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S.S. "Peruvian," Liverpool, July 6th 218 packages. S.S. "Polynesian," Liverpool, July 13th, 145 packages.

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MR. S. R. WICKETT, leather manufacturer, of Brooklin, Ontario, in order to be in a more central locality to meet his customers, has opened a warehouse in this city.

MR. EDOUARD SENECUL, a furniture dealer in Montreal has assigned. He has had to struggle with his affairs for some time back, and now he is worsted by the force of circumstances. Only last January he obtained an extension from his creditors.

THE first raft of square timber from the Nipissing region passed Ottawa the other day on its way to Quebec. It consisted of red and white pine, of excellent quality, and was cut from lands recently sold by the Ontario Gov

THERE is evidently something doing in the butter trade. A Guelph despatch tells us of the purchase of \$14,000 worth at that point in one day, and on the same day there were seven thousand packages put into a London packing house. The latter were intended for shipment to Britain.

MESSES. GORDON & Co., contractors of Sherbrooke, a firm which includes Mr. C. Brooks of Brockville, are said to have made the lowest tender for the enlargement of the Cornwall canal. The tender is said to be about \$410,000, and it is likely the firm will get the contract.

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A writ of attachment has been issued by Messrs. Green, Peters & Co. of London against the wholesale tancy goods firm of Messrs Joseph Atkinson & Co. of the same city, who assigned on Tuesday last. Some years ago nearly all the capital the firm had was withdrawn by a retiring partner. Since that time the concern has not been so prosperous, indeed it has been struggling for a number of years with, we have no doubt, a too sanguine and honest intention of paying off all its liabilities, but under existing circumstances this could not reasonably be expected. And it is to be regretted that the insolvents did not take the advice of their friends and get a compromise instead of the extension granted over a year ago. Then it would not have been necessary to have resorted to its various methods of obtaining advances on its stock in order to meet its obligations. The senior member of the firm has the sympathy of the local trade, and it is thought that he will be able to make an arrangement with his creditors, who are mostly in England, that will enable him again to resume business with we trust better success.

Mr. S. S. CAMPBELL changed his mind, it appears, and did not re-visit Montreal to brazen it out before the meeting of his creditors on Monday last. Of course not, and he probably never intended to, being "too well fixed," as he would say, with \$40,000 in his pockets, and the line 45° to the northward of him, to put his head again into the mouth of the lion which has grown much more ferocious towards him than when he was inside the cage last month. An

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assignee to his estate was chosen by the creditors, who were present in strong force, but no more communications from Mr. Campbell, or statements of his to the press, were read. He has probably gone to the Centennial, as the Yankee woman did who rejoiced on being sure of going the moment she heard her husband had failed. And we shall hear of him anon, settled down somewhere in the States as a moralist with proclivities for horseflesh, describing himself as a poor man who had been unfortunate over in Canada, and could not get justice. He is right—he did not get justice here.

Some months ago we published a communication from a retail merchant in reference to a wholesale dry goods' firm, on McGill street. Montreal, being in the habit of drawing accomodation drafts on their customers. Fearing that the publication of the firm's name would injure their credit it was withheld, and now there can be no injustice in saying that it was Messrs. Alexander Walker & Co., who suspended payment on Wednesday last that was referred to. From the knowledge we had of their business there failure is not a surprise. The principal creditors reside in Britain, one of them being a relative, an extensive shawl manufacturer in Paisley. A considerable amount is also due the Bank of Montreal. A statement of the liabilities and assets could not be obtained in time for our present issue.

A MONTREAL drug house has made a demand of assignment upon Mr. James Goulden, chemist of that city. Mr. Goulden has obligations of some \$20,000 against which he shows a surplus of assets but cannot see his way to pay over seventy-five cents on the dollar, spread over a year. He was successful up to a few years since, but for want of concentration in his business, grew slow in payments, loose in arrange-

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ments, and finally stopped. While he worked closely with one shop he made money and built himself a good credit. Now that he has three shops, and a ginger-ale factory, he is a bankrupt.

THE appointment of Deputy Receiver General, recently made vacant by the death of Mr. C. S. Ross, has been conferred upon Mr. Alexander Fraser of Cobourg, formerly proprietor of the Cobourg Woollen Mills, and late member for West Northumberland in the Local Legislature-Mr. Fraser is a good business man, and his appointment to this post is likely to give general satisfaction.

A NUMBER of western vessel owners and merchants have for some time been negotiating with the Canada Southern Railway for the building of an elevator at Amherstburg, for the transhipment of grain going eastward over that road. It is now stated that the construction of an elevator to cost \$20,000, has been resolved upon near the point where that road crosses the Detroit river. Western shippers are rejoicing at this prospective addition to Canadian freight, ing facilities. The Windsor and Lake Superior line of propellers will run to that point from Duluth in connection with the railway.

Another meeting of the creditors of Messrs. Winning, Hill, & Ware, cordial manufacturers, has been held. Losses and shrinkage had been such that it was not found possible by the firm to pay fifty cents; as promised. Some days have been granted them to make another offer of compromise. The result is an unfortunate one for the gentlemen who invested a round sum in cash in the concern when last it stopped.

The schooner Cambria, which left Detroit in July laden with deals for Britain has been seized and detained at Montreal upon complaint by the Customs authorities at Prescott, that she had

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obtained her out-fit at that port upon which no duty had been paid. This is probably, but one of a number of similar sezures which will henceforth be made of foreign vessels similarly offending.

THE proceeds of the Nova Scotia bank robbery were offered for sale last week in New York. It seems that the Maritime Bank of St. John was also robbed by some of Barnum's hangers on, and the fact was not known to the public until a parcel of private papers was discoved in a heap of coal.

THE dissolution is published of Messrs. Foulds, Taylor & Co, small wares and fancy goods importers, at Montreal. They have been doing business about a year. It appears that the firm had branches or depots in London, England; Glasgow, Scotland; and Providence, Rhode Island; and we venture to think that these "branches" had something to do with the dissolution of the parent house. The late senior partner has, meantime, left Canada for Britain. Mr. Taylor continues the business. He purposes, we believe, and wisely, to get rid of the branches, or foreign depots, and to concentrate his business in Montreal.

Some difficulties have arisen at the International coal mines, Cape Breton. The mine was being worked by Mr. R. N. McDonald for the benefit of some creditors when the repre-

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sentative of the bondholders with a large body of men took forcible possession and now holds the mine which is in working order. At the Sydney mines the discharged miners are making things ugly for the manager. An attempt to blow up the powder magazine fortunately failed.

THE AUSTRALIAN COMMISSIONER. - The statements made by the Australian Commissioner respecting the articles we produce, the prices we can sell at, and their suitableness to the Australian market, are of such interest as to put our merchants and manufacturers, in these dull times, thoroughly on the qui vive. The Australian colonies import to the extent of \$200,000,000 a year, and many of the articles are exactly of the kind we either produce or manufacture. Our wooden goods seemed to strike them; so did our ready-made clothing; our salt, our cheese, our railway cars, and our ales. Of the excellence of the last the Commissioner was quite enthusiastic, declaring them to be far superior to anything in the States, and equal to anything in England. Our brewers would certainly have felt highly complimented with the Commissioner's remarks. Our prices were to him astonishing, and, provided that the great difficulty of freight can be got over, there seems no reason why a large and remunerative trade should not spring up between Canada and the Australian colonies.

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THE CONDITION AND PROSPECTS OF THE PRODUCE TRADE.

With the gathering in of a new harvest we naturally come to the end of the multifarious operations connected with the marketing and consumption of the old one. It is to be presumed that every man engaged in business takes stock at least once a year, and the present is the time for all men to do this who have been engaged either in manufacturing the products of the last harvest, or simply in forwarding them to market. The first, it is to be feared, have not had a successful year. The business of milling in Canada has been a difficult one for a year or two back, and it is generally understood that this year has been an exceptionally bad one. Few millers have realized any profit. Many have undoubtedly suffered loss, and find themselves after a year's toil worse off than they were at the beginning. At such a time, there is a strong temptation to shirk full enquiry, and either to pass over stock-taking altogether, or to put a better face upon matters than facts warrant. No possible good, however, can come of yielding to this temptation. A time of loss is particularly a time for looking things fairly in the face. Putting off stocktaking will not mend matters. Nor will a smooth and easy-going method of taking it. If a man has an apprehension

that he has lost money, by far the best thing is to ascertain the exact truth. To do otherwise is only to carry a burden about him-a burden, that is, of fear and uneasiness. Often the reality will be found not so bad as was feared. And, in any case, to know the real truth is to get rid of half the burden. For it is the uneasiness of apprehension that makes the difficulty, just as an object that is dim and shadowy always inspires more fear than a something which stands tangibly before us. There is this further advantage, viz., that when it is clearly seen that a certain loss has been incurred, a person can set himself to discover what has been wrong and how it can be remedied. A miller may ask himself whether, while he has been losing money grain dealers have been losing also. Sometimes they have, and both are aflected by the same causes:-viz falling markets. Sometimes, however, grain dealers are making a profit while millers are losing money. In this case, a miller may fairly ask whether he has selected his samples well, whether he has discriminated sufficiently in buying, and whether his manufacturing process has been properly conducted. In all these, he may have been at fault, and the loss will teach him to apply a remedy. Or it may be that he has not been sending his article to the best market. Neither grain nor flour, as a rule, will bear much profit between the producer and the consumer; and the nearer the consumer he can get the better the chance of profit. It may depend on this whether he makes any profit at all. Speculation is often answerable for milling losses as well as those suffered by the dealer in grain simply. The temptation to hold, in order to escape loss in a falling market, or to realize a larger profit in a raising one, is at times very strong. Yet it never answers in an average of years. The course of the grain trade always favours the consumer in the longrun. And the attempt to take more than an ordinary business profit will end in disaster, nine times out of ten. It may be said in truth that the nearer a miller can come to a simple, hand-to-mouth style of doing business the better his chance of making a steady, yearly profit. For many years the business in Canada has been an eminently uncertain one. A good year will come, now and then, when profits are large enough to make every miller feel that he is on the high road to wealth. At such a time, it is almost certain that he will spend his extra profits in improving his building or machinery, or pulling down an old mill and building a new one. Rarely indeed will he lay by the money which has been earned and have it so that he can get it when he wants

it. If he is as prudent as this he will soon reap the benefit of it. For the one good year will probably be followed by two or three bad ones. Then he ought to have his reserved fund to draw upon, and if he has not he will have to borrow. Borrow he generally does; and, to a miller in good credit, borrowing is not difficult. But when the end of the milling year comes-that is, about this time—he will be unable to pay up all he has borrowed, and must contrive to have a certain amount carried into another year. The end of this year finds him in a worse plight than before, and unless he has outside resources the chances are that before a better time comes round he will be so involved in debt that he must suspend. Then his property is sold, and he walks out a ruined man. If he could have held on a year or two longer, he might have retrieved himself; but depending wholly on borrowed resources, he is absolutely at the mercy of others. And in the changes and uncertainties of the money market, bankers are not always able to assist him, even if they were disposed. The fear of further loss, however, after a certain stage has been reached, is the all-powerful motive, and the result is a general break-up with loss to all parties concerned.

