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SATURDAY, THE 1st DAY OF MAY NEXT,
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WEDNESDAY, THE 26th OF MAY NEXT,

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TUESDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, both days inclusive.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders will take place at the Head-Office, on Tuesday, the 15th day of June next, at noon.

By order of the Board.

M. J. A. PRENDERGAST, General Manager. Montreal, April the 20th, 1897.

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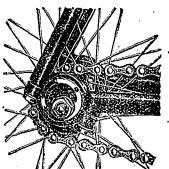
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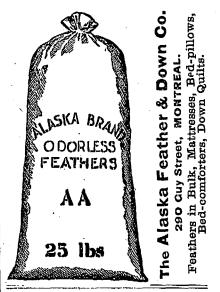
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-GEORGE McArthur will build the new chimney for the Windsor, N.S., Electric Light Station-to be the highest in Nova Scotia.

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- -Tur Provident Savings Society has increased its business by two millions during the first quarter of 1897 as compared with the same period last year.
- -In Prince Edward Island farm produce is bountiful, and market prices low. Eggs are 6 cents a dozen, potatoes 20 cents a bushel, hay \$6 par ton, and oats 24 cents per bushel.
- -A SHIPMENT of 1,000 barrels of apples was made this week from the Annapolis Valley to England by the Furness Line via St. John, N.B.
- -Tur bank clearings last week at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal, and Halifax amounted to \$19,144,000 compared with \$22,343,000 the previous week, and \$19,156,000 in the week a year ago.
- -As a result of last year's crop and comparatively good prices the farmers of Manitoba and the N.W. Territories have been able to pay off \$3,5000,000 of endebtedness. A large number of the farmers are now entirely free from debt.
- -Don'r let whiskey get the best of you, get the best of it," is a notice, "writ large," in one of the bars of the City of Dublin. Needless to say, "the best of it" is the particular brand supplied by the proprietor of the bar,
- -SEYERAL new lobster canning factories have been built in the Maritime Provinces since last season. The lobster business is very active. Yarmouth fishermen are receiving \$13 per crate, a cut of \$5 in two weeks.
- THE present annual cut of timber on the Crown lands of Ontario aggregates 60,000,000 cubic feet. It should be noted that it takes fully ten years to add but two inches to the diameter of a tree.
- THE Alberta cattle ranches, had a very successful winter, notwithstanding the threatening outlook of the late autumn. Kootenay is proving a valuable and large market for the Northwest cattle. Prices are good. Prospects very encouraging,
- -In New York a new element will soon enter into the oils and grease trade-the grease from the collection of garbage. Heretofore all, this material was dumped at sea. It will now be sold to the refiners.

- -Tue largest firm handling breadstuffs in Sydney, N.S.W., quotes Australian flour at £13 per ton and Manitoba flour at £13 10s per ton. At first the Canadian article was sold at 10s less than the Australian. The position is now reversed owing to the increased repute of Canadian flour.
- THE amount of beef and mutton refuse used at New York in the production of tallow collected each week averages about 850,000 to 900,000 pounds. The quantity of house and bone grease, together with hog product, amounts to about 100,000 to 150,000 pounds a week.
- -Mr. Carnegge announces that he has Russian contracts that will employ his plant for a year, making armor plate for two battle ships. It would be interesting to know the price Russia is to pay. Probably a good deal less than Uncle Sam has been paying.
- -A Toronto contemporary makes the good suggestionwhich never should have been needed, as brands are indispensable—that Canadian millers ought to sell their flour under trade names in the Australasian colonies. Dealers in the Antipodes have already begun adulterating Canadian flour with about 35 per cent of flour made from soft wheat.
- -The import of T-cloth into Japan is increasing. It is worthy of note that long lengths of 46 to 48 yards per piece are in much larger demand; formerly pieces of 381/2 yards were exclusively in demand. As a general rule, and contrary to what has happened before, undyed materials are now largely imported into Japan, where they are dyed at prices defying competition.
- -THERE are 15 large lumber concerns in Michigan, New York and Vermont, thinking of moving to Canada. The American press is not pleased at this but says the country will be well rid of a few malcontents who are seeking to pull down the ninety and nine per cent of good United States lumbermen who believe in protection and the stars and stripes.
- -A RECENT German writer has discovered that Americans are the slaves of the British capitalist--that the United States is a region which exists solely for the exploitation of England-that the freedom enjoyed by the great Republic is only a degree above the freedom of Canada and Australia. This is "quite a discovery."
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-THE anti-trust campaign which centred round the Lexow investigation has brought forth a mouse, and a very poor, miserable mouse, too. The bill introduced in the American Senate as a result of the investigation has been rendered useless by amendment. It is natural that an element strong enough to frame the fiscal policy of the republic could head off special antagonistic legislatlon,

-Perù is moving toward a gold basis. A brief dispatch from Lima says that the Peruvian Government has suspended the coinage of silver at the mint, and has issued a prohibition against the importation of silver coins after May 10. Peru is in some respects an unimportant country: and yet its affairs are managed with an intelligence and prudence which give it a relatively high standing among the secondary South American republics.

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-In the State of Iowa foreign insurance companies are required to have a paid up cash capital of \$200,000 to transact business in the state, with the exception of mutuals and accident companies. The latter are required to have \$100,000 cash capital and \$100,000 surplus. This section was passed two weeks ago but was fought over again last week and repassed by a vote of 23 to 18.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway is sending one of its exdivisional superintendents to the West Indies in order to obtain information respecting the requirements of the markets which may be of use to Canadian exporters. The C.P.R. has given western millers and Ontario manufacturers the same export trade rates to St. John that American roads offer Boston and

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-All the great lumbering concerns operating in the neighborhood of Georgian Bay were represented at a meeting in Toronto on the 20th at which if was unanimously agreed that any import duty imposed by the United States on Canadian rough lumber and lumber products should be met by a similar import duty on American lumber and lumber products entering our ports, and also by a corresponding export duty on saw-logs and pulpwood, in order that the products of our forests cut by Americans shall not have any advantage in the same market over the similar product when cut by Canadians.

-THEY are boring for oil in Alberta. ()stensibly the Government is doing the work. There is a rumour that the Standard Oil Company is chiefly interested in the success of the supposed wells. At present the tests are made at a point 13 miles or more due North from Edmonton, at Athabasca Landing, near the shores of a small stream flowing into the Saskatchewan river and 120 miles from the railway terminus at Edmonton. The country thereabouts is rolling. It resembles the Russian plains near Baku. There are surface indications of valuable petroleum deposits, although the indications are even better further south and near Edmonton. The developments so far have been limited and indefinite.

SOAP stock is much what it was in years gone by, though more care is exercised in using only the finest stock. The bones and scraps of beef and mutton are kept separate from the refuse of hogs. In fact, it is only the beef and mutton stock that is sold by the retail butchers. This stock is delivered to the refiners, where it is again sorted, all of the poor material rejected, and it is then put into the refining tanks. The product of the rendering of this material is what is known as New York prime city tallow. This tallow is sold to the soap makers and is used in the production of toilet soap and the finest grades of laundry

-Among American cigar and cheroot manufacturers machinery has been introduced to a large extent of late years. Millions of these goods are now manufactured by means of the latest inventions which the market offers, especially in the cheaper grades of cigars and cheroots. Bunching machines are now running by the aid of which from 6,000 to 12,000 cheroots can be manufactured by one person in one day. Bunching and other kinds of cigar machinery are now used in the factories of the East as well as in the South and West.

-THE Metropolis Fire insurance company of New York, with a capital of \$200,000 and a surplus of \$100,000, is being organized in New York by Thomas A. Temple & Son of St. John N.B. The main office of the company will be located at 56

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-THE Rev. Dr. Macleod, a Scottish divine, speaking at the banquet of the Scottish Wine and Spirit Merchants' Benevolent Institution held in Glasgow recently, said "It has been my principle all along to recognise that if it is right for me to take wine as a Christian and a gentleman ought, it is right for others to sell it as Christians and gentlemen may sell it. I have all along been convinced that the tendency to ostracise the trade is not only the stupidest but the wickedst policy for the sake of the country that can be followed. Questions were sent to me not very long ago of the most extraordinary nature, as to whether I thought this or that ought to be done with people engaged in what is called The Trade. I give the curt answer which I gave to the whole of thequestions, and it was this-that I considered them the ne plus ultra of mischievous fanaticism."

-During the past six years Canada's exports of coal to the United States have been as follows:

Year	•	Tons.	Valued at
1891	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 606,842	\$2,225,460
1892		 641,058	2,390,551
1893	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	 613,410	2,322,335
1894	*** * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	 731,000	2,679,859
1895			2,812,657
1896		 790,648	2,630,818
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-THE total exports of Canadia 1 products for March, 1897, compared with the same month of last year may be seen in the following table: May 1007

	MKE, 1004	Mar. 1090
Produce of the Mine	\$1,059,302	\$ 880,972
" Fisheries	457,630	368,286
" Forest	1,068,258	717,945
Animals and their produce	1,644,405	1,469,127
Agricultural Products	1,397,562	765,043
Manufactures	824,421	778,089
Miscellaneous articles	11,748	24,064
Coin and Bullion	84,855	24,221
	\$6,488,181	\$5,027,747

-Canada's imports for March, 1897, compared with March 1896 are as follows:

	March, 1897.	March 1896.
Dutiable	. \$ 8,886,642	\$6,528,899
Free		2,723,014
Coin and builion	14,949	318,283
•	\$11,824,102	¢9.570.196

The increase in dutiable goods is \$1,857,743. Sugar is the great cause of the increase, nearly \$2,000,000 more than March, 1896.

-According to the London Beconomist the amount of new capital for which public subscriptions were invited during the first quarter of 1897 was £28,115,600 (about \$140,578,000,) a smaller total than in any quarter of last year, as will be seen from the following details:

Tota	ıls		£28,115,600	£152,807,000	£104,690,000
Second Third Fourth	"	••••		48,569,000 41,287,000 32,026,000	23,710,000 23,710,000 32,742,000 19,759,000
T3:			1897. £28,115,600	1896. £ 30.925.000	1895. £ 28,479,000

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THE EFFECT ON WHEAT.

Hostilities appear to have begun in earnest at long last between Turkey and Greece It is needless to say where the sympathies of all civilized people tend in this contest. The plucky Greeks, though weak as compared to their enemies, have yet as incentives the examples, not only of ancient times,—when about 10,000

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of them defeated the great Persian army under Darius on the plain of Marathon, and again when 300 of their men resisted for three days the army of Xerxes, consisting of over a million men—but they have also that furnished by Japan and China lately in which the battle was not to the apparent strong. It is to the credit of little Greece that she has just set an example herself to the nations of Europe in view of the Armenian and other horrors connived at or perpetrated by the Turk.

"But what has all this to do with dollars," say our readers. Many of them are not old enough to remember the effects of a former Eastern war-the Crimeanupon prices; and although circumstances have greatly altered since those days of slow transportation, as compared with the present time when the whole world is as one market, nevertheless many things—the scarcity of breadstuffs on the eastern continents, the famine in India,—the threatened war upon "futures," especially on gambling in wheat-these and other things go to show that a considerable advance may be looked for if this war proceed. It is to be hoped the Greeks may show themselves more capable of united effort than during a great part of their ancient history when Spartans, Thebans and Athenians were frequently at one another's throats.

A canvass of the situation in wheat throughout the world's markets may be opportune here. Although the world's wheat production in the current cereal year is only about 2,296 million bushels, at least 128 million bushels less than it was in 1895-6, when the production. was fully forty million bushels below the year's consumption, the average price of wheat in England was only 28s 3d a quarter, or about 86c per bushel, in the first week of March. At the end of last November the average was 33s 4d, or about \$1 per bushel, and the subsequent fall of 5s 1d, or 15% a bushel, has taken place in the face of accumulating evidence of scarcity. At that time the destruction of more than half the crops of Argentina and Uruguay had not occurred: the fact that Australasia would need to import wheat instead of exporting it as usual was not known; and there was no certainty, as there is now, that only twothirds of the usual wheat area in India could be sown. Yet the price of wheat has been steadily falling, in spite of evidence reasonably calculated to raise it by more than its fall.

This anomalous state of affairs has excited general astonishment, and certain journals which have regularly taken the "bear" side in prognostications as to

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prices for years past have pronounced it inexplicable. It would be so but for one explanation which these authorities will not accept. The only reason why the price of wheat has fallen instead of rising since last November, is that the trickery of the market wreckers has been successful in the face of heavy odds against it, as it has been under more favourable circumstances, as a rule, ever since the system of which it forms part became prevalent.

Before explaining the method of market wrecking, and pointing out why it so commonly succeeds, it may be desirable to say something in substantiation of an estimate of the world's deficiency in wheat, compiled by Mr. Wm. E. Bear for the Fortnightly, of London. "At the beginning of the current cereal year," says the Fortnightly, estimates were published by the Hungarian Minister of Agriculture, and several commercial authorities, making the crop of 1896 eighteen to twenty million bushels less than that of 1895, which had been proved by the great drain upon stocks which took place between the beginning and the end of the cereal year 1895-6 to have been much less than the year's consumption. But, in the estimates published so early in the season, far too much was allowed for the harvests of Australasia, Argentina, and India, then some months distant. On the other hand, the final official estimate of the Russian crop is much larger than the early one. Official figures for other countries, so far as they are available, have also been adopted, excepting those of the United States, for which country the most commonly accepted commercial estimates are taken, because the statistics of distribution have proved that the crops of recent years must have been greater than they were represented to be by the Department of Agriculture. In the cases of Argentina, Uruguay, and India, the figures for 1896-97 are estimates of my own, based on the most recent information. It is known that only about eighteen million acres were sown with wheat in India, and the allowance of one quarter (eight bushels) per acre is only a bushel less than last year's average yield, and is as much as can be expected from crops sown much later than the proper time. Perhaps it may be desirable to explain that "the wheat crop of the world"

means the crop of those parts of the world in which the production has more or less effect upon the markets of Europe and America. Details are given in the following table:—

THE WORLD'S WHEAT CROP.

