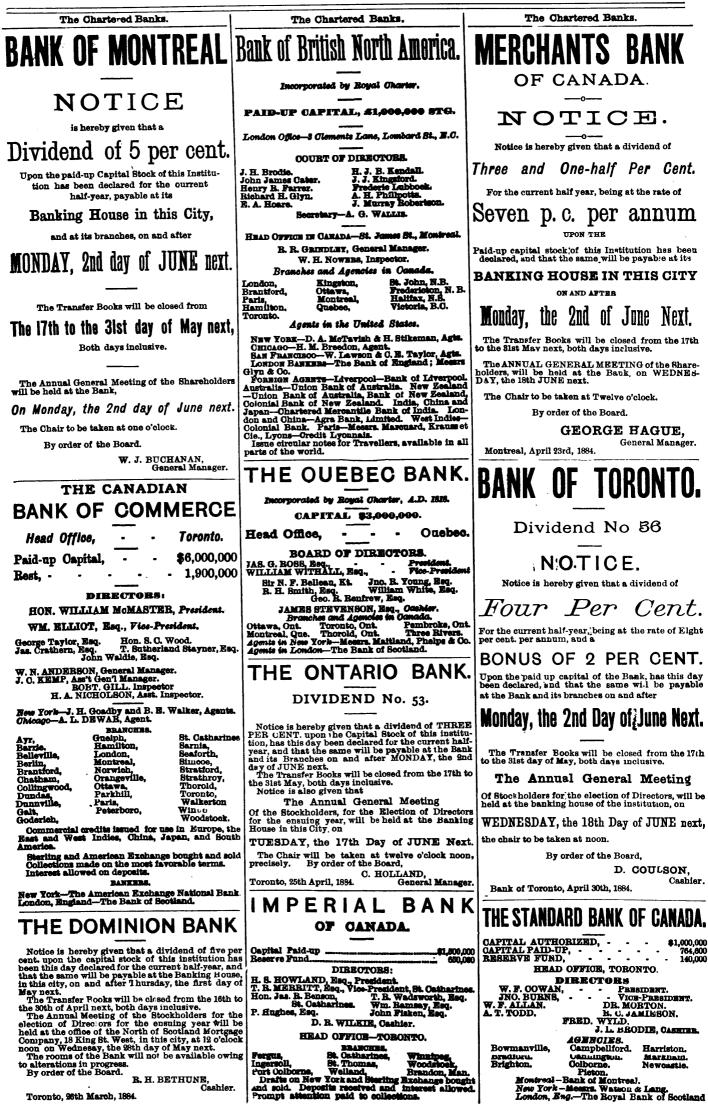
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GILLIES, Son & Co., of Carleton Place, received the other day six cars-loads of Cape (South Africa) wool, the consignment costing \$16,000.

THE Cowansville woollen mills have been reopened, it appears, by Mr. Prevost, of Montreal, who intends to turn part of his manufactured sloth into ready made clothing on the premises.

THE assessment of London, Ont., has just been completed. The total assessment for this year is \$11,841,970, as compared with \$11,314,666 last year. The population is to-day 20,970 as compared with 18,113 last year.

THE Bell Telephone Co., has, according to the Sherbrooke *Gazette*, desided to extend its facilities to Capelton, Waterville, Compton, Richby, and Coatiscook, which will soon be placed in direct communication with Sherbrooke.

The mammoth new Grand Trunk ferry boat "Lansdowne," was launched at Wyandotte, Mich. last Saturday. It is 316 feet in length and 75 feet beam on deck. She cost \$275,000. Her hull is entirely of iron, shallow and double spoon shape, to break through the ice on the Detroit river, where she is to carry cars.

WE observe that the Toronto agency of the Citizens Insurance Company, formerly held by Messrs. Boustead & Gibbs, is now in the hands of Mr. Malcolm Gibbs. The Citizens is now in its twentieth year, and in addition to its large fire business takes risks in life and accident underwriting.

THE Lake of the Woods Milling and Mining Company seeks incorporation. Its operations are to be carried on in Varennes, and Winnipeg is to be the chief place of business. The applicants are Col. W. N. Kennedy, G. F. Carruthers, D. H. McMillan, C. O. Wickenden, J. W. Harris-H. S. Crotty and L. McMeans.

IN a biography of the engineer, James Campbell, whose death was recently announced in England, the whole history of steam locomotion might well be summed up. He was one of George Stephenson's principal assistants, and he superintended the first experimental trip of a vessel laden with frozen meat from Australia to England.

The retail boot & shoe firm of John Damer & Co. in this city, is again in trouble, John Damer being the sole partner. About a year ago his creditors were good enough to accept, in full payment of his liabilities of \$11,000, fifty per cent in cash It is feared that he has not abandoned his old habit and in view of this he could not be expected to succeed.

ADVICES received from Newfoundland state that the catch of seals by steamers was about 150,000, by northern sailing vessels 20,000, and by shoremen about 15,0000 to 20,000, making a total of 185,000 to 190,000 seals, against 350,000 which had been taken at this time last year, showing a decrease of 160,000.

ADVICES from Southern Manitoba say seeding is about finished, says the Winnipeg Free Press, of the 10th. No more rain is wanted. Westward along the Canadian Pacific seeding is completed and the prospects are good. Seed wheat has ruled high. Ten acres of fall wheat sown by the way of experiment in the Oak Lake district look well. The land was "mulched," the straw protecting the seed and plant.

THE dissolution which took place on the 5th of March, in the firm of McLaughlin & Moore of this city, consisted only of the retirement of the junior member, Mr. J. F. McLaughlin, who had been a partner for two and a half years. The firm of McLaughlin & Moore, which owns and operates the Royal Dominion Mills in Toronto, is composed of the original members of the firm, Mr. M. McLaughlin and Mr. A. Meore.

"ALL in a concatenation accordingly," as a Prince Edward Island man is described as "starting an egg business and blueberry canning establishment" at DeBlois Station and for that purpose is having a large building prepared, so says the *Examiner* of Charlottetwon. The Summerside *Journal* undertakes to predict success for a shoe factory for which a movement is being put on foot in that place.

WE have heard the statement made that the patents, held by the Starr Manufacturing Company, of the celebrated 'Acme' skates, have expired. Upon enquiry we learn that this is not the case. The patents of the Starr Co., we are informed, are in full force and do not expire for several years. It is well for our wholesale dealers to know this, for the German firms who are making an imitation of the 'Acme' run a decided risk of prosecution for infringement of patent.

THE first regular meeting of the Erie Iron Works Company was held at St. Thomas on the 6th instant, when Mr. Thomas Lawrence was chosen president; John H. Smale, vice-president. Directors—W. Risdon, John Risdon, J. H. Smale, J. Doyle, T. McNaughton, James A. Bell and T. Lawrence. Mr. W. Risdon, who is sec.-treas., was appointed general manager. A call of twenty per cent. on the subscribed capital of \$30,000 was made, payable on May 10th.

R. DUNN & Co, dealers in stoves, tinware, etc. in Port Hope has assigned. The principal creditor of the estate is their endorser in that town.——A general storekeeper at Dutton, W. G. Smith is reported as having left his creditors entirely in the lurch.——A shoe-maker in the same place, John Young, has gone, and those whom he owes will not fare much better.—— Another reported truant is Wm. McKelvey, general storekeeper at Haliburton, who left for parts unknown about ten days ago.

Following the assignment of the American Lumber Co., its twin brother, the British Canadian Lumber and Timber Co., has gone into liquidation after investigation made by Messrs. Smith & Carnegie, on behalf of the Scottish shareholders. The Messrs. Cook, of this city had much to do as promoters, in the formation of these companies ; and the impression is that they unloaded by this process making large profits. Altogether the cost of management was such that it would have weighed down a prosperous business. The Scotch shareholders who have lost their money have got the impression that they have not been fairly dealt with.

MCCARTHY BROS, dealers in groceries at Rat Portage, have assigned, and there is no reason to expect a large dividend from their estate. -Shaw Bros., grocers at Winnipeg have suspended payment. The cause of their trouble is too many goods and too much credit. It is supposed that a compromise will be made.-–The effects of J. M. Ross, a Winnipeg hotel keeper, were sold by bailiff.----Graham, Grass & Co., general storekeepers at Regina, after being in business eighteen months have assigned in trust. The senior partner was formerly in Belleville and is said to have invested \$7,000 cash in this new enterprise. At one time they did too much credit but this does not seem to be quite an adequate explanation for their present difficulties. It is feared that outside operations are the real 68116A.

THERE has been opened at the Crystal Palace in London, England, a "big show" known as the London International and Universal Exhibition, which is a display of manufacturing process, as well as a commercial fair. One of the attractive features was a beautiful display of linen from the manufactory of Richardson Sons & Owden, of Belfast, who are called the largest

linen manufacturers in the world, and who are represented in Canada by Mr. R. J. Wylie, of Toronto. The number and variety of the firm's patterns was nicely disclosed by a pattern-frame arrangement. Opposite them the Lancashire lasses could be seen daily at work "cutting" plush, an unusual sight. Austria has secured more space than any other country, and throws every other country into the shade, Germany, France Scandinavia, Holland and Italy, as well as America. There are some 4,000 exhibitors in all, and the whole scene is lit up by the electric light.

THE Dominion Bolt and Iron Company, whose new and extensive premises on Humber Bay west of Toronto, were so recently occupied, and so many of whose employees lost their lives by the G.W.R. collision in January last, is in financial difficulties. The failure of the Exchange Bank, at which it had large discounts, was an unfortunate thing for the company. And now the Exchange Bank liquidators have deemed it necessary to make demands which the company can not meet. It appears from a circular issued by the manager, that the causes of the Company's difficulties are to be found in the suspension named and in the fact that it had been working on too limited a basis of capital, the requisite stock for its extended operations having never been subscribed, and not in any lack of paying contracts. It is to be hoped that the affairs of so prominent an industry as this may yet be settled and the works kept going in our midat

IN 1878, John Cozens started the coffee and spice business in London, and was supposed to have made some money. He sold out last month to J. M. Mayell & Co., and received \$3,500 cash, upon which he left the country. His attorney is now offering about 40 per cent. in settlement of his unpaid obligations .----After fifteen years in business about Niagara Falls, Mr. J. N. Burns, grocer, has assigned. At one time he was supposed to be worth some money. We have not learned the cause of his failure. -A hotel keeper in Galt, T. Hope, is reported to have gone to Chicago without leaving anything of consequence for creditors. -----W. H. Mannel, a steady going tanner in Hollin has called a meeting of his creditors. Thus far he had apparently made but little progress.----W. D. Oatly, began business in groceries etc., at Hespeler, about a year ago without any experience in that line and it is presumed that he has lost thereat all he saved when foreman at the cotton mill.

THE extensive Montreal firm of Cassils, Stimson & Co., leather and findings merchants, whose failure has been already noted, has not made any proposal of settlement, but has assigned to Thomas Darling. Their ordinary liabilities are \$170,000; indirect, \$124,000; sundry debts, \$13,000. Available assets about \$61.000.----Wm. Dodds. who succeeded to the established grocery business of John McDonald in Montreal several years ago, with prospect of success, has not made much of his advantages. and has assigned. He owes about \$17,000, assets show nominally to about same figure, but are largely composed of book debts, and it is expected that the estate will only pan out a moderate dividend. ---- Desmarteau & Co., of Montreal, a firm of jobbing grocers, who compromised in 1880 at 40 conts on the dollar, are again in trouble and have assigned to Kent & Turcotte. Liabilities indirect something over \$50,000, direct \$5,000 to \$6.000. ---- S. Woods & Co., of Montreal, who lately began business as mapufacturers of oil cloth etc., have assigned. Liabilities about \$10,000, assets \$7,000. Mr. Woods STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

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"Pa, what are 'puts and calls'? "Why, a man puts his money in a broker's hands, and when he calls for it, it is all gone."

PETERBOBO is to have the electric light. The town council has given permission for the poles in the streets, and the illumination is to be ready for the 24th May, the Queen's birth-day.