Thus far with regard to milling and millers. The grain trade is subject to somewhat different conditions, and may prosper when the other has met with adversity. To grain operators in Canada, the year has been a good one on the whole, because of the very heavy volume to be carried, and because the fluctuations in prices have not been wide. We should distinguish, however. To those who have done a simple commission business, it has been a very good year. They have turned over a very large amount of business, and have earned a considerable amount of money. And if they have transacted business judiciously, and avoided the common error of advancing or accepting for too much, the result of the year's operations must be highly satisfactory. Some, however, combine a business more or less speculative with that of handling property on commission. It is here where danger always lies, and during the present year, we believe, many have had a repetition of a very old experience, viz., they have lost as much by dealing on their own account as they have gained by their commission business. We have always advocated that the produce trade shall be done on a commission basis in centres like Montreal, Toronto, &c. And even in smaller towns it is very possible to reduce the area of operation on speculative account within very narrow limits. The more

this is carried out the better it will be for all narties concerned.

We trust further progress may be made in this direction during the coming year. It is worth an effort to escape from a style of business which has hitherto been uniformly disastrous, and to enter upon one which will bring steady, solid, and permanent results.

THE DRY GOODS' TRADE AGAIN.

We referred at length last week to the expansion which took place in the importations of dry goods into the Dominion since 1867, and dwelt upon the effect of the "hard times" upon the wholesale and retail branches of this business. Before publishing, we obtained information as to the trade of the fiscal year recently closed (1875-6) and although not in possession of full particulars in relation to the year's operations in dry goods, the facts sufficiently prove that a large contraction took place in our importations. In giving last week the value of the woollens imported in 1874-5, we added the value of the wearing apparel (woollen) therete; we observe, however, that the Customs department does not do so for 1875-6, and so we follow their example in giving the annexed statement of our imports of woollens, cottons, and silks satins and velvets, during the past three vears:--

WOOT LENS. COTTONS. SILKS, SATINE &C \$ 11.297.598....\$ 11.182.045....\$ 2.141.296 9.830.836.... 2.219.160 11.726.584.... 6.886.332.... 1.318.937 7.385.017....

The total value of the dry goods imported in 1875-6, cannot be made up until the details of our trade are obtained; the above statistics, however, clearly proved that contraction took place in earnest last year. The decline in our imports of woollens was unusually large—a fraction over 37 per cent. during the twelve months. And taking cottons for the last two years, there was a contraction of over 38 per cent. In silks, satins, and velvets, the decline is also marked, so that the conclusion is justified, that, taking our entire dry goods' trade, atonement was made in 1875-6 for the overimportations of previous seasons. It is only in exceptional circumstances that a dcrease in our importing and foreign trade, can be regarded as a subject of congratulation generally. Nothing better proves the progress and growing wealth of the country than its increasing commerce; but when our merchants have for several successive years moved rather fast, when stocks have accumulated, and the pressure of indebtedness therefore is heavily felt, the quickest

business to a healthy condition, is to decrease imports and realize on stocks on hand. This course has evidently been very generally pursued by the mercantile classes during the fiscal year recently closed. The good effects of this sensible policy have already been felt, and will become more and more manifest as time passes on.

THE COMMERCE OF THE DOMINION FOR 1875.6.

The authorities have promptly placed before the public an approximate statement of the Dominion commerce during the fiscal year which closed on the 30th of June last. When all the returns are verified the variation from the figures now given of our imports and exports will be very trifling, so we are perfectly justified in accepting them as the result of the year's operations. They show another contraction in the volume of our transactions, but the result will be hailed with general satisfaction, for the contraction is confined entirely to our importations of foreign goods. So far as our exports are concerned, the year was a good one for Canada, the value thereof having considerably advanced.

The total value of our transactions during 1875-6, was \$175.356.366. During the two years 1872-3, and '74—the period of the greatest expansion—the figures were in each \$217.500.000 roundly stated; in 1874-5, the volume of trade fell to \$197.505.636, and last year we have the further decline as stated above. During the two years, our transactions contracted to the extent of \$42.000.000, of which there was a decline of about twenty millions of dollars during the first, and twenty-two millions during the twelve months just terminated.

Coming to the imports and exports of the year, we find that the former stand at \$95,056.532 as compared with \$119.618.657 during the preceding year-a decline of \$24.562.125. The decline in our imports in 1874-5 was only \$3.451.626; it will be observed, therefore, that our importing houses contracted their foreign purchases to an unusual extent last year. The effects of this salutory policy will be felt beneficially alike by themselves and the country generally. The exports of 1875-6, we are gratified to observe, were larger than the preceding twelve months, being of the value of \$80.299.834 as against \$77.886.979. This fact goes to indicate that the productive power of the Dominion is in no sense diminished, and that when the "hard times" disapper in Great Britain and the United States, our exports will become larger than however, we regard them as of a highly way to arrest reaction and restore ever. We annex the following statement satisfactory character. The reduction of

setting forth the imports and exports of each Province of the Dominion during 1875-6:

	IMPORTS.	EXPORTS.
Ontario,	37.607.842	25.008.354
Quebec,	36.176.027	27.566.070
Nova Scotia,	8.730.880	6.616.083
New Brunswick	6.112.126	5.062.085
Manitoba	T.888.TO8	770 288
Prince Edward Island.	I.382.566	T 625 266
Columbia,	3.068.983	2.750.788

When compared with the corresponding table for 1874-5, there some points of contrast worthy of note in the foregoing statement. Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia are the only Provinces in which the total transactions augmented in 1875-6. The greatest falling off was in Quebec, the value thereof being \$16.621.557, of which \$14.448.798 were imports, and \$2.178.759 exports. On the other hand, it is not a little singular, and some may even think the circumstance suggestive, that the transactions of Ontario increased by the sum of \$44.081 over those of 1874-5, our exports having risen to the extent of \$5.111.521, whilst our imports did not fall off quite as much-namely \$5.067 .-440. This increase in the exports of Ontario must have gone chiefly to the United States, and it proves the excellence of last year's harvest. The trade of all the maritime Provinces, it will be seen, sensibly declined, more particularly that of New Brunswick, which fell off to the value of \$4.422.397.

We shall look forward with more than usual interest to the publication of the details of the commerce of 1875-6, which will throw light on many important points. Looking over the facts we are in possession of, it is evident that a large portion of the reduction in our imports has been in the 17% per cent. list, which, it is well known. is chiefly composed of manufactured goods. The total falling off in imports, as we have already seen, was \$24.562.125, and of this amount very close upon \$18.000.000 were of goods classed under the 17th per cent. list, leaving only about \$6.500.000 of a decline in free goods, those paying 5, 10 and 25 per cent., and specific duties. We fancy, under these circumstances, that there were not so many American goods sold in Canada last year as during the previous one, but the actual reduction cannot be obtained until further particulars are given to the public.

There was naturally a considerable decline in the revenue. The customs duties reached the sum of \$12.829.771, whereas in 1874-5, they were \$2.531.611 more—or a total of \$15.361.382. Taking the whole transactions of the year into consideration, our imports, under the circumstances, will have a salutary effect upon monetary affairs and business generally, and the fact that our exports in 1875-6 actually increased, is a gratifying and hopeful indication.

THE NORTHERN RAILWAY.

The semi-annual exhibit of this railway is a bright spot amidst the general gloom of financial depression. There is an increase in the receipts and in the net revenue, while there is a decrease in the working expenses. The several classes of local business, including passenger, freight and storage, have all shared the increase. The traffic receipts werc \$388,697.90, against \$354,994.12 in the corresponding half of 1865; while the working expenses were \$232,394.82, against \$234,275.25. The ratio of working expenses to income was reduced from 65.99 to 59.77. The net revenue was \$165,380.08, against \$157,430.38, an increase of \$29,554.32, or more than eight per cent. The extension lines have, in the first place, "earned a net revenue considerably in excess of the interest liability of their debenture debt, and are now contributing an appreciable balance of profit to the company's operations." Though the Lake Superior traffic has fallen off, the connection has been kept up, in view of the future. The road is one which serves a large and important section of country and penetrates, by one of its extensions, to a new and rapidly developing region not long ago quite beyond the pale of civilization. It has undoubtedly done much to promote the settlement and improvement of a very large section of country to the north of Toronto, and it has contributed largely to the development of the lumber and timber manufacturers of the same region. It is in debt to the Government, that is to the peoble of Canada, for a considerable amount, which gives the whole country an interest in it beyond that which we all must take in our great lines of communication. Negotiations have been going on for years respecting this Government debt, and as our readers are probably aware, the amount was some time ago commuted to a single and final payment of £100,000 sterling. This payment was originally intended to be made by the 1st July 1876, but a subsequent act was passed extending the time to the 1st of November. If not made by that time the whole claim of the Government revives. This compromise was made after full consideration of all the circumstances. and is doubtless a good one for the Government as well as for the road itself. The Government will secure the payment of a

tested claim, of doubtful enforcement and subject to the changing influences of political parties, while the road will be free from a standing menace which has hampered its endeavors to raise additional capital for finishing the extensions and relaying the

On every ground, therefore, it was desirable that the money should be raised and the claim of the Government finally disposed of.

In furtherance of this object the company has received power to issue new preference stock to the amount of £400,000 sterling. There are now three classes of preference bonds, amounting altogether to an encumbrance of about \$30,000 per mile, the interest on which is regularly paid. There has, in fact, always been a surplus of revenue which has been spent in improving the property and putting it in that firstclass order it stands in at present. There is therefore a good basis for the issue of the new stock, and the company state that negotiations are in a favorable condition for placing it on the London market. No opposition from any existing interest there need be feared. It cannot reasonably provoke such hostile criticism as was lately directed against the Quebec loan on the ground that Canada did not want any more railways. This is not to build a new railway, but to clear of encumbrances and perfect an existing one. And its bonds are already held to a very large amount in London by bona fide investors, who all have an interest in securing the road being put into the best possible position. In spite, therefore, of the general distrust of all foreign loans (and Canada is classed with foreign countries in the London market), and the disfavor with which Canadian railway investments are received on the stock exchange, it is extremely probable that this particular stock can be placed on favorable terms.