	1895-6	1896-7
•	Bushels	Bushels
Austria-Hungary	183,990,000	180,000,000
Belgium	18,400,000	20,000,000
Bulgaria and Roumelia	46,000,000	48,000,000
Denmark	4,408,000	4,000,000
France	330,032,000	327,108,800
Gormany	102,880,000	104,000,000
Greece	6,000,000	6,000,000
Holland	5,200,000	6,000,000
Italy	114,122,160	133,760,000
Portugal	5,600,000	4,000,000
Roumania	66,384,000	68,992,000
Russia	388,120,000	387,640,000
Servia	8,800,000	- 14,190,400
Spain	100,000,000	80,000,000
Swedon and Norway	3,720,800	9,080,000
Switzerland	4,800,000	4,800,000
Turkey-in-Europe	36,000,000	40,000,000
United Kingdom	38,285,120	58,247,040
Total Europe	1,462,742,080	1,490,418,240
United States	500,000,000	450,000,000
Canada	50,200,000	33,700,000
Argentina	44,560,000	28,800,000
Chili	14,000,000	12,000,000
Uruguay	10,000,000	6400,000
Mexico	12,000,000	8,000,000
India	205,328,000	144,000,000
Turkey-in-Asia	40,000,000	40,000,000
Persia	20,000.000	20,000,000
Algeria	20,800,000	20,000,000
Tunis	. 6,000 , 010	6,000,000
Egypt	10,000,000	8,000,000
Australasia	28,888,000	22,800,000
South Africa	4,000,000	4,800,000
Total outside Europe	960,776,000	804,50,0000
The world	2,423,518,080	2,294,918,240

· With respect to the consumption of wheat for the current cereal year, it is a low estimate to put it at 2,480 million bushels, or 184 million bushels more than the year's production. Even if the Indian figures be omitted, on the questionable ground that India will have to make shift with what wheat she grows, im? porting inferior grain to meet her food demand, there remains a deficiency exceeding 128 million bushels. But it is announced that both Russia and the United States are about to send some wheat to India, as charitable contributions, so that the deficiency in that country will affect European supplies to some extent, in addition to the loss of the usual exports from India to Europe, even if no wheat should be imported by Indian merchants or the Indian Government. Moreover, one authority not addicted to a sanguine view of market prospects, puts the year's consumption 32 million bushels higher than my reckoning, which I give as a minimum. Therefore, if the totals in the table are approximately accurate, the supply of wheat harvested from the end of June, 1896, to the corresponding period of 1897, is at least 128 million bushels less than the consumption for the twelve months. This is the argument of Mr. W. E. Bear in the Fortnightly, to whose article we are largely indebted here.

How is this great deficiency to be met? What is called the world's visible supply, as returned for the 1st of July, 1896, would not be sufficient to meet it, as the stocks held at that time, including flour, in the principal centres of accumulation and afford, amounted to only a little over 104 million bushels? The amount

of the invisible supply, consisting of stocks held by farmers, and by merchants and millers, apart from the accumulations included in the visible supply, is never known with any approach to accuracy; but, at the end of the American cereal year (June 30) it is supposed to be only a few million quarters greater than the visible supply. If this supposition be correct, the figures already given indicate that the stocks of wheat in the world will be nearly exhausted by the end of June—a result rarely, if ever, experienced.

CANADIAN WOOLLENS.

Though Canada's exports of woollens are small—the value last year was about \$81,000-a comparison of the imports during the last decade shows that in the manufacture of tweeds and serges the home market is largely held by our own mills. It is not very many years ago that 75 per cent of the woollens used in Canada was imported material. Now not more than 10 per cent is imported, the rest being of Canadian manufacture. This is the result in large part of the improvement in the wearing qualities of Canadian woollens which in earlier days did not equal the English in this respect. Though the art of finishing has not reached the perfection in Canada that it has in England it is admitted widely that no shilling woollen equals the Canadian 25 cent article. The cheap suit of the poor man-about which there is so much talk in certain quarters-which is made from Canadian material is more serviceable than the cheap suit made from English or American goods. Our manufacturers of ready-made clothing produce a very serviceable blue serge suit for \$3.50. An imported suit at the price would not be worth purchasing. It goes to pieces in

In manufacturing their cheaper grades of heavy weight woollens the mills use Canadian wool which is of low price but of good quality. It turns out strong and good to wear. In the manufacture of tweeds and serges our mills have been very successful, and no longer fear competition from any source. In the cheaper lines of heavy weights, pilots, beavers, naps, presidents, etc., the Canadian makes can hold their own when protected as at present. Were the duties lowered the mills now making heavy goods would have to go into light goods-or close down-and the mills in this line are too numerous already. It may be added that notwithstanding the protection, consumers are getting cheaper goods than in 1878 when the duty was only 173 per cent., ad valorem. Some of the mills have not paid one per cent on the capital invested in them. It is argued that the consumers get the benefit of thisat the expense of the shareholders. Competition cannot touch the prices quoted by Canadian mills.

The "poor man" does not suffer so much from the duty on woollens as is popularly supposed. Though it is true that the duty bears more heavily on cheap heavy weights than on the superior class of woollens it is maintained that the exclusion of the cheap English and American goods is an advantage to the poorer classes of the community for these goods are merely put together and are wholly unserviceable as well as unadapted to the climate.

The woollen mills in Canada are operated under comparatively disadvantageous circumstances. To begin with, the plant costs about \$50,000 more here than it does in England by reason of the duty, etc. The market is limited, and running full time—the only way to make a plant yield a return—is absolutely impossible. England on the other hand has an unlimited market—as wide as the world is wide. The United States manufacturers are also blessed with an extensive market. Then, again, wages are about 25 per cent higher here than in Great Britain, and the cost of coal is much greater. Experienced men say that a mill in England can be operated for what it costs to heat a mill in Canada. Considering these disadvantages it is a wonder that our capitalists have the temerity to invest their money in such enterprises.

The woollen schedule in the Dingley tariff bill makes the corresponding schedule in the Canadian tariff appear very mild indeed. A wool and cotton cloth costing in England 1s per yard will cost 67½ cents under the proposed tariff; that which costs in England 2s 4d will cost in the United States \$1.49, and so on. A 32 inch black serge costing 7½ will cost 30 cents. Importers of woollens are strongly protesting against the measure, but their protests are not likely to be heeded.

THE DINGLEY BILL AGAIN.

The tariff is still the all absorbing question in the United States. With the great interests at stake in that country this is not surprising. The Dingley bill as it passed the House is still before the Senate Committee and will, it is expected, be reported to the full body this week. It appears to have a hard journey whilst in the hands of the sub-committee dealing with it. From all indications there will be some material changes proposed, but the friends of the original measure appear confident that the Republican majority in the Senate will keep the main features of it intact.

It is interesting to follow the arguments used by the opponents of the bill to amend, or, defeat it in its entirety. Considerable attention is given to the attitude of Canada in connection with it. The influential New York Commercial Advertiser the other day devoted two columns to show what Canada could and would likely do to counteract the unfriendly tariff as proposed, all of which would be injurious to the United States. Nothing stronger has been said or written on this phase of the subject in this country. Such ideas may not prevail in the end but they are freely used in the contention.

It is curious to read all the discussions on the matter. The unfriendly attitude of the European powers in view of the possibility of the tariff passing in its extreme form continues to excite uneasiness. The action of the Silver Senators will be an important factor when the final action is taken in the Senate. They were counted on to vote for the tariff bill as introduced; to keep them in line a commission was named a few days ago by the President, Mr. McKinley, to proceed to Europe to endeavour to have an agreement to establish a bimetallism international currency. To prevent the Silver Senators from supporting the extreme features of the tariff they are told that if it should be adopted they will have no chance of getting, any support from

Europe—that when it was announced over there that such a commission was going over, it was coldly received in England by the bi-metallists. In Paris the Government of France was questioned in detail in parliament on the United States tariff and among his other replies Mr. Honotaux, the Minister of Foreign Affairs said :- "The co-operation which France could give the United States in the assembling of a monetary conference would naturally depend upon the state of the relations between the countries. As regards bi-metallism itself opinion in France seems uncertain and very What influence this may have in much divided." Washington remains to be seen. In the meantime the fate of the Dingley bill is held in an uncertain balance.

By the time this Journal reaches our readers the new tariff will have been introduced in the House of Commons at Ottawa. What it will be like has been very properly so well guarded that no one appears to know the purport of it. We hope it will be one purely in the interest of Canada and one that will make Canadians feel completely independent of our near neighbours who won't trade with us on fair terms.

THE HARBOUR IMPROVEMENTS.

During the past two weeks there has been a great deal of discussion at trade meetings and in the local newspapers on the important matter of harbour enlargement and improvement. The conflicting statements that have been made so far are only calculated to give a confused idea of the various steps that have led to what is a practical deadlock, so far as can be seen at present. There is perfect unanimity on all hands that more accommodation in the central portion of the harbour is a necessity. Why that has not been provided before this and why the work still lags are very natural questions to ask. It is worth while at this stage of heated discussion to examine the matter from its inception without political bias or local. sectional feeling, but solely in the interests of the port as a central point for the trade of the Dominion that is carried on from the west to the ocean.

In January, 1888, a plan for progressive enlargement of wharf frontage was prepared by the harbour engineer at the instance of the Harbour Board; by that plan the new wharves were to be on the same level, practically, as the existing ones are. This was just after the last great flood, and the City Council, by influencing the Government to interfere, prevented action from being taken on that plan. After a long discussion the Flood Protection feature was tacked on and what has come to be known as plan No. 6 was evolved by Mr. Kennedy and Mr. St. George. This gave rise to much discussion at the time but it was finally adopted in Jan. 1889 at a joint meeting of different interests on the report of a committee that had been appointed to examine it. It is not fair to state, as was done a few days ago, that the feeling was unanimous in favour of No. 6 plan. The

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interests were represented on that committee and by reference to that report, which is in print, it will be seen that the members representing that interest signed under the reserve that they objected to the wharves being built up to the high level of Commissioners street. By reference to the reports of the discussions at that time it will be seen that the bearing of the high level feature of No. 6 plan was not seen and many people allowed it to pass for the sake of ending the matter.

Whilst this was going on the City Council undertook to have a by-law to grant a million dollars for flood protection and harbour improvements passed; it was submitted to the popular vote, but providing that the money should be used for specific works, the cost of which would not be any benefit to the harbour; and as it passed, the City Council has no power to expend one dollar beyond the million. The City Council tried to make it appear that it was liberal towards the harbour but in that respect that by-law partakes very largely of the character of a fraud.

The next step taken was in 1890 when the Government was asked to approve of the encroachment on the river, as required by the Act of Parliament. Mr. Perley, then chief engineer of the Public Works Department, was sent to examine the plans and he reported favourably. Still there was opposition, especially from the south shore counties, and the Government had to send the late Mr. John Page and Mr. L. Coste—who had in the meantime taken Mr. Perley's place—to make a further examination. These gentlemen reported that they could not give an opinion without further information and examination of the ice movements. Finally after due pressure the sanction of the Government was given without that examination and all seemed then to be plain sailing;

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was prepared and on paper the whole of the scheme on No. 6 plan was adopted and the work actually commenced on the guard pier on the 21st July, 1891, and the whole plan was to be finished in this year of grace 1897. No agreement was made between the city and the harbour authorities as to how these large works were to be carried on and paid for, except that the attorneys were asked where the money would come from if the million dollars should run short to pay for the city's share. Their opinion was to the effect that no further amount could be paid without further legislation. There was a popular outcry at the time for something to be done, and in good faith, but somewhat loosely for such an important and mixed transaction, the work went on. The unfortunate mishaps to the plant provided for making the guard pier were so persistent in their recurrence that it had to be reconstructed, some of it more than once; all this caused a loss of time and for two or three years but little progress was made.

In the meantime the Harbour Board had been relying on obtaining from the Dominion Government the sum of over \$1,000,000 with which to carry on the work. This amount it was justly claimed was due to recoup the money that had been paid out of harbour revenue for interest paid the Government on money advanced for the ship channel deepening and other matters connected with it. The Government assumed the debt and the channel as

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and the claim for the interest was a just and perfectly legitimate one, and most likely it would have been allowed but for a subsequent action of the Board. The

claim is still good. Whilst the negotiations were going on regarding this claim, in April, 1893, as well known outside at the time, a motion was suddenly sprung on the Harbour Board to ask the Government for four millions of dollars at 3½ per cent for new works, one million of which was to be specially applied for the construction of an inland basin at Hochelaga. The ground taken for this was that Montreal was in reality a Dominion port and that the Dominion should assist in making it a cheap one. To the surprise of some of the members as well as others interested in the harbour, this measure was put through at one meeting and sent to Ottawa where Parliament was then in session. It was not well received there. Some members of the Government thought that the proposed million for the inland basin was only the entering wedge that would lead to a large expenditure later. Telegrams and articles appeared in the newspapers at the time and much interest was aroused on the subject. After some time the Government decided that in the

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something should be done, but before giving a final answer they sent three of their own engineers to examine and report if the plans proposed were the best that could be adopted for the requirements of the present and future trade of the Dominion. For this purpose a commission consisting of Messrs. Thomas Munro, Louis Coste, and W. P. Anderson was appointed. These gentlemen spent several weeks in Montreal in February, 1895, and as was well known at the time, they heard from most of those of our citizens directly connected with the trade of the port what could be said on the subject from all standpoints.

They made a joint unanimous report dated 16th April, 1895, and for reasons given they recommended important changes in plan No. 6. They considered that not more than \$2,000,000 should be spent in the harbour, and that plan No. 6 could not be completed for that sum. They reported it as their opinion that the building of the piers as proposed would congest the harbour, and they suggested the reconsideration of the high level wharves-which they appear to have thought objectionable. The report was entirely in favour of keeping the present central part for general cargoes; but looking forward they considered that within possibly 7 or 8 years further accommodation would be required for the increasing trade in coarse and through freights which could be better placed on the river front somewhere between Maisonneuve and Longue Point, below the St. Mary's current, and that a dry dock would be a necessity there. They went on to say that all these works further down should be constructed in the public interest by the Government and not made a charge on the harbour of Montreal.

Not one word was said about the inland basin at Hochelaga. This report was published in full in most of the city papers, and ought still to be fresh in the minds of those interested. In view of this it is surprising that our good and usually correctly informed evening contemporary, the Witness, should have last Thursday published the two plans which are

NOT THE PLANS OF TO-DAY,

and to state in the article that went with them that Mr. Munro entirely approved of plan No. 6, and for the sake of getting a fling at Mr. Coste, who appears

to be a sort of bête noir to some people, try to make believe that the intention on the part of both the past and present Dominion Governments was and is to build the inland basin at Hochelaga.

