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-Spring wheat in the Ottawa District has been greatly damaged by the red grub.

-The Port Hope car factory has been sold at public auction for \$7,000.

-It is currently reported that an iron foundry will shortly be established at Parrsboro, N.S.

-What has become of Mr. George Gordan Dustan of Halifax and sugar notoriety?

- The brush factory at Napanee is expected to be in operation next week.

- Taxida Island iron ore is said to give indications of great richness.

- The incorporation is announced of "The Kingston and Montreal Forwarding Company"

with a capital of \$200,000. - John Hardy, merchant tailor, Highgate, has

been served with a writ of attachment at the instance, of A. E. Pavey & Co., London.

- The failure of W. A. Tweedale, general trader, of Muniac, N.B., is announced. Liabilities are stated to be less than \$3,000.

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- A number of valuable contributions and communications lately received will have our earliest attention.—"W. W., jun.," soon.
- A tramway is to be constructed connecting the Dufferin iron mine, Madoc, with the North Hastings Railway.
- From Belleville is reported the completion of, and resumption of business by the cheese factory in Thurlow, destroyed by fire about a month ago.
- —At a large market held at Kingston on the 26th ult. potatoes sold at \$1 to \$1.20 per bushel; eggs, 12 to 15 cents per dozen; and butter 13 to 15 cents per pound.
- Inquiry is on foot respecting the establishment at St. Catharines of an extensive sash, blind, door and moulding factory, with a view to supplying foreign markets.
- The Dominion Government, according to a Quebec paper, is about to erect new works in Lévis in connection with the Rivière du Loup branch of the Intercolonial Railway.
- —The Anglo American Cable Company has determined to lay a new cable next year to meet the anticipated increase of business consequent upon the lower tariff.
- A sixty thousand bushel elevator is constructing at Chatham, Ont., by Messrs. Northwood & Stringer, grain merchants of that place.
- The superintendent of the Feigel gold mine, Madoc, has appeared in Belleville with a brick of gold worth \$410, the product of a week's work
- From Thunder Bay it is reported that men working on the Canada Pacific Railway are on a strike, demanding \$1.50, a day in place of \$1,25, their present pay.
- The first train over the Credit Valley Railway to Drumbo, Ont., arrived there on the 28th ult. At present rate of progress Ayr will be reached next week.

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- -J. R. Armstrong, founder, of Toronto, has made an assignment. His direct liabilities are placed at \$32,462, and assets, \$30,350, the latter consisting in large part of real estate.
- John McCrank, general store, Clearville, has absconded to avoid arrest on the charge of forging his brother's name. The authorities are in pursuit.
- The New York Mercantile Journal says that not one Boston insurance company can show a profit on the business of the first six months of 1879.
- Complaint is made that the mails along the line of the Canada Southern Railway come to hand with repeated and aggravating irregularity.
- A number of shareholders of the Stadacona Bank resolved in a meeting on the 24th ult., the mayor of Qu bec in the chair, to oppose the attempt now making to wind up the affairs of the bank.
- A good deal of new wheat has been marketed at Chatham, at prices ranging from 95 cents to 93 cents. The quality and yield in the county of Kent, this year, is above the average.
- Mr. Chas. Marray, manager of the Federal Bank, London, Ont., is temporarily acting as manager of the branch opened at Chatham in consequence of the closure of the branch of the Consolidated Bank at that place.
- A meeting of the Manchester shareholders of the Great Western Railway was held on Friday last. The attendance was large, and a resolution in favor of amalgamation with the Grand Trunk was passed unanimously.
- -- Whatever the signs of the times may be the facts are still bad enough, if it be true, as reported, that ship carpenters are working in the yards about St. John, N.B., for 70 cents a day, the best men not getting over \$1.

- A writ of attachment issued against John McCrank, general merchant. Clearville, Ont., on the 16th inst. has led the insolvent to take French leave. His liabilities are stated at \$4000 and assets \$2000, the latter consisting of stock on hand and book debts.
- There is some talk of erecting a warehouse and establishing a grain market at Petrolia. Farmers in that district, now obliged to hand their grain to Sarnia or Wyoming, would welcome such an enterprise as a great and needed convenience.
- The Western Counties Railway has completed financial arrangements having for their object the immediate resumption of work on the road, and it is confidently expected that, by the middle of September, trans will be running between Yarmouth and Digby.
- We find occasion to repeat the notice, already many times given, that all communications designed to receive attention should be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good faith.
- The section of country between St Mary's and Saraia has heretofore supplied the Grand Tru ik Railway with some 50,000 cords of wood annually, which will no longer be needed as the Company has determined to change its locomotives from wood to coal burners.
- A correspondent upon whose information we can rely informs us that a Mercantile A gency is by no means a dependable guide, since in many instances the proprietors of little candy shops are rated as merchants from \$500 to \$1,000 when \$50 would buy the whole stock."
- Shipments of opium to the value of \$50,000 have recently been made from Victoria to San Francisco. By the last direct stramer Sun Yee Chan shipped 30,000 worth in bond. The shipments may be attributed to the increased import duty imposed by the new tariff.

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- J. M. Parker & Co., lumber and saw mills, Berwick, N.S., are announced as insolvents.
- Daniel C. McPhail, builder, of Strathroy, Out., has failed. The liabilities are stated at \$896.13 and assets \$368.
- The liabilities of Alex. P. Power of Halifax are about \$4,500, and assets \$3,000. No proposition in regard to a settlement has yet been made
- W. T. Pearce, a prominent dry goods merchant of Strathroy, Ont., withdraws from business in consequence of impaired health, and has sold his stock, &c., to Mr. Turpin, late of Amherstburgh.
- The liabilities of E. C. Newberry, fish dealer, Halifax, N.S., are given at \$3,600, and assets \$550, the latter consisting of horses, vans, &c. Newberry, who was formerly a clerk in Halifax and is well and favorably known there, seeks to effect a compromise at 20 cents on the dollar.
- —A despatch says, "an Ottawa alderman requests the rate payers to refrain from voting the bonus to the Toronto and Ottawa Railway, because he is now working out an aerial travelling scheme which will knock water and land communication higher than a kite."
- A discourteous communication from a city subscriber in reference to the "caution to mercantile agencies" which appeared in our last issue is more than sufficiently answered by this mention. The writer's attention, however, and that of our readers generally, is directed to the letter signed Mercator, published in another part of this paper.
- A company proposing to expend \$250,000 in the erection of a factory and plant at Moncton, N.B., for the manufacture of locks, rolled brass, brass wire and other builders hardware has just received a grant from the Town Council, according to the *Times*, of exemption from all taxation for ten years to come.

- According to a late report of the U.S. consul at Port Sarnia thrifty farmers taking with them a considerable amount of property are migrating from Canada to the States in increasing numbers. The personal effects of the emigrants passing the consulate last year were valued at \$117,379, and the number crossing at the port named was 27,329.
- The failure of Ascher & Co. is said to have involved that of Leo Harmburger & Co., against whom a writ of attachment has been issued in the sum of \$230. The liabilities of Harmburger & Co. are roughly estimated at \$80,000, against only \$40,000 of assets. They had been floating along for some time past, according to published report, on accommodation paper made by Ascher & Co.
- We would direct attention to the advertisement of A. W. Murdoch, of Toronto, in his connection with Manitoba and North, West Territories. He has established agencies at the principal points, and solicits all agency or mercantile matters that may require attention. Mr. Murdoch is long and favorably known to the trade in our Maritime Provinces as well as in Ontario and Quebec, as an efficient accountant and assignce.
- A subscriber sends us a perody on Byron's "Destruction of Sennacherib" in allusion to the latter-day history of one of our monetary institutions. We can make room for only the concluding stanza:
- "And the whole tribe of Asshur should all be in jall, Until full half a million be given for bail,— And the might of the shareholders felt by the board
- board Who melted like snow all the wealth with them stored."
- We understand that the Local Government have consulted the eminent railway engineer, Walter Shauley, Esq., with reference to the proposed lease of the Q., M., O. and O. Railway, and that that gentleman has expressed his conviction that the Government would commit a wrong by refusing the offer of \$200,000

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per annum. Mr. Shanley is now engaged indrawing up a formal report upon the matter, which will probably be given to the public.— Quebec Chronicle.

- The following despatch from Point Edward, dated 27th July, will be found of special interest to lumbermen: "The tug Relief has been seized, together with a timber raft, said to contain about two million feet of lumber, for non-payment of Crown timber dues, amounting to about \$1,500. The seizure was made by G. N. Matheson and a squad of men, who left the Customs Department with the tugs Prince Alfred and Truro. The raft was from French River, bound for Tonawanda."
- —A writ of attachment has been issued against Messrs. Davidson Bros. & Co., of this city, wholesale dry goods merchants, at the instance of the Consolidated Bank. A statement of their affairs is postponed for the present. Another smaller dry goods house will likely be heard from in a day or two. The Consolidated Bank hold some \$42,000 worth of paper from the Messrs. Davidson. In the other case the amount is not much under \$100,000. It is to be hoped we are beginning to see bottom.
- —A writ of attachment has been issued against Bernard Furniss of this city, to whom a warm allusion was briefly made in our columns a fortnight ago. Mr. Furniss is known as the keeper of a warehouse in which the Messrs. Ascher & Co., Paquette, the insolvent wine merchant, and others blessed with too keen an intellect for even ordinary warehousemen, were accustomed to store some of their goods. But even the Boetian intellect of Mr. Furniss was keen enough to obtain large advances from the

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Consolidated Bank, to which he owes a good round sum. The words "claw," "chestnut" and "fire" are only suggestive. Mr. Bernard Furniss' "I.O.U." has been more negociable in banking circles in Montreal than even in the little village of L'Orignal.

- The Electors of Hamilton are soon to vote, in all probability, upon granting a bonus of \$30,000 to the Wellington and Georgian Bay Railway, the Finance Committee of the City Council having reported in favor of submitting the question. A spirit of municipal rivalry may enter into the canvas as it is given out that the route chosen will depend upon the local aid received. If Hamilton holds forth sufficient encouragement the new line will start from Palmerston on the Wellington, Grey & Bruce Railway and run via Mount Forest and Durham to Owen Sound. In default of such inducement it is hinted that Toronto will be appealed to, and the starting-point changed to Berlin, on the Grand Trunk, proceeding thence via Drayton to Mount Forest, Durham and so on.

- A subscriber from Victoria, B.C., in remitting says: "The perusal of your valuable paper has afforded me much pleasure, and I think some profit. I congratulate you upon the views you hold relative to our great transcontinental railroad. Every true Canadian must know that the credit of the Dominion is at stake on this question; and I think, were it not for the curse attending partyism, the whole people of the Dominion would be a unit in support of the present government's railroad policy. Go on and do what you can in so good a cause." Another Victoria subscriber in remitting says: "We reciprocate the wish Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal

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The Chaboillez Square Savings Bank branch, in this city, of the Consolidated Bank was transferred yesterday to the City and District Savings Bank, who paid out about onethird of the former deposits during to-day. The total denosits were only some \$30,000.

- We learn that the Consolidated Bank has been enabled during the last few weeks by disposing of agencies to other banks, which have assumed the payment of its deposits, and by maintaining its payments until this task was almost fully accomplished, to reduce its liabilities to the extent of nearly \$2,000,000.

On the 8th June its deposits were ... \$3,234,766.59 

\$1,741,784.69 Reduction of circulation about ...... 120,000.00

Aggregate reduction of liabilities.. \$1,861,984.69

- The dispute between the Credit Valley and the Grand Trunk railway companies waxes hot and their differences are now admitted to be irreconcilable outside of the courts. President Laidlaw seems to court the fullest publicity which is so far favorable to the justness, if not the strength of his claims, and submits a considerable correspondence to The Globe, which will be read with general interest, but with differing interpretation according to individual temperament or bias. Manager Hickson, of the Grand Trunk closes his side of the correspondence published in these words: "As we Leading Wholesale Trade of Toronto

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cannot agree about terminal arrangements, I suppose we may consider the negotiations on that question at an end," to which President Laidlaw replies: "The Credit Valley Railway Company have only to look to law or legislation to enable it to accomplish the purposes for which it has been instituted, and for which it has been supported by the Province of Ontario." We fancy that the general public are about ready to cry out with Mercutio "a plague on both your houses."

-The Committee on Trade of the New York Produce Exchange have sent circulars to the secretaries of all Boards of Trade and Exchange throughout the country, notifying them that the cental system will go into effect here October 1, and also that the several trade committees of the Produce Exchange have been requested to so arrange that, from the above date, all their dealings in grain, flour, meal, provisions, lard, tallow, butter, cheese, petrol um, naval stores, oils, hay, salt, seed, dried fruit, live and dressed stock, and all other articles of produce that are or may be dealt in on the Exchange, with freights and storage thereon, shall be exclusively on the basis of weight, the unit of the transactions is to be the pound avoirdupois, and the multiple thereof to be 100 pounds avoirdupois. A letter has been received from Liverpool expressing pleasure at the energetic action of the Produce Exchange in the matter, and suggesting that millers, who are using cloth in place of wood for packages, ship 200 or 250 pounds in each sack instead of 140 pounds as at pre-

- Henry Beattie & Co., of this city, whole-

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sale grocers and dealers in wines and spirits. have been placed in insolvency at the instance of the Consolidated Bank. A meeting of creditors is to take place on Monday next, until which time the true condition of affairs cannot be reliably ascertained. A report is in circulation privately amongst the trade that a preliminary and cursory examination of the estate by a large creditor resulted in a showing of only 144 cents on the dollar, the direct liabilities to the Consolidated Bank being stated at \$77,000, and indirect, \$60,000 additional. In regard to the firm's indebtedness to the Bank, Mr. Beattie claims that the sum of \$47,000 is an old matter of three or four years standing, that, by agreement with Mr. Rennie, was long ago to be charged off to profit and loss. Mr. Beattie states that he was quite willing, if necessary, to go into bankruptey at that time, but the bank authorities showed no reluctance to giving the release, as stated, and so floating him along. He further claims that, apart from this indebtedness, which he had been permitted to regard as void by release, the firm's stock on hand and book debts would now pay one hundred cents on the dollar. It will be noticed that there is a wide disparity between this statement and the reports referred to as in private circulation, but, whatever the character of the failure may prove to be, that which is already known must be admitted to disclose methods of bank management not merely reprehensible to the last degree, but utterly inexplicable from any business point of view whatever.

