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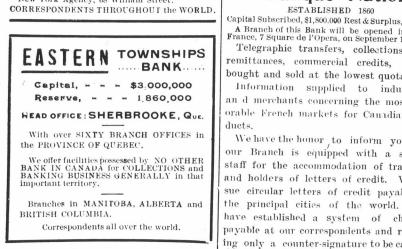
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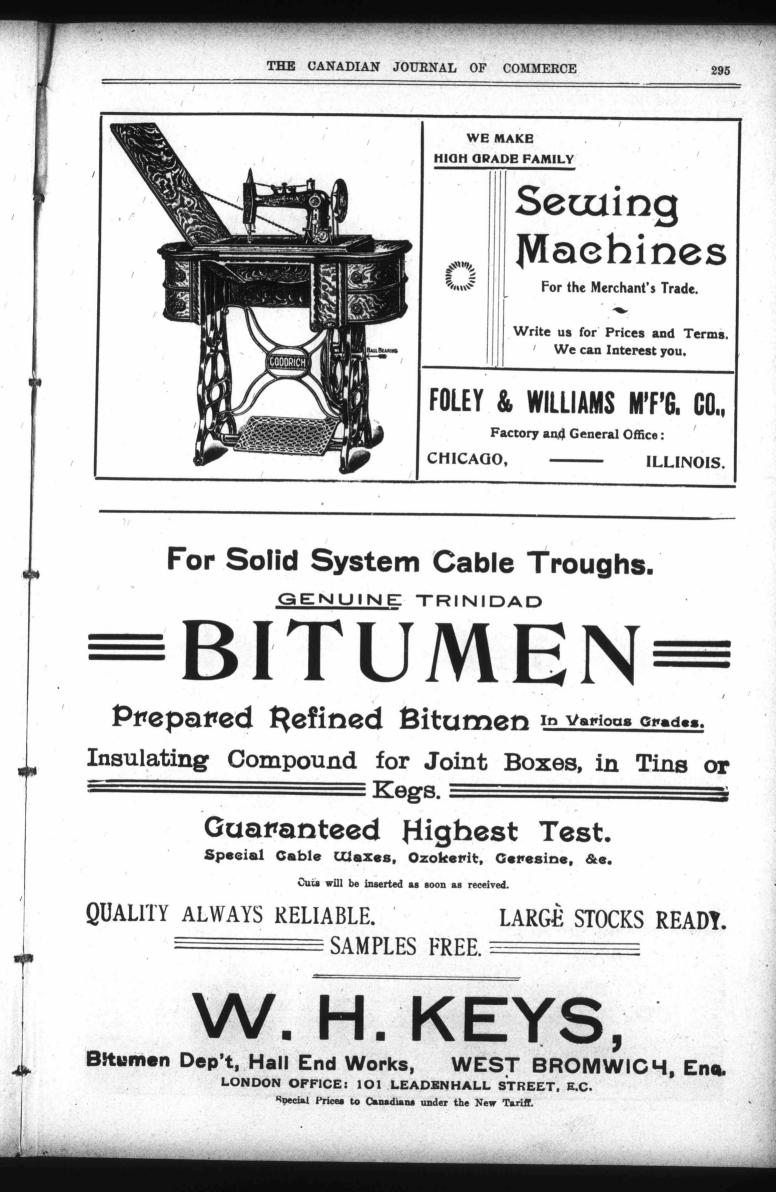
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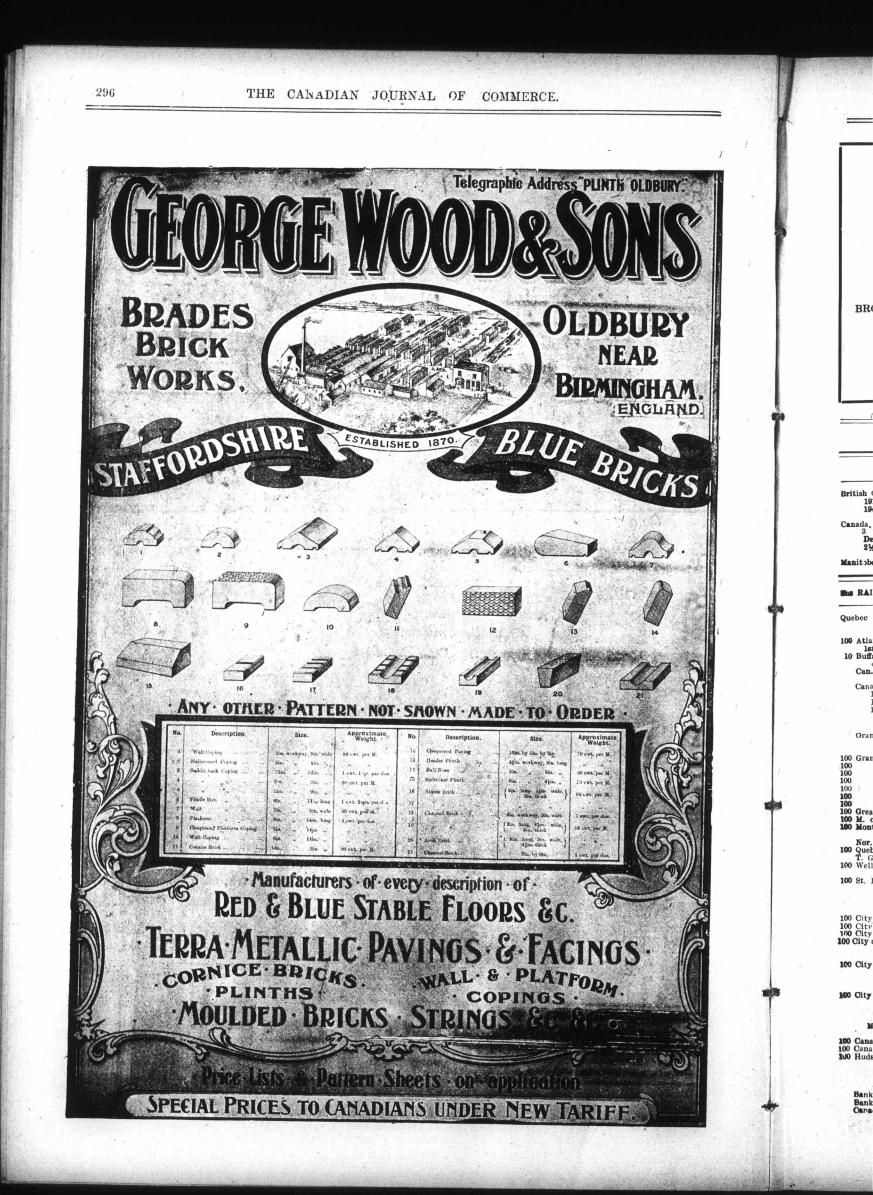
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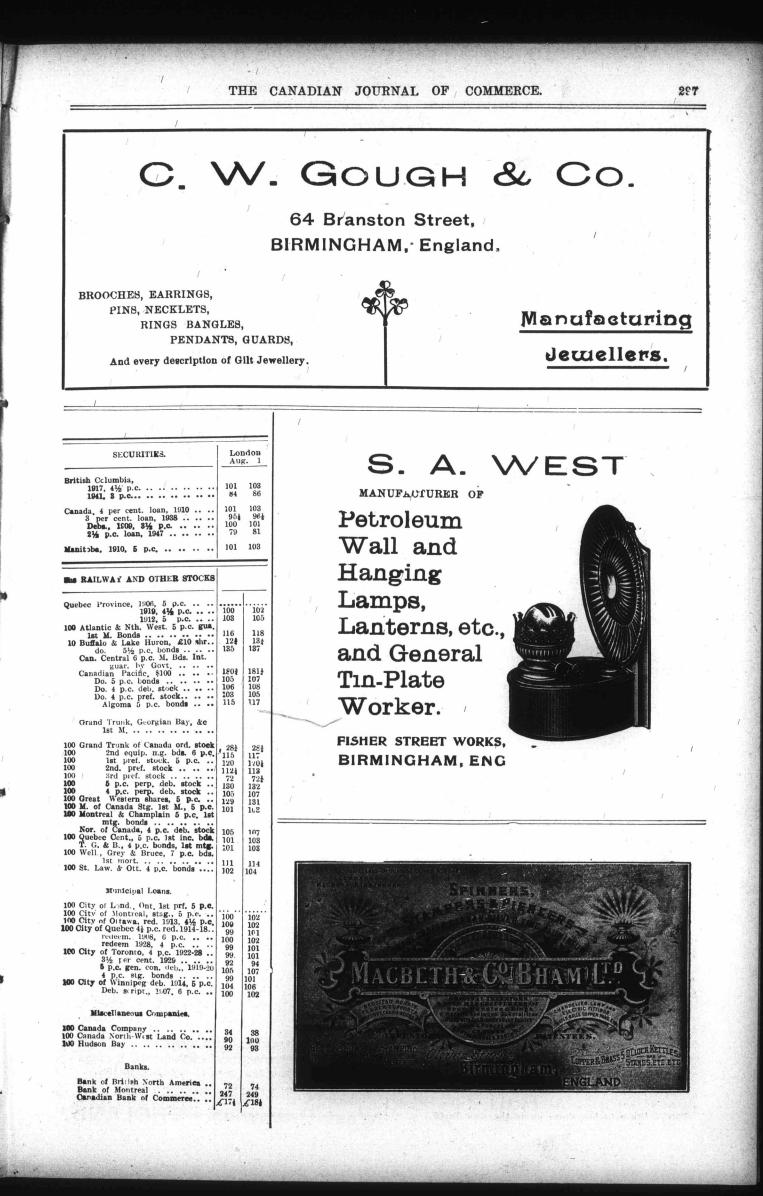
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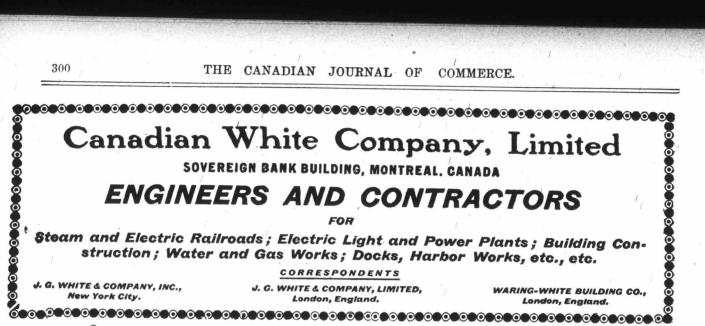


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-A New York journal has been analysing the nationalities of the steamers engaged in foreign trade to and from that port. The list shows a total of 545 such steamers, aggregating 2,685,625 gross tons. Of this total, only 36 steamers, amounting to 180.634 tons, fly the American flag, while Great Britain is represented by practically one-half of the total, having 266 steamers, aggregating 1,303,333 tons, Second rank is held by Germany with 93 vessels, amounting to 592,549 tons. Other nations have smaller tonnages, and, with the exception of Norway, which has 41 steamers to 36 of the United States, the numbers are all smaller than for the three above mentioned.

The oil production from the Tilbury field is holding up, notwithstanding that a number of drilling and pumping rigs had to shut down on account of a searcity of water. In the Shallow field only two wells are running owing to the water famine. During the month of July about 38,000 barrels of oil were shipped from the field to the refinery at Sarnia. Two gas lines are being laid to the Shallow field, and when these are completed, which is only a matter of days, operations will be resumed on a large scale there . The Kennedy Oil and Gas Co. brought in a great well on the Crosby farm, Tilbury East, recently. It is making over 200 barrels of oil a day.

Arrivals from Alberni report that mining in the Alberni valley has not for the past ten years been carried on with such vigor as recently. Development work on various claims is being carried on with much activity, and valuable ledges are being opened up. Especially is this true of the now famous Big Interior mine. on which, after the proposed visit of the mining experts and others who are to arrive within a month, development on a gigantic scale is expected. If this mine comes up to present expectations it will give a stimulus to mining which will result in the booming of all other properties in the Alberni district. The quantity of ore is enormous, and development, if it goes ahead, will take place on an immense scale.

The Secretary of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in a recent address delivered before the Americus Club of Pittsburg declared that the United States was successfully experimenting in the production of camphor. He said, in part: "For years the Department has been distributing camphor tree seed and thousands of trees are now growing throughout the South and in the Pacific Coast States . Two years ago a serious effort was made to develop the manufacture of camphor from these trees. "By improvements in manufacturing processes satisfactory results have been accomplished and a large manufacturing concern is now building up a camphor grove of 2,000 acres in Florida, from which it hopes to make its camphor. This firm uses more than \$500 000 worth of camphor every year.

-Burmese amber is in good demand at fair prices. It has a rich color, is hard, and takes on a beautiful polish. It is made into beads, which are used in the manufacture of rosaries and necklaces. Burmese amber is mined in the most primitive way, as indeed is almost all kinds of mining done in that quaint country of rich resources. Usually amber mining is done by Burmese who have finished their harvest work and have noth-

ing else to do. Small parties form and dig down near to where amber has been found. One man digs and another hauls up the dirt with ropes, each man taking his turn at the bottom. They go down to a depth of 45 feet, and if no amber is found they abandon the hole and try again in some other place, always near to where amber has been found.

-The advices from St. John's regarding the outlook for the Newfoundland fishery thus far are not very favorable. The catch in the Straits promises well, but the prospect along Labrador is by no means bright. Some of the most competent authorities in the colony express the belief that the situation, as regards that seaboard, is decidedly cheerless, and that the continuance of the present weather will tell considerably against both the catching and the curing of cod there. The shore fishery situation, on the whole, is not more favorable. In a few places good catches are being made, but when the entire seaboard is reviewed it is found that the quantities of codfish ashore are much below the average, while the weather, of course, operates considerably against successful fishing.

The following Canadian patents have been recently granted to foreigners through the agency of Messrs Marion and Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal, Canada, and Washington. D. C.- Rene Vallat, Paris, France, distilling apparatus. Albert Petersson. Alby, Sweden, methods of carrying out metallurgical reduction and melting processes. Robert H. Anderson, Germiston, Transvaal, rock drills. Henri Bertels, Brussels, Belgium, purification of sugar juices. Rudolf Eichmann, Arnau on the Elbe, Bohemia, production of sulphite cellulose from wood. Maurice Lippens, Gand, Belgium, retting plants. Erederick Wm. Medhurst. Hobart, Australia. combined portable telephone and telegraph instruments. Valdemar Poulsen, Fredericksberg, Denmark, receivers for wireles's signalling. Charles Wicksteed, Kettering. England, controlling mechanism for speed gear.

-For the first time in the history of Canada an effort will be made by an English manufacturer of saws to compete with the American product by making saws suitable for the requirements of the lumbering interests in the Dominion. Arrangements have just been satisfactorily concluded between a manutacturing firm of Sheffield, England, with the B. C. Agency Corporation. Ltd., of Vancouver. to supply that firm with single solid tooth and cross-cut saws similar to those used at the present time in the woods and in the mills. The first shipment is expected to arrive not later than December, and the B C. Agency intend to meet all demands at a moment's notice. This is but the beginning for, if the saws prove popular, the firm will follow up the first shipment with hand saws and head saws of the style having adjustable teeth.

-It is reported from Ottawa that when the Canadian mint gets to work one of its productions will be a nickel two cent piece. It is felt there is need for a penny piece in Canada, and a nickel coin worth two cents would not have the disadvantages in respect to cumbersome, size and weight which necessitated the discarding of the old copper penny. The use

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of nickel in the Canadian coinage would also afford another was that 74 ratepayers, owning \$241,000 voted for the by-law, convenient market for the large nickel areas now being exploit-and only seven ratepayers owning \$42,000, voted against the ed at Cobalt. The new mint will employ about sixty men, and by-law. The by-law will be submitted to the Lieutenant Govwill turn out between sixteen million and twenty million coins crnor-in-Council immediately, and upon his approval the comper year. At present the British Mint is turning out on the pany will begin moving their plant to Cowansville.

average about sixteen million Canadian coins per year. Dr. Bonar who has been appointed by the Imperial Government as Deputy Master of the Mint for Canada, has arrived and will manage the new institution as a branch of the British Mint.

