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-A contract has been given to the Bertram Company, 'loronto, by the Richelicu \& Ontario Navigation Company, for thew steaner for Lake Ontario and the Upper St, Lawrence. It will be named the Kingston.
-The Halifax "Herald" has published an imaginary description of the city when besieged like Ladysmith. It is vividly written and brings home almost painfully the agonizing conditions of $n$ city cut onl for 90 days from all inte:course with the outside word, wll trade leing stopped and the food and water supply cut oft.
-The Hoeptner Refining Company, Armilton, Ont, beld ifs annual meeting on the 10 th inst. The reports were very encouraging. : 'Lhese officers and directors were elected: Hon. J. M. Gibson, Iresident; J. V. Teetzel, Q.C., ViceDresident; John Patterson, Sucretary; Tohn Moodte, sen., hroasurer; Carl Hoepfner, J. R. Leyden, and A. I. Wood. M.P.
-IThe Greal Northwestem Ilelegraph. Compmy has completed arrangements with the Dominion, Govermment for transmission of cable und press dispatches to and from places on the Yu lon line. The rate from Victorih, B.C., on cablegrams is 33 cents per word, and On press dispatches four cents per word, there being in the case of the press message a minimum charge of $\$ 2.50$.

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-Aecording to a recent decision in a Pennsylvania Court a contract made over the telephone is legal and binding: Tn a suit over a deal in coke involving about $\$ 8,000$, it was held that the telephono message was as binding as though it had been followed by a formal letter. We doubt this:judgmont being upheld on Appeat, as a telephone message cannot be proved to have been sent by the person it is believed to have come from. If the sender repudiates a message how is he to be held to it?

- -Th has beon decided by the Government; of Sydmer, Australia, that fie construction of the bridge wer the harbor bebween Syduey and North Shore shanl be a State enterprise. The Minister for Works hats had, conditions prepared for competitive designs to le invited from all parts of the world. Every person submitting it design must satisty the Minister of his ability to carry out and complete The wotk within the time specfied. Two premiums, one of 81,000 and a second of 8500 , are offered for the two designs which, in the opinion of the Minister, are the best and most suitable. Further particulars can be obtaned bey applying to thearinister for Works at Sydney. plans and specifications must be delivered at the Works Department by December 1 next.
-Our Windsor, N.S., correspondent writes: The fown of Wiadsor, Nova Scotia, can boast of having two lives. Completely nestroyed by the conflagration of Oetober $17 / \mathrm{h}$, isar, it is to-day amost as populous a town as before the fire and the new buildings are not exeelled in any town of its size in the Dominion. The business portion is entirely firick and it is a pleasure for an old traveller to recognize in new premises many of the old firm nanes, such as Wood \& Muphy, Shand Bros., Sohn lyneh is Son, among the grocers; Manchard \& Co., Geo. D. Geldert, mot W. F. Roach \& Co., in their handsome dry grods stores, ind C. Kenry 1imock and C. I. Shand © Co., in the shoe buisiness. In add:tion to these. Dinock \& Armshong have purchased the business of William Dimock, established orer forty rears ago, mad now ocempy one of the finest had dwe stores in the Dominion. Wilcox Bros., another old-estabFshed havarare firm, ocengy fine premises on the opposite corner Many other firms of more recent establishinent provide Winclsor with business houses of whieh the citizens are justly proud. The Windsor Fumitare Co is ocenpyins, new and enlarged premises and are now mannfacturing for the English maket. The Dominion Cotion Co's mill was one of the two industries not burned out, the other heing Wm. Cury \& Son, woodworking factory. Taken attogether it would seem as if the fown were about to chter on a prosperous as well as a new existence.
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- A meting of the Poard of Direetors of the Cheese and Butter Assomiation of Western Onfario was held at; Stratforch, on the sth inst. Amangements were made for the work of instruetion during the coming season, and it was deciled to make Niberion cheese factiong an illustration and experimental station, with Mr. Archibald Smith, Superintentent of the shathroy Dairy School, in charge of the slation. Tre will devote cerery alternate week to the work for insmumion in bulformaning at the ereameries in western Ontario, and will also have the Counties of Perth and Wellington for instruction in cheesemaking. Tif is intended that this station shall be a motel in all respects, Hat, experiments shall be conducted during the whole season, and that the results of the experiments wint be open to all eheesemakers who may wish to visit the station. Oheespmakers from the whole section of western Ontario are invited to spond as mach time as possible there. The fees charged to factories with be reduced fimm those of last: sear, and foring the coming yoar will be as follows:- 8 , 3 per visid of one day's duration, and $\$ 2$ per day additional for mach eonseotive day. The instructors will wherever
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-Our St. Thomas, Ont., correspondent writes: The City Conncil at their meeting on Mareh bth, appointed a new standing committee to look after the bringing in of mannfactories to St. Mlionas.-Trank Donley, who lately kept the eigar stand in the Grand Centrat Hotel has purchased an hotel in Richmond, Mich., and is living there.-E. A. Snith, of St. Thomas, has purchased the stock of furs of Napoleon Prevost from the assignce, C. B. Armstrong.T. IT. Willson, blacksmith, of Dutiton, has started business in St. Thomas.-A number of the citizens of St. Thomas intend to start a caming factory. A committee consisting of T. A. Bell , Bruce Davis, A. W. Graham, J. W. MoKay; and A. M. Futehinson were appointed at a meeting held recently to make arrangements: -- 'The anmual meetings of the linse Finlay Company, Thtr., (importers of Japanese goods). The St. "Thomas Car Wheel Company, Titd., and the St. 'Thomas Brass Company, Titd, were held last week; all the old Directors were re-elected. A good increase in business Nas shown.-Sammel liawes, planing mill, has sold out on account of ill-henlth: R. Sumbers, of St. Thomas, contractor and a Mr: Powers, of Shedden, have formed a partnership, purchased his interest and have started business under the new name of Sanders \& Powers.-Cronk \& Rusling of Aymer, start business on the 15th in St. Thomas. They are boot and shoe merchants.-Davidson \& Chaplow, hieyeles, ete., have opened a west end branch.
-Permission has heen given to the Dry Dock and Wrecking Company, Collingwood, Ont.; limited, to increase its share capital from $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 200,000$.

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-Cable advices from Berlin indicate that coal is selling in Germany at $\$ 7$ a ton, and the shortage is very great. The fact that British collieries are not working to their full eapacity, because of the depletion of the colliers ranks by enlistments in the British amy tor the South African war, will not assist the stuation. The improved mannfaturing conditions throughout liurope, it is stated, are also increasing the demand for coal. A cable from samony shows that coal sold there at a price equal to $\$$ till per ton. From other parts of Europe, it is also stated, quite a number of coal inquiries have been received lately and in some cases for large lots. Welsh and Monmouthshire steam coals are at present higher in price than Ameriean coal. Both bituminous and anthracite coal prises are higher w-way than they have been in years. For several years past bitminous prices have been the lowest ever known, but a furn for the better began carly in 1899. The inadeyuate mailroad facilsties from some quarters and the betterment of mandacturing business throughout the countur began advancing the price of soft coal unth it retehed its former stamdard. looday ocen rates are the highest in years, and the prospects are that they will remain so for sone tome Latest guotathons irom Cardill show that Welsh coal varies in price from $\$ \$ .15$ to $\$ 5.75$ a ton, f.o.lJ. Coke is allso bringing excellent prices. No better evidence can be eited that the fact that this year's output has nearly been soll.
--Stinson's Hank, Hamilon, was finally closed on lizth inst. It the lands Mr. Stinson chams that he owns in Wisconsin, but of which the State disputes his tatle, are adjudged to be his, he may be able whmately to pay the depositors. Ji, however, the State secures these lands, the depositors will have a sorry oublook.
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 par. The sum of ede,000 sterling or \$1P1,070 was transfered to Reserve humb theot sterling was subseribed to the Conalian Patriotie Jema, and weso to the Camadian Confingent in south $A$ frict, making a total contribution of $\$ 5,120$ to these dunds, by Biank of British North Americins Comments are withhed matil receipt of report of annal meding.
-'Henders are called for the construction work on the new factory premises for the Nitionabl Cyele and Automobile Company, at lamilton, Ont. The buildings, when finished, says the "Spectator," will have a frontage, inoluting two wings, of roo feed, four stories high, ind 6 ; feet wide. 'the fictory will be builb on strictly modern phans, with six-inch thoors and lightr accommodation for .,000 hands. If, is expected the cost will he in the neighhorhood of $\$$ wis,000, and atready $\$$ \$an, 000 worth of machinery has been contracted for to egnij the works. Under the agreement with the eity the company is to start out with a list of soo employees, and the premises must be ready for oucupancy by August 1 of this year. 'The power to run the works wilt he electricily of now horse power, and besithes this there will be 1,500 incandescent electric lights in the phace. Represeatatives of the Wellman-Seaver buginsering company, Cheveland, ate in the city, consitering plans for the laging out of the plant of the Nieken Steel Company. Those now prepared show a gigantie layout, there being one volid mile ot buitings.

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--'lhree steamers recently met with serious trouble close to the port of New York. Another ran on a rock near Portland, Maine. Both ports, we beg to assure English underwriters, are in the United States, not in Canada.
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－The customs returns of the port of Montreal for Feb－ ruary show the exports to have been $\$ 2,395,340$ ，as com－ prired with $\$ 2,30 s, 500$ for the same month last yoar．The impurts for the same month this year amounted to $\$ 4,235,-$ 04 in comparison to $\$ 3,553,173$ for febtuary last year．
－A Dawson City dispatch states that nineteen expedi－ tions have ffet there for Cape Nome since December last and more are expected to go as soon as weather conditions suggest．The population of Bawson is 6,000 less tham last， sear．Revenue from liguor permits for the year is placed at $\$ 100,000$ ．Saloon licenses are worth $\$ 2,000$ per annum． lrices are still going up．The profits on drugs are placed at 300 per cent．，hardware 400 per cent．Beer is worth $\$ 100$ a barrel，whisky $\$ 40$ to $\$ 50$ per gallon．Owing to flood－ ing of the mines，the gold output may lee kept down．It is estimated that between $\$ 25,000,000$ and $\$ 30,000,000$ will com－ frise the output for Dawson district．


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－A paper hat sneered at the Queen sending ehocolate to her troops has the following paragraph：＂Ohe Comm．ssary Department of the United States army las sent 50 tons of edidy to the solders in the lhilippines during the past， three months．This is done on the advice of medient offi－ cers，the fact being established that a moderate consump－ tion of confectionery in the tropies promotes health and satisfies a matural ewaing of the sitomach．＂The Queen seems to have been hetter posted than her captious critus．
－The cegamakers of Cunadit are holding a convention at Stratiord，Ont，in connection with the Jntermational Gigarmakers＇Union．The question of foming a separate Camadian mion is the chict matter under disenssion．
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- One of the most, revolting fakes of the dey is the scliemir of a clerer Yankee in liansas city. He has taken in hathe to run a daily newspaper as, he says, it would be rim, it rdited by the Deity. The itea is protine to the rerge of basphemy, as be seeks to prove himselt as exalted in motive, as pure, and as omniscient, as the Godhead, while, as a mather of late his seheme is one to make money oul. of such volgar irreverence. Any paper, and there are thousamds, which keeps its columms elean, whech declines fririont alvertisments, which does not pander to any form of viee or wrong, is edited and managed in accordance with the precepts of the Great 'leather. The Kansas lake is an abominable exploitation of religious professions to make money.
--rine following Onturio companies have been incorporat(al: lominion Fence Company, capital siano,000. Tncorporat 1. is ate: Hon. John Dryilen, Brooklin; Chas, Mills, Hamilion; bavid Ilemerson, Aeton; Win. NeGregor, Winilsor; Fredrick Fenton, Joronto; John Hemy Doughas, Warkworth, and dames George Boweher, London. The head ohtice will be in foronto. Ihe eompany will manufacture and trade in fron and wive rences, metallic rooling and stling,-'The Dry Dock $\mathbb{A}$ Wrecking Company of Collingwoci, dimited, \$iso,000 eapital--lerie Tohaceo Company, limiled, kingswille, 新, (000 capital; to huy, sell and manw-
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## GROCERY NOTES.

-A new export from San Prancisco to the Hawaiian Islands is rice, which has lately been sent in large quantities to Honolulu, Hilo and other ports. The rice is raised in Louisiana. The first shipments were made when the plague broke out, and to date 28,000 bags have been shipped from San Francisco. Meretofore all the rice that has been consumed at the islands other than what has been grown there has come from Japan.
--Ceylon and Indian teas are surely winning their way into the hearts of the trade. Iheir freedom from dust, taking appearance and delicious Hayor blending in their preference. Messrs. Gow, Wilson \& Strinton, of Londou, in their summary of the tea trade for $150 \%$, show the great increase that las been taking place in the consumption of Ceylon and India teas in the United States and Canada. Following are the figures: 1895, 7,800,000; 1896, $9,600,000$; $1897,11,360,000 ; 1898,13,360,300 ; 1509,36, \ldots, 000$. The consumption has more than doubled in five years, which is astonishing, secing that the consumption of other teas has fallen off, and the average consumption of tea per capita in the United States has decreased from $1.35-\mathrm{lb}$. to $.98-\mathrm{lb}$. The estimated imports for the United States and Canada for 1599 were $105,000,000 \mathrm{lbs}$., toward which Ceylon and India contributed 16 per cent.
-Cloves are expected to be considerably dearer for some years to come. A New York importing firm, writing to the Bulletin, thus sums up the situation: "Information reached here last summer to the effect that about 200,000 trees have been killed and a great many more exhausted, which was confirmed later by the highest authority (the Sultan of Zanzibar), who remarked at the time. 'In consequence of the destruction wrought among the itrees this year, the question of re-planting should ve soriously considered. Thie deaths from drouth have been excessive, whole plantations dried up at the north end of the island, while the large erop (of 1898) combined with the dry weather will certainly exhanst the trees, and probably kil! a grood many more.' An avernge crop of 105,000 bales is therefore out of the ques(inn until new trees are plated and get into bearing. In this comection we may state that it takes a newly-planted clove tree from scven to ten years till it begins to bear, it lives to a good old age, and reaches in its older stages a height of thirty to forty feet. The crop of 1809 , that is, the receipts at Zanzibar from January-December, 1S99, amounted to 115,200 bales, of which 92,000 bales were of the 1 S 98 growth, and $\mathbf{2 3 , 2 0 0}$ lates of the 189 ? growth; the picking of the 1899 growth is now over, and there came forward to Zanaibar of the latter since Jamany 1st, this year, about 1.1, (100 bales, which will figure in the 1899 crop yoar, as against 92,000 bales of the 1898 growth appearing in the 1890 crop year statisties; thus we have a shortage of 51,000 bales in the 1900 receipts or erop year, already established, (as compared to last year), which sannot be recovered under the most favomble circumstances. The latest report is to the effect that 30 per cent. of the trees are dead; taking this as a hasis and dedneting 305 from the average of the last ten years. we find that the crop during-the next seven to ten years will nol, average more" than 73,500 bales per anmum, of which Tndia alone requires 50,000 hales ammally (India took more tham 00,000 bales last year). Europe consumes annaally 30,000 to 40,000 bales, the United States 18,000 to 20,000 boles. The stocks in Europe and the United States at present are alooit 105,000 tinles (they were about 100,000 males in 1899), or say about two years' requirements of these countries; it, will not take more than three years of the calculated reduced production, in addition to the extreme shortage ilove named, to use these all up, provided, of course, consumption confinues at the same ritio as heretofore: Tt may be argued that a higher price will reduce consumption, but the cousumplion for medicinal and culinary purposes will certainly notsuffer through any advance in price, no matter how high a limit it may reach. To sum up we consider the statistical position of cloves a very favorable one for a number of yenrs to come. Zanzibar cloves are selling now at $83 / 4$ cents; they sold as high as 56 cents per pound ohout twenty-five years ago.
-An offer of 60 cents in the dollar is being submitted to the ereditors of Hobberlin Brothers, tailors, Toronto.

