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April Bank Statement Has Regular Gait

DEPOSITS Continue to Increase and Current Loans to Contract — Call Loans Abroad Make a Substantial Gain and Loans to Municipalities are Heavier—Some Interesting Comparisons

Deposits on demand	April, 1914. \$350,515,993
Deposits after notice	653,679,223
Current loans in Canada	835,705,064
Current loans elsewhere	54,362,513
Loans to municipalities	30,168,812
Call loans in Canada	68,523,774
Call loans elsewhere	139,937,027
Circulation	93,064,460

THE above are the principal changes in the statement of the chartered banks for April. The outstanding features are continued increases in deposits, both demand and after notice; a further decrease in current loans in Canada; a gain in loans to municipalities; a slight decrease in circulation; and a comparatively heavy increase in call loans abroad. The April statement generally, follows the tendency of the statements of the past few months, reflecting an accumulation of deposits and a contraction of credits.

The following table shows the trend of the Canadian loans account for the past thirteen months:—

	Current in	Call in
Loans	Canada.	Canada.
1914—April	\$835,705,064	-\$68,523,774
May	838,462,686	67,210,504
June	838,276,428	67,401,484
July	840,198,625	68,441,816
August	836,574,099	69,229,045
September	826,514,621	70,063,414
October	816,623,852	70,201,939
November	794,269,220	69,394,407
December	786,034,378	68,511,653
1915—January	770,118,911	66,154,891
February	771,635,208	67,591,769
March	769,138,883	68,245,261
April	762,931,851	68,599,095

Current loans in Canada are at the lowest point of the 13 months period. They are \$73,000,000, or 8.7 per cent. less than a year ago. The decrease during April was about \$6,000,000, or a little less than 1 per cent. This account reflects the contraction in general business throughout Canada. The call loans in the Dominion are slightly higher than last month. The figures have varied very little during the past year.

4		Year's	Month's
March, 1915.	April, 1915.	inc. or dec.	inc. or dec.
\$339,514,286	\$347,325,937	- 0.85	+ 2.3
676,875,790	686,075,124	+ 5.05	+ 1.4
769,138,883	762,931,851	- 8.7	- 0.91
41,745,737	37,705,039	-31.4	- 9.7
41,227,449	43,031,360	+43.3	+ 4.8
68,245,261	68,599,095	+ 0.11	+ 0.51
101,938,685	121,522,971	-12.9	+19.8
96,666,544	96,288,398	+ 3.2	- 0.39

The following table shows the fluctuations of loans at home and abroad during the past five years:—

Apr	-	in Canada.	Current loans elsewhere.	in Canada.	Call loans elsewhere.
191	1	\$712,032,758	\$33,783,963	\$57,832,690	\$ 84,535,658
101:	2	833,242,621	31,469,847	69,243,791	103,558,392
191	3	898,964,181	36,310,033	69,757,912	103,212,185
191.		835,705,064	54,362,513	68,523,774	139,937,027
101	5	762,931,851	37,705,039	68,599,095	121,522,971

Current loans in Canada are lower than in any April since 1911. They are \$51,000,000 higher, however, than in that year,-a gratifying fact. This account was at its high April record in 1913, when current loans in this country were approximately \$899,000,000, being \$136,-000,000 more than in April last. Current loans abroad have changed little during the past five years, although in April last year they were at the comparatively high total of \$54,000,000. Call loans in Canada have not fluctuated much but call loans abroad show some sharp changes. Compared with a year ago they are now \$19,000,000 less. The financing of Canadian loans in New York, where a large part of the \$103,000,000 of Canadian bonds sold in the United States have been disposed, since the beginning of the year, probably accounts partly for the increase in call loans abroad. The following table shows the course of call loans abroad since July:-

	Call loans abroad
1914—July \	\$125,545,287
August	96,495,473
September	89,521,589
October	81,201,671
November	74,459,643
December	85,012,964
1015—January	85,796,641
February	89,890,982
March	101,938,685
April	121,522,971

Prior to the outbreak of war, Canadian call loans, chiefly in New York and London, were \$125,000,000. When war was declared many of these loans were called and during the next few months the total abroad was reduced at a rapid rate. Between the end of July and November, they decreased by about \$51,000,000. Since then, they have gradually appreciated until now they are within about \$4,000,000 of the total for last July, namely, \$125,000,000.

The following table shows the course of domestic deposit accounts for the past thirteen months:—

	On demand.	After notice.
1014—April	\$350,515,993	\$653,679,223
May	340,748,488	663,045,753
June	355,006,220	663,650,230
July	346,854,051	671,214,125
August	338,984,418	659,399,151
September	348,284,206	658,401,501
October	348,732,830	659,806,682
November	350,884,153	665,994,852
December	349,909,953	662,830,037
1915—January	329,916,730	666,960,482
February	331,415,179	671,088,613
March	339,514,286	676,875,790
April	347,325,937	686,075,124
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Both demand and after notice deposits continue to increase. During April, the former account gained \$8,000,000 or 2.3 per cent. and the latter account \$9,000,000 or 1.4 per cent. After notice deposits are the highest on record for the 13 months period. The demand deposits at \$347,000,000 have been exceeded five times during the same period.

The deposits record for the past five years for the month of April is given in the following table compiled by The Monetary Times:—.

April.	On demand. \$281,064,369	After notice. \$555,822,930	Total. \$ 837,787,299
1912	345,365,183	615,370,348	960,735,531 986,500,282
1914		653,679,223 686,075,124	1,004,195,216

Total deposits still exceed a billion dollars and are \$29,000,000 greater than a year ago. The entire gain is

\$3,000,000 less than a year ago but, as stated previously, were \$8,000,000 greater in April than in March. The continued gain in savings deposits has led to renewed discussion as to their exact nature. A prominent banker, speaking of this matter, told The Monetary Times that there has been a steady increase in what, in the true sense of the term, are savings deposits. He added that ordinary depositors also, being either unable or unwilling to lend their funds at present, are transferring abnormally large current accounts balances to savings bank accounts.

Another leading authority, however, who has studied the monthly bank statement very closely for a number of years, tells The Monetary Fimes that he thinks that the terms "savings deposits" "savings of the people," etc., often applied to that column of the bank statement covering deposits payable after notice, are misleading. No doubt there are savings amongst them, but it is quite possible, and it probably is a fact, that a good amount of so-called "savings" represents only credit. For example, if a man borrows \$1,000 from a bank which he wants to use in small amounts, the chances are that he puts it in a savings bank and draws against it. It is difficult to know to what extent this would apply, say, to the April statement.

So far as the Dominion government are concerned, it is unlikely they have enough money at their disposal to make any very large special deposits. There is a column for the government balances in the bank statement, and while there may be a few credits deposited in the manner indicated and by special agents of the government, the amount must be comparatively small.

The bookkeeping methods of the banks have not changed very much lately. Practically all the banks treat the funds of the savings bank deposits as payable after notice. There were in days gone by some managers who preferred to say that these accounts were payable on demand so far as their bank was concerned, but there is now practical uniformity in the treatment of the savings accounts amongst all the banks.

(See pages 24, 25 for Bank Statement in detail.)

PUBLIC WORKS ARE BEING COMPLETED

That the Dominion government will continue the construction of all public works under contract in Canada was announced following the request of the delegation of mayors in connection with the unemployment question. The total expenditure of the Dominion for the year, apart from the war, will reach \$200,0000,000, while the war expenditure will add \$100,000,000 additional. The federal government is, therefore, raising about \$1,000,000 per day, exclusive of Sundays, to maintain its existing programme and carry on the war. To do this the government has its revenues under the recent taxation measures and such funds as it can borrow in London, the latter being strictly limited by the British treasury to expenditures upon works under contract, the imperial government desiring to conserve the money market for its own issues for war purposes. These regulations will probably become even more strict.

In addition to outlays in other departments the government programme for the current year includes expenditure upon public works of over \$25,000,000 on railways and canals, of \$27,000,000 on capital account alone and on works of barbor commissioners of over \$2,000,000

of harbor commissioners of over \$3,500,000.

The works include the Intercolonial Railway terminals at Halifax, Welland Canal. Quebec bridge, National Transcontinental Railway and Hudson Bay Railroads, terminal elevators and harbors at Halifax, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Port Arthur and Fort William, Vancouver and Victoria.

MONARCH LIFE'S NEW BUSINESS.

New business written by the Monarch Life Assurance Company, of Winnipeg, in 1914 amounted to \$1,813,567, which is considerably more than the figures given in a recent table in *The Monetary Times*, where figures were wrongly transposed. The Monarch is making rapid and sound progress.

Mr. M. E. Duncan, vice-president and general manager of the Canada Car and Foundry Company, died at Montreal The late Mr. Duncan joined the executive of the Canadian Car and Foundry, and its subsidiary companies three years ago. Previous to coming to Montreal he was general sales agent of the American Car and Foundry Company at St. Louis. He was born in New York City in 1862.

Mr. E. E. DuVernet, K.C., one of the most prominent lawyers in Canada, died suddenly at Toronto on Monday. He was held in high esteem in legal and financial circles. He was an authority on insurance and finance and had been engaged by both insurance companies and banking houses in any number of cases. On account of his knowledge as a solicitor he was adviser to a number of corporations. He was also an authority on the employers' liability law, and had handled cases for several accident insurance companies and other concerns. He was a director of the Union Bank and of the Union Trust Company. Mr. DuVernet was 49 years old.

BUSINESS ONLY 20 PER CENT. DOWN

Careful Survey By Canadian Northern Railway Gives That Result—Two Thousand Correspondents Report on Conditions

Business in the Dominion as a whole is from only 15 to 20 per cent. below that of a year ago. 20 per cent. below that of a year ago. This is one of many satisfactory features revealed by a very thorough investigation by the Canadian Northern Railway of present conditions in Canada. A carefully prepared set of questions was issued to nearly 2,000 correspondents by the railway company and The Monetary Times this week had an opportunity of examining the bulky summaries of the replies received. Less than 10 per cent. of the correspondents were gloomy as to the outlook. More than 90 per cent. cited strong facts and reasons for optimism as to the immediate future. A number of replies stated that if the coming harvest is anywhere near expectations, business will be satisfactory in all provinces. Two-thirds of the informants report a volume of trade as good, or better, than it was last autumn, while 12.03 per cent, state they cannot compare business at present with business last autumn, because trade is always brisker with them at one season than during the other. Apparently trade in the maritime provinces has been affected least. In the prairie provinces it is not nearly as brisk as it was last year, but optimism is reviving under the influence of excellent crop prospects. Business in Quebec is slow, but improving and in Ontario it is gradually returning to normal condition.

Business Normal Here.

Broadly considered, the reports show that business in the towns and villages located in well-settled, fertile agricultural districts is practically normal. Dealers in all lines report that collections in such centres are generally normal, and that activities have not been curtailed to any extent. The chief decline has been in the large industrial centres. When reductions in staff were made by manufacturers and by business houses last autumn, retailers were forced to curtail credits to customers thrown out of work and in turn wholesalers were obliged to scrutinize carefully all credits extended to retailers. The people generally continued to purchase necessary lines of food-stuffs and essentials in other branches of trade as well, but dealers discovered that goods not falling within that classification were in danger of becoming dead-stock upon their shelves. However, as Canadians arrived at a better understanding of actual conditions, a certain amount of confidence returned, and retail sales were gradually extended to take in the usual lines of goods. The distribution of orders for war materials also exerted a favorable influence where it brought about a renewal of employment in several of the industries in the large cities, and trade credits relaxed to a proportionate extent. Collections, despite the alternal description of the collections of the collectio spite the altered conditions, appear to have continued fairly good in the large centres, and seem to be steadily improving.

Farmers Buying Regularly.

The strong position in which the farmers of the Dominion were placed, with the exception of those in the drought-stricken areas in the southern portions of the prairie provinces, as a result of the marketing at excellent prices of their farm produce—particularly grain and cheese—has worked out apparently to the advantage of the groups of manufacturers whose products are distributed, wholly or in part, in the agricultural districts. It is clearly shown that purchases by the farmers have contributed largely to the maintenance of output in many lines. They have continued buying their regular supplies and necessary farm implements; and they have also been devoting a portion of their surplus fund to the improvement of their farm properties. When the call came to extend, wherever possible, the acreage of important cereals, they, apparently, exhibited no hesitation in making the necessary outlays for additional facilities. Meanwhile, they seem to have proceeded with building plans and makers of, and dealers in, cement, paints, varnishes and building materials of various descriptions, do not hesitate to pay tribute to the manner in which the farmer has stimulated their marketings and helped to take up the shrinkage in business. The farmer seems to have been in the market for automobiles of a popular price on a scale greater than ever before.

The reports indicate a keener perception by all classes of the importance of the position which agriculture occupies in the business life of Canada. There is evidence of a disposition to lean upon the crops of 1915, and to qualify expressions of optimism regarding the future with the remark that "the crop is the determining factor." According to the special reports sent in by the various departments of agriculture, prospects of a good yield on a largely increased acreage are bright throughout the Dominion. With the incentive of prevailing high prices, farmers have devoted more time and care to cultivation, and generally appear to have used this year, seed of higher germinating quality than ever before; it seems to be safe to assume that if only an average crop per acre is harvested, the total output will be larger than in any year since the growing of grain was commenced in the western provinces. The acreage in British Columbia is said to have been more than doubled in the three prairie provinces-it averages 22 per cent.; no percentages are supplied by the department in Ontario, but the acreage is reported to have been increased materially. A similar condition obtains in the maritime provinces. In Quebec the normal acreage is indicated.

Building Trades and Lumber.

The collapse of the building trades is shown to have been the cause of a substantial reduction in the column of sales of Cahadian lumber and throughout the reports there is abundant expression to the belief that the domestic market cannot permanently improve until construction becomes general again in the principal centres. The export trade, however, appears to be standing the strain splendidly and the chief worry seems to be in connection with the availability of ships to carry the forest products of British Columbia, the maritime provinces and Quebec, abroad. Ontario exports chiefly to the United States. There appears to be an excellent demand in Great Britain for Canadian deals, due in part to the closing of the Baltic ports, and the Canadian eastern provinces are expected to be benefited accordingly. Where British Columbia exporters of lumber formerly depended to a certain extent upon the Antipodean market, they are now attempting to develop markets in the Old Country and in the West Indies and American Atlantic Coast via the Panama Canal, and reports indicate that success is attending their efforts.

Practically all of the wood-working plants which are large users of lumber in Canada are operating at reduced speed. Furniture and piano manufacturers report a trade as below normal, although it seems to be improving. Makers of woodenware are in much the same position. Sash and door firms, and manufacture of building material confess to a depressed state of trade in accordance with the districts in which they are placed. Business with these is away off where dependence is largely upon building operations in the large centres; in the country conditions are much better. The shipping of munitions of war manufactured in this country is stimulating the business of makers of packing cases. On the whole, however, there appears to be scant hope of a revival in the woodworking industry until after the crop is harvested and a revival in earnest until the war is over. When that time comes all the woodworking plants expect to regain quickly their former position of activity.

A steamship service has been proposed between Vancouver and Victoria and France by the Transports Maritimes Company. Count Guy de Foyolle, the manager, is on the Pacific coast making arrangements. It is planned to is perate steamers monthly from Marseilles, calling at Mexican ports, San Francisco, Seattle and Vancouver.

In view of the fact that last year's experiment in cooperative wool marketing in Saskatchewan resulted in the sheep owners who participated receiving from 6½ to 8 cents per pound advance on the price of the year before, it is quite natural that the offer of the provincial government department to again act as selling agent should be much more widely accepted than it was last year. Mr. W. Thompson, director of co-operative organizations, in response to the circulars which were sent out to 965 sheep-owners has received assurances that 15,500 fleeces will be shipped this way, as against 10,000 last year, and from present indications a price of 20 cents per pound is possible.

INVESTMENTS AND THE MARKET

News and Notes of Active Companies—Their Financing, Operations, Developments, Extensions, Dividends and Future Plans

North Atlantic Fisheries Company.—The shareholders of the North Atlantic Fisheries Company recently held the annual meeting. The report and financial statement were presented and adopted. It was decided to adjourn the meeting, to be convened again on the call of the president. In the meantime no action was taken as to the board of directors, the proposal being that the election be deferred to the adjourned meeting. The company is confining itself for the present, because of lack of capital, to the cold storage part of its business. It is expected that there will be some developments in the near future.

Ontario National Brick Company.—The directors of the Ontario National Brick Company have decided to defer the payment of bond interest June 1st, and to call a meeting of the bondholders to consider a plan for carrying on the company till business improves. They authorized a statement which indicates that the war brought the business into a state of stagnation, although prior to August last, it had been running to capacity, and orders for 25,000,000 bricks were on hand. When these orders were filled the plant was closed down. It will be impossible to pay the bond interest until at least a year after building operations have resumed a normal state.

A plan is to be submitted to the bondholders to carry on and finance the company.

Canadian Northern Pacific Fisheries Company.—The Canadian Northern Pacific Fisheries Company's plants, whaling vessels and the tender Grey are to be sold privately. If not disposed of, a public auction sale will probably be held in order to raise money to pay its creditors.

Several sealing masters and Pacific coast business men formed a company to develop the whaling industry, following the failure of the sealing business. The whalers, Orion, Saint Lawrence and William Grant, were the first vessels secured. The company sold out later to Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann, who incorporated the Canadian Fisheries Company with a capital of \$3,000,000, and five new whalers were purchased in Victoria. The company owns two whaling plants, at Rose Harbor and Naden Harbor, on the Queen Charlotte Islands, and two at Sechart and Kyuquot on Van-

Dominion Textile Company.—The net revenue for the past year amounted to \$1,305,017, an increase of \$34,642. Total sales amounted to \$7,643,674, a decrease of over \$1,-

250,000 from the turnover in the preceding year.

Being able to take advantage of the heavy drop in the price of raw material, immediately following the outbreak of the war, was the reason for the good results shown, as the company did not have any high-priced cotton in stock when the depreciation in prices occurred.

Comparisons of the profit and loss figures for the past

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Pront and loss balance 32,34/	49,421
Previous balance 829,379	779,958

Total balance \$ 881,926 \$ 829,379

The general balance sheet shows that the surplus of current assets over current liabilities amounts to \$729,735.

Mr. T. B. O'Connell has been elected president of the Cumberland, B.C., board of trade for the ensuing year. The vice-president is Mr. W. E. Lawrence; secretary, Mr. Edward W. Bickle; treasurer, Mr. Alex. McKinnon.

