty ou manufactured cottons is excessive; it - would seom that American manufacturers in Lowell and other places in the New Eugland States; with their yastly higher-almost prohibitive-tariff, find it an oasy matter to get over the
wall which separates them from the Canadian consumer. A's a pevenue must be raised, and is to no little extent derived from the protective dutp on all classes of textile manufactures, it is clear that there muat be a considerable falling of to be proyided for otherwise owing to the slaughtering in these lines as well as in cthers now going on. Cottons, wo have been told, have been sold as low as one cent per yard to Canadian dealers, and every yard thus slaughtered on this side by people who pay no taxes, \&c., means so much less work for the artisan in Canada, It means also less money to be spent in dry goods, groceries and the various living necessities of our artisan population; of course cutton goods cannot be mannfactured at slaughter prices. As it does not require a meeting of Parliament to effect a remedy, it is to be hoped that the matter will receive due consideration in the proper quarter before the mischief has taken too deep root.
A manufacturer from Boston, one who is interested in Lowell cotton mills as well as in paper manufacture in Holyoke, and is besides the owner of some shares in our own Valleyfield Colored Cotton Co., has been visiting Montreal during the week. According to his statement to a prominent business man in the city, one with whom he has had heavy dealings extending over years, the steps taken by the New England cotton companies a few months ago. in closing down their mills, was not caused so much by over-manufacture among them, as by a desire to impress a strong argument upon the minds of the operatives in the various factories that they should be working against their own interest as employees in giving any support to the Silverites and their leader Mr. Bryan. The statement made in our paragraph above does not seem to lend much credit to the Boston man's remarks.

FARM PROPERTY.
The value of suburban farm property must have fallen conBiderably of late. One of the largest farms on the Island of Montreal, nearly 200 acres-and fronting on the St. Lawrence at Bay View-that owned for upwards of a quarter of a cẹntury by Wm. Raeburn, formerly a considerable dry goods retailer. in Griffintown, was disposed of by Sheriff's sale some days ago. bid in by the principal mortgagees, the Montreal Loan \& Mortgage Co., for $\$ 5,000$, under a claim of about $\$ 18,000$. As an evidence of the depreciation in the value of this class of property, it may be said that the loans or claims on the property aggregated upwards of $\$ 20,000$. Few will deny that the owner thus received for it from-time to time all that it was worth: Mr. Raeburn is said to have lost not a little time and money in legal contestations, and he has not a few friends to sympathize with him in his fallen fortunes.

## a NEW FABRIC.

The company recently organized in London to manufacture silk fabrics from the long silken fibrie of the plant Ramie, which grows so abundantly in India, has arranged with Mr. J. H Schultze, son of the estimable Austrian Consul in Montreal, to represent that interest in Canada. It is not improbable the article may be manufactured here eventually. Mr. Schultze, who'has just returned from a' several months' trip in Europe, says our electric companies might obtain some valuable lessons from the city of Buda-Pesth where wires have long since been underground - a modern city that in this and other respects would shame even the most progressive across the border.

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## THE FIRE IN JAMES CORISTINE \& COMPANY'S FACTORY:'

Messrs. James Coristine \& Co., wholesale fur and hat merchante, suffered a heavy loss by fre on the premises in St. Paul street, last Friday night, resulting in the almost total destruction of their felt hat factory and plant. When the brigade arrived about 11.30 the fire had gained such headway that efforts were mainly directed to saving the other numerous buildings in the vicinity. This was effected about 3 a m. when the fire was considered under control.: The loss which is about $\$ 25,000$, is covered, by insurance. Arrangements are now belng made to have a new and complete factory with modern plant erected and without delay. The fur manufactory being only flightly damaged, business in this department' will not be interrupted. Orders entrasted to the travellers of the firm who are now on their various routes
showing a' completé line of spring goods, will be filled promptly and according to samples shown. The fre will not in any degree interfere with the flling of orders, and it is needless to say that tio samples are of the latestrand most suitable styles for the aje pröaching seásoñ in reepling with the high reputation always maintained by this firm:

## Contespondence.

## NEWFOU̇NDLAND AFFAIRS.

To the Editor of the Journal of Commerce,

## Montreal.

Dear Sir,
A word from this as to the condition of the fall trade may not be unwolcome to your readers. Although the Labrador fishery has not equalied the brillint success, of last year, and, in individual. cases, has been a blank; we have been in receip, of large quantities of dry cod fish at this port the last few weeks. Receipts range from $10.000^{\circ}$ to 20,000 quintals per diem. ©Most of this 'fish arrives at St. John's in coastwise craft, and of course on board these craft a large quantity of 'the staple' can be. stowed away in a very small space. From 500 to a thousand quintals is quite a usual quantity to be carried in bulk by one of these simall, unassuming craft, and if any stranger were to be informed that hor cargo was worth $\$ 4,000$ or $\$ 5,000$, it would make him stare. I have seen one of our mercantile firms transfer the lading of forty or fifty of these craft from their holds to the fish store on a fine day in the fall, and pay out $\$ 200,000$ in cash the next day for the fish,

One thing is greatly in the fishermen's favor this year-the low price of breadstuffs, provisions, and all necessary supplies. At the lowest a barrel of the best Minnesota flour could be sold with a profit at $\$ 4$ this month in St. John's, duty paid; while a barrel of mess pork could be had for about $\$ 8$. On the other hand the owner of a quintal of large merchantable codfish could obtain for it the sum of $\$ 4.50$. Now I have often seen the same quality of codfish sold here for $\$ 8$ in old timea, and I can produce many hundreds of fishermen, who sold it, to testify that. at the same time, they had to pay from $\$ 6$ to $\$ 8$ for their barrel of flour, and from $\$ 12$ to $\$ 15$ for the barrel of ness pork. If we take the lowest of these figures, respectively, we shall find that the fisherman's "bill of exchange" then and now stands as follows :

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3 quintals (112 lbs: each) CodFisi "© $\$ 4$ per gal.
$\$ 12.00$
$\$ 12.00$ showing a marvellous alteration in the relations of these articles to one another. This comparison may seem exaggerated, but there is room for a good margin of exaggeration and a good deal of fact afterwards. The "fall in "prices" of all things except Newfoundland codfish is however too well known to all ordinary readers of your own apd other first-class mercantile papers to need accentuation from me.*
Now here is a country that can unfailingly produce a cash trade annually of $\$ 20,000,000$, that is, combinling the annual values of (1) its exports ( 2 ) its imports, and ( 8 ) its products used for home consumption. Nothing can materially affect'the value of this trade except within a very narrow range of difference, for, whoever handles the trade and however they may mismanage the handling of It, the next year's annual crop is there, unaffected (humanly speaking) by any precedent condition.
This year we have had a renewed instance of its unfailingness. Although, as I have said, there are individual blanks, yet such are the multitudinous sources of supply, and so many are the tributary cills that'help to swell the general volunie of supply, that the gross or aggregate quantity "gets there all the same." There it is! In spite of forebodings and prognostications to the contrary-in open defiance of the thing that ought to $b \dot{i}$-there, boldly, baldly and bewilderingly stands the thing that is!

Yours truly,
8t. John's, 29 Sept., 1896.

## A BAD CROSSING.

To the Fdito of tho Joonnat on Comaeroe
Dour Sir, There was a time, not mañy yars ago, ero St. Catherine street had become a crowded business thoroughfare, When our population was about 125,000; and St, James stre et from the St. Lawrence Hall-thenin all its glory- to Victoria

[^1]square constituted the sole evening prominade of our citizens. In those days a crossing such as that now existing betweon the stately new Canada Life Búilding and the clasic facade of the Moichants: Bank; just at the slope: towards Bleury stroet ${ }_{\text {; }}$ would not be tolerated a single week. Somebody wuuld soon have discovered how fachle was the descent to Avernibe ITHere 'ts' too muoh profanity there now, to say nothing of the mud-and fallen and sued tho oity for damages, and racovered for repairs to his wounded body and spirit far more than the cost of ropairs to the street-crósling: Noiv:Mr. Dditor, it is barely possible our citizens have reached the limit of taxable patience-or that the job is too small to engage the attention of aldermen-so I beg to suggest that some one of the swarthy and sturdy beggars who have infested the city of late be stationed like a sweep at one of the cornerg, tincan or hatin hand to solicit subscriptions for the purpose of laying a new pavement there. It might be nocessary-after the: manner of a worthy ex-alderman who patiently waits o'nights: at a certain uptown ticket-office to secure and recover a loan of some thou'sainds made to an enterprising busines man lately, for some orie to visit the hat or the can occasionally, "I'm ready to concribute 50 cents towards the good work:-Yours truly,

PRDESTRIAN
Montreal, 8th Oct., 1806.
-Join G. Hamiliton, groceries and meats, St. Stephen, No B, is offering to compromise at 26 c in the dollar.
-A correspondent commenting on the troubles of $G$. S . Thekell \& Sons, Belleville, referred to elsewhere, adduces it as another example of the ovils that result from too much attention to politics on the part of business men.