## PROPER ADDRESSING.

Although there is a clause in the postal regulations prohibiting the delivery of letters addressed only by initials it has become a regular practice in the shipment of packages by freight or express to mark only by the latter. Doubtless this custom originated through hurry on the part of some rush orders, or lack of space for the free moverient of the brush used in addressing. In any case the average retailer who has just embariked in business and feels his presence in the city as yet, a stranger, is often a little surprised to find goods reaching him without npparent trouble but bearing only his initials. A. \& Co, or $B$. \& C., may mean other firms in the town but somehow he gets his goods all right, and passes the subject with the conclusion that the shipper's bill tells the story. In large cities this custom of abbroviation doubtless causes some worry to the deliverer before he has become familiar, although from the standpoint of the recciver there has been heard little complaint. To insure safer delivery it is not requesting too much in asking that the full name be placed on packages, in cases where they are likely to get mixed up.
Mr. Geo. Madrill, secretary of the Board of Trade, Montreal, has reccived the following resolution passed by the Winnipeg Board of Trade, bearing on the matter, and which will be of interest to Montreal houses:
"Resolved-That this board recognizes the neeessity for, and recommends to all shippers that package freight should be addressed in full instead of as is frequently the case by numbers or initials, to assure its prompt and snfe carriage to its intended destination by the transportation company to whom entrusted.
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## SIRATHCONA HORSE.

Monday, 124 March, 1000 , will le long remembered for the extraordinary display made by our citizens in welcoming and bidding "God-speed" to the "Stuathcona Forse." To whom that title attaches is known all over the world. An entire regiment of six hundred mountedi soldiers mised, equipped, and sent sir thousamid miles to the seat of war, at the sole cost, of one man, has been unparalleled in history. For this unique displny of patriotic mmificence to have been the work of a Camadian gives Camada a distinction of pre-eminence amongst the nations which will for ever be her pride and honour. : It was peculiarly fitting for Montreal to voice the universal sentiment of Conadi by a demonstration in honour of the troops and of Tord Stiathoona whose


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name they bear. His Lordship is a Montreal citizen; he is President of the Bank of Montreal; he is Chancellor of the chief University of Montreal; he gave a princely sum towards the erection of this city's noblest hospital; he has given munificent donations to all our leading institutions of benevolence; he erected, at his own cost, one of the handsomest and best equipped ladies' colleges in the world; his capital fructifies a number of mercantile enterprises, and largely to him is due the construction of the Camadian Pacific Railway. Not content with such services he, for years, has devoted his energies, his wealth, his talents, to the duties of the official representative of Canada at the Metropolis of the Fimpire, which he has done so much to consolidate, to strengthen, to honow ljy a noble example. The"Strathcona Forse" demonstration had a double inspiration. It was an act of gratitude, as well as of patriotism. The shurdy troopers we weleomed were drawn from all parts of an area larger than any European country. Some of them had traversed hundreds of miles on foot over the ice and snow of a region fringing the Arctic circle. Others were drafted on the prairies, or in the mining districts of the North-West and British Columbin. From farms, and offices, and colleges, others were recruited, all of them the creane of Canada's manhood, and all inspired by devotion to the British Crown, in, "Soldiers of the Queen." 'The route of the procession was it blaze of patriotic decorations. The city was literally covered with British flags, One store alonc sold over 5,000 Union Jacks. The spectators cannot have been fewer than 150,000 . For fou miles the sidewalks were packed three to four deep, and every window, and coign of rantage shone with ladies who poured their smiling good wishes on the gallant troops. The note of the day was Imperial unity, which, like the famous "drum-beat,"
now courses with the Sun, knitting into an indissoluble: bond all the peoples of the British Empire.

## THE BOARD OF TRADE AND IMPERIAT TEDERATION.

At a speciaì meeting, held on the 6 th inst., the Montreal Board of Trade had questions under consideration coinected with the trade relations within the Empirethe Greater Britain of the liture. In Jume next there will be a meeting of all the Chambers of Commerce of the Bmpire in Tondon. A list of twenty-five subjects for discussion, already decided upon for submission at Hat Congress was sent to each Chamber; or Board, and it was intimated that any resolutions based thereon should be in the hands of the secretary of the Congress by the 25 th instant. The members of the Conneil of the Board of Trade, aster prolonged discussions, were not unanimous in their conclusions on these very important quicstions: They fimally decided, on a shont notice, to convene a special meeting of the Board to consider the only thire features out of the twenty-five that were recommended to be considered.
The general meeting of the Board was not largely attended, when the vote was taken only a bare guorm being present. We venture to say that this was owing to the short notice given of the meeting of the matter by the Council of the Board of Trade, the firl ginture and import of which was unknome to the members of the Board genemally: It is difficult to understand why there should have been so much reticence imported into this important matter: We are confident there was in reality, a common expression of opinion in favour of any measure that would consolidate the Empire and en-
sure in the near future more intimately close inter-imperial trade relations in all quarters. It, however, untumately was made to appear that the resolution to attain that end was only carried by a bire majority of the slimly attended meeting, when the vote was taken:

The three fecitures brought out by the resolutions presented to the Board by its Council were, that the Colonies and dependencies of Great Britain should contribute to the naval and military defences of the Empire. Further, that the various outlying portions of the Jompire, as well as the Mother Country should adopt a tarifl that would practically be a \%ollverein for the encouragement and protection of all Tmperial commercial interests as against the world. Next, that the decimal system, as regards weights, measures and currency should be adopted for the Empire. To dispose of the latter at once we may say that common sense ought to be able to bring that about in regard to currency. Almost the only country that holds on to the antiquated money forms of ages gone by is Great Britain. Tn this respect the conservatism of the mation is remarkable. The tenacity of the people in their love for the T. S. D. is unexplainable, but the change will doubtless come in time. At any rate the Canadian recommentation in faronr of the change will roubtless have weight.

It: is mfortunate that the other two features should have heen looked together in one resolution: The question of rontributing to the naval and military defences of the Pmopire and he trade relations of its component parts are lwo entirely distinct questions. The one is based on sentiment, the other on material advantages. : The first section declares that the time has come when the colonies should contribute to the maintemance of the naval and military protection given by the Wother Combry. This is a reasonable proposition. Not only has this country and the other outlying portions of the Pmpire the benefit of this protection, butthey all have the benefit and advantage of the vast consular system which is provided by the Mother Country, at a great expense, and withont cost to any colony, or dependeney. We do not find any objection raised to the primeiple involved in this. As an independent resolufion this would, in oll probability, have been generally conenired in. The cvents of the past few months have prolty well astablished that not only Canada but the other colonics are propared for this. Teaving out all the preliminary features that have invoked political disemssion, the final action of Parliament that has approved of the sending of two thousand men from Canada to aid in Sonth Africa and the vote of $\$ 2,000,000$ to cover the expense of that expedition is sufficient proof of the detorminalion of the people of this country in this respect. A precedent has heen established that; will hold in all foture emergencies that may arise until a well-considered and permanent hasis for the cost of mutual protection is arived at.

The conditions that will arise out of the present war in South Afriea will hasten on the time for a full considenation of this question. It may be said that hitherto Camada has not done anything in this direction in the past but that view is nol; altogether correct. At a great cost Canada lias built a transcontinental railway from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean which has been most successful nud this, in the future, will prove to be of Imperial advantage from its being an alternative ronte to the East. That is an accomplished fact, to the credit
of Canada, but the future has to be provided for:
The other feature of the resolutions adopted by the majority at the Board of Irade meeting had a direct connection with the one we have commented upon. It simultaneously asks for a change in the fiscal policy of the Mother Country from what is called Hree Trade to a discriminating tarift in favour of the productions of the colonies and, as far as possible, a free interchange of trade within all the dependencies of the Empire. Taken as a general principle, there is no doubt albout the soundness of the latter view. The trend of events all lead to the belief that such a policy will be evolved in the course of time, and will be instrumental in still further promoting the unity of the Bmpire. It will prove mutually beneficial to its outlying parts as well as the centre.

This feature of the resolutions agreed to by the majority of the Board of Trate mecting was the one strongly objected to. As we guther from what was said it was not because the idea embodied in it was objectionable, but rather that it was inopportuns. The feeling in the minds of those objecting was, that at the present time, when the sentiment of paying our share of Imperial protection, was so strong, it would look ungracious in the same breath to ask and press for trade advantages for ourselves at the apparent expense of the Mother Country. The difference in the positions assumed by the adrocates of these diverse views raises a very important question. One may be styled selfish and the other not so, but generous. Which of the two principles shall ceventually prevail will, as a matter of course, he decided by the Tmperial Parliament.

We may have a sympathy with the speakers who earnestly advocated the unselfish view, but without a doult it can safely be said that after the present war troubles are over there will be a re-arrangement of the relations of the constituent parts of the Empire. Important changes in the Tmperial tarifl as it aflects the colonies may probably follow.

It would seem to be inevitable that this will follow the rapid growth of the greater dependencies of the Empirc. In the course of ten, or fifteen years, the great seat of: the Bmpire will be independent of all foreign countries for the food supplies it now has to import, which the colonies will be abundantly able to supply. In the mentime it ean do no harm to discuss these questions in the fullest manner, so that the people will be educated up to the requirements that will certainly become live guestions befone many years have passed. The idea of Tmperial fedcration was started in this country only a few years ago by a few sanguine spirits. It took some time to make headway but now it has become a living force which promises to have a powerfnl influence in determining the future of the British Empire and its relations to the other nations oll the world. The changes and progress made in ocean navigation in the latter part of this century bive brought the different pary of the Empire very close together for commercial purposes. The coming century will surely find them bound together faster than they have hitlierto been, not only by mational sentiment but also by mutual commercial inlerests.

WESTTERN ASSURANCT COMPANY
The 49 th amual meeting of Western Assurance Co was held at Toronto on Nth inst., the President, the Hon.

Senator Cox, being in the chair. I'he results of the past year's business are shown in the statement to have been inuch more satistactory than might have been anticipated, or would have been the case had the Canadian lield been as uniorturate as the American. Fortunately, the lipe fiend was too busy across the line to get in his disashous work to any great extent in Canada. Ihis country had, however, a far heavier lire loss last year than it ever would have were proper precautions taken by niore carelully built houses, warehouses, stores, de.; and more efficient lire brigade service. 'the money wasted annually by tires in the Domimion is equal to 3 per cent. interest on $\$ 166,000,000$. It amounts to over $\$ 5$ yearly tor every family in Cauada. 'This swin however, only a part of the actual loss, it is only what was lost by the insurance companies, whereas the total loss to property owners was probably double the amoint. The observance of one word, care, would save millions of dollars being wasted. The exhibit of the Western Assurance Co.s business for 1899 , as compared with 1898 , is as follows:-

| 1899. | 1898. | lnc. or dec. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 'lotal income . . . . . $\$ 2,532,741$ | \$2,290,077 | inc. | \$241,764 |
| Total expenditure. .. 2,414,098 | 2,259,580 | inc. | 154,518 |
| Balunce of increase over expendit. .. .. 118,643 | 31,397 | inc. | 87,246 |
| 'lotal assets .. . . . $2,321,762$ | 2,343,308 | dec. | 21,546 |
| Total liabilities, including capital.. .. 1,221,382 | 1,204,515 | inc. | 16,867 |
| Leserve fund . . . . . . . 1,100,380 | 1,088,793 | inc. | 11,587 |
| Capital paid .. .. .. 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |  |  |
| Capital subscribed $\therefore 1,000,000$ | 1,000,000 |  |  |
| Security to policy- |  |  |  |
| holders. . . . . . .. .. 3,100,380 | 3,088,793 | inc. | 11,587 |

I'he net result was to leave a balance of prodit $\$ 118,642$, of which $\$ 100,000$ was absorbed by two half-yearly dividends at 5 per cent. per annum, the balance left, $\$ 18,642$, being more than sullicient to cover the depreciation in securities.

The President, in his address, referred to a number of new companies having entered the field to acquire business by "cut-rates." He put a damper on their hopes by stating that, in the past 20 years, companies that sold cheap fire insurance had lost two millions of dollars of capital. He regarded it as obvious that companies having only cash assets of lorty or fifty thousand were in no position to assume any considerable share of fire insurance risks. Property-holders have too much at stake to run any chance of their claims not being met, a chance to which they are subject by insuring in a weak company. The maxime business of the Western Assurance is very large. In 1898 the marine premiuns, were over one-third of the fire premiums, so that it was very satisfactory for this department to have shown a profit last yeax, as the record of some former years was not favourable. The Company has taken an important step by opening a branch in London, Eng. It has secured a very strong Inglish Board, the chairman being the Earl of: Aberdeen, who may be relied upon to associate himsell only with highly honourable and responsible colleagues. The step establishes n new link between Canada and the Mother Country. It will serve as an exhibit of the fimancial strength of Canada, and open opportunities for British property owners to show their practical appreciation of the services of Canadians to the Empire. The meeting re-elected the Board of Directors, with the Hon. Senator Cox as President, and Mr. J.J. Kenny as Vice-President.

## KEEP IHED SHOOK MOVDNG.

Any goods in the store which are not selliwg, for which there is no longer any call, are losing money for the owners every day they remain. Should a syrup barrel or oil tank be found leaking, however little, it would not be allowed to remain in that condition over night. The leak would be stopped. The leakage or loss occasioned through holding dead or unsaleable goods can be partially remedied within twenty-four hours by taking them from the shelf and giving them the most conspicaous place in the store, marking them at a price and shoving them until sold. If they reluse to move at cost it merely proves they are not worth what they are marked. 'I'o lower' them below cost is not losing money at the time; the money was lost gradually as the selling value decreased and some other article superseded them. Lowering them to a price at which they will sell is trying to get their value in cash in order to put it into some other article which will sell at a prolit. J'he sooner this is done the sooner is the stock improved.

No general line of groceries, dry goods, or even shoes, is exempt from this necessity from time to time, because no. buyer, however far-seeing and prudent in his seleclions, can miss even tor one season, purchasing some article which proved diliicult of sale. Shoes may be excepted, where the wise policy of adhering to a lew well koown lines is adopted and carried out. Moderin methods of introducing new goods, however, make it a diliicult task to keep strictly cleax of the commercied traveller for an outside house on all occasions. Some of them will have the right way of talking on the right day -the day lollowing a big rush and depleted stock, broken sizes, etc-and a dozen or two of a lew lines, "J ust to till in for the time and show the fouse that 1 've called may be allowed to be placed as a rush order. Ihe well conducted store may always avoid odd sizes in odd lines, but the owner of that store would likely be cnlightened regarding "things he does not do," were he to stroll through a noighboring town and have a chance to investigate, as a presumed purchaser of something out of the ordinary in a pair of shoes.

A dry goods stock is the most difficult to keep moving in a general sense. Ihis is why material is always at hand for sacrifice sales. But in dry goods the suecessful Lealer makes provision ahead for the possibility of sacrifice on a certain percentage, and, accordingly, his average profits are seldom interfered with in closing out at cost, or even less, remnaints and odd pieces that refused to move with the regular stock in the proper season. Lhere is, however, an indirect profit obtained in the way of advertising, tor any article sold at an acknowledged bargain, even if the amount involved did not. exceed twenty cents, and the lucky purchaser was a millionaire, is remembered, just, as well as though a tom lot were a part of the deal. This is proven in everyday transactions, Where it may be observed that the average man is as carelul about proper small change, as the day labourer. Small bargains in trading are viewed in the same light.

## ONTARIO IOAN AND DEBENTURE CONPPANT.

The 29th annual meetiag of the Ontario Loan and Debenture Co.; was held in Jondon, Ont., on 14.th February. Any me looking over the reports of the Ontavio
loan companies cannot fail to note what a length of time they have been established. lhis is of itsell evidence of these institutions having been organized; on sound principles and managed with much sagacily. We could point to the record of similar institutions in another country which shows like a chart of wrecks; so numerous have been the laihres. Cauada has every reason to point with pride to the long record of her principal loin companies. 'llheir history evidences wide-spread ability to condnet fmancral instatations with suecess; the gencral capacily of those who have borrowed on mortgage to ancet these congagements; and the conlidence lelt by the saring chass m home institutions, as shown by the growth of deposits, and the increase of investments in He securities of Comadian companies. The Ontario Loan and Debenture Co., like all of its class, has foumd it much more dillicult to secure good loans of late years owing to the increased prosperity of the country. Borrowers in humdreds of culses, have become lenders, and in larger numbers have redeened their mortgages or are redecming them. The company whose report is belore us has been stemdily advancing in, strengith for many yeurs, although the volume of its loms has not increased to any marked extent owing to the above cause.... A complarison of its position in 1887 with 1899 . shows this development, is is shown below:

|  | 150. | 1887. | Luc.'or dee. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| di. li. loans | 3,282,670 | \$3,118,7:7 | inc. \$163,939 |
| Deposits | 555,901 | 462,103 | inc. 93,798 |
| Sterding debenture | 1, 074,940 | 1,472,677 | dec., 397,7at |
| Currency debents | 199,70s | 2,000 | inc. 197,708 |
| lieserve fund | 515,000 | 321;000 | inc. 194,000 |

Here we find an increase of 20.30 per cent. in deposits, a decrease of 37 per cent. in sterling debentures, am increase from $\$ 2,000$ in currency ones to $\$ 195, \% 08$, and an increase in heserve frud of 60 per cent. The home lunds since 1.887 have increased 62 per cent., 'Jhe above facts are evidenices of an increase in public condidence in the Ontario Loan and Debenture Co., as well as an enlarged capacity of the people in the London district to place money for investment. We note as an excellent sign ol good management the reduction of the mount of properties loreclosed and held for sale from $\$ 125,488$ to $\$ 48,426$. a proportionate decrease of these unsitisfictory assets all along the line of loau companies would be exceedingly gratifying. Mr. Wm. T. Bullen, manager, and Mr. John McClary had every reason to append their signatures to the statement with much pleasure.

