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## Mercantile Summarv.

## NEW CORPORATIONS.

Following is a list of new companies, lately organized throughout Canada, that have received Government charters, or have been granted supplementary Letters Patent. The object of the company, amount of capital stock, location of principal office, and names of incorporators are given, so far as possible, and whether the charter has been granted by Provincial or Dominion Governments:
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Inland revenue receipts at Toronto this last fiscal year were $\$ 1,215,000$, as compared with $\$ 1,142,502$ in the previous year.

The Grand Trunk Railway Company are making extensive alterations at the Don (Toronto), yards to effect a general rearrangement of tracks and stock yards. About $\$ 20,000$ to $\$ 30,000$ will probably be spent on the work.
The estate of the late Moses Staunton, Toronto, the wall-paper manufacturer, who died early in May last, is valued at $\$ 72,301$, the chief item of which comprises $\$ 67,440$ in bank shares and stocks.
The finance committee of the Montreal city council have accepted the tender of Mr. J. O. Gravel for $\$ 20,000$ of the city loan at 1084 -10, and for the balance of the $\$ 238,000$, that of Hanson Bros. for 107.5 I .
We learn that Mr. J. J. McGill, of Montreal, has severed his connection with the Canadian Rubber Company, of which he was general manager. The employees of the company presented him with an illuminated address, expressing regret at his leaving.
In pursuance of the agreement by which the Montreal Harbor Commissioners lease to the Grand Trunk Railway Company sites for terminal facilitics on Windmill Point wharf. a lease has been signed by the authorities of the board and the company respectively.
The United States, British Columbia Corporation has been incorporated in the United States with a capital of $\$ 5,000,000$, to build a blast furnace at Everett, or at some other Puget Sound point. Mr. I. F. Bledsoe, the engineer, who controls extensive deposits of iron and limestone in British Columbia, is the promoter of the scheme.

The Tacoma Steel Company has made plans for the erection of a 250 ton blast furnace at Tacoma, which will be the first modern blast furnace erected on the Pacific Coast. Iron ores and limestone will be brought from the company's properties in British Columbia. Rolling mills and shipbuilding plant will be constructed by the same company, which has secured control of the largest iron deposits on Vancouver and adjacent islands.
The July number of the Canadian Churchman is an interesting and handsome one. It is largely devoted to Trinity College, whose Jubilee is being celebrated. There are many illustrations, including portraits of Bishop Strachan, Bishop Bethune, Bishop DuMoulin, the first Provost, Dr. Whittaker, and the present Provost, Mr. T. Street Macklem. A number of excellent views of the exterior and interior of the college and chapel are given, and they are as clear in execution as good photographs. Mr. Wootten has shown sound judgment in his selection of fine paper for his cover. As the Monetary Times Company did the printing of this special issue, we can hardly be expected to praise the typographical work. We do, however, confidently call attention to it.

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THE Montreal Subway Co. have begun preliminary work on their project of putting a double tunnel under the river from Montreal to the south shore.
IT was helping out a good idea when a deputation, composed of directors of the Central Ontario School of Art and Design, waited on Hon. Richard Harcourt last week, and asked for the establishment of a Central School of Art in Toronto. The matter will be considered by the Government.
Mr. G. McL. Brown, formerly chief agent at Vancouver, has been appointed superintendent of dining and parlor cars and of hotels on the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. H. B. Spencer has been appointed general superintendent of the Ottawa, Northern, and Western Railroad, in place of Mr. W. B. Resseman, who has joined the staff of the New York Central.
Montreal failures have been singularly infrequent of late, and for the past week only two unimportant insolvencies are noted. Joseph Giroux, plumber, has assigned with an indebtedness of about $\$ 3,000$, and Ferdinand Decary, groce", who was previously unsuccessful in 1898, and who has latterly been doing business under his wife's name, has also assigned.
There was a large meeting of prominent citizens of Vancouver last week for the purpose of organizing a tourist association for that vicinity. Such institutions have already proved of great efficacy in the Maritime Provinces and elsewhere, and there is no reason to doubt the success of one in our far West. The following officers were elected: Honorary president, His Worship the Mayor; president, Mr. F. Buscombe; vice-presidents, Messrs. R. Marpole and J. Buntzen, and the presidents of the Board of Trade and Trades and Labor Council during their term of office. Executive committee, Messrs. W. C. Nichol, C. N. Davidson, C. Woodward, J. D. Roberts, W. D. Haywood, Campbell Sweeny, J. D. Stewart, R. G. MacPherson and R. Kelly; honorary treasurer, Mr. W. Godfrey; secretary, Mr. W. H. Findlay.
Some of the shareholders in the Canada Cycle and Motor Company, Limited, have commenced another action against J. W. Flavelle, Hon. G. A. Cox, and some other directors. It arises out of the absorption of the National Cycle and Automobile Company, Limited, by the former. The plaintiffs will endeavor to set aside the sale, and also sue for certain moneys that were paid over in connection therewith. The entire amount at stake is $\$ 6 \mathrm{r} 4,000$. Another claim is entered against the defendants for negligence and breach of duty as directors in connection with the acquisition of the business and shares of the National Cycle and Automobile Company, Limited, and in entering into and binding or purporting to bind the defendant company by the terms of the agreement. Still another claim is for the repayment to the company of $\$ 175,000$ paid in dividends during 1901, as having been paid out of the capital of the defendant company, contrary to law.

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J. B. Coulthart, a manufacturer of cheese boxes, at Apple Hill, Ont., has made an assignment. His liabilities are mainly local, and of moderate volume. We learn from Quebec of the embarrassment of Miller \& Lockwell, wholesale dealers in cigars and tobaccos. Mr. C. G. Lockwell, who has of late been the sole proprietor, has been interviewing creditors, and is understood to have practically effected arrangements for a general extension, The direct liabilities are estimated at about $\$ 17,000$, and it is claimed that quite a good surplus is shown.
During the month of June, the customs duties collected at the port of Montreal amounted to $\$ 1,025,975$, compared with $\$ 769,467$ for that month last year, while the total for the fiscal year ending with the 30 th of that month was $\$ 10,090,508$, as against $\$ 8,971,685$ for the previous year. This is an increase of 50 per cent. over the figures of five years ago, and makes it the heaviest year on record. About one-third of the entire import trade of the Dominion is centred in Montreal, and about one-half of it passes throughi that port.

The property committee of the Toronto city council have decided, after a lengthy consideration, to recommend the imposition of a tax of $\$ 50$ per year on all laundries doing business in the city. The measure is meeting with a good deal of opposition, not only from Chinamen engaged in the business, but on behalf of the smaller one-hand "white" laundries, which could never pay such a license fee. Many people believe it would gradually but inevitably lead to a sort of combination among the larger steam laundries and the extinction of competition.
Country failures in the province of Quebec are reported as follows: An assignment has been made by Omer Beaulieu, general dealer, New Carlisle. His name has been used by his uncle, C. H. Beaulieu, who failed as lately as 1898 , and also on a previous occasion.Joseph Ayotte, who has been running a small general store at Riviere a Pierre, since the spring of 1901, and who previously kept store at Grand Mere, has assigned, owing about $\$ 2,900$. - A. Cloutier, of St. Fabien, who runs a strange combination business, being a grocer, undertaker and beer bottler, has made assignment of his estate, and is said to owe about $\$ 4,000$, while assets are figured at only $\$ \mathrm{r}, 200$.- A demand of assignment has been made upon Lambert \& Trudel, beginners in the hotel business at Shawinigan Falls, where they started only last fall, and A. Beaudry \& Frere, in the same line of business, at Longueuil, have also been asked to assign.t.-Joseph Bourque, general dealer, at Ste. Gertrude, has arranged to pay his creditors 35 per cent. of their claims in cash.

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Preparations are being made for lengthening Collingwood's dry lock to 530 feet, which will add very considerably to its usefulness.
The Toronto Junction council has passed a by-law to exempt the Wilkinson Plough Company to the extent of 75 per cent. for another term of ten years.

Pascal Amesse's iron foundry, in Montreal, has been destroyed by fire. Loss, $\$$ ro,000; insurance, $\$ 5$, coo. The work of rebuilding will be begun at once.

The trouble between the Toronto plumbers and their employers has been settled, both parties having compromised on their original positions. The men will now get $271 / 2$ to $30 c$. per hour, an increase on the minimum rate of $21 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per hour. On January ist, 1903, the men are to receive another advance of $2^{1 / 2} \mathrm{c}$. This strike has left an impression distinctly unfavorable to the good faith of the men.
THE following is a record of patents recently granted Canadians in Canada and the United States: Canadian Patents -D. Fraser, feed mechanisms; T. F. Melanson, car couplers; F. A. Snider, cultivator coulters; G. Wedlake, castor wheels for ploughs; J. Morphy, ploughs; J. Morphy, tilting coulters for plouglis; H. Thompson, bathing machines; H. Thompson, car seals; W. H. Russell. clips or supports for trolley wires; C. W. Vollman, freezing apparatus; J. Colas, draining wells; P. H. Loundes, galoshes;
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A lively trial of strength is likely to come off between the Ontario Powe Company and the Canadian Niagara Power Company. The former company, who are already building a plant to be fed from the Welland river, applied to the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commissioners for right to construct in addition an intake from the Niagara river, and they succeeded in coming to an agreement whereby they would pay a yearly rental of $\$ 30,000$, and a certain rate per electrical horsepower. This application, however, before it could be passed upon by the Government, has called forth opposition from the Canadian Niagara Power Company, who are also building a plant for which water from the Niagara river will be utilized. In response to a request from the solicitors of the latter company, Hon. Mr. Harcourt will hear the views of both sides at an early date.

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The executive of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, owing to the state of things which exists in the Klondyke where United States merchants are capturing an increasing proportion of the trade, are going to send Mr. T. M Wickett to the Yukon, in the interests of Canadian trade
About 300 horses, which had been waiting at Point St. Charles, Montreal in readiness for transhipment to South Africa, were on the declaration of peace ordered to be sold. Last week this was done by T. W. Foster \& Co., with the result that some 125 were disposed of at prices ranging from $\$ 25$ to $\$ 125$.
It is announced in the Ontario Gazette that the Canadian Machine Telephone Co. head offices, Ottawa; capital, $\$ 250,000$, is authorized to do business in Ontario R. Neill, Peterboro; Hon. G. E. Foster M. H. Ludwig, and J. A. Phin, of Toronto, and J. E. Ganong and De Woif Chipman, of St. Stephen, N.B., are the directors.

THE blacksmith shop, machine shop, oil house, main offices, four box cars, together with a large amount of valnable machinery in the C.P.R. car-shops in Perth were totally destroyed by fire on the 5th inst. As a result of the fire, 300 men are thrown out of work. The burnt buildings will be rebuilt immediately, though some of the departments may eventually be moved to Hochelaga.

The Cornwall council has given the contract for the new hydraulic pumping plant for that town to the Goulds Manufacturing Co., New York and Boston. They agree to furnish a pump with a capacity of $\mathbf{1}, 500,000$ gallons per day and a Jenckes' water-wheel set up for $\$ 7,490$. The contract for masonry and excavation was awarded to Williams \& Fallon of Cornwall, for $\$ 2,67 \mathrm{I}$.

Commercial men in Ottawa-we do not mean travelling salesmen, but residents engaged in commercial business-have no suitable club at which they can gather. A number of them got together last week, some prominent men amongst them, and a proposal was made to establish in the city a business men's club. A committee was appointed to make enquiries as to cost of maintenance and other details.