- As might have been anticipated from previous references in our pages, a writ of attachment was issued last Monday against Ascher & Co., of this city, wholesale funcy goods dealers, the largest customers of the Consolidated bank,

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by Eva Berg, wife of A. Sternberg, and addressed to A. B. Stewart, official assignce. The Consolidated Bank, which has been as dilatory in this respect as in taking care of the property of its unfortunate shareholders, had issued a writ the previous Saturday addressed to P. S. Ross. Mr. Ross, notwithstanding his acknowledged ability, allowed his competitors in the present case to get the start of him. He called on the firm on Saturday at their residence to get the keys of the warehouse, but it being the Jewish Sabbath, he was informed he could not have them before a certain hour on Monday morning. He accordingly called at the warehouse of the firm, 481 St. Paul street, at the time appointed, but, after waiting for some time in vain, concluded to get a blacksmith to break open the doors. Meantime an interested party was seen approaching with the keys. The latter rushed into the neighboring establishment of a friend, where he was tollowed by Mr. Ross with the writ in his hand. He was informed that the visitor was not there, but probably had been taken suddenly sick. A search was fruitless. Mr. Ross returned to the doors of Ascher & Co. Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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Whiskies.)
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on which the smith had begun to deal lusty blows, gathering a crowd by the unusual noise at that early business hour. A party approached the door, and volunteered to open it. Having done so, he pushed his way in, produced the writ addressed to Mr. Stewart and, with a most provoking smile, informed Mr. Ross that he, the speaker, was in possession. And now there is likely to be a contest, unless Mr. Ross agrees to become joint assignee, which he says he never will, and the Consolidated has received another proof of its inability to cope with the chosen people.

- The failure of Leo Harmburger & Co., wholesale dealers in tobacco fancy goods, &c., in this city has again compelled the Hochelaga Bank to look after the redoubtable H. W. Goldring, of phosphate notoriety. It will be

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#### remembered that Mr. Goldring, owing to alleged complicity with J. S. Paquet, late cashier of the bank, was capiased towards the end of February last and lodged in jail, where he has since had ample opportunities for pursuing his philanthropic studies for emancipating the Gentile mind from the inexperience and consequent ignorance which characterizes it in various spots throughout this unfortunate Dominion,-bail to the amount required being unprocurable. The reduction of the bond lately to about \$38,500, or one-half of that originally named, coupled, it is supposed, with the approach of the legal holidays, enabled him to obtain bail through some friends, all of whom qualified themselves as bailmen by swearing they were worth certain sums. Leo Harmburger is one of these. It is truly unfair that the public should be so prejudiced as not to understand that a man could lose \$8,000 in a few days; or that credit should be at so low an ebb these times that many people should prefer

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— An appeal was tried before Judge Deacon, at Pembroke, Out., on Friday last, which resulted in the reversing of a decision of the Court of Revision in the matter of certain assessments made on property belonging to the

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Canada Central Railway, by the corporation of the town of Pembroke. It was decided that the rolling stock of the Company was not as-sessable, and that a certain pile bridge, extend-ing across the mouth of the harbor for a distance of a couple of thousand feet, could not be taxed, being a portion of the franchise of the company and ranking the same as the ordinary road bed of the line.

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FINANCE AND INSURANCE REVIEW

MONTREAL, AUGUST, 1st, 1879.

#### OUR BANKING SYSTEM.

In a community like our own there is no department of business, whether financial or commercial, in which the public at large is so deeply interested as in the banking of the country, yet even amongst the more intelligent of our merchants, professional men and even statesmen an amount of ignorance, error and indifference prevails as to the manner in which the banking institutions of the country have been, and are being carried on, which becomes the more surprising the more one reflects upon it. Yet, despite this apathy and ignorance on the part of the public, the fact remains that a greater and more direct influence upon the public weal or woe is exercised by the Banks than by any other factor in our system of political economy.

Probably but a small proportion of even thoughtful persons in the Dominion are conscious of it, but at the present moment there is no subject occupying public attention of equal importance with the consideration of the position of our Banks. During the last two months an opportunity has been had of reviewing the position

of most of the leading Banks, as set forth in the annual reports of their directors and in those balance sheets which seem to tell so much but which really tell so little. This review, superficial and unsatisfying as it has necessarily been, has brought home to every Bank stockholder in the country nothing but chagrin, mortification and disappointment. Meetings of stockholders one after another have taken place, cautiously worded reports have been submitted, awkward questions by stockholders have been adroitly parried by presidents, directors and managers; yet shareholders have everywhere found but the same sediment in the cup given them to quaff, consisting of huge losses "on old business," losses that will become huge on "current business," dividends diminished, "rests" dissipated, and, in some cases, capital itself seriously impaired.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF ANNUAL STATEMENTS.

Let our readers take the last annual reports of a dozen of our banks, lay them side by side and compare the phraseology, and they will become penetrated with admiration for the fertility of a language which admits of so many different modes of saying the same thing. With bardly an exception, the tone of these reports is a blending of condolence, apology and that quality of hopefulness which grave physicians express at the bedside of moribund patients. For the benefit doubtless of those stockholders who are unable to realize that "3" and "5" and "2," make "10," a species of arithmetical sieight of-hand has been employed in manipulating the profit and loss accounts most bewildering to laymen not endowed with the faculty of analyzing figures.

Take, for example, the statement of the profit and loss account of any large monetary institution, as submitted to the stockholders. How many persons, outside of the half dozen officials who know, are there who could so analyze this statement as to determine with even approximate accuracy what the losses have been! The figures given are, in the hands of experts, susceptible of analysis, but so skillfully arranged are they that many a mathematician who found no difficulty in achieving the "Pons Asinorum" would utterly fail in any attempt to dissect them!

#### A NEW FEATURE.

Bank reports, moreover, have, as a rule, this year contained an entirely new feature, namely, what might be called a subdivision of the losses. It has become the fishion for directors to segregate the "losses which have developed out of the business of former years," and to treat these with a frankness and candour which

are quite refreshing. Enormous sums have been written off with perfect complacency under this caption, as if the directors had had nothing at all to do with the transactions out of which these losses have grown. Yet in four cases out of every five, the directors of the day are chargeable with the responsibility of these very transactions. Indeed this class of losses has been made to serve as a foil, the comparative magnitude of the figures making the "losses on the business of the past year" seem but trifling.

NOTES OVERDUE AND UNSECURED.

When will stockholders learn that "figures can be made to prove anything?" Do our readers imagine after conning over the published returns of our Banks, that they know anything at all about their real position? If so let them at once banish such a delusion! Experience has shown these documents, by dexterous management, to be capable of conveying the most fallacious and misleading impressions of the real state of things.

It is not under the head of "notes and bills overdue and unsecured" that losses are alone to be apprehended. In the category of notes and bills current" there is a far wider field for investigation. We venture to say that at this moment bad debts to a very serious amount are being carried by the banks of Canada under this apparently innocent heading.

How many debts secured are fully secured? How many of them are really secured at all? In hundreds of cases the use of the term is mere prevarication. A second or third mortgage may be held on property not worth the first mortgage, yet that is called "security!" We do not assert that Bank directors deliberately utter statements and reports which they know to be incorrect; indeed to a certain extent it may be a question of opinion when to write off a debt as irrecoverably bad, and directors in reviewing the accounts of a Bank must perforce trust largely to the opinions of the executive officer.

#### RESPONSIBILITY OF MANAGERS.

In estimating the value of the assets of a Bank not only are great judgment and sagacity, coupled with a highly developed faculty of discrimination, necessary, but there must be superadded a most thorough and professional acquaintance with the principles of the science of Banking. If, therefore, the manager possesses these qualities, and also the courage to do his duty conscientiously, he will be able to lay bare to his directors the true position of matters. If, however, he lacks either the ability to ascertain or the will to divulge

that position, it is clear that first the Directors and then the public are certain to be deceived.

Few men have the moral strength to face squarely a position of matters for which they themselves, singly or conjointly, are responsible, whether resulting from incompetency, bad judgment, or what is popularly termed "bad luck." So long as the public are without any available means of ascertaining how far the statements made in Bank Reports have been framed with judgment and honesty, and how far they are put forward to allure customers and sustain the prices of shares, so long should they refrain from purchasing bank stocks.

For many of our monetary institutions we fear there is still a day of reckoning in store. One or two have already undergone the crucial process, and have been, we believe, thoroughly cleansed; one or two more are at this very hour in the throes of purgation, but, without doubt, there are others which are still like "whited sepulchres." In many cases, doubtless, the position, by dint of economy, contraction, concentration, laborious management and moderation in the payment of dividends for some years to come, can be retrieved, but in other cases we fear that the malady is incurable and dissolution inevitable.

#### CAUSES OF THE TROUBLES.

It behooves us to examine into the origin of this state of things. The times, it is true, have long been "out of joint," and to some extent the depreciation and shrinkage by which our Banks are paralysed are referable to the commercial depression which has been epidemic.

Never in the history of Canada has there been a period of commercial disaster so severe and prolonged as that through which we are passing, and from which, it may be, that we are slowly emerging. The annials of commercial and financial crises furnish no parallel example of a shock so sudden and unlooked for as that which in the failure of Jay Cooke & Co., heralded the advent of this era of misfortune, a shock which has thrilled and vibrated the world of commerce to its very core Never before did, the bomb penetrate so deeply, and never was the resulting upheaval so destructive, or the disintegration so complete. For much of this the Banks are themselves responsible! Can any one who has reviewed their history doubt this for one moment? Has not their money been furnished with lavish hands to adventurers eager to stake it upon the result of any "wild cat" scheme, and has it not even been forced upon reluctant

borrowers who have been ruined in the effort to employ it?

Amid the universal ruin, banking institutions have of necessity been heavy losers. For where is there a capitalist, having his resources actively employed in commerce, or passively invested in securities, who has not, during the last five years, had to go over his ledger, year by year, and steadily mark down the value of his assets, until the sum total has shrunk to half, or less than half, what it was at the outset? There is no special charm about the assets of a Bank which confers immunity from similar depreciation ;-on the contrary, the down grade of values is the more precipitous where Banks are concerned.

But does what might be termed the average shrinkage of values account for the position of certain of our Banks today? Assuredly not: for, were it so, under the influence of what talisman have others passed through the ordeal comparatively scathless?

What, then, are the causes which have contributed to place certain Banks in the unhappy plight in which they now stand? The remote causes are manifold, but they can all be expressed in a word:—

#### INCOMPETENT MANAGEMENT

is at the root of all the evil. Some years ago it was the fashion to laud the banking system of Canada in glowing terms. If we take up any text book on banking, published prior to 1875, it will be found that the Canadian system is held up to admiration as the perfection of scientific banking.

Examine results, and see by what hollow blandishments our vanity has been fed. We venture the assertion that, in many respects, a more unconservative, and faulty system of carrying on the business of banking than that practised in Canada during the last twenty years has scarcely been attempted in any age or country since the days when the Lombards first invented bills of exchange.

Our language is severe and uncompromising, but it is the language of truth. That the system pursued has not brought the Banks and the country to grief long ago is almost a miracle; that it has now plunged us into comparative chaos, poverty and ruin but shows that, displacing a period of inflation and counterfeit prosperity, an era of stern reality has at length supervened.

To attempt to expose fully the heresies which infect our banking system were to fill a volume. In the first place the

RATES OF INTEREST

which Banks compel borrowers to pay are

by far too high. These rates may be said to run from six to eight per cent, per annum in the larger cities, and from eight to ten per cent. in the smaller towns and villages. It is utterly impossible for merchants, manufacturers, or traders to make any headway in the face of such an interest-charge as this, brought as they alt in these days of instantaneous communication and rapid transit into rivalry with competitors in the United States and Europe, who can borrow at from two to five per cent. And what is the result? A vast percentage of the failures which have taken place throughout the country could be traced to this cause.

There are many manufacturers and merchants in this country whose annual interest account amounts to \$25,000. And this huge sum, together with the expenses of the business, not to speak of the interest on the capital invested, has to be made up out of profits before the enterprise can be said to have paid one shilling to the proprietors.

An interest account, like an expense account, has to be paid in money; to raise this money, bills must be discounted, and to create discountable bills goods must be produced and sold. Thus production is goaded on; thus sales become a matternot of choice but of necessity, and thus, in fine, undue credits are unwisely given. And where does it all end?

The manufacturer or merchant makes bad debts, failure ensues, and the bank, after raking in usurious interest for a few years and treating it all as profits carned, has to accept a composition on the principal of the debt.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

Still more unreasonable and foolish is the action of our Banks in allowing the interest which they do on deposits. In England, France, Germany, Holland and elsewhere, where the science of banking is understood, depositors either get no interest at all, or but a merely nominal interest.