## 'IHR REDERAL ETPR ASSURANCE CONPANY.

The Federal Tife Assurance Compiny of Camada has wade rapid progress since extending its field of operations from Ontario to the whole country. 'Ihe 18 the anmual meeting, the second under its new title, wals held at Familton on 6th inst. Ihe statement for 1898 as compared with 1808 stands as helow:

|  | 1590. | 1598. | Tuc. or dee. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thicome .. .. .. .. .. ${ }^{\text {S }}$ | 440,289-\$ | 410,531 | inc. $\$ 29,458$ |
| Death clams, ets. | 125,454 | 1.43,702 | dec. 18,248 |
| Repenses and divid'ls | 1733,574 | 127,54S | inc. 6 6,026 |
| Escess of income.. | 181,86; | 130,581 | inc. 41,680 |
| Assets in bonils, etc.. | 1,060,060 | 866,283 | inc. 104,377 |
| Reserve fund | 024,263 | 757,399 | inc.: 166,864 |
| Dolicies issued | 2,497,000 | 2,114,232 | inc. 383,668 |
| Total in force. . . | 11,847,070 | 11,120,566 | inc. 726,50 |

The changes in 1899 are all in favour of the company. The excess of income over all outlays, the total assets, the reserve fund, the policies issued, the total assurance in force are cach larger in 1899 than at close of 1898. Ithe larger portion of the new business was on its investment plams. This shows it growing ippreciation of this class of jasurance which, we believe, will have a very great entargement in a Lew years, as it will attract moneys glaced on deposit, or invested where the interest earaings are depreciating. Weare glad to see the report stating the investments of thic fecderal Life have yielded results considerably above the average results of all companies doing business in Camada
In view of the discussion as to rites of interest, we should like to see a sehedule prepared by each of the lite companies showing a classification of the amounts they have invested at different rates of interest and when the securities mature. From this some definite idea could be formed as to what interest their tuads are really carning, which at prosent cannot be ascortaned with alssolute certainty from their statements. Where is a generalising of statistics in life companies' returns which is not salisiactory to those who in such matters prefer to Jave the data set lorth in cletail on which eertain conclusions are based, so that those conclusions may be tested. "Condeseend to jarticulars," as our Scotel friends say, is not only a gooil-motito gencrally, but it is an absolute necessity for forming a correct judgment of statistics. 'This, however, is outside our' inmmediate object.
We notice that the special Aet for ineorporating the federal Life has greatly incrensed its investments in other provinces, much to the adrantage of the Company. It is gratilying to find that the death rate lor 1890 was the lowest experienced in the past ten years. This is the more satisfactory because as policies increase in age they are apt to show an advance in the mortality mate. The risks of this company must have been very' carefully selected to slow so favourably. This is a point intending insurers need to consider. A slap-dash system of increasing business in order to make a great show of new business is a serious wrong to those already jinsured, and to the better class of lives accepted. The Federal's plan of accepting only choice business is much to be commended, but it is no more than expected from so shrewd and honourable a managing director as Mr. David Dexter, and from President Beatty and their colleagues on the Board.

## UNDERGROUND INSURANOE AT LONDON.

We are indelted to a correspondent in this city for a schedule of 18 fire insurance companies interested in the recent conflagration at London, Ont. Out of the whole ${ }^{4}$ list only four are Canadian companies. These are all Hour new concerns, which have been organized on nontarif lines. Our corespondent says of them, "their special claim is, they can do insurance for less premium than the old tariff companies becnuse they make a better sdlection of risks." There are several proverbs warning against over-conidence, or loosting, which will occur to the managers of these companies wheil they are paying chanis lor total losses on their choice risks amountiug to $\$ 5,000$ each in two cises, and $\$ 2,000$ onch in two others. It is obvious that the properties burnt were not so remarkably free from danger of fire as to justify their heing regarded as specially choice. Individually each property may have been an excellent risk, but the new
underuxiters, who are cutting rates, would appear to have overlooked the exposure, or conflagration hazard to which city buildings are exposed. Experience will emphasize the necessity of regarding these as factors in underwriting; as it has done in the case of the older companies. When any goods are offered at prices boasted to be below the ordinary standard, there is always room for care being taken by the buyer lest extra cheapness does not involve some defect in the goods. This applies to fire insurance.
We find on the schedule before us the names of 14 Americm companies, largely made up of what is known as, "the wild-cat variety." Several of them do not appear in the records of the United States Insurance Departments, which is strong evidence of their being without any financial standing or reliability. These exotic, mushroom concerns are down for $\$ 26,000$ of risks on properties burnt at Loudon on 23rd February last. We hope the owners will secure their claims, but, if they do not we shall feel no surprise. Against those 14 companies the policyholders have no legal claim. If the policies are repudiated the insured have no recourse, as the companies have not a cent of finds in Camada, and it they had it would be mavailable; it conld indeed be attached for breach of the insurance law of Camada. Surprise las been expressed that so extremely loyal a dody as the Masonic fraternity, shoud have given any comtenance to Americans who enter Canada to conduct a business which is under the ban of the laws of this counIry. It was on the Masonic Temple Building, London, that these widd-cats had written risks, doubtless on the solicitation of brothers, who probably used their inlluence contrary to the very basal principle of Masomry, as it is to the law of insurance in Camada. I'o have 14 American wild-cats ruming loose in a Camadian city is not pleasint for peaceable, law-abiding people, and the sooner they are put under restraint the better, as their bites may prove dangerous to imnocent victims.

## THE £30,000,000 LOAN.

As a compliment to Canada the Imperial Goverument lus opened the new war loau of $£ 30,000,000$ for subscription in Cannda. This sum is about one-half the estimated cost of the war. The loan is to bear 23 per cent. payable quarterly, and will be issued at $£ 9810 \mathrm{~s}$, or $98 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent. These conditions make it practically a 3 per cent. loan. It is known that already subscription offers have been made to ten times the whole amount The Matual Life of New York has asked for $\$ 10,000$, 000, and other American companies and financiers have bid for a large share of the loan. The Bank of Montreal, which represents the Bank of England in this transaction, is reported to have offered to take $£ 2,000,000$. The sulscriptions in Cainada may amount, in the aggregate to 12 or 15 millions, but it is almost certain that offers will be cut down when the work of distributing the loan is eflected. Happy the man who has his quiver, or pocketbook, full of "Khakis," as the new Consols are called.

MImERS' AND MANUFAOTUREAS TNSURANCE COMPANY.
The 1 th annual meeting of the above company was held in Toronto; on 23 rd ult., Mr. James Goldie in the
chair. A copy of the Report will be found in this issue. This is one of a group of companies which owe their establishment as they do their prospenity to Mr. Hugh Scott. The basal policy of the Millers' and, Manuafcturers' is the writing of moderate amounts on risks specially selected, and, to a large extent on properties owned by those directly interested in the company's welfare. Although the danger of fire can hardly be entirely obviated, there are risks in which it may be reduced to a minimum by enre in construction, constant oversight by the insured, skilful and thorough inspection, with honourable olservance of conditions recommended for avoiding chances of fire. The company at the close of 1809 had 588 policies in force covering, alter deducting re-insurance, $\$ 1,376,183$. On this business the premium inenme Was $\$ 73,761$, the commission income, $\$ 1,651$, and $\$ 4,638$ was received from interest on investments. After deducting re-insurance payments and cancelled polieies, together $\$ 30,936$, there was a net income left of $\$ 4,9,110$. From that the sum of $\$ 17,309$ wals paid for fire losses and $\$ 7,311$ for expenses, leving $\$ 24,495$ to le carred io Profit and Loss, which stands at $\$ 81,621$. The total assets are $\$ 299,384$. The ratio of the balance at credit of profit and loss alone equals 5.93 per cent. of the insurance in forec, the usual arerage being 1.64 per cent. In the 14 years during which the Millers' and Manufacturers' has been in ojeration the loss ratio has averaged 4.4.06 per cont., and the expense ratio, 23.96 per cent., making an average gross charge upon the amnal cash income of 68.02 per cent. This record is mprecedented. It indicates an agrecable experience for policyholders and shareholders, and affords a highly honourable record of sagacions management.

## THE SNOW PROBLEM AND DANGEHOUS STDEFALKS.

It would be unfair to censure severely the city authorities for the delay this year in clearing away the snow from the streets of this city, por those im other citics for equal delays. A fall of four and a hall feet of suow in a few days is an urecorded event here. That is the average total depth of snow which falls in the whole winter. We find consolation in reading of London, Eugland, having had a fearful experience of the same kind. Thousands of persons on a recent night were unable to reach their suburban homes, a short distance from the Mctropolis. Railway traffic in Great Britain has been almost "entirely suspended. In Scotland travellers have been kept in snow banks for a whole day and night. "Our Lady of the Snows" has been in a bad humor of late. She locked Buffalo and Chicago up as tightly as Montreal, indeed their fate was worse than ours.

Though phenomenal in degree, the snow fall has mercly done in excess what occurs every winter. Is it not time for the authorities to consider this problem in the light of modern necessities for free traffic, and modern facilities for keeping our streets from a siow blockade? We see daily snow being carted up hill for anme in tiny earts, the size of a large packing lox. Jhe Jong haulage is exceedingly wasteful of time and money. We have raiss laid all over the city right down to the fiver. Why, then, could not a system be organized for carry ing trains of snow-laden cars down to the water, where it could be dumped into a rapid current and so carried of at ten times the speed the work is done by the pack-
ing-box carts:" The present plan is tow antiquated for modern requirements.: : We urge a consideration of the show problem upon the city authorities.

We have pleasure in commending the prompt altenthon pand by Alderman Leboent, the new Charman of. the l'olice commettee, to complaims of the gross negleed ol city by-laws by owners of vacant properties. dul over this city; in past yours, hese persons have lelt then frontages anctered. serious acenents have been thereby caused and extreme meonventence to citizens. '1'he poince aunhorties mast yurs took no notice of complants. 'L'mis seasull complants have been promply' atlenued to. It custs inls cily an average of \$o,0uo a gear lur compensation to persons injured by the by-lats veing ignored. All ths monley, and much more spent by mjured ultizens, who no not sue for compensation, would tee saved by smuply requring the police to do herer duty, as hey have to do in bether governed cities. 'lime plea that here are not enough pollee to see after tims uecessary work is a mere sulteriuge, Let those ollicers we have do ther atly and mere would be miversal obedence paid to the by-laws. We trust Mayor Pretoutaine will win the gratitude of thes city by tacking the show problem, and seeing that our sidewalks are made salle to pedestriaus.

## WLS'TLRRN CANADA LOAN AND SAVINGS CO.

We ask attention to the Report of the Western Canada Loan and Savings Co., which will be found on a later page in this issue. As the question of the amalganation of the company with three others has yet to be passed upon by the shareholders we abstain from comments on the last amnual statement.

## 'LHE PUERIO RIUA SLIUATION.

Un the eve of a P'residential election the statements made in Ancrican newspapers, rellecting upon or in defence of the present administration, will bear a heayy dis-, count, as they also do here at a similar time. There can however, be no doubt about the utter failure of the United States to carry out the policy of " benerolent assimilation* ar regrd to ther new , possessions. The Washington authorities have been wable to decide wheWher to give l'uerto lica the stalus of a sell-governing Culony, in the British sense, or that of it Crown Colony; or, to make the Island an integral part of the Union; or to let things drift and hold it by force of arms until some policy can be settled upou for its luture Goveriument.
When under the power of Spain the island had a large measure ol sell-goveruing political privileges, also representation in the Spanish Parliament. Its products were freely admitted into Spanish markets. It had no quarrel with Spain of any moment. Its people were quiet, as industrious as those usually are in the dropics, they were, 'at least, comtortably well ted, and the merchants and planters prosperous. Since the seizure of lucrto Ricia by the States all these conditions lave been reversed. They have no political privileges, they are excluded from the markets of Spain, they are in a ferment of dissatisfaction, their industries and the trade of the island are paralyzed. The American Covernor reports the Tsland to be on the brink of lamine, He asks for lood and anthority to put 25,000 men at work on public improvements. Yet, had the island an open market in the States,
its people would be prosperous. But, although the action of the States has deprived the P'uerto Ricans of those of Spain, they reluse to give compensation by opening to them the Americiun market. Ithe Detroit "News" says: Whe Limited States Goverment seems disposed to send the people oll P'uerto Rica all to the poorhouse and suppurt them as paupers, rather than permit them to go to their farms, plantations, and factories and support themsulves."

The trouble arises from the products of Puerto Rica being similar to some of those grown in the States, so that a policy has been adopted by which the products of the island shall not be brought into competition with American ones. They are excluded by the Dingley, tarill. Great Britain has made mistakes in her colonial dealings, but she never tried to ruin one of her possessions in order to aggrandize a section of the people in the British Isles, an analogous course to which is being pursued by the linited States. The spectacle is il scandal to civilisation. We are, however, satisfied that when the situation becomes fully understood by our neighbours across the line. the Washington authorities will have to recognise that the conguest of Puerto Lica was accomplished for higher oljecets than can be served by blighting the trade of that island, and bringing its people to the verge ol lamine. What is, "unted is, a decision by the United States as to the exact status of Cuba, Puerto Rica and the Philippines. At present they are like so many.white elephants on their hands, which make a very imposing possession, but the owner seems terribly embarrassed by their managcment and maintenance.

## THE GALL OF A POSTMASTER.

One of our merchants some time ago sold it small lot of goods to a store-keeper in a country town who is also the local Postinaster. Anyone holding this oflice has, presumably, a good reputatiou for honesty, as well as lor being well able to pay his debts. The position is one of great trust. A Post-master holds always a certain amount of money in his hands the property of the Govermment. He is entrusted with letters of great value as such, the contents of which are also often documents representing actual money. The stamps in the hands of Postmasters amount to a large sum. In 1898 the stamps issued to these olicials amounted to $\$ 3,585$,330. The one in question owed $\$ 6.40$ to a Montreal merchanl. After being repeatedly dumned he was threatened with legal proceedings, to recover this debt. But, doubtless,

> The pleasure is as great, of being dumed as to dun.

I'o avoid troulle and costs he sent a parcel by express to Lis creditor containing postal stamps for the debt, less the express charge. As Postmaster he would pay himself a commission, or discount, on those stamps as having beenis sold in his office, as he could not, of course, explain to the P.O. luspector that he had taken them to pay his private debt." We know nothng as to the extent of this oflicial's honesty, but we are prepared to certify that his gall is phenomenal, as is shown by his keeping a creditor at bay for a length of time over a trifling sum like $\$ 6.40$, then sending him a big package of nearly 400 one and two-cent stamps, and deducting the express charge on the parcel! The necessities of the public require stocks of stamps to be kept in stock by
rural postmasters, but how far they are available for paying the delts of such officinls we musti leave higher aut thorities to decide.

## MR. KRUGER ON THE FUTURE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Whether there was, or was not a morement amongst the leaders of the Boors in the Transwal, before the war, to destroy the British power in South Africa is a most important historiq question. Lord Salisbury thinks there was, and the Premier of England may be allowed to have better information than his irresponsible critics. In his reply to the recent appeal of the President of the Republics, Loord Salisbury told them that for years they had been accumulating armaments secretly which could not possibly have been intended for mything but an attack on the British power in South Africa, : In the Tondon "Spectator" of 3rd inst., is a report of an election speech made by Mr. Kruger at Heidelbarg, nar Pretoria, in 1898. He said:
"As President of this State I hold the highest position it is possible to hold, and in that capacity $T$ have secrets which I. cannot impart to my burghers, because if I do they are no longer secrets, but this I may tell you, that if we succeed in our endeavours we may become a great and mighty African mation."
Here, then, we have an avowal of "secret" policy boing pursued, of enideavours being in progress to carry out that policy, and that policy is declared to have as its rim, the founding of 'a great' and mighty Africin nation." This avowal of Mr. Kruger settles the controversy, as it demonstrates their having heen secret endeavours in progress in 1898 to cstablish a power in South Africe, which, by necessity, involved the destruction of the authority of the British Empire in that part of the world.