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--The Worthington pump at the Montreal water works broke down last week causing much anxiety to the city. Street sprinkling was stopped entirely for two of the hottest grimiest days of the summer. The fire insurance underwriters have been considering the situation of affairs, and as they have sevoral times notified the city they are not satisfied with the aqueduct service, the city officials were not surprised to learn that they had sent another inspector to the plant at Point St. Charles with instructions to report. Perhaps the most heating result was the statement of an official, that "there had been no danger from the start. Some of the people in the northern part of the city would have to go without water in the upper storeys of their buildings for a while yet, but otherwise there would be no inconvenience." The breakdown occurred on Thursday and was repaired before noon on Sunday, 11th.

Some twenty years ago, according to the New Brunswick newspapers, the tamarack trees, in New Brunswick were detroyed by a pest known as the larch saw fly, indigenous to the country, which during a few favorite seasons multiplied rapidly. The loss to property by the work of this insect was enormous, involving the destruction of one of the most valuable varieties of trees. Since that time, with the loss of its natural food, the fly disappeared, but during the score of years' a new growth of tamarack started and at present the trees are of nearly marketable size. But with this new growth the fly has again made its appearance ,and New Brunswick's tamarack is is once more threatened. The fly is a small four-winged insect, related to the gooseberry or currant saw-fly. It is while in the larvae state that it does damage. It then appears as a green caterpillar of about the same shade as the tamarack foliage.

--The by-law to borrow \$15,000 upon the credit of the corporation of Cowansville was submitted to the ratepayers on August 10th and approved by an overwhelming majority. The Woodburn Sons and Co., Ltd., of Montreal, will therefore move their manufacturing plant from Montreal to Cowansville. The by-law submitted was for the purpose of borrowing \$15,000 and advancing the same to Woodburn Sons and Co., Ltd., to induce them to locate in Cowansville, the company undertaking to employ forty hands, to have an annual wage role of twenty thousand dollars, and to pay the interest and bonds borrowed by the corporation as they become due. The result of the vote

-J. S. Fenn of Spokane and J. W. Frank of Reno, Nebraska, have returned to Edmonton, from Fort McKay, on the Athabasea River. Mr. Fenn represents the British-American Oil Co. of Seattle; Mr. Frank is a mine expert who has located several of the paying oil wells in California. He describes the northern oil fields as equal to, or greater than, any in California. He says the oil runs in channels , and that it requires considerable experience and skill to locate one of the oil channels. He located three oil channels for the British-American Oil Co., who intend to carry on development with a view to operating wells when adequate transportation is obtained into that country. Speaking of asphaltum, Mr. Frank said that there is enough asphaltum on the Athabasca River to pave all the streets of all the cities in the world, and it can be manufactured for paving purposes at a small cost. "All that the country needs," said Mr. Frank, "is railways. The capital will then flow there for the exploiting of its oil resources."

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-The story of a discovery of a rich gold and copper deposits which comes from Fairbanks, Alaska ,has all the romance of the most picturesque tales of gold-findings in the past. Tired and foot-sore, Arthur Valentine and two companions were "mushing" into the Innoko camp in the far North when they pitched camp on the divide between Glacier and Tom Gaines creeks. One man stumbled as he was carrying wood to the fire, his foot hit a stone and sent it bounding down the hillside. He looked down at his injured toes, but forgot to say things when he saw what rested in the hollow left by the hurrying stone. There lay a piece of quartz rich with free milling gold. Weary bones were forgotten by the little band, and a hurried prospect disclosed a ledge of quartz over 20 feet wide and all rich with yellow gold. The next day they pounded out enough in a rough mortar to grub stake them for many days ,and now they claim that they have traced the ledge some distance and found it rich with wealth.

—Sir Benjamin Baker, the eminent engineer, who died recently was the designer of the great Assouan dam on the Nile. This massive artificial embankment is a mile and a quarter in length and 126 feet high an its deepest point. It holds up an enormous reservoir of water, benefiting all Egypt. The whole cost was under £2 000,000 sterling, and already it has paid Egypt many times that amount in crops. It is now proposed that the dam be raised nearly twenty-three feet, which would more than double the present water supply. It now supplies about a quarter of the water which eventually will be needed in Egypt. With the proposed enlargement about 950,000 acres of land would be brought under cultivation. The change would



cost about \$7,500,000? Since the establishment of the Assouan reservoir the sile value of lands already provided with perennial irrigation has increased by about \$122.500.000, and this figure, when canals now under construction are completed, will be increased to approximately \$140,000.000. In addition to this the cotton crop, which last year amounted to \$140,000,000, has been assured.

-There is some speculation, respecting the liquidation proceedings of the York Lean Society. The liquidators are disposing of the real estate and turning these assets into cash as rapidly as possible. They were unable to determine how the various classes of shareholders should be graded, whether all ranks of shareholders should participate in the division of assets, or whether some should be debarred; whether some are entitled to preference, or otherwise. An amendment of the winding-up act was secured, in order that each class of shares should be represented by commsel, instead of each individual shareholder being present, as required by the old act. After the legal vacation this matter will be settled and upon the settlement naturally depends the division of the assets, but the liquidators expect to have funds on hand to pay a dividend. The last statement was issued by the liquidators in December last. It showed assets of \$1.319 064.39, and liabilities of \$4,-112.033.67, thus indicating a dividend of about twenty cents on the dollar. The assets included \$900,000 worth of vacant land and \$90,000 worth of improved properties . Some of these have since been turned into each, but no statement has since been issued.

—The second consignment of 60 head of Canadian dairy cattle was shipped lately from Howiek. Que., via G.T.R., and C. P.R. for Seattle, and thence by steamship across the Pacific to their destination. Yokohama. Two years ago, representatives of the Japanese Government visited Canada and selected a considerable number of Ayrshires, which have proved so satistactory that more were called for. Three representatives came over again this summer, and, after visiting a number of herds, made selections of 45 Ayrshires from herds at Stratford, and Maxville. Ont.; Howick, Que., and Ormstown, Que. These animals ranged from one to two years old, the two-year olds being nearly all forward in calf. Four yearling bulls were included in the Ayrshire contingent; one purchased from Mr. Ballantyne, the others from Mr. Ness. Eleven Holsteins from Syracuse, N. Y.; one Hereford bull from Hamilton. Ont., and a Shorthorn heifer from Weston, were included in the shipment. The animals were collected at the stables of Mr. R. R. Ness, Howick, Que., to be tested, marked and photographed singly. It was expected that it would take 14 days to reach Seattle, and 14 days from there to reach their destination.

-Advices have been received of an attempted raid by the Japanese sealing schooners Kaiko Maru and Midori Maru on June 1 on the seal rookery at Copper Island, one of the Commander group, guarded by Russians. The schooner Kaika Maru has returned to Japan, with three of her sealing boats and twelve men missing. She reported that the other Apanese sealing schooner, the Midori Maru, which had been anchored close to her had been fired upon by the Russian rookery guard, and her mast had been damaged by the shell fire from a field gun on shore. Investigation by the local authorities showed that the two schooners had gone to Copper Island to raid the seal rookery and had been surprised by the Russian guard, which had been strengthened and armed with a field gun in addition to rifles since the organized raid of several Japanese sealing vessels which took a field gun and began a regular guerilla war for the seal pelts two seasons before. One of the Japanese sealers was shot and twelve captured from the Kaiko Maru, and it was not known what befel the Midori Maru and her crew. It is computed that only 120.000 seals are to be found in the Behring sea herds, which a few years ago contained over 5,000,000 of these valuable animals.

-For some time past complaints have been made that American fishermen were making use of dynamite in some sections of the Bay of Fundy. The matter having been brought to the attention of the department of marine and fisheries, the American authorities were communicated with, and as a result of the combined efforts of the Canadian officials and the Maine state and fishery commission, the ringleaders in the ruinous work were arrested and heavily fined. Most of the offenders were Americans and had shown their utter indifference to the Canadian patrol boat by using the dynamite in American waters in the presence of the Dominion officers. By arrangement the Dominion revenue cutter Curley went to Calais on Tuesday and there took aboard James Donohue and S. T. Kimball. counsel of the Maine fishery commission . The cutter then came to Eistport, where Judge Newcombe joined the party, and they proceeded to Campobello Island, where the dynamiters were at work. The American authorities kept under cover, but recognized most of the men. Judge Newcombe furnished Commissioner Donohue and Deputy Sheriff Parker with warrants, and three of the men were arrested on coming to shore. The prisoners were arraigned and fined \$100 and costs and two months in jail.

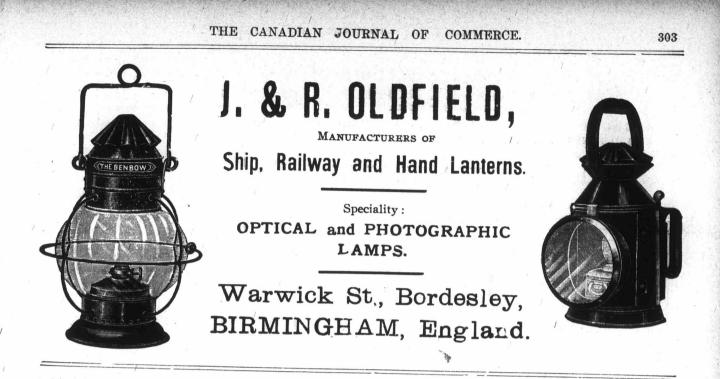
-The Department of Customs has received the report of the Canadian commercial agent to Japan, transmitting the complaint of Japanese exporters against the change in 'customs regulations governing the importation of low-priced teas. Under the old regulations teas invoiced at 15 cents per pound and under were not allowed to go into consumption until sampled

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and tested for purity. The new regulation complained of brings under test requirement teas costing 25 cents/per pound and less. As it was for the protection of the great consuming public, that this alteration was designed, strong reasons would have to be adduced to make out a case for the abrogation of the new regulation. What the Japanese exporters allege was that delay injurious to the trade in Canada would be caused by the requirement of official tests of teas costing up to 25 cents. The allegation seems, however, to be unfounded./Samples of tea received at the department are at once submitted to the expert, who makes his examination and sends out the result the same day to the collector of the port at which the consignment has been entered. In cases of emergency, moreover, the report of the expert, whose ruling is seldom, if ever, questioned, is sent out by telegraph. There is not much probability of the new regulation being modified because of the Japanese protest.

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—The recent fall in the price of deals in the British market has brought trouble to some New Brunswick lumbermen. The English market has dropped two dollars and a half per thousand feet, and as a result it is estimated that one shipper has lost not less than \$60,000, this season, another in the vicinity of \$20,000, while the rest stand to drop all the profits made on early cargoes, or else to suffer a great reduction from their ordinary profits. Early in the spring the outlook was promising. Deals are always bought early, tonnage is arranged in advance, and some of the deals are resold . Deals at the beginning of this season were purchased at from \$14.50 to \$15, and/ several shippers following their usual plans secured large contracts. They made their charters ,and now when the English market is down, are practically compelled to ship, even at a direct loss. A few shippers, however, who felt suspicious of the market limited their purchases and now count themselves extremely lucky. Yet in spite of this precaution almost the whole output of New Brunswick mills have been contracted for, and up to date about fifty per cent, has been forwarded. There are very few deals now on the local markets, some small quantities being held by independent operators who, however, will not ship until the English situation improves.

—Some interesting experiments with reference to the nutritive value of foods containing sugar were recently made at the instance of the War Office at Berlin. It is a fact well known to Alpine tourists that on difficult climbing excursions an increased desire is felt for sweets and sweetened foods, and many who never touch such things at home devour large quantities of them on these tours. It is also frequently remarked that the guides eagerly appropriate any sugar that may be left over, and consume it on the journey. Whether the sugar afforded real benefit to the mountain climber was the subject of the German investigation; that is, did the consumption of sugar render the tired muscles capable of renewed exertion? To answer the question conclusively, the subject of the experiment was not allowed to know that a test was being made. One day a sweet liquid, containing thirty grams of sugar, was administered ; on the next a similar liquid, sweetened/by saccharin to render it indistinguishable from the other, as far as taste was concerned, took the place of the sugar. The result was a complete triumph for the sugar. It was found that a greater amount of work could be accomplished on the days when the sugar was given than on those when saccharin took its place. This serves, as far as it goes, to prove that sugar is food in a true sense, and that it is in particular a food for the muscles.

-Attorney General Cross of Alberta has made public a statement to the effect that the Provincial Government will prosecute the Retail Lumber Dealers' Association for alleged conspiracy in restraint of trade. Mr. Cross gave the following statement in connection with the matter: "The Provincial Government has kept in touch with the investigations held at Ottawa in March and April last concerning the prices charged for lumber in the provinces of Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan. Since receipt of the evidence the Deputy Attorney-General has been continuously engaged in sifting and analysing it. The result of the examination is that the Government has concluded that the facts disclosed a call for judicial investigation. Unfortunately it is practically impossible for the Government of this province, acting alone, to indict the Alberta Retail Lumber Dealers' Association, as a body, for conspiracy with the Mountain Lumber Manufacturers' Association of British Columbia, because the latter association is not within our jurisdiction, and it must rest with the Government of British Columbia to take action against them, if they consider it their duty to do so. Very unfortunately, too, because a judgment of a court upon the subject as to whether an arrangement exists between these two associations is illegal and a contravention of the criminal code, would go to the root of this whole matter. This question, however, will doubtless be decided incidentally in the court of the prosecution, which it is the intention of the Government to institute against the executive of ficers of the Alberta Lumber Dealers' Association. By reason of this fact that all the exhibits, including the list of the members of the Alberta Lumber Dealers' Association, were handed back to the witnesses by the special committee of Parliament and were not printed in the report of the evidence, the Government is not at present in possession of evidence as to what firms compose this association. The object, however, of the prosecution which, as I have stated already, is to bring before the courts the question of the legality of this combination, if such exists. will be for practical purposes sufficiently decided by the indictment the Government proposes to lay against the executive officers of the association. The matter will be taken up immediately and a charge laid as I have indicated."



ed for themselves an opinion as to the merits of the 2storey sheds recently erected on our harbour wharves. we venture to say that there are as yet but comparatively few who have visited and examined personally the possible utility of these structures from the decks of one of the large ocean steamers moored alongside, or from the upper-storey balconies of the sheds themselves. Much, to be sure, has been put forth in these columns from time to time during latter years, assisted not/a little by one whose practical knowledge and long-time experience eminently qualified him to fill a high place at the councils of the Harbour Board, but from which he doubtless has long been debarred by what must be termed his political bias, a motive which in the history of Canadian party government has frequently stood in the way of securing the right man for the right place.

Toward the close of last month harbour and shipping men were somewhat stirred up by the announced visit hitherward of an engineer of high repute in and near great seaports of the United Kingdom. We have been favoured with such visits before, and as many of us are modest enough to believe that we have yet a good deal to learn, we welcome them all with more or less liberality and eclat. It has not withal as yet been discovered how those upper storeys can be put to practical use—in any degree akin to what they were intended.

It remained for a Chicago visitor-not an engineering

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contractor this time, but a manufacturer with a mechanical turn-to see almost at a glance the shortcomings of our imposing second storeys-in what they were defective-in fact how totally impracticable they are. The view from the discharging and debarking decks revealed at a glance to one who can measure feet and inches without the aid of a foot or yard measure, that there had been no provision made for loading or discharging cargoes after the great modern ship had been partly laden or unladen. The slope from the deck of the vessel (as matters now stand) to the floor of the second storey of the shed would sometimes be at an angle of more than 65 degrees; the only way of escape from the difficulty being to remove the hull of the ship many yards farther away from the wharf than is customary, and to strengthen the gangways.

