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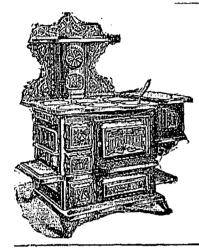
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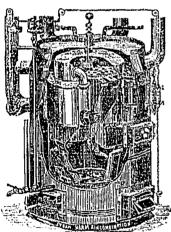
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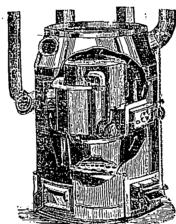
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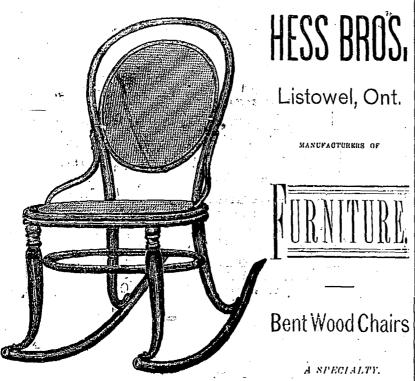
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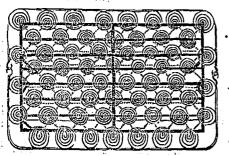


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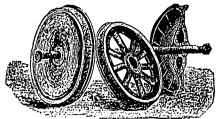
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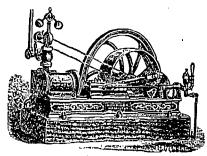


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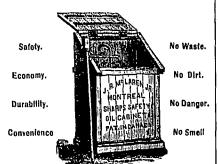
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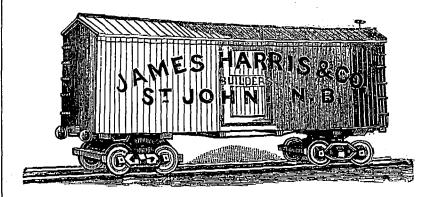
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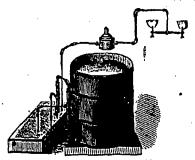


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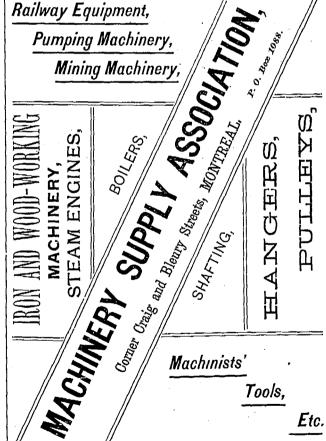
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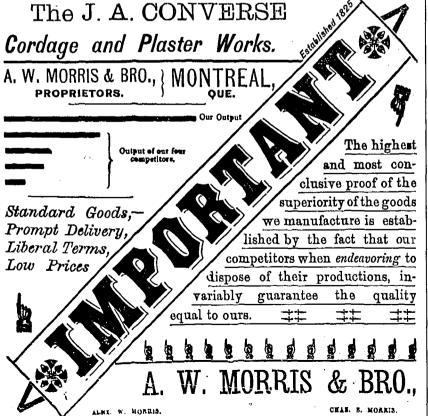
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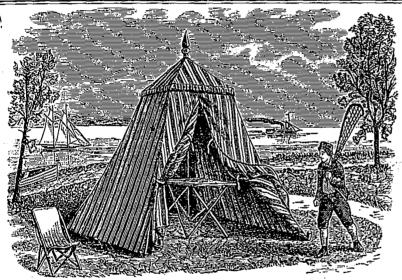
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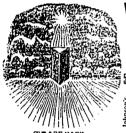
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A RETAIL Grocers' Association was organized at Hamilton repeatly to act in conjunction with the Wholesale Grocers' Association. Over 70 firms were represented at the organization meeting.

The Bank of Yarmouth gives notice of an annual dividend of 6 per cent, payable on the 1st of August, and the Bank of Nova Scotia of a half yearly dividend of 3½ per cent., payable on the 1st of August.

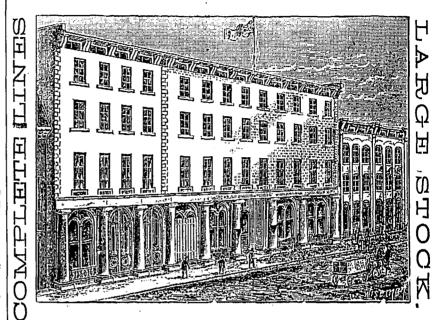
Or an anticipated cut of 150,000,000 feet on the St. John River it is improbable that over 110,000,000 feet will be realized, although this quantity will no doubt be increased by the 17,000,000 old logs held over.

The comptroller of the Northwest Mounted police says that desertions this year are exceptionally few. He has received despatches to the effect that extreme quietness prevails throughout the entire Territories.

A dividend of 17 shillings per share is announced by the directors of the Hudson's Bay Company. This shows an improvement of two shillings per share over last year, when the rate was 15 shillings per share.

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The stock of H. B. Rose, the Winnipeg tailor who assigned last April, has been sold at 40 cents in the dollar. It was valued at \$4,500.—A. I. Ellis, commission merchant of Fencion Falls, Ont., is in difficulties.

ENDEAVORS are afoot to procure a change in the date at which the Montreal Telegraph quarterly dividends are announced to be paid, advancing them thirty days all round to agree with the extension allowed by the contract.

Mr. W. W. Outly is has been chosen to fill the vacancy on the local (Montreal) Board of the North British and Mercantile Fire Ins. Co., caused by the death of the late C. F. Smithers, President of the Bank of Montreal.

G. E. Morasse, shoe dealer, of Sorel, Que., has assigned after a short experience in business. His liabilities may be placed at \$2,200 with assets of \$1,300.——Ralph Bell & Son, a small building firm of Toronto, have assigned.

Antoine St. Jean, general storckeeper of St. Timothe, Que., has assigned. He was supposed to do only a small business but has managed to roll up liabilities of \$5,000 against which he can only show \$4,000 of assets.

It is stated that several of the men discharged from the G. T. R. Car Works in London, Ont., when the cut down was made have been taken back. The half-time scheme is still being run. It is expected that the Ontario Works will commence running again this month.

The Quebec Government has received a large deputation of the timber manufacturers of this province opposed to the new duties on timber limits. They desire to have the tax reduced. The Premier promised them due consideration.

The Fisheries department is advised that the fishing at Magdalen islands, Anticosti and Natashguan is poor and the salmon fishing on the coast of Labrador a good average. There is no truth in the reported outbreak of smallpox at Mingan.

A PATRON of the West Lorne cheese factory has been found sending both watered and skimmed milk to the factory. He was waited on by a committee, and it was decided to dock him two-thirds of the quantity of milk be had sent for a time.

THE Royal City Planing Mills Co., of Vancouver, are sending to Yokohama, via the Abyssinia, samples of their windows, sashes, doors, blinds and lumber. This is an industry that can probably be made a larger item of export to Japan.

So far as ascertained at present the business of the country for the fiscal year just ended is in a most prosperous condition. The Post-office Department and the Patent Office both show large increases in revenue compared with the previous year.

CHARLES DIETRICH, the Toronto jeweller, who assigned last January, with liabilities of \$5,700 and assets of \$4,500, has assigned

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again. His former failure caused much unfavorable comment at the time, and led to legal proceedings being initiated.

THE action of the Manitoba Government on the Red River Valley railway is beginning to attract attention at Ottawa. A prominent Manitoban now at the Capital states that the Dominion Government will prevent the construction of the road at all hazards.

J. A. TURNER, grocer, of West Winchester, Ont., has assigned. He was first a school teacher, then tried farming, and then turned his hand to the grocery business. He was considered economical and close but did only a small trade and has not made it pay.

THE British tin plate trade is rejoicing over the order given by the French Government for 4,500,000 pounds of canned beef from Chicago. It means that an immense quantity of tin plates will be required to make the cans and the British will get the trade.

THE creditors of Raven & Goodycar, of Eden, Ont., have accepted a compromise of 60 cents in the dollar. The commercial history of the firm was given in our issue of the 24th ulto. The assets show a deficit of \$4,000 from the estimated liabilities of \$10,000.

A Sannia firm have received an order for a large invoice of drilling tools and machinery, to be shipped to South Africa, where the Government contemplate extensive undertakings in the way of sinking artesian wells in the

waterless districts in the interior of the country.

FRANK TRUMAN, a Hamilton barber, has assigned. He was said to do a nice little business, but purchased some \$300 worth of stationery for his brother, who has since left the country. Frank now repudiates liability for the purchase, and is consequently compelled to assign.

The new Mexican tariff went into operation on Friday. The duties have been reduced about fifteen per cent from the old schedules : and this, with the commercial advantages incident to the new postal treaty, can scarcely fail to enlarge trade between Mexico and the United States.

A STATEMENT prepared by the Post Office Department shows a healthy increase in the sale of stamps of \$157,497.60 over the previous year. The total receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886, were \$2,420,-205.25, and for the year ending June 30, 1887, \$2,547,703.94.

THE stock of D. Darvill & Co., founders of London, Ont., whose business difficulties have already received attention in these columns, was sold at auction for 56 cents on the dollar, Stevens & Burns being the purchasers. The machinery was valued at \$4,196, but only realized \$2,350.

THE Alberta Wool Growers' Association write that "the present season's clip of wool

will be held until the July 15, when the members will meet in Calgary with samples and buyers will have an opportunity of bidding for the entire clip, say 200,000 lbs. of cross bred merino wool.

STITT & MACPHAIL, of Woodstock, whose failure was noticed in our last issue and who were charged with concealing the proceeds of certain sales and making false entries in their cash book to deceive their creditors, failed to appear at the police court there and their bail was estreated.

The customs receipts for the port of London, Ont., during June, were \$44,645, against \$35,168 in the same month last year, au increase of \$9,477. The amount of duty collected for the fiscal year ending June 30th was \$581,529 against \$493,475 in the previous year, an increase of \$88,054.

THE return of the United States consul shows the declared exports from the Ottawa district to the United States during the past fiscal year to have been as follows: Products of the forest, \$2,652,435; all other, \$61,278; total, \$2,733,713. This shows an increase of \$200,000 over the previous year.

Mr. Kamper, having become convinced that the Government will not entertain his Intercolonial scheme in its present shape, has sailed from New York. He will confer with the Rothschilds and other backers of the enterprise and endeavor to prepare a new

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scheme, which he will submit to Sir Charles Tupper in Paris on the 27th inst.

THREE TOWNS in Nova Scotia are engaged in the work of supplying themselves with water, viz., Bridgetown, Kentville and New Glasgow. It is expected that the reduction in insurance rates will more than pay the interest on the debentures to be issued for providing the money for carrying on the works,

Mr. John Shaw, private banker, of Wardsville, has departed for the States, leaving behind him many confiding depositors to mourn his loss. He left letters stating that owing to heavy loans he was unable to meet his obligations, but hoped to do so at a future day. His liabilities are reported to be over \$10,000.

Tuk Canadian Pacific Railway Company carried out of Ottawa, last year, 75,000,000 feet of lumber, and the Canada Atlantic Railway about a similar amount, making the amount carried out of Ottawa by rail last year about 150,000,000 feet out of a total cut of somewhat over 350,000,000 feet. Two-thirds of this amount shipped by rail went to the United States.

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WORK is said to have been suspended on the Cape Breton railway, owing to a dispute. between the contractors and sub-contractors about the quality of the material used by the latter. The Government is endeavoring to get the matter settled so that work may proceed, and Mr. Schreiber, superintendent of Government railways, has left for the scene of the trouble.