Mary E. Lane, baker and confectioner, Peterboro, trading under the style of Lane \& Co., has been in that business over five years, and originally invested $\$ 1,500$ cash in the same. This her kind father presented to her. Evidently she has not benefited as much as she might by the gift for she was obliged two months ago to mortgage her stock for $\$ 1,260$. An assignment , has since been made.-After clerking for seven years James Butler started a grocery in the same town in September, 1900, investing $\$ 500$, which he had saved, but as he does not appear to have made any money he too was obliged to mortgage his assets for $\$ \mathrm{I}, 218$. This instrument has been foreclosed, and a bailiff has sold him out.

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Not being able to effect a compromise with creditors, as we stated last week, Simard \& Tremblay, general storekeepers at Copper Cliff, have assigned.-In 1901 George Scully opened a harness store in Ingersoll, but has always found it difficult to meet his bills, and now finds relief in an assignment.--This week there are no failures announced in either British Columbia, Manitoba or intervening territories.
A company is being formed in London, England, under the name of the Sapphire Corundum Company for the purpose of acquiring and working the corundum mines and property in the county of Peterborough, Ont. The capital of the company is registered at $£_{1,000,000 \text {, and among the directors are }}$ Hon. J. R. Stratton, provincial secretary of Ontario; Frederick Cook, Mayor of Ottawa, and other Canadians. A despatch from London states that behind the company is the well-known promoter, Mr. E. T. Hooley, but this is strenuously denied by many people.
In March, 1899, Lucas \& Co., which meant two brothers, opened a harness shop in Port Perry. A little over a year ago they claimed a surplu's of $\$ 1,325$. But now they make an assignment.- Last week we stated that an offer of 25 cents on the dollar was made by J. D. Kidd, clothier, of Wiarton, to his creditors. This has been refused, and, as a consequence the insolvent has assigned to W . H. Lamont, of E. Boisseau \& Co., who are the principal creditors. The liabilites are about $\$ 1 \mathrm{I}, 000$ and assets $\$ 5,000$. W. H. Haines \& Co., dealers in boots and shoes in Toronto, have assigned to the Union Trust Company. The liabilities are not expected to exceed $\$ 2,500$. A meeting of creditors has been called for Monday next. He has been in business only one year.-J. W. Redmond \& Co., wholesale shoe jobbers in Toronto, find themselves financially involved through outside investments in connection with the Great Eastern Lyceum Bureau, limited, whatever that may be. Mr. Redmond was president of this long-named concern and is endeavoring to effect an arrangement with his creditors.
-The city clerk of Toronto, Mr. W. A. Littlejohn, who is on furlough in England (where we observe he is next week to be joined by the city solicitor, Mr. Fullerton, K.C.), is an observant person. Writing from the ancient city of Chester to a friend in Toront.), on June 23 rd, he refers to the curicus architecture of that quaint place, and adds: "Have spent the first day :shore here. Played a game of bowls on the Albion Hotel green, which is nothing like ours." This, if we interpret it rorrectly, is an extraordinary compliment to the lawn of the Toronto Granite Club, for the English and Scotch greens are celebrated for their condition. Mr. Littlej hnn, vhile admiring British institutions and British landscape, wisely refrains from : ny comlandscape, wisely refrains from
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There are many of them who have never taken a consistent holiday since they embarked in their mercantile career. A man is never too old to change from the ways that he has always followed, and there will never be a better year than 1902 for the merchant to inaugurate the idea of taking a vacation for the benefit of himself and family.
If there are any readers of this article who have not as yet thought seriously

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ENGLISH AND AMERICAN RAIL.

## WAY RATES.

A railway manager writes to the London Times asking to be allowed the use of its columns to "prick a bubble" as he phrases it. He goes on to say: "American railway rates, people say, are lower than English railway rates. That the average rate per ton per mile for all goods traffic carried on American railways is lower than the average rate on English railways is indisputable. But this general and true statement is converted in many minds into an incorrect belief that English railways charge more for services they actually perform than American railways charge for similar services.
"The average rate per ton per mile on all traffic carried is a misleading figure. If one is in search of bare truth one must examine the component parts of the average. The American average is reduced by the inclusion of rates on large quantities carried for very long distances. a kind of traffic that does not exist in England in proportions large enough to affect the average. It must also be remembered that a large percentage of English rates include, whilst all American rates exclude, the services of collection and delivery.
"The only sound way to make a comparison is to take concrete instances, and to show by them what is charged on an English railway for a specified quantity of any commodity, carried for a specified distance in comparison with the American railway, charge for a similar quantity of similar traffic carried for a similar distance.
"American traders send their traffic in large consignments; English traders do not. I have more than once asked individual traders whether a large quantity rate would be useful to them, but have invariably been discouraged from further conversation by their replies. Yet the same people on festive occasions, thump the table to the theme that the difference between English and American rates constitutes an oppression of English trade.
"The fact is that for the quantities in which English traders actually consign their traffic, and for usual English distances, English rates are lower than American.
"I will give definate illustrations of my assertion, which I have carefully verified by personal investigation, and my illustrations will be drawn from one of the largest railway corporations in the East-
ern States of America and from the Northeastern Railway in England.
The following table gives the rate per ton for conveyance of a consignment of five tons of the undermentioned articles (excluding collection and delivery), carried between two stations forty-two miles from each other:
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These figures represent actual charges on the usual scale, not exceptional rates. I have selected a distance slightly in excess of the average haul for all goods traffic carried on the Northeastern Railway, viz., thirty-five and a half miles, as I am anxious not to overstate the case, but the differences would have been more in favor of the English rates if shorter distances had been taken. For example, the rate of five tons of bricks on the American railway for a distance of twenty one miles is 8 s . 5 d ., as against 2s. 9 d. on the Northeastern.

The list might be extended indefinitely, but it is better to make it short, clear, and definite.
In this letter, I speak only of goods traffic. Discussion of mineral rates and goods rates together, owing to the different circumstances of the traliic, only leads to confusion of ideas. I am, sir, your obedient servant,

George S. Gibb,
Northeastern Railway, General Manager's office; York, June 5th.
-The World's Fair at St. Louis the year after next is to be a big affair. It is stated that it will cost $\$ 40,000,000$, that the site fenced in will cover 1,200 acres, or 500 more than at the Chicago World's Fair, and that the machinery building alone will contain more floor space than all the buildings put together at the PanAmerican Exhibition. The Federal appropriation is about $\$ 6,300,000$. In the matter of awards, the rules are endorsed by the Government commission, and the awards to be made must, before issue, be confirmed by the Government commission. There will be no charge for exhibit soace, and within the discretion of the director of exhibits and the chief of the machinery department, it is proposed to abolish charges for power, light and such facilities as may seem reasonably necessary for an exhibit. To assist the exhibitors, railway tracks will be run to and w thin the principal exhibit buildings, and the endeavor will be made tr. furnish cranes and hoists, and to do in seneral what may be found proper for the convenience of all.

STRIKES AND THEIR CAUSES.

In periods of depression strikes are caused by reduction in wages or by the enforcement of regulations designed to increase output or lower the cost of production. But in times like these they are caused by the aggressions of labor organizations, either seeking a greater share of the presumptive large profits or aiming at a reduction in the service to be rendered for the wages paid. But whatever may be the cause, no effective means has yet presented itself for a speedy settlement. Employers brook no outside interference, as they very properly claim that those not directly interested are not sufficiently qualified to judge fairly the merits of the issue involved. Workingmen, on the other hand, usually express themselves in favor of arbitration, as they know that arbitration in the great majority of cases means a com promise, thus giving them some advant age from which they can hope to attain further gains in the future. A most deplorable development of modern strikes in great industries is the breakdown of civil authority, whenever employers attempt to continue their operations in defiance of their striking workmen. Few cities or communities can be found in this country in which the ordinary authorities are strong enough to protect life or to ensure the liberty of an individual when a strike is in progress. Yet, in the words of Kipling, it seems that we must simply "muddle" along, hoping that something will happen to bring about a better state of affairs.-Iron Age.

Sir Charles Furness has purchased four Clan Line steamers and will place them on the route between Halifax and London. They will make a regular tenday service.

Mr. F. H. Clergue's company will, it is said, shortly begin the construction on the Michigan side at the "Soo," of a paper mill to cost $\$ 2,500,000$. Pulp will be obtained from the Canadian mills.

A twenty-seven foot seam of hematite and magnetic ore, half a mile in length, has been located on the iron property at Barachois, C.B., recently purchased by the Dominion Iron and Steel Company. Its quality is said by experts to be excellent.

The Lakefield Portland Cement Company of Peterborough, at a special meeting on the 9 th. inst. decided to increase their capital stock to $\$ 1,000,000$. The company will lease another dam on the Trent canal, and put in new machinery in order to increase their output.

The Montreal Street Railway Company has decided to grant its employees an increase of wages, probably amounting to ro per cent. All men who have been in the company's employ two years or over will receive 15 to 16 I-2 cents an hour, and those in the employ under two years will receive $143-5$ to $15 \mathrm{I}-2$ cents an hour.

It is estimated that the increase will mean an extra expense of $\$ 50,000$ a year to the company.
-Counsellor Law-I see you got a disagreement of the jury? Counsellor Case-"Oh, yes, it was easy." "How did you manage it?" "Why, I got two fellows on the jury, one owns an automobile and the other owns a horse. I knew those two would never agree."-Yonkers Statesman.
-In a recent speech, the Chancellor of the Exchequer remarked that he knew a case where a number of persons assessed under schedule $D$ as traders lived in a street which had to be pulled down They claimed compensation for loss of business, and they put their profits at $£ 78,000$. The jury gave them $£_{27,000 ;}$ but they had returned their profits for income tax purposes at $£ 9,000$ only! If there was such a discrepancy between the "facts" stated at different times, why on earth did not the authorities put their spoke in the wheel when the compensation claims were made? The income tax people ought to mark such firms for the future.-Universal Provider.
-Mr. J. M. Stewart, assistant secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, referring to the fact that the great bulk of all the white pine which goes to the West Indies is really of Canadian origin, though credited in the Blue Book to the United States, finds that the explanation is that the whole output of the mills is sold to one dealer in that city and sorted by him. He goes on to say that the class of lumber exported to the West Indies is the lowest grade. At the present time most of the lumber which goes direct from Canada is from the Maritime Provinces. A considerable portion consists of pitch pine, which is taken to the Islands in schooners from Florida. $\qquad$
-The total freight carried through the Sault Ste. Marie canals, Canadian and American, amounted last month to $4,721,608$ tons, against $4,519,075$ in that month last year. The Canadian "Soo" carried 23.69 per cent. of the total carried in June, 1902; 27.33 per cent. of the total in June, 1901, and 7.17 per cent. in June, 1900. Of the total carried by the Canadian "Soo" in June of each of the three years, eastbound freight constituted 900.133 tons, 986,449 and 178,514 tons, showing that in June, 1902, the freight passing east was less than in June, 1901, by 86.316 tons, but more than in June, 1900. by 721,619 tons. The westbound freight was 218,4 I 1 tons, 248,566 tons, and 116,167 tons, showing that in June, 1902, the westbound freight on the Canadian canal was 30,135 tons less than in June, 1901. The total freight carried by both canals both ways during the three months of the present season was II,486,501 tons, against $6,767,120$ tons in the three months of Igor, and $8,673,481$ tons in the same period of 1900.


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## EQUITABLE INSOLVENCY LAWS.