- BLAOK spots here and there in Ontarlo indicate the necese sity, for more care in examining the accounts of township trea: surers: Wentworth and Wellington have each furnighed an ex: ample, and now comes Leeds, A warrant has been issued in Brockville for the arrest of J. E. Brown, late treasurer :of the townships of Bastard and Burgess, on three charges of embezzle; ment of money, while acting in that capacity. Brown hase fled Mensri. Bresse and Skovil, his bondsmen, asked for the warrant The townships intend taking legal steps against them to make the defaulting treasurer's shortage good.
- Jodar Tascifereat renderod judgment a few days ago on a point of law. Action was taken by Lesperance $\& \cdot C 0$, who claimed from the defendant, Courchene, the amount of a : pro: missory note given them. Courchene having failed, was trying to effect a settlement with his creditors, who were willing to a0: cept so muth in the dollar, provided Lesperance © Co. the largest creditors, headed the list. Lesperance \& Co, consented upon the promisa of Courchene to give them an additional note for fifteen cents more in the dollar over and above the general settlement. The note was given and the present action was subsequently taken to recover the amount thereof. In rendering judgment the Court remarked that the jurisprudence was not unanimous as to whether such a claim is legali: However, the majority of decisions, including those of the Court of Appeal.and of the Court of Review, go to show that such a transaction is illicit and contrary to public order, and that jurisprudence boing moroover supported by the present majority of the Court of Queen's Bench and of the Superior Court, the action should, be dismissed.
-A matuore of some magnitude is that of Grothe Freres, of Montreal, builders and contractors. The demand was made on them by Mr. Jos. Paquette, who was later appointed provisional guardian. The firm has been in business a long time and have handled some good contracts. Of late years they have had some unproftable work. This included the restoration, or practically the re-building of an East-side restaurant on an almost Oriental scale of magnificence. The work in this connection cost some $\$ 11,000$ only a very small portion of which has been paid. It is gaid there was a lack of gystem in their method of running the oflice and finances, and during the past fow months, a number of suite have been tsisued against theme $\Delta$ iconsent to absiga has been filed. Mr. H.:Boilard of the Ocoldental Restalu"rant, upon whom a domand" of assignment hàs been made by Grothefreres, contractors, arising out of their failare; has fled acontegtation of the demand, He clalme to be in a position to

-E. A. Small, drugg, Erin,Ont, has assigned to D. McKechnie. Business only a small one, and has only been running it for a little over a year. Came from Arthur, and bougbt out O.. A, Kyle. Had little or no capital invested, and thore was no scope for a success here-Louls Fraid, clothing, Gananoque, Ont., who was burned out a fow days ago, lost pretty heavily, having only an insurance of $\$ 2,000$, and states his liabilities are $\$ 4,500$. Is offering creditors a cash composition at 25 cents. in the dollar which is likely to be accepted.
-Samued Desy, grocer, Montreal, reported beforo, liabilities are now given at $\$ 4,802$, principal creditors Hudon \& Co., $\$ 880$; A. Lalonde, $\$ 507$; IIudon \& Orsali, $\$ 205 ;$ Leduc \& Daoust: $\$ 205 ;$ Hislop, Hunter \& Co., \$250; P. Grace \& Co., \$237; U. Vanier, $\$ 200$; Mre. Costello, $\$ 300$. Mecting of creditors 13 (fin inst.-R. H. C. Larose, grocer, Montreal, has assigned to the court on demand of F. X. Dupuis, liabilities $\$ 8,073$; principal creditors, F. X. Dupuis, $\$ 333$. Caverhill, Hughes \& Co., \$470; G. McGarry, $\$ 308$; Merchants Bank, $\$ 350-0$. Chicoine, shoes, Montreal, assigned about a month ago, and subsequently offered 25 cents in tho dollar. Has now offected a compromise at that tigure, spread over 2,4 and 6 months, secured by C. Lafleur. Liabilities about $\$ 4,500-\mathrm{A}$. Deschamps, hardware, ulready noted, has now compromised at 40 conts in the dollar, at 4,8 and 12 months-N. Laporte \& Fils, mnfrs, ranges, who assigned in August last, have now compromised at 50 cents in the dollar cagh,
-Sirerwood Bros., grocers, Ottawa, Ont., have assigned to W. A. Cole. Began business about a year ago, in a small way一H. W. Wilson \& Co., dry goods, Ottawa, Ont., Herbert W. Wilson only partner, assigned to Petor Larmonth. :Business originally started many years ago, succeeding H. Stalker \& Co. At that time had a partner, but in 1882 dissolved, and sipuce has beou alone. He failed in Feb. 1804, with liabllitios of $\$ 21,000$, compromising at 51 cents in the dollar-J. D. Ivey \& Co., whoissalc, milliners, Toronto, have suspended paymont, and called a meeting of creditor . Firm lost something like $\$ 10,000$, through failure of McKenzie \& Co., and made heavy losses in other quarters. Soine paper has gone to protest, but they will make a proposition as soon as statement is propared. Firm is an old established one, J. D. Ivey, only partner, having come from London in 1887; had proviously been in same line of business thereAngus Cameron, machinist, Galt, Ont., has assigned to W. S. Turnbull; only in business a fow months: previous to that worked as a machinist-Mader \& Co., dry goods, Strathroy, Ont., have assigned to John Ferguson, of Toronto. This is J, R, Mader doing busincss under the above style, and working under cover, ho having formerly been in Newmarket, where he failed on two duferent occasions. Moved there in 1895, and assigned again in Jan. 1880 -C. S. Graves, dry goods, Wallacebiurg. Ont., has assigned to W. A. Dowler. He held a meeting of creditors some weeks ago, where his brothor offered for him 70 cents in the dollar, he being an absentee. Liabilties were put at $\$ 10,000$ and assets nominally the same.


## BUSINESS GHANGES.

Ontario-Bogart Bros., grocers, Deseronto, dissolved, A. G. Bogart continuing; Wm. Aspinall, confectioner, Ottawa, dead; Est. J. D. Hunton \& Co., Lardware,Ottawa. stock sold; S. F. Munro, publisher, Tilbury Centre, quit business; E. J. LeDain, clothier, Arnprior, advertises stock for snle; Siwinn Bros. grocers, Aylmer, offoring business for sale, C. D. Williams, drugs, Goderich, sold out to F. Dunham; Miss L. Venton, confectioner, Ingersoll, given up business; A. E. Wynne, fruit, \&c., Ingersoll, out of business; Wm. Howie, lumber, London, stock advertised for sale on 8th Inst; G. G. Steele, grocer, St. Thomas, selling out his busines here; Wm. Simpson, grocer, Brockville, stock sold; Wm. Milne, saw mill, Fthel, sold out to S. S. Cole; Wm. Gray, baker, Orillia, succeeded by J. A. Baird; W. H. McBride, pop mnfr. Wingham, moved to Gorria; W. O. Weese, flour mill, Zophyr, moving to Whitevalo; J. W. Gibb, livery, Amherstburg, succeeded by W. J. H. McBride; Geo. Morrish, hotel, Aylmer, sold out to Donley \& Martin; J. L. Scott, coal, ice, \&c., Chatham, sold out to $\Lambda$. Glenn; Henry Jonos, blacksmith, Exeter, sold out to Wm. Kuntz; Péter Reath, hotel, St. Thomas, sold out to G. W. Wilcox; Robt. Willis, hotel, Sarnia, succeeded by Wm. Ayres; Jas. Stoddart, printer, Prescott, succeeded by Geo. Mason, Jr. ilt..
Quebic-Bourdon \& Tossier, coal, Montreal, dissolved; E. Doray, saloon, Montroal, sold out; J. Shaw \& Co., commission grain, Montreal, bailiftes sale advertised; Miss L. Mattey, milli-
ner, Montreal, stock sold; T. Patenaude, coal and wood. Montreal, assets advortlsed for sale on 9 th October; C. Rickner \& ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{Co}{ }^{\prime}$, fruits, Montreal, assets advertised for sale 8th inst.; Mrs. F . Deardon, milliner, Richmond, assets sold; E. R. Webster, general store, Ayers Flats, succeeded by A. E. Fish; A: Ledoux \& Co., carriages, Montreal, new co-partnership; Waterloo Wood Mnfg. Co., mnfrs. churus, \&c., Waterloo, dissolved, Louis, Bouchard continuing, style unchanged; C. S. White, general store ${ }_{j}$ Lennoxville, sold out drygoods department; Auger Telesphore, mnfr. shoes, Montreal, sold out Lachine business carried on under style J. B. Richer \& Co.; Johnson \& Simpson, wholesale seeds, \&c., Montreal, commencing business; Louls Lavergne dit Renaud \& Co., traders, Montroal; new co-partnership; Nap. Leclerc \& Co., shoes, Baie St. Paul, removed to Coatinooke; Allum \& Hartland, agents, Montreal, H. F. Hartland sole owner; Oscar Lessior, grocer, Montreal, commenced business; Legault \& Balthazar, builders, St. Henri, new co-partnership; W. J. Woodburn, general store, Richmond, removing to Windsor Mills.
Manitoba and N.W.T.-G.E. Curtis, physician and druge, Austin, commencing business; Shaw Bros., flour and saw mills, Lake Dauphin, sold out flour milling business; A. W. Bleasdell \& Co., druge, \&c., Macleod, removing to Fort Steele, B.C.
Brimber Columbia-Hartman \& Campbell, drygoods, \&c., Rossland, dissolved; T. R. Hardiman, pictures, \&c., Vancouver, giving up business; Rasmussen Bros, furniture, Vancouver, business now closed out; W. J. Stoddart, jeweler, Vancouver, given up business; M. McCarty, hotel, Kamloops, sold out.
Nova Scotla-H, L. Wallace, grocer, Halifax, opened out in business; Seeley Bros., general store, Glenwood, succeeded by O. L. Seeley; Grant \& Co., feed, \&c., Halifax, succeeded by J. D. Smallwood; Nova Scotia Instalment Co., clothing, \&c., Springhill, dissolved.
Prince Edfard Island-A. J. Bernard, tins, \&o., Tignish, succeeded by P. J. Bernard.
New Bronswick-Isaac W. Marsten, general store, Meductic, sold out to his brother, A. J. Marsten; Saunders \& Brown, genoral store, Petitcodiac, about to give up business.