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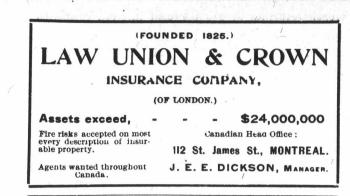
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Even the landing and discharging on to the main floor of the sheds are sadly far from the horizontal. Anyone with an eye in his head can see that the level of the wharves is fully four feet from the proper plane, and must be altered to fully that height, in order to render movements inward or outward anything like facile or convenient.

The passages inward and outward from the sheds have also been made the subject of well-deserved criticism. Damage to horses and dray or waggon-loads is of too frequent occurrence. But of this more anon.



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#### THE BANK OF FRANCE.

On a former occasion we availed ourselves of an opportunity to place before our readers a condensed history and description of the Bank of England which was of sufficient interest as to bring us requests for repetition from a number of new subscribers. Although the Bank of France cannot possess equal interest for Canadian readers there are doubtless many-and not alone those of French origin-to whom a similar relation will be welcome. It is almost needless to remark that in its constitution and organization the Bank of France differs essentially from the "Old Lady of Threadneedle Street." It is remarkable that most of the great banks of modern Europe owe their origin to wars or to advances made to governments. This was the case with the Bank of Venice which was founded in 1171 as the result of a loan to that republic in time of war. The Bank of England obtained its first charter in 1694 (the reign of William and Mary) in consideration of a loan to the Treasury of equal to 6 million dollars of our money.

Everybody knows of the plausible theories of John Law, the Scotch financier of Louis XIV in great straits for money. This was the origin of the "Banque Generale" in 1716 which in 1718 became "La Banque Royale." This bank had a great but brief success, its shares in a year after its foundation rising to 50 times their nominal value. About the close of 1720 the bank collapsed and Law had to flee from the vengeance of the thousands he had ruined. So terrible was the catastrophe and so bitter the memory of that attempt to establish a national bank, that, until 1776 no one ventured to repeat the experiment. In that year Panchard, a Genoese banker, with the support of the Minister Turgot, was authorised by royal decree to establish a bank, called "Caisse d'Escompte," with a capital of about \$3,-000,000. It acquired a position of considerable influence, and rendered important services to the country. In 1789 the State was its creditor for \$31,800,000, which the National Assembly decreed should be reimbursed in assignats (government notes) secured upon the property of the crown and the clergy. But shortly after, during the financial troubles consequent upon the Revolution, "La Caisse d'Escompte " came to grief, and in 1793, on the proposition of Cambon, its suppression was decreed. After the Reign of Terror had spent its fury, the country began to breath again. Trade and commercé revived, and several banks were created.

In the closing days of 1799 the Consulate was established in France, with Napoleon Bonaparte as First Consul. The 'Encyclopaedia Britannica' says: "The work of reconstruction which distinguishes the Con-

sulate, through it was continued under the Empire, is the most enduring of all the achievements of Napoleon. The institutions of modern France date, not, as is often said, from the Revolution, but from the Consulate." The First Consul early realised the necessity, both for the State and for the commerce of the country, of a strong national financial institution, and he lost no time in organising'it. "La Banque de France" was founded on the 13th of February 1800, and it opened its doors to the public on the 20th of the same month. It was established as a "Societe Anonyme," with a capital of \$6,000,000 in 30,000 shares of \$200 each. Napoleon and his family subscribed for a considerable number of shares. The first Consul's idea, which he frequently expressed, was that the Bank, although a State Bank and intrusted with all the financial operations of the Government, should remain entirely independent, and in no way be under the orders of the State. It was not created, like the Bank of England, to obtain money for the Treasury. On the contrary, the State assisted in increasing' the resources of the Bank of France. A Consular decree caused to be paid into the Bank the considerable funds of the "Caisse d'Amortissement," which Mollien had accumulated for the benefit of the army; and the caution-monies in deposit with the Treasury from the financial agents (Receveurs Generaux) were converted into shares of the Bank. The capital of the Bank and its deposits were destined to facilitate the commercial interests of the country by discounting traders' bills at a moderate interest and granting credits to merchants.

Three years later, important modifications were made in the original constitution of the Bank of France, and by the law of the 14th of April 1803 it was granted the exclusive privilege of issuing banknotes. Further, the capital of the Bank was raised to \$9,000,000, in shares of \$200 each. It is a remarkable testimony to the organising talent of the First Consul that for more than a century the Bank of France has lived and prospered on the constitution which he gave it. In its main lines the constitution of the Bank is the same to-day as when the master-mind devised it.

There are so many original features in that constitution that it may be of interest briefly to describe it, as fixed by the revised statutes of 1808. The Council of Management is presided over by a Governor, who with two Sub-Governors are named by the head of the State on the proposition of the Minister of Finance. The Assembly of Shareholders name the "Conseil de Regence," composed of fifteen Regents elected for five years, renewable by a fifth, and re-eligible. Three of the Regents have to be chosen from amongst the "Tresoriers-Payeurs" (Treasury Officials), five of the Regents must be manufacturers or merchants, and for the remaining seven Regents no condition of profession is imposed. The Assembly of Shareholders also names three "Censeurs" (Proctors), chosen from the class of manufacturers or merchants. The Governor, two Sub-Governors, fifteen Regents, and three "Censeurs" form the "Conseil General" of the Bank. The three "Censeurs" select (out of a list of thirty-six persons presented to them by the Conseil General) twelve members to form a "Conseil d'Escompte" (Discount Commission). The Governor and Sub-Governors receive salaries; the other

members of the Conseil General only receive "jetons de presence." All must possess shares, of the Bank, which remain inalienable during their term of office — 100 shares for the Governor, 50 for each of the Sub-Governors, 30 for each Regent and Censeur, and 10 for each member of the "Conseil d'Escompte." The Regents and Censeurs are divided into six committees, which are (1) for discounts, (2) for "la Caisse," (3) for banknotes, (4) for accounts and securities, (5) for the branches, (6) for affairs connected with the Treasury. The "service actif" (executive) is directed by four principal functionaries — the General Secretary, the/ Head Cashier, the Secretary of the General Council, and the Chief Controller. The business of the Bank is thus described:—

1. The discount of commercial bills not having more than 90 days to run, and bearing three good signatures, or two signatures with a supplementary guarantee.

2. The encashment of securities, and, in case of heed, making advances upon such of these securities as are certain of realisation. No securities payable abroad are accepted.

<sup>7</sup>3. The opening of accounts current on condition that these accounts are never overdrawn.

4. The issue of bank-notes and "Billets a ordre," but only in such proportion as the coin in its safes and the due date of bills in its portfolio ensure that payment will not be deferred.

It will be noticed that in the organisation of the Bank of France the First Consul had chiefly in view an institution to facilitate the merchants and traders of the country. They had a preponderating influence in its direction, and by the establishment of agencies in all the chief centres of trade the facilities which the Bank offered were brought within reach of all. The number of these agencies has increased with the development of trade, and on the 11th of December, 1905, the Bank of France possessed-1 Central Office; 127 Branches; 53 Auxiliary Offices; 242 Sub-offices. In all, the Bank is represented by 423 establishments. With the exception of its note issue and Government business, the Bank of France has no privilege over other banks in the country. In reality, it is of advantage to the other great banking establishments. These last receive large deposits from the public, upon which they pay interest, and by their numerous agencies in foreign countries they facilitate the foreign trade of France. Thus to mention one only of the great French banks, the Credit Lyonnais, its capital is \$50,000,000, its reserve is \$20,000,000, its deposits amount to \$325,000,000, and it has many agencies in foreign countries. The trader prefers to have his banking account with a private bank, with whom he discounts his bills, having two signatures, that of buyer and seller. The private banker, adding his own signature, can rediscount them at any moment with the Bank of France. In 1903 the commercial bills which the Bank of France discounted represented \$2,-381,987,350. The average amount of these bills was 633 francs (\$125), and the average term (echeance) was 22 days. One can thus form an estimate of how largely these bills discounted were connected with small trading operations. The director of a provincial branch of the Bank of France said lately: "We have a branch of our business which other banks cannot do; we advance on

French securities at  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent interest, calculated from day to day, even for five or six days, with a margin, on French rentes of 20 per cent and on French railway stock of 30 per cent." It is easy to understand how such a facility encourages the holding of French securities. The possession of these securities represents, when needed, available cash at a low rate of interest. The securities in deposit at the Bank of France at the end of 1903 were of the value of \$1,389,600,000.

Until 1848 there was no limit imposed upon the issue of bank-notes in France. Then it was fixed at the equivalent of 14 millions sterling, but was raised in 1849 and 1850 to the equivalent of 21 millions sterling. In 1870, during the war with Germany, the limit was increased to 72 millions sterling, in 1872 to 128 millions sterling, and in 1884 to 140 millions/sterling. Finally, in 1897 the limit was fixed at the equivalent of 200 millions sterling. At present the notes in circulation in France represent about 188 millions sterling. The smallest note in circulation is of 50 francs (\$10). The stock of gold in the vaults of the Bank of France is generally about \$560,000, 000, and of silver \$205,000,000. In England the notes in circulation amount to only about 29 millions sterling, and the smallest note is of \$25. Doubtless a large part of the difference between the note circulation in France and England is explained by the greater use in the latter country of cheques, which in reality are a paper circulation. But in part the difference arises from the issue of two-pound notes in France. There is no reason why we should not imitate the French and issue two-pound notes. This would greatly diminish the absorption of gold for our home circulation, and consequently swell our too scant reserves of that metal. The stock of coin and bullion at the Bank of England is about \$160,000,000.

By the last convention of 1897 the contract between the State and the Bank of France was renewed until 1920, with a power of resiliation at the end of 1912. There was stipulated a contribution from the Bank to the Treasury (based upon an eighth of the discount rate upon the amount of the productive circulation) of not less than \$400,000 a-year. In 1905 that contribution amounted to \$835,000 ,and the average from 1897 to 1905 was \$832,500 per annum. The Bank also raised the limit of its advance to the Treasury, without interest, to the equivalent of \$36,000,000.

It is impossible to make any comparison between the Bank of England and the Bank of France. The latter is a great national institution with a perfect organisation, and ramifications all through the country to facilitate trade; the former is simply a highly respectable banking corporation with a dozen agencies, doing the banking business of the Government, having a note issue, and making as much profit as it can, in an oldfashioned way, for its shareholders. It is the banker of the other banks; but it has never had for mission to facilitate the trade or commerce of the country, and has never attempted to do so. In point of fact, therefore, we have no institution in England comparable to the Bank of France.

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the country. While in England we have had during 1906 six changes of interest, varying from 31/2 to 6 per cent, in France the rate has remained invariably at 3 per cent. The guiding principle of the Bank of France is the same as that of the French fiscal policy-viz., the prosperity of the trade of the country. This was well illustrated in its action in November last. 'The Bank of England found itself obliged to raise the bank rate of interest to 6 per cent, in consequence chiefly of the drain of gold to the United States of America, and all our traders had to bear the strain of such a high rate. The Bank of France refused to allow its reserves of gold to be drawn upon for America, and maintained its rate of interest at 3 per cent. While it declined to discount paper of a foreign origin, it continued to discount French commercial bills at from 31/8 to 37/8 per cent. The benefit to French traders has been great; indeed there is no doubt that it is owing to the action of the State Bank that the small traders of France enjoy far greater banking facilities than do those in England.

The Savings Bank system in France is much the same as that in England, but the facilities of investing in Government securities are much/greater. Quite independent of the savings banks, any one can apply to a Treasury office in the capital or in the provinces for the purchase or sale 'of French Rentes. The minimum purchase is of 2 frances of Rentes (40 cents), but few applications are for less than 71/2 francs, representing a capital investment of about \$50. These operations are centralised by a department in Paris called the "Mouvement General de Fonds," which purchases or sells through the "Syndic des Agents de Change." The only charge made to the investor, over and above the price of the day, is a small brokerage of about a tenth of one per cent. The investor thus requires to employ no intermediary except the Government office to whom he pays his money. As the result of these various facilities for investment in and realisation of Government securities, a very large portion of the French Public Debt is in the hands of small holders. In England not 200,000 persons are interested in its public debt, while in France the number of inscriptions of rentes exceeds 4 millions, which implies at least 1 million of persons having some rentes upon the State.

The contrary is the case in England, and it is certainly desirable that an effort should be made to enlarge the number of small holders of our Public Debt. This may be attained by adopting the facilities afforded to the small investors in France as described.

We are beholden to a very comprehensive article in "Blackwood's Magazine" for most of the above particulars.

-A logging railway approximately six miles in length is to be constructed along the banks of the Nimkish river, near Alert bay, B. C., to connect the salt water shipping point with the Nimkish lake. On the shores of the latter is some of the finest timber of the north coast. The Nimkish flows into the guil near Alert bay, two hundred miles up the coast. For several years logging operations have been carried on by floating timber down the Nimkish. But large losses have occurred, for the river is swift and dangerous, and the companies operating in the vicinity have come to the conclusion that it will be cheaper in the long run to load their timber on cars and carry ft down the hill in that way.

#### THE U.S. STEEL CORPORATION.

As affording a useful lesson to manufacturers of steel and iron the world over and more particularly to our maritime empiricists, the last quarterly report of the U.S. Steel Corporation will afford some interest to our readers. The statement of the marvellous earnings for the June quarter has nevertheless attracted less attention in the United States than that made by one of the officials of the company after the adjournment of the meeting of the directors, that the business booked by the corporation since the 1st July showed a falling off in some items compared with the same period of last year of 25 to 30 per cent.

It was natural that this was the attitude taken, since it is obvious to students of events, that past results just now, as our New York contemporary, the Chronicle, observes, cannot be accepted as offering any guide to the future. As it happened, also, the announcement with reference to the falling off in the Steel Company's business, came coincident with reports of very unsatisfactory conditions in the copper trade and a slackening in the demand in the iron and steel trade. As far as the copper trade is concerned the recent cut in prices made by the producing interests seems to have failed entirely to attract any of the large consumers .As a consequence the copper market for the time being remains in a very unsettled condition. Only small orders are being placed and these are at considerable concessions from the new schedule of prices announced last month by the Amalgamated Copper Company and Phelps and Co. It has been rumoured lately that electrolytic copper had fallen to 20 cents. The fact is that a very cautious policy is being pursued by business men generally in view of the marked indications of a reaction in general trade, and this feeling very naturally has communicated itself to the copper consumers.

The same is true concerning the iron and steel industry. There the situation might easily become very acute at any moment. Production in all departments of iron and steel, owing to the long-continued extraordinary demand, has reached phenomenal proportions, and with any considerable abatement in the demand, manufacturers might find no little difficulty in disposing of such a large output. Up to the present time mills and factories have been kept busy on past orders and this is a situation which may continue for quite a little while longer. As soon as these old orders, however, are exhausted, the perplexing problem will arise how to get new orders of the same amount and adequate to keep mills and factories fully employed. This follows because in the iron and steel industry so much depends upon the purchases of the railroads, and these latter have been obliged to restrict their outlays by reason of the fact that they are no longer able to raise new capital for the purpose with any degree of facility. It should be borne in mind, however, that the large quantity of orders already booked are sufficient of themselves to prevent any inconvenience arising from what is termed a "falling off" in new orders.

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cially, where it could pass through a lean period without experiencing any serious ill effects. However, there seems to be no immediate likelihood of any great shrinkage in the company's earnings, since the unfilled orders on hand June 30, 1907, were still of great magnitude, aggregating 7,603,878 tons. This is smaller than the total on March 31, but a falling off is usual between these two dates, and the present aggregate of 7,603,878 tons compares with only 6,809,589 tons on June 30 last year and but 4,829,655 tons on June 30th, 1905. The earnings for the June quarter of 1907 were far in excess of the amount for any quarter of any previous year. reaching \$45,503,705, which is over \$5,000,000 better even than the large total for the June quarter in 1906, which had been \$40,125,035. The disposition made of these earnings reflects the policy which has been undeviatingly pursued in the administration of the property. After providing for interest, sinking funds and depreciation and reserve funds, a surplus of \$30,843,512 remained for the quarter. Of this only \$8,846,432 was distributed in dividends (134 per cent on the preferred stock and 1/2 of 1 per cent on the common stock), which still left available \$21,997,080; and "out of this no less than \$18,500,000 was set aside as a special appropriation for additional property, new plants, new construction and discharge of capital obligations."