REGINA'S FINANCES SHOW SURPLUS

Saskatchewan's Capital Issues Balance Sheet With Some

A nominal surplus of \$9,123,104 is shown in Regina's financial statement as prepared by Mr. C. F. Lidster, C.A., in which the city's assets are valued at \$21,178,044, and are as follows:—

Fixed property—remunerative and realizable, \$5,263,344; unremunerative and realizable, \$6,494,533; unremunerative and unrealizable, \$7,140,996; property sales loan to street railway, \$186,876; interest on loan to street railway, \$11,212; inventories, \$86,153; accounts and rates receivable, \$573,599; cyclone loans receivable, \$400,843; interest on cyclone loans receivable, \$18,473; sinking fund (cash in bank), \$325,227; sinking fund (investments), \$213,538. Bank of Montreal-various, \$21,542; cash on hand, \$11,929; spur track system, \$18,013; deferred charges to expenditure, \$5,590; deferred charges to revenue, \$6,561; interest on treasury bills paid in advance, \$27,496; collegiate site, \$28,147; collegiate building equal to the bond liability assumed by the city, \$246,500; deficit on street railway 1914 operation, \$97,462.

Five Millions of Bonds.

The city's liabilities are:—Bonded debt—bonds, \$5,221,885; consolidated stock, \$3,252,585; treasury bills payable, \$1,092,566; accounts payable (schedule 16), \$578,945. Bank of Montreal—current account overdraft, \$60,006; capital, \$494,585. Government of Saskatchewan, loan, \$490,275; interest accrued but not due, \$3,358. Loan from property sales account to street railway, \$186,876; interest on loan from property sales account, \$11,212. Overseas Contingent fund, \$2,436; tax sale fund, \$3,247; electric light consumers' deposits, \$13,702; unclaimed wages, \$2,210; local improvement taxes commuted, \$44,667; demands payable, \$2,000; grants payable, \$1,500; profits pending realization on houses and cottages sold under agreement of sale, \$6,029; sinking fund reserve, \$538,171; sinking fund surplus, \$594; reserve for depreciation, (electric light and power), \$19,370; reserve for outstanding accounts, bad debts, etc., \$5,922; revenue account, \$22,700.

\$22,790.

The auditor's comments on the return in part are as fol-

The revenue account shows a surplus for the year of \$22,790.09, not taking into consideration the loss on operating the street railway, which was not provided for in the estimates

to be met out of taxes. Results From Utilities.

A net surplus of \$21,955 is shown by the electric light and power department after providing for the fixed charges including \$19,370 to be set aside as a reserve for depreciation. The waterworks department shows a net surplus of \$38,-

238 after meeting the fixed charges on its bonded debt.

The loss on operating the street railway for the year was \$8,006 to which has been added bond and consolidated stock services amounting to \$89,365 and \$11,212 interest on loan from property sales account making a total of \$108,674, of this amount \$11,212 has been carried to the loan from property sales, the balance being carried, as a deficit, to the statement of assets and liabilities.

In the past no systematic provision has been made for depreciation on any of the city's wasting assets except in the case of the electric light and power system. I am of the opinion that a portion of the city's fixed assets has been acquired under by-laws which will not mature during the lifetime of the asset. If the bond-holders, present ratepayers and future ratepayers are to hear the proper relation to one another provision should be made for depreciation and a fund set aside yearly for that purpose, and I would strongly recommend that this matter be gone into at an early date and some definite course decided upon.

There is \$538,766 at the credit of the sinking fund. As the amount required at December 31st, is \$538,171 there is a small surplus in the fund of \$594. Of the amount at the credit of the sinking fund \$325,227 is on deposit at 4 per cent. at the bank, the balance \$213,538 is invested in city of Regina bonds and consolidated stock.

Hon. E. G. Prior has been re-elected president of the Victoria, B.C., board of trade for the ensuing year. Mr. C. H. Lugrin is vice-president and Mr. F. Elworthy, secretary.

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MORAL HAZARD AND FIRE INSURANCE

The abstract of the fire insurance companies' business in Canada for 1914 presents some interesting features. The net cash received for premiums in 1914 exceeded the amount for 1913 by \$1,801,933; partially accounted for by a reduction of \$986,337 in reinsurance and return premiums, and an increase of \$763,768 in gross cash received for premiums.

There was an increase of about 6 per cent. in the gross amount of policies, new and renewed, and of about 10 per cent. in the net amount at risk with about the same proportion of increase in the net amount of losses incurred during the year 1914, and consequently in the net amount paid for losses.

There appears to have been a disproportionate amount of loss during the last two months of 1914, causing an increase of about 25 per cent. in the unsettled claims not resisted (not accruing due) at the end of 1914, but care in selection and supervision of risks caused a decrease of about 40 per cent. in the amount of claims resisted, the resisted claims at the end of 1914 being \$96,990, or about \$1.00 resisted against \$163 paid.

The several amounts resisted are very small with the exception of those of three companies who, together, had cause to resist more than one-half of the gross amount resisted, one of them having, apparently, an exceptionally unfortunate experience in this direction.

If we subtract these three amounts we find only about \$1 of loss resisted to \$354 incurred,—not quite 3/10 of 1 per cent. If we apply this approximation as of the number of loss claimants, it would indicate that only 1 claimant out of 354 claimants presented excessive or dishonest claims, which would speak well of Canadian business conditions at a time when the values of buildings, household furniture and some descriptions of merchandise have so decreased as to create over insurances with consequent temptations to carelessness and crime.

The circumstances attending the last two months of 1914, such as unemployment, scarcity of money, difficulties in collection of rents and retail accounts and loss of business, were such as to give fire underwriters great cause for uneasiness, but the general experiences show Canada to have been surprisingly free from a general state of moral hazard.

If inclined to pessimism, think of the German position.

For the Ontario fire marshal's job it looks like "Politics first."

A hardware man tells The Monetary Times that he is doing a rush business in padlocks. This he ascribes to the fact that there is unemployment and much tightly held money. Petty thieving has therefore increased. Trade winds have their novelties.

CANADIAN BOND SALES

The Grand Trunk railway authorities have managed to satisfy the British treasury and to obtain permission to issue in London £2,500,000 five-year $5\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. notes. The issue was made on Tuesday, the price being 99. The bulk of the new issue, noted elsewhere in The Monetary Times, will replace £2,000,000 5 per cent. notes due in July. This is the second Canadian loan in London since the outbreak of war, the other being a Dominion government issue of £5,000,000 $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. five and ten-year bonds in March.

Canadian financing has been carried on satisfactorily despite the upheaval in the money market. During the five months of 1915, and the first week of June, according to The Monetary Times' records, approximately \$119,-847,081 of Canadian bonds have been sold in the various markets. The figures as compiled by The Monetary Times are as follow. They include this week's Grand Trunk issue:—

Canadian bonds sold in	Amount.
United States\$	59,297,772
Canada	23,049,309
Great Britain	37,500,000

\$119,847,081

During the whole of 1914, \$257,581,000 of Canadian bonds were sold in the same markets so that the record of the current year to date is a good one.

By classes the sales are as follows:-

Borrowers.	Amount.
Government	
Municipal	 40,624,081
Railroad	 14,500,000
Corporation	 7,348,000

\$119,847,081

No important bond issues were made in the United States during May, that month being devoted largely to selling the unsold balances of some of the big provincial government and municipal loans of Canada, which were issued in April. There seems to have been established, however, a much more permanent market in the United States for Canadian high-grade securities.

JAPAN AS A TRADER

Mr. Akira Yamauchi, who walked into The Monetary Times office the other week to tell of his American jaunt, is a commercial missionary behind whom stands a nation which will write some interesting history during the next twenty years. This gentleman was sent by the Japanese government to draft the plans of new trade channels which Japan will cut. He is one of hundreds of Japanese performing the preliminaries of building up a large foreign business. Japan means to get a big slice of the business which Germany had prior to the war and is losing no time in disposing of the first details. Already Japanese mechanical toys are being marketed in Toronto, Montreal, and elsewhere in Canada in place of the familiar brands made in Germany. In Yokohama recently, was established an exhibition of 1,200 articles which Germany had been supplying to various countries, including Canada and the United States. In an interesting article by Samuel G. Blythe in the Saturday Evening Post, it is recalled that the homes are the factories of Japan and that the great bulk of Japanese manufacture is household manufacture. Therein is a striking similarity to German methods. Mr. Blythe says: "Everybody in Japan needs the money-everybody from top to bottom. They are all working on small capital comparatively, and they are all taxed to the breaking point by the militaristic government. They must do business or starve. There is no waiting for better prices. They take the best they can get and they are good bargainers; and they toil unremittingly. These fiscal conditions have sharpened the already sharp wits of the Japanese merchants, manufacturers and middlemen. The Japanese need the business, and they intend to get it if

keen concern for what can be sold—and not what they think they ought to sell—will get it for them, combined with the ability to manufacture for little money and the willingness to sell for but a little more.

"They have no set notions about what the other peoples of the earth should buy from them. They are willing to sell the other peoples of the earth what the other peoples want, not what the Japanese want them to want. They will make any kind of package and comply with any sort of whim. They are after business; and far be it from them to try to tell the customer what the customer wants. They let the customer tell them what he wants, and then make the article that way."

Japan is proving one of the most aggressive commercial nations of the twentieth century, and it has an excellent army and navy up its sleeve. That it will make other nations hustle in the international trade arena during the next few years, is certain. What other hustling it will start, is left for the Fates and Japan to decide.

One way to get along well is to work hard and live within the income.

A dispatch to London from Budapest, dated May 19, says that an official proclamation which has been issued there indicates that 25 per cent. of all bank savings will be taken for a war loan, and that a government decree will authorize banks to use one-quarter of their deposits for subscriptions. Great Britain is able to finance its share of the war for five years out of savings. France is able to do likewise for three years. Both countries, even then, will have something to spare for their allies. Austria has merely imitated Germany which had already tapped the savings bank deposits to help finance the campaign.

TRUST AND LOAN COMPANY OF CANADA

The balance sheet for the half-year ended March 31st, 1915, shows that the Trust and Loan Company of Canada has investments in this country of \$16,906,513, of which \$16,834,133 is represented by mortgages. The balance is accounted for by interest on land investments. The report for the six months ended March last just issued shows net profits for that period of \$305,435. Half the profits over 6 per cent on the paid-up capital of \$3,000,000, namely, \$107,715, were carried to the statutory reserve fund. Allowing for that deduction, the amount at credit of revenue, including \$12,450 brought forward from September last, is \$210,160. Out of this amount the directors have written down the cost of issue of debenture stock by \$27,545, placed \$4,875 to the special reserve account (bringing the amount of this fund to \$600,000), and provided \$22,075 for income tax, leaving a balance of \$154,760 available for distribution.

The directors recommend that out of this balance of \$154,760 a dividend at the rate of 9 per cent. per annum for the six months, free of income tax, be declared on the paid-up capital, which, with the dividend paid on December 4th, 1914, makes 9 per cent. for the year ending March 31st, 1915, and leaves a balance of \$19,760 to be carried forward.

The statutory reserve fund now amounts to \$2,099,170 compared with \$2,044,845 on September 30th last, being an increase of \$94,325.

The company's financial statement for the past six months reflects a continued strong position. Colonel L. Edye is the company's chief commissioner in Canada, with headquarters at Montreal. Colonel Edye is also the only resident director. The remainder of the Canadian staff are well known in loan and mortgage circles in Canada, and are Mr. J. Campbell, commissioner, Regina; Mr. E. R. Whitehead, Winnipeg; Mr. R. C. Young, Montreal; and Mr. J. Rogers, Regina, assistant commissioners.

ECHOES OF CRENFELL'S SPECULATIONS

In announcing a first dividend of 1s. 3d. in the £ payable to unsecured creditors, the liquidator of Messrs. Chaplin, Milne, Grenfell & Company, Limited, states that to December 23rd last realizations amounting to £53,313 had been made, mainly from book debts and cash balances in this country and abroad. This firm was involved in the Canadian Agencies tangle through the operations of Grenfell, one of the partners. Outgoings, including advances to preserve security, amounted to £7,210, leaving a surplus of £46,102. Since the date in question advantage has been taken of an opportunity to sell certain shares in an American company whose business has been beneficially affected by the war at prices realizing £14,094.

In general, it has not been practicable to attempt realization of the great majority of the securities, many of which have no official quotation on the London Stock Exchange. Interests said to be of value are held in two companies which were formed originally for the purpose of acquiring and developing (1) a land and timber estate in Mexico, and (2) a mine in Argentina. Messrs. Chaplin, Milne, Grenfell and Company, Limited, prior to suspension, was mainly instrumental in providing capital for these companies, and at the commencement of the liquidation fresh arrangements as to finance had to be made in order to protect the undertakings. Developments of the property in Mexico have been retarded owing to the unsettled condition of the country. The mine in Argentina is approaching the producing stage.

In view of the character of the assets to be realized, and the existing state of markets, there would seem to be little prospect of a further distribution being made to unsecured creditors in the immediate future. The final result of the liquidation is likely to be much less satisfactory than was assumed by the directors when valuing the assets in the statement of affairs as at June 6th, 1914.

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MUNICIPAL BOND MARKET

The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Municipal Activities and Financing

The bank loans to municipalities in April were over \$2,000,000. Compared with a year ago, the figures are nearly \$13,000,000 larger. Only three times in the past 21 months have bank loans to municipalities been higher than they were in April.

The following table, compiled by The Monetary Times, gives the details of bank loans to municipalities:-

	Bank loans to
Month.	municipalities.
1913-August	\$41,310,281
September	37,405,303
October	37,846,300
November	35,173,817
	30,518,573
1914—January	29,301,620
February	0
March	0 0
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April	
May	6
June	
July	
August	0.0-
September	
October	
November	44,706,055
December	38,256,947
1015—January	
February	38,437,903
March	41,227,449
April	43,031,360

During January, February, March, April and May \$15,-985,028 of municipal bonds were sold in Canada and \$20,774,-872 in the United States. The increase in bank loans to municipalities last month may have been due partly to municipal borrowing from the banks in advance of cash collections, while blocks of municipal bonds remaining unsold, Western especially, are again reflected in the figures,

St. Lambert, Que.-A by-law to issue \$2,000,000 bonds for trunk sewers, etc., has been passed by the ratepayers.

Carleton Co., Ont .- Tenders are desired for an issue of \$20,000 5 per cent. bonds; the closing date is June 8th. C. Macnab, clerk.

Stratford, Ont.—Not receiving the necessary majorities, the by-laws to assist the Canadian Bartlett Automobile Company and to wipe out the hospital debt, were defeated by the taxpayers.

Montreal, Que.—Treasury bills of the city which are to be retired on June 16th, amount to £500,000 sterling. Mr. C. Arnoldi, city treasurer, informs The Monetary Times that the Bank of Montreal, New York, has the funds in hand to meet these obligations.

Chatham, Ont.—In connection with the issue of \$32,452 bonds for local improvements, Mr. R. G. Fleming, city treasurer, informs The Monetary Times that the council has decided to sell the bonds to local investors, at a rate to net

the purchasers 5½ per cent.

Owen Sound, Ont.—City Treasurer Armstrong informs
The Monetary Times that the \$10,000 waterworks debentures will not be placed on the market, the town taking them up with sinking funds on hand.

L'Epiphanie, Que.-Mr. J. B. T. Richards, secretary-treasurer of the school commission, informs The Monetary Times that bids will be received for the issue of \$35,000 30-

Times that bids will be received for the issue of \$35,000 30-year school bonds up to to-morrow, June 5th. The value of municipal property is \$900,000.

Saskatchewan.—The following rural telephone companies sold bonds during May:—North Churchbridge, \$5,000; Graham Chatsworth, \$500; Willow Hill, \$6,200; Lone Corner, \$3,500; Frobisher, \$4,000; Butterton, \$6,500; Bennett, \$4,500; Loch Ayr, \$5,800: Schneider, \$3,000; Orange View, \$4,200; Walpole, 500; Fargo, \$3,000.

St. Vital, Man.—Mr. J. Desourdis, secretary-treasurer of the municipality, received five bids for the issue of \$50,000, 6 per cent. 15-year pavement bonds, the award being given to the first named of the following tenders:—

Murray, Mather and Company	97.19
It II Martine and Company	93.25
Savage and McGavin	92.00
C A Stimson and Company	. 90.00
Terry, Briggs and Slayton	90.00

Renfrew, Ont.-Messrs. W. L. McKinnon and Company Toronto, were awarded the issues of \$8,000 and \$3,313 5 per cent. 28 and 30-year bonds. The bids for the offering were:

W. L. McKinnon and Company	\$10,855.48
G. A. Stimson and Company	10,821.32
Wood Gundy and Company	10,763.00
W. A. Mackenzie and Company	10,760.23
Goldman and Company	10,735.00
C. H. Burgess and Company	10,618.00
A. H. Martens and Company	10,607.00
Canada Bond Corporation	10,542.00

New Westminster, B.C.—The city has completed sales of three-year 6 per cent. treasury certificates, totalling \$431,000, as follow:—\$96,000 at par; to Columbia Bitulithic Company, Vancouver, B.C.; \$250,000 at 974, to Lumbermen's Trust Company, Portland, Ore., U.S.A.; \$85,000 at 974, to Lumbermen's Trust Company, Portland, Ore., U.S.A.

Mr. R. S. Gilchrist, city treasurer, informs The Monetary Times that the certificates, first mentioned above, are secured by \$128,095 local improvement bonds, 29-year 5 per cent. The second amount is secured by \$334,000 local improvement bonds 30-years 5 per cent. The third amount is secured by \$131,266.67 general street bonds 50-year 4½ per

Calgary, Alta.—The city may dispose of approximately \$1,500,000 20 and 30-year 5 per cent. maturities by July 1st. Mr. J. H. Mercer informs The Monetary Times that if the bonds are not sold, treasury notes to suit the purchaser will be offered and when sold these will practically complete the financial arrangements for the current year, with the exception, of course, of such loans as will be duly taken care, of by the local banks

The city of Calgary has already this year disposed of \$2,000,000 6 per cent. three-year treasury notes at 98 net,

plus accrued interest to the city.