LEGAL RECORD, EC.
Week ended Oct. 7, 1896.
The following is a record of transactions and cases in our Canadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issued and Judgments Rendered for sums of $\$ 300$ and upwards, and Chattel Mortgages and Bills of Sale for sums of $\$ 550$ and upwards :

Writs Issoed, Province of Quebro.
Oct. 1.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Buckingham-Frontenac L. \&.I. Socy, vs S.. Bradloy ... } & \$ 1604 \\ \text { Eustache N-J. B. Laliberte vs L. N. Brissette.......... } & 350\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Eustache N-J. B. Laliberte vs L. N. Brissette........... } & 850 \\ \text { Farnham E Tp-J. O'Halloran vs L. Buck et al........ } & 1890\end{array}$

 bise, $\$ 1,000$.
Stanbridge-P. Kearney vs L. J. Lafleur.................. $\quad 327$ .........-Eastern Twps. Bank vs-Lefebvre................. 470

Oct. 2.
Louiseville_Corpn. Louiseville vs A. Desrosiers........ 420
Montreal-M. Wurtele et al vs St. Jean Bte, Associn, $\$ 8,630$; Dme, A. Saucer et vir vs B. Gauthier et ux, $\$ 1,286 ;$ Bank of B.N. A. vs E. L. Rosenthal; \$432.

Oct. 5.
Cowansvillo-E. S. Miltmore vs De Angelina Eldridge ot al, $\$ 1,008$; G. B. Baker vs De Angelina Eldridge et al, $\$ 650$. Henryville-Anna M. Murray vs Margt. L., Esperance.. 488 Matane-La Soc. de Prets \& Placements de Quebec vs L, \& Anicet Bouchard, $\$ 414$.
Montreal-L. N. Demers vs E. Globensky, (dmgs), $\$ 1 ; 000 ;$ J. $\Delta$. Perrault vs J. Gravel, $\$ 2,000$; W. L. Bond $\psi s$ Dme. E. H. Harris et al, $\$ 450 ;$ Miss M. A. Boudreau vs Dme. A. R. MacLaughlin et vir, $\$ 1,075$.
Pointe Claire-W. L. Bond vs Dme. J. II. Oakes
Rigaud-Dme. A. Saucer vs Benj. Gauthier 450
Shefford Tp-M, H. Temple vs A. Berry ......................... 1,000
Oct. 6.
Bulstrode-L. Hebert va Jos. Verville
410
 vs N. Dufour, $\$ 1,300$; Royal Electric Co. vo J. M. Fortior (disputed) $\$ 320$; H. Lyman et al ve Dme. A. N. C. Foy, $\$ 383$; L. Chouillon Vs J.E. Grant, $\$ 3,500$; G. Bernard vs A, L. Hurtubise, $\$ 2,000$; Dme. A. Menard et vir vs J. Monday; \$575; W. Smith vs Royal Elec. Co. (dmgs.), $\$ 1,700$.
Nelson-E. Morin va Dme. Cesarine Ouimet (dmgg)....
500

Pike River-H. Luman et al vs Dme. L. J. Hogle
Quebec-A. Gagnon et al vs Hansen \& Schwartz.

Oct. 7.
Charlottetown-L. Chouillon vs J. E. Grant.
Danville-Eastern Twps. Bank vs T. J. Macock \& Co.. 600
Hereford-Est. F. Bean vs C. H. \& Gilbert Lodge.......
Isle Verte-Credit Foncier vs Oct. Ouellet

 736
L'ange Gardien-E. Archambault vs Jos. Legris (dmgs). 2,000 Montreal-Z. Rasconi ot al vs.R. Brownrigg, $\$ 80 ; \mathrm{R}$. K. Lovell vs W. H. Collins, $\$ 1,711$; Hon. J. G. Laviolette vs P. Comte, $\$ 724$; M. McDonald vs N. Davidson, $\$ 350$; H. ${ }^{\text {B. }}$ Rainville et al ve Dominion Ice Co., \$499; L. Carle va L. B. Durocher, $\$ 6,000 ;$. Feber vs F. Hurtubise et al, $\$ 900$; P. A. Cutler ve J. Murphy, \$500; Credit Foncier ve J. Plouffe, $\$ 2,024$; Credit Foncler vs E. Segouin, $\$ 8.133$; Laprairie Pressed Brick \& Terra Cotta Co. vs G. Tidman et al, $\$ 588$; Credit Foncier vs J. B. Verdon alias Montmarquette, $\$ 2,182$.
N. D. de Laterreur-Credit Foncier vs Jean Tremblay:

St. Bruno-G. Bernard vs A. I. Hurtabise.

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St. Damien-Credit Foncier vs Lambert Brault Fils....... $\quad 1.480$
St. Joseph, Beauce-Credit Foncier vs T. Vachon...... 879
St. Therese de B-Hon. J. (). Villeneuve vs G. Blondin.. 418
South Ham-F. Roy va D. Belouin (Dmga)...............
Writs Issued, Ont.
Oct. 1.
Fenelon Falls-Paxton, Tate \& Co. va J. W. Howry \& Sons Co., \$625.
Hope-G. H. G. McVity et al, exrs. ve. John White \& wife, $\$ 1,657$.
MonaghanS. -Emily Lang va W. H. S. Martin:....... ${ }_{815}^{615}$
Ottawa-Flett, Lowndes \& Co. vs H. W. Wilson \& Co.... 803
Seaforth-Bank of Commerce vs W. M. Gray............
Toronto-B. M. Britton vs R. W. Vandewater.............. 1, 852
Cinclnnati, Ohio-London Furn. Mfg, Co. vs. Hy. Cohen 335
Oct. 2.
Gratton Tp-W. Moffatt vs Eva Bloskie, $\$ 700$; Wm. Hunter vs John Lee, \$2,000.
Kincardine Tp-J. (. Graham et al exre vs John J: \& Jane Hill, \$441.
Port Arthur-Dominion Brewery Co. Lta. vs W. H. Arnold \& Co., \$578.
Reinham - Stewart \& Goodman vs Arthur \& Wm. Leggatt, $\$ 449$.
Smith's Falls-H. H. Kirkland vs W. O. Sweeney et ux. 1,584
Toronto-E. Rush va Mary A. Keiren, $\$ 300$; W. H. Harding vs Jackson L, Littie, $\$ 600 ;$ R.S. F. McMaster et al va Jas \& M. E. Ryan, $\$ 2,100$; Farmers L. \& S. Co. vs R. A. Widdowson, \$402.
Frederickton, N.B-American Rattan Co. vs R. Chesnut \& Sons. $\$ 504$.
Manchester, Eng-A. O. C. O'Brien vs Driver \& Son, $\$ 307$ \& Dmgs, $\$ 1,000$.
..........-J. A, Bayne ve Michigan Central Ry, Co.... 15,000
.-N. McKellar vs Michigan Central Ry. C...... 2,000 Oct. 5.
Carrick Tp-Carrick Financial Co. vs Fred'k: \& Ey. Boeltger, \$865,
Kenyon Tp-J. Tobin vs D. A. McLennan et al.......... 325
Lindsay Tp-R. Ibbotson vs John Gibson. 317
Ottawa -S. Shore vs Wm. Arnold, exr., $\$ 1,000 ; \mathfrak{J} . \times$ Moran vs Mr . Beanvais, $\$ 848$.
Port Arthur-Kingston \& Pembroke Ry. Co. ve The Port Arthur, Duluth \& Western Ry. Co. et al, \$1,756.
Seaforth-Union L. \& S. Co. ve Gray, Young \& Sparling Co., Ltd., 8415.
Tilbury N.Tp-A. B. Cameron et al vs F. X. \& L. Boucher; $\$ 1,051$.
Toronto-Shaw, Cassils \& Co. vs T. Holland, \$1,588; Farmers L. \& S. Co. vs C. P. Shaw, \$651.
Windsor-Mary A. Higgins vs Mary A. Campbell et al.. 1,020
York Tp-E. Hooper vs Elzth. A. Laker et al..... .... 8,002
Chicago, Ill-Farmers L. \& S. Co. vs R. A. Widdowion. 402
Oct. 6.
Chatham-M. Wilson vs Jas. Lamont...............................091
Hallowell-Caverhill, Hughes \& Co. vs E. \& $\$ 1,018$.
Milton-Bank of Hamilton vs W. B. \& Hugh Cockburn, $\$ 850$.
Ottawa-H. Hill vs Cathe \& A. B. West, E. R. C. Clarkson \& J. P. Douglas, $\$ 1,164$.

Picton-E, A, Babcock vs W. Ryan (dmgs).............. 500
Toronto-F. J. Smith vs T. W. \& M. E. Davis, \$704, J. H. Kerr vs Wm. Hall, \$2,500.

Oct. 7.
Colborne-Lavinia C. Eckensiviller vs Robert Coyle \& M. H. Peterson, \$842.
Georgina Tp-M. C. Watt vs J. R. Bouchler \& T. J. Woodcock, $\$ 2,760$.
Goderich-F. Smeeth vs St. George \&:Harriet Price.... 705
Hamilton-Rachel Gordon vs W. J. Wright............. 2,000
St. Catharines-Bank of Hamilton vs Bolton Cooper et al, $\$ 420$.
Toronto-Farmers L. \& S. Co. vs Moses Moyer. . . . . . . . . . . . 1,808

Writs. Ibsumd, Manitoba \& N. W. T.
Oct. 5.
Calgary-J. J. Robinson vs S. J. Clarke.
Judgmenta Rendered, Province uf Quebrc.
Oct. 1 ,
Montreal-L. Cohen agt C. F. Carbonneau, \$480; Dme. Domithilde Racine agt Dme: Caroline Nichols ot al, $\$ 500$.