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#### THE ANTHRACITE COAL TAX.

As was to be anticipated, the disposition on the part of State and county authorities over the border to press all possible tax-burdens upon railway companies within their reach, has now been extended to the anthracite coal properties controlled or owned chiefly by these public carriers. This, we need scarcely inform our readers, is calculated in no less degree to impose a burden upon every consumer of hard coal in Canada residing in the eastern half of the Dominion.

The principal papers in the large eastern centres of population are up in arms against the proposed new tax upon the people, and it remains to be seen whether the influence generally attributed to them in late years will prove equal to the occasion. They point to the smallness of the area covered by the anthracite coal fields. These deposits are chiefly limited to the four eastern counties of Lackawanna, Lucerne, Carbon and Schuylkill in Pennsylvania, with small vein extensions into six ether counties.

The authorities of the four counties above mentioned have the power to increase the cost of the coal chiefly consumed by nearly the whole of the population of the United States and Canada. The average yield for market of anthracite coal in the Pennsylvania districts is now about 55 millions of gross tons per annum, the maximum being somewhat under 60 million tons, as was the case in 1903 after the contraction in 1902, resulting from the great strike. The governing officials of the counties named, as pointed out by the New York Commercial and Financial, seem to "disregard the total of coal produced and to increase the valuation for the purposes of taxation of the coal remaining in the bowels of the earth, and in pursuance of this policy they appear to be going to an extreme " which cannot fail of injury to the interests of consumers far and near.

If, as our contemporary observes, the effect of increased taxation of unmined coal were to stimulate production so as to increase the amount of coal above ground, and thus cheapen the price of fuel to consumers, the result of higher taxes might be beneficial to the public; but the process does not work out that way. The owners of the coal lands, finding their expenses increased by taxation, will be apt to add the amount of the increase to the cost of coal at the mines. This increased cost will follow the fuel until it reaches the consumer, who will bear the burden. Thus the consumers of anthracite all over the United States, save that portion on the Pacific coast supplied by British Columbia, and all those in Canada to the east of the Rockies, may be called upon to pay special tribute to the four counties in Pennsylvania which are so fortunate as to possess the only deposits of hard coal to be found in the republic.

The manner in which the increase in taxation is regarded by the officers of the coal companies is indicated by the following semi-official statement which was given to the press:

"Users of anthracite coal all over the country will feel "the results of increased taxation of coal lands. As-"sessed valuation has been doubled in Schuylkill county, "Pa., while all other property of the county has been in-"creased only 4 per cent. Coal lands formerly assessed "at \$21,000,000 have been raised to \$42,000,000, but" "the remaining property in the county has only been "raised from \$28,000,000 to \$29,000,000. The increased -"valuations epidemic throughout the anthracite region "were not made to cover deficits in public funds, but "with the purpose of transferring to coal land owners "the greater share of tax burdens."

Lucerne county officials have fixed the coal valuation at \$67 per foot per acre, while Lackawanna county officers have made the assessment \$100 per foot per acre. Schuylkill county officers were desirous of a uniform assessment in the entire region based upon the per foot principle, which has reference to the thickness of the veins. As the Lucerne and Lackawanna officials disagree on the valuation, the plan to obtain uniformity has fallen through.

The sites of certain cities have coal underneath. Such coal lands have heretofore been taxed by the acre, but now it is proposed to tax these lands as other property in the cities is taxed, namely, by the lot. The valuation of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company's property in the city of Hazelton has thus been raised from \$500 per acre to \$2,000. As the company has 492 acres of coal-lands within the city limits, the assessment is thereby increased \$738,000. The company has withheld payment and will test the legality of the assessment in the courts. Counsel for the companies operating in Lucerne and Lackawanna counties have determined to appeal to the courts for protection. They will base their cases upon the claim that coal lands are taxed higher than any other property in the counties, and if they lose their suits in the lower courts, they will be carried to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania for final adjudication.

Estimates of the amount of anthracite unmined vary exceedingly; one expert places the amount at about 4,-500 millions of tons. It is on this coal that the officials of a f from depos cludin still r the E

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of a few counties in Pennsylvania desire to exact tribute from consumers all over the continent. There are large deposits of fine anthracite coal in British Columbia including those in the Charlotte Islands, but these are still remote from the great centres of consumption to the East.

#### HARBOUR AFFAIRS.

People who were accustomed in former seasons to comment disparagingly upon the unseemly wordy warfare which frequently characterized the meetings of the Harbour Commissioners of Montreal have been congratulating themselves for some months latterly on the apparent harmony which prevailed at/ the councils of the recently installed Triumvirate — meetings so peaceful in themselves that citizens who stay at home during the season of greatest activity along our river front occasionally wondered whether the recent Promises of Spring were being carried out or some new floods of eloquence prepared to keep shippers or other business men "enthuşed" over all that had been pictured before them, or magnified when seen through brimming glasses.

While relying upon much that had been depicted before us, it was however scarcely to be expected that an official or clerical force of no insignificant proportionsseated comfortably for several years past - should be directed or controlled by three masters with effect equal to or approaching that exercised formerly by thrice that number. The consequences are not altogether disappointing. A feud has arisen which bids fair to leave one or other of the combatants out of the contest, a fight in which the spoils are as 7 to 3 in thousands. Some consideration must, of course, be had for the patriotic ardour which animates the bosoms of the respective parties. It is believed in some quarters that the gentleman in enjoyment of the greater emolument is likely to offer his valuable services free, (gratis) to the government - to the country-at all events until such time as the improvements sweetly bodied forth in recent addresses shall have attained or approached completion. There are other less expensive honours at the control of the Government which are occasionally falling into existence and which would prove equally flattering to men whose inheritances approach the figure of the American millionaire.

It is perhaps to be regretted that even so trifling a ripple on the political wave should appear at a time when ministers have become rather scarce and the public sense of decorum has become nicer than usual. But the representatives of people have outridden so many tempests in teapots before now and with no damages to the vessel that they may surely be trusted to steer into harbour again with colours flying and courage unabated.

The recently appointed Harbour Commissioners have no light task before them—especially with such lofty aims as those described by the worthy Chief on more than one occasion; it is therefore incumbent upon all who have at heart the welfare of our great National Port, to afford them every encouragement in their high endeavours, however we may wish them longer and wider experience in such undertakings a qualification which they surely cannot take very long in attaining. There are many old mistakes to be undone—one of which we refer to elsewhere,—and one of the most sincere and earnest of Fortune's gifts we can wish them is that the work of reconstruction and repair may not be over-burdensome to the people and all concerned.

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#### COMPANY LAW WITHIN THE EMPIRE.

The following comments on the above subject which was referred to last week may have additional interest for our readers as showing how the question is regarded in the great metropolis. They are derived chiefly from the London Economist

The problem of obtaining uniformity of company law throughout the Empire was not the least important among the subjects which engaged the attention of those who attended the recent Imperial Conference in London. In a Blue-book dealing with this problem which has just been issued, the unsatisfactory nature of the existing condition of affairs is forcibly illustrated, and it is not surprising that, with the facts collected by the Board of Trade before it. the Conference should have unanimously assented to a resolution in favour of securing greater uniformity in the direction indicated, and commended to the various Governments represented the Memorandum and Analysis prepared on this subject by the Imperial Government. The Memorandum and Analysis are published in the Blue-book already referred to, and in view of the situation they disclose, it is to be hoped that something in the shape of a remedy may be forthcoming . The fact that the laws relating to companies in India and the colonies are in many cases based on our own Companies Act of 1862, renders the task less onerous than might at first sight appear .but it has always to be remembered that Legislatures almost invariably display a tendency to regard with comparative indifference mercantile questions of the greatest moment, since these problems do not appeal directly to the masses of the electorate, and are too often not adequately appreciated by legislators themselves.

Our own joint-stock laws, as is pointed out by Mr. George Stapylton Barnes, Comptroller of the Companies Department of the Board of Trade, who is responsible for the Memorandum, are not at present a model of simplicity and clearness," seeing that amendment has followed amendment until the statutes in which they are embodied number seventeen in all, while a further Amending Bill has been introduced. But there is also a Consolidating Bill before the Imperial Parliament, by means of which it is proposed to bring under one statute all the existing Acts, together with such parts of the Amending Bill as may become law . Whether either of these Bills will be passed during the present Session unhappily seems very doubtful, but if the law were amended, as is proposed by the new Bill, and consolidation of the Imperial Statutes were effected, the Indian and Colonial Governments would have before them clearer exposition of our company legislation. and they might then, as is suggested by Mr. Barnes, consider the whole subject, and perhaps revise their own statutes on similar lines. Meanwhile, it is shown that if our own company laws are comprised in no fewer than seventeen statutes, a still more bewildering condition of affairs obtains in some of the colonies. Canada, for instance, has nine different systems of company law. contained in seventy-five Acts and Ordinances, while Australia has forty-six Acts and six different systems, and South Africa twenty-one Acts. Laws, and Ordinances, and five different systems. India and New Zealand, on the other hand, have only two Acts relating to the subject, but taking the various countries named as a whole, we arrive at a total of 22 systems, contained in 145 Acts, Laws, and Ordinances.

It is evident, then, that greater uniformity in legislation would be advantageous, although, of course, absolute uniformity would be out of the question, since in different parts of the Empire different conditions and commercial customs prevail. Mr. Barnes cites for example the case of the "no-liability" companies of Canada and Australia, in which the shareholders are not liable to pay calls, and the pecuniary risk, of the members is confined to the amount they have actually paid. The law

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of New South Wales, it may be said, prescribes that every company of this kind shall use the words "no liability" as part of its title, and no goods may be ordered on its behalf except on paper bearing the company's name, with "no liability" attached. Shareholders in these companies are not entitled to receive a dividend upon any shares upon which a call is due/ and unpaid. But putting aside companies of a special type, suited to the requirements of individual countries, there are certain broad lines upon which legislation throughout the Enipire might be based. It is recognised, to measure by the best protection that can be afforded to the investor by the best protection that can be afforded to the investor by the pire might be based. It is recognised, for instance, that the same information as to the affairs of a company might be easily made accessible whether the company was registered in the United Kingdom or elsewhere within the Empire." At present much divergence prevails. In India and Victoria the provisions contained in the new Bill now before the Imperial Parliament to compel every company to file a balance-sheet annually is already in operation. The proposal has been resisted here on the ground that it might lead to the disclosure of trade secrets, but experience in India has shown that these fears are apparently without solid foundation . The provisions of the new Bill calling for the filing of information by foreign companics are already part of the law of Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, and the last-named colony, moreover, by an Act passed in 1903, forestalled the proposal of the Imperial Bill to free private concerns from some of the obligations which apply to public companies. The Province of Ontario, again, as was shown by a letter from the Assistant Provincial Secretary, recently passed an Act providing for the filing of prospectuses, the object being to deal with the flotation of prospectusless companies for the exploitation of mining properties in the Cobalt district. In New Zealand it is provided that a statutory declaration shall be made by the directors in the case of a company not issuing a prospectus, that, in their opinion, the funds subscribed are sufficient to justify the commencement of business . And in most of the colonies the law requires every company to make a return annually of the issued capital, and also to file a list of shareholders, while in some cases it is obligatory that both prospectuses and information respecting mortgages and debentures shall be filed. In Canada, however, the Dominion Act requires that returns relating to the capital of a company, and list of shareholders, need only be furnished when demanded in writing by the Secretary of State. A feature of the South Australian law, again, is the provision that no call can be made in a winding-up in order to place vendors' shares on an equality with shares that have been paid for in cash. It is pointed out in the official document now before us that this may not work unfairly where the property handed over is of a speculative character, as, for instance, a mine, but that some hardship may be inflicted in cases where properties intrinsically worth the purchase price have been acquired, especially if the vendors' shares Have been sold to the public. However that may be, the facts now set out, taken as a whole, amply demonstrate the desirability of greater uniformity in joint stock law throughout the Empire being established, and it is to be hoped that the decision arrived at by the Imperial Conference may be productive of beneficial results.

#### A THOUSAND MILLIONS.

Anusement is being derived from the estimates made by curious people of the enormous amount of money or wealth in other forms accumulated by the magnate of the Standard Oil Co., John D. Rockefeller, on whom a stronger light than heretofore has shore since the great fine of \$29,240,000 recently imposed upon the concern for having accepted rebates from certain railway carriers. "If Adam," says one of these calculators, "had. on his first arrival on earth. secured a position which paid him \$450 a day, worked at it steadily all these years and never purchased Eve any other raiment than that which was considered proper in those early days, he would have just the same size pile as John D. Rockefeller is reputed to have—\$1,-000.000,000." Yes, very nearly.

#### DE-NATURED ALCOHOL.

That the legislation lately adopted by several governments with regard to what is called de-natured alcohol is vorking out to the interest of the population generally, is shown by the figures just furnished from Washington, U.S. The uses of alcohol,—which seems destined to be the substitute for fuel oil and coal in the future, and which is so abundantly furnished by nature,—are already numerous and must rapidly increase. The demand for it is pressing, and mechanicians are preparing to make its use almost universal.

The production of denatured alcohol for the first half of the calendar year 1907. according to reports just received by the Internal Revenue Bureau, was 1,774,272.25 gallons, or at the rate of a little more than 3.500.000 gallons per annum. Several experts predicted an output of 3,000,000 gallons for the first year under the new law. The production of denatured alcohol in June was unexpectedly large, amounting to 219,821.73 gallons, or about 48,000 gallons in advance of the output for May. Owing to the fact that many dealers and manufacturers had decided to defer handling or using denatured spirits until the new statute went into force, it was thought that June would show a decline, but it is now apparent that the stocks of denaturers and distillers, made up during the early part of the year, have been so depleted that an increased rate of product tion is necessary to keep up with the demand. The total production of completely denatured alcohol in June was 138,856,-71 gallons, and of specially denatured 80,965.02 gallons. The production in June embraced an unusually large percentage of specially denatured alcohol, which reflects the great diversity of uses to which denatured spirits are now being put, as is also evidenced by the large number of special formulas authorized by the Internal Revenue Bureau since the original statute went into force.

The very large proportion of the half-year output credited to January will be understood by those who have followed developments under the alcohol laws. A number of 'eading distillers made up large quantities of pure grain alcohol in the latter part of 1906, held it in their distillery warehouses and denatured it in January, 1907, in anticipation of a heavy demand, which did not fully materialize, owing to the complicated regulations, and especially to the fact that utilities for the consumption of alcohol for heat, light and power were not then on the market. These large stocks have since been reduced by consumption, and the surplus now on hand is comparatively small.

In reviewing the production figures for denatured alcohol, the fact should be borne in mind that the passage of the free alcohol law operated to reduce the cost of wood alcohol of acceptable quality from 60 and 70 cents per gallon to 30 and 40 cents. This reduction in price has deterred many manufacturers who anticipated using denatured grain spirits from abandoning the use of wood alcohol, especially when experience demonstrated that the addition of benzine or pyridin bases rendered the grain spirits unfit for use in the manufacturer of many grades of varnish, shellac, etc. These manufacturers, while not now employing denatured alcohol, have nevertheless benefited enormously by the passage of the alcohol law, so that the production of denatured grain spirits is not a fair measure of the advantages that have resulted from this beneficient legislation.

But with wood alcohol falling off in production over 75 per cent, as a result of the first rush of competition, which is a result said to be already obtained. it is no wonder, that some steps should be taken on its behalf.

