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HYPHENATED CANADIANS.

Canadians, said Dr. Samuel Dyde of Queen's University, speaking at McGill. The trouble is that we are nearly all hyphenated Canadians; French-Canadians, English-Canadians, Irish-Canadians, Scotch-Canadians. The rarest thing in Canada is a Canadian-Canadian. The phrase reminds us of Lord Randolph Churchill's reference to the fourth party of four, in the British House of Commons, as "hyphenated mediocrities." Dr. Dyde is on the right track. Canada will never be a nation until it has discarded about ninety per cent. of its hyphens.

ET there be no hyphenated

BMANCIPATE THE SPEAKER.

S CENES in the Canadian House of Commons are becoming of regrettable frequency. Twice within a few days, the

House has been in a state of turmoil and on one occasion the Premier was under the necessity of moving the adjournment, because it was manifestly impossible to proceed with public business. The authority of the Speaker was set at defiance and his impartiality questioned. Now, the authority and the impartiality of the Speaker are at the very foundation of British parliamentary institutions; and the first is impotent if the second is called into question. Our conviction is that Parliament will never be seen at its best while the Speakership is made part of the spoils of party victory, by the election of a new presiding officer for each parliament. In England the Speaker is re-elected as a matter of course parliament after parliament; and as a matter of courtesy, his re-election to the House is never contested. He is equally the friend and protector of every member; his impartiality is never questioned except by cranks; and all the members are as jealous of his honour as he is of the dignity of the House. With the best intentions in the world the Canadian Speaker cannot under present conditions escape the occasional liability to have his fairness questioned; and sometimes we regret to add, the doubts are justified. That Speaker Marcil generally intends to be fair, we do net for a mement question; but his rulings on these two occasions were certainly open to criticism and were directly responsible for the disorder which followed. It was a case of one man going scot free after stealing a sheep and another man being hanged for looking over a hedge. Parliamentary government

will be at its best in Canada when it is thoroughly understood that the Speaker is practically elected for as long a period as he chooses to serve; that he is absolutely the servant of the House; that his retirement from the Speakership will be coincident with his retirement from public life; and will ensure him a liberal pension for the remainder of his days. There is no more important or more honourable office than that of Speaker of the House of Commons, and the incumbent should never be under the slightest temptation to think that his future depends in the slightest degree upon the favour of any political party. The "seenes" in the House lately have not been edifying; they are not in the interest of either political party; and they are not creditable to Canada.

THE issues in the British election campaign have BRITISH ELECTION been greatly simplified by CAMPAIGN. Mr. Balfour's declaration in

favour of a Referendum on the tariff question. The only issues are purely constitutional and on them alone the battle will be lost and won. The abolition of the Lords' veto and Irish Home Rule are big enough questions for one general election. The Asquith Government got into power on a policy of shreds and patches. It does not know itself exactly for what it stands, or for what it does not stand. If it is returned to power, there will be no possibility of the popular verdict being misunderstood. That the sitnation is a grave one it would be idle to deny. The uncertainty of election results is proverbial and the threats in Ulster of armed resistance to a Home Rule parliament indicate that the Irish Unionists are not without anxiety as to the outcome. Mr. Balfour has shown excellent statesmanship in narrowing the issues of the campaign, in spite of the evident disposition of the ministerialists to have a platform of many planks as in the last general election. Party devotion as understood here is practically unknown in England. The majority of the electors are open to conviction, and the balance of electoral power is in the hands of a constantly shifting element. The average Briton has a profound respect for the British Constitution, and will be chary of any radical changes. Moreover, the politicians who have gone out of their way to identify the permanence of the throne with the permanence of the House of Lords. may have reason to regret their indiscretion. Now

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the peers themselves have manifested not merely a conciliatory and reasonable disposition but a sincere desire to bring about the reform of the Upper House. As a matter of fact all the practical and important suggestions for changes in the House of Lords originated with a committee of the Upper House itself. The Radicals have made it only too evident that what they are after is Single Chamber government, and every concession made has only made their demands the more preposterous. We doubt very much whether the British electorate is ready for such a revolutionary change.

Building Department.

Mr. Chaussé, the Building Inspector, has asked that his present staff of two assistants be increased by the appointment of twenty new

inspectors. At first sight the increase looks enormous, but it is none too big. A staff of twentythree active and capable inspectors would find plenty to do in inspecting all the buildings and building operations in Montreal. The question of money should not be allowed to interfere. If more money is required, raise the fees for permits. Honest builders can well afford to pay for adequate building inspection. Dishonest builders would rather pay, and not have their buildings inspected.

Express to Westmount.

Many new street car routes are suggested and many are wanted. We, however, take strong exception to the proposal to run an express

service through any of the streets of Montreal to Westmount. There are two serious objections. In the first place it would be unutterably foolish and dangerous to human life and in the next place it would be absolutely illegal. The cars can kill all the people Montreal can spare, without running express trains through our streets. Then the idea that the streets of Montreal can be legally used for a street car service from which Montrealers are to be excluded is too ridiculous to be worth a moment's consideration, although Westmount may be looked upon as the dormitory of a large number of Montrealers

Dry Docks for the St. Lawrence.

The discussion in the Senate on the dry dock question should tend to clear the atmosphere a little and to remove a number

of n sunderstandings. The question at issue is whether the dock should be built at Levis or Montreal. Our answer is unhesitatingly-both. To show how little there is of local jealousy involved, the Montreal ocean shipping interests prefer Levis to Montreal. No doubt, because the Atlantic steamers are about as liable to get into trouble between Montreal and Quebec, as anywhere on the St. Lawrence route and Levis will catch them both

coming and going. On the other hand, every ocean vessel that can come to Montreal to unload will come, and Montreal is not only at the head of ocean navigation, but at the foot of inland navigation-an even greater proposition. The question is a national one and Canada is big enough to afford two dry docks.

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Mr. J. H. Plummer, president of the Dominion Steel Corporation, has given out the following statement:

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This brings the Springhill mines under the control of the Steel Corporation.

Fire Insurance

Many fire insurance companies have been complaining this year, Results in U. S. writes a Chicago authority of the

fire insurance position in the United States, of a falling off in premium income, while others which do not show a falling off have been unable to maintain their former ratio of increase. Some managers have been disposed to think this was due to pernicious activity on the part of their competitors, a belief which is apt to lead to recriminations and reprisals and resultant demoralization. In most cases, however, a large part of the falling off is due to a sharp reduction in the average rate of insurance, resulting from the multiplication of sprinklered risks and fireproof buildings, reductions made by the application of the analytic schedule and the general effect of competition. Several companies have tabulated their business for the first ten months of 1910, the results showing this to be the cause. One company had an increase in liability of almost 10 per cent., with an increase in premium income of only 3 per cent. Its average rate in 1909 was \$1.122, and in 1910 was \$1.078. Its carefully kept records show a steady reduction in the average rate from \$1.32 in 1902. Another company shows an increase in liability of 5 per cent., and in premium income of only I per cent., its average rate so far in 1910 being \$1.101, as compared with \$1.138 last year. Its average rate in 1895 was \$1.44, and was \$1.35 in 1902, since when it has fallen steadily.

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THE GENERAL FINANCIAL SITUATION.

Stock and Bond Lists, 1760, 1762

On Monday this week the Bank of England secured \$3,500,000 of the \$5,000,000 Cape gold arriving. But the reduction in the Bank's official rate of discount from 5 per cent, to 41/2 per cent, is certainly surprising. There was a strong impression among many close students of monetary affairs that no lowering of the rate was to be expected until after Christmas, in spite of the fact that the last few weeks have seen a marked strengthening of the Bank's position. From the cables it appears that exchange on the Argentine and India. to which there were threatened gold exports, is now more favorable to London and it is thought that the requirements of the latter country will be met by Egypt. In the London market there has been seen a recession of rates for all maturities. Thus call money is 4 to 41/4; short bills are 3 5-16; and three months bills, 4. The British elections are in full swing, and the contest is proving more bitter even than that which took place nearly a

year ago. Also the best informed people seem to expect that the results will be indecisive.

On the Continent of Europe also discount rates have eased a trifle. At Berlin the market is 4½ as compared with 45% a week ago. And at Paris 25% is the rate. The Bank of France and the Bank of Germany quote 3 p.c. and 5 p.c. as heretofore.

In New York, too, rates have shown a declining tendency. Call loans are 23% p.c. and time money is given as 4 p.c. for all dates.

On Saturday the New York clearing house banks reported a decrease of surplus amounting to \$2,021,000. It was caused by a loan expansion of \$17,300,000 which was offset only partially by the cash gain of \$3,000,000 reported. The surplus is now \$17,679,700. The trust companies and non-member state banks reported a loan reduction of \$12,944,000 and a loss of \$800,000 cash. Their proportion of reserve to liability rose from 17.3 p.c. to 17.4 p.c. During the current week it is known that the clearing house banks have had to take over a considerable amount of loans from the trust companies and other institutions. These latter do not find the New York interest rates satisfactory enough. Also there has been a considerable movement of gold from New York to Montreal and from New York to San Francisco, and the December dividend and coupon payments have had to be financed. So, unless these factors were offset by others, it seems that an important loan expansion would occur and perhaps it would be accompanied by a loss of cash.

The New York papers are at last waking up to the importance of the part played by the great Canadian banks in financing Wall Street business. It has been remarked on several occasions during the past week that the Canadian banks were transferring credits to London because call loan rates there were 1½ or 2 p.c. higher than in New York; and that these operations had a notable effect in lessening the amount of resources at New York's disposal. The gold movement to Montreal has been explained as due to the heavy demand for credits in the Dominion and large sales of Canadian grain bills in the New York exchange market.

With regard to the position of leading financial interests in New York, close observers of the market have reported that the so-called Standard Oil party has been consistently and relentlessly selling stocks for several months. It is commonly believed that they now have their resources in the most liquid shape. Perhaps the fact that they have so many millions of ready cash which they seek to employ at call in Wall Street has been one of the factors tending to make New York money rates low.

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money market conditions. Call loans are quoted at 51/2 to 6 p.c. The arrivals of gold from New York do not appear, so far, to have produced any notable relaxation in money. The bank statement for October 31st shows that the Bank of Montreal retained in its reserve some \$2,000,000 of its gold accessions in that month. Probably the importations arranged for by other banks have been largely for the purpose of enabling them to grant credits to their mercantile customers at home in Canada. It is hardly likely that any material relaxation of monetary stringency will be seen in Canada until some time in January. But, at the same time, it is to be remembered that the continuation of a 2 or a 21/2 p.c. call loan rate in New York might have an effect in inducing considerable transfers of Canadian funds to Montreal and Toronto, and thus bring about an easier situation.

INDUSTRIAL MERGERS: THE NECESSITY OF CALLING A HALT.

THE CHRONICLE has from time to time explained that there were objectionable features in the craze for merging or consolidating Canada's various industries. As everybody knows, this movement has been quite active during the past two years. According to an exhaustive article on the subject by Fred. W. Field in the Monetary Times, there were brought off in Canada, between January, 1909, and September, 1910, twenty industrial mergers, nineteen of them having an aggregate authorized capitalization, including bonds, of \$199,600,000. These twenty amalgamations absorbed 135 individual companies; and the aggregate capitalization of 106 of these companies is placed by Mr. Field at \$66,040,508.