The banks of Great Britain probably hold at this moment deposits to the amount of one hundred millions of pounds sterling, yet we doubt if so much as an average of one half of one per cent. per annum is, in the present state of the money market, being paid for their use On the other hand it is the practice of banks and bankers, both in England and in Continental Europe, to charge depositors an annual commission as compensation for the risk, trouble and expense of taking charge of their deposits.

What a contrast to this is the costly competition for deposits at high rates of

interest, which is a characteristic of Canadian banking! It is within our personal knowledge that as high interest as six per cent. per annum is being allowed both in this province and in Ontario by certain banks. Five per cent. compounded monthly is not unusual, and we have lately seen receipts issued in this city for deposits left for fixed periods of from six months to a year, bearing six per cent.

Suppose the average lending rate to be eight per cent., what profit can a Bank possibly make out of deposits which cost six per cent., or even five per cent ?

On the basis of a twenty-five per cent. reserve, a bank must borrow \$125,000 in order to lend \$100,000; and statistics prove that, in times like the present, Banks lose by bad debts at least one per cent, per annum of their average loans and discounts, while the expenses of administration are at least two per cent. Against this let us estimate at one per cent. the value of the circulation to which the operation gives rise, and we have the following result :-

Cost of deposits amounting to \$125,000 at 5 per cent Proportion of expenses of ad-	\$6,250
ministration (2 per cent. on \$100,000)	2,000
Provision for losses (1 per cent. on \$100,000)	1,000
	\$9,250
Less interest received on \$100,000 at 8 per cent. \$8,000 Value of circulation crea-	
ted 1 per cent 1,000	9,000
Net loss	\$ 250

We confidently appeal to any skilled banker in the land to support our assertion that in the majority of cases this result is understated rather than overstated. What then are our Banks to do?,

Shall they lower the rates of interest? If so let them first prepare to pay off a large proportion of their deposits and to redeem the circulation these have given rise to, and there are not many of our Banks which are in a position to do this at present. We venture to say there is not a banker in the country who is not suffering from the oppression of this incubus. Can anyone doubt that many of the losses of our banks are its direct result? Deposits must be kept up, for the wherewithal to pay them off could but be gathered in gradually. They can only be retained at a very heavy cost; therefore the money must be kept employed, at all hazards, at the highest rates procurable. Full many a disastrous transaction has been initiated under the supposed necessity of keeping the Bank's "available funds " employed.

FORCED CIRCULATION.

But what shall we say of the abominable practice of banking on a forced circulation? Recent developments consequent on the stoppage of the Mechanics Bank render any description of the process superfluous. The question of a stockholder of that so-called "Bank" as to alleged commissions paid to circulating agents met with an unblushing denial. But that commissions were paid is the fact nevertheless.

Nor is the system confined to that now comatose institution; other Banks are doing the same thing and are likely before very long to furnish the public with very stubborn arguments in favor of the substitution of Government for Bank circulation, or at least a

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resting upon securities deposited with the Government. This is a question that will undoubtedly come up for public discussion at no distant date. In the present position of the commerce of the country, either alternative is at present utterly out of the question. Were the circulation of the Banks called in, these institutions would be obliged not only to redeem some \$18,000,000 of paper money, but also to lay in and pay for a supply of Government notes for current use, amounting in the aggregate to perhaps five or six millions of dollars. To do this, loans and discounts would need to be called in to the extent of nearly twentyfive millions of dollars, an average of at least six dollars for every man, woman and child in the Dominion! In times like these it would be simply impossible! Not more practicable is the alternative suggested, namely, that the Bank circula tion should rest upon

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deposited in the public treasury. only would these securities have to be bought and paid for, but the Banks would. in addition, then as now, require to maintain proper reserves to provide the means of carrying on the process of redemption of circulation which is continually going on. The result of legislation in either direction would be the same. A monetary stringency would ensue which would bankrupt the whole country.

#### BANK AUDITS.

As during periods when the land is scourged by endemic disease, charlatans and quacks, with their infallible nostrums, do quickly abound, so when the body politic is attacked by fiscal disorder, a luxuriant crop of would-be political economists receive sudden inspiration, and hastily write out their prescriptions, and seek to apply their miraculous embrocations. In the invalided condition of some of our Banks, a system of audit, either by a Government official, or by an officer or officers other than the Executive of the Bank, supposed specially to represent the stockholders, has been recommended as a panacea for all troubles.

What folly this is! How could any one of our largest Banks be effectively audited by such an official? How can it be possible to accomplish an effective audit of the affairs and transactions of an institution of such magnitude? For an auditor to give a full account of the actual state of a Bank, he must value every security, and be in a condition to follow every transaction; in fact, he must acquire a knowledge of all the affairs of the Bank, as intimate as that possessed by the directors or the manager himself.

Most of our Canadian Banks have many branches. The auditor would require to visit these, one after another in person. Yet, were his examination ever so exhaustive, he could at no time have within his purview, any more of the business of the Bank at large than that carried on at the point at which he might then be pursuing his investigations, while the most disastrous transactions might be transpiring elsewhere.

And, after all, cui bono? Suppose the auditor were to form the opinion that the stockholders' money was in the greatest jeopardy, what then? If his estimate of the position were correct, the mischief would have been done, and the chances of retrieving it would be but slight. Nor would the auditor's opinion be conclusive proof of what he might assert. A particular bill of exchange may be the very pest or the worst asset of a bank, and it depends on the judgment of the person examining the asset whether he pronounces it good or bad. An asset of great importance might be pronounced good by the manager and bad or doubtful by the auditor, and vice versa. It might be diffi. cult to persuade either party of the accuracy of the views of the other, and there might also be a diversity of opinion amongst the directors themselves.

The treatment that is required to place our banking system on a healthy basis is far more radical than anything that such a measure as the appointment of Bank auditors would be likely to bring about,

We shall hereafter endeavor to point out some of the weak points in the system we are criticising, and we shall also en deavor to show how these are to be guard ed. In the meantime all signs point to tempestuous days, and banks and bankers who for years have been "sowing the wind" will ere long, unless we are greatly deceived, find themselves "reaping the whirlwind." The storm is gathering, and it will be well for even our stronger institutions to make all "snug" alow and aloft, and prepare to ride out the gale.

#### IMPERIAL FEDERATION.

We had occasion to notice in a recent number Mr. Little's pamphlet entitled the "Political Destiny of Canada" which, he concurs with Mr. Goldwin Smith in believing, will be the absorption of the Dominion in the adjoining republic. We have now before us two essays, both entitled "A National Policy for the Empire," and both signed "Empirious" one addressed to the Hon. Edward Blake and dated San Francisco, 25th August, 1874; the other to the Rt. Hon. John Bright, M. P., dated London, 19th March, 1879. The mottoes are different, the first being" Federation, An Imperial League; " the second "An English Zollverein, Imperial Free Trade." We believe that the letter of 1874 to Mr. Blake has only been recently published. The author has had business relations with Canada, and is, no doubt, sincere in his belief that the "Imperial Free Trade League," which he advocates and which has for its prototype the "Anti Corn Law League," inaugurated by Messrs. Cobden & Bright about forty years ago, would, if its object were carried into effect, conduce to the welfare of the Canadian people. The essays are evidently the production of a man who sincerely believes in the soundness of the principles which he advocates, but we doubt whether they will convince a single Canadian that Imperial Federation is desirable; indeed we think it highly probable that the letter to Mr. Bright may have brought conviction to Mr. Blake's mind that the rather crude scheme which he propounded in his speech at Aurora, on 3rd Oct., 1874, and which seems to have been suggested to him by the letter of "Empiricus" of the preceding 25th August, would never be entertained for a moment by a Canadian Parliament.

The first letter of "Empiricus" commences thus: "According to the desime "you expressed in our conversation of "January last, I now put on paper my "ideas in regard to the project I then "mooted of a closer political union between Great Britain and her colonies, "beginning with Canada." After duly considering the ideas of "Empiricus" Mr. Blake made his Aurora speech, declaring that he preferred to be "a private in the "advance guard of the army of freedom "to a commanding place in the main

"body," on which declaration there were loud cheers, and he proceeded "to run "the risk of promulgating what may be "called a political heresy to-day, but "may perhaps become a political creed "tomorrow." Mr. Blake carefully avoided discussing the fiscal policy of the Imperial Federation, although his correspondent and instructor had been most careful to point out that "the revenue would necessarily have to be raised by the levy of some uniform system of taxes throughout Canada and Great Britain for strictly Imperial purposes." We are not left in the dark as to what are the Imperial purposes to which the revenue is to be devoted. The organization of the naval and military forces, the care of commercial and international (in other words diplomatic) relations, the general charge and cost of the administration of justice through the higher courts of law, the appointment of the judges of those courts, the working of post office and telegraphic lines, finally, "all important matters of Imperial, in contra distinction to Colonial, interest."

It is most desirable that the Canadian people should clearly understand the practical effect of that Imperial federation to which Mr. Blake has to some extent committed himself. We should have in the first place to adopt the Imperial tariff, which is in accordance with strict free trade principles. While our domestic manufacturers are rigidly excluded from the markets of the United States, by a prohibitory tariff, all American manufactures and agricultural products would be admitted duty free into Canada. The growing of tobacco would be prohibited in Canada, as it is in the United Kingdom, which indeed would be only reasonable, in view of the heavy excise duties which it would be necessary to impose, but which could not be collected if the growth of tobacco were permitted. We should have a heavy malt tax, and excise duties about 50 per cent. higher than our custom duties, whereas Canadian excise duties are only about 25 per cent. of the customs. But Mr. Blake's corres. pondent "Empiricus" has himself let the cat out of the bag in his letter to Mr. Bright, when he describes the chancellor of the Exchequer, as in duty bound to do. " pulling on the screw most unmercifully " through income tax and other tax collec-"tions." He describes the English system of direct taxation, under which about onefourth of the aggregate revenue is obtained indirectly from customs while in Canada more than one half of the revenue is obtained from that source. But, when we come to consider the expenditure, the consequences are even more alarming. The subsidies to the provinces constitute a most important item, and these most assuredly would have to be given up, as well as the public works and buildings, and the great bulk of the items which are charged as expenditure. What has hitherto been our main source of revenue would be absorbed in military, naval and diplomatic expenditure, while our manufacturers of every class would be ruined by having to compete under a system of free imports with a protected class in a foreign country immediately adjoining us.

It must be obvious that, unless we were really suffering under some grievance of magnitude, it could not be the interest of Canada to entertain the idea of Imperial federation with its inevitable consequences. What are the alleged grievances? We shall look in vain through the letters of "Empirious" to discover them. His object is transparent. He desires to obtain for the Mother Country free admission for her manufactures to the Colonial markets, while she in return merely places the Colonies on the same footing as foreign nations who refuse to trade with her on the terms which she has prescribed. But, further, " Empiricus" desires that the Colonies should contribute to the support of the army and navy and diplomatic service of the Empire. It is from Mr. Blake's speech that we have to derive our knowledge of the grievances, the removal of which is to be effected at such an enormous cost. Mr. Blake's great bugbear was the treaty of Washington, which he said "produced a very profound impression "throughout this country." It produced a feeling that " the people of Canada would "desire that they should have some greater "share of control than they now have in "the management of foreign affairs." For our own part, we should be quite ready to accept the very treaty referred to by Mr. Blake as a fair illustration, and we do not believe that there is an intelligent man, either in the United Kingdom or Canada, who believes that if, prior to the negotiation of that treaty, Canada had formed part of an Imperial federation her influence would have been greater than it was. Our own conviction is that it would have been much less. Mr. Blake reminds us that "to-morrow, by the policy "of England in which you have no voice " or control, this country might be plunged "into all the horrors of war." Such might be a plausible argument for an Annexation. ist or an advocate for separation; but we own that we find it difficult to believe that Mr. Blake can really imagine that, if Canada were part of an Imperial federation,

her representatives would be able to exercise a controlling influence over Imperial Counsels. In truth Canada will always exercise much greater influence over Imperial Counsels by making representations in her own name as a great dependency of the Empire than if she were merely a small component part of a large Imperial federation. Mr. Blake must have been badly off for a grievance when he informed his audience, " It is but the other day, "without your knowledge or consent, the " navigation of the St. Lawrence was ceded "forever to the United States." What a calamity! The navigation of the St. Lawrence up to Montreal, the head of ocean navigation, is open to all the nations of the world, and the navigation of the lakes and of the St. Lawrence within a few miles of Montreal was already as free to the United States as to Canada. The concession was literally of no value whatever, and was merely attacked on party grounds as all treaties have been during the last two centuries. We do not object in the least to the cultivation of that "national spirit" which Mr. Blake so much admires. We have always objected to the "Canada First" party that their name has no proper significance, inasmuch as the interests of Canada are or ought to be the first object with every member of the Dominion Parliament. We believe that there is no in compatibility whatever in advocating the self-government of Canada under the system of Government which we enjoy under the British America Act, and at the same time cultivating a truly national spirit, relying with confidence that no Imperial Government will involve us in the horrors of war unadvisedly or unnecessarily. We infinitely prefer our present system, even thoughwe have no voice in determining the relations of the Empire with other countries, to one under which, for the sake of obtaining the small amount of influence which would fall to our share as a member of an Imperial federation, we would have to accept the liability of aiding in the maintenance of the army, navy and diplomatic service of the Empire, and surrender all our right to regulate our taxation according to our own views of what would be satisfactory to our people. As to the "Imperial Free Trade League," which it was the main object of "Empiricus" to recommend to Mr. Blake, it is not surprising that he kept it most carefully in the back ground. There is not the least reason to suppose that any considerable number of persons in Canada would favor any scheme of Imperial federation, and we do not believe that Canadian free traders, however much they may depend upon the

National Policy as embodied in the present tariff, would be prepared to substitute for it an Imperial free trade tariff together with the income tax, excise and stamp duties, accompanied by the burden of the Imperial establishments. We have only to remark, in conclusion, that the true test as to the state of public opinion is the action of Parliament. So long as no member, either of the party supporting the government or of that which constitutes the opposition, comes forward with a proposition favorable either to Imperial Federation or annexation, we shall feel justified in considering the advocates of those schemes as the promulgators of "political heresy." After writing the foregoing remarks on the essays of "Empiricus" we have an opportunity of perusing the remarks made by some English critics on the same essays, and which, of course, deal with the question at issue from an English point of view. It seems clear to us that the term "Imperial federation" is misunderstood by the English critics, who contemplate simply colonial representation in the Imperial Parliament as an equivalent for the assumption by the colonies of Imperial establishments and of the Imperial system of taxation. Such would not be "federation," which term contemplates union for common objects with subordinate legislatures for other than those which are Imperial. No proposal is likely to come from Canada for Imperial federation. A majority of the Irish representatives are favorable to Home Rule, but such a proposition obtains little support out of Ireland. There has never been a proposal in the Canadian Parliament for Imperial federation. The more the question is discussed the less attractive it will appear to the representatives of the Canadian people.