Returning to the history of facts: about a month later another report dated 19 May, 1895, was made to supplement the one of the 16th April, to explain in more detail how effect should be given to the first report which was general in its character. The latter report was signed by Mr. Coste and Mr. Anderson. Mr. Munro declined to sign it on the ground announced at the time that having reported on the general principles he was not called on to go into the details of how the works should be done. The report is so concise and clear that although it was, with the other one, published in the summer of 1895, we reproduce it here. Both reports were addressed to Hon. J. A. Ouimet, the then Minister of Public Works:

Sin,—In transmitting the enclosed joint report on the Montreal harbour improvements, the undersigned have the honour to state further that in the event of the Government adopting the suggestions contained in that report, and making or guaranteeing a loan on the security of the harbour revenues, it is their opinion that such a loan should not exceed \$2,000,000, and that the work to be done should be modified so as to reduce the total cost to that figure.

This reduction can be accomplished as follows Plan No. 6, which involves:—

- 1. The construction of a guard wall 7,000 feet in length, from the Victoria Bridge to a point opposite the Long wharf, also called Victoria pier.
- 2. The construction of four high level wharves between the Lachine Canal locks and the Victoria pier.
- 3. The dredging of a large area of the harbour between the guard wall and the existing channel.
- 4. The construction of four low level wharves at Hochelaga.

Should not be proceeded with as originally designed, but should be modified as follows:

- 1. The proposed completion of the guard wall should only involve its extension far enough up stream to ensure protection from ice shoves to the wharves at Windmill Point. It already effectually protects the city from ice shoves. This further extension can be done by depositing all the dredged material which cannot be utilized advantageously in any other part of the harbour. In any case an opening of a considerable width should be left between the Victoria Bridge and the upper end of the guard wall. The current through this opening will not be sufficient to inconvenience vessels, while it will certainly be a benefit to the harbour in a sanitary point of view.
- 2. The number of wharves to be constructed should be reduced to two, each about 1,600 feet in length. These two wharves would provide all the accommodation that can be utilized in that part of the harbour where the approaches to the wharves are congested, where access by the Grand Trunk Railway and the Canadian Pacific Railway is difficult and where it is impossible for any other railway to obtain terminal facilities except at an enormous expense.

These two wharves should be built at a more acute angle with the line of the existing wharves than those projected under Plan No. 6, and should only be constructed to the height required to meet the fluctuations of the St. Lawrence River during the time that the harbour of Montreal is opened to traffic. Permanent sheds on these wharves are not a necessity owing to the close proximity of city warehouses.

3. The dredged area of the harbour to a maximum depth of 27 feet 6 inches at extreme low water should be limited under present expenditure to what is necessary to enable steamships to conveniently approach and leave the wharves,

and to the removal of what is known as the Molson's shoal, which lies between the Victoria pier and the St. Mary's current, and which is a great source of difficulty and danger to vessels leaving the harbour.

All dredged materials should be utilized for the construction of the two wharves, only the surplus being placed on the guard wall, as stated above.

4. The construction of wharves at Hochelaga should be discontinued, there being no necessity for further wharf accommodation in that part of the harbour, especially in view of the proposed extension of the harbour eastward mentioned in the latter part of the joint report.

If these modifications are adopted the undersigned are of the opinion that the sum of \$2,000,000 will be more than sufficient to complete the whole of the work outlined above, and also the dredging of the Windmill Point basin to a depth of 27 feet over a width of 300 hundred feet, as well as the construction of a wharf 1,000 feet in length, parallel to the existing Windmill Point wharf on the south side of the channel, to provide increased accommodation for the coal

From what we read many of those who are engaged in the wrangle appear to have forgotten the purport of: those reports if they had ever read them. These reports were submitted by the Government for the consideration of the Harbour Board, and in August, 1895, and later, the public was informed that several conferences were being held. The Chief Engineer of the Harbour strongly opposed any change in plan No. 6 and his persistence led to delay in coming to any decision. Mr. Coste was asked to submit his plan of the two piers which he did, and then Mr. Kennedy prepared a plan making a material change in plan No. 6. This led to other propositions and counter propositions, and finally the Harbour Board decided to accept the general conclusions of the Government Engineers. After this the Ministry introduced an Act into Parliament authorising the Government

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for overdrafts and new works at the rate of 31 per centbut that all new works should be subject to the approval of the Minister of Public Works before being commenced. This Act was passed in the early session of 1896. Effect was given to that Act in so far that one million of dollars was advanced by the Government to pay the large overdraft on the Bank which had been made to carry on the new works pending the decision of the Government and to replace harbour bonds held by the Government bearing five per cent interest with others bearing 31 per cent and a payment on account of \$100,000 for the specific works then going on at Then the change of Government Windmill Point. took place and the responsibility was thrown on different shoulders.

Since that time now nearly a year ago the strife between the engineering authorities has gone on. On the one side is a struggle to be considered an authority on engineering and to maintain the essential features of plan, No. 6; on the other, with an official reputation as such, a determination to sanction only what can be considered a Dominion work and the best that can be provided if the Dominion Government is to pay and be responsible for it.

So far as known this is the actual position to-day: the new Government like the old one are naturally desirous of seeing that what may be done is FOR THE BEST GENERAL INTERESTS.

For this they are responsible and they cannot well ignore the advice of their own engineers in whom they have confidence. In view of all this it is hard to understand how our excellent contemporary, before mentioned, could have allowed itself to be so far imposed upon as to publish the articles in its last Thursday's issue. We are not defending Mr. Coste, he can well take care of himself, but why he should be selected as a target for abuse out of the three engineers who agreed on the main report we cannot see. Mr. Coste is a gentleman who from his education and experience is now eminent in his profession as a civil engineer. He has been the butt for misrepresentation from smaller minds in Montreal for the last two years, but as far as the public knows he entirely ignores them.

There are inherent defects in plan No. 6 as first proposed and other parts of the harbour works so important that they should be impartially pointed out before any final action is taken. On a future occasion we shall endeavour to do so. In the meantime it must be borne in mind when that plan was made, ships like the Parisian were supposed to be the largest types of vessel that would come to Montreal, but now we are to have vessels of more than double the freight capacity of that fine and popular vessel in Montreal harbour this year and we cannot say how much larger in the near future.

THE PULP INDUSTRY.

As indicated in these columns recently, the paper manufacturers of Great Britain are turning their attention from Norway and Sweden to Canada as a source of supply for wood pulp. The Canadian article is superior to the Scandinavian—a fact which the trans-Atlantic paper men appear to have recognized only within the last few months. Norway and Sweden's supplies of pulp wood appear to be showing signs of exhaustion. What remains is required for native concerns. The United States supply of spruce is also on the wane. Five years hence it is estimated that the Americans will be entirely dependent upon Canada.

The Dominion is destined to be the great pulp-producing country of the world. There is not only abundance of the best quality of spruce wood, but in the midst of these forests is unlimited water-power which adds greatly to the commercial value of the wood. Nor is this all: an important element in the pulp industry is sulphur, and in the nickel ore which Canada contains in plenty there is sulphur enough for all requirements. Sulphur and lime take the place of mechanical power in converting the wood into the raw material of paper. Nature has provided in the most lavish manner for the successful manufacture of wood pulp in Canada, and it only remains for Canadian enterprise to turn these incomparable advantages to good account. This is an industry without a handicap—an unusual thing in Canada so far as manufacturing is concerned. An export duty on pulp wood is all that is required. It needs no protection.

In speaking of the wood pulp industry in the United States, The Globe says that there are 914 pulp paper mills in operation, which are averaging at least

20 tons per day. This is a consumption of 18,280 tons of pulp per day or 5,484,000 tons per annum. At \$20 per ton this is an outlay of \$109,680,000 a year for pulp alone. Calculating the labour employed at 100 hands in each mill 91,400 collectively—the wages at \$35 per month for each man would amount to \$3,199,-000, or \$38,388,000 for the year. These figures will give some idea of the magnitude of the industry and what it might become in Canada if the pulp wood is retained in the country and manufactured into pulp here instead of in the United States. Already the Americans are consuming Canadian pulp spruce at the rate of 600,000 cords per annum, and this quantity will not long suffice. In a short time the United States will be wholly dependent upon our wood or our pulp. It remains for Canadians to say which it shall be. The Americans appreciate the situation. Already some of the best sites for pulp mills in Canada are said to have been secured by American capitalists. The country is likely to awake some day and find this great and lucrative industry entirely in the hands of foreigners.

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

The Western Bank of Canada pursues the even tenour of its way, doing a quiet, profitable business. Last year, ending 28th February, its net profits were \$38,511, equal to 10.18 per cent on the capital, a highly satisfactory result. The bank occupies a strong position as regards the proportion of its immediately available assets to liabilities open to call at short notice, or none at all. These assets amount to over 60 per cent of its notes in circulation, and deposits, which proportion much exceeds the reserves of the same class of most other banks. Out of the profits two half-yearly dividends of 31 per cent each have been paid, \$7,000 added to the Rest, and \$524 carried to Profit and Loss, with a special appropriation of \$20,000 to Past Due Bills account. The business of the year has been Although Oshawa is not without special features. booming, it is fairly prosperous, and the district around is a good representative one of Canadian agriculture. We trust the Tariff will be helpful to Oshawa industries, and enable Mr. McMillan to do even better in 1897 than in 1896, but if he keeps the Western Bank up to the standard of last year the shareholders will have every reason to be gratified.—Had Oshawa had earlier such local facilities as the Western Bank affords for her industries, we should have doubtless witnessed a greater degree of general prosperity among her enterprising townsmen.

[—]A REDUCTION in freight rates has been made by the Canadian Pacific Railway to enable the farmers of the interior of British Columbia to ship produce and cattle at an advantage to the mining regions. The new tariff is equivalent to a reduction of \$16 per car, and is considered to be quite satisfactory to interior shippers of stock. New rates are also announced on ore shipments. The Canadian Pacific, Seattle & International, Everett and Monte Cristo, Pacific Coast Steamship Company and the Union Transit Company have issued a joint insterstate freight traffic which took effect April 12th, on ore from Penticton to Everett and Seattle, via Huntington Junction, and Tacoma via Vancover, 27½ cents per cwt. The rate to San Francisco via Vancouver is 40 cents per cwt. Minimum carload lots 24,000 lbs.

THE CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COM-PANY.

The Canada Life Assurance Co. held its fiftieth annual meeting on the 13th inst. It is necessary for their being able to meet their obligations to policyholders for companies of this class to have the reverse experience of their clients. As age increases with the former so does the liability to collapse; and, with prolonged years comes diminution of strength. With a well organized life assurance company age as it advances brings expansion of strength and a removal of all risk of a break-up in its constitution. The Canada Life in its semi-centennial or Jubilee year can justifiably boast as having gone on steadily from strength to greater strength every year of its life. In 1847 the founders were well satisfied with having written 136 policies for \$222,600. The new company had a very reasonable prejudice to contend against in favor of most British companies whose stability was beyond question, while a new organization was regarded by many as a doubtful experiment. Mr. Hugh C. Baker, manager of the Bank of Montreal at Hamilton, was shrewd enough to see that a wide field was open to life assurance company which offered better terms than the existing companies, and he knew enough to feel justified in declaring that the value of money in Canada and our favorable rate of mortality would enable a thoroughly sound business to be built up on lower rates than those then charged by companies across the sea. On these convictions he started the Canada Life in 1847.

In seeking an Act of Incorporation in 1849 strong opposition was met with, and it was found necessary to bring the claims of the new company before the public by lectures delivered in all parts of the Province. In 1859 the founder, manager, and president of the Canada Life died at the early age of 42 years, having in life helped to build up a monument more enduring than brass, as not only was he the parent of this company, but he was the originator of the life assurance business in Canada conducted by native organizations.

On his death Mr. A. G. Ramsay, then secretary of the Scottish Amicable in Glasgow, was appointed Manager. Amid great difficulties he succeeded in giving new life to the company the force of which has gone on expanding until this day, until the amount of its assurance in force, which was three millions when he was appointed, now exceeds 70 millions. Mr. Ramsay has, from the first, made care in the selection of safe investments, a special feature of his management. He has also taken his stand against "high pressure" methods of securing business, the terms given to agents having been insufficient to tempt them into irregular and dangerous courses. The Canada Life agent knows that his work is judged mainly by its quality. The Company's death rate, as a rule, falls below expectancy and, we may add, the returns to policyholders in the way of bonus, &c., run the other way, as they, as a rule, exceed what is expected. The recent efforts on a new basis can scarcely fail to add materially to the Company's business.

The Canada Life values its policy liabilities on a lower standard than is required by the Canadian Insurance Department, the sound position of the Company being

shown by its own valuation of its liabilities is \$617,000 in excess of the Dominion Government Standard. The total Assets amount to \$17,420,526, of which \$15,957,-617 is assigned to a net re-assurance Reserve Fund, on a 4 per cent basis, other liabilities amount to \$425,920, making the total liabilities \$16,383.537, which being deducted from the assets leaves a Surplus over all liabilities of \$1,036,989. The Canada Life is an institution of which Canada may well be proud, for its origin, its career, its personal associations, its example, and its success, all do honor to this Dominion. The local Manager in this city, M1. Marling, will renew his youth in the semi-centennial celebration of the Company to whose business he has rendered such excellent service.

THE MARCH BANK STATEMENT.

The Bank Statement for March has reached us when going to press; we have therefore only time for a brief notice, and must postpone our comparative table until next issue. The more salient points, which at this season are always few, and not very marked, are as follow: Circulation advanced in March by \$673,324, which is less than the increase in same mont : last year. The deposits on demand went up from \$65,095,602 to \$67,456,225, an increase of \$2,300,000, which tells a tale of inactivity in trade, in part, and partly arises from credit balances being swollen by proceeds of discounts during the month having been in excess of current needs. The deposits payable after notice were reduced \$700,000. The Current Loans went up from \$208,732,000 to \$213,232,000, to meet which reductions were made in Call Loans, and other debit balances. The increase in discounts in March last year was \$4,100,000 as against \$4,500,000 this year,

THE ROLLER STEAM SHIP.