It is a matter of common knowledge that the movement to merge has already resulted in a most important increase in the capitalization of the industries directly concerned. And it is also well known that a large part of the increased capitalization which is now actually in existence is not represented by increase of property owned by the companies that have enlarged their bond and stock issues. In other words a considerable portion of the newly created securities have been given in the form of bonus or commission to the promoters and their supporters and to subscribers to issues of new bonds. Although the fact is not commonly advertised in the press, it passes in private conversation among intelligent men that in the cases of several of the mergers referred to, the capitalization is much too large-"outrageous" is the word used by some disinterested critics. We understand, of course, that the various consolidated companies have used and are using much of the

funds derived from security issues, for the purpose of enlarging and improving their equipment and their facilities for producing and distributing. But we take the ground that the means they have taken to increase their capacity will prove, in all probability, extravagant and wasteful. friends of the merger movement claim that consolidation permits extensive economies. For example, in the list of advantages enumerated are: standardization of brands, elimination of a large amount of freight charges, savings from the concentration of the executive force, economies in the purchasing, manufacturing, and selling departments, specialization of various plants dispensing with unnecessary duplication of output and patterns. These are indeed important considerations, but we have reason to believe that in the cases of some of the mergers, the enormous increase of capitalization which is not represented by the acquisition of new property by the concerns issuing it, will more than balance any savings effected in this manner. At any rate when the capital increase is taken along with the extra expense occasioned through giving high salaried positions to certain individuals connected with one or other of the individual companies, the two will effectually neutralize economies in other departments in the cases of some of the mergers.

We consider that the movement to merge industrial concerns in this country has gone far enough for the present. Even if the mergers accomplish all the things which their friends promise on their behalf, it will be in the best interests of the Dominion if the merger promoter rests on his oars for a couple of years and gives the investing public a chance to observe what will be the fate of the mass of new securities that has been called into existence. And if the promoter cannot bring himself voluntarily to take this course the banks might with propriety take an attitude that will ensure inactivity on his part.

Latterly the monetary situation in the Dominion has been subject to considerable tension. There is a well defined suspicion in the street that one of the reasons therefor is that the banks are carrying large amounts of the newly issued merger securities as collateral. Some of them have but a slow market, others no market at all. To the outsider it certainly seems that monetary conditions would right themselves quickest if the banks refrained from engaging more of their funds in new merger propositions, and if they would set themselves to the task of reducing their committments on this class of securities. No one quite knows what the worldwide stringency in money is going to result in. There are high authorities, men not given to making reckless statements, who say that if the tension is not relieved through natural or



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CANADIAN TRADE WITH THE UNITED STATES.*

The trade of Canada with the United States is, in point of aggregate volume, the largest with any individual country with which the Dominion has trading relations. Of our total imports of \$391,852,692 in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1910, \$239,070,549 came from the United States; of our total exports of \$301,358,529, in the same period, \$113,150,778 went to the United States. These are the total figures, which include the movements of coin and bullion, as well as merchandise of every description, and in percentage form they are expressed thus: 61.0 per cent. of our total imports came from the United States; 37.5 per cent of our experts went to the United States. We buy from the United States more than we buy from any other country, but the United States is not in return our largest customer. The greater part of our export trade runs from west to east and not in the opposite direction to our import trade, whose general trend is south to north. Our chief market for exports is still Great Britain; practically \$150,000,000 or nearly 50 per cent. of our exports going there in the fiscal year which closed in March last.

In discussing the movements of Canadian trade with the United States, the most practical method is to eliminate from consideration the movements of coin and bullion between the two countries and the export of foreign produce from the Dominion to its southern neighbour-neither is of great importance-and to analyse only the exchanges between the two countries, which, from the Canadian standpoint, come under the headings of imports entered for consumption, and exports of home produce, and are of the most significance and form the great bulk of the trade. The term "entered for consumption," it may perhaps be explained, is the technical term in use at the customs, and it does not necessarily follow that all goods described under this heading are actually "consumed" in Canada. It is a simple statement that the goods thus designated have passed into the possession of the importer and that duty has been paid on the portion liable for duty. At the same time, it is probably the fact that the great bulk of goods coming under this customs heading are actually consumed within the Dominion.

The progress since Confederation of the general trade of Canada under these headings of imports for consumption and exports of home produce and the trade with the United States during the same period are shown in the following tables:—

GROWTH OF CANADA'S IMPORTS AND EXPORTS BY
DECADES, 1888-1908.

| | | DECADES, 1868-19 | .s. • | |
|------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| | (Imports for Con | sumption and Hom | e Produce only.) | |
| | Ir | nports. P.c. | Exports. | P.c. |
| | | Inc. | | Inc. |
| 1868 | \$ 71,9 | 85.306 | \$ 48,504,899 | -40.1 |
| | 91,1 | | 67,989,800 | 19.7 |
| | 102,8 | | 81,382,072 | 40,000,000,000 |
| | 130,6 | | 144 548,662 | 77.6 |
| | 251.8 | | 246,969,968 | 70.8 |

GROWTH OF CANADA'S IMPORTS FROM AND EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES BY DECADES 1868-1968.

| | 'Imports for Consu | mption and Ho | me Pronuce only. | |
|------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|------------|
| | Imports | Percentage | Exports | Percentage |
| 1868 | \$22,660.132 | | \$22,387,846 | |
| 1878 | 48,002,875 | +111.9 | 22,131,343 | - 1.1 |
| 1888 | 46,440,296 | - 3.3 | 37,323 161 | +68.6 |
| 1898 | 74,824,923 | +61.1 | 34,361,795 | - 7.9 |
| 1908 | 204,648,885 | +173.1 | 90,814,871 | +158.6 |

It is shown by these tables that the trade of Canada with the United States has fluctuated on altogether different lines from Canada's general trade. The latter shows an unbroken increase throughout the forty years; the volume of trade with the United States has received more than one set-back. To some extent, of course, these apparent set-backs are due to the choice of years, but a study of the complete returns year by year shows that the trade between the two countries, both as regards exports from Canada and imports to Canada has fluctuated rather freely. The closest analogy between the two tables appears in the case of imports into Canada in the decade 1898-1908, those from the United States increasing in only a very slightly larger ratio of four per cent. than the imports from all countries. But in the same period it will be seen, Canada's exports to the United States increased in a proportion more than double that in which the Dominion's exports generally increased.

Viewing the whole forty years, 1868-1908, as one period, the figures of United States trade again differ very widely from those of Canada's trade generally. In that period Canada's imports for consumption increased by 388 per cent. and exports of home produce by 409 per cent. But in the same period imports from the United States increased by 803 per cent. and Canadian exports of home produce to the United States by only 310 per cent. That is to say, our imports from the United States increased in a much greater proportion than our imports from other countries during the forty years, while our exports to other countries increased more quickly than our exports to the United States.

The proportions which Canada's imports from and exports to the United States have borne to the Dominion's total trade during recent years are shown in the following table:

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(From the Report of the Department of Trade and Commerce.)

| | Imp | Imports (Merchandise | lise) | Expo | Exports (Merchandise) | lise) | Coin & Bullion | Bullion | Totals, | Impor | Imports for Consumption (Merchandise) | ption |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|
| Fiscal Years | Dutial-le S | Free | Total | Home Produce | Foreign Produce | Total \$ | Imports \$ | Exports \$ | Imports and Exports | Dutiable \$ | Free | Duty Collected |
| 1891 | 34,415,039 | 24,875,127 | 57,994,030 59,290,166 | 37,743,430 | 2,451,136 1,960,740 | 40,194,566 | 1,652,180 5,044,634 | 944,129 | 100,784,905 108,783,210 | 29, 790, 402 29, 101, 646 | 22,243,075 24,427,744 | 7,734,515 |
| 1901 1902 1903 1904 1905 1906 1909 1909 | 62,823,061 68,922,500 75,278,483 82,980,909 83,239,604 81,889,853 120,927,306 133,026,137 | 53,148,031 64,809,293 66,670,334 72,494,331 72,494,331 72,495,596 69,386,529,964 80,552,531 100,045,018 | 116,911,092 123,731,793 135,949,417 149,181,243 155,733,945 151,562,416 151,268,282 214,787,269 182,690,988 233,071,155 | 67,983,673 66,567,784 66,567,784 66,956,885 70,426,766 83,546,306 62,180,439 90,814,871 85,334,806 | 2,423,168 2,994,418 3,443,602 3,866,168 5,136,250 4,455,003 3,658,197 6,105,267 5,687,581 | 70,406,841 69,562,232 70,713,063,969 70,713,063,015 84,001,309 65,588,636 96,920,138 | 3,335,683 6,062,354 8,814,958 7,816,937 10,386,945 8,063,695 6,093,940 6,093,394 5,999,394 | 1,975,389 1,635,452 2,460,496 1,941,056 9,805,243 13,182,844 16,600,362 1,581,970 2,636,451 | 191,689,005 200,991,831 226,548,299 226,44961 227,624,30 334,311,739 285,265,717 382,221,327 | 53,600,278 60,181,808 60,181,808 77,543,780 78,797,440 89,540,776 78,969,028 110,361,367 90,584,507 | 53,549,047 54,562,888 60,251,914 65,466,198 73,544,186 79,257,600 94,287,608 79,411,671 98,668,242 | 13,311,760 15,155,136 17,069,381 19,554,586 20,580,302 22,187,103 27,132,543 27,132,543 22,526,807 |

PERCENTAGE RATIO OF IMPORTS FROM AND EXPORTS TO UNITED STATES, TO CANADA'S TRADE.

(Merchandise for Consumption and Home Produce only.)

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ļ | imports. | Exports. |
|-------|--|---|---|--|---|---|----|----|----|----|--|--|---|---|-----|---|----------|----------|
| 1891. | | ٠ | , | | , | ٠ | | | | | | | | | | | 46.65 | 40,61 |
| 1896. | | | | | | | | į. | | | | | | | | Ì | 50.80 | 32.39 |
| 1901. | | | | | | | ı, | | | | | | | ì | | Ì | | 38.32 |
| 1902. | | | , | | | | | | | | | | | | - 2 | | | 33.95 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 57.29 | 31.60 |
| 1904 | | | | | | | ĺ | | | | | | Ċ | Ì | | | 58.71 | 53.70 |
| 1905 | | | | | | | | | ĺ. | ĺ. | | | | ì | Ċ | | 60.58 | 36.90 |
| 1906. | | | | | | | ĺ | Ċ | | Û | | | | Ċ | | | 59.59 | 35.48 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 60.25 | 36.23 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 58.16 | 36.77 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 35.18 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 50.47 | 97.10 |

Canadian imports from the United States have not been below 45 per cent. of the Dominion's total imports since 1892. But in the last decade their relative importance in the Canadian import trade has not increased—they are practically in the same position now as ten years ago. Possibly the fractional gains of 1909 and 1910 are to be accounted for by the fact that prosperity in Canada has led to the purchase of a greater volume of imported articles coming under the heading of luxuries. Neither over the decade 1901-10, is there a marked change in the relative importance of Canadian exports to the United States in comparison with total exports, though as recently as 1898, the proportion was only 24.56-the lowest figure since Confederation—and in the immediately subsequent years there was a decided move upwards.

