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Dividend No. 79.

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The Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 20th June both days inclusive.

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By order of the Board, WM. FARWELL,

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Paid-up, £1,000,000 HEAD OFFICE

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78th Half-Yearly Dividend

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Three per cent. on the paid-up capital stock of this company has been declared for the half year ending June 30th, 1899, and that the same will be payable on and after Monday, the 3rd day of July next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th June, inclusive.

By order of the board.

GEO. H. SMITH, Secretary.

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ESTABLISHED IN 1859.

The Hamilton Provident and Loan Society

DIVIDEND NO. 56

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of Three per cent upon the paid up capital stock of the society has been declared for the half-year ending 30th June, 1899, and that the same will be payable at the Society's head office, Hamilton, Ont., on and after Monday, the 3rd day of July, 1899.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th June, 1899, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

C. FERRIE, Treasurer.

May 26th, 1899.

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ROBERT REID (Collector of Customs), PRESIDENT. T H. PURDOM (Barrister), Inspecting Director.

NATHANIEL MILLS, Manager.

Agricultural Savings and Loan Company

IVIDEND NO. 54.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Three per cent, upon the paid-up capital stock of this company, has been declared for the current half-year ending 30th June, and that the s-me will be payable at the company's office on and after the 3rd day of July next.

The transfer' books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.

by order of the board.

C. P. BUTLER, Manager. London, 12th [June, 1899.

Western Canada Loan & Savings Co

Seventy-second Half-yearly Dividend

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate six per cent. (6%) per annum for the 6 months ending 30th of June, 1899, has been declared on the paid-up capital stock and that the same will be payable at the offices of the company, No. 76 Church street, Toronto, on and after Monday, the 3rd of July next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th days of June, 1899, inclusive.

WALTER S. LEE, Managing Director.

Toronto, May 30th, 1899.

Huron & Erie Loan & Savings Co.

DIVIDEND NO. 70

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of Four and One-half per cent, for the current half-year, upon the paid-up capital stock of this Company, has been declared and that the same will be payable at the company's office, in this city, on and after Monday, July 3rd, 1899.

The transfer books will be closed from the 16th tothe 30th inst., both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

GEO. A. SOMERVILLE.

London, Ont., June 5th, 1899.

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LIMITED).

OFFICE: No. 78 CHURCH ST, TORONTO

Authorised Capital83,000,000 Subscribed Capital 2,000,000

Deposits received and interest at current rates allowed.

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DIVIDEND NO. 49.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of six per cent, per annum for the current half-year ending 30th June instant, has been declared, and that the same will be payable on and after the 3rd day of July

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to-30th inst., both days inclusive.

By order of the board.

Toronto, 2nd June, 1899.

The Building & Loan Association

DIVIDEND NO. 58

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of one and a half per cent. has been declared upon the capital stock of the association, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the association, No. 13 Toronto street, on and after Monday, 3rd July, 1899.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th June, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

WALTER GILLESPIE,

Manager.

Manager.

Toronto, 3rd June, 1899.

THE ONTARIO LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY OSHAWA, ONT

Capital Subscribed,..... Reserve Fund..... Deposits and Can. Debentures....

Money loaned at low rates of interest on the security of Real Estate and Municipal Debentures. Deposits received and interest allowed.

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T. H. McMILLAN Sec-Treas

The Canada Landed and National Investment Company, Limited

DIVIDEND NO. 76

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of six per cent. per annum on the paid-up capital stock of this company has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the office of the company on and after the 3rd day of July, 1899.

The transfer books will be closed from the 19th to the 30th instant, both days inclusive.

By order of the board.

ANDREW RUTHERFORD,

Toronto, June 1st, 1899.

Manager.

Central Canada Loan and Savings Co.

26 King St. East, Toronto

Notice is hereby given that a quarterly dividend for the three (3) months ending 30th June, 1899, at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum, has this day been declared upon the capital stock of this institution, and that the same will be payable at the offices of the company in this city on and after 3rd July, 1899.

The transfer books will be closed from the 20th to the 30th June, both days inclusive.

By order of the board.

Toronto, 5th June, 1899. E. R. WOOD, Manager.

IMPERIAL LOAN & INVESTMENT COMPANY OF CANADA, Limited.

DIVIDEND NO. 59

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent, per annum on the paid-up capital stock of this institution has this day been declared for the half-year ending 30th June, and the same will be payable on and after Monday, 1st July next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th June, both days inclusive.