The appointment of the commission to enquire into the expenditure as "affecting the value of the Government lien" is referred to in the report. The action of the Government has for the time put the company under a cloud, and its proceedings should be brought to a close as early as possible consistent with full and impartial enquiry. The company, it appears, is not afraid of investigation, and the directors promise that the books will be thrown open for examination. Without such a commission there is no reason to think the affairs of the road would be prematurely disclosed. And we are certain that the strength of the Government, in bringing recent events to light, will not be thrown large fixed sum, instead of having a con- away, but that rather some purposes of it has. And, on the contrary, a bank with public interest will be answered.

BANK STATEMENTS.

A little light cast upon some items in the Bank Statements may be conducive to a better understanding of those important returns. To the ordinary observer, the amount which appears opposite each bank under the heading " Notes and cheques of other banks," may seem to be an available asset for the redemption of the circulation, and the payment of demands which may be made by depositors; whereas the presumption is that the whole of it will be wanted to set off against notes and cheques which may be sent in by other banks, who reprerent their holding of such claims in the same column. Therefore, in estimating the available reserve the item referred to should not be taken into account.

The statement of "Directors Liabilities" is in many cases, more or less misleading. No doubt the general public obtain an impression from the Government Returns that, the several sums appearing under this heading constitute loans made to the directors by the banks which they respectively represent; whereas the directors may not be borrowers at all from the bank. They may have given acceptances or promissory notes n the purchase of goods or in settlement of accounts; but the parties to whom they gave their engagements, in other words the drawers or the payees, obtained the discounts from the bank, not the directors, to whom in all likelihood it was a matter of no moment which bank became the holder of this paper. At sea-port towns, bank directors, who happen to be in business, are commonly drawers of exchange on leading London bankers, which exchange, when accepted, is safe beyond contingency. but in both the cases above cited, viz.: in that of the discounts granted to others, and the bank exchange bought, the directors' names appear, and consequently the transactions are classed under "Directors Liabilities." A division would be preferable, say:

Directors' Liabilities -- as promisors.

do.

as endorsers.

on exchange.

This would prevent misapprehension to some extent. And it might possibly answer one purpose which these returns are intended for (amongst others) of checking unsound business. But we doubted the expediency of giving such information from the first. It really tells nothing of any practical value. To judge by the amount simply is delusive. The bank which shows the largest liability of Directors may be doing the safest and most cautious business. That very business indeed may be the best the smallest line may have the worst class of paper of any on the list. Nothing can be judged by bare figures. Details alone would be of any value, and details in a public return are obviously impossible.

MUNICIPAL TAXATION.

Over the increasing weight of taxes, in some of our cities, a cry of complaint, which is fast breaking into a wail, is heard. The difference in the rates of city taxes is apparently very great; but there is no certainty that it is as great as it appears to be: If Toronto levies two cents in the dollar and Montreal takes only one cent, the conclusion would be, without further enquiry, that one city gets off with half as much taxes as the other. But this would be true only if the same method of assessment were in vogue in both cities. The general rule is, that property is to be assessed at its real value; but the fact was judicially disclosed, not more than two years ago, that in some parts of Ontario, property was regularly assessed not more than two-thirds its value, and in some instances much less. Even in the same municipality the rule varies in different years. In Toronto, a few years ago, the taxes were raised by the simple process of property being assessed at a higher value, while the rate in the dollar remained the same or even became less. Montreal, till recently, placed the assessment on the rental value, but now the actual value has been substituted; a change which is held with perhaps too little reason, to be so much more equitable as to exclude all doubt and shut out discussion. However this may be, questions have arisen there as to what the actual value is. "What," says one journal, "a house costs, built for a gentleman for his own occupation, with every comfort and luxury connected with it, is not its actual value for purposes of assessment." Why not? An Ontario judge is made to supply the answer by saying that the assessment value is the sum which a property would bring "in payment of a just debt by a solvent debtor." But the judge was not laying down any economical principle of interpretation; he was merely quoting the law of Ontario, and unless the same provision has been embodied in the municipal law of Quebec, this rule could not be set up. The Ontario law refers us to a supposed case of barter; that of a solvent man paying a debt in kind. As such transactions scarcely ever take place, the rule is merely hypothetical and admits of an arbitrary interpretation. The real value of a house, Mill tells us, is what it would cost to rebuild; and if real value is to be the basis, we do not see how actual cost is to be ex-

cluded. The departure by the assessor from the real value, tempered by such qualifications as the Ontario law contains, is, if deliberate, simply perjury. The real value is the only safe rule to go by, whether it be measured by rent, when there is rent, or by some other standard. Once it is departed from, there follow uncertainty, arbitrary procedure and confusion.

Of the progressive increase of local taxes in cities there is unhappily no doubt. In Ontario, the legal maximum of two cents in the dollar is a barrier which at present cannot be overleaped. That is the highest rate which there is authority for collecting. That it is not enough, in one city-Torontoare now told: but the difference is made up by adding more than half a million which is properly chargeable to capital; for the raising of which a by-law was submitted and was rejected, only because it was found in bad company. It will have to be submitted again, on its own merits. The truth is, the old cause of municipal embarrassment has lately been revived: the granting of aid to railways in one shape or another. form of investment may pay in the long run, if it is made with prudence and discrimination. Whatever is done, the two-cent maximum should be maintained, for if it be once broken through, the fate of some American cities, which pay as high as four and a half cents, may be ours. When that happens, the tax-collector leaves the proprietor with but little profit, in any case, and none at all if he has made a poor investment.

Even the largest of our cities manage their finances in a loose sort of way. Here, in Toronto, we get the estimates of the year near the end of the year, instead of having them in the beginning. The result is that the year's appropriation is frittered away before it is formally made. By a simple vote of the council a sum of money is placed at the disposal of a committee; and the process is repeated several times, with respect to every committee, before the estimates are brought down. If a state managed its affairs in this way, its finances could hardly escape confusion. Let nothing be regarded as appropriated but what is voted on the annual estimate, and let all unappropriated expenditures, not ordered by statute, be regarded as unauthorized and irregular. This is the first step towards financial reform in our municipalities. Who will earn the credit of introducing it?

CAUTIOUS BUYING.

We are informed that travellers on the road are finding buyers exceedingly cautious just now. In some instances, especially in the case of Montreal houses, travellers have

been recalled rather than have their time wasted in fruitless efforts to make sales. Now, glad as we should be to see business brisk, and demand good, we cannot say we regret this evidence of caution on the part of buyers. After the experience of the last few years, when reckless buying was so common, with such disastrous results, there can be no better sign of the times than to see buyers 'turn over a new leaf.' It will be infinitely better for the seller in the end, although it is not pleasant at present. And if some houses, in the present dullness, are trying to break through the monotony by forcing goods off in the old fashion, it is well they should be taught that times have changed. It was principally in goods for winter consumption, such as furs and clothing. that travellers found the difficulty. Buvers would not buy at present. They want to see the results of harvest before committing themselves. In this they are wise. No one can tell yet to what extent the harvest is deficient. And in any case, it is too soon to be buying winter goods now, even though manufacturers are very anxious to get in orders early so as to know what and how much to make. It would only lead to that unbusiness-like 'dodge' of dating forward, to begin with, and more than likely to embarrassing renewals. Business, in these times of competition. can only be conducted successfully by those who buy closely and cautiously. Keep stocks down, assort frequently, buy little and often, are cardinal maxims for a successful man.

WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY .- Notwithstanding the dull and unsatisfactory condition of both Fire and Marine insurance, this company continues to pay a fifteen per cent. dividend to its shareholders. And after making an allowance for bad debts, and a temporary depreciation in the value of some of its assets, \$45,000 have been added to the Reserve fund, which now amounts to \$320,214, or equal to 80 per cent. of the paid-up capital. The management have evidently thought it better to do a business yielding a fair profit than to widely extend their operations in a time of general depreciation in the value of both fixed and movable property, and while business men are wisely curtailing their operations. This is the most wise and prudent course they could adopt.

⁻Twenty copies of number 40, Volume IX of this Journal are wanted immediately at this office.

[—]A crusade is being entered upon to stop the running of trains in the Maritime Provinces on Sunday.

Meetings.

WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The twenty fifth annual general meeting of the shareholders of this institution was held in the company's offices, Toronto, on Wednesday the 16th inst.

In the absence of the Hon. John McMurrich, President, Mr. Charles Magrath, Vice President, was called to the chair.

The Secretary, Mr. Frederick Lovelace, at the request of the Chairman, read the annual report as follows:

REPORT.

The directors have much pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the twenty-fifth annual report of the business for the year ending the 30th June last, together with the general statements of assets and liabilities with balance sheet; also Auditor's report as to the correctness of the several accounts. The following is an abstract of the years transactions, with the assets and liabilities in detail, at the 30th Iune :--

RECEIPTS.

Fire and Marine					
Interest Account	••••••	• • • •	• • • •	53,536	17

\$838,851 56

DISBURSEMENTS.

Losses, Fire, and Marine \$427,019 34 Re-assurances & Ameri-

can Exchange 63,703 52

General Expenses, covering all charges attend-

ing the businesss 195,272 16

-- 682,995 02

Leaving the profit balance for the year\$152,856 54

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT. Balance from last year's statement...\$ 3,373 87 Profits for the year ending 30th

June, 1876 152,856 54

\$156,230 41

Dividends paid\$20,213 13 Dividends pay-

able roth

July Sundry Ac'nts, 29,596 59

balance 9,300 28

\$68,110 oo Amount carried to credit

of Reserve Fund..... 80,000 oo

-\$148,110 00

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss 8,120 41 ASSETS.

114,075 42 304,882 02 296,838 00 Cash in Bank Government and Municipal Bonds United States Bonds (Gold value) Loans on Mortgage 69,588 73 Bank Stocks
Building Society Stock..... 113,065 50 44,726 00 50,862 64 Bills Receivable..... Building and Office Furniture.... 21,763 15 Interest unpaid and accrued 2,419 11 1,343 55 51,485 36 Capital Stock in course of payment Agents' Balances

> \$1,071,049 48 Liabilities.