We append brief lists of the principal articles imported in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1910 from the United States and of those exported to the United States:-

IMPORTS

| IMPOR | TS. |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Animals, living \$ 2,416,207 | Gutta percha, etc. \$5,149,798 |
| Books, etc 2,864,643 | Hats, etc 1,361,868 |
| Breadstuffs 18,469,528 | Hides and skins 1,760,420 |
| Automobiles, car- | Leather and mnfrs. |
| riages, etc 3,455,240 | of 3.188,760 |
| Coal, coke, etc 30,435,827 | Metals, minerals |
| Cordage, etc 1,935,514 | and mnfrs. of 59,867,923 |
| Cotton and mnfrs. | Oils 4,931,877 |
| of 12,884,251 | Paper and mnfrs. |
| Drugs, dyes, etc 6,661,610 | of 3,224,400 |
| Electric appara- | Provisions 3,928,697 |
| tus, etc 3,070,841 | Seeds 1,039,021 |
| Fruits 6,458,101 | Tobacco and mnfrs. |
| Furs and mnfrs. | of 3,253,847 |
| of 3,420,546 | Vegetables 1.004,426 |
| Grasses and mnfrs. | Wood and mnfrs. |
| of 1,196,729 | of 10,916,532 |
| EXPO | ORTS. |
| Animals, living\$ 2,307,125 | Hides and skins. \$5,487,775 |
| Breadstuffs 4,661,666 | Metals, minerals |
| Coal, charcoal, etc. 4,291,842 | and mnfrs. of 32,044,224 |
| Drugs, dyes, che- | Paper 1,319,541 |
| micals, etc 2,054,614 | Seeds 1,258,012 |
| Fish, etc 4,576,534 | Wood and mnfrs. |
| Furs, and mnfrs. | of 36,120,828 |
| of 2,056,102 | 1.200 |
| | |

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The newly issued report for the half-year ending the 30th September last, shows a continuance of satisfactory progress. The net profits for the half-year reached \$173,166, a considerable gain over the September half-year of 1909, when they were \$145,036. As required by the Company's Royal Charter of Incorporation, there is placed to reserve the moiety of the profits over the amount required for a 6 per cent. dividend, viz., \$50,958, the amount allocated in this way in the corresponding half-year of 1909 being \$43,018. The balance at the credit of the revenue account, including \$15,135 brought forward from the March half-year, is \$137,343 against \$128,494 at the corresponding date of 1909. Out of this amount \$16,250 is placed to the Special Reserve Account, which now reaches \$275,000. An interim dividend at the rate of 6 per cent, per annum with a bonus of 1 per cent., equalling 8 per cent, per annum is paid, as before, and a sum of \$26,093 carried forward to the credit of the current half-year. The Reserve Fund Account now reaches \$1,324,561, against \$1,214,757 at the corresponding date last year, and there is, in addition, the Special Reserve Account mentioned above of \$275,000.

The company's position is, indeed, as the Balance Sheet shows, a strong one, and that it is continuing to take its legitimate share in current prosperity in the Dominion is evidenced by the figures which have been quoted. And its success is well-deserved. The company has done much directly to encourage development in the Dominion -its mortgages held here now aggregate \$12,224,-984-and there can be no doubt that the Company's success has had a considerable influence in stimulating the present large flow of British capital to the Dominion. Its own prosperity has been largely due to its staff in Canada, who, under the able direction of Col. Edye, have given the Trust & Loan Company of Canada a high reputation for honorable and fair dealing, that is as deserved as the company's success.

BANKS, CONSOLS, AND A THEORY OF THE RATE OF INTEREST.

It is well known that bankers have been more heavily hit, probably than any other class of security holders, by the fall in Consols and similar British "gilt-edged" securities. Half-year by half-year in British banking balance sheets during the

last few years these holdings have had to be steadily written down. Consols, which but a few years ago, were taken into bank balance sheets at 95 and go now figure in these showings at 80, and since the price of Consols has been quite lately carried down considerably below that figure, it has to be seriously considered, whether they shall not be further written down to 75. It is likely that this will be done by many of the banks. It was stated by our London correspondent recently that the Consol holdings of a half-dozen of the banks in the United Kingdom aggregate £130,000,000 and that probably finance houses and institutions of the country hold four-fifths of the amount of Consols outstanding. The London Bankers' Magazine recently estimated that the banks, as a whole, in the United Kingdom have had to write off their investments, during the last eight years, at least £9,000,000. Some banks have at times actually stated the amount; thus, at this year's annual meeting of Lloyds Bank, reference was made to the extraordinary depreciation in the gilt-edged securities of that bank, which amounted within the past eleven years to £1,312,063, or an average annual amount of about £120,000. This is a stupendous sum for one bank to have to write off its investments, and yet is not out of proportion to that of other banks. In many banks the depreciation in investment values must have exceeded the amount set aside in the ordinary course of business as provision for bad debts.

These disagreeable facts have been a theme for many writers, who have presented their reasons for the fall from many points of view. These points of view have at last become merely reiterative of formerly expressed opinions, but a new thesis on the subject is elaborated by Mr. A. H. Gibson, after citing the facts of depreciation re-the current London Bankers' Magazine. Judging from the utterances of bankers themselves, Mr. Gibson, after acting the facts of depreciation recorded above, considers it obvious that the continued so-called depression is not to be explained away by causes hitherto held accountable in the general judgment of bankers, such as the normal reaction of an investment boom, high bank rates, war, bad financial policy of the Government, etc. None of these influences operating singly or in combination are, in themselves, sufficient to explain the unprecedented decline in investment capital values since 1897. Consequently, in his opinion, a far more deep rooted economic cause must be sought for and analyzed if any semblance of the truth is to be obtained.

The whole problem, he continues, really centres around the question whether the fall in capital values is due to temporary depreciation or to the gradual disappearance of past inflation. To endeavor to prove to the banking community that this second factor is really the root of evil it will be necessary to account not only for the enormous and unprecented fall in the capital values of investments since 1897, but also for the almost continuous rise previous to that year, since 1875.

Owing to the interdependent relationship existing between the different stocks bearing fixed rates of interest in the gilt-edged group, the investigation may chiefly be confined to the causes operating in the case of the premier stock, both in security and amount, and particularly so as the past appreciation in other stocks may be mainly attributed to the inflation of Consols. If Consols decline many points other fixed interest bearing stocks generally proportionately do likewise; similarly if they rise, though irregular movements of a point or two do at times occur.



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The reduction in the rate of interest on Consols provided for by the conversion scheme of 1888 must, of course, be taken into consideration. The whole analysis may very conveniently be divided into three main periods, namely, conditions prior to 1875, conditions during 1875-1897, and, finally, conditions since 1897. This division into periods brings out three leading facts: First, that prices for forty years previous to 1875 had shown no permanent upward tendency; second, that during 1875-1897 prices were inflated by causes of a temporary character; third, that the fall in prices since 1897 has not really been due to genuine depreciation, but to the disappearance of inflation, and that, in the future, Consols may be expected to further decline until they average about 771/2, at which price the yield is the same as that for the period 1835-1874, namely, £3 4s 6d per cent....

The greatest factor operating in favor of the decline in the case of Consols has, of course, been the reduction in interest from 3 to 2½ per cent, which will account for a fall of 17 points. One is, therefore, naturally led to ask why the Government should have carried through the conversion scheme of 1888, if it had no reasonable grounds for believing that the price after the second reduction in 1903 would remain in the neighborhood of par. The very fact of British credit remaining stationary over the fortyyear period, 1835-1874 precluded any financier drawing the conclusion that the rise in prices after 1874 was the direct outcome of a rise in British credit, yet the Government

of the day drew that conclusion.

It may possibly be queried what reason there is for believing that the average price of Consols over a period of years in the future, under normal conditions, will not fall much lower than 77½, seeing that the fall since 1897 has been so continuous, though with one or two breaks. The reason already given, namely, that the yield at that price will equal that derived during 1835-1874, naturally assumes that the yield during this period was bed-rock Some confirmation is given to the opinion by an economic Some confirmation is given to the opinion by an economic theory propounded by the writer in another source on gilt edged investment yield under normal conditions. The general formula of the theory is as follows:

| Yie'd, on | 100 | egnals | 100 equals | £3 4s 6d |
|-----------|--|------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| | Expectation of life at commence - - Expectation of life at of ment of lab- | pectation life ut l of labor | 31 | per cent. |

The divisor 31, i. c., the net labor period, varies from 30.57 to 32.33, according as age extremes varying from 15-20 and 60-65 are taken, as the following table shows:

| Age | | life | ectation year | rs at | Difference or labor period. | | Yield per ce per annui | | | |
|--------|-----|-------|---------------|-------|-----------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-----|----|----|
| cation | 100 | | | | | £ | | £ | 8. | |
| 15 and | 60 | 45.21 | and | 12.93 | 32.28 | 3.098 | equals | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| 16 and | 60. | 44.34 | and | 12.93 | 31.41 | 3.184 | equals | 3 | 3 | -8 |
| | | 43.50 | | | | 3.271 | equals | 3 | 5 | 5 |
| | | 42.67 | | | | 3.093 | equals | . 3 | 1 | 10 |
| | | 41.84 | | | | 3.175 | equals | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| | | 41.02 | | | | 3.260 | equals | 3 | 5 | 2 |
| | | | | | | | | | | |

The labor period of a person's life may be defined as the number of years during which one has, on an average, to labor to pay to humanity the debt of having lived in the world and used its commodities. It, of course, varies slightly in the different classes, but the theory is only concerned with the general average, and includes the domestic duties of women.

If the necessities of life a person has to labor for in passing through life be represented by 100 per cent, then the proportion his labor pays for on an average each year of his labor period will be expressed by 100 divided by the number of years he labors for. This proportion should be about the yield per cent on first-class stocks, possessing undoubted security and transferability, for the yield on first-class stocks can ultimately be traced back to labor, physical and mental.

It has always been an interesting problem why firstclass stocks, not only when taken in the aggregate, but also when taken singly, if the amount of the stock be large, give, under normal conditions, a yield somewhere between 3 and 4 per cent. This is not only true of the United Kingdom, but of other countries whose financial stability is undoubted.... The more the subject of investment yields is investigated over a period of years the more does one became convinced that some short-sightedness has been shown by some of the financial houses with large holdings in not having anticipated the decline; in other words, in

not only having ceased their purchases of gilt-edged stocks when capital values were clearly above a normal average as judged by their yield; but in not having at such times disposed of some of their stocks; in fact, it would appear that few institutions have made any systematic study of investment yields. What is a normal average only very complete statistical records extending over a long period of years can safely establish, and even then any exceptional disturbing influences must be taken into consideration and proportionately discounted . . .

MANITOBA'S NEW WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

Messrs. Oldfield, Kirby and Gardner, of Winnipeg, have issued a very useful précis in handy form of the new Manitoba Workmen's Compensation Act, passed by the Provincial Legislature in the early part of this year, and coming into force on January 1, 1911. Under previous legislation and common law, say Messrs. Oldfield, Kirby and Gardner, an employer was only liable where the employee could prove negligence on the part of the employer, or his agents, or where there was a defect in the ways, works or machinery of the employer, and there were even some exceptions to the liability in these cases. Under the new Act, however, the employer is liable in any event, with one or two minor exceptions; in other words, under the new Act an employer is liable to his employees for compensation for time lost while in his employment due to any injury to the employee.

The following is the précis of the Act referred

TO WHOM AN EMPLOYER IS LIABLE.

"The provisions of this Act shall apply only to employers who employ in their trade or business at the time the accidental injuries occur, five or more workmen, or who usually or from time to time employ in their trade or business, five or more workmen."-Sec. 2.

This is not limited to manual labor.—Sec. 3 (b)

Exceptions: -An Employer is not liable to an employee who is: 1. Receiving over Twelve Hundred Dollars per year

whose work is not manual labor. Sec. 3 (b)

2. Only casually employed. 3. Not employed for the purposes of the employer's trade or business.

4. An outworker-that is a person doing piece-work on

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A domestic servant. A farm laborer .- Sec. 13.

FOR WHAT ACCIDENTS AN EMPLOYER IS LIABLE.