E. H. KERTLAND,
Managing Director.

The Ontario Loan & Debenture Co.

OF LONDON, CANADA.

Subscribed Capital	#8.000.000
Paid-up Capital	1 900 000
Reserve rund	490 000
Total Assets	9 740 659
Total Liabilities	9 011 211
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Debentures issued for 3 or 5 years. Debentures and sterest can be collected at any agency of Molsons Bank, WILLIAM F. BULLEN,
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London, Ontario 1899

The Union Loan and Savings Co.

DIVIDEND NO. 69

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The transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 30th of June, both days inclusive.

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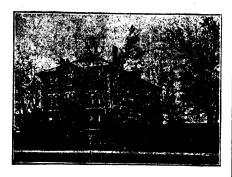
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DECISIONS IN COMMERCIAL LAW

GOOD V. TORONTO, HAMILTON AND BUFFALO R. Co.—The rule that a contractor is bound by a condition in his contract making the employer's engineer the interpreter of and arbiter of disputes under a contract does not extend to a case where the named engineer, while in fact the engineer of the employer, is described in the contract, and is supposed by the contractor to be the engineer of a third party.

STRATFORD GAS CO. V. STRATFORD.-No action lies for the non-performance of a term of a contract which term is on its face impossible of performance. contract was made by a company for the electric lighting of a city for a named number of nights before a fixed date. There were not as many nights as were named before the date, and the company did not supply lights on all the nights there were, and were not prevented from doing so by the city. It was held that the company were not entitled to recover for more than the nights actually lighted.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION. ACT

The Workmen's Compensation Act of Great Britain is a radical piece of legislation. Those who attended the meetings of the British Association in Toronto two years ago will remember the enthusiastic terms in which the socialist members of the association spoke of the Act, which then had been passed by Parliament, but had not come into force. It was suggested that the Act should be applied to Canada. Experience in Britain proves, however, that the Act has many serious drawbacks. In giving judgment for the defendant, at the City of London Court on Friday last, in which a laborer, of Whitwell Road, Plaistow, claimed compensation for personal iniuries suffered while in the service of the defendants, the London and Indian Docks Joint Committee, Leadenhall Street .-Deputy Judge Pitt-Lewis said the Workmen's Compensation Act was an extraordinary tangle of legislation. It was like solving a conundrum. The statute seemed to have been drawn by a person who had strayed into the land of topsy-turveydom and there acted upon his recollection of the great composition, "The House that Jack Built," but also with the disadvantage of not knowing what he meant. The draftsman had left the judges to guess at what he meant. The case was a very important one to all employers of labor and workmen, and he hoped it would go to appeal. Even the Court of Appeal hesitated at deciding anything under the Act, and there was no wonder at it, for it was the most wonderful piece of legislation which had ever been enacted

THE Kingston locomotive works have just received an order from the C.P.R. for six locomotives.

JOHN MACKAY

Public Accountant, Auditor, Receiver and Trustee

Bank of Commerce Bldg., Toronto Cable Address: CAPITAL. Tel. No. 2732.

THE INSOLVENCY AND LIQUIDATION DEPARTMENT OF THE

Western Loan and Trust Company, Limited. IS OPERATED BY

W. Barclay Stephens

Manager of the Company.

Under the laws of the Province of Quebec the Company cannot be appointed directly to trusts, such as assignees, etc. Therefore, Mr. Stephens will act on behalf of the Company in all such cases, the Company assuming all responsibility and reliability in regard to any trusts which may be placed in his hands.

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Mercantile Summary.

SEVERAL places in the Eastern Townships have lately been visited by burglars, among them Huntingdon, Sutton, and Brome, all near the American line.

A NOTICE appears in New York daily papers of a special meeting of the stockholders of the Produce Exchange Trust Company, to be held on 21st June, to consider the increasing of the capital stock to \$2,500,000, and the surplus fund to a like amount.

A Montreal shoemaker, with the very appropriate name of W. W. Shoesmith, has made a voluntary assignment of his estate, and would like to compromise liabilities of \$2,700 at 40 per cent.. He was unfortunate in being burned out last January.---J. Menard, of the same city, engaged in the haberdashery business, and lately reported failed, has settled at -Isaac Filion, grocer, Mont-25 cents. real, has arranged a composition at 10 cents in the dollar, cash.