The stock of Valencia raisins in New York is rapidly running low. The supply is concentrated in the hands of two concerns, and there is nothing at present affoat for that port and prices in consequence are gradually advancing. Sultanas also are disappearing. For ordinary goods 8c is asked, and sales at this price are making, but the finer descriptions are held up to 91 @ 10c.

Tur logs being floated down the Bow river to the Eau Claire mills at Calgary, have jammed up at the railway bridges west of Canmore. It is said that the Eau Claire Co. will claim damages against the C. P. R. for the detention of their logs, as they gave the railway company timely warning last fall that they would require sufficient passage of the river to run the logs.

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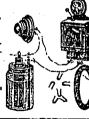
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In the case of Saunders & Pelletier, insolvents, Mr. Justice Loranger refused the application of Messrs. Ross & Co. to set aside the insolvent firm's statement on the ground that Mr. Saunders had omitted to place in the statement his own personal property. His Honor held that individual members of insolvent firms not obliged to mention their private properties in the firm's statement of abandonment.

WORK on the Sault Ste. Marie branch of the Canadian Pacific railway, is progressing rapidly. Track laying has been commenced west of Algoma Mills, and it is expected will be completed by the 15th October. The bridge

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at the Sault has been commenced. Three abutments have been built, while the foundations for two piers have already been laid. The masonry work is likely to be finished before the end of September.

A Syndicate composed of Milwaukee and Chicago capitalists, of whom Hustis, Coughlan and Ray are the representatives, recently purchased a tract of 200 acres of mineral land in the township of South Crosby, Leeds county, Ontario. They have been doing some prospecting, and some samples of ore were received in Chicago this week, and the company at once received an order for 1000 tons at \$6 per ton from a Chicago steel company.

B. RICHARD & Co., general storekeepers of Rogerville, N. B., have assigned with liabilities of \$8,000 and assets claimed to be worth \$12,000. Richard was in difficulties once before through speculating in hemlock bark, and is then said to have effected a compromise at 50 cents in the dollar. The firm has been

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hard run for some time past and the failure of R. & A. J. Stewart, to whom they expected to sell their lumber, appears to have put a capstone on their difficulties.

Joun H. Barnstead, dealer in leather and findings, of Halifax, N.S., has assigned, with preferences amounting to over \$6,000. He gave up the boot and shoe business early in 1886, and confined himself to leather and findings, but for some time past it has been evident that his trade was not growing any, and the suspicion that he was barely holding his own has now ripened into certainty. He claims that his estate will pay all claims in full, but this is considered very doubtful by the trade.

Considerable comment has been made on the unfriendly action of the Quebec government on the question of the tax on commercial corporations. Immediately upon receipt of the cable that the decision in the test case had gone against the companies, Mr. Beausoleil, law partner of Mr. Mercier, commenced to serve notice of inscriptions in the other cases

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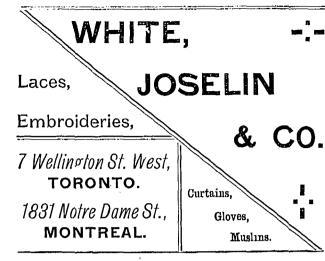
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for September next, thus making additional heavy costs without giving the companies any opportunity to settle, or even to learn what the decision of the Privy Council really is.

The quarterly meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade was held on the 5th inst., the president, Mr. Geo. A. Drummond, occupying the chair. Mr. Drummond referred to the enormous increase in the membership of the board from 600 at the last meeting to a present total of 1,413 members. He believed that they could now rank as the most important commercial corporation in Canada and that their advice, when given with temperance and due regard to the justice of the case, as it always had been, would be weighty and influential.

The Newmarket Hat Co., of Newmarket, Ont., closed up their place in-March last, and were understood to be removing to Toronto, but we now hear of their assignment. The concern was owned by W. H. Ashworth, who was involved some ten years ago, when his



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principal creditor, a large Montreal firm, took the business over, leaving him as manager. Some three years ago Ashworth again assumed control, but has not got on, and consequently has been compelled to assign. The house in question are almost the only creditors, and control all the assets.

A Hatifax correspondent reports a quiet condition of trade generally in that locality. Retail dry goods are kept busy. The haying season has begun with good results, but there is a great need of rain for the growing crops. Fruit promises well though the grubs have been troublesome. The building trade in Halifax is quite active, and all classes of mechanics are kept busy. The cotton mills of Windsor and Halifax have a fair share of orders on hand at paying prices, Good reports are coming in from the fisheries, but the foreign markets are very dull.

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foot up to 721 in number, as compared with 609 in the first half of 1886. The liabilities show a very marked increase. For the first six months of 1887 they amount to over \$10, 693,000, as compared with \$5,500,000 in the first six months of 1886. The increase is largely attributable to the banking and timber failures in New Brunswick. Leaving these out, the increase in liabilities would not be so marked, though still considerable.

The Live Stock Review complains that although several weeks have clapsed since the Inter-State Commerce law went into effect, the rates between Chicago and the Atlantic scaboard remain the same as before. A few years ago, 20c per 100 lbs on live cattle and 40c on dressed beef to New York were regarded by the pool lines as adequate compensation. The present rates are 40c and 65c respectively. This unwarranted advance was made at a time when the value of beef cattle was steadily depreciating. Since it was established, some sixteen months ago, cattle

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The Customs collections at this port in the fiscal year ending yesterday were the largest in the history of the port, aggregating \$8,875,-147, or \$1,522,000 more than in the preceding year. The increase in June reached \$230,436, and must be attributed to the hurried entry of goods in warehouse and purchased abroad previous to May 13, so as to avoid the higher tariff coming into force to-day. The collections at Montreal reach 40 per cent. of the total Customs revenue of the Dominion, the port maintaining its supremacy and keeping pace with the growth of the country generally.

London, Ont., is threatened with a water famine. The water in the reservoir at Springbank reached the lowest point yesterday, and is still going down at the rate of six inches per day. The trouble is increased consumption and lessened supply, which it will be hard to remedy unless the area from which

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the water is collected is greatly extended. At present, the intention is to take in the Dufton springs, adjoining the property now held, but as the reservoir is falling at the rate of 300,000 gallons per day, and the new springs only aggregate 200,000, other sources must be looked for.

THE assignment of Sharpe's City Express company, of this city, appears to be the outcome of the disagreement that has long existed between the two partners, each of whom has filed a separate statement. Mr. Sharpe gives as the principal creditor, his father, who transferred to the firm stock and plant to the amount of \$11,500, and Mr. Walters fyles a statement showing practically the same amount of indebtedness, A meeting of creditors will be held on the 12th proximo, when it is understood that the estate will show 100 cents in the dollar. A dissolution will undoubtedly take place but who will continue the business is still a matter of doubt.

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week, which has been wandering about in search of an owner for some time. It was constructed by an Ontario firm, and was sent to the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, where it was seen by a London merchant who purchased it, but when the exhibition broke up it was not to be found by its purchaser. Due enquiry revealed the act that it had been reshipped to the makers so after considerable correspondence, trouble and expense it has at length been shipped to its purchaser, who will no doubt find it equal to any test to which it may be subjected either by burglars or fire.

LAST week we announced that the Galt coal mines at Lethbridge had been closed down, owing it is claimed to the arbitrary action of the miners. An association was formed by the miners some time ago, and owing to the distance of the mines from any centres of population, and the difficulty of obtaining men, the employees have had things practically their own way. Their action at last tecame so unbearable that the company decided to close the mines, until new men could be procured from the east. A sufficient supply

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of coal is on hand to fill requirements until work can again be started. The Athabasca, which arrived at Port Arthur on the 5th, brought up seventy miners from Columbus, Ohio, who are going to work in these mines.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway company's steamship Parthia, which left Yokohama for Vancouver, B. C., on June 20, arrived at the latter port on the 3rd ult. Her cargo consists of 3,250,000 pounds of tea, bound overland, and 250,000 pounds for Pacific coast ports, besides general merchandise, and 22 European, 87 Chinese and 10 Japanese passengers. The quantity of freight offered at Yokohama was so great that a second steamer, the Port Augusta, 3,386 tons, was chartered. and is coming over with a full cargo. Teas brought from Yokohama by the Abyssinia reached Queenstown on June 29, just thirty days from the port of export in Japan, which is the fastest time ever made. The route was via Vancouver, B. C., the Canadian Pacific railway to Montreal, thence via New York to Liverpool.

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1800	3,365,407	133,446	226,773	664,929
1870	6,404,437	273,728	680,154	1,090,098
1880	21,547,347	835,856	1,845,862	4,297,852
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COMMERCIAL UNION.

We should scarcely feel ourselves called upon to give further attention to the subject of commercial union between Canada and the United States were it not that its advocates have made a new move and a more serious one, in their appeal to the farmers of Ontario. Mr. Goldwin Smith has made few converts to his opinions, however ably set forth in the pages of the periodicals to which he lent the power of his pen for some years past, met as he was on every point by arguments which, though they might not possess the polish of his masterly style, were yet backed by an array of facts that carried with them all those likely to be interested in any political changes that might arise through the development of what the great apostle pronounced to be the manifest destiny of Canada. Wharton Barker, of Philadelphia, was occasionally heard from, but he had scarcely knowledge enough of Canada to command any more than a passing notice-Then, we had the more or less misreported opinions of occasional political visitors to New York or Chicago-men who had no objection to being "interviewed," - but these convinced nobody, except, perhaps,

a portion of that class of Canadians to be found in the large cities of the Northern States, whose patriotism finds expression in the desire to see their country a part and parcel of the American Union, through whatever means, though what their motives can be it would perhaps puzzle many of them to explain. These advocates of Commercial Union did no harm. Theirs was the theory; and the boldest of partisans, coquet as they may after the manner of the party, saw little to be gained by a further advocacy of the scheme. The old "Look to Washington" lever had lost its power, indifference had begun to take the place of despair in political ranks, the last prop being gone in the retirement of the great leader, when-lo, and behold-a new man arises in the person of Mr. Erastus Wiman, of New York, formerly of Toronto, one who had risen from the ranks and, like all great self-made men, practical to a degree. The idea of addressing the farming community of Canada on the subject of Commercial Union originated doubtless with Mr. Wiman, if not with his able friend. Hon. W. McDougall, of Ottawa. At all events the new move is one which the government cannot meet so easily; the friendly organs do not reach the farmers to a sufficient extent to prove an antidote; and this our republican friends well knew in undertaking to publish a a book on the subject-according to circular to the press - which should be so well advertised that the parties to be converted should pay for the privilege and at the same time help to turn an honest penny for the publisher.

Assuming that the pamphlet, books and the picnic at Dufferin Lake have had a portion of the desired effect-that the farmers of Canada are convinced as to the benefits of Commercial Union-our philanthropic friends should not forget that it takes two to make a bargain-the next move of the picnicers should be among the farmers of the United States, who should be persuaded without delay to employ all their influence with the representatives and senators at Washington to take a trial trip with Canada, say on the basis of the bargain proposed by the late Hon. George Brown during his mission to Washington in 1874, when in addition to the free interchange of the natural products common to both countries-those in which the farmers are chiefly interestedhe reluctantly went several steps further in the line of our manufactures, merely stipulating that Great Britain should be similarly privileged. Would it not be more politic to enter the thin edge of the wedge first, and let us feel our way in a more friendly manner and by degrees? Or, if this will not serve, let us hear from our patriotic fellow-countrymen what they wish to substitute. Our American

friends have hitherto refused to entertain any proposal from Canada for a reciprocal interchange of the natural products of both countries; they ended the former reciprocity treaty under the mistaken notion that a great majority of Canadians favored the South in the struggle for separation; they ended the fishery treaty, and seem to insist upon equal privileges as before; they wish to repudiate all that is provided for under the treaty of 1818-upon which we are consequently compelled to fall back-notwithstanding the privileges thereby granted them of fishing south and west of Newfoundland, along the Magdalen Islands and the east coast of Labrador, in return for which they agreed to abandon what they now clamor for,-privileges which Great Britain has as yet given no hint of withdrawing.