"If in any employment to which this Act applies, personal injury by accident, arising out of and in the course of the employment, is caused to a workman, his employer shall, subject as hereinafter mentioned, be liable to pay compensation in accordance with the first schedule to this Act."-Sec. 4.

Exceptions: An Employer is not liable to an employee

where: 1. The employee is disabled for less than two weeks .-

Sec. 4 (a) 2. An injury is attributable to the employee's drunkenness.—Sec. 4 (c)

3. There is only partial disablement caused by serious or wilful misconduct of the employee .- Sec. 4 (c)

SPECIAL LIABILITY: - Where the injury is caused by the personal negligence or wilful act of the employer, or of some person for whose act or default the employer is liable, the employee may claim under this Act, or independently of it as he chooses. In all other cases the claim must be made under this Act.—Sec. 4 (b)

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 Notice of claim within three months.

(3) And arbitration proceedings within six months. Failure to give the notices is not an absolute bar, but failure to commence proceedings is fatal.—Sec. 5.

Any agreement to contract liability out of the Act must be approved in writing by the Attorney-General.—Sec. 6. A principal or main contractor is liable to a sub-con-

tractor's workmen.—Sec. 7.

The Act comes into force on January 1st. 1911, but does not apply to accidents happening before that date.—Sec. 15.

DINNER TO MR. B. HAL BROWN AT TORONTO.

Members of the Canadian Life Insurance Officers' Association paid a mark of signal honor and respect to Mr. B. Hal Brown on Friday, the 25th ult., when he was their guest at a complimentary dinner given in the Toronto Club. Covers were laid for twenty-five, which made provision for the representative of each company in the membership of the Association able to be present. Mr. Richter, the newly-elected President of the Association, was in the chair, and those present represented Canadian, British and American companies.

The health of the guest was proposed by Mr. Goldman (the vice-chairman), who referred to the fact that while there was keen business rivalry between the various life companies in the Canadian field, that rivalry was never carried beyond the bounds of fair-play, and it did not, happily, interfere with warm personal friendships, which existed not only between Mr. Hal Brown and himself, but with others. Mr. Goldman paid a high tribute to the guest of the evening for his efforts for the improvement of the general conditions of the business and for the promotion of the ideals of the Life Officers' Association, which, Mr. Goldman reminded those present, Mr. Hal Brown had served in several capacities, including that of President. In matters legislative, added Mr. Goldman, Mr. Hal Brown had given of his best and had accomplished a great deal for the safeguarding and advancing of the interests of insurance. While regretting that Mr. Hal Brown was retiring from a field where he had given long and useful service, Mr. Goldman expressed his confidence that the guest would have continued success and prosperity in the broad field of Trust Company activity.

Mr. Bradshaw, secretary of the Association, supported the toast in complimentary sentences, and read communications addressed to him from those who were unable to be present. These included Mr. J. K. Macdonald, of the Confederation Life, Mr. D. M. McGoun of the Standard Life, Mr. Frank Sanderson of the Canada Life, Mr. T.

B. Macaulay and Mr. Arthur Wood of the Sun Life, Mr. Seargent P. Stearns, Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York, and Mr. Bingham of the Phœnix of London. These letters, which referred eulogistically to Mr. Hal Brown's work in the insurance field, were presented by the Association to their guest, following which the toast proposed by Mr. Goldman, was enthusiastically honored.

Mr. Hal Brown, in reply, referred to the regret which he felt in retiring from the Association after so many years' connection with it, and his appreciation of the kindly and courteous consideration which had always been given to matters which he had brought before the Association respecting the important business in which they had been engaged. He would continue to take the keenest interest in the Association, knowing, as he did, the important influence it had in guiding the development of the life insurance business upon right lines, and should in the future his assistance be regarded of value, he would be only too glad to exert it. He accepted with the greatest possible pride and gratitude the kindly things that had been said, in the spirit, in which, coming from friends, he knew they had been given. He attributed much of whatever measure of success had crowned his efforts to the influence of those with whom he had been fortunate enough to be associated in the business of life insurance, among whom he wished specially to mention Mr. A. G. Ramsay, Mr. J. K. Macdonald, Mr. W. M. Ramsay, the late William McCabe and Mr. Robertson Macaulay. The new field upon which he was entering-the diversified business of Trust Companies required equally studious attention and unfailing integrity on the part of its officials, as successful Life Insurance management and he was satisfied that his schooling in the profession of insurance would stand him in good stead in Trust company work. It would be his pleasure to serve them at all times and in any way he could. He fully reciprocated their kind references and the best wish he could have was that he should be surrounded in the future by men of equally sterling qualities as those pos-

sessed by his former colleagues.

Mr. W. C. Macdonald, in a subsequent speech, expressed the regret of Mr. J. K. Macdonald at his inability to be present at the gathering to join in doing honor to an old personal friend. To him (the speaker) it was a great pleasure to be able to join in paying honor to one whom they had all esteemed and respected as a personal friend for so many years. Mr. Hal Brown was one whom he originally knew as a business friend, and he had come to count him, he was pleased to say, as one of his personal friends and intimates. They regretted that he had severed his connection with the business of life insurance and that they would be deprived of the benefit of his advice, and the pleasure of intercourse with him at their business and social gatherings, hereafter. They felt satisfied, however, that the same ability, energy and integrity which had characterized his efforts in the management in Canada of the London & Lancashire Life Assurance Company, would be transferred to, and they trusted would be rewarded with an equal measure of success in, the new enterprise in which

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he had already become engaged. Mr. Hal Brown carried with him, both collectively and individually their very best wishes. Mr. Macdonald then proposed the health of the newly appointed. President of the Association, Mr. Richter, to whom he extended on behalf of those present, congratulations and good wishes. They had every confidence, said Mr. Macdonald, that Mr. Richter would discharge the duties of his office in a manner highly acceptable to the Association, and as in the case of those who had preceded him, with honor and dignity to himself.

The toast was duly honored and suitably re-

plied to.

Notes on Business, Insurance and Finance.

National Transcontinental Railway. The sixth annual report of the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway, now issued as a Blue Book, contains some interesting figures of the ex-

penditure and progress upon that undertaking down to March 31, 1910. From this report it appears that the total expenditure during the fiscal year ending with the date named amounted to \$19,968,126, making the total expenditure upon the undertaking to date, \$71,918,843. The total grading done to March 31, 1910, was 1,106 miles, and the total track-laying 813 miles, of which 699 were in main line and 114 in sidings. The total contracts for steel superstructures, bridges and viaducts awarded to the same date were 38,984 tons, of which completed bridges equalled 12,975 tons and uncompleted, 26,009 tons. The following is a statement of the expenditure upon the railway until March 31, 1910:—

September, 1904 to June 30, 1905.......\$ 778,363.63 For the year ended June 30, 1906, including the amount paid by the Finance Department

to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company for the survey east of Winnipeg taken over by the Commissioners, viz: \$352,191.73 1,831,563.50 Expenditures for the nine months ended March

31, 1907. 5,537,867.50 Expenditure for the year ended March 31, 1908 18,910,449.41 Expenditure for the year ended March 31, 1909 24,822.772.98 Expenditure for the year ended March 31, 1910 19,968,126.86

Total expenditure to March 31, 1910.. .. \$71,918,843.88

Association of Life Insurance Presidents.

A leading place in the programme of the fourth annual meeting of the Association

of Life Insurance Presidents, which will be held at the Hotel La Salle, Chicago, on Friday and Saturday, December 9th and 10th, is being given to the question of vocational training for life insurance work. On this subject the following preliminary statement has been issued by the Association:

One of the problems of the life insurance business to-day is found in recruiting the field forces—the men who spread the gospel of protection for the home and who write the business. This is a difficulty experienced by every company whether large or small. It is hoped that some practical solution will be pointed out in the discussion of this subject which has been arranged for the first day of the meeting. Executive officers of companies and agency man-

agers will relate the nature of the troubles they have had in this respect and some will explain how they have recently overcome this situation to a certain extent. Representatives of universities prominent in the vocational training movement in this country will tell what institutions of higher learning are accomplishing in the professional training of men for business positions and probably the way will be indicated for a more practical direct application of this method of instruction with respect to the life insurance business.

Prominence is also to be given to the subject of the conservation of human life, for which the Association is carrying on a campaign, and both state and national sanitarians will deliver addresses. Professor James Laurence Laughlin, of the University of Chicago, a well known economist, will read a paper on the subject of the investments made by trustees for life insurance policyholders, savings bank depositors, etc.

Travelers vs.
Travellers Life
of Canada.

The Court of Appeal has given judgment in the case of the Travelers Insurance Company (of Hartford) vs. Travellers Life Assurance Company of Canada.

It will be within recollection that this litigation arose in an application by the Travelers in the Superior Court at Montreal for the issue of an interlocutory order of injunction to restrain the Travellers Life from carrying on business under its corporate name, alleging the reputation the Travelers had acquired and that the name adopted by the Travellers Life was for the purpose of trading on the Travelers name, and that irreparable loss would be caused by the Travelers and that endless confusion would ensue. To this the Travellers Life replied that, after much opposition on the part of the Travelers it had secured incorporation by Act of Parliament, that it cannot be restrained from doing business under its corporate name, that the names of the two companies are dissimilar and that the Courts have no power to override, vary or modify an Act of Parliament, Parliament being supreme. The Superior Court dismissed the application, holding principally, that the inconveniences which might result from the similarity of the name employed by the Parliament of Canada to designate the Travellers Life, with the name of an already existing corporation, are a consideration for Parliament only when choosing a name for the corporation brought into existence, but cannot be reasons after the name is given and the law creating the corporation is in force, for the courts to interfere and forbid a corporation to use its name, and that the most that could be done would be to order measures to prevent confusion in the business done by companies having names much similar. This dismissal has now been confirmed by a majority of the Appeal Court, on the grounds that there is sufficient dissimilarity between the names of the two companies, and that the Travellers Life was incorporated under the supreme authority of Parliament, and the courts canot interfere to prevent the use by the Travellers Life of the name thus given to it. In the present case, said Mr. Justice Archambeault, the Parliament of Canada had absolute jurisdiction and the courts cannot remedy any wrong which may be suffered by the Special Act of Incorporation.

A FEW FACTS FROM THE REPORT OF

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BUSINESS IN FORCE \$125,000,000.

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Markets and the General Election—The "Run" on the Birkbeck Bank—Continued Rush of New Issues—A Possible Thread Fight—Improving Cement Position.

The stock markets opened quietly this morning, the members having had a night to sleep on the announcement that the Government will dissolve Parliament on the 28th November, and go to the country the first week in December. In financial circles, whilst it is strongly hoped that the Conservatives will be returned with a majority, it is not thought that any further harm can be done to market values by the return of the Liberal party than has already been done by the policy of the Chancellor of the Exchequer. New capital issues will, of course, be hung up, after the next week, until after Christmas.

The "Run" on the Birkbeck Bank,

The "run" on the Birkbeck Bank terminated on Monday, and before closing time some hundreds of depositors were engaged in rapidly paying in money. It appears that not only the Bank of England, but all the other joint stock banks in London had proffered assistance, because it was generally felt in banking circles that the failure of the Birkbeck Bank would be a tremendous blow to banking business generally, because the Birkbeck has always conducted a most conservative business, only loaning money at ordinary bank rates on thoroughly gilt-edged securities. It may be mentioned that the Bank has over 100,000 depositors, of whom only about their deposits during the "run." 20,000 withdrew The prestige of the Bank has considerably increased, since it is the banking institution which has successfully withstood two serious runs during the past five-andtwenty years.