In this connection it should be said that the large number of prominent manufacturers who recently united in a request addressed to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for permission to use alcohol denatured with twenty parts of wood spirits and without other denaturing material. do not regard the Commissioner's refusal as final. It was their desire that the promised formula should be authorized for use under conditions governing the handling and consumption of completely denatured alcohol, and it is believed that the arguments submitted in support of the request of these manufacturers are conclusive and have not been met by the Commissioner's refusal, which is based upon his unwillingness to authorize another forma single ing the representation to this the values ish, is ed to nate a The

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formula for denatured alcohol for what he describes as "a single industry." As a matter of fact, the manufacturers seeking the authorization of the 20 per cent wood alcohol formula represent at least two-score industries, and are by no means confined to consumers of varnish as the Commissioner appears to think, for he says that "while I fully recognize the fact that the varnish industry, including the industries which use varnish, is a highly important line of manufacture, and I am disposed to make any reasonable concession, yet I cannot discriminate against any other industries."

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The manufacturers who are interested in this question are now engaged in a very thorbugh investigation to determine the extent to which the desired formula would be adopted if authorized for completely denaturing purposes, and it is believed that it can be shown that, aside from the use of alcohol for heat, light and power, the consumers who would use the 20 per cent wood alcohol formula would employ more than one-half the entire output of denatured spirits. This would mean not only an enormous increase in the present consumption of denatured alcohol, but a permanent and steadily increasing outlet for refined wood alcohol, which, it is already apparent, will not finally be injured by the alcohol legislation.

#### THE FRUIT SITUATION.

From present appearances, the fruit crop throughout the Dominion, will not fulfil the expectations of the early summer. The excessive heat following occasional showers have caused much falling of apples and stone fruits. Prices are certain to be high, and at the present price of labour, growers may not find their profits reduced. The demand for export is good at the present, and likely to improve. If August should prove to be more favourable than the past month, the fruit left on the trees might develop and yield a large proportion of really first class fruit.

The Department of Agriculture has issued the following report:---

The past month was not favourable to fruit growers. The prospect for apples has declined considerably. The "drop" has been exceptionally heavy everywhere, owing to the late spring frosts and dry weather. Generally speaking, the yield of early and fall varieties will be below the average. The present indications are that winter apples, as a whole, will be an average crop of excellent quality.

There has been almost a universal reduction in pear prospects this month. The present indications are for a half-crop only in the Niagara district. The crop is practically a failure in the Essex peninsula. Peaches will be a fair crop in the Niagara d.strict. For plums the outlook is far less encouraging than last month. A heavy "drop" is reported, and the crop in the commercial plum sections is deteriorating rapidly. Plum rot is noted occasionally, and the curculio is bad this year.

So far the vineyards seem unusually free from mildew and rot; but the rose beetle has done considerable injury in some districts, especially on sandy soils. The general outlook is for a medium to full crop of grapes in commercial vineyards. Outside of Southern Ontario and British Columbia it is quite probable that. owing to the late season, the crop will ripen imperfectly. The conditions for small fruits remain much the same as for last month. Strawberries have been harvested, except in the Maritime Provinces, and though the aggregate of the crop was small, prices ruled exceptionally high making the season a most profitable one for the strawberry grower. Raspberries are coming in at high prices and of fair quality. Currants and gooseberries continue to promise a full crop. The reports on blackberries are not quite so favourable and should dry weather continue the crop will be below medium.

Although tomatoes are backward the plants are looking thrifty, and are growing well owing to the favourable weather of the past month. The present prospects are for a medium to full crop in most sections. Nevertheless there is a possibility that many will not ripen.

#### THE POST OFFICE AS AN INSURANCE OFFICE.

In connection with the Workmen's Compensation Act in England, a proposition was advanced that insurance facilities might be furnished for the benefit of employers through the Post Office. With 60,000,000 workmen liable to receive compensation the idea commended itself so heartily to theorists, that a departmental committee was appointed to decide upon the practicability and the advisability of it. After a careful investigation, during which it transpired that the accident insurance companies were quite prepared to undertake all the business which might accrue through the new legislation the committee decided adversely to the proposition owing mainly to the following outlined difficulties.

"The inevitable lack of elasticity in the conduct of business by a government department, rendering the treatment of doubtful claims more difficult and expensive, and giving rise to a number of apparently hard cases.

The unfair pressure which might be brought to bear on members of Parliament to prevent cases being decided on their merits, and the consequent demands on parliamentary and official time.

The change in the relations between Post Office servants and the public which investigations of doubtful claims would necessitate.

The danger that a government system would be liable to obtain an undue proportion of unprofitable business.

The difficulty which the performance of the complex business of accident insurance would present to many of the sub-postmasters in remote rural districts, the very districts where it is presumed that the Post Office organization would be most useful.

The inconvenience resulting from a government department being drawn into frequent litigation.

There is apparently a general expectation amongst those in favor of Post Office action that the Post Office would charge lower rates than the companies, or (what amounts to the same thing in another form) that it would deal in a more liberal manner with claims. It is by no means certain that this expectation could be realized, except at the expense of the taxpayer."

That the conclusions of the committee/are eminently sane and well grounded no one can doubt. The craze in favour of what is somewhat analogous to that which is termed "municipalization." in this country has received a well merited set back.

#### NEW SOURCE OF ARSENIC.

Until comparatively recently, the arsenic removed from sulphuric acid has been wasted, owing to its production in the form of sulphide, which is not a commercial commodity. During the last year or two the United Alkali Co. has conducted experiments with a new process by means of which the arsenic is recovered as arsenious acid. This, in all probability, will bring an important new supply of arsenic on the market, as well as make it possible to use highly arsenical ores profitably in sulphuric-acid manufacture, says the Engineering and Mining Journal. According to this process, the arsenical sulphuric acid, as it flows from the Glover tower is first brought into contact with a reducing agent such as charcoal, in order to bring the arsenic to the arsenious state. It is then brought into contact with dry hydrochloric-acid gas. the result being that the arsenic is converted into liquid arsenious chloride. This chloride is an oily liquid and a good deal of it can be soparatod from the subhuric acid by settlement. The sulphuric acid drawn off from the settling tanks still contains arsenious chloride. To remove the latter, air is blown through the acid. The chloride comes off as vapor, and is taken to a scrubbing tower. Here it comes in contact with water, with the result that arsenious acid and hydrochloric acid are formed. The hydrochloric acid is used over again, and the arsenious acid is collected as a commercial product.

The process is naturally one which requires very careful attention, owing the existence of arsenic as a volatile compound. The manufacturers and the alkali inspectors, however, speak well of the process, so it should develop into a standard method of recovering arsenic.

#### CIGARETTE SMOKING INCREASING.

The convenience in many ways of the cigarette, is still increasing its popularity amongst smokers. Doubtless the rush of modern life has something to do with this, for the number of those who find time in the working day to leisurely enjoy a full pipe of tobacco, or to smoke a cigar as it ought to be smoked, is not increasing as the years go by, at least among business men. There appears to be little reason for an opinion that the increase in the number of cigarettes sold, means an increase, pro rata of the population, in the amount of tobacco used. Possibly the opposite is the case, though the margin of waste is probably larger.

The Government returns at Ottawa of the consumption of tobacco in Canada for the twelve months ending June 30th last show an increase of nearly one-third in the number of cigarettes while the consumption of cigars has remained practically the same as compared with the fiscal year 1905-06. For the twelve months ending June last the total number of eigarettes entered for consumption in Canada was 331.972.137, as compared with 269.334,937 for the corresponding period of 1905-06, an increase of nearly one-third. In 1904 the number of cigarettes entered for consumption was 250,860,387, and ten years ago it was only 93,798,000.

The consumption of cigars for the twelve months, ending June 30th last was 193,816,575, practically the same as for the preceding twelve months. Cigars made from Canadian tobacco numbered 2,826,721, as compared with 3.172,466 for the fiscal year 1905-06. The total consumption of tobacco of all kinds for the twelve months is estimated at 2.953 lbs., per head of the population, the largest on record.

A rough estimate might figure this out at about 10 lbs per head of the adult male population of the country. It would not appear that a very great development of this trade is to be expected at the present rate of population. excepting in the direction of increased home production.

#### FOOD INSPECTION IN ENGLAND.

In the course of a debate upon a new Bill making it possible to adopt stricter enquiries into imported foods. Hon. John Burns said in the House of Commons that it empowered the authorities at all ports to inspect food, to take samples and destroy unsound goods. It does seem to us in Canada to be rather late in the day to seek such legislative authority. It might be argued, he went on to say, that since the recent tinned meat exposures in the United States and elsewhere things have been put right, but the government could not allow the laws to remain defective, because there was a strong probability that matters would relapse to where they were before in these countries

Continuing, Mr. Burns declared he had received a report that a German consul had said that American meat packers had informed his government that they were willing to consent to the inspection of any meat providing that whatever goods the German officials rejected should be returned to the packers. as they could be sold in the United Kingdom . "The speaker said he was not going to allow that, and he did not see why the United Kingdom should take whatever Germany. France and Denmark and other Europeans would not accept. He was prepared not to enforce the regulations for a period of forty days after the adoption of the bill. The government would not irritate: harass or inconvenience those parties carrying on a legitimate trade decently, but the Local Government Board must have greater power over imported tinned food in order that the people who suffered most from the danger of disease could be saved.

Perhaps it is needless to say that after the above statements had been made the Bill received its second reading.

-Canadian Pacific Ry. Co.'s return of traffic carnings from August 1 to August 7, \$1,565,000; for same week in 1906, \$1,-399,000; increase \$166,000.

#### THE GREAT STANDARD OIL FINE.

In the course of an able review of the situation the Commercial and Financial says: "Candidly speaking, the Standard Oil Co. has been convicted of a crime, and yet all the elements of a 'crime seem to be lacking. What the Elkins Law, the Inter-State Commerce Law and all the other laws on the Federal Statute books are directed against is secret rebates and concessions. The thing abhorrent to the statute is that one shipper should pay a high rate and another shipper should knowingly pay a lower rate, thus getting an advantage over his rival and competitor. In this case there was no evidence to show that any shipments had ever been made at the eighteencent rate, and the six-cent rate appears to have been available to all shippers alike. The only question at issue is whether, technically, the six-cent rate was a legal rate, since the Alton Company had not properly placed it on file at Washington. We are not anxious to pose as defenders of the Standard Oil Co., but from this review of the facts it must be evident that there is at least grave doubt whether the law was actually vielated, and still graver doubt that the violation was intentional, thereby constituting a crime was intended. Yet Judge Landis treats the case as if it were one of the strongest ever presented in a court of law and penalizes the concern in the prodigious sum of \$29,240,000."

#### FIRE RECORD.

The Uxbridge Organ and Piano Co., Uxbridge, Ont., met with a serious loss by fire, Saturday evening; the frame building in which were nearly all the machines being burned to the ground, while the engine house, storehouse and lumber were also a prey to the flames. The adjoining brick building was damaged on the roof. The fire started in the engine room. Loss will be \$25 000, on which there is \$13.000 insurance.

The sash and door factory of Messrs. Langevin and Brother, at Scott Junction, on the line of the Quebec Central Railway, was destroyed by fire Aug. 10, about noon. Loss about \$7,000, with very little insurance.

In a fire, the loss by which will amount to between \$125.000 and \$150.000, the barns and five cars of the Southern Western Traction Co., London, Ont., and twenty valuable motors were destroyed Aug. 10. The cause was crossed wires. The motors are valued at \$2 000 to \$2,500 apiece, and will be difficult to replace. Manager Mower stated that the barns would be rebuilt as scon as possible.

The compounding department of the Superior Oil Co. at Sault St. Marie was destroyed by fire on 10th. Loss estimated at \$1,200. insured for \$800 in the Norwich Union . Cause of fire unknown.

Fire completely destroyed the large barn owned by Col. Ponton at Belleville on 10th. No insurance on the contents but the building was covered by insurance.

A violent electrical storm prevailed over much of New Brunswick on the 11th. A barn in St. George and a house in Frederickton were struck, and at St. George only the hard work of the townspeople prevented the Main street from being swept by flames.

gasoline launch took fire at Scarboro Beach near Toronto on 11th. The destruction was most complete. The launch was only six weeks old, and was a most handsome and valuable one. It is estimated to have been worth \$2,000. It was insured for the sum of \$1500.

-A banquet of upwards of 100 of the citizens took place at Carman, Man. recently to celebrate the extensive slaughter of crows a month ago. Practically the whole of the town took part in the battle, which is an annual competition, the inhabitants being divided into two parts. The number of crows, hawks. etc., destroyed was upwards of 3,000. It will not be a matter of much wonder if we hear next of a mighty increase in the number of field mice, rats, and "such small deer," of a destructive kind in that vicinity.

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#### BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

In Ontario: Grison and Co., of Ottawa, tailors, have compromised at 30c on the dollar.

The assets of the C.B.C. Corset Co. of Toronto are to be sold on 21st. T. H. Wright, of Wheatley, grocer, has assigned.

Duncan and Farquhar of Elora, grocers, have assigned to A. G. Allan. S. J. Lavis, Hamilton, meat dealer, has assigned.

The Farmers Manufacturing and Supply Co., of Durham, has assigned. C. Kirouack, L'Orignal, hardware, and A. W. Gill, Midland, merchant, have assigned. The Southampton Furnace Co., Ltd., has assigned to E.R.C. Clarkson. The Queen City Produce Co., Ltd., of Toronto, has assigned to H. Waddington. A. Melvin, Wahnapital, grocer, has assigned.

In the West: A. Sleep, Goodlands, Man., general store, assigned. J. A. Fyfe, Edmonton, Alta, restaurant keeper, assigned. A. P. May and Co., Vancouver, B. C., lumber dealers, assigned,

In Nova Scotia: E. L. Neville, Port Hood, millinery, has assigned.

In the Province: Mrs. C. Sauve, Montreal, millinery, assigned. W. Wytock, Montreal, assigned.

The assets of the Maskinonge Chair Co. were sold on 15th. Alfred Morin, St. Philippe d'Argenteuil, carriage maker, has assigned.

The assets of the Mackenzie Trading Co., Stanbridge East, are ordered to be sold.

M. A. Bernier and Co., Montreal, wholesale liquor dealers, have consented to assign; creditors meet Aug. 16th.

L. and H. Rocheleau, Pike River, general storekeepers, assigned. H. Lacerte, Shawinigan Falls, boots and shoes, has made a judicial abandonment of his goods for the benefit of his creditors. Medard Boucher, of St. Francois du Lac, saw mill preprietor, has assigned.

A winding-up order has been issued for the placing in liquidation of the General Metal Foundry and Machinery Co. (Ltd.) of this city. The assignment is a voluntary one, the directors themselves being the petitioners. It was decided that as several actions had been instituted against the company for considerable sums, and other debts might give rise to further litigation, it was better to have the concern's affairs wound up, so as to place all the creditors on an equal footing. The company was allowed to continue its operations till the meeting of creditors, which was fixed for August 23. The full statement of assets and liabilities has not yet been ascertained, but the chances are that the assets greatly exceed the liabilities.

With about \$10,000 liabilities, Domina Martin, hotel keeper of Laprairie, has made an assignment at the request of Louis Pelletier, whose claim amounts to \$202. The assets consist of the hotel itself as well as the lot on which it is situated in the village of Laprairie, fixtures, furniture and a lot in the village. Following is the list of creditors: Narcisse Lord, St. Johns, \$300; Thomas Kinsella, \$400; Aime Guerin, \$175; L. P. Pelletier, \$202; Chaput & Fils, \$175; B. A. Charlebois, \$853; Miss Decarie, \$4,500; Mathieu Bros., \$2,000; Municipality of Laprairie, \$1.500.

Commercial failures this week in the United States, as reported by R. G. Dun and Co., are 183, against 182 last week, 215 the preceding week and 174 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 31, against 20 last week, 26 the preceding week and 13 last year. Of failures this week in the United States. 50 were in the East, 53 South, 49 West. and 27 in the Pacific States, and 59 report liabilities of \$5,000 or more. Liabilities of commercial failures reported for August to date. are \$2.056,880 compared with \$1.324,011 a year ago.

