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-mhere are some changes in the staff of the Bank of Commerce at Parkhily Mr. Thos. O'Brien has bewn promoted to Hamitton and Mr. White groes to Ailsa Craip.
-The elothing stock of C. A. Gillespie, of London, Ont., valued at $\$ 0,618$ hate been sold by auction to Mres. Gillespise at 4 S 1-2 emts in the dollar:
-The editor of the Mitelell "Recorder" Mr. I. H. liace, will stand for election in Soutp Perth on the phatform of the Patrons of Industry.
-The sawnill belonging to the late: Heary Yager, of Hay, has been sold undor mortgage to Wm. Willert of Dashrood, Ont., for $\$ 1,625$.
-As foreshadown in our last issue, the Indian Government are contemplating the imposition of a 5 per cent inty of afl imports exerpt eot ton yarms adid fabrice.
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- Buitding is again on the increase in 'loropato. For the past two monthe of the present yoar the value of the permits taken out was $\$ 78,800$, as compared with $\$ 06$, 300 for the same period of 1803.
-ITle Bank of British North America is the only mank doing business in Canada that hisi gulbecribad to the new issue of United Stater bonds. It lias just been :llloted $\$ 500,000$.
-It is stated that the machinery will be in order and work commenced in the binder uwine factory at Kinugiton penitentiasy on April 1st. The date seems a litthe ominous.
-There was good tishinge in Lake Superior all winter. The stemn tugs at Peninsula and Port Caldwell worked up to Christmas and there have been good takes of herring and jack-fish sime.
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-The annual report of the Halifas Banking Co. shows that the met profits of the year just past amounted to $\$ 8,110$. Aiter paying $\$ 30,000$ in dividends, the directors fwere able to transier $s 40,000$ to the reserve fund, which now amounts to $\$ 2000$;000 , or 50 per cent of the capital.
-To show the value of cheese factories to the farmer it is pointed out that there are some farmers in Ellice and Downio whod hare three erops of grain stored away in their barns, waiting for betion prices. Thoy
dorive suffieint revenue to meet all demands from the milk supplied to cheese factories.
-There is a new "wild cat" insurance company in the field. It is called tho Anchor Fire Tnsurance Co. of London, and its heradquarters in this continent aro at Roby, a small town in Indiana. The paid up eapital of the Anchor Insurnuce Co., according to thic American papars, is $\$ 285$. An idea of its rbility to mect losecs can bog gathered from this.
-Mr. G. W. Swett, manager of the Windsor Hotel, who has resiguied that position
to assume charge of the Brunswick Fotel in New York will not vacate his present position witil possibly the first of May, ns the directors antielpate considerable difficulty in finding a man capable of filling his position as satisfactorily as Mr. Swett has.
-Thos. G. Matheson, the smooth cleri-cally-dressed awindler who has been victimizing charitable institutions and benevori leat citizens in Toronto by representing himself as the lawyer of estates lenving legacies to their charilies: tut which could not be distributed for lack of ready moncy to probate the will, has been sentenced to

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us mortgage, and he also contrived to palm off a number of forged notes in that city. He is now safe in the land of Uncle Sam with dis ill-gotten gains.
-The brough Printing Company of Toronto (Litl.), with a capital stock of 820 000 ; the Sims Lamber Company of Sault Ste. Marie (Ltd.) wilh a capital stock of $\$ 2,000$; the Subungrilleville Cheese \& Butter Coi. (Ltd.), with a capital stock of \$3,000, and the Port Credit Terra Cotta and Prebsed Brick Compuny (Lutd.), with a capitai stock of $\$ 50,000$, have been incorporated under the Ontario joint stock companies letters patent act.
-Tle store of Wilson \& Rankin, Winnipeg. was gutted by fire last week, dawage being done to the building aud stock to
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ment in these columns some weeks ago conerming the sale of the Armstring property on Victorin Square, this city. We are assured that the sum for which it was recently loungt was the first actual offer arceived. It had been held at $\$ 60,000$, and there is no doubt the present lucky owners would not sell it even at that pricel
-Godfrey Mednegret, the farmer of Yarmouth Township who abseonded a short white ago, succecded in swindling several legal firms in Lonton, Ont. By representlus limself as a wealthy farmer in Caradoe he managed to borrow $\$ 1,500$ on a bog-

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the extent of $\$ 25,000$ ．The following com． paniea are intereatad in the insuranco om the building：Lancabhire，$\$ 3,000$ ；Hart． ford．$\$ 3,000$ ；Gundian，$\$ 2,000$ ；London \＆ Lancashire，$\$ 1,000$ ；Royal，$\$ 2,000$ ；Uuit－ （d Fire，$\$ 1,000$ ；on fixtures $\$ 1,000$ in the London．There is besides about $\$ 10,000$ on the stock．
－J．D．Williamson it Co．，dry goods merchants，Guelph，Ont．，aro offering to compromise at 60 cenits．The business has been conilucted under the present strle for some twenty years，having suc－ ceoded Hogg \＆Chance about that time． J．D．Wilifumson，was then the only part－ ner，but he afterwards took with him E．R．Ballert nad E．Radiord．At J．．D Wiliamson＇c death，some six years ago， the firm diesolived，when his two sons， R．S．and J．D．Williamson got posseseiont the property being left to his widow． The present firm have beer carrying a
heavy stock with，it is believed，a very himited capitnl．While otriviug for first place they never，seemed to succed ox－ cept in a spanmodic way．Some two months ago they advertised a＂great 30 days dissolution sale，＂claiming $\$ 65,-$ 000 worth of goots had to be sold，＂price no object，＂as L ．S．，one of the firm was retiring．It is alleged thint within the past few weeks the house recoived some $\$ 5,000$ worth of staples from Toronto： Mrs J．D．Willinmson，the mother，who owns the property，hal the large family residence，has，it is rumoured，a chaim

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of $\$ 30,000$ against the stock，$\$ 20,000$ of which is secured．
－The following failutes are reported from Ontario during the past week：Dr． McKellar \＆Son，genemal storekeepers of Belmost，have assighted．Alv．D．McKellar died recently，and on examination his af－ fairs were found to be in such slinge that as assigmment hecame necessary：Liabia－ itice wre $\$ 7,700$ ，agament assents valued at $\$ 5,300$ only．－J．D．Williamson \＆Co．，dry froons，Guelph，are endenvoring to effect a settlemate at 60 cents in the dollar．－J．II． arcLaughlin，geveral store－keeper，Athens， lhas secured a settlement at 50 cents in the The Worthey Manufacturing Co．Etd．，Toronnto．

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dollar; one-lialf cash and the balance insix months.-D. A. Bigks \& Co., diy kgoods, Brockville, has assigned. They ran three stores and seem to lave branched out too buncla and thus grot beyond their depthiMII. E. Park \& Co., dry goods, Cornwalls Gave hastighed, They have been runninus behind for some than past.-I. L. Farring toon, checse, Norwich, has assignede. He has been in business fourteen years and was believed to be doing well.-J. S. . Macrault, idry koode, Strnthroy, has succecded in compromising with his creditors. The firm was formerly Macrault \& Perkins, who dixsolved in 1892. The empertition of loniknptitacks hurt his trade.-B. F. Carr. hariness maker of Goodwood, and R: B. Thomas in the same lime n't Appin, have nssigunel.-A. J. Iittle \& Co., dry goods, Guelph, who wold out a short time ago in order to retire from businesis, have made an assighmenth-A. C. Akin, dry grods, Cornwnll, is seckinity an extension of 12 Imonthis. He owes $\$ 5,000$. The firm wns formerly Chrman, Mr Tomuld \& Akin, who disantued in 1889.- Cr. ar. Inader, a small printer of Kingeton, and ar, Robortsom, furniture deal"r of Semforth. huve assighed.Jonne C. Lawrence, clothing, Stentioroy, roy, has assighed after 'three montila' experimen. Je came from Chatham.-Simmons \& Co., Dations of Dimeris, are offoring to eents in the dollare. They had a large stove and $n$ larue sitock, but lacked the necessny eapital. Lasit yonr they built a large hriek house, and this also tended to cramp them.
-In thia proviner, F. J. Angurs, motnry, Qurbe. has mais? n. volumitary nssigmment. His linhilitiow am $\$ 4.8,000 \mathrm{am}$ the asseta \$35.000.-T. A. Picknrid, dry moods, St. - Mruri, Jans obtaimed man retemsion of 12 conothe. In las bonen in business since the uprime to 1890 and appones to have hecome nveritorlk de. Te shows a surplus of $\$ 4,000$ over linhlilities of $\$ 5,000$--Alforl 'Vegina, who for the pasit four years has min an mall qeament stom at St. Generieve de Butiserm, has assighed. The owes $54, \%$ 000.-Gougron \& Miehaul, dry goods, La-

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.hine, have called a meeting of their creditors. They succeceded Poirier \& Michaud, who obtained a composition at 85 cents in the dollar last Octobar after being burned out-Cote \& Frere, general store, St. Johns, have succeeded in settling at 60 cents in the dollar:
-W. M. Milligan, and the W. M. Milligan Compnny, grocers of Toronto, have assigned. Mr. Milligan started his first grocery some years ago, and proved so successful. that the soon lad five brouch establishments in the city and one at Parkdalod A short time ago a compnny was formed to take over the grocery business, and Mr. Milligna gave a bill of sale for $\$ 35,000$ to them. It was known that he had met with losses through outside speculation and dabbing in real cstate, and of late his ereditors have been pushing him so hard that his assignment was looked upon as inevitable. He owes about $\$ 40,000$. What the assets are it is difficult to say until the assiguce can straighten out the estate.

Failures are few in the Lower Provinces this week. Elwin Fisher, lumber, St. John, N.B., lans assigned. He has been in business over forty years and was at one time worth monay, but lost henvily through endorsing some years ago. This has hampered him ever since-Geo. W. Bailey, general storekeper, of Gibson, N.S., whose assigmment has already been noted, is offering 20 cents in the dollar.-John Croucher, grocer, Bedford. N.S., has assigned. He has been dropping behimi for some time past:-Catherine B. Cook, shoes, Syduey, N.S., Ius assimbed. It is doubtful if she ever made a living out of the business.
-A mecting of the crelitors of Carsley Bros., retail dry goods merclants haviug two stores on St. Catherine street in this eity, was held in the Temple building ou Wednesday afternoon. The assets were taken over ly Mr. Stmuel Carbles, who will pay all linthilities and run the stores as up-town branches of his mammoth' cestnbdishment on Notre Dame strect. All overdue notes will be paid in full aits once and notes not yet due, whose holders prefer to realize, will be taken up atb 12 per cent discount.
-Spittal:Bums \& Gentleman, dry goods anchechants of London, Ont., bought the business of Thos. Benttic \& Co. in the fall of 1800 . It was then predicted that they hat mudirtakes a benvier lond than they
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Wad anticipated, in view of the dullness of trade and the kecnness of competition, and these proguosticitions have proved correct: The English ercditors beenme alarmied and put pressure on, and they have been compelled to assignt. The principal creditor is Thos. Beattic, from whom they nurcinased the bisiness.
-The carecr of James Khackenzie, shoe dealer, Sydney, N.S., who has just assigued ${ }_{\text {; }}$ has been a chequered one. He stàrted in 1871, first alome and then as a partner ivi J. \& J. MoKenzic \& Co', who dissolved in 1877. Ho continued alone, but failed in 1879 and went out of business. In 1883 hie started again with a nephers as MicKumaic \& Co. In 1884 they asked an ex tension, and in 1886 settled their romaining linbilities at 50 cents on the doilar. The firm dissolved in 1887, and since then the has again been alone. He owes $\$ 3,000$.
-Two trilors are in trouble in this city. A Blanchet pot into difficultins first in Snptrmber 1891 and settiod at 75 cents in the dollar. Now lie is in trouble agnin and is trying to get another settiementh -A. Turcotte, formerly of Tureotte and Frere, Jolintte, and for the last thirteent Fener in this city, las obtainnd an extension of 4 , 7 , and 10 month s. His linbilities are $\$ 5,000$, and ha clnims a surplus of a similar amount.