Continued Rush of New Issues,

There has again been exceptional activity among the issuing houses, but some offers have met with a mixed reception. For example, an offer of £5,000,000 New Zealand bonds was a complete fiasco, the public only subscribing about 13 p.c., whereas \$7,500,000 4 p.c. first mortgage gold bonds of the Kansas City Terminal Railway were subsribed several times over. The Lake Superior Iron & Chemical Company, which offered \$3,000,000 six per cent. first mortgage gold bonds at par, made a mistake in not disclosing more information re-garding its past history. When several of the banks and trust companies were made acquainted with the fact that it is a reconstruction of an amalgamation of a number of small companies they naturally drew their own conclusions from the fact that this information was not fully disclosed. Further issues are now being underwritten or arranged for flotation next week. They include the Anglo-Canadian Lands, Limited, which will make an issue of 250,480 £1 ordinary shares, secured upon 80,000 acres in the Beaver Lake country, Alberta. The Earl of Clanwilliam is the chairman. A second company is the International Granite Company, Limited, which will shortly issue 30,000 shares of £1 each. It is a Finnish

Company owning quarries in South Finland. I shall not be surprised to see quite a number of new Finnish ventures as the Government of Finland is spending large sums in publicity work. A third company is the Anglo-Continental Supply Company, a Parisian concern, which is, strangely enough, coming to London for £830,000 of 8 per cent. preference shares. Two new Argentine Railway Companies are also in course of formation, one with a million capital.

Big Thread Fight Possible.

I am in a position to state that a big fight is possible in the thread manufacturing trade which is, at present, dominated, of course, by J. & P. Coats, Limited. There is a report in trade circles, and I believe it to be well-founded, that the Singer Company which is the pioneer of the sewing machine trade, as well as the manufacturers of a large output of thread for their machines, is about to make a fight against J. & P. Coats. The Singer Company has a large reserve fund, and its position as the greatest producer of sewing machines is one not to be despised in dealing with the question of the thread manufacturing trade, since it could bring persistent influence to bear upon the largest body of thread-users. Retaliation might lead to Coats' Sewing Machines, Limited. In any case, the fight will do no good to other undertakings such as the English Sewing Cotton Company.

Big Movement in Associated Cements

One of the features of the stock markets during the past week has been a considerable advance in the price of Associated Portland Cement shares It is difficult to trace the real causes which have led to the rise, but it is understood that the company has recently bought up several small producers which will enable it to raise the selling price of cement. Only the preference dividend was paid last year, but those closely connected with the company think it should be possible to pay a dividend on the ordinary of at least one per cent. which would require £19,250. Since J. P. Morgan's firm has acquired the controlling interest in the Atlas Portland Cement Company, the industry in the United States has been much improved, and the recent strengthening of the trade in Canada is also to the benefit of the company.

LONDONER.

London, November 19, 1910.

From Western Fields.

The Progress of Prince Rupert and of the Grand Trunk Pacific—Mr. F. W. Thompson's Views of the West—Municipal Convention at St. Boniface —Colgary's Assessment.

That Prince Rupert is going ahead very rapidly and that its prospects are of the brightest is the gist of a statement made to THE CHRONICLE by Mr. T. Dufferin Pattullo, chairman of the City's Finance Committee. Mr. Pattullo thus describes the situation:—

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Progress of the G. T. P.

Mr. E. J. Chamberlin of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, interviewed in Vancouver, on his way from Winnipeg to Prince Rupert, for the final inspection of the year of the various works the Grand Trunk Pacific has under construction expressed the opinion that the end of 1913 will see the completion of the new transcontinental railway. "The line on the east end," said Mr. Chamberlin, "is now nearly two hundred miles west of Edmonton, and we hope before the end of January to have the track at the Athabasca River, the entrance to the Yellowhead Pass. Work from there to Tête Jaune Cache is very heavy, mostly rock, and will be carried on vigorously all winter.

"The line east from Winnipeg to Fort William is nearing completion and we have been hauling grain over it since about October 1. It is expected that it will be ready for passenger traffic early in the spring of 1611.

"The work has progressed remarkably well on the transcontinental during the past season, and there are many long stretches of track at the present time. For instance, north of North Bay, on what is known at the Abitibi section, there will be 250 miles of track in one section next season; west of Quebec there is already 200 miles of track completed, and the line from Levis to Moncton is also nearing completion, and it is hoped will be ready for service at the end of next year.

"If the good progress which has marked the present year is continued, the track should be connected up by the end of 1913, but, of course, there will be much work to do to complete the railway after the line is connected.

"The labor situation is somewhat improved all round, but there must necessarily be a stringency in the labor market until many of the large works which are now under way are completed. For instance, this company, in addition to its main line work, has six branches under construction on the prairies, aggregating a mileage of something like 1,000 miles. In addition to this, the Canadian Pacific and Canadian Northern are carrying on a large amount of construction work, all of which tends to keep the labor market short."

Mr. F. W. Thompson on the Progress of the West.

Mr. F. W. Thompson, vice-president and managing director of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company, gave an important interview in Winnipeg on his return from an extensive trip through Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan. He expressed himself as profoundly impressed with the progress of the West. "The various cities and towns visited," he said, "show such a substantiality as to cause one to wonder what still greater development is in store for this western empire. Calgary, certainly, is now a city of extraordinary activity. On my last visit there, some ten years ago, the population, I believe, was in the neighborhood of 5,000 people. To-day I understand it is over 45,000. Edmonton, Saskatoon, Medicine Hat, Regina, Moose Jaw, Lethbridge, show evidence of extraordinary advancement. The same is true of Winnipeg. Some eight years ago when I left here to take up my residence in the east, the population then was only equal to what Calgary is to-day.'

Mr. Thompson expressed the opinion that any change from existing conditions, especially looking towards any form of reciprocity with the United States would have a very bad effect upon the whole Dominion, in that confidence would be disturbed and values suffer in every quarter. On the question of this year's crop, he said: —"So far as I can judge, we see no reason to change our former estimate of the crop. The marketing has been unusually free this fall, owing, no doubt, to the extremely favorable conditions which have obtained throughout the country, coupled with the excellent car supply and transportation facilities generally. I understand there has been inspected up to the present something over 46,000,000 bushels of wheat, and the movement to the lake front has been correspondingly rapid. Taking these figures as a basis, and adding the quantity of wheat now in the interior elevators and in transit and after providing for seed requirements, it would mean that fully 76 per cent, of the available wheat has already been marketed. This is a greater proportion than has ever been the case of any previous season at the same time.'

Reference was also made by Mr. Thompson to the question of the conservation of moisture, which is a matter, he considered, that should engage the attention of the farmers. Asked as to further milling extensions, Mr. Thompson referred to the fact that the total milling capacity of Canada to-day is much in excess of the requirements of the country; in fact, the existing capacity discounts the future to an extent representing a population of nearly 40 millions. Moreover, those who have investigated the subject carefully consider that no relief from over-production can be expected from the export trade. The present milling capacity of Great Britain is equal to the entire requirements, and other countries generally have protected their milling industries by discriminatory duties in favor of home manufacture. Mr. Thompson also referred to the suggestions of Government ownership of terminal elevators and remarked that it seemed to him that it would be necesary to go far beyond the terminals at Fort William and Port Arthur. "It would be necessary," said Mr. Thompson on this point, "to

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take over in the same manner all the elevators through which the grain must pass in course of transit to and at the seaboard. Moreover, a considerable proportion of Manitoba grain is shipped through American ports via Buffalo, and of course Canada would have no control over it after it has reached that point unless an international arrangement can be arrived at for preserving the identity of Canadian wheat." In this connection Mr. Thompson referred to a recent report that a system of mixing Manitoba grain was being carried on at an American port. "We have always," said Mr. Thompson, "been unalterably opposed to the mixing of Manitoba grain and will be glad to see such amendments made by Parliament to the Manitoba Grain Act as will effectually put an end to any possibility of mixing. The simplest and most effective way, in my judgment, to bring this about would be to impose such penalties as would largely exceed any possible gain to the guilty parties."

Union of Manitoba Municipalities.

The seventh annual convention of the Union of Manitoba Municipalities has been held successfully at St. Boniface, where numerous questions of local government interest were discussed and lines of action decided upon. Hon. G. R. Coldwell, addressing the gathering on the management of municipal affairs expressed the opinion that the board of control system had failed in Toronto and he felt that it would shortly fail in Winnipeg. One great fault at present, said Mr. Coldwell, is the lack of continuity in the handling of municipal affairs. Many cities to-day were undertaking large schemes of development or were embarking on industries which required careful management for a long term of years by competent men. He instanced the Winnipeg power development. The trouble came in the electing of mayor and council each year, and the resulting change in the makeup of the management.

Another important feature of the conference was the paper read by Mr. Hugh McGillivray, Highways Commissioner, on the Good Roads question, and the meeting passed, with slight amendments, resolutions dealing which this subject which have been formulated by the Manitoba Good Roads Association, and are to be submitted to the Government, for passage into law. The resolutions deal with the building, maintenance and improvement of public roads by a scheme of taxation.

Calgary's Assessment.

A cipher omitted in this column on November 18 (p. 1683) made it appear that Calgary's assessment is only \$3,000,000, and we are obliged to Mayor Jamieson, of Calgary, for pointing out that the correct figure of last year's assessment is \$30,-800,000.

Financial and General.

A Branch of the Imperial Bank of Canada has been opened at Porcupine, Ontario, under the management of Mr. W. Bourke, formerly of the Gowganda and Cobalt Branches. A Branch of the

Bank of British North America has been opened at Ceylon, Sask., under the temporary management of Mr. W. M. Logan.

SHIPMENTS OF GOLD aggregating \$1,200,000 have been made from New York to Canada this week, and it appears likely that other shipments will be made.

UNCLAIMED BANK BALANCES.—A Bill has been introduced at Ottawa, in amendment of the Bank Act, providing that balances which have been lying unclaimed in the banks for six years shall be transferred to the Government as trustees.

THE OUTPUT OF GOLD.—A recent estimate figured out that for the nine months ending on September 30, there was a decrease of \$800,000 in the world's gold production from the same period in 1909. At the same time it was suggested that this might be made up by increased output at the Rand mines during the last three months of 1910. Returns now at hand showed that for October, at least, the Rand fulfilled expectations. Output of gold there was \$1,078,000 heavier than a year ago, and was the largest on record. Compared with three years ago, the month's output showed an increase of \$2,100,000.

C. P. R. EARNINGS.—The Canadian Pacific Railway's monthly statement of earnings is as follows:

| | | July 1st to |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Oct., 1910. | Oct. 31, |
| Gross earnings | \$10,229,370.77 | \$37,669,130.43 |
| Working expenses | 5,724,210.25 | 22,076,078.35 |

Net profits......\$4,505,160.52 \$15.593,052.08

In October, 1909, the net profits were \$4,386,-297.19; and from July 1 to October 31, 1910, there was a net profit of \$13,262,114.96. The gain in net profits over the same period last year is therefore, for October, \$118,863.33; and from July 1 to October 31, \$2,330,937.12.