#### THE SUGAR TRADE.

We believe that a good deal of misapprehension prevails on the subject of the mode adopted by the Government of levying the ad valorem duty on raw sugar. It cannot but strike any one at first sight that, when the Government has adopted a policy of encouraging direct importation from the place of growth, and has waived the duty on packages and other charges at the port of shipment, it would be only fair to deduct likewise the export duty. Practically such deduction would operate most unfairly, inasmuch as export duties are an exception to the general rule, and these duties have been resorted to mainly because they have been found to be the most convenient mode of levying a tax on the proprietors of sugar estates. In many

of the British Colonies there is no export tax, but it would be a great mistake to draw the inference that the proprietors of sugar estates in those colonies are not taxed just as heavily in other ways as those who are subjected to an export tax. That tax forms an item in the cost of the production of sugar just as much as the cost of labor, coal and other incidental expenses, and the effect of deducting it would simply be to place the proprietors in colonies which impose export duties on a better footing than those where no such tax is imposed. It is well understood that, as sugar is the staple article of export in all the tropical colonies, all those who manufacture it have to compete in the markets of the world on precisely the same footing. In many of the colonies special taxes have been levied on the employers of labor to defray the cost of Indian and Chinese immigration. It must be obvious that if those who pay their share of such cost in the shape of an export duty were to obtain a refund by introducing their sugar into a common market on more favorable terms than those who live in colonies where no such tax has been imposed, great injustice would be done. We have in the foregoing remarks treated the question as between one or two British Colonies which impose export duties, but the Foreign Colonies of Cuba and Porto Rico also impose them, and the effect of deducting the export duties from the invoice value would be to establish a differential duty against British, and in favor of Foreign Colonies, and would, of course, lead to retaliation on the part of the former. Export taxes certainly ought in no case to be deducted from the value for duty.

#### THE LAW OF GENERAL AVERAGE.

A decision was recently rendered by the Queen's Bench in England, in the case of Atwood and others vs. Sellar & Co., which has reversed the practice and usage of the best average adjusters for the past 70 or 80 years. The ship Sullivan Sawin sailed from Savannah to Liverpool on the 10th February, 1877, and encountered severe weather, in consequence of which a general average sacrifice became necessary, and was made by cutting away the foretopmast, the fall of which occasioned further damage to the vessel. The ship was thereby compelled to put into Charleston for repairs. To effect the repairs, and to enable the ship to complete her voyage, it was necessary to discharge a portion of the cargo, and expenses were incurred in landing, warehousing and re shipping it. Further expenses were incurred at Charleston for pilotage and other charges in

respect of the ship leaving Charleston and proceeding on her voyage. The vessel completed her voyage and discharged her cargo at Liverpool.

The question which arose for decision in the case was, whether the plaintiffs,—who were the ship owners,—were entitled to have the expenses of warehousing that portion of the cargo which was discharged at Charleston, and the expense of re-shipment of it, and the pilotage, port charges and other expenses incurred at Charleston in respect of the ship leaving that port and proceeding on her voyage to Liverpool, or any, and if so which, of such expenses, brought into general average.

The plaintiffs contended that all of them should be brought into general average. The defendants, on the contrary, maintained that, by the law and usage in England, none of the expenses in question were the subject of general average but were particular average; the expense of warehousing being particular average on cargo, and the expense of re shipment of the cargo and pilotage, port charges, &c., being particular average on freight.

Chief Justice Cockburn and Mr. Justice Mellor held in favor of the plaintiffs, inasmuch as the expenses were incurred for the benefit of all parties, and arose from a loss threatening the interests of all.

Mr. Justice Manisty dissented from the judgment on the ground that the practice of average adjusters for so long a time must be deemed to have become a mercantile usage, and as such to have the force of law.

#### THE QUEBEC FINANCIAL STATE-MENT.

We intimated in our last issue that we would take an early opportunity of referring to the Quebec Treasurer's exposition of the state of the finances, and we have endeavored, after a careful examination of the public accounts submitted to the Legislature, to form some conclusion as to the future. It has happened most unfortunately that, owing to the violence of party spirit, caused by the circumstances which led to the change of ministry in 1878, the gentlemen who took part in the discussion were principally engaged in attacking the administration of their opponents, and in defending their own. For our own part we are not inclined to fasten any special responsibility on either of the political parties for the railway expenditure, which is the sole cause of our financial embarrassment. The interest on the debt, including sinking fund and charges, is estimated for the current year at nearly \$700,-000, while in the year 1877-8 it was less by \$200,000. If Mr. Langelier's estimate should be realized, and that he should obtain a bona fide net revenue from the North Shore Railway of \$200,000, he will be no worse off than before the increase of the debt.

The Joly Administration cannot be denied the credit of having endeavored to reduce the expenditure of the Province. On comparing the expenditure of 1877-88 with the estimates for 1879-80, it will be found that, although the charge for the debt is about \$200,000 greater, the aggregate estimated expenditure is about \$86,000 less. It would certainly have been more satisfactory to have had the expenditure of the year recently closed more in detail than we find it in the public accounts submitted to the Legislature. Under the head of public instruction we find that the diminution of nearly \$40,000 is effected by a reduction of \$15,000 in the cost of inspection, \$15,000 in the depository for books, maps, &c., \$4,000 Normal schools. and \$6,500 books for prizes. There is an increase in the schools for deaf and dumb of about \$2,500. There is also a small increase in the literary and scientific institutions. The expenses under the head Legislature, Civil Government, and Administration of Justice are estimated \$188,000 less than the expenditure under those heads in 1877-8. Under the head agriculture there is a saving of nearly \$37,000. There is a reduction on colonization roads of \$23,000, and under the head immigration and repatriation of \$23,000, while there is an increase of about \$10,000 under the special head of agriculture, about \$4,000 of which is for the "Journal of Agriculture." The public works estimate does not materially differ from the expenditure in 1877-78. There is a small increase under the head of charities. Under the head of collection and management of the revenues there is a new charge of \$25,000, being an estimate of the re-imbursements to insurance companies for stamps illegally collected.

We shall now turn to the estimates of revenue. The expenditure of the Province may fairly be estimated at \$2,600,000, with a probable increase for interest on debt. The subsidy is \$1,014,712. Crown lands, stamps and licenses may be estimated in round figures at \$850,000, and minor sources at \$136,000, making in all \$2, 000,000, or a deficiency of about \$600,000. Last year a claim on the Dominion Government amounting to \$500,000 was settled, which prevented a good deal of embarrassment. There has been not a little controversy regarding this item as to whether it should be included in the revenue for the year. The point in dispute is comparative-

ly of slight importance, as every one must be aware that such exceptional payments cannot be relied on, and it must be noticed that, in his estimates for the current year, Mr. Langelier calculates on obtaining \$550,000 from Ontario and the Dominion on account of unsettled claims. There are, likewise, in the revenue estimates \$10,000 from the borrowers of the old Quebec loan and \$200,000 from the Municipal Loan Fund and \$200,000 revenue from the railroads. Thus, out of the aggregate estimated revenue of \$2,-965,874, \$760,000 may be considered exceptional. Mr. Langelier's estimate shows a surplus of \$370,000, which, under the cir. cumstances, is not a subject for much congratulation. Assuming that there is likely to be a return from the railways of \$200,-000 net revenue, there will be deficiency of \$400,000 per annum, less whatever may be realized annually from the Municipal loan fund, and from the borrowers of the Quebec fire loan. How far the former can be utilized so as to yield a permanent annual revenue we are unable at present to judge. but there can be no doubt that the duty of the Treasurer is to find reliable "ways and means" to meet the necessary expenditure. There ought to be a saving effected by the abolition of the Legislative Council, and it would not be very difficult to reduce some of the other heads of expenditure.

We are bound to admit that both Mr. Langelier and his lamented predecessor have evinced a desire to make both ends meet without resorting to further taxa. tion; but, in justice to Mr. Church who always endeavored to maintain the credit of the Province, it must be borne in mind that he had not the good fortune to obtain the refunding of \$500,000 and \$550,000 to assist him in meeting his obligations. On the whole, we infer from Mr. Langelier's exposition, and from the accounts of the last two years and the estimates for the current year, that it is quite possible, with strict economy, to carry on the Government without the imposition of new taxes, but that there is great need for watchfulness and an absolute necessity for providing that the necessary expenditure shall be met by a revenue sufficient for the pur pose, and quite irrespective of exceptional refunds such as those which, during the last and present year, have been our protection from absolute bankruptcy.

#### NATIONAL CURRENCY.

We can assure the Guelph Herald that it shall not be our fault if the discussion of what we admit to be "a question of vast importance to the country" is carried on in other than a friendly spirit. There is, however, little use in engaging

in controversy unless there is a clear understanding as to the question at issue. We should like to be informed by the advocates of a "National Currency," as they term it, what they propose that the Government issuer should promise to pay. At present the issuers of notes promise to pay a certain number of dollars on demand. When the notes are issued by the Government they are redeemable in gold on demand; when issued by the banks they are redeemable either in gold or in legal tenders convertible into gold. It is to us most extraordinary that the Guelph Herald should persist in asserting that it is keeping up a fiction to speak of our bank notes as redeemable in gold, simply because we have admitted that, if all the Bank notes in circulation were simultaneously presented for payment, it might be impossible to redeem them. Bank notes are absolutely indispensable to carrying on the ordinary transactions of life, and it would be impossible to present them si. . multaneously. The issuers promise to pay them on demand and that demand is being constantly made, and as constantly met The objection is really to the credit system, which is based on promises to pay on a day fixed, when they assume the form of a bill of exchange or promissory note, or an open credit given to parties who are expected to pay at a future time. Of course if the promises are not fulfilled insolvency takes place and the estates of the defaulters have to be liquidated.

The bank note circulation is based on the certainty that there is a minimum of circulation which must be kept out to supply the requirements of the public, and, so long as that circulation is redeemable in gold on demand, it will not become redundant, because all notes issued beyond the public requirements will be returned in a very short space of time for redemption. The Guelph Herald wholly misconceived us if he imagined that "we felt constrained to admit that such a currency "(Government) would be thoroughly "sound, "even if there were not gold "to redeem it." Our contention was directly the reverse. We hold that no currency which is not redeemable in coin on definand is sound, and that, if convertibility be required, it is a question of secondary importance whether the Government or the banks or both be the issuers. The principal object is to economize the use of gold by the substitution of a paper currency of equivalent value. The Guelph Herald evidently feels that there is a screw loose about his system, for he says "with such a currency (Government)" there would be no need for gold "except such as would be needed to ad"just foreign balances, and the amount "needed for that purpose could easily be "provided by Government." Now the foregoing sentence contains an admission of all that we contend for. It is precisely to settle foreign balances that gold is required, and, in order to obtain it, there must be strict convertibility.

We have witnessed during a period of years the lamentable consequences of an inconvertible currency in the United States during which period its value in gold was fluctuating from day to day with immense variations during a period of years. During that time all transactions on time were necessary of a most speculative character, as no one could form an idea what the value of the currency would be when the time for payment should arrive. We purposely waived all discussion as to the merits of a paper currency issued by chartered banks and one issued by the Government because we consider the real question at issue to be whether the currency shall be convertible or inconvertible. If the present advocates of a national currency really mean by that term a currency convertible into gold on demand, like our present Dominion notes, then the discussion would be very much simplified: but we are under the impression that the proposal has been that the national notes should be convertible into lands in the North-West; and how with such a currency the foreign balances could be adjusted we own that we are at a loss to comprehend. We have heard very recent rumors connecting Sir Alexander Galt's mission to England with a National bank, but we have no faith in their correctness. The Government most certainly would never dream of undertaking a bank of discount and deposit; they have a bank of issue already, and are not likely in such times as these to add to the commercial depression by forcing the banks to withdraw their issues.