Oct. 2.
Louiseville-E. Antil agt L. E. Caron..................... 728
Montreal-S. Beaudin et al agt Marjorlque Tardiff, $\$ 515$; 0. Desmarteau esq, agt F. Vermette, \$048.
St. Baraabe-H. G. Hart agt P. I. Bellefeuilio et al....: 3,002 Oct. 5.
Montreal-A. Barsalou agt Jas. Baxter. ........................ 2,950 Oct. 6.
Martinville--H. McKenzie et al agt Chas. Smith et al... 804 Montreal-F. X. Dupuis agt M. Brassard, $\$ 300 ;$ A. Belanger agt T. Decary, $\$ 1,410$; The Queen vs $W \mathrm{~m}$. Ethier et al, $\$ 000$; Banque Nationale vs Robt. Meredith at al, \$2,680; Dme. Cathe. Dow et vir agt Metropolitan Club, \$27,087; C. Cushing esq. agt Rich'd Pearce, $\$ 1,200$; Dme. Mary A: Scott et al agt Dme. Geo. E. Stevens, $\$ 3,653 ;$ Rev. W. I. Shuw et al, esql. agt David Tees, Jr., $\$ 472$; City of Montreal agt Dme N. H. Thibault, \$337.

Oct. 7.
Barnston-L. H. Jenks agt J. H. Slater.................. 828 Montreal -C. Lefebvre agt T. Decarie, \$675; S. S. Allen agt 0. C. Webster, $\$ 2,104$.

St. Therese de B-Hon. J. O. Villeneuve agt G. Blondin., 418 Judgments Rendered, Province of Ontario.

Oct. 1.
Cornwall-MacNee \& Minnes agt W. A. \& D. P. McArthur, $\$ 501$.
Darlington-D. Fisher, exr, agt Wilson Adams et al.... 618
Hibbert Tp-T. Ballautine agt W. Shillinglaw........... 712
Toronto-J. S. Williams agt F. L. Paris..................... 308
Winchester-Thousand Islands Carriage Co. Ltd. agt L. N. \& J. Helmer, $\$ 750$.
Wianipeg-Scott Bros. agt J. W. Yeo....................... 949
Oct. 2.
Guelph Tp-O. E. Howitt agt Alex. Fyfe et al.......... 385 Walkerton-Merchants Bank agt J. G. Pulford.............. 1,678

Oct. 5.
Kingston-American Rattan Co. agt E. B. Loucks...... 425
Napainé-J. C. \& G, D. Warrington apt C. E. Bartlett. . 2,011
Ottawa-Federal Life Assce. Co agt G. W. Perkins.... . . 830
Peterborough-J Moore agt W A Stratton
Seymour-J. B. Ferris \& Co, agt John Keith. 330
389
882

Soymour-J. B. Ferris \& Co. agt John Keith.............. 882 J. E. Farr \& W. Collerby, \$2,994; Flnance Co. agt W. McFarlane, $\$ 4,965$; W.J. Elliot agt W. B. Nesbitt, $\$ 380$; Trusts Corporation agt John Scully, \$485.
Weston-E. A. Keele et al agt Jas. Jackson 581 Woodstock-Conf, Llfe Assn, agt J, M. Hill................... 4, 4874
$\ldots .$. . .-J. Stark et al agt H. J. Dexter................. 2,706
.:s. ....-J. Stark et al agt J. B. McArthur.................. 2,700
Oct. 6.
Dorset-E. Boissoau \& Co. agt G. J. Tutt 475
Finch Tp-Mary Chambers agt John Moran............. 874
Wallaceburg-I. Gillard et al agt Sydenham Valley Lodge No. 120 I.O.O.F., $\$ 379$.

Oct. 7.
Erin-Hamilton Prov. \& Loan Soc. agt J. \& D. J. Murnahan, $\$ 1,481$.
Morrisburg-Mary J. Clark agt Bowio \& Co............. 882
Nissouri-Louisa Church agt Wm. Huestin, Sr............. 1,091
Ottawa-Banque Nationale agt Jas. A. Corry ... $\$ 1,597$ \& $\$ 2,608$ Toronto-J. Ryan agt Martha C. Grant................. . . 603 Jodgments rendered B. C.

Oct. 1.
New Westminster-W. J. Brennan agt G. Magnone....... $\$ 788$ Judgments Rendered, Manitoba \& N.W.T.

Oct. 2.
Winnipeg-J. G. Cudhám, exr. agt W. H. Fletcher....... \$ 874 Judaements Rendered N.B.

Oct. 5.
Chatham-Jas. Allen, sr., grocer, for
(................... 391 Moncton-W. E. Bishop, tailor, for $\$ 1,448$; Paul Lea, planing mill, fer $\$ 4,000$.

Judaments Rendered, Noya Scotia.
Oct. 6.
Dartmouth-Andrews \& Co.-judgment vs J. K. \& W.R. Andrews for $\$ 477$.
Halifax-Gunning \& Co., commission, for. ................. 415
Judgments Rendered, R.E.I.
Oct. 5
Charlottetown-J. E. Grant, lobater packer, for........... 729

Chatmile Momtqager, Profince of Ontario.
Oct, 1.
Kingaton-Ralph Spencer to Maria Sponcer. ............... 980 Manitowaning-J. A. \& Theresa Watson to Wm. Doherty 1,200
Toronto-W.F. Maclean to Sarah Maclean, \$702; G.F. Smed. ley to J. Lumbers, $\$ 088$.
Walsingham S-D. Procunier to J. G. Secord............ 900
.........-John McHenry to Cosgrave Brew. Co............... 8,500 Oct. 2
Almonte-Thos, \& H. Gray to S. Drummond ............... 1,275
Iroquois-B. F. Smith to D. Johnston...................... 958
Mount Forest-Smith \& Collfas to J. A. Halsted.......... 2,439
Wahnapitae-E. Hamel to H. J. Kert....................... 1,310
Oct. 5.
Adelaide Tp-Geo. Baptist to Dom. Sav. \& Inv. Soc.... 925
Ancaster-'Thos. Didmon to A. Robison.... ........... 1.
Chatham-Jas. Glenn to R. Black. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,000

East Toronto-Archd, Hunter to W. T. Kiely.................. $.3,025$
Lindsay-Saml. Cornoil to R. G. Corneil................... , , 2,242
London-E. J. Hourd et al to F. G. Rumball.............. 1,876
Niagara Falls-And. \& Albt. Breakoy to J. Bender, 85,500 ; C. R. Mackenzie to F. W. Hill, $\$ 800$

Orillia-A. W. McCarthy to O'Keefe Brew. Co............ \& 976
Peterboro-Jas, \& G\&o. Graham to O. McGill.............. 2,477
Pittsburg Tp-Jane Patterson to Mills \& Cunningham.. - 826
Rat Portage-Louis Hilliard to Can. Per. L. \& S. Co.... 7,079
Toronto-J, B. Hall \& wife to J. Matchett; $\$ 5,572 ;$ - G. M. Petrie to R. Tuthill, $\$ 2,769$,

Oct. 6.
Belleville-R. C. Hulme to F. E. Alexander.............. 2,315
Hamilton-Jas. Dwyer to D. Sillivan....................... 648
Madoc-Chas. Grier to A. T. Wood............................. . . 680
Nlagara-Schuyler West to M. Y. Woodington............... : : $2 ; 588$
St. Catharines-Albert Chatield to J. Prior. ...............
Stirling-Geo. Whitty to Canada P. L. \& S. Co .......... 1;800
Stratford-W. S. Dingman et al to ML. McDonogh.......:2,300
Toronto-John J. Buros \& wife to Cosgrave Brewery Co. It Ltd.,
$\$ 1,319$; Mrs. Jennie D. Burns to Cosgrave Brewery Co,
Ltd., $\$ 5,025$; F. P. Coates to B. F. Kendall, $\$ 4,400$. ${ }^{\text {m/4. }}$
Warren - Chenette \& Plaud to J. O. Kelly................... 1,000
Windsor-C. H. Dolislo to A, Smith. .................. : 811
Oct 7
Dundas-John Bertram to M. S. Wilson. ................... 5,045
Medonte-Archd McAllister to A. A. Allan...............11 5780
Ottawa-Ottawa Gas Co: to C. Magee as trustee, $£ 20,000$; $\mathrm{F} . \mathrm{X}$.
St. Jacques to J. W. Russell, exr., \$25,304
Chatril Montgages, B.C.
Oct: 1.
New Westminster-G. E. Carbould to Bank of Montreil $\$ 1,671$ Chattel Mortgages, Man. \& N.W.T.

Oct. 1.
Olds-John Halenback to J. Sharples..................... $\$ 2,568$ Oct. 2.1 . 5
Winnipeg-H, P. Hammerton to A. Wickson.............
Oab. 5.
Calgary-S. Parrish to Molsons Bank...................... 5,387 .

Bills of Sale Provincei of Ontario.
Oct. 1.
Toronto-J. B. Stouffer to J. R. Byers
: 1,300
Oct. 2.
Kenyon Tp-D. McNaughton to J. G: McNaughton..... 1,178
King-Jos. Thompson to J. H. Sproule . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 800
Sudbury - J. H. Morin to T., M. Kirkwood....................... . . .1118.
Oct. 5.
Hanover-Daniel J. Drumm to H. Ries..................... 830
Niagara Falls-John Bender to A. Breakey et ail......................6,000
Octi 6.
Morrisburg-F. C. Denesha to Ella F. Denesha........ 883
Toronto-B. F. Kendall to F . P. Coates..................... 4,400
Tronton-Robt. Weddell to Weddell Water Works Ca..... 7,000
Walford Tp-W. H. Gardiner to O. Bush ..................... . . 1,400
Oct. 7.
-The Byng Inlet Lumber Co. to Potvin \& Brown, $\$ 8,194$ \& \$2,378.