Our readers will remember the pamphlets got out last year by the Tourist Associations of Halifax and St. John, respectively. We know a dozen or two of people who went down the Gulf or East by rail last summer to the Nova Scotia coast by reason of the pamphlet with the Union Jack on the back. Picturesque Chester, on Mahone Bay, west of Halifax, is now sending out pamphlets on her own hook to attract the summer visitor. Digby or Annapolis might do the same-their claim to attractions is

THE Trent River Paper Company, Limited, whose share capital is to be \$150,000, has been granted letters patent in Ontario, to make paper, pulp, wood, board, etc.; head office, Frankford; provisional directors, Jas. S. Lovell, Wm. Bain, E. W. McNeill.—The woolen business of the late John Richard Harris, at Rockwood, is to be continued by Harris & Company, Limited, just incorporated in Ontario. The parties to the new company, which is to make and sell rubber foot-wear and other goods under the name of the Berlin Rubber Mfg. Co., Limited, capital, \$95,000, are George Schlee, Jacob Kaufman, A. L. Breithaupt, and T. H. Reider, of Berlin, and Louis S. Weber of Heidelberg.

IT is possible that, since the unsuccessful attempt made by burglars upon their safe on Tuesday morning last. Messrs. G. W. Ames & Co., private bankers at Wiarton, and the firm of Goldie & McCulloch, who made the safe. may take more than ordinary interest in the burglar story, as related by the Ohio State Journal. It was this: Two burglars, after working on a safe all night, acknowledged themselves baffled by the new combination, and were gathering up their tools in disgust. "Say, Bill, I'll tell yer how we kin make something out o' this job." "W'at yer mean?" "Let's hunt up the manufacturer of this safe an" sell him our testimonials."

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Mercantile Summary.

An assessment of \$8.50 per snare has been levied on the capital stock of the North Vancouver Land and Improvement Company, Limited.

THE city hardware stores of St. John, N.B., close at one o'clock each Saturday afternoon during the months of June, July and August.

THE Ottawa and New York Railway has inaugurated a service of three trains daily, each way between Ottawa and

On the seventeenth of the month the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company will begin the daylight service between Montreal and Quebec.

An Ontario charter has been granted to the brothers Hemming, C. A. Masten, Mrs. Hemming, and Miss Edith C. S. Hemming, to make lodge and military uniforms and paraphernalia, under the name of the Dominion Regalia Company, of Toronto, Limited; capital, \$20,000; head office, Toronto.

ENERGETIC steps are being taken to get subscriptions for the Brantford Cooperative Packing Co., Ltd., and the list now exceeds twenty thousand dollars, we are told. Some \$3,000 was secured in the Mount Pleasant district alone, and meetings are being held in surrounding villages, addressed by enterprising citizens of Brantford

THE Ozo Company, capital, \$25,000; headquarters, Montreal, has been chartered at Ottawa to deal in provisions and keep cold storage. Parties are John Carsley, C. B. Carter, Q.C., and others. Notice is given that the St. Henri Investment Company is applying at Ottawa for a charter, capital stock, \$25,000; headquarters, Montreal.

IMPORTS from Canada into Great Britain last month were as follows: Cattle, 8,300, value £138,899; sheep and lambs, 1,405, value £2,151; wheat, 264,100 cwts., value £90,517; meal and flour, 40,000 cwts., value £17,048; peas, 20,900 cwts., value £6,947; bacon, 28,275 cwts., value £46,-295; hams, 11,682 cwts., value £22,415; butter, 3,904 cwts., value £16,485; cheese, 31,078 cwts., value £68,675; eggs, 140 great hundreds, value £50; horses, 432, value £12,139. Total imports, £797,951. Total exports to Canada, £307,576.

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WE learn from the Maritime Merchant that Mr. W. M. Turnbull, formerly of Turnbull & Co., long known as a leading merchant of St. John, has placed in trust \$100,000 to establish a home for incurables in that city. It is understood that the now unused Marine Hospital, belonging to the Dominion Government, is associated in Mr. Turnbull's mind in the carrying out his scheme of beneficence.