Saskatchewan.—The following is a list of debenture applications granted by the local government board:-

School Districts.-Kamsack, \$26,000. A. A. Crawford, School Districts.—Kamsack, \$26,000. A. A. Crawford, Kamsack; Cathryne, \$1,800. Chas. H. Coe, Mazenod; Twelve Mile Creek, \$1,600. Archie Freeston, Stonehenge; Bryant, \$1,600. A. Walton, Bryant; Congress, \$1,800. E. L. Engstrom, Lac Pelletier; Boldenhurst, \$1,400. H. A. Honey, Boldenhurst; Meacham, \$1,500. J. Hanicwich, Meacham; Carricklea, \$1,500. E. Anderson, Box 39, Gull Lake; Balsamdale, \$900. W. Gull, Polwarth; Riverhill, \$300. E. Herbert, Camberley; Herba, \$1,600. R. Payne, Milly.

Rural Telephone Companies .- Wawota, Birnie, Wawota; Bigford, \$7,500. F. A. William, Bigford; Village of Keeler, \$2,500. T. H. Freeman, Keeler; West Halbrite, \$3,000. M. E. Eriemnan, Halbrite; South Bethune, \$500. J. Anderson, Bethune; Glenavon North, \$2,000. A.
L. Parley, Glenavon; Ingleside, \$4,600. G. Andrew, Harrowby; Virtue, \$4,000. J. Vance, Saskatoon; West, \$1,000.
F. Neugebrauer, Lemberg; Lewvan, \$7,200. C. M. Cochran, Lewvan; Floding, \$5,300. M. E. Koch, Midale.

Cities.-Swift Current, \$108,000. Geo. D. Arnott, Swift Current.

MUNICIPAL BONDS AWARDED

Hull, Que. \$271.000 51/2 per cent. 7 and 30-years, to Dominion Securities Corporation.

Hensall, Ont.-\$5,000 5 per cent. 20-years, to Messrs. Gladman and Stanbury, Exeter.

St. Vital, Man.—\$50,000 6 per cent. 15-years, to Messrs. Murray, Mather and Company, Toronto.

Renfrew, Ont. \$8,000 28-year and \$3,313 30-year 5 per cent., to Messrs. W. L. McKinnon and Company, Toronto.

The city of Calgary is the business centre of Alberta and the largest and most important city between Winnipeg and Vancouver, is the claim set forth in the civic manual recently issued. The town clerk, Mr. J. M. Miller, is to be congratulated on his compilation of statistics and information concerning the city's activities and growth,

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RECENT FIRES.

The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Almonte, Ont .- May 31-Mr. W. West's stables, Union Street. Loss and cause not stated.

Chesley, Ont.—May 30—Messrs. Reavely and Savage's store. Loss, \$3,700. Cause unknown.

Cobalt, Ont.—May 27—Town incinerator. Loss and

cause not stated.

Crystal Beach, Ont .- May 27-Dr. Synder's business block. Loss, \$30,000. No insurance. Cause notestated.

Eastview, Ont.-May 29-Mrs. J. P. Cameron's residence, McArthur Road. Loss, \$13,000. Insurance, \$12,000. Cause unknown.

Elmira, Ont.—May 6—Carnegie library. Loss, \$3,000. Cause unknown.

Fallbrooke, Ont.—May 27—Mr. J. E. Playfair's cheese box factory. Loss, building, \$1,500; machinery, \$2,000. Cause unknown,

Le Pas, Man.-May 22-Hudson Bay Railway's terminal yards. Loss, \$10,000. Cause, bush fire.

Milverton, Ont .- May 27-Mr. A. Coxon's residence, Elma. Loss unknown. Cause, defective flue.

Mitchell, Ont .- May 24-Mr. R. Chapman's garage and three automobiles. Loss and cause not stated.

Montreal, Que.-May 19-Rear 2191A Cartier Street. Loss

not stated. Cause, supposed incendiary.

May 27—Grey Nunnery, Dorchester and St. Matthew

Streets. Loss and cause not stated.

Mount Elgin, Ont .- Barns at industrial school. Loss not stated. Cause, fire crackers.

Muncey, Ont.—May 31—Barns of Mount Elgin Institute. Loss not stated. Cause, fire crackers.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—May 9—Messrs. R. Smith and Sons' planing mill. Loss, \$15,000. Cause not stated.

Orangeville, Ont.—May 27—Mr. J. McKim's block.
Loss, \$10,000. Insurance, \$12,000, Western, London and
Liverpool and Globe, Mercantile, Anglo-American, Royal.

Oromocto, N.B.—May 25—Mr. H. Allen's barn and ice-house. Loss not stated. Cause, children and matches.

Petrolia, Ont.—May 19—Petrolia Flour Mill. Loss, \$9,000. Insurance, building, Millers Mutual, \$4,000; stock, \$1,500, Economical Mutual. Cause, supposed spontaneous combustion.

St. John, N.B.—Atlantic Sugar Refinery. Loss not stated. Insurance, building, \$1,500,000; stock, \$200,000. Cause, supposed light dropped on bag of sugar.

St. Stephen, N.B.-May 28-Mr. G. F. Beach's store, Honeydale. Loss, buildings, \$3,500, stock, \$7,000. Insurance, \$6,500. Cause not stated.

Saskatoon, Sask .- Fire Chief Heath's report for the period ending March 14, shows the following losses:-

May 1-Slaughterhouse, owned by Mr. Sklar. Cause unknown.

May 2-Dwelling of W. Corrins, 821 Avenue F. North, owned by A. Hunt. Cause, electric wires fusing. No

May 7—Grocery store of Mr. Duffos, Avenue D. and 19th Street, owned by A. Creighton. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$180; building, \$75. Insurance, British and Canada Underwriters, Canada National; contents, \$700; building,

May 8—Dwelling of C. Royds, 816 Saskatchewan Drive, owned by P. Newbury. Cause, gasoline heater exploded. Loss, contents, 100; building, \$120. Insurance, Law Union and Rock; building, \$3,000.

May 14—Dwelling of Mr. Mills, 507 Lansdowne Avenue. Cause, chimney fire. No damage.

Swansea, Ont .- May 31-Canada Film Company and Indestrucible Brick Company's premises. Loss, Film Company, \$100,000; Brick Company, \$15,000. Partially insured. Cause, supposed defect in wiring.

Sydney, N.S.-May 27-Residence on Esplanade. Loss and cause not stated.

Toronto, Ont .- Acting Fire Chief Smith's report for the period ended May 21st, shows the following losses: May 10-Dwelling of W. H. Durham, 1218 Dufferin Street.

Cause, defective fire grate. Loss, building, \$75.

May 12—Dwelling of George Burleigh, 169 University
Avenue, owned by Charles Mei. Cause, explosion of coal
oil stove. Loss, contents, \$50; building, \$150.

May 14—Building of Richard O. Cable, rear 55 Sussex

Avenue, owned by Faramel, Limited. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$100; building, \$35; dwelling of A. J. Thompson, 218 Dunn Avenue. Cause, gas jet set fire to wall. Loss, contents, \$25; building, \$20.

May 15—Williams' Cafe, L. J. Applegath and Sons'

store, Thompson Brothers, 179 Yonge Street, owned by A. W. Applegath. Cause unknown. Loss, Williams, contents, \$2,000; Applegath, \$1,000; Thompson, \$250; building, \$2,500; dwelling of W. Chamberlain, 31 Gillespie Avenue.

Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$50; building, \$75.

May 17—Dwelling of Amos Fry, 78 Melville Avenue, owned by G. Gosby. Cause, man dropped a lamp. Loss, contents, \$100; building, \$100; dwelling of J. W. Redfern, 14 Wells Hill Crescent. Cause, explosion of boiler. Loss,

contents, \$200, building, \$3,000.

May 18—Oriental Billiard Parlors, 75-77 Queen Street
W., owned by Mrs. H. C. Thompson. Cause unknown. Loss,
building, \$150; store of Arthur Griffith, 1406 Queen Street W., owned by Charles Defferari. Cause unknown. Loss, w., owned by Charles Deflerall. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$100; building, \$25; building of J. Campagna, rear of 881 Yonge Street, owned by J. Denoffro. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$25; building, \$125; building of National Felt and Batting Company, 340 Gerrard Street E. Cause, spark from picker. Loss, contents, \$12,000; build-

ing, \$3,000.
May 19—Vacant dwelling, 74 Bellevue Place, owned by
John Penturn. Cause, incendiary, supposed. Loss, build-

ing, \$25. -Dwelling of Ernest Simms, 33 Hiawatha Road. May 20-Cause, children lighting gas stove. Loss, contents, \$100; building, \$500; dwelling of Robert Saunders, 31 Hiawatha Road, owned by A. W. Burke. Loss, contents, \$50; build-

ing, \$100.
May 21—Building of Ontario Wind Engine and Pump

Company, Limited, Atlantic and Liberty Streets. Cause, overheated furnace. Loss, building, \$25.

May 24—Building of J. H. Garbutt, rear 195 Wilton Avenue, owned by J. V. Moore. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$150; building, \$50.

Vancouver, B.C.—May 3—Rooming house. Loss, \$7,-500. Cause not stated.

Cause not stated.

Victoria, B.C.—May 14—T. M. Brayshaw's carriage works, Government and Herald Streets. Loss and cause not stated.

Waterdown, Ont.—May 25—Mr. F. W. Crooker's block, Main and Dundas Streets. Loss, \$20,000. Cause not ascertained.

Winnipeg, Man .- May 26-Martel Stewart Western, Limited! Loss, \$8,000. Cause not stated.

What is said to be the first spelter to be produced in Canada has been turned out at a small plant at the Standard mine at Silverton, B.C., The Monetary Times is informed. But it has yet to be demonstrated that the process will work on a large scale so that it will be commercially successful. The experimental plant was set up by the Standard mine people, who like other companies operating mines in the Slocan district have to contend with the zinc problem. If it is possible for the process to be worked successfully with a large plant, the benefits are inestimable.

Mr. J. H. H. Young, manager of the South Saskatchewan branch of the Canada Life Assurance Company, died re-cently at Regina. The late Mr. Young was born in Hamilton and was educated in that city. He entered the head office of the Canada Life Assurance Company, as junior, in February, 1883. On the opening of the Ohio branch in 1892 he went to Cleveland as secretary of that On the opening of the Pennsylvania branch, some years later, he was transferred to Philadelphia in a similar capacity, and was appointed manager of Central New York branch at Syracuse. On the closing of the offices in that state, owing to a change in insurance legislation, he went to Regina as manager of Saskatchewan branch in February, 1907, retaining the managership of the South Saskatchewan branch at Regina, when the district was later divided.

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MAY FIRE LOSSES

Total is Low for This Month-Several Large Fires-Five Fatalities

The Monetary Times' estimate of Canada's fire loss during May amounted to \$821,855, compared with April loss of \$1,463,747 and \$1,935,516 for the corresponding period of last year. The following is the estimate for the May losses:

C	mall fires		fires	170,570
		1		\$821.855

The Monetary Times' estimate of the fire loss in each province for the first five months of 1915 is as follows:-

Ontario	\$2,644,140
Oneher	1,379,555
British Columbia	601,934
New Brunswick	378,934
Sackatchewan	304,000
Manitoba	280,951
Nova Scotia	210,121
Alberto	177,841
Prince Edward Island	. 93,156

* \$6,136,640

The fires reported in May at which the fire loss was ated at \$10,000 and over were as follow:

estimated at \$10,000 and over	
	1,5,000
Chatham Ont -May 2 Warehouses	20,000
D . Cash May a Lumper varids	25,000
Port Arthur, Ont.—May 3 Elevator	100,000
Olds, Alta.—May 4 Block	10,000
Delhi, Ont.—May 6 Factory	11,000
Regina, Sask.—May 7 Cafe	12,000
Toronto, Ont.—May 7 Theatre	20,500
Toronto, Ont.—May 7	40,000
Three Rivers, Que.—May 9. Stores	15,000
Chicoutimi, Que.—May 10. Stores	10,000
Eburne, B.C.—May 11 Shingle mill	10,000
Eburne, B.CMay II Woodworking plant.	30,000
	10,000
	10,000
Three Rivers Oue May 14. Sawmin .	15,000
Toronto Ont -May 18 Factory	10,000
La Pas Man - May 22 Kaliway yards	20,000
Waterdown Ont.—May 25 Block	12,000
Orangetille OntMay 27 Block	
Cenetal Reach, Ont.—May 27. Block	30,000
C. Ctanhan N.B.—May 28 Store	10,500
Factoriew OntMay 20 Residence .	13,000
Swansea, Ont.—May 31 Film manufactory	115,000
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The following exclusive Monetary Times' record shows the loss by fire for the month of May during the past seven vears :-

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The following table compiled by The Monetary Times shows deaths caused by fire during the last six years:-

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	ober	16	17	21	15	9		

November	19	1911. 20 17	1912. 22 28	1913. 24 13	1914.	1915.
Totals 2	56	317	203	236	175	56

The fires at which fatalities occurred were:-

Blantiold, Onc.	Playing with matches Burning building	
Beausejour Man.—May 21	Bonfire set clothing alight	
North Bay, Ont.—May 11 Alameda, Sask.—May 13	Burning building	4

The structures damaged and destroyed included 42 residences, 19 stores, 15 barns and stables, 6 warehouses, 6 business block, 6 autos, 5 factories, 1 each mine, sugar refinery, film factory, flour mill, incinerator, nunnery, library, garage, cafe, elevator, lumber yard, sawmill, shingle mill, planing mill, railway yard.

Among the presumed causes were: Three lightning, 3 matches, 2 spontaneous, 2 prairie fires, 2 gasoline, 2 defective chimneys, 2 engine backfiring, 1 gasoline, 1 stove, 1 sparks, 1 gas jet, 1 oil stove exploded.

CANADIAN TRADE WITH SWITZERLAND

Certain unfounded rumours having lead a part of the Canadian public to erronously believe that Switzerland was completely isolated in the centre of Europe between four powerful belligerent nations, and since the entry of Italy in the war, had been shut off from any outlet on the sea, and was consequently prevented from exchanging products with Canada, Mr. Henri Martin, consul-general of Switzerland for Canada, has just received from the Swiss political department in Berne, a cable, a copy of which he sends The Monetary Times :-

"There is in Switzerland absolutely no interruption of traffic with foreign countries. All said traffic goes through French ports direct or via Great Britain. Route through Rotterdam could also be used, but sailing opportunities are scarcer from Holland."

The consul-general states also that, according to a re-cent agreement with the Swiss National Bank and the Bank of Montreal, all Canadian payments intended for Switzerland, can be made in the Demicroscopy of the offices of the Bank of Montreal in the Dominion.

Mr. A. E. Rex has been elected a member of the Montreal Stock Exchange, and will represent the firm of A. E. Rex and Company, which continues the business of Hickson and

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, sailed for England this week on board the White Star liner Adriatic. The trip, which is likely to be an extended one, is being made in connection with the business of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

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ESTABLISHED 1874

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ESTABLISHED 1866

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Head Office - WINNIPEG \$ 5,000,000 Paid-up Capital

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MAY MUNICIPAL BOND SALES

Good Showing for First Five Months of Year-Home Market Absorbed Three Millions

The municipal bond sales in Canada for May, as compiled by *The Monetary Times*, amounted to \$4,264,281, compared with \$8,859,774 for April and \$6,400,755 for the corresponding period of last year.

Comparing the record of May, 1914, with that of the month just ended, the bond sales are as below:-

Canada		 1914. \$ 6,400,755	1915. \$4,264,281
London		 9,250,000	
United	States	 1,750,000	*******
		\$17 100 7EE	81 261 281

The May sales of municipal bonds in the home market have been as below during the past seven years, according to The Monetary Times' record:—

1909	 \$5,185,530
1010	 5,964,896
1911	 3,946,047
1912	 1,928,748
1913.	 880,630
1014	 6,400,755
1015	 3,364,281

The following are the particulars of the May municipal bond sales in Canada, by provinces:-

Ontario	. \$2,018,111
Manitoba	. 290,500
Alberta	
Saskatchewan	
Nova Scotia	
Quebec	. 146,000

\$4,264,281

Five Months' Sales.

The Monetary Times' record of municipal bond sales for the first five months of this year compared with sales for the similar months last year are as below:-

Canada United States London	\$22,320,357 1,843,000 26,231,000	\$17,285,028 20,374,872	
	850 204 257	\$37.650.000	

The bonds sold in the home market for the first five months of this year compare with the previous year as

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Sales in the United States market compare as follow:-

	1914.	1915.
January	 	\$ 340,000
February	 \$ 50,000	6,390,000
March	 18,000	6,543,947
April	 25,000	7,100,825

	\$1,843,000	\$20,374,872

Various factors, such as the slowing down of large investment purchases, the uncertainties of the German and United States diplomatic relations, etc., produced quieter tendencies in the municipal bond market during the past month, so that the business was largely confined to the home market and the private dealings of Canadian bond houses with their United States clients. As will be seen above, municipalities have borrowed in the first five months of this year to the extent of 75 per cent, of their borrowings during the first five months of 1914, which is a creditable record.

In April the following additional bonds were sold in Canada, making the total sales for that month \$8,859,774:-

Montreal	\$2,025,000
Fernie, B.C.	10,000
Kamloops, B.C.	
Beverley S.D., Alta	25,000
Three Rivers, Que	200,000
Valleyfield, Que,	56,000
Sault au Recollet	275,000
Sault au Recollet Schools	60,000
	\$2,736,000

The following are the details of the May sales :-

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	Amount.	Rate %	Maturity.
Port Arthur	\$ 468,000	5	1935-45
Galt	15,000	5 1/2	1935
Bracebridge	12,000	51/2	1935
Tilbury N. Township	28,320	51/2	1930
Nepean Township	14,000	5	1935
London	1,000,000	5	1918
North Bay	35,000	6.	1935
York Township	71,248	51/2	1920-30
Colchester N. Township	, 6,000	5	1925
Preston	28,775	6	1945
Listowel	17,000	51/2	1935
Casey Township	1,500	8	1925
Oliver Township	2,200	6	1930
Windsor	144,068	5 & 5 1/2	1935-45.
Brockville 4	11,000	5	1935
Hamilton		41/2	
Murphy Township	8,000	6	1925
Halton County	100,000	5	1935
Hespeler	35,000		
Hensall	5,000	5	1935
	\$2,018,111		1

	anitoba.		
Fort Garry	. \$ 39,000	6	1920-1930-
St. Boniface, Man	200,000	5	1920
Dauphin	. 25,000	51/2	1945
Dauphin	11,000	51/2	1935
Selkirk	. 15,500	6	1930
			A. Control of the con

\$290,500

Lethbridge Schools	\$ 8,500	6	1925
School Districts	18,750	7	
Edmonton	200,000		1916.