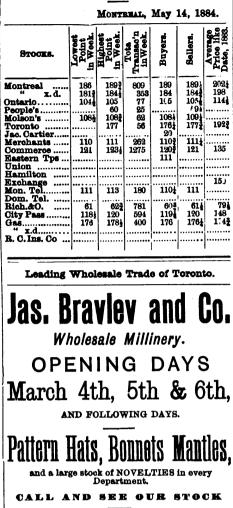
J. M. BOURDON, began business at Dundee, Que., in 1875, but was not successful and failed in 1877. He has since done business under the name of his wife as S. Bourdon, but but has not been any more fortunate, and has now assigned. ——Joseph St. Laurent, a general dealer of some importance at Rimouski is reported to be in trouble and two Quebec houses have each sent down to investigate. His liabilities are put at from 12 to \$14,000, with assets nominally equal.

ANOTHER failure in the leather trade is that of Arthur Fordham, of Halifax, who assigns owing from \$30,000 to \$30,000, a fair porportion of which is to Montreal houses. There are said to be local preferences for about \$5,000.----Martin & Alcombrack, a firm of tanners at Bedford, Que., with favourable record extending over 20 years past, have become involved through the failure of Cassils, Stimson & Co., Montreal, and are offering 15 cents on the dollar. Their liabilities will aggregate \$40,000 to \$50,000.

According to recent advices received in New York, the River Plate country is the one exception to the prevailing commerical depression the world over. The wheat and linseed crops there will be twice as large as usual this season as last, and an increase of 30,000 bales in the clip of wool is announced. A good deal of railroad has already been built, and the government of the Argentine Republic has just signed a contract for the construction of three trunk lines of a length of 900 miles, involving an investment of \$28,000,000 of foreign capital. European immigration continues large, much of it coming from Italy.

An American journal, the Merchants' *Review*, states the total consumption of manufactured tobacco in the United States during 1883 at 139,783,782 pounds, which is equal to perhaps twelve or fourteen pounds per annum to each male adult. The factories number 773, but one factory, that of Lorillard & Co., produces, it appears, a sixth of the whole. The proportions of different sorts turned out from this factory last year was as under: Pounds.

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TREE PLANTING.

F llowing the example of some of the American States, the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec have severally designated a day, in the spring of each year, called arbor day, for tree planting. There is of course no particular day in the year that is best for the transplanting of every kind of tree. All trees will grow best when they are beginning to bud-when they are in the full vigor of life-and different trees reach this stage at times that vary as much as two or three weeks. Any arbor day which the legislature may suggest is not, therefore, the best day for transplanting every kind of tree; it may be late for some, suitable for others, and early for such as bud latest. This fact should be borne in mind, in tree planting. It is well to designate a day arbor day, for it calls attention to a work which it is desirable to do. Nevertheless the work should be done at the time most suitable for it. A tree transplanted in full leaf would almost certainly die : the evaporation through the leaves being more than the roots, in their new home, would be likely to be able to sapply. Let arbor day be observed, by all means, but let not other days which will be more suitable for the planting of some trees be neglected. The main use of an arbor day in the tendency it has as a reminder of the performance of a duty which might not otherwise be thought of. Quebec made a good start last year; Ontario depended too much on the unaided letter of the law. But we shall doubtless learn to do these things with the aid of Mr. Phipps, in the best way, in time. After the trees have been planted, their growth may depend entirely on their being watered, for a while, the first season, especially if the soil and season be dry.

Some of the American States try to interest school children in tree planting; an schievement which might seem to be sccomplished, when it was not, by the inter st they took in the inevitable holiday. If children could be taught to respect trees, so far as not wantonly or thoughtlessly to injure them, a great point would be gained ; for next to drought, if not more than drought, the street urchin, as an enemy to trees, without malice in his heart, is to be feared.

One of the most interesting things in connection with tree planting, is the extension by artificial means, of the natural range of to a colder and more severe climate. In ing. Along side of the Black Walnut, for ing of the track, on this section. The reser-

Toronto, three kinds of magnolias are grown in the open air, one of which will attain a height of some forty feet. This is exclusive of the Liriodendron, which is a native though seldom seen in its wild state, much west of Hamilton; occasionally it is found near the southern corner of Georgian Bay. The introduction of rare kinds is generally a slow process. Magnolias have been grown in Toronto, for some thirty years ; yet so seldom are they seen that the newspapers but last year, spoke of one, on College street, as if it had been the first of its kind. The rarest tree grown here is, perhaps, the Gingo tree (Salisburia adi antifolio) of which it is doubtful if there be, out of doors, more than one specimen ; yet that this native of China and Japan, which is never seen in Europe, we believe, south of the Mediterranean, thrives here, is a fact to be borne in mind. The aristolochia has been found difficult to reproduce ; all attempts in hot houses, have so far as we know, failed ; yet accident has given us proof that it can be put into a condition to germinate and has germinated, after being a whole winter under ice. The seeds fell on a spot on which every winter, ice. from melting s ow and falling rain, forms to the depth of several inches. Having been under this ice in the winter of 1883-4, some seeds germinated, and the plants are now in the possession of the write; one plant of this native of the south was allowed to remain under ice, a second winter, and it commences the spring in a perfectly healthy state. The Custard Apple grows naturally as far north as Niagara, and its artifici.l reproduction here is not impossible. The Tulip tree, before mentioned, few take the trouble to grow, though it can scarcely be said to be out of its latitude here. Over the merits of the Ailanthus it is possible to dispute ; but when placed at a distance from the dwelling, where the objectionable odor of the male tree from which the female is with characteristic gallantry presumed to be free cannot offend, its long lanceolate leaves give an oriental touch to the landscape. The dwarf chestnut, and the buckeye, another and beautiful variety of chestnut, can be grown here without difficulty ; but seldom is either of them seen.

Our nurserymen, as a rule, are content to go on the beaten track ; they seldom trouble themselves to produce new varieties of trees; but if they do not wake from their slumber, they must expect to be left behind. Of course, for general purposes, our own trees get, and deserve to get, the preference. But not all the beauty of the floral world is native to our soil. There is beauty in variety; and variety should now, when opp rtunity offers, be sought after and encouraged. Even so beautiful a shrub as the Burning Bush (Wahoo) and one so easily grown, is seldom seen in our shrubberies. For the wood it is desirable to learn by experiment, what is the most economical tree to grow. The Ailanthus, of which the wood is suitable for furni ure, grows with extreme rapidity. The Black Walnut must either be reproduced, or its use in the manufacture of furniture be abandoned. At present, it is perhaps the most profitable tree that can be grown; and yet it is doubtful whether it is the growth of rees. The change is generally being planted to any extent worth mention-

economic value, may be placed the hickory. Both of these, the most valuable of our native trees, are being neglected. Most of the trees that are being planted are of comparatively little value. If common trees must have the preference, that is no reason why rarer kinds should not be assigned their true place ; and this, we fear, is not at present being done. If we are now to begin to replant in earnest, the work should be done with discrimination and with a view to producing the best results, aesthetic and economie.

THE GRAND TRUNK RAJLWAY.

The Grank Trunk Railway Act, 1884, cannot come into force till July, although, at the recent half-yearly meeting, it received the necessary sanction of all the various holders of securities who can be affected by it; and before any money is raised under the authority it confers, the shareholders will be again consuited. The statement made by the President about doubling the lines is, to say the least, one that was not expected. "Mr. Abbott," said Sir Henry Tyler, "asked about an alleged liability of a million pounds sterling for doubling the line. We have," he replied, "incurred no liability for doubling the line whatever;" and he added, "The only statement which has been made for which there is some col .r is this : that when the Grand Trunk Act was before Parliament, there was a question of recommitting it, because the Lower House did not agree to the amendments of the Senate, and in order to get it through this session, Mr. Hickson said he would have no objection if one million was reserved for the object of doubling the line between Toronto and Montreal. That seems to be the state of affairs according to the cable we have received." There can be no doubt that Mr. Hickson, as agent of the company, undertook that the line should be doubled west of Montreal, out of the money to be raised under the bill, an engagement which secured its passage. Sir Henry Tyler treats very lightly the obligation into which Mr. Hickson entered; and he speaks as if the company were at liberty to repudiate it. His emphatic statement that the company came under no obligation to double the track may mean that the promise applies only to the section between Montreal and Toronto; or it may mean that no binding promise at all was made, through Mr. Hickson. The averment that there was some concealed object in getting power to raise the money was repelled by the company's agents, at Ottawa, when the bill was before Parliament. The doubling of the track west of Montreal, was the one object on which these gentlemen insisted. Parliament had a right to know what it was proposed to do with the money; and Mr. Mitchell, apparently on behalf of the Canadian Pacificthough he declared that he spoke entirely from a public standpoint-expressed himself satisfied with the assurance by which Mr. Hickson had obtained the consent of the Government to allow the bill to pass. According to Sir Henry Tyler, Mr. Hickson merely said he would have no objection if a million sterling were reserved for the doublvation is not made in the bill, and if the statement, as given by the President means anything, it must mean that Mr. Hickson would have no objection to his superiors for with them, apart from the binding nature of his promise, the decision rests—reserving a million, out of the capital to be raised, under authority of this bill. We must say that there is something here that looks very much like a shuffle; but we cannot think that the company, when fully informed as to what took place between Mr. Hickson and the Government, will repudiate what every one understood he had, on the company's behalf, undertaken to do.

Sir Henry Tyler complained, very unfairly, that in Canada "every effort is made to harass companies that have built lines, and to render unremunerative the capital invested in them." The statement did not go beyond this general form ; and we think it would have been impossible to give instances in proof. Everything that a railway company asks, by way of legislation, is not granted, as a matter of course, and without enquiry and hearing all interests concerned. If this is not done in Canada, still less is it done in England. The Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific have been prohibited from amalgamating or entering into a pooling arrangement; a prohibition which was felt to be necessary in the interest of the public, and the restriction controls the Canadian Pacific as firmly as it controls the Grand Trunk. One advantage of the Grand Trunk bill, confessedly was, Sir Henry Tyler being witness, that besides putting the Government loan farther in the rear, it sanctioned the amalgamation between the Grand Trunk and the Great Western, in a manner so decided that it can now never be brought into question. "The Canadian Parliament," said the President, "has accepted and put behind, not only the Grand Trunk, but also the Great Western share capital, its three millions of advance which formerly were behind the Grand Trunk share capital, and nothing can undo, or be said to undo, and there can be no suspicion of undoing again, the fusion between these two companies.

As I have said, this is the crowning act of the fusion. The Grand Trunk and the Great Western are now united, and if you accept this Act as it is there can be no question as to the legality of the fusion in the future." When the Canadian Parliament was putting the Gov ernment loan behind the Great Western stock and sanctioning the amalgamation, it was surely entitled to something besides wholesale condemnation from Sir Henry Tyler.

And the Grand Trunk President was bound by loyalty to truth and fair-play to those whom he criticised to state the facts correctly. We regret to say that he has not done so. The thirty million loan to the Canadian Pacific, he represents as an additional subsidy, part of which, he says, the Grand Trunk—a larger part than any other corporation or any individual—will have to pay. "The Canadian Pacific Company," he says, "have applied to the Canadian Parliament, and they have induced the Canadian Parliament to grant them a very large additional subsidy in order to complete their line. Well it is not for us to object to

that. We, it is true, are the largest ratepayers in Canada, and therefore, whatever comes out of the rates there affects us more than any other institution, or any other persons." Whatever shape the loan may ultimately assume, it certainly is not at present, an additional subsidy, and it is alike unfair and misleading so to represent The Grand Trunk President, in return it. for the government loan of \$15,000,000 being put behind the Great Western stock, complains of the aid given to the Canadian Pacific, misrepresented as an additional subsidy, and proceeds to utter threats, in muffled tones: "It must always be wise for the Grand Trunk Company to do all that it can do to benefit Canada. I am sure we should all agree in that. The prosperity of Calada is the prosperity of the Grand Trunk Company; and I am sure it will be wise also for the Canadian Government to do everything it can to assist the Grand Trunk Company, because the credit of the Grand Trunk Company is the credit of Canada. I am sure it cannot be a wise policy to raise any popular feeling in Canada against the Grand Trunk, or to threaten us, or to oppose it, or to render Government aid directly or indirectly, to competing lines, or to act unjustly to large and influential bodies of shareholders in this country." We have no intention of bandying defiances with Mr. Abbott, who talks as if he held the pursestrings of the London Exchange, and was prepared, in business matters, to be guided by feelings quite inconsistent with safe business habits. We have more pleasure in transcribing the cheering assurance of the President, amid the momentary gloom of the unfortunate ending of the half year, that he does "not know of any other railway system in the world which, in spite of all disadvantages," including a short harvest, a severe winter, and formidable competition, "has made so much progress as this company has up to 31st December, 1883."