A year or so ago the world was startled by the announcement that a French engineer, Mr. Ernest Bazin, had perfected the arrangement for building a seagoing steamer on an entirely new idea that would run at a speed of sixty miles an hour. A vessel was built on the Seine near Rouen and was launched on the 19th of August and when completed was to make a trip across the channel to London on the Thames. -It was designed as a roller ship propelled by huge rollers on the sides of the vessel instead of the paddle wheels of old time. Two weeks ago the vessel was ready and a trial was made on the river Seine before starting for London. The result was a great disappointment, instead of sixty miles an hour the best time it could make was only twelve. The inventor says he will yet remedy the defects but it looks as if the margin between sixty miles an hour and twelve is so great as to be insurmountable. The wonderful inventions and improvements in nautical affairs of late years have produced astounding results, but this latest effort to produce a novel method of propulsion will now be considered a complete failure.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Return of traffic week ending April 14, 1897:

	1897,	1896.
D	\$	18
Passenger Train Earnings	101,141	
Freight do. do:	281,982	226,629
Total do. do	838 193	347 107
Decrease 1897, \$14,074	000,120.	OTILL

GROCERY NOTES.

Two Montreal wholesale grocery houses are offering granulated sugar to their country customers at 4 cents for May delivery. The price at refineries is 4½c. The houses offering sugar at 4 cents must be figuring on a drop in price to 3½—the lowest point recorded. The duty expected is § of 1 per cent per lb.

Though buying has not been large wholesale houses have found that during the month a good steady business has been done. The opening of navigation is expected to give a great impetus to the trade.

In Brazil grades the New York coffee market has been rather upset this week by unsatisfactory foreign advices and cables concerning the supplies. The supply is much larger than was expected. Santos receipts this month are estimated at 250,000 bags, the next two months, 450,000 bags, and the next crop, 4,000,000 bags. The stock of West India grades of coffee has increased in the United States since 1st inst. by 67,987 bags.

Patna rice is quoted at 4\frac{3}{6} to 4\frac{3}{4}c in New York, and Japan 4\frac{3}{6} to 4\frac{1}{6}c. Ordinary is quoted at 3\frac{3}{6} to 4c.

New York imports five times more coffee than all the other markets of the United States combined, twice as much tea as any other market of the United States; ninety per cent of the sugar, and seven-eighths of the spices imported are landed in New York.

The circular of Wilheim Schroeder, under date of Amsterdam, April 9, gives the following statistics of the Government in Holland (all tons of gross weights):

March, '97.	Nutmegs.	Mace.	Cloves.	Pepper.	Tea.
Landed		25	19	44	425
Delivered	. 181	33	14	370	300
Stocks April 1s	t				
1897	. 1.126	442	474	5,691	1,687
1896	. 1,191	416	548 .	8,389	1,790

The price of cloves has become firmer on the news that slavery at Zanzibar and Pemba has been abolished. It is expected that the cultivation of cloves will suffer so much in consequence that productions will be reduced one half. The quality also is likely to be affected.

The Craeco-Turkish war has stimulated the demand for spot stocks of currants and inducing holders to advance their quotations. Stocks in Greece are small, and the last cabled quotations are considerably above spot prices.

The London stocks of Sultana raisins on the first of April are reported at 5,857 tons, against 3,658 tons for the same period in 1896. Some advance in prices appears to be justified.

Ewing, Herron & Co., coffee and spice mills, are moving into the King street premises formerly occupied by S. H. & A. S. Ewing. The building has been remodeled and specially adapted for the firm's business. Mr. Ewing has just returned from New York where he has been purchasing new machinery for his mills.

In view of the anticipated changes in tariff some large sales of coffee have taken place in Montreal even at so late a date as yesterday. One broker placed 300 bags of Santos and Maracaibo. We learn that a shipment of Rios has been brought in from New York on which duty had to be paid.

—The sum of \$45,000,000 has been paid by Canadians for American coal during the past six years. Toronto alone consumes 250,000 tons of anthracite per annum. Canadian imports of coal from the United States since 1801 are as follows:

	Anthracite.	Bitumi nous	
Year	Tons	Tons	Value
1891	878,340	710,444	\$5,655,814
1892		829,891	5,672,675
1893	1,005,422	991.687	7,011,650
1894		1,441,791	9,324,806
1895	1,331,406	1,680,172	8,871,094
1896		1,675,109	8,946,841

DRY GOODS NOTES.

There has, perhaps, been less apprehension concerning tariff changes among dry goods men than among others who supply the general stores, and the business consequently is not so much affected. Nevertheless complaints are not unheard.

What has for some time past been most disturbing to the dry goods trade in Montreal is the increasing tendency on the part of western wholesalers to take a leaf from the books of U.S. manufacturers in using this city as a slaughter market. The Toronto merchant like our American cousin, anxious to preserve his own market prices, packs up the unseasonable stuff—the unsold goods of the past season—and sells them to the shopkeeper in our eastern streets at prices which the small dealer in the unfashionable streets of western cities would be glad to buy. But if he did, it would spoil the local market. Our Gallic and Celtic shoppers are mighty hunters for bargains, new or old.

Travellers on their own account and small commission men are industriously gleaning all ground not carefully watched by the wholesale houses. There is scarcely business enough for all, and the result is that field-men are simply trying to pull trade away from their older established competitors.

Hatters and furriers are on the tip-toe of expectancy for the next incident in their line—some change that may mend or mar—make a spoon or spoil a horn.

The spring millinery trade, though fairly active, is threatened in a retail way to a greater degree than ever by small economies on the part of customers who largely by means of illustrated fashion papers are enabled to do for themselves what the skillful and tasty milliner looks upon as her exclusive right in the social world.

The Toronto departmental stores are sending goods (free of express charges, &c.), as far east as Montreal.—Thread men are still watching one another.

"THE VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES."

The Montreal Board of Trade on Wednesday was the scene of an interesting public meeting called by His Worship, the Mayor, to enable Their Excellencies, the Governor-General and the Countess of Aberdeen to explain their philanthropic scheme for commemorating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee by founding the Victorian Order of Nurses in Canada, in sympathy with a similar movement in Great Britain. In brief the establishing of a national fund-nominally a million dollars-is suggested for the purpose of placing the aid of trained and certificated nurses within the reach of all classes of the population especially in isolated districts and among the very poor. Any good work advocated by our esteemed Governor-General and his popular wife is sure to receive the respectful and serious consideration of the Canadian people, and the warm response their efforts have met with in many quarters throughout the country is not only a recognition of the value of the proposal but a tribute of respect and affection showed by our people to the gracious lady who has so closely identified herself with all that is good and most generous in Canadian life. Should the scheme prove practical it will no doubt be of great advantage to the community and to the generations yet unborn.

—The death of Mr. George W. Reed, which took place at his residence here on Tuesday last, at the age of 68, removes one more from an esteemed class of citizens who came from the New England States in the earlier half of the century and found a welcome among us and a return for their honest and skilled industry in the commercial metropolis of Canada. The funeral yesterday was largely attended.

THE MONTREAL LOAN & INVESTMENT CO.

The exposure and weeding out of one or two fraudulent loan and investment concerns here and in Toronto, during the last twelve months have been of no little benefit to reputable companies. As long as these concerns were free to pursue their peculiar methods, all sound companies were reflected upon to a greater or less degree. The Montreal Loan & Investment Co. of Montreal it is needless to remark, are among those who are firmly seated upon the rock as to reliability and security. They have pushed steadily—not too rapidly—and safely ahead until now the Company is classed as one of Montreal's safest financial institutions. The fact that their earnings for their investors during the past three years have been at the rate of 12 per cent per annum, speaks highly for both the directorate and the management. Persons looking for saving money or for investments are recommended to consider these facts.

A CORRECTION.

A leading Peterboro firm write us as follows: Journal of Commerce, Montreal, Dear Sir,—On last Friday Bradstreets, under the heading of "Bills of Sales" registered one, from Peterboro given by Augustus Gough and Richard Gough, clothiers, to B. J. Gough. This is an error and chronicled wrong. The facts are these: Gough Bros. of Peterboro sold out their branch store in Lindsay to B. J. Gough of Lindsay. We write you this letter lest you fall into the same error Bradstreet has made. We might refer you to their sheet of Wednesday, April 21st, under the heading of "Business Notes," which says Peterboro and Lindsay, Gough Bros. sold out Lindsay business to B. J. Gough. There was no bill of sale about it, simply B. J. Gough bought out Lindsay branch out.—Yours respectfully,

Peterborough, April 21, 1897.

BUSINESS VICISSITUDES.

—A DEMAND of assignment was made on Joseph C. Leclerc, shoe manufacturer, Quebec, recently and he is now offering to compromise at 60c in the dollar, 2, 4, and 6 months secured by his-father. Some of the creditors have already accepted this offer. The liabilities are \$17,000 and the assets nominally \$23,000. Among the chief creditors are: Paul Tourigny, Victoriaville, \$2,000; Λchille, Gagnon & Co., Victoriaville, \$2,000; Marlatt & Armstrong, Oakville, \$2,500; Logan Tanning Co., over \$2,000 Richardson, Bourne & Co., Hedieyville, \$800; Dowker, McIntosh & Co., Montreal, \$500; A. Pion & Co., Quebec, \$2,000: Morin & Frere, Quebec, \$1,600; F. Gourdeau & Co., Quebec, \$150. There are a number of other creditors ranging from \$100 to \$300.

Some years ago Freeman Jacobic came to Montreal from Albany, N.Y., and started in the oil business here representing P. D. Dettrick & Co. He was connected with the Paragon Oil Can Co. which dissolved in 1885. Subsequently he started the Jacobie Perfection Oil Can Co., of which he was the only registered partner. On demand of J. P. Cook Mr. Jacobie has now assigned to the court with liabilities of \$6,914. The principal creditors are: Margaret Vandercook, \$3,475; Fred. Jacobie, \$993; Rogers, Robertson & Co. \$981; J. B. Jacobie, \$971; J. P. Cook, \$293.

Dan Conrod of Aylmer, Ont., books, stationery, wall paper, has made an assignment to Nelson Burgess, his landlord, who has a claim of \$200 for rent. His liabilities amount to \$1,000, and assets to about \$400. William Bryce, Toronto, Buntin, Gillies & Co., Hamilton, C. McArthur & Co. Watson, Foster & Co. of Montreal, and M. H. Burge & Son, Buffalo, are the heaviest creditors.

The minor failures of the week in Ontario are: John Conger, hotel, Napanee; T. I. Hart, hotel, Portland; W. J. Johnson, grocer, Teeswater; Charles Armstrong, general store, Chinguacousy; Max. Cohen, tobacco, Sudbury; J. C. Waller, florist, Brantford; J. & F. Corbeil, lumber, Ferris Tp.

The minor failures of the week in the Maritime Provinces are: J. S. McNeil, general store, Barton, St. Mary's Bay, N.S.; Wm. Pound, carriages, Margate, P.E.I.

The minor fail wees of the week in Quebec are: Jos. Guilbault, dry goods, Montreal; J. R. Boisvert, hotel, Princeville.

—In view of the interest in the comparative growth of the exports of different countries in iron and steel the following table has been compiled from the official returns of each country showing the amount of iron and steel exported during 1896, as compared with the previous year:

	Tons.		
Country.	1895.	1898.	
United Kingdom	2,835,000	3,552,000	
Germany		1,511,296	
Belgium		580,978	
Franco	265,672	357,748	
United States	89,000	205,367	

It will be noted that the exports of Great Britain alone show a greater increase than those of all the other countries put together.

—The following table gives the amount of shipments of Canadian and American cottons (so far as they go over the Canadian Pacific Railway), to China, the figures being for the calander and not the fiscal year. These cottons run at about 3½ to 3½ yards to the lb.:—

C	an. Cottons.	Am. Cot.	Totals.
	Lb.	Lb.	Lt.
1887	1,742,205	4,055,970	5,798,175
1888	2,009,974	6,816,798	8,826,772
1889	886,322	12,245,250	13,131,472
1890	2,278,150	17,079,780	19,358,880
1891	2,466,944	7,413,167	9,880,111
1892	1,825,259	4,322,452	6,147,711
1893	1,742,312	9,321,205	11,063,517
1894	3,770,343	4,303,701	7,074,044
1895	3,521,004	5,208,654	8,780,158
1896	3,392,042	11,834,372	15,226,414

BUSINESS CHANGES.

Ontario—W. C. Mann, stationery, Barrie, stock advertised for sale 24th inst.; A. E. Flewell, harness, Cannington, sold out to C. Williton; W. J. Cowan, harness, Forest, dead; W. Graydon, general store, Grand Valley, sold out to M. Kerr & Co.; R. Pearce, grocer, Hamilton, out of business; W. A. Woolson, grocer, Ingersoll, offering to compromise at 40 cents in the dollar; A. Ferland & Co. general store, Mattawa, opened branch at Kalso, B.C.; Jos, Berube, cigars, &c., Ottawa, stock sold; J. A. Viau, clothing, &c., Ottawa, stock sold; Jas. Bonner, men's furngs. Toronto, stock sold at 40 cents in the dollar; W. H. Hoskin, hotel, Toronto, sold out to F. Tremble; P. J. Taeger, tobaccos, Ottawa, stock sold at 25½ cents in the dollar; J. McCullough, grocer, Ridgetown, sold out to O. McLean; Toronto Show Case Co. Toronto, business will be wound up; W. H. Swayze, general store, Fenwick, sold out; John Montgomery, carpenter, Jarvis, moved to Sincoe; Gough Bros. clothing, Lindsay, B. J. Gough succeeds to this branch; R. W. Sharpe, grocer, London, sold out; P. H. Green, photos, Peterboro, succeeded by R. M. Roy; Jno. Gardner & Co. general store. Rat Portage. opening branch at Wabigoon; G. R. O'Brien, drygoods, Ridgetown, sold out to A. A. Doupre; H. Trebilcock, jeweller, Tilsonburg, sold out to G. H. Gledhill; Clark & Thompson, drygoods, Guelph, stock sold; John Conger, hotel, Napanee, meeting of creditors 26th inst.; New Hamburg Mnfg. Co. Ltd. agricultural implements, incorporation granted; Alex. Mackie, general store, Oshawa, stock advertised for sale 28th inst.; P. J. Waters, publisher, Ridgetown, dead; Cross Type Writer Cq. Ltd. Toronto, incorporation granted; John Inglis Co. Ltd. mnfrs. engines &c., Toronto, incorporation granted.