- A hrimht aminatly printari little journol is "Our Momthrs." publishod mider the nuspices of the Mnnufacturnes' Lific Insurunce Col. It treats of insurremen tnpics ini a licht and lomezy manurr, and midearors to rendor its vi"ws more pialntable by fla' voing tham wi/h $n$ tominh of humor, of the finvor mortly rultivatell by our repubienar beiglonors. Altingether it is $n$ creditable vient, calitorially and otherwise. But we hope to turn to it again.
- Julien \& Guny, a firm of curriers at Quebec, have kuspented pisment. It is an old eatahlighed house, haring been in business nently thirty years. In Jnamnry. 1082, they were in difficulties but succeoled in securing a settlement at 25 cents in the dollar on linbilities of $\$ 22,-$ 000 . This was privl at maturity but since then the credit- of the firm has been weak.
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-IT. A. C. Baldwin, a. commission merchant navi ayent for a mercantile arency at Quebec, han assigned. Mis linbilities are very heavy and, inelading indi-


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rect as well as direct, may reach $\$ 100$,000; while he shows practically mo assets at all. The sole reliance of the creditors is the fact that a wealithy bro-ther-in-law in Peterboro may possibly come to his rescue. If he does not, the outlook for them is very slim.
-Our Arthur, Ont., comespondent writes: Geo. Tunston, of Wroxeter, has opened a grocery.-Irwine \& Magee havo dissolved. The former is again partnerslip with H. J. Colnill, under the style of Colnill \& Ir-winc.-MeDougall \& Co., Guelph, still carry on their sale of baukrupt stock.
-Arelambault \& Leveille, hardware merchants, this city, have assigned. The principal creditors are: R. Benny $\$ 466$; Conserhill \& Learmont \$433; James Robertson \$407; F. X. Arehambault $\$ 655$; J. F.Morish $\$ 530$, and Jacques Cartier bank $\$ 000$. Tho total liabilities are about $\$ 5,000$.
-The genernl stock of H. W. Moorehonse, Port Alma, valued a't $\$ 3,502$, has been sold to W. E. Yellar for 6 gents on the dollar. -The hardware stock of Charles Martini, of Rodney, valued at $\$ 1,093$ was purchased by G. A. Hugell at $S 8$ ceats on the dollar.

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Mrs. C. Burneau, doing business as C.
Burneau \& Co., hotel-keepers of this city,
is reported nbsent. A mecting of creditors
will be licld to appoint a curator to her
estate.
-T. E. Desjardins, a small dry foods merchant, has assigned owiug $\$ 3,300$. He started last spring and soon found competition too keen for him.
-Jnmes Lee \& Co:, wholesale dry goods merchants of this city, have succeeded in effecting a compromise with their creditors at 30 cents in the dollar, cashl.

- A salary of $\$ 3,000$ a year is a gooid return for nin investment of $\$ 7,000$, that is, if the firm that received the mones keeps solvent long enougri.
-During the week 52 writs have been issued in this city for a total of $\$ 10,630$. The largest was for $\$ 2,500$ and the simallest for $\$ 10$.

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lzed world to the views of the extrom. ists among those who in England and ceswheremader the name of Socialists are not very widey removed from the bown-throwing anarchists of the continent in their desire for a subrersion of the laws and rules that govern and protect mankind. In the "Fortnightly Review" for February, W. H. Mallock, a well-known writer on this and hindred subjects, undertakes to explode the doctaines promulgated by one of the leading radical socicties in Great Britain in dealing with the question of Socialism in lts economic aspects. Socialism does not mean merely a desire to relieve social suifering, but a bellef that social suffering is due to certaln special causes, and a consequeut desire to-delleve-it-by special and peculiar. methods. These methods, whatever may be thele details, would involve the destruction of fustitutions and principles which have hitherto been consldered the foundations of all society and civilization, especially the instltultion as it now exists of private property.
This much about Socialism the people generally know, and, so far as it goes, this is all perfectly true; but the goneral public knows little more thon thls, nod what it does not know it makes up for by guesses and assumptions, for the most part wrong. Socialism as it exists in Great Britaln, France, Germany, and elsewhere, may be defined as a body of economic and social doctrines, resulting in certain conclusions as to the possibilities of soclety-possibili:ties, which' suclallsts as a party, will endeavor to make actual. It behooves us therefore, so examime it in its cconompe phase, 'which after all has come to be the foumation of lts exlstienee. What is known as the "Fabian" soelety in Londun is the Head Centre of the new doctifne in Great Britain. As was to be expected the Fablan members and writers do not agree among them-
selves, and some of them are, on minor points, not quite consistent with them. selves; but as polated out by Mr. Mal. lock, the object must be to criticise, not the way in which the case is stated, but the case Itself.

Socialists see civilization in some ways steadly adrancing from year to year; they' see that in all the eivilized conntries the aggregate Income produced annually is delng increased far fast. er than the population that produces it, and yet, in spite of this they sue. poverty on all sldes of them. The increashing wealth seems to accumulate in the hands of a Imited class, while the great masses of the community are face to face with misery, and are saved from it ouly by the sale of their labor and wherty to others. This condition of things, which would have been misgrable enougin at any time, is being rendered more intolerable by the education which makes men reflect upon it, and by a consciousness of political power Which inspires them with hopes : of changing it. The followers of the new economic doctrine are reasonable enough. in their recognition of the causes that have brought about the imdustrial revolution taking place with. In the present centurs, and which manulacturers will at once recall as having been brought about, not by the designing policy of any individual capitalist, but by the inventions of men like Newcomen, Howe, Watt, and Arkwright. The old condition of affalrs no longer extsts. In the olden times every man had his class, and every class Its duties, that is, in one way or other, cvery mam was ioy the constitution of society assured of access to the means of proviang for himseli a sultable liveHhood. The socialists, they say themselves, have no desire to promote any sudden departure. The process of taking from the rioh and giving to the noor must be cradual; they say, but
none the less will it be sure; and ench yenr its speed tends to accelerate. In fact it has begun aiready; it began some years ago with the establishment of the Income Tax, which the Socialists say was the thin end of the wedge in the direction of the reform they adyo. cate. The income tax they declare is simply a forcible transfer of rent, interest, and even rent of abllity from private holders to the State, without compensation, and they clalm further that the full dovelopment of Soclallsm will be merely the gradual extonsion of taxation of this kind. The sole object of taking or expropriating wealth in thls way, is to use it as capital with which to pay the wages of productive labor; but before the State can pay the wages of labor it must first become master of the complicated organization of labor, and this it can do by degrees only. Consequently, its spoliation of the private landowners and capitalists must take place by degrees also. -
Let us apply this to the case of the Iron trade. The programme of the So. cialists is that the State, by means of mome-tax, whall ultimately take the entive profits of the iron-masters, and will thus buy up their property; just as if one man has a glass of beer and two pence, and another man takes the two pence and luys the glass of beer with it; but it would besuleidal for the State thus to treat the irom-masters until, firstly, other Industries had accommodated themselves to the change, and secondiy, till the state was in a position to manage the production of fron with at least as much slilll and economy as the present generation of employers. The State has, however, al ready begun to be a gencral employer of labor. In many of the old countries the municIpalities conduct the sitreet and other rallways, the gas-works, the water-works, while the most Important
as well as the oldest thus conyperted is the post-offlec.
The state, the socialists claim, has then only to proceed on the course on which it has already embarked. From suppiglag towns with gas and water, it will go on to supply them with boots, with coats, with bread, butter, de., until at last it has decour the univergal manufucturer, farmer, shopkeeper and landlord, and this the Sociansts very plausibly maintain, cau be brought about without viodence or even aidruptuess. The process, they claim, might be hallf accomplished before many peopie knew that it had begun, for the State would not forcibly extin. gulsh any private enterprises. ; It would extinguish them only by successfully competins against them-by pro. duciag the same quailty of goods, selling them at the same or even lower price, and at the same time paying Higher wages. It wouid, in faet, exthgulsh the competilive sysitem by competition!
The essayist takes Eugland as an example for the sake of argument. The faggregate income oi that country atb present is, roughly speaking, about sixty-five huadred duillions of dollars. About a third of this according to the socialist doctrine, represents interest on capital, and about an cighth the actual wages of ability or exceptional productive talent. The highest except(iomal talent can we had in the onen market for say \$t,000 a jear, and were the highest wages of ability cuth down to thls figure, its existing wages would we diminished by neariy one half. Such belng the case, nearly half the existing wages of abiaty, and the entire profits of capital would be diverted from the pockets of the abic men and tho present possessors of capital, and would find its way lato the pockets of the state. The sum which the State would thus become possessed of would we somethiug like twenty-five hundred imillions of dollars and this woutd constitute an addition to the existing wages fund, and wouid be employed in araling the wages of the entire communty. When thils is done the soelal. istic transformation will be complete; there will be a capitalistle employer, and there whll le wage-earning producers, but the capitalistic employer whll virtunlly we a coumititee of the aroducers; and Instead of taking for itself any portion of the profit, will ouly collect this product and pool it; and then in the shape of wages return to the producers, not as the private
employers do, only a part of it, but the whole. In one sense, private property will be as secure then as it is now. Dach man's wages or income will be absolutely his own, and all the ar. ticles of consumption and enfoyment which he duys with it. The only, kind of property which will have been sociallaed will ie, not axticles of consumption, but the means of production; and the socialism of this last will mean merely, that each citizen has an equal share in them, which is as if all were equal sharcholders in some existing rallway company in which they wera all, at the same time, wagerreceiving employecs. Their income would thus conslist of wages suppiemented by profits. Their wages may vary, but the profits that sup. plement each mun's wages will We the same. Then, with the Stato for employer, there will ibe full work for all, for everyone will have the right to denand access to the means of labor, and of hifs own labor he will obtain the full result. The distribution of products or riches, accoiding to the labor done by each, is claimed to be the desire of soclalism, and the process abovo described is that by which the desiro is to be accompiished. By its means the state becomes a capitaiist; that is a capitalist transfigured, the private capitalist having largely iallen away, the state capitalist being, at the same time, the pople.
This schene fully realized will, it is claimed, restore to men their lost economic freedom, will redeem them from the transient woudage to which private capital has subjected them, will render It lmpossibie for the unemployed class to exist, and emrich each laborer by rendering back to him that rast "theft" from the products of his daily industry, whiele the presentsystem of trade pot the wlekedness of individuals, makes inevitable. We shall be able to show that the moment we apply to this schome approximately complete criticism, the socitilists theory will tumble to pleces like a house of cards. The sehemes which we have bricfly endearored to explain, exist, firstiy, on an erroncous and incomplete analysis of the existing industrial systen; secondy on a false estimate of what historically are the tendencies and results of thath systom; and lastly, a false view of economic hitstory geuerally, and a correspondingly false application of the method of comparative criticlsm, the intioduction of which, whatever its. cuerits, is greatly to the credit of the
socialistic sehool in Great Britain, as contrasted withi their kindred in other. countries.
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The fundamental crror in the social. ist doctrine is the making of labor the chief, if not the sole human agent in production, and the assamption thay won-laboring classes are non-productive plasses. When oxec this crror is exposed fuily, the foundation of scienti. iic socluism altogether dlsappears. It is an error, however, for which the holders are mot responsibie. They have borrowed it without criticism-with. out suificient digestiou-from the orthodox economists in whose works it Is still rampant. Jolm Stuart Mill, for exampee, sees pialuly enough that not oniy muscular labor, but invention, scientific discovery, and industrial :management aso, are obviousiy concerned in production at the present day, and that the modern increase in the productive character of industrial exertion is due to the deveiopmont of the latter, that is, of the inventor, the dis. coverer, and the manager, rather than to the muscular laborer; but all these dater iorms of industrial exertion, the orthodos economists fuctude under the one term, Lavour. Thus they speak of the "iabor of the savant," the "Jabor of the inventor," "the tabor of the ser:merntendent" that is to say, they recognise and admit theoretically thatb labor is of two kinds, or, that the word meaps two things; and that one kind of labor has a universal faculty, and the other a searce faculty, but this recognition is only oceasional; the truth lavolved in it is never analyzed or incorporated with the general theory, and although on these rare occasions ther admit that the word labor means two things, yet in all their practical arguments, without auy exception, they lavariably and persistently use it as if it only meant one thing; and that one thing is average muscular labor to - the exclusion of labor of any other kind. This is well shown in Mills ghapter "The probable future of the laboring classes" in his great work, "The Principles of Polltical Eeonomy." Applying this, the socinlists say"shareholder and landlord live alike on the produce extracted from their property by the labor of the proletarlat." And if we want to know exactly what they mean by fabor we are told that it is a form of human exertion, "the ac: quisition of whel is a mere question of provender:" There is always a supply of it tending to ine in excess of the plemand, Laborers, they say, "breed
alke rabbits"; and they expressly declare that it is the labor of men like these that "plies up the wealth" of the possessing and emp.oying classes. Now the socia.ists admit that ablity has some part in the "pi.ing up"or in other words producing some portion of the pie; so that Instead of saying thate Labour prodnces or"piecs up" all the weaith of the communty, we are driven to say something that is very different -we are driven to say that it produces ony a certalu fraction of it; and then comes the question, what fraction? AB soon as we come to see this, the whode case of theoretle sociailsm is lost, Its most logical weapon breaks in two in its hands. We shall point out how and why, in a later article.

## FIRE INSURANCE.

It is now possible to give with some. degree of aecuracy the record of the five insurance companies doing business In Canada for the year 1893. Whe prev. lous estimates have been simply 'approximations. The table presented in this article is as mearly an accurate compilation of the official figures sent to ottarva as it is possible to arrive at by $a$ carcful canvass of the companies. Where the figures are approximate they are distinguished by an asterlsk. In all other eases they havo been furnished as official by the man. agers of the companies whose business they represent.
$\Delta t$ first sight the figures do noti look encouraging. The total business of the year falls $\$ 36,55.1$ under the volume of 1892, whlle the losses have increased by $\$ 355,851$. This means an advance In the percentage of losses to premlums from 66.22 per cent. to 71.9 per cent. during the jear. If to this we add an average of 30 per cent. for expenditure, it shows that the companles have pald out during the past twelve months 101.0 of their net premium recelpts; or in other words that they have lost nearly 2 per cent, more than their carnings for the year.