#### THE CONSOLIDATED BANK.

The Consolidated Bank has drawn in its outposts at the eleventh hour, after the main body has suffered almost total annihilation. All the branches, with the exception of Toronto, Belleville and St. Hyacinthe, will be closed this week and it will be very lucky indeed if we are not compelled ere long to write an obituary notice of these as well, if nothing more, It is only those who look behind the scenes that can form any idea of the difficulties attending such a state of things, and the men whose shoulders are now to the wheel enjoy anything but sinecures. Considerable distress is likely to follow such a contraction of business,

and it is not improbable that the ordinary number of failures will be augumented during the next few days. These, however, have not been unexpected by the trade for some time, and will have little interest beyond exposing the weak spots in the business of the concern,-some of those accounts in which the principal had long been a foregone conclusion and which, for one reason or other, besides paying high rates of discount, were carried on from year to year, hoping the rotten concerns would heal themselves in time. In cases where the business of the branch has been transferred to another bank there are many accounts which it were impossible to carry and which no bank should have nursed so long.

Although there are slight instances of mismanagement at some few of the branches, it is at the head offices that the great mischief has been done. The former were regularly inspected, and errors rectified and prevented. When, however, over a year ago, the inspector wrote to the general manager in Montreal for permission to inspect the Toronto office, and no reply thereto was ever received, it was to be understood that any application looking to an inspection of the Montreal office would not be entertained. And yet it is boldly asserted that the late general manager had no suspicion that the, in many cases, sole support of numbers of widows and orphans-trust funds committed to his management to the amount of over three million dollars-was rapidly slipping through his hands. It may be urged in reply, perhaps, that the dignity of office was of some importance, and that no manager would care to submit to an examination of his accounts by an inferior officer.

But what shall be said of the directors,those who depended so much upon the sagacity of their general manager? Their position is not an enviable one, and it is not likely to improve. The ability of one of them at least had become almost proverbial; but there are, we fancy, few men in Canada to-day who suffer more keenly from the reflection that, with all their experience, knowledge and ability, they contributed towards the wreck by trusting so much to the vigilance of their chief officer, and perhaps one other in the bank. It is not at all likely that men of such a stamp will rest quietly under the stings of public opinion; and it is not improbable that some effort will be made to make the parties on whom rests the chief responsibility for such a terrible wreck suffer in some degree for the mischief which so well they brewed.

Much of the mischief, apart from any

personal responsibility, is due to the latter day application of warehouse receipts in banking. The original intention of the Act was to facilitate the transfer of large quantities of goods, especially grain, which few persons had sufficient means to handle without such advances from the banks, and which, in return, held a lien to that amount upon the merchandise until the money was paid. But when goods are bought, placed in warehouses, and money advanced upon them by the bank, it is an application of the Act which could never have been foreseen by the framers; it is simply degenerating the science and practice of banking into a system of pawnbroking, a system by which any man may import goods on credit, place them in a bonded warehouse, pledge them to a bank for as much as he can raise upon them. cross the border with the proceeds; or he may borrow money to buy the goods and handle them in such a way that the bank may advance again upon them in the ware. house; or false receipts may be used; or goods cleverly exchanged by which a plated article may be substituted for a genuine, or a case of penny whistles take the place of a case of jewellery or watches; and he may remain and boldly defy the bank to exhibit its own incapacity and weakness by publicly exposing the affair. Thus is fraud encouraged; and men of honor and probity, who suffer indirectly through such transactions, are left to wonder whether honesty is the best policy

But there are likely to be some "curious disclosures" ere long; and it will go hard but some of the parties, and perhaps one or two men least suspected, may be made acquainted with the inside of a prison wall, where they may have time to ponder over the outrages committed against thousands of innocent people whose means of existence have been irretrievably lost by their machinations.

Since penning the above we learn that the bank closes its doors this (Friday) morning against further business. The failure of another wholesale dry goods firm will probably follow immediately.

#### GRAIN TRANSPORTATION.

The JOURNAL has several times during the past year called attention to the reduction of tolls on the New York State canals, and to the increased business the changes were likely to lead to. The Comptroller of the State estimates that the reduction of tolls in 1878 increased "busi-"ness in the State to the amount of "twelve millions of dollars, and that the "increased tonnage of the canals caused

"the loading of 1,000 vessels at the port of New York; as the average expenditure of a sailing vessel while in port is \$2,000, the increased canal traffic caused two millions to be expended by sea gother ing vessels alone." Yet, the increase of business on the canals has not kept pace with that of the railroads, and as a carrier canal navigation is relatively on the decline.

The receipts of grain at tide water at Albany by the Eric and Champlain canals, from the opening of navigation to the first week in June last, compared with receipts by the Central and Eric Railroads, are as follows:

	Canals, 1879.	Rail.
	Bushels.	Bushels.
Wheat	2,633,300	4,442,341
Corn	2,825,900	5,930,164
Oats	163,500	1,742,381
Rye	556,200	136,466
Flour in bushels	1,000	6,313,478

6,179,900 18,564,830

a total of 24,744,730 bushels, the transportation of which is divided between the canals and the railways, in the proportion of 24.96 per cent. to canals and 75.04 per cent. to railways, against a total of 22,003,-033 bushels last year for the corresponding period, apportioned as follows: 65.53 per cent. to canals and 34.47 per cent. to railways. The cause of this great falling off in the relative traffic of the canals is easily explained. The canals are still substantially the same as they were twenty years ago. It is clearly useless to overload the boats, or to double the teams, or to increase the number of boats. Attempts to get out of the present canals of the State of New York more work than they can do, must of course be futile. Railroads on the other hand have been continually and greatly improved. The railroads have steel rails, additional tracks, better rolling stocks, more ample depots, increased facilities for handling bulky Railroad men have learned freights. that carwheels earn money only when in motion, and lose it when still. In other words, the long distance freight, although at the lowest rates, combining the maximum of motion with the minimum of standing still and of handling cost, is in general more profitable than the shortdistance freight, although the latter pays a higher rate per mile. This fact explains why increase of carrying capacity, increase in tonnage of bulky freights, and decrease of cost and rates of carrying, have been going together. On the other hand,the canals, having reduced their tolls without making improvements, have been and are losing.

Quite a different exhibit is shown by the water roads of Canada. With the thirteen feet of water on the mitre sills of the locks, the canals of this country have nothing to fear from railroad competition and the large propellers using the Welland canal; and the barges of twenty thousand bushels capacity loaded at Kingston for this port guarantee to the water roads of the country a traffic the railroads cannot affect. The following table exhibits a division of the grain-carrying traffic between the canals and the railroads quite different from the figures for the State of New York.

Receipts of grains at Montreal since the opening of navigation to the 16th of July, 1879.

Wheat, 1	Bushe	ls	By Rai .354.750	l. By Canals. 2,300,356
Corn			. 29,311	
Peas	u		. 33,836	
Oats	"		7,058	43,902
Barley	. u	••••••	2,957	14,138
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1.44%		100	427,912	4,858,120

a total of 5,286,032 bushels, of which 91.90 per cent. has been brought to the seaboard by canals, while in the State of New York only 24.96 per cent. was so forwarded. The water roads are still our principal thoroughfares for the products of the Great West, and to the liberal expenditures of the Government for their maintenance and improvement Canada owes the continuance of her export trade.

At the general meeting of the Grand Trunk Railway, held, on the 7th instant, in London, Sir Henry W. Tyler, chairman, made known the intentions of the Board of Directors as to the disposal of the funds derived from the sale of the Rivière du Loup section of the line to the Canadian Government: the Company proposed to secure for their road independent Western connections. To this end the purchase of the Flint and Port Huron sections, about forty-seven miles long, was recommended. By means of that line the Company would make valuable connections in Michigan, and might speedily extend their lines to Chicago. Another scheme is to secure the line from Toledo to Detroit, with the hope of connecting with other lines not under the control of Mr. Vanderbilt; the statement of the chairman closed with the confession that the amount to be received from the Canadian Government will not enable the Company to complete the line from Port Huron to Chicago, and that money must be obtained to carry on successfully the scheme of the directors.

The Canadian canals, after the completion of the enlargement, will have three times their present capacity, and vessels carrying sixty thousand bushels will load at Chicago for Kingston or Montreal direct, at about one third the present cost. Let the enlargement be completed and St. Lawrence navigation will successfully compete for freight to the sea-board despite all pooling arrangements by railroad magnates.

— An error in transcription in our reference to the affairs of the Grand River Mutual Fire Insurance Co. last week was not discovered until a portion of the edition had been struck off. The error was glaring and confusing to an extent to render the figures given quite valueless, and we find it necessary for the guidance of those who may have received uncorrected copies to submit the Entire Exhibit anew.

ASSETS, DEC., 1878.  Cash at head office, in bank, or agents  hands	193
Total actual assets	229
Total actual liabilities	808 047 66
Losses paid during the year accruing subsequent to previous statement  Taxes	713 375 205 12 8 697 322
Total expenditure\$1,	619

# Correspondence.

MERCANTILE AGENCIES.

To the Editor Journal of Commerce.

DEAR SIR,-Your article in last week's issue not uncalled for, and the case quoted is only one of many. A gentleman of my acquaintance, who started business nearly two years ago under the most favorable auspices, having served a term of apprenticeship for some years before embarking in it, and holding an unblemished character, has never been given any "rating," although possessed of a capital of \$15,000, and in his case the Agencies cannot plead utter ignorance of his position; they have frequently solicited a subscription from him, and would have had little or no difficulty in verifying his statements had they taken the trouble to do so. I could mention more cases of equal injustice, but would only trespass on your space. It appears to me, however, that the remedy you suggest is quite inadequate. In many cases the party has no means of ascertaining whether justice is done him or not, unless he can induce some friend to break faith with the Agencies in divulging their reports, and he can only feel that some malign influence is at work against him, manifested by a want of confidence where he might consider himself justly entitled to it. That the Agencies have great difficulty in ascertaining the true position of some business men no one will deny, but it is obviously their duty to ask for evidence in support of a man's statement if they require it,

and not for him to bring his Title Deeds and Bank deposit receipts to their office for inspection, in order to have simple justice done to him. You mentioned your intention in a former issue to favor us with an article on Mercantile Agencies "as they ought to be"; such an article would be of considerable interest to the majority of your subscribers, and I hope to see it ere long. I remain your obedient servant, Cooksville, Ont., July 28, 1879. MERCATOR.

### Linancial and Commercial.

GENERAL MARKETS.

THURSDAY, July 31, 1879.

Actual business through the week has been dull. The unsettled condition of the grain market in Liverpool and Chicago, noticed more at length in our flour and grain report, renders our dealers timid, and restricts business to that caused by the constant but light demand for consumption. The causes which have brought about the present lower and drooping prices for wheat are in part permanent, and in part temporary, in character. The better weather and improved crop prospects abroad must be accepted as a corrective of the rather wild talk about high prices that was becoming general, but, on the other hand, the present condition of speculation in Chicago is not enduring, and to the extent that such a factor has served to depress prices, reaction, in the absence of new elements, should be looked for. Under any circumstances the European crop will be a poor one, and the world's supply will be inadequate to meet the ordinary demand. If such disparity has not already been counterbalanced by adjustment of prices, an ultimate advance would seem inevitable. Some special interest has been given to the hop market by the continuance of causes adverted to last week and further touched upon under the appropriate heading in these columns. Money continues easy at rates heretofore given, 5 per tent. on call, 6 per cent. on time, and 7 per cent. discount on good commercial paper. stock market, the panicky decline in the shares of the Consolidated Bank has been a feature of absorbing interest. The announcement of the several failures occasioned by this bank's new departure, involving, as they do, enormous sums of money, have been received by the business. ness community with a remarkable degree of While many are really surprised at the magnitude of the liabilities of the insolvents to the Consolidated Bank, the true condition of affairs has been so well divined that the general comment upon each new disclosure might be epitomized in the words." I thought as much." A very notable circumstance in connection with these failures and the panic in Connection with these lattites and the panic in Consolidated Bank shares is, that causes which would ordinarily be prolific of concern and cisaster on the Stock Exchange have been almost, if not absolutely, without disturbing effect. The general list has fairly maintained the advance reported a week ago, and, although have and there at times there have been ago. here and there, at times, there has been a frac-tional giving way, at no time has the recession been without the character of a natural re-action from the advance. These things are significant, and it is impossible to avoid the conclusion, that, notwithstanding the repeated exposes of insolvency, now making the commercial community at large, is, at least, on a safe and solid basis. The failures, truly, discover a deplorable condition of affairs, but it is a condition not born of to-day, but of months and area reases back and therefore installing. and even years back, and, therefore, rightfully has little or nothing to do with the business of to-day. The following are the sales of bank shares reported through the week: 238 Mon-

treal at 1374 to 137½ to 137½; 235 Merchants at 75 to 76½; 539 Commerce at 107 to 108 to 107½; 10 Ontario, at 63½; 6 Toronto at 110½; 60 Exchange at 34 to 33 to 34; 75 Jacques Cartier at 62; and 449 Consolidated at 25 to 15. The following sales of Emiscellaneous stocks are also reported: 105 Richelieu Navigation at 44 to 44½ to 44; 160 City Gas at 116½ to 116 to 117 to 116½; 50 City Passenger at 83; and 511 Montreal Telegraph at 91½ to 88 to 90 to 89½. To-day's sales on the Stock Exchange were as follows: 347 Consolidated Bank at 14½ to 15½; 10 Merchants Bank at 76½; 8 Bank of Montreal at 137 to 137½; 95 Richelieu Navigation at 45 to 44½; 25 City Passenger Railway at 83; and 12 Montreal Telegraph at 90. The exceptionally large sales of Consolidated Bank stock during the past few days are traced in great part to a prominent city bank, and various conjectures as to the occasion of the unloading are offered Some attach significance to the fact that a leading financier is an official of both institutions; others claim that the shares are marketed on account of exhausted margins, and others, again, that the bank has heretofore held the shares in trust, but now, fearing liability, transfers them out of its name. All of these reasons are plausible; and, as they are in nowise inconsistent one with another, perhaps all of them have, to some extent, influenced the institution in reference to the course pursued. En revanche, the Consolidated Bank closed this evening.