Our article of last week on bankruptcy legislation has brought out several communications thariking us for drawing attention to the subject and suggesting further advocacy of an equitable bankruptey law for the whole Dominion. One man writes from Montreal to say that one thing which chills the ardor with which commercial people in Britain welcome people and things Canadian, is "the lack of reasonable protection for any man in the United Kingdom or elsewhere in Europe, who sells goods in Canada on credit." Another communication refers to the resolution passed by the conference of commercial men of Canada last month in Toronto on the subject of insolvency law, and notes that in its original form it was weicomed with a very general acclaim. Looking up the official record of the conference, we find that this was moved by a delegate from the Goderich Board of Trade and seconded by one from the Montreal Board. The necessity was acknowledged of some general law, not a series of different laws governing different provinces. And it was noted that there was need
of some guarantee that the funds of any insolvent estate should be honestly administered by the assignee. Further, during the discussion a delegate from Gaspe remarked upon the need for some means of compelling a trader who bought on credit to keep books in order to show his transactions. Such an arrangement would go hard with rascals.

When the mover of the resolution was making a brief speech, citing some of the reasons why we should have a general insolvency law, in the course of it he said: "It has been asked, who wants a change?" And before he could go on, some half dozen members of the conference called out from different parts of the room: "Everybody;" hearing which testimony, the Goderich delegate took his seat, apparently satisfied that it was the general wish of business men that such a law should be passed. Two of the Manitoba delegates objected to the framing of previous laws of the kind in Canada, as unfair to the West in their working, and also objected to drafts of such a law recently prepared by the Montreal and Toronto boards of trade for the same reason. And they explained that the machinery of administration of such a law, |while perhaps adapted to closely settled communities, such as the Eastern provinces of Canada, was but ill suited to the great West, where court houses and sheriffs' offices are hundreds of miles apart, and where climatic difficulties might make the administering of details difficult in the extreme. Hearing this, the conference agreed to adopt a resolution embodying the desire of Western provinces and Territories that they should be consulted in the framing of an insolvency act. The final form of the resolution on this subject was as below:

## CANADIAN INSOLVENCY LAW.

Whereas: Canadian trade is seriously handicapped by the differences of the provisions of the law in the several provinces applying to assignments for benefit of creditors by insolvent debtors, and the uncertainty as to the security offered in business transactions by the absence of an insolvency law in the Dominion;

And whereas it is important that the Dominion Parliament should enact an insolvency law at the earliest possible date, whereby that confidence which is necessary for the promotion of commerce between the different provinces and with the outside world would be established;

Resolved: That the Dominion Government should be requested to assemble one or more commercial representatives of the various provinces and the territories, say in Ottawa for the purpose of assisting in framing an act having for its basis the control and management of insolvent estates by the interested creditors with the legal expenses reduced to a minimum.

## DRY GOODS TRADE.

It can hardly be said that the prognostications which were so freely uttered a few weeks ago as to the splendid prospects for the early summer dry goods trade have been followed by verification. Business started off well, it is true, and at one time it looked as if the prophecies of the most sanguine would be carried out. The particularly prosperous state of the country has continued without break, and every condition favoring brisk trade has existed, except one, the weather. This is a case, however, in which untoward climatic conditions are able to exert a very depressing
influence, and on few previous occasions have they done so to so large an extent as was the case throughout practically the whole of June. Summer goods are more easily affected than most others by such causes as these of which we speak, they being of a light nature and extremely subject to variation from a fashion point of view. Thus it is important that no hitch should occur at the time which is seasonable for selling them. Usually the last week of June is distinguished for the large number of sales made by retailers to people wishing plenty of light summer dresses and other goods for the holidays. This year, these sales were very small, owing to the continued wet days. The last few days, however, having been fair and bright, have made a great difference in the prevalent feeling, and it is to be hoped that there will still be time to pick up.

Travellers for the wholesale houses, who are out on the road, report good prospects for the fall trade Retailers are beginning to order quite freely. One feature which continues to be noted is the demand for a good quality of articles. Even in the newly settled sections of Ontario and the North-West, this principle of "wanting the best" is seen working. Some travelling salesmen are now showing samples of fall millinery. Naturally not very many orders in this line have come in yet, but such as they are they are much more numerous, we are told, than ever before at a similar period. It is too early to speak of probable fashions, but one feature which may be noted is the evident preference shown for the ready-to-wear hat. The sailor hat is almost completely uncalled for.

Prices of textiles remain very firm. Practically nothing in the line of staple goods is coming in from across the border now, and as a partial consequence, the home manufacturers, aided by the keen demand, are able to keep values up to the top-notch without any difficulty. The chances are, indeed, that mills will in a few cases at any rate make advances in price, when, as is by no means unlikely in the near future, the wholesalers have to repeat their orders. Stocks in one or two lines are already near depletion.

## AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Though the habit of association for the furtherance of the interests of patticular trades is an oldestablished one, it is only in comparatively recent years that it has extended itself into practically every branch of human activity. Hundreds of years ago there were such bodies as the "Worshipful Company of Ironmongers," the "Guild of Jewellers and Goldsmiths," and various other trade guilds in England, and even before these the Hanse towns of northern Europe had their trade bodies. Now nearly every trade has its own local society, organized to look after its general interests, to guard against the encroachment of other trades, sometimes to carry the war into the enemy's camp. Not among the least important of these new associations are those which have been formed among the various classes of agriculturists, the dignity of whose profession is becoming daily more recognized. In these days we have poultry associations, fruit growers' associations, horse and live stock breeders' associations, and others by the score; and
that the meetings of each are of great value for their power to bring out the reflected observing powers of their members, and to utilize and increase to good advantage all the experience of the individual is a point that need not be argued. The words of Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, in this connection are worth thinking over. He said, speaking at the annual meeting of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario, held in Cobourg, last Decem-
ber:
"A few apples may seem a very small thing, and this association perhaps may not loom up as important as an associ-
ation of bankers or some ation of bankers or some other financiers, but if it were not
for associations of this kind, there would ber bankers' associations; and if it wereould be no necessity for such as. are around this platform and tor the work of men this country, there would be no necessity fore all through facturing establishments, there would be for the great manufor towns like Cobourg and other places go great necessity you go back that after all it is uplaces. You will find as the cheese box, and the side of beef the apple barrel, and of this country is based. It is not a question true prosperity are going to find more gold in the yutestion of whether we can go on producing and improving yukon or not; but if we products I have referred to thong our apples and the other develop that which is after all the true basis be helping to of this country."

And again, referring to the what practically amounts to the creation of a new profession in recent years, a profession which needs not only persistent work and intelligence, but brain power of a very high
order, he said:
"There is no work in this country that is demanding well trained, well equipped men as is agriculture.
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There is nothing to-day that presents so wide and varied a field for
work as show from the soil right We might start at the bottom and paration for market and its to the finished fruit and its preupon the men who are going itecting that there is a demand brains and of skill and industry than is a higher class of any other work that is being carried on in this to-day by Ontario. There are certain lines of work the province of man, and a man has, to a certain extent, to make himself a machine; but the moment a man in extent, to make himself a ture or horticulture makes a machine of with agriculdoomed to failure. You cannot become of himself he is horticulturist if you make a machine of yourself. a successful would like to see a great many of the yourself, ye I
towns and cities, who are to-day thing ming our towns and cities, who are to-day thinking of making doctors, lawyers, professional or business men of themselves, give a
careful consideration to this question of horticulture."

There is solid truth in these remarks. The days when the business classes and members of the "learned professions" could look down from a superior height upon tillers of the soil as being mere manual laborers of a lower order of intelligence and social position are rapidly passing away. And when intensive culture becomes a more general rule on this continent, it will be universally recognized that, for a life-work which will exercise a wide sweep of man's most important faculties-his powers of observation and retention of facts noted, his ability to draw thereupon just conclusions, his care and attention to detail, his general business adaptability; all this, added to a basis of scientific knowledge wide enough to admit chemistry, botany, and several other branches-there is no profession superior to some of the higher branches of agriculture. The strange thing is that more Canadians of education and energy, with the wonderful openings presented by their country for development
along these lines, do not take up this profession instead of leaving it largely to immigrants from other places.

And if we are ready to admit, as premised, the value of associations, then nobody will deny the great value of a spreading abroad of a relation of their doings when they meet, such as is done by the Ontario Government in publishing the annual reports. A report of the proceedings of any one of these societies goes to an audience many times larger than that at the original meeting, and, though perhaps but partially, serves to atone to the reader for his lack of personal attendance thereat. We venture to predict that a careful perusal, for instance, of the 33 rd annual report of the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario (1901), on the part of the average farmer, who has, perhaps, not given his orchard half the attention it deserved, will be the means of increasing his profit from that portion of his land very materially within the next few years. Besides this, there is something in the mere paying of attention to fruit trees which broadens the mental horizon and gives a new zest to the agricultural life.

## INSURANCE ENGINEERING.

How many times must it be repeated before our people recognize and act upon the fact, that we lose millions every year by fire which we should not lose if we took reasonable, sensible precaution. One of the commissioners of insurance in the neighboring country, Mr. Dearth, of Minnesota, calculates that threefourths of the enormous annual loss by fires in the United States results from fires which are preventible. This is a dreadful indictment to bring against a nation. It must mean that the people of that country are either criminally careless, or that they are dishonestly in league against the fire underwriters, who they think have to pay the losses, not perceiving that it is the community, not the companies, which pays them. Mr . Dearth goes on to say: "It is not, however, to the large number of promiscuous fires that heavy losses to property are attributable, but more to the larger select risks occurring in heavy commercial circles, where great values are involved. One of the greatest evils in fire underwriting is in the matter of over-insurance, which places a premium upon criminal carelessness on the part of the assured, if not absolute incendiarism. For this evil the companies themselves alone are, of course, to blame."

But the commissioner perceives that the companies are now exercising a far greater degree of precaution in this direction than heretofore; in short, cancellations reducing the liability of the companies on all the more hazardous classes of risks are causing not only the local agents in the United States, but the assured, no end of trouble, and much greater care is being exercised in the line of inspections, especially looking to the matter of values as compared with the amount of insurance covering on the property. This is one direction in which the fire underwriters are trying to reduce the enormous fire insurance losses of recent years. Another is the more extended use of expert knowledge in safeguarding life and property from fire. It is being perceived that much of the insurance
agency business done in this country and in the United States is of the rule-of-thumb order. And it is not always possible for even a competent and conscientious supervisor of risks at head office to save the company from the injurious effects of a stupid or sanguine agent's misrepresentations.

In these unhappy circumstances, it is noted in a recent issue of the New York Times that the trustees of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have taken steps to establish a course in insurance engineering.
"Its object will be to instruct those who take the course in the selection and constructive use of materials with a view to minimizing the risk of destruction by fire. Naturally, this will for the present relate more directly to mill and factory property than to dwellings, but the influence of such a school should soon be felt in every department of architecture, especially if out of its work shall grow a determination on the part the part of the fire underwriters to make such discrimination against buildings in which they are expected to take all the risk as will make it to the advantage of those who build or buy houses of any kind to do what is possible to share this risk by guarding against fire within the practi-
cable limits of slow-burning construction," cable limits of slow-burning construction."

The Times points out that the number of men qualified to act as insurance engineers has never been great enough to meet the requirements of the companies. And certainly the insurance companies have suffered from the action or inaction of incompetent men placed in positions which required technical training. Too much attention has been given to rates of premium as a make-weight against heavy fire loss; and too little to the safeguarding of life and property, and the gradual raising of the standards of construction in buildings admitting of classification as insurable risks.

The easy-going agent, the machine-made agent, the merely book-learned agent, the young and know-it-all agent, are of problematical value to a company. The valuable man is the one with common sense and a knowledge of fire hazards. And therefore we are disposed to agree that the erection of insurance engineering into a profession will enable the insurance companies gradually to reorganize their business on safer lines, and in so doing discourage the practices which have grown up through the co-operation of owners and agents to saddle them with larger responsibilities than any scale of practicable premiums would warrant.