Ot course the detalled figures show a Whe range in the pereentage of losses. Some compantes have been more fortun. ate than others, and thus the percentages range from 48.3 per cent. for the London \& Laveashire to 99.3 per cent. for the Manchester. It is the same WIth the expenditure. It runs all the way trom 24 to 31 per cent., the buils of the companies showing from 27 to $30^{\circ}$ per cent. of their premilum income. Hence all have not been equally uny lucky, and fully 40 per cent. can show.
a balance on the right side. But this is offset by the heavier losses of their confreres, and thas the total raturas for the year show that 1893 was the worst the companles have experienced for the past seven years, the percent:ages of its predecessors having been: 1887, per cent. - - - - $\mathbf{6 5 . 6 6}$ 1888, do - - - - $\quad \mathbf{0} \mathbf{5} . \overline{0} 8$
 $\begin{array}{lllll}180, & \text { do } & - & - & - \\ 1892, & \text { do } & - & 64.0 \pm \\ 1829\end{array}$ 1893, do - . - . 71.09 To what reason we can ascribe such a steady advauce in the proportion of losses to preminus during the tast five years, it is dillicult to say. The increase of 22 per cent. pince 1889 cannot be uscribed to the moral hazard. But whatever may have been the cause oue fact remains patent to every man of business whether he be an insurance man or not, and that is that the prem.


## -*Approximate.

Some of the extreme ratlos are capable of explanation. tone of the low: figures is the result of the pruning necessary because of the absorption of a

## The guarantee co of north AMERICA.

The year just past whl long be re. membered by guarantee companles for the number of breaches of trust committed within it. Never in the history of commerce have so many employes occupying positions of trust developed into thieves and ombezzlers during so sliort a time. In the United Statina alone the volume of defalention reached $\$ 25,000,000$, and In Canada, despite the exertions of the guarantec companies,
lums charged in 1893 were not multiclent to meet the losses and expenses. In other words the companies must either charge more or spend less in $189 \pm$ than they did in 1808 if the present ratio of loss is maintained. One of the heathiest indications in the insurance market is that the companics are realzing this fuct and that competition for business on any terms is commencing to lose its attructiveness. The stauncher institutions woud sooner lose risks than accept what they consider to be Inadeguate terms and tho inspection of risks is much more rigid than heretofore. Doubtiun hazards are looked at askance and with a cautious and couservative po.icy in force it looks as if 1894 mlght usher in brighter days for the fire offices. They have certainly been long enough in coming.

| Net Premiums. | Net Losseg. | Per cont |
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| \$143,836 | \$ 91,523 | 63.6 |
| 08,933 | 48,107 | 81.8 |
| 110,093 | 82,427 | 68.8 |
| 201,047 | 163,517 | 80.9 |
| 100,300 | 78,769 | 78.5 |
| 215,688 | 138,723 | 64.3 |
| 133,021 | 115,0¢8 | 86.4 |
| 357,251 | 203,658 | 71:0 |
| 32,009 | 23,380 | 71.9 |
| 262,625 | 188,314 | 71.7. |
| 281,883 | 173,623 | 61.6 |
| 138,504 | 92,173 | 66.5 |
| 194,976 | 164,933 . | 84.5 |
| 66,321 | 39,790 | 60.0 |
| 203,794 | 195,452 | 74.0 |
| 323,871 | 269,361 | 83.1 |
| 111,186 | 70,733 | 63.6 |
| 104,0ธ3 | 92,831 | 48.3 |
| 113,622 | 105,789 | 08.1 |
| 118,860 | 118,070 | 90.3 |
| 137,104 | 85,431 | 62.2 |
| 178,079 | 121,612 | 70.2 |
| 392,115 | 337,165 | 85.9 |
| 118,400 | 79,600 | 67.1 |
| 260,233 | 162,133 | 62,3 |
| 230,138 | 186,356 | 78.9 |
| 88,504 | - 68,720 | 77.1 |
| 90,127 | 60,819 | 70.4 |
| 272,214 | 170,370 | 08.5 |
| 504,621 | 433,508 | 72.9 |
| 134,503 | 96,194 | 71.4 |
| 100,046 | 56,078 | 60.6 |
| 137,800 | 95,427 | 60.2 |
| 108,036 | 117,829 | 70.1 |
| 335,605 | 215,841 | 64.5 |
| \$6,678,923 | \$4,802,602 | 71.9 |

couple of other companies-the worse risks having been cancelled and all the Weiter class retalued. But this articio already transcends our normal limlt.
the defalcations of the year were excentionally high.
It says much, then, for the skill and caution with which the business of the leading guarantee company of the continent, has been carried on that in such an unhealthy condition of morality and honesty the losses of the year, should only have reached $\$ 97,832$, or but 42 per cent of the premlum Income. It malcates a degree of care in tho selection of risks that the commercial publlc can scarcely appreclate, and an
the dividends or the company were raid out of the intorest on investments the president and general manáger, Mr. Hadwara danwlings, was enabled to bring the assets of the company up to $\$ 784,638$ and to increase the surpius to $\$ 302,117$, or within $\$ 2,400$ of the equivalent of the puid up capitals With a record of $\$ 1,120,143$ as the total of losses reimbursed to employers, and total resources of $\$ 1,148,638$, at Its back, the Guarantee Company of North Ameriea can look forward with confldence to an even more useful and prosperous career in the future than it has attained In the past. We say usetul advisedy and in a wider sense, for the influence excreised ly the company in its repressive eharacter-the applica. thon of the "ounce of prevention"-hats proved most satutory in many hastances where weaknoss oniy awaits the opportunity to yichl to the temptat tion to trangress the rule of righte.

TRANSFEITS OF BOOK DEDTE IN ONTARIO.
The keneral linsolvency shil to we placed wefore firblament durfing the anext session has aiready been reviewed at some length-in our issue of 1 thth Felruary. Meantime our attention has been direeted to the recommendation of our own Board of Trade respecting transfers of book-debts under the common law of the Province of Ontario.
The subjolaned is a copy of a deed of assignment given by a wholesale firm to their Bankers, the effect of which is simply to enombe a firm to buy goods, push them on theh eustomers at low priees, and as soon as they are entered on the firm's books, the Bank Wy this deed of nssignment beoomes possessed of the debt, whe the unfortumate creditor has no recourse, but submit to tun unjust preference:
"Ihis Indenture. made this second day of Jamary In the year of our Lord, 189 , hetween
of the City of In the County of Merehants, of the flrst part, and of the second part.
Whereas, the partles of the first part have applied to the parties of the second part, for a line of eredit upon Uushess paper and at times to a himited amownt unon theie own credit,

And whereas the parties of the first part lave represiented that they have at all times open book accounts whe and owing, and accoung due to then to the value of twenty-fire thousand dollars and upwards, and whereas they have agreed to glve to the sald bauk sccurlty upon the same,

Now therefore, this indenture witneseath, that the partles of the firat part
hereby assign, transfer and set over unto the partles of the second part and thele successors in business, all book debts and chose-fn-actlon now duc, or acerving tue fo them in connection with thele lusiness of wholesale dealers In Francy Goods and Dry Goods, and all accounts and chose-in-action lereafter duc, or accuring due to them in connection with the said busiuess, and that the parties of the second part are to have and ho:d the same as collateral security to the present and future indebtedness and all imdebtedness at any time of the parties of the first part to them, whether in respect of business prper alscounted, thell own notes, or otherwise howsoever.
And the parties of the first part hereby further aguec and covenant on domand at any time to furnish to the parties of the second part a full list of all accounts due, or acerulng due to them, and to execute such further assurances or asslgments as may be necessary to complete the title of the partles of the secoud part, and will furnish to the parties of the second part all books and other evidences necessary to emble the parties of the second part to collect the said accounts.
And they anthorize the parties of the seeond part where necessary to sue for and collect such accounts.

This assignment to be a continuing collateral security to.sald Bank of all book accounts due or accruing to the parties of the first part:

In witness their hands and seals the diay aud year above written.
In presence of:
(L.S.)"

It will thus be seen how the law of the sister Province permits the transier of open accounts, of whicia however no serious complaint is made; but strong oljection is made to the non-ropistration of such transfers. It is strongly urged by the Montreal Board of Trade Council that the Province of Ontario yied so fur to the proposed new gencral hosolvency law as to compel the reglstration of all book-debts transferied by a debtor to a creditor, which transfer now covers all the book-debts that may follow through the sale of goods effected afterwards, somewhat niter the mamer of Bills of Sale in the Marlime provinces before the preseut law providing for the registration of such Bllls of Sale came into foree. It Is necdless to point out that such reg. Istration is of the greatest laportance to traders, as in the present state of affairs thes may continue selling goods to a dealer who by a transper of hils book-debts may be strengthening his preferred creditor by means of followling purchases from houses wholly ig. morant of als position. Such an ennouragoment sof traud ia muroly not
within "The rule of IRIght;" it is one of the worst examples we have met of offering a premlum to dishonesty, and in permitting whith no insolvency leg. islation cun be propertry efficaclous. It has probably not oecurred to every Manker in Ontario that under such a transier-whled by the way should be Jimited to say sixty days before bank. ruptey-he may possibly be dealing out injury to mrobbing-a valued enstomer of hits own.

IA BANQUD DU PEUPLE.
The value of the views concerning the financial situation expressed by the managers at the aunual Wank mectings Is too evident to call for much comment at our hands. They give a suecinct yet comprehensive history of the year's bushess, and thelr forceasts of the trend of Canadian Trade are eagerly scamed by commercial men. The majoplity of these meetings take place in June, as being the most convenient month, and thus merchants could not enjoy the advantage of having bankeps views upon the outlook except in that month, were it not that the annual meeting of the Molsons Bank takes place in October and that of the Banque du Peuple in March. These two banks arvide the interim very fainly between them; the Molsons Bank carrying the commercial histors of the year up to the beginning of winter and the Banque du Peuple continuing it to the threshold of the following spring.
Coming as it does, practically at the opening of the spring trade, the review of the situation given at the annual meeting of the Banque du Peuple is specially important, and fortunately for the commercial community it is, compiled by $n$ manlager particulauly fitted for the task. It thus forms not ouly an accurate history of the past year, but a reliable forecast of the near future, and as such it is reproduced in another portion of these columns. Mr. Bousquet, considers that, so far as this province is concerned, 1893 has been a year of pronparity without in. fiation. The agricultural population has thriven, and conmmerce has gather. ed lts share of their surplus. As a consequence trade is on a sound basls and the outlook is a hopeful one, provided that the present conservative policy in both granting and accepting credits be nathered to.

As to the bank itsele the reporit indicates a steady advance In prosperity. The get proflts of the yoar amounted
to $\$ 108,915$, and after paying the usual dividend of 6 per cenit the directotis were able to add $\$ 50,000$ to this reserve and iveling that lmportant saieguard up to $\$ 600,000$, or 50 per cent of the paddup capital. The deposits have inereased neaviy $\$ 600,000$, and the plireulation a ilttle over $\$ 00,000$. In view of this gratifyiug condition of the bank's affairs Mr. Bousquet was able to announce that an increase in the divliend would be made on the first SepHember next, and it is ielt "on the street" that both he and the sharet holders can be congratulated on the aigh position to which the bank has nttained under its present management.

## ACCOUNT-KEEPLNG IN SMDALL STORES.

A correspondent writing from Hamilton, suggests that it would be well, perhaps, were more emphasis placed upon accountkeeping than that in Sec. 42 of the proposed mew Insolvency Bill. It is to be regretted that the systems of boolibeping mostly in vogus are too complicated exeept for large establishments; the efforts of the compilers of the text-books being maturally directed towards swelling the volume, that the buyer may be more easily be convinced ha is getting his money's worth, rather than to a more simple and condensed plan. To be sure, nearly every text-book contains one or more briof forms of single-whty bookseeping, but the country merchant, begimning his career, who must-be coached or study for himself, is puzzled out of his wits at the array of forms set bafore him, and too often abandons the idea of keeping any books at all and confines himseli to merely counting every night what he may have in his till or in his poeket, and keeping no" record of stock except as prompted by some customer in need of lines of goods which are becomb ing searec on his shelves or his counter. A handy fittle book of fifteen or twenty pag:s, or the bulk of an ordinary pase-book, is what is required for the man who is his own bookecper as well as salesmäa, clerk, and genaral utility man. With such a simple guid? few men would verlect keeping account of their business transactions or subject themselves to danger from the pemalty wisely provided by the $\Delta$ ct.