THE assignment is recorded of Hannah Manchester, wife of David L. Manchester, doing a clothing business in Ottawa. Her husband began the business in 1893, but becoming interested in some unprofitable mining deals in 1897, he sold it out to J. Arkley, who, a year later, turned over the business to Mrs. Manchester.-Boyd & Morton, who have been engaged in the bicycle business, in the same city, for a short time, have also assigned to W. A. Cole.-Wm. Dunlop, of Kingston, Ont., formerly a working cutter, began tailoring for himself in 1803, and has made assignment of his estate

A STATE commerce convention is to be held somewhere in New York State. Up to Monday last the following places had applied to the New York Board of Trade and Transportation asking that the convention be held within their walls: Utica, Syracuse, Troy, Saratoga Springs, Binghamton, Jamestown and Alexandria Bay. There is a National Municipal Convention to assemble on September 19th at Syracuse, while the Bankers' Association of N. Y. state will hold theirs at Saratoga in September some time. So it is proposed that the commerce convention convene about September 23rd, but where it will assemble is not yet determined.

ROBERT DAVIDSON, who has been doing tailoring in Ridgetown for over twenty years, assigned in 1895, owing at that time \$9,000. His wife then purchased the stock of clothes, etc., and the business has been continued under the style of Davidson & Co. For these late years, however, it has been a struggle, and lately, not being able to "make ends meet," Mrs. Davidson assigns.—Other assignments are those of W. J. Washburn, contractor at Chesley, and W. J. Ostrander, agent, at Eden.—A fortnight ago, we noted the assignment of D. J. Markham, shoe dealer at Lindsay. Now we hear that his creditors have very kindly written off 50 per cent. of their claims against him.



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W. McQUEEN, City Clerk. Rossland, B.C., June 2nd, 1899.

CITY OF CALGARY

Debentures for Sale

Sealed tenders will be received by the undersigned and marked "Te der for Debentures," up to noon Saturday, 8th July, 1899, for the purchase of debentures to the amount of \$490,000, issued for the purpose of constructing a water works system for the said city.

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Calgary. June 7th, 1899.

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J. A. HACKING, Mayor.

THE Collector of Inland Revenue, St. Thomas, seized seven refined oil barrels, which were in transit from the dealer to the refiner, for not erasing the inspection marks.

A CHATTEL mortgage, amounting to \$2,500, given by the National Supply Co., Toronto, has been foreclosed. The company deal in builders' supplies, and it is thought that they ought to improve their position this season as building is more active than for many years.

RECENTLY 174 packages of tea arrived at North Sydney for St. John's, Newfoundland, having been ordered from China, coming from British Columbia through to Sydney without change of car. This is about the first direct shipment from the far East.-Sydney Advo-

WE learn this week that P. J. Barbour, who had made a good start as a grocer in St. Mary's early in 1898, has not succeeded. Evidently he could not make further progress after the first few months, for we find that early this year he was obliged to mortgage his stock. Now he makes an assignment to his mother.

ONE of the Quebec city shoe manufacturing firms, burned out at last week's disastrous fire, Amos Campbell & Co., have consented to assign, a demand having been made upon them by a leading creditor, owing to steps being taken to put a seizure upon the insurance money in the hands of the companies. The liabilities amount to about \$24,000, while insurance, as adjusted, figures at \$14,400, besides which there is some small salvage. It is expected Mr. Campbell will make an offer of 50 per cent., cash.

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WM. BUCKINGHAM.

Stratford, June 5, 1899.

Manager.

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By order of the board.

S. C. WOOD, Managing Director.

Toronto, 15th June, 189

CITY OF BELLEVILLE

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The Corporation of the city of Belleville Offer for sale the undermentioned debentures:

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J. P. THOMPSON, City Treasurer.

Belleville, June 13th, 1899.

THE steamer "Brasilia," which left Hamburg on June 7th, and will be due at Halifax on the 18th, has 372 immigrants to be landed here-269 adults, 70 children, and 33 infants.

In Waterloo, Que., voting on the bylaw authorizing a loan of \$40,000 by that municipality, took place. The by-law was adopted. The bonds are to be issued at once, and in the course of a few days the waterworks will be the property of the corporation of that town.

LAST Friday night fire destroyed Major Beck's tannery in Saltford, together with the machinery and stock. Mr. Beck places his total loss at something like \$4,500, which is partly covered by insurance of \$2,500.

THERE is every prospect, says the Hartland Advertiser, that the N. B. Paper & Pulp Mills Company will build their mill at Tobique Narrows this season. It is expected the dam and mills will be erected this summer and the machinery put in next winter.