Quebec.—Hardy & Dubord, mfrs. matches, &c., Beauport. Chas. E. Dubord only registered partner; Trottier & Hardy, teas, Farnham, trying to effect a settlement; H. Sylvestre & Fils, hardware, Laprairie, giving up business here; Canadian Matzott Baking Co., baker, Montreal, new ce-partnership; Hunt, Barnes & Co., fish, Montreal, assets advertised for sale 23rd inst.; Mireau & Co., (New York Steam Laundry), Montreal, dissolved; Jos. Roberts, lumber, real estate advertised for sale on 28th inst.; Piers, Locke & Co., leather, Montreal, Miss M. A. Locke ceased doing business and Miss W. A. Locke now sole owner; Robillard & Gendron, restaurant, Montreal, bailiff's sale advertised; Victoria Rink Bicycle Academy, Montreal, new co-partnership; Filteau & Filteau, bakers, Quebec, new co-partnership; Lamothe & Co., leather, Quebec, Jos. Lamothe & J. A. Belanger registered owners; J.

C. Leclerc, mfrs. shoes, Quebec, offering to compromise; Sewell & Budden, insurance agents, Quebec, G. M. Budden only registered partner; Seguin, Lalime & Co., mfrs. shoes, St. Hyacinthe, re-organizing; Mason & Co., hardware, Montreal, about giving up business; A. Mainville & Co., bakers, Longueuil, dissolved; Jules Parent, grocer, &c., Beauport, removing to Montmorency Falls; Miss Elder, millinery, Beebe Plains, removed to Coaticooke; T. Arsenault, general store, Bong wantur, dead and estate offering to compromise. P. Montal and control of the compromise of the c Bonaventure, dead, and estate offering to compromise; P. Mc-Mahon, general store, Chapeau, assets advertised for sale 29th inst.; Geo. Prevel & Co., general store and fish, Chien Blanc and Grand Greve, dissolved, each partner continuing on his own account; Gilmour & Lemay, furniture, Coaticook, new co-partnership; Coleraine Crome Co., mining, Coleraine, co-partnership registered; Bradford Bros., general store, Cowans-ville, closing this branch; J. S. Poliquin, physician, Lauxon, dead; Jacques & St. Pierre, drygoods, Montreal, dissolved; P. Jacobowitz & Co., tailors, Montreal, new co-partnership; A. Ledoux & Co., carriages, Montreal, dissolved; Montreal Transfer Co., Montreal, authorized capital increased to \$30,000; Alex. Nelson & Co., wholesale hats, Montreal, new co-partnership; A. H. Nelson & Co., hats, &c., Montreal, ceased doing business; Robillard & Gendron, hotel, Montreal, demand of assignment; The C. A. Liffiton Co., wholesale spices, Montreal, assets sold to C. A. Liffiton; John J. Foote, pub-Mahon, general store, Chapeau, assets advertised for sale 29th Montreal, assets sold to C. A. Liffiton; John J. Foote, publisher. Quebec, dead; Magog River Ice Co., Sherbrooke, Mrs. J. A. Precourt, dead; John Millette, fancy goods, Sherbrooke, commenced business; W. J. Millward & Co., fancy goods, Sherbrooke, giving up business; Viau & Corbeille, furniture, Three Pisons commenced by the property of the propert Sherbrooke, giving up business; Viau & Corbeille, furniture, Three Rivers, commencing business; Lefebvre & Laniel, carriages, Valleyfield, commencing business; Angus Allen Co., advertising specialties, Montreal, new co-partnership; Barriero & Rainville, grain, Montreal, new co-partnership; J. T. Bolt, jeweller, Montreal, stock sold; A. E. Bregent, hardware, Montreal, commenced business; W. A. Dyer, drugs, Montreal, bailiff's sale advertised; McPhail & Lloyd, bicycles, Montreal, new co-partnership; P. Pepin, grocer, Montreal, given up business; A. Robillard & Co., contracters' supplies, Montreal, Mrs. A. Robillard ceased doing business under this name; Robillard & Gondron, hotel, Montreal, filed consent to assign: Robillard & Gondron, hotel, Montreal, filed consent to assign; Alexis Morand, carriages, Valleyfield, given up business.

BRITISH COLUMBIA-Lulu Island Canning Co., Lulu Island, merged into a joint stock company under the name of London Canning Co. Ltd.; Canada Powder Co. of Brilish Columbia, Ltd. Rossland, incorporation under the Imperial Act; White House Trading Co. drygoods, &c., Rossland, incorporawhite House Training Co. drygoods, &c., hossiand, incorpora-ted under the same name; Thos. Dunn & Co., Ltd. hardware, Vancouver, adding house furnishings; Thos. Gray, tailor, Vancouver, given up men's furnishings and removing to new stand; Bourne Bros. general store, Revelstoke, adding stock of general hardware; Anderson Jordan & Co. brokers, Trail, dissolved; Independent Printing & Publishing Co. Vancouver, change taking place.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—Rogers, Green & Montgomery, general store, Summerside, succeeded by A. C. Rogers & Co. Newfoundland—Janes & Co. stationery, &c., St. Johns, dissolved—G. P. Janes retires and C. L. Marsh continues.

Manitoda & N.W.T.—Pierce & Co., mfrs. pumps, &c., Hartney, contemplate moving to Minneapolis, E. Sutcliffe, books, stationery, &c., Moosemin, removing to British Columbia; W. B. Carter, greeers, &c., Winnipeg, commenced business; Munt & Co., liquors, Winnipeg, selling out; Manitoda Dairy Co. Ltd., Laborderie, applying for incorporation; Pinoo & Merrick, general store, Virden, opened dry goods business at Griswold; A. Gibson, grocer, Winnipeg, sold out Higgins St. branch; Lady Marion Co. Ltd., Winnipeg, applying for incorporation; Win. Lawrence, hardware, Winnipeg, advertising business for sale; W. H. Wilson, fruit and fish, Winnipeg, sold out fish business; Mowat Bros., genoral store, Regina, selling out and removing to British Columbia.

New Brunswick—F. A. Fownes, grocer, St. John, sold out to W. A. Fowler; Bell Cigar Factory, manufacturers, St. John, will remove to St. Stephens on 1st May next; E. Broad & Sons, infrs. edged tools, St. Stephens, sold out to W. R. Gardner Tool Co. of Sherbrooke, Que.

Nova Scotta—Miss Bessie Henniger, millinery, Canning, opened; D. A. Gamble, liquors, Halifax, dead; C. E. Balcom, jewelter, &c., Weymouth, estate reconveyed to him by assignee; John Edward, general store, Weymouth, dead; Jos. Ethier, tinware, &c., Weymouth, estate reconveyed to him by assignee; Calder & Co. drygoods, &c. Wolfville, removed to Amherst; J. D. Chambers, drygoods, Yarmouth, removed to Wolfville. Wolfville.

THE FIRE RECORD.

About 2,000,000 shingles were destroyed by fire on the 20th on the shingle dock of the Rathbun Co., Deseronto, Ont. dock was badly damaged—At Norwood, Ont., on the 20th fire destroyed E. Scott's bookstore; Tucker Bros. grocery and bakery; S. W. Pearce's general store; post office; T. Henderderson's carriage shop; C. O'Reilly, implements and buggles; F. Wasson, grocery; Miss Stephenson, millinery; G. Duffield, jeweller; W. E. Roxburgh's office and vacant store; R. S. Stewart's tin shop and drug store; Watters & Sons, general store and adjoining store; G. Sherry's law office; and Oddfellows' Hall. The buildings were owned by Mr. Roxburgh execut Peace's. Tucker's and Minecker's, the latter ocdock was badly damaged-At Norwood, Ont., on the 20th Oddfellows: Hall. The buildings were owned by Mr. Roxburgh except Peace's, Tucker's, and Minecker's, the latter occupied by Wasson. The G.N.W. Telegraph office was in Stewart's drug store. Total loss \$100,000; \$40,000 insurance. Roxburgh had \$9,000 insurance. Pearce \$4,000. St. Patrick's, one of the largest public schools in Halifax, was badly gutted by fire on the 16th. Loss \$6,000; insured in the Queens for \$14,000. The furniture was insured for \$1,200—At Mattawa Ont, on the 18th, fire destroyed E. II. Hurds' At Mattawa, Ont., on the 18th fire destroyed E. U. Hurds' grocery and millinery stores with their contents. Loss, \$3,500; partly covered by insurance. The adjoining building owned by O. Moore was damaged badly—Mrs. Thomson's residence near Cobourg, Ont., was burned on the 18th, Loss \$900. Insured in Liverpool, London & Globe.

Meetings, Reports, &c.

THE CANADA LIFE.

The fiftieth annual meeting of the Canada Life, held Tuesday, the 13th inst.,in the head offices, Hamilton, finds the company with assurance business reaching the large sum of \$70,747,557.21,upon 28, 638 lives under 32,302 policies; an income of over two and threequarters million dollars a year, and assets exceeding seventeen million dollars. Such results fully warrant the directors, upon this jubilee occasion, in expressing their hearty congratulations upon the company's past successful career, its present sound and prosperous position, and their hopeful anticipation that such prosperity will be continued in the future.

The new applications for assurances in 1896 were 2,555 in number, for \$5,685,252.42, but 284 for \$704,270 having been declined, and 205 for \$488,325.67 not having been carried out, the actual issue of the year resulted in 2,116 policies for \$4,402,-656.75

The year's claims by death were again largely under what was looked for, being for \$725,583.70 upon 232 lives; \$101,900 was also paid to policyholders under 58 matured endowment policies. These payments, along with profits amounting to \$361,105.15 allowed to policyholders, expenses of management, and all other distursements; left a balance on the year amounting to \$1,098,812.17, by which sum the assets were increased.

FINANCIAL ABSTRACT.

Total income (less reassurance premiums) Payments to Policyholders	\$ 2,741,912 00 1,308,140 91 380,909 84
Total payments	\$ 1,689,050 77 \$16,050,899 78 770,126 77
Total assets	\$17,420,526 50 \$15,957,617 00 425,920 50
Total liabilities	\$16,383,537 50 1,036,989 00
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PRESIDENT RAMSAY'S ADDRESS.

In moving the adoption of the directors' report on the occasion of the company's jubilee, its 50th annual meeting. I would ask you to look back at the formation of the institution in 1847, when you to look back at the formation of the institution in 1847, when it began business in somewhat humble quarters in Hamilton, then a comparatively very small place, with a population of some seven or eight thousand inhabitants. It was a time when Canada was sparsely settled, when railways were practically unknown, and when postal and other facilities of communication were slow and difficult, when there was, happily perhaps, little of thatrush and eager competition for business which now exists. It could hardly then, I think, have crossed the mind of even the most enterprising and sanguine of the promoters of the institution, which they were then launching upon its career with some anxiety and many gravely expressed doubts of success, that it would have supporters and agencies in every city, town, and village, I may say, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and would attain in 1897 the present prominent and leading position which the Canada Life occupies to-day among the financial institutions of the Dominion. stitutions of the Dominion.

Of the original founders of the company in 1817, we rejoice to have with us to-day two of the oldest and most valued friends, Hon. Justice Burton and Nehemiah Merritt, who we all trust may be long spared to continue their useful and welcome services as directors.

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The business of the first year consisted of 136 policies, assuring £55,550, or in the present currency, \$222,600. Of these but nine are now in existence for \$12,000 upon the lives of gentlemen varying from ages of \$2 down to 70. This small and modest beginning of 1847 now finds the company in its jubilee year with \$2,000 policies in force for over \$70,000,000, equivalent to about \$12 per head of the whole population of the Dominion, and when I mention that the total amount of assurances in force was but \$8,000,000 in 1859, the increase since then to \$70,000,000 indicates the progress and development which the company has made since that time.

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Of the increase of the income, I may say that what was in 1859 but \$135,000 for the year, is now in 1897 increased twenty fold, to \$2,755,648 for last year, and as regards the assets there were in 1859 \$467,894, and there are to-day \$17,428,289, an increase of about forty fold. These figures are very clearly and forcibly illustrated by the interesting diagrams on the walls of this room, to which I would ask your attention. All the results which the diagrams disclose have been accomplished by a prudent enterprise, combined with careful and honest efforts to afford to assurers every possible advantage and security which a scrupulous regard for the safety of the company warranted. Its large business has been obtained without extravagant expenditure, for it has been the policy of the company to abstain from any high pressure system of obtaining business, which must be ultimately unprofitable and unsatisfactory, and the beneficial results of that policy will be seen when I mention that the percentage of our company's expenses is from 3½ to 30 per cent lower than that of any other Canadian company.

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upon and provided for, a conclusive proof of the wise discrimination exercised by the directors and medical and other officers in the selection of the lives offered to the company for assurance. The deaths during the past year were 228 in number, and the ages attained ranged from 80 to 24, the average age at death being 53½ years, and the average duration of the policies on the deceased lives being eighteen years. Since the commencement of the company there has been paid to it by assurers a total sum of \$28,000,000, of which the company holds now for future claims and profits over \$17,000,000, and having already paid to assurers and their representatives by way of profits, death, and endowment claims, et.., \$15,500,000, it will be seen that the receipts for interest alone have exceeded all the management and other expenses of the company by no less than \$\$,600,000. I need hardly allude to the blessing which the company must have been to that large number of widows and orphans of assurers who were left in many cases without other provision than that of their life policies, the payment of which placed, them in comparative independence and comfort, in place of being left in poverty or in dependence and comfort, in place of being left in poverty or in dependence table of mortality, with the interest at 4 per cent., a table compiled by that well-known actuary, Sheppard Homans, from the experience of the largest American life company. Upon the present occasion, however, as is required by our laws, a valuation has been made by the Canadian insurance department upon the Dominion Government standard, which is based upon the experience of twenty leading British companies, and called the institute of actuaries' tables, with interest at 4½ per cent. We are thus fortunate in having this year for the first time the opportunity of comparing the results of the valuations of these two different standards, and it will interest you to learn of the sound position of the company, as is shown by the fact that our own valuation of li

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F. W. Gates, vice-president of the company, seconded the adoption of the report in an interesting speech, and referred to the erection of the company's handsome building in Montreal, and to the increasing difficulty of securing investments at a high rate of interest. After telling some plain truths about mining investments, he alluded in feeling terms to the absence from the meeting of Lieut. Governor Kirkpatrick, one of the directors.

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directors. A vote of thanks to the president and directors was moved and seconded by Messrs. E. B. Osler, M.P., and Major Henry McLaren in highly complimentary terms.

Adam Brown moved, and B. E. Walker seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to the agents, officers, and medical and legal advisers of the company, expressing in suitable terms the appreciation of the shareholders. The motion was responded to by Dr. J. D. MacDonald, David Kidd, Alexander Bruce, and R. Hills on behalf of the medical advisers, agents, legal advisers, and the staff respectively, the president also adding an expression of his approachation.