## ECHOES OF THE STREET-CAR STRIKE.

The Mayor of Toronto has said some things about the recent street-car strike and the share of the Board of Trade committee in helping its settlement that were better left unsaid. In his address this week to a gathering of iron moulders from across the line, he broadly accused some of the Board of Trade delegation of mercenary and selfish motives in their intervention, and their efforts by night and by day to avert a strike, and called them "the agents of the Street Car Company throughout the entire negotiation." These remarks, and his further reproaches against the gentlemen in question are, we submit, in bad taste, to say the very least. We are not concerned to deny his statement that some members of that delegation are
shareholders in the street railway, and that the stock of that railway was watered. That the stock was badly, needlessly, watered, this journal has often pointed out. But what we deny is Mr. Howland's right to put all the delegation in the same category, and to smirch the good faith of a group of men quite as estimable as himself, who were, we consider, engaged in an honest effort to avert a calamity. While far from setting up the Board of Trade committee as models of all the virtues, we prefer to believe them capable of self-denial, and in this matter actuated by public spirit. At any rate we do not consider that all their efforts were directed to screwing down the employees and working for the sole advantage of the Street Railway Company, as Mr. Howland would have people believe. When the Mayor recovers from his peevish fit, and takes off his party spectacles, we have some faith that his gentlemanly instincts will reassert themselves, and that he will do justice to the useful efforts of the Board of Trade committee.

## THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

Very little has been made known as yet about the proceedings of the Conference of Colonial Premiers in London. And it would seem that so far but little of a definite character has been either done or said thereat. Mr. Seddon, of New Zealand, has been the most cocksure and outspoken in letting the outside world know his views, and he has stirred up Sir R. Giffen and several other English authorities to controvert him. The unfortunate accident this week to Mr . Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary, must seriously delay the deliberations of the Conference. Meanwhile, it may be serviceable if we give a list of the members of what is likely to be a historic gathering:

General Sir F. W. Grenfell, Gibraltar, Malta and Cyprus; Sir Joseph West Ridgway, the Eastern Colonies and Protectorates, Fiji and the Western Pacific ; Sir Walter Joseph Sendall, the West Indies, Bermuda, British Honduras and the Falklands; Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Canada; Sir William MacGregor, West Africa; Mr . E. Barton, the Australian Commonwealth; Mr. J. R. Seddon, New Zealand; Sir J. Gordon Sprigg, Cape Colony; Sir Albert H. Hime, Natal; Sir Robert Bond, Newfoundland; the Sultan of Perak; Lewanika, the Barotse paramount chief.

## "HUMBUGGING THE ENGLISHMEN."

Respecting the article which appeared in our last issue under this title we have had several approving letters. A manufacturer in another city writes as follows: "I notice the article, 'Humbugging the Englishmen' in the Monetary Times last week, and am very glad, indeed, that you called attention to it. We are not interested personally, as in our business we confine ourselves exclusively to the wholesale-and so are not interested much in advertising. But the practice above referred to is in every way most pernicious, and we sincerely trust that your timely exposure will put an end to a practice that must be in every way objectionable."

Another subscriber writes on the same subject:
"It is too bad that such swindling practices-for such they are-should be practised upon the export merchants of Great Britain by Canadians. Surely the man that the two English letters you publish describe is taking great chances in telling such amazing lies as he appears to do and not being found out. Thank you, anyway, for having the manliness to speak out about the thing."

A prominent Toronto merchant, who had read the article, voluntarily said yesterday to one of our staff: "It is a wonder those papers can keep this sort of thing up. Last year we were pestered by letters from strangers in Britain, addressing us as 'distributing agents' on the strength of some advertising agent's yarn. We answered the first three or four letters, explaining that no one had authority to use our name, as the Montreal fellows had done. But the letters and circulars and catalogues kept coming, until we can no longer bother with them-so into the waste basket they go."

## THE FAILURE LIST.

Failure figures for the first six months of 1902 have been sent us by both the mercantile agencies. Messrs. Dun \& Co., without remark, submit the total for the half-year as numbering 610 failures with $\$ 5,739,000$ liabilities, and $\$ 4,132,000$ estimated assets, as compared with 672 failed traders in same period of 1901, owing $\$ 5,530,000$, and showing assets of $\$ 4,407,000$. Bradstreets comment upon the favorable nature of the comparative showing. They give the failures of 1902 thus far at 603 with $\$ 5,103,000$ liabilities, against 717 in six months of 1901 with $\$ 6,412,000$ liabilities. The figures for the various provinces in the two lists resemble each other closely. We select Bradstreets' list as showing them in
simpler form:

|  | Assets. 1902. | Liabilities. 1902. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quebec ................ 232 | 655,631 | 1.782,133 |
| New Brunswick | 734,500 | 1,770,590 |
| Nova Scotia ........ 40 | 52,025 66,651 | 112,525 |
| Prince Edward Island 5 | 66,651 17,800 | 148,782 |
| Manitoba . . . . . . . . . 21 | 17,800 | 35,925 |
| Northwest Territories 12 |  | 8r,390 |
| British Columbia ..... 53 | 624, | 88,268 |
| Yukon Territory ..... I | 624,220 5,000 | 1,073,791 |
| Totals. Canada.. 603 | 2,247,210 | 5,103,404 |

## CANADA CYCLE \& MOTOR CO.

The two suits brought by some of the dissatisfied shareholders of the Canada Cycle \& Motor Co. have a public interest apart from those directly connected with the company either as promoters or directors. It will be remembered that the first writ was issued against the promoters, some of whom were afterwards directors, to recover something like $\$ 300,000$ profits alleged to have been made by the defendants in floating the company. The interest in the second writ issued last week has regard more directly to the general management of companies. The main claim in Mr. Bedell's writ now issued is that the purchase in 1900 of the National Cycle \& Automobile Co., by which there was, as Mr. Flavelle admitted, a loss of $\$ 280,000$, was illegal and should be set aside. Another is the refunding of \$175,000 paid out in dividends during Igor; unjustly. He claims, as a shareholder, damages against the directors for negligence and breach of duty. As the legal vacation will necessitate some delay in the trial of these cases we cannot expect a decision for months.

## THE PRODUCTION OF TANNIN.

The material usually employed in Ontario in the important industry of tanning is hemlock bark which is obtained from the common hemlock tree by felling and peeling it in the spring, when it has become loose. It is then cut into four-foot lengths and carefully piled in order to become properly seasoned, without fermenting. Up to a recent date, the bark thus obtained has been conveyed to the nearest railroad and shipped to the tanneries, where it was ground to a powder and leached with hot water or exhaust steam, the liquors obtained being used for tanning. The country contiguous to the railroads, however, has been gradually denuded of hemlock trees, and the haul has thus been getting larger and the cost consequently larger. With the recent increased demand for labor and the rapid rise in wages, the settlers, who heretofore have carried on this work as a help to their resources, find they can find much more lucrative employment in other fields. This has forced tanners themselves to put in camps in order to procure a sufficient quantity of bark, and the time must certainly come when economy will force them to separate the tanning ingredients from the bark at the source of supply, thereby saving the unnecessary expense of transporting a large quantity of useful material.

A paper by Mr. J. A. DeCew, in the report of the Director of Forestry for the province of Ontario for 1900-0, shows how this may be rendered feasible. The hemlock tree abounds in our forests in such large quantities that with proper treatment it might be an extensive source of tannin. At present, the cost of the latter is large owing to the expensive methods employed, and its consumption is limited to the local tannery and barely keeps place with the demand for the timber, in spite of the cheap grade of lumber obtained. In the United States hemlock extract is produced to the extent of over 10,000 tons annually; but; notwithstanding the enormous hemlock limits existing in Ontario, none is produced in that province, the extract actually consumed being imported from Nova Scotia. Tanners, when spoken with on the subject, refer to the large and expensive plants erected in the adjoining Republic and claim that such a course would be unprofitable here. They forget, however, that at these factories tannin and dyewood extracts are made from materials gathered in all parts of the world, and that such are not required for temporary works established in the forest.

Mr . De Cew suggests that a lesson be learned from the procedure undertaken in Germany, when similar conditions caused by the excessive cost of transportation were confronted. Small plants, consisting of a cheap, portable power, a bark cutter or grinder and wooden extraction vats were set up in or near the source of supply, and with these a fairly concentrated extract was made. The cost of shipping this extract to the tannery was but a fraction of the transportation cost of the bark, and the cost of extraction in the forest but slightly in excess of the grinding and leaching process that would have been eventually employed by the tanner. The plant may be stationed for a season's run in any locality where there is a sufficient block of timber which is not hard to find in Ontario. After the bark is peeled, it should be treated as soon as possible and consumed the same year.

There are great possibilities in this industry, not only for the tanner, but for the lumbermen, for it could be carried on in harmony with other lumbering operations, and other tannins, besides that of the hemlock (for tannin exists in many other trees), might also be introduced with profit. Under these conditions, a large quantity of hemlock now inaccessible could be lumbered with profit, as the bark would pay the cost of seasoning the timber.

## WEST INDIA TRADE.

Our flour business with the British West Indies continues to increase; each steamer carries larger quantities from our Atlantic ports. On Monday of this week the "Ocamo" sailed from Halifax carrying a large quantity, and the shipments of June from Halifax and St. John, I am glad to say, exceeded those of any preceding month in the history of the trade. There is much encouragement also in the prospective exports,
for already space has been asked for 4,000 barrels in the first steamer to sail in July. These large shipments are due to the efforts of Ontario commercial men, for all the flour spoken of above is from that province, and the success attained is an encouragement for people in other lines. What applies to flour applies to other manufactured articles as well. A little effort expended in introducing articles and a little pains taken in demonstrating their suitability wins a large part of the battle.

Boot and shoe manufacturers should pay more attention to the West India market. Already a few houses in this line have made a start, and have met with much encouragement. At the present time the bulk of the boots and shoes used in the West Indies are bought in the United States. The labor that produces these goods is in all probability Canadianthat is to say, Canadian operatives who have gone from Quebec or other provinces to the States, put their labor into American shoes for the West India market. Why should not Canadian operatives at home produce for that market ? The products of our factories are just as good as those of American; in fact, in many lines they may be better. Canada can supply the quality, and if called upon can also supply quantity. The first step is to introduce the goods and give the people a chance to demonstrate that they are the goods they want. The rest will be plain sailing. The market will then be ours practically for the asking

There is a strong demand at the present time for our butter and cheese in the West Indies. Large quantities are going forward, and the visits made by some of our factorymen and exporters last winter have evidently not been in vain. The time is coming when Canada will be the chief supplier of West Indian needs in these articles.

Cocoa is an article produced in the West Indies, of which Canada should take larger quantities. Grocers by encouraging its consumption on the part of their customers can do much to encourage this trade. Cocoa is not only a pleasant beverage but a very nourishing, stimulating and heating food, admirably suited for the light supper of a tired business man. The pushing of it at retail might at first have the effect of increasing importations of the manufactured article, but in time our Canadian manufacturers would see their sales increase, which would necessitate the importation of beans on their part. Thereby our trade with the West Indies would be increased to that extent.

Halifax, N.S., July 4, 1902.

## MONTREAL LETTER.

I do not find much of a budget to send you this week, for after the holiday, business matters seemed to have taken a sort of lull. We have got some fine weather at last, after wondering all June whether it ever would be warm or dry. The crops around us, for instance in the Ottawa Valley and parts of the Eastern Townships, have suffered from the skiey conditions, but the Island of Montreal has been fortunate in this respect. Fruit crops are going to be good, for all that there has been so much damp cold.