BANK CLEARINGS IN THE UNITED STATES.—Bank clearings this week reflect further improvement and the progress towards betterment noted last week is maintained. Total exchanges at all leading cities in the United States are \$2,377,998,582, a loss of 5.7 per cent. compared with a year ago, but a gain of 1.0 per cent. over the corresponding week of 1906. Considering the large losses in comparison with both preceding years that have constantly marked the report during the past four months, the November figures are quite satisfactory. Furthermore the comparison with a year ago is with a period of exceptionally large transactions in all the great markets and bank clearings were exceptionally heavy. New York City still reports a considerable decrease, but otherwise losses are insignificant and the total for all cities outside of New York is 6.1 per cent, over a year ago and 13.7 per cent. in excess of the week in 1906. Average daily bank exchanges for the year to date are compared below for three years:

| | 1910. | 1909. | 1906. |
|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| November | \$506.175,000 | \$550,353,000 | \$512,499,000 |
| October | | | 492,164,000 |
| 3rd Quarter | | | 451,375,000 |
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MR. J. P. ORAM, who for the past six years has been with the National Life Assurance Company of Canada, as manager for the Province of Quebec, will on the first of January assume the duties of Eastern Superintendent of Agencies for the same company.

Mr. W. H. BEATTY has retired from the position of President of the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation owing to continued ill-health. Mr. W. G. Gooderham, first vice-president, has been elected President. Mr. Beatty has consented to remain on the Board.

THE LATE MRS. T. B. MACAULAY.—Mr. T. B. Macaulay, managing director of the Sun Life Assurance Company, has the sympathy of his insurance friends and hosts of other friends in his sad bereavement, by the death of Mrs. Macaulay, which occurred this week. The funeral took place yesterday from her late residence, 4007 Dorchester Street, and was very largely attended by representative insurance men, bankers, and others.

MR. J. B. MORISSETTE, the well-known insurance agent of Quebec, has recently celebrated his silver wedding. To mark the occasion, a presentation has been made to him by a number of friends of a very handsome solid silver cutlery set and tea service. Among those subscribing to this gift were Messrs. J. Gardner Thompson, manager, Liverpool & London & Globe, Montreal; John L. Blaikie, president of the North American Life, Toronto; .. Goldman, managing director, North American Life, Toronto; H. M. Lambert, manager, Guardian Insurance Company, Montreal; T. L. Morrisey, manager, Union Insurance, Montreal; W. G. Brown, manager, Equity Fire Assurance, Toronto; L. A. Massé, Dominion Fire Insurance, Montreal; John Emo, general manager, Canadian Railway Accident, Ottawa; T. G. McConkey, North American Life, Toronto; C. F. Dale, Canada Accident, Montreal; T. H. Meunier, L. Bilodeau, J. B. O. Gagnon, L. Morency, L. N. Bergeron, J. H. Gignac, Jos. Gauthier, A. Godbout, L. Letourneau, M.P.P., Cyr. Delarge, M.P.P., Hon. L. A. Taschereau, Hon. C. E. Dubord, Hon. A. Turgeon, C. A. Paradis, Etienne Paradis, J. F. Bourbonnais, Nap. Lavoie, J. Archer, G. Brunet, O. Jacques, Senator P. A. Choquette, L. Terreau, E. Jobin, F. Arel, G. Simard, Dr. W. Verge, J. B. Laliberte, H. Fortier, E. Picher, J. T. Lachance, Dr. J. E. Martineau, J. Savard, Chevalier Martineau, J. A. W. LeBel, P. Racine, A. Morin, G. Lepine, O. Gauthier, Senator Shehyn, Hon. J. C. Kaine, Dr. E. A. LeBel and D. Rouleau.

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The Canadian Fire Record.

(Specially compiled by The Chronicle.)

THORNDALE, ONT.—Fire completely destroyed the Grand Trunk depot, November 28.

TORONTO.—Fire in basement of Crown Life Insurance Company's building occupied by F. E. Karn Company, druggists, November 21, did damage, placed at \$20,000.

HUMBERSTONE, ONT.—T. E. Reed & Sons' foundry and automobile supply plant at Humberstone, destroyed, November 23. Loss placed at \$15,000; insurance about \$4,000.

WOODSTOCK, N.B.—Machine shop of Connell's foundry, destroyed, November 28. Insurance is \$21,000 on entire plant, but it is stated loss on part destroyed will exceed that.

CARNDUFF, SASK.—Connor & Johnston's livery stables, burned to ground, November 23. Stock of feed, equipment, and 18 horses were burned. Loss placed at \$15,000 with insurance of \$2,500

OTTAWA.—Apartment house and three stores at corner of Bank and Maclaren Streets, owned by W. H. Wooding, damaged, November 20. Fire caused by a heater. Loss of owner and occupants placed at \$13,000.

PETROLEA, ONT.—Three storey flour mill on King Street, owned and operated by W. W. Pating, destroyed, November 17. Origin, a hot box in machinery on second floor. Loss about \$10,000, partly covered by insurance.

WINGHAM, ONT.—Grand Trunk freight sheds occupied by Canadian Furniture Co., and Walker & Clegg Furniture Co., as store and shipping room, destroyed, with contents and two box cars alongside, November 22. Loss, \$12,000; small insurance.

LAMBTON, ONT.—Residence and stables of William Tomlinson, a farmer, destroyed, November 28. Fire originated in stables. Loss includes contents of stables and house and seven horses burned to death, and is placed at \$7,000 with some insurance.

Hamilton, Ont.—Barn of John Fulton, near Strabane, West Flamboro, destroyed, with season's crops, November 17. Fire caused by the capsizing of a lantern. Barn of John Barneston, Beach road, destroyed, November 22, with two horses, grain and implements. No insurance.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.—Barns and out-buildings of Ernest H. Hack, fruit grower, Grantham township, destroyed, November 18. Loss includes 300 bushels wheat, 700 bushels oats, large quantity of hay, 30 hogs and all the crops and implements. Fire started from unknown cause in straw stack. Loss placed at \$7,000, with insurance stated to be \$2,200.

FLESHERTON, ONT.—Sproule business block and other buildings destroyed November 18. Losses placed as follows:—W. Buskin (owner of block), \$10,000; John Sproule, boarding house and barn, \$1,500; O. W. Phillips, barn and household goods damaged, \$800; R. J. Sproule, personal effects, \$500; Thomas Fisher, barber shop, \$150; Mrs. Hastie, household goods damaged, \$400; W. M.

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Report and Statement for the Half-Year Ending Sept. 30th, 1910.

The following Report and Statement of Accounts for the Six Months ending the 30th September last are sub-

1. The following Report and Statement of Accounts for the Six Months ending the 30th September last are submitted to the Proprieters.

2. The net profits for this period amount to £34,653 4s. 10d., and after carrying to the Reserve Fund the moiety of profits over 6 per cent. dividend, as required by the Royal Charter of Incorporation, viz., £10,191 12s. 5d., the balance at credit of Revenue, including £3,027 0s. 5d. brought forward from M rch last, is £27,468 12s. 10d.

3. Out of this amount the Directors have place1 the sum of £3,250 to the Special Reserve Account, bringing the amount of this Fund to £55,000, and leaving a balance of £24,218 12s. 10d. available for distribution.

4. The Directors have decided to distribute out of this balance of £24,218 12s. 10d. an Interior Dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, and a bonus of one per cent., for the six months, making together a rate of 8 per cent. per annum, both free of inco ne tax, on the paid up Capital of the Company, leaving a balance of £5,218 12s. 10d. to be carried to the credit of the current half-year's accounts.

carried to the credit of the current half-year's accounts.

5. During the period embraced by these accounts, the Reserve Fund has been charged with £3,267 7s. 8d. for decrease in the value of Investments held in England, and £94 5s. Id. has also been charged against it for amounts expended in improving property owned by the Company in Canada, and for loss on securities realised in Canada. This Fund now amounts to £264,912 9s. 6d. compared with £254,764 19s. 5d. on the 31st March last, being an increase of £10,147 10s. 1d. as shown in the annexed Statement of the Reserve Fund has been charged with £3,267 7s. 8d. for amounts to £264,912 9s. 6d. compared with £254,764 19s. 5d. on the 31st March last, being an increase of £10,147 10s. 1d. as shown in the annexed Statement of the Reserve Fund has been charged with £3,267 7s. 8d. for amounts to £264,912 9s. 6d. on the 31st March last, being an increase of £10,147 10s. 1d. as shown in the annexed Statement of the Reserve Fund has been charged with £3,267 7s. 8d. for amounts to £3,267 7s. for amoun

7 GREAT WINCHESTER STREET, 17th NOVEMBER, 1910.

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| To Subscribed Capital— 125,000 Shares, £20 each. Paid up Capital— 75,000 Shares, £5 called up 25,000 Shares, £3 called up | £. 2,500,000 375,000 75,000 | 0 | 0 0 | 8. | d | By Cash— At Bank in London Petty Cash " " 15 18 6 At Banks in Canada INVESTMENTS—IN LONDON— { £15,500 India 3½ per cent Stock £21,600 India 3 per cent. £21,600 India 3 per | |
| 25,000 Shares, £1 called up DEBENTURES DEBENTURE INTEREST ACCRUED RESERVE FUND ACCOUNT (includ 1s. 11d. invested as per of BANK LOAN. BANK LOAN. BILLS PAYABLE. SPECIAL RESERVE ACCOUNT. BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS F. SUNDRY CREDITORS AND C ACCOUNT. REVENUE ACCOUNT. REVENUE ACCOUNT. BUILDING AND IMPROVEMENTS F. SUNDRY CREDITORS AND C ACCOUNT. REVENUE ACCOUNT. The Company is also under Itability to advance \$71,146 53 to sundry clients, generally on the fulliment by them of conditions. | und Accou | 24 NT. 1ES | 0 475,000 1,820,965 17,777 264,915 3,491 103,500 60,000 30,131 10,38 24,21 | 8 11 9 8 8 0 0 0 0 14 14 | 7 0 6 6 0 0 0 10 | Stock | 1 |
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| | | | | | | Subject to Losses on Doubtful \$12,813,224.39 = Detts, estimated at about £370. 2,632,854 (19,949) MONTREAL OFFICE PREMISES. 11,449 1 £2,865,400 19 | 1 |
| | | 4 | 2,865,4 | 00 | 19 | | = |

Trimble, post office fittings, \$150; M. Scully & Co., office fixtures, \$50. There are no fire-fighting ap-

pliances in the village.

MIDALE, SASK .- M. A. Moser's grocery and confectionery store and store of Wedin Bros., general merchants, destroyed, November 24. Caused by the upsetting of a lamp in the basement of the confectionery store. Loss to Moser placed at \$7,500 with \$3,200 insurance, and to Wedin Bros.' building, \$7,000 with \$4,000 insurance. In addition their stock valued at \$20,000 on which there was \$8,500 insurance will be about one-third loss. The I. O. O. F. and Woodmen of the World, occupying the hall above Wedin Bros.' store had a small loss.

MARTIN. BOLE & WYNNE'S FIRE, WINNIPEG.

The following is a list of the insurance concerned in the loss at the wholesale warehouse and offices of the Martin, Bole & Wynne Drug Company, at Winnipeg, on Tuesday, November 22nd. The total insurance is \$171,800.

MARTIN BOLE & WYNNE.