The people of the United States have given the world an example of what usually takes place when a portion of any country is determined upon secession; and it can hardly be supposed that Great Britain would feel differently as regards the separation of Canada. Were we to adopt a tariff equal to that of our neighbors, discriminating to the verge of prohibition against foreign manufactures, or maintain our present tariff against all countries except the United States-Great Britain, who is by far our largest customer, and also the best customer of the United States, could, by retaliating, crush us at a single blow. Whence should we derive our revenue in such a case? The duties now paid by imports from the United States contribute largely to the revenue of this country. Prof. Goldwin Smith reckons without his host in assuming that Great Britain would not stand in the way of a commercial union between the two countries. We would suggest that Prof. Smith ascertain this to a certainty before proceeding further in the matter; and if any doubts should exist, a pic-nic could be organized to be held somewhere among the Cumberland Lakes, that country of romance, in the month of August. We should then be more certain of what we were about, and not as we are now, shooting in the dark. In such a case as that which Prof. Smith assumes there are more interests to be considered than those appertaining to the privileged or the governing classes. The government of that country is responsible to the people-the operatives and the manufacturers-and therefore would not consent to any discriminating tariff against her. Besides, our Act of Confederation specially provides against such a change. Taking it on what side we may it is impossible to see how such a scheme as Commercial Union is at all practicable, and we are half inclined to the belief that many of its advocates on

this side of the line are employing it merely as a clever political dodge and laughing in their sleeves at the simple credulity of the farmers.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

We print elsewhere an abstract of the statement of the Canadian Bank of Commerce for the year ending 25th June last, which will be presented at the annual meeting on Tuesday next.

When in October last Mr. Walker became general manager, and again when shortly afterwards Mr. Plummer joined him as the second officer of the bank, it was a foregone conclusion that a thorough and searching examination of the affairs of the bank would be made, and it was generally felt that some portion of the Rest would be written off to make good losses, accrued or still to be ascertained. The market price of the stock has for some time past rested on this basis, but it was perhaps hardly expected that such sweeping appropriations would be required. For not only has \$1,100,000 been taken from the Rest, but \$150,000 has been transferred from the Reserve for unearned interest, and \$200,000 from the current profits of the year. The small sum transferred to Contingent account-last year has disappeared-naturally it must long since have been apparent that the debts for which it was reserved were irrecoverable.

So sweeping a provision for bad and doubtful debts has evoked a good deal of interest in the report; we cannot say it created any excitement, for the reduction was only unexpected as regards its amount, and even that, we find, was in many quarters long ago discounted. It is, of course, open to the criticism usual in such cases, that the paring has been done to the quick, that the new growth may appear the greater to the credit of the new administration. As to this none but those concerned can say. It is only reasonable to believe that thorough provision has been made for all losses and contingencies: any other course would be foolish and imprudent: but, on the other hand, the reputation of the men now at the head of the bank is sufficient warrant that they have not wantonly and unnecessarily depreciated the value of the shareholders' property.

The thoroughness with which the work of revaluation has been done, as well as the principles on which it was carried out are clearly apparent from the General Manager's report, which the board ordered to be printed for the information of the shareholders; a wise departure, under the circumstances, from the usual rule. This declaration as to the way in which the Executive have done their work in the present case, and propose to do it in the

future, has assisted very materially in creating public confidence in the declared position of the Bank, and in its future statements.

Turning from these records of past disasters, it is pleasant to note that the active business of the bank is in excellent shape. The year's profits are satisfactory, there being about \$200,000 available after payment of a 7 per cent dividend, and meeting all charges and losses of the year. It is evident from the report that there will be no difficulty in maintaining the 7 per cent dividend, and adding a substantial sum to the Rest every year under ordinary circumstances. The bank has very large deposits: second, indeed, only to the Bank of Montreal, and though these show a reduction since last year, that experience is common to most banks this season. We gather from the Directors' remarks on this point that most, if not all, of this falling off in deposits arises from the reduced rate of interest now

Some remarks have been made as to the prudence of the proposed new building for the bank in Toronto, in view of the losses that have been written off. As the project for the new building was announced immediately after the annual meeting in July last, it may be assumed that it was undertaken before an accurate knowledge of the bank's position was attained; and the subsequent information on that point will no doubt account for the reservation of the question for the shareholders' approval at the annual meeting. It would be the prudent course, speaking generally, to postpone building for a time, under the circumstances, but in view of the wretched accommodation afforded by the present offices, the rapid increase in the value of business property in Toronto, the difficulty of procuring a suitable site, and especially of the fact that the proposed building will be so arranged as to secure the highest possible returns from the offices rented to others, and so place the bank on a comparatively light rental, we think it would be unwise to postpone the work. We only hope the bank authorities will find it to their interest to erect suitable premises for their large business in this city as well, and add another to the stately edifices which adorn St. James street.

Of the minor points of the statement we have little to say. The closing of the account for rebate of interest on current discounts, is in our opinion a step in the right direction. Strictly speaking, no doubt, the assets should be reduced to a present cash value, but in the case of a bank with a good surplus, such an account only confuses the statement. It is not the practice of banks generally to keep this reserve, though some of the smaller banks in Canada do so. The dropping of the

Contingent Account from the balance sheet is a sensible step, when, as in this case, it is a provision for bad debts already in view. Such a fund is in its nature to be used for writing off the debts as they are ascertained, and, after the general appropriation has been made, it is better that the subsequent entries should not be made public. If the Contingent account is publicly dealt with, it is really only in degree less objectionable than having to take the losses from the Rest account.

On the 1st May last the bank entered on the twenty-first year of its existence, and it has we trust a prosperous career before it. The commercial community is almost as much interested in the fortunes of a great financial institution as are the shareholders themselves.

THE TAX ON CORPORATIONS.

The decision of the Privy Council in the test case brought against the Ontario Bank to collect the amount of \$1,200 due under the provisions of the Provincial statute, 45 Vic. (Quebec), Cap. 22, imposing a tax on all incorporated companies, has been rendered and is in favor of the legality of the measure. This decision, although rendered by the highest legal authority possible, will be deeply regretted, since the power thus lodged in the hands of a local legislature whose ruling majority is composed of members representing rural constituencies and having little sympathy or knowledge of the requirements of large commercial centres, must inevitably form a serious menace to the business interests of Montreal.

The tax bill is most comprehensive in its character. It provides that banks, insurance companies, navigation companies, steamship lines, loan, telegraph and telephone companies shall pay an annual tax upon their paid-up capital, that street railway companies shall pay annually \$50 per mile worked, and that railway companies shall pay \$5 per mile if not subsidized by the government, and \$20 per mile if they are so subsidized. The act also applies to all incorporated companies carrying on any branch of labor or trade, but omits mention of electric lighting companies or electric railways, which were not thought of when the bill was first framed in 1882.

The evil effects of such a measure upon Montreal's commercial interests can be well imagined. The act is levelled solely at Montreal as there is no other centre in this province that will feel its effect, and is an example of that "hay seed" legislation which has been so bitterly commented on by the mercantile communities across the border. It places in the hands of the local government the means of imposing a tribute on our great commercial corpora-

tions that will be circumscribed only by the extent of the burden they can bear without ceasing to exist, for, since the natural tendency in all provincial houses whose political existence depends upon the suffrages of the farmers of the back districts is to throw the bulk of the burden of taxation upon the business community, we may expect that this already sufficiently onerous impost will be increased whenever political exigencies require an addition to the revenue.

A bill, designed in the most selfish spirit of class legislation, and aimed at those great progressive interests which form the backbone and sinew of the commerce of the country, cannot fail to hamper and restrict the investment of foreign capital in Canadian enterprises, and thus retard the progress of the country. The farmer or rural member who hugs himself in the belief that the burden of taxation will by this class of legislation be transferred from his shoulders to those of what he terms "capitalists," little thinks that by restricting the commerce of the city where he finds a market for his produce, he is simply paving the way for a decline in prices that will react seriously on his own future prospects. The "bloated monopoly" cry has still too much force with the voters of back settlements not to have due influence on the action of their representatives, and consequently these latter continue the purblind policy of endeavoring to advance the farmers' interests by restricting those of the mercantile community, ignorant or oblivious of the fact that the interests of both classes are inseparably intertwined, and that any legislation calculated to hamper or injure the one will make its effects visible erelong upon the other.

To the local legislature the city of Montreal assumes the position of the milch cow. It is from the coffers of her inhabitants that the great bulk of the provincial supplies are drawn, and it is to the framing of taxes that, while ostensibly imposed upon the whole province, are in reality only effective on her population. that the ingenuity of our local legislators is chiefly directed; but when their efforts take the direction of prejudicing our transportation facilities by laying a burden upon our steamship and railway lines that must place them at a disadvantage in competition with other and rival routes, it strikes a direct blow at our commercial interests. The same argument applies to the tax imposed upon insurance companies, many of whom are already doing business on an extremely slender margin of profit, and consequently we trust that Mr. Mercier will see the inadvisability of the course he is pursuing, and use the extraordinary powers he is clothed with in a spirit of moderation and foresight.

THE FAILURE RECORD.

The record of business failures for the first half of the present year is hardly so favorable as was expected. In fact, at first sight, it shows an alarming increase in liabilities, but on closer examination this is found to be due to an abnormal increase in business disasters in one particular district, and not to be the result of a general increase in the failures of the Dominion. Separated into the various provinces the figures stand as follows:-

	N	umber.	Liabilities.
Ontario	٠.	375	\$2,877,176
Quebec		193	1,932,571
New Brunswick		48	4,995,515
Nova Scotia			380,260
Prince Edward Island		5	78,300
British Columbia		12	86,000
Manitoba	٠.	19	111,905

709 \$10,461,735

or nearly fifty per cent. more than at the same period in 1886. Compared with the previous year's figures, it is higher than that of any year since 1884, as is shown by the following table :--

N	umber	. Liabilities.
1887	709	\$10,461,735
1886	699	5,501,697
1885	690	5,166,165
1884	752	10,742,600

But if the disasters in New Brunswick, caused by the failure of the Maritime Bank and the consequent suspension of those firms who were implicated in its downfall, be eliminated from the question, the failures of 1887 would be 661, with liabilities of \$5,466,220, as against 672 with liabilities of \$5,372,497 during the corresponding period of last year.

In the first half of 1886, the failures in New Brunswick aggregated only \$129,200 in habilities, while in the six months just past they reached \$4,995,515, an altogether abnormal figure, and one which only a

fortuitous concurrence of bad times and reckless financiering could have possibly brought about. No doubt the failures in New Brunswick affected the general current of trade in a greater or less degree, but the analysis of the totals we have just given shows that although a fair proportion of the losses were borne by merchants of other provinces, they were not sufficient to cause disaster, and that consequently the ill effects were confined almost en-

resist the sudden drain on their resources. For the coming six months, prospects are far brighter and, if present indications

tirely to local houses who were unable to

continue, we may fairly predict a return to normal figures. Crop prospects are excellent, more especially in Manitoba, and the outlook for an abundant harvest is exceptionally promising. The bank circulation is large and bids fair to reach the highest limit of other years, immigration is in excess of last year and composed of a much better class of settlers, factories are mostly

running on full time, and though, owing to keenness of competition, the margin of profit is small, we hear but few complaints. On all hands there is a feeling that we have turned the corner, and although the situation is one which still emphatically calls for caution, a careful and conservative line of policy will place 1887 above its predecessors so far as the material prosperity of the country is concerned.