	\$377,250		
Saskatci	newan.		
Moose Jaw 8 Regina	107,533	6	1918
Saskatoon Sceptre Village	249,133		
Cabri Village	5,000		
Humboldt Wynyard	3,354		1:1:
School Districts-			
Big Four, No. 3393 \$ Swift Current, No. 167 Driscol Lake, No. 3336	1,600 20,000 1,600		

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Swift Current, No. 167	20,000					
Driscol Lake, No. 3336	1,600					
Workman, No. 146	1,500					
Toft Hill, No. 3396	1,600					
Denden, No. 3294	1,200					
Log Valley, No. 3158	400		-,,			
Olive, No. 3441	1,200		173			
Vincent Lake, No. 3484	1,700					
New Home, No. 727	600			*	*	l
Fruitvale, No. 3240	500			*	*	
Ufford No area					*	
Ufford, No. 3332	1,500	10.00				 į.
Brough, No. 3440	1,500					 į
Scotsguard, No. 3444	1,800				*	

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BANKERS IN GREAT BRITAIN-The London Joint Stock Bank, Limited TORONTO BRANCHES-A. B. PATTERSON, Manager.

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	Amount.	Rate %	Maturity.
Prince Albert, No. 3	13,500		
Warminster, No. 1564	800		
Pea Vine, No. 3383	1,000	the same	
Green Dell, No. 3118	1,600		
Coriander, No. 3192	1,500	Mark Mark	
Elwell, No. 3354	1,700		
Minniehake, No. 3340	1,500	. 1	
Willmar, No. 3476	2,400		
Pretty View, No. 3391	1,100		
Monodale, No. 3351	1,300		
Arran, No. 3480	1,400		
Lenvald, No. 3342			
Cummings, No. 3251	1,200		
Glen Curren, No. 3257		1.	****
Radant, No. 3474	1,400		T
Pinto Dale, No. 1398	1,500		
Frame Lake, No. 3456	1,200		· · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Jura, No. 3303	1,600		
Paisley Brook, No. 3434	1,500		****
	\$1,396,420		
Nova	Scotia.		
Truro	\$36,000	5	1945
Qı	uebec.		
Greenfield Park	. \$ 20,000	6	1955
Montreal North	. 96,000	6	1955
St. Tite	30,000	6	1920
Chicoutimi Schools		6	1935
	\$146,000		

PHŒNIX ASSURANCE COMPANY

Acting for such a substantial corporation as the Phoenix Assurance Company, of London, England, with total assets exceeding \$82,000,000, the capable and energetic managers for Canada, Mr. R. McD. Paterson and Mr. J. B. Paterson, must feel particularly satisfied with the directors' report for the past year. The Phoenix is another of the old British companies which have attained great financial strength, and has had for many years an excellent reputation. This is the 133rd year of the company's existence, and at the end of 1914 its funds, exceeding \$82,000,000, were as follows: Fire funds (including general reserve), \$9,250,000; life and capital redemption funds, \$57,233,825; marine funds, \$3,301,305; employers' liability, accident and general funds, \$520,200; profit and loss account, \$1,252,470; capital paid up, \$2,114,275; debenture stock funds, \$6,389,750; provision for outstanding liabilities, \$2,227,785; total assets as per balance sheet, \$82,289,720.

The net premiums in the fire department last year amounted to \$7,141,855 and the net losses to \$4,002,930, or 56 per cent of the premiums. The expenses and commission together amounted to \$2,790,860, being 39 per cent of the premiums. A profit is shown in this department of \$348,065, which, with the receipts for interest of \$320,215, makes a total of \$668,280 to be carried to profit and loss.

In the life department 1,856 policies were issued during the year assuring \$7,257,535, with new premiums of \$327,600. Re-assurances were effected with other companies for \$923,820 at premiums of \$34,955. The net assurances were thus \$6,333,715, and the net new premium income \$292,645, including \$40,890 of single premiums.

The operations of the year resulted in a total trading profit from fire, accident and marine accounts of \$605,790, which with \$274,260, the shareholders' proportion of the law life profits for the quinquennium, 1910-1914, makes a total of \$850,050. This amount has been passed to profit and loss, in addition to \$790,505 for interest. That is an excellent

The company's office in Canada is at Montreal, in charge of the joint managers, Messrs, R. McD. and J. B. Paterson. It writes both fire and life insurance in the Dominion, where it has a substantial business. Last year, for instance, the company had over \$121,000,000 of fire insurance at risk in this country and received net cash of \$1.035,778 for premiums. It paid net losses of \$579,207. It has \$7.327.645 of life insurance in force in Canada, taking last year \$212,000 of premiums. The claims paid in 1914 aggregated \$144,676.

SILVER FOX CROP

It Promises to be Largest on Record in Prince Edward Island—Capitalization and Dividends

Regarding the progress and prospects of the fox farming industry of Prince Edward Island, Mr. J. E. B. Mc-Cready, publicity agent of the Island, writes The Monetary Times as follows:—

The silver fox crop of Prince Edward Island, now nearly all, in sight, promises to be much the largest in the history of the industry. Hitherto the increase yearly has been comparatively small, but steadily increasing. In 1913 the young silver foxes reared to maturity averaged 1½ per pair of breeders; in 1914 the average was 1¾ per pair, and this year it is hoped the average will be two per pair of breeders. The "luck," as it is called, varies greatly in different ranches, a few reporting an average of five young per pair.

Taxing the Fox Crop.

The silver fox crop of 1913 was valued for taxation at \$3,500,000, and that of 1914 at over \$6,000,000. The provincial government collects a tax of 1 per cent. on the value of all young foxes born and reared yearly. This is in lieu of income tax. The valuation of 1913 was under the current selling price, while that of 1914, owing to the rapid decline in values after the outbreak of the war, was much over the selling price since that date.

Silver foxes, pups of this spring, are now selling at from \$2,500 to \$5,000 per pair for delivery next September. This is less than half the selling price of a year ago, but is still sufficient to pay the breeders very well. The paid-up capital chargeable against silver foxes in this province averages about \$12,000 per pair of foxes. If none of the young of this spring were to be sold the crop of this year being kept in the ranches as breeders, the capitalization would thus be reduced to about \$6,000 per pair. The policy of the leading breeders appears to be to offer for sale sufficient young foxes to pay operating expenses and a small dividend, retaining the bulk of their young foxes to increase their breeding stock, counting upon an advance in prices for both pelts and living foxes when peace shall be restored.

Dividends Were Paid.

Those who invested in fox shares in or before 1912 and 1913 were fortunate in many cases in getting good returns. Those who invested in 1914 were in general much less fortunate, as the capitalization was high and the dividends comparatively few and small. Yet even under war conditions, 45 companies last year paid their shareholders \$1,200,000 in cash dividends, ranging from 4 per cent. to 240 per cent., while 20 companies allotted a stock bonus of 10 per cent. to 175 per cent., besides adding largely to their breeding stock.

CRAND TRUNK ISSUE IN LONDON

The underwriting was arranged this week in London for £2,500,000 Grand Trunk Railway 5½ per cent. five-year notes, which will be issued at 99 to meet maturing 5 per cent. notes in July.

It is understood that a loan soon will be issued in behalf of the Australian Government to pay for important railway construction. At the same time it is expected the British Northwestern Railway will enter the borrowing market as soon as the Great Central Railway's impending issue of £750,000 3½ per cent. ten-year debentures has been digested.

In all these cases it can be shown, says a London despatch, that the expenditures were contracted for before the war, and, therefore, the borrowings do not represent actual new financial transactions. Otherwise the Government probably would refuse to permit the issues.

Some financial critics dislike these frequent ten-year issues, which will mean enormous financing in 1925, including arrangements to meet Britain's £350,000,000 loan, but, on the other hand, the public dislikes longer term securities because of the liability of depreciation. Hence the issuing houses have no alternative.

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\$17,500,000.00

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By order of the Board,

A. M. SMART,

Manager

London, Canada, May 31st, 1915.

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DOMINION STEEL RESULTS

Operations Last Year Were Fairly Active-Outlook Shows Marked Improvement

The results of operations of the Dominion Steel Corporation for the year ended March 31st, show a shrinkage in earnings of a little less than \$1,000,000. This is by no means a bad record, when the numerous adverse factors met during the company's fiscal year, are considered. Like many other corporations, Dominion Steel has reduced its bank loans materially. The reduction in that item is from \$5,476,940 to \$3,-865,958, a decrease of \$1,610,982 during the year. Cash on hand has risen from \$259,833 to \$795,154. The following table summarizes the principal figures of the consolidated balance sheet, compared with the figures of 1914:-

	1914.	1915.
Plant, etc	\$69,949,635	\$69,304,716
Discounts, etc.	3,699,218	3,528,108
Trust funds	150,762	151,264
Inventories	6,904,477	5,574,723
Accounts receivable	2,363,256	2,125,475
Cash		795,164
Insurance, etc	314,203	365,199
Total	\$83,641,387	\$81,844,651
- Liab	ilities.	
Coal bonds	\$6,735,174	\$6,609,000
Iron bonds		14,510,173
Cumberland bonds		1,167,000
Corporation notes, etc	. 4,963,460	4,965,335
Loans, etc.	5,476,940	3,865,958
Accrued interest		356,123
Dividend payable	175,000	Nil
Reserves	600,007	695,642
Preferred stock	7,000,000	7,000,000
Coal preferred	3,000,000	3,000,000
Iron preferred	5,000,000	5,000,000
Common stock	32,097,700	32,097,700
Surplus	2,350,000	2,577,717

Had Fairly Good Year.

Mr. J. H. Plummer, president, who has been untiring in his efforts to give the company a good year, despite the generally unfavorable position, says in his report to shareholders, that the business of the Coal Company was on the whole, well maintained. While the prospects for the company are good, the requisition of the company's colliers by the Admiralty is seriously affecting the question of transportation.

\$81,844,651

Total \$83,641,387

In the early part of the year a distinct revival in the demand for iron and steel in Canada was apparent, but business came to a standstill with the outbreak of the war. "We have as yet experienced no revival of the Canadian demand, but there is a considerable tonnage of steel required for war purposes, and the demands for the export trade are large, while prices abroad have risen to a level more in keeping with the heavy cost of transportation," says Mr. Plummer, "and your company is receiving a full share of business in these lines.

Outlook Has Improved.

"The only material addition which your directors have made to your properties since the last annual report is a plant for the recovery of benzol and other hydrocarbons, the erec-tion of which was undertaken in February. The plant, although not quite complete, is producing a considerable quantity of these by-products, which are now greatly in demand. Even under normal conditions the plant should yield a very good return on its cost.

"The properties of the corporation and their equipment have been maintained at the usual high standard of efficiency

"On the whole, your directors are pleased to be able to report a marked improvement in the outlook for your constituent companies in the coming year, as a result, mainly, of the special demands from abroad."

The accompanying table shows the figures of the consolidated profit and loss account of the Dominion Steel Corporation, for the past four fiscal years ended March 31st.

Net earnings	83	1915. 3,571,058	84	1914.	\$4,	1913. 714,057	8	1912. 3,935,181
Deprec, sinking funds		920,093		903,889	1,	009,650		880,642
Balance Interest charges .	\$2	,650,965 ,651,522	\$ 3	,538,142 ,575,994	\$3, 1,	704,407 246,951	8.	3,054,538 1,132,981
Balance Discount on bonds.		999,443 144,186	81	,962,148 107,323	\$2,	457,455 84,788	8	1,921,557 86,387
Balance Pref. div. (corp.)			\$1	,854,825 420,000	\$2,	372,667 437,500	*	1,835,170 nil
Balance Pref. div. (subsid.)						935,167 560,000		1,835,170 560,000
Balance Common dividend .		225,256 nil	8					1,275,170
Balance Prev. balance		225,256 796,907	*8	86,105 883,012	8	98,066 784,945	8	49.965 734.980
Total balance	*	1,022,163	8	796,907	8	883,012	\$	784,946
*Deficit.—								

COBALT ORE SHIPMENTS

The following are the shipments of ore, in pounds, from Cobalt Station for the week ended May 28th, 1915:—
La Rose Mines, 87,230, Mining Corporation of Canada (Townsite City Mines), 141,845. McKinley-Darragh-Savage Mines, 167,115, Dominion Reduction Company, 176,000; total, 572,190 pounds, or 286.09 tons.
The total shipments since January 1st, 1915, are now

12,576,514 pounds, or 6,288.257 tons.

CANADA'S TRADE WITH MOTHERLAND

The following are the British official figures of trade between Canada and Great Britain in the undermentioned articles during April :-

British imports from Canada.

	April,	April,
	1915.	1914.
Wheat	£651,467	£388,132
Wheatmeal and flour	. 164,821	146,847
Barley	299	19,965
Oats	23,243	4,481
Bacon	. 318,745	71,225
Hams	28,355.	14,666
Cheese	. 15,668	6,872
Canned salmon	. 118,993	132,510
Canned lobsters	12,830	4,057

British exports to Canada.

	April,	April,
Spirits	1915. £ 27,213	£ 75,626
Wool	43,795	12,464
Pig iron	6,828	4,483
Wrought rails	558	3,152
Galvanized sheets	4 389	55,361
Tinned plates	6,894	6,796
Steel bars Pig lead	815	16,247 5,314
Cutlery	5,330	5,364
Hardware	3,660	9,483

A varied list of provincial and municipal securities yielding satisfactory returns has been issued by the Dominion Securities Corporation, who draw attention among others to their offerings of Regina, Port Arthur, Brandon and Toronto Housing Company's bonds. There are also some attractive odd lots.

The Hamilton Provident and Loan Society

HALF YEARLY DIVIDEND No. 88

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Eight per cent. per annum has been declared for the half year ending 30th June, 1915, upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of the Society, and that the same will be payable at the Society's Head Office, Hamilton, Ontario, on and after Friday, the 2nd day of July, 1915.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 14th to the 30th of June, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

C. FERRIE, Treasurer.

Hamilton, May 28th, 1915.

CANADA PERMANENT MORTGAGE CORPORATION

QUARTERLY DIVIDEND

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of TWO and ONE-HALF PER CENT. for the current quarter, being at the rate of TEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM

on the paid-up Capital Stock of the Corporation, has been declared, and that the same will be payable on and after

FRIDAY, THE SECOND DAY OF JULY next, to Shareholders of record at the close of business on the Fifteenth day of June.

By order of the Board.

GEO. H. SMITH, Secretary

Toronto, May 26th, 1915.

THE HURON AND ERIE MORTGAGE CORPORATION

DIVIDEND No. 111

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Three per cent. for the quarter ending June 30th, 1915, being at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum upon the Paid Up Capital Stock of this Corporation, has been declared, and will be payable at the office of the Corporation in this City on and after Friday, July 2nd, 1915.

By Order of the Board,

M. AYLSWORTH,

London, May 25th, 1915.

Secretary

SASKATCHEWAN GENERAL TRUSTS CORPORATION

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Chartered Banks' Statement to the

		CAPITAL STOCK			int.		Bal. due			Deposits by
NAME OF BANK	Capital Authorized	Capital Subscribed	Capital Paid Up	Amount of rest or reserve fund	Rate per cent. of last dividend declared	Notes in circulation	to Dom. Gov. after deducting advances for credits, pay-lists, etc;	Balances due to Provincial Govern- ments	Deposits by the public, payable on demand in Canada	payable after notic
Bank of Montreal.	25,000,000	16,000,000	16,000,000	16,000,000	10	14,338,497	8,768,652	270,348	62,921.080	117,367,718
Quebec Bank		2,734,700	2,734,620	1,308,655	7	1.687.603	39,962	515,037	3,020,757	9,651,231
Bank of Nova Scotia.		6,500,000	6.500,000	12,000,000	14	6.800.968	393,256	32,036	21.799,333	36,064,387
Bank of British North America		4,866,666	4,866,666	3.017.333	8	3,598,601	45,224	1,411,124	10,887,005	24,610,728
5 Bank of Toronto		5,000,000	5,000,000	6,000,000	11	3.551.322	63,675	50,486	15,814,872	28.031,202
6 Molsons Bank		4,000,000	4.000,000	4,800,000	11	3.044.385	54.097	156,578	9,961,520	26,996,866
7 Banque Nationale	5,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	1.800,000	8	3,140,905	18,851	183,618	3,164,111	15,140.989
		7,000,000	7.000.000	7,000,000	10	6,204,069	421,476	436,676	20.287,963	41.248.871
Merchants Bank of Canada		1,000,000	1,000,000	65G,000	7	1.144,898	19,902	186,193	1.718.378	6,352,873
9 Banque Provinciale du Canada				3,400,000	8	4.870.329	188,277	9.936.758	21,582,182	30,907,980
Union Bank of Canada		5,000,000	5.000,000	13,500,000	10	12.038.412	2,905,579	3.022,895	66,045,710	86,747,961
1 Canadian Bank of Commerce		15,000,000		12,560,000	12	12,252,149	253,871	1,101,659	30,066,853	77,917,312
2 Royal Bank of Canada		11,560,000	11,560,000	7.000.000	12	3.763.880	102,301	259,029	17,269,241	39,184,719
3 Dominion Bank		6,000,000	6,000,000		12	2,476,975	54,215	915,434	9.441,370	23.752.630
4 Bank of Hamilton		3,000,000	3,000,000	3,600,000		2,701,968	38,702	123,158	11.503.452	24.837.96
5 Standard Bank of Canada	5,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	4,000,000	13	2,701,968	59,654	98,033		16,101.85
6 Banque d'Hochelaga		4,000,000	4,000,000	3,700,000	9		175,561	855,574	8,600,516	28,899,08
7 Bank of Ottawa		4,000,000	4.000,000	4,750,000	12	3,247,995	225,696	982,270		34.201.29
8 Imperial Bank of Canada		7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000.000	12	4,528,252	390,000	677,364		6,667,09
9 Home Bank of Canada		2,000,000	1,945,260	666.666	7	1,334,825	39,191	682,036		6.445,19
Northern Crown Bank		2,862,400	2,858,589	150,000	6	1,615,641				4.506.31
Sterling Bank of Canada			1,198,801	300,000	6	957,045			414.050	440.85
Weyburn Security Bank	1,000,000	632,200	316,100	125.000	5	178.417			414,653	440,83
Total	188 866 666	114,422,366	113,980,036	119 997 654		96.288.398	14.258.142	21,950,123	347,325,937	686,075,12