I promised to tell you if our city council concluded to buy the steam fire engines of the Waterous Company, which were tested here the other day. The fire committee of the council decided on Saturday last to buy them both; the price, I am told, being $\$ 6,300$ apiece. They do wonderful work for their size. Another of your big Ontario concerns has been in our mouths lately, I mean the Clergue works at the Soo. They have delivered the first 10,000 tons of their steel rail contract with the Government, and the rails are to be used on the Drummond County line of the Intercolonial Railway, east of this city.

If the city directory is good authority, we have now got 275.300 of a population in Montreal, and 58,561 people in the suburbs, making $333,86 I$ for city and suburbs. This is regarded as nearer the actual truth than the 267,000 for city and the 40,000 or 50,000 for suburbs, that was allotted to us by the census takers. There is a marked decrease, too (from 2,133 to 1,886 ), in the number of empty shops and other houses, compared with 1901. So that we are making progress.

At the directors' meeting of the Merchants' Bank oi Canada last Friday, something happened which must have given pleasure to Mr. George Hague, who has been a long time with that bank as general manager and joint general manager. He was presented by the Board with an address and a piece of plate. The address contained, I am told, some nice things respecting the high opinion the directors held of Mr. Hague's able and faithful services to the institution. The recipient left for England the same day.

A member of the bar was telling me on Sunday of a scheme by a Quebecer to pass legal examinations that it seems to me will be interesting enough to retell. It reminds me of various contrivances I have heard of to take dishonest advantage in competitive examinations. We have had them here among students in several professions, and you have had then: in Toronto in pharmacy. This one relates to the learned profession of law. Examinations for the bar of Quebec began in that city last week, the council room of the court house being designated for the purpose. Before they began, a. man from Montreal, named Napoleon Guertin, a carpenter, visited the court house on Dominion Day, accompanied by an official stenographer, and examined the council room. Again, at night, the stenographer and the carpenter-Does this begin to sound like "the Walrus and the Carpenter" of Alice in Wonderland?-came to the court house and asked leave to go upon the roof, the Montreal man professing a desire to see the St. Lawrence by moonlight and the city by night. The guardian of the building gave the desired permission, but insisted that he must himself go with them. This unwelcome proposal elicited an offer from the stenographer of a ten dollar bill to let them go up unaccompanied, but the guardian proved virtuous and firm. Later that night they came again and were admitted by the night-watchman, who was of the laisser aller class, and was besides told that the type-machinist was going to his room to work.

The night wore on. The sentimental carpenter was presumably enjoying his desired midnight view of the city and the flowing St. Lawrence. The moon may or may not have been shining-she sometimes, as you know, poetically veils herself with clouds when nefarious projects are on foot. But the judge's clerk, working late in the council room, heard a noise over the ceiling thereof which sounded like cutting or boring. Down he went for the guardian, whom he accompanied to the garret; and there they found Napoleon Guertin, not looking or feeling much like a Napoleon, but groping his way along in the dark, an auger under his arm. He was promptly placed in charge of the two watchmen, and I am told is still in custody. It was found that a hole had been bored through the council room ceiling just over the table where the examiners were to compile their questions, and an iron pipe placed in this hole. By this means a listener at the top of the pipe might ascertain the questions, take copies of them, and naturally sell them to wonld-be barristers who should prove dishonorable enough to buy them. Poor Guertin confessed to boring the hole, but professes that he, as a mere mechanician, was only doing what cleverer people told him, in the way of his business. Helas! is he not an instance of down-trodden labor? Did he not know that
"Just experience tells, in every soil,
That those who think must govern those who toil."
Whatever may be done to Napoleon, the artisan, in the way of punishment, it is clear that the brainy but guilty stenographer is scared, for he has cleared out and left no address behind him.

Montreal, 7th June, 1902.
Logos.

## A LETTER FROM LONDON.

Farringdon Street, London, E.C., 28th June. Editor, Monetary Times:

Sir,-The question is not, at this particular time, one of lack of material to write about, but most decidedly one of too many things and people and events going on to be able to make an intelligent choice of subject. Of the King's serious illness you must know by cable; but of the shock it
has given the people and the derangement of the various and striking ceremonials that were to mark the Coronation one can give no sufficing picture-it must be left to your imagination. It will be hard on many troops and dignitaries from all over the world if they have to go home without getting a chance to show themselves. Dear only knows what will be done with the acres of decorations and miles of seating stands and millions of flags procured for making gala day in the city should the Coronation be indefinitely postponed, as now seems likely.

London is very crowded. And not with strangers either, for thousands of people have come into town from all parts of the United Kingdom, and gone to hotels and lodging houses, whose rates are raised. There are many Americans here, and not a few Canadians. And everybody seems to be visiting or else sight-seeing; even business men have much of their time taken up meeting visitors, and showing them round. For wholesale dealers I should judge these exciting and crowded times are hardly advantageous. But builders, retail tradesmen and the departmental stores are thronged with orders, as the preparations employ many thousands of men, and demand a great variety of material. So covered with bunting and other displays are the fronts of many buildings along the line of the procession that the windows are obscured, and the inmates have to use gas. This is the case in marked degree with some of the prominent clubs:

I shall not attempt to go into any statistics this week, although I know you profess to be fond of them. A prominent subject of discussion here in certain circles is the probable outcome of the Conference of Colonial Premiers. No one that I have met, except one or two colonials, is enthusiastic in the matter or believes that the doggedly held-to trade policy of the United Kingdom is likely to be upset in our day and generation. You have had quite a conference of commercial men in Toronto, as I see by The Monetary Times of June 6th and 13th. It was well that wise counsels prevailed, as they seem to have done, in modifying the resolution which dealt with "Trade Relations Within the Empire." This old country, slow-going as she may be in some respects, does not relish being lectured by doctrinaires who tell her that the trade policy which for sixty years has made her great is all wrong. Nor does it make John Bull's temper any better to have Australia and Canada among those lecturers. She is proud of her colonies, and fond of them, too; but John Bull is a shopkeeper, and by no means an alarmist. He does not feel that his estate is going to the dogs. He naturally asks: If I am going to antagonize the United States and other countries with whom I do nearly three-fourths of my trade by imposing duties in order to give advantage to my colonies who represent the other fourth, please show me how my prosperity is enhanced? Are not my shipping and my manufactures at once jeopardized?

I feel that I must here relate a little incident to show you the contemptible way in which some of our Canadian business people have acted. The Universal Provider, a clever and up-to-date trade paper here, is managed by one of the brightest gentlemen I know. This journal submitted copy to a Canadian furniture company over here of a proposed advertisement, by cutting out the different words and pictures of chairs, etc., pasting them on a neat block, which made it look exactly as the advertisement would appear. This was sent to the furniture concern here, and a request written on the card, asking them to return the suggested ad. if they did not wish to use it or give an order for its production in the paper which had offered it. This was utterly ignored, but a week or so later, the identical advertisement with the exception of a different kind of chair in the cut and a very slight alteration in the wording, appeared in an opposition journal. Afterward the sample ad. was returned to the Universal Provider people, without as much as "thank you," in an envelope, and with no comment whatever.

Now, you know, it does not take many acts like this to settle the people who perpetrate them in their proper scale. They are classified here as cads and sneaks. I hope they are not Canadians. Such dishonorable procedure is unworthy of our country No wonder that I am asked: "Is this sort of thing termed fair-play in Canada?"

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## CANCELLING OR SURRENDER IN FIRE INSURANCE

An action to recover amount of a fire loss was brought by a lumber firm aga.nst an insurance company, and was decided last month by Mr. Justice Lount, of the Ontario High Court. The case was that of Skillings, of Ogdensburg, N.Y., against the Royal Insurance Co. In May, 1901, the plaintiffs wrote a letter to Mr. Lett, the defendancs' agent at Barrie, requesting cancellation "as of June 5 th" of a policy on lumber in a certain yard at Parry Sound, expiring 3rst January, 1go2. They enclosed statement of return premium, for which amount they requested a cheque. In returning the policy in this letter the plaintiffs endorsed upon it "that the within policy "is hereby cancelled and surrendered." The letter was mailed at Ogdensburg on 3oth May, but in mistake was addressed to "F. A. Lett, agent, Parry Sound," instead of to that gentleman at Barrie, where his office is, and he never received it until II. 30 in the forenoon of 6 th June. Meanwhile the lumber was burned, the fire which destroyed it having broken out about II p.m. on the 5 th June and lasted till 5 a.m. on the 6th June.

By agreement between the parties, this question, among others, was submitted for the opinion of the court. "Was the policy in question cancelled or surrendered?" Certain of the Ontario Statutory conditions were cited by counsel in the case, notably Condition 19a and Condition 23, referring to the method of terminating a policy. While the former does not provide how the notice of termination shall be given, the latter does; and no such notice of surrender had been given the company by the plaintiffs up to the time of the fire. The judgment of Mr. Justice Lount goes on to say.
"Then, was a written notice given in any other manner to an authorized agent of the defendants? Was the letter of the 3oth May with the policy, having the surrender thereof endorsed thereon, a sufficient notice to satisfy condition 19a, and was the receipt thereof by Mr . Lett, the authorized agent of the defendants, on the 6th June, after the fire had occurred and the property had been destroyed, a notice to the defendants in compliance with condition 23? In my opinion, it was not. Upon the authorities, I must hold that a letter sent by post giving such notice is not notice by depositing the letter in the postoffice; it can only become so when received from the postoffice by the party to whom it is addressed.
"The postoffice had not been made the agent of the defendants to receive such notice. The law is well settled that if an offer made by mail is accepted by mail the contract is complete from the moment the letter of acceptance is mailed, even if it is never received; but this does not apply here, because no negotiation was pending, no contract had been proposed in writing; the plaintiffs had not made any offer in writing to the defendants that might or might not have been accepted. The plaintiffs sought to do an act that would be binding on the defendants, whether they were willing or not. The policy and letter might have been sent by a messenger, who would have been the agent of the plaintiffs for the purpose. Having been sent by mail, it was none the less the agency of the plaintiffs than if a messenger had been sent. Rut it was necessary for the plaintiffs, in order to terminate the policy, to have the notice actually reach the defendants or their authorized agent, and the instrument selected for that purpose was the agent of the plaintiffs, not of the defendants; nor can the fact that the plaintiffs signed the form of surrender on the policy make any difference. It was not intended to operate and could not operate until received, and the defendants had complied with the terms of condition 19a. that is, paid to the plaintiffs the balance of the premium which the plaintiffs had paid to the defendants Nor could it operate against the plaintiffs until delivery had taken place. The policy all the time until actually received by the defendants or their authorized agent being in possession of the plaintiffs. during which time the property had been destroyed, the policy was, therefore, in force when the loss occurred; the character of the contract was changed from a contingent to a certain liability, and a cause of action
based on an absolute debt forthwith accrued to the plaintiffs: C. P. I. Co. vs. Aetna Ins. Co., 27 N.Y. 608; May on Insurance, 4 th ed., vol. 1 , sec. 67 , as to cancellation of policy: "Notice of cancellation if given by mail, must be received before loss by the party entitled thereto, or by his agent authorized to receive the same, otherwise there is no cancellation;" Joyce on Insurance, vol. 2, sec. 1669.
"I have not lost sight of the fact that it is by the mistake of the plaintiffs in not addressing the letter of the 3oth May to Mr. Lett at Barrie, that it was not received by him before the fire, but I do not see how this can in any way affect the question. Having regard, therefore, to the agreement between the parties, I give judgment in favor of the plaintiffs for the amount claimed by them with interest from the 5 th June, rgor, and with costs."