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The following directors were elected:—Very Rev. Dean Innes, F. W. Gates, B. E. Walker, and Alexander Bruce, Q.C.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors A. G. Ramsay and F. W. Gates were re-elected president and vice-president respectively.

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Western Bank of Canada, Oshawa, Ontario, was held at the head office of the bank, on Wednesday, the 14th day of April, 1897. The following shareholders were present:-John Cowan, Esq., W. F. Allen, Esq., J. A. Gibson, Esq., T. H. McMillau, Esq., Thomas Patterson, Esq., C. W. Scott, Esq., John McLaughlin, Esq., R. S. Hamlin, Esq., Thomas Conant, Esq., Richard Foster, Esq., and Thomas Miller, Esq. The President, Mr. John Cowan, occupied the chair, and Mr. T. H. McMillan acted as secretary to the meeting.

REPORT.

The directors beg to submit the fifteenth annual report for the year ending 28th February, 1897. The earnings of the bank have been reasonably satisfactory. The net profits of the year have amounted to \$38,511.27, being at the rate of about 10½ per cent upon the average paid up capital, which, added to the balance \$15,418.52, at credit of Profit and Loss, carried forward from the previous year, amounts to \$53,229.79. From this sum two half-yearly dividends of 3½ per cent each have been paid, and an addition of \$7,000 made to the Rest. which now stands at \$112,000, or about 29½ per cent of the paid up capital of the bank, leaving \$20,524.93. Of this sum \$524.93 has been carried forward to Profit and Loss Account, and \$20,000 to the credit of Past Due Bills, The losses of the year have been of an average nature. The agencies of the bank, when last inspected, were found in a satisfactory condition.

John Cowan, President.

JOHN COWAN, President.

Oshawa, April 14th, 1897.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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the 29th of February, 1896	\$ 15,418 5	0
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LIABILITIES.		
Capital Account	\$ 378,316 4	7
Rest Account	112,000 0	0
Notes in Circulation	229,925 0	Ó
Deposits with Interest	1,269,136 5	2
Due to Agents in London, England	7,831 5	
Dividend No. 29	13,213 3	
At Credit of Profit and Loss Account	524 9	
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	\$2,010,947 8	1
To Dividend No. 28	\$13,191 5	
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Carried to Credit of Past Due Bills	20,000 0	ñ
Carried to Rest Account	7,000 0	
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• ASSETS.		
Specie	\$24,654 3	
Legals	21,207 7	
Notes and Cheques of Other Banks	9,900 4	
Due from other Banks in Canada	267,005 3	G
Due from Banks in Foreign Countries	24,924 8	2
Dominion Government Bonds	81,711 5	0
Provincial, Municipal and other First-Class De-	•	
bentures	509,181 2	31
Deposits with Dominion Government to secure	,	
circulation	17,962 2	23
•		_
Assets readily convertible	\$906,547 6	39
Bills Discounted Current	1,076,884 8	
Past Due Bills	5,367 6	
Real Estate	15,283 5	
Office Safes and Furniture	6.864	
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	\$2,010,947 8	31

T. H. McMillan, Cashier.

Moved by the president and seconded by the vice-president, that the report as read be adopted, printed and circulated among the shareholders.—Carried. the shareholders.—Carried.

Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Foster, moved, That the thanks of the shareholders are due and are hereby tendered to the president, vice-president and directors of the bank for the manner in which they have conducted the affairs of the bank during the past year.—Carried.

Mr. Paterson, seconded by Mr. Conant, moved, That the thanks of the shareholders be given to the cashier and other officers of the bank for their attention to the interests of the bank.—Carried.

Mr. Conant, seconded by Mr. Miller moved. That this most April 19. April 20. bank.—Carried.

Mr. Conant, seconded by Mr. Miller, moved, That this meeting do now proceed to elect, by ballot, seven directors to fill the place of those rotiring, and that Messrs. C. W. Scott and John McLaughlin be scrutineers for said election, and that the poll remain open for one hour to receive the votes of the shareholders, but that should five minutes clapse at any time without a vote having been taken the poll shall be declared closed, and that the scrutineers be paid \$4 each for their services.—Carried.

The scrutineers reported the following seven gentlemen as having received the unanimous vote of the shareholders, viz:—John Cowan, Esq., R. S. Hamlin, Esq., W. F. Cowan, Esq., pl. McIntosh, W. F. Allen, Esq., T. Paterson, Esq., and J. A. Gibson, Esq., who were duly elected directors for the ensuing year. A vote of thanks was then tendered to the chairman for his able conduct in the chair, and the meeting then adjourned.

At a subsequent meeting of the new board, John Cowan, Esq., was unanimously elected president, and R. S. Hamlin, Esq., vice-president. April 21. Prince Edward Co-G. S. Biggar vs Robt. Cummings et al, WRITS ISSUED, MANITOBA & N. W.T. April 15. . 1,323 LEGAL RECORD, &c. Week ended April 21, 1897. April 17. Winnipeg-J. E. Steen agt Miller & Richards...... The following is a record of transactions and cases in our The following is a record of transactions and cases in our Canadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issued and Judgments Rendered for sums of \$300 and upwards, (Montreal, from \$175, and upwards), and Chattel Mortgages and Bills of Sale for sums of \$550 and upwards, as taken from the public records. It will be understood that the actions or items do not necessarily affect the credit and soundness of the persons or concerns named, as they may have been paid or otherwise settled, and that good defences may exist in cases of writs. &c: April 21. Hamiota-Sylvester Bros. Co. vs R. S. Armstrong..... JUDGMENTS RENDERED, PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. April 15. Montreal—J. R. Moodiect et al agt Wm. Blackley, \$923; Bank of Montreal agt Wm. Evans, jr., \$291; Bank of Montreal agt Dme. Susan A. Smith, \$5,306. WRITS ISSUED, PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. Montreal—Dme. Bernard Campbell agt Dme. Mary McAleese, esql., \$1,000; J. N. Chopin agt J. E. O. Labadie, \$580; P. W. St. George et al agt Peter Lyall, \$3,640; Dme. V. Magnan agt Robt. Neveille, \$2,000; C. X. Tranchemontagne agt Ira Rice, \$234. Montreal—R. Joron vs A. David, \$300; U. Garand et al. vs T. Giroux, esql. et al, \$311; J. Courville vs M. Langlois et al, \$340; U. Lanctot vs P. Prudhomme, \$342; A. Desjardins vs H. Sincennes, \$200; A. Desjardins vs F. Sincennes, \$200; J. Steel vs C. Teel, \$350.

Quehec—J. A. Thibaudeau vs F. X. Bertrand et al, \$566; J. C. Wilson vs O. Dechene et al, \$987. Montreal—W. Beck agt John MacNally et al....... Williamson—B. Shepherd agt A. J. Sullivan et al..... April 20. Montreal—R. B. Hall vs Dmo. E. H. Colt, \$804; C. L. Letang et al vs W. Fontaine, \$200; F. de S. A. Bastien vs La Compagnie de Chemins a Barriere, \$432; L. Cohen et al vs T. Scanlau et al, \$363. Longueuil—R. Prefontaine & Co. agt Cyrille Perrault.... St. Rose—Dme. Rose Gauthier agt Louis Desjardies.... JUDGMENTS RENDERED, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO. April 15. Cache Bay—W. A. Hunter & Son agt Jno. Ebert..... \$ 389
Ottawa—A. P. Mutchmor agt R. C. Wilkins et al....... 435
Toronto—Toronto Type Foundry Co. agt Ont. Double Chlor. of
Gold Cure Co., \$398 \$1,544. Ottawa-Seybold & Gibson agt Shore & Ashe... April 19. Gloucester—A, Graham agt C. J. Amey....... Ottawa—Thibaudeau Bros. & Co. agt J. A. Viau..... April 20. Toronto-W. M. Macpherson agt Dugald Campbell et al, \$2,388; R. Pearson agt Sarah A. Gullagher & L. G. Harris, \$7,943; A. L. MacKinnon agt S. G. Little, \$450; R. Jenkins agt Ann Widgery, \$464; E. d'Ivery agt World Newspaper Co., April 21. Howick Tp-A. Meisner agt John Wolff....... JUDGMENTS RENDERED, B. C. April 15. Revelstoke--J. W. Huskins agt Orphan Bay Gold Mining Co., \$8,249. WRITS ISSUED, ONT. Brantford—Nellie Shannon vs J. Y. & Emma Bowbeer. \$ 355
Elmira—J. Dunko vs Wm. Wachsmuth. 1,528
London—J. Garvey vs Michael Shea. 300
Petrolia—Priddie Bros. vs Mary Johnston. 891
Prescott—T. D. Green vs F. A. Knapp. 1,367
St. Catharines—G. Barnes vs W. W. & Mary J. Green wood, April 19. Greenwood City-Rendell & Co. agt Jno. Christie et al., Maple Ridge-Carr & Co. agt Jno. Trembarth...... April 21. Ladner—W. McKee agt J. B. Defontaine, \$642; E. Gradholm agt J. B. Defontaine, \$885.
New Westminster—A. Insley agt R. T. Power et al..... 409 \$3,696.
Toronto—F. Turner vs Jas. Beaty.
Victoria Harbour—J. A. Proctor vs Mary Copeland.....
—F. Brendon vs Trusts Corpu. admrs. JUDGMENTS RENDERED, MANITOBA & N.W.T.

April 17.

Camden Tp—Maria J. Timmons vs W. Scanlan (dmgs).. 5,000 Collingwood—C. Stephen & Co. vs D. B. & G. H. Rochester, \$5,000.

St. Catharines-Donogh & Oliver Co. vs Geo. Wilson (Settled), \$382.
Toronto—D. W. Montgomery vs L. A. Burk et al, \$3,267; Building & L. Assn. vs Jno. Cameron, \$1,076. 465

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April 20.

Winnipeg-J. Bernhardt agt S. Peace...... \$1,021 ... JUDGMENTS RENDERED, N.B.

St. John—W. F. Harrison & Co., wholesale grocers, for \$4,500; Peter Sharkey & Son, clothing, for \$1,147. Winding Ledges—Nap. Bernier, general store, for..... 525

JUDGMENTS RENDERED, NOVA SCOTIA. Toronto—Wm.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Halifax—Harrigan Cove Gold Mining Co., Ltd., for\$1,676 Pictou—R. Tanner & Son, shoes, for	Magill & wife to W. J. Thomas, \$700; Mrs. Ino. ell to J. A. McGillivrav, as trustee, \$7,750; Mrs. Page to J. J. Page, \$1,004; Walter Page to J. J. \$1,004; Hy. Schofield to Lyman Bros. & Co.,
Sherbrooke—S. W. McDonald, general store, for 384 April 21.	CHATTEL MORTGAGES, B.C.
Apple River—H. H. Mosher, general store, for	April 19. 889 E. Brown to J. H. Russell 2,400 April 21. J. Sparrow to D. McCrae 800
Westville—McDearmid & Henderson, men's furngs. for. 1,283	HATTEL MORTGAGES, MAN. & N.W.T.
Margate—Wm. Pound, carriages, for	April 15. n. Crawford to W. J. Mitchell \$1,000 vans & Storm to G. C. Mills 4,432 Richard to F. Cloutier 605 H. Gilmour to McIntyre Estate, \$1,397; John Alloway & Champion, \$600; J. D. Naismith to rewery, \$1,050.
	April 20.
\$2,652. Tyndall—Geo Winnipeg—Jr Chattle Mortgages, Province of Ontario. to W. G	Frank to B. E. Chaffey
April 15.	April 21.
Belmont—Jos. Potts to E. Holden	Peter Robertson to Green & Peel 620 CHATTEL MORTGAGES, N. S. April 15.
London—W. M. Goodwin to T. Beattie	Owen McCarthy, drygoods, for
to Coagrave Brew. Co., Gojovo.	BILLS OF SALE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.
April 17. Hamilton—Peter Duffy to Grant Lottridge Brew. Co 1,716	April 17. May Miller to J. H. Glover 1,000
Toronto—Jos. Heighington to J. Stark	April 21. If Garrett & wife, teller, for
Chesley—M. F. & G. R. Ramage to W. Ramage 1,400 Hall's Prairie Hamilton—Miss Annie MacNamara to J. A. Culham, as trustee,	Aprit 19. D. A. McPhee to Campbell Logging Co. 1,200 April 20.
Kingston—Alice Ballantyne to M. Barclay, \$600; Nicholas Henderson to Mills & Cunningham, \$2,227. Peterborough—J. M. Armstrong to Stratton, et al. \$989; Jno. &	And. Ross to W. Dickson
Margt. Fraser to Stratton et al, \$1,058 WinnipegR Pickering TpWm. Andrew to Isabella Decker 1,666	ichard & Co. to E. R. Beliveau \$23,124 April 17. Smith to E. F. Hutchings
Welland-Wm. Northcote et al to W. G. Somerville et al 583	BILLS OF SALE N.B.
April 20. Pembroke—Emedie Gareau to A. Miller	A. McDougall, lumber, for
April 21. Bear River—	April 15. A. H. Harris, for
Arthur—M. C. O'Donnell to J. McGowan	

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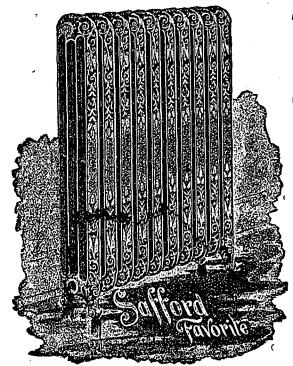
ing April 22, 1897. Clearings. Balances \$ 9,359,845 \$1,218,165 Corresponding Week of 1896... 9,417,186 1,211,695 " "1895... 10,111,186 1,211,817 " "1894... 9,769,624 1,183,106

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Thursday Ev'g, April 22nd, 1897.