A VOLUNTARY assignment has been made by Damas Joron, who has run a sash and door factory at Point Viau, Que., for some years past. His troubles are believed to be largely due to sickness, he having been in the hospital for a considerable period lately.

FROM Annapolis, N.S., on Saturday last, comes word that the barquentine "Sunny South," has been chartered by Pickles & Mills to load lumber there for Buenos Ayres and Rosario, at \$10.50 and \$11.50. The schooner "Bartholdi" has been chartered by the same to load lumber here for Cuba. They will also load the Norwegian barque "Byrone" for South America.

THE arbitrators in the big carpenters' strike at Winnipeg rendered their decision the 14th inst., granting a minimum wage of 271/2 cents per hour and graded upward, a ten-hour day and a half holiday Saturday afternoon. The carpenters asked for 30 cents and a nine-hour day.

At their weekly meeting, the St. Louis town council, Quebec, read a comunication from the Alaska Feather and Down Co., stating that they had decided to build a factory in that town to employ at least 100 hands, with a pay roll of \$10,000 a year. They asked for exemption from taxation for ten years. This was granted.

THE folly of the bonus system is very deal shown up in the following from the Ont.

GEORGE F. JEWELL, F.C.A., Public Accountant and Auditor, Office, 361 Dundas Street, London, Ont. Montreal Gazette, about the way it has worked in that Nova Scotian town: "The Moncton people held a meeting recently to decide the amount of exemption to be allowed to a new industry. The matter had apparently been settled to everybody's satisfaction, when a manufacturer in another line of business got up, and said he did not see why he should not have an exemption, too. Other taxpayers followed suit, and the upshot was that if everybody had been given what they wanted, there would have been nobody left to pay taxes. The whole subject was referred to a committee to report on, and it is safe to say that the day of exemption in Moncton is over."

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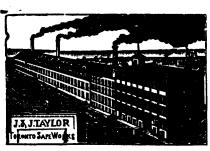
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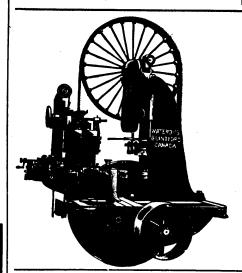
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THE SITUATION.

It would seem, from a statement made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, that the announcement of an arrangement for a provisional boundary for the Alaskan frontier, had been agreed upon, was premature. Sir Wilfrid, speaking on Friday last, after the announcement of agreement had been made, said no definite arrangement had been reached; he admitted, however, that "the Canadian Government had been approached on the subject, and had come to the conclusion that a provisional boundary could be adopted which would be The Canadian answer acceptable to both sides." evidently was the action which had been previously characterized as reasonable. What it was, even Sir Wilfrid, when he was speaking, did not feel at liberty to say. Precisely where, on the Dalton trail, it is proposed to locate the provisional boundary, can only be a matter of conjecture. All will be glad to see that something like progress has been made. A provisional boundary is necessary—one has in fact existed for two yearspending the final settlement of the boundary question by arbitration. If a provisional boundary were made a ground for delaying final settlement, there would be cause for regret, but no danger from this source is apparent, and at any rate, the establishment of a provisional boundary is no new thing. Once the arbitration for a final settlement is entered on, there is no reason to fear undue delay in reaching a conclusion. The latest announcement, which professes to come from official sources, is that this question has been put in such a shape that it will not prevent the reassembling of the International Commission.

Pending the settlement of the Alaskan boundary question, the Canadian Government refuses to agree to the grant of any railway charter over any part of the disputed territory. Fear of complications is the reason of their negativing the demands of railway promoters, and though Sir Wilfrid did not state the nature of the complications, Mr. Sifton appears to have supplied the omission, when he said that American citizens in Dyea and Skaguay "had materially influenced

the American Government in the stand," characterized as unreasonable, "which it had taken," and if another town were to grow up, at Pyramid Harbor, the matter would be greatly complicated." The reason given for this conclusion is not very clear; it assumes that "the arbitrators would inevitably be influenced by what they know would be the result of their decision." We should be more inclined to think that they would be guided solely by the merits of the case. Of course it is possible that an arbitration may be authorized to make a compromise. That was done in the Maine boundary case, in which the American Government compensated the State of Maine for surrendering to Canada a part of the territory which she, rightly or wrongly, claimed. The reason for not granting new railway charters over disputed territory may, nevertheless, be good. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is of opinion that Parliament acted without due consideration, in granting a charter to the British Yukon Company, in 1897, since the effect has been to build up Skaguay. It is necessary here to infer from what has gone before that Sir Wilfrid had in his mind the adverse influence on the negotiations exerted by the people of Skaguay.