## Jomn martin \& co.

The failure of the long-established city firm of Johna Martin \& Co., wholesalo furriers and dealens in military equipments; although mot exp:cted at the moment, was not altogether a surprise to the trade It was kaown that the past yearg' trade had been an upprofitable one, and the firm found it difficult to finanes; but it was not suspected that they were in such deep water until the relusal of the Banque Nationale to aceept an instalment on a mote for $\$ 1,200$ and ren'w the balance foreed then to make an assignmont to their bankers. Losses und depression in the fur trade are given as the cause. During the past year tho firm gay that they havo.
lost $\$ 18,000$ by failures and bad debte, and they wow have $\$ 37,000$ in outstandings, which they are unable to collect. They claim assets of $\$ 80,000$ agniust liabilitizs of nbout $\$ 02,000$, and usked at first only for time in which to pay in full withinterest. But in view of the action of certain of the ereditors it was deemed better that the presint step should bo taken, more especially as the liabilities are tolerably evenly divided between this city and England, $\$ 26,000$ bsing dua to foreign creditors and about $\$ 23,000$ hare: The principul Canadian creditors are the Bank of Torouto $\$ 14,117$, E. W. Martin $\$ 3,500$, H. S. Schey ir $\$ 2,022$, aud Gault Bros \& Co.
 $\$ 1,800$ and Homace T' Martia $\$ 2,000$. About $\$ 6,000$ of the liabilitios are privileged. Lt.-Col. Martin, the sole member of the firm, has had a business career of over forty years aud was more or less identilisd with the efliciency of this military district. The development of the "Flochelaga Ligh't Infan'try" into the present efficient Sixth Fusiliexs is mainly due to him. It is not jikely that the Colonel will continue the business. It is probable if the present difficulties are adjusted that the businass will be camied on by his two sons under the old firm. name. The firm was in difficulties about six years ago, when asettlement at 25 cents on the dollar was effected.

## 1 THE SAME OLD GAME.

It is a curious fact that some of the oldest and most threndbare confidence games aro still tho most successful methods of swindling. $A$ smooth-tongued "bunco" buan, giving his name as W. S. Campbell, of Oakiand, Cal., has been working two of the most moss-grown methods on the grood people of port Arthur and North Buy with astonishing success, and is credited with tating about $\$ 3,000$ out of that locality. One of his games was to hire well-to-do fnrmers and hotelkeepers at large salaries to mange a unrsery which he was projecting, and on the strength of the appointment, borrow money on a cheque. The other was to fiagh a roll of securities, which he chaimed represented $\$ 30,000$, and negotiato a temporary loan on the head of it from his dazeled dupes. How mueh he got altogether nobody knows, for many of his vietims are so abhamed of the ense with whice thay ware fleecell that they will not say a word; but it is known that ha secured $\$ 1,500$ in Port Arthui and $\$ 500$ in Sulbury bsides sums in otche places. Ho han now retired to look after his " nursery," and is probably cultivating another crop of suckers in some other portion of this enlighteued continent.

## MILLER BROS. \& TOMS.

Mesers. Miller Bros. \& Toms, machinery agents of this eity, linve decided to go into liquidation in order to straighten out the complications arising from the retirement of Mr. Toms from the firm about eighteen months ago, and have called a meeting of their creditors to taks the necessary steng. They claim a ourplus of: $\$ 77,000$ ovor all liabilities; which, deducting Mr . Toms intorest,
would leave them R04,000 clear. They aleo claim to har: $\$ 20,000$ in good debta and stock which will be sufficient to ineet all their liabilities, as Mr . Toms is not a creditor and does not rauk on the estate until after all are paid. This will enable them pay overy one in full with out touching the plant, the disposal of which will be decided : afterwards between the firm and Mr. Toms. Of course this is only a liquidation, and not an insolvency; but at the same time it is regrettable that it should have happened at a period like thils when creditors are nervously upprehensive and banks disposed to tighten their purse stringe.

## IT IS CRIMINAL.

Samuel R. Burnett, a farmer of Belloisle Creek, N. .B, has been seatenced to three years in Dorchester penitentiary for stealing a piano from C. Flood \& Sons, of St. Jolun, N. B. IHe represented himself as a wealthy farmer and purchased threo pinnos from different firms on tho instalment plan, selling them immedintoly to other parties for whatever they would fetch. When the firms came to collect Burnett simply laughed at them under the impression that they could not touch him. Flood \& Sons at once had him arrested, and, much to his surprise, got him convicted and sentenced to penitentiary. There is a panic amoug other farmers, who have been doing the same thing under the impression that they could not be prosecuted criminally, and great are the efforts now being made to meet tho instaluents.
a banking firm fails.
Green, Worlock \& Co., an old established private banking lirm at Victoria, B. C., have closed their doors. They claim assete of $\$ 610,010$, against liabilities of of $\$ 444,000$ and say that, if they are given time, they can pay depositors in full. There has been a steady run upon the bank for some time post, and as the chartered bunk deelined to give them any assistance the firm found they could not realize upon their securities fast enough to meet the demads of depositors and hence liad to close up. Their customers are principally among the smaller tradesmen and any loss will fall very heavily on them. It is to be hoped therefore that the firm's prowise to pay in full, if not ewbarrassed by legal proceedinge, will bo kept.

## LOST NO TLMIE

- A Lower Province dealer, who carricd a small stock of boots and clothing, also carried insurance to the extent of $\$ 3,900$ in the Scottish Union and Natiomal and Caledonian. On Saluiday last the companies' agents became alarmed at a surpicious fire in his vicinity and notified him that the policies would be cancelled that day. The man remonstrated, saying he could not get insurauce on such short notice, and the agente finally consented to . 10 t the policies staud until Monday when they would positively be cancelled. That very afternoon at six o'clock the store wa gutted by fire.


## "UNSOLICITED" LETTERS.

How "unsolicited" letters defending dubious fitms against the comments of commercial journale are secured was amusingly illustatid in an Ontario County Cunrt this week. A fanmer giving evidence in a horse case admitted cherfuily that he had sigus letters written in the office of an agrieultuan implimat compmay demendig it agraiast attacks mads on it in the press. He suid to was comp-hed to sign them becanse tha compmy hadd a datatel inoth guge on his stock, It wolld d : interesting to know how many of the other "unsolicitad" testimonials to the homer and probity of the company were becured in a similar manar.

## OUR CILCULATION.

Ous readers have probably noticed the statement in italie igpe at the tup of the first columa of our "Commereial Summary:" In view of the shamelese exargeratious current, we prefor to make this Btatcment.
-A correspoulent at Lumington, Ont., grade us the doilowing luenness icems frum Lie deculity : John A. MeDoneh, dre goods, has commaned to seil unc, preparatory to retiriag from businise. Mc: Medonell hars been engagedian tho diy goods busthese ior the pabi eleven years, and retares with a comortable competance- - th is also report= ed that Wighe \& Co. are rushing of their stock with the view of closing out their basiacss. The indm of Wirle de Co. is composed of Robert and suamon Wigle, who bought out the asselis oi s. Wigic \& Sou's estate lwo yars ago, lewis Wigle haring mannged the business for them.-Wm. Meswen, express agent for the American Express Co., has purchased the bankrupt stock of drugs, ele, of li. W. James, and is once mote engaged in the drug trade.
-What has become of that big hotel' seheme for the head of Dominion Siquare? If we remember aright, it was to be tem btorcys high, several oi them to be of steel uni to cost $\$ 1,250,000$, all subseribed. 'diere is no reason why boiler-plate of: steed or iron should not be used fargeiy for buildiner puposes, for houses as well as ships. It is now being camassid whethor the retaining fees paid for the churel property and that adjoining are likely to prove any portion oi the purelase monoyr Jut there's corn in Ligyt still, and pleaty of money in MeGill, whure it is workiug extensively to the benetit of Montreal at large, as well as for the noble institution diecety lavored by the generous donors.
-Mr. Justice Taschereau has decided that foreign ereditors making demands of assigument upon Camadian firms are not required to furnish security for costs unlegs the drmand be contested. He holde that a simple demand is not in jeself a finst process of litigation, and that it does not become one until it is contested.
-During the last month about 400 tons of pressed hay were shippod from Leamfantou, Kingsible and dissex to hiverpool. It is anial the price paid was only from $\$ 5$

pers should maks a burrel of money at current English quotations.
-The recoipt of sereral large orders from Englaud have enused Ilay bros. to start up their chair factory at Ow'n Sound on full time with an incrensad number of lutads. They look forward to a prosperous scason.
-The mild wenther for the past week in Manitoba has hess:nid the prosjectes of spming tloods in that proviace. Experts say there is little chnuce of the hed liver overfowiag its banks at any puint.

## Meetinda, Rebokta, \&c,

## LA BANQUE DU PEUPLE.

The amual meeting of the sharehollers of La Lauque du Penple was held in the bunk premises slonday, the 5th iust. The presitient, Mr. Jacques Grenier, vecupied ihe chair and amona those present were How A. W. Ogilvie, Nessers. J. Y. Gilmour, H. Buagrand, William Francis, W. S. Evans, John Murrisun, John Crawiord, Nohad de Lisle, (E. B. Muir, L. Armstrong, Chas. Lamothe, Chas. Wittman, Arikur Prevoet, A. W. Stevensom, Alph. Leehairo, H. B. Warren, J. R. Resther, Samuel Bell, N. B. Desmarteau, G. S. Brash, Uhas. Laeaille, Michael Burke, P. P. Martia add 1). Masson. Mr. J. S. Bousquet, cashier, acted as secretary of the meeting.
The president said that following the precedent of past jears, the proceodiags would, if the shatholders were agreeable, be couducted in English, so as to Bare time. Many English shareholders were present, and his French Canadian friends understood the English languago quite well. He then read the followiag: -lieport of the Directors.-
The Directors Weg to submit to the Shareholders the statement of the affairs of this Lauk for the year ending 2Sth Febriary, IS04.
The net profits of the year, after having provided ior all bud and doubtiul debts and deducting costs of manarement, nmount to $\$ 10 \mathrm{~S}, 915.49$.
Out of this sum we havo paid dividends at the rate of sis per cent. per aunum amounting to $\$ 72,000.00$ and carried to the Reserve $\$ 50,000.00$, which raises that fund to $\$ 600,000$.
The dematad for moncy for imercantilo purposes has kipt our capital fully cmployed at remunerative rates of interest.
All our agencies have been thoroughly, inspected during the year, and we notice a large incrense in the volume of tramations; they are working very satisfactorily.
We have also to acknowledge to the shareholders the efficacy of services rendered by our staff of officers, their cidelity and attentive work have reflected credit to the Institution.
the whole respectfully submitted.
J. GRENIER,

President.
Montrenl, 1at March, 1894.
-General Siatement.-
The secretary submitted the following graeral statement :
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J. S. BOUSQUET,

Cashier
We, the undersigned Auditors, namer at the last General Annual Meating of the shareholders, after having examined the books, verified the specio and legal tendere on hand, in a word, after having taken cogniznace of the Assets and Linbilities of the Corporntion of "La Banque du Peuple, have the honor to report that we bave found the whole to be correct and deserving our approval.
P. P. Martin,

NOLAN DELISLE,
LOUIS ARISTILONG,
Auditors.
Montreal, 1st Mareh, 1804.

## -The President's Addross.-

The President then rose and maid: As you will have observed, geathemen, I have taken the same position as other bunks do. Heretofore, wo used to havo a meeting to appoint directors, but there is nothing in the charter which binds us to do so, and I thongrst that, like the president of other bunks, I would tako the ehair. I have asked the cashier to act as secretary. With regard to some other things I want to do the same as they do in other banks. It has been ugual in this bank that the aloption of the rejort of the auditors, as well as that of the directors, be moved by individual atockholders; but, as you are aware, in other banks, the adoption of the report is moved by the president and secnaded by the viee-president or one of the directors. I will take the same course this year. and berenftir it is understood that thin will be folluwet. I will move, ne"nuded by Mr. Brush, vice-president. "That the amman mport of the aulitnes, ns well as that of the directors, now submitted, be received and adopta
: ;" and to save as much of your valufo time as possible I will subsequeatly If the cashier to give, as usual, his an jual address on the general business transactions. I will ouly take the opport unity to give you some comparative figured with regard to the progress of the institution. Although you must have obarved that inercased securities generally: are diminisbed among some of the other bauke some $\$ 2,000,000$ or $\$ 3,000,00$, tie circulation of this bank has inereased $\$ 6 i, 010$. The deposits not bearing interest have increased only a very litule; but when you consider the hardness of the times during the year, and chat cash was scarce, you will see that the object was to try and keep as small a balauce as possible. The increase of the uepusits not bearing interest was $\$ 6,297$, an amount wheh shows the progress of this bank and which also shows the eonfidence the public have in it. The uepusits bearing interest amounted to $\$ \overline{0} \pm 4, \overline{5} 5 \overline{0}$ more than they were a year ago, which shows ihat if money was scarce for oruinary deposits, it seems to have been plentiful with those who deposited at interest. This year the depusits bearing interest amuluted to $\$ \pm, 309, \$ z 8$, against $\$ 3,52 \overline{2}$,$33 d$ last year, which shows a surplus of $\$ \mathrm{j} \pm 4,0.05$. I think that this is very alatisfactury, and it shows tho confidento that there is in the bauk. 1 am now going to emter into some expanations which, I belicte, have bean resused by some other institutions; but we have nuching to hide. The whole responsibility rests on the directors of this bunk. The stockholders are fortunate in not laving any doublo liabilities, neither have they any responsibilities. The grose receipts this year amount to $16 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on tho capital, against 14 per cent. last year, which shows that we aro also making some little progress with regard to profits; but it doss not look so well on the
t profit side, which this year is only. :qual to 9 per cent on the capital, whereas in the previous year it was equal to ${ }^{1}$ 13 per cent. on the capital. You can understatid the difference. You will remember that last year I made you aware oi a julgment against us from the Prisy Council on the other side for some $\$ \overline{\$} 0,000$. Ihat judgment came just on the eve of our last annual meeting. We have kept $\$ 25,000$ to meet part of thig, have kept $\$ 25,000$ to meet part of this,
which we lad to meet this year: Une, fortuately, I have also to make you aware of another suit we have had in Three kiverg, in which wo were successful in the Superior Court, as well as the Court of $\Delta$ ppeals here, but we ware defeated in the Supreme Court. We made application to have recourse to appeal in Eugland, but we were refused, and we hatd to pay. During the year the head office has not lost anything on debentures, but, uniortunately, some of our branches have mado small losses. We have distributed 9 per cent. this year, that is to gay, 6 per cent. to the stockholders and the balance to the cast of manägement. I am happy to inform you that the cost of the management of this bank is as limited as pussible; we try to curtail the expeises as much as possible, and I think that we have succeeded su far. Jast year I made you awaro of the expectatious we had in regard to our new building. I told you it was expected that if wo could rent our offices the bank would derive about 4 or 5 per cent. on its outlay, and wo should have free the, whole of tho bank prem'ses proper. I am now pleased to tell jou that, although we have not yet rented all the offices, we have ronted about three-fiftlis of them, and we are in hope that the remainder will be let by May 1, as we have applications for some more. If we ehould succeed in renting the whole we calculate that the revenue from this source will be $\$ 18,000$. What we have let wo liave rented at the rate of 80 cents a foot; the New York Lifo lets theira at a foot; the New York Lifo lete theirs at
Q1. Wo have rented ours on the
same conditions as the New York Life, viz., to supply light, fuel and cleaning We calculate that $\$ 8,000$ expenses will cover everything, and out of this a think we shall be justified in deduecing $2 \overline{0}$ per cent. fur the batak, which will leave, in cluding two stores winich we think we can rear casily, a net profit of $\$ 12,000$, or 6 per cent. on an expenditure of $\$ 2 \pm 0$. 000. We are satisfied that the expenditure will not be more than that. Having our bank, which will be nearly three times the size of the old one, and with a revenue of $\overline{0}$ per cent. fur rents on our oullay, I think we shall be doing well. lie are satislied that for the shareholuers the investment will bo a good oas. Well, geltremen, with these bev remarks, I will call upun the casmer to make his amnal andress on: the genenal bushass, and ater that 1 shani be bappy to answer any questions which any stucknuluer may de pleased to ask eliner atyoun ur any of the directurs.