Asues.—Receipts of Pots have been moderate, and with a good export demand have improved the sales of the week, ranging from \$3.52½ to \$3.60 for Firsts, and, in one or two instances, \$3.62½. Liverpool advices continue unfavorable. Seconds, \$2.10; Thirds, none. Pearls have advanced to \$6.25 to \$6.35 for Firsts. Receipts are growing larger under the influence of high prices. Receipts since 1st January, 6,057 brls. Pots and 669 brls. Pearls. Deliveries, 5,018 brls. Pots and 798 brls. Pearls. Stock in store at 6 o'clock on Wednesday evening, 2,162 brls. Pots and 109 brls. Pearls.

Boots and Shors—Goods are beginning to move on fall orders. The amount of orders placed up to present date are about the same as last year. There is a little disappointment on the part of dealers as to the requirements of the country trade, retailers not being disposed to place their Fall orders as freely as was expected, considering the great falling off in the production of Boots and Shoes during the past year. There is no doubt, however, that all the goods which can be made by factories now running will be required before the close of the Fall season.

Drugs and Chemicals.—In this line business has been exceedingly quiet since our last report, and there is no immediate signs of improvement. Reports by last mail from England show continued dullness there, also with a general tendency in buyer's favor; but, notwithstanding low prices and exceptionally low freights, or lers are very light.

Day Goops.—Orders for fall goods are becoming "gradually smaller and beautifully less," and the trade is rather disposed to grumble at the condition of business. Not only are very few goods selling, but the distressing system of cutting under is reported coming into vogue again. It was thought that the evils attending doing business at inadequate rates of profit had been latterly pretty well exposed, especially to the dry goods trade, but it would seem that the lesson has, in part at least, to be learned over again. Remittances are also very slow, slower than at any time for months past, and, altogether, the existing state of affairs is regarded as discouraging. Not so, however, with the authook. A good business is still, in many quarters, confidently anticipated later on, such expectations being well founded upon a fair crop to be marketed at fair prices.

FLOUR AND GRAIN. A marked change has

taken place in the general character of the grain market. The firmness, and even buoyancy, so long noticed in Liverpool has at last given way, and now lower prices and a downward tendency are reported. The weather upon the Continent has become settled, warm and dry, and in every way favorable for the crops. The gloomy forebodings as to the harvest are now less widespread, and, while it is certain that there will be a short supply, and therefore a more or less considemble European demand, the calculations as to the extent of the deficit have undergone a good deal of revision. The Chicago market has also lost the upward reaction noticed last week, and is now flat and heavy, partly in sympathy with European advices, and partly through the staggering effects of the heavy unloading now concerted to have been effected by the great speculative clique represented by James Keene. Prices in our own market have followed at a great distance the changes as reported from Liverpool and Chicago, but buyer and seller persist in holding widely different views, and make such a gap in quotations that little or no business is done. Canada Spring No. 2, quoted at \$1.08 to \$1.10, a week ago, has been nominally above and below that range since, and is now \$1.00 to \$1.08, the apparent fluctuations giving rise to no transactions so far as we have been able to learn. We should mention in this connection that spring wheat is reported infested with the red grub, in some sections with resultant damage of no little extent, and that excessive rain has occasioned complaints here and the of mildew and rust. Canada Red Winter No. 2 has been quoted through the week from \$1.14 to \$1.16 down to present price, \$1.10 to \$1.11. Course grains have remained steady, and a fair business is reported in oats at 33c. to 34c. on cars, the course of the market rather favoring the higher figure. Pens have been done at 80c., and the quotations generally made is 78c. to 80c. Corn in bond is about 45c., quotations taking the range from 442c. to 452c. A very fair business has been done in flour at varying, but, on the whole, firm prices We note sales of Spring Extra at different prices from \$4.85 to \$4.95, the EXTR At different prices from \$4.85 to \$4.95, the last reported transactions being at \$4.90; Superior Extra, free sales at \$5.25 · Extra at \$5.10; Strong Baker's, \$5.15 to \$5.25; • Medium Baker's, \$5.00 to \$5.10; Choice Superfine at \$4.75; Fancy at \$5.00; City bags at \$2.50 to \$2.55, and Ontario bags at \$2.37). These prices are a complete guide to ruling quotations, for a full list of which see Prices Current. Ontenneal finds a rendy market in large lots at \$4.75, and smaller transactions are made above that figure, the quotations being \$4.75 to \$5.00. Cornneal is about \$2.50.

FREIGHTS .- A further advance in rates has taken place, and the market must be quoted firm. Shippers find themselves obliged to necede to asking rates, the supply of freight room being so limited that concessions are hardly thought of Engagements for heavy grain to Liverpool, London or Glasgow are made at 5s. to 5s. 6d. Butter and cheese are still taken at 30s. to 35s.. owing to the desirable character of such freight, and the absence of any special demand for room. There is but little stramer tonnage offering for charter, owners seeming disposed to hold off for still better rates. Most steamers arriving at still better rates. Most steamers arriving at this port are already fixed on the other side. We note one first-class steamer chartered at 5s. for grain to United Kingdom and another at 5s. Lumber vessels to United Kingdom can be had at 60s., and to the River Plate at \$14 to \$17. according to size. There is a fair enquiry \$17, according to size. There is a fair enquiry for cattle freight, and the tendency of rates is upward. We note shipments at £3 15s. and as high as £4. Sheep are taken at 6s. 6d. to

Faurrs.—The berry season is pretty well over, and the last oranges to arrive this season have been disposed of. The fruit market has, in consequence, been very quiet, and would have been lifeless were it not for the rather free arrival of new apples and pears. Pears from the States are quoted at \$6 per barrel and apples at \$3

to \$3.50; Canadian apples per barrel, \$3.50 to \$4. The Sardinian is just in with a supply of lemons, which will be put on the market at prices varying from \$5 to \$7 per case, according to variety.

GROCERIES .- Magnificent weather we are now being favored with and most advantageous to general interests. Prospects favorable, with fair amount of business doing. Sugars remain steady, with active demand both for Muscovadoes and Refined. Burbados, 6½c to 6½c. for equal to a moderate cargo 6½c has been refused; Porto Rico, 6½c for low to 7½c for choice; Yellow Refined, 7½c to 8½c; Granulated, choice; Yellow Refined, 74c to 84c; Granulated, 84c to 94c; Refinery, price in quantity is 83c this term. Teas.—There is a regular trade doing at full prices for desirable Teas, including Young Hysons. Motasses—Business light on about previous basis. Surups nominal. Rice, \$4.05 to \$4.35. Coffees.—For high class Java market is from 27c to 30c; Mocha, 31c to 35c; Jamaica, 181c to 20c. Chemicals—Bi-carb Soda dull. \$2.85 to \$3.00; Sal Soda, 95c to \$1.10. Spices—In Nutmegs and Cloves from acroad comes intimations of full prices; Pepper is steady, also Pimento and Ginger. Fruits-Reports from fruit countries are at hand. French crops show unfavorably, but from Spain and Greece the reports are, on the whole, good. Nominally the market here is as before, but business, as usual at this season, is light. Almonds likely will remain high. Figs and Sultana likely will remain high. Figs and Sultana Raisins, will probably be fair as to returns and moderate in prices for new crop. Salt—Coarse is not at the moment in active demand, but is held at 47½c to 53c for 10's. Factory filled 95c to \$1.05.

HARDWARK - The stir occasioned by the error in reckoning duty, noticed last week, has entirely died away, and the trade is without animation. The ordinary run of scattering orders for sorting-up purposes, or to supply accidental requirements, and that continues through the year independently of seasons, is quite as good this year as customarily and is accepted as satisfactory by the trade generally. We note in some quarters a confident expectation of improved business in the fall, based on the probability of a good crop, to be disposed of at good prices.

HIDES.—The quotations for Green Butchers are unchanged, and the demand has become very slow. Lambskins have advanced, and can now be safely quoted at 50c. The business doing is on all bands reported very light, and the market without features of special interest.

Hors.—The active inquiry and surface excitement noted last week has somewhat abated, or, more accurately, has taken another phase. The desire to buy on speculative account may be just as eager, but it is certainly better concealed than a week ago. New operators in the hopmarket have learned a lesson that older dealers would have taught them for the asking, namely, that the way not to buy hops is to bid for them. Hop growers have constantly in mind the wide fluctuations to which this produce has ever been subject, and, upon the first inkling of a demand from any source, regardless of the occasion for it, they at once adopt a schedule of impossible We have been permitted to see private mail advices from the Eastern Townships stating that a fair supply of yearlings could in all probability be picked up quietly in that region at 6c. to 8c., but none could be bought at all if basty or open bidding were resorted to. On the other hand there were parties here in town who would gladly give perhaps 2c. more than the prices named for the hops in question. Last year's crop, however, is not what is wanted. The special demand is for hops of prime quality, and the crop of '78 was a long way off from that. It is picked up now only incidentally to a speculative demand for the new crop expected, to set in befo e harvesting is completed. Already there is some inquiry for contracts, and some transactions have taken place at figures not authoritatively given out, but understood to be at about 10c. Growers, however, are loth to sell on contract, and efforts

to purchase in this way hardly meet with sufficiens encouragement to justify their continu-nnce. The notion, for one reason and another, seems to be pretty well scattered abroad that the coming crop should bring 15c., and we doubt if any active trading could now be done in contracts below that figure. Harvesting, however, does not beg'n either here or in England until about the close of this month, and there is yet time for a favorable change of weather and, consequently, a finer yield than is now anticipated. A leading dealer, with a twinkle of humor in his eye, admitted to us that he thought the widest possible publicity with regard to dealings, prices, and so on, is desirable for all interests in all trades except the hop trade. We need hardly say that we fully concurred with him excepting his exception.

LIVE STOCK.—The arrivals of live stock last week were 52 loads of cattle, 64 double-deck car loads of sheep, 770 hogs, and 58 horses. At the St. Gabriel Market last Monday the demand for medium cattle was anything but good, 5 loads were transferred to the Viger market. The folwere transferred to the Viger market. The following sales were made: 47 head of cattle at \$50 each; 10 do. at \$46.50 each; 17 do. at \$40 each; 6 do. for \$200; 6 do. for \$180; 2 do. for \$100, and 6 do. for \$240. The above-mentioned cuttle, amounting to 94 head, were for shipment on Wednesday last per SS. "Prince Edward." A few minor sales were made. The business in

hogs was not brisk.

Horses.—The number of horses shipped to the United States, through the United States' Consulate-General's office, for the year ending June 30, was 6,632, against 5,145 for the preceding year; increase, 1,487; total value, \$491,235.90; against \$395,211.48; increase, \$96,024.42. Fine serviceable horses are scarce. It is understood that many good animals will arrive here from Ontarious receipts as the copps are in Shipments. Ontario as soon as the crops are in. Shipments for the week: July 22, 5 horses, \$242; July 23, 17 do., \$1,161; 19 do. \$1,344; 11 do. \$753; 7 do. \$457.50; 7 do. \$550; 9 do. \$679.50; 20 do. \$1,828; July 25, 4 do. \$260. Two small borses were sold at the local market for \$40 each.

LEATHER. - Business throughout the past week has been rather quiet, sales being confined to small lots. Holders are looking forward to a more active trade. Hides continue in good demand.

LUMBER.—This market has been so long inanimate that it is a relief and a pleasure to note shipments from Hochelaga for the River Plate of about 900,000 feet white board pine. of which the schooner Reter Crerar takes 530,000 feet and the Deodata 370,000 feet. Freight rates for these cargoes are not definitey given, but are understood to be about \$15. We note further the charter of the Ringwood, 320 tons, for a cargo of white pine, also for the River Plate, at \$17 to sail from Quebec.

Oils.—Have been dull during the past week. Some lots out of the large importations have, however, been placed at 423c for 20 to 25 bbl lots for S. R. Seal Oil. The current figure in 1 or 2 brl lots is 47½c. In other oils there is very little doing. Naval Stores.—Turpentine is a little stiffer in New York, without, however, affecting prices here, which are 41c to 42½c in brls. Turs and Rosins are dull. Paints are in fair demand.

Provisions - Butter .- The market is demoralized, and very little business passing excepting for choice lots of Creamery, which is mostly in the hands of one dealer, and consequently the demand is mainly speculative. Cnoice Townships are freely offered at 111c, but shippers do not seem disposed to take hold suppers to not seem disposed to take hold even at this figure, and do not offer more than 11c for selections. If there are any sales above 11c, they are of a retail character. We note sales of several lots of Choice Morrisburg at 11c to 111c for selected. The outlook at present does not look bright, and, until we get a better shipping demand, we need not look for much if our internations. much, if any, improvement.