Capital Stock called and paid in .. \$ 400,000 00 Losses under adjustm't\$ 27,008 80

Unclaimed Dividends 882 59 Sundry Accounts.... 5,441 00

33,332 48 Dividend payable 10th July, 1876.. 29,596 59

Total Liabilities..... \$ 462,929 07

Reserve Fund at credit\$600,000 oo Profit and Loss Acc'nt.

at credit 7.120 41

Balance Assets over Liabilities.... 608,120 41

\$1,071,049 48

All claims for loss reported up to 30th June, and unpaid at that date, waiting proof ad adjustment, are charged as usual to Loss Account. Full provision has likewise been made for the conversion of the United States business into Canada currency.

After providing for the two half-yearly dividends at the rate of fifteen per cent. per annum, and the writing off of bad debts, with an appropriation to cover the temporary depression in Bank Stock values, the Reserve Fund has been credited with...........\$80,000 bringing that account up to...... and with balance at credit of profit

600,000 00 and loss.....

8,120 41

Makes the surplus in all.....\$608,120 41 Deducting from this, however, the company's liability on unexpired risks in fire and marine, computing the same at cost price, viz.,.... 287,905 62

Leaves a net surplus over all

liabilities of..... report so favourable a result, as shown from the foregoing figures, during a year of no ordinary character. The disasters in Canada in both fire and marine being, as is well known, largely in excess of an average year, entailed serious loss on the business generally. On our American connection the result in fire has been on the whole very satisfactory, though in the marine the same favourable results cannot be claimed, in consequence chiefly of the rates through competition being altogether inadequate to the risk incurred. By adhering firmly to a conservative course, in requiring reasonably fair rates irrespective of competition, and watchful of depreciation in value during a season when the leading industries of the country have been unusally depressed, it was considered the wiser policy to restrict the operations of the company within such limits as the most likely, from past experience, to prove remunerative. The direc-tors acknowledge with much pleasure the effici-ent services of the several officers, agents, and employees of the company in the faithful discharge of their respective duties.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. McMurrich, President.

B. HALDAN, Managing Director.

Western Assurance Company's Office, Toronto, 16th August, 1876.

> WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY, Toronto, 3rd August, 1876.

To the President and Directors of the Western Assurance Company.

GENTLEMEN,-We beg to report that we have completed the Audit of the Books of the company for the year ending 30th June, 1876, and have satisfied ourselves as to their accuracy, having carefully examined them with the respechaving carefully examined them with the respec-tive vouchers, in detail; and beg to present herewith the Balance Sheet, together with statement of Assets and Liabilities, shewing the condition of the company's affairs at the close of the year. The securities held by the company have all passed through our hands, and we

certify them to be strictly in accordance with the Balance Sheet and relative statements.

We remain, Gentlemen, Your obedient Servants. JOHN MAUGHAN. ROBT. R. CATHRON.

Auditors. The Chairman, seconded by Mr. Larratt W. Smith, D.C.L., moved the adoption of the report. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Peter Patterson, seconded by Mr. George A. Murray, That the thanks of the shareholders be presented to the Board of directors for their services and attention to the interests of the company during the past year. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Walter S. Lee, seconded by Mr. Joseph Jackes: That the thanks of the shareholders are due and hereby given to the officers and agents of the company for their diligence and careful attention to their respectively. tive duties during the past year. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. John Maughan, Jr., seconded by Mr. Robert Thompson: That Messrs. R. Gilmor, S. Spreull, and H. Pellatt be appointed scrutineers to take the vote for the election of directors for the present year, and that the poll be now proceeded with, to close at 2 o'clock or sooner, if five minutes elapse and no vote re-corded. Carried unanimously.

SCRUTINEER'S REPORT.

TORONTO, 16th Aug., 1876. To the Managing Director of the Western Assurance Company, Toronto:—

DEAR SIR,-We the undersigned scrutineers, appointed at the annual meeting of shareholders held this day, beg to report the following gentlemen duly elected directors for the ensuing year, viz.:—Hon. John McMurrich, Messrs. Charles Magrath, John Fisken, A. M. Smith. Robert Beaty, Noah Barnhart, James Michie, William Goderham, Jr., Bernard Haldan.

R. GILMOR, SAMUEL SPREULL, H. PELLATT,

Scrutineers. At a subsequent meeting of directors, the Hon. John McMurrich was re-elected President, and Mr. Charles Magrath, Vice-President.

BERNARD HALDEN,

Managing Director. Toronto, 16th August, 1876.

NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.

The regular half-yearly meeting of the Canadian shareholders of the Northern Railway was held on Wednesday at noon at the comwas need on weenessay at noon at the company's office, Brock street. There were present Mr. William Thomson, President, Mr. F. W. Cumberland, Managing director, Hon. J. H. Cameron, M.P., Hon. G. W. Allan, Hon. F. Smith, Hon. J. B. Robinson, M.P., Lieut.-Col. R. L. Dension, Ald Adamson, Measure T. Mo. R. L. Dension, Ald. Adamson, Messrs. T. McConkey, F. C. Capreol, R. H. Smith, R. Jaffray, W. Graham, T. Hamilton, W. Elliott, J. S. McMurray, Huson Murray, C. J. Campbell, etc.

The President called the meeting to order shortly after twelve o'clock and read the advertisement calling the meeting for August and and the advertisement announcing the postponement till the 16th.

Mr. F. W. Cumberland than read the halfyearly report as follows:-

REPORT OF THE CANADIAN DIRECTORS. To the Proprietors of the Northern Railway of Canada:--

TORONTO, 2nd August, 1876. 1. The Canadian directors have the honour to submit their report of the operations of the company during the half-year ending 30th June. 1876, with the usual returns and statements of accounts explanatory thereof.

2. The gross traffic receipts from all sources have amounted to \$388,679.90 (£79,865 148 7d sterling), as against \$354,994.12 (£72,943 198. 11d. sterling), for the corresponding period of 1875, showing an increase of \$33,685.78 (£6,821 14s. 8d. sterling, or at the rate of 9.10 per cent. So substantial an increase in the gross earnings would seem to indicate that even in a period of depression, and with all the disadvantages of a broken and isolated gauge, the traffic of this railway may be upheld and extended; and it is peculiarly satisfactory to find that this advance of income has not been confined to any one branch of the business, but has occurred in every separate class of local traffic, whether passenger. freight, storage, or other item of receipts. The growth of traffic on the Extension lines recently amalgamated has been greatly promoted by the opening of the final division to Gravenhurst, and shows that the working of the additional fourteen miles has been followed by an advance of earnings at the rate of 39.22 per cent. in comparison with the corresponding period of 1875, when this last was still incomplete. The value of these extensions to the parent line is further shown by the record that during the six months now reported, they have contributed traffic to the main line to the aggregate amount of \$45,251.04.

3. The working expenses of the half year have amounted to \$232,349.82 (£47,743 2s. 3d. sterling), as against \$234,272.25 (£48,138 2s. 8d. sterling), in 1875; being a decrease of \$1,923.43 (£395 os. 9d. sterling), and showing a rate of working expenses to income of 59.77 per cent. in 1876, against 65.99 per cent. in 1875, or a decrease of 6.22 per cent. in favour of 1876. This decrease has arisen from economies in the standing charges and in the working of the traffic, and has not resulted from any limitation in repair accounts below the standard of previous years; all items of expenditure in the maintenance of the works and equipments of the lines having been liberally provided for. Thus, the outlay upon the important services of maintaining permanent way, works and buildings shews an aggregate increase in 1876 of \$5,780.54 over the like items in the corresponding half year of 1875, the adopted policy having been to keep up the whole property in an unexceptionable condition of substantial and permanent repair.

4. The net revenue for the half-year (being the sum of the gross earnings less the aggregate working expenses) has amounted to \$156,330.08 (£32,122 12s. 4d. sterling), which, with the balance brought forward from 1875 (\$1,100.30) gives \$157,430.38 (£32,348 14s. 1d. sterling) to be carried to "Net Revenue Account, No. 2;" as against \$127.876.06 (£26,275 18s. od. sterling) in the corresponding account of 1875, being an increase over 1875 of \$29,554.32 (£6,072 16s. 1d. sterling), or at the rate of 8.12 per cent. in favour of 1876. Notwithstanding, therefore, that the half year now reported has been subject (as with all kindred undertakings in Canada and the United States) to the depressed condition of the chief elements of earnings, and notably of the lumber trade, yet the result to net income shows a steady and substantial growth to a point higher than the average of the previous three years—1873-4-5. It is most satisfactory to find that the Extension lines, recently amalgamated, have already—and in the first year of their operation as complete works—earned a net revenue considerably in excess of the interest liability of their debenture debt, and are now contributing an appreciable balance of profit to the company's operations. The directors congratulate the proprietors upon these most satisfactory results, for, having been achieved in the face of general commercial depression, they bear very acceptable testimony to the increasing resources and exceptionable stability of this undertaking.

5. The interest upon all classes of the company's debentures, whether "Northern" "Northern Extensions," has been duly paid.
The sum of \$21,973.64 (£4,515, 28, 7d, sterling) has been expended on new works, buildings, and equipments, etc., and after providing by profit and loss account for depreciation of stores, etc., the sum of \$12,109.67 (f,2,488 5s. 9d. sterling) has been carried forward to the credit of the next half year.

6. The condition and working of the whole service of this railway may be best described to the proprietors in the language of the following "general order" issued at the close of an inspection during the past month by the Board of all the establishments of the company. "The Board of directors having made a detailed personal examination of the lines, out-stations, and establishments of the company, record their unqualified satisfaction with the condition of the permanent way, works, buildings, and equipment of the lines; with the order, neatness, and scrupulous cleanliness of the stations, freight-houses, shops and yards; and with the very evident discipline, care and efficiency which characterises the local direction of the business of the company at all points; and the General Manager is requested to convey this expression of the approval of the Board to the respective heads of departments, the agents, and the subordinate officers."

7. The works necessary to the completion of the Gravenhurst division, which were suspended by the approach of last winter, have since been executed, only a very small amount of ballasting remaining to be finished during the current month. The wharves and station buildings at the Muskoka terminus have been completed, and the system is now in efficient and sole connection with the great Lake District of that

Territory.

8. The Lake Superior traffic has fallen off very seriously, and has, moreover, been subjected to undue and injurious competition by the intrusion of rival interests. The directors, intrusion of rival interests. nevertheless, thought it their duty to maintain the important connection, in the belief that its difficulties are but temporary, and that any sus-pension of the service would entail much embarrasment to the trade of this city and of the county of Simco, as well as future injury to this undertaking in its relations with the North-west territories.