## Meetings, Reports, \&e.

## WUSTERN ASSURANCE CO.

The amual mecting of shareholders of the Western issurnnec Co; was held at the companys offices in Toronto, on Wernestiay, the 7th March. The President, Hon. Geo. A. Cox, ocenpied the chnir.
The following annual riport of the directors, with aceomponying financial statement, was read by the Secretary.

## FORTY-NINTH ANNUAT MTEPORT.

The directors beg to submit herewith the annual statement of the companys necounts for the your ending 31 st of December last.
The revenue account shows a satisfactory growth in premium income, and atter payment of losses and expenses there is a profit balanee of $\$ 115,042.00$ as' a result of the years tamsactions. Jwo halp-yearly dividends have been provited for at the rate of 10 per cent. per ammom, as well as an amome to oover depreciation in secmitios, and the reserve fund has been inereased to $\$ 1,100,350.50$.
Taking into aconunt, the fact that turng the your 1800 the fire losses in the United States were exceptionally heary, the directors teel that these results must be regarded as eminently satisfactory.

For some time past your directors hive hat wniler consideration the guestion of extending the agencies of the company beyond the limits of the North American continent, and shortly before the close of the year arrangements
were completed for the establishment of a branch office in London, England, under what appear to be favorable auspices.

Toronto, 26 th Feb, 1900.
GBO. A. COX, President.
Summary of financial statement:-
Thotal cash income .. .. . . . . .. .. . . . . . . .. $\$ 2,532,741,50$ Total expenditure, ineluding appropriation for
losses under adjustment . . . . . . . .. .. .. 2,414,008.90

| Balance .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. . ${ }_{\text {a }} 118,042,60$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  |  |
| Total assets |  |
| 'Total liábilities (including capital) .. .. .. .. 1,221,382.35 |  |
| Tieserve fund .. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$1,100,380.50 |  |
| Capital paid .. . . . . . . . . . .. . . . . . . . . .. 1,000,000,00 |  |
| Capital subseribed . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,000,000.00 |  |

Secu ity to pobeyholders
$\therefore 3,100,380.50$
The reident, in,moving the adoption of the report, said: It cannot fail to he granifyng to the shareholders, as it is to the directors and oflecers of the compatiy, to note the evidence of the appreciation by the insuring public of the security offered by the Western to its policyholders which is afforded by the growth in the volume of business transacterthe total incone for the year having excecded, for the first time in the history of the company two and one-half million dollars. It is still more sabisfactory to note that notwithstanding the excepionally heary fire losses which have oceurred in some of the chief cities in the United States-where the business proved generally unprofitable to the ecmpanies enguged in it-we are able to show as a result of the year's transactions a prof: bala -age of $\$ 1,18,642$. The experience of the year 1509 in Canad:a was exceptionally favorable, and the diminished fire waste in this country is certainly a matter for congratulation, aside from our interests in the business of fire insurance. It is to be hoped that the introduction of improved fire protection in our cities and towns, and the adoption of more substantial methods in the construction of buildings, will tend to a further reduction of the burden which the payment of some five million dollars per amum by insuranec companies for fire losses in Camda imposes upon the commonity, for I need scarcely say that this has to be provided from the preminms collected from the insuring public. I desire to emphasize what thelieve to be a fact-that it is only by adopting mensures that will rednce this serious ammal waste that any maderial reduction in the tax which the public pay in fire insurance premimms can be brought about, for it is only necessary to refer to the Government reports, showing the ineome and expenditure of companies licensed to do business in the Dominion. to prove that there has been, during the whole period entimaced in these returns, but a very moderate margin of profit to the compraies at the rates and under the conditions which have prevailed in this country in the past.

In this connection it may not be out of place to refer to the fact that dwing the past year a number of now companies have come into the field, offering fire insurance at lower rates than those current with the old established olfices. It will be interestiag to observe whether these ex$j$ eriments will prove more successful than previous attempts wish have been made to afford indemnity against loss by fire on more favorable terms than companies which have been loug engaged in the business feol safe in offering. White as insuress we may lope these new companics may have diseovered hie secret of comhining chenpmess with security, we cannot overlook the fact that the record of the fire insurance business in Cunada during the past twonty yenrs shows a loss of unwards of two million dollars of capital, which was inrested in companies organied to transact. husiness at what are termed "cut rntes" We may at least, feel assured that companies whoking upon these lines, whose entire eash assets are limited to fify or sixty thousand dollars, are seareely in a position to assume any considerable share of the many millions of linbility which fire insuranee companies are carrying for the protection of merchants and property-holders in Canada, and until it has been shown
that, with due regard for the safety of stockbolders and the security of policyholders, any materijal, reductions can be made in fire insurance rates in this country, your directors do not feel warantel. in advocating any departure from the policy wo have been following for many, years past.
Tut to return to the consifleration of our business during the year under review, it will, no doubt, be interesting to sharcholders to learn that the marine branch, which has been responsible in some former years for mather serious losses, has shown a profit upon the business of 1809, and that the general outlook in this branch appears to be more promising than for some time past.
In our earnilgs from interest there has been a falling off, such as might natumily be looked for owing to the reduced rates obtainable particularly upon the class of sectuties which are held by this company.

There is one matter to which I wish particularly to refer at this time. It is now within a year of half a century since the company commenced business in Canada. Some twenty-five years ago it completed its system of agencies throughout, the United States, and I think I am warranted in saying that it is now estabished over the whole of the North American continent on a favorable footing, with an eflicient force of branch managers, special agents and local agents working in its interests. Under these circumstances your directors have fumed their attention to the consideration of the question of the desimability of following the example of the majority of the successful British fire offices and embucing a larger field of operations than we at present oceupy. Tn view of the efforts which are being made -happily with un small measure of stocess-to enlarge the tracle relations between the mother country and her solfgoverning colonies, min to cultirate intercolonial business connections, we have felt, that the present is an opportune time for making a similar effort to secure some measure of reciprocity in the business of fire insurance. As a practical step in this direction it was decided to establish a branch office of the company in Tomton, England. This was opened on the 1st December last, and placed moder the management of Mr. W. R. Meikle-a gentleman, who, we belicre. passesses all the qualities of a successful insurance mannger, A Board of Directors has been appointed in Tiondon. upon which we have heen fortumate in securing the follorring gentlemen to serve, namely:-The Right Hon. the Earl of Aberdeen, G.C.M.G., the Right Fon. Sir Tohn Kennawny. Part., M.P.; and Mr. James Stevenson. of Messers. Grahams \& Co., hritish and East Turlin. merchants, and Tam pleased to say that, we feel that, we have every reason to be encouraged of the start which we have made in the chicf metropolis of the empire and at the asencies which have thus for heen established in connection with this ner branch.
Mr. T. J. Kenns, the Viec-President, seconted the adontion of the report, which was earried manimonsly. The election of directors for the ensuing year was then proeceded with, resulting in the unanimous re-election of the following gentlemen, viz: Hon. Geo. A. Con. Hon. S. C. Wond, Messrs. Robert Pentty, G. R. IV Coekbirn. Gen. MeMurrich, П. N. Baird. W. R. Brock, J. K. Osborne, and J. J. Tenny.

At a mecting of the Board of Directors, held smbsequent1y. Ton. Geo. A. Cox was re-elected Fresident. and Mr: .T. T. Kemng, Vice-Tresident, for the ensiting year.

## ONTATIO TOAN AND DERENTTURE COMTPANT.

The twenty-ninth anmal mecting of the sharcholders of this eompany was held at their offices in Tondon. Ont... on Welvesdar. the 14 th ultimo, when the affairs of the com-pany-were shown to be in an exceedingly satisfactory state. two half-yenrly dividends at, the rate of 6 per cent. per ammom having been maid to the shareholders, and the handsome arldition of \$25,000 mate to the reserve funct. which now amounts to $\$ 515,000$, and $\$ 3.056 .34$ carried formorion.
The twenty-ninth ammal report, as follows, was adopted hy the mecting:

## REPORT.

London, Ont., Jan, 22nत, 1900.
The board of directors have much pleasure in submitting
for the information and approval of the shareholders the usual duly audited statement of the business for the past year, showing the condition of the company.
The demand for money has been fair, but at excessively low rates, The sum of $\$ 587,176$ has been loaned during the year, and $\$ 766,550$, principal and interest, has been repaid.
The net earning's of the year, including $\$ 442.0$ brought forward, amounted to $\$ 100,050.34$, from which two halfyearly dividends, at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, have been paid to the shareholders, $\$ 25,000$ added to the reserve fund, and the balance, $\$ 3,056.34$, carried forward. The reserve fund now amounts to $\$ 515,000$.
Properties forcelosed and properties hrought to sale and unsold, together, amounted at the end of the previous year to $\$ 125,488$. These have been to a great extent disposed of, and now stand at $\$ 48,426$.
Messrs. Mylne \& Cook, C.A., of Edinburgh, the company's financial agents for scọtland, still continue to forward our interests there.
It is with deep regret that the directors have to record the demise of an esteemed member of the board, Mr. William A. Gum, The vacavey has been filled by the appointment thereto of Lient.-Col. Gartshore.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
JoHn McClary, President. REVENUE ACCOUNT:
Interest. on sterling debentures. . .. .. .. .. .. \$ 42,53G 31
Interest on currency debentures .. .. .. .. .. 8,872 32
Interest on deprosits . . . . . . . . . . . . . .. .. .. 17,209 45
Expenses connected with sterling debentures.. 1,392 92
Commissions and expenses in connection with Joans

4,353 56
Expenses of management .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 10,53802
Taxes paid Ontario Government. . . . . . .\$ $\$ 0000$
Tnses paid City of London .. .. .. .. 2,412 S5
3,392 85
Wividend Nัo. 71, paid and July, 1S99 . . ... . . .. 30,000 00
Dividend No. 72, due 2nd Jan., 1000 .. .. .. .. 36,000 00
Carried to reserve fund . . .. .. .. .. . . .. .. .. 25,000 00
lialance carried forward .. . . . . .. . . .. . . .. .. 3,056 34
象象:
$\$ 193,65207$
Balance from last year .. .. .. .. .. .. '. .. .. $\$ 44205$
Interest earned on mortgages, rents, etc. .. .. .. 193,210 02

## FINANCLAL STATEDEENT

## Assets.

i, Moitgages on real estate . . . . .. .. .. . . .. $\$ 3,282,07684$
2. Soans on debentures . . . . .. .. .. .. .. . . .. 102,501 54
:3. Koans on this company's stock. . .. .. .. .. 34,20550

1. Heal estate forcelosed and owned. $\$ 14,80000$
hat estate brought to sale and unsold 33,62607
48,426 07

i. Cash with Bank of Scotland .. ........ ... .. 83445
2. Cash with banks in Canada .. .. .. .. .. .. . 88,167 06
$\$ 3,596,571 \quad 52$

## Liabilities

Luabilities to the Public-
Sterling debentures .. .. .. .. .. $\$ 1,074,94027$
Accrned interest on same.. .. .. .. 0,64145
Currencr debentures.. .. .. .. .. 190,70s 00
iccrued interest on same .. .. .. 2,02404
Deposits
5055,001. 42
\$1, 842,81518
Suplus
$. \$ 1,754,05634$
Thablitios to Shamolders-
Cipital stock paid-up.. ....... .. $\$ 1,200,00000$
Hivilend No. 72 (since paid) ... $\quad . \quad 36,000.00$
Heserve rind, $\$ 000000$; carried to
alo., $\$ 35,000$. . . . . . . . . . . .. 515,00000
Bulancent eredit of rerenne ac-
count ..
3,05634
$\$ 1,754,05034$

To the Shareholders of the Ontario Loan \& Debenture Co.:
We hereby certify that we have audited the books and accounts of the Ontario Loan and Debenture Company; for the year 1890, comprising a monthly cash audit and the verification of the postings and balanees in all the company's books, and we find the whole correct and in accordance with the above statements. We have also examined the securities and find them in order.

> GEO. F. JEWIBLL, F.C.A.,
> A. M. SMAR',

Auditors.
London, Ontario, Jan. 17th, 1900.
The retiring directors, Messrs. John MeClury, A. S. Lemery, W:lliam Bowman, William MeDonough, and Lieut.Col. Wm. M. Gartshore, were re-elected, as well as the audi:ors, Messrs. George F. Jewell, li.C.A., and A. Mi: Smart.
At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. John MeClary yas re-elected president, and Mr. A. S. Emery vicepresident.

WM. F. BULLIEN, Manager.

THE FEDERAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF canada.

The eighteenti annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada was held at the head office of the Company in Hamilton, un the Gfh March, 1900. The Managing Dircetor, Mr, David Dexter, presented the following reports and finacial statemem:

## DIRECTORS' REPOR'I.

The directors have pleasure in submitting for the information and approval of the Shareholders the following report of the business of the Company, together with a statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year which closed on 31st December; 1899, nud of the Assets and ;liabilities on that date.
New business consisted of eighteen hundred and fiftyseven applications for insur:nce aggregating $\$ 2,639,700$, of which seventeen hundred and ninety-five applications for $\$ 2,497,500$ were accepted; applications for $\$ 141,800$ having been rejected or held for further information.

Annuity premiums to the amomet of $\$ 4,003$ were also received.
During the year, as in previous years, about 00 per cent. of the new business of the Company was on its investment plans, showing that investment insurance still holds favor in comparison with other forms of investment - on which interest carnings are depreciating steadily. The feature of profit accumulations for, a term of years is increasing in, popularity.

The inercasing prosperity of the country has extended its Finfluence to Life insumance, as indicated by the large increase in the Premium Jncome and Assets of the Company.
The gross income of the Company shows al gratifying inurense over previous years, and the aiddition of $\$ 194,377.39$ to the assets is especially noticeable, the total assets having risen to $\$ 1,060, \mathrm{G} 00 . \mathrm{so}$, exelusive of gumantee capital:
The security for Pol:cyholders, including Guarante Capital, amounted to $\$ 1,609,660.80$, and the liabilities for reserves aud all outstanding claims $\$ 0: 10,403.03$ - showing a surplus of $\$ 723,25 \pi .57$. Theciusive of unealled Gumanteed Capital, the surplus to Policyholders was $\$ 114,257.57$.
Assumances for $\$ 106,000$ on forty-five lives became claims through death, of which amount the Cumpany was re-insured for $\$ 4,000$. Theluding cash dividends and dividends applied to the reduction of preminns, $\$ 9,400.52$, with ammities $\$ 2,579.07$, the total juyments to Policyholders imounted to $\$ 125,454,59$.
As Toreshadowed in last report, the securing of the Special Act of Incorporation from the Parifament of Canadn has greatly increased out investments in other Provinces, much to the advantage of the Compony:

The investments of the Compainy have been earefuly managed, and have Fielded results considerably above the average results of all companies doing business in Comata. Expenses have been kept within teasonable linits, while due eftort has been made for new business. The dhief offeers and agents of the Company, are entitled to much credit for
their able representation of the Company's interest. The office staff have also proved faithiful in the company's service.... $\because$ 个 $r$.
uir:
The accompanying Certificate from the Auditors vouches for the correctness of the statements subuitted herewith. All accounts, securities and. vouchers have been examined by them.
JAMES H. BEATTTY;
DAVID DEXTYER,
Managing Director.

## AUDITORS' REPORT.

To the President ind Ditectors of the Federal Life Assurance Company:
Gentlemen: We have made a carcful audit of the books of your Company for the year ending 31s1. December, 1899, and have certified to their correctiress.
The securities have been inspected and oumpared with the ledger accounts and have been found to agree therewith.
The financial position of your Company, as on 31st December, is indicated by the accompanying statement.

Respectfully submitted,
H. S. SIEPHENS,
SHERMAN E. TOWNSDND,

Auditors.
Hamilton, 1st March, 1900.
FRNANCLAL STATEMENT, 1599.