Cheese .- With lower cable advices the mar-Cheese.—With lower cable advices the market is very much depressed, and buyers seem less anxious to operate. The New York market continues to decline, and choice lots are being freely offered there at 54c to 55c.; this has also had the effect of still further depressing matters, and at the close of the week it would be difficult to give accurate quotations. We note sales of 900 boxes, said to be an exceptionally fine lot at 53c, also several lots of fine July 15c. 5c. boo boxes, said to be an exceptionally line lot at 52c., also, several lots of fine July at 5c to 54c., and the latter price may now be considered the very extreme, and quite a quantity could be obtained at litss inoney. We note in an evening contemporary the following comments on the market:—"There is little or no business doing, and the consequence is, dealers entertain very different views. Some, in spite of the fact of a constantly declining market in England, quote late prices, and the views of country holders are enhanced, whilst some continue to buy at lower prices. Producers are beginning to distrist dealers, and a good deal of complaint is being heard. We quote as a fair range 42c to 54c, with occasional exceptional sales above the latter figure. A large lot would not, however, be sold for export above quotations. Business will not improve until lower prices are acreserved, acts of the prove until lower prices are accepted." We see no reason why producers should distrust dealers, as it is not difficult to prove the nurket or sales which take place from time to time here. We think the real cause of the trouble is the fact that some dealers will pay more money in the interfer than on the spot, and this will undoubtedly mislend Factorymen who send their produce Mere for sale. We hear of several reported contracts of season's make made in the interior this week at Age for May, 53c for June aild July, and 73c for August, September and October makes; also several factories at 6c for July and 7c for balance of season. This will undoubtedly have a tendency to excite some holders, but the more prudent ones will keep stocks moving at correct rates, which will enable them to obtain better firgures for their Vall makes. This system of contracting Cheese before they are made cannot be too strongly condemned, and has an injurious effect upon the trade generally, for, if the market declines, some dealers are so unprincipled as to shirk their responsbillities-as was the case in Brockville and some other sec-tions last season. There is also a tempta-tion placed in the way of the producer, when he sells at a high figure and the market recedes, to borrow milk from his neighbors, thus giving the would be contractor "too much of a good thing," while, on the other hand, not unfrequently does it happen when factories are contracted at so low a figure that the quantity of the season's make is smaller than expected, for reasons best known to the producer. If contracting is to be continued we would suggest that a sufficient deposit be made by irresponsible parties—otherwise we shall have a repetition of last season's disgraceful practices—but our advice to Factorymen would be to dispose of the make as cured, and not run the risks in connection with contracting, which is nothing more or less than a species of gambling. Latest cable advices report a fair enquiry at 31s to 32s for Finest, with a good many sales at less money. Little Falls, July 28—For the shipping grades of Cheese 54c. to 53c. was paid for extremes. There were sold 9,000 boxes of dairy; 536 boxes changed hands at 44c to 54c. At Utica, N.Y., July 28—10,500 boxes of Cheese were sold, ranging from 5c to 53c, average price 53, leading price 54c; 4,500 boxes consigned. At the Ingersoll market this week—Owing to the busy times for barvesting, very few factorymen preparties-otherwise we shall have a repetition of Ingersoll market this week—Owing to the busy times for harvesting, very few factorymen present. Eleven factories registered 2,745 boxes. Factorymen wanting 55c to 6c, and on account of the drop in the cable of 6d and the dull market in Little Falls and Utica, no transactions reported. Cable at 5 p.m. to-day, 32s 6d. The New York Bulletin of July 30th makes the following remarks regarding the New York Bushes New York Bulletin of July 30th makes the following remarks regarding the New York market: Receipts to-day, 20,172 pkgs. The general market shows a very flat sort of tone. There has been some increase of negotiations to-day and more business done, but the movement does not appear to be considered proportioned to the supply. On the very top for

choice quality 5c may be named. Good to fine cheese ranges about 5c to 53c, and beyond this rates are to a great extent nominal.

Wood.-The same character and tendency of market obtains this week as last. New fleece reaches dealers' hands in somewhat full supply and buyers are slow and timid. Prices are unchanged, but the bias of the market seems to be towards lower figures. Holders of foreign wool are pleased with an active and strong market reported from London and with the general character of advices from the Cape. The outlook is considered favorable to an enhancement of values though, as yet, the only effect produced is that of added confidence and a bracketic of the confidence. and a hardening of quotations heretofore given. We still quote Greasy Cape 16/2 to 17c for cash, and 17c to 17/2 on time.

#### TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, July 31.

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Market shows no improvement. Flour nominal, with Superior Extra worth \$5 and Extra worth \$4.80. Wheat inactive; No. 2 Spring offering at \$1.04, with no buyers. Other grades purely nominal. Outs steady at \$3½.c. to 3%c. for Eastern. Barley nominal, unchanged. Peas firmer and in demand, with sales of some small lots of No. 2 inspected at 65c. Wool inactive at former prices. Eggs unchanged at 9c for round lots and 10c for candied.

#### AMERICAN MARKETS.

Chicago, July 31, 1.05 p.m.—Wheat, Aug., 88½c; Sept., 88½; Corn, Augt., 34¾c; Sept., 85c. Onts, Aug., 23½c; Sept., 23½c; Pork, Augt., \$8.07½; Sept., \$8.17½; Lard, Augt., \$5.0½; Sept., \$5.05.

Milwaukee, 1.05 p.m. - Wheat, Aug., 89%c;

New York, 2.10 p.m.—Wheat, Aug., 50½c; Sept., 89¼c.
New York, 2.10 p.m.—Wheat, quiet and firm, Chicago, \$1.04 to \$1.05; Milwankee, \$1.04 to \$1.05; No. 2; Red, \$1.11½; Corn, quiet, Yoo. 2, 44½c. to 45; Pork, Aug., \$8.50; Sept., \$8.70; Oct. \$8.75. Lard, Augt., \$5.90; Sept., \$5.95; Dot. \$6.00 Oct. \$6.00.

#### ENGLISH MARKETS.

Liverpool and London, Beerbohm's Report, July 31st.—Floating Cargoes Wheat at opening quiet but steady. Floating Cargoes Corn strong. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, Wheat, quiet but steady. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, Corn, strong. No. of cargoes on passage to U. K., Wheat, 1,525,000 qrs. No. of cargoes on passage to U. K., Corn. 630,000 qrs. Weather in England showery. Liverpool Wheat spot, at opening firm for 2 to 1 Standard Cala. spot, at opening firm for 2 to 1 Standard Cala. Liverpool Corn, spot, firm.

Liverpool Press Report, July 31, 5 p.m.— Flour, 9s. 6d. to 11s. 3d.; Red Wheat, 7s. 10d to 8s. 11d.; Red Winter Wheat, 9s. 2d. to 9s. 8d; White do, 8s. 6d. to 9s. 8d.; Club, 9s. 6d. to 10s. Corn, 4s 5d. Peas, 6s. 1d. Pork, 48s. 6d. Lard, 31s. 6d. Cheese, 32s. 6d. Consols, 97 15-16; Erie, 29§; I. C. 92.

#### IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal per Grand Trunk Railway, Canal and River from 1st Jan. to 31st July,

18 61 81 G	10 (0 :		
		1878.	1879.
Ashes	brls	6,565	6,741
	brls	80,472	113,176
	bush		121,565
	boxes	4,323	9,755
	bush	3,337,290	2,289,794
	boxes		252,508
Flour	brls	449,832	403,062
Lard	brls	26,161	9,928
	bush		78,744
	brls		11,879
	bush		740,512
Pork	brls	19,713	5,779
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#### RECKIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes .- 162 brls. Pot, 69 brls. Pearl Butter.— 2,83 0brls.
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Barley.—— bustr.
Bacon.— 129 boxes
Corn.— 272,924 bush.
Cheese.— 24,073 boxes. Flour.— 17,897 brls. Lard.— 102 brls. Oats.— 168 bush. Oatmeal.— 24 brls. Peas.— 8,541 bush. Pork.— 305 brls. Wheat .- 171,000 bush.

#### EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st Jan. to 31st July, 1878 and 1879 :

	1848.	1879.
Ashes brls	4,884	4,587
Butter brls	60,589	83,514
Barleybush	126,504	28,965
Baconboxes	4,648	9,882
Cornbush	2,775,922	1,972,406
Cheeseboxes	181,434	237,745
Cattle	7,729	13,827
Flourbrls	154 857	190,391
Horses	428	163
Hogs	217	1,309
Lardbrls	10,436	5 363
Lumberfeet	1,113,288	6,230 099
Oatmealbrls	73,045	12,497
Ontsbush	514,676	61,670
Pensbush	872,298	998,162
Porkbrls	5,109	2,351
Sheep	7,312	33,474
Wheatbush	2,335,193	3,558,393

#### EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes .- 195 brls. Pot, 40 brls. Pearl. asnes.— 195 bris. Pol, Butter.— 6,739 bris. Barley.— 6 bush. Bacon.— 129 boxes. Corn.— 129,327 bush. Cheese.— 29,443 boxes Gattle.— 625. Flour .- 12,019 brls. Hogs.— 230. Horses.— 36. Lard.— 200 pris Lumber.— 448,080 feet. Oats .- 3,190 bush. Outmeal - 63 brls. Peas. - 66,739 bush. Pork. - 90 brls Sheep. 8,105. Wheat. 247,265 bush.

#### RAILWAY RETURNS.

Grand Trunk Railway.—Return of traffic for week ending July 26th, 1879, and the corresponding week, 1878.—Passengers, Mails, and Express Freight, \$63.008; Freight and Live Stock, \$91,495; Total. \$154,503. Corresponding week, 1878, \$147,864. Increase, 1879, \$6,639.

NORTHERN OF CANADA AND HAMILTON AND NORTH WESTERN RAILWAYS.—Traffic receipts for period ending 22nd July, 1879.—Passengers, \$5,796.62; Freight, \$13,344.47; Mails and Sundries, \$684.75 Total Receipts for current period 1879, \$19,825.84. Corresponding period 1878, \$16,655.18. Increase, \$3,170.66.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a DIVIDEND at the rate of

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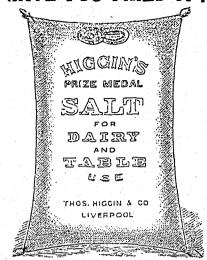
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Bootsand Shoes:	₹0. ₺0.	Dry Goods.	\$c. \$c.	Lybster Twills XX36 in	\$ c. \$ c. 0 00 0 11	$B_{ags}$ :—	\$ c. \$ c.
Men's Thick Boots	2 00 2 50	Valleyfield (blch'd)X30 in	0 00 0 071	Denims, blue & brown	0 00 0 171 0 00 0 15	2-ply 16 oz., per bale 3-ply 17 oz., "	0 00 26 50 0 00 29 50
" Split	1 25 1 50	"XX33 in	0 00 0 081	Checks, blue, brown, fe'y Chocks, Prince Victor	0 00 0 15	Yarus:-	0 00 20 00
" Kip Boots		" O36 in	0 00 0 083	Ticking, 28in. No. IX	0 00 G 133	Grey, per balo	0 00 50 00
" Cali Boots, peggod. " Kip Brogans		" OO36 in " EE36 rolt finish	0 00 0 091	" 30in. No. DI " 20in. No. CI	0 00 0 14	Colored "	0 00 70 00
" Split do	0 90 1 00	" OOO36 in	0 00 0 10	30in, No. BI	0 00 0 16	Carpet warp, white	0 00 50 00
Wom's Pebbled & BuffBale		"EEE36 soft finish. "BB36 ex. h'vv	0 00 0 10 0	" 80in, No. AI " 32in, No. AB	0 00 0 17½   0 00 0 19	colored	0 00 10 00
" Split do	0 90 1 10	" CC 86 in. (heavy).	0 00 0 114	" 32iu, No. AA .	0 00 0 20	Fish.	
" Prunella do " Inferior do		"L1 L 36 in. (fire) "BB 36 in. h'f bleh'd	0 00 0 13	Dundas (Grey Domestics), D 30 in.	0 00 0 063	£1811•	
" Cong. do	0 50 1 25	Hochelaga (Brown), G30		C 33 in	0 00 0 071	Green Cod, No. 1, 200 lbs.	0 00 0 00
" Buskins. do Misses'Pebbled & Buff Bale		in	0 00 0 004	B 36 in	0 00 0 081	Dry Codiish, American,	4 25 0 00
" Split do	75 1 00	" HHH36 in	0 00 0 081	AN 36 in (full)	0 00 0 054	Gaspé	5 00 5 25
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" Cong. do Childs' pebbled & B'ff B'ld		" M drilling	0 00 0 00	C 30 in	0 00 0 141	" Nos. 2 and 3	13 00 0 00 12 00 0 00
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		" AW 50 in	0 00 0 003	AA 33 in	0 00 0 22	" Small fall	0.00 (0.00)
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		" A B85 in	0 00 0 00	Blue AA	0 00 0 20	Smoked Salmon, per 1b	0.00.000
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Borax	0 11 0 124	"Twilled 36 in	0 00 0 12	" C	0 00 0 131	Boneless Codlish	0 6 0 64
Castor Oil	0 12 0 13 2 25 2 50	" Plain 72 in " Twilled 72 in	0 00 0 25	Brown AA	0 00 0 20	" Unke	0 4 0 4
Cream Tartar	0 27 0 30	Fancy Shirtings :		" ß	0 00 0 16		
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Quining	4 00 4 2C 1 75 1 90	Lybster No. 2, 32 in	0 00 26 50	Sheetings :-		Silver"	25 00 30 00 1 50 1 75
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Sal Soda	0 95 1 25	" No. 1, 35 in " XX36 in. full	0 00 0 094	No. 1 72 in. plain	0 00 0 244	Otter	1 25 1 75
Bleaching Powder	1 40 1 50	"Twills, 36 in	0 00 0 101	No. 1 72 in twill	0 00 0 333	Mink, Dark Prime	0 25 0 50