THE AMERICAN EGG MARKET.

The unusual course of the American egg market has caused considerable surprise among the grocery trade and one of our contemporaries, the American Grocer, in its review of the market lays the blame principally upon the shortage of Canadian eggs which should have been marketed under ordinary circumstances about the first of June, but which this year were a week behindhand, and, when they did arrive, came in such light quantities as to be manipulated easily by the receivers and consequently useless as a means for lowering prices.

It certainly is out of the usual course of events for eggs to take such a sudden jump as they did at the commencement of last month. A rise of 51 cents in the New York market during the end of May and the first week in June was a genuine surprise to the trade, and though now there is a decided tendency downwards. the unexpected flurry in prices has caused considerable speculation as to the future of the American egg market, especially as it is not positively certain that receipts during the present season will be as large as those of previous years.

One feature is encouraging for Canadian egg dealers and that is the growing preference throughout the States for Canadian eggs. Whether it be only a popular whim or not, dealers agree that there is strong liking for the light yolked Canadian egg and that they sell more readily than the most fancy Ohio or Indiana egg. For icing and pickling purposes, too, they seem to have the preference and the very firm bidding by preserving firms for our eggs for icehouse purposes, has been one of the pricipal causes of the sudden advance.

The rise and subsequent fall was not the result of any cornering or speculation, at least that is the opinion of well informed men, and as at the time of the rise the receipts were very nearly what might have been expected we cannot lay the advance to any sudden falling off in the supply. The real reason seems to be the increase in the number of eggs removed from the market for preserving purposes. It is claimed that more eggs have been limed and stored in icehouses this season than ever before and, consequently, dealers found suddenly that the market was

bare of supplies, and as but little stock was then in transit, prices were steadily advanced until 18 cents was reached.

What the future of the market will be seems very doubtful. It will be remembered that in 1884, another year when a remarkably large amount of liming was done, the price for domestic and foreign limed eggs went down so low that hardly the original cost of the eggs was recovered, much less any margin for cost of storage or interest on money, and those dealers who have made contracts forward at 11 cents may turn out to be the shrewdest prophets, but at present indications are certainly the other way. The egg market is proverbially a difficult one to manipulate successfully and fictitious prices rarely survive a day or two, so that, in endeavoring to pry into the future, only the receipts and probable demand need be taken into consideration, Lut these are both very variable factors. If the quality of the limed and iced eggs is sufficiently good to allow them to be substituted for fresh, we may see the lowest prices on record, but, on the other hand, a good local consumption or a temporary cessation of of the supply might send prices up to stay. Just at present the American market is dull with the daily average receipts nearly 1,000 barrels larger than the consumption. but this state of affairs will soon readjust itself, and then the course of the market will be watched with increasing interest. In this city continued light receipts have resulted in a very strong market. Although the quotation is placed at 16 cents. we hear of several transactions at 17 cents and a further advance is by no means improbable.

THE BANANA TRADE.

The market for bananas continues, so far as the wholesale trade is concerned, in a very healthy condition. The demand is excellent and increasing steadily year by year, and dealers state that the the quality of the bananas now offering shows an equally steady improvement. The estimates of the increase in demand vary considerably but it seems abundantly evident that the banana is capturing the popular fancy, and even the most conservative dealers place the increase in sales at from fifteen to twenty per cent while many run up the figure to 50 per cent over last year's sales, and predict still further popularity in the future. Bananas certainly are selling far better than they did last year. In 1886 a considerable surplus of this fruit remained over at the close of the season and was placed in cold storage, but this year, in spite of the fact that the crop was an unusually large one and ample to meet all inquiries, not only have all the stored bananas been disposed of, but no surplus of the new crop remains. The increased demand has proved fully equal to the enlarged supply, and consequently the market shows a strong, healthy tone, very different to the congested, dull condition at this period of last year.

The yellow banana seems to be forging to the front as a favorite both with dealers and consumers. The public prefer it because it rots less easily than the red variety and is consequently easier to handle, but when the red banana is ripe connoisseurs say that the flavor far exceeds that of the yellow, but only for a brief period, while the yellow retains its modicum of flavor for a long time, and naturally is preferred by those who only get the fruit after a considerable time has elapsed since the gathering.

Boston claims pre-eminence as a distributary centre, so far, at all events, as we are concerned. Steamers arrive there twice a week, sometimes making three trips in the week, and bringing an average of 12,000 bunches each trip, so that although the local consumption of that city approximates closely upon half a million bunches during the season there is still a surplus left for distribution. Not only this, but much of the Port Limon fruit which we derive from Boston comes originally to New York and is thence transhipped by rail to Boston. So much attention has been directed to this fruit lately that Boston capitalists have commenced a banana plantation at San Domingo, where the fruit has hitherto run wild. The plantation is devoted at present to the yellow banana, but eventually will cover other varieties of tropical fruits. When the fact that this plantation covers ten square miles is taken into consideration, some idea of the importance of the banana as a commercial fruit can be arrived at.

The price in cargo lots at importing points remains practically unchanged from last year at \$1.371 for yellow, and \$1.25 for red. In Montreal we may quote them at \$1.50@\$3.50 per bunch, the price being lower in consequence of the abundant supply; but here, as in Boston, the banana is coming steadily to the front as a popular fruit, and has evidently captured the public taste. Its most formidable opponent is the strawberry, and last year the appearance of this fruit, out of its order, broke the banana market in Boston to \$1.121 where it remained with some trifling fluctuations till the end of the season, but this year we cannot look for such a drawback and therefore may fairly look for well sustained prices as the increasing popularity of the banana should effectually counterbalance any growth in the supply. This seems to be the opinion of the larger importers who all look forward to greater sales and improved prices.

THE LATEST DEFALCATION.

That mysterious impulse which when one crime or defalcation takes place, leads to its immediate imitation by others who, it is charitable to suppose, were induced to follow the example of the original criminal through the morbid influence of their imitative faculties, can hardly be held responsible for the departure of our latest Canadian boodler. "Dal" Whitney, as the corpulent young secretary of the Harbor Board was familiarly known, cannot plead that he followed the track laid down for him by Parent, although the circumstances through which his fall from honesty occurred were strikingly similar. Each was a genial, extravagant fellow and popular with his friends; each received a good salary amply sufficient to meet even extraordinary requirements, each commanded the almost boundless confidence of his superiors, and the result of that blind confidence was precisely the same in either case. Still further parallels might be drawn; each owed the responsible position they attained at so early a date to a lively recollection of the virtue and good service of relatives, and each repaid the advancement they were given, more from the reflected lustre of their respective parents' long unsullied career of usefulness than from their own merits, with similar ingratitude.

Of course it is easy enough to prophesy after the result. The number of men who were convinced that such a life as these two young men were leading must eventually end in a "smash," is increasing day by day now that their hegira is an accomplished fact. But still it does seem somewhat singular that the extraordinarily lavish expenditure of these two young fellows, notwithstanding the recent hints in these columns, or the ratings in the retail "agency register," never attracted the serious attention of either their immediate superiors or of the interested guarantee companies, and that they were able to pursue their spendthrift career to the very last without arousing any more than a mere passing breath of suspicion easily dispelled by an evasive answer.

What Whitney's deficit really is no one can tell as yet, and probably it cannot be ascertained until the coupons of any bonds which may have been fraudulently issued are presented for payment. At present the figure is placed at \$13,000, against which the Trust hold a guarantee policy for \$5,000, a sum ridiculously small when the large sum of money which annually passed through his hands is taken into consideration, but the probability is that, as in the Parent case, the sum taken will be found to exceed four or five times the amount originally given as the total defalcation.

Considering the high position that the absconding secretary held in society, his many influential friends and the multiplicity of his resources for raising the wind, it is evident that a shortage of a few thousand dollars could have been easily manipulated. Mr. Whitney had a salary of \$2,000 per year, and lived in a style commensurate with his supposed means, consequently it is to be feared that no ordinary deficit would be sufficient to cause so sudden and secret a departure, and that when the matter is finally sifted to the bottom some startling figures may be expected. Now that the existence of the defalcation is placed beyond a peradventure, the members of the Board of Harbor Commissioners have been most active in seeing that the Trust should be protected, but it is feared that this is merely another form of shutting the stable door after the steed is stolen, and that in spite of their efforts the defalcation will soon assume a far more sombre hue than that which it wears at present. The whole affair is a most painful one, and it is difficult to say who is most to be pitied, the family of the defaulter or the gentlemen of the Board who placed such implicit confidence in his honesty and integrity of purpose, and who have been so cruelly deceived.

FASHION NOTES.

Now that the travelling season has fairly set in, and all fashionable society is more or less on the wing, carmelite has come steadily to the front. For cool morning or travelling wear, gray or fawn carmelite is certainly unrivalled. Its property of emerging fresh and unwrinkled from the longest railroad journeys, and the fact that it never shows the dust, are strong arguments in its favor, and, especially for travelling or driving cloaks, it rivals successfully both tweed and serge. The new travelling cloak resembles a long Newmarket coat with a deep cape reaching to the waist and a hood lined with silk, usually of the same color, although a bright contrast is equally allowable. This cape and hood both take off, and leave the long wellfitting coat at the wearer's option. Some of these coats have the fullness caught up at the back with fancy ornaments and a few, affected by those who aim at original effects, have a large colored silk handkerchief in place of the hood, arranged with the point lying down the back and the ends turned over each other in front.

The Norfolk jacket bodice comes again to the front with the advent of the travelling season, especially in woollen or flannel materials, but in cambrics and other more stylish cottons the close fitting bodice still remains the ruling style. Scarfs with hoods, which were very fashionable some years ago, are again coming into style, and

are seen now with tolerable frequency. The most fashionable type of travelling dress now has a plain underskirt, stiffened to make it hang full, of biscuit colored beige with a polonaise of a darker shade caught up just below the waist at the back. This dress has a scarf with ends in front and pointed hood at the back lined with the lighter color. This same idea can be carried out in white with a gray, fawn, navy blue or lilac polonaise and scarf, the lining of the hood, vest and cuffs in white. If preferred an edging of gold braid can be added. The hat or bonnet must correspond with the costume, and the rage for matching has now reached such an extreme that it is considered chic to have the parasol, satchel and hosiery of the predominating color.

A crinkled surfaced nun's veiling called crèpon is becoming very popular. It is shown in all colors, and is probably at its best in pale gray or navy blue. Heliotrope is not popular, although many people wear it simply because their dressmakers recommend it. These latter can scarcely be called unbiased judges, as in many cases they have purchased heavily of this color under the belief that there would be a big run upon it. In the new cottons a pale heliotrope crossed with narrow red or white lines is becoming and has sold well. . but the color is trying to most complexions, and has become far too common to be fancied by the better class trade. The newest color is decidedly honeysuckle, which looks pale yellow in one light and pale pink in another. These yellow pinks and pale greens appear to be the coming style after the lilacs and lavenders have had their day. Chartreuse green, bright pink, pale primrose and the golden browns are also favorite colors, but the blues appear to have quite lost their hold on the popular favor if we except pheasant blue and one or two shades of (old) blue. Vieux rouge, another name for crushed strawberry, has also gone out of style, and is rarely seen now except in millinery combinations.