-Fifty-two miles of free right of way through the richest of the Goose Lake wheat lands has been signed over to the Canadian Northern Railway Company by settlers in Saskatchewan through whose farms the survey for the proposed southwest line is to run. Farmers have given the railway authorities the right of way entirely free of cost to the company. They rely on President Mackenzie's verbal promise to start this year so implicitly that they did not require a time limit when signing over the right of way. -The British Board of Trade has decreed that hereafter no two British vessels shall be registered under the same or similar names. There are few ports in the world where the change will be more noticeable than in New York, where craft of British registry predominate, and where there are berthed from time to time three Virginlans eleven Vesta's, six Normans, four Oceanics, two Cerdics, six Majestics, five Maltas, two Mallards, two Malagas, eleven Rescues, six Resolutes, three St. Lawrences, two St. Louis, etc. As yet plans are not completely formulated, but probably the vessel of the heaviest tonnage, will be permitted to retain its present name.

-The New Brunswick provincial government has completed the transfer of 50,000 acres of land from the New Brunswick Railway company. The deed is ready for the government and the title will be taken within a few days. The price which the government is paying for the land is 75 cents an acre, and it will be sold to settlers in 100 acre lots at that price plus the cost of survey and interest/. The land is in Victoria county, and is known as the Blue Bell tract. It is well watered by branches of the Tobique river, and Grand Trunk Pacific railway surveys show that the road/will pass through the northwest end of it.

-The Bank of England has been celebrating another birthday. The institution received its charter of incorporation on July 27, 1694, as a joint stock association, with a capital of \$6,-000,000, which sum was loaned at interest to the government of William and Mary, at that time in a state of deep financial embarrassment. At first the charter was for eleven years only, but in consequence of the great services of the institution to the government in times of need the charter has been at various times renewed.

--The total output of the four colleries of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Co. for the month of July amounted to over fifty five thousand tons. Work in the new mine, although no effort is yet being made to rush the output, is progressing rapidly and steadily, and everything points to its being one of the company's biggest producers. The record output in the steel works of six thousand tons for the month of June was again equalled last month, when the figures reached a similar n ark.

-The suggested law recommended by the Royal Insurance Commission has been printed as a bill ,and is being circulated. The schedules include four standard forms of life policy-ordinary life, limited payment life, endowment and term. Provision is also made for a number of returns showing the investments of the companies and the changes in them. There are also many technical provisions. It is not likely that this will be very acceptable to insurance men.

—The Montreal firm of Foster, Martin, Mann and Mackinnon have entered an action in the courts to recover the sum of 45,-500. The plaintiffs claim that Mr. Labrosse. M.P.P., of Prescott, Ont., with others, bought the control of the North River Power Co. of Quebec on the 25th of February last. Certain payments were made, but it is claimed that the defendants still owe the sum above mentioned, and this action is entered to recover it.

-La Banque Nationale has opened a Branch bank in Paris, which promises to be of great value to travellers to sunny France. To merchants exporting from or importing to France, especially to the many customers of this enterprising bank, the announcement will be of great importance. The National offers to do all exchange business with Paris, on especially advantageous terms.

-It is reported that the Canadian capitalists behind the socalled "All Red" line connecting Great Britain with Canada and Australasia, have asked the Government to furnish half an annual subsidy of \$2,500,000 for the suggested four day service to England. leaving the Australasian and British governments to look after the other half.

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-There has just been discovered what is said to be the richest nickel deposit in Canada, near Worthington, in Northern Ontario. A vein-one hundred feet wide, and almost pure metal, was found. Cleveland and Pittsburg capitalists, who are supposed to be close to the Standard Oil group, which controls the nickel field in Canada, are trying to get it.

—The Grand Trunk Railway Co. has declared a dividend for the half-year at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the first and second preferred, no payment being made on third preferred, and at the rate of 4 per cent per annum on the guaranteed stock;  $\pounds 14,600$  was carried forward, and \$40,000 placed in the pension fund.

-An extensive coal find is reported from Caraquet shore, Gloucester Co., N. B., by prospectors who have been at work for some time in the interests of certain gentlemen of Harcourt. It is said that the drill had passed through eight feet of coal. It is known that extensive finds might be expected in the vicinity.

-The new Australian tariff is mainly protectionist, the preference in favour of British imports averaging about five per cent. It is evident that the Govt. at the Antipodes is most of all interested in manufactures, as it is on finished goods that the increased duties chiefly fall.

-At Portage la Prairie, the harvesting of barley began the latter part of last week. The crop promises very well in that vicinity. Winter wheat where sown in the near North West, did well, and is now in sheaf, or harvested. The yield is large and of fair quality.

-The rumours respecting the new life insurance legislation which is to occupy the attention of the Parliament at Ottawa next session have had issue at last.

-Mr. William Phalen has been appointed by the Federal Government Port Warden of the new port of Glace Bay. N.S.

-Ottawa clearing house total for week ending Aug. 8, 1907. \$3,235.939.67; corresponding week last year, \$2,603,734.82.

-Grand Trunk Ry. System traffic earnings from August 1st to 7th: 1907, \$925,346; 1906, \$869,037; increase, \$56,309.

-London clearing house: total clearings for week ending August 8, 1907, \$1,424,890.

-Quebec Bank will open a branch at Montmagny, P.Q., on 3rd September.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Thursday, August 15, 1907.

The past week has been depressing the world over. The intervention in Moracco had not been very seriously discounted, and only the prompt action of the powers in unnimously approving of it prevented a very serious decline. Now the possibility of international complications is a source of anxiety. Feelers put out by Japan, regarding the possibility of a loanpresumably a war preferation loan-caused further disquietude. London, Berlin, and Paris all exhibited uneasiness, and a rise in discounts.

The trading in New York was almost entirely done by and for the professionals. In volume this has amounted to 1,000,-000 shares, some days, the stocks affected being railways, and industrials. Some slight excuse was afforded by the vague terms in which a member of the cabinet spoke of the possibility of further action against the trusts. In Berlin the fluctuations in copper are supposed to have influenced brokers, Probably the public interest, apart from the professional is not great anywhere. In Canada, a freer circulation of money in existence is greatly to be desired.

The local money market is firm at 6 per cent for call loans. Closing exchange rates were:—Sixty days', 8½ to 8 9·16; sight, 9 15-32; cables, 9½ to 9 11·16; francs, and marks, no quotations; New York funds, 1-64 dis. to 1-64 prem.

New York, August 14.—Money on call, strong; highest,  $4\frac{1}{2}$  per cent; lowest,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent; ruling rate.  $3\frac{1}{2}$  per cent; last loan,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent; closing bid, 2 per cent; offered at  $2\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. Time loans, strong and dull; 60 days', 6 per cent; 90 days',  $6\frac{1}{4}$  to  $6\frac{1}{2}$  per cent; six months'.  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 per cent; prime mercantile paper. 6 to  $6\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. Sterling exchange, steady at 4.86.65 for demand, and at 4.82.20 for 60-day bills. Commercial bills, 4.81\frac{3}{4}. Bar silver,  $69\frac{1}{2}$ . Mexican dollars,  $53\frac{3}{4}$ . Government bonds, strong. Railroad bonds, weak.

The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending August 15, 1907, as compiled by Messrs. Meredith and Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:---

STOCK Banks:	S.			Sales.	Highest	. Lowe	Last st. Sale.	Year ago.	
Montreal.		 	 	90	2441/1	243	244	256	,
Commerce	• •	 	 	5	171	171	171	177	
Molsons.	•••	 	 	14	203	200	200		
Merchants		 	 	91	163	160	160	175	
Nova Scotia	ι.	 	 	25	2793/4	278	2793/		

#### Miscellaneous:

Can. Pacific	463	$167\frac{1}{2}$	1621/2	1641/2	168
Montreal St. Ry	1489	1991/2	1893/4	1913/4	280
Do, New	75	196	196	196	
Toronto Street	806	/ 100	95	951/4	1171/4
Halifax /Elec. Ry	2	961/2	961/2	1·61/2	
Rich. & Ont. Nav. Co	110	63	62	62	84
Mont. Light, H. & Power	1695	91	88	895%	961/4
N.S. Steel & Coal	684	66	69	62	695%
Dom. Iron & Steel, com.	2678	20	18	181/2	287/8
Do. Pref	320	47	421/2	43	78

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Dom. Coal, com	410	47	44	44	77
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Mont. Teleg. Co	31	$157\frac{1}{2}$	$157\frac{1}{4}$	$157\frac{1}{2}$	168
Bell Telep. Co	61	$130\frac{1}{4}$	130	130	153
Laurentide, pfd	125	100	993/4	993/4	··· ·
Textile Com	90	421/2	$421/_{2}$	421/2	
Textile, pfd	207	83	81	<b>S1</b>	100
Lake of Woods	167	70	65	651/2	90
Shawinigan	100	45	45	45	
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Dom. Iron and Steel	2000	72	$68\frac{3}{4}$	68¾	$83\frac{1}{2}$
Ogilvie	4000	116	116	116	115
*N.S. Steel and Coal	1000	1071/4	1071/4	1071/4	109
Textile C	2000	88	88	88	
Textile D	500	89	89	89	••••

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#### MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

#### Montreal, Thursday, August 18, 1907.

The warm weather is hurrying on the harvests of the West and giving ground for the hope that autumn may redeem the despondency caused by the late spring. The settlements last week were rather surprisingly slow. Country traders were not on time in many instances, and the excuse is probably well founded that farmers are retaining ready money to pay for labour in its grain fields. Cheese exports are not quite up to the usual amount and butter is hard to handle, owing to short supplies here and the near resemblance between prices here and in England. The leather trade continues dull, though boot factories report full order lists. Undoubtedly the feature of trade is the scarcity of money which does not at present appear to be altogether accountable and may lead to trouble with small firms.

ASHES.—Business quiet, prices unchanged. Pearls, \$7.00 ; first pots, \$6.15 to \$6.25, and seconds, \$5.50 per 100.

BACON.—Brisk trade, prices advancing. English cables encouraging. London—The market for Canadian bacon is firm, quotations being 56s to 65s. Bristol.—The market for Canadian bacon is stronger; prices showing an advance on last week's quotations, being 58s to 66s, as compared with 57s to 64s last week. Liverpool—Canadian Wiltshire bacon is unchanged. the range being firm, 57s to 64s. We quote: English boneless breakfast 15c; do., thick,  $14\frac{1}{2}c$ ; Windsor bacon, backs, 15c; spiced rolled bacon, boneless, short,  $13\frac{1}{2}c$ ; do., long,  $14\frac{1}{2}c$ : to  $15\frac{1}{2}c$ ; Wiltshire bacon, 50 lbs., sides,  $14\frac{1}{2}c$  to  $15\frac{1}{2}c$ .

BEANS—Good jobbing demand. No large sales. Prices maintained. Three pound packers, \$1.60 to \$1.65. Jobbing lots, \$1.70 per bushel.

BUTTER.—Prices have had a slight set back but the demand is good for local trade. Exporters find prices rather high, considering the quietness prevailing on the other side. Receiptsfell off during the week to 14,984 packages, as compared with 22,747 for same week last year. Since May receipts have declined about 120,000 packages from last years record. Townships are priced at 22c to 221/4c. Quebec 211/2c to 213/4c At: Cowansville fresh brought 221/4c to 221/4c, as compared with 223%c last week and for salted 213/4c to 221/4c was obtained, as compared with 213/8c to 221/8c last week. At St. Hyacinthe, 22c was obtained, as compared with 213/4c to 211/4c last week.

CHEESE—Prices have kept up, rather contrary to some expectations. Salesmen on local boards had ideas of  $11\frac{1}{2}c$  to  $11\frac{5}{2}c$  or  $11\frac{5}{2}c$  while buyers instructions restrained them to  $11\frac{1}{2}c$  or  $11\frac{5}{2}c$  as a maximum. A good deal of cheese was unsold . Coloured and white brought about the same rate. The British trade is fixing its gage on Canadian accumulations and figuring on reductions before long. The week's receipts were 86,395 boxes. Since May the record is 100,000 boxes lower than that for last year. Specimen cables show— London : Cheese market is quiet but prices are firm. Canadian is quoted at 55s to 57s. Bristol: Canadian cheese is quoted higher at 55s to 57s. as compared with 54s to 56s last week; butter, 10%s to 110s per cwt. Liverpool: Cheese. Canadian, fine, white, new, steady, 54s 6d; Canadian finest, coloured, new, steady, 55s.

COAL.—No change in prices yet; trade only fair. Grate is dealers at \$6.75 net and egg, stove and chestnut at \$7 less 25 per cent discount, \$6.75 net. Best American stearn coal \$4.75 gross, duty paid on track

DRY GOODS — Trade is not very heavy but a fair business is being done. There are some complaints of slow payments, but on the whole the month's settlements were good as in other cities. The local market for burlaps as well as Durlee and' Calcutta was quiet during the past week, and the trad'ng indulged in was at slightly lower prices. The losses sustained by weavers. spinners and importers have been heavy. Manufacturers who purchased the raw material at top prices are compelled to-day to sell at prices considerably under what they paid, and this has brought about a serious crisis that large factors in New York and elsewhere say cannot be magnified. The troubles in Belfast will cause uneasiness to linen men as

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La Banque Nationale Merchants. Metropolitan. Molsons Montreal	$\begin{array}{c} 1,794,180\\ 6,000,000\\ 1,000,000\\ 3,359,700\\ 14,400,000 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1,787,124\\ 6,000,000\\ 1,000,000\\ 3,322,995\\ 14,400,000\end{array}$	$750,000\\4,000,000\\1,000,000\\3,322,995\\11,000,000$	$\begin{array}{c} 41.98 \\ 66.66 \\ 100.00 \\ 100.00 \\ 76.38 \end{array}$	$30 \\ 100 \\ 100 \\ 100 \\ 100 \\ 100 $	161.00 203.00	$2^{*}$ $2^{*}$ $2^{\frac{1}{2}}$	Aug.Nov.Feb.MayMch.June Sept.DecJan.AprilJulyOct.Mch.June Sept.Dec.Mch.June Sept.Dec.	161 201 243 ±
New Brunswick Northern Nova Scotia Ottawa Peoples Bank of N.B	$709,800 \\1,250,000 \\3,000,000 \\3,000,000 \\180,000$	709,300 1,199,042 3,000,000 7 3,000,000 180,000	$1,195,295 \\ 50,000 \\ 5,250,000 \\ 3,000,000 \\ 180-000$	$168.47 \\ 4.17 \\ 175.00 \\ 100$	100 100 100 100 100	244.00 275.00	$\frac{3}{5}^*$	Jan. April July Oct. Jan. April July Oct. June Dec. Jan. July	275 282 275 107: 215
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St. Stephens St. Hyacinthe Sterling Toronto Traders	$\begin{array}{c} 200,000\\ 504,600\\ 860,600\\ 4,000,000\\ 4,441,600\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 200,000\\ 329,515\\ 774,724\\ 4,000,000\\ 4,349,760\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} 50,000\\75,000\\171,151\\4,500,000\\1,900,000\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 25.00 \\ 22.79 \\ 22.09 \\ 112.50 \\ 43.68 \end{array}$	100 100 100 100 100		$3 \\ 1\frac{1}{4}* \\ 2\frac{1}{2}* \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ $	April Oct. May Aug. Nov. Feb. Mch. June Sept. Dec. June	21 <b>5</b>
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owing to lack of fuel some of the over-worked mills have stopped production, and there is no knowing when the trouble will end. Manchester cables say the cloth market has been dull. Prices show little alteration, but the tendency was in buyers' favor. India continued to purchase comparatively small lots. China offered freely, but the offers were not attractive to the manufacturers. The Levant and South American markets were dull. American yarns were firmer in twists, but wefts showed little change. The turn-over was unsatisfactory and considerably below normal. Egyptian spinnings continued steady. Cottons are advancing and to advance. Retail buyers are cautious, but ordering well. New York quotations are : Cotton. mid. uplands, spot, N.Y. 13.40. Print cloths, 28 in. stand. (nom) 51/4c. Gray goods, 381/2-inch, stand. 71/4c. Brown sheetings, South. Standard. 73/4c to Sc. Denims, 9 ounces, 16c to 161/2c. Tickings. 8 ounces, 141/2c. Standard prints, 61/2c. Dress ginghams. 111/2c to 121/2c. Kid-finished cambries, 51/4c to 51/2c. Brown drills, standard, Sc.