ASSETS

		Gold and fiary Coin		Dom	inion No	tes	Minister security alation tral gold		1		d, inclu-	Dep'sits made with	from	Due from bks. and
NAME OF BANK	In Canada	Else- where	Total	In Canada	Else- where	Total	Deposit with Minister of Finance for security of note circulation	Deposit in central reserves	of other	cheques on other banks	Loans to other Canada secure ding bills redisc	and bal. due from other tanks in Canada	and banking corres- pond'ts in the United King.	banking corres- pond'nts else- where than in Canada and U.K.
Bank of Montreal	12,099,838	5,203,682	17,303,520	29,714.814	1,625	29,716,439	790,000		1,252,065	7,124,471		20	9.378.743	4,826,63
Quebec Bank	366,743		366,743	710,219		710.219	121,000		104,793	547,994		****	213.440	307.69
Bank of Nova Scotia	2,834,966	2,006,984	4,841,951	11,107,752	3,847	11,111,599	342.638	1,500,000	758,403	2,551,448		177	1.131.972	2.369.74
Bank of Brit. North America	1,832,629	129,239	1,961,868	6,668,526	34	6,668.560	1,424,581		256,525	1,897,138		1,862	167.057	2,236,75
Bank of Toronto	917,772	*******	917,772	6.628.088		6,628,088	240,000		277,874	1,957.838			195,697	
Molsons Bank	1,058,937		1,058,937	3,743,015		3.743.015	200,000		250.102	1,584,354		18,429	549,269	1,205,81
Banque Nationale	197,461	11.373	208,835	1,283,215	******	1.283,215	100.000	1,100,000	205,545	739,311		2,860		534.31
Merchants Bank of Canada	2,691,569	1,760	2,693.330	12,732,618		12,732.618	335,000	1,000,000	564.711	2,833,748		- 3,110	1,011,863	1.220.79
Banque Provinciale du Canada	73,231		73,231	129,384	*******	129,384	54,000		229,353	575,411		615,530	29,135	
Union Bank of Canada	986.694		1,147,012	5,440,656	830	5,441,486	260,000	400,000	477,850	1.005,668		100,212	10.282	3.537.49
Canadian Bank of Commerce	4,878,808	11,283,183		11,618,415	9,439	11 627,855	760,641		1,666,829	6.057,634		22,356	238,641	
Royal Bank of Canada	5,156,499	5,320,922	10 477,421	9.856,072	494	9,856,567	578.000	1,500.000	2,274,438	5.996,179		8,277	839,636	
Dominion Bank	1,605,213	1,070	1.606,283	6,330,684	*******	6,330,684	265,850		541.083	2,694,255			82,574	
Bank of Hamilton	660,353	*******	660,353	3,428,:71	*******	3.428,171	155,000	100,000	224,840	1,132,101		95,446	866,373	773.68
Standard Bank of Canada	794.839		794,839	3,824,082	*******	3.824.082	150 000	200,000	232,687	1.369,108			253,884	
Banque d'Hochelaga	348.711	*******	348.711	2,912,486		2,912.486	161.649	******	316,100	1.029,217		138,078	244,350	429.8
7 Bank of Ottawa	1,100.268	250.000	K gorden , develo	4,134,199		4,134,199	200,000		266,715	1.309,284		5,172,503	765.769	716.7
8 Imperial Bank of Canada	1,619,399		1,619.399	13,428,609	*******	13,428,609	328,005		436,479	1,949,611		476,549	523.995	3,234,2
9 Home Bank of Canada	128,266		128,266	889,302		889,302	89,600	**** *****	102,991	271,117		103,881	20,85	
Northern Crown Bank	353,516		353,516	1,038,707		1,038,707	116,000		130,713	833,221		105,669		
1 Sterling Bank of Canada	47.022		47,022	980,740		980,740	56,400		112,084	458,852		10,000		
2 Weyhurn Security Bank	15,449		15,449	101,608	100	101,608	13.388		12,650	3.634		83,384		81.1
		THE REAL PROPERTY.		-							-	_	-	
Total	39.768.183	24.368.530	64,136,717	136,701,362	16.269	136,717,633	6 741 752	5 800 000	10.694 830	43,916,654		C 050 242	16,596,93	2 95 519 0

Of the deposit in Central Gold Reserves \$3,500.000 is in gold coin: the balances is in Dominion Notes.

RENTED BUILDING STOCK OFFERING

A block of 2,000 cumulative preference participating shares of the McCallum Hill Building, Limited, is being offered by Messrs. McCallum Hill and Company, of Regina. This firm have turned the McCallum Hill building into a joint stock company, known as the McCallum Hill Building, Limited, capitalized at \$700,000. At present, they are offering to the public \$200,000 worth of 7 per cent. preferred cumulative participating stock. They think all the stock will be sold in Saskatchewan. With the building full and rents normal, stock, they estimate, should pay to per cent. The present rentals pay the 7 per cent. on present stock offered. The building is about 70 per cent. occupied and the vacant space is gradually being taken up.

The building is modern in every respect, and, considering the times, have proven a good rental proposition. The location is one of the best in the city for a business block, situated as it is on the corner of Victoria Square and Scarth Street, the main business centre. Seventy-five per cent. of the people coming down to the business district from the south and west ends of the city cross the park and by the building. The company has authorized capital of \$700,000, of which \$475,000 is subscribed and paid-up.

The chief apportionments of the federal grant of \$266,013 to the Ontario department of agriculture are \$114,000 for district representatives and \$93,813 for the agricultural college.

Dominion Government---April, 1915

			- 6			LIABIL	ITIES					
Deposits elsewhere than n Canada	Loans from other banks in Canada secured, including bills re- discounted	Deposits made by and balan- ces due to otherbanks in Canada	ents in the United	Due to banks and banking correspond- ents else- where than in Canada or the U.K.	Bills payable	Accept- ances under letters of credit	Liabilities not included under foregoing heads	Total Liabilities	Aggregate amount of loans to directors, and firms of which they are partners	Average amount of current gold and subsidiary coin held during the month	Average amount of Dominion Notes held during the month	Greatest amount of notes in circulation at any time during the month
8				1 .1			1 . 1					
41,563,965	******	6,164,176	52,800	534,001	751,780	1.605,279	1,411,512	255,749,813	630,811	17,638,200	30,473,469	14,500,759
*****		250.175	67,985	9,229		152	194,429	15.436,563	402,415	362,016	656.686	1.809.958
11,046.619	291 221 221	8,587	40,862	779,285		200,137	A7,610	77,213,083	580,936	4.802,628	9,808,453	7,216,702
4,903,211		1,899	. 13,408	315,793	3,506,525	934,633	67,960	50,298,111	80,609	1,975,962	6,324,306	4,088,066
		29,071	****** ****	144,069	*****	597,638	704	48.283,042	111.335	912,524	6,478,291	4,109,200
		16,540	138,340	594,541	*********	227,812	177,758	41,368,400	558,012	1,053.273	3,886,147	3,480.970
925,493		1,722	327,489	3,954	*********		296,649	23,203.783	395,504	207,537	1,191,717	3,168,710
334,175	**********	933,204	147,555	1,059,520	**********	696,100	175.710	71,945,323	845,594	3,685,032	12,569,687	6,611.564
			1,313,999	**********		*********		10,736,246		72,521	127,131	1,218,293
816,633		16,746	728,028	115,577			4,847	69,802,509	721,550	1,192,911	4,579,076	5.144,354
15,068,499		100000000000000000000000000000000000000	7,261,519	4,207,091	1,394,288	2,717.812	3,729	201,812,699	977,465	13,987,000	-10,948,000	12,844,000
28,672,802			112,584	3,063,481	861.275	404.115		154,902.484	702,377	10,592.685	12,650,551	13,162,194
879,223			85,219	648,867	228,480	904,170		63,893,535	988,205	1,602,000	8,365,000	2,754,425
		6,323		. 109.522	*********				208,937	646,430	2,507,506	
			04.000					39,551,354			3,642,420 2,831,101	2,979,597
		. 180,042	24,986					25.058,655			4,156,216	
		481	6,138					42,118,745			12,269,831	5,303,437
		. 14,831				48,676	7344 3114				710,283	
				214,436			51,103	11,421,314			1.082,264	
		135,613	**********	186,248		3,734		7,939,389			709,161	
		135,613				3,73	26,153					
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104,210 62		9,046,067	10,394,20	4 13,351,708	6,744,348	9,325,24	2,668,555	1,321,638,543	8,457.60	63,381,031	136,069,744	103,842,43
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ASSETS

omin'n dovern- ment and Pro- vincial dovern- ment securi- ties	Can. municipal securi- ties, and Brit., foreign and colonial public se- curit's other than Can.	Railway and other bonds, deben- tures and stocks	Call and short loans in Canada on st'cks debent- ures and bonds (not ex- ceeding 30 days)	Call and short loans else- where than in Canada (not ex- ceeding 30 days)	Other current loans and discounts in Canada	Other current loans and disco'nts else- where than in Canada	Loans to the Government of Canada	Loans to Pro- vincial Govern- ments	Loans to cities, towns, muni- cipalities and school districts	Over- due debts	Real estate other than bank pre- mises	Mort- gages on real estate sold by the bank	Bank premises at not more than cost, less amounts (if any) written off	Liabili- ties of cus- tomers under letters of credit as per contra	Other assets not included under the fore- going heads	Total Assets
	02.0			1.											8	3
					94,567,428	5 048 062	5.000.000	6,118.889	7,213.855	513.976	749	175,271	4,000,000	1,605,279		289,857,678 19,490,792
472,708		15,296,748	******	76,792,482	10,312,859		*******		155,260	222,136	113,550	2,000		152	122,189 85,449	96.371,508
95,590	246,802			3,944,508	42,457,117			71,318	1.140,600	298,589	316,425	3,700		200,137	259,549	59.500.155
1,175,843		4.498.467		2.018.646				7,183	4,664,011	332,105	20,038	11,258		934,633		60,518,165
	3,456.710	125,202			39,120,644			*******	2,433,685	172,711	******	******	3,187,426	597,638 227,812		50,746,477
86,107	152,927	823,560		********	29,423,66			*******	1,828,152	327,746	90,742	5,948			58.641	27,051,790
260,000					15.819.95			*******	550,508	26,119	179,577	90,898	943,235	696,100		86,190,464
	1,170,100			004 109				******	1,140,940	144,721	118,816	9.427		The second second		12,433,194
583,997	903,667			964,193	5,475.70		1		458,385	126,046	43,272	34,725		635,148	11,473	79,201,578
	1,065,852						1		4 2,520,368	414,080		111,118		2,717,813		232,281,330
570,707	410,396	3.452.33		4,129,978	A COMPANY OF THE PARTY OF THE P	* ****		458,99	5 3,988.876	1,230,674		373,344		404,115		180,921,126
3,170,766	1,792,720	17,723,54	4 8,197,736	17,574,548		3 12,842,26		399.31	3 2,774,375	666,898	624,439		6,197,756	904,176		77,421,798
1.148.942		13,611,47	8,293,689	13,215.93					646,469	201,874	20,331	14,654		134,45		44,038,355
455.022				2,875,680	26,330,96				7 2,265,796	142.047		88,12		88,20		46,959,514
282,729		469.09			31.384.39	2			690,516	334.803		1,300		57.36		33,235,894
604,778	1.282,374	659,43			22,260,20	7		*******	640.939			65,92				51,534,348
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MAPLE LEAF MILLING COMPANY

Efficiency, or as Mr. Hedley Shaw, managing director of the Maple Leaf Milling Company, phrased it, "ability to make better prices than our competitors and guarantee at the same time quick delivery, all due to the exceptional location of our mills," was the factor that ensured the progress made by the company during the past year. Profits on operations amounted to \$1,382,966, out of which \$173,560 was paid in bank interest, \$175,000 in dividends, and the balance of \$1,034,966 carried forward. Current assets total \$2,349,062 and the real estate, buildings and plant, etc., are valued at \$5,323,258, while goodwill and trade marks are shown as \$5,323,258, while goodwill and trade marks are shown as worth \$229,660. Current liabilities amount to \$1,823,825. Worth \$229,660. The company's mills have a daily Capital stock, \$5,000,000. The company's mills have a daily capacity of 15,000 barrels, and the Port Colborne plant has

been running at full capacity for several months on large flour contracts. Mr. Shaw at the annual meeting intimated that an announcement with regard to dividends would probably depend largely upon the outlook for the financing of this year's crops, which might mean that no declaration would be made until the autumn.

The company's officers and directors are: president, Sir D. C. Cameron, K.C.M.G.; vice-president, Mr. Cawthra Mulock; managing director, Mr. Hedley Shaw; Messrs. J. S. Barker, R. Cooper, G. Perry, J. I. A. Hunt and C. W. Band; secretary, Mr. J. Camick.

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The net premiums amounted to \$7.141.855 and the net losses to \$4.002.980 or 56 per cent. of the premiums. The expenses and commission together amounted to \$2,790.860, being 39 per cent. of the premiums. A profit is shown in this department of \$348.065, which with the receipts for interest of \$320,215, makes a total of \$668,280 to be carried to profit and loss.

FUNDS OF THE COMPANY ON THE 31st DECEMBER, 1914

Fire Funds (including General Reserve)	\$ 9,250,000
Life and Capital Redemption Funds	57,233,825
Marine Funds	3,301,395
Employers' Liability, Accident, and General Funds	520,220
Profit and Loss Account	. 1,252,470
Capital paid up	2,114,275
Debenture Stock Funds	6,389,750
	\$80,061,935
Provision for Outstanding Liabilities	2,227,785
Total Assets as per Balance Sheet	82,289,720

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET ON THE 31st DECEMBER, 1914

LIABILITIES	/ ASSETS
CAPITAL (fully subscribed \$16,053,250	Mortgages on Property within the United Kingdom
In 309,755 \$50 Shares, \$5 paid	Loans on Reversions. Loans on Stocks and Shares. Investments (at Book Values) —
Fire Insurance Funds 9,250,00 Marine Insurance Funds 3,301,38 Employers' Liability, Accident and General Insurance Funds Profit and Loss Account 520,22 1,252,47	British Government Securities. Municipal and County Securities, United Kingdom Indian and Colonial Government Securities. Indian and Colonial Provincial Securities. Indian and Colonial Municipal Securities.
4% Debenture Stock (Law Life) \$ 5,000,000 Do. (1911) 1,389,750	Foreign Municipal Securities
Interest on Debenture Stocks accrued but not due	Railway and other Preference and Guaranteed Stocks Railway and other Ordinary Stocks Freehold Ground Rents
Fire Department 93.8 Accident Departments 56.8 Marine Department 334.4 Dividends 2,4 Debenture Stock Interest	0 Salvage Corps Premises (Company's Share)
Bills payable (Fire Department) 6	Outstanding Premiums (Accident Departments). Outstanding Interest, Dividends and Boots (for Inc. T.)
Life Department Funds and Outstanding Liabilities as per separate Balance Sheet	Bills receivable
\$5 taken as equivalent of £1 sterling.	In hand and on Current Account.
	Life Department Assets, as per separate Balance Sheet

, ASSETS	
Mortgages on Property within the United Kingdom	\$2,220,105
Loans on Life Interests	496,610
Loans on Reversions	162,525
Loans on Stocks and Shares	29,295
Investments (at Book Values) :-	
British Government Securities	7.035
Municipal and County Securities, United Kingdom	7.350
Indian and Colonial Government Securities	203,425
Indian and Colonial Provincial Securities	172.050
Indian and Colonial Municipal Securities	842.535
Foreign Government Securities	1.352.810
Foreign Provincial Securities.	440.695
Foreign Municipal Securities	1.885.250
Railway and other Debentures and Debenture Stocks,	1,000,200
Home and Foreign.	6,257,675
Railway and other Preference and Guaranteed Stocks	
Railway and other Ordinary Stocks	1,130,330
Freehold Ground Rents'	1,011,365
House Property	131,800
Salvage Corps Premises (Company's Share)	2,521,400
Life Interests.	98,145
Reversions	35,585
Adents' Ralances	18,625
Agents' Balances Outstanding Premiums (Accident Departments)	3,340,240
Outstanding Interest Dividend Departments)	30,220
Outstanding Interest, Dividends and Rents (less Income Tax)	15,400
Interest accrued but not payable (less Income Tax)	192,445
Bills receivable.	78,615
	158,205
In hand and on Current Account	1,178,595

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CROP OUTLOOK IN SASKATCHEWAN

Farmers Generally Are in Excellent Shape—Seeding Was Done Under Ideal Conditions

So large a part of Saskatchewan suffered from drought last year that there was considerable anxiety throughout the province this spring, and much relief was felt when heavy rains occurred about two weeks ago. Travellers from Winnipeg houses have been reporting that they could not get orders until merchants felt better satisfied regarding weather conditions. The feeling of relief caused by the heavy rains is reflected in the following letter of Mr. W. Woods, Saskatchewan manager of Messrs. Oldfield, Kirby and Gardner, the well-known Winnipeg investment house. Mr. Wood says:—

The harvest of 1914 coming in unusually early and followed by an open fall, enabled the farmer to prepare by fall ploughing a very much larger area of land for this season's crop than in previous years. A light snowfall during the

winter months and an early spring allowed further cultiva-tion to begin some three weeks earlier than usual.

Principally through the efforts of the agricultural college at Saskatoon, farmers are being taught that nothing is to be gained by too early seeding. Consequently, during the latter part of March and the 1st of April, the drag harrowers were to be seen everywhere preparing a good seed bed,

Seeding Under Ideal Conditions.

The seeding was done on well prepared ground under ideal conditions. Not a day was lost by reason of bad weather. There was sufficient moisture in the ground to germinate the seed. After the grain was up two to three inches, high winds prevailed and some small loss occurred on light land by drifting. This, however, except in some individual cases, is not

Bountiful rains throughout the length and breadth of the province during last week gave the ground a thorough soaking. This was followed by dull, cold weather, allowing the moisture to soak in and not evaporate. The benefits of the copious rain are to be seen to-day. The season is from ten days to two weeks ahead of previous years.