JUNE WHEAT.

The corner in June wheat in New York, contemptuously known as the "baby" deal, turned out a complete success. Unlike the deal in spring wheat in Chicago the big "bear" leaders were fully convinced that the corner which has just resulted in a triumphant squeeze, was too small to do anything but collapse ignominlously, and it was just this overconfidence on their part which allowed the "baby" deal to put June wheat at the highest price that it has fetched in New York for a number of years, and to cover its skilful manipulators with doubtful glory. Considering that this corner survived the heavy drop in values caused by the panic

in Chicago, when their opponents could have easily covered at 87 cents, the confidence of the bear element seems astonishing, but it now transpires that so far from covering their sales even at 90 cents, they only sold more and boasted their ability to burst the "baby" deal at even more advantageous prices.

It seems as if the speculative trade had jumped to the conclusion that if one of the members of the clique was unable to protect his trades, the others must necessarily be unable to come to his assistance, and consequently they commenced selling June wheat right and left confident that these latter would be unable to stand the onslaught. So quiet was the whole thing kept that each bear operator seems to have believed that he was either the only "short" or else that there were very few besides himself in that interest. The fact that the clique permitted the price to hang at 90 cents until it was too late to buy it in the West and bring it forward for delivery fostered this idea, and it was not until the price was suddenly jumped up to \$1.05 that it was first suspected that there were big fish in the net.

Thus has ended the most decried but the most successful deal on the New York market. The profits are variously estimated at from half a million to a million dollars, and, although at first nicknamed the: "baby" deal, it now turns out to have been one of the largest ever successfully engineered in June wheat. The amount covered before the market reached \$1.05 is not known and consequently the profit on it can only be guessed at, but it is known that over two million bushels that were sold short at from 87 to 90 cents were covered at \$1.05, or an average profit at the highest figure of 15 cents per bushel.

The artificial nature of the whole transaction cannot be better exemplified than by the fact that while hundreds of thousands of bushels were changing hands at from \$1.05 to \$1.07, the cash market was only at:87 cents for export, or twenty cents under the speculative margin. In fact the whole deal was simply a betting transaction depending upon a fortuitous concurrence of circumstances and entirely outside the pale of legitimate trading. The successful gamblers, in this instance, will probably again attempt a similar deal and, unless favored equally by fortune, most likely unsuccessfully, so that the money they have just gained may be said to be merely lent to them and to be certain to find its way back into the market. It is this constant speculation in "paper" produce, (which finds its humble exponent in the bucket-shop), that is the bane of all modern commercial markets, and, therefore, could this purely speculative element be eliminated from our midst by process of law, legitimate

trading would be placed upon a sounder and far more profitable basis.

THE AYER CASE.

Now that free access to official records has become possible, a comparison of the court stenographer's report of the evidence given by Mr. O'Hara, deputy collector of customs, in the Ayer case, with that credited to him in the daily journals, proves that that gentleman has been subjected to unmerited obloquy, that the evidence he was supposed to have given has been (so to say) inextricably mingled with that of other witnesses, and that those replies upon which the attacks upon his credibility were founded, were really never made by him at all. How such an extraordinary perversion of the evidence could have obtained currency it seems difficult to explain, but as the explanations and alterations of Mr. O'Hara, as furnished to the press, are concise and temperate in tone we publish them at full length and leave our readers to form their own opinions from the facts presented to them. It must be remembered that any defects of the system are not to be visited upon the official who merely enforces the law as he finds it, and that the only point at issue is the truthfulness of the evidence he perhaps, too ably, gave before the court.

THE BANK OF COMMERCE.

[COMMUNICATED.] ...
Although it has been generally understood for months past that the first annual statement under the new management of the Bank of Commerce would announce a considerable reduction in the reserve, few were prepared for the wiping out of so large a sum as even a million dollars, much less the amount of \$1,100,000 in addition to that taken from contingent fund and the profits for the year, making nearly a million and a half, which in addition to the recent slice of four hundred thousand dollars. shows an admitted reduction of about two millions in the assets of the bank within the last year or two. The Stock Exchange has been able, notwithstanding all, to maintain the price where they predicted it should be under the expected reduction, but it is an open secret that this has been accomplished because of the "short" interest prevailing. Each side is waiting for the other to move, and as long as the "shorts" find a difficulty in filling-and there is little speculative stock in the "street"-the price will move slowly till the alternative is reached. Investors are not likely to part even at present price with a stock likely to earn ten per cent., and pay probably seven per cent, dividends, with a yearly restoration at the rate of \$180,000; but people do not view

with anything like complacency any falling off in the selling value of their property, however satisfied they may feel that its value intrinsically is not a penny less than it was a year or two before. It is rather to be expected that prudent persons will seek investment at its present price in the reasonable hope that the excision will bring about a more rapid and healthy growth-that the new management has merely adopted the time honored custom under similar circumstances of cutting deep, of going to "bed-rock," as it is called, and made allowance for all cases of doubt, many of which cannot fail to prove far more valuable than the estimate placed upon them. It is, perhaps, well that such occasional house-cleaning should be resolved upon. But the man who makes a "bad" or doubtful debt is not always the best judge of its value as an asset. There be people who think however that the statements made monthly to the government should show with more exactitude the condition of the bill-book-that the columns of "overdue debts" should be made to show, as in some well known cases, an amount something near to that which the annual or special statement discloses at last, as exemplified by the transfers made to the folio of contingencies by prudent business men who keep such an account for insolvent estates, banishing them immediately from the category of live accounts, and crediting profit and loss with any dividends that eventually accrue, with the proportion recovered. It is impossible for bankers to take shareholders into their confidence in the treatment of certain customers. Weak accounts are nursed and kept alive as long as there is a reasonable probability of ultimate recovery, sometimes for the sake of other interests; and one of the principal functions of a wise banker is to know when to stop-when to leave an enterprise to its fate-whether be should risk another shaft in the direction of the lost one in the hope of recovering both. The general opinion of the "street" is that three-quarters of a million were quite sufficient for the Bank of Commerce to take off the Rest; but if so, the property is nothing worse; it is all there yet, and the able general manager and his no less able assistant will doubtless take prudent care of it, and prove to all those whom it may concern that their plan is the best, that the course was justified by the circumstances presented-and that it is better, if at all, to err on the safe side in banking as well as in other departments of business.

The discovery of the body of the late John S. McLachlan, following closely upon that of his youthful companion Mr. Sumner, will form the closing scene in the tragedy that at-

tracted so much regretful attention last fall, and will finally set at rest the doubts of those companies whose policies call for the production of the body before the payment of the death claim can be accomplished. The body of Mr. McLachlan was so altered by decomposition as to be barely recognizable, and, apart from the clothing, was chiefly identified by a gold locket which was known to have been worn by the deceased gentleman, but it affords a melancholy satisfaction to his relatives to be able to place his body in the family resting-place and they have the sympathy of the mercantile community in their affliction. The funeral on Wednesday was largely attended by our prominent merchants, bankers and professional men. Among the handsome floral offerings was one from the Young Men's Christian Association, with an appropriate inscription.

WE REURET to hear of the suspension of the firm of Beuthner Bros., manufacturers and wholesale dealers in embroideries, fancy goods, dyes, &c. The brothers have been carrying on business in this city for some years with a care, attention and economy that warranted a belief in the continuance of their prosperity; but a number of persistent losses during the last year or two, especially in the Maritime Provinces-many of them under the notorious Bill of Sale system-made serious inroads upon their capital with the present result. The integrity of the firm is shown by the gradual reduction of liabilities and stock. The former within a short time have been reduced from \$20,000 to about \$12,000 direct, the indirect being about \$15,000. It was only a few days ago that the firm refused to accept some goods because they felt unable to continue. The stock on hand has been reduced in this manner to about \$4,000. As the firm thus possess a good record, and are merely the victims of misfortune, there should be little difficulty in arranging a settlement.

THE UNEXPECTED death of Mr. J. C. McLaren removes another well known citizen from our midst. Mr. McLaren was one of the old landmarks of Montreal. Coming here in 1850 he soon built up one of the largest businesses in saddlery, harness, leather belting, card-clothing and reels in this city, and his death resulted from being thrown from his carriage just after a visit to the States for the purpose of obtaining the latest improvements in the tannery business in order to creet a large new tannery here in connection with his belting works. Mr. McLaren was deservedly popular with his employees, from whom he was the recipient of a handsome portrait of himself a short time previous to his decease. He was at one time a member of the corporation and filled many other positions of public import with credit to himself and satisfaction to his friends. We can say

no more than that he was respected and esteemed by all who knew him.

THE fact that the jury in the case of Brossard versus the Canada Life Assurance Company returned a verdict in favor of the company is a welcome departure from the usual custom of juries who, as is well known to insurance managers, generally decide against the company as a matter of course, or at least give the policyholder the benefit of any doubt that may arise. The facts of the case were clear and distinct and were briefly as follows. One Pierre Bourdeau insured his life and transferred the policy to three of his creditors, Brossard, Lacaille and Senecal. In making his application he stated that he had no medical adviser and concealed the fact that he had had a stroke of paralysis within the year, and that the doctor then told his family that he would not live twelve months, as in fact he did not. When these facts came to the knowledge of the company, they at once refused payment of the policy on the grounds of concealment, etc., and the jury have by their verdict sustained them in their decision.

NEW GLASGOW, N. S., is growing to be a busy place. Within a circle of two or three miles, there are half a dozen collieries employing 1,700 or 1,800 men, while the glass works, steel forges, founderies, plough works, carriage factories and other smaller industries furnish profitable employment for 1,000 hands. The Short Line Railway gives it closer connection with the West and if all the expectations of the enterprising men who have built high hopes on the future of New Glasgow, are realised it will become the Newcastle of Canada. When Nova Scotia decides to replace its wooden ships by iron and steel, New Glasgow and vicinity is the locality where it will be done as the material is there and only requires the necessary energy and capital.

THE Halifax Sugar Refinery property at Woodside was sold by auction on the 28th ult., by order of the trustees and second parties to an indenture made between them and the company on May 21, 1886. The trustees had reserved the right to bid themselves. Mr. Shand first asked if any body was prepared to offer \$250,000 for the property, but no one seemed prepared. He waited a while and then proposed \$200,000, but still there was no move towards a purchase on the part of the audience. Mr. Shand then held a brief consultation with Mr. G. E. Francklyn, one of the three trustees, the result of which was that the property was put up at \$190,000, the trustees' bid.

The wisdom of the serpent is recalled by the present state of Telegraph. For a week or two before the date of the dividend, the "bulls" and other beasts of burden were sure that the dividend would be paid on the 2nd July. Young W——— had come from New

York, possessed, they said, of the precious secret, which he would not divulge except to one person, and that was the speaker; another operator knew that one of our wealthiest citizens, a member of the Board, was buying up the stock freely. And now the guarantors of the dividend are taking the thirty days' privilege, much to the disgust of many on the street, especially of Messrs. McIver & Barclay.

The English Board of Trade returns for May show a substantial improvement in iron and steel exports. Compared with the corresponding month of last year, the exports of May were larger by 37 per cent in quantity and 25 per cent in value. The largest increase was in railroad iron, which represented the substantial item of 40 per cent; and the increase of pig-iron, which was more than 28 per cent, is attributable chiefly to the buying of the United States, Russia and Italy, The exports of unwrought steel have gone up very largely, mainly to the United States, the increase to which country alone during the past month amounted to 3.66 per cent.