EGG8.—Heavy demand, but supplies are still small. Only 3, 648 cases received last week against 6,265 for same week last year, 16c to 17c for No. 1. No. 2, 14e; candled No. 1, 17c; No. 2, straight,  $12V_2c$ . Selects keep up at 20c to 21c.

FLOUR.—Trade continues fair. The local business has been good all along. Prices unchanged. Choice spring wheat patents, \$5.10 to \$5.20; seconds, \$4.50 to \$4.60; winter wheat patents, \$4.75; straight rollers, \$4.25 to \$4.35; do., in bags, \$1.95 to \$2.10; extras, \$1.65.

FISH.-A good trade is being done in some lines. Mackerel are coming in freely and are in demand. We quote Haddock, express, 4c to 5c; market cod. express, 4c to 5c; steak cod. heads off, 6c; hal.but, express, 8c to 9c; new mackerel, 8c; grass pike. 8c; lake trout. 9c; whitefish, 9c; dore or pickerel, 12c; flounders 10c; brook trout, 22c; Gaspe Salmon, 13c. Smoked and Prepared Fish: New haddies, 15 and 30 lb. boxes, per lb., Sc to 9c; Yarmouth bloaters 60 m box, per box. \$1 10; kippers, per half box, \$1; smoked berring, new, in small boxes, 10c; boneless cod, 1 and 2 lb. bricks assorted "Favorite" brand, 20 lb. boxes, per lb., 6c; boneless fish, 20 lb. boxes, 2 lb. bricks, 51/2c; boneless 5sh, 25 lb. boxes, loose, 41/2c; shredded cod. 2 dozen cartons. 1/2 lb. each in box. per box, \$1 80 : skinless cod, 100 lb. cases, \$5.50. Pickled Fish-No. 1 Labrador herring, in barrels. \$5 ; half barrels, \$2.78 ; No. 1 N.S. herring, half brls., \$2.50 ; No. 1 mackerel, in pails, \$1.75; No. 1 sea trout, in 100 lb. kegs,

\$5.75; No. l sea trout, in 200 lb. brls., \$10.50; Labrador salmon, in brls., \$12.50; Labrador salmon, half brls., \$6.50; No. l green cod, per 200 lbs., \$6.50; small green cod, per 200 lbs., \$4.50; large green cod, per 200 lbs., \$8; No. l green haddock, per 200 lbs., \$6. Dom Dom Dulu Dulu Hali

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GREEN FRUITS.—Business is active, prices about steady. Oranges, better grades, are scarce. Blueberries are coming in The new crop lemons sell readily. Limes, 100 to the box, bring \$1.25. We quote: Oranges—Valencias, large, 420s, \$6.50; 714s, \$7; 714s, oval bloods, \$7; Sorrentos, Val. style. C.S. \$4; Messinas. ovals. 100s, \$2; do. ovals, 200s, \$4; Valencia, latest, 126s, 150s, 176s, 200s, \$5.25 to \$5.75; do. ordinary, 420s, \$5.50; do. 420 size, extra large, \$6.50; Sorrentos, 200 size, \$3.50; Messina ovals, \$1.50 to \$2.25. Grape Fruit, Cal., 48 size, seedless, \$5.00; 64 size, 80 size, \$5.25. Lemons : Extra fancy, \$5.25; extra large, 330s, per box, \$4.75; do. 300s, Messinas. \$3.00; fancy. 360s, \$4.00; do., 260s, \$4.00. BANANAS—Jumbo's Extra, \$2; No. 1, \$1.75; Pine Florida's. 24s, \$5.50; 30s, \$5; 42s, \$3.75. California fruit: Pears, \$4.50. Plums, \$2.50. Peaches. \$2.50. Apricots, \$2.50.

GRAIN .-- Last week the exports of wheat totalled 3,272,993 bushels, as compared with 2,262,961 for the same week last year. Crop reports give fair promises for an average return, if frost holds off. The fluctuations in Chicago between 86c and 8634c for September represent nothing but the trend of speculation just now. In Winnipeg: August opened at 89c and advanced to 891/2c; September opened at 901/8c and advanced to 90%c; October opened at 91%c and advanced to 911/2c. Some new Ontario wheat has appeared and been secured by millers at around 80c to 85c. Corn exports last week were 50,000 bushels smaller than in the corresponding week last year. Prices have declined 1/4c to 3/8c. There is to be a steady demand for oats, and prices are steady, with sales of round lots of Manitoba No 2 white at 481/2c, and car lots at 49c per bushel, ex store. Peas nominally 79c to 791/4c for No. 2. Barley 43c to 431/2 c.

GROCERIES. — Coffee has been an interesting study this summer. The controlling syndicate has made frantic endeavours to force prices up, with bad weather, short crop reports. The trade has manifested the opinion that it is not wise to look for trouble and has bought for present purposes only. It now transpires that the crop is all right but that supplies are short. Some advance is probable ultimately for Java's at present. Rio

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#### Stocks, Bonds and Securities dealt in on the Montreal Stock Exchange.

Miscellaneous.	Capital subscribed.	Capital paid-up.	Reserve Fund.	Percentage of Rest to paid-up Capital.	value per	Market value of one share.	Dividend last. 6 mos.	Dates of Div'd.	Prices per cent. on par Aug. 15 Ask. Bid.
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Santos and Brazil is declining. There has been a slightly advance, owing to reports that the Brazilian Senate has authorized the loan of \$15,000,000 to Sao Paulo, \$10,000,000 of this amount to be used in maintaining the stock of coffee held abroad for that State. Japan tea has been soaring lately. Merchants have consistently refused to meet the high prices asked by the growers trusting to the lowering effect of the third crop. As there is no third crop this year, instead of relief, trouble has now come . A leading operator furnished these concrete instances. One order placed in Japan for 3,000 half chests at 161/4 c has just been confirmed there at 191/2 c Another for 6.000 half chests at 18c confirmed at 191/2c. The increase in general is quoted at from 2c to 3c per lb. In all lines business is reported good and in this trade payments for legitimate interests are decidedly good . Here and there a grocer fails to receive the necessary accommodation from his bank, but on the whole the trade has nothing at all to complain of. New York reports-Sugar, raw, quiet; refined, quiet. fair refining, 3.431/2c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.851/2c refined, quiet; crushed, 5.70c; powdered, 5.10c; granulated, 5.00c.

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re short. ent. Rio IRON AND HARDWARE.—There are no differences to record in the prices of articles of hardware. Mills are well supplied with orders and imports are fully up to the standard in amount . Rails are arriving freely and being moved rapidly as possible to where needed for new or relaying work. New York quotes : Bessemer steel, per ton, mill, 20.00 a 30.00 ; Open hearth. per ton, mill, 30.00. Steel bars, soft base half ex., tidewater,  $1.741/_{2}c$ . The above prices are at tidewater in carload and larger lots. For quantities less than 2,000 lbs., but not under 1,000 lbs. \$2 per ton additional is charged and less than 1,000 lbs. \$6 per ton additional. On the New York Produce Exchange, pig-iron certificates remain dull and nominal. On call Saturday, standard foundry October, November and

December was offered at \$23, regular August and September offered at \$22.50; October, November and December offered at \$22. Bar iron has been quiet but steady, with fair specifications on contracts. For car lots for early deliveries sales are made on the basis of 1.60c base Pittsburg, or 1.76c tidewater, base half extras . The jobbing trade is quiet at 2c base full extras from store. Copper is still unsettled. The result of the fluctuations in the price of standard warrants at London has been a net decline of £2 10s on spot and £3 on futures, while best selections have dropped £3 10s, which carries the price of the latter down to £85 net, but this is merely a nominal quotation, when refined copper is selling at £83 to £83 10s. Cables quote :Standard copper, spot £83 )s 3d; Standard copper, 3 months £79 5s 0d. Tin has declined 11/2c per lb. and in consequence more trading has been done. New York reports: With freer offerings from the Straits there have been larger sales of August-September shipments at steadily declining prices. The result of the fluctuations in the London market has been a drop of £7 on spot and £6, 15s on futures. The Singapore market had declined £6 up to Friday ,with a further drop to be recorded. Lead has been dull and nominal throughout the week, with light demand at 5.15c spot and 5.10c August shipment at the close. St. Louis has continued dull and weak, with small sales of ordinary brands of soft Missouri at 5 a 5.021/2c spot. London has advanced 5s net during the week. Soft Spanish closed at £19 10s, against £19 15s on the preceding Friday, and against £16 13s 9d on the corresponding day a year ago. Refined Spelter has been dull and weaker, with offerings of spot at 5.80c a 5.85c and August at 534c in carloads.

LIVE STOCK.—There is a typical warm weather market with very little encouragement anywhere. Local trade is fair for prime beef, lambs and calves. Exporters are anxiously hop-

ing for better news from abroad. Cables at present show London: The market for American cattle is stronger, with sales recently at 13c, an advance of Mc from a week ago; Canadians are also stronger, with sales at 121/2c, an advance over last week of 1/4 c. Liverpool-The market for Canadian cattle is easier at 121/4c, as compared with 121/2c last week. Glasgow, August 12.-Edward Watson and Ritchie report 1.138 cattle on offer; slower; prices weak; top quality, 12c to 121/2c; secondary, 111/2c to 113/4c; ranchers, 103/4c to 111/2c per lb.; bulls, 10c to 11c per lb. Liverpool-John Rogers and Co., Liverpool, cable Canadian steers. 12c; States, 121/2c; ranchers, 114c; cows, 11c; bulls. 10c. Trade slow, market weak. The market% at Chicago were slow on the whole. Quotations just now. Hogs: market steady to strong; light, \$6.10 to \$6.50; heavy, \$5.50 to \$6.20. Cattle: market steady; beeves, \$4.40 to \$7.50; cows, \$1.40 to \$5.80; stockers and feeders, \$2.70 to \$3. Sheep: market weak to 10c lower; sheep, \$3.75 to \$5.90; yearlings, \$6.10 to \$6.70; lambs, \$3.75 to \$7.70.

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HAY.-Good demand at advanced prices: \$17 to \$17.50 for No. 1 timothy ; \$15 to \$16 for No. 2, and \$13.50 to \$14 for clover; mixed clover, \$12 to \$13 per ton, in car lots,

HIDES and TALLOW .- Business decidedly slow. Quotations for fresh city stock; No. 1 hides, Sc; No. 2 bides, 71/2c; No. 3 hides. 7c; No. 1 calfskins. per lb., 14c; No. 2 calfskins, per lb., 10c; lambskins, 95c; No. 1 horsehides, each \$2; No. 2 horsehides, each \$1.50; tallow, rendered, per Ib., Be to 5c; tallow, rough per lb., 11/2c to 3c.

HONEY .-- Market seasonably dull. Prices unchanged. White clover, comb, 12c to 15c; buckwheat,  $9\frac{1}{2}c$  to 10c; and extracted, 81/2¢ to 9c. Extracted white clover comb, 111/2c to 12c per lb.

MAPLE PRODUCTS .- Trade dull. No changes. Syrup, 51/2c per lb. in wood,  $6\frac{1}{2}c$  in tins; maple sugar,  $7\frac{1}{2}c$  to Sc per lb.

MEAL.-Steady trade especially in rolled oats at \$2.25 to \$2.271/2e per bag. Cornmeal, \$1.45 to \$1.50.

MILL FEED.-Trade good in all lines, prices firm. Manitoba bran, bags, \$19.00 to \$20.00; shorts, \$23.00 to \$25.00 per ton; Ontario bran, in bags, \$19 to \$19.50; shorts, \$22 to \$23; milled mouillie, \$24 to \$28 per ton; and straight grain, \$30 to \$32.

NAVAL STORES-Prices keep firm and demand is very good, Pine pitch, \$3.75 barrel; pine tar, \$4.50 barrel; oakum, 4c to 7c per lb.; coal tar, \$4 barrel; roofing pitch. \$1 per 100 lbs.; cotton waste, coloured, 5c to 7c per lb.; white, 8c to 11c. Rope: -Sisal 7-16 and upwards, 101/2c; 3/6, 11c; 3-16, 111/2c. Manilla, 7-16 and larger, 15c; 3%, 151/2c; 1/4 and 5-16, 16c. Lath yarn, 10c to 101/2c.

#### THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAIL-WAY COMPANY.

Dividends for the half year ended 30th June, 1907, have been declared as follows:

ON THE PREFERENCE STOCK TWO PER CENT. ON THE COMMON STOCK THREE PER CENT.

A further sum equal to one half of one per cent. a the Common Stock will be paid thereon at the me time out of interest on the proceeds of land

same time out of interest on the proceeds of land sales. Warrants for the Common Stock dividend will be mailed on 30th September next to Shareholders of record at the closing of the books in Montreal, New York and London respectively. The Preference Stock dividend will be paid on Tuesday, Oct. Ist next to Shareholders of record at the dosing of the books at the Company's London Office, No 62 Charing Cross, London S.W. The Common Stock Transfer Books will close in Montreal, New York and London at one p m. on Saturday, August 31st next. The Preference Stock books will also close at one p.m on Saturday, August 31st. All books will be re-opened on Thursday, October Srd next.

By Order of the Board.

#### CHARLES DRIKWATER, Secretary.

Montreal, 12th August, 1907.

OILS and TURPENTINE .- A fair trade is passing for the time of year. Paint oils have been in some demand. Turpentine is somewhat unsteady. Vegetable oils 10c for Cochin and 7c for Ceylon. Raw Linseed, about 65c to 75c. Boiled, 68c to 70c. Turpentine is quoted at 85c to 95c. Savanuah, Ga., turpentine, firm at 561/2c. Rosin firm at former prices. Pale Seal, 55c to 60c. Straw Seal remains firm at 45c. Calcutta linseed, August and September, 41s 71/2d, Linseed oil, 22s 93/4d. Sperm oil, £34. Petroleum, American refined, 6s 7-16d; do. spirits, 71/2d. Turpentine, spirits, 41s 71/2d. Rosin, common, 10s 9d ; do. fine, 15s 3d.

POTATOES .- There is a good firm demand and new potatoes sell freely at \$1.95 to \$3.00 per barrel. Nominally old Quebec potatoes sell at \$1,10 to \$1.20 per 90 lbs .and at \$1.20 to \$1.25 in a jobbing way.

PROVISIONS.-Good trade in all lines. Prices firm. Abattoir fresh killed hogs at \$9.50 to \$10.25. Heavy Canada short cut mess pork in tierces, \$32.00 to \$32.50; brls. \$22.00 to \$23.50. Compound lard in tierces, 375 lbs, 10c to 101/4c; tubs, 50 lbs., parchment lined, 101/4 to 101/2c; kettle lard, tierces, 13c; pure lard, tierces, 12 to 121/2c. Hams, extra large sizes, 25 lbs. and upward, 131/2c to 14c; large sizes, 18 to 25 lbs., 14c to 15c; medium sizes, selected weights, 12 to 18 lbs., 141/2c to 151/2c; extra small sizes, 8 to 12 lbs., 15c to 151/2; English boneless breakfast bacon, 15c; Wiltshire bacon, backs, 15c; Wiltshire bacon, 50-lb. sides. 141/2c to 15c.-Dry salt meats: Green bacon, boneless, 121/2c ; green bacon, flanks, bone in, 111/2c ; long clear bacon, light, 40 to 60 lbs., 111/2c.

WOOL-Nothing new to report. Prices unchanged. Canada fleece, tub washed, 26c to 28c; Canada fleece, in the grease, 18c to 20c; Canada pulled. brushed, 30c; Canada, pulled, unbrushed 27c to 29c; pulled lambs brushed 30c to 32c; pulled lambs unbrushed 30c; N. W. merinos 18c to 20c.

Department of Railways and Canals, Canada.