Bills of Sale, N.B.
Oct. 5.
Moncton-Paul Lea, planing mill, for.
4,000

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## THEATRE FRANCAIS.

The drama "Credit Lorraine" is receiving a very creditable rendering at the hands of the stock company at Theatre Francais this week. It is one of those absorbing melodramas that hold the keen attention of the spectators from the rise of the curtain upon the irst act until it falls upon the last act. The vaudeville bill is also excellent. Thomson and Bunnell are two very ex. cellent musical comedians and extract no end of fun and melody from their musical instruments while Georgia Parker is plquant and does an odd specialty in a unique manner. The other acts are good. Next week the play will be "My Geraldine," an Irish drama from the pen of Bartloy Campbell. It is a pleasing play of a romantic type and melodramatic surroundings and just enough comedy to keep an audience in good humor. I'this drama has not been seen in Montreal in several years, and its production at this theatre is a stroke of enterprise on the part of the management as it made a well-remembered hit on the occasion of its other presentation. The vaudeville feature will be the comedy boxing team, Jack and Rosa Burke, who give object lessons in the art of self-defense. The act is a highly entertaining one and always pleases iminensely. Rosa Burke will also give an exhibition of bag punching She is the only woman extant who has ever mastered this difficult art.

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Thursday Ev'g., Oct. 8, 1890.
Dullness has been the principal feature of the week on 'Change, and brokers do not seem to anticipate much improvement until after the results of the United States elections are made known. Prices, howovor, held steady on the whole until Wednesday, whon several substantial declines. wore noted, These were principally in Duluth, Cable äñ kindred stocks, but in
no case were the fluctuations very extensive. Canadian Pacific yielded slightly on recount of the atrike of operators, but the news of the settlement had'a good impression on the stock, Montreal Street Ry. has held firm, and shows a net adrance'on the week caused by a belief that a semiannual dividond of 4 per cont; will bo de. olared, togethor with a 1 per cent. bonüs. It is estimated that the net earnings of the Company will be about 12 per cent, on the capital.as compared with a little over 10 per cent. last; year, the difference being
brought about by increased receipts and. reduced,working expenses. This is only guës work, however, as nothing definite will be known until the annual statement is issued. Bank stocks have been gener-: ally: quiet but steady. Money: locally. shows no, change, being easy on call at $41 / 2$ to 5 per cent. Brokers claim to be able to secure'all they require at the first mentioned rate. . Stocks in London have fluctu. ated somewhat sharply, Kaffirs and Americans declining early in the weok during settlement, and rallying afterwards. In New. York the market has for several days shown that heavy purchases at the highest level were suspended. Prices would not yield but would not go up. Exchange has again declined, and further imports of gold are spoken of: Exchange locally is quiet. Rates are as follows:Between banks - New York funds 1-32 to $1-16$ premium; sixties, $83 / 8$ to $8 \frac{1}{2}$; demand, $87 / 8$ to. 9 ; and cables $91 / 8$ to $91 / 4$. Counter rates are-New York funds, $1 / 4$ premium ; sixties, $83 / 4$ to $87 / 8$; demand, $91 / 6$ to 914 , and cablos, $93 / 8$. Appended is the usual comparative table compiled by C. Meredith \& Co. :-

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| Montreal ........ | 39 | 225 | 2233/4 | 2231/4 |
| Merchants..... | 73 | . $1681 / 2$ | 166 | 1683\% |
| Misgemaneoug. |  |  |  |  |
| Cable | 1750 | 148 | 1413/4 | 1621/4 |
| Can. Paclic. | 750 | $571 / 2$ | 563 | 611/8 |
| Gas X.D | 980 | 189 | 1771/2 | 202 |
| Mt. St Ry. ..... | 087 | 2191/2 | 216 | 2061/2 |
| " X.D. | 25. | 214 | 214 |  |
| Toronto Ry..... | 720 | 701/2 | 671/2 | 811/6 |
| Bell ${ }^{-T o l}$.. | 26 | 156 | 1581/2 | 158 |
| R. \& 0 . | 50 | 85 | 85 | 9414 |
| Telegraph | 65 | 162 | 101 | 1601/4 |
| Duluth prid | 175 | 111 |  |  |
| Duluth com..... | $\stackrel{225}{ }$ | 434 | 412 | $61 / 2$ |
| Postal Telegraph | 177 | 791\% | 76 |  |
| C.P.RL'd G't B'd | \$500 | 108 | 108 |  |

MONTREAL CLEARING HOUSE.
Total for Week End-
ing Oct. 8 , 1896. Clearings. Balances.
$\$ 11,183,445 \cdot \$ 1,524,257$
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Week of $1895 \ldots \quad 11,023,006 \quad 2,028,492$
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" " $1803 . \ldots$. $11,222,982 \quad 1,500,587$

## MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

## Thursday Ev'g, Oct. 8th, 1896.

The generally improved feeling noted last week has been fairly well maintained, although an unfavorable feature has appeared in the shape of a few serious failures. These, however, are not due to prosentuconditions. Shipping men and exporters particularly, express themselves as-fully satisfied with the volume of business, and there is very little space now available on the outgoing steamers up to the end of the season. Large consign ments of apples are going forward, and the present year bids fair to be a record breaker in this respect. In groceries the feature is the sligh ly easier tendency of sugar and the announcement that one of
the largest salmon houses on the coast has instructed its local agent to withdraw all quatations. One lot of 4,000 cases changed hands at $\$ 4.20$ to $\$ 4.25$ fio.b. coast, but there is no more of this brand offering, the bulk of it being shipped to England. The leather and boots and shoes trades are fairly busy, and in hides lambskins have aevanced 5 c ; as foreshadowed in thls column a week ago. Dry goods were fairly active and prices firm, cotton goods having advanced, whlle in other lines a fair busfness is doing at generally steady.prices.

Ashes-Receipts have been extremely light, and with a fair demand for export, stock has decreased. Market is strong at $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.5$ Si for First Pots, $\$ 3.05$ to $\$ 8.10$ for seconds, and $\$ 4.45$ for first sort pearlash. Recelved since 1st January 1,576 brls. pots, 256 brls. pearls ; delivered since Ist January 1,602 brls. pots, 289 brls. pearls; in store 8 th October at noon, 184 brls. pots, 70 brls . pearls.
Boots and Shoess-A few sorting orders are coming in, but the bulk' of manufacturers' interest is centred on spring samples. An improvement in general business is anticipated duringsthe next few weeks. Retailers are dolng fairly well, and the demand for rubbers is setting in. Collections are fair $y$ satisfactory.

Cement-Business has ruled somewhat quieter the past week, but prices generally hold firm. English coment is quoted at $\$ 1.90$ to $\$ 2$, and Belgian at $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.90$, while firebricks sell at $\$ 15$ to $\$ 21$ per thousand as to brand.

Dry Goods-A somewhat quieter week has been experienced sult still a falr sorting business is in progress. Manufactirers are fairly busy and cottons are very firm, one or two lines haping, it is said, slightly advanced in price. Collections, as a rule, remain unsatisfactory. City and suburban retailers report business fully up to the average for the time of year. A New York dispatch says : "The market has presented a uniformly quiet appearance during the past week. The attendance of buyers -in the primary market from day to day bas been limited and store trade slow, whilst in jobbing. circles a moderate attendance only has been recorded with indifferent sales. Reports from other jobbing centres tell of a quiet trade only in progress and these are confirmed by the very moderate amount of business arising from orders through the mails. The distracting influence of politics is a prominent factor everywhere, and particularly so in those Western States, where with the exception of this city, the largest distributing markets of the country are situated. There Is no likelihood of the infuence being removed this side of the elections, at least, and continued quictude is expected for some weeks to come yet. :The woolen goods division shows more doing in fall dress goods, with men's-wear fabrics in irregularly better request and a fairly steady tone. - Recent improvement in collections is reported maintained.

Grooeries-The sugar market, locally, shows no change. A moderate business is being done and prices generally hold steady. The quotation for small lots of granulated $18,4 \mathrm{c}$, while for lots of 250 barrels and over this is shaded 1-16c. Yollows sell at $3 c$ to $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, according to quality and quantity. A New York dispitch says "The raw narket was not partlcularly interosting, as tflere were no important developments eaply, and most of the importers were Inclined to resist the efforts of refiners to purchase at the prevailing low prices. The market ị unsettled
and prices should bo considered as being more or less nominal. London reported all prices on cane and beet unchanged, but the market is yery dull There was a fairls active business in reflined sugar. There were no aew developments, hut the market held steady, with prices unchanged. Forelign refined sugar is quiet, chiefly owing to lack of available supplies, as the market is well cleaned up of available stock." In dried fruit there is little new to say. Locally, stocks are very small and prices firm. It is expected that the first shipment of new crop oats will be made to-day from Bussorah, and it is thought the goods will arrive in New York about November 15th. Owing to the short crop of Sultana and Eleme: raising, the market for Valencias, in Spain, has advanced; while prunes and currants are decidedly flrmer. During the week, tivo steamers huve arrived in New Yorkifrom thoMediterranean with dried fruit, ańd their cargoes have already nearly all chaigéd hands. In canned goods the feature bias been the sale of rabout 4;000 cases of salmon by a local broker. The price realized'was from $\$ 4.20$ to $\$ 4.25,{ }^{\prime}$ F. O. B. Coast. Since the sale was made, the firm he represented have wired him to make no further sales as they are shipping the remainder of their stock to England where there is an active demand at firm prices. From this it would appear that the prospects are for higher prices in Montreal. The tea market; locally, presents no new feature. Some moderate sales of Japan and blacks have been made, the latter beiug principally in Foo Chows. The coffee market continues unchanged and molasses is quiet.