The partial failure of the crop in 1914, together with the general curtailment of credit, has taught our farmers many valuable lessons, not only in their methods of farming, but in their financial affairs also. It is being brought home to the farmers that the farm to be successful, must be self-supporting, if not fully so, at least very much more so than in the past.

Line of Least Resistance.

In a new country, such as this, one is prone to take the line of the least resistance. This applies to the Saskatchewan farmer in so far that he found it easier to grow wheat only and purchase his supplies at the country store rather than produce them. Last fall and winter the general financial upheaval compelled the storekeeper to decline credit where it was usually given, and in consequence many where it was usually given, and, in consequence many went on short commons. This fall we will see a great change in this respect, which I trust will continue; and the man on the land, whether he farms 1,000 acres or only 160, who cannot or will not grow enough meat and vegetables to at least support the farm, has only himself to blame if he goes short.

With the exception of the compounding of some interest, the farmers' liabilities have not increased and many in these districts which were specially favored by reason of high prices, find themselves in excellent shape to-day.

As to the Outlook ...

I have no means of arriving at the contention that there is a large increased acreage this year. I think we will be safe in assuming that there is, and never since the first sod was turned over in this province were conditions more favorable than to-day.

It is futile to make any forecast. The seed has been sown in good ground. All that human ingenuity can do has been done to insure a bountiful harvest. I look forward a few months hence with faith to the time when we can flash the news across the water that we who have not been permitted to serve the Empire at the front have produced or caused to be produced, not only sufficient food for our own needs, but an enormous surplus for the needs of Britain and needs, but an enormous surplus for the needs of Britain and her Allies.

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Total Assets exceed	46,000,000
Ordinary Branch New Business for 1914 exceeds	
Assurances in force exceed	
Income for year exceeds	7,400,000
Surplus for the one year exceeds	1,400,000
Payment to policyholders for year exceeds	3,000,000

Not including bonuses of over \$1,000,000 credited to Ordinary Branch policyholders but not yet drawn.

EXPENSE RATE.

The expense rate was 12.1 per cent. of the premiums in the Ordinary Branch and 38.5 per cent. of the premiums in

ACTUARIAL VALUATION.

The actuarial valuation of the Ordinary Branch assumes a future earning of interest at a rate of 3 per cent., that is 1.8 per cent. lower than the rate actually earned. A special reserve of \$500,000 has been set aside to cover any contingencies which may possibly arise from the war. After making this provision, the surplus on the year's operations is over \$1,400,000, which enables participating policyholders to receive large bonuses.

PROGRESS OF THE COMPANY.

Year.	Income.	Funds.
1894	\$ 790,390	\$ 1 077 955
1904	2,181,630	6 722 020
1914	7,423,549	15 704 005

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Out of the entire 32,217 pairs of leather boots supplied by this company only a single pair was shown to be open to criticism when the Government enquiry was made six months later.

Experts employed by the Government examined 1,365 pairs and 348 odd boots made by various manufacturers. Among the number were found only seven pairs of boots of Ames Holden McCready manufacture, of which five were found to be repairable, one pair unrepairable, and ONE PAIR HAD A SOLE UNDER GAUGE.

The best proof of the durability and serviceability of the Ames Holden McCready boots, however, was afforded by the sworn statements of soldiers who had worn these boots constantly from the time they were issued in September, 1914, right through to March, 1915. They swore that they had worn the boots through all the rough experiences at Valcartier and on Salisbury Plain and that they had given excellent service throughout. Sergeant Nussey, of Toronto, who had served twelve years in the British Army, appeared before the Committee with a pair of such boots still on his feet and submitted them to the committee's inspection.

The testimony of these witnesses has since been amply corroborated by numerous reports and letters received from officers and soldiers at the front all testifying to the good wearing qualities of the Ames Holden McCready boots.

When the question was raised concerning the quality of the Canadian soldiers' boots, Ames Holden McCready Limited placed themselves IM-MEDIATELY upon record, by writing to the Government, as desirous of having the most thorough investigation of the matter. The appointment of a Parliamentary Committee and the official enquiry followed. It occupied several weeks' time. The Committee stopped at nothing in their efforts to get at all the facts.

This Company purchased the best leather and supplies available in Canada and spared no expense in manufacturing the boots. All our invoices, and shop and manufacturing records were produced before the Parliamentary Committee for their inspection and information. We had nothing to hide and were proud of the boots which were furnished to the Government.

THE AMES HOLDEN McCREADY BOOTS CAME OUT OF THE ORDEAL UNSCATHED.

The Committee reported to Parliament that the boots supplied by this company substantially complied with the sample, that no paper or other fraudulent substances had been employed in their manufacture and that all charges involving the integrity of this company or of the boots supplied by them had been abundantly disproven by the sworn evidence taken before the Committee.

The report, which was adopted by Parliament, was A COMPLETE VINDICATION FOR AMES HOLDEN McCREADY LIMITED.

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MEDICINE HAT'S FINANCIAL AUDIT

Some Other Western Municipalities Also Might Adopt With Advantage

After auditing the accounts of the city of Medicine Hat, Alberta, the auditors, Messrs. W. A. Henderson and Company, chartered accountants, report:— That the total debentures outstanding of all classes was, at the time of the audit, shown to be \$3,818,714, against which the sinking fund provided for redemption of same is \$156,229. In addition to the debenture debt, there is a further liability on open accounts and notes payable of \$268,183.

"This capital debt is represented on the asset side of the balance sheet by \$1,899,166 invested in revenue-producing utilities and unsold debentures which have been taken in at par, to the value of \$358,124. There is a further amount of \$99,337 of capital money due from the city's current account.

"The depreciation reserve as shown on the liability side of the balance sheet is made up of the total repayments of principal and sinking fund instalments which have been provided for to date. It will be seen, therefore, that this reserve is not calculated on the life of the assets, but on the life of the debentures. In those cases where the life of the debenture is greater than the estimated life of the asset insufficient provision for depreciation is being made."

The auditors suggest that this matter be taken up forthwith and state:—"That the life of each asset of the city, which represents the investment of debenture moneys, should be gauged as accurately as possible, and where the annual sinking fund instalment is insufficient, the difference should be provided for out of revenue each year. A depreciation ledger could then be kept, which would show the writing down of all assets of the city each year, according to the depreciation schedule prepared."

Advice Regarding Sinking Funds.

Upon investigating the condition of the sinking fund, the auditors find that instalments for the year ended December 31st, 1914, as called for by the various by-laws, amounting to \$80,199, have not been met by current account. City debentures, however, were deposited with the trustees to the value of about \$81,000, and they point out that this does not liquidate the liability of the current account to the sinking fund, and furthermore that capital securities have been hypothecated to secure a current debt. The argument that the sinking fund trustees are free to purchase the city's bonds will hold good, provided the trustees pay cash for the same, and until such time as current account has deposited in the fund cash to the amount of the instalments in arrear, the trustees are powerless to make such purchase. In addition to the amount of instalments in arrear the city has borrowed This being also a revenue debt, from the fund \$16,000. should be provided for without delay. The attention of the trustees is directed to the fact which The Monetary Times has often pointed out in connection with municipal sinking funds—namely, that the investment of sinking fund moneys in real estate mortgages is not approved of by acknowledged financial authorities.

Remarks to Taxes, Etc.

"Upon turning to the current account balance sheet, it will be seen that the current liabilities are very heavy, but it will also be seen that the amount of uncollected taxes is also considerable. If these were collected the immediate liabilities of the city could be liquidated, the current account debt to capital could be paid up, and the burden of financing the city would be considerably lightened.

"In separating entirely the two balance sheets, both current and capital, for the better exhibiting of the city's financial condition, we found that there was a deficit of \$28,500 on capital account. This was made up of bonuses to various industries, and grants to the general hospital, which had been written off to surplus account in earlier years. These amounts we have set up and included in the non-revenue producing assets. The capital account balance sheet now shows the full capital debt, and the disposition of all capital moneys.

"There is an item in the capital account balance sheet which represents a loss on sale of debentures. We are given to understand," state Messrs. Henderson, "that debentures have been issued to partially provide for this loss. It would appear that no provision has been made in the past in the original issue of debentures for loss through discount and expenses in connection with their sale. This is a matter which should be borne in mind in the preparation of all money by-laws issued in future by the city.

Revenue from Utilities,

"In order to show as clearly as possible the expenditures on revenue accounts during 1914, and to account for the large deficit of \$85,772, a statement of estimated revenue and expenditure for the year ended December 31st, 1914, was pre-The balance brought forward from the previous year's revenue account amounted to \$20,425. Owing to numerous adjustments during the year, consisting of refunds of taxes, and prevision for bad and doubtful consumers' accounts contracted during 1913, this balance has been reduced to \$18,000. The original balance was taken into consideration when striking the rate for 1914, and to the extent of the reduction made during the year, the income was over-estimated. The total deficit on the year's operations is \$85,772, and is accounted for by the under-estimating of expenditures to the extent of \$42,342, and the over-estimating of income to the extent of \$43,429.

"The balances on the revenue accounts for the different public utilities are as follows:—Gas, a surplus of \$48,942; electric light and power department, a surplus of \$623; water, a deficit of \$43,773, all of which are included in the total deficit on general account of \$85,772. Sundry expenditures not provided for, amounting to \$11,690, accounted for part of the deficit.

"A charge has been made against general revenue account of \$500 to provide for probable loss on sundry accounts receivable. This sum has been added to the reserve of \$291 made in 1012 making a total of \$701

made in 1913, making a total of \$791.

"The gas, water and electric consumers' ledgers show that there is \$8,435 uncollected accounts for consumption during 1913, and several years prior. These—are accounted for by consumers going out of town and leaving their accounts unpaid, overcharges not adjusted, and accounts owing by persons who either cannot or will not meet their obligations. It has been thought advisable," say Messrs. Henderson, "to create a reserve for the whole of this amount. Such accounts will not be written off until such time as all hope for their collection has been abandoned. In addition there would appear to be \$1,205 of 1914 arrears uncollectable. A reserve for this amount has also been created."

NEW DOCK AT WINDSOR

A new public dock at Windsor, Ontario, built by the Dominion government, was opened last week. Windsor has made rapid progress in many directions during recent years. Mr. T. C. Ray, secretary-treasurer of the Windsor Board of Trade, tells *The Monetary Times* that, with the new dock added to the city's present shipping facilities, the port now rates first-class. Windsor has five trunk railways and a switching line connecting all five.

Sir Edgar Speyer has sent a letter to Premier Asquith resigning his privy councillorship and requesting also the revocation of his baronetcy. The letter declares that Sir Edgar was led to take this step after nine months of charges of disloyalty by the newspapers, which charges have lately culminated in speeches against him by public men. Sir Edgar is known in Canada and has been a visitor here in recent years. His financial houses have interested themselves in several important Canadian companies. Sir Edgar was born in 1862, the son of Gustavus Speyer, the banker. He was educated at Frankfort-on-Main and later became partner in his father's three firms, Speyer Brothers, of London, pever and Company, New York, and L. Speyer-Ellissen, of Frankfort-on-Main. He was resident partner in the Frankfort firm until 1887, when he took charge of the direction of the London house. He resigned active participation in the New York firm last year. Sir Edgar married the daughter of Count Ferdinand von Stosch. Premier Asquith, replying to Sir Edgar's letter, stated that:—"The King is not prepared to take any step such as you suggest in regard to marks of distinction which you have received in recognition of public services."

NEW INCORPORATIONS

New Collieries Company-Ammunition Manufacturers Get Charters

Canada's new companies incorporated this week number The head offices of these companies are located in four provinces. The total capitalization amounts to \$3,322,000. The largest company is:-

North American Collieries, Limited..... \$1,000,000

Grouping the new concerns according to provinces in which the head offices are situated, we have the following

Province.	No. of companies.	Capitalization.
Ontario		\$1,718,000
Quebec	I2	1,319,000
British Columbia	4	185,000
Alberta	1	100,000
	35	\$3,322,000

The following is a list of charters granted during this week in Canada. The head office of the company is situated in the town or city mentioned at the beginning of each paragraph. The persons named are provisional directors:

Kelowna, B.C.-Occidental Fruit Company, Limited,

Mission, B.C .- The King-Beach Manufacturing Com-

Mission, B.C.—The King-Beach Manufacturing Company, Limited, \$60,000.

Calgary, Alta.—Western Cattle Company, Limited. \$100,000. E. W. Anderson, S. C. Boyd, J. J. Petrie.

Port Arthur, Ont.—Lake Cities and Investments, Limited, \$200,000. W. Scott, A. Grant, F. R. Morris.

Berlin, Ont.—Metcalfe Candy Company, Limited, \$50,000. E. P. Clement, E. W. Clement, W. P. Clement.

Formosa, Ont.—The Formosa Electric Light Company, Limited, \$3,200. F. A. Heisz, P. F. McCue, A. Opperman.

Sherbrooke, Que.—The Bachelor Clothing Company, Limited, \$20,000. H. D. Lawrence, W. Morris, H. B. Miller.

Windsor, Ont.—The Windsor Ice and Coal Company, Limited, \$100,000. W. J. Pulling, G. L. Peacock, W. T. Carter.

Vancouver, B.C.—Dominion Bakery, Limited, \$50,000. Ruby Creek Mining and Dredging Company, Limited,

Tillsonburg, Ont.—The Norfolk and Tillsonburg Telephone Company, Limited, \$10,000. H. Wallace, A. Swinn,

Georgetown, Ont.—The United Incandescent Light Company, Limited, \$40,000. G. M. Willoughby, J. H. Fraser, F. H. Hurley.

Caledonia Springs, Ont.—Red Arrow Caledonia Water Company, Limited, \$5,000. E. W. Beatty, F. L. Wanklyn, A. D. MacTier.

Quebec, Que.-Victoria Athletic Club, Limited, \$20,000. A. Lavergne, L. H. Gaudry, L. Letourneau. Yale Corpora-tion, Limited, \$50,000. J. A. Scott, W. P. Francis, J. E.

Warrington.

Montreal, Que.—Ogilvie Grain Company, Limited, \$50,000. W. R. L. Shanks, F. G. Bush, G. R. Drennan. North American Collieries, Limited, \$1,000,000. O. B. MacCallum, A. H. Elder, P. F. Brown. Davies-Irwin, Limited, \$50,000. J. P. Davies, L. Macfarlane, J. G. Cartwright. D. A. Bethune, Limited, \$25,000. D. A. Bethune, C. T. Hutchinson. F. B. Logan. United Specialties Manufacturing Company, Limited, \$50,000. A. E. Martin, L. Daoust, A. G. F. Ross. The Dominion Exporters, Limited, \$5,000. H. P. Douglas, G. M. Mulligan, H. MacKay. Winder's, Limited, \$10,000. A. R. McMaster, A. Angers, P. S. Kennedy. Majestic Moving Pictures Theatre, Incorporated, \$19,000. L. Heber, N. Adler, H. Singer. National Bakeries, Limited, \$20,000. J. Swinwood, H. Kingsley, R. E. Kingsley.

Toronto, Ont.—Miller Rubber Company of Canada, Limited, \$50,000. M. Montag, J. Miller, J. Karn. The Canadian Laundry Machinery Company, Limited, \$150,000. F. A. Gaul, R. M. Burton, B. N. Davis. Diamond Cleanser, Limited, \$40,000. E. F. Griffth, K. Smith, T. M. Watson. The ited, \$40,000. E. F. Griffth, K. Smith, T. M. Watson. The ited, \$40,000. E. R. Rowley, One Hundred Associates, Limited, \$100,000. E. R. Rowley, One Hundred Associates, Limited, \$100,000. E. R. Rowley, One Hundred Associates, Limited, \$100,000. E. R. Crowther, J. W. tion, Limited, \$40,000. G. Gregory, A. T. Crowther, J. W. Bicknell. Natural Tread Shoes, Limited, \$40,000. J. G. Show, J. Montgomery, H. P. Edge. Buckeye Tire Company

of Canada, Limited, \$150,000. N. A. Craig, H. Robinson, R. Blaxhill. Ontario Ammunition Company, Limited, \$500,000. J. A. Donovan, J. Aitchison, A. T. Struthers. Automobile Signal System Company, Limited, \$100,000. J. F. Coughlin, T. R. J. Wray, M. C. Pritchard. The Cobourg Steel Company, Limited, \$40,000. R. D. Hume, W. J. Elliott, J. J. Greenan. Cluff Ammunition Company, Limited, \$100,000. A. W. Holmstead, A. B. Mortimer, H. C. Draper. Application for letters patent is being made by the fol-

Application for letters patent is being made by the following companies: The J. A. McDonald Piano and Music Company, of St. John, N.B., Limited, with New Brunswick charter, \$9,000. J. A. McDonald, F. Kerr, J. L. McKinnon. The Avonlea Dark Patch Fox Company, Limited, with Prince Edward Island charter, head office, Tignish, P.E.I., \$20,000. J. W. Kinch, C. F. Morrisey, F. J. Gaudet. The Moncton West Building Company, Limited, with New Brunswick charter head office, Morrison, N.B., \$24,000. R. M. wick charter, head office, Moncton, N.B., \$24,000. R. M. Kive, A. C. Jardine, A. H. Hanington.

CREAT-WEST LIFE'S NEW MANACER

Mr. C. C. Ferguson, who has been appointed general manager of the Great-West Life Assurance Company, of Winnipeg, is a comparatively young man. Born in Marshfield, P.E.I., in 1878, he is a son of the late Senator D. Ferguson of that province. He is unusually well qualified to fill the exacting duties of his new office. An expert actuary with a thorough knowledge of life insurance executive work, he has also an intimate acquaintance with the affairs of the Great-West Life Assurance Company, which he has helped materi-



C. C. FERCUSON, General Manager, Creat-West Life Assurance Company.

ally to build. Mr. Ferguson knows conditions in both Eastern and Western Canada. He is a clean-cut type of man in every way, tactful, alert, aggressive, and has a proper measure of caution which will be found useful in conducting the affairs of such a large and still growing institution as the Great-West.

The new general manager has, and deserves, the confidence of the directorate. He may be disposed to suggest certain changes at various stages of the company's career, which, in his opinion, will tend further to strengthen and develop the company's business. If such occasions arise, his counsel undoubtedly will receive the sympathetic ear of the directorate. The general opinion in business and underwriting circles of the appointment, is that Mr. Ferguson "is the man for the job."