## -'Tne L'asihier's dudress.-

Mr. J. S. Buasulut men spuk as folluws:
buriag the last year we have had a periva of what 1 may ciall prosperity Without any great imation; the trade of the country do not growing by deajs anu julads, whi it is showing stealy prugress. Uar conshluency, 1 an grau to say, comtinues to increase ana a large number of hew actouncs yare been upenen auring the ytur. shareholders have gut haw a very valuable propury wath is prouncing a considerade revenue, in
 to $\pm 0$ pur ceat. ui vur capital. Wo have built up a reserve very large, and the boara mignt de content in the future to and very litale or mothing to chat fund, but it woula be a wise pulicy to cousolldate our reserve by a subscatatial pasit anu luss accounl. The bunk is now in a pusingen that the direcours can ahord 20 disuribute a large share of the yearly proiite to its shareholuers, and, us Arr. the Presidanl jusi sald, they propused to do bo on the first of September next. Turning to the statement oi atcounts belore you, very litule variation will be found from the figures oi last yeur's report, and under the head of liabilities, there is nothing calling for special remurk. It will be observed that the amount received from the public, on current and deposit accounts, show a moderate inerease. $\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{a}}$ the other side of the atate meat it will be foumed that the liguid assets of the bank show a slight decrease. sdvances under the head of bills discountad, are, as might be cexpected, somewhat increased; our desire is to afford every reasomable facility for the encouragement and promotion of tho trading interest of this province and we are prepured to employ our funds for such a purpose whenever suitable opportunities ofier. Bank premises account has been written as $\$ 186,000$. $\Delta s$ our building is in progress of construction, this amount will therefore increase again during this year, and we consider tho building to represent ample value for tho figures at which it will stand in our books. Besides proving to be a very sound investment, paying a good return on the money inrested, it will be a source of credit, and we intend also to establish a. savings department in our new premises, from which we expect to derive additional business and bepefits. There has been a steady incrense in the number of new accounts opened, both at the head office and the branches, and it is satisfactory to state that the bank's general business has been fully maintained, while the local facilities afforded by the branches continue to be appreciated by our customers and the public.
It has been the custom during recent monthe to contrast the happy condition of the mercantile affairs in Canada with the distress which has marked all classes of trade in the United States. The record of the insolvencies sums up the
contrast in a striking way; of course, we could sarcely expect wo escapo absolutely from the auverse iniluēnces which have wrought so much huroc among our neighbors, traning with them so largely as we uo, and anceted hin oür finabial operations as we must be by the finameial erens there. Up to tiedpre: semb, at all erents, no Canadian ingerest has pereeptibly suffered trom the crash in the Linteu states, although, as 1 havo afreay satid, the business relatione oifino two countries are somenatat intimate and the conditions of trade in both, as a rule, rum upon nearly parallel lines. Money, has been lost in Camaua by those who operate in stocks, but happily the number ui people interestou as spoentators is not vely large and the losses entanted by the sarmakage in market values did not tifect the community da a whole. How-
 ana merchants to tollow quite closely the course of the sifver agitation in 1893, as business interesis in all parts of the country were to a certain exteat bound up by it. Certamay the Uimad Staces in 1593 passed hirvagh a dinancial eriais of appaling severity, but the erisis was ешриalicully a bunking ana currency erisis, atha the bank tainures of the year surpassed all previous recurds since the national bank ejstem was inaugurated. ${ }^{\text {i"t }}$ In the dirst ten molltho the ythe there were adougecher lis suspensicus of thational banks, but the faitures of state banke"und bankers far esceened those of National banke and a beatement published by a
 presented that the number of banks and private bankers anu other financial inextitutions suspenaed in 1893 was 613. Merelants in genemal stood the test of 1898 remarkably well, they were not shown to have been too largely interosted in credits and the failures were less than might have been expected, considering the paralysis for a time in the demand for goods and the stramgation caused by the closing of bauks. Manufacturing and industrial, establishments fared budly and the closing down in July and August wan one of the characteristies of the panio year. The Stock Exchange in New York and other cities had to bear the shock, not only of the gencral difiticulties arising from the silver agitation, but also of thie currency trouble and bank suspensions. The shriakage in values has been appalling, and the course of the year was strewn with the wrecks of great corporatious.
But how comparatively little we have been seorchad by the collapse of trade will be uaderstood by the following figures of failures: the number of finiures there was more than 50 per cent. greater than last year, with liabilities of $\$ 108,000,000$ in 1892 as against $\$ 382$,000,000 in 1893, while in Canada the increase was only a slight fraction over 21 - 6 per cent. in number and 40 per cent. in liabilities. The immunity of Canada from the disorders which afflict our neighbors is attributed chicily to our better banking system and currency. Tho branch system of banks, such as exists in Canadn, gives the managurs of those institutions a better knowledge of control over domestic trade than can be obtained under a system of small local banks like:that of the United States Mo.reover, the branch system faciliates the "distribution of capital nad currency. A sudden demamb for money in any part of Canada can be readily reaponded to by our banks without friction and disturb suce to other sections, wherens in the United States, the measure of the bunking facilities of each locality or state in the capital at the disposal of the purely local institutions. Our currency- system had long been recognized and often proved vastly superior to that of our neighbors. It combines the éssentials of convertibile. ity, safety and adaptability to the needs of commerce. Its volume expands and contracte not by arbitrary legislation
but in obedience to the demand of trade, therebs insuring regularity in the rate of interest. In a word, it fulfile all the functions of a circulating medium with refularity, fafoty and nice ndjustment to the requirements of huriness. Teated by the record of mercantile finiures, the condition of business in Canda has been dition
goorl. The
The number of insolvencies for the Dominion has been 1,682 in 1892; againat 1,738 in 1893. The nmont of linbilities of insolvents rande as follows: $\$ 15$,820,060 in 1803, agninst $\$ 11,003,000$ in 1802, blowing as a whole an excess in the liabilities of the Dominion of about four millions of dollare.
-'Jrade oi this Province.-
For this Province the trade for the year just ended has been generally prosperous and has perhaps been more antisfactory than any for a number of years past; the Shilures lave been more by twenty-beven in number with a reluction of $\$ 666,000$ in linbilities, They compnre with 511 as against 538 in 1803 in number with linbilities of $\$ 5,855,000$, agrinst last yenr $\$ 6,021,000$. In looking back upon the year for the lenting evente which have a controlling influence on general businesb, we may mention, notably, the increase of the make of duiry products, the good hay crop and the umprecedonted demnnd for its export at remmerative prices, incrensed activity in all branches of apriculture. Thes: hare heen the first and grenter. factors in th: gmemal prospertivy This Provine., bing an arricultural Province, the whole community, more or less, depends on these returns, for they lese the supplies of the necessities of life, "re the supplies of the necessitics of hife,
that determine the movements nud chanthat determine the movements nud chan-
nel, the volune of busiuess, and prices and prorits thercon. In fact, everything farmers have raised this year has yieked profits amb given good results for their labor ; therefore the value of the probucbion of the year from tint nource has been considorably increased and for these comsses the busiuess of the community at large and its gencral trade which directlate and its gencen traide which drect-
ly depends for netivity on the farmers reture has been good. The power of purchasing has been incrensed by the good velurn, and, as a maturn consequence, farmen's' budgets all around have been rephenished. Country storekepers have purchased very freely, and remittances from the country mwe been satisfactory. The mates in wholemale trade have been maintaind that the volume of husiu:ss has bern materially over the avemage of last yenr. As a whole the siluntion illustrated from the balance sheets ahows that returns lanve contributel to add something to the capital of hast yenr.
-Agriculture. -
It must be gratifying to every one who lans the interest of the farmers of the Province of Quebee at heart to havo lancued what a splondid success has been made by checse and butter from the Province at tha World's Fair. Mixed culture have bech adroented tor nuny vears in this room, beennes it was lelt tint progress in culture meant progress in basiness; people live to enrich themelves nud in an assentially agricultura Provinee like onve went th must come first from the land. The fatel mistalke of our farmers of depending entirely on one crop for their living is rapidly disappearing to be replaced by the variety of products, nad this yaur has been a year of rapid advance in tho dniry iudustry among farmers. Thero has certainly been vigor on the part of the Government, or the Dopartment of Agrlenlture, in fortering the necessity of improved nethods in the general working of the farm to be adopted by farmers, but evon the Government now would show meagro reGovernment now woud show meagro re-
ants without an active cooperation among farmers themselves. As baid.a well known professor whoso energy, abilify:und devotion: to the adrancement of
progress in agriculture makes him an ant thority, in angwer to the question of where should the farmers look for guid nnee in making chavges which imply pro gress. In reply he would any: 1st. To the Agricultural Societies and exhibjtions which had furnibhed object lessong and atimulation; 2nd, to farmera' conventions, meeting of clubs and farmers institutes, which had made the informa tion of the leading farmers the common property of all ; 3rd, to the Government experimental finms, whose experiments jund a capacity of a two-fold serviec "investigntion for discovery and illustration for guidance."
To farmere' ayndicates formed during the last three or four years in this Provinec is chiefly due the considerable increase noticcable in the manulacture of crairy products, and the most sincere sympathies should be extended to an encour agement given by every citizen to the Society of Dairy Products of this Prov ince which has so largely contributed to the formation of these symbicater. The Honorable Minister of Agriculturo in a fineeh delivered in St. Myacinthe Intely. before a conference held in that eity of before a conierence held in that city of
the forty-nime clubs of the diocese of $S t$. Inyacinthe, anid that there was netually in this Province 425 clubs and that he expected that within eighteen monthe the number would reach 1,000 . It is to be hopal that his expectations will be realized, for those clubs are the torchight. bearer of progress in agriculture.
That this year has been a yoar in the grood direction is wionbted, and the regood direction is umdonbted, and the re-
aulta are already notiecoble. To the aults are already notiecable. To the
large increase of our dairy products is partly due the improvement noticeable during last year in the general business of thís Province. Checes has been an execptionally good seabon, with a record of export higher than any yet recorded, and the farmers have remon to congratnlate thenselves. The liny, owing to a nlate thenselves. ahort erop in Great britain, hans been ex-
ported and has proved a source of im mense revenue. But the singular coincidence of uncexpecterl shortages in this crop in Europe, with the wnusual abundance on this side, are not to be realized every year, and should not carry our farmers' enthusingm for the culture, for such an exceptional condition is not likely to be renized. Butter continues to bo in favor in Englan l, and our creamerios compare farorably with those of Denmark and Ircland. Thero has been a forcign demand for it at remmerative prices for all we could make.
The courso the Unitod States will adopt with regard to the tariff is awaited with some anviety, as it is likely to form some gruide as to possiblo chances in Canadint agriculture; for the new toriff under discussion, though altogether protective in its character, is far more favorable to Canald than any one expected. If adopted as propesed actually the Canadim farmer could once more export his eggs, his barles, his borses and his hay ucross the lines with some chances of profit, and this would be interefting news to them who would likely propare at onco for an incrensed production in these lines.