Druge and Chemicals-A Yokohama, Japan letter says:-Camphor - Shortly after despatch of onr last; foreign operators re entered the market, buying up to about 1,000 cases at prices advancing from $\$ 48$ to $\$ 52$ per pecul. At the close the demand seems to be satisfied, and the market has relapsed into quietness. Holders, however, remain firm at $\$ 52$ per pecul: Star aniseed is quite nominal at $\$ 86$ per pecul, with no sales and no stock. Star Aniseed Oil- $\$ 400$ has been paid for about 10 peculs recently arrived. Market closes strong, but without stock. Cassia OilAbout 20 peculs have arrived, for which $\$ 850$ is demanded, but no kuyers are to be found. Galangal - We quote $\$ 7$ per pecul, with sales of 100 peculs and about 200 peculsin stock.

Flour-A fairly satisfactory week's business has been done at the adyanced prices which are still maintained all round. Orders are being freely received from most local points for both Manitoba and Ontario grades and a fair amount of expor business is boing put through. The meal market is very firm and prices have advanced substantially as compared with last week. In feed, bran and shorts are quiet with prices about steady.

Gratn-Locally the grain market is quieter and prices in almost all grade日 are frm. Oats have advanced as compared with last week, and small lots have sold as high as 20c, the range belng $251 / 2$ to 20 c . Peas are steady and the demand limited, at from 52 to 53 c , while in England prices for Canadian peas are still quoted $4981 / 2$ d. Wheat in Manitoba country markets is very firm and it is said that 78 he has been paie for No. 1 hard afloat Fort William. Cable advices to the Montreal Board of Trade were as follows: Cargoes off coast, wheat and maize nothing doing; cargoes on passage, wheat nothing doing, maize rather firmer ; English country markets, wheat steady. Liverpool spot wheat quiet, spot maize firm. Futures, wheat
 Dec., Jan., Es 111/4 F Feb.; maize quiet, 2 s 1034 Oct., $28.11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ Nov., 3 s ¿Doc., Jan, French country markets quiet,

Gmeen Froit-A fair business has been done, but consequent on the leavy supplies of all kinds of small fruits, prices have an easior tendency. The following are the quotations :-Lemons, $\$ 3.50$, to $\$ 4$ per box; bananas, 50 c to 75 c per bunch ;applea, 76 c to $\$ 1.50$ per bbl.; cocoanute, bags, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.25$ per hundred; California plums, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.50$; California peare, $\$ 2.40$ to $\$ 2.60$; Canadian plums, 50 c to 00 c por basket ; Canadian pears, $\$ 8.00$ to $\$ 5$. per brl ; graper, blue, $13 / 4 \mathrm{clb}$; red, 2 c to $21 / \mathrm{c}$ lb ; Niagara, 18 द c to 2 c lb ; Delaware, 30c per 10 lb . basket; Canadian peachos, 60 c to 80c per busket and sweet patatoes, $\$ 2.50$ bil.
Hidise-As we foreshadowed a week ago, dealers have advanced lambsking 5 c , making the price now 45c. Beef hides are unchanged but lirm at 0 c , 5e and 4 c for Nos.1, 2 and 3 respectively. A New York despatch says:-Not the slightest change was apparont in the market for common dry hides. There continued a fairly good call for supplies, but as stocks wore sinall offerings were decidedly limited and sellors were quite Hrm in their views; consequently the amount of business transacted was light. The arrival of two vessela from Bogeta were roported to-day, but they brought only a small number of hides and part of these were for shipment to Earope. The market for city slaughters was without change. Demand was light, as tanuers wore holding back, taking only such supplies as were absolutely necessary; salters, however, continued indifferent sellers at outside prices. Calfskios had a fair call and sold at full values.
Harbware and Murats-A fair amount of business in passing, but it is chiefly conlined to small lots, and the market presents no now feature. The October discounts of the nail manufacturers have gone into offect, while prices of Cadada plates are lirm. The latter are very scarce, particularly Nos. 60 and 75 . Collections are still reported as slow.
Hay-A fair amount of business is being done and prices are steady at $\$ 0.50$ to $\$ 10$ on track for No. 1 and $\$ 8.25$ for No. 2. In the country prices are: for No. $1 \$ 7.50$ and for No. $2 \$ 0.50$.
Hols-New hops are only arriving in small quantities and the trading is light. Best grades aell at about 10c, while yearlings realizo about 6c. Gormans are stoady.

Honey-A fair business is reported, but supplies are said to be quite ample for all requiroments. Now honey in sections is generally quoted at 8 to 10 c , while some small lots of choice have realized even highor pricos. Dark stulf is not much wanted.

Leatinma-Little change can bo noted compared with a week ago. In bympathy with the stronger hides market leather prices are very firmly held, sole particularly selling as high as 23 c for No. 1 . The export trade is us brisk as ever, and ship. mente are continually going forward. In fact ono manufacturer states he has had to refuse some orders that he could not ifll in a reasonable time. Late advices from Now York go to show that what is there termed the Leathor Trust has prices now under its control. Readers caunot complain; a yoar ago this was foreshadowed in those columns. That further advances must tuke place in shoes is evident,--to the oxtent probably of 20 c in choap shoes, and 50 c to $\$ 1$ In more expensive grades. Shoes which U.S. wholesalers could buy at 00 c a fow months ago are now $\$ 1$. South American supplies of hidos are controlled by the trust, and the price of these is more advanced than is shown by the manufacturod articlo. Best quality nativo steer Jidos which scla in Chicago at the end of August at 634 c per lb . advanced to 9 c by the oud of September, an increase of 331 , per cent. "Commons" or S.A. stock wero (1uoted from 8 c to 14 c ; tho hatter prevail ing. Trust stock has rison from 42 to 00 during last 00 days.

Maple Prodocts-There is still a small business reported, although remaining stocks are light. Pure syrnp in bulk is offered at $51 / 2$ to $53 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, per 1 lb ., and genuine sugar sells at 8 to $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ per lb .

Paints ind Oils-A fair business is being done in turpentine at the advance already noted, while linseed oil is steady and castor oil very firm. Glass has still an advancing tendency; first break being quoted at $\$ 1.20$ to $\$ 1.25$. White lead paints are firm. Collections show little or no improvement.

Petroneun-An active business is noted and prices hold firm at the following range: Canadian refined, $151 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $161 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; American, $\mathrm{J}^{3}$. W. 100 to 20 c ; W. W., $201 / 2 \mathrm{c} 211 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; American benzine, $211 / \mathrm{c}$ to 25 c ; Canadian benzine, 14 c to 15 c ; astral, $221 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $231 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Relined in Petrolia is quoted at 3 ( c in bulk, and 121/2 c in barrels, in car lots, f.o.b. there. Market very firm.

Produce and Provibions-The cheese market presents fow features of marked change fromi last week. Some good-sized sales have been made and prices are firm. It is said that the range for Quebee is from $97 / \mathrm{c}$ as high as $101 / 8 \mathrm{c}$, while finest Westorus, September make, solls as high as 10 $1 / 1 \mathrm{c}$. The English cable shows a decided advance as compared with last week, it now being 478 to 48 s . The butter market is less active than it has been, but still a fair hmount of busiuess is being done in late made creamery iu boxes at 19c. Townships and Western dairy are selling fairly wrill, locally, at steady prices. The egg market is unchanged, although a good export businges is transpiring. Fresh candled stuck solls at about $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 18 c . In provisions, there has been a moderate demaud for Canada short cut pork, but, outside of this, there is little or nothing duing in the market.

Wool-The local market is still quiet and prices range about the same as last week. At the recent London wool sales German buyers: purchased more freely, although there was little wool suitable for thom. Australian scoureds were flrmer. Best crossbreds were eagerly sought. The tendoncy was against buyers, though there was no quotable change in the prices. The series wi! 1 close on October 16.

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## TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

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The wholesale trade of the city shows little change this week. Merchandisa is quiet as a rule, but many dealers report some improvement and view the outlook with satisfaction. A good many orders are being placed for winter drygoods. In groceries, sugars are unchanged, while new driè fruits are very scarce and firm. Canned goods and Rio coffees are lower. Wheat is firm with the movement somewhat limited. Payments are not as good as might be expected. Moniey unchanged, prime paper is disconnted at 6 to $61 / 2$ per cent. Stirling exchange and New York drafts better. Stocks are lower. Latest sales: Bank of Commerce, 1281/2; Consumers' Gas, 1981/4: Cable, 1433\%; Postal, 7836; Western Assurance, 155; Toronto Ry, 681/4; Freehold Loan, 103; Crown Point, 40.

Botter, \& $二$. The butter market is steady, with supplies moderate. The best qualities of tub job at 14 to 15 c , pound rolls at 16 to 18 c , and medium qualities at 10 to 13. Creamery at 18 to 21 c , the latter for choice rolls. Eggs are firm, with Bales of fresh at 14 to .15 c per dozen $\ln$ cass lots. Cheese frm at 9 c to $93 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.