Although a larger amount of business has been done on the local stock exchange during the week, the fluctuations have been more violent. This is attributed to the war in Europe, but the week closes with few material net changes as compared with last week's close. The principal trading has been in Gas, Street Railway, Cable and Toronto Railway. In connec-

tion with the last-named stock it should be remarked that the vote as to a Sunday service will take place early next month, and the supporters of the company are feeling confident of victory. They anticipate that the large number of votaries of the bicycle will vote in favor of Sunday cars. The passage of the by-law of course will mean better earnings for the Company, hence the interest that is being taken in the outcome of the vote by local speculators and investors. News from outside markets is fairly encouraging, considering the prevailing conditions. British consols declined nearly half a cent on the outbreak of war, but they later recovered some of the loss. Money in the local market shows no change, call loans still being quoted at 4 per cent., while it is again asserted that private funds have been placed at 31/2 per cent. Exchange rates in this market are reported as follows : - Between banks, New York funds, 1-16 to 1-10 premium; sixties, 9 7-16 to 9 9-16; demand, 9 18-16 to 9 15-16; and cables, 9 15-16 to 1-10c. Coun-



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HANKS	Spares.	1891⊈1851 2821∕2		Average 25 Last Year 7/7
Commerce	. 86	1251/2	125 1/2	$132\frac{1}{2}$
Hochelaga	2	130	130	
Morchants	10	171	171	$165\frac{1}{8}$
Molsons	2	183	183	
Ontario	2	8214	8214	
Miscellareous.				
Cable	485	165%	16894	160%
" coup'n bdsS	7000	97	9614	
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Gas	280	182 1/2	180½	190%
Mt. St. Rv	785	234.4	232	2201/2
" " Rts	330	50	47	
Toronto Ry	800	74%	721/2	7334
Tor. Ry. (Cum.		.,	•	,,,
Sun. cars	25	79	79	
Bell Tel	30	$159\frac{1}{2}$	159	
Telegraph	52	166	165	$165\frac{1}{2}$
Duluth com	125	3	3	
Royal Elec. * rts	303	*1421/2	146	
Dom, Cotton Co.	150		77	
Mt. St. Ry. x d &				
x Rights	50	206 1/2	2001/6	
Halifax Tm. Co	25	91	91	• • • •

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Thursday Ev'g., April 22, 1897.

The week shows few new features of interest. A fair amount of business is noted, indeed one or two lines have been exceptionally brisk. Among these may be mentioned the hardware and paints and oils trades, but in neither has there been any change in prices. In groceries the

feature has been an increased activity in teas and other grocery lines on which it is expected there will be some material tariff changes. In fact, it is freely whispered that in these lines certain houses have received a "tip" as to what the new duty is to be, and hence the activity reported. There has been a good deal of grumbling among merchants on account of the delay in making known what the new tariff is to be, but comfort is taken in the assurance of the Government that it will be made public after the 22nd (to-day). Dry goods merchants report a fair number of sorting orders, while in hides the feature is a decline in the price of calfskins, full particulars of which are given in our regular market reports. Collections generally are still a source of complaint, but an improvement is looked for in this respect within the next few weeks.

BOOTS AND SHOES—A fair amount of trading is reported and manufacturers are still busy shipping on spring account. Some good-sized sorting orders are coming in and prices keep very firm. Prospects are that the spring trade generally will be fully up to anticipations.

CEMENTS, ETC.—The fine weather has stimulated trade somewhat, although it is not thought there will be any material change in prices until the opening of navigation. The first boats up are expected to bring fresh supplies, and upon these depend the new season's prices.

Dry Goods—Sorting orders are coming in pretty freely, but there is not that snap to trade that merchants would like to see. This is said to be on account of the uncertainty regarding tariff developments. One thing the trade is pleased about, and that is that there now remains but a short time before the tariff will be made public. City and suburban retailers say they have

done a fair business, but they look for a much better trade when the annual exodus to the country takes place. Collections are only fairly good, money in one or two sections being apparently very scarce. A New York report said: The week has been eventful in the cotton goods division of the market, inasmuch as it has seen one of the largest auction sales of staple cottons on record. The sale has been so fully described and so frequently referred to that it needs no further particular mention here. It produced a good general impression upon the market and encouraged the belief that buyers were prepared to operate upon a more liberal scale than of late, and that it would hardly be necessary for sellers to make concessions beyond a revision of canton flannel prices to induce them to do so. Up to the present time there has not been much coming forward in support of this belief, as the general demand has continued moderate. This may in some degree be the result of rumors of other large auction sales impending, but the only house which can be suspected of holding such a sale deny that there is any foundation for such reports. Sellers have not shown any greater reserve than before except in some of the leading makes of bleached cottons, and in these as noted below there is a hardening tendency.

Figu.—There is very little that can now be said about fish save that trade in it is now practically over. We hear that some large quantities of green cod have had to be shipped back to Halifax. The small stock remaining here has sold as low as 1c a pound. Prices in other lines are irregular, and almost any offer will move stock.

FLOUR—While good prices are being received in Ontario for straight rollers and the other standard grades of Ontario flours, millers here appear to be cutting each other's throats. One miller's agent refuses to sell under \$4.30, while another house has sold at \$4.25. To meet this cut a rival house offered a quantity of excellent straight rollers at \$4.10. Naturally, buyers took advantage of this offer, and sales of some 9,000 sacks was the result. Manitoba millers are doing fairly well, and

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enquiries are being received on export account. The meal market holds generally steady with a fair amount of business passing. In feed there is a moderate demand for bran at steady prices.

Grain—The grain market is at present unsettled, owing to the fact that some holders are asking higher prices than buyers think are warranted. Wheat in Chicago has fluctuated very violently, and this has not been without its effect on the local market. Oats are about steady at 25c, with other lines showing little or no change. In Chicago on account of the war scare there was an advance of several cents in the price of that staple, but with later developments that advance failed to hold, and the closing price was a shade lower than last week's. Cable advices to the Board of Trade were as follows: London—Cargoes off coast, wheat firm, but little doing, maize quiet; cargoes on passage, wheat rather firmer, maize firm. English country markets, wheat partially 2s dearer. Liverpool spot wheat and maize firm. Minneapolls first bakers' flour, 21s 9d. Futures, wheat steady, 6s 1½d May, July, 6s 1d Sept.; maize quiet, 2s 7½d April, 2s 8d May, 2s 8¾d June, 2s 9¾d July. Paris, 21.80 April, 22.25 May; fiour, 44.85 April, May; French country markets firm.

Green Fruit—The spell of cold weather had the effect of checking the demand, but business is once more picking up. Prices are generally steady, the following being a fair range: New potatoes, \$11.50 to \$12; new cabbages, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per crate; radishes at 30 to 40c per dozen; cucumbers at \$6 to \$6.50 per crate; Southern asparagus, 45 to 50c a bunch; strawberries at 35 to 40c per large box; hothouse cucumbers, \$1.75 per dozen; and Easter beurre pears, \$3.25 to \$4 per box; lemons, Messinas, per box, \$1.75 to \$2.75; bananas, \$1.75 to 2 00 per bunch; apples, \$1.25 to \$2 per bbl.; Catawba grapes, 51b_baskets, 25c; cocoanuts, bags, \$3.50 to \$8.75 per hundred; sweet potatoes, \$3.50 to \$1.75 per hundred; sweet potatoes, \$3.50 to \$1.75 per hundred; sweet potatoes, \$3.50 to \$2.75 per case; pineapples, 15 to 30c; Malaga grapes, \$7.50 to \$8 per keg; new figs, fancy, 8 to 12c; choice, 10 to 12c; walnuts, Gren oble, 11 to 12c1b.; new dates, 5½c1b.; lettuce, Western, 30 to 40c per doz, Boston, 75 to 90c per doz, and Florida tomatoes, \$4.50 to \$5 per crate.

GROCERIES—No change is reported in the sugar market locally. A brisk business is being done, this being one of the trades that are credited with having got a "tip" as to what the new tariff is to be. It is believed that the duties on raw sugars are to be largely increased, and as that would mean a material advance in refined, consumers are taking the opportunity of stocking up in anticipation. Refiners still quote 4½c to 4½c for granulated, and 3½c to 3½c for yellows, according to quality. A New York report said of raws:—The refiners were able to buy further on the basis of the 1-32d decline noted the day before, or at 3½c for 90 test centrifugals. Efforts to put in some of the remaining invoices by the St. Domingo steamer were without success. The refiners are steadily making accumulations from receipts direct, and have placed two or three additional invoices in store of the importations within 24 hours of 35,768 bags, all but about 6,900 bags were to the refiners. It was expected that in consideration of the large takings of the reliners upon foreign markets latterly that they would add materially to their holding here in store before the time for the operation of new duties. The early London cable quoted cane dull and unchanged: Java at 10s 9d; fair refining at 9s; beet at 8s 7½d for this month and

8s 81/4d for next month's delivery. Some good sales of tea have been reported in anticipation of tariff change and prices are said to be firm. Molasses are steady with coffee and spices unchanged. In rice a steady business is passing at the following prices: Japan, \$5 to \$5.25; Bermuda, \$4; Patna, \$4.50 to \$5.25; Standard B, \$8.50, and Carolina, \$6.75 to \$7.75. Canned goods are firm and dried fruits nominal, with only a small trade doing. A Calcutta report said of rice: Prices for table kinds are the same as last reported, Rs. 4-15 for No. 1 Seeta, Rs. 4-12 for No. 2 Seeta, and Rs. 4-10 for No. 1 clean gross, but at the close the last named is a little difficult to buy at the price, although Burmah kinds are being freely offered at slightly lower rates, say Rs. 3 8. Ballam is dearer, owing to short supplies, and is selling on the basis of Re. 4-4 for Good No. 2. Export business in all kinds is on rather a moderate scale.

HARDWARE—A brisk trade is reported in most lines, but we hear of no further changes in prices. It is not believed that there will be any additional material change made before the tariff is made public, and the publication of this is now being eagerly looked for. Collections are only fair, but it is thought that there will be an improvement in this respect within a few weeks.

HAY—With lighter receipts the market is firmer and the demand fair. Car lots of No. 1 have sold at about \$10, and of No. 2 at about \$8.50 to \$9.

Hidden The feature of the week has been a decline in the price of calf-skins to 9c and 7c for Nos. 1 and 2 respectively. The other lines have held steady with a fair demand noted from tanners. Beef hides are still quoted at 9, 8 and 7c respectively for Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Lambskins are steady at 10c per pound. A New York report said: There was not the slightest change to note in the general situation of the market for common dry hides. The principal hide buyers were practically out of the market, as the prices they named were too far below sellers' ideas to admit of trading. The latter continued firm, as they were carrying light stocks and recipts were small, and until the tariff question was definitely settled, showed no desire to enter into new trades. The receipts reported this morning were light, being 27 packages, 177 bales and 1,668 hides from Carthagena, etc., by the steamer "Alta." The market for city slaughters was without new developments of an important nature. Demand from both tanners and dealers continued slow, but exclusive of a few bids of outside hides the offeriogs were limited, as salters were fairly well sold up, closing with 9c asked from the West reported no change in the general situation of the market.

MAPLE PRODUCTS—The finer weather has stimulated arrivals, but with a good demand prices hold generally steady. New syrup sells at about 50c per tin and 4½ to 5c per pound in wood. Sugar sells at about 6½ to 7c per pound.

PAINTS AND OILS — Merchants report trade as quite brisk and spring orders are still coming in quite freely. Prices too are firm, with no changes to note in either lead, glass, linseed oil, castor oil, or turpentine. Collections are unfavorable, there being considerable difficulty in getting in any money. Speaking of castor oil and linseed a letter from Calcutta said. This market is easing, but very slowly, as seed supplies are not yet coming in so freely as usual at this time of the year. Ready oils can now be obtained at Rs. 11-8, and for April to June at Rs. 10-8, at



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NUTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

EXTENSION OF TIME.

THE TIME for receiving Tenders for the I Cardinal Section of the Galopa Canal has been extended until Saturday, the 24th day of April, 1897.

An accepted bank cheque for the sum of \$75,000 must accompany the Tender, instead of \$150,000 as originally called for.

By order,

J. H. BALDERSON,

Secretary.

Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 13th April, 1897.

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which rates, however, there are few buyers, as export orders are very limited. It has been impossible yet to buy drums at Rs. 8-8, and buyers are now offering Rs. 8-10. Exports to the Colonies from 1st to 28th February: 1807, 3,418; 1896, 3,482; 1895, 2,475; 1894, 3,352; 1893, 2,142; 1892, 8,670; 1891, 7,250; equivalent in cases.

Риткольим—Canada refined petroleum has ruled weaker and prices have declined 16c per gallon. American oil continues steady, but a change is expected as soon as the tariff comes down. Business continues quiet and of a jobbing character. We quote: Canadian, in car lots, 15c; smaller quantities, 16c; American prime white, car lots, 18c; smaller, 18c; water white, car lots, 19½c; smaller, 20½c; Pratt's astral, car lots, 21c, and smaller, 21½c.

PRODUCE AND PROOISIONS—There is still a quantity of fodder cheese arriving, and it finds a somewhat slow sale at from 101/4 to 101/c. The English market is said to hold steady, the latest cable reporting the price unchanged at 56s 6d. In butter price unchanged at 56s 6d. In butter there is not much doing outside of a moderate local domand. Prices however hold steady, finest creamery realizing about 18½ to 19c. Other grades move slowly and quotations are more or less nominal. and quotations are more or less nominal. The market for eggs is quiet, and with fairly heavy receipts prices are easy. Fresh stock sell at about 9 to 9½c. The provision market shows no change. Business is only moderate and prices hold steady. steady.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

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MINING STOCKS.

EY:—10 gold bricks, value about \$7,400, have just reached Montreal. Mill has been running only a month and is producing gold at a rate ensuring \$12,000 to \$15,000 per month clear profit above expenses. We have 200 sbares at \$3.75, par value \$5.00.

WAR EAGLE CONSOLIDATED:— Last week's shipments from War Eagle Mine alone were 400 tons of ore. In the Crown Point Mine, another of the Company's properties, the Ore Chute has just been tapped in lower tunnel. Announcement of regular dividends may soon be expected. Now is the time to purchase. Write or wire for quotations.

COXEY: Owned by the Montreal Red Mountain Gold Fields Co., Ltd. Part of second issue of treasury shares available to Canadian investors at 15 cents, par value \$1, fully paid and non-assessable. Development proceeds continuously with most satisfactory results.

We can give lowest quotations on

Le Roi, Jumbo, Rambler-Cariboo, Cariboo (Camp McKinney), Deer Park, Noble Five, O. K., St. Elmo, Novelty, Iron Colt, Evening Star, Con. Fisher Maiden, Blue Bird and other standard stocks.

Clarence J. McCuaig & Co.,

1759 NOTRE DAME ST. (Corner St. John), MONTREAL. Telephone 923. Agents Wanted.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT-THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1897

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TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE. (Revised by Telegraph).

- Toronto, April 22, 1897.