## -Dry Goode.

In this branch of the tride business, although quiet, has been made with results more entisfactory than in former years; sales have been made with profits, losses have hoen less, and inventories show resulte on the credit side of profit and loss account.

## -Grocerics.-

There has been no forture of importance in the grocery trade to note, only that profits realized were small, owing to the severe competition, and the domand for most lines has beon good and a fairly acmost hnes has beon good an
Lumber, metal and hardware also onjoyed a year of great-activity. In fact, the results obtalned. in almost every line aupport the diea that thí year han been, a
sear of actirity with remunerative prices ruling.
-Outlook.-
The general actual commercial condition of trade is sound at bottom, thanks to our excellent banking eystem and the aroidance during recent years of rash speculations ; but it boes not warrant undue risks; on the contrary, it counsels a continuance of caution, both in accepting ad in grantine credits. We hape reaped in this conntry a good harvest, but for many products of the field prices continue abnormally low. It we can maintain business on the plane of the last year ar two our progress will be substantial. There is at present no reason to fear that nyy serious cheek to the prospority so long enjoyed will be sustained, but a proInged period of depression, of doclining values of foreed salis of merchandige, of curtailed credit in the neighboring republic would, doubtless, exercise a banepublic would, doubtless, exercise a bane-
ful influence on Cauala's commerce by ful influence on Cauada's commerce by tween the two countries and exposing some of our industries to undue competition through the slaughter of American wares, but the enuses of the critical state of things in the United States being, mainly, local and removable by wise legislation, there is good ground for believing thon, there is they will prove transient.
That they will prove transient.
Thertainly exists actually in Can ada $\Omega$ feeling of uncertainty as to the inture, due partly to pending industria legisiation which promises a chang from the present status, and the fear of radical tariff changes is alwaya detrimental to business, is $\Omega$ potent influence in arresting the wheels of commerce.
So far as the present conditions are concerned, while the uncertainty exists, it causes suspense, and this in itself causes strangulation in all the departments of trade and industry. Manufacturers will not work up stocks for the future, capitalists will not move in new enterprises, traders will not purchase beyont present needs.
But when manufacturers and mer chante know what to expect, then they can go to work and adapt themselves to the ehanges; when this is done there wil exist the moat favorable conditions for a. general and permanent business rerival, as money is now ensy and abundnnt, banks and other moner institutions paying their. usual dividends, demand for uil our producte large. These are many indices of general prosperity.
-Remarks by Stockbolders.-
Mir. J. Y. Gilmour thought that as they had now reached such a state of ahiairs ns gladdened the hearts of the shareholders and caused them to look forward to an increased dividend, the diroctors might take into consideration the advisableness of giving a monthly boulus to the employes, which would make them feel that they were participating in the avecesa of the bank.
The President-The Board of Directors wilt consider your suggestion.
Mr. John Morrison was of opinion that on the whole the last year had been much more protitable than the previous one.
Mr. John Crawford, on behalf of the shareholders, tendered felicitations to the president and directors for the offorts they lind put forth in connection with the construction of the new building, which was a prominent and handsome one, and from all appoarances it. was likely to yield a luandsome return. If thes only considered the superior accommodetion it afforded for those who ruled and those who served, the share'holders would 'bo gratified quite as much as the directors could be in the erection of the new building, of woich that gathering might be considered the iunugural meeting.
The president having replied to seme questions from Mr. John Crawiord and Mr. John Morrison, the motion for the reception and adoption of the report was carriod unanimouely:

Mr. John Crawford moved, seconded by Mr. W. S. Evang;
That Messrs. P. P. Martin, Nolan DeLisle and L. Armstrong, the now existing auditors, be continued.

This was unanimously agreed to.
Mr. Nolau DeLisle, on behalf of himself aul his fellow-auditors, expressed thanks for the confidence which had been shown in them by their re-election, and said thatt they would endeavor in the future to do their duty as antisfactorily as they had done in the past. He then described how the bank audit was made, and suid he was pleased to state that the agencies were in a very flourishing condition and that at the hend office 20 loss liad occurred on the jear's business. It was also very flattering to the directors and the cashice to he able to say that on a discount of $\$ 6,827,000$ the bank had ouly count of $\$ 6,827,000$ the bank had only
$\$ 1.8,627$ unsecured paper. This showed very careful wanageuent. The expensess connected with the management of the bank also seemed to be very small. In conchusion he complimented the prosident and the cashier on the promptness with which any particular document asked for during the course of the audit had been produced.
Mr. Johu Morrison moved, Mr. John Crawford seconded, and it was unanimonsly concurred in:
That the thanks of the sharoiolders are duc, nud are hereby tendered, to the prosinent, directors, cashier and officers for the satisfactory manner in which they have managed the affairs of tho bank.
On the motion of Mr. John Morrison, a rote of thanks was tendered the presideni for his conduct of the meeting, which compliment was duly acknowledged.

THI: : GDARANTEE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA.
The tweuty-first anuunl report of this company was presented to the shareholders at the annual meeting held on the 8tw ult.-A number oi iniluential shareholders were present, Mr. Edward Lawlings, the Presidant and general manager, officiatintr as chairman, who read the following report:
The directors veg to present their ropurt of the operations of the company during tho past year, and its position at the close of the twenty-first year of its existence.
During the year there have been 12,797 new applications, of which there were 612 declined and not completed, leaviug $12,18 \bar{z}$ new bonds issued this year.
Total amount of risks in force, 31st Dec., 1893
$\$ 22,463,107$
The annual premium on
which is :-
$\begin{array}{lr}\text { Total loonds issued to date } & 167,190 \\ \text { Total rejections }\end{array}$
Total applications received
to date
180,064
of which full records are retained in the company's office.
Total amount of claims paid
and provided for to dato $\$ 1,129,143.00$

## -Financial Position-

Bulance from last jear - $\$ 772,806.72$
Income-
Preminms
231,589.05
Interest, recoveries, etc.
52,108.20

## \$1,056;008.97

Expenditure
Working expenses
State taxes -
Re-insurance
$\$ 128,054.64$ 5,921.19 23,010.25
ritten off for depreciation in market value of securities, U. S., $\$ 3,503.28$, less Canada apprecia
tion, $\$ 146.70$
8,856.58
Losge4 paid

Dividend to stockholders (two half years at. 3 per cent.) -

18,270.00
\$271,4055.45
Balauce carried forwardGross assets -
\$784,038:52
Regerves remaining in hand-
For preminus on unexpired risks ( 50 per cent. of net annual premiums
\$104,743.66
For claims in courso of adjustment and all other liabilities except unearned promiums -

73,177.72
$\$ 177,921.38$
Surplus as regards policy-
Capital paid up -
\$600,717.14

Surplue as regards share-
holders -
-\$302,117.14
Resources for security of policyholdersAssets as above Capital subseribed and aub-
ject to call
\$784,638.0. 2

## Totai resources

$364,000.00$
$\$ 1,148,638.52$
In presenting their report for the gear (andiry 31st December, 1893, the directors have, with deop regret, to record the Joss by dath of their late highly estecmed President, Sir Alexander T. Gnlt, on the 19th September, after a loug and puinful illuess. Sir Alexander had been, with but a few years hiatus during his fulfilment of the duties of High Commissioner to England, the continuous president of the company.
At the nest ensuing meating, on the 28 th September, the board passed appropriate resolutions, which were duly conveged to his bereared family.
The vacancy thus cansed was, at a boaru meeting on the 10th October, filled by the election of Mr. Edward Rawlinge to the presidency and managing directorshil; Mr. W. J. Withall to the vicepresidency and Mr. Johm Cassila to the vacant directorship, all ior tho balance of the unexpired term.
The past year has beon the moat notable, during the lust quarter of a century, for widespread and disastrous breaches of trust. In the United States alone, the extent of defalcations by "trusted omployes," in amounte of $\$ 1,000$ und orer, reached the enormous sum of $\$ 10,920,000$, and if the defaults in surus less than $\$ 1,000$ and also of those which luve not reached the public press were known, it is not improbable that at least another $\$ \overline{5}, 000,000$ would be added -in all $\$ 25,000,000$ in the genr, or nearly three times the amount of the previous year. The total amount of reported defalcations in the United States for the gnst 10 years exceeds $\$ 80,000,000$.
In Canadn, aleo, the defalcations of the phist year have been exceptionally large, but owing to the general adoption of the Guarantee system, they are slight, compared with those of the United States.

- With such an unhealthy condition of morality and homesty the necebsity for preventive measures might well be realpreventive measures migh while to say, wheans izod, but elrange to say, while the means
for such purposes are within the reach of corporations and others who are obliged to repose trust in their employes und who are constantly being the victims of their compoyes betrayal of that trust, only a very amall porcentage of these huge denleations were provided against by employers holding the bofds of guarentee companies, whose special purpose is to defend them against the results of their emploges' infidelity, by, in the first: place, prevention, and in the second, indemnity.
The condiact of the business in these hazardous times has ontailed very consider-
ablo anxiety, and additional caution in the selection of new or retention of old rigks, in addition to combatting the reckless rates offered by new and inexperieaced companies. Hence many millions of dollars of risks which the mangemont did not consider it prudent for the company to entertain at the inadequato rates offered, were foregone.
The results of the year, hovever, have been such as to form a source of congratulation, and whilo the company has not failed to feel, in some degree, the reults of the abnormal tide of dishonesty, the fact of having been able to still further adranec its fimancial coudition and stability, must be considered gratifyiug to the shareholders.
Alter paying and providing for over $\$ 156,000$ of losses and making full reserves required for outstanding contingencies and liabilities, amounting in al to $\$ 177,021.88$, and parment of the usual 6 per cent. dividend for the year, the assets have been increased to $\$ 784,638 . \bar{b} 2$, ngainst $\$ 772,306.72$ last year, and the surplus increased to $\$ 302,117.14$, or within $\$ 2,400$ of the equivaleat of the paif-up capital. The total resources are now $\$ 1,148,038.052$.
The total losses reimbursed to employers and provided for in the reserves, now amount to $\$ 1,129,143.00$.
The dividend has, as usual, been more than provided for by the interest on investments.
In prexions reports referouce has been made to the suicidal competition existing, as well as to the dauger of combining alien descriptions of business such as casualty and accident insurance with that of guarantee. A striking incident of this has been afforded during the past year in the disastrous collapse of an institution engaged in such mixed business and rate cutting, whose large and widely advertised figures, ruming up into tho "millions," courted confidence, and whoso "rapid extension" was quoted far aud wide as "phenomenal," but whose actual condition, when investigated, revealed the concern to be hopelessly insolvent, and its capital and assets of over $\$ 2,500,000$, entirely swept away, leaving no reserve to cover or protect the holders of its guar antee bonds by re-insurance, who had therefore to seek their security elsewhers, nad pay thew and higher (though only. legitimate) rate of premium, to a responsible and conservative company.
Of late the businese of granting loonds of suretyship has been taken up by certain trust companies. The report of the Inurance Actuary of Missouri who was specially appointed at a recent convention of insurance superintendents to investig. te the matter, was riven, wherein be ex pressed his opinion that it was dangerous to the system and safety to a guaranteo company to combine any other class of risk therewith.
Atready some trust compnnies lanve discontinued the business it being found detrimental to the interests of their trust obligations, the two proving to be diametrically opposite nad conflicting, as in assuming guarateo risks, they undertake to protect outside-companies from henvy losees by defalcations over which the trust company can have no control, and, lacking the requisite equipment and exparionco incident to a arie conduct of the business, it was held to be of too speculative a mature and hence prejudicial to the legitimate purposes of $n$ trust company.
It is hops that the cxperience of the past yenr will yield good results in the current one, both as regards the more'ex" tended adoption by employers of the system of corporate guarantecs on their emplojes, as well as more conservatism ou the part of those venturesome companices who, by offering inadeguate rates, aim to make an income regardless of the responsibilities involved, and as a result demoralize the usefulness of the aystem. - The Insurance Superintendent of New

Fork State, almo the Deputy Superintend ent of the Kunsas Iusurance Department recently visited this company, and antisfied themselves on the question of its finanicul status and satisfactory character of its methods and investments.
The Directors desire to record their appreciation of the valuable tervices rendered by the members of the branch botird in the United States and Canada, and the secretaries, general agents and ingectors during the part year; they have, however, to record with deep regret the death of two of their valued and estecmed directors at Pittsburgh, Messrs. Joseph Walton and Thomas D. Mustler, whoso services and advice were at all times at tho disposal of the company, with great benefit to its interests.
The whole of the directors retire, but are eligible for re-election.
Tho balance shects and auditors' report are on the table for the inspection of are oureholders.