He is a graduate of McGill, where he was awarded a gold medal in the class of 1900. Commencing his study of life insurance with the Canada Life, in the actuarial depart-. ment in 1900, he remained there for seven years. He was made actuary of the Great West Life in 1907, and has re-

mained in that position until now.

DIVIDENDS AND NOTICES

THE MONTREAL CITY AND DISTRICT SAVINGS

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Two dollars per share on the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared, and will be payable at its Head Office, in this City, on and after Friday, the 2nd July next, to Shareholders of record at the close of business on the 15th June next.

By order of the Board,
A. P. LESPERANCE,

Manager.

Montreal, May 25th, 1915.

THE PEOPLE'S LOAN AND SAVINGS CORPORATION, LONDON, ONTARIO

DIVIDEND No. 40

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of the Corporation has been declared for the half-year ending June 30th, and the same will be payable on July 2nd, 1915. The Transfer Books will be closed from June 23rd to June 30th, 1915, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

WM. SPITTAL, Secretary-Treasurer.

London, Ont., May 10th, 1915.

THE CANADA LANDED AND NATIONAL INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED

DIVIDEND No. 113

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Two and One-quarter per cent. (being at the rate of nine per cent. per annum) on the amount paid up on the Capital Stock of this Company has been declared for the quarter year to the thirtieth day of June, 1915, and that the same will be payable at the office of the Company, 23 Toronto Street, Toronto, on and after the second day of July, 1915, to Shareholders of record at the close of business on the sixteenth day of June, 1915.

By order of the Board,
EDWARD SAUNDERS,
Managing Director.

Toronto, 26th May, 1915.

DIVIDEND NOTICE

CANADIAN CENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that a Quarterly Dividend of 11/4 per cent. for the three months ending the thirtieth day of June, 1915, being at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, has been declared on the Common Stock of the Company.

The above Dividend is payable on the first day of July, 1915, to Shareholders of record at the close of business on June 15th, 1915.

By order of the Board,

J. J. ASHWORTH,

Secretary.

Toronto, May 29th, 1915.

Mr. John A. Greenhill has been elected president of the Vancouver Island Fire Underwriters' Association, the vice-president is Mr. L. U. Conyers, and the executive committee are Messrs. A. Coles, B. S. Heisterman, R. W. Douglas, J. Hart, A. M. Fraser, J. G. Elliott and R. Jackson.

DEBENTURES FOR SALE

TENDERS WANTED FOR COUNTY OF CARLETON

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received up to Tuesday, the 8th day of June, 1915, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purchase of \$20,000.00 of Debentures to be issued dated the 2nd day of July, 1915. Each debenture will be for \$1,604.84, which includes interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, accrued interest, if any, at time of purchase to be returned.

CHAS. MACNAB, County Clerk.

Ottawa, Ont.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements under this heading are accepted at the following rates:
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GENERAL AGENCY

Wanted immediately by strong British Company with a certain amount of business in existence, a reliable firm to transact Accident, Sickness, Automobile, Teams, Elevator and General Liability Insurance in City of Toronto and district. Box 405, Monetary Times, Toronto.

ALBERTA FARMERS HAVE FAVORABLE CONDITIONS

(From a Staff Representative of The Monetary Times.)

Calgary, May 28th, 1915.

Weather conditions could not be more favorable in Alberta than they are at present to insure a bountiful crop. If we are successful in harvesting as good a crop as now anticipated, and with increased acreage, which will average at least 20 per cent., and with increased prices for all kinds of farm products that are likely to exist, improved business conditions should result.

Loan companies have funds for loaning purposes, but they are in a position to accept only the very best propositions.

Commercial business is reported to be better in the country places than in the cities, and the same can be said of collections.

Little public work is being done either by the govern-

Development work is being pushed in the oil fields of the province. Some of the companies have abandoned their wells and are drilling on other sites. Others have had to discontinue, owing to lack of funds. So far there are only two companies which have been successful in getting oil, the original Dingman well and the Alberta Petroleum Consolidated.

In the Medicine Hat district and throughout Southern Alberta the crop outlook was never more encouraging. Mr. W. McNealy, manager of the Lake of the Woods mill here, estimates the increase in acreage in the Medicine Hat district within a radius of 100 miles to be not less than 20 per cent.

Two orders for 20,000 shells have been given to Medicine Hat manufacturers, and the work will be divided between the Alberta Foundry and Machine Company, the Medicine Hat Pump and Brass Company, the International Supply Company and the Dominion Harvester Company, and means the distribution of something over \$200,000 between the four factories.

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DOMINION SAVINGS BANKS

BANK	Deposits for April, 1915	Total Deposits	Withdraw- als for April, 1915	Balance on 30th April, 1915.
	s cts.	\$ cts.	s cts.	s cts.
Winnipeg	8,648.00	584,144,82	12,506.64	571,638.18
Pritish Columbia:-	27,248,71	1,184,647.25	31,006,08	1,153,641.17
Prince Edward Island: Charlottetown	30,250,00	1,956,505.08	33,357.24	1,923,147.86
New Brunswick : Newcastle St. John	1,847.00 64.940.49	284.723.56 5,712,568.66		281,128.86 5,637,478.66
Nova Scotia :- Acadia Mines	5,826,51	383,924.14	7,006,98	376,917.10
Arichat Barrington Guysboro'. Halifax Kentville Lunenburg	2,232,00 40,074,40 5,638,03 2,365,00	128 235 25 2,574,783.47 254.948.30	1,337.86 41,728.85 5,552.67	126,897.3 2,532,554.6 249,395.7
Port Hood	527.06 1,805.17 3,051.00	222,412.56 103,978.13	1,777.40 528.60	220,635.1 103,446.4
Totals	195,816,31	14,201.980.1	5 217,816,17	13,984,163.9

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANKS

DR. M	MARCH, 1915								
	\$ cts.		\$ cts.						
BALANCE in hands of the Minister of Pinance on 28th Feb., 1915	39,319,675.93	WITHDRAWALS during the month	1,064,438,28						
DEPOSITS in the Post Office Sav- ings Bank during month	635,783.58								
TRANSPERS from Dominion Gov- ernment Savings Bank during month:—									
PRINCIPAL INTEREST ACCIVED from 1st April to date of transfer									
Deposits transferred from the Post Office Savings Bank of the United Kingdom to the Post Office Savings Bank of Canada		17							
INTEREST accrued on Depositors accounts and made principal on 31st March, 1915 (estimate)									
INTEREST allowed to Depositors on accounts closed during month		BALANCE at the credit of Depositors' ac- counts on 31st Mar., 1915	1						
	41,059,844.68		41,059,844,6						

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

PUBLIC DEBT	1915	REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ON AC-	Total to 31st Mar., 1915
Payable in Canada. Payable in England. Temporary Loans. Bank Circui'n Redemp. Fund Dominion Notes. Savings Banks. Trust Punds. Province Accounts.	157,028 477 16 52,437,182 94 10,066,806 45 11,920,481 20	REVENUE— Customs Excise. Post Office Public Works, Railways & Canals Miscellaneous. Total	75,479,336 99 21,367,682 45 12,589,460 26 13,072,114 63 9,190,328 04 131,693,922 37
Miscel. and Banking Accounts	28,269,948 69	EXPENDITURE	117,190,246 07
Debt	674,236,072 41	EXPENDITURE ON CAPITAL ACCOUNT, ETC.	
Investments—Sinking Funds Other Investments Province Accounts Miscel. and Banking Accounts	10,527,160 00 111,719,684 44 2,296,327 90 141,570,685 2	Railway Subsidies	36,063,877 21 4,630,273 69
Total Assets	266,113,857 6	O white the state of the state	
Total Net Debt 31st Mar Total Net Debt 28th Feb	408,122,214 8 401,891,909 1		
Inc-ease of Debt	6.230.305 6	Total	40,694,150 90

BANK CLEARINGS

Cale	ndar	Year				1																						Amount
	1906			į.		d	2					Š,					.,	١,	*		. ,	-		*	*			\$4,142,233,379
	1909		9	B		Œ	8		4		L										ä			4	-			5,203,269,249
	1910												*		6													6,153,701,587
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	1912					į,	-			4	61	,		j.	.,		.,		é	-	*	*	*	٠,			.,	9,143,196,764
	1912			*	*	ij			i,	*				*	.,		,	.,	Ġ	4	k,					*		9,260,163,171
	1914	1		*		į,	*	ě,		*				1		*			*	*		*						8,073,460,725

MONEY MARKETS

Messrs. Glazebrook & Cronyn, Toronto, exchange and bond

N. Y. funds	Between Buyers. 21-32 pm. 10c. dis	Banks Sellers. 21-32 pm Par	Counter. % pm % to %
Sterling demand Cable trans Rates in New York:-S	\$4.81% 4.82% terling dema	\$4.81% 4.82% and, \$4.78%	84.84 4.84½
Bank of England rate.			

CHARTERED BANKS' LATEST STATEMENT, APRIL, 1915

	ASSETS	\$39,768,183		\$47,587,940 9,325,246
	uurrent Coin in Canada	94 368 530	Liability of Customers	3,999,756
		196 701 969	Other Assets	3,333,100
	manufacture in Consider	AUO, IVE, OVE	Total Assets	
			LIABILITIES	
	The first Committee of Note Circulation	5.800.000		\$188,866,666
	n			114,422,366
	m / d at an Danke	10,694,830	Capital Paid Up	113,980.036
	ot Donke	43,916,654	Reserve Fund	113,327,654
	Danks in Canada	********	Notes in Circulation	96.288,398
	n to the form other Banks in Canada	6,958,343	Balance due Dominion Government	14.258,142
	The face Danks in United Kingdom	16,596,933	Balance due Provincial Governments	21,950.123
		35,512,988	Deposits on Demand	347,325,937
1	a to a Demindel Covernment Securities	11.574.251	Deposits after Notice	686,075,124
1	a II - Washing County	201100,000	Deposits elsewhere	104.210.620
1	O I Debentures and Stocks	76,550,658	Balance due Banks in Canada	9.046,067
-	a u lot ti-serie Canada	. OC, NATO, ORD	Balance due Banks in United Kingdom	10.394,204
	a u dat di sere elecuriore	Lat. vac. or L	Balance due Banks elsewhere	13,351,708
	Current Loans in Canada	762,931,851	Bills navable	6,744,348
	Company the company	37,705,039	Acceptance under Letters of Credit	9,325,246
	Loans to the Government of Canada		Other Liabilities	2.668,555
	Loans to the Government of Canada.	11,290,363	Total Liabilities \$1,321,638,542	2,00010110
	Loans to Provincial Governments	43,031,360	Loans to Directors	8.457,600
	Loans to Municipalities	6,768,675	Average Coin held	83.381.031
	Overdue Debts		Average Dominion Notes held	136,069,744
	Mortgages on Real Estate		Greatest America in City	100,000,712
	Mortgages on Real Estate		Greatest Amount in Circulation	103,842,430

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CGUNTRIES.	19		191	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Exports	
	Imports	Exports	Imports.	Exports	- Imports				
British Empire.		*	- 010 019	14,461,712	1:0,819.672	214.632,953	83,121,311	187.345,114	
nited Kingdom	8,864.716	7,223.573	7.016.912 55,616	293,410	594.880	4,286,901	300,950	5,110,400	
stralia	44,208	300,284		31,785	7,245	359.791	22,383	295,473	
ermuda	1,096	19,331					19.900	55.218	
ritish Africa:	928	9,444		11,234	9,850	54.291		3,793,435	
Bast	21.350	193 786	4.158	9,569	448,035	3,50 : 555	307,605	35,479	
West	4,144	1,282	.c	177	28,645 6 4 2 413	61,421	5,712,126	607,249	
calab Dant Indian	453,126	60,388	968,650	32,455 48,494	2,599 193	: 55.109	2,694,167	529.049	
" Guines	562,794	35,254	3,199	856	88,213	8 800	484,605	8,712	
" Honduras		1,008	67,014	324 839	4,195,001	3,951 241	6,100,725	3,716,043	
' West Indies	119,778	220,037	9.,614 531,345	16,567	203,761	101.091	1,779,403	104,159	
у	80,000	5,992	031,010	10,869	17	38 004	150	1,436,314	
ibraltar	90,898	128,355	120,942	29,175	775,156	1,623,712	917,876	547.262	
ang Kong	30,000	3,755	120,012		2,388	164.639	1.192.042	4,196,458	
awfoundland.	14,453	126,232	37,581	206,681	1,811.914	4,569 596	3,471,066	2 451 135	
lew Zealand	357,327	127,176	430,860	151,199	2,802,943	1,794,518	24 819	13,530	
the Reitigh Empire	2,265	39	1,715	1,120	20,234	Name and Address of the Owner, when the Owner, which the			
Totals, British Empire	10,616,422	8 385,986	9.335 936	15,630,342	140,809,560	236,258,891	106,149,509	210,311,718	
Foreign Countries.		9 000/100			4				
rgentine Republic	745,605	34 552	319,062	118,487	2,290,304	2,106,132	2,628,553	613,971	
ustria-Hungary	111,467	22,897	1,075		1,641,978	354 527	640,265	279,788	
sores and Madeira Is	9				3,429	33,988	1,807	3,259,356	
Relatium.	215,993	125,556	4,181	30,016	4,099,070	4,649,756 738,718	1,062,414	367,245	
Bearil	52.096	131,910	51,117	92,085	987,798 131 095	108,505	113,470	68,724	
Central American States	3,331	7,502		4,378 35,540	824 925	415,991	1,025,641	265,356	
bina	50,038	39.370	67,500	5, 36	767,289	130,803		39,784	
Olombia	04 019	2,692 1,252	760	3,924	143,817	24.745	178,447	22,110	
Duba	35,813 81,493	104,988	46,215	123 590	3 875,758	1,655,865	1,410,129	1,257,478	
	20,516	41,431	2,021	9,225	91,358	573,550	41,781	689,630	
Den W Indies	20,010	815	12	3:3	259,368	13.452	115,469	15,124	
Rutch P Indies	7.941	750	6,950	1,318	814.734	16 906	181,515	21,657	
Dutch Guiana	39,:00	3,779	44,275	2,388	188,163	41.236	1:6,376	36,550 8,354	
Roundos	2,459	3, 88		415	7,592 41 959	18,920	29 889	25.01	
Edwart	1, 65	2,374	27	475	13,085,488	3 561,178	7.998,671	12.691.83	
Prance	1,034,504	360 763	536.174	2,076.097	41,006	56,135	8,303	3,48	
Prench AfricaPrench West Indies	24	773	693	6,025	21,000	15,363	0,000	29.72	
Prench West Indies	931.258	5,374 306,893	17,571	0,020	13,519 540	3,489,405	5.075,172	2,162,016	
Germany Greece	10 016		12,600	6,692	425,827	11,534	404,866	68,265	
Hawaii	10,016	5,437 3,794	4,826	1,184	54,174	28,786	31,516	66,530	
Uauti	1,112	960			106	35,340	***********	4,16	
Italia	168,297	40,497	113,310	45,664	1.914,816	592,958	1,381,494	1,790,09	
Innan	104,820	193.339	202,303	57,209	2,367,022	1,489,467	2,508,509	894,52	
E 0.000		6,180			1 000 400	53,972	1,197,815	15.72	
Mexico	359,269	1,724	73,098	2,6.6	1,233, 63 3 5,948	103,753	4.034	139 47	
Miguelon and St. Pierre	27	10,403	117,030	50,638	2,785,972	5,236,369	1,673,050	5 194 68	
Netherlands	209,967	164,178	22,491	29,856	431,268	728.367	356,213	986.54	
Norway	35,194	63 124	22,491	11,658	101,200	203,617		106.58	
Panama	128,955	8,612	413,861	1,422	691,046	10,16	1.409.185	8.73	
Philippine Islands	274	5,243	273	1,122	5,4:5	56.257	6,125	38,36	
Desta Pica		38,525		31,958	52	500,721		370,05	
Destuda!	11 896		10 447	***********	. 252,987	51,320	205,111	784,43	
Portugese Africa		9,173		5,936	***********	73,676		67,78	
Paumania	868	21,024			4,5%	61.584	7,145	3,15	
Russia	37,569	148,136	1,953	23,908	468,886	1,245,732	93,272	2/2,70	
Les Domindo	165,430	5,948	488,536	200	2,532,286	57,351 2,271	2,540,352 11,895	3,91	
Slam	110		43.269	1,083	76,121 1,278,382	18.655	924,933	463 16	
pain	58 562	3,882	18.514	1 696	543.487	171,214	496,172	170.89	
Switzerland	320,788	50,457 4,998	410,970	212	3,913,896	10.318	3,558.647	15.89	
Switzerland Turkey	24,193	33,039	10,616		454,392	482,156	312,871	5.96	
Maitad States	23,286,731	11.633.345	23,791.647	14,202 559	375, (60), 237	174,110,157	400,254,675	177,155,93	
Alaska	15,249	10.668	982	14,909	65,552	144,646	41,536	300,09	
Monday.	17,783	7:4	791	7,983	45,400	89,670	12,781	50,45	
Unanguals	4 185	12,003	6,735	3,723	94,564	121,502	204,180	51,92	
Other foreign countries	22,046	2,728		3,278	88,336	36,176	139,068	42,00	
		10 070 001	30 905 90u	17.021,647	438,234,390	204,372,213	140,354,275	210,814,34	
Totals, foreign countries	28,330,349	13,676,384	26,865,390	11,000,000	200,202,000	MORIOI MINIS	120,000,000		
Totals, foreign countries		_	and the state of t						
Totals, foreign countries	28,330,349	22,062,370	38,201,826	32,651 989	579,043,950	440,631,104	546,506,184	421,126,00	

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT OF THE TRADE OF CANADA FOR MARCH

		Month of March		Twelv	Twelve Months ended March			
	1913	1914	1915	1913	1914	1915		
IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION. Dutiable Goods.	\$ 45,630,678 21,973,298	\$ 34.944,885 18.166,219	\$ 23.751,511 16,659,873	8 441,518,008 228,482,181	\$ 410,130,474 208,198,400	\$ 279,717,254 175,654,117		
Total imports (mdse.)	67,603,976 300,360	53.111,104 1,409,125	40,411,384 446,795	670.000,189 5,427,979	618,328,874 15,235,305	455,371,371 131,992,992		
Total imports	67,904,336	54,520,229	40,858,179	675,428,168	633,564,179	587,364,363		
Duty Collected	11,912,315	8,337,771	8,557.853	115,039,160	107.144.645	79,183,489		
Canadian Produce—The mine. The fisheries. The forest. Animal produce Agricultural products Manufactures Miscellaneous	2,349,351 2,780,195 17,128,529 4,993,695 6,673	6 569,364 1,479,274 2,694,36 3,202,060 6,512,546 6,239,280 12,471	5,997.010 2,065 564 3,440,941 5,476,249 12,438,145 15,600,790 100,223	57,442,346 16,336,721 43,255,060 44,784,593 150,145,661 43,692,708 97,311	59,039,054 20,623,560 42,792,137 53,349,119 198,220,029 57,443,452 121,088	51,740,989 19,687,068 42,650,683 74,390,743 134,746,050 85,539,501 663,802		
Total Canadian produce	34,874,752 1.077.050	26,700,991 1,061,503	45,118,922 2,770,416	355,754.600 21.313,755	431,588.439 23,848,785	409,418,836 52,023,673		
Total exports (mdse)	35,951,802	27.762,494 10,604,330	47.889,338 21,793,481	377,068,355 16,133,702	455,437.224 23,560,704	461,442,509 29,366,368		
Total exports	38,243,916	38,366,824	69,682,819	393,232,057	478,997,928	490,808,877		
Merchandise	108,555 778 -2,592,474	80,873.598 12,013.455	88.300,722 22,240.276	1,047,068.544 21,591.681	1,073,766,098	916,813,880 161,359,360		
Total trade	107 148.25 4	92.887.053	110,540.998	1,068,660.225	1,112,562-107	1.078,173,240		

*Note—It will be noted that the figures relating to the imports of coin and bullion for the twelve months ending March, 1915, amounted to \$131,992,992, as against \$15,235,305 for the same period of 1913-14. Although it has been customary to include these figures in Trade returns, the total trade figures are seriously disturbed by them in this instance and they should not be taken as an indication of the trade of Canada.