The question of the Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal having been sent to the foot of the Parliamentary paper, is not likely to rise to the top in time to permit threshing it out before the last of the supplementary estimates of the year are brought down. And besides this, the attitude of the Government on the question is by no means declared. When the question was up last session, Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not without fear of the financial success of the scheme, and he showed no desire to be concerned in setting on its feet what might prove to be a disastrous failure. Here is a proposal to build a barge canal, of nine feet capacity at most, to compete against ship canals built at an expense of between seventy and eighty millions of public money. The smaller canal would have distance in its favor, but would not the advantage of distance be counterbalanced by the disadvantage of the smaller What has been done since last session to remove the Premier's reasonable doubt about the financial success of the scheme? Have the difficulties connected with the water supply at the summit level been got over? Some incidental advantages, in the form of water-power, could be obtained from the canal, and the promoters now seem rather inclined to place a chief reliance on these; but valuable as they would be, they might be purchased at too high a figure.

Rear Admiral Lord Charles Beresford makes an unsparing use of his right, as a member of the House of Commons, to criticize the policy of the Government, on a question of foreign policy. He went so far as to say that "the Government had deceived the people and allowed the open-door policy to be finally killed by permitting Russia to interfere in a purely commercial enterprise, like the Shanghai-Kwan railway." His plan was that Great Britain, the United States, Japan and Germany should propose to China to take over and officer her army. This plan would require three nations to consent to make one of the most extraordinary proposals ever made; it would require four nations to concur in a proposal originated by England. But that England does not consent to father it,

is not surprising. As the Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office pointed out, all sorts of difficulties stand in the way. But in any case, Her Majesty's Government was not prepared to undertake the immense responsibility of governing the Yang-tse-Kiang valley, which was quite a different thing from the Shang-Tung peninsula.

THE TRANSVAAL-ANGLO EMBROGLIO.

The real difficulty which surrounds the Transvaal question is that the two parties—the unenfranchised foreign miners, chiefly English and American, and the Dutch Boers, are contending for rights which they severally deem essential. If the Boers concede the political demands of equal suffrage to the foreigners, they are in danger of soon finding the supreme power pass into other hands, and themselves in a minority in the legislature of a country which they deem especially theirs. The Uitlanders, who have scarcely any privileges, except those of paying taxes, which are used to place them under what is little better than military rule, find their position intolerable. natural, if not wise, that the Boers should resist reforms which would place the political power in the hands of strangers; it is equally natural that the Uitlanders, who possess most of the wealth and pay most of the taxes of the country, should expect to get some political rights. All President Kruger offered at the conference with Governor Milner, of the Cape, at Bloemfontein, three seats in the Legislature, and deferred citizenship for the majority for five years, would in no respect alter the situation for a long time. And he sought to connect his franchise proposals with provision for arbitration of other differences. Chamberlain has since explained, in the House Commons, that Great Britain would not consent to the intervention of a foreign power in the Transvaal disputes, though the South African Company would not refuse to submit to arbitration the question of amount of damages to be paid on account of Jameson raid.

It begins to look as if the Boers of the Transvaal, relying on the aid of their countrymen, in the Orange Free State, and in the neighboring British colonies, had made up their minds to make a struggle to secure the mastery in South Africa. When it was stated, a short time ago, that they had been secretly sending arms to the Boers in Cape Colony, the statement seemed so wild as to stagger belief; but Mr. Chamberlain's statement, in the House of Commons, that the Transvaal Government had been found distributing arms among the Boers, in the British colony of Natal, leaves no doubt of the treachery of that Government. If a casus belli were wanting, this would be quite sufficient; but if England had been seeking pretexts to draw the sword, she would have found them long ago in the breach of treaty obligations by the Boer Government. It is probable, however, that Kruger is carrying on an ambidexter movement, and that he intends, at some point, to yield, if he must, but that if war should come, he will be in a position to carry it on to the greatest advantage, with the aid of his countrymen, outside of the Transvaal. The idea that he is preparing to give way, finds countenance, in the opinion of some, in the fact that the Rand is disposed to offer to the Uitlanders better terms than President Kruger offered at Bloemfontein.