Business in wholesale circles has been only of moderate proportions this week and nothing to brag about. The imports continue heavy, and it seems to be expected that duties on several staple articles will be increased. A good deal of interest centres on tariff changes which will be made known this evening. Business should pick up a little when the uncertainty gives way to real facts. The Easter holidays have interfered somewhat with the general movement this week. Money is unchanged. Prime paper is discounted at 6 per cent, and call loans are quoted at 41/2 to 5 per cent on choice collateral. Sterling exchange is firmer, being near the gold exporting point at New York. New York drafts easier at 50 to 75c premium between banks. Speculation fairly active with leading stocks somewhat irregular. Bank shares are firmer. Latest sales: Bank of Montreal 232, Commerce 1251/2, Dominion 2251/8, Imperial 181, Standard 167, Cable 165½, Cable Reg. Bonds 96½, Telephone 160, C.P.R. 50, Toronto Electric 181¼, Toronto Ry., 78½, Farmers Loan 80, Canada Permauent Loan, 119.

BUTTER, &c .- Trade is fair, with prices generally firm. The best tub and rolls bring 14 to 16c, and medium at 10 to 12c. Creamery 19c for tub, and 20 to 21c for rolls. Eggs steady at 9½ per dozen in case lots. Cheese 11 to 12c, for autumn makes and 10½c for summer makes.

DRESSED Hogs - Offerings moderate and the demand limited. Prices unchanged with choice selected weights \$6.25 to \$6.40. Heavy hogs \$5 to \$5.50.

FLOUR AND GRAIN-The demand for flour is better and prices are stronger. Sales of straight rollers at \$3.70 middle freights. Ontario patents \$3.90 to \$4.00. Manitoba patents \$4.75 to \$4.85 and strong bakers \$4.50. Bran \$9 west, and shorts \$10 to \$11. Oatmeal \$2.75 to \$2.85. Wheat, higher, with sales of red winter at 75c north and west, and of white at 76 to 77c. No 1. Manitoba hard at 84c Midland and at 72c Fort William, May delivery. No. 2 hard 80 to 82c Midland. Barley quiet, with No. 1 quoted at 30c. No. 2 at 27c, No. 3 extra at 24c and No. 3 at 20c at outside points. Oats firm at 19½ to 20c for white west and 18½ of for white to 20e for white west, and 18½c for mixed. Peas sold at 40c north and west. Rye 33c. Buckwheat 27c. Corn 24 to 25c west.

GROCERIES-Trade is quiet, little change in prices Granulated sugars 41/4 to 43/8c, and yellows 31/2 to 4c. Rio coffee 15 to 16c. Canned goods firm; tomatoes 75 to 80c; peas at 75 to 85e; corn 60 to 75c; salmon, (Cohoes) \$1.15 to \$1.25. Valencia raisins, off stalk 5 to 51/4c, and selections 6 to 7c; Currants, 41/4 to 41/2c. Prunes Bosnia, 6 to 61/2c.

HARDWARE-Trade is fair, and prices as a rule unchanged.

HIDESAND SKINS-Hides are steady with cured quoted at 8 to $8\frac{1}{4}$ c. Green unchanged at 71/2c for No. 1, at 61/2c for No. 2 and 5½c] for No. 3. Calfskins 6 to 8c Sheepskins \$1.10 to \$1.25. Tallow dull at 2½ to 3½c for rendered.

LIVE STOCK-Receipts of live stock were smaller than usual of late. Cattle dull and unchanged. Good shippers 4 to 41/4c per lb. and bulls at 3 to 31/4c. Butchers' cattle are steady. Good butchers cattle sold at 31/4 to 33/8c, per lb., medium at 21/2 to 21/2c and inferior at 2c to 21/4c. Milch cows \$25 to \$40 each. Sheep are quoted at 81/4 to

3½c for the best and 2¾c for bucks. Lambs are firm at 5½ to 5½ to 6½ per lb.
Spring lambs \$3.50 to \$5 each. Hogs
unchanged, the best bacon lots selling at
5c per lb. thick fats 4½ to 456c, and
lightweights 4¾c. Sows 3c, and stags 2½c per lb.

Provisions - Business quiet and prices generally steady. Mess Pork is quoted at \$12.00 to \$12.50; short cut \$13 to \$13.50, and shoulder mess \$10.50 \$11.00. Bacon firm at 7 to 71/20 for long clear. Breakfast bacon 10½ to 11c and backs 9½ to 10c. Smoked hams 10 to 11c. Lard 7 to 8c per 1b. the latter for pails. Dried apples 2 to 2½c, and evaporated 3½ to 4c. Beans 65 to 75c per bushel. Potatoes are 18 to 20c per bag for cer late. for car lots.

Woon - Trade dull; no fleece and prices are nominal. Pulled supers 21 to 211/2c and extras 22 to 221/2c.



GALOPS CANAL.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

EXTENSION OF TIME.

The time for receiving Tenders for the Iroquois Section of the Galope Canal has been extended until Friday, the 3sth day of April, 1897.

An accepted bank check for the sum of \$50,000 must accompany each tender, instead of \$100,000 as originally called for. By order,
J. H. BALDERSON,
Secretary.

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Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, 13 April, 1897.

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT-THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1897.

Name of Article.	Wholesale.	ii	Wholesale.	Name of Article.	Wholesale.	1	Wholesale
Farm Products. BUTTER: Creamery, Dairy Rolls Western Lower grades CHESE: Finest Ontario	0 00 0 00	Barley, malting "feed afloat Peas, per 60 lbs, in store In store Kye No. 2. Corn, Ontarlo "duty paid	0 481 0 49 0 00 0 00 0 40 0 41 0 00 0 00	Raisins: Sultanss	0 00 0 00	Vermicelli, Canadian Macaroni, "Italian PeelClitron Orange Uhocolate	0 18 0 20 0 18 0 15 0 12 0 16
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Sugars. - Refiners prices to he wholesale trade; jobbers would have to pay &c additional.

The United States and Canadian Tariffs.

BY JOHN LIVINGSTONE.

This publication will be ready for the printer, after the Canadian Parliament has announced the tariff, and changes are made. One of the merits in this tariff publication is in the rates of duty in the one country being side by side, in juxtaposition, with the rates of duty in the other country; an arrangement which the author found difficulty in effecting, on account of differences in classification, momendature and arrangement, involving necessity for the re-writing of the tariffs of the two countries, to comply with the principle of comparison.

The principle and arrangement of the tariff is very interesting and suggestive to those contemplating business, and valuable for daily use by the merchant, manufacturer and by their travellers. It will be a pocket edition, useful in the office and a ready reference book for salesmen, contractors, importers and exporters, and also a compendium of other information in daily request by all engaged in commerce and manufactures.

Mr. Livingstone thanks those who have given orders and hopes to have all the leading members of the trade do likewise, sending their orders to his address—

No. 171 St. James St., MONTREAL.

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0ne Dynamo,

of Toronto Motor Co Manufacture.

Fifty-Light.

Address

Journal of Commerce, MONTREAL.

Moment with the Thoughtful

Several manufacturers of house heating boilers are vieing with each oth in an attempt to see how cheaply their products can be made, and give no thought to their endurance, efficiency or economy.

INFERIOR GOODS ARE DEAR AT ANY PRICE.

We ask that you compare the excellence in construction and finish, arrangement and quality of heating surface, large grate areas, ease in cleaning, Minimum amount of space with maximum power as embodied in the



After a careful investigation of these features we feel safe in leaving the decision to your best judgment.

NOT HOW CHEAP, BUT HOW GOOD.

The Gurney-Massey Co., Ltd.,

MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT-THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1897

Mark of the Nation Summurs. Same for Ontario. 25	Name of Article.	Wholesale.	Name of Article.	Wholesale.	Name of Article.	Wholesale.	Name of Article.	Wholesale,
**solid S	Hardware—Continued. NEW OUT NAIL SOMEDULE. Base-food and 60d, f.o.b., Cut Nails — per keg. Steel nails — " Cut nails, fence and cut spikes.—Hot cut. 20 to 40d — extra 20 to 40d — extra 20 to 40d — extra 21 to 15d — " Ed and 9d — " Ed and 9d — " Ed and 9d — " Ed and 7d — " Ed and 7d — " Ed and 10 — " Ed and 24 —	\$ c \$ c \$ c \$ c \$ 2 5 0 000 2 15 0 000 2 15 0 000 0 000 1 50 0 000 1 20 0 000 1 25 0 000	Gold Chain—% chain. Gold Chain—% chain. 5-16 % 7-16 % Galvanised Iron. Morewoods Lion, No. 28. Queen's Head, or equal. Common. Pig Iron: Siemens No. 1. Summeriee Gartsherrle Carnbroe No. 1 Siemens (Can). No. 1 Siemens (Can). Anner. Brands—Northern. No. 1 Humilton. All ex yard Montreal. Bar Iron, per 100 lbs. Ord. Crown. Beat Refined Norway Sheet Iron 16 G. & heavier. "" 17,18,20 G" "" 28 G" Boiler plates, iron, & in "" 3-16 in Boiler Heads, steel Hoops Band Imported "" Canadlan "Canada Plates: Good Brands "" Canadlan "" Casst perlb "" Spring, 100 lbs "" Steel, east perlb "" Sleigh shoe, 100 lbs "" Tire, "" "" Sleigh shoe, 100 lbs "" Tire, "" "" Cancol IXX "" DC "" DX "" DX "" DX "" DX "" DX "" Terre Plate IC, 20228 Russ. Sheet Iron. Anchors, per 1b Lion & Crown tin' delits.	0 00 4 50 3 25 0 00 3 25 0 00 3 25 0 00 3 25 0 00 5 00 5 25 4 25 4 50 16 75 00 00 20 00 20 50 00 00 17 00 16 00 17 00 16 00 17 00 16 00 17 00 16 00 17 00 18 50 19 50 2 25 0 25 0 00 0 20 2 25 0 00 2 25 0 00 2 25 0 00 1 85 1 85 1 85	25 guage. Lead: Pig, per 100 lbst Sheet, Shot, per 100 lbs Lead Pipe, per 100 lbs Lead Pipe, per 100 lbs "Spelter per 100 lbs "Another vecrap Wrot fron Powder: Canada Bl'stng F f to F F F. Wine: Bright No. 7, per 100 lbs. Annealed No. 7. "Galvd. No 6, "Trade discount on above 25 per cent. Barbed Wire— 22 and 4 barbs Plain Twist 2 and 3 wrs. Staples Wire Nails Ont. 80 p.c. and 10c allowed. 10 kegs tup to 25c pt for fgit. Que. 60 and 21 pc f.o.b. Montreal with a special allowance of 5c per kegs Hides and Tallow Montreal Green Hides "No. 1 per 100 lb. "No. 3. "In No. 2. "No. 2. "Horse hides west, each "Clips Lambskins Caltskins, No. 1 "Clty Tallow, rendered "Clty Tallow, rendered "Clty Tallow, rendered "Clty Tallow, rendered "Clty "No. 2. ""No. 3. "" "No. 3. "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" "" ""	0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 0 0 0	Grained Upper Scotch Grain Kip Skins, French English Canads Kip Hemlock Calf. " Light. French Calf Splits, light and mention " heavy " heavy " small Leather Board, Canada. Enameled Cow, per ft. Pebble Grain B. Calf Brush (Cow) Kid Brush (Cow) " Sadalers" " No. 2 " Sadalers" " No. 2 " Sadalers" " No. 1 " Norwegia " Forcess " Calf " Norwegia	0 82 0 85 0 86 0 80 0 80 0 80 0 80 0 80 0 80

Discounts on Nails applyonly for immediate delivery, and for quantities named of each kind separately.

The me for Cut Casing, Book and Shook, Finishing and Tobacco Box, Barrel, Clinch and Pressed Nails, four months note or 3 per cent. off for cash within 30 days. Discount on Bolts; Carriage and Tire, 75 to 63 and 10; Machine, 70 to 75 per cent. Terms, four months or 5 per cent. off for cash in 30 days. Nails and Horse Shoes, three per cent. off within 30 days. Horse Nails and Spikes, four months or 5 per cent. off in 30 days. Oils, Turpentine, Lead, Glass, etc. mos. or 8 per cent. off in 30 days.

STORING UP LIGHT.

M. Becquerel, of Paris, who recently discovered the rays of uranium, has in the course of his experiments come to the very curious conclusion that this metal, and to a lesser extent its salt, emits rays very similar to the Roentgen rays, which can pierce through opaque objects, and work the discharge of electric currents, and retain these properties even after they have been protected many months from light visible to us. Some nitrates of uranium which the Professor preserved under the light-tight covers since May 5 of last year were recently found to act on the protographic plate as powerfully as before they were exposed to light. This surpasses the property of all other bodies as far as emitting phosphorement rays are concerned, and presents a new conundrum to science as the real nature of uranium rays.

TABLEWEAR TRADE.

The Philadelphia-Record says: A few of the tableware factories have lately curtailed productions while others are working full, and a majority of the manufacturers, having put good patterns on the market, claim that the tableware trade has been very good, but that general glassware is not in as good demand as is necessary. The report from the pottery centres, east and west are very encouraging. General hotel china is in fair demand, and fine dinnerware in the latest patterns is bringing large orders.

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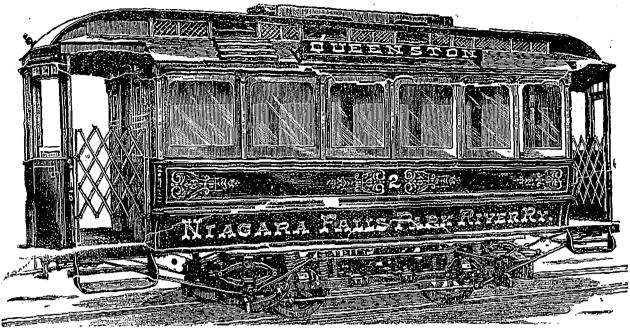
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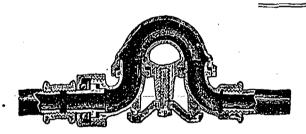
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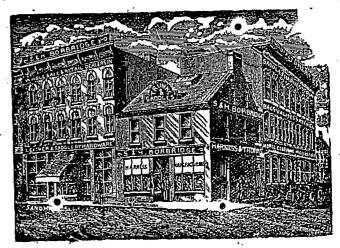
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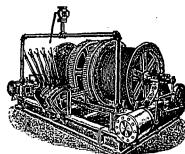
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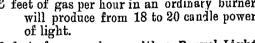
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