Dressed Hogs - Offerings as yet are small. Packers pay $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5$ for choice light ones, and small lots sometimes bring $\$ 5.25$. Heavy hogs $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50$.
Flour and Grann-The flour market is higher, with fair'domand. Straight rollers bring $\$ 3: 50$ and Ontario patents are quoted at $93: 00$ to $\$ 3.70$. Manitobr patents $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 4.55$ and atrong bakers $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.10$. Bran sold at $\$ 7$ West, and oatmeal is higher at $\$ 2.60$ for car lots. Wheat in good demand with offerings moderate, red and white sell at 69 to 70 c outside. No. 1 Manitoba hard sold at 80 c Toronto freight, and No. 2 hard at 770 Toronto freight. Barley quiet; No. 1 is quoted at $3 \overline{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{to} 30 \mathrm{c}$, and feed sold at 22 c outside.

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Groceries - Trade fair, granulated sugars sell at 4 c and yellows at $31 / 4$ to $35 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Teas in fair demand, and unchanged. Coffees ateady ; Rio 15 to 18 c . Dried fruits scarce old Valencias off stalk 4 to 50 and selected $5 \frac{1}{2}$ to $5 \% / 4 \mathrm{c}$; new currants $33 / 4$ to $41 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Canned goods steady; tomatoes, 65 to 75 c , corn, 55 to 65 c ; peas, ordinary 65 to 75 c ; salmon, "Horseshoe" \$1.40 to $\$ 1,45 ;$ Cohoes $\$ \$ 1.20$ to $\$ 1.25$.

## - Hardware-There is moderate trade

 with no changes reported in prices.Hides and Skins-Cured hides are firm at 7 to $71 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Dealers continue paying $01 / 2$ for No. 1 Green, $51 / 2 c$ for No. 2 and $41 / \mathrm{c}$ for No. 3. Sheepskins 60 to 70 c . Calfskins unchanged at 6 c for No. 1, and 4 c for No. 2. Tallow firmer at $31 / 4$ to $33 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb.
Live Stock - The cattle market is quiet and featureless. Really choice for export would bring 4 c per lb., but the best on the market bring only $33 / 4$ to $37 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Ordinary $3 . \frac{1}{4}$ to $31 / 2$. Choice balls for export 30 to $31 / 4 c^{.}$. Butchers' cattle unchauged, the best selling at $31 / 4$ to $33 / 8 \mathrm{c}$, medium $21 / 2$ to $23 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ and inferior 2 , to $21 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ Milch cows firm at $\$ 20$ to $\$ 35$ each the Iatter for choice. Calves $\$ 3$ to $\$ 0.00$. per head. Sheep sell at 3 c to $31 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ for choice exporters and $21 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for butchers. Lambs at $\$ 2$. to $\$ 2.50$ each. Hogs steady, the best bacon lots selling at $3 \% \mathrm{c}$; thickfaits 314 , and light $3 \% \mathrm{c}$. . Sows $23 / 4$ to 8 c , and stags $18 / 4$ to 20 per lb .

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Wool - Business is dull, with no changes in prices. Fleece wool 18 to 19c, and rejections 15c. Pulled supers 19 to $201 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, and extras 21 to $211 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.


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BRITISH FOREIGN TRADE IN AUGUST.
According to the London Times," the trade returus for the past month appear disappointing, but are not really, so, for it must be borne in mind that the figures for August, 1895, were unusually high, and that this year August had only 25 working days compared with 26 last year, The imports are valued at $£ 32,452,622$, a decrease of $£ 2,114,714$, oqual to 6.5 per cent. This decrease is due for the most part to the reduced receipts of wheat and sugar. The value of the exports of British and Irish manufactured goods and produce is $£ 20,-$ 301,500 , a decrease of $£ 179,920$, equal to 0.9 per cent, and this is chiefly due to the lessened shipments of coal and sheep's wool. As regards the imports, the classes of goods which are greater in value aro animals for food, tobacco, metals,and manufactured articles; those which show decreases are articles of food and drink, chemicals, oils, raw materials for textile manufactures, other raw materials and general articles and parcel post. The quantity of wheat ( $5,153,000 \mathrm{cwt}$.) compares. with $9,960,000$ owt. in 1895 and $8,717,000$ owt. in 1894. The United States sent 2,286,000 cwt., or about 353,000 cwt. less than last year, but from Russia, the Argentine Republic, the British East Indies and Australasia there came in the aggregate only $1,(\dot{\delta} 2,000$ cwit., compared with 6,428 ,000 cwt. last year. Whe statistical position of wheat would seem, therefore, to be favorable to a rise in price but for the recent heavy shipments from the Jnited States. Barley and beans are also less, bat wheat flour (owing to hoavy shipments from the Uuited States), oats, peas and Indian corn are more. Butter and cheese are more, and as to fruits, all sorts, except oranges, show large increases. Raw cotton is-more-in-both quantity and value, but sheep's wool is less, the decreased quantity being spread over all countries
.As regards the exports of British and Irish produce, the classes of gnode which are more in value are living animals, yarns, and textile fabrics, metals, apparel and parcel post, while articles of food and drink, raw materials, machinery, chemicals and miscellaneous aiticles are all less. Cotton yarn is less in quantity but more in yalue, and shipments to the East are again larger. The increase of cotton piece goods is large, and is equal to 11.5 per cent, the increase in value being 14.7 per cent. ; the increased shipments to the East and Turkey are the cause of the larger quantities. Jute piece goods are less, the United States and the Argentine Repubic not linving taken so much. Woollen and worsted tissues, as woll as linen piece goods, are below last year's level, the lessened shipments to the United States being the cause in each case. Again the shipments of iron and steel are very satisfactory, the increase iu quantity being ö2.182 tons. Pig iron, railroad iron, and steel unwrought are the descriptions in which the greatest increases are found. Itin phates are, however, nearly 10,000 tons less, the requirements of the United States having fallen from 23,000 tons to 8,000 tons. Alkali, bleaching materials and chemical manure each show a large decrease, due ayain, as regards the two first, to smaller United States shipments. As rega.ds mis: cellaneous articles, the shipments of railway trucks, otc., are valued at $£ 84,000$, compared with $\mathbf{e 4 0 , 0 0 0}$, and cycles at $£ 180,000$, as against $£ 103,000$."

## SMOKE.

In London, in Manchester, in Shemeld, . Wc., the Smoke Abatement Society or kindred associations have been active of lato in keeping watch upon factory chim. neys and in laylag information before the
local authorities where there soemed to be offence against the Public Health $\Delta$ ct. It has been laid down says the Hardroare Trade Journal that a factory using one boiler is offending if it emits black smoke for more than two minutes per hour: where there are two boilers the limit is three minutes, while the maximum length of tlme for four boilers or over that number is six minutes. Where there has been any exceeding of these limits local authorities are empowered to notify to offending parties that the nuisance must be abated within a reasonable specified time, and when the notice is disregarded to prosecute. These facts have been prominently before the Sheffield public during the latter half of the month owing to the prosecution by the Corporation of nine offending firms, and the infliction in one case at least of a heavy penalty. As stated, carelessness on the part of firemen is often responsible for excessive smoke, and this seems to have been the cause in many of these cases, for some of the firms have gone to great expense in order to prevent excessive black smoke. To prevent it altogether is utterly impossible, no matter what care is observed or what apparatis is putin. In steel rolling, for example, there are times when it is necessary to roll heavily and contiuuously, and. in consequence to get up heat to a tremendous extent for a limited time. No remedy would then be of any use to prevent black smoke, so it was stated during the hearing of one case, except to shut down the works altogether and throw hundreds out of employment. We alesire that the pure air crusaders of sheffield are in favor of no such drastic measure' Whore a radical cure is impossible coripromise must be accepted-that, is to say, if the local authorities are satisfled that a frm is doing all in its power to prevent the undue emission of black smoke no proceedings seem justifiable. The infliction of a fiue of $£ 20$ aud costs upon one firm of cutlory manufacturers, on the other hand, was inevitable where notice for the abatament of a nuisance had been persistently disregarded. Instances were cited during the proceedings where black smoke had been emitted for fifty minutes per hour. Of course if this were frequent and permissible Cimmerian darkness would enshroud most of our big towns, but fortunately the usual our big towns, but fortunately that usual was far less. Twenty-five minutes was not an unusual length of time, while in many instances the legal limit was not grossly exceeded. Heads of firms admitted carelessuess on the part of their workmen, and seemed, on the whole, willing to meet the requirements of the Corporation, and the Public Itealth Act in a reasonablo and temperate spirit. Perfect combustion is to be desired for economical as well as for sanitary reasons, since no manufacturer wishes to waste his fuel. It is to the interest of all parties to secure it, but is it attainable?

THE SCOMCH PETROLEUM TRADJ.
During August there was held a very important meeting of the Mineral Oil Association of Scotland to decide as to the new market formation of the combined producers for illiminating or burning oil.
The meating came off August 12, with a satisfactory attendancs. Practical unanimity of oplnion prevailed, with the result that existing values were maintained, under certain minor changes in the conditions of sale, according to the varying destination of the pirchased oll. The ruling motive in the minds of the representatives of the various companies at the meeting was the upholding of the price of
burning oil at as high a mark as was consistent with keeping hold of their due share of the general consumption, and preventing the imported oll from encroach; ing still further on the Scotch and English market. The importers of Russian and Am: orican oil liad but recently been fixing their prices for the new season 1800-7, and the result jastified the Scotch makers in dispensing with any further reduction.