ECONOMY IN MANUFACTURE.

The outlook for makers of textile fabrics, and indeed for manufacturers in various other lines, is by no means encouraging at the moment on either side of the Atlantic. Our cotton mills, knitting mills, tweed and flannel factories, are feeling the pressure of overproduction and extreme competition, it is true; but so, it appears, are British and American mills. Said Judge Hilton, of the A. T Stewart establishments, last week :-"I closed all my woollen mills, about twelve in number, formerly employing 10,000 or 12,000 operatives, because I can buy goods cheaper than I can manufacture them. We can make woollen goods in this country as well as they can make them anywhere else, but there is no profit in it. As to Cotton manufactures, the factories are all shutting down. They are making no money. It is impossible to get back their money with the present prices of cotton. Go into Sixth avenue to-day, and you will find cotton goods selling for 21 and 3 cents a yard. The cotton is worth more than that. Manufacturers can't keep in that kind of business unless they expect to fail. But we are as well off here as they are in France or Ger-

In view of such a condition of affairs, it is clearly needful for Canadian makers to look closely into the running of their establishments, and to see that they are being conducted with due regard to economic working. The article on "the cost of production," which appeared in last week's MONETARY TIMES, contained valuable hints. This has been acknowledged in several quarters, and we print to day one of the communications received on the subject.

The possibility of big profits, on the production of goods or on the sale of them by middlemen or retailers, is becoming more and more remote. And the salvation of the maker, not less than that of the seller, depends much upon the economical conduct of his business. A high duty, even, will not protect us against slaughter stocks of wares which are produced in exc ss by other countries. This proposition is true of other goods than those we have named. The present is an era of low prices. Pig iron is at a low point in Great Britain, and ocean freights are, owing to the quantity of tonnage offering, cheapened to the last degree, as witness the offers said to have been lately made at Canadian and United States ports, to carry grain as ballast, free. There is undoubtedly overproduction among the iron furnaces of America. The building of railways having so greatly declined, the demand for railroad iron and steel has fallen off and the iron mills are shutting down.

It is at such a time as this that countries like Belgium prove their advantage over competing nations in having cheap labor amongst other elements of economic production. We in Canada, it is to be feared do not understand economy as older countries do, not having been obliged to study or to practice it as they. Nor, it may be said, have we paid the attention to system in manufacturing which in other lands has been found necessary to permanent success. There exist, we are glad to believe, es ablishments in Canada wherein business is carried on with a prudence and a method which leaves little if any room for improvement. But it is quite as certain that in many, probably the majority, of our mills and factories of various kinds, an amount of carelessness and waste exists which would cause the hair of an Essen or a Leipsic or a Huddersfield or a Sheffield manufacturer to rise on his head with wonder. If we would avoid destruction of capital. pains must be taken by our manufacturing industries to stop all leaks and to rectify all abuses. It is essential to lasting success that raw material shall be had on the best terms; that proper machinery and skilled labor shall be procured; and that these shall be used to the best advantage, before that desideratum to every manufacturer, "a living profit" can be looked upon as secure. And, if we would foster manufacturing industries, it is no less important that neither raw materials nor labor should be burdened with unnecessary imposts.

⁻The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of New Brunswick was held last week, when an additional director was placed upon the board. The new board is composed of:-Hon. James D. Lewin, president, Thos. Gilbert, Thos. W. Daniel. Charles H. Fairweather, Jas. U. Thomas, Henry Vaughan, W. W. Turnbull, John Yeats.

THE CANAL TOLLS.

With the commencement of the season of navigation, the question of abolishing the tolls on the Canadian canals again comes up. At Montreal, the grain carrying trade is dormant. The Forwarders and the Elevator interest have been at loggerheads; but both agree to ask the Government to remove the tolls from the canals. The deputation may be expected to put the case before the Government, in a few days. The complaint is that the St. Lawrence route has been handicapped by the removal of the tolls from the New York canals. But the business of the Erie canal was less, last year, without the tolls, than it was the year before, when tolls were collected ; and at the same time there was a large increase in the grain receipts at Montreal. Last spring, as now, the removal of the tolls from the Canadian canals was asked; but public opinion was not unanimous in backing the demand.

The removal or retention of the tolls is a matter of public policy. Tolls, or no tolls, the canals have to be kept up; and it is a question whether Canada, which has at present no wheat of her own to ship, should allow American grain to pass through her canals free of duty : whether this country should perform this service for foreigners. at a sacrifice. There is nothing in good neighborhood that requires us to do so ; and we must ask ourselves whether, on the whole, it is for the advantage of this country to perform this service for nothing. The temptation held out is that we get the carrying trade, as a compensation. But from the farmer's point of view, it is objected that by removing the tolls we should enable the American farmer to compete against ours, and that ours would have to pay the tolls, in an indirect way, for their American rivals. This is a view that is not wholly untenable and the difficulty is to get the farmers to agree to make this sacrifice for the benefit of the Forwarding interest. The difficulty is one which Sir Leonard Tilley has so far not found it possible to ignore, and which is likely still to make him hesitate about any concession which he might otherwise be inclined to make.

Between the removal of the tolls from the Erie canals and those from the Welland and St. Lawrence canals, there is a marked difference. The produce which goes through the Erie canal, eastward, is American; the produce which must go through our canals, eastward, till next harvest, must to a large extent be American. A proposal to remove the tolls on produce sent from our North-West, through our canals, would be similar to that which was a year ago, acted upon, in the State of New York. Such a proposal, there can be no doubt, would be entitled to great consideration, and there might be insuperable reasons for conceding it.

The American example cannot be said to be a success. It has, on trial, not enabled the Erie canal to do more business than before. The real competition which our canals have to meet is more with the Trunk lines of railway than with the Erie canal; it is they which carry the great bulk of the traffic; and the rates of these roads just new are exceeding low. It was to meet this competition that the tolls on eastward afforded for frauds of every kind upon con-

bound freight on the Erie canal were removed. That is the competition which our canals have also to meet ; and the real questions are whether we are to fight the railways, by removing the canal tolls, and if we the contest ? There are conceivable cases in which the abolition of the tolls might be the true policy to pursue; whether the existing state of facts would make that policy defensible is the doubt.

SOME MORE STARTLING LAW.

The courts have propounded so many startling propositions with reference to commercial transactions, that one ceases to be surprised at anything. Of course, when these matters are commented on it is the proper thing to say that it is not the courts but the Legislature which is to blame. Perhaps a fairer criticism would divide the blame between the courts and the Legislature. We have had occasion frequently to comment upon the iniquity of the whole "hire receipt" system, under which goods ostensibly sold are by private arrangement between the parties only leased, and remain the property of the vendor until the whole of the purchase money is paid, although they are ostensibly the property of the purchaser, and though the public may be induced to extend credit to him on the strength of their possession. Unjust as this system is, the courts have time and again sustained these transactions as against bona fide creditors. The Legislature so far has shown no disposition to afford redress.

Possibly the decision to which we hereafter make reference may have the effect of directing attention to the subject and causing our legislators to review the whole situation. The object of our law, with reference to chattel mortgages and bills of sale, was to afford notice to the public of incumbrances upon property which remained in the possession of debtors. The object of this law has been frustrated by the construction placed upon its different section: by our courts from time to time. The most glaring case of this kind is one that has recently come to light, by the decision of Mr. Justice Proudfoot, of the Chancery Division of the Ontario High Court of Justice. In the case of Fisher v. Houston, his Lordship held, in the first place, that a valid mortgage might be made of goods not in the possession of, and not owned by the mortgagor at the time the mortgage was made. And, in the second place, that such a mortgage covering future acquired goods does not come within the chattel mortgage law at all, so that no registration of it is necessary. The effect of this decision, if taken advantage of, will be, so far as commercial transactions are concerned, to practically do away with the security supposed to be afforded by the chattel mortgage law.

In commercial life goods on hand change so rapidly that a security of this character may be secretly taken at any time, and though it would be invalid as to the goods then in stock, it would be made practically good by the change brought about through the sale of a certain portion of the goods and the purchase of others. The facility thus

fiding creditors is too obvious to require any comment. This decision was not a complete surprise to the legal profession, as apparently the current of decisions has has been drifting in that direction for some did so, whether we should be successful in time past, and in the case of Kitching v. Hicks the same learned judge expressed the same view of the law some months ago. That case, however, went off on another point.

> It is well that the public, and especially the wholesale trade, should understand the position in which they are placed by the decision referred to. It is now more than ever obvious that the Local Legislature ought, in justice to the public, to extend the chattel mortgage and bills of sale law so far as to afford a more substantial protection than is now secured by the present enactment, emasculated as it appears to laymen to be by judicial interpretation.

THE PANIC IN WALL STREET.

The panic in Wall Street, on Wednesday, was the natural outcome of reckless speculation in stocks. The failure of Grant and Ward had shaken confidence and created distrust. Prices of stocks went down with a run, the decline being from five to ten points; the resulting losses were ruinous. Some brokers' clients failed to meet their engagements, and brokers lost heavily on their own account. This last item was probably the most serious ; brokers having of late had large dealings between each other, regular investors declining to purchase. The brokers could not long live on one another; the end must come some time, and five commercial deaths among brokers, on a day of panic, is not a rate of mortality which ought, perhaps, to create surprise.

The bank failures do not prove any widespread unsoundness among New York banks : and they have been marked by instances of personal courage and displays of commercial honor which will never be forgotten. The trouble which came to three banks fell upon two of them certainly, all of them probably, through speculations indulged in by persons connected with the control, as presidents; or directors. The failure of the Marine Bank was owing to the heavy borrowings of Ward, of the firm of Grant & Ward, one of the directors. His colleagues on the direction ought to have checked a game which is always liable to end disastrously. The Second National Bank fell into temporary discredit through the deficiency of President Eno. which has been put as high as two millions. Eno was a universal gambler to whom nothing came amiss, whose feverish life was spent in the offices of brokers, to some of whom his patronage proved fatal. When he lost, his practice was to double the stake next time ; but even this device of the veteran gambler did not save him. The run on this bank, on Wednesday, did not compel it to succomb; Mr. Amos Eno, father of the defaulting president, having come to its assistance with an amount of money variously stated at from two to three millions ; and it is added that, for the purpose of saving the bank, he is prepared to aid it to the amount of four millions.

This piece of magnonimity is almost unequalled in the annals of commerce.

The Metropolitan Bank, which had for its

president Mr. Sweeney, had a capital of three millions. The cause of its stoppage, on Wednesday, will probably be found in the losses of its president, one of the most noted operators on 'Change.

From the Comptroller's point of view, the condition of the New York banks is with few exceptions, strong. But when presidents and directors speculate recklessly with the funds of the banks, appearances may be deceptive, and an ordinary inspection may not get at the facts. Still, it is probable that the Comptroller's view is the correct one. Doubts have been suggested as to the reliability of the statement put forward by the Marine Bank, just before its failure. Directors and presidents who use for speculation large amounts of the money entrusted to their care naturally fall under suspicion. A New York financial journal recently gave a premonition of what has happened in connection with these banks. One effect will be for the banks to discard as directors and presidents men abdicted to dangerous speculation ; the number of bank directors or presidents, in New York, who are known to have indulged in this habit is small, and the present exposure will have the effect of making it still amaller.