Notwithstanding the strong market for citron abroad, holders are somewhat uncertain of the future position of the article, being confronted by the report that one of the principal dealers in New York proposes to hold the market down by limited offerings to the trade at figures below the lay down cost. There is considerable stock awaiting fall distribution, but as the bulk has been imported at a cost about equal to present market value, and as an advance is regarded as difficult to establish, some are disposed to realize on present holdings and withdraw.

Packers of raisins at Denia write: "We are now happy to be able to advise that the vines are finishing flowering all over the country, though the result, however, is not as flattering as was earlier anticipated, but we think that the yield should be of good average size, and about same weight as that of last year." From Leghorn, mail advices say round lots of citron are held at 64s 6d @ 65s, but for small quantities 63s would probably be accepted.

The Aguan Navigation Company, an American organization, is pushing the work of caual building in Honduras. The Gove nment is giving ample protection to all foreign companies operating on its territory, and there is a good prospect that before many years the country will be enjoying an extensive system of much-needed public improvements. The fruit trade is rapidly growing, New Orleans taking the larger part of the product.

REPORTS show that between January 1 and June 30 there were laid in the United States 3,754 miles of new main line track. From present indications it is believed that the total for 1887 may surpass that of any previous year in the history of the country.

A STATEMENT prepared for Secretary Fairchild shows that there was an actual expansion of the circulating medium of the United States during June to the amount of \$2,664,840. The circulation of gold coin decreased by \$1,000,000, and of national bank notes by \$1,500,000; while the expansion of silver certificates was about \$3,000,000 and United States notes \$1,700,000.

Mail advices from Glasgow to the 11th June state that all the available cargo space on the Atlantic lines trading from the Clyde during that week had been secured for the 2,500 tons of No. I Scotch iron just purchased; and the Glasgow market is a little clated by the intimation that fresh orders from United States have arrived for pigs, together with inquiries for other material.

The Western Ontario Pacific railway, the new line running from Woodstock to London, will, without doubt, in a week or two be leased in perpetuity to the Ontario & Quebec railway, otherwise the Canadian Pacific railway. A meeting of shareholders is called for Montreal on the 18th inst., when the matter will be considered and the head office of the company changed from London to Montreal.

AN INDEX to the editorial and minor articles appearing in the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE from January 1st to July 1st, 1887, will be found in the present issue. Subscribers wishing to have their copies bound can have it done at from 60 cents in cloth to \$1 in half roan per volume.

We are compelled to postpone any reference to the Flood Preventive Scheme of Mr. F. J. Gilman, which, if practicable—and we believe it is—should receive some attention at the hands of the authorities.

Toronto is the scene of the latest scizure. Dyes, and not drugs are the subject, and the concern has agreed to a deposit of \$5,000, pending a further investigation and decision by the authorities.

The traffic returns of the Grand Trunk railway for the week ending 2nd July, 1887, show an increase of \$44,017 over the corresponding week in 1886.

CUSTOMS ESPIONAGE. '

The following letter has been addressed to an evening contemporary by Mr. W. J. O'Hara, and as it is intended to remove any misapprehension as to the evidence he really gave in the Ayer Customs case, we reproduce his communication at full length:—

Sin,—I have unfortunately been placed in a false position and subjected to censure and abuse owing to a misapprehension of my action in retaining possession of books forming part of the Urown's evidence in the Ayer

case until I was required to produce them, also to the inexcusable mixing up of my evidence with that of another witness, and the point sought to be made out of my wish to avoid affording any information regarding the witness, Underhill, until he should come into court.

The two books-one an account book from which statements of the operations at the St. Johns bottling establishment had been compiled; the other a letter book containing Underhill's correspondence with the J. C. Ayer Company, which had come into my possession as Underhill's private property, were retained by me, as evidence for the Crown, under advice and with the knowledge of the Crown counsel. They were not to be withheld; on the contrary, the Grown in-tended producing them in their case and were referring to them from time to time. Meanwhile I was instructed to bring them into Court every day, until I was called upon for them, which I did. I had been subported by the defence, but without an order for production of papers. I enquired as to my obligation to comply with the order served upon the collector, and was told to do precisely as I did. This should have been precisely as I did. This should have be explained to the court at the time. can only say that had I been apprised that I was verging upon disregard of an order of court, or had it occurred to me that my action might even be misconstrued, as it was, as prejudicial to the defence or to justice, I would have handed them at once to the court, as I had no such interest in this case, nor was there any consideration whatever that could have induced me to either act in disrespect of the court's order or in a way to afford the other side a pretext for complaint as to their possibilities of defence. Those who know me, in my native city, will have no difficulty, I think, in accepting this; and they must have indeed been surprised at the light in which it was sought to place me.

The witness, Underhill, had come here from San Francisco to give his evidence. The Crown had guaranteed him the protection he was entitled to, and I felt bound to see that nothing occurred to prevent his appearance in court. He was apprehensive of arrest, and I avoided learning his address lest I should le asked for it; and I did not feel called upon to assist in any effort that might be attempted to arrest him, or to frighten or induce him to leave the country before he had testified. When, therefore, Mr. Ryan showed me the letter of defendant's counsel asking for Underbill's address to serve " legal papers" upon him-warrant perhaps-I was engaged in consultation with counsel anent the case, and I said to Mr. Ryan: "You don't know Underhill's addess, it is an easy matter for you to say so." It would, perhaps, have been better to have declined to give any information about Underhill, or not to have replied at all; still the fact remained. Underhill's address was unknown to Mr. Ryan. When the counsel for the Crown or myself wished to communicate with the witness we sent Mr. Brosseau to find him, and at the interview which took place between the counsel and the witness in the Court House (Crown prosecutor's office) I was asked by the counsel to be present. This I attempted to explain in the witness box, but was prevented by the court.

Having been the officer who directed these seizures upon the information laid before me, I was asked what amount I expected to realize out of them in the event of confiscation. I replied with perfect truth and directness that I had never allowed myself to form the expectation of any amount in this case. Questioned as to Mr. Brosseau's expectations and those of others, I replied I could not say.

was asked what Brosseau had said in court apon that subject in the Walter case, to which I replied that I had no recollection. I forgot, at the moment, that I was not in court during a large portion of Mr. Brosseau's evidence, the other witnesses having been ordered to withdraw on that occasion. The Chief Justice here thought, I suppose, that I was not giving open testimony and he lectured me, without cause, I think, for fencing with the counsel. When asked as to what the usual practice was as to division of seizure proceeds, I stated it, pointing out, however, that the regulation was permissive not absolute

Then a letter of Mr. Brosseau's in reply to an enquiry by defendant's counsel as to Underhill's address was placed in my hands and I was asked to characterize it as a lie. I replied that it was evasive, misleading, conveyed a false impression. Mr. Brosseau, when in the witness box, immediately after me, being violently assailed by counsel, characterized his letter in the way the counsel wished, and said it was designed to put the lawyers of the scent of Underhill, and, later on, the same witness admitted that he thought, as a revenue detective, it was his duty to equivocate when necessary, or words to that effect. This evidence has been erroneously attributed to me, and I have been unjustly attacked for it.

The Chief Justice, I fear, too, was previously under the impression that I was being questioned about a letter sent by myself, for it was that circumstance that brought upon me the climax of his censure. I attempted to explain myself, but was prevented. The counsel on our side did not venture to come to the rescue; and I was so overwhelmed with a sense of undeserved injury that my own natural combativeness forsook me for the moment, and I retired from the box without saying or doing something that would have resulted in my committal for contempt.

I never swore that I lied or that I considered it my duty to tell a lie in the service of the department, and I have been falsely reported and most unjustly abused in that respect as well as in others.

WM. J. O'HARA,

a further explanation by Mr φ^{ν} hara. To the Editor of the Star:—

Su,—I wish now to briefly explain my connection with and action in the Ayer seizures, and I must ask to be only held accountable for the methods adopted by myself.

in the spring of 1885, I was informed through officer Brosseau that the Ayer Company had been defrauding the revenue. He said he was going up to the St. Lawrence Hall to interview a person who knew all about it and would ask the party to make a statement. Shortly afterwards I was requested by telephone to go up and meet this party. I went, and Mr. Underhilt was intro-duced to me. I took out my memorandum book to take whatever statement be had to make, when he intimated that he did not wish to make a statement just then, Tasked why I had been summoned, and not receiving a satisfactory answer, I left without another word. From that time until I met Underhill here, when he came for this trial, I never saw him again, and I never communicated with him, except to send him his letter of safe conduct and again when I notified him to come on for the trial.

Not long after the interview in St. Lawrence Hall, Mr. Brosseau placed in my hands, for action, affidavits from Flint, Young & Gove, of Lowell, in relation to the shipment thence and entry at St. Johns, Que., of Ayer's patent medicines. Learning that some action

had been taken by the Department in the autumn of 1883; I went to Ottawa to see what had then been done, and to consult the Hon; Minister of Customs, lest I should clash with any Departmental determined the constant of the control mination then arrived at. The conclusion arrived at was that the operations of 1884 at St. Johns had not been in accordance with the law and regulations relating to patent medicines; that the facts of the case had not been properly represented to the de-partment, in 1883; and I was directed to follow the usual course in cases of alleged deception and fraud, and report. In consequence, on the 22nd May, 1885, the seizures were effected at the different depots in Canada of the medicines bottled at the St. Johns establishment. The reports were made; affidavits subsequently received from Underhill, through Officer Brosseau, submitted; statements of the output of the St. Johns bottling place, with cost of putting up, as shown by the account book of Underhill which reached me from the late Dominion appraiser, who I believe re-ceived it from Brosseau who obtained it from Flint of Lowell, furnished, showing the difference between the duty paid and the duty which it was contended should have been paid. There was a great difference. The department, after considering the case and the defence made by the Ayer Company came to the decision already published, which not being accepted resulted in the present suit. From the time these reports and statements were made, the matter has been out of my hands; and beyond furnishing such further information as was required of me, sending for the witnesses when requested to do so by the counsel for the Crown, and conferring with him recently when the case opened, it did not devolve upon me to concern myself about the case.

This is the whole history of the Ayer case, in so far as I am concerned; and I now leave it to the public to judge whether I have taken any course in this matter at variance with what is honorable and proper in a public officer.

Your very obedient servant,

W. J. O'Hara.

Meetings, &c.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.

The directors have issued the following statement of the Profit and Loss account for the year ending 25th June:—

\$ 628,544.98

Out of this have been paid Dividends Nos. 39 and 40, at 7 per cent per annum.....

Leaving a balance for the year

\$1,458,544.98

And the following amounts have been charged thereto: Appropriations for bad and doubtful

debts\$930,543.87 Transferred to Contingent Account:

Estimated
loss on
accounts
in liquidation ... \$

ation ...\$164,990.00 Reserved for doubtful debts

still current... 290,500.00

Written off Bank Premises Account... 21,883,14
Written off Bank Fur-

niture Account.... 43,467.16 1,451,384.17

In his report the General Manager says:

In order to put the assets of the Bank in an absolutely sound condition it is necessary to provide for bad and doubtful debts to the extent of \$1,386,033.87, and this involves a reduction of the Bank's Rest from its present figure of \$1,600,000 to \$500,000.