## BUSINESS EDUCATORS.

It was an excellent idea of the Business Educators' Association of Canada to make their annual gathering at a different point each year. They by this means teach each other geography, amongst other things, for you cannot learn so much about a town or a county by any other means as by visiting it. And we venture to say that a more prosperous and interesting place, or a warmer welcome were not previously seen by them in Ontario than these Dominies found on their Woodstock visit last week. There were twenty or more of them and they discussed commercial education and commercial college management for the best part of two days-when they were not playing themselves or being played with by a committee of citizens who seemed cheerful believers in The Country Parson's dictum that "Nobody likes to work." The town folks gave the teachers a dinner on the Thursday night, at which Andrew Pattullo, M.P.P.; Principals Levan and Nethercott, President Kaulbach, of Halifax; David Hoskins, C.A., vice-president of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario; J. W. Westervelt, of London; and others spoke. We understand that it was resolved at the Friday session that St. Catharines should be the next place of meeting. The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, H. T. Gough, of St. Thomas; vice-president, W. Brooks, of Toronto; secretary-treasurer and registrar, C. B. McCullough, of Hamilton; chairman of the board of examiners, D. Hoskins, C.A., of Toronto; executive committee, R. E. Gallagher, of Hamilton; E. Kaulbach, of Halifax; J. W. Westervelt, of London; board of examiners, D. Hoskins, C.A., R. E. Gallagher, J. W. Westervelt, jr., C.A., of Toronto; H. L. Webber, of Woodstock; W. Brooks, of Toronto; W. 工. Gowling, of Ottawa; T. F. Wright, of St. Catharines.

## MERCHANT, OR MISER?

On the bulletin board of the Toronto "Star," Wednesday evening, appeared these words: "David Cramp, who long kept a little shop at Todmorden, near Toronto, with a stock averaging in value $\$ 100$, dies worth $\$ 18,900$." There is a moral here, somewhere, if we can find it. Taking the truth of the item for granted, there is surely evidence in it of the accumulative power of money almost equal to the well-known arithmetic-philosophic crux about the twenty-four nails in a horse's shoes and their progressive value on a certain scale. The story gives rise to a number of questions. How long did it take David to save up this $\$ 18,900$ ? At what rate of profit did he sell his goods. Was his not a notable example of the gainful result of turning over one's stock often? But, after all, if we suppose he had no other means of income than his little shop and begin to calculate how often in the course of a year he would have to sell his stock and replenish it, we shall find some queer results.

Take thirty years as the period of his life as a merchant; David made $\$ 630$ a year, or say twelve dollars and a fraction per week. So if his average profit was at the rate of 25 per cent., he needed to turn over his stock twice a month to make this much money. But if he got only 12 per cent. profit. he would have to sell the whole contents of his shop once a week. Hence, merchants, observe, it is the nimble shilling
as does it. There are a score of other directions in which a man with a smooth-working imagination or a head for figures could launch himself in dealing with this case. Not having the time for such an excursion, we merely suggest it. Meanwhile, to those small shopkeepers, thousands in number. in Canada, who often say to themselves, rhymingly or otherwise:

> "Small are the profits of our tedious trade ;
> Slowly the shillings drop into the till;"
there is surely comfort and hope in David Cramp's uncommon experience. If this brief recital of an episode in humble life has the effect of stirring up some hundreds or thousands of small shopkeepers to observing the proportion which their daily sales bear to their total stock, and to the real profits which they are making day by day, the "Star" reporter will not have lived in vain. Doubtless he would tell us, as Ahtcmas Ward once told an audience, that he did not wish to live in vain, he would rather live in London, and small blame to him.

## BRITISH FIRE OFFICES.

An interesting table has been compiled showing the results of the business of rgor to British fire insurance companies. It is divided into two sections, the first containing those companies which do foreign and colonial business, and the second those which do home business only or chiefly. We shall confine our attention to the latter, which appears in the London Economist for June 21st To arrive at the trading profit or loss only the net premiums, net fire losses, expenses and commissions have been taken into account, interést being left out of the count, and the liablity for unexpired risks ignored for the time:

Companies with Foreign and Colonial Business

| Name. | Net Premiums. | Net <br> Fire Losses. |  | Commission <br> \& Expenses. |  | Trading Profit or Loss. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Amount. |  | Amount. |  | Amount. |  |
| Alliance <br> Atlas <br> Caledonian Commercial Union.. Guardian Law Union Liverpool, London, |  | $\begin{gathered} \notin \\ 280,720 \\ 280,55 x \\ 283,704 \\ 990,359 \\ 250,785 \\ 104,108 \end{gathered}$ | $\%$$\%$ <br> 51.16 <br> 60.74 <br> 68.00 <br> 59.50 <br> 59.19 <br> 55.40 | $£$192,93 <br> 155,67152,73559,937 <br> 141,756 63,624 | $\%$ 35.16 33.70 36.60 36.60 33.64 33.45 33.89 |  |  |
| \& Globe <br> London \& Lancs | $1,788,204$ <br> r, 134,214 | 1,1488,895 | 64.24 | 590,617 |  | + 488,692 | + 2.73 |
| Lon. Assurance. |  |  |  | 400,966 155.747 |  | + 188,473 <br> $+40,305$ | + 13.10 <br> +8.95 |
| Manchester | 829,860 | 758,112 |  | ${ }_{316}$ | ${ }_{38.14}^{34.45}$ | - ${ }^{404305}$ | ( ${ }^{\text {29.51 }}$ |
| N. B. and Merc | 423.964 r. 623.814 | (378,834 | 89.37 | 148,154 | 34.96 | -103.024 | -24.33 |
| Northern | $8_{52,928}$ |  | 61.80 | 559,500 281,707 | 33.00 | ¢ <br> $+\quad 44,958$ | 耳 $\begin{array}{r}3.18 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Norwich Union Patriotic.... | 1,026,476 | $7{ }^{7}+3,532$ | 71.74 | 369.350 |  | - 76,406 |  |
| Phoenix. | $\begin{array}{r}1,3 \\ \mathbf{1} 5,674 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |  | 20,347 | 35.24 |  <br>  88,540 | $\pm 34.26$ |
| Royal. | 2,509.721 | 1,484,881 |  | 426,017 861,475 | 30.74 | $+\quad 12,437$ +163.365 |  |
| dey Exc |  | 20, | 61.78 | ${ }_{170} 574$ | ${ }_{3}^{32.92}$ | + 27,439 | + 5.3 <br> + |
| Nationa State | 580,644 | 393,0 |  | 197,282 | 33.87 | 7,6 |  |
|  | x,165,347 | 61,759 670,634 | 60.09 <br> 57.55 | 36,578 308,56 | 35.59 | + 4.458 | + <br> $+\quad 42$ <br> +8.35 |
| Unio | $\begin{array}{r}1,1653,347 \\ 642-879 \\ \hline 18853\end{array}$ | 670,634 59.650 |  | 398,556 217,878 |  | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c} +96.157 \\ -94-609 \end{array}\right]$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8.25 \\ +\quad 8.25 \\ -14.72 \end{array}$ |
| Total. | 18,835,555 | 12,183,068 | 64.68 | 6,426,8,53 | 34.12 | +255.634 | + 1.2 |

Nore.-The Guardian's figures include burglary business, and those of the Fine Art and National of Great Britain include the other branches of business trans-
acted by these companies. In the cases of the Ecclesiastical and Westers. acted by these companies. In the cases of the Ecclusiastical and Wesleyan
Methodist offices the expenses and commissions are included in the amount Methodist offices the expenses and commissions are included in the amounts put
under fire losses.

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These tables very clearly show the main features of the year's business. While foreign and colonial fire insurance resulted, as a general rule, in loss, home fire insurance was, on the whole. good, and many companies which had made heavy losses abroad were only saved by the profitable character of their home connections. It also followed that those companies which depend chiefly upon foreign business suffered very badly, some to a disastrous extent. The Caledonian and the Manchester offices have been obliged to cut away great lumps of business, and the Union has set aside no less than $£ 160,000$ for the running off and reinsurance of unde-
sirable classes of foreign risks. The twenty-two companies with foreign and colonial connections-all the largest fire offices in the country-have together made a wretched trad ing profit of 1.2 per cent. on a net premium income of $£ 18$,835,555 , and the average fire loss ratio has been as high as 64.68 per cent. There are bright spots in the record, and some very black ones. The Alliance, in spite of the outlay involved in the running off of many of its Canadian risks, heads the list with a trading profit of 13.68 per cent. of the premium income, and the London and Lancashire follows close behind with a profit of 13.10 per cent. The London and Lancashire has done, on the whole, wonderfully well, since, unlike the Alliance, it made a loss on the year in the United States. The Law Union and Crown, whose business both in the United States and Canada is small, comes next, with a profit of 10.65 per cent. The great offices, with perhaps the exception of the Sun, have done indifferently, and if most of these were debited with their increased liability for unexpired risks, they would not show any profit at all

## TRADE OPPORTUNITIES.

Canadian Government Offices, London, 27th June.-An English firm wants wood chimney pieces or over-mantels. A Hamburg firm will represent Canadian makers of wood pulp. A London firm will act as agent for dairy and poultry produce. Another would take the agency for Canadian makers of pig iron and steel rails. The names of shippers of Caraquet oysters are asked by a London firm. A London commission house is open to do business with Canadian exporters of fruit and dairy produce. A Canadian manufacturing stationer asks names of envelope and paper bag makers in Britain, Germany and France. A Canadian agent wants to handle Russia and China bristles. A Quebec man asks for names of Scotch makers of building, paving, fire and other bricks.

## FINANCIAL ITEMS.

Said Yellow Hammer, according to the Yonkers Statesman: "It costs a good deal of money for this Government to look after the counterfeiters." To which Crimson Beak replied: "Yes, it looks just like sending good money after bad."

Quercus, Quebec, writes to ask if it is true that the Union Bank of Halifax and the Commercial Bank of Windsor are likely to amalgamate. It is some weeks since we first heard of the proposed amalgamation. We cannot ascertain that it has been consummated.

A letter dated Shanghai, China, 6th June, has been received by a Toronto gentleman from Mr . W. C. Matthews, of this city, who was some months ago commissioned by Messr. R. G: Dun \& Co, to proceed to China, Japan and elsewhere in the Pacific on a tour of inspection for the Mercantile Agency. The letter bears an illustration of the HongKong and Shanghai bank, at Shanghai. It is a long and stately building of three stories, something of the Whitehall order of architecture, but situated on a broad and attractive street. Mr. Matthews says he has been in Manila and Hong Kong, and is en route home via Japan, sailing from Yokohoma on 24th July. He had found the weather in those distant parts hot and trying.

A letter from Winnipeg, dated 4th July, referring to the continued influx of settlers into Manitoba and the Canadian Territories, says: "We had arranged a big reception last week for the two train loads of bankers and other excursionists, 350 or 400 in number, who came amongst us from Duluth, St. Paul and Chicago. But much of it was cut out of the programme by reason of the King's illness. However, they were a good natured lot and seemed pleased with everything they saw. It was nominally an excursion of the. Minnesota Bankers' Association, and in part was actually so. but there were a hundred or two who were not bankers. They were shrewd observers, however, whether you show them
streets or wheat fields. Part of them went west as far as Prince Albert, on a land inspection tour."