The Clearing House adopted a resolution which may enable any bank temporarily embarrassed to go on. It has appointed a committee to receive from banks which are members of the Association, bills receivable or other securities, and to issue upon their security loan certificates, bearing six per cent. interest, to an amount not more than seventy-five per cent. of the securities so deposited; on United States securities, a larger proportion would be advanced. By this means it was arranged that the Metropo'itan Bank should get a loan to enable it to re-open its doors

WANTED-GOOD CLERKS.

SECOND ARTICLE.

Continuing the subject to which we were asked by a subscriber to refer, viz., the scarcity of good clerks in country stores, we would lay stress upon the lack of thoroughness which is a fault of many salesmen and would-be merchants in this country. Perhaps the cramming method has crept into commerce, as it has into our school system if not into our colleges. At any rate one finds numbers of clerks offering themselves who have a surface knowledge of many things but are fully informed in few or none of them. One professes to know book-keeping, and yet cannot take off a trial balance. Another claims to be posted on haberdashery, but caunot tell a linen handkerchief from a cotton one. A third expects to be allowed to buy boots and shoes for his employer by whelesale, and yet does not know pebbleleather from French goat-skin, or a 'split' balmoral boot from one made of calf. Possibly the newness of the country and the need, in remote districts, of the same person's filling many functions, is not favorable to thorough knowledge in any one direction. But the Old Country manages such matters better than we, and trains its salesmen, its shipping clerks, its storemen longer and far more carefully than we.

A complaint is sometimes made, not without reason, that clerks in town and country are over-worked, and are not allowed time for recreation or for study. We know too well that grasping employers to-day, as well as fifty years ago, are apt to treat their hands as so many machines for moneymaking, careless whether they have souls to be saved or constitutions to be ruined. Short-sighted employers they, certainly, who do not stop to consider that a clerk kept in good bodily condition, and cheerful mental trim by prudent hours and reasonable labor is worth more, even to their pockets, than one physically exhausted by long hours of work, and disheartened through drudgery without hope of promotion. But on the other hand, clerks do not always make the most of their chances for self-improvement. That philosophical humorist, Bob Burdette, of the Hawkeye, has said some good things on this very point : " My son," says he, in effect, "hard work has killed surprisingly few men; the long hours between shopclosing at night, and shop-opening in the morning have ruined more constitutions than handling dry goods twelve hours a day ever did. 'Seven-up' and hot whiskies by night use a man up quicker than arithmetic and double entry book-keeping by day." And so it is. The club-room and the lodgeroom, the billiard-room and the ball-room, not impr per in their place, may be made exhaustive rather than recreative, a curse rather than a relief.

And again, many a clerk in a country store does not know when he is well-off. Compared with post-office clerks and telegraphers, with book-keepers in the city, or even the much envied bank-clerks, he has, as a rule, "a soft thing" indeed ; for he has often lulls in business and intervals of leisure during which he can study or lounge, while their labor is continuous and pressing. And if he contend that their hours are shorter he might be surprised to learn that it is not so, or that, in fact, the strain of their incessant brain activity for eight or ten hours is more exhaustive than his varied duties spread over twelve. Should the larger salary paid these classes of clerks be mentioned, it is easy to point out that the pay of those who do merely mechanical labor with the pen is nowhere such as need make them envied ; and that the salaries of those who do the real and responsible brain work in our banks and other institutions are rarely in excess of what is deserved by faithful and intelligent labor, if indeed they are not often distinctly inadequate.

The trouble with many clerks is, as our correspondent put it, that "they don't take an interest in their business." Is this not a polite way of saying that they are above their business? Whether or no, we are aware that many clerks put on airs which are as foolish, as they are unbusiness-like. A Toronto merchant, doing a large retail business, was one day waiting, in person, upon a woman who lived out Yonge Street, and desired to take the omnibus at a certain hour. Wishing her purchases delivered in some has e, and no messenger boy being at hand, the merchant said to one of his salesmen, "Take this over to the Bay Horse Hotel," a block or two away. The salesman

thinking it, as he said, beneath his dignity. "All right," said the merchant, "as you please about that, but it won't hurt my dignity ;" and he ran across the street himself with the parcel to oblige his customer. When the end of the month came round, the dignified clerk was paid off and told that the proprietor had no further need of his services, plenty of more obliging persons being available. He obtained another situation but lost it for a similar reason, and has since been compelled to take inferior positions to those who were not cursed with false pride.

HOW NOT TO DO BUSINESS.

In what a happy-go-lucky style much of the retail store business of Canada is done. may be gathered from the following instance : An insurance appraiser was requested to adjust the loss by fire upon a certain general stock of merchandise in Ontario recently. Going to the shopkeeper, who was a respectable man, with some productive real property, he asked how much stock had been in the place when the fire broke out. The reply was made, about seven thousand dollars worth. "Will you allow me to see your books,"said the appraiser. " Certainly," replied the shopkeeper. The books, being produced, were found to contain debits only, whoever had bought goods on credit was duly charged with them, but there were no accounts opened with the man's creditors -no Merchandize account—no Bills Receivaable account-no Profit and Loss accountno invoice book-no Cash Book-no record of laststock taking, he had not taken stock for some years-no balance sheet, even. So the insurance man was obliged, in order to get at the burned stock even approximately, to write to the houses from whom the shopkeeper had bought, a list of them being given from the memory of the debtor. He thus learned how much had been purchased from each during the previous twelve months, and how much was owing to each. Going carefully over the merchandise saved from the fire, it was learned after a week's work, that the amount of stock this unsystematic dealer had on hand could scarcely have been over \$4000, instead of \$7,000, which he, in good faith, claimed. And the insurance obtainable, instead of being, as the retailer expected, about \$4,000, did not exceed \$2,000.

How many country storekeepers are there who, if put in like circumstances, could make up an accurate claim, and substantiate it by evidence? How many are there who know, in other words, how they stand ? What proportion of our retail dealers keep track of their transactions in such a way as is legally necessary to establish their position in case of unforeseen difficulty or disaster? Can we truthfully say fifty per cent? Would it be safe to conclude that even one in four does so? We fear that the experience of insurance adjusters and official assignees must compel us to the conclusion that not even one fourth of our retail merchants take these essential precautions for their creditors' satisfaction and their own safety. An iron safe is considered a necessity to every merchant who keeps accounts; and so it is, if the man wishes to demurred to being made a messenger boy, keep his cash, or the record of his outstanding

assets safe from burglars, or from fire. But one haif the sum he pays for a safe is wasted if he does not keep in that safe a proper record of his position, from to year, or from month to month. Even a person who sells for cash, and therefore needs to keep no account of credit sales, may well consider the \$100 or \$300 he pays for a good safe as wasted, if that strong box do not contain such a record of his position as to merchandize on hand or current indebtedness, as will suffice, in case of robbery or fire, to satisfy the insurance companies who protect him or the wholesale merchants who supply him.

There is no more essential part of a merchant's duty to himself and his creditors than systema ic stock taking at least once every year, but even his stock taking is a waste of time and labour if he neglects to make up a proper balance sheet, and neglects to take proper care to preserve all his stock sheets, stock book and balance sheet. In too many instances where these are needed to refer to, they have either been destroyed as useless, or lost. Another matter made unpleasantly clear by the investigations of an expert after a fire loss, is the often indefinite or mistaken notions of retail dealers as to the rate of profit upon goods sold. In a case in question, the country merchant was asked what rate of gross profit he sold goods at, and replied, from fifteen to twenty-five per cent. on invoice prices, and on some lines thirty three per cent. It was a revelation to him to have it proved that he was not making more than ten percent.; and that instead of making \$5,000 clear, upon a turn-over of my \$25,500 yearly, he was in fact making less than \$2.500.

How is this? some shopkeepers may ask. The reason is that no allowance was made for the items of freight ; depreciation ; interest ; bad debts ; cost of selling ; insurance, taxes, and other matters which require to be added to the invoice cost. Wholesale houses estimate that the expense of selling goods through travellers adds from three and a half to seven per cent. to their cost- And the retail merchant must not imagine that because he keeps no travellers the sale of his goods therefore costs him nothing. Clerk-hire costs something ; and even if no clerks be kept, but the store is conducted by the shop-keeper and his family, rent, fuel, light, packing, taxes, carriage, expenses to the markets to purchase, and a dozen other seemingly trifling matters, go to swell the cost price beyond that put down in the successive lines of wholesale dealers' invoices.

PROVINCIAL INSURANCE COM-PANIES.

We acknowledged the receipt, last week, of the preliminary report upon those insurance companies which make annual reports to the Government of the Province of Oatario. This abstract Report contains the assets and liabilities, the income and expenditure, the losses paid and unpaid, and various other important items of information, given in detail by the insurance companies in compliance with the requirements of the Provincial insurance department for the year ending 31st December, 1883. The report gives a tabular statement of the

business of one Life Insurance Company. the London; two Joint Stock Fire Companies, the Mercantile, of Waterloo, and the Queen City, of Toronto; six mixed mutual and cash system companies, the Gore District, G lt; the Hand in-Hand, Toronto; the Ontario Mutual, London; the Perth County Mutual, Stratford ; the Victoria Mutual, Hamilton; and the Waterloo Mutual, Waterloo. There are, besides those above named, fifty-one purely mutual companies. Nearly all of these companies confine their business to farm property and private dwellings exclusively. The Economical, of Berlin; the Huron and Middlesex, of London, and the Wellington Mutual do a general business. The Canadian Millers' Mutual, we believe, insures no property except flouring and grist mills and oatmeal mills. Of these the Huron and Middlesex, while professing to do business on the purely mutual system, is said to be in some way evading the law by dispensing with the usual undertaking and taking business on the cash system. We understand that complaints have been made to the Inspector of Insurance with reference to this company's mode of doing business. It would appear that the new departure made by this company is in consequence of the recent action of the Stock Companies in agreeing upon uniform, and which are supposed to be equitable, rates of insurance. We know nothing as to the truth or falsity of these charges, but we trust the Inspector of Insurance, whose duty it is, will take the necessary means of finding out, and the proper steps for stopping such an illegal practice, if it exists.

The only Life Company doing business exclusively in this province is the London Life and Accident Company, of London, Ontario. It has now 862 policies in force, insuring \$776,778.

CANADIAN LIFE BUSINESS IN 1883.

Further presentation of figures from the advance sheets of Superintendent Cherriman's Life Insurance Report for last year may be of interest. We gave last week the aggregate of premiums, amount of policies, &c., and the total business done by each group of life companies in the Dominion. The net amount of policies in force we find to exceed one hundred and twenty-three millions of dollars, (\$123,477,839) divided as follows :

Canadian companies\$ 59,231,609
 American companies
 41,391,371

 British companies
 22,854,859

In the previous year, the aggregate of insurance policies written was \$115,088,078. The growth of the business in 1883 was thus \$8,389,761 or nearly seven per cent. The division of this business among the groups of home and foreign companies was, roughly, one half to the Canadian, one third to the American, and something over one sixth to the British life societies. The exact proportions are as under :

Home companies..... 47.96 per cent. 52.04 Foreign do

Of the foreign life offices those of the

those of Britain 18.52 per cent. About three-fifths of the whole business, say \$71,733,000, was done by the Canada, the Confederation, the Standard, the Ætna, and the Equitable. The table of increase or decrease in amount of risks in force at close of year shows the gain of the different companies to be as under :

	INCREASE.
Canada	\$2,720,000
Confederation	1,309,000
Ontario Mutual	1,040,000
Sun	941,000
North American	654,000
Citizens	236,000
Ætna	1,272,000
Equitable	1,021,000
Union Mutual	500,000
United States	
New York	26,000
British Empire	
London & Lancashire	566,000
Standard	424,000

-News of activity in the mineral trade of our Maritime Provinces, is always wel-There, as elsewhere, the mining come. interests have their dull as well as their active periods. When so-called bonanzas are found, the pendulum swings far in the one direction, that of development ; to take, however, the return swing when the discoveries do not "pan out" as was expected. Just now, we learn from the Eastern Chronicle, operations for iron ore are begun at Bridgeville, East River. One shaft is sunk on the farm of James Fraser, where they are raising a good quality of ore, and prospecting is going on in two other localities. A correspondent of the Hants Journal writing from Ellershouse, says : "A gold mine has been discovered here by two men who have been prospecting for some time. They have found a lead between the Little Valley and Big Gut, which they suppose to be an extension of the Mt. Uniacke mines. Three hundred pounds sent to be crushed, gave \$1.50 or about \$10 per ton, very good for surface findings. Reports are that Messrs. Ellershausen and Silver, of Halifax, have taken large claims with the finders and that they intend commencing work at once. Furthermore, a silver mine is reported to have been discovered at St. Nicholas River, in Welford, Kent County, N.B., by a Mr. Brooks. Analyzation of the ore shows an average of 65 per cent. of the precious metal. It is said that two Halifax gentlemen have offered a very large sum to be shown the precise locality of the mine.