9. At the last general annual meeting of the company, held at Toronto on the 22nd March, 1876, and made "special" for the purpose of giving effect to certain provisions of the company's Acts, the proprietors gave authority for the issue of "six per cent. preference stock," to an ultimate amount of £400,000 sterling, at such times and in such sums as to the directors may seem fit. The ruling objects of that issue are (1) the raising of the necessary funds for liquidating the lien of the Dominion at a commuted rate of £100,000 sterling. (2) For providing the balance of capital necessary for acquiring the Extension lines under the Deed of Amalgamation, and (3) to meet the expenses of changing the gauge of the whole system. By the Act 38 Vic., Cap. 23, the period within which it was competent to the company to extinquish the lien was limited to the 1st July. 1876; and the directors would have complied with that provision, but that the time seemed to be inopportune for placing any issue of stock upon the English market on sufficiently favourable terms. They preferred, therefore, to appeal to the Government for an extension of the time, and thereupon an Act was passed at the last session of the Dominion Legislature, under which the privilege has been accorded to the company of making the necessary payment at any time before the 1st November next ensuing. Your directors have, however, to report the recent appointment, by the Government of the had power to interfere, at all events not till

Dominion, of a commission to enquire into the expenditure of the company as affecting the value of the Government Lien. Your directors recommend that no obstruction be placed in the way of the commission, yet express their regret that anything that might even temporarily disturb the financial credit of the company, at home or abroad, should have occurred, especially at a moment when the company, acting under legislative provision, was already engaged in measures for the liquidation of the lien. The directors are of opinion that early and final steps should be taken for availing of that privilege with punctuality, and for relieving the undertaking of the incubus of a mortgage by which its freedom and development are greatly hindered, and they think that it would be unfortunate, and detrimental to all the interests connected with the undertaking, if any obstacle should interfere to prevent the removal of the lien by payment within the prescribed date. The credit of the railway, after eighteen years of unchecked progress, is now well established, and its resources are recognised as sufficient to meet the demand of the situation, and to secure on reasonable terms the capital required for the purposes contemplated; but it will be for the proprietors of the company to say whether these purposes are so clearly consistent with their interests, and with those of the communities we serve, as to command the unanimous action essential to success.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

WILLIAM THOMSON, President.

The President moved the adoption of the report and for authority to have it printed and placed in the hands of the proprietors of the railway. The report was a very full one, and gave a detailed account of the company's affairs during the past six months. The object of the six monthly meeting was to compare the results of the preceeding six months' work with the results of previous years, and it was gratifying to the executive to be able to inform the proprietors that receipts of the past six months showed a very handsome increase over the receipts for the same six months in the previous year. He was happy to say that recent accounts from England justified him in the belief that the company would be able shortly to pay off the Government lien.

In reply to Ald. Denison, asking what step had been taken toward paying off the Government lien, the President said that it had been his privilege to be in London in the early part of the year, but at that time he found, from communication with the company's agents, that there was no chance whatever of any railway company in Canada or any other country finding available means in Britain. As the year had gone forward, however, the prospects seem-ed brighter for raising the requisite amount, and recent accounts indicated a probability of their being able to raise money at an early period on advantageous terms.

After some discussion as to the legality of the

meeting the report was adopted.

Ald. Denison asked what the intention of the Board was with regard to the Commission which had been recently appointed by the Government?

The President referred Ald. Denison to the report.

Hon. J. H. Cameron in reply to Ald. Denison stated that no legal objection would be made to the enquiries which it was understood the Commissioners were to make. He had given his opinion that the Commission was not one which the Government had power to appoint, but, at the same time, he had advised the company to

put no obstacle in the way.

Ald. Denison did not think the Government

after the 1st November, the date appointed for the settlement of the Government lien. He wished to know if any statement had been received from the Chairman of the Commission?

The President replied in the negative. Hon. G. W. Allan thought the Board had acted with great wisdom in deciding to throw no obstacle in the way of the Commission, and while he regretted that anything should take place which should be looked upon as likely to disturb the affairs of the company he could not but feel that the effect of the Commission would be rather to establish the financial credit of the company than otherwise, because he felt the directors had nothing to fear from it in any way. He expressed his gratification that the report was so satisfactory, both with regard to the reduction in the expenses and the increase in the traffic.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Correspondence.

A TRIBUTE TO A CANADIAN.

To the Editor of the Monetary Times.

DEAR SIR:-Referring to your article of the 11th inst., upon the London and Westminster Bank, and Sir John Rose, allow me to call your attention to the fact that another Canadian banker has just been elected to fill the position of Governor of the Union Bank of London, which is only second in importance to the London and Westminster Bank.

The gentleman referred to is Mr. R. C. Fergusson, son of the late Hon. Adam Fergusson, of Wood Hill, near Hamilton, long and favourably known in Canada. Mr. R. C. Fergusson was for many years in the Bank of British North America, and was at one time Manager of their Hamilton Branch. He made an ample fortune in the great house of Alsop & Co., of Valparaiso, from which he retired a few years ago. His election to the Governorship of the Union Bank, a few weeks ago, was unanimous, and he is filling the position with great credit to himself and the institution.

Very truly yours,

A BANKER.

We regret that last week, though fully aware of the tribute that had been paid to the ability of Mr. Fergusson, we overlooked his elevation to his present position. We make room for the above letter with pleasure.

ED. MONETARY TIMES.

OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

PETROLIA, Aug. 15, 1876.

No strikes worthy of note this week. Mr. Englehart, who purchased the Carbon Oil Works, intends going in for the export business, and has already started his stills running.
The difficulty between the Crude Oil Tanking Co. and the London Oil Association is settled so that everything runs smoothly again. Crude oil continues firm at \$1.00 per brl; refined unchanged.

insurance.

FIRE RECORD. — Morriston, Aug. 12.—The heading and shingle factory of John McFarlane, together with contents, was destroyed by fire. Insurance \$2,000 in the Waterloo Mutual. This

will about cover loss.

Halifax, Aug. 10.—The barn of Cyrus Johnson was burned. Loss, \$1,300.

Ottawa, Aug. 9.—The house of James Selleck, at Kemptville, was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$600: no insurance.

Ottawa, Aug. 14.—A row of sheds adjoining Messrs. J. W. Currier & Co.'s lumber yard, and containing agricultural implements, was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$700.

South Bay, Ont., Aug. 11.—The house of George Collier, and its contents, was consumed by fire. Loss, \$1,000. Insured in the Prince

Edward Mutual for \$500.

Norval, Ont., Aug. 11.—A fire consumed the dwelling of John Robinson. Partially insured. Toronto, Aug. 12 .- A fire destroyed the premises of W. D. Dineen, which were occupied by C. W. Walker, hatter, and Richard Eyre, shoemaker. Dineen's loss on building, \$200, insured in Scottish Imperial; Eyre's loss, \$200, insured in Guardian; Walker's loss, \$150.

Tara, Aug. 12.—The barn of George McKay, leased by John Black, was burned. Loss on building, \$400; insured. No insurance on the

\$300 worth of contents.

Belleville, Aug. 12. The dwelling of Michael
McDonnell was consumed by fire. Loss, \$600; no insurance.

St. Croix, Aug. 10.—The house and barn of Archibald McBride was destroyed by fire. Loss. \$2,000; insured for \$400 in the Queen, and \$1,-000 in the London & Liverpool & Globe.

Montreal, Aug. 12.—The warehouse of W. F. Lewis was damaged by fire to the extent of \$100.

Halifax, Aug. 12.—A barn, belonging to the General Mining Association, at Sidney Mine, was burned.

was ourned.

St. John, Aug. 12.—A fire consumed the barn of Isaac McGregor, at Chipman. Loss, \$1,500.

St. John, Aug. 12.—The house and barn of William Gibbon, at Milkish, were burned. In sured in the North British and Mercantile for **\$**600.

St. John, Aug. 10.-Messrs. Perley & Loggil's mill, at Pleasant Valley, was destroyed by fire. Insured in the Liverpool & London & Globe for \$1,250, and in the Queen for an equal amount.

Kenmore, Aug. 12.—The blacksmith shop of Nelson Jackson was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$600; no insurance.

Quebec, Aug. 12.—The barn of George Alford, at Beauport, was consumed by fire. Insured for \$600.

Carleton Place, Aug. 8.—A frame building, owned by Jacob Leslie, and occupied by Mr. Wilkie as a dwelling and general store was consumed by fire. Furniture and stock saved: loss on building, \$1,000; no insurance.

THE OLDEST INSURANCE ESTABLISHMENT IN THE WORLD.—The English Fire and Life Insurance Company "Hand in Hand," was founded in 1696, under the name "Amicable Contributionship for the Insurance of Houses." It is a mutual establishment, and until 1836 only carried on fire insurance business, and then com-menced life insurance as well. The Great Fire of London was regarded as the chief reason for the foundation of the company, although that event occurred thirty years previously; but London householders were still uneasy in their minds on the subject of fire, so that they founded this company for the mutual insurance of their houses. At first they insured buildings only, but later on they extended their business to moveables. The Hand in Hand has always moved well, and given high dividends to its insured. Those (the dividends) of 1857-65, so high that the insured really had to pay no premiums at all, for the dividends of those years reached the full sum required. Two cases of this kind are fully attested :-

On Policy No. 122,835 £84 sterling were due.

as dividend, which in the two cases was just the

branch the dividends reached 55.65 per cent. of the premiums with probably the highest dividends which a mutual establishment has yet paid. The company obtained at a premium revenue of £217,500, and the accumulated funds already amount to £1,574,000 sterling. Since 1838 the insured have had from the Life department alone £858,000 as dividends returned to them, whilst at the same time £240,000 were to them, whilst at the same time £240,000 were paid in fire claims. This low sum is explained by the nature of the business, which only accepts the very safest risks. We usually hear very little of the company which works the most steadily, perhaps, of all other companies striving after no increase.

OUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY. - The eighteenth annual meeting of this company was held in Liverpool on the last day of May. The statement submitted showed that the business of the year 1875 was prosperous in the Fire branch, although there was an increase in the ratio of although there was an increase in the ratio of losses to premiums. The premiums, less reinsurances, amounted to £370,005 against £334,630 for the previous year. This is an increase of £37,735. The losses were £221,111 as compared with £187,694 for 1874. The surplus was £82,406, out of which £40,000 was added to reserve, making those funds £220,000 and £15,49t was carried forward to next year's accounts. A dividend and bonus at the rate of five per cent. were declared. In the Life branch 604 proposals were received for assurances amounting to £262,681, of which 71 proposals for £38,950 were declined; not proposals for £52,800 were not proceeded with; and 432 policies were completed and issued for £170,931, yielding in new premiums £5,114.