Of the duties which devolve upon me none is more serious than the task of valuing the Bank's assets in order that the directors may present to the shareholders a statement of the Bank's affairs, which shall be at once a clear and trustworthy showing of the position of their property, and, as far as possible, a guarantee of its value.

The examination just concluded has been made with as scrupulous care and in as judicial a frame of mind as possible, and in succeeding years our statements will be based upon similar examinations, made with similar care and precision.

But the present task has been rendered morethan usually difficult by the fact that ouropinion of some of the Bank's assets differs: very materially from that of my predecessor.

The fact that it is found necessary to take from the Rest such a large amount; must be a matter of deep regret to all of; us, the Executive as well as the Board; and Shareholders, yet nothing but mischieff could result from taking too hopeful a view of assets of the description referred to. If we err in judging their value we should be careful that the margin of error in our calculations is on the safe side.

The result of our examination into the affairs of the Bank, apart from the necessary adjustment of these bad and doubtful assets, is much more satisfactory than we had supposed it would be before assuming charge. The loaning business of the Bank is active and healthy; and although we have thet largest line of deposits in the Dominion, apart from the Bank of Montreal, and are only asking business of the very first quality, we have enough to do take up all the good accounts which are offered. As a natural consequence the earning power of the Bank is quite satisfactory.

The business organization of the Bank is excellent. The administration of its routine is nearly as perfect as may be

is nearly as perfect as may be.

Feeling as I do regarding the organization and the carning power of the Bank, it is hardly necessary for me to add that I entertain no fears regarding our future.

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This change of terms, together with increased facilities for buying, places us in a position to give the best possible value.

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MONTREAL, Thursday Evg., July 7, 1887. The street rate in London has declined to 11 per cent., and a similar weakness is evident in our local loan market, although rates are still quotably unchanged. There is a decided tendency towards greater ease in money, a fact which has gone far to check the downward tendency in stocks. Despite the large reduction in the Rest, Commerce has not developed the weakness expected, and although it was hammered down to 115 it soon recovered and is now quoted at 1161, or only one point under the opening price. Richelieu has suffered most, but there has been a lack of interest all round, and the weak undertone of the market is due more to the absence of transactions than to any real reduction in values. Sterling exchange is practically unchanged, 60-days sight is quoted at 81 to § between banks and 84 to 9 over the counter. Demand 8% to 9 and 9% to %. Cables 9%. Posted in New York 4.84 and 4.85%. Actual 4.82 to $\frac{1}{2}$ and 4.84 to $\frac{1}{2}$. Cables 4.84 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 4.85. New York funds are at 1-16 to 1-10 premium

Banks.	No. Shares	Highes price.	Lowes price.	Averag same we 1886.
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Merchants	80	131}	131	123
Montreal	200	232	231	208
Peoples	25	112	112	94
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Can. Pacific	500	61 1	59	673
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Richelieu	2065	57,}	53 *	77
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS. THURSDAY EVG., July 7, 1887.

The past week has again been broken by holidays and this combined with the hot weather and dull markets elsewhere, has made business somewhat quiet. However these have been the only reasons for quietness and the situation otherwise is good, while the outlook is very cheerful. Crop prospects, so far as can be learnt, are very good, and remittances show a decided improvement.

ASHES.—Receipts are larger than for sometime and prices have slightly receded. First Pots sell at \$4.70@\$4.75 for light tares, \$4.80 heavy tares. Seconds, are scarce and wanted at \$4.30. Thirds none offering. Pearls, stock is exhausted—there being only 4 firsts and 3 seconds in store—they may be quoted about \$5.75 for first sort. The demand is very light. Receipts since 1st January 2150 brls Pots, 127 brls Pearls. Deliveries since 1st January, 2233 brls Pots, 174 brls Pearls. Stock at 6 p.m., 6 July, 548 brls Pots, 7 brls Pearls.

DARRY PRODUCE, PROVISIONS, ETC.—The cable has been advanced to 47s under the influence of the stiffness on this side. The reason of the advance here appears to have been the speculative selling of the June make by dealers, who had none, but who hoped to buy what they wanted at low prices If this had been less general, it might have been success-

ful, but too much was sold "short." large city operator has been quietly buying up all the June cheese he could get. The consequence is that the shorts are now unable to get cheese to fill the orders they have taken, except at a considerable advance over their selling price. The feeling has therefore been very firm, but it seems almost as if the top had been reached, for cheese has been offered again instead of having to be sought for. Country markets have been firm and above last week's prices. Butter has been very quiet again; creamery is held for 19c in the country but will not fetch that by at least a cent in the city. Provisions.—Pork is quiet at unchanged prices. Canned meats are more active, the hot weather making them popular and canned beef especially, of all sizes, is moving very freely. Eggs are a little stiffer as there is a good demand and only small receipts; they are about 15 to 161c. Liverpool quotations are: Pork 66s 6d; lard, 34s 6d; bacon, l. c. and s. c. 38s 6d; tallow, 22s 6d; cheese, 47s.

Drugs and Chemicals.—There is little to note this week except an increase in Paris green; business in this insecticide is usually over by this time, but the warm weather and moisture has prolonged its use and the price has advanced from 14c to 15c to 16c to 18c per lb in bulk. Opium continues very firm and with every indications of a considerable advance, as we indicated last week. Business is brisk in all lines, especially in medicines, the hot weather keeping the hands of doctors and retail druggists very busy.

Day Goods.-Remittances have shown a decided improvement upon the preceding week and the feeling of the trade in this respect is much more satisfactory. Orders, however, are not very large, but there is quite a good number of smallish orders for immediate delivery but for fall dating. The disposition of buyers throughout the country is apparently cautious, and they are hesitating about placing orders for later delivery until the crop prospects are beyond any question or doubt. In passing, we may add that crop prospects, so far as many enquiries go to show, are good. The city retail trade continues to be very active, notwithstanding the extra-ordinary number of people who have left for cooler spots, and there has been a fair week's trade in all lines. Some of the suburban traders say that they have experienced no difference in the volume of business which continues to keep large.

FRUIT, ETC.—The hot weather has been quite a help to the fruit dealers, and they have been busy in getting rid of receipts as fast as they arrived. Lemons have been in good demand and prices have advanced considerably. The season for strawberries is nearing its close, and prices vary daily according to the amount and quality of the receipts. Blueberries, currants and raspberries are now being brought in from the outlying districts. We quote: Oranges, Messina and Palermo, \$5 a box; lemons, Messina and Palermo, \$5 to \$5 per box; new apples, \$5 to \$7 per barrel; bananas, yellow, \$2.50 to \$3.50 per bunch; do. red, \$150 to \$2.50; pine-apples, \$2.25 to \$3 per dozen; California peaches, \$3.50 per box; do, apricots, \$3.50 to \$4 per box.

GRAIN AND FLOUR.—Wheat can hardly be said to be thoroughly settled even yet, and values have again declined. The closing out of the June corner in Chicago was expected to be very exciting, but proved quite the re-

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verse, and passed off without much notice. The English market has been quiet, and quotations have been reduced. The crop prospects continue to be satisfactory. New Duluth wheat has been offered on our local exchange. and the samples are said to surpass last year's crop. Corn was becoming stronger on a promise of drought, but timely rains have changed the prospects of the growing crop and the market is weaker in consequence, Coarse grains are dull and lower. Barley is almost out of the market, and rye is also quiet with only nominal quotations. Local business in grain of all kinds has been quiet. In flour there has been a moderate business, but entirely of a jobbing character, sales generally consisting of a quarter or half a car. The hot weather has made holders anxious to get rid of their stocks, while buyers would only take enough to supply their immediate needs. Sales have not been reported, except to settle values, but the undercurrent of business has totalled up pretty well.

GROCERIES .- The trade generally is quiet and inclined to dullness. Tens particularly are very quiet, in fact they are almost unsalable as stocks are large; the new crop is near at hand, and when it arrives the position will be anxiously scanned by holders and brokers. Sugar is rather quieter but firm; granulated is strong at 64c; yellows are still at 5c, and not less, bright being worth 5 5-16c; syrups are strong at 32c to 40c; all the stock of Barbadoes molasses in the city has been bought up, and none can be secured now at less than 30c to 31c. In coffee the market is rather firmer. According to advices from New York the market there is very quiet for dried fruits; the position of prunes will be either disturbed or settled by the sale of over five hundred casks this week; citron is being offered more freely; molasses and syrups are both quiet; rice is steady; sugars are firm for raws, while refined meets with a fair demand.

HIMS AND TALLOW.—There is no change to note in hides, except that lambskins are advancing as the size and quality increase. Business has been good, quite a number of small transactions going on, but without any one worth special comment. Tallow continues dull and quiet at unchanged prices.

LEATHER, BOOTS AND SHORE—Business has been upset by the holidays, and the week has been broken and quiet. Prices are firm but without much change. Manufacturers will now need all their energies for the fall trade, which promises to be very active.

Woon.—Quotations are unchanged, while business has been moderately good in all

lines, though there have been no transactions worthy of special mention.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS. (Revised by Telegraph.)

TORONTO, July 7, 1887.

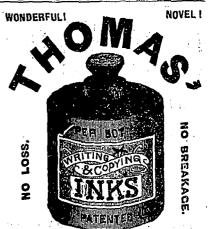
Wholesale business has been quiet the past week The holidays during the latter part of last week interfered slightly with the movement, but trade generally is on a good basis and with good harvest prospects the feeling among merchants is of a hopeful character. There is a fair sorting-up trade in dry goods and groceries, with a good demand for sugars. Money continues steady; commercial paper is discounted at 6 to 7 per cent, and loans on stock collerateral are negotiable at 51,006 per cent. Sterling exchange dull: 69-day bills between bankir are quoted at 1084, and demand bills at 1081@109. The feature of the stock market was the decline in Commerce. on Monday, but it has since recovered a point or two. Other stocks quiet and prices generally steady. Following are the closing bids as compared with last Thursday :-

Banks.	Bid June 29.	Bid July 7.	Long Cos.	Bid June 29.	Bid July 7.				
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Standard. Fodoral Imporial	128 105 137	1013	National Invt Ontario Loan Hamilton Prov.	124	103 122				
Molsons	l		Imperial Sav	115	115				

BUTTER.—Trade is confined to dealings in small lots to the city dealers. No large lots of new are obtainable yet, and choice dairy is nominal at 12½c. The best qualities are jobbing at 14c, and inferior at 11c@12½c. Cheese quiet and steadier with sales of small lots at 10c. Eggs in moderate supply, with round lots quoted at 13½c@14c a dozen.

Daugs.—A very satisfactory trade is reported in this line, and prices generally rule stendy. Opium firm at \$5.30@\$5.50; oil of pepperment, \$4.25@\$4.50; iodine, \$5; buchu leaves, 18c@20c; Howard's Quinine, 65c@70c; German do., 60c@65c; turpentine, 60c@63c.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The flour trade continues very dull, there being apparently no



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demand. There were a few transactions in superior extra on Tuesday at \$3.75, and extras are generally quoted at \$3 65. Patents rule at \$3.80@\$4.20, according to quality. Wheat is dull and unsettled, with buyers and sellers apart. There is no speculation in it, and prices asked are too high for shippers. No. 2 fall_and and No. 2 red winter are quoted at 82c@83c, No. 1 spring at 84c, and No. 2 spring at 81c@82c. The stock in store is 163,700 bushels, as against 347,800 bushels at the corresponding period of last year. Barley dull and prices purely nominal. Oats quiet with a few sales of car lots at 301c for eastern and at 311c@32c for western. Peas unchanged, No. 2 quoted at 56c@564c. Corn steady; car lots of Canadian quoted at 53c on track. Bran remains dull and prices purely nominal. Outmeat is quoted at \$3.55@\$3.60 for car lots, and at \$3.75@\$3.85 for small lots

Groceries—Trade is moderately active and prices throughout steady. Sugars are moving freely with granulated firmer at 7c; Canadian refined, 5½c@5½c. Paris lump, 7½c. Syrops quiet, ranging from 35c@55c; molasses, sugarhouse, 28c@39c. Fruits steady; Valencia raisins sell at 6½c@6½c; currants at 5½c@6c in barrels and at 7c in cases. Fresh trout and white fish in good demand at 5c@5½c per lb. Coffees steady; ries are 22c@22½c. Teas in fair demand at steady prices.