REPUDIATION.

The latest instance of municipal repudiation on a small scale is that just now come to light in an action against the municipality of Brockton, now incorporated with the City of Toronto. It appears that the accounts of that municipality were not in the first instance properly kept, and got into such a confused condition that neither the treasurer nor the auditors could bring in any statement of the affairs of the municipality, or complete the audit as required by law. As a consequence of this a firm of accountants in this city was retained and spent a considerable length of time in re-writing the books and completing a proper audit. This action appears to have been taken by the desire of four members of the council, the fifth being the Reeve, opposing United States took 33.52 per cent., and that system of straightening out the accounts,

commissioner, for which certain ratepayers had petitioned. This commissioner it appears was afterwards appointed, but it is said the commissioner in making up his report used the material of the accountant so far as they had gone over the work. The report of the accountants appears to have been regularly received and adopted by the council.

Payment of the accountants' account not having been made during the then current year, and there being a change afterwards in the personnel of the council, the municipality refused to pay the account and, upon being sued defended on the ground that they were not liable, there being no contract under the seal of the municipality. The case came up for trial before Chief Justice Hagarty at the Queen's Bench Division, who held that as the municipality had obtained the benefit of plaintiff's services, and as they had accepted them by resolu tion no contract under seal was necessary to bind it, and judgment was given against them for \$690. Whether the case will be carried further remains to be seen. Such a plea in the mouth of a municipality as against men whose services have been given them in good faith is by no means creditable ; in fact our heading is perhaps, the only adequate word to characterize such action.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS AT TORONTO.

The Board of Trade figures for April appear somewhat later in the month than usual, possibly because the worthy Secretary was assisting to uphold the fair fame of Toronto at the Corn Exchange "spread" in New York last week. No one, prob bly, will grudge him his holiday after the hard labor of railway r. turn tickets, especially as, (the president having returned from Britain) he is now likely to be kept busier than ever. The grand total of imports for last month is \$1,240,-490. as compared with \$1,428,989 in the previous April.

Article.	April, 1884.	April, 1883.
Cotton Goods	\$94,135	\$161.613
Fancy Goods	40 825	42,330
Hats and Bennets	38,990	46,296
Silk Goods	28,813	23,809
Woolien Goods	98,812	145,859
Total Dry Goods	\$301,475	\$419,907
Books &c	29,187	22,827
Coal	237,796	161,477
Iron & Steel Goods	85,126	149,358
Jewellery	173,017	38,021
Liather Goods		35,599
Paper &c		26,629

Total Imports.....\$1,240,490 \$1,428,989 The aggregate value of exports of Canadian products was last month \$508,883, against \$276,690 the previous April. The large items were lumber and logs \$134,665; animals &c. \$51,812 ; barley \$157,040 ; wheat \$26,824 ; malt \$87.401.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

S. A.; LONDON .--- The list is given elsewhere in to-day's issue. We found it in a London paper of about 25th ult. and intended printing it on 2nd instant, but it was unfortunately overlooked. The anthorities of the Board never sent us any record of their proceedings, as you suggest.

ENQUIREB; WALKEBTON .--- High as the rate may appear to be, we would not recommend you to change from the stronger company to a weaker one, for the sake of saving even one per cent. on the risk. Considering the experience of the companies with property of that class, it is by no means clear that the rate is excessive. However, we advise you to write the Secretary of the Underwriters, Toronto.

and favoring the appointment of a government difficulty. Shall expect to hear from you in the fall under brighter conditions.

> P. A. E. SENB.; OTTAWA-We have not the figures you desire, but will endeavor to procure and forward them.

H. McL., MONTREAL -Alas ! It is as true here as it was in Uncle Remus' country that "Some folks is bawn untoe trubbel sho' as sparks come bam ! from the hammah." But the state of the first case is not so bad as you picture it, we have seen the statement. As to the other, sufferer, he is an illustrious bummer, better fitted for a bucket shop than a Sunday school. " Let no such man be trusted," music or no music, for " his affections are uark as Erebus." Congratulate you on being clear of both, however. As to the celebrated law suit, thanks for your expressions. We are modestly trying to possess our souls in patience. If sympathy could pay expenses we should not be out of pocket.

THE GROCERS' GUILD .- Some months ago we noticed, in these columns, the formation of a Grozers' Guild, the aim of which was to maintain among other things, uniformity in the terms of credit and to prevent, if possible, undue competition in certain articles, which were, as a result of this keen rivalry, often sold at a loss. The first meeting of the association was held in Hamilton on Monday, Mr. William Ince of the wholesale firm of Perkins, Ince & Co. of this city presided. A large and influential representation of wholesale houses from Montreal, Hamilton London and Toronto was in attendance. No definite measures were decided upon, but the discuss ion of the important points referred to was none the less profitable and will, no doubt, result in something practical at the next gathering, which is to be held at an early date. Much good should come out of these meetings and the opportunities they afford for the interchange of views upon matters affecting the common interests of the trade, will be most valuable. We have heard it asserted in respect of the trade in this city, that there has been far too little of that mutuality so desirable, and too much of that spirit which seems to say "you may go your way, and I'll go mine ; we have nothing in common." The existence of the Guild has already made apparent the disadvantages of such a course.

LONDON BOARD OF TRADE. -- At the general annual meeting of the board, held the last week of April, Mr Thos. McCormick, the retiring president, occupied the chair and there was a fair attendance of members. The Board was request. ed by Mr. Thomas Arkell of St. Thomas, to appoint a board of examiners, as he desires to have a person appointed inspector of hides in that city, where no Board of Trade exists. The resignations of Mr John Cameron, of Toronto, and Mr. J.H. Elliot, as members of the board were read and accepted. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Cameron, now of Toronto, expressing the regret of the board at losing so active a member, and thanking him for the valuable services he had rendered the Board in the past. The Secretary-Treasurer reported a balance on handlas at 1st of April last of \$120.74. Assets, \$311.14; liabilities, \$99; surplus of assets over liabilities, \$212.14. The report was received and adopted. Messrs. Henry T. Ford and Lud K. Cameron were elected members of the Board. Officers were then chosen as follows :--- President. Chas. S. Hyman; vice-president, H. Long; secretary-treasurer, John A. Nelles; Council, Geo. S. Birrell, John Marshall, Thos. McCormick, John Green, J. D. Ivey, John Campbell, M. Masuret, Jas. Watson, J. W. Little, John Labatt, J. B. Laing and Geo. Burns. Board of Arbitra-

Thos Green, A. D. Cameron, T. H. Marsh, Geo. Robinson, Wm. Lind, T. H. Smallman, R. Reid, jr., W. J. Reid and Andrew Cleghorn.

-The Toronto General Trusts Company is able to make the boast that the investments and trusts placed under its management during the year just ended amount to \$3,-750,000 and that it has besides invested, as financial agent, not far from another million. This business has not been done for nothing, since a net profit is shown, after paying running expenses and writing off preliminary expenditures, sufficient to yield seven per cent. on paid up capital and to form a reserve. The growth of the company's business, which led to an increase of its capital two years ago, justifies, in the opinion of the shareholders, a further increase of stock to \$500,000, the full amount named by the charter, which has been made, and the new stock is nearly all subscribed. The Trusts Co. may now be said to be well established and to have a fair prospect of a large and prosperous business as receiver, executor and financial agent.

-The New Glasgow Chronicle understands that Mr. D. M. Fraser has been promoted from the position of agent of the Pictou Bank, in that town, to the responsible post of manager at the head office, in room of Mr. Watson, who has retired through ill-health.

We learn from a recent issue of the Engineering Journal, that four leading firms of Sheffield manufacturers, Messrs, John Brown & Co., Chas. Cammell & Co., Thos. Firth & Son and Vickers, Son & Co., " declined to allow the Iron and Steel Institute, then in session, to visit their works." These manufacturers had, of course, a perfect right to prevent scientists or others from seeing their methods of work. But one cannot help contrasting their action with that of the paper-makers of Massachusetts and Connecticut, when on a recent occasion a prominent British paper-maker came to Canada and the United States on a visit. When that gentleman went to Boston to call on some of the agents of these American paper mills, he was taken at once to their factories, and shown through them, although he had not asked it. "They showed me everything," said the astonished gentleman, and he added : "I learned something too."

-A synopsis of the inwards and outwards trade of St John for April is given in the following Customs figures : Value of goods entered April 1884 was \$414,850 as compared with \$716,432 in the previous April. Duties \$97,175 last month against \$120,455. Withdrawn from warehouse \$128,603 against \$164,402. Remainin warehouse, \$243,218 as compared with \$208,851. The April exports were in value as under .---

	April.	1883.	1884.
l	Products of the mine	\$ 3,225	1,540
l	Fisheries and their products.	11,156	6,725
ł	Products of the forest	196,870	105,370
l	Animals of their produce	10.724	23,461
l	Agricultural products	17.243	435
I	Manufactures	6.518	2.686
I	Miscellaneous articles	2,532	3,771
	Total produce of Dominion	\$248,263	\$143,988
	Goods, not Canada produce		85,289
	Total exports	\$340,101	\$299,277
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-The earnings of American and Canadian railways, for the month of April last, show, according to the Financial Chronicle, an increase of 9.82 per cent. on an increase of milesge of 8.87 per cent. The gross earning of forty-eight roads A.H.; COLCHEBTER-Scriy you find so mue, tion, John McClary, Jas. Slater, J. S. Pearce, from January 1 to April 80 were \$55,528,821, as

as against \$54.094.250 same time last year, an increase of \$1,429.062. The most important increase was in North Pacific, \$773,091 for the month, and \$1,427,833 for four months. Next St. Louis and San Francisco of an increase of \$288,170 since January 1; then Rochester and Pittsburg \$209,229, and then Omaha \$204,536. The greatest decrease was in Grand Trunk of Canada, \$630,197, after which Illinois Central \$215,660.

Correspondence.

COST OF MANUFACTURE.

Editor Monetary Times.

SIR,-I was pleased to observe the article in your last number respecting the cost of produc-tion, and your remarks calling the attention of our manufacturers to this (to them) most im-portant matter. Many of the items you enumerate which go to make up the cost of production, as well as others that you do not mention I fear must be overlooked by some of our manufacturers if one is to judge by the prices at which many lines of our Canadian goods are being sold this year.

Along with the various items which you enu merated there are two more very important factors to be taken into consideration, viz. 1st the loss by shrinkage or waste, constituting the difference between the weight of the raw materials, and 2nd. interest on capital invested in buildings, machinery & , and required to carry stock. This last item to manufacturers in carry stock. This last item to manufacturers in Canada is a very costly one. Owing to the bad system into which the trade has drifted of giving long credits and dating-ahead, this alone involves an added cost of at the very closest calculation of from five to six per cent. on all the goods manufactured.

I am glad to notice that in important matters of this kind the MONETARY TIMES gives "no un-certain sound," and it would be well for many of your readers if they would only take the advice you so frequently give. I fear that, as you say, in this matter of fixing selling prices, many manufacturers govern themselves more by what others are offering their goods at than by calculating the exact cost of production. Where this course is pursued it will be discovered, per-haps, when too late how fallacious is the endeavor to sell goods at the prices at which some unfor-tunate neighbor may have been obliged to dispose of surplus or irregular stock.

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meetings.

TOBONTO GENERAL TRUSTS COMPANY.