In the University of Toronto Monthly for July appear the following lines on Honor, Honest, after Phocylides, by Professor Maurice Hutton:
"Get on," the world cries; "first of all, get on;"
"And next get honor, if it come your way;"
"And last, if time and strength be not all gone,
"Get honest also, when you've had your day."
From the Yukon comes an odd story of the operation of "Gresham's law," the poorer currency driving out the better. The miners are in the habit of selling "merchantable gold dust," worth $\$ 16$ an ounce, to the banks, buying "commercial gold dust," which contains black sand or powdered quartz for $\$ 14$ or $\$ 15$ an ounce, and paying their debts to the merchants with this. The merchant loses money unless he advances his prices, which always happens sooner or later, and generally sooner, where a cheap money gets into circulation. The Dominion has been charging a royalty of 5 per cent. upon gold produced by any individual in amounts exceeding $\$ 5,000$ a year; it is proposed to change this to a tax of $2 \mathrm{t} / 2$ per cent. with no exemptions. This will throw upon the merchants the payment of the royalty as well as the discount on the dust, and they are trying to force dust out of circulation and replace it with currency. Already many of the mechanics have refused to take dust for their wages and are paid in currency. In an effort to discourage the use of dust the merchants have agreed to take merchantable dust at only $\$ 15$ an ounce, but the merchant pays the royalty or export tax.-N. Y. Commercial Bulletin.

## INSURANCE MATTERS.

We understand from the head office of the Royal Victoria Life Insurance Company that the new business of that company for the first half of 1902 considerably exceeded that of the same period last year.

Lightning stroke has been a prominent cause of loss by fire during electrical storms in Western and Eastern Ontario during Saturday and Sunday last. Houses were struck and damaged in Woodstock; barns burned at Ridgetown and Ashburnham; crops injured by heavy rains in Brougham and Pickering, as well as elsewhere.

It is agreaable to learn from the report of the chief of the Toronto Fire Brigade for 1901 that the losses by fire within the city limits aggregating $\$ 122,126$, are the smallest of any year since 1887. There were 655 alarms during the year. Of these, burning chimneys caused 87 , gas jets and curtains 28 , youngsters and matches 45 , incendiary 21 , dry grass 27 , electric wires 20, bonfires 10 . There were 37 false alarms and 70 mysterious fires. The brigade numbers 194 men.

After a long and checkered career, the Londonderry Iron Works, at Londonderry, N.S., have been burned out. A despatch from Montreal says that they were destroyed on Monday evening last by fire, causing a heavy loss and throwing too men out of employment. The works are owned by the Montreal Rolling Mills Company of Montreal, and have been established over thirty years. The company had several large contracts for pipe on hand, and the mills were running full time. We have not received particulars of the insurance.

The Insurance Institute of Toronto has elected its officers for 1902-1903. Mr. T. Bradshaw, F.I.A., of the Imperial Life, is the president; Mr. P. H. Sims, of the British America Fire, the vice-president. The Institute does not lack officers, for there is a treasurer and an assistant treasurer, a curator and an assistant curator, a general secretary and an assistant secretary, besides which thiere are committees on membership, on examination, on meetings and papers for discussion, on entertainment and on finance, so that there is a place and a chance for nearly every member who likes to work. The council of the Institute consists of the gentlemen whose names follow: T. Bradshaw, F.I.A., A L. Eastmure, C. C. Foster, W. E. Fudger, R. Junkin, J. B. Laidfaw, J. K. Macdonald, J. Maughan, J. K. Pickett. F. Sanderson, M A., F.F.A., P. H. Sims and A. Wright.

Since the salutary change in system which has taken place in the management of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company, by which the company is now being conducted on a basis more like the Old Liners, we can wish it success. Meantime we notice the statement of the president and vice-president that in six months of the present year the company has gained in membership 4,000 , and in insurance in force $\$ 2,500,000$. It shows, in the same period, a gain of $\$ 50,000$ in surplus over all liabilities.

The official who ordered seven firemen upon the walls or roof of P. McIntosh \& Son's building, Toronto, at the fire yesterday morning, incurred a dread responsibility. Five of them are dead, the body of another is supposed to be beneath the huge mass of bricks and smouldering contents, one is in a dangerous state from injuries. The fire began at six in the morning; and there are people who say that careless employees of the circus company, whom McIntosh \& Son were to stipply with hay and feed, possibly by the careless use of matches or cigar stumps gave a start to the fire, which in a few minutes was belching from every window of the huge place, probably 200 feet wide and 700 feet long-the old street car stables, in fact. It was well known that not an interior wall existed in the whole extent of this huge place; and it argues either culpable ignorance or unpardonable recklessness of the life of his men for anyone to order them upon a blazing structure of the kind, when there was no hope of putting out the vast blaze by such means. We were in hopes that the Toronto Fire Brigade had by this time learned by heart the buildings in our midst dangerous to life. It seems now that over the coffins of these brave and sacrificed men we have to begin and learn this lesson.

## FOR GROCERS AND PROVISION DEALERS.

Mr. Walter M. Kearns, Montrea1, sold by auction last week for the marine underwriters 20,000 bushels of wheat exsteamer "Anatolia," to Messrs. A. L. Hurtubise \& Co, at 40 cents a bushel.

The Picton lobster hatchery has had a very successful season, about $120,000,000$ lobsters having been successfully hatched and planted in the waters of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, particularly in the Northumberland Straits.

The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has granted a general extension of to days of the lobster fishing season owing to the strong representations made regarding the delay and loss caused by the stormy weather this season. New Brunswick was particularly affected.

It is stated that Mr. John D. Rockefeller has engineered a combine of the great companies controlling the packing industry of the United States. The Swift \& Armour interests were already practically in control of the bulk of these industries, and now they are merged.

The Department of Agriculture has arranged for the fitting of several steamers with appliances for the circulation of cooled air through the spaces in the hold where cheese and apples are to be carried. The more tender varieties of apples would go into the regular cold storage compartments.

A law was recently passed in Great Britain enacting that butter must not contain more than 16 per cent. of water. The Dominion Department of Agriculture, therefore, is collecting samples of butter, as packed for export, and analyses will be made at the Experimental Farm.

The Dominion Government is calling the attention of the Admiralty to the importance of making a change in the specifications for the supply of flour to the vessels of the North American Squadron. At present the product of one of the Minneapolis mills is made the standard, although it is recognized that Canadian flour is the best in the world.

An agreement has been entered into by the ElderDempster \& Co. and the United States Fruit Company, of Boston, under which the latter is to find fruit with which to load the majority of the steamers belonging to ElderDempster \& Co., plying between Jamaica and England. This agreement will put the bulk of the banana business of Jamaica into the hands of the American company, bv which it was controlled prior to the advent of Elder-Dempster \& Co.

Prospects would appear to be good for a very fair crop of early apples in Canada, and such varieties as Red Astrachans and St. Lawrence will probably be abundant enough to provide a comparatively large quantity for export.

One day this week corn reached a price in the Chicago market of 90 c . per bushel, the highest since 1892 , when it went $u p$ to $\$ 1$ per bushel. In 1896 it brought less than 30 . in the same market. Part of this big advance may be due to unfavorable crop conditions, but more probably to speculative experiments.

It looks as if, unless Ontario fruit shippers to the Northwest learn to pack their apples honestly, filling their boxes and barrels with fruit such as it purports to be, they will lose a large portion of the trade with that region. Much dissatisfaction is reported to exist as to the large quantity of unsound and damaged fruit which is sent there, and dealers have already brought in large quantities of fruit from the Western States which, though not equal in flavor to the Ontario fruit, is yet what it is represented to be. People who carry on these dishonest practices are surely cutting their own throats.

It is proposed by those interested in the development of better trade relations between Canada and the West Indies that the Dominion Government should place a small duty upon oranges and bananas imported from the United States, which would have the effect of encouraging importation from Jamaica direct to our own ports, and would serve instead of granting a subsidy to a line of steamers. Jamaica imports goods amounting in value to over $\$ 8,000,000$ per year, of which Canada's share is but small.

During the twelve months just ended chickens exported to Great Britain from the Dominion fattening stations fetched from sixpence three farthings to eightpence per pound. Ocean freight, including haulage and commission was one cent per pound on shipments of over 200 chickens, so that 16 cents per pound in Liverpool equals 15 cents per pound in Montreal. A Montreal merchant has made enquiry for 500,000 pounds weight of specially fatted chickens, to be delivered in Montreal this fall, for which he guarantees to pay not less than ro cents per pound. A prominent Manchester commission merchant has written the Department of Agriculture to recommend firms who could sell him a few thousand dozen chickens, to arrive in December, January, February and March. Professor Robertson's efforts on behalf of the poultry trade seem to have been already attended with good results.

## TORONTO STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

Saturday and afternoon sessions have been adjourned until further notice. Business for the past week has been about normal. No special feature comes up for notice. Transactions in detail were as follows: Ontario, io at 129 ; Toronto, 10 at 242; Commerce, 222 at 156-7; Imperial, 93 at 247-50; Dominion, 658 at $244-81 / 2$; Standard, I2 at 242; Hamilton, I30 at 232; Western Assurance, 263 at $971 / 4-8$; Consumers' Gas, 20 at $2101 / 2$; Canada N.W. Land, 25 at 78 ; pref., 70 at 94 ; C.P.R., 13,940 at $1343 / 4-6$; Gen. Electric, 350 at $206-91 / 4$; Commercial Cable, 31 at $164^{1 / 2}-5$; Richelieu \& Ontario Nav., 75 at 1103/4-111; Toronto Railway, 235 at $19^{19} / 2-201 / 4$; C.P.R (new), 65 at $130-1 / 2$; British Can. Invest., 25 at 70; London Electric, 5 at 104; Can. Land. \& Nat., 65 at 107; Can. Pèr. Loan, 1,279 at $1193 / 4-20$; Northern Nav., 10 at $153^{1} / 2$; St. Lawrence, 27 at 150-1; Twin City Railway, 2,970 at 119-120 $1 / 8$; Winnipeg Street Railway, 19 at 140 ; Sao Paulo, 58 r at $98-1001 / 8$; W. A. Rogers, pref., 32 at $104^{1 / 8-1 / 2}$ : Dom. Steel, 50 at 52 ; pref., 217 at $93-4$; bonds, $\$ 14,000$ at $90-1 / 2$; Coal, 2, I 34 at $1321 / 2-61 / 8$; Nova Scotia, Steel, 502 at 10 $4^{1 / 2}-67 / 8$; Bonds, $\$ 500$ at ino; Lake Superior, 135 at $283 / 4-93 / 4$; North Star, 3,500 at 20 ; Crow's Nest, 40 at 475 ; Packers', A, 136 at 1oI- $1 / 4$; B., 25 at 10034 ; Toronto Mortgage, 20 at $92-3$; Gen. Electric, pref., I5 at $1081 / 2-9$; Twin City, new, 8i at ${ }^{11} 5 \% / 8-116$; Toronto Mortgage, new. 21 at 72.
-The June dividend declared by the Real Estate Loan Company of Canada, limited, was at the annual rate of five
-A branch of the People's Bank of Halifax has been opened at Andover, New Brunswick, under the management
of Mr. J. G. Dickenson. of Mr. J. G. Dickenson.
-A company has been formed at Des Moines, Iowa, under the title of the Syndicate Land Company, with a capital of $\$ 1,000,000$. It is purchasing and has options on millions of acres of land in Manitoba and Assiniboia, which it proposes to colonize and develop as rapidly as possible. One of its directors and several of its shareholder were in Winnispecting.
-We are advised of the following changes in the staff of the Imperial Bank of Canada. Mr. Secord, manager of the Essex branch, has been transferred to North Toronto, where he will act as manager; Arthur H. Murray, accountant in the Yonge street branch, Toronto, has been appointed to the charge of the Essex branch, and C. H. Stanley Clarke,
manager at North Toronto, will arines branch.
-For the fiscal year ending June 3oth last, the immigrants arriving in Canada, according to the Government returns, numbered as follows: British, 17,000; continent, 23,535; ${ }_{11,810}, 19,352$ and 17.087 , respectious year the figures were by estimate a few returns yet to come to hagder, including tion to Canada for the year just passed will the immigraably to 65,000 people, or some 11,000 more than amount probyear.
-The utility to a country of commercial agents abroad which we have so often insisted upon is perceived by New Zealand, which province has determined to appoint commercial agents in. Britain and other parts of Europe, as well as in South Africa. A London cable of last Friday intimates that Canadians now in London see the need of first-class commercial agents for Canada in England. Not necessarily politicians, but experienced business men, thoroughly informed
on all branches of Canadian industry.
-Some few years ago, a company was formed to take advantage of the rapids of the St. Lawrence on the United States side of the river and to erect great works where the
rush of the Cascade rapids could be transformed energy, as had been done with transformed into electric energy, as had been done with the Lachine Rapids at
Lachine. The company, known as the St. Lawrence Po Plant, at Massena, New Yown as the St. Lawrence Power tially erected works on an enormous scale projected and parpurposes, using English as well as American this and other million. It is stated that between American capital by the has been expended. And now foreclosure and $\$ 10,000,000$ begun by the first mortgage foreclosure proceedings are plant was sold last week It was bid in under which the New York, representing the reor bid in by Mark T. Cox, of first and second mortgage bondholders, for $\$ 300$ mittee of the seems to have been a lack of money to handle the coo. There product when it was ready.