It was generally held among the companies that the price of burning oll, as thus fixed, was as low as is consistent with safety. Too many of the other products are in an unduly depressed condition, and burning oil is relied upon to furnish the main support to the industry, so that further reduction of its value meant a very serious deficit. "All the more deplorable is it," says a Scotch writer, "when we find that the new agreement is already in jeo: pard $\tilde{y}^{\prime}$, one or two of the companies reading the terms of it in a way to which the others cannot consent. The importers of foreign olls, also, are said to have already begun to cut in at lower prices, and as a result it may be overy maker for himselfalter all, which is deplorable to think of:"

Burning oil for the new season was fixed at the special meeting referred to at $01 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ : per gallon No. 1 oil, and $61 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. crystal oil delivery at Glasgow, Edinburgh and tho other largo ports and centres in Scotland. Rates for oil destined to smallor inland places were to be differentlated according. to the varying carriage charges. Sales'to England and Ireland areoutside the agree. ment, and may be set down at from:1/4 d. to $3 / 4$ d. per gallon less than the Scotch sale prices. Contracting began immediately after the fixture $\Lambda$ ugust 12 h ; and it is understood that a fair bulk of business lias been recorded. Above prices rank as a halfpenny reduction in the prices of last season, and the same as liave nominally ended since May last, when the halfpenay reduction was made.

## SUICIDE IN JAPAN.

An interesting essay on the prevalence of suicide in Japan has been written ly Mr. Saito Kokufu, a native statistician The statistics oxtend over ten years, and show that suicide has been on the increase in Japau, both actually and in proportion to the total number of deatles. In 1885 and 1880 the number in proportion to the jopulation reached its highesl. Mr. Saito observes that during these years there was a great rise in the price of the necessaries of life. In the case of Japanese women, the age at which suicide is most frequent is about 20 ; the correspoading period with men is 25 . Comparatively few women commit suicicle after the 25 th year, but men are not safo until they aro past 40 . The women after marriage usually take life as they find it, and submit will stoi. cism to its conditions. The suicides of men are due to the worrics and reverses of business, and are often the results of cool and deliberate choico between two evils. Femalé suicides aro rather more than half those of males, but with a distinct tendency to increase. From January to May are the worst months for suicides, The number mounts rapidly month by month from January to May, and keeps high until July, and it falls to its lowest in No.
vember. The suicides of December and January are attributed partly to pecuniary troubles at the close of the year, when all accounts aro supposed to bo closed and all llabilities met. A rise in July is attributed to financial troubles at the balf year. In to financial troubles at the balf yoar, In
recent years the use of the sword by suirecent years the use of the eword by sui-
cides is decreasing greatly; hanging is the method most frequently employed, nearly three-fourths of the male sulcides and nearly half tho fomales having termi. nated their lives in this way; but amongst women drowning is more common even than hanging. Firearms and poison aro very rarely used, probably because they are not readily obtainable, whilo a Japanese of either sex always has a long girdlo and (unliko Last Londoners) always has water suificient to causo drowning at hand in the deep wells in every village and ad: jacent to almost every house. The figures show that the number of suicides varies year by year with the price of rice ; it rises when the prico of rice is high and ralls when rice is choap. It is also evident that the great centres of commerce and industry have a greater portion than conntry districts. Mr. Saito has endeavoured to tabulate the causes of Japanese suicides, and from the figures for four yours which ho gives it appears that half the total number are dus to mental derangement, about bor are dus to mental derangement, about a quarter to "general reverses of lortune
and the dibiculy of making a living", an eighth of the whole are attributed to physical sufforing, and the romainder to love, remorse, shame, bereavement, domestict quarrele, etc. No attempt is made in the $\hat{\text { statistics }}$ to distinguish between educated and uneducated persons who commit suicide; It seems, however; that the view of the oducated Japanese is that he has a right to commit suiclde if he thinks his life has been a failure or that it has become an intolerable burden to him.

## NEW CANADIAN OIL FIELD.

Two blg companies aro developing the oll territory of South Eisex. Tho Standard Oil Company started some weeke ago, and the Outarlo Natural Gas and Oil Company has just begun. Superintendent S. T, Copus, of the Ontario Company, says there has been no lack of proof that South Essex is a groat oil region The company has 10 gas wolls, which is all it requires, and now it will have its drillers explore for oil alone. Oil is found below the gas strata, und below that is salt water.
The oil is iu the Trenton rock, which in most places is 2,200 feet deep. Many of the holes in which no gas was found will be drilled doeper for oll. As long ago as 1845 oil was known to oxist in South Essex, but until recently it was not known that there was sufficiont to lead two big com. panies to give up drilling for gas and de. velop the oll capacity. The Standard oil Co. has been pumping oil from its flrst well between Mersea and Gosfield for a week. The specific gravity is 50 , which is known to oil men to be the best quality produced. It is better than any yet dig. covered in Canada. Some time ago samples of Peleo Island oil were tested and the quality was inferior to that found in South Essox. The Standurd Company has been tho Ontario's rival there for yoars. It was ouly recontly that it discovered that the Ontario people had corked up oll wells, and it at onco set in to develop the field and now each is struggling to capture the larger number of oil wolls. It may be piped to Detroit, necording to Superintondent Copus, and placed on the market at a rate far below the present price, because it will not have to pay frelght.

- There is not the slightest doubt that Leamington will soon be noted for its rich oll मolds as well as gas, but it will require developing aud an enormous expense to put it on the manket, but this will surely be done, as no commodity of this kind can lio dormant forever.-St. Thomas Joumal.


## HAMBURG'S FUR TRADE,

Up to a few years ago Hamburg was a place of very limited interest to the fur trade, but within the past few years sevoral large import houses, particularly two, have made special efforts to bring to Hamburg all kinds of Australlan; South Amer. ican and especially Japanese and Chinese furs and skins. These houses being very active and enterprising have made exceptionally good connections with all parts of the world with gratifying success, and to day a very large proportion of the crop of Thibet skins, crosses and coats, lambskins (Mongolian, etc.), South American and Japanese otter, Chinese mink, marten and sable, which formerly went direct to London, are now shipped to the Hamburg market where they find a ready sale to the large Leipzig and London dealers; several Hamburg houses have also opened branches at Leipaig 'to facilitate the disposition of their stocks. During the last years nearly one-third of the Thibet production went direct to Uamburg and found a ready sale. An Argentinean hunter stated that the entirg collection this year of nutria will amount to not more than 100,000 skins as against 500,000 skins of a few years since; the rapid destruction of these animals is limited to the fact that there is no law protecting them, and as the skins bring good prices, are constantly hnnted and trapped, and will undoubtedly disappear at nowipry late date.

## A QUEER INSURANCE.

The development of the original theory of insurance has resulted in innamerable curious specialities. It is possible now for a man not only to insure his own life, but that of his horse as well, and his wife's sealskin sack. He can insure himself against fire, cyclone, and burglars, and loss through dishonest employees.

He can insure his plate glass against the predatory brick, and if the same missile ohances to hit him on the head, his accident policy pays the doctor's bills. Thus the mishaps of life are in a sense forestalled and the prudent citizen is enabled to pluck certainty from tho heart of vicissitude.
It has remained, however, for a concern In Atlanta to cap the climax, by insuring the employee against the loss of his job. In an alluring ciroular the object of the company, and incidentally the cost of membership, is given to the public.
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Professional people and others who do not work for a regular salary may enter the company in whatever class they choose. If misfortune overtakes them, they are en:
titled to draw benefit the same as anyone else. There le, however, a clause in the prospectus governing the distinctions made between different methods of losing one's employment.

This is of rital importance. It sets forth that buch a calamity shall not be for incompetence, dishonesty, or intemperance. Barring these three provisos, and they would seem to cover pretty nearly all the ground, should a man lose his position he can draw one-third of his salary for four weeks.

## AN ENORMOUS LAMP:

What is stated as the biggest lamp on record is being built at a New York fac-tory-a lamp so big that a man can stand in the oil well and have plenty of room to move about besides. This glant Illuminator, says The Paint, Oil, and Drug Revielo, is larger by far than any electric lamp, kerosene or calcium light that has ever been constructed. Some patriotic people have urged that the big lamp which is now being constructed shall be used to replace the dismal imitation of a light which glows, on clear nights, from the liberty torch in the harbor.

It required three years of effort and experiment, a member of the lamp firm says, before a lamp could be developed which would accommodate the requisite a mount of oil or give forth the light they wanted. The oil receptacle in the great lamp holds two barrels, though only one barrel is burned at a time. It takes eighteen hours for that quantity to be consumed. The chimney of this egregious oil lamp is five feet eight inches high, and the burner is two feet in circumference. The circamference of the oil well is eight feet, its depth three feet. 'The wick is one inch thick. The reflector in ten feet wide. It is no firefly, this lamp that they are buildiog. It is twenty feet tall. An ordinary sized man could, as has been said, stand in the oil well. A boy night swim there. The contents of that great basin would fill sixty-five of the biggest of everyday or every-night lamps. The wick, simple as its function seems, is one of the stoutest fabrics known. A load of two tons might be hauled with it and not overtax it a bit.

## ANCIENT FIRE ENGINES.

The oldest fire engine in England is at Dunstable, bearing the date 1570. At Hereford is one of the Vaude Heide's fire engines that was presented to that city A. D. 1070 by. P. Foley, Esq., M, P. References to fre ; ongines are found in very early times. In an illustrated sixthcontury Latin manuscript of the "Spiritalia" of Hero of Alexandria, who lived 200 years before the Christian era, is delineated the Egyptian fire engine of the author's time, with its doable force pump, valves, lever arms, goose neck, and probably, too, its "air ohamber." In 1066 an act of Parlia. ment was passed requirlng a " large-sizjd brass syringe" to be kept in each ward of the city of London, and to be worked by the respective aldermen. The London Gazelto of August 15thi, 1070, refers to " letters patent granted to Mr. Wharton and Mr. Stroud," for a new invention for quenching fire with a machine with leather pipes to carry a great quantity of water in a continuous stream to the top of the house, which was proved in the great tire at Southwark.

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