The second annual meeting of the share-holders of this Company took place at its offices, 27 and 29 Wellington Street East, Toronto on Monday, the 12th inst. The chair was taken by the President of the Company, the Hon.

by the President of the Company, the Hon. Edward Blake, Q C., M.P. A large number of the shareholders were present, including Mr. E. A. Meredith, the Vice-President; Hon. Wm. McMaster. Hon. Alex. Morris, Messrs. W. H. Beatty, B. Homer Dixon, J. D. Edgar, Witliam Elliot, James J. Foy, William Gooderham, Robert Jaffray, Sheriff Jarvis, J. W. Lansmuir, Arthur B. Lee, J. G. Scott Q.C., T. Sutherland Stayner. The follow-ing shareholders were also represented by proxy, viz.:-Messrs. John Bell, Q.C., Belleville; Geo. A. Oox, Peterborough; Benjamin Cronyn, London, Charles F Goodhue, London, Æmilius Irving, Q.C., Hamilton; Robert Kent, Kingston; Longon, Unaries F Goodhue, London, Æmilius Irving, Q.C., Hamilton; Bobert Kent, Kingston; John Labati, London; T. B. Merritt, St. Cath-arines; and W. B. Searth, Winnipeg. Mr. J. W. Langmuir, the manager of the Company, was appointed secretary, and read the second annual

REPORT.

The directors of the Toronto General Trusts Company have much pleasure in submitting for the information of the shareholders their second annual report, with the accompanying financial statements, showing in detail its transactions during the twelve months ended the 81st March, 1994 1884.

The directors congratulate the shareholders upon the marked success which has attended the operations of the Company in all the important branches of its business in the past year - a suc-cess which has more than realized their anticipa-

The large amount of business of various kinds The large amount of business of various kinds which it has acquired, although only two years established, and the very substantial revenue derived therefrom, are gratifying, not merely as proof of its financial success, but also as showing the extent to which the Company has secured the confidence of the general public. This public confidence is specially evidenced

by the number of cases involving large pecuniary interests where the Company's services have been called into requisition, by private individvals, by corporations, and by the courts of the pro-vince, in its various capacities of trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, agent, and other responsible offices of trust which, under its char-ter, it is authorized to undertake.

A reference to the accompanying financial statements shows that during the past year the Company, in its capacity as financial agent, in-vested upwards of \$800,000, and that the aggregate of investments and trusts under its care and management, at the close of the second year, is over a million and three quarters of dollars

The profit and loss statement shows the revenue for the year and the various sources from which it has been derived.

It will be seen that after paying all the our rent office and other expenses of the year, together with the entire amount required to wipe out all charges in the nature of preliminary expenses as well as this year's share of the com-missions and charges on loans not payable by borrowers, there remains a sum of \$11,970.28 as the net profits of the year. Out of this amount the Directors feel warranted in declaring a dividend at the rate of seven per cent. per annum on the paid up stock from the date of payment up to the 31st March, 1884, and have placed \$4,000 of the balance to reserve account. The remainof the balance to reserve account. der stands at the credit of the profit and loss ac count.

In order to extend the interests of the Company in the commercial centres of the Province, the shareholders decided in March, 1882, to in-crease the capital stock from \$200,000 to \$300. 009. This was allotted to influential capitalists in London, Hamilton, Kingston, and the other important cities of the Province. Subsequently, in the month of November, 1883, in view of the rapidly increasing volume of the general business and especially of the large trust estates which were being placed in the Company's hands, it was thought advisable by the shareholders to further increase the capital stock to the full amount authorized by the charter, namely, \$500,000. All the new stock was at once sub scribed for, nearly the whole of it being taken up by the original shareholders.

The Directors have much pleasure in placing on record their high appreciation of the energy, ability, and zeal with which the large and com-plicated business of the Company has been con-ducted during the year by the Manager and his staff.

President.

EDWARD BLAKE, Toronto, May 5th, 1884. The adoption of the report was moved by Mr. Blake, who gave a brief review of the year's work and its results. He congratulated the shareholders on the very marked success that had attended the Company's operations, which had proved both satisfactory to the proprietors and of great advantage to the community. It was abundantly evident that the Company had won the confidence of the various classes for whose requirements it had been established. He had assisted in its organization in the belief that this result would be achieved, but his expectations had been more than realized. He felt convinced that as the objects of the Company be came better known its business would steadily increase.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Meredith, the Vice-President.

A resolution of thanks was passed to the Directors and the Executive Committee for their careful and diligent discharge of their

their careful and dilgent discharge of their duties during the year. A vote of thanks was then passed to the Presi-dent, Vice President, and Manager, and upon the motion of Sheriff Jarvis, seconded by Mr. J. D. Edgar, the following shareholders were elected Directors of the Company for the ensuing ear :-

Hon. Edward Blake, Q.C., M. P.; Hon. Wil-liam McMaster, Senator, Hon. Alex. Morris, M.P.P.; Messrs. E. A. Meredith, L.L.D., B. Homer Dixon, Æmilius Irving, Q.C., Geo. A. (Cox, William Gooderham, J. G. Scott, Q.C., James J. Foy, Q.C., A. B. Lee, William Elliot, James MacLennan, Q.C., J. K. Kerr, Q. C., T. Sutherland Stayner, Robert Jaffray, William Hon. Edward Blake, Q.C., M. P.; Hon. Wil-

Mulock, M. P.; and, owing to the removal of Mr. W. B. Searth from this city to the North-West, Mr. William H. Beatty was elected a director to complete the requisite number. The new board of directors then met and re-elected the Hon. Edward Blake, President ; Mr.

E. A. Meredith, Vice-President.

CANADIAN PACIFIC BAILWAY.

The third annual meeting of the shareholders of the Canadian Pacific Reilway Company was held on Wednesday, 14th instant, at the offices of the company in Montreal, Mr. Richard B. Augus, Vice-President, in the chair.

B. Augus, Vice-President, in the chair. A statement of the Company's affairs was laid upon the table. The following were elected directors for the ensuing year: Mr. George Stephen, Mr. R. B. Augus, the Hon. Donaid A. Smith, Mr. W. C. VanHorne, Mr. H. S. North-cote, Mr. P. du P. Grenfell, Mr. C. D. Rose, Baron J. DeReinsch, Mr. R. V. Martinson, Mr. W. L. Scott, and Mr. John Turnbull. Mr. Dun-can MoIntyre declined re-election. The meet-ing was adjourned to the 16th of June.

ing was adjourned to the 16th of June. A special meeting of the shareholders was afterwards held, at which the Company was authorized to lease the Manitoba South-Western Colonization Railway. At a special meeting of the new Board of Directors held immediately after the shareholders' meeting, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, Mr. Geo. Stephen was re-elected President, and Greo. Stephen was re-elected President, and Meesrs. R. B. Angus, and W. C. Van-Horne Vice-Presidents. An Executive Committee was also appointed consisting of: Mr. R. B. Angus, Hon. Donald A. Smith, Mr. W. C. VanHorne.

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTBEAL, May 14th, 1884.

We have had a good deal of cool, rainy weather of late, which has interfered with farm work in some localities, but on the whole spring work is well advanced. In the Ottawa section and elsewhere, we hear, matters are a fortnight ahead of last year. Trade is quieter than it should be, and there is not the boom present that is usually looked for at this season when navigation has just got fully opened. The lack of grain and produce in the country to be moved doubtless accounts for this lack of bustle, and shippers are at a loss for outward cargoes for their vessels, and talk of petitioning Parliament to abolish canal tolls, so as to get grain to take this route. Payments show a falling off from this route. rayments show a falling off from what they were ten days ago. The disastrons failures in financial circles in New York have caused much excitement here, but have wrought no ill effects. The stock market has ruled steady, Bank of Montreal selling at 189. Money continues at 4 to 44 for call loans, and 7 per cent., the usual discount rate.

Ashes.—Have ruled since last report at from \$3 90 to 4.00 for pots, with light receipts, and only a small business doing. Only two fair lots have come in since the opening of Navigation, and the bulk of the winter make is still in the country, being probably kept back owing to the low price. Stocks in store continue large, the shipments to Britain since open water being under 500 bris. In pearls there are no trans

actions known of lately, and prices are nominal. Day Goods.—Owing to the absence of fine sunahiny weather, business continues backward sunshiny weather, business continues backward and salesmen in some sections report only light orders. A good many travellers are back from sorting trips, while others have started out on special errands, with Canadian tweeds, under-clothing &c. and in these lines fair business is reported, dealers in Western sections seeming to have more confidence in placing orders. Milli-nery houses renort a moderate spring trade nery houses report a moderate spring trade, with considerable business yet to be done, as Procession Sunday falls much later than usual this year. City retail is not active as yet but is rather improved from what it was a fortnight ago. Remittances are well spoken of by houses having a choice of customers, but others say

having a choice of classifiers, but choice say they are only fair. DRUGS & CHENTGALS.—Trade in this line con-tinues fairly active, with payments coming in moderately well. There is really no change in quotations since lastroport, there has been some little rise in Quinine in New York, but advanced

FISH.—Hardly anything doing in this line, and there is really nothing choice in the way of pickled fish in the market. Prices have a tendency to weakness. We quote Labrador Herrings, No. 2, \$4 to \$4.25; Dry Cod, \$5 to \$5.25; North Shore Salmon, \$19 for No. 1, be-ing the only grade in the market; British Columbia Salmon, \$15 to \$15.50; Smoked Salmon 150. Salmon, 15c.

FURS .- Not much to write about in this line, Advices from Nijni Novgorod indicate an advance in Persian lembs, which will affect prices here. The date for the London summer sale of here Pacific Coast furs, and other furs which arrived too late for the March seles, has been fixed for too late for the March seles, has been fixed for June 23. We quote: Beaver, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per lb.; Otter \$9.00 to \$12.00; Bear, large, \$9.00 to \$12.00; small, \$4.00 to \$7.00; Cub do. \$3.00 to \$5.00; Fisher, \$4.00 to \$6.00; Red Fox, \$1.20 to 1.35; Cross do., \$3.00 to \$7.00; Mink, 50e. to \$1.00 Marten, \$1.00 to \$1.20; Muskrat, (winter) 123c. (spring) do. 17c.; Skunk, 40 to 60e.; Rac-coon, 50 to \$0c.

FLOUR.-For the season the market rules very dull, with few important transactions reported. auii, with rew important transactions reported. We quote Superior Extra \$5.50 to \$5.55; Extra Superfine \$5.20 to \$5.25; Fancy \$4.85; Spring Extra \$4.65 to \$4.75; Superfine \$4.15 to \$4.20; Strong Bakers', Canadian \$5.10 to \$5.40; Amer-ican do. \$5.25 to \$5.45. The absence of bread-ting autores for through abinometics a maintener stuff cargoes for through shipment is a serious feature for the St. Lawrence route.

CEMENTS, FIRECLAY, &c.-Prices in these lines show no change, and we quote Portland cement \$8 to \$8.25 as to lot; Roman \$2.75 : Canadian \$1.60 to \$1.75; Fireclay \$10 a ton; Firebricks \$25 to \$30 as to brand.