Paid to Policyholders for Death Claims, Endow-
ments, Surrender Values and Profits .. .. \$ 125,454.89 Expensis', 'Taxes, Dividends and Reinsurance

Premiums .. ... .. .. . . . . . . . . . .. .. .. 133,574.14
Balance . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .. 181,260.11
$\$ 440,280.14$
ASSETS, Dec. 31, 1599.
D: bentures and Bonds . . . . . . . . . . ' $\because$. . . . $\$$, $04,072.54$ Mortgages . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .. 404,213.62 Tomus Secured by Policy Reserves... . . .. .. ... 226,041.69 Chash in liank and other Assets .. . . . . . . . . . 245, 282,65
$\$ 1,060,660.50$
MABILITIES.
hesurve Fund . . .. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ \cdot 924,263.03$
Claims Enatjusted .. . . . . . . .. . . .. .. . . .. $22,140.00$
Suplus . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .. 114,257.77
$\$ 1,060,600.80$
Gumantee Capital . . . . . . . . . . . . . .. . . . . .. 609,000.00
Surplus Secured .. .. . . . .. .. .. . . . .. .. $\$ 1,660,660.50$ Policies were Tssued Assuring .. . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,497,900.00
Trotal Assurance in Vorce .. . . . . . .. . . . . . 11,547;070.43
The Medical Director, Dr. $\lambda$. Woolverton, presented an inierrsting report, of which one of the most gratifying fentures to Shareholders and Policyholders alike was the item showing the death rate for the year to have been the lowest experienced by the Company in the past ten years.
An excellent oil portrait of the President, Mr. Jas. - . Heatty, by the well-known artist, Mr. T. W. L. Forster, was placed on the wall of the Board-room, as a token of the esteem in which Mr. Reatty is held by the Directors and Shareholders.
The retiring Directors were re-elected, and at a subsequent mecting of the Board Mr. Beatty was re-elected President, Tieut.-Col. Kerns and Mr. T. H. Macpherson, M.P., Vice-Presidents.

## MHLDERS: AND MANUFACTURERS' TNSURANCE CO. STOGK AND MUTUAT-ESTAPTTSHED 1SSט.

The general anmul mecting was held at the company's oflices, 32 Chinch strect, Toronto, on Friday, February $23 r \mathrm{c}$, 1900. The President, Mr, Tames Goldie, occupied the chair; the monager, Mr. Hugh Scott, acting as secretary.

## REPORT.

Your directors lueg to submit the fifteenth geperal state ment of the business of the company, comprising revenue accomet and profit and loss account for the past year, and the balance sheet, showing the liabilities and assets on 31st December, 1899.
The total number of policies in tore at the end of the year was os, coverig at rik attor deducting reinsurance, the sum of $\$ 1,376,183$.
liy referring to the profit and loss account, it will be seen that the sum at the debit of this account on the 3 st December, was $\$ 88,407.19$, ind after aductíng neinsurance reserve $\$ 11,7 \mathrm{~F} 18.17$, and elaims under adjustment (since paid), $\$ 6$, 7 75.42, the batance remaning to carty forward to the credit of this account was $\$ 69,873.60^{\circ}$.
In view of the foregong results, a bonus dividend of ten per cent. has been declared to policy holders.
The retiring directors this year are J. L. Spink, Hichul loch, and Thomas Walmsley.
All of which is respectfully submitted.
IIUGII SCOTTS,
Man. Director and Sec'y. . JAS. GOLDIE,
HWVENUE $\triangle$ CCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING :31si Dec., 1899 : Dr.

Salaries' directors' fees, travelling expenser, plant, advertising, rent, post-


Claims-Fire losses. . . . . . . . . . . .. 17,309 32
24,620 60
Mialance to profit and loss account . . . . . .'. . . .. 24,494 96
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PROPIT AND LOSS ACCOUN', 'TO 31st Dee., 1809. Dr.
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policyholders, etc.), from 1898 . $\qquad$ \$63,912 23 Bahance tom revenue account, 1809. .. ... .. .. 24,494 96 $\$ 88,40719$
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$\$ 88,40719$

## halance shebir, 31st December, 1899

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Capital st ok (paid up, $\$ 24,700$ )..... .. $\$ 125,00000$ Profit nd loss (inchuding reinsurance resi res)

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Rensumanee undertakings in foree. $2 \$ 13,043$ \%̈ 9

22,763 08
. $2229,384.85$

## Assets.

(Gapiti:l stock liable to eatl. . . . .. .. $\$ 100,30000$
Undetiak ugs in foree $\square$ 32,32706
 to heres Commercial Cable, 10 shares

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\therefore \therefore \text { a }
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Mortgage investments

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$19,500000^{6}$ ase

Rell Telephone Co., Ltd., stock .. .. 10,725 00 Cash on deposit Imperial Trusts Co... 1,358 40 Cash on deposit, Freehold Loan and

Cash on deposit, Traders Bank ... .. 1,465 14
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${ }^{T}$ T hereby certify that $I$ hive audited the books and examined the voichers and securities of the company for the year ending 31 st December; 1890, and find the same correct, carefully kept, and properily set forth in the above statements.

HENRY WM. EDDIS, T.C.A.,
Auditor.
mToronto; February $8 t h, 1000$
The president, James Goldie, in moving the adoption of the report, said:
The statements now before you of the business for the past yéar are so clear and concisé; no léngthened explana-tions-are necessary on my part.
There are, however, some features of our experience to which I desire to draw special attention, as they must be very gratifying to us all, namely:
Our loss and expense ratios, which, during a period now extending over.: upwards of 14 years, have averaged only 44.06 perscent. and_23.96 per cent., respectively, making our average loss and expenses combined only 68.02 per cent. of our net cash income.
Such, very marked and unprecedented results speak, I think, for themselves.
The vice-president, J. L. Spink, in seconding the adoption of the report, said:
There is an additional feature to those referred to by our president to which I desire to draw special attention, and that is our profit and loss account.

Th ratio of this asset alone to amount of insurance in force is 5.93 per cent.
Whereas, on referring to the Dominion insurance blue book, I find that the average of similar companies' totail assets including capital to amount of insurande in force is only 1.64 per cent.
When you combine with such results the fact that we have also declared dividends to policyholders, amounting to $\$ 34,052.95$, our experience must be considered phenomenal.
The report was adopted, the retiring directors unanimously re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting of the directors, Jas. Goldie was re-elected president, and J. T. Spink, vice-president.

THE WESTERN CANADA JOAN AND SAVTNGS CO.
The amual general meeting of this company was held at its offees, No. 76 Church street, Toronto, on Mondiy, 12th March, 1900, at $10: 30$ o'clock n.m. A large mumber of shareholders were present. The Hon. G. W. Allan occupied the chair, and the Managing Director, Mr. - Waltei S. Jee, acted as Secretary to the meeting. The following financial statements were read, and with the directors' report were adopted, on motion of the President, seconded by George W. Lewis, Esq.

## THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THB DIRECTORS.

Ihe directors beg to lay before the shareholders their 37 th annual report for the year ending 31st December, 1809.
The enrning power of the company for ine past year has been very satisfactory After deducting the cost of management, interest on debentures and deposits, and all other charges, there remains a net profit of $\$ 122,684 . i 8$, out of Which sum two helfyeary dividends the rate of six per cent. per annum, besides income taxes, have been . paid, learing a sumphen the yenres working of $\$ 31,709.58$.
The net arnings are therefore eight per cent. upon the paid-up capital of the company.
The interest falling due on mortgage loans has been most safisfactorily met: The atain amount received for intercst alore during the past year was \$370,873.30. The total
amount of money placed with the company for jovestment amounts to $\$ 4,186,058$, as against, $\$ 4,238,112$ last year:
The currency debentures have been increased by $\$ 71,400$, and the sterling debentures haye been decreased by $\$ 236_{5}$ 534.31.

It will be observed that the reserve and contingent funds now stand at $\$ 211,214.68$. This reduction is the result of the special valuation of the company's securities made for the purpose of the proposed amalgamation of the company with the Canada Permanent Loan \& Savings Company, Freehold Loan \& Savings Company, and the London \& Ontario. In vestment Company, foreshadowed in the annual report of last year:

The valuations arrived at for the purposes of the proposed amalgamation have been accepted unreseryedly $\mathrm{r}_{\mathrm{in}}$ making up the financial statements, which are submitted herewith.
G. W. ALLAN, President.

Financial statement of the Western Canada Loan \& Savings Compuny for the year ending on 31st December, 1899:Liabilities.
To Shareholders-


As̉sets.


## PROFTT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Cost of - management, ..viz.: . Salaries, rent, inspection and valuation,office expensas, branch office, agents' commissions, auditors' fees, legislation, etc... .. ........ .......... $\$ 48,27774$
Directors' compensation.. .. ....... ... $4,240,00$
Interest on deposits.. .. ....... .. .. 23,509 . 87
Interest on debentures. . ... ... ....... 135,124 09
—__ $\$ 211,151 \cdot 70$
Net profit for year, applied as follows:
Bividends and tax thereon. ...... $\because \cdot 90,97500$
Carried to contingent account .. .. 31,70958 .
122,684 58
$\$ 333,83628$
Interest on mortgages and debextures, rents, \&c. $\$ 333,836$ :28

## \$333,836 28

WALTER"S LEE, Managing Director:
Toronto, 2nd March, 1900.
To the Shareholders of the Westera Ganada Loan and Saxings Company:
We beg to report that we have completed the audit of the books of the Vestern Canida Loan \& Savings Company, and a detailed inspection of the securities, (with the excep; tion of the business of the Manitoba branch, which has been audited and inspected by the local auditor), and certify that the above statementso assets and liabilities and profit and loss are correct, and show the true position of
the company's affairs: The baik balances and cash are
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The President then said: In laying before you their 37 th annual report, the Drectors are glad to be able o point to the very satisfactory character of the past year's business, Enasmuch as it shows as a result that after paying all expenses and two halr-yeariy dividends there xamins a surplus of \$3i, oog, the largest surplus shown since the year 1895. It is to this large earning power of the company, and the excellent business, especially in Manitoba, which; thanks to the zeal and good judghent of our statt, the Western Canada now controls there, that particulaly desife to call attention, and in this connection. 1 may allude to the very satisfactory dander in which the interest upon our securities has been met during the past year, amounting, as stated, in the Directors' report, to $\$ 370,573$. While our sterling debentures have decreased, our currency debentures have been increased by $\$ 71,400$. The condition of aflairs in Great Britain, consequent upon the war in South sfrica, affecting as it has ithe rate of interest and invistments generaliy, will sufficiently account for the deorease ins our sterling debentures; but it will be satisiactory to the shareholders to know that we nevirtheless reneved during the past year some $\$ 340,000$ of sterling bouds at $31 / 2$ per cent. interest instead of 4 per cent., which they had previously borne. As stated in the report, our reserve and cont.ngent funds have been reduced as the result of the valuation of our securities, made by a special board of valuators for the purposes of the proposed ama gamation of the four companies, the Canada Permanent, the Western Canada, the Freehold and the London \& Oncario. While these valuations have been accepted, as thu basis. upon which this: compayy is prepared to go into amaigamalion, it is but right to state also that admitting that it is proper that for this special purpose the valuation of ou. securilis s should; be of the most rigid character, it does nuc necessarily :imply that many of these securities will not, with care-ful-management, ultimately realize very much more than under this valuation they are now set down at. Even upon the basis of this special valuation the capital of this company is intact, and we have a present reserve or sumplus of 12 per cent. upon that capital; but as by the act to incorporate the" amalgamating companies it is enacted that a reserve of 25 per cent. must be provided by eacli tompany entering the amalgamation, that fur ther provisian will of course have also to be made by this company. I shatl only now say, further, that the question of this company anter'ing into the proposed amalgamation will first hat. to bo submitted to a vote of the shareholders before it can be carried out, and of this meeting proper legal not ev ats to all matters to be then submitted, and full particulars, will be giveil in due time.

Scrutineers having been appointed, a ballot was taken, and the retiling Directors, the Hon. G. W. Allan, George F. Galt, Esq, and Thomas. H. Lee, Dsq, ; were, re-eleched.
These gentlemen, with Messrs. George Gooderham, Alfred Gooderham, George W. Lewis and Walter S. Lec, constitute the full Board.
At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, the Hon. G. W. Allan and George Gooderham, Esq, were reelected President and Yicepresident respectively.

## BUSINESS CHANGES.

Ontario-Champion \& Co., tailors, Lindsay, moved to Columbus; Harner \& Co., fish, London, out of business; Wyld-Grasett-Darling Co., Ltd., whol, dry goods, Toronto, style now Wyla-Darling Co., Jtd.; S. Langford, blacksinith, Rell's Corners, commencing business, R. Ge Zatilan, dry goods, etc., Carleton place, removing to Thomoc; W. J. Breackenxidge, jeweller, Hespeler, advertises husiness for sale; Burke \& Co., general store Greenbank, succeeded by W. Wallace; Irvine Bros. gearal store Drayton, sinceeded by H. Irvine; W. Fitzpatrick, grocer, Smith's, Falls, selling out to $\ddot{W}$. Hydman.

Quebec.-G. C. Wilcox, printer, Granby, removing to


Westmount; Brousseau \& Fils, dry goods, st: Hyacinthe, co-partnership registered; E. Forest \& Co., genemal store, St. Ame de lieaupre, co-partnership fegistered; .J. A. Boivin, Lailor, Danville, removing to Sherbrooke; E. 'l. 'laylor © Son, gemeral agents, Montreal, J. D. Taylor sole owner;以. \& W. Lamgluis, general store, Coteau Landing, dissolved; J. Cradock Simpson, Liend Estate and Agency Co., Montreal, incorporated.
British Columbia.-A. D. MeLemm, hotel, Greenvood, sold out; Wgclett, Garden \& Egrdett, whol. teas, Vancouver, sold out.
Manitobr and N.W.I.-I'. Hinton, furn and hardware, Pincher Creek, sold out to Wm. Berry \& Son.
Nova Scoliat-I. G. J.helan, general store, Springh:ll,stock sold; C. N. Crowe, general store, Brookfield, sucededed by s. E. Cole.

New Brunswick,-A. \& W. Hicks, general store, Hampton, sold out to G. \& G. Flewelling MIfg. Co.; MeAtee \& luomer, whol, grocer, St. John, dissolved, D. E. Toomer continues and liquidates.

## MECENT FIRES.

Montreal, March Sth.-Residence of J. Corbeil destroyed. Loss about, $\$$ roo.-Quebec, 9th--Drygoods store of Bedard, Bertrand \& Gauvin damaged. Loss about $\$ 5,000$.-Indian Head, N.W.'L', nth.-Crawford's general store damaged. Hoss :ubout $\$ 2,000$ - - leelleville, Oint., 11th.--Tohn Russell's livery stable burned; four horses perished.-London, Ont., 13th,Somerville \& Co., grocers' and liquors, latter: department badly damaged. loss about $\$ 3,000$; fully insiued.-Tieamington, Ont., 13th.-Morse's pumplsin flow factory destroy. ed; Kemedy Bros. also lost an evaporafed rmit stock: Former loses $\$ 1 ; 500$; no insurance. Kennedy Bros. loss about $\$ 5,000$; insured for $\$ 3,700$ in the Alliance:

- $A$ bill has been introduced providing that: the Sown of Sudbury, Ont., may borrow $\$ 13,500$ on debentures for the purpose of consolidaling its flonting debt, expenses which have arisen mainly from water, light and sewage systems.
--The Jown of Oshawa, Ont., asks power to bonus Smitli \& Co., \$5, (000 for a caming factory; to loan $\$ 50,000$ to the Melaughlin Camiage Co., and also pover to issue debenthres to such an amount as may be necessary to construet walerworks and sewers for the town.
- The Jown of Collingwood, Ont., has petitioned the GovEmnent for permission to bonus the Cramp; Company of Whiladefphia to the extent of $\$ 115,000$, provided they erect a smelfing works and volling mills tit Collingwood, and to (xempt them from faxation for one year, and thereafter to limit their assessment to $\$ 700,000$.
-A London, Eng., letter giving the Board of Trade refurus for the first two months of the present year, show the lollowing increases of British imports from Canada compared with the same period last year: Cattle, $£ 35,000$; wheat, $\& 112,000$; Wheat, $£ 5,000$; oats, $£ 25,000$; peas, $\& 3,-$ 1:00; breon, $\& 48,000$; hams, $£ 11,000$; cheese, $£ 27,000$; eggs, L'ci,000; dish, : 533,000 ; hewon wood, $\& 5,000 ;$ snwn, $E 17,000$; Decreases-Mlaize, $E 41,000$; butter, $E 0,000$; pulpwood, $E 7$, 000. The chief increases in British exports to Canardi were: Spirits, £6,000; wool, \& 8,000 ; cotton piece goods, £2S,000 ; jute, e 0,000 ; lineu, $\mathrm{e} 7,000$; silk manufactures, £ $8,-$ 1000; woollens, $\& 35,000$; worsteds, $\& 8,000$; carpets, $\& 15,000$; pig iron, : 7,000 ; galvanized sheets, $\& 6,000$; tin plates, £ $33,-$ 000 ; east and wrought iron, $:$ e7,000; unwrought steel, $: 840$,000; apparel and slops, $\mathrm{E} 14,000$.