-Merchants Protective Associations are being numerously organized in different parts of the States. The main objects of these associations is to protect the retail merchant from losses by credit. In every community there is a class of customers who, from one cause or another, are unable or unwilling to pay their store bills, but who nevertheless have no scruples in running up an account as large as they can get trusted for and who when dunned for the money transfer their valuable patronage to another store until the entire round is made. By means of the association all this class of customers is reported, a list made of them, and the influence of the entire membership used to make them pay what they owe, and to prevent them from repeating the operation. In this way, when the merchants have thus organized, thousands of dollars of bad debts have been collected and more thousands saved to them. The association should not enter into the discussion of impracticable matters, but there are many subjects upon which it might exert a good influence, and help as members,

—At the annual meeting of the Maritime Mutual Fire Insurance Company, held in St. John on the 8th inst., the following gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: C. N. Skinner, Q. C., Hon. A. McQueen, Hon. Ed. Willis, Messrs. D. S. Harper, G. R. Pugsley, S. Hayward, Dr. James Christie, and Mr. Cliff. At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. C. N. Skinner was elected President, and Dr. James Christie Vice-President.

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKET.

From our own Reporter. Montreal, August 15, 1876.

There is not any great addition to the amount of business done this past week, still there is an improvement in almost every branch of business and a much more hopeful feeling exists in nearly amount of premium. In the Life Assurance every branch of the wholesale trade, and if the harvest turns out as well as expected in Ontario.

these hopes are not likely to be disappointed. Sugar maintains its activity and prices again advanced; holders are keeping up stocks in hopes of a still greater advance. Teas are firmer and in good jobbing demand. Hardware dull. Breadstuffs are too high for any speculative demand. Grains have been selling more freely during this week than for sometime previous. Leather is quiet and prices favor buyers.
Ashes firm and in good deniand.

The heated term still continues the past week having been by far the hottest of the season. naving been by far the nottest of the season. The crops here are suffering from the excessive heat and want of rain. Rain is anxiously looked for to cool the air and save the crops from further damage. The Thermometer during the week has ranged from 92 to 99, in the

shade.

ASHES .- Pots .- There has been very little change in prices of ashes since the date of our last report. The demand has been good, with fair receipts, the market for firsts closes at \$4.30 to 4.37½, being slightly over the quotation of this day week; seconds have been moved at \$3.20; thirds are not asked for. Pearls.-With an increase in receipts there has been more doing in this description of ashes for sometime past. Firsts sold at \$4.85 to 5.00, market closing steady. Nothing doing in inferior kinds. Stocks at present in store are Pots 4,704 brls.; Pearls 1,097 brls.

BOOTS AND SHOES -Trade continues to be moderately active indeed fully as much so as was expected, orders come to hand freely and remittances have been on the whole satisfactory. There is no change in quotations. We quote Men's kip boots \$2.50 to 3.00; do. French calf \$3.00\to 3.75; do. Buff Congress \$1.75 to 2.25; do. split Brogans goc to \$1.25; do. kip; do. \$1.30 to split Brogans 90c to \$1.25; 40. kip; 40. \$1.30 to 1.50; Boy's split Brogans 75c to \$1.00; do. Buff and Pebbled Congress \$1.40 to 1.50; Womens Buff andpebbled Balmorals \$1.15 to 1.80 do.; prunella Bals. 75c to \$1.75 do. do. Congress 75c to 1.75; Misses Buff and Pebbled Balmorals 90c to \$1.15; do. prunella Bals. and Congress 70c to \$1.25; childrens do. do.; 60c to \$1.00. CATTLE.—Although the market yesterday 1 supplied with stock very few first class

was well supplied with stock very few first class cattle were offering, and owing to the excessive heat prevailing there was almost no demand most of the cattle remaining over unsold. Prices ruled low, being from \$3.00 to 4.75 per 100 lbs. live weight. Hogs were in fair supply and sales were pretty numerous from \$6.25 to 6.40 per

100 lbs. live weight. DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business still keeps within very small compass and with the exception of Bi Carb which is dearer, there is no material change to note in prices. Stocks are generally full and with the limited demand there is not much advance looked for. We quote Bi Carb \$3.35 to 3 60; Bleaching Powder 2c; Sal Soda is in large supply sales at \$1.15 to \$1.20; Caustic Soda 3\(\frac{1}{8}\) to 3\(\frac{1}{2}\), Soda Ash \$1.90 to \$2.00; Alum 2 to 2\(\frac{1}{2}\)c; Epsom Salts \$2.00 to \$2.25 other articles are unchanged.

DRY GOODS.—Business has been moderatively active during the past week and orders coming in although for small quantities are fairly numerous and wholesale dealers look on the trade as being in a much better state now than for months previous, and great hopes are entertained that with a good harvest, much of the lost time will be made up for.

Fish.—There has been a good demand for Cod fish at our quotations and a few small sales of Salmon are reported no other kind of fish at present in market. We quote Dry Cod \$5.25 to \$5.50; Salmon \$13 12 & 11 for Nos 1 2 and 3 respectively.

Furs.-We do not yet resume giving quotations as there is nothing doing here, buyers here are looking for a considerable decline in prices asked by parties bringing them in, but the quantity arriving is very small.

FREIGHTS.—Rates for tonnage this week have ruled easier than last. Engagements have been made this week by steamships to Liverpool for heavy grain at 4/6. to 5/- closing 4/6. to 4/9., and to Glasgow at 5/- to 5/6. Flour to both ports 3/- to 3/6.; market closing dull, not much tonnage offering. To Cork for orders 6/6. to 6/9. are the ruling rates. Butter and cheese to Liverpool are now taken at 40/- being a decline of 10/- per ton.

FLOUR. - I he stocks in store and in the hands of millers this morning were 55,155 brls. against 57,630 brls. on the 1st inst and 41,366 brls. on the 15th of August 1875. Receipts during the past week 12,620 brls.; total receipts from 1st January to date 484,621 brls., being a decrease of 63,842 brls. on the receipts for the same period of 1875; shipments during the week 20,589 brls; total shipments from 1st January to date 350,763 brls, being a decrease of 37,953 brls. The advance noted in the flour market last week and which has been fully maintained has checked all speculative demand and sales this week have, for the most part, been confined to the supply of local wants. the market closes firm but To-day the market closes firm but any particular activity and only without for the supply of immediate wants, and without any material change in prices. Superior Extra \$5.25 material change in prices. Superior Extra \$5.25 to 5.35 nominal; Extra Superfine \$5.10 to 5.25; Fancy \$4.90 to 4.95; nominal Spring Extra \$4.55 to 4.65; Superfine \$4.25 to 4.35; Strong Baker's flour \$4.80 to 5.00; Fine \$3.70 to 3.80; Middlings \$3.25 to 3.50; Pollards \$2.75 to 3.00; City Bags \$2.45 to 2.50; Upper Canada Bags \$2.30 to 2.32½; Oatmeal dull at \$4.10 to 4.25; Cornmeal 2.00 per brl.

4.25; Cornmeal 3.00 per brl.

GRAIN.—Wheat—The stocks in store and in hands of millers this morning were, 320,404 bushels, against 284,527 bushels on the 1st inst, and 206,015 bushels on the 15th of August, 1875. Receipts during the past week, 237,916 bushels; total receipts from 1st January to date 3,962,547 bushels, being a decrease of 496,252 bushels on the receipts of the corresponding period of 1875; shipments for the past week, 181,364 bushels; total shipments from 1st January to date, 3,031,283 bushels, being a decrease of 483,448 bushels. The wheat market continued all week and closes very unsettled for Canada No. 1 Spring, extra transactions reported at \$1.07 to 1.10; and several cargoes of Milwaukee wheat also changed hands at 95c. to \$1.00. Maize has been largely dealt in at 52 to 54c. Peas.—There have been a number of small transactions in this grain at 83 to 84c. per 60 lbs. Oats are dull at 341 to 351c. Barley,

Lower Canada 55 to 65c.

GROCERIES .- Teas-The market has been decidedly firmer. In Japans a moderate jobbing business has been done at about last week's quotations. There has been hardly any enquiry for Black or Greens. Coffee-The market has been slightly stifiened by the firmness of the the New York market, but prices have not quotably advanced. Sales of Java at 29 to 32c; Singapore 24 to 27c; Jamaica 21 to 23c; Sugars the market continues active with upward tendency but buyers seem unwilling in the meantime to submit to any advance. Dry crushed is held at our outside quotation of last week 10½c; American granulated is firm at 10½c Scotch refined is held for 7¾ to 8§c: Raws are in moderate supply and are offered at 62 to 71c; Molasses stocks are getting low and holders are looking for an advance in price small sales of Barbadoes 46 to 47½; Sugar House 30 to 32½c Syrups are firm Golden to Extra 46 to 55c; Amber 67 to 70c; Rice has been in brisk demand and is now held for \$4.00. Spices demand is very light and the market is weaker Pepper has been sold to a small extent at o3c; Cloves 38 to 40c; in other articles in this line there is no change to notice. Fruit.—There are no large 22 to 22c. transactions transpiring but a moderate jobbing

demand exists. Laver Raisins stocks are getting low and holders are firm at \$2.25; Valencias are dull of sale at 7½ to 7½c; Sultanas valencias are used of sale at 7 to 72; Suranta have been moved pretty freely at 12½ to 13c; Currants are scarce at 6½ to 6½c; Filberts 7½ to 8½c; Walnuts, 8c; Prunes 5c; Tarragona Almonds 12 to 13c.

HIDES AND PELTS.—Nothing of any consequence doing just now in Hides. Lambskins as the season advances are firmer. We quote No. I Hides \$6.00; No. 2 \$5.00; No. 3 do. \$4.00; Lambskins are taken at 50c each; Calf-

skins 8c. per lb.