GROCERIES.—Trade on the whole is quiet for the season, but still there is a considerable outgo of goods by boat westward at the reduced rates of freight. Payments are moderately good, but remittances do not come in so freely as they did. Sugars are stronger, and may be quoted at remittances do not come in so freely as they did. Sugars are stronger, and may be quoted at about 1 of a cent advance; 720. is now the lowest r.finery price for granulated. Prices of Barbadoes and Porto Rico for refinery grades are firmer. There are some lots of nice bright Porto Rico grocery sugars in the market at 6 to 64 cents. Refiners are reported to have re-ceived large orders within the last few days The market for Teas is steady at unchang figures, and a fair general enquiry exists. The reported settlement of the Franco-Chinese The troubles has probably had effect on the London market for greens, as we hear of offers shaded below quotations being accepted within last few days. The market was never so bare of milled rice as at the moment, but fresh supplies direct from British Burmah will be to hand in course from British Burman will be to hand in course of a few days. In Valencia raisins there is not much doing, the price is about 5 to $5\frac{3}{4}$ in Inrge lots, or $\frac{5}{4}$ to 6 cents in a jobbing way. Currants 5 to $5\frac{1}{2}$, with moderate enquiry. Of Malaga fruit the market is pretty bare. A good many almonds and filberts have been turned over of late at $14\frac{1}{4}$ to $15\frac{1}{2}$. for the former, and $8\frac{1}{4}$ to $9\frac{1}{2}$. for the latter. Spices and other lines un-changed. changed.

for the latter. Spices and other lines un-changed. LEATHER --Some houses report business as very fair, while others are disposed to grumble and complain of dulness. Prices at any rate are well maintained, and we hear of sales of both sole and heavy upper at our extreme quo-tations. Stocks are not excessive in any line, and very few splits are going to Britsin, the local demand being equal to the supply. We hear of another failure in this line at Halifar. We quote: Hemlock Spanish Sole B. 4. 244 to 280.; ditto, No. 2 B. A. 22 to 255; No. 1, Ordinary Spanish, 240. to 254; No. 2 ditto 220. to 280; No. 1 China 280. No. 2 ditto 220. to 280; No. 1 China 280. No. 2 ditto No. 2, 194 to 210. Hemlock Slauph-ter, No. 1, 26 to 274c; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 38 to 380; ditto ditto heavy, 38 to 360.; Grained, 34 to 380. Splits, large, 22 to 280.; ditto (25 to 84 lbs.) 60 to 700.; Russet Sheepskin Linings, 30 to 500; Harness, 24 to 380; Buffed Cow, per ft., 14 to 150. Enamelled Cow, 15 to 160. Patent Cow, 15 to 160. Pebbled Cow, 11 to 1540. Rough, 28 to 280. Imitation French Calfskins. 80 to 856; Russet & Bridle, 45 to 550. METALS AND HARDWARE.-Some few orders for 550.

-Some few orders for METALS AND HABDWARE.pig iron are reported from the west, but business continues of a hand to-mouth character. A rrivals of fresh stock are light, and there is no surplus stock to force off, which it would be

hard to do anyhow in face of the feeling at present reigning. Prices are again weaker; warrants at home declined since last writing to present reigning. Prices are again weaker; warrants at home declined since last writing to 41s. 10d., and again to 41s. 6d., and the Ameri-can market is also reported very dull. We think we may fairly quote bar iron now at \$1.75 to \$1.85, it will hardly go lower, however, as freights are reported on the advance. Stocks of tin plates on spot continue very low, and people have ordered so carefully that very little is coming forward. Ingot tin is still advancing at home, and copper is rather stronger. We quote Gartsherrie and Summerlee about \$19.00; Calder, very little in market, \$19.50; Lang-loan, \$19.50 to \$20.00; Coltness, \$20.00 to \$20.50; Dalmellington, \$17 00; Eglinton, \$17.60 to \$17.50; Hematite, \$23.00 to \$25.00; Stemens, \$19.00 to \$20.00; Bar Iron still \$1.75 to \$1.85; Canada Plates \$2.90 to \$3 00 as to brand: Tin Plates Bradley Charcoal, \$6.15 to 6.25; Charcoal I C \$4.90 to \$5.25 as to brand; do. I X. \$6.50 to 6.75; Coke I C., \$4.25 to \$4.40, Galvanized Sheets, No. 28, 6 to 7c. socording to brand; Tinned Sheets, coke, Nos. 24 to 26, 74 to 72c.; Hoops and Bands per 100 lbs. \$2.85 to \$2.40; Sheets. Boiler. Plate per 100 lbs. Staffordshire, \$2.50 to \$2.75; Steel Boiler Plate \$3.5 to \$0.00; heads \$4.50; Russian Sheet Iron, 104 to 11c. Lead per 100 lbs. :--Pig, \$3.75 to \$4.00; Sheet; \$4.00; Shot, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast Steel, 12 to 13c., firm; Spring, \$8.50, firm; Tire, \$3.50, firm Sleigh Shoe, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Round Machin-ry Steel, 33 to 4c. per lb. Ingot Tin, 22 to 24c. Bar Tin, 25.; Ingot Copper, 164 to 17c Sheet Zinc, \$4.75 to \$5.50; Spelter, \$4.75 to \$5; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs. OILS AND PAINTS.--Rusiness in oils is only fair, and the position as regards seal oil is hard to 41s. 10d., and again to 41s. 6d., and the Ameri-

OILS AND PAINTS. -Business in oils is only fair, and the position as regards seal oil is hard to define. Buyers and sellers are far apart in their views, but prices are not so firm as would be views, but process are not so from as would be expected from the short catch. Steam refined is still quoted nominally at 70 to 723, though we hear of a round lot changing hands at figures much under that first named: Pale Vat 60 to 624c.; Straw 55 to 574c.; Cod Oil is a little easier owing to lack of demand. Cod Liver Oil a little better, owing to a shortage in the Norway a little better, owing to a shortage in the Norway catch, we quote \$1.60 to \$1.70c.; *Linseed* is dull and weaker at home, but local prices remain about the same. *Castor* and *Olive Oil* unchanged. *Turpentine* 52¹/₂ to 55c. In paints business is hardly so good as it was a fortnight ago; the scarcity of lead then existing has been remedied by new stock exting the scarce. *White* by new stock arriving by steamer, we quote White Lead. (genuine and first-class brands only) \$6.50 to \$7.000; No. 1, \$5.75 to 6.25; No. 2, \$5 25 to 5.75: No. 3, 475 to 5.00. Dry White Lead 6 to 640.; Red do. to 54c. These prices for round lots. London Washed Whiting 60 to 65c.; Paris

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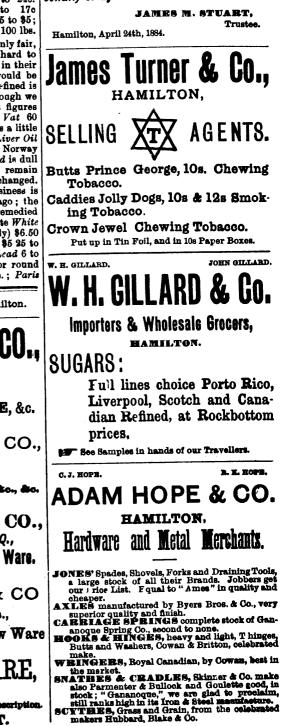
Teas New Season's Japan, all kinds, Japan Pekoe, Moyune, and Ping Sney, Young Hy:on and Gunpowder, India Teas, Black and Green, Moning Kai-sow and Paklin, Congous, Hyson, Oc'ong, Large Stock, well assorted.

Sugars Canada, Glasgow, and Liver-pool refined all sorts. A full stock of Tobacces, Syrups, Cof-fees, Fruits and General Gro-ceries.

Hamilton, 1st Feb. 1884.

To the Grocery Trade:

The undersigned being desirous of clearing off the stock of SIMPSON, STUART & CO., is offering special inducements in all lines of General Groceries & Liquors on hand. Quotations given either personally or by letter.



PROVISIONS. — Pork continues steady at prices as follows, with a special demand: Canada Short Cut \$21 50 to \$22; Western Mess \$20.50 to \$21; Western Lard 124c.; Canadian ditto 11% to 12a; Hams 14 to 144c.; Bacon 13 to 14c. Butter is quiet, with fair receipts of new make, which sells at 19 to 22c.; old stock sells slowly at 12 to 18 cents. Cheese steady at 11% to 12%. Egg: 1540. per dozen.

SALT .- The first sailing ship cargoes are reported at Quebec, and are principally coarse Elevens sales being reported at 38c. ex stream. Local sales for coarse Elevens ex Wharf are at 41 to 4210.; Factory Felled \$1.10; quarter bags 85 to 86c.

Wool.-There seems to be more enquiry on the part of mill men, but actual business is only moderate, and we do not hear of any important transactions. Prices remain at following figures: Domestic A Supers anote at 27 to 29c.; B. ditto, 22 to 24c.; Black and Unassorted, 20c.; Cape 16 to 18c.; Australian, 22 to 30c. for finest.

BRITISH MARKETS.

London, 14th May, 1884.

Floating cargoes—Wheat, slow; maize, none offering. Cargoes on passage — Wheat and maize, slow. Mark Lane—Wheat, rather easier; maize, slow. Mark Lane—Wheat, rather easier; maize, quiet. English country markets quiet; French, generally dearer. Imports into the United Kingdom last week—Wheat, 305,000 to \$10,000 qrs.; maize, 95,000 to 100,000 qrs.; flour, 215,000 to 220,000 bbls. Weather in England showery. Liverpool—Spot wheat, in-active; maize, quiet, and half-penny cheaper. Paris—Wheat and flour, the turn dearer. At 5 p.m.—Consols, 101 7-16 for money, and 101 9-16 for account. Bonds, 4½'s, 115; 5's, 104; Erie, 14‡; l'ilinois Central, which was 123‡ in morning, is now 122; Canadian Pacific 46§ in morning, is now 45§. LIVERPOOL. May 14th. 1884.

in morning, is now 453. LIVERPOOL, May 14th, 1884. At 5. p.m. — Breadstuffs dull, under heavy foreign supply. Flour, 10s. to 11s. 6d.; spring wheat, 7s. 4d. to 7s. 6d.; red winter, 7s. 8d. to 8s. 2d.; corn, new, 5s. 23d.: old, 5s. 43d.; barley, 5s. 6d.; oats, 5s. 5d.; peas, 6s. 5d.; pork, 73s.; lard, 43s. 8d.; bacon, 43s. to 44s.; tallow, 87s. 6; cheese, new, 65s. A good business doing in spot cotton. Sales of 12,000 bales for future delivery quict, at but little change in values; May and June 6.14d.; July and August 6.21d.: September 6.25d. September 6.25d.

September 6.25d. In Messrs. Gillespie & Co's. Prices Current, dated Liverpool, April 30th, 1884, we find some information as to chemicals, and the following quotations: Chemicals—The demand is un-satisfactory, and prices difficult to maintain. Bleach is expected to advance, owing to reduc-tion in output. Salt cake 55s. per ton in casks; Arsenie 12s. 8d; Borax, refined nett per owt. 40s.; Bleaching powder per owt. 7s. 7fd to 7s. 9d; Cream tartar, crystals per owt. 125s. 6d. Oils—Linseed moves slowly; Gastor oil keeps steady; Rape oil has declined materially; Olive and Palm oil dull and easier. Soda Bi-carb per owt. 7s. Ditto Camatic 60 per cent. cream, 9s ditto 60 per cent. white, 9s. owt. 7s. Ditto Caustic 60 ditto 60 per cent. white, 9s.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

NEW YORK, May 14th, 1884.

NEW YORK, May 14th, 1884. The market opened for cotton for future de-livery at a decline of from 8 to 4 points. At the opening cali May delivery sold at 11.62 to 11.63c; June, 11.78, down to 11.69c.; July, 11.80 to 11.87c.; September, 11.59 to 11.57c. Sales, 7,500 bales. After the Wall street panic in stocks to-day, spot cotton closed 1-16c. lower; middling uplands, 11§c. Future deliveries under the influence of the great depression in Wall street were sold down one tenth to one sixth of a penny accord party towards the close. leava penny, covered partly towards the close, leav-ing off steady. May, 11.58 to 11.54c.; June, 11.68 to 11.64c.; July, 11.74 to 11.75c.; August, 11.84 to 11 85c.; September, 11.54 to 11.55c.

TOBONTO MARKETS.

TOBONTO, May 15, 1884.

-Manufacturers, generally, BOOTS AND SHORS. complain of dulness in this department of trade. Stocks on the shelves of country dealers are for the most part not in want of additions travellers are, consequently, sending w orders. The season, however, is nd in few orders.

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FLOUB AND MEAL .- The demand for flour is fair, at slightly improved rates. The general feeling of dealers and millers seems to be that they are treading on anything but safe ground. Prospects of a good harvest all over the Con-tinent, and the large supplies in sight, together tinent, and the large supplies in sight, together with an overstocked foreign market, make a decline much more likely than a turn for the better. We quote Superior Extra \$5.05 to \$5.10; Extra \$4.75 to \$4.80; Spring Wheat Extra \$4.40 to \$4.50. There is a fair enquiry for Oat-meal at \$4.25 to \$4.50; and commeal would probably bring \$3.50 for large lots and a shade more for smaller quantities. Bran is a little lower, say \$11 to \$12. The stock of flour in store on 13th was 2,510 brls.; 5th, 2,260 brls., and on 14th May, 1883, 6,605 brls.