## LEGAI RECORD.

The following is a record of transactions and cases in our Cinadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issued and Judgments Rendered for sums of $\$ 300$ and upwards (Montreal, from $\$ 175$ and upwards), and Chattel Mortgages and Bills of Sale (for sums of $\$ 550$ and upwards), as taken from the public records. It will be understood that the actions or items do not necessarily atlect the credit and soundness of the peisons or colneerns named, as they may have been paid or otherwise settled, and that good defence may exist in eases of writs, ete.:

WRITS ISSUDD-ONTARIO.
Chathan-l. J. Montgomery vs J. Dur, $\$ 600$; Dummer


Tp.-Jean Milburn Weatlly vs W. J. Couper, \$ooc; Goulborne Ip.-F. A. Hall vs J. Cosgrove et ux, $\$ 3,975$; HonoraW. Graham vs W. Graham, \$500; Huntley-Susan J. Robertson vs J. Guy et al, $\$ 369$; Iugersoll-Iugersoll Packing Co. vs W. Crawford, \$427; London-Can. S. dL. Co.vs W. Slater, $\$ 6,600 ;$ Markham Tp,-H. Thorme vs Helen Hreeman, $\$ 1,50$; ; I'reston-Brain Bros. vs J, Bemetl, \$itit; 'rilsonburg-S. Allen vs I. W. Dobbic, $\$ 2,000$; 'Moronto-J. S. Moftatt ws D. Allan, us trustee, $\$ 3,437$; J. J. Locke vs R. Locke, \$736; Westminster Tp-J. Mulligan vs Jno. Mulligan, \$979; Win-nipeg-A. McIntosh vs D. Murray, \$903; .........-1. Swed us Burlington Pressed Brick and Terra Cotta Co., Letd, we, 47 ; ….....-C. H. Irwin is Freehold Loan \& Sav. Co., $\$ 2,000 ; \ldots . .$. -G. Weese rs II. A. Thompson et al, exrs, $\$ 5.25$,

## Mareh 10.

Etobicoke Tp.-W. Awde rs W. Burgess et al, $\$ 2,502$; Enphemia Tp.-J. W. Coyne vs T. Geywood, \$403; TroquoisW: Eager vs Larkin \& Sangster, \$040; Ingersoll-M. Dumn is S. J. Crawlord, $\$ \$ 464$; M. Dum is J. E. Crawford, $\$ 301$; London-W. P. Callan vs J. 13. Armstrong, assignee, $\$ 622$; Lirkbeck Loan Co. vs J. Insell et al \$6S5; Manotick-J. M Garland, Son \& Co. vs G. Willians, W331; Mamom-Tait \& Douglas vs T. J. Burrie, \$426; Mervition-J. Wymu vs H . MeNulty, $\$ 1,000$; Nepean Tp.-T. Fixter vs Ellen and C. Stethem, $\$ 3,241$; Oro. Ip,-W. J. Comell vs R. MeComell, $\$ 1,470 ;$ Jicton-Lyman, Sons \& Co. vs H. N. Branscombe, $\$ 524$; Port Arthur-1. H. Lacon vs G. W. Barkley, $\$ 3,000$; 'lorouto-Canada L. \& N. I. Co. vs A. and E. M. Baggs, \$4,S15; 'laylor Tros. ys A. Delaporte, $\$ 1,053$; Canada I. \& N. I. Co. vs Rebecca E, Harris, $\$ 3,503 ; A$. Murphy vs Sisters of Si . Joseph, $\$ 746$; Quebec Bank vs Toronto Portable Oven Co., Jitd., \$751; 'loronto Junction-JJ. W. Thompson \& Co. vs G. R. and C. Cumming, $\$ 1,247$; Walkerton-J, Maedonald \& Co. vs A. A. Black, $\$ 004$; ........-Tydia A. Bamford et al vs J. V. Blackley, \$1,3\%2; Winnipeg-S. Fnenkel vs M. 0. Wurster, \$616.

## March 13:

Hawksville-J. G. Remer vs Cathe Cressman et al, $\$ 500$; Tetrolia-J. Kerr vs J. Josh, $\$ 351$; Picton-C. Mredrthur \& Co. vs H. W. Branscombe, Sraf; Proton Mp-A. Richardson vs W. Hall, $\$ 316$; Wolford Tp.-G. II. Ferguson vs G.C. Ferguson, $\$ 744 ; \ldots . .$. - II. Farnham vs P. AL Gunther, $\$ 1,021$.

WRITS ISSUED-MANITOBA \& N.W.T.
March S .
Ellhora-R. Goodwin, $\$ 487$; Winnipeg-Cowan \& MeKen-
zic, , 413.
Virden-Hall \& MCDonald, \$S41; Whitemonth—Surah: T. Corregan, \$455; Wimmpeg-H. Benallack, \$640; Ryan \& Fares, $\$ 454$.

JUDGMENTS RENDERRED-ONTARTO.
March 10.
Anderdon Tp-I. Langton agt T. B. White, $\$ 673$; Bur-ington-J. Smith-Freeman igt Burlington Pressed Brick \& Terra Cotta Co., Ltd., \$858; Egremont Ip.-J. A. Halstead \& Co. agt W. Coleridge, $\$ 521$; Fargo-G. W. Wilcox aģt A. Cauhell, \$775; London-Mickleborongh, Muldrew \& Co. agt W. and E. Stater, \$501; Mariposa Ipp.-W. Mulock agt J. and J. IN. Jix. \$0̄,111; Rolph-E. D. Moore agt J. Moore, jr., \$1, 721; 'Toronto-Molsons Bank agt J. 'I. Gihmour et al, $\$ 6,117$; Toronto Junction-MIolsons Bauk agt Loover \& Jackson, $\$ 1,550 ; \ldots . . .$. .-J. Calder \& Co. agt J. R. Moore, $\$ 500$; ...........-W. M. Clark et al agt P. G. \& P. M. Routh, \$3,602.

## JUDGMENTS RENDERED-QUEBEC.

March 8 :
. Contrecocur-Dme. Rose Fanch:lle agt C. • Hurtean, $\$ 3$, B10; Montreal-Telfer, Iuthven Co. agt J. Baxter, \$201; A. Jupereault agt R. Guertin, \$2,036; A. B. Gauthier agt H. and G. Hnims, $\$ 300$; D. Riel agt C.:- Langlois, $\$ 1,000 ;$ H. Lpton esql agt Montreal Loan and Brokerage Co., 8400 ; Outremont-W. Lapham agt W.I. Denham, ;rat; St. Alexis des Monts-G. Caron agt J. Javallee, \$325; St. Vineent de Maul-H. Valiquette agt T. Rocan, $\$ 500$.

March 10.
Montreal-The Queen agt A. Clement, pu0; Manf. Life Insec. Co. agt Elizth. A. Cunningham, $\$ 362$; Conf. Life Assn. agt I. H. Doyle, \$672; J. Desroches \& Bros, agt Dme. Ditmire Mallette, \$262; J. 13. Greenshields agi Dme. Tucilla J. Osborne, $\$ 4,100$; City of St. Hemri agt M. Phelan, $\$ 408$; The Queen agt J. St. Onge, $\$ 200$; The Queen agt. J. Seahan, $\$ 200$. March 13.
Montreal-Bank of British Noph Amepica agt J. Baster, \$172; Banque Nationale agt $J$ Baxter et a, \$2a3; J. Aroprison agt Bell 'lelephone Co., $\$ 1,855$, Dme. Narye H. Lamothe agt P. Boyle, $\$ 187$; D. W. Campbell agt Dme. Magrie, Danagh, \$200; C. H. A. Guimond agt Alme. C. G. Gaucher, \$237; J. Beaudry agt S. D. Joubert, \$27s; Can. Industrial Co. ogt Kensington Jand Co., et al, $\$ 16,379$; F. Grouls agt: P. A, Mallette, $\$ 1,238$; City of Montreal agt Montreal Loan and Jmprovement Co, $\$ 6,529$, J. OShea agt $P$. J. Rowan, $\$ 400$; L. Lamoureux agt Z. Riopel \& Co., \$242; City of Mont-

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14 GARRICK STREET, LONBoN.
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real agt IT. G. Shaughnessy et al, \$375; J. Mullington agin Mme. W. Whelan, $\$ 400$.

JUDGMENIS RENDERED-BRITISH COLUMBIA.
March S .
Valucouver-Rose Marie Mines, Ltd., \$351; Victoria-Lake Bennett \& Klondike Navigation Co., Ltd., \$7,375.

March 13.
Victoria-Lake Demett \& Klondyke Navigation Co., Ttd., $\$ 3,5 / 4$; Kake Bemmelt \& Klondyke Navigation Co., Thd., \$1,502.

JUDGMIENIS RENDERED-NOVA SCOTLA.
March s .
Malifix-J. J. Cahill, \$414.
March 10.
Malifix-J. Tuylor \& Co., \$13,304. EXECU'IIONS-QUEBEC.

## March 8.

Maisomnenve-P. Galibert agt Mine. Treffle Dudevoir, \$js7; Montreal-James Robertson Co. ard J. Baxter, \$200; ( A . Deserres agt J. A. S. Frappier, $\$ 382$; O. Promlx agt $Z$. Iturtabise, ${ }^{2} 254$ A. Brisset agt Dme. M. L. Kaye, et al, \$315; G. Dupon agt A. Lacoste, \$520̄; Imperial Ins. Co. agt [. A. Lariviers, $\$ 191 ;$ l. N. St. Charles agt E. Paguin, $\$ 306$; J. Herbert agt J. Robert, $\$ 272$; N. Letang agt J. Tache et al, \$176; Montreal Loan and Mtge. Co. agt .R. Wiseman, $\$ \$ 5,320$.

March 10.
Hack Cape-J. Horsfall et al agt J. J. Campbell et all, \$3se; Montreal-Bangue Jac. Cartier agt A. Charette, \$204; Lhatue Jac. Cartier agt C. Ducharme, \$2tG; Dme. J. De Tagrave agt Dme. Delphine Lalbelle, $\$ 2,108$.

Mareh 13.
Montreal-Conf. Life Assn. agt Dr. E. Cumningham et vir, \$rs7; Conf. life Assn. agt Mc. Phelan, \$345; St. Gregoire - P. Mailloux agt diz. Drolet, $\$ 2,082$.

CHALITEL MORTGAGES-ONTARIO.
Narch S .
Deseronto-Deseronto News Co. to Rathbun Co., $\$ 2,317$; May ITp-N, M. Cantin and wife to W. Campbell, 80,129 ;
 Lucknow-1L. G. Armstrong to W. A. Arinstrong, $\$ 1,500$; Mareh-S. S. Cheetham to J. M. Argie, $\$ 1,000$; Norwieh N.F. II. Hrooks to W. Poster, si,000; Picton-Williams and Sherint to E. T. Mealey, \$650; Toroito-J, J. Gee to A. Ardagh et al, \$742; IE. Hyland and wife on Cosgrave'Brewery Co., *, iss; R. Hyland and wife to T. Reinhards, \$5,0.4; J, Maclarlane to G. J. Foy et al, $\$ 5,500$.

March 10.
Bosanquet Tp.-W. Patterson to Can. Perm. L. \& S. Co.,
$\$ 1,337$; Brantiford-F. \& Ida O'Riley to B. \& M. Bixel Co.,\$1,000; Guelph-J. W. \& J. Shefter to G. Sleeman, $\$ 2,733$; Lon-don-W. Gould to J. IT. Hayne, $\$ 715$; Ottawa-E. G. Shepherd to II. N. Bate, $\$ 900$; Smith TP.-R. N. Scott to Sawyer \& Massey Co.,\$as0; Travistock-S. W. Ratz to T. Kuntz, $\$ 800$; Tcronto-Cathe. Fitzgerald to Cosgrave Brewery Co., $\$ 800$. 'March 13.
Howmawille-S. F. Hill to Jimuie Gale, $\$ 900$; Burlington -Mis. Z. and A. Laud to Sawyer and Massey Co., $\$ 015$;

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Aetna-H. P. Hansen, \$2,000.
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Mareh 10.
Usboine Tp.-T. I. Couch to Levina Jones, $\$ 3,405$.
March 13.
Buckingham-W. H. Kelly Limber Co. to A. Maclaren, $\$ 1,01 \mathrm{~S}$; Chesterville-A. S. Morrison to J. J. Nekeen, $\$ 1,225$; Barlington-J. A. Galbraith to Christina Galbraith, $\$ 1,370$; Oltawa-C. Rupert to P. Bremm, $\$ 1,075$; Toronto-Hobberlin Bros. Co., Ltd., to IS. A. Eoblerlin, $\$ 5,500$; Winches-ter-A. W. Beach to J. Dixon, $\$ 1,300$.

BLLLS OF SALE-NOVA SCOMIA:
March 8.
Middleton-C. C. Sweency to A. Mcphec $\&$ Co, $\$ 705$.
BILLS OF SALE-BRIIISH COLUMBIA.
March S .
Rossland-H. I. Williams, $\$ 1,300$.

## BUSINESS DIFFICUITMES.

- Robert McClenahan suceeeded McCallum \& Hall, in the furniture trade, in Iramilton, three years ago. Ihe busimess has not paid from the beginining, atud he was compelled to assign on the 1sth inst. A meeting of creditors has been called for the 2ist inst.

[^3][^4]He was at one time of Th.T. G. Foisy \& Son, and subsequently of Thos. F. $G$. Toisy, Son \& Bicknell, but the 'latter lasted only a short time. Fie was interested also in the mamufachure of pianos, but gave up this undertaking in Aug'ust, ' $\mathrm{Dr}, \mathrm{A}$ balift's sale of his eflects was adyertised to be held on the 230d ult.

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The entry yesterday of Lord noberts into Bloemfontein, where he was wel-

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comed by the Mayor and cilizens, may be regarded as the opening eseme in the last act of the war drama. The singing of "God save the Queen" by the citizens in one of the Capitals of the enemy, if true, is an event of great signifieanee and promise for the finture. It looks ats though the Free State people had been coereed into the mad course of making war agatinst the British Empire. The war question is now assuming one respecting, chiefly, the: the ways and means ot paying the cost. The Imperial Covermment has decided to levy about one-hall in taxes, and to raise the other hati by a loan to mat ture in-10 years. 'hhis lonn of $\$ 107$, 000,000 curreney is to be issued at $981 / 2$, bearing $2 \%$ interest payable quarterly, being within a small fraction of 3 per cent. The suluseript:ons have reached over ten times the toan loan, and the new Consols, which the London brokers dub "khakis," are already at a preuinum. Had they been issued at par they would bave gone oft "like hotcakes," and at large sum saved. 'lohe Bank of Montreal, which acted here for the Bank of Jongland, is said to hate asked lor $82,000,000$, and other Canadian subseriptions will probably aggregate another million. lthese ollers will be ent down when the doan is distributed. A striking illustration of the risks run by oparators in stocks is given by the shares of the Third Avemue Ratlroad, New York, having gone down from 240 to 50 within the last
year. The new curroncy bill of the States is bringing out proposals for new banks like weeds after a May shower. American banks promise to be as plentiful as saloons, and many of them equipped with no more capital. There seems to be a general impression in the States that the capacity of the country to alsorb note fissues is unlimited and that all a bank needs to be prosperous is authority to issue notes. What business will catl them 'vat'and from what resources they are to be redeemed, appear to be questions tou thivial tor consideration. A eloud is Lhmatening to shadow the American money market ere long, wising from the enormons acemmation of montey in the 'heasury. If this goos on mach further and these funds are nut made available for business, by being placed in the banks, thare will come a strugrency which may develop sertous trouble. A Russian loan for :5 mililons has been recently floated in New rork, and oflers to extent of io per cent. of the new british lotin are reported to have been made from that eity. Jhe death of Senator Lewin, dresidentof the bank of New Brumswick, remotes from the Senate one of its veterans whose finmeial knowledge, sound judgment, and high character, were of the uthost service lto the country. Busincess on the local Change has been eliefly in mining stocks, which have been booming. Pacifie receded to from 95 to $951 / 2$; Gas
had small sules at 190 to $1901 / 4$; Montreal Street, 303 to :304; Rank of Momtreal, 256 ; Merehants of Canada, $1001 / 4$; Electric, 193. Money is tighter in London and New York with probabilities of an adrance in the Bank rate. Consols stand at $1011 / 4$. Local rates remain as last week. We ask attention to sereral aunual reports which appear in this issue.