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Canada. 1909-34. 3½% 88½
Do., 1938, 3%, 83.
Do. Can. Pac. L.G. stock, 3½% 85½
Do., 1930-50 stock, 3½%, 84½, ½, 4, ½
Do., 1940-60, 4%, 94½, 5, 3½, 5
Do., 1920-25, 4½%, 99½, ½, 7s, 7s
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Provincial

Alberta, 1938, 4%, 83
Do., 1922, 4%, 901, 1, 2
Do., 1943, 4%, 941, 1, 31, 41
British Columbia, 1941, 3%, 961, 1
Do., 1941, 4½%, 961, 1
anitoba, 1828, 4%, 88
Do., 1953, 4½%, 99, 72
Ontario, 1945-65, 4½%, 97, 1, 61, 1, 2
Quebec, 1919, 4½%, 1002, 100
Do., 1934, 4%, 921, 2, 31, 27
Do., 1954, 4½%, 961, 2, 7, 61
Saskatchewan, 1923, 4%, 922, 3, 11, 1

Municipal

Saskatchewan, 1923, 4%, 92±, ½, ½, ½

Do., 1919, 4½ % 98½

Calgary, 1930-42, 4½%, 85½, 6½

Do., 1928-37, 4½ 86½, ½

Do., 1933-44, 5%, 96±, 71, 6½

Edmonton, 1923-33, 5%, 95½, ½

Do., 1923-53, 5%, 95½, ½

Do., 1923-53, 5%, 95½

Hamilton, 1930-40, 4% 36‡

Maisonneuve, 1952-3, 5%, 95½

Medicine Hat, 1934-54, 5%, 83½

Montreal, 1948-50, 4%, 87½, 7

Do., 1951-23, 4½%, 98½, 9, 8½, ½

New Westminster, 1943-63, 5%, 91, 90½, 1

Port Arthur, 1930-41, 4½%, 73½

Prince Albert, 1935, 4½%, 73½

Quebec, 1963, 4½%, 95, 4½

St. John, N.B., 1946-51, 4%, 84½, 4

Saskatoon, 1938, 5%, 91, ½

South Vancouver, 1962, 5% 86½

Toronto, 1919-20, 5%, 101½

Do., 1941-61, 5% 91, ½, ½

South Vancouver, 1962, 5% 86½

Toronto, 1919-21, 4%, 97½, 7, ½, ½

Do., 1948, 4½%, 97½, 7, ½, ½

Vancouver, 1926-47, 4%, 86;

Do., 1953, 44%, 95, 4½

Vancouver and District, 1954, 4½%, 91½

Winnipse, 1940, 4%, 88%, 87

Do., 1943-63, 4½%, 95, 4½

Vancouver and District, 1954, 4½%, 91½

Winnipse, 1940, 4%, 88%, 87

Do., 1943-63, 4½%, 96, 7½, 7

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	Week ending *May 27, '15.	Week ending *May 28, '14.	(Changes.
Montreal	\$ 38,214,453	\$ 46,566,397	-	8 8,351,944
Toronto	27,975,902	34,111,146	-	6,135,244
Winnipeg	16,568,110	21,826,918	-	5,258,808
Vancouver	4,652,149	8,198,519	-	3,546,370
Ottawa	3,416,964	3,259,891	+	157,073
Calgary	2,361,459	4,768,434	-	2,406,975
Quebec	2,413,300	2,882,418	-	469,118
Edmonton		3,110,950	-	1,539,037
Hamilton	2,238,216	2,727,272	-	489,056
Victoria	1,084,953	2,118,245	-	1,033,292
Halifax	. 1,613,592	1,652,903	-	39,311
Regina	. 1,086,228	1,401,287	-	315,059
London	1,358,329	1,418,264	_	59,935
St. John	and the second	1,227,729	-	41,135
Saskatoon	. 607,801	919,970	-	312,169
Moose Jaw	. 489,488	664,275	-	174,787
Fort William		721,268	-	407,494
Brantford		525,591	_	88,869
Brandon	370,715	365,164	+	5,551
Lethbridge	. 254,632	385,282	-	130,650
New Westminster		320,721	-	63,152
Medicine Hat	. 190,970	456,284	-	265,314
Total	. \$108,663,833	\$139,628,928	-	\$30,965,095
Peterboro'	351,252		1	

^{*} Five days only in both cases.

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BUILDING PERMITS COMPARED

(DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR FIGURES)	1915	APRIL 1914	DECREASE
Nova Scotia: Sydney	\$ 3,850 131,100	13,140 183,425	9,290 52,325
New Brunswick: St. Jonn	26,750	72,300	45,550
QUEBEC: Quebec. Three Rivers Maisonheuve Montreal Westmount Outremount Longueuil	78,894 65,385 7,200 973,8 11 40,100 22,000 Nil	340,917 153,875 237,000 2,205,970 93,730 217,300 2,775	262,053 88,490 229,800 1,232,079 59,630 195,300 2,715
ONTARIO: Ottawa Smith's Falls Kingston Belleville Peterborough Toronto St. Catharines Niagara Falls Welland Hamilton Brantford Paris Galt Guelph Berlin Woodstock Stratford London St. Thomas Chatham Windsor Owen Sound North Bay Cobalt Haileybury Sudbury Port Arthur Fort William	185,125 400 35,987 6,450 11,400 790,3-9 34,396 12,200 10,452 195,000 27,170 1,250 20,325 33,969 52,225 13,270 52,225 116,230 24,315 13,230 84,450 7,857 20,815 1,100 32,460 17,042 11,915	710,725 16,900 62,609 19,300 98,015 3,114,888 58,037 30,500 98,124 951,000 90,735 Nill 45,020 91,735 120,385 30,452 96,000 417,505 74,315 54,27 156,900 15,618 50,250 4,000 15,618 50,250 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 4,000 15,618 150,250 4,000 150,250	525,600 16,500 28,622 12,830 83,615 2,324,579 23,661 18,300 87,672 756,000 63,555 1,250 24,895 57,775 62,560 17,182 43,775 62,560 17,182 43,775 772,450 7,798 29,135 2,900 150** 175,740 125,104 161,635
MANITOBA: Winnipeg. St. Boniface. Brandon.	426,750 31,935 7,300	2,808,900 70,915 56,275	2,282,150 3×,930 48,975
SABKATCHEWAN: Regina Moose Jaw Prince Albert Swift Current Yorkton Weyburn Estevan	7,005 8,080 1,188 330 20,775 3,675 1,500	408,160 53,165 133,260 27,940 6,225 127,650 35,875	401,095 45,085 132,012 27,610 14,550 123,975 35,375
ALBERTA: ' Edmonton. Medicine Hat Lethbridge. Red Deer.	40,725 28,855 4,910 100	750,922 140,320 16,040 4,600	710,197 111,465 11,130 4,500
BRITISH COLUMBIA: Kelowna Kamloops: New Westminster Vancouver North Vancouver South Vancouver Victoria Oak Bay Prince Rupert	4,400 31,754 4,816 19,330 21,100 850	5,000 13,790 23,140 254,166 9,774 35,958 681,020 57,016 31,320	13,590 18,740 222,412 4,958 17,628 639,920 56,166

* Increase.

INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

(DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR	o us	INDEX NUMBERS		ERS
PIGURES)	No. of Commod- ities	April 1915	Mar. 1915	April 1914
I GRAINS AND FODDERS: Grains, Ontario. Western. Podder All.	15	216.9 201.8 189.6 204.3	230.0 199.2 192.6 209.3	143.8 124.6 163.9 145.4
II. ANIMALS AND MEATS: Cattle and beef Hogs and hog products. Sheep and mutton Poultry All III. Dairy Products.	6 3 2 17	296.6 161.8 179.8 204.0 185.7 161.0	208.5 154.2 167.5 198.8 181.0 163.7	219,3 172,6 172,6 221,8 194,8 148,6
Presh fish	6 4 9	147.7 146.0 147.0	157.8 153.9 156.5	155.6 161.0 157.4
V. OTHER POODS: (A) Fruits and vegetables Presh fruits, native. Presh fruits, foreign. Dried fruits. Presh vegetables. Canned vegetables.	6	137.9 83.4 123.9 131.6 102.4 115.5	128.7 85.3 123.9 137.3 101.2 116.9	193.0 88.6 121.7 190.0 97.7 136.9
(a) Miscellaneous groceries and provisions Breadstuffs. Tea, coffee, etc. Sugar, etc. Condiments.		167.9 115.5 137.5 120.3 142.7	168.8. 115.5 130.6 120.3 141.1	125.4 107.7 101.5 101.6 112.6
VI. TEXTILES: Woollens Cottons Silks Jutes Plax products Oilcloths	3 2 4 2 20	162.1 125.8 90.3 226.6 168.7 103.5 145.4	154.5 121.4 .86.3 198.1 153.7 101.1 136.5	138.6 146.1 93.5 225.4 114.7 104.7
VII. HIDES, LEATHER, BOOTS AND SHOES: Hides and tallow Leather. Boots and shoes All.	4 4 3 11	202.7 172.2 158.3 179.5	221.1 172.2 158.3 186.2	2 6.4 151.4 156.1 172.6
III. METALS AND IMPLEMENTS: Iron and steel Other metals Implements All.	11 13 10	104.1 182.4 110.5 136.0	102.5 162.9 106.8 129.0	102. 124. 166. 112.
IX. PUBL AND LIGHTING: Fuel Lighting All	6	119.3 90.0 107.6	119.3 90.0 107.6	127. 92. 113.
X. BUILDING MATERIALS: Lumber Miscellaneous materials Paints, oils and glass All	14 20 14	177.5 111.2 150.6 142.0	181.1 110.1 147.0 141.7	182. 113. 140. 141.
XI. HOUSE PURNISHINGS: Furniture Crockery and glassware. Table cutlery Kitchen furnishings. All XII. DRUGS AND CHERICALS.	6 4 2 4 16	146.7 100.8 80.2 125.5 136.6 155.3	146.7 160.8 80.2 123.4 136.1 155.4	133.
KIII. MISCELLANBOUS; Purs Liquors and tobacco. Sundries.	6 7	133.8 137.8 115.8 127.8	137.8 116.0	138. 108.
All commodities	_	147.0	145.9	136.

^{*} Eight commodities off the market, fruits, vegetables, etc.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE SITUATION

The foreign exchange situation is most extraordinary, says the First National Bank of Chicago in a letter sent to The Monetary Times. Nothing exactly like the present conditions have ever been seen before. During May the price of exchange on London fell to a new low record for the war period? The quotation for the Paris check has also declined to the lowest level ever known. This movement has been progressive, notwithstanding the immense sales of American securities by Europe and the very large credits which have been extended various foreign governments by the bankers of this country. The estimates lately made by the United States department of commerce show that for the fiscal year ended May the United States will have an international trade balance of at least one billion dollars, which is far in excess of any previous export balance ever accumulated by the United States, as it will be larger by \$335,000,000 than the previous high record export balance of 1908. The forces making for this large excess of exports over imports are

still at work, and it is fair to assume that this trade movement will continue for some time to come. Since the year opened the United States have imported more than \$70,000,000 gold from various countries. In addition to the arrivals traced through the sub-treasuries, unrecorded consignments have probably been received by international banking houses direct. It is obvious that a great deal more has happened, in the way of credit arrangements and perhaps gold imports, than the newspapers have known about. In the nature of things, these transactions cannot be made public, and unless they pass through some government channel, they may never be made known unless the principals themselves make them known. There is little doubt, therefore, that when the war is over, and the financial history of the last twelve months has been written, no more interesting chapter will be found than that telling of the breakdown of New York exchange on London last August, and the subsequent demoralization of the market for London exchange on New York which attended the financing of the large payments for war supplies purchased in the United States.

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Montreal Stocks	Min.price	Asked	Bid	Sales
		11	9	
mes-Holdencom.	55 55	55	** *	****
tell Telephone	140	146	1452	225
travillan	54 105	54 118	113	37
British Columbia Packerscom.	50	110	63	
nref	98	99	****	****
anada Cementcom.	281 90	:8 904	****	****
anadian Converters	34	34		
anada Cottons		28		*****
pret.	71 91	76	73 >	17
anadian General Electric	30	40	33)	
pret.	78	1	145	15
anadian Pacific Railway	155	157	155 82	52 10
anada Steamship Linescom.	****	59	****	****
"(Voting Trust)	****	****	77	25
enwn Reserve	623	80 64	62	80
Detroit Railway	72	79	78	126
Dominion Bridge	.107	129	1271	176
lominion Canners	31 98	98		****
Dominion Coal,	20	-311	312	4900
Dominion Textile	64	75	741	7
Dominion Textile pref.	101	26	****	
Goodwins, Ltdpref.	70_	20		****
Hollinger Gold Mines	178	****		225
Illimais Traction pref.	91	91		35 49
Lake of Woods Milling	****	****	****	****
Lake of Woods Milling	****	164	161	15 20
Macdonald	591	9	78 78	70
Mackay Companiespref.		70	66	10
Mostreal Light Heat and Power	211	222	220	76
Montreal Cottons	51	100	31	****
Montreal Loan & Mortgagepref.				****
Montreal Telegraph	020	600	138	7
Montreal Tramways	220 811	220 81±		400
		495		

Nipissing		65	844	211
Nova Scotia Steei	107			80
prei.		100		****
Ottawa Light, Heat and Power	120	120	49	15
Penmanspref.		82		****
Pich & Ont	75	****	101	1 02
Quebec Railway, Light, Heat & Power		13	104	93
Shawinigan Water and Power	****	55 .		
		99		140
Smart Woods	20 .			1.77
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Steel Co. of Canadapret	0.0	16	152	650
	- 11	111		164
Toronto Railwaycom	16.	16		
Tucketts	29	29		***
" pref	100	100	****	
Windsor Hotel	180	180		
Twin City		981	97	****
Bank of British North America		203		
Bank of Commerce Bank of Montreal	234	239	234	29
Bank of Ottawa	207	2.7		
Bank of Toronto	211	149	*****	1
Bank d'Hochelaga		261		
Merchants Rank		180		1
Molson's Bank		201		****
Quebec Bank	2211	2211	*****	3
Union Bank		140	****	
	1 128		Sale	1
Montreal Bonds Bell Telephone	. 964	100	99	12000
Canada Cement	. 92		92	9000
Canadian Consolidated Rubber	. 78	80		****
Dominion Coal	. 90	95		7.00
Dominion Cotton	. 98	101	100	1000
Dominion Iron and Steel.	. 90	91½ 88	86	****
Dominion Textile	A 97	- 00	97	
Dominion Textile	B 97		100	
Dominion Textile Keewatin Mill. Lake of the Woods Milling Co.	C 97 99	1011	10 1	
Lake of the Woods Milling Co.	100	106	102	
Laurentide Paper Co	. 100		100	
Montreal Light, Heat and Power	. 95	102	100	1000
National Breweries Nova Scotia Steel and Coal	99	102	100	1000
Ogilvie Flour Mills	100		102	
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Sherwin-Williams. Steel Co. of Canada		88	1	1

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anadian G	eneral Electric.	162	162		
inada Lan	ided & National Investment	30	30		
anadian L	dcomotive	78	80	79	81
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ominion C	anners	31	311	****	
ominion I	ronpr	ef. 72	****	****	144
ominion S	steel Company	20	311	****	190
ominion T	elegraph	101	100	****	
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	pr	ef. 89 138	0.5	140	1
amilton P	rovident	100			
ollinder G	old Mines		261	26	
uron & R	rie	211	211		
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lanle Leaf	Milling	28	631	623	479
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	pany of Canada		154	15	97
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oronto Ge	eneral Trust	200	210	138	3
oronto P	ortgage	111	iii	100	
	Silver Mines		151		1 3
	***************************************	29	29		
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win City.				971	12
Vestern C	anada Flour		1		
Bank of Co	ommerce	203	203	****	***
sank of O	ttawa	207	207		***
lank of H	amiltonontreal	201	201		
Bank of N	ova Scotia	234 261	261	****	
Bank of To	oronto	201	211		
Ominion	Bank	927	227		16
mperial F	lank	910	210	1	1
derchants	Bank	180	180		
noisons E	sank	201			
Royal Ban	k	2914	2211	****	
standard	Bank.	215	219	218	1
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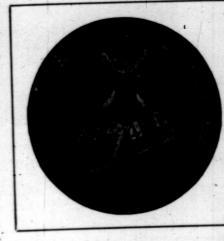


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