HARDWARE.—This trade has been very dull all week with almost no enquiry, and very little movement is looked for for a week or two yet. In the meantime we can make no change in quotations which are to some extent nominal. We quote:—Pig Iron—Eglinton and Clyde \$18.00 to 19.00; Carnbroe \$19.00 to 20.00; American \$21. to 23.; Summer-lie and Calder \$19.00 to 20.00; Langloan & Gartsherrie \$20.00 to 21.00; Coltness \$20.50 to 21.00 Hematite \$26.00 to 27.00. Bar, per 100; lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.00 to 2.15; \$4.75 to 5.50; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 7.00. Canada Plates per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$4.00 to 4.20; Garth and Penn \$4.00 to ## A.20; Arrow \$4.25 to 4.50; Hatton \$3.75 to 4.00.

Tin Plates per box—Charcoal IC, \$7.00 to 7.50;
ditto, IX, \$9.00 to 9.50; ditto DC, \$6.00
to 6.50; Coke IC, \$6.00 to 6.50; 14 x 20, 25c
extra. Tinned sheets Charcoal best No. 26, 13c. Galvanized sheets best brands No. 28, 9\frac{1}{2} to 10\frac{1}{2}c. Hoops and Bands \\$2.70 to 2.80; Sheets best brands, \$3.00 to 3.25; Boiler Plates ordinary brands \$3.00to 3.25do; Best brands \$3.25 ordinary brands \$3.00t03.25d0; Best brands \$3.25 to 3.50; Russian Sheet Iron 13 to 14C; Cut Nails, manufacturers list 3rd February, 2 D Lath, \$4.60; ditto, 2\frac{1}{2}d to 4d shingle \$3.80; do., 5d to 10d, \$3.30; do. 12d & larger \$3.; 100 keg order 5 per cent. discount. Gut nails patent Chisel pointed 25c extra. Pressed Spikes \$4.25 to 5.00; Shot Canadian \$7 to 7.25. Lead—Pig, per 100 lbs 6.50 to \$7.00; do sheets 6.50 to \$7.00; do Bar, 6.50 to \$7.00; Steel cast, 12 to 14C; Spring \$4.25 to 4.50; Sleigh Shoe \$3.50 to 3.70; Tire ditto, \$3.75 to 4.00. Ingot Tin 22 to 23C; Ingot Copper, 21 to 22C. Horse Shoes 32c; Ingot Copper, 21 to 22c. Horse Shaes \$4.50 to 4.75; Proved Coil Chain, § in., \$5.50 to 6.00; Anchors 7 to 8c; Anvils 10 to 12c. Iron wire \$2.30 to 2.40; G!ass to 25 united inches \$2.00.

LIQUORS.—Brandy.—Advices from Europe have caused a good deal of firmness here and the best brands are held from \$2.30 to 2.75 in wood; Cases \$8.50 to 9.25. Gin has also been firm and in good demand. DeKuypus in wood \$1.60 to 1.65; Green cases \$3.90, Red cases \$7.50 to 7.75. High Wines steady, in good demand at 57c, and Rye Whiskey at 34c per Imperial gallon

in bond per car load.

LEATHER.-The amount of business done has been comparatively small, as manufacturers are only cutting for orders. Stocks are ample for the requirements of the trade, and prices mainly in favour of buyers. We quote Hemlock Spanish sole No. 1 B. A. 21 to 22c; do. No. 2 18 to 19c; No. 1 Orinoco 20 to 21c; No. 2 ditto 17 to 18c; Zanibar Spanish sole No. 1 20 to 21c; do. No. 2 17 to 18c; Buffalo sole No. 1, 171 to 19c; do. No. 2, 16 to 18c; Hemlock slaughter 22 to 23c; waxed upper light and medium 29 to 33c; do. heavy 28 to 30c; grained upper 31 to 33c; splits large 22 to 29c; do. small 15 to 20c; splits large 22 to 29C; do. small 15 to 20C; caliskins 30 to 36 lbs, 55 to 75C; do 20 to 25 lbs 50 to 65C; sheepskin linings 20 to 30C; harness 21 to 26C; buffed cow 13 to 16C per ft.; enamelled cow 17 to 18C; patent cow 16 to 18C; pebbled cow 12C to 15C; rough leather

OILS.—Cod oil is in fair demand at quotations

Steam refined is held firm at 6oc. owing to advance in England, and no stock left in Newfoundland. We quote Cod oil 60 to 621c; Seal pale—None in the market; ditto straw 47½ to 50c; ditto steam refined 57½ to 60c; Crude Whale 45 to 47½c; Menhadden oil 40 to 42½c, Linseed Raw 52 to 54c; ditto boiled 56 to 58c; Olive 95 to \$1.10; Petroleum steady for Car

PROVISIONS .- Butter-Beceipts for the week 1582 kegs; shipments 2069 kegs. The very great heat has made most of the butter arriving in poor condition, and only really choice butter is saleable at present at 20c.; inferior butter cannot be sold at present. Cheese -Receipts 14,563 boxes; shipments 23,882 bxs. this market is perhaps a little stronger than last week, but there has been very little doing at 8 to 8\frac{2}{3}c. Pork—Receipts, 213 brls; shipments, 120 brls. Demand moderately active. Mess at 21.50 to 22.00. Thin mess, \$20.50 to 21.00.

Lard steady at 12½ to 13c. Tallow, 7½ to 8c.

SALT has been barely so active this week and prices tend downward. Coarse, 57½c; fine,

80c, nominal; factory filled, \$1.00 to I.20.

WOOL .- Manufacturers are only buying small lots of about 1,000 lbs, and even sales of these small quantities are not very numerous. We quote lamb's wool, unassorted, 261 to 27½c; ditto, super, 28 to 29c.

TORONTO MARKET.

Toronto, Aug. 17, 1876.

But little change has taken place in the general dullness of trade. The state of produce is somewhat unsettled by reports from Britain in addition to the undoubtedly bad yield which is now being harvested among ourselves.

Despatches from Britain respecting the amount of the wheat crop are discredited by some of our dealers. It is stated that the crop will amount to 12,000,000 quarters or 96,000,000 bushels. This is some 10,000,000 bushels larger than the average of last year. As the acreage sown last fall in Britain was smaller in consequence of wet weather, as a great part of what was intended for wheat this last spring was, through the continuence of wet weather which kept seeding late, sown with beans and barley, and as the rapid growth induced by heat has prevented the reason undoubtedly to believe that the crop in that country is over-estimated. And the continued depression of the Liverpool market has resulted in very low prices here. Few years for a very long period back have witnessed such low prices of wheat for this time of the season as are now current in this city. The season is usually ushered in with high prices, but this year the reverse may be expected to be the case. The grocery trade has been very quiet. Leather is extremely dull and low in price. Lumber rules low. Provisions are dull. And on the prospects for the fall trade no very high hopes can be built.

CATTLE .--Beeves.-Receipts were about equal to those of last week. There is still a scarcity in the better qualities but the market is well supplied with second and third class. Some demand is heard for shipment and prices have kept firm. Buyers of first class are paying readily \$4.50 to 4.75. Second class are plantiful and range from \$3.75 to 4.00. Third class are slow of sale at \$3.00 to 3.25. Sheep.—
Sufficient are offering for the wants of the market and prices remain at late quotations. All good kinds are readily sold at firm figures First class bring \$4.75 to 5.25 and second class \$3.75 to 4.25. Third class are not in any request. Lambs.—The demand is steady but supplies have fallen off, and are now about equal to the wants of Drices show little change. buyers. Prices show little change. First-class

bring \$2.50 to 3.75; second-class, \$2.75 to 3.23; and third-class, \$2.00 to 2.50. Calves-Offerings are very light, as also is the demand, and prices are unchanged at \$9.00 to 10.00 for firstclass, \$5.00 to 6.50 for second-class and \$3.00 to 4.00 for third.

FLOUR AND MEAL .- Flour .- Stocks in store on the 14th inst. 5,130 brls. against 6,74t brls. last week and 3,108 brls. on the corresponding date last year. The demand for most grades has kept up well all week and prices have been firmly maintained in consequence of the small supply offering. There appears however to have been an average amount of business done. Superior extra sold during the week at \$5.12\frac{1}{2} and \$5.15 f.o.b., the latest sales being at the latter figure. The price of extra has risen and the market closes very firm. Transactions took place early in the week at \$4.92\frac{1}{2}\$ but subsequently sales were reported at \$5 f.o.b. Fancy is also firmer, with sales at \$4.65 fo.b. No change has taken place in the market for spring extras, the range of prices being as formerly, \$4.30 to 4.35 f.o.b., and business quite. No transactions are reported in superfine except one lot of choice at \$4; average qualities remain nominally unchanged. Oatmeal-Trade is very quiet and the market without any change to note. Car lots are worth \$3.90 to 4.00, and small lots \$4.25 to 4.50.

FREIGHTS.—There are no charters reported to Lake Erie ports. Rates to Oswego are unchanged at 11c American currency, and to Kingston at 11c gold. Grand Trunk Railway—Rates are as follows; Flour to Montreal 171c, to Point Levis 35c, to St. John via the Intercolonial 45c, to Halifax 50c per barrel; to St. John via Portland 45c, and to Halifax by the same route 45c. Rates by Steamer—Rates per the Jacques line to Mon-treal are 17½ con flour, and 4½ con grain; and 12½ con flour, and 4c on grain, to Kingston, Prescott or Brockville. The Royal Mail line carries flour to Montreal at 20c. Through rates to Britain—Flour to Liverpool via Allan Line is nil per bbl.; or in bags 55s. od. per ton; grain, nil, exclusive of bagging; butter and cheese 62s. 6d. per ton; boxed meats, tallow, pork, and beef in barrels, 6os. od.; lard, 6os od.; oilcake, 578. 6d. per ton. To Glasgow via Montreal, flour is nil per bbl.; wheat, nil per cental, and boxed meats and pork, 62s. 6d.; cheese and butter, 67s. 6d. per ton; tallow 62s. 6d.; lard 62s. 6d. per ton ; flour and oatmeal 55s. od. per

GRAIN.—Stocks in store on the 14th inst.: GRAIN.—Stocks in store on the 14th inst.: Fall wheat, 106,407 bush; spring wheat, 179,613 bush; oats, 7,988 bush; barley, 11,158 bush; peas, 12,041 bush; against fall wheat, 12,873 bush; spring wheat, 14,869 bush; oats, 25,812 bush; barley, 2,217 bush, and peas, 790 bush, on the same date last year. Wheat—The business done has been limited. As is customary at this season, the market is somewhat unsettled, but prices show a decline from those of last week. Fall wheat has been nominal all the week. No. 2 has offered, and continues to offer, at \$1.05 f.o.b., but finds no buyers. In No. I spring, holders have accepted \$1.00 f. o. b. and 98c for No. 2. Late transactions have realised the same figures. Oats—Prices are slightly higher, as there was a fairly active demand with a small amount offering. Lots have changed hands at 33c in store a week ago. Subsequently, lots sold in store at 34 and 35c. Yesterday, two car lots sold at 34c f.o.c. Barley-The market is nominal. On the street, farmers have sold loads of good quality at 60 and 55c.