TRENT CANAL. ONTARIO-RICE LAKE DIVISION. Section No. 1.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS. SEALED TENDERS addressed to Alex. J. Grant, Superintending Engineer, Trent Canal, Peterboro, and endorsed "Tender for Trent Canal, will be receiv-

ed until 16 o'clock on Thursday, 10th October, 1907, for the works connected with the construction of Section No. 1, Ontario-Rice Lake Division of the Canal. Plans and specifications of the work can be seen on and after this date at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, at the office of the Superintending Engineer, Trent Canal. Peterboro, Ont., and at the office of Mr. J. B. Brophy. Division Engineer, Trenton, Ont, at which place's forms of tender may be obtained.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

By Order,

L. K. JONES, Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 10th August, 1907.

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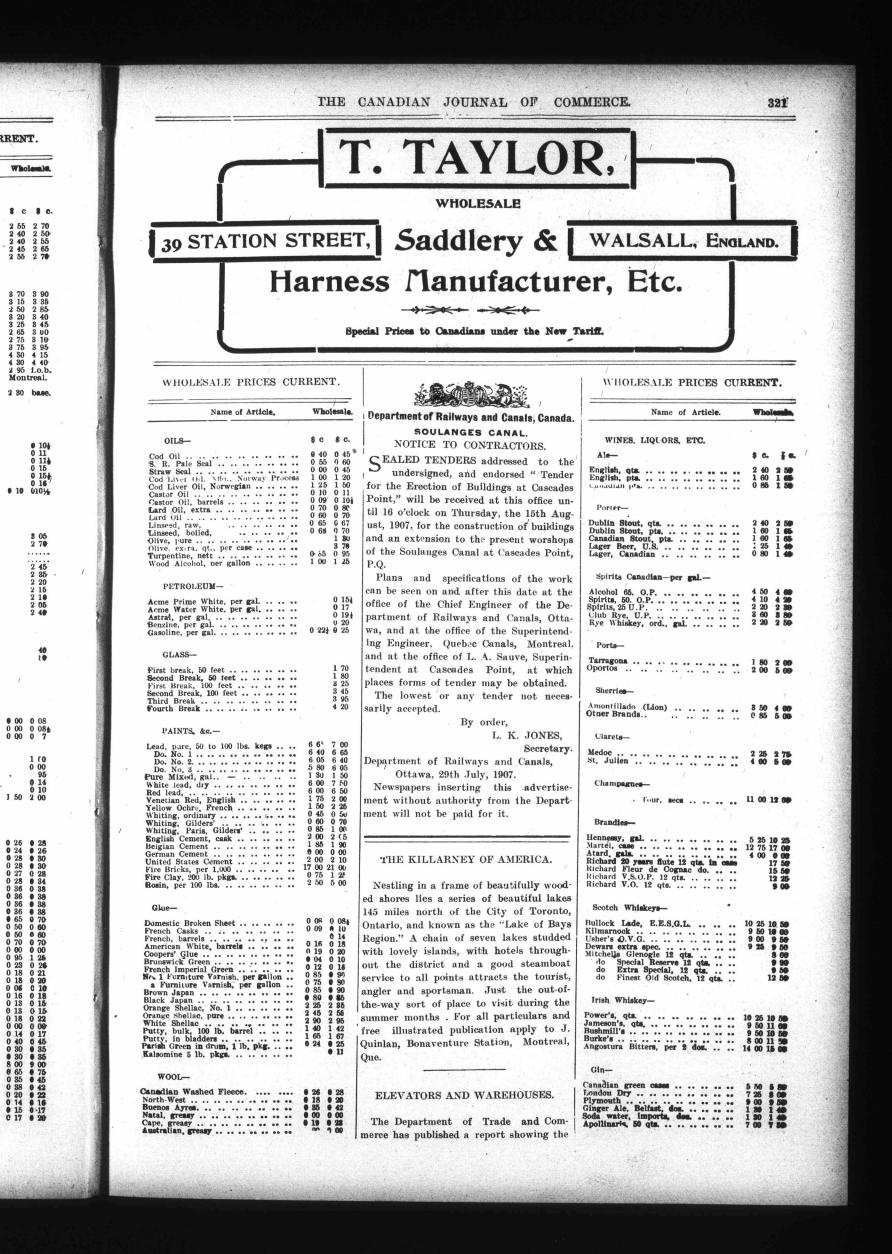
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number and location of licensed elevators and warehouses in the Manitoba grain division, including the provinces of Manitoha, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, with Ontario terminals on the Canadian Pacific; the Canadian Northern, the Midland, the Brandon, Saskatchewan and Hudson Bay, and the Alberta Railway and Irrigation lines. On the C.P.R. there are 917 elevators, and 32 warehouses, with a capacity of 28,538,200 bushels; on the Canadian Northern, 275 elevators and 20 warehouses, with a capacity of 7.485.000 bushels; the Midland and the Brandon-Saskatchewan and Hudson Bay, have 13 elevators, with a capacity of 365.000 bushels; the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Lines have 7 elevators with a capacity of 209.000 bushels. The C. P. R. has 7 Ontario terminal elevators, with a capacity of 11,625,0°0 bushels, and the C.N.R. has 2 with a capacity of 700,000 bushels . In all there are 11.221 elevators and 52 warehouses, having a total capacity of 55,222,200 bushels.

#### THE WAY INTO THE GOLD COUNTRY.

Our trail still leads to the north along the great Government road from Whitehorse to Dawson, a gold seeker writes in Hunter-Trader-Trapper. It is about 350 miles, well timbered all the way with spruce, poplar and cottonwood; some jack pine just starting in thick masses of many acres. Forest fires ten years ago drove most of the game and fur to other parts, yet we see fresh signs of bear and fox in the dusty road every day for miles and miles. Some duck, mostly mallard, canvas back and black duck, geese and swan show up nearly every day's travel.

This is the middle of May—the grass is four inches high, blue and white flowers along the roadside, some strawberry blossoms, and yet a pane of glass frozen in our camp kettles each morning. Fruit is killed 1,000 miles south.

This Government road is a solitude in Summer, not a person for a hundred miles, but in Winter when the ice tops travel on the mighty Yukon River, then this road is a wide awake, thriving, bustling, hustling, get there runway for the traders and miners. Great four and six horse stages slain through this road night and day from both ends.

Chance horses every twenty-two miles at hotels called roudhouses. The charges at these roadhouses are \$1.50 for each meal. \$1 for bed. \$1 for hand-out lunch; beer, etc., 25 cents per drink, hay and oats 5 to 10 cents per pound. The hay comes from Spokane and the oats from Manitoba, both points about 1.500 miles away. Both articles are first-class.

We are overtaken on this road by four droves of beef cattle of 125 head in each drove. They were shipped from Calgary, Canada, and Seattle, Wash. 500 miles by rail, 1,000 by sea, then 120 miles by rail, 140 miles on foot, then by boat 250 miles to Dawson, 1,200 miles to Fairbanks. Feed, both oats and hay, averages \$160 per ton.

The first cost of cattle is about \$70 per head. They are stall fed until three years old and weigh from 1,600 to 2,200 each, the best in the land. The freight on each is more than \$100, the feed and care another \$100.

They sell in Fairbanks for \$350 to \$400 each. The man who works the pick and shovel pays for all. Chuck steak, 65c; T bone steak, 90 cents; best cuts, \$1 per pound.

One herd lost five head through the ice; the next day the next herd lost nine head at the same place. They went under the ice in twelve feet of water. The miner must pay for this loss also. The hay each herd of 125 eats, costs about \$200 each night on the road. One herd was short a man to drive, so the younger of us two gold hunters went for five days at \$10 per day and expenses to help out.

## GASOLINE FROM NATURAL GAS.

The collection of gasoline in drips connected with gas lines and wells, especially in winter, is as old as the oil and gas business, says the Petroleum Gazette, and the oil territory where gas lines have been most productive of such collections has been where gas pumps have been used in the operation of oil wells. The vacuum created by the use of the gas pumps releases from the producing formations heavier hyd lighter ones tural flow. pumps or i are heated, or compress they liquefy vapors from the condens Observing process ther many d'sapp



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pressor, before applying to them any cooling process. The principal development during the past few years in this manner of making gasoline has been merely in applying various cooling methods to well vapors after going through gas pumps, and in some instances through compressors. So far as the Petroleum Gazette is informed it has not been found practical to obtain it anywhere from what would be called a regular dry natural gas.

#### LONDON PAPER'S ACCOUNT OF COBALT.

Mr. H. Hamilton Fyfe in writing a series of interesting letters to the Daily Mail on the "Land of the Future," to wit, Canada, draws the following picture of the Cobalt mining district:—

"It is an easy place to see, Cobalt, for all the big propositions lie close around the lake, which is itself to be burrowed under in the hope that beneath its waters lie rich deep veins of silver. The Rightof-Way and Larose shafts are within a biscult-toss of the station. The Nipissing just across the lake, the University but a short walk, and so on. The miners' wooden shacks, with hotel, restaurant, stock exchange (which is also the theatre), and a few stores all cluster together on one little hill just above the railway track. It looks, of course, like a place that was only started yesterday. Upon the permanence of the vein hangs the question whether it shall grow into a big town or whether the hillside, now a busy human ant-hill, shall in a few years be deserted again, and the wooden buildings left to rot in silent loneliness. Whatever happens, Cobalt will always be an interesting memory by reason of certain peculiarities which mark it off from all other mining camps. There is no Bret Harte element about it—no Cousin Jacks in red shirts, no promiscuous revolver-shooting, no lawlessness, very little gambling, and, strangest of all, no drink. I never thought to see a teetotal mining camp ,but that is what Cobalt professes to be. The hotel provides no stronger stimulant than ginger-ale. At the restaurant you drink water or go dry. There is smuggled whisky in some of the shacks—and capital whisky, too, as I discovered, my prospector being a hospitable soul, even when he found I was not a buyer. But no liquor is openly on sale, and anything like disorder is put down with a heavy hand.

"Usually a mining camp is in the wilds, far from railroad and civilization. To this one you can travel in a Pullman car, and it is nothing unusual to see welldressed women picking their way through the mud, visitors for the day from towns within easy reach. But to miners of long experience Cobalt is a mining camp "de luxe." They may grunble about the ban on alcohol. but they appreciate the plentiful supply of food.

#### TRENT VALLEY CANAL.

An agreement has been reached between the Dominion Government and the Government of Ontario. by which the province transfers to the Dominion all the locks, dams, rights in waters and flooded lands owned by it along the Trent Valley canal. The Dominion agrees to keep the works in repair and good condition, including the lock and three swing bridges at Lindsay, the lock at Balsam Lake, and the lock and swing bridge at Young's Point, and pledges itself to pay the province at the rate of 50 cents per acre for



any unpatented lands which may be flooded by the construction of reservoirs and to compensate private owners also, with the provision that in case it is impossible to arrive at a settlement the dispute shall be referred to the Exchequer Court for decision. It is further provided that all mines and minerals on unpatented lands taken over and flooded in the course of the construction of reservoirs shall be preserved to the province, and that all mines and minerals on patented lands are to remain the property of the patentee until a proper compensation be granted therefor. The Dominion also guarantees to the owners and lessees of timber lands all rights previously possessed by them, with the provision that in case any such owner or lessee is dissatisfied with the Government's terms he may appeal to the Exchequer Court.

#### ARTIFICIAL PRICE FOR COTTON.

A dispatch from Galveston says that the cotton growers in the Farmers' Union are prepared to control the market as shown by the refusal of offers for 12-cent cotton. The union now has 318 warehouses in Texas, with an aggregate capacity for storing over 1,000,000 bales. Of these 150 warehouses have been built since last year. The union estimated this season's crop at 12,000,000 bales, while it is claimed that 14,000,000 bales are required to supply the yearly consumption. Buyers have tried to contract in advance for an aggregate of 500,000 bales at 12 cents for delivery as late as December, but less than 50,000 bales were offered. The union holds for 15-cent cotton.

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Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with their actual signatures. Each tender must be accompanied by

an accepted cheque on a chartered bank, made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent (10 p.c.) of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the person tendering decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned. The Department does not bind itself

to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order, FRED. GELINAS, Secretar**y**.

Department of Public Works, Ottawa, August 5, 1907.

Newspapers will not be paid for this advertisement if they insert it without authority from the Department.

#### BANK OF MONTREAL.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Two-and-one-Half per Cent, upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current Quarter, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House in this City, and at its Branches, on and after Tuesday, the Third Day of September next, to Shareholders of record of 16th August.

By order of the Board. E. S. CLOUSTON, General Manager.

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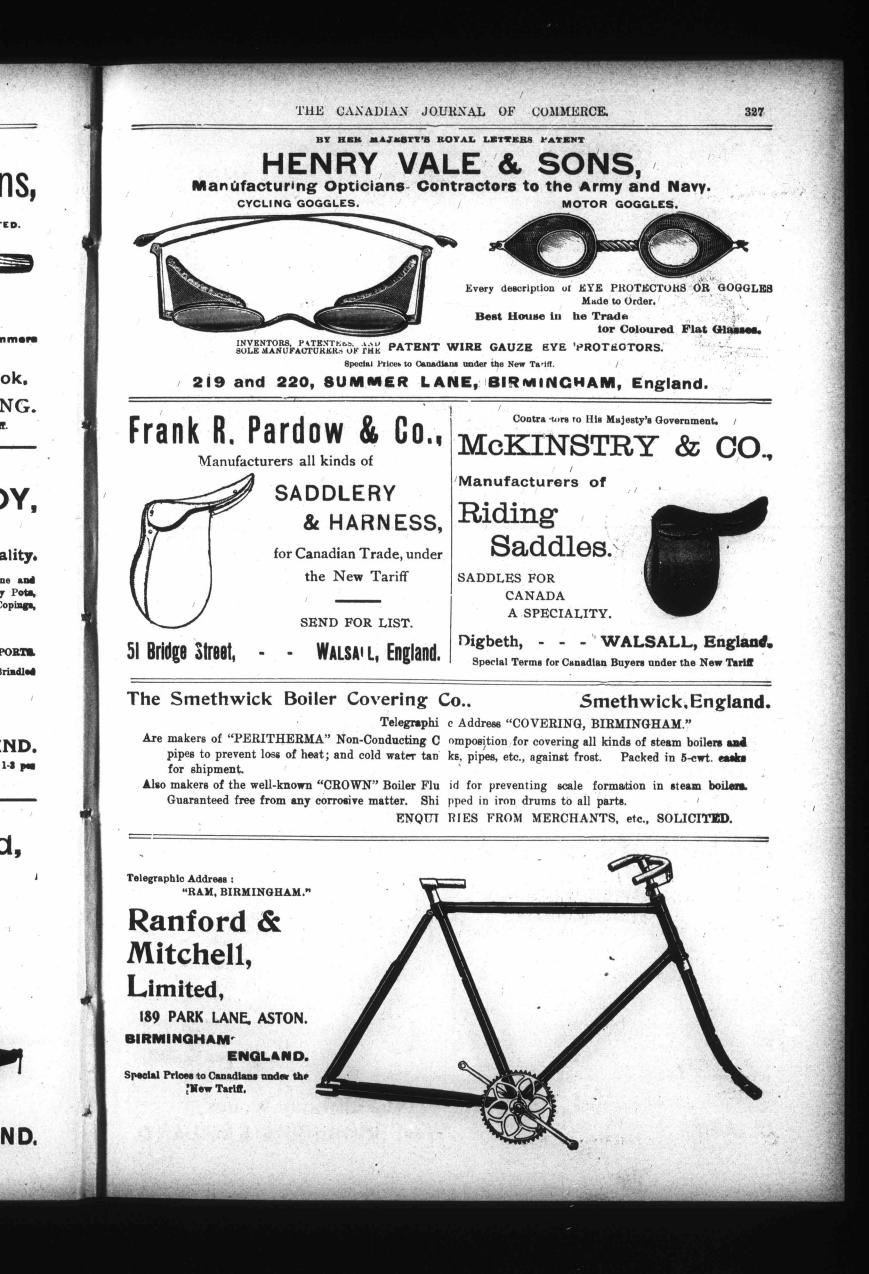
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