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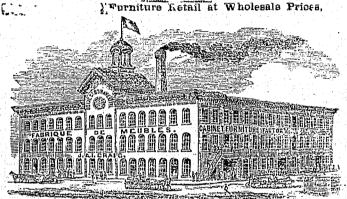


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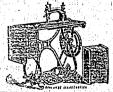
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Beaver, Winter, clean Pelt, per lb	\$ 0. \$ 0. \$ 0. \$ 0. \$ 0. \$ 0. \$ 0. \$ 0.	Barbadoesper lb. Yellow Redned	Rates.  \$ c. \$ c. 0001 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0	Sago	### (es. ###	Glass.  7; x 3; 7 x 9, 8 x 10	\$ c. \$ c.  1 50 1 06  1 60 1 70  1 95 2 95  0 18 0 19 0 19 0 20 0 27 0 29  2 85 0 00 3 15 0 00 3 40 0 00 3 50 0 00 4 75 0 00 3 65 0 00 7 50 6 50 6 00 6 00 7 50 6 50 6 00 0 00  7 25 6 25
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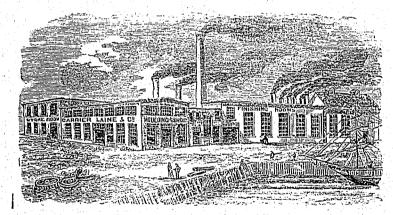
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Name of Article.  Flat & sharp pres'd N'ls:  1 and 1 in. per lb  1	Rates.  S. c. \$\frac{\pi}{\pi}\$ c. \$\pi\$ c. \$\pi	Anchers per lb Hides, per 100 lbs. (aliskins per lb. Lamb and Sheep Clips. Green Hide, No.1 "No.2 "No.8.  Leather (at 6 m'ths:) Span Sole, lst bry wis. Span Sole, lst bry wis. Span Sole, lst mid wis Do. No.2. Build No.1 lb. A. Sole, over wis. No. 1 lb. A. Sole, over wis. No. 2 lb. A. Sole. Buffalo Sole No.1. Do. do. 2. Slaughter, No. 1 Do. light Zanzibar No. 1 Do. No. 2 Harness, best "No.2 Upper heavy. "light Grained Upper. Red Upper. Red Upper. Red Upper. Red Upper. Red Upper. Sip Skins, Fronch. English. Ilemlock Calf. Do. light. French Calf. Fine Calf Splits. Stoga Splits. Stoga Splits. Stoga Splits. Stoga Splits. Leather Board, Canadian. Enamelled Cow,pr ft. Patient. Polished Grain.	Rates.  \$\frac{\pi}{\pi}\$ \cdot \pi	Ash, timber, M. Birch, 1 to 4 in., M. Birch, 1 to 4 in., M. Binsswood, &. Binskood, &. Binskood, &. Cedar, round, lineal foot. Cedar, square, lineal foot. Cedar, square, lineal foot. Eim, 1 to 4 in., M. Eim, Book, I to 4 in., M. Hemlock, 1 to 3 in., M. Hemlock, 1 to 3 in., M. Hemlock, 1 to 4 in., M. Maple, hard, M. Sort, do. Oak, M. Pine, good clear, M. 2nd quality, do. 3rd l'ine, sound flooring, plan. Pine, sound flooring, plan. Pine strips, planed, M. Pine, strips, planed, M. Pine strips, planed, 1 to 2 in., M. Pine, com 3 in. planed, M. Pine, com 3 in. planed, M. Pine, com 3 in. planed, M. Pine, timber, M. Spruce, 1 to 2 in., M. Spruce, planed, 1 to 2 in., M. Spruce, 1 to 2 in., M. Spruce, planed, 1 to 2 in., M. Spruce, 3 in., M. Oils. Cod Oil, Newfoundland Straits Oil—American Straw Scal. S. R. Pale Scal.	Rates.  \$ c. \$ c. 20 00 25 00 12 10 16 00 12 10 16 00 12 00 16 90 16 90 20 00 16 90 20 00 16 90 20 00 16 90 20 00 16 90 20 00 18 00 25 00 20 00 25 00 20 00 25 00 20 00 25 00 20 00 25 00 12 00 16 00 12 00 16 00 12 00 16 00 12 00 16 00 12 00 16 00 12 00 16 00 12 00 16 00 11 00 12 00 11 00 12 00 11 00 12 00 00 00 11 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	Olive Lucca, Flasks.  Spirits Turpentine, bris Winsle, refuned. Coal Oil, car lots.  "Single bbls Paints, &c. White Lead, gen., 100 lb. kegs.  "No. 1" White Lead, genuine, in Oil, per 25 lbs Do., No. 1.  "2.  White Lead, dry. Red Lead Venetian Red, Eng'h. Yel. Ochre, French Whiting Produce. Grain: Canada White, (No. 2.)  "Spring (No. 2.) Red Winter Oats Barley Peas per 66 lbs. Oatmeal. Corn Flax Seed, primo. Flav Seed, primo. Flav Seed, primo. Strong Bakers. Fanoy Spring Extra Superine Superine Superine Superine Superine Strang Superine Superine Superine Strang Superine	Rates. \$ c. 8 c. \$ c. 8 c. \$ 0. 9 c. \$ 0. 10 421. \$ 0. 70 0 75. \$ 0. 10] \$
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Prince of Wales, brand. Nelson's Navy 3's 6's & \frac{1}{2}'s. Black, Twist 12's. Mahlogany Chewing. Solace, Common. "Fair. "Good. Rough and Ready, in \frac{1}{4} bxs. Navy, 6's & 5's & 10's.	0 34 0 36 0 35 0 39 0 37 0 40 0 40 0 65 0 34 0 37 0 43 0 55 0 45 0 50 0 45 0 65	Pinet, Castillon & Co., gal. Co., ga	2 65 2 70 8 00 0 00 2 65 2 70 7 50 0 00 2 65 2 70 7 60 0 00 10 75 0 00 13 00 0 00	Faure freres case "Sauternes." Cette Ports Tarragona "Autive Wines Mineral Waters Apollinaris in glass dz.qt.	4 60 & up. 4 60 & up. 1 05 1 25 1 20 1 30 0 75 1 50	Malt.  Rye, 4 years old 5 6 7 Gin :  Wyn and Fockink, (best	0 31 0 00 0 84 0 00 0 62 0 00 0 72 0 00 0 82 0 00 0 92 0 00

Retailers will please bear in mind that above quotations apply only to large lots.

Jan. 1st,]

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

[1879.

INCORPORATED 1851.

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J. J. KENNY, Secretary. JAS. BOOMER, Inspector. J. PRINGLE, General Agent.

#### Capital Subscribed, Capital Paid-up,

\$800,000 00 400,000 00

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#### Losses under Adjustment...... Dividends Unclaimed..... Dividend payable Jan'y 7, 1879..... 59,288 89 .80.000 00

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\$1,580,595 81 Income for Year ending Dec. 31st, 1878, \$890,520 53

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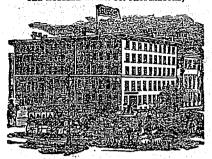
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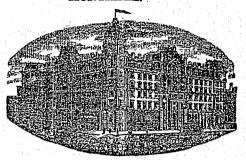
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Reported by J. D. CRAWFORD, Member of the Stock Exchange.

NAME.	Shares.	Capital subscribed.	Capital paid-up.	Rest.	Dividend last 6 Months.	Closing Prices. July 31.
British North America	£50	8 1,866,666	\$1,866,666	\$1,170,000	24	1.03 1031
Canadian Bank of Commerce	8 50	6,000,000	6,000,000	1,400,000	4	1074 108
Consolidated Bank of Canada	60	2,100,000	2,100,000		0	12 154
Dominion Bank	50	970,250	970,250	310,000	4	
Du Peuple		1,600,000	1,600,000	240,000	2	49
Eastern Townships		1,457,850	1,814,954	300,000	8,	94 190
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	50,000		30
Federal Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	65,000	81	96 102
Hamilton	100	1,000,000	700,000	50,000	4	98 100
Imperial Bank		913,000	868,000	50,000	4	1021
Jacques Cartier	25	500,000	500,000	********	8	60 62
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Mechanics' Bank	50	500,000	191,791	********		
Merchants' Bank of Canada	100	6,200,000	5,461,790	475,000	8	76 77
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Montreal	200	12,000,000	11,979,800	5,000,000	5.	187 1874
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Quebec Bank	100	2,500,000	2,499,920	475,000	Si	
Standard	50	509,750	607,850	20,000	8	80 83
Toronto	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	500,000	ន្តិរ	168
Union Bank	100	2,000,000	1,990,956	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2	00 00
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Anglo Canadian Mortgage Co		300,000	750,000	66,000	4 1	1001 1013
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000			44	
Canada Landed Credit Co	25	1,480,000	2,000,000	40,000 808,000	6	$\frac{1244}{1714}$ 127
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Farmers' Loan and Savings Co	. 60	800,000 450,000	400,000	17.000	43	106
Freehold Loan & Investment Co	50	600,000	600,000	200,000	5	1404
Hamilton Provident & Loan Society	100		814.000	107,500	4	107 110
Huron & Erie Sav. & Loan Soc.	100	1,000,000	977,622	220,000	5	133
Imperial Loan and Investment Co	50	1,000,000	600,000	60,000	4	1034
London & Can. Loan & Agency Co	60	4,000,000	560,000	143,000	Ď	125 1261
London Loan Co. of Canada	50	418,500	129,400	15,129	44	106
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Montreal City Gas Co	40	4,000,000	1.860,000		5	116 1167
Montreal City Passenger Ry Co	50	1,200,000	600,000		ŏ	83)
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National Investment Co		1,400,000			ลิ่มไ	102
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Provincial Permanent Ruilding Soc	100	280,000	280,000	10,000	š	****
Richelieu & Optario Nav. Co	100	1,500,000	1,500,000	20,000	24	41 45
Toronto City Gas Co.	50	600,000	600,000			1414
Union Loan and Sayings Co	50	500,000	480,000	100,000	Ď	134
Western Canada Loan & Savings Co	50	1,000,000	800,000	280,000	5	110
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SECURITIES.	Montreal July 31
Can. Government Debentures, 6 p. ct.	102 106
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Dominion 6 per ct. stock	104 994
Montreal Harbor Bonds 6 p. c Do. Corporation 6 per ct. Bonds.	108 <u>1</u> 108,
Do. 7 per ct. Stock	1194 901
Co. Debentures, (Ont.) 20 years 6 per ct. Township Debentures, (Ont.) 6 per ct	101 102 98

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ioo	Do. do. 5 p.c. 2nd Mort.	All	105
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11	British Columbia 6 p c stock, Sept	· · · · ]	90
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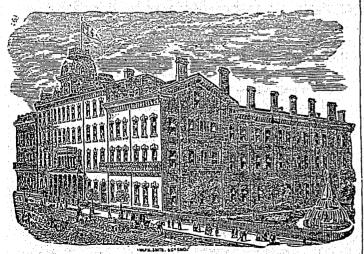
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INSURANCE COMPANIES. - CANADIAN .- Montreal Quotations July 31, 1879.

NAME OF COMPARY.	No. Shares.	Last Dividend. per year.	Share par value.	Amount paid per Share.	Last Sale. per Share.	Canada quotations per ct.
British America Fire & Marine. Canada Life Citissons, Fire, Life, Guarantee & Acc't Confederation Life. Sun Mutual Life and Accident. Isolated Risk, Fire. Quebec Fire. Quebe City Fire Western Assurance. Royal Canadian Insurance Accident Insurance Co. of Canada. Canada Guarantee Co. Merchants' Marine Insurance Co. Mational Insurance, Fire. Stadacous Insurance Co., Fire and Life Ottawa Agricultural.	2,500 11,880 5,000 5,000 5,000 2,000 20,000 20,000 2500 25	6-8mos. 7½-6mos. 6-6 mos. 4-8 mos. 10 10 7½ 6 mos. 5 8 per ct. 8 per ct.	\$50 \$400 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	\$50 50 20 10 12 10 65 10 60 20 20 20 20 25	\$56 85 22½ 12½ 49 10 26 16 20 20½	112 193 126 102 20 80 100 106 162 45 47 100 102

BRITISH AND FORBIGN .- (Quotation on the London Market, July 14, 1879.)

Briton Medical Life		10	1	£10	2	£1 21.	
British & Foreign Marine		10	1.	20	{ 4	164 164	• • •
Commercial Union Fire Life & Marine	50,000	80	1	50	5 ,	1 101	
Edinburgh Life	5,000	10	١.	100	15	403	• • •
Guardian Fire and Life	20,000	18	[	100	50		• •
Imperial Fire	12,000	£7 p. sh.	1	100	25	156	• • •
Lancashire Fire and Life	100,000	80	ľ	20	2		
Life Association of Scotland	10,000	80	ľ	40	87		••
London Assurance Corporation	36,802	48	ł.,	25	121	60 62	
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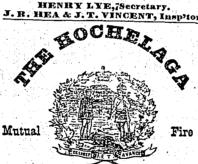
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