Peas—The market has been inactive all week. There is a steady demand for car lots at 73 to 75c f.o.c., but no supplies are offering.

GROCERIES.—Coffee.—The jobbing trade continues to be very light and about the only continues to be very light and about the only business doing is to meet the country demand which is of a very limited character. Prices are

a shade easier in some kinds. Java is still quoted 28 to 29½c Singapore 25 to 27c Rio 21 to 24c and Mocha 31 to 32c. Pish.—Nothing of any note has yet transpired in this market as this season catch has not yet arrived. Dry Cod in lots and \$2.40 in small quantities and Valencias can be purchased at 7½ to 8c Currants are steady with sales 6½ to 7½. Liquors.—Trade is quiet and unchanged. Tobacco.—Some advance is reported, but sales are very small. Sugar.— The market is still advancing. Yellows are about 25c. per cental higher than last week. Dry crushed is worth 11½c. and granulated in lots is held at 11c. Barbadoes have been active at 7½ to 8c., in lots, and 8½ to 8½c. in small quantities. Porto Rico is worth 7½ to 7½c. Scotch has been moved freely. Bright brought 83c. in lots, and lots of average colour 81 to 81c. Choice in small quantities sold at 9 to 9 c. Tea.

The market has been rather quieter this week especially in Greens. Low grade Young Hysons and Japans sold steadily. Very few lines of any kind have been moved, and prices are about the same range as formerly reported.

HARDWARE. - Business has fallen off slightly since last week, especially in shelf goods. Heavy goods are moving steadily at former quotations. There has been some advance in tin plates in England, but prices here are unaffected as stocks are heavy. A good business is doing in nails which are unchanged; but borax is lower and is now quoted at 12½ to 14c. A decline of 12½ has taken place in Canada plates. Glass is unchanged and active, but zinc is slightly lower than last week.

HIDES AND SKINS.— Hides.—Supplies come in steadily and the market is unchanged. No. 1 cows and steers both sell at 5½c. and No. 2 of both kinds at 4 c. There have been sales of. cured at 6c. Sheepskins—The market is steady and prices are advanced at 55 to 6oc. Calf-skins are selling at 8 and 11c as formerly.

PROVISIONS .- Butter .- Some improvement has taken place since our last. Prices are firmer and movements larger. Good shipping qualities have changed hands in large lots at 16½ to 17c and select qualities brought 17 to 171c. From fair down to inferior brings 13 to 12½c. There is very little coming in on consignment. Good dairy sells readily at 18c. Cheese .- Trade is dairy sells readily at 18C. Cheese.—Trade is very light in this market with sales of small quantities at 9 to 10½c. Eggs.—Are selling steady at 11 to 12½c. The demand is hardly so brisk and receipts are larger. Pork.—There is nothing doing beyond the sale of a few small quantities at \$21.00 to 21.50. Hams.—Prices are firm as the demand continues fair, and stocks are getting limited. Smoked bring 13½c; canvassed change hands at 14 to 14½c in small quantities and 13½c in lots.

Bacon.—Cumberland in large lots is worth 9½c; ton lots and small quantities bring to to tolc Long clear sells st 111c, smoked at 91c, and shoulders at 8 to 81c. Lard.—Is worth 131c in tinnets, and 121 to 13c tn tierces. Dried Apples are selling at 7c in small parcels.

SALT.—In Liverpool coarse, small lots can be be purchased at 75 to 80c; Canadian is worth

Wool.-The market has continued steady and quiet with sales of the best combing fleece in lots at 27c. Anything but the best ranges as low as 25 to 18c.

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Imperial Loan and Investment Co.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Imperial Loan and Investment Company will be held at their offices, on Adelaide atreet east, in the City of Toronto, on

Wednesday, the 30th day of August next, at Twelve o'clock noon, for the election of Directors, and other general purposes.

By order of the Board,

E. H. KERTLAND, Secretary.

July 31st, 1876.

At the above meeting, it is intended to move a resolu-tion POSTPONING the same until MONDAY, the 16th day of OCTOBER next, at the same hour and place, on account of the absence of the President in England.

E. H. KERTLAND.

Toronto, 4th Aug., 1876.

Secretary.

TORONTO AND NIPISSING RAILWAY.

Notice is hereby given that the

Annual General Meeting

of the Shareholders of this Company will be held in their rooms, Exchange Buildings, now Imperial Bank Build-ings, on Wellington Street, in the City of Toronto, on

TUESDAY, THE 12th SEPTEMBER NEX

at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving Report by the Directors, with Statement of Accounts for the past year, and dispose of any other business that may be brought before the meeting. Immediately after the close of such Annual Meeting a special General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Toronto and Nipissing Rall-way Company will be held at the same place for the purpose of considering and confirming an agreement made by the Directors of the said Company, with the Lake Simcoe Junction Railway Company, and bearing date the 14th day of July, A.D. 1876.

By order.

By order.

JOSEPH GRAY, Secretary and Treasur T. & N. Ry.



CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Tenders for Grading, Tracklaying, &c.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Secretary of Public Works and endorsed "Tender Pacific Railway, will be received at this office up to noon of

Wednesday, the 20th September next,

for works required to be executed on that section of the Pacific Railway extending from Red River astward to Rat Portage, Lake of the Woods, a distance of about 114 miles, viz:—The Track-laying and Ballasting only, of about 77 miles, and the construction as well as Track-laying and Ballasting, of about 37 miles between Cross Lake and Bat Portage.

For Plans, Specifications, Approximate Quantities, Forms of Tender, and other information, apply to the office of the Engineer in Chief, Ottawa.

No Tender will be entertained unless on the Printed Form, and unless the conditions are complied with.

By Order,

F. RRAUN,

Secretary.

Department of l'ublic Works, Ottawa, August 1st, 1876.

Insolvent Act of 1875

In the matter of Shaver & Bell, of Toronto, insolvents. A second dividend sheet has been prepared, open to objection until the 5th day of Se tember next, after which the dividend will be paid.

DUNCAN MOFARLANE,

Assignee.

236 McGill Street,

Montreal, August 10, 1876.

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The Partnership hitherto existing between MUR-DOCH & DONA: DSON, as Accountants, &c., at To-ronto, having been dissolved by mutual consent, the un-dersigned have entered into Partnership under the firm name of

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Witness-Jno. Edw. Rose.

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\$8,502,793 53

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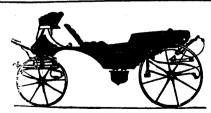
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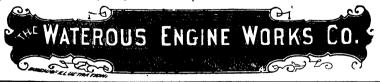
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COMPANY.	PREMIUMS OF THE YEAR.	No. of Policies New.	Am't of Policies New.	Amount of Risk.	COMPANY.	PREMIUMS OF THE YEAR.		Am't of Policies New.	AMOUNT AT RISK.
CANADA LIFE Ætna New York Life Connecticut Mutual Equitable Phoenix Mutual Standard Life Association of Scotland Union Mutual	328,737 226,430 211,143 180,232 179,047 151,373	971 327 249 478 571 348	1,469,092 768,435 633,705 1,038,305 678,277 578,242 256,998	8,967,672 6,000,000 5,439,997 5,332,945 3,982,782 5,022,565 4,163,157	Sun Mutual Scottish Provincial Mutual Metropolitan Briton Medical Citizens North Western National Royal	59,438 59,006 54,363 43,561 37,787 35,697 35,481 33,165	None. 386 222 60 115 218 172	None. 433,243 413,500 88,633 165,732 335,980 204,613 31,250	1,648,936 1,781,500 1,404,927 1,128,371 1,015,706 1,349,708 1,084.022
Travelers'	109,679				Atlantic Mutual	29,050	199	248,847	1,223,854

It having been lately intimated by the representatives of American Companies that the legislation contemplated by Government would lead to their altogether withdrawing from Canada, assurers in such companies desirous of joining an institution fike the Canada Life, permanently established in the country, are informed that in many cases this can be done, WITH AN ACTUAL REDUCTION OF YEARLY EXPENSE.

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Subscribed	do	2,300,000
	tal	200,005
Government	Deposit, (Fire)	50,000
Do.	do. (Life)	50,000
Total Revenue, Fire Premiums, & Interest Total Losses		223,775 63, 5 28
	ds	194,713
	and Deposit	49,193
Other Assets		49,888
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..... \$38,838,267 85

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\$43,494,650 92

DISBURSED IN 1875.

To POLICY-HOLDERS:
For claims by death and matured endowments.....
Surplus returned to Policyholders \$2,722,352 27

2,543,556 08 941,095 42 Lapsed and surren'd policies \$6,206,913 77 REPENSES: \$528,740 55

Commission to Agents
Salaries of Officers, Clerks, and all others employed on

19,700 00 113,505 88 \$741,382 08 246,306 83 Taxes.....

7,194,602 68

Balance Net Assets, December 31, \$41,462,065 53 SCHEDULE OF ASSETS.

Loans upon Real Estate, first lien \$26,9,6,282 40 Loans upon stocks and bonds \$21,333 28 Premium notes on policies in force \$67,30,567 50 Cost of Real Estate owned by the Co'y \$1,653,590 150 Cost of United States Registered Bonds 619,900 60 619,900 60 619,900 60 619,900 60 619,900 60 619,900 60 619,900 60 619,90 6,730,567 50
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1,000,893 79
6,684 78
79,180 45
4,876 40 Cost of City Bonds

Cost of City Bonds
Cost of other bonds
Cost of Bank Stock
Cost of Railroad Stock
Cash in Bank, at interest
Cash in Company's office
Balance due from agents, secured. Bills receivable \$41,462,065 53

ADD: Interest accrued and due..... \$1,617,060 07 Market value of stocks and bonds over cost
Not prems. in course of col'n,
Net deferred quarterly and semi-annual premiums 2,510 91 372,698 20 6,050 28 34,265 93 2,032,585 39

Gross assets, L. LIABILITIES:

LIABILITIES:
Amount required to re-insure all outstanding policies, net assuming 4 per cent. interest \$38,494.045 00 17-tra reserve 197,512 00 798,142 00

\$39,489,799 00

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