GROCERIES.—Sugars are on the turn, having advanced in Glasgow 1/6 to 2s. per owt., and a much more hopeful feeling prevails. Refiners will not sell any more. Granulated at old prices Porto Rico dark is selling at 6 to 510., Barbadoes 6 to 61 and Vac. Pan Demerara is worth 82 to 9c. Canadian refined quotes at 6 to 7c. The 90. stock of teas is daily becoming smaller with no immediate prospect of replenishing. A lot of immediate prospect of replenishing. A lot of low seconds went yesterday at 22c. Firsts com-mand from 39 to 42 lc., but nothing going under 39c. There are no thirds in the market, and there will be no important additions to the stock of Japans until October. A batter feeling exists for all good qualities of fruit, but the commoner sorts are neglected. Quotations for coffee are steady and unchanged and the same remarks



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THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

At the fifty-eighth Annual General meeting of the Standard Life Assurance Company, held in Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 29th of April last; the following results for the year ended 15th November, 1883, were reported : 2.664 new proposals for Life As-

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Ĺ	year of	969,449	53

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It having come to the knowledge of the undersigned that attempts have been made to introduce for sale in the Dominion of Canada an imitation of

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Halifax, N. S , May 1st, 1884.

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JAMES PARK & SON, St. Lawrence Market.

General trade will apply to syrups and spices. is pretty fair and remittances not bad.

GRAIN.-Wheat-Sales are mostly made on milling account. The market is not quite so firm as in the first part of the week, the break in Chicago having unsteadied matters somewhat, although no reduction has yet taken place. No. 2 fall still rules at \$1.11 to \$1.12, while a sale of No. 3 was reported at \$1.12; but this is hardly probable, as \$1.09 to \$1.10 will be nearer the mark. No. 1 spring would likely bring \$1.15 to \$1.16; No. 2 is unchanged at \$1.11 to \$1.12; and No. 3 is worth in the neighborhood of \$1.08 to \$1 09. The last reported sale of barley was No. 1 at 80c.; but quotations for any grade are necessarily nominal, this grain being simply out of the market. A small business is being done in oats at 42 to 43c. Peas are quoted at 78 to \$0c. We append the usual table of stocks in store: firm as in the first part of the week, the break store:-

STOCKS	IN	STORE.
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	M	[ay 13,	May, 5,	May 14,
		1884.	1884.	1883.
Fall wheat,	bush	84,462	91,498	204,972
Spring "	** ****	93,912	97,950	155,095
Oats	"	••••		
Barley	"			72,681
Peas		. 47,918	38,449	12,331
Bye	"		••••	
Corn	"	••••	••••	1,400

Total Grain " 281,164 807,138 446,479

HIDES AND SKINS.—The recent failures in the leather trade in Quebec seem to affect this branch of trade adversely, a want of confidence in the future being apparent to some dealers. The demand for hides is rather slow, still there The demand for bides is rather slow, still there is no appreciable lowering of prices and we still quote steers 8c.; cows 7c.; cured and in-spected 8½ to 9½c. There are few sheepskins coming in, buyers appear to be sufficiently well supplied \$1.00 to \$1.30 will about represent values. Calfskins still bring 11 to 13c., for green and 13 to 15c. for cured, all offering are readily taken at these quotations. Tallow continues taken at these quotations. Tallow continues steady and is not worth more than $3\frac{1}{2}c$. for rough, while rendered rules at $6\frac{3}{2}$ to $7\frac{1}{2}c$.

PETROLEUM .--- We have to note a firm headway in illuminating oils, Canadian being now sold at 13c. in round lots of 5 to 10 barrels and single bris. are quoted at 13 c. In the opinion single bris. are quoted at 13⁴c. In the opinion of some dealers a further advance is not unlikely, advices from Petrolia state that the refineries are keeping well together and are evidently honest in their efforts to keep up ring prices. American brands show no change in quotations, mine white still 921s and matter white 221s prime white still 28 to. and water white 26 to.

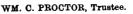
PROVISIONS .- The receipts of butter are in-PROVISIONS.—The receipts of butter are in-creasing and the top price for large rolis is now 180. and it will probably soon be lower. The market for cheese is rather weaker and jobbing lots bring from 12½ to 130. There has been a rather good enqury for smoked meats, hams having sold to a considerable extent; Long clear is steady, jobbing lots command 10½ to 11. A rather easier feeling prevails in Eggs and the outside price is now 15c. for round lots, single cases bring ½ cent more. Prices of hog pro-ducts remain steady and unchanged. Dried apples are worth 8½ to 9½c. while evaporated will bring 15 to 16c. Lard is steady at 12 to 13c. The market on the whole is without any important changes and a quiet business is being important changes and a quiet business is being done.

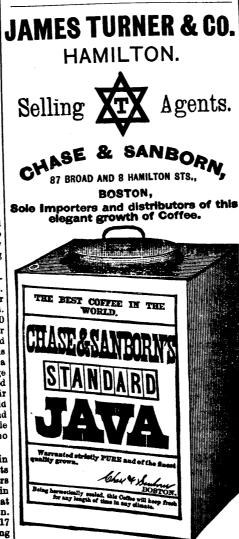
LT.--- A fair trade is being done in this arti-Liverpool coarse commanding 65 to 75c. SALT.cle. per bag for large lots, quotations for smaller quantities would probably be shaded somewhat. Canadian is without change at \$1.25 to \$1.40 Canadian is without bring 64c per 56 lb; other kinds as previously reported. It is complained that not a little of the bad butter brought to this market by farmers is attributable to the use of a market by farmers is attributable to the use of a coarse description of salt, which contains a large proportion of "ssp," if, says a well-informed dealer, the farmers would only prepare their butter with a good dairy salt, or if they would take the trouble to dry the cheaper and coarser qualities before using they would be able to produce a higher grade of butter, and, no doubt would get a better price.

WOOL.—There is no very marked feature in the wool market; a moderate enquiry exists from the factories but in most cases the orders are small. Very little business is being done in are small. Very little business is being done in fleece and the prospects for the new clip are that prices will rule about the same as last season. Present quotations are for ordinary Combing 17 to 20c.; Southdown 22 to 244. Palled Combing continues to sell at 174 to 19c.; and Super 22 to 28c. Extra is unchanged at 28 to 29c. Extra is unchanged at 28 to 29c. 286.



to creditors of J. WILLIAMS & SON, of Stirling All parties having claims against the above estate are required to send in their names, residences, post-office addresses, and particulars of their claims duly verified, specifying the nature of the security (if anv) held by them, by letter prepai and address-ed to Wm. C. Proctor, care of McKinnon, Proctor & Co., Toronto, on or before the first day of June, 1884. Ard notice is hereby given that after said date the said Wm. C. Proctor will proceed to distribute th assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard ouly to the claims of which notice shall have been given, and that he will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distri-buted to any person or persons, firms or corporations, of whose debt or claim he shall not then have had notice. Dated at Toronto, 6th May, 1884.





ALWAYS PACKED UNGROUND.



The Treasurer of the Province of Ontario will receive tenders for the purchase of terminable annuities, running for a period of forty years, issued by the Province under authority of an Act of the Provincial Parliament (4/ Vic., cap 31)

of the Provincial Parliament (4 Vic., csp 31) The annuities will be in the form of certificates signed by the Provincial Treasurer, guaranteeing halt-yearly payments at the office of the Provin-cial Treasurer, in Toronto, of sums of \$50, \$100, or larger sums, on the 5th day of June and Slat day of December in each year, for forty years from 30th day of June next, the first half-yearly certifi-cate being payable on Slat December next.

The total amount of annuities to be issued in 1884, and for which tenders are asked, is \$13,400 annually, but tenders will be received for any part of the same not less than \$100 annually.

Tenders will be required to state the capital sum which will be paid for either the whole an-nuities offered or such portion as may be tendered for

Tenders will be received up to 14th day of June next. Notification of allotments will be given to tenderers on or before 24th June, and payments from accepted tenderers will be required to be made within ten days thereafter.

within ten days thereafter. Tenders for the whole amount offered, if prefer-red, may be upon condition that the annuities be payable in Great Britain in sterling. Copies of tenders can be obtained from the un-dersigned, or at the offices of the leading untario banks at Toronto, Hamiltun, London, Montreal, and Cttawa The highest or any tender not necessarily ac-cepted, unless otherwise satisfactory. Provincial Traceurar's Office.

Provincial Treasurer's Office, Toronto, May 1st, 1883.

W. R. HARRIS, Assistant Treasurer.

Note—Illustration of calculation on interest basis at the rate of 4 per cent, per annum (or in strictness 2 per cent, hilf-yearly), a present payment of \$1,967 25 would represent an annuity of \$100 for 40 years, payable half-yearly.

FORM OF TENDER.

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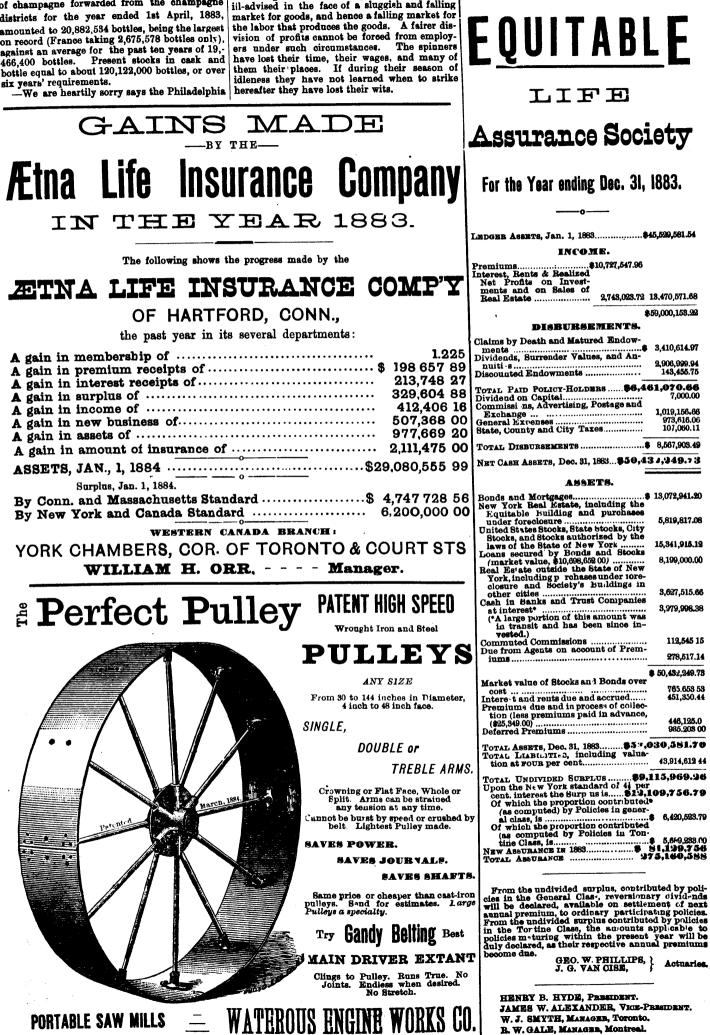
GLINTON E. BRUSH & BROTHER,

33 FRONT ST. WEST. TORONTO.

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-Messrs. J. R. Parkington & Co., in the Manchester Examiner, states that the total quantity of champagne forwarded from the champagne districts for the year ended 1st April, 1883, amounted to 20,882,534 bottles, being the largest on record (France taking 2,675,578 bottles only), against an average for the past ten years of 19,-466,400 bottles. Present stocks in cask and bottle equal to about 120,122,000 bottles, or over

Record, for the striking cotton spinners at Fall River, who have been obliged to give up their contest against reduced wages. The strike was iil-advised in the face of a sluggish and falling



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