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| On S | OCK. |
|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Ottawa \$37,000 | Ohio Millers 2,500 |
| N. B. & M 7,000 | Rimouski 2,500 |
| London Mutual 5,000 | Pioneers 2,500 |
| Central Canada 5,000 | Colonial 2,500 |
| Canadian Fire 5,000 | Michigan Millers 2,500 |
| American Central 5,000 | Stuyvesant 3,000 |
| Northern 4,000 | St. Paul F. & M 2,300 |
| Hartford 4,000 | Acadia 2,000 |
| Nova Scotia 4.000 | Firemen's 2,000 |
| Union 3,000 | Home 2,000 |
| Manitoba 2,500 | North America 1,000 |
| Connecticut 2,500 | |
| Norwich Union 2,500 | Total \$113,800 |
| Millers National \$ 2,500 | |
| On Bu | ilding. |
| Yorkshire \$9,000 | N. B. & M \$ 3,000 |
| L. L. & G 9,000 | German Am 2,500 |
| | Norwich Union 2,500 |
| | Norwich Chion 2,300 |
| N. Y. Underwriters. 5,000 | W-4-1 010 000 |
| Western 5,000 | Total \$40,000 |
| STOCK OF JAMES | HALL COMPANY. |
| Fidelity Phoenix \$9,500 | Atlas \$ 2,500 |
| National 3,500 | - |
| Calumet 2,500 | Total \$18,000 |



Loss, Total

CLARENCE H. KELSEY

WILLIAM H. PORTER EDWARD TOWNSEND

insurance or not, may make direct contracts with this company, for a limited territory if desired, and secure for themselves, in addition to first year's commission, a renewal interest insuring an income for the future. Address the Company at its Home Office, No. 277 Broadway, N.Y.

NIAGARA FALLS.-Tug Oneda, stranded on Navy Island, burned, November 25.

LISGAR, QUE. - Robert Morrow's store destroyed, November 25. Stock valued at over \$8,000. Loss partly covered by insurance.

TORONTO, ONT .- Free branch of Consumptive Hospital at Mount Weston, destroyed, December

Loss about \$70,000.

Colborne, Ont.—House belonging to Mrs. W. A. Turney, in East Colborne, and occupied by Mr. Whitney, destroyed, November 25. Most of the contents saved. Small insurance.

CANADIAN FINANCIERS

Authorized Capital \$2,000,000

EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, TRUSTEES, RECEIVERS.

GENERAL AGENTS FOR

DIVIDEND PAYING STOCKS. REVENUE PRODUCING REAL ESTATE AND LOANS, PHOENIX INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. OCEAN ACCIDENT & GUARANTEE CORPORATION, LTD.

MANAGERS OF B. C. AND YUKON TERRITORY FOR CONTINENTAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

GENERAL AND LOCAL AGENTS WANTED.

PATRICK DONNELLY, General Manager.

Head Office: 632 Granville Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Branches: North Vancouver, South Vancouver, and 8 Princes Square, Glasgow.

Phœnix Assurance Company, Ltd.

OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

MEAD OFFICE FOR CANADA ; 160 St. Francois-Xavier Street, Montreal Joint Managers R. MacD. Paterson J. B. Paterson

Revenue exceeds \$13,000,000 Claims Paid exceed 350,000,000 Assurance in Force 112,000,000 Capital (fully subscribed) \$14,009,500 Paid-up Capital 1,909,900 Accumulated F'nds exceed 65.000,000

SPECIAL FEATURES-Life Department

The "PHŒNIX" has declared a Reversionary Bonus every five years since 1890 on all whole Life, Limited Payment and Endowment Assurances of not less than \$50 per \$1000.

The " PHŒNIX" next 5 year Bonus Declaration will be made as at 31st December, 1910; all with-profit policies at annual premiums now effected will rank for one full year's bonus.

The "PHENIX" gives an Interim Bonus of \$10 per \$1000 pm."

The "PHENIX" gives an Interim Bonus of \$10 per \$1000 on all with-profit policies which become claims by death, and of \$16 per \$1000 on all Endowment Assurances maturing, during a quinquen-

nium. "PHENIX" Reversionary Bonus vests The

The "PHENIX" gives the whole Surplus of Profits in the Participation Fund to its policyholders, the Shareholders receiving nothing from that

The "PHENIX" Policy.—All surrender and loan values, Paid-up and Extended Assurances are guaranteed and written in the Policy.

We require District Agents throughout the Dominion for the Life Department.

Write for fullest particulars to

H. B. F. BINGHAM,

Lije Superintendent for Canada, Montreal

Stock Exchange Notes

Montreal, December 1, 1910. The market of the past week has been devoid of any special interest and the general tendency was heavy with prices sagging to a lower level. Quebec Railway continued fairly prominent, in comparison with the trading in other stocks but the feverish stage in the stock seems to have passed, with no serious damage except sentimentally. Episodes such as these are regrettable and tend to reflect on

the methods of trading in general. "Soo" Common and Canadian Pacific are both lower on small trading. Dominion Steel Corporation and Quebec Railway were the active stocks and the only ones in which the trading involved over 2.000 shares. Cement Common, Montreal Power and Rio Power were next in point of volume of business and all figured prominently. Dominion Iron Bonds appeared to the extent of \$11,000. Crown Reserve was a small factor and closes lower than a week ago. The markets in New York have been heavy during the past few days. The Bank of England rate was changed to 4 1-2 per cent.

| MONEY AND | EXCHAN | GE RATES. | | |
|------------------------|--------|------------|--------|-----|
| | To-day | Last week. | A Year | Ago |
| Call money in Montreal | 54-6 % | 51-6 % | 5 % | |
| ,, ,, in Toronto | 54-6 % | 51-6 % | 5 % | |
| , in New York | 23 % | 21 % | 51% | |
| in Lordon | 4-41 % | 41-5 % | 4 % | |
| Bank of England rate | 48 % | 5 % | 5 % | |
| Consols | 7913 | 791 | 821 | |
| Demand Sterling | 9.5 | 9,5 | 94 | |

QUOTATIONS AT CONTINENTAL POINTS.

Sixty days' sight Sterling .. 81

| | To- | lav | Last V | Week | A Year | Ago |
|-----------|-----------|------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| Paris | Market 24 | Bank | Market 21 | Bank 3 | Market 2 11-16 | Bank 3 |
| Berlin | 44 | 5 | 44 | 5 | 41 | 5 |
| Amsterdam | 3 | 4 | 34 | 4 | 31 | 4 |
| Brussels. | 41 | 5 | 41 | 5 | 31 | 31 |

SHWARY OF WEER'S SALES AND QUOTATIONS.

| SUMMARY OF WEEK'S SA | Closing | Closing | Net |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------|---------|
| Security. | bid. | bid. | change. |
| Sales. | Nov. 24, 1910. | to-day. | |
| Canadian Pacific 416 | 1951 | 192x.D. | - 11 |
| "Soo" Common 1,200 | 133 | 130 | _ 2 |
| Detroit United 385 | | 524 | - 21 |
| Duluth Superior 50 | 80 | 784 | - 11 |
| Halifax Tram 15 | 129 | 1294 | + 1 |
| Illinois Preferred 93 | 893 | 90 | + 1 |
| Montreal Street 210 | 224 | 221 | - 3 |
| Quebec Ry 2,127 | 563 | 574 | + 4 |
| Toronto Railway 193 | | 122 | - 11 |
| Twin City 41 | 110 | 109 | - 1 |
| Richelien & Ontario 202 | 90 | 891 | - 1 |
| Amal. Asbestos 95 | | 12 | |
| Amal. Asbestos Pref | | | |
| Can. Cement Com 1,934 | 23 | 23 | |
| Can. Cement Pfd 830 | 85 | 851 | - 1 |
| Can. Con. Rubber Com | 94 | 94 | |
| Can. Con. Rubber Pfd | 1003 | 1017 | + 1 |
| Dom. Iron Preferred 87 | 1024 | 102 | = 1 |
| Dom. Iron Bonds \$11,000 | | 95 | |
| Dom. Steel Corpn 2,807 | 611 | 601 | - 1 |
| take of the Woods Com | 124 | 124 | |
| Mackay Commen 71 | 914 | 90 | - 1 |
| Mackay Preferred 87 | | | |
| Mexican Power 225 | | 854 | - |
| Montreal Power 1,867 | | 136% | - 1 |
| Nova Scotia Steel Com 105 | | 841 | - |
| Ogilvie Com 115 | | 1241 | - |
| Rio Light and Power 1,660 | | 1014 | - |
| Shawinigan 18 | | 1051 | - 1 |
| Can. Convertors 26 | | 39 | - 2 |
| Dom, Textile Com 4 | | 621 | = 1 |
| Dom. Fextile Preferred 1 | | 99 | - 1 |
| Mont sal Cotton 37 | | 130 | |
| Penmans Common 7 | | 571 | + 1 |
| Penmans Preferred 60 | | 83 | - 1 |
| Crown Reserve 2.55 | 0 2.74 | 2.70 | - 4 |

| Deserte | SUPERIOR TRACT | TION. | |
|---------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Nov. 7 | 1909. 19,701 18,952 | 1910. 20,795 20,627 20,994 | Increase 1,09 1,72 1,19 |

Bank Statements.

BANK OF ENGLAND.

| | Yesterday | Nov 4, 1910 | December 2, 1909 |
|--|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| Coin & Bullion Reserve Notes Res'd Res, to liab Circulation Public Dep, Other Dep, Gov. securs | £35,631.472 | £32,591,024 | £34,621,262 |
| | 25,686,003 | 25,887 000 | 24,086,017 |
| | 21,376,000 | 24,481,000 | 22,491,480 |
| | 50½ p.c | 51½ p.e | 48 j p.c. |
| | 28,394,000 | 28,152,000 | 28,985,254 |
| | 11,415,000 | 41,260,000 | 8,064,924 |
| | 39,686,000 | 38,999 000 | 41,562,840 |
| | 14,643,568 | 11,643,000 | 14,730,533 |
| | 28,491,000 | 27,510,000 | 28,492,749 |

NEW YORK ASSOCIATED BANKS

| | Nov. 26, 1910 | November 19, 1910 | November 27, 1909 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Loans Deposits Circulation Specie Legal Tenders | \$1,222,305,000 | \$1,204,971,600 | \$1,192,535,500 |
| | 1,197,296,800 | 1,177,133,300 | 1,172,073,000 |
| | 48,532,200 | 48,730,500 | 52,999,000 |
| | 247,250,900 | 245,433,600 | 234,770,400 |
| | 69,753,000 | 68,551,400 | 69,582,200 |
| Total Reserves | \$317,003,900 | \$313,985,000 | \$304,352,600 |
| Reserves Regid | 299,324,200 | 294,283,325 | 293,018,250 |
| Surplus | \$17,679,700 | \$19,701,675 | \$11,334 350 |
| Ratio of R'serv's | 26.5 | 26.7 | 26.0 |

Note.--Actual amount of government deposits reported was \$1,642,000, against \$1,655,000 last week, CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS.

| | Week ending | Week ending | Week ending | Week ending |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|
| | Dec. 1, 1910 | Nov. 24, 1910 | Dec. 2, 1909 | Dec. 3, 1908 |
| Montreal Toronto | \$38,924,310 34,048,621 2,982,057 | \$41,746.106 36,546,054 4,120,003 | \$16,967,788 31,025,968 3,656,807 | \$32,963,552 28,130,656 3.366,851 |

Note.—Montreal Bank Clearings during November are as follows: — 1910, \$191,937,442; 1909, \$193,143,624; 1908, \$141,584,213. Toronto Clearings in November, 1910, \$155,443,459; 1909, \$141,014,400; 1908, \$122,074,422.