Handware.—There is a moderate movement without change in prices. Heavy goods are firm in quotations and the outlook favorable.

Live Stock.—The receipts of cattle at this point have been large the past few days, and the feeling is weaker. The only buyers for export are those obliged to on account of having space contracted for. Exporters sell at 4½c@4\$c, the latter for very choice steers. Butchers' cattle plentiful and easier; the top price is 4c, and a large number sold at 3½c. Sheep in fair demand for export at 3½c@4c per lb; butchers' sheep sell at \$3.25@\$3.75 a head. Spring lambs \$3@\$3.75 a head. Hogs weaker with sales at 5c@5ic.







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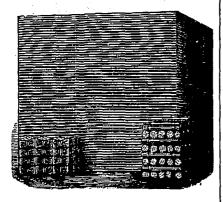
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POTATOES .- The market is dull for old stock, which are quoted at 65c@70c a bag on track. New sell at \$3.00@\$3.25 a barrel,

Provisions.—Very quiet trade with little or no change in prices. Small lots of long clear bacon sell at 8c@81c, and of C. C. at 73c@8c. Lard steady at 9c for round lots and at 91cm 10c for small lots in tubs. Smoked Hams job at 12c, and Mess Pork is nominal at \$17@ \$17.50. Dressed Hogs sell at \$7.20 to butchers. Dried Apples are quoted at 54c@6c, and Beans at \$1,25@\$1.30 for hand picked.

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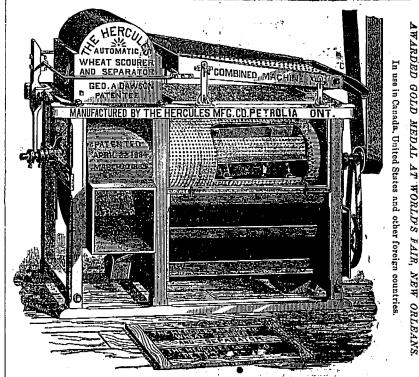
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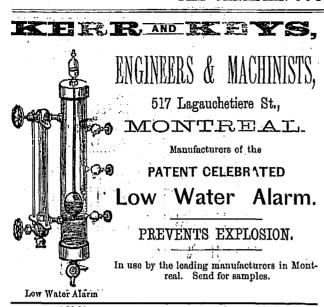
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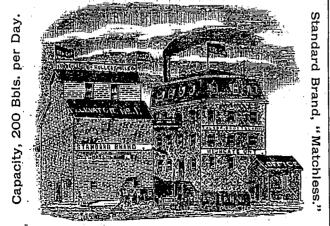
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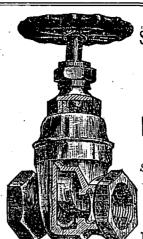
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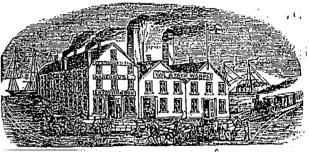
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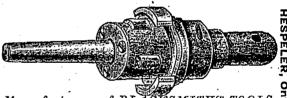


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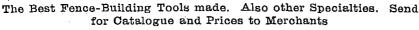
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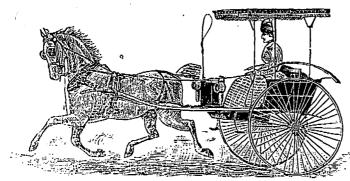


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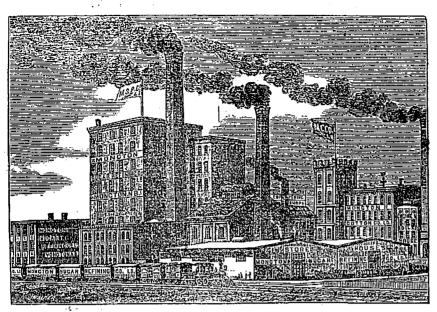
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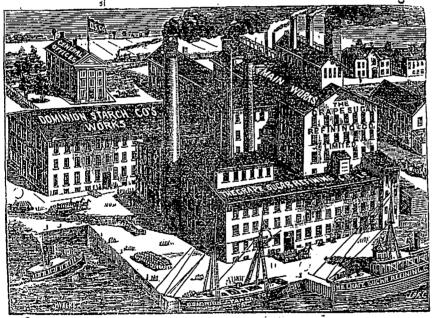
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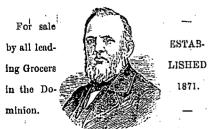
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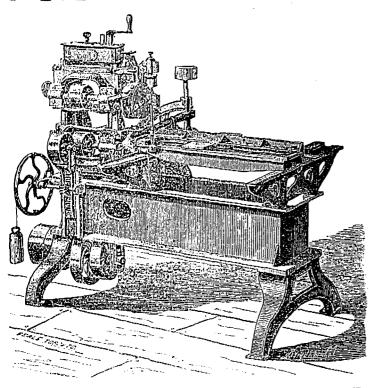
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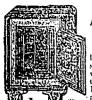
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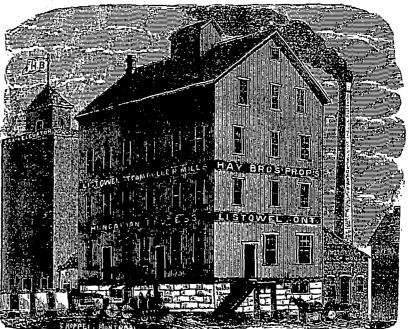


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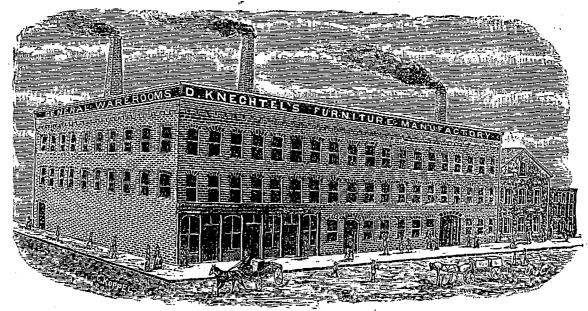
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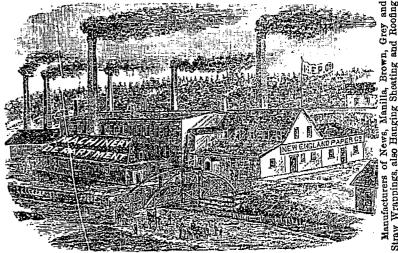
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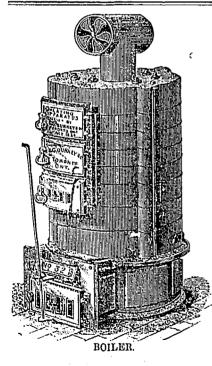
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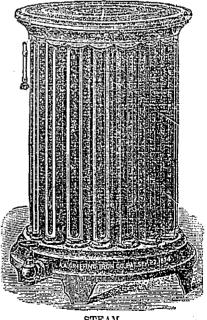
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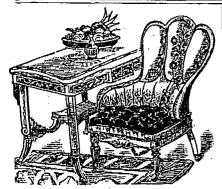
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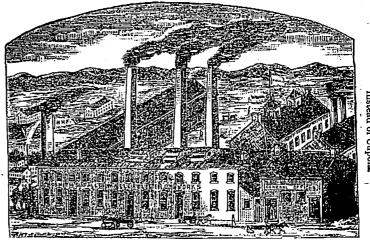
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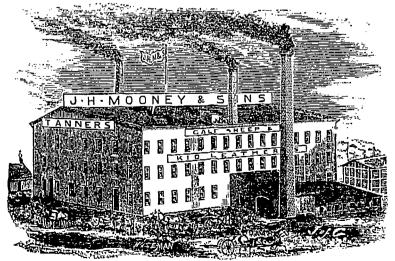
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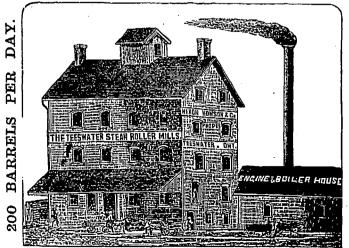


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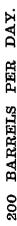
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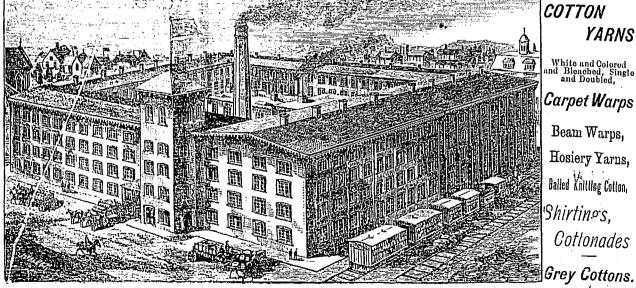
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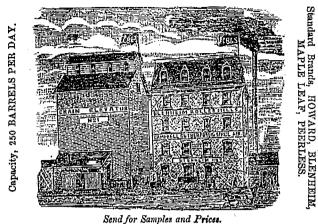
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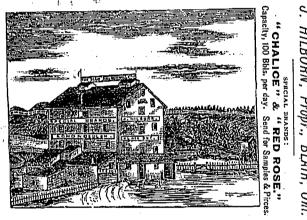
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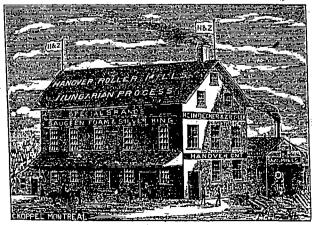
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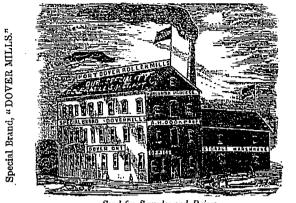


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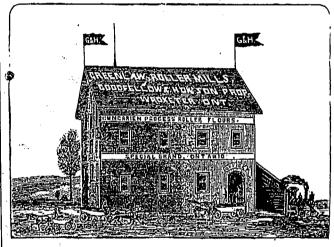
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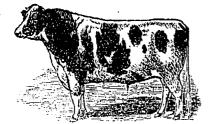
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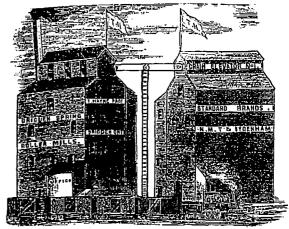
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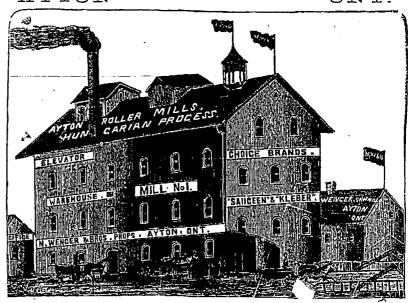
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