EDWARD RAVLINGS,
Presidont and Man. Director,
The losses paid by this compuny during the year are for the most part the aceumulation of ycars pas, only now diseov ored, and in numerous eases have bene brought to light either by aceident or change in the personnel of the stafi, arising from siekness or other causes, or the calling in of an expert anditor. This would point to the absence of a systematic supervision which should detect wrour doinge in their infancy, and it is to this important featuro that this company gives special attention when entertainiag applications for its bonds. Is there be an insuffieient supervision, a sybtem is sugrested, if adopted, a mininitin preminm is charged, if not adopted, and the exereise of a reasomable check is refused, the company declines to bocome responsible; while on the other hand, where a good system of cheek is alrandy in : voguo and its continance stipulated for, the promium is assessed accordingly.

Il may be stated, however, that there are some positious where the effectunlly carrying out of a system of supervision is more difficult than ohers, in which ense the preminu is charged in proportion to chances, takiag into consideration always the record and status of the employe as well us of the employer, which are of course egsential qualifications in all cusce.
First the employe's record is investig. atod, and if found good, the employer and the system of supervision are considered, on these the risk and rate are estimated. If the system of supervision is Jax it may lead to temptalion to an otherwise trusiwarthy employe; whilo if tho employe should bo weak, but the syitem efficient, he will not lave the opportunity to yield to temptation.
The varien forms and methods of defiulters shown in the numerous chams paid by. this compuny, have afforded it opportunities of learning and sugresting how such methods can be prevented, and the management are alway ghe to afiord any suggestions when desired, as is frequently dono by the cuiployer.
The fact that nine-tenthe of the losses puid by this company are under $\$ 1,000$, goes far to show that what might otherwise have been large defanle, are averted either by a grood system of eheck nlready existing, or where the suggestion of this company have been adopted.

Tho ammal report and auditors' statement wero zuanimously approvod and adopted, and the following directors werd electod ofr the year 1804: E. S. Clouston, John Cassils, Geo. Hague, Martlame S. Macbougnll, 'I. (G. Shaughnessy, Edward Rawlings, D. C. Smith, Willam Wainwright and william J. Withall.
At in subsequent meeting of the bonrd, Mr: Edward Rawlings was re-eleeted president and managing director, and Mr. William J. Withul, rice-president.

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## Inancial.

## Thursday Evg., March 8, 1804.

Money loaned on call in this market at $44_{i}$ to 5 per cont. The sterling market closed strong. Sixty day bills 9 9-16 to $9 \%$ und $9 \%$ to $7 / 8$; demand $97 / 6$ to $103-16$; cables $101-16$ to $10 \%$. New Fork funds $1-32$ to 1.16 and $1 / 8$ to $1 / 4$. London despatches state that Chinces dezese demand for silver limited the aupply and sales wero mado at 273 3 d and $27 \%$ d. The 5 per cent. Indian import duty on silver is not yet a law, but may become so'at any moment and would take immediato offect. The India council sold 22 lukhe of rupees at 14 1-32 and 14 3-32 penco and during the week sold 158 lakhs. On the Montreal Exchange, active stocks havo heen Cable and Gas. The latter advanced rapidly to $100 \%$, just prior to our last, and re-acted about $\delta$ points on gencral realization. The usual half yearly dividend of 0 per cent. is expected, payable loth prox. Cable statement has proved, in fuce of general depression, a sanisfuctory. one. Having paid off all their bouds, either an increaso of dividend, or a stock bonus is looked for. Investors lave therefore been picking it up. Street Railway has alsc been a iavorito. Its camings aro increasing and a new issue of stock at par is looked for, which would make present quotations equal to about 144 on the new bneis. Bank stocks are acarce with a steady investment demand. Richelieu steady with little doing. The now manager has not yot been appointed. Late sales on the board were 25 Pacilic 671/2, 50 Cable 145,200 Gns, 186 and $1861 / 2$, ©S Moutreal 226, 25 Royal Elechic exdiv, 135 and 25 ditto $136 \%$. In New Tork, Sugar has been extremely erratic, having sold from 80 to par and back agaile to 88 , inside of 10 days. Business to day at 88 . Investors have sold largely to manipulators, and after the shorts had been fored to cover, tho stock broke. D.C.F. has strengthened on the report that the time allowance is 8 years. General New York market strong. Chicago whent steady with slight fluctuations. May about $60 \%$. Fohlowing is the record of local stocks as par Chas. Mreredith \& Co., stock brokere:

Bankn.


Montrial, .........
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Ontario..........
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Penples .......... $\begin{array}{llrr}\text { Penples } . . . . . . . . . & 71 \\ \text { Molsons........... } & 102 \\ \text { Merohants........ } & 33 \\ \text { Oomporcee........ } & 118\end{array}$


## MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETG.

 Thursday Evg., March 8, 1804. March is undoubtedly the most trying month in the jear for both wholesale and retail trade. The farmer has littlo to market, and his requirements are confined to bare necessities, whilst Lent interfores with sales in the city stores, and the season is not far enough advanced, to tempt buyers of spring wear. A large wholesale merchant with exceptional opportunities forobservation gave utterance to the following: Our oxperience of the fourth of March has been satisfactory. Up to the present there have been no failurcs of any note, and out of town customers havo met their paper iairly well. It is hoped that the weak-kueed concerns have been pretty well weeded out for the present soason. The outcome of business in the Northwest continues unsatisfactory, with little prospect of improvement in the future, even with large crops, except prices for wheat gain a much higher level. Notwithstandiug the comparatively small cost of working prairio land, wheat does not furnish a living return to the furmer at present prices. With wheat at 4 ue in Winuipeg, subject to a deduction of from 20 e to 25 e per bushel fur freight and haulage from interior puiuts, the return to the farmer who averages 15 bushels to tho acre would be barely $\$ 3$ per acre, after allowing for the cost of seed and labor. The agriculturist with wheat as his chicf standby can under such circumstances, not mako living expenses and pay interest on his loaus. There are no complaints to make of business in the older portions of Canada, as they are not depondant entirely on wheat. The importance of mised farming is clearly appareat. Oats, peas, hay, buttor and cheeso havo done well for Quebec this year, but hog raising should be encouraged in the province, as well as in the Northwest. Ontario is in a good condition. chiefly due to the great variety. of her products. The lower provinces do a large trado with the States in fish, shingles, railway ties, potatoes, lime, sheop, etc., and thero is 20 complaint about matters there. They do not depend on grain and are really benofitted by the low prices of breadstuffe which they have to import and pay for", Other reports as to payments aro. less ble that the above Mruy doss favora ble than the above., Many doubtful accounte have had to be carried over, tho hope being that we shall have an early. epring, and that times will improve wilhthe opening of navigation. More than one private settlement remains unrerecorded, Sales to the Northwest will be curtailod in some lines quite considerably.
Butter and Checse.-Butter keeps stendy and good sound and well flavoured stock is looked for. Tub butter is naturally less desirable for stock use, after loug keeping, and the demand runs more on rolls. Roll butter is worth 19 e to 20 c . Cheese is steady, but most of the stock has been moved from here leaving only a few thousand boxes. Supplies west aro not clearly determined, but what there is does not appear to be for sale, but is in storage awaiting shipment. Shipments from Camada since last year are larger than expected. Prices ure nominally 111 -4e to 11 3-8e. British markets are likely to keep up, as despite iar ger Cauadian shipments there is a deficiency in total exports from this continent.
Dry Goods.-It is needless to say there wero many renewals this month, but obligations were mot as well as most people expected. Money is cortainly a searee article. Too many are in busiuess with insufinient buckiug. New custom has beenflif for the senson. People of course want goods, but it may not al ways be wise to send them forward until thiugs begin to mend. This should bo a waraing to those who can pay, not to huard theit money, but to phace it where it will do the must good, both for themselves and the combtry. Mareh is even a worse trade month than February. Customers want no more winter stock and do not care to buy too heavily ahead in epring wear. In trade parlanced we are "between seasons." Liverpool quiel; Americue middlings 4 3-16d. New York cotton fulures steady; April $7.46 e$, May T.53c, june 7.j92. Close, spots stendy; uplands $7 \mathbf{9 - 1 6 e}$, gulf $7 \mathbf{1 3 - 1 0 c}$, futures teads ; sales Mareh 7.44 e , April 7.016 ,
 7.76 c .

Flour and Grain.-It is stated that good priees have been bid for flour bs English buyers for May shipment, but holders are not willing to sell, hoping for better prices at the opening of uavigation. Outs quiet and peas freely offered and easier. Manitoba wheat nominally unchanged at 72 e to 73 c for No. 1 hard and at 70 e to Tle for No. 2. Askiug rates of accan freight ou grain for May shipment are as follows: Liverpool and Glasgow 2s, London ond A youmouth 2s 6d, Hamburg, Sntwerp and Rotterdam 3s. The Chicago market was firmer, influenced by colder wenther west and favorable European advices. Liverpool wheat was firm but not active. No. 1 standard California Es $11-2 d$, red western winter 4 s 10 d , No. 1 Bombay 4 s 11d, mixed maize 3s 7 3-4d. Camadian peas $4 s 101-2 d$. Loudon Minneapolis straight flour 10s 6at. There was 14 decline in Bombay whent, which was said to be due to frec offerings on the prospective good crops in India. Shipments of whent from enstern Europe, South American, and Australinn ports last week were about the average of late, being 2,480,000 bushels (including 1,040,000 bushels to the United King dom and $1,4 \pm 0,000$ bushels to tie continent) against the total of $2,080,000$ bushels the previous week last year. These shipments, combined with those from India, 24,000 bushels (as per Chicago alvices, Beerbolm not reporting them as yet this week), and $2,072,250$ bushels from the United States, both consts, agreregate $\sigma_{\text {, }}$, 4 40,250 bushels, against the cetimated European weekly requirements at this season of the jear of $7,200,000$ bushels, or a deficit of 1,723,750 bushels. Expectations of the Government report on reserves in farmers' hauds on Mareh 1, and duo March 10, is a redtraining influence
on the bearish element, the trade generalls looking for a low ettimate and disposed to awnit ita effect, and by so much practically discounting it. A moderate covering by the outstanding short interest was a feature. The posting of the export clearances of 220,345 bushels wheat was an additional spurt to market action, and to slightly advanced prices. These shipments were taken from store and out of the local stocks last week, and explain the large decrease of $1,200,000$ bushels, or of 600,000 bushels more than oxport would allow, aside from 100,000 bushels or so for milling demand. Rumore of gold exports, of probably $\$ 3,000,000$, unsettled markets but, not being confirmed, were offset by the strong atock market.
Fish and Oils.-The chicf businees of late has been in fresh herrings, which have sold all the way from 7 be to $\$ 1.25$, the latter for large. Tommy cods $\$ 1.10$ per brl. Business is becoming quiet. From Newfoundland, news reaches us that the ships will start out for the seal fishery on the 10th. In about a month we shall know something about the prospects for seal oil.
Grocerics.-The market had a quict appearance and staples are unchanged in price. Heet sugar was recently cabled at 12 s $101-2 \mathrm{~d}$ and fluctuations from day to day have been slight. Reiined sugar quiat and unchanged. In New Furk there Was a fair call lur raw and prices are held strongly. Values are weil beld at 3 3-16 lur centrinugals yo-ucgrees test, 213 -í jur Mustuvamu 89 test, and 29 - 16 for molabses sugars. Reined hirm and fairly active. 'leas have been muving monerately in a jubbing way. Cuite slow. Cuntract colfee bas been lower in the states, in response to weaket buropean auvies. Havie was barely steauy at a decline of $1-4$ to $11-41 \mathrm{f}$. Himburg was aull and $1-4$ to $1-2 \mathrm{pig}$. lower. London unehanged to 3d higher. No recent cable from Santos but liso steady. late of exchange at Rio 9 b. 8 d. Stuet of Brazil cofiee in New York 184,900 bugs, in the United States, 201,0.38 bags, with the quanticy afloat for that country 209,000 bags, making the american visible supply $460,0 \overline{8}$ bage,agaiust 483,363 bags at the same time last yoar. Mulasses on spot quiet. Domestic stendy but quiet in New York at 25 c to 36 c . Our supplies of rice come from abroad for milling purposes here. It may bo said, bowever, of the American market that there is a fairly activo enquiry with values firm. New York prices are: Domestic ordinary to fair $31-8 \mathrm{c}$ to $33-4 \mathrm{c}$, good to prime 41 -4c to $43-4 \mathrm{c}$, choice to fancy 5 c to $51-2 \mathrm{c}$, head $51-2 \mathrm{c}$ to 6 c , Patnu $46-S e$ to $43-4 \mathrm{c}$, do boud 8e to 31 -4e, Japnu $41-4 \mathrm{c}$ to $41-2 \mathrm{c}$, Java in bond 2 1-2e to 2 3-4e, Java 31-2e to 4 1-4e.
Green Fruits, Ete.-There was a good demand at auction for Florida oranges and apples. Sales of one car Floridas at $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 3.12$ 1-2 per box, one car lemons at 82 1-2 to $\$ 1.25$ and one lot ditto at $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.50$. A car of apples sold at $\$ 2$ to $\$ .4 .70$ per brl. Florida tomntoes $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 4$ per crate. Pine apples 9e to 2ăc. Boston lettuce 80c to 0 ac dozen. Spinach $\$ 2.2 \overline{5}$ to $\$ 2.50^{\circ}$ brl. Dannuas $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.25$ bunch. Strawberries 80 c to 40 e quart. California oranges $\$ 1.7 \mathrm{c}$ to $\$ 2.75$, as to sizes. Florida arnuges, russets, $\$ 2.05$ to $\$ 3.25$, brights $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.75$. Valencias $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.75$ for 420 size and :\$4.75 for 7.14 size. Messinn oranges, 300 size, $\$ 2.50$. Lemons $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 8.50$, a to quality, nind plentiful. English cobnuts 22 c per 1 b . Walnuts 11 1-2e to 12c. Filberts $81-2 \mathrm{c}$ to $91-2 \mathrm{c}$. Almonds $111-2 \mathrm{c}$ to 13c. Peanuts 7 c to 0c. Italian chestnuts 10c. Hickory. wuts 4c. Polished pecins 0c. Shelled walnuts 16e to 19 c . French prunes 4 1-2c to 5 1-2c. Apples $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 8$ per brl;