Traffic Earnings.

| | CANADIAN | PACIFIC RAII | WAY. | |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| Year to date. | 1908. | 1909. | 1910. | Increase |
| Oct. 31 | 56.140.000 | \$66,906,000 | \$80,787,000 | 13,881,000 |
| Week ending. | 1908. | 1909. | 1910. | Increase |
| Nov. 7 | 1.688.000 | 2,113,000 | 2,267,000 | 154,000 |
| " 14 | 1,676,000 | | 2,108,000 | Dec. 22,000 |
| . 21 | 1,651,000 | 1,993,000 | 2,106,000 | |
| 21 | | RUNK HALLW | | |
| Year to date. | 1908. | 1909. | 1910. | Increase |
| Oct. 31, | 131 970 462 | | \$36,549,166 | \$2,960,275 |
| Week anding | 1908. | 1909. | 1910. | Increas |
| Week ending. | 837,276 | | 902,420 | |
| Nov. 7 | 854,223 | 924,271 | 899,760 | |
| : 14 | 846,743 | | 910.786 | 25,330 |
| | C. WADLAN N | ORTHERN RA | | |
| | 1908. | 1909 | 1910. | Increase |
| Year to date. | \$ 7,254,800 | | \$11,257,600 | \$3,111,800 |
| Oct. 31 | 1908. | 1909 | 1910. | Increase |
| Week ending. | 256,900 | 340,300 | 357,200 | 16,900 |
| Nov 7 | 264,500 | | | 10,100 |
| " 14 | | 357,900 | | 5,200 |
| " 21 | 257,600 | 351,000 | PART W | |
| | , SOUTH SHO | ORE & ATLA | 1910. | Increase |
| Week ending. | 1908. | 65,478 | | Increase |
| Nov. 7 | 53,381 | | Courie | |
| Tw | | PID TRANSIT | 1910. | Incresse |
| Year to date. | 1908. | | | \$484,442 |
| Oct. 31 | | \$5,714,410 | 1910. | Increase |
| Week ending. | | 1909 | | |
| Nov. 7 | 123,363 | 134,566 | | |
| " 14 | | | | |
| " 21 | 122,580 | | | 0,011 |
| | | UNITED HAIL | 1910 | Increase |
| Week ending. | 1908. | 1909 | | 16,923 |
| Nov. 7 | 124,023 | 146,005 | | 11,495 |
| " 14 | **** | 149,067 | 160,562 | |
| HAI | IFAX ELECT | RIC TRAMWA | Y COMPANY. | |
| | | way Receipts. | 1010 | T |
| Week ending. | 1908 | | 1910. | Increase 494 |
| Nov. 7 | . 3,05 | | | The state of the s |
| " 14 | . 3,15 | | | |
| " 21 | . 3,03 | 3,457 | 3,468 | 11 |

1909

40,816 39,091

45,022

KAILWAY

1910

44,033

43,576 Dec. 1,446

Week ending

Nov. 6.

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REGISTER OF NEW COMPANIES.

(Dominion Incorporations.)

Nominal Capital of Companies.—This week. \$22,275,000 Last week. 11,500,000

BALING TIE BUCKLE COMPANY OF CANADA.—Capital stock, \$20,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To manufacture and deal in baling tin buckle, machinery implements, tools, etc. Incorporators, George Washington Furth (manufacturer), Cleveland, Ohio, Emil Nathan and Ellwood David Ullman (merchants), St. Louis, Missouri, Edwin Donaldson Cahill (esquire), Mary Ethel Modeland (bookkeeper), Hamilton. Chief office, Hamilton, Ont. Date of incorporation, November 22, 1910.

CANADIAN CENTURY PUBLISHING COMPANY.—Capital stock \$250,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To take over business of Canadian Century Publishing Co., Ltd., and of Resources Publishing Co., Ltd., etc. Incorporators, George Vipond Cousins, Orrick Burroughs MacCallum (barristers-at-law), Samuel Thomas Mains (accountant), Patrick Francis Brown (secretary), William Reuben Ford (clerk), all of Montreal. Chief office, Montreal. Date of incorporation, November 18, 1910.

CANADIAN COMMANDITE COMPANY.—Capital stock, \$500,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To carry on a financial business. Incorporators, James Steller Lovell (accountant), William Bain (bookkeeper), Robert Gowans, Henry Chambers, William George Flood (solicitor's clerks), all of Toronto. Chief office, Toronto. Date of Incorporation, November 23, 1910.

CANADIAN EXPLOSIVES.—Capital stock, \$15,000,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To manufacture, deal in, etc., explosives, ammunition, etc., to carry on business of manufacturers of and dealers in ordnance, small arms, etc. Incorporators, Gordon Walters MacDougall, Lawrence Macfarlane, Charles Alexander Pope, Gregor Barclay (advocates), Edward James Waterston (student at law), all of Montreal. Chief office, Montreal. Date of incorporation, November 18, 1910.

CANADIAN PRESS.—Capital stock, \$10,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To unite the incorporators and others, who hereafter may become shareholders, being owners or representatives of daily newspapers in Canada in a mutual and cooperative organization for the collection and interchange of "news" in the papers owned or represented by them. Incorporators are owners or representatives of following journals:—Telegram, Globe, Star (Toronto). Free Press (London, Ont.), Times (Hamilton, Ont.), Citizen (Ottawa), Herald, Gazette, Star (Montreal), Telegraph (St. John, N. B.), Echo, Chronicle (Halifax, N. S.), Free Press, Telegram (Winnipeg), Leader (Regina), Herald (Calgary), World, News Advertiser (Vancouver). Chief office, Toronto. Date of incorporation, November 18, 1910.

C. R. CORNEIL.—Capital stock, \$100.000 (\$100 shares).
Object: To carry on printing, publishing, etc., business.
Incorporators, William John White and Arthur William
Patrick Buchanan (King's counsel), Joseph Henry Dillon
(advocate), Edwin Claude Young (accountant), all of
Montreal. Aubrey Huntingdon Elder (student-at-law),
Westmount. Chief office, Montreal. Date of incorporation,
November 22, 1910.

DOMINION GRAPHITE COMPANY.—Capital stock, \$500,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To undertake mining exploration and development, etc. Incorporators, James Steller Lovell (accountant), William Bain (bookkeeper), Robert Gowans, Henry Chambers, Robert Musgrave Coates (solicitor's clerks), all of Toronto. Chief office, Toronto. Date of incorporation, November 18, 1910.

FASHION DRESS AND WAIST COMPANY.—Capital stock \$45,000 (\$100 shares.) Object: To carry on business of manufacture of clothing, etc. Incorporators, Wilfrid Eugene Boucher, Henri Kieffer (civil engineers), Hector Lamontagne, Treffle Lamontagne (traders), Auguste Brodur (travelling agent), all of Montreal. Chief office, Montreal. Date of incorporation, November 21, 1910.

MEXICO NORTH WESTERN EQUIPMENT COMPANY.—Capital stock, \$200,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To manufacture and deal in railway and street railway rolling stock, etc; to carry on the business of a general construction company and contractor. Incorporators, James Steller Lovell (accountant), William Bain (bookkeeper), Robert Gowans, Henry Chambers and William George Flood (solicitor's clerks), all of Toronto. Chief office, Toronto. Date of incorporation, November 22, 1910.

MONTREAL AND SUBURBAN REALTY COMPANY.—Capital

stock, \$100,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To carry on a land and house property business; to act as builders and contractors, house agents and carry on a general real estate agency business. Incorporators, Orrick Burroughs MacCallum, George Vipond Cousins (advocates), Patrick Francis Brown (clerk), Thomas Barnard Gould, Samuel Thomas Mains (accountants), all of Montreal. Chief office, Montreal. Date of incorporation, November 18, 1910.

PORCUPINE SYNDICATE.—Capital stock, \$500,000 (\$100 shares), Object: To prospect, etc., and generally deal with lands, leases, mines, minerals, ores, mining, water and other rights, etc. Incorporators, William Bernard Converse (manager), Sydney Percival Howard (real estate broker), Frederick Henry Mackay (King's counsel), William Gibert Pugsley (advocate), Montreal, James Robinson (lumber merchant), Newcastle, N.B. Chief office, Montreal, Date of incorporation, November 18, 1910.

Date of incorporation, November 18, 1910.

SIERRA MADRE PAPER COMPANY.—Capital stock, \$5,000-000. (\$100 shares). Object: To carry on business as a manufacturer of and dealer in paper, pulp, lumber, metals, etc., to acquire timber limits, water power, etc. Incorporators, James Steller Lovell (accountant), William Bain (bookkeeper), Robert Gowans, Henry Chambers, William George Flood, Robert Musgrave Coates (solicitor's clerks), Samuel Goodman Crowell (solicitor), all of Toronto. Chief office, Toronto. Date of incorporation, November 21, 1910.

UTILITIES.—Capital stock, \$50,000 (\$100 shares). Object: To carry on business of general builders, contractors, engineers, etc. Incorporators, James Allen Williams (physician), George Ackland Gillies (engineer), Mabel Agnes Williams (Civil Service employee), Montreal, John Stark Gillies, David Armitage Gillies (lumbermen), Braeside, Ont. Chief office, Montreal, Date of incorporation, May 28, 1910

NOTE.—In all these titles the word Limited is understood.

BANK MEETINGS.

| Bank of Montreal, December 5 | | | 12 | noon |
|---|----|-----|----|------|
| Commerce (Toronto), January 10, 1911 | | | | |
| Dominion (Toronto), January 25, 1911 | | | | |
| Eastern Townships (Sherbrooke), Decem | be | r 7 | 2 | p.m. |
| Farmers' (Toronto) January 18, 1911 | | | | |
| Hochelaga (Montreal), December 21 | | | | |
| Merchants (Montreal), December 21 | | | | |
| New Brunswick (St. John, N.B.), January | | | | |
| Ottawa (Ottawa), December 21 | | | | |
| Quebec Bank (Quebec), December 5 | | | | |
| Union of Canada (Quebec), December 17 | ٠. | ٠. | 12 | noon |

DIVIDENDS DECLARED.

Bank of New Brunswick, 31/4 p.c. for quarter, payable January 3, 1911.

Bank of Nova Scotia, 3 p.c. for quarter, payable January 3, 1911.

Dominion Bank, 3 p.c. for quarter, payable January 3,

Farmers Bank, 2 p.c. for half year, payable January 3,

1911. Metropolitan Bank, 2 p.c. for quarter, payable January 3, 1911.

Northern Crown Bank, 21/2 p.c. for half year, payable January 3, 1911.

Montreal City and District Savings Bank, \$10 per share, payable January 3, 1911.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS AT MONTREAL.—The following are the figures of the customs receipts at the Port of Montreal during the seven months of the year navigation has been open:

| year navig | - | | | | | | | | | | | | 1909. | 1910. |
|------------|---|---|----|---|--|----|----|---|---|----|--|--|----------------|----------------|
| May | | | | | | | | | | | | | | \$1,534.203.47 |
| June. | | | | | | ٠. | ١. | | ٠ | ٠, | | | 1,336,740.24 | 1,559,177.10 |
| July | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,348,742.07 | 1,514,967.48 |
| August | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1.370,120.61 | 1,642,628.62 |
| Sentember. | | | | | | | | ٠ | | | | | 1,430,391.12 | 1,622,632.29 |
| October | | | ٠. | | | - | | | | | | | . 1,428,380.12 | 1,393,656.65 |
| November. | | , | | , | | | , | | | | | | . 1,482,798.10 | 1,565,986.02 |

List of Leading Stocks and Bonds
REPORTED FOR THE CHRONICLE BY R. WILSON-SMITH & CO., 160 ST. JAMES STREET, MONTREAL.
CORRECTED TO THURSDAY, DEC. 1st, 1910

| CORRECTED TO THURSDAY, DEC. 1st, 1910 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|--------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| BANK STOCKS. | Closing prices or Last sale. | Par value of one share. | Return per cent. on investment at present prices. | | Capital subscribed | Capital paid up | Rest Fund | Per cent'ge of Rest to paid up Capitai | When Dividend payable. | | | |
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