## CLearing house figures.

The following are the figures for Canadian cleari
week ended with Thursday, July 10, 1902, compared houses for the
of the previous week. of the previous week.

| Montreal. | July 10, 1992. | July 3, 1902. |
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## MONTREAL MARKETS.

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Ashes.-There has apparently been some holding back of stock in the country, as some fair-sized lots-the way the trade runs-have been coming forward of late. The market continues easy, $\$ 4.20$ being the outside figure paid for first pots; seconds, $\$ 3.70$; pearls, $\$ 6$ to \$6.16.
Cements and Firebricks.-The receipts of cements for the week ending to-day have been nil, and stocks are getting very light, with prices firmly held. Receipts of firebricks, $6 \mathrm{r}, 000$ We quote: Belgian, \$1. 55 to \$1.90; English, \$2.10 to \$2.20; German, $\$ 2.20$ to 2.40 ; American, $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 2.10$ for four bags, being equivalent to one barrel; Canadian, $\$$ 2.10 to $\$ 2.25$. Firebricks, $\$ 16$ to $\$ 2$ I.
Dairy Products.-There has been a further slight decline in the cheese market since a week ago, fine Ontarios being now quoted at $95 / 8$ to $93 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; Townships, $9^{1 / 2}$ to $95 / 8$ c.; Quebecs, $9^{1 / 4}$ to $93 / 8$ c. The export demand for butter has not been very active the last few days, and $\mathrm{IO} T / 2 \mathrm{c}$. is about the outside figure for fine Townships; dairy makes, $161 / 2$ to 17 c . The export movement last week was an active one, cheese shipments aggregating $8 \mathrm{r}, 344$, being over 50,000 boxes ahead of same week a year ago. Of butter, 16 ,604 packages were exported, being 4,300 packages more than for corresponding week of 1901 .
Dry Goods.-The advent at last of really warm weather has benefited the city retail trade, and induced some sorting business in muslins and other light fabrics. Good fall orders are generally reported. As was anticipated in last report, some fair proportion of renewals was asked on the 4th, more particularly by Western retailers, among whom there was general complaint of a wet and unfavorable June.
Groceries.-Wholesalers as a rule profess satisfaction with the demand. Advices from the Mediterranean regarding crop prospects for dried fruits, nuts, etc. now begin to attract general interest. Quotations for new currants have advanced one shilling, now being quoted at I3s. 6d., c. \& f., Montreal. Advices from Denia would indicate that Valencias will be about an average crop. From Smyrna come reports that Sultanas will be a good crop, the yield being estimated at 33,000 tons, as egainst 28,000 tons last year. It is now reported that the fig crop will not be so large as originally estimated. Quotations for filberts, both old and new, have advanced, and the quotation for October shipment is
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Hides.-No material change is reported. The nominal market price for No. I beef hides is still gc., though dealers, in competition with one another, pay more. For calfskins, 12c. and IOc. is quoted; sheepskins, 70c.; lambskins, $30 c$.

Leather.-No special activity has developed as yet, and though a fair amount of cutting is being done in the shoe factories, there seems a disposition to defer any large buying in the expectation of possibly lower prices, though tanners all hold that values will be firmly maintained. Manufacturers' sole is quoted steady at $23^{1 / 2}$ to 24 c . ; jobbing sole is in demand with light supplies, and blacks continue as last quoted.
Metals and Hardware.-The movement is well sustained for the season. Pig iron is rather firmer, and from $\$ 20.50$ to $\$ 21.50$ is quoted for Summerlee, exwharf, according to lot. The Midland people have no iron to offer, their furnace being fully employed on orders for Bessemer iron for the Clergue Steel Works, at Sault Ste. Marie, and the Hamilton furnace is sold well ahead. Some good-sized sales are reported, to some of the railway companies, of English iron, and quotations for the same in an ordinary way are from $\$ 19.50$ to $\$ 20.50$. Ingot tin continues to rule easy, and is now quoted down to $301 / 2$ to 3 IC . for Straits. In other lines, there is nothing specially new, values being well maintained generally.

Oils, Paints and Glass.-Trade is assuming a quieter phase, but values generally maintain a pretty firm tone, except linseed oil, which is said to be easier at about 2 cents per gallon. We quote: Single barrels raw and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 82 and 85 c. per gallon, for one to four barrel lots; 5 to 9 barrels, 81 and 84 c., net 30 days, or 3 per cent, for four months' terms. Turpentine, one barrel, 72 c .; two to four barrels, 7 IC .; net 30 days. Olive oil, machinery, goc.; Cod oil, $37^{1 / 2}$ to $42^{T} / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per gallon; steam refined seal, 50 to 55 c . per gallon; straw, ditto., 47 to 50 c .; Castor oil, 9c.; in quantity; tins, $91 / 4$ to $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; machinery castor oil, $81 / 2$ to 9 c .; Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), $\$ 5,87^{1 / 2}$; No. I, $\$ 5.37^{1 / 2}$; No. 2, $\$ 5.121 / 2$; No. 3, $\$ 4.87^{1 / 2}$; No. 4, $\$ 4.37^{1 / 2}$; dry white lead, $5^{1 / 2}$ to 6 c .; pure; No. 1, do., 5 c .; genuine red, ditto, 5 c .; No. 1 , red lead, $4^{T} / 2$ to $43 / 4$ c.; Putty, in bulk, bbls., $\$ 2$; bladder putty, in bbls., $\$ 2.35$; ditto, in kegs, or boxes, $\$ 2.50 ; 25-1 \mathrm{~b}$. tins, $\$ 2.45$; $121 / 2-1 \mathrm{~b}$. tins, $\$ 2.75$. London washed whiting, 40 to 45 c . ; Paris white, 75 to 8oc.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to \$1.75; yellow ochre, $\$ \mathrm{I} .25$ to $\$ \mathrm{I} .50$; spruce ochre, $\$ \mathrm{I} .75$

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## TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, July roth, 1902.
Chemicals, Drugs, Etc.-Business in local drug circles is in about the same position as for some time past. Prices remain steady, and some lines, notably ood liver oil and Paris green, are advancing. A report from Baltimore says that ammoniates during the early part of June were active, and a fairly good demand absorbed all offerings at reasonable prices. Latterly, however, buyers and sellers have been apart in their views. The fish catch in Chesapeake Bay is so far reported poor. The Liverpool market for chemicals has been quiet with little doing. Salamonica has advanced, but sulphate of copper has again gone lower. Ctherwise, chemicals remain quiet and unchanged.
Flour and Grain.-A fairly steady mar ket is to be noted for flour, ninety per cent. patents selling for $\$ 2.92^{1 / 2}$ in buy ${ }^{2}{ }^{\text {s }}$ bags. midd'e freights. Oatmeal is steady. In grain our quotations for last week remain good for this. Wheat is being sold at quotations in some quantity to local millers. The barley season is about over, and nothing is doing. Oats are dull. For peas there is no demand. Rye is scarce and wanted.

Fruits and Vegetables.-Under pres sure of exorbitant heavy supplies, strawberries went down during the week as low as $3^{1 / 2}$ and 4 c. Canadian cherries are now coming in in some quantity. Lemons are still in fair supply and prices are steady. Oranges are becoming scarce and are going up in price. Prices are as follows in local market: California late Valencia oranges, $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.5 \mathrm{c}$ per box: lemons, Majori, $\$ 3.50$; bananas, fancy, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2.25$; Canadian white beans. $\$ 1.30$ per bushel; Lima, 7c. per pound; cocoanuts, $\$ 3.50$ per sack; tomatoes, $\$$ I. Io to $\$ \mathrm{I} .25$ per four-basket crate; water melons, 25 c . to 30 c . each; Canadian cher ries, cooking, 90c. to $\$ 1.25$ per basket; eating, goc. to $\$ 1.25$; strawberries, 5 c . to

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Hides and Skins.-The market for hides is pretty firm, receipts being light. There is not much change in pricos. Tallow is firm.
Live Stock.-Sheep have eased oft in price somewhat, but cattle kept up their values pretty well at the market this week. Poor animals, however, dragged somewhat. For good ones for export, the demand was brisk and in a few cases prices advanced to per cent.

Leather.-The leather trade is quite active, and it is not unlikely that there will be some sort of an advance in some lines shortly.
Provisions.-In spite of the fine conditions throughout the country for butter making, offerings of rolls are still small, owing to the difficulty of handling them in a hot spell. Good dairy butter is in brisk demand. Cheese is dull and easy. Eggs are coming in in large quantities, but the demand is slow. There is an active demand for smoked meats and hog products generally. Prices are generally strong, in sympathy with those for fresh meats. The Cincinnati Prices Current of last week said: "There is a continued decided deficiency in numbers of hogs being marketed in comparison with last year. Total Western packing, 405,000, compared with 390,000 the preceding week and 455,000 two weeks ago. For corresponding time last year the number was 480,000 , and two years ago 440,000 . From March ist, the total is $6,825,000$, against $8,015,000$ a year ago, a decrease of $1,190,000$. The quality is irregular, being fair to good in most instances. Prices have been further advanced, passing the $\$ 8$ point yesterday at Chicago, the average at the close for prominent markets indicating $\$ 7.55$ per 100 pounds, compared with $\$ 7.45$ a week ago, $\$ 7.15$ two weeks ago, $\$ 5.90$ a year ago, and $\$ 5.15$ two years ago. The speculative provision market attracted considerable attention early in the week, but toward the close the interest was diverted by the sensational action of the corn markets. Prices made anothier advance. The continued gain in values for hogs, the advance in corn and the strength in the distant futures for provisions were the main features of strength. Foreign markets were slightly higher.-Cincinnati Price Current.

Wool.-The demand for the new clip continues slow, though it is arriving somewhat more freely. Canadian mills are taking but small quantities, but perhaps this is due to the fact that they are obtaining what they need near home. The fourth series of the London, 1902, wool auction sales opened on the 8th, with a good attendance. Competition was spirited and merinos and fine crossbreds were in demand. The offerings Thmbered 12,693 bales, chiefly crossbreds. The home trade is said to have secured a good supply of crossbreds. Tasmanian greasy merinos sold freely. Scoureds were firm. Cape of Good Hope and Natal was unchanged to 5 per cent. higher, owing to small supply. Coarse grades, however, in some cases showed
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