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'The following is a comparative table of stocks for week ending March 15th, supplied by Chas. Meredith \& Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:-


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Listailath exulatage for tha weok ending Mar. 14, is as fullows:


## MONTHEAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, March 15, 1900.
The continuance of mid-winter weather and the indications that it may last through the month have permitted a steady movement to control the situation. In values there has been but little change while a good business is being done in most all lines for the season. Hardware appears to have awakened from the steady tone it assumed for some months as adarnced prices on some staples are again shown. Leather is in better local demand, but no large quantities are reported moving, Groceries are steady at last weels's quotations. Dairy products are commanding attention through very high prices.

Drossed hogs are also advanced some $\therefore 0$ per cent. over a week ago. Feed has advanced $\$ 1$ per ton under atetive juquiry and a continuance of winter weather, lailures are very few, anything of importance being in the manufacturing line where conditions other than regular often bear a large part of the burden.

Burabr--'The market during the past week has shown all the wild features of a short supply. There is a good trade passing and all receipts ate yuclely placed. First quality ereamery brings 30c to 32c. Pinest dairy is worth 2se to 30 c and fresh rolls 20 c to 28 c . Within the last tew days receipts have shown an increase and the market now is fully supplied, which serves to give prices an easier tendency, with promise of a lower range before many days. At Western points receipts are reponted much larger and prices are 1e to 2 c Jower. The expectations are that a much lower range of values will be apparent next week.

Cherse.-In this market there has been a strong feeling sustained owing to light offerings. Choicest stock is firmly held at $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. In the absence of large supplies, business passing is light. In Liverpool the public cable declined Gd on the 14th inst., making 00 s Gd for white and $63 s$ for colored.

Drugs, Chemicais, Banes, Erc.- In the arug market there are but few

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changes to note for the weule. Values app: ar to lave steadied, athough the pe stirring up so common to all lines for " some time back still aftects the market. Quinine is higher, manufuctures having advanced prices. Borax is very firm. Camphor manufaturers have all adwanced priess, bolh in Enghand and the United States. Cocaine is a little easier. Glycerine makers have all adranced prices.. Carbolic acid continues to show an easier tendency as reported in last issuc. Cutile fish bone is higher, also ipecat and Zanzibar eloves. Opimm is lower, also dia maica ginger root.
Egg.-Dhe condition of the egg matket are greatly in favour of buyers. Stocks are showing a large increase, much in excess of reguirements and fhis has resulted in ralues being quickIy lowered. New-laid are quoted today at Ise to 14 c , with buyers only for one-third the receipts. Old eggs are as a consequence, hard to move and are quoted at 10 c to 12 c . A gratitying fealure of the situation is the lact that there are few really bad eggs on the marlect. Those held and sold as inferiow appear to we preserved sufficiently to insure better demand.
Fisn, Oystens, Era--The manket contives firm, frozen herimgs very scaree and high. Jomeods out of market, no more this season. Fresh haddock (not frozen) now arriving from U.S. Green cod moving better now. Salt herrings scarce, and prices firm. The

Quotations are: - No. 1 Nova Scotia herring, $\$ 5.50$ per barrel; Labrador salmon, $\$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14$ per barrel; B. C. salmon, \$13; No. 2 mackerel, $\$ 15.50$; No. 1 green cod, $\$ 5$, and largeja $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5$; No. 2 green cod, $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.50$; No. 1 green haddock, $\$ 3.55$ to $\$ 4$. Dried codfish, $\$ 4.50$ to \$ $\$ .75$ per 112 lbs.; dressed or skinless codish; $\$ 4.3$, and boneless codfish, $51 / \mathrm{e}$ per ! b.; haddies, 7 fe per II).; bloaters, 90c per box; smoked herrings, medium, 14c. Soch liyne lierrings, $\$ 100 \mathrm{keg}$. Fresh fish.-Haddock and cod, te to 5 ; , tesh herrings, $\$ 2$ per 100; white fish, Se ; dore and pickerel, bic; smelts; 3e to te per lb .; and tommycods finished.

Floun, febd e Meal. - Whe only change of note in these staples is an advance in bran and shorts of \$t per ton. The searcity of these and the continued brisk demand, aided of late by weather conditions, caused the advance. Flour is selling frecly at quotations. A printed report in a local paper this weok that dealers were cotting prices on flour is not verified by representative dealers here when questioned. Quotations are : Flour-Winter wheat paitents, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.90$; straight rollers, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.60$ and in bags, $\$ 1.65$; Manitoba patents, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.90$; strong bakers, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.60$; Manitoba bran, bulk, $\$ 15.50$; shorts, $\$ 17$; mouille, $\$ 19$ to $\$ 20$ per ton; oatmeal, $\$ 3.35$ to $\$ 3.40$; and $\$ 1.60$ to $\$ 1.65$ per bas; baled hay No. 1, $\$ 0.50$ to $\$ 10$; No. $2, \$ 8.25$ to $\$ 0.00$; clover and mixed, $\$ 7$ to $\$ 7.25$; best tim-
othy hay in bulk, is held at $\$ 8$ to $\$ 8: 50$ per load, averaging 1,500 lbs.

Game, Fowl, Exc. - Prices in these are inclined to follow the higher values ruling in other kindred goods. A good demand exists and better prices prevail. Turkeys are worth, 9c to 12e lb. chickens, 9 c to 11e; fowls, Ge to 8e; ducks, 10 c to 11 c ; and geese, se to 9 c . per 1 l .

Gireen Fruits.-The continuance of mil-winter conditions admits of little movement in this branch of tride, which plays such an important part with the advent of warm weather. Apples move slowly, while the high price of oranges prevents their speedy: sale: Quotations: Cali, navel oranges, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.50$; seedlings, $\$ 2.25^{\prime}$ to $\$ 2.50$; Valencia oranges, 420 's, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 4.75$; large sizes, $\$ \$ .50^{\prime}$ to $\$ 6 ; " 714$ 's, $\$ 5.50$; Flo-rida-oranges, $\$ 7.50$ box; lemons, $\$ 2.35$ to $\$ 2.75$; bananas, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 3.25$ bunch in cases; pineapples, 25 c to 35 c each; tomatoes, $\$ 3$ to, $\$ 3.50$ crate; grape fruit, $\$ \overline{0} .50$ pr box; tangerines, \$i..00 per $1 / 2$ box. Apples, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2.25$ for No. 2 s and $\$ 3.50$ a bbl. for' No. 1. Cocoanuts, $\$ 3.50$ per 100; Spanish onions, crates, Suc to 85 c ; California celery, $\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 6$ crate.

Grocenies-The sugar market has remained steady during the past week at $\$ 4.40$ for granulated. The movement cven at the decline, is not of large volume, and suggests purchases for immediate needs. The condition of the U:S. market would indicate continued opposition of a nature to keep bottom or refiners' cost as the base of selling quo-

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tations for some time. Dried fruits are moving freely, assisted by the unusually high price of butters Teas are quiet, some-fan grade-Ceylons-being the principal movers for the week.
Mardware \& Merals.-The market has been subject to but few list changes for some time. It is a pleasing feature of the situation that values have remained at the high level reached about the begiming of the present year. Had anything of a speculative nature caused prices to move back and forth, retailers and jobbers would find dilleulty in gauging the market. Any changes are on the line of further advance. Swede's iron is up 25 c per 100 lbs ., being now $\$ 4$ base. Pig lead has advanced to $\$ 4.60$ per 100 lbs . Zinc spelter has moved from $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 5.75$ per 100 lbs . Nails, sheet steel and coil chain are steady at the recent advance.
Hides and Tallow.-Prices of green hides are unchanged. A better business is being done, but the quality of arriwls is still faulty. New lambskins are arriving and are guoted at 10 c , with sheepskins at $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.10$.
Teathen and Shoes:- prices of leather keep firm, but no transactions of importance are reported. The needs of manufacturers are gradually being shown by numerous small orders and inguiries on large lots, so it is expected business will display some needed life before the cnd of the month. Shoe houses are busy on balance of sping goods and samples. The heavy winter wenther is mach in fivour of retiilers, who weport good business and heary stock selling well.
Maple Producis-Tirst arrivals of new maple syrup are guoted at 90 c to $\$ 1$ per gallon tin, Sugar at 12 e to 15 c per 1 b :
Paints, Ons \& Glass-There is a
steady movement for the season with no changes in values. The prevailing high prices are firmly adhered to and from producing countries come news of a mature to insure them for some time. Seal oils are gradually adrancing as will be seen by quotations on another page. Neatsfoot oil is likely to advance owing to difficulty of seeuring supplies.
Pnovisions.-The market for dressed hogs is considerably stronger under light offerings. A sharp advance took place since last report, values being now on the basis of $\$ 7.25$ to $\$ 7.75$ for light averages and $\$ 0.50$ to $\$ 6.75$ for heavy. Hams and bacon are very firm and outside prices are being adhered to. Other eured meats are slow in movement but firm as to price. The higher price of feed will doubtless canse many to dispose of their marketable stock within the next week. Quotations are: Camadian short cut mess pork, $\$ 15.50$ to $\$ 10.75$; short cut back, $\$ 14.75$ to $\$ 15.00$; and heavy long cut mess, $\$ 14.25$ to $\$ 15$ per barrel; pure Canadian lard, in pails, $71 / \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{c}}$ to se per lb.; and compound refined, Ge to $61 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ per lb . Hams, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 12 c ; and bacon. $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per Ib .

Woor-Domestic \& Foreign. - The continuation of the Jiondon sales snows some recovery from the opening drop, this tendency favoring business here, and holding prices at their former basis. It is expected values will be fully restored before the end on the series on the 27 th inst. In fate, mermos are selling now at full prices, the only sorts behind being crossbreds and these are used but little here U.S. buyers are operating freely and not a little is being purchased for this market, as nothing can be hat from the Cape. Mrny buyers tire expected here next weel. Considerable business is passing at 25 c to 28c for Capes. A London despatch
of the 14 th says: There was a full attendance at the wool anction sales today, and 10,076 bales were offered. The continent secured the bulle of Queensland merinos and the home trade the majority of New Zealand wools. A large quantity of crossbreds which were ngainst buyers, went to the confinent and to Americn. A fair quantity of Yorkshire and Cape of Good Mope and Natal wools was well supported by Gemany. The following is the sale in detail: New Sonth Wales-1,800 bales; scomred, $111 / 2$ d to $1 \mathrm{~s} 81 / 2$; greasy, $71 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $1 \mathrm{~s} 11 / \mathrm{d}$. Victoria- 1,200 bales; scoured, is 40 to $1 \mathrm{~s} 101 / \mathrm{d}$; greasy, 7 da to is 30. Sowih Australia- 100 bales; greasy, $61 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to 1 s . West Australia- 300 bales; scoured, $81 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $1 \mathrm{~s}, 31 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$; greasy, $91 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. New Zealand-4,700 bales; scourea, $63 / 4 d$ to 100; greasy, $51 / 2$ to $153 \pi$. Cape of Good Hope and Natal-ron bales; scoured, is Gd to $1 \mathrm{~s} 01 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$; greasy, $51 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $101 / 2$ d. Quecnsland- 1,600 bales; scoured, is $41 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $2 \mathrm{~s} 1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$; greasy, $81 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to Is $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$.

## TORONTO WHOLESATE TRADE.

(Revised, by elegraph.)
Toronto, Marchis, 1000.
Trade has been fair this week, but no special movement reported. In dry goois the tone of the markets is firm. Sorting-up business fair, and millinery is going out; freely , Mardware and metals in good flemand, while grocertes remain quiet. Payments generally are said to be sntisfactory Money on call $51 / 2$ per cent., and prime commereind Tuper is discomper at o th $61 / 2$ per cent. Stocks frirly active this week, with mining issues hipher Aatest-sales:Bonk of Commeree $147 / 1 / 2$, Dominion 2073., Hamitton 1S6, C.I.R., $051 / 2$, Toronto Ry. $1003 / 4$, Cable $168 \%$, Gen. Electric

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- Dressed Hogs.-Ofierings have brell a little more phentiful this week. hert prices continne to rule firm. Car ions of good to choice are quoted at. \$1s.in) to 46.75 .
Fionr and Grains-The four market is quict,with prices unchanged. Straight rollers in bavels for export $\$ 2$, so to $\$ 3$. the latter for choice. Minntoba patents, \$3.S0 to $\$ 3.90$, and strong bats ers, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.60 ;$ bran firm at $\$ 15$ to $\$ 15.50$ west and shorts $\$ 16.50$ to $\$ 17.50$. Oatmeal is unchanged at $\$ 3.20$ in bags and at $\$ 3.30$ in barrels. Wheat quiet and firmer, with white and red selling at $651 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ north and west, and spring at $60 \% \mathrm{c}$ east. Goose, 60 e low freqghts. $60 \% \mathrm{ce}$ cast Goose, 60e low treghts.
No. 1 Manitoba hard, 90 c to $801 / 2$ ginding in transit, and at 7 ge North Bay. Ballcy continues firm with No. 1 selling at 4 c e cast and No. 2 at 43 c to 43 yc east: Oats aro steady at $271 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 2 se . east for white and 27 c west; mixed, $20,1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ west. Peas are stealy at 62e west and at die east. Rye, "ule west.
 and iec east. Buckwheat, 49 c west 42 e on track for Canadian and 48 e for American.
Groceries--Trade is quict with prices gencrally unehanged. Sugars are selling at $\$ 4.4 \mathrm{~s}$ to $\$ 4.53$, yellows, $\$ 3.53$ to $\$ .4$. 43. Dried fruits are steady with valencin raisins, layers, $7 \%$ to Sc. Provincin? curtants $41 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to 5 e Filintras, ic to $51 / \mathrm{c}$. Coffees flrm; Rio green, 10 to 14 e ;

Mocha, 23e to 2Sc. Camned goods steady, tomatoes, Dise to $\$ 1$; pens, 750 to $\$ 1.00$; corn, \$1.05 to \$1.10. $\quad$ 'Iceas, tirm, with good demand for medium grades.
Hardware and Metals.-The demand is moderately active, and prices rule firm. Tin is higher.
Hides and Skins.-The hide market is quiet at unchanged prices; cured sell at $9 \%$ to 10 c . No. 1 green cows, 9 c :und No. 2 steady at Sc. Calfiskins, 10 c to the for No. 1 and 9 c for No. 2. Sheepskins, $\$ 1.10$ :10 $\$ 1.20$.
live Stock-Offerings of cattle are lauge and priees weaker. Shippers are gunted at $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $4 \%$ per 1 lb . Butchers' bring de $10041 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per th. for prime, $: 3 y \mathrm{c}$ for medium, 3e for inferior. Sheep, higher, at $3 \% \mathrm{c}$ to $41 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per 1b. for ewes, and lambs. firm at se to of per lb, the latter for fancy. Hogs are $1 / \mathrm{s}$ ligher at $5 \%$ e per 1 b . for choice baen and $4 \% / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $4 \% \mathrm{se}$ for henvy and light fat.

Provisions. - Whe demand for cured meats is fair, with prices firm. Mess pork is selling at $\$ 14.50$ to $\$ 15.00$, and short cut at \$15.50 to \$16. Bacon firm at 7e to $71 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ for large lots of long clear and at $71 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to $73 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ for small lots. Rolls, $\$ 1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 9 c . Hams, smoken, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Larc is firm at 7 ce to $73 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, according to package. Dried apples, $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ corcing to prickage. Dried apples, $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 6 c . Potaitoes, 40 c to 42 c per bag. Tops, 14 c to 16 c . Beans, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.80$ for hand-picked.

Wool-Mrarket dull and prices unchanged. Flecee 15 se to 20 c and unwashed 11c. Pulled wools, 20e for supers and 2 c to $221 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for extras.