Live Stock.-Choice beeves sold at 4 1-4c and good at 3 3-4e to 4c, common 21 -4c to 1-2c. Sheep 8 1-2e to 41-2c. Spring lambs $\$ 4$ to $\$ 6$ ench. Live loggs 5 c to 5 1-4c. Calves $\$ 2$ to $\$ 6$ each. Britioli market dull and influenced by milder weather. Liverpool cables finest steers at 11c, good to choice $101-2 \mathrm{c}$, poor to medium $91-2 \mathrm{c}$, best sheep 12 c , seconds 10 c to 11 c .
Iron and Hardware.-There is a moderate jobbing trade and local market i featurseless. Lato advices from Singapore speak of large contracte in tin at higl rates, closing business being at lower quotations. Sules since January 23 rd to later date 650 tous at $\$ 37.37$ 1-2 to $\$ 37$, closing at $\$ 37.05$. Lonlon tin, spot, £65 5s; 8 monthe 266 and firin. Antimony, Hallets, £87, ordinary 10 3 3d ; tin plates 10 s 3 d . Copper, best selected American, £45. Lead, soft Euglish, £ 07 F Gd. G. M1. B. copper $£ 40$ 15s; futures $£ 41 \mathrm{bs}$ and firm. Scotch warrants 42 s 10 d . Middesboro No .3 foundry 36s. Tho Awericau general market continues monotonous, although a slight increase in the volume has an encouraging effect. Prices continue low and an impropement in this direction is not expected for some time. It will be noted that Britiol cables spenk of tin and eopper ne firin. Naple Products,-The remarkably open weather will cause the eap to run earlier than usunl. Some fine sugar is on the market, but it is "made-over" stock and worth about Ge to Tc. Syrup has been siskec for and some has sold at 50e to 5 be per can. Choice might bring 70 e .
Meal and Feed.-Oatmenl has been dull, buyers being well supplied at the moment. Standard in bags $\$ 1.95$ to $\$ 2$, gramulated $\$ 2.05$ to $\$ 2.10$, rolled oate $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.0 \mathrm{in}$. By the barrel prices aro for standard $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.10$, gramulated $\$ 4.20$ to $\$ 4.30$, rolled onts $\$ 4.20$ to $\$ 4.25$. A yood business was done in ferd. Bran $\$ 17$, shorts $\$ 18$ and moullie $\$ 23$ to $\$ 25$. Provisions and Egge.-Prices of pork and meats are nominally unchanged, but market is quiet and buyers have done better. Canada short cut clear pork light, has been offered at $\$ 15$ and heavy at $\$ 15.50$. Large hams havo been offored at 10 c to 12 c . A fow small lots of dressed hogs havo been sold at $\$ 6.50$ per 100 lbs. Canadian lard in pails $81-2 \mathrm{c}$ to 10 c , common refined $71-2 \mathrm{c}$ to 8c. Provisions in Chicago were wenk, earls in the week, but afterwards advanced sharply. Late prices were, pork \$11.52 1-2 March, \$11.02 1-2 May, \$1.170 July Lard $\$ 0.95$ March, $\$ 0.00 \mathrm{May}$, \$6.85 June and July. Egge in fair demand nid more pientiful. Boiling 18c to 10 c , limed 8 c to 10 c .
Raw Furs.-The London sales commenced on Monday last with a sale of otter, which articlo declined about 71.2 per cent. on an average. Some of the botter qualities advanced. Tho falling off was in brown, light colored and inferior sking. Full results will be forthcoming soon. The Hudson Bny enles were adversely aficeted by arrivals from New York. A late press cable says the price of marten has fallen 35 per cent., otter silver fox, cross fox and red fox have all tumbled 5 per cent., while fisher has dropped $21-2$ per cent. The eales will cover a period of about 14 days.
Wool.-In. London, the home trade bld keenly for cross brede; inferior merinos. slow. New South Wales greasy 4 3-4it to 10d, Queensland $51-4 d$ to 0 d , Victoria $71.4 d$ to 1 s, South Australia $43.4 d$ to 1s, South Australin 4 3.4d to 71.2 d , Weat Australia $\leq 1-2 \mathrm{~d}$ to 7 d , New Zoaland 71.2 d to 101 -2d.


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reluctautly they laid down their tools and walked out into the strect. In valin the contractor appealed to the men to know. what was the cause of the strike. Thes did not know themselves, so they could not tell him. They asked the waiking delegate what they were called ont for, and he curtly replled that they could find out from their respective unions, and with that morsel of cold comfort he ated up to hits title by: walking away.
Now the men did not want to strike. They were quite csatisfied with their wages, there were no non-union men among them, they had no complaint to makie against elther the contractor or his foreman, andid above all they wanted thele wages madiy as many of them had been out of work for months. Naturally they hunted up their own delegates at once to demand why they had been ordered outy upon the street. Then the reason came out. It was simply a squabbe between two! minons in which ane had refused to obey the orders of the Board of Waiking Delegates. The Progressive Union of Steamiltters Helpers had refused to wecome amaigamated with the Fnterprise Association of Stenmfitters when offlcially; ordered to do so, and for this awful act of contumacy the Board of Walking Dele. gates had resolved to order out the union men of all trades from every fob where a steam-fltters helper was cm. ployed untll the recalcitrant union fell Into line. It was a question of their maintaining thefr heels upon the neck of organized labor, for if the tenduncy of the various trades to settille their own troubles without referring everything to the central despoutsm, whic not checked, their poiver would soon be grlevously curtalled. It was noth. lag to them that this sudden depriva. tion of long-sought for work meant nuslety and suffering not only to the meu but to their innocent wires and lamilles. They did not care whether the humble home was plunced back Into the poverty, from which it was Just beglining to emergia. The fact
that the men ordered out could have no possible interest in the cause of the strike and would derlve no beneflt from its removal, weighed foothing with them. They would bring the steamfitters helpers toc time if the whole of organized labor had to starve while they did 1t; and soi all the men could do was to go round to the steamfipter's helpers and beg of them to give in to the clique of delegates and thus give them a chance to work to keep their familles yrom starving.
That such an act of tyranny can we committed in what is proudly spoken of as a free country, seems impossible. Yet it has been commitued; and the men who would have risen in akblollion had it been periormid by the constitutional authorities of the state aub. mitted meokly. As they themselves put the Board of Walking Delegaties Into power, and invested them with authorIty to inflict starvattion as a penalty when everything did not gio exactiy to p'ease them, they urie only reaping the fruit of their own folly. But there is another side to the question. Have the owners and contractors of the building no rights? It was by no lault of theirs that the strike was caused. They had pothing to do with the contimacy of the steamfitters heppers. Their men were pald falr wages, and wepe perfectly satisfled with thele treatment. Why then. should the loss and anoy. ance caused by the sudden eessation of every branch of construction on their building fall upon them? It looks as if, in common equity, this loss should we borne by the Board of Dellegates. It was they who ordered the strike to soothe their outraged feelings, and it is they who are responsible for its continuance. It then the Instifution injured os thelr action shouliajofing sult agalnst them for damages le:looks as if they would be sustained in law, and were the principle of the lophlity of those ordering atrikes to further prlvate quarrels and not for the beneflet of the working man, thum established, It would materlally curtall the powera
of the walking delegate and give both the mechanic and his employer a chance to breathe, more Ireely. It is then thelr duty tol tes't the case Wefore the courts in the interest of the public.

## THE COMPETITION OF WOMEN.

A small paragraph lm a New York paper, to the effect that the Brookiyn: elevated roads have replaced the male ticket sellers at all their stations wy. women, shows how steadily what are euphulaticaliy styled the "weaker" sex are pushing their wrothers to one side in the struggle for occupations. In which quickness, honesty and accuracy only are required. Bit by bit they have gained sround, until it looks as if the cry of the labor agitators would have to be changed, and instead of call. lug upon the government to protectit native workers against the importa. tion of pauper forelgn labor they would soon be called upon to shelter them from the lavading army sol women workers who are now crowding into their dominion from every side.
The superior honesty of the average woman is a great point in her favor In all the positions of trust she is cap. able of filling. Why thisi ghould baiso, It is dificult to say; but any large institution will tell you fthat since women were installed at the cash desks defaulting cashiers have gone out of fashion. Women are far superlor to men In this respect; for; honesty with them scems to be a species of instinct. Then they do not come down to business in the morning with that "tired feeling in ". that $a^{-}$man has, they are just as acecurate, often more neat and consclentlous, and, above all, they will work for very much less wages. It is ilttle wonder, then, that now that we have women book-keepers, cashiers, stenographers, typewriters, clerks and ofilce glris, the male clerk Is beginning to find himselt hard pressed to keep his sltuation and is compelled to accept much leas rerinamation than tn the
bounded within the four narrow walls of her home. Even the ranks of the reporters and fommercial travellers are being invoded by women, and the Alik and dry-goods houses have lound that a bright attractive lady drummer will brlag in just as many orders as her male prototype and with a much lower salary and expense bill.
The outlook for what may be called semi-skilled men, such as elerks and book-keepers, is certalinly not a promising one. It looks an it wages in positions of this kind would bee forced down steadily to the point which a woman ls wllling to nceept. Exclted by their success women are now crowdjug into the lathor market and forchng themselves into the varlous positions iny sheer weight of numbers. The men they displace itre of ten men with familfes dependent upon them for support, fint to this they reply that they, too, aro in many eases the support of others; for it is estimated that in Now York alone $2 \overline{5}, 000$ women support their husbands, and the number who support parents, matives, or children, must be largur argin than that.
Some small proportion of this army of women workers is of course withr drawn from the field the mariage; but: by the mere fact of thetr competition they are rendering men of the chass to which they must naturally look for hushands iess athe to support them. With the prospect of reduced wages in front of him, the man will be less wiliing to incur the responsiblitites of matrimony in the future, but perhans this is only the whinligige of time working out its own revenge, for had men shown more eagernese to avail themselves of its opportunities, and to live up to its princlples in the past, there would not be so many women anxious to work out their own salvation, without his assistance to day.
Upon women's more legitimate sphere, that of domestid employment, this influx of women into clerieal work has had $a$ marked influence for the pretter. Not only the wages, bat the social atanding, of the servant girl has gone up, and both. bia fale to continue to rise until tha: distinction between


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## THE SILVER MARKET.

The Lontion "Finance" of the 10th inst. comments as follows: The "demoralisation" of the silvei market, as it is called, has this week again excited attention. The price of silver as metal has fallen beyond all precedent to $29 \% 1 \mathrm{~d}$ an ounce, or less than half what used to be regarded as its normal value. the price of rupee-paper has, of course, followed auit, and the 4 per cent. silver loans: can now be purchased at a fraction above 57, a fall of 42 per cent. on the price of tasue. The India Council, more-

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over, has failed to sell bills for more than a trifling amount, though it has accepted 14. 1.32 d as a price for the rupee. at the same time it is stated that the refusal to coln rupees in the Indian mints is "constricting" the:Indian banks, and the Bank of Bengal has raised its rate of discount to 9 per cent. It is believed, therefore, that the effort to give an artificinl value to the rupee must be abandoned, and silver left to "touch bottom," wher a reorganisation of finance will become possible. The change in the relation of the metals which has already occurred is very great, silver being now worth one-thirty-second part of gold instead of one-sixtoenth, and the dismaying fact is, that nobody. knows anything about bottom price. Tho experts gay that half-a-crown (about 00 cents) an onnce will be the "pivotprice;" but they admit that now dist coveries in Tasmania, or a cheaper method of extracting silver, may knoek calculations to pieces. As for tho statesmen, they are beaten, and acknowledge helplessness.

## CANADIAN PULP-WOOD.

The amnuri neeting of the Papermakere' Absociation of Canada was held in Toronto last week. President Joln Maciarlane was in the chair. Among other members pre; eent were Messrs. E. B. Eddy, Hull ; J. D. Rolland, Montreal ; Joseph Ford, Quebec ; J. M. Barber, Georgetown, and John Riort dan, Merritton. Aiter re-electing thio officers the question of an export duty on Canadian spruce shipped to the United States was taken up. Before the McKinley bill went into force there were twenty:cight pulp mills in Canada; now thero are only twolve. All this time the Ameris cans are getting their raw material free from Canada while imposing a heayy duty on Canadian wood pulp. This the paper makers hold is not fair, and so they passed a geries of resolutions on the subject which will be forwarded to the comnittee on tarifl reform.


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