## MDESSTS TREECE \& FUNK.

We beg to draw attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Treece \& Funk, London, England. This firm eajoys
the cream of the British trade in Steel Balls, Spokes, Nipples, Dunlop-Westwood Rims, etc., etc. They are the sole Colonial agents for the N.S.U: Fittings. The popularity of their goods in Great Britain, owing to their superior quality, is an absolute assurance that the trade in Canada would be benefitted by their adoption. Messrs. Trecee \& Funk would be glad to hear from those using or proposing to use goodr of the above class, being confident of being able te ilace their products in this market sc as to command profitable sales and give the utmost satisfaction.

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The annual meeting of the Tand Mortgage Companies' Association, which comprises thirty-four of the leading companies in the Province of Ontario, representing assets amounting to $\$ 94$,575,925 , was held at the office of the Ca mada Permanent Loan and Savings Co. Toronto, on the sth inst: The reports of the Executive Committee and of the sceretary-treasurer were submitted and approved. "faixious matters affecting the assessment and taxation of loan companics, both by the provincial and muticipal athorities, and other importint matters were discussed. The following ofticers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. Merbert Mason, . Toronto; First Viec-President,


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| Western | 100 | 500,000 | 388,288 | 8,000 | 3/2 | Apl : Uct |  |  |
| Agri. Sav | 0 | 630,000 | 629,544 | 160,000 |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} \text { Jan } \\ \text { Jan } & J u l \end{array}\right.$ |  |  |
| Bell 'I'elephone Co | 100 | 8,168,000 | 3, 168,08 | 910,090 | $48 / 4$ |  | 18C1/2 | 18050 |
| Brit. Onn, Lomn \& Inv. | 100 | 1,437,900 | 316,481 | 10,000 | 34 | $\mathrm{Jan}_{\text {July }} \mathrm{J}$ |  | 4500 |
| Brit. Mortg, Loan Co. | 100 |  | 2,700,000 |  |  | $\mathrm{Oct}^{\text {ch }}$ |  | 7600 |
| Can. Colored Cot. Milla Co... Oan. Landed ENat' Inv'tio. | 100 | $\begin{aligned} & 2,700,000 \\ & 2,00,000, \end{aligned}$ | 1,404,000 | 800.000 | 8 | dia July | 85 | 8500 |
| Can. Perm. Losn afd Sivy... | 50 | 5,000,000 | 2,600,000 | 1,200,000 | 3 | dan . July | 130 | $6^{65} 00$ |
| Cari. Sav. \& Loan Do.. | 50 | 750,000 | 750,000 | 20,000 | 8\% | June loc | 1181/2 | 56.76 |
| Central Cnn, Lomn de Sav. Co | 100 | 2,500,000 | 1,950,000 | 385,000 |  | Jun Juy | 184 | 3400 |
| Dominloh Stw, nad Inv. Co. | 50 | 1,000,000 | 184,200 | 20,000 | 24/2 | July . Dec | 75 | 87.50 |
| Domialoa T'elegraph Co | 50 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |  | 14 | Jan | 130 | 650 |
| Domialon Cotton Mills C | 100 | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 |  |  | Mar | 1033/4 | 103.70 |
| Freehold Lomn and Sav, Co.. | 100 | 3,221,500 | 1,314,100 | 304000 | 3 . | June Dec | 85 | 85.05 |
| Hamiliton Prov, und Loan... | 100 | 1,500,000 | 1,100,000 | 345,821 | 3 | Jan July | 110 | 11000 |
| Home Snv, and Loan ${ }^{\circ}$ | 10 | 2,000,000 | 200,000 | $\because 20,000$ | 342 | Jan Juny | 140 | 1400 |
| Huron \& Erle hoan \& Sav.co | 50 | 3,000,000 | 1,400,000 | 760, 110 | $4{ }^{4} / 8$ | Jan. Jualy | 177 | 88.50 |
|  | 100 | 890,000 | 720,647 | $160,0 \mathrm{co}$ | 3 | Jan July | 95 | 9500 |
| Lanted Banking and Loan | 100 | 700,000 | 688,098 | 1800000 | 3 | Jan - : July | 112 | 11200 |
| Londi. \& Can. Coan mad Ag. | 60 | 6,000,000 | 700,000 | 210,000 |  | Mcb Sep | , | 2600 |
| London Loan Co | 50 | 679,700 | 681,850 | 81,000 | 3. | Jan, $\therefore$ duly | 100 | 5300 |
| Lond. and Ont, I | 100 | 2,750,000 | 650,400 | 160,000 | 34 | Jan duly | 85 | 8500 |
| Mamtobs \& North-W, Ln Co | 100 | 1,500,000 | 355,000 | 51,000 |  | Jan $\because$ July | 46 | 4000 |
| Montreal Telegrsph Co..... | 40 | 2,000,000 | \$, 0014000 |  |  | Jan | 108 | 6720 |
| Montreai Gas Co | 40 | 2,500,000 | 2, 5977,916 |  | $2 y^{2}$ | Aprli "Oct | 1893 | 7590 |
| Montreal streat ky. | 60 | 5,000, 00 | $5,000,000$ | 344247 | 4. | Feh. | 403 | 130300 |
| Montreal Cotton Co. | 100 | 1,4UU,400 | 1,400,000 | B10,400 | 4 | Mrich. | 145 | 1480 |
| Merchanta M'E'g Co | 100 | b0u, 000 500,003 | 500,000 |  | 34 | Neb Amy | 135 | 18500 |
| Montreal Lomn mad Mortg... | 4 | Sud 000 |  |  | 3 |  | 140 | 3500 |
| Ont. Indub, Loan and Inv.. | 100 | -466, 800 | 1,200, 000 | 150,000 515000 | : 3 | Jan - ouny |  |  |
| Ont. Lonn and Debl Co...... | 50 | $\because 2,000,000$ | 1,2001,000 | 515,000 40,000 | - |  |  | ${ }^{6060}$ |
| Yeophe's Loan and Dep. Co. | 50 | 500,040 | - 378,720 | 50, 5000 | i | Jun S Suly | 25 | 145 |
| Real Lat. Logn Co. | 40 | 578,840 | 1350,000 | 50,040 | a | Jan July |  | 3100 |
| Richellen and Ont. Nav.Co. | 100 | 1,350,000 | 1,350,000 | 250,000 |  |  | 100\%/4 | $104{ }^{2}$ |
| The Royal Electric Co | 100 | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 | 232,863 |  | Jsa. | 108 \% | 18300 |
| Toronto Electric Light ©o.. | 100 | 600,000 |  | 20,000 |  | Jan. | 1341/23 | 184,50 |
| Toronto Mortgage Go. | 100 | 1,445,560 | 72.540 | 250,000 | $21 / 2$ |  | - | 7800 |
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| Westarn Uain, Lomanad Sav. | 50 | 3,000,000 | 1,500,000 | 770,400 |  | - July | 105 | 5250 |
| Wertara Losm © Trust Co.. | 50 | 2,201,000 | 461,721 | 52,000 | , 3 | June |  | 6400 10500 |
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-The New Zealand hemp trade contimues very active. Throughont last year the demand has been in excess of supplies, and all the mills have been working full time. At present the or-der-books show work in hand suffeient to keep the machinery going at their full eapacily for three months and more. The mills are use Tul absoubents of unskilled labour, and the activity of the past year has provided hundreds with work who othervise would have been clamoming for assistance from the Department of Tabour. How long hemp will maintain its present position it is dificult to determine, but it semens to be dependent upon the situalion in the Thilippines. Should the Americans succeed in restoring peace and good govermment, and open the ports to umbestrieted trade, the relense of the supplies of Manila will depress the market, for Ner Zentand hemp. When Mrnila is scarce and unobtainable, manufacturers must be content, with other deseriptions of fibre, and accordingly sisal and New Zealand hemp come into prominence. Tru another two or three months it will be ensice to make a forecast of the probabilities.
-On a cool morning carly in February the American customs house officials on the Canadian border seized a seal gament in the possession of a Camadian lady who hat crossed to the United States on an incoming train.

The lady, if we are rightly informed, says the "Fur Trade Review," was permitted to proceed on her way, though why she was not incarcerated, or at least shot on the spot, is not explained; for if it is criminal for one woman, a foreigner, to visit the United States wearing a seal garment, we do not see Why it should moit be made a capital offence, just as history informs us that they used to shoot men and women in Treland "for wearing of the greell." Our contemporary has good reason for anger at such an outrnge, but he is wrong in saying that, men and women in Ireland used to be shot for "wearing of the green." They were shot for being in arms against the State, that is for treason or rebellion. The poor victims were shot or hung whaterer colours they wore; just as criminals of this class have been in the United States and all other countrics, often most cruelly, unjustly, and needlessly, for the object in view.
-The following view of the iron pro-
duction of the future was given by a prominent citizen of Buffalo, at a banquet in honor of Gov. Rooserelt, given in New York city recently: "The iron ore supply of Great Britain has been practically exhausted for a.number of years, and England now derives her ore supply from Spain, northern Africa, Cuba and Sweden. Well authenticated rumors tell of two additional great bodies of ore, one in the interior of China, and the other near the mouth of the Orinoco River, in South Americn. All of the known famous bodies of iron ore pale before the magniturle of the great Lake Superior district. Pure oxide of iron, when reduced to metal, yields about 70 per cent. So rich is this vast deposit in the northwest that the ore yields from 40 to bis per cent. metallic iron. The great industrial problem that now confronts the world is, where to obtain its supply of iron," Referring to transportation problems, he continued: "Any man of ordinary intelligence who will con-

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sult the map; bearing in mind that it takes over one and one-half gross tons of iron ore and about 1,000 pounds of coke, to make one ton pir-iron, will readily see that the castern end of Lake Erie is the natural point where the ore from the north-west can bust meet the fuel of Pennsylvania: it is in the neighborhood of that point that the worlds future supply of sron is to be produced. Already there is a wales. way from the eastern end of Lake Erie to tide water, this being the Welland Cainal, Lake Ontario, and the River St. Lawrence. If the pig-iron is divertod through this channel; the Province of Ontario will shortly become one of the great manufacturing districts of the world. . If a suitable waterway is provided through New York State,western New York, the Mohawk Valley and the Hudson liver will be the great industrial bee-hive. The amount that will be puid out for labor will be several hundred million dollars per year, based on the increased production referred to, and every description of iron and steel will be made in the Empire State. 'lhe shipbuilding of the world should be done in the vicinity of New Yorle city, and the Empire State can readily step into the leading manufacturing position so long held by England."

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Dividends for ths half-year ended gist December, 1sily, have bean declared es follows :-

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Warraats for the Common sitock dividend wlll be mailed ou or ibvutit iun Aprit, to sharehodere of recurd, at che closing of the books in New York and Lundon reappectively,
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A Al vooke wil be reopened on phinuraday, 5th Apill.

By order of the Board
CHARLES DRINKWATER,
Sootreal, 12th Februaty, 1900.

## £30,000,000

## national war loan.

Issue of loan of thirty million pounds sterlug, bearing interest at R3/4 per cent. per annum, to be redeemed at par on 5 th April, 1910, price of issue fixed by. Her HLajesty's Treasury at $£ 98$ 10s. per cent. The Governor and company of the Bank of England give notice that they are authorized to receive applications for this loan, which will take the form either of inscribed stock or of bonds to bearer at the option of the subscribers.

The interest at $23 / 4$ per cent. per annum and the capital will be a charge on the consondated. rund or the United Kingdom.

The books of the loan will be kept at the Bank of England and at tne Bank of Lreland. Dividends will be paid quarterly in the same manner and on the same dates as the dividends on consols. The first diviweud, a ruil three months' dividend, wan we paid on the sth July, and the second dividend, also a tull three moncos' dividend, on the 5th October.
'the loan will be repaid on the 5th Aprii, 1910.

Applications, which must be accompamed by a deposit of $\pm 3$ per cent., whil be received at the chief cashier's otrice, Bank of Engiand, and may be forwarded to that bank either directly or through the medium or any banker or stock broker in the United Kingdom. The list will be closed on or before Thursday, the 15th iviarch, 1900. In case of partial allotment, the balance of the amount paid as deposit will be applied towards the payment of the first instalment. Should there be a surplus after making that payment, such surplus will be refunded by cheque.
The dates on which the further payments wul' be required are as follows: $\mathfrak{6 5}$ 10s per
ceut. on Mouday, 26th March, 1000; 15 per cent. on Monday, 9th $\Delta$ pril, 1900; 10 per cent. thursday, 3rd May, 1000; 10 per cent. Friday, Sth June, 1900; 15 per cent. Tuesdas, 10 Lh Juls, 1300; 10 per cent. Thursday, 9 th $\Delta u g u s t, 1000 ; 10$ per cent. Friday, ith September, 1800; 10 per cent. Monday, Sth October, 1000; 10 per ceat. "Thursday, Sth November, 1900.. The Instalments mas be pald in full on or after the oth Apull, 1000 , under discount at the rate of 52 per cent. per annumi.
In case of default in the payment or any Instalment at its proper date the deposit und the instalments previously pald will be liable to forfelture.
Scrip certilicates to bearer with coupons attuched for the dividends payable on the ath July and $\overline{0}$ th October, 1000 , will be issued lit exchange for the provisional receejpts.
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These serip certacates to bearer can be inseribed. In other words, they can be converted into stoek as soon as they have been pald in full, or they may be exchanged tor bonds to bearer nfter the 5 oh oetober. 1000.

Bonds to bearer will have quarterly coupons attached. The first coupon will be that for the dividend puyable on the 5th Junuly, 1001.
luseribed stock will be convertible fato bonds to bearer at any ime after the 5th October next, without payment of any fec, and bonds to bearer can be mscribed; or in other words, converted into stock, on payment of a fee of oue stilling per bond. Applications must be for even nundreds of stock, but the stoek once inserlbed will be trausferable in any sums whieh are mulliples of a penay, as in consols.
The boads to bearer will be' the same denominations as la the case of cousols certilicates to bearer, viz., $\mathbf{E 1 0 0}$, $\mathbf{x 2 0 0}, \mathrm{f} 000$ :and $£ 1,000$.
The inseribed stock is au investment authorized by the Trustee Act, 1803.
applications must be on printed rorms Which may be obtained at the Bank of Eugland and the Bank of drelaud, or at any of their branches, at any of the London banks of Messrs. Mullens, Marsliall \& Co., 4 Lombard Street, London, E.C., or of any of the principal stoek brokers.
Bank of Eagland, 0th March, 1900.
The Baniz of Montreal is authorized to forward applications for allotments of the within described Bonds, which will be dealt with as if made in England.

Gold Medals:-Warrington, 1815- Mancheater, 1s98. Auckland (New Zetland), 1893.

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-The Arbitration Committee of the New York Mercantile Lxchange recently announced its decision in a so-called sunded butier case. 'Ine history of the case, Jrienly, is this: Wm. J'. Corwin \& Co. boughte ten tubs of butter from J. D. Stont \& Co. 'The butter was sold to at hotel, where it was discovered that it, contained sand. Corwin took the butter back and requested Stont to take it oft his hands. 'Jhe latter refused, and made at complatit to the Complatint. Commiltee of the Exchange, becanse Corwin relused to pay for the grouts. 'lhe Complaint Committee was umblo to effect a seltiement or monet one parties interested to arbitate. The case then went to the Exeentive Commitee
and Corwin was suspended from the Exehange for 30 days for refusing to arbitrate. He subseuqently reconsidered his action and uppliad for reinstatement, agreeing to arbitrate. The Bxecutive Committee granted his reruest and reinstated him. The deeision of the Arbitration Committee is as follows: "In the matter of the dispute between Wm. T. Corwin \& Co., and J. D. Siont © Co., relating to the purchase of do (ubins of butter by Corwin \& Co. from Stont di Co. on January 8, 1.900, the deeisinin of the Arbitration Committee of He New York Mercantile Exchange is that Stout \& Co. shall take back all the goeds in question now in Corwin \& Co.'s possession, and that Corwin \& Co. shall be credited with the actual amount of
butter so returned at the purchase price. The decision of the committeo is based upon the evidence that the goods in question contained a foreign substance, unfit for food, rendering the same unmerchantable as pure butter, and that at the time of the purchase on ihese goods, the buyer did not detect nor was he apprised of the presence of any such substance, the conclusion of the committee being in view of these facts that the goods in dispute were not a merchantable delivery of butter. 'lhe committee find that there was no intentional deception used in the transaction, and in view of this conclusion it is decided that the cost of the anbitration shall be borne equally by Messrs. Corwin and Stout."

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