If the Boers could realize the full measure liberty they could enjoy, if, in the natural course of things a controlling majority came to be composed of the present Uitlanders, they would probably have less objection to make the concessions which reason and true policy suggest. Take the case of Lower Canada, when the French race were a majority; they thought their liberties would be lost, if ever the British race became the majority. Now that the dreaded event has happened, the two races stand on an equal footing, both enjoying the fullest liberty, neither being afraid of the other, or seeking to snatch undue advantages from its position. Why should not this history repeat itself, in the case of the Boers and the Uitlanders? distrustful of the other; and the Boers, having the advantage, seek to make the rich strangers mere serfs. The relative positions of the two races cannot long be maintained. England has rights, as Suzerain, which the Boers do not fully permit her to enjoy. If the weaker power be foolish enough to provoke war, she must in the end succumb. It would be infinitely better to make reasonable arrangements now, while it is possible to make them; to face the inevitable manfully and in a trustful spirit, which would bring about the inevitable change in the way most to the mutual advantage of the two conflicting races? President Kruger says he does not want war, but that he will make no more concessions. Even while thus protesting, he is, in the opinion of some, preparing to yield. Of this number Mr. Chamberlain is one. If Kruger be the shrewd man he gets credit for being, he will not needlessly provoke war with a power, which, at whatever cost, would be obliged to crush him, if it came to blows.

MINING PROGRESS.

A luminous paragraph or two on page 968 of the Report of the British Columbia Mineralogist, helps to explain what has often seemed the slow progress made in mining parts of that province, where accounts of promising properties were frequent. Mr. Robertson, treating of the need of capital, "to bring a 'project' through the development stage to the producing stage," says that prospectors generally fail to recognize the risk capital runs in putting money into a prospect on which little or no conclusive development has been done. And he adds that the prices asked-for properties of this description have been so high that capitalists were not justified in so risking it.

"The great trouble seems to be in the demand for cash payments, to be made so soon that it is impossible that sufficient development should be done in the time. Thus the terms, rather than the amount of the bond, are what have prevented the development hoped for, and the country is tied up, inactive, through what appears to be the unreasonableness of the prospector.

"There is, however, another side to the question, which I think it might be well to bring before the capitalist. The prospector, enduring privations and hardships, and running innumerable risks, spends his whole time scouring the most remote parts of the mountains for prospects; he has no other means of

livelihood, and must have money enough to buy food and supplies, so that when he comes to tie up a prospect in a bond, though perfectly willing to stand in with the capitalist on the gamble,' still he must have enough cash to enable him to get out into the mountains again to discover new properties. The demand for a small cash payment is thus not as unreasonable as it at first seems."

It is pleasing to learn that there seems to be a decidedly better mutual understanding coming about between capitalist and prospector in this regard, and the Mineralogist thinks the effect of this should before long be felt in greater development.

MANITOBA AND THE WEST.

According to the Manitoba crop bulletin for June, the area sown this year is 2,449,000 acres, where last year it was 2,210,000 acres. The increase, which is nearly ten per cent., is partly due to established farmers adding to their crop acreage, and partly to the influx of newcomers. It is said that there are 2,500 more farmers operating in the province this year than last. In five months, ended with May, 20,778 settlers passed through Winnipeg district for points in Manitoba and the Territories. For the month of May, 5,960 registered at the Immigration Hall in that city. A paper on the subject in the Winnipeg Commercial figures the total number who took up land in the west during the past five months at 30,000. The Commissioner estimates that by the end of the next three months the figures will reach 50,000 or 60,000. Last year the total number of immigrants was 28,000. A large proportion of the settlers who have arrived are Germans from Austria and from Russia. English immigration has been very fair this year, and a better class has come out than in previous years, being mostly young men anxious to make a start in Canada, and others who have had some knowledge of farm life. The Doukhobors are giving a satisfactory account of themselves; hundreds are already working on the railways.

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS' BANK.

This bank has for a long period shown a good scale of earnings, and the surplus of these has year by year been applied to form a reserve fund, which now amounts to more than 56 per cent. of capital. For the last four years its average net profits have been more than 10 per cent., but the present year's are somewhat less, being at the rate of 9.28, on a paid capital of \$1,500,000, but it has paid its shareholders 7 per cent., put \$15,000 to Rest, and carried forward some \$42,000 at credit of Profit and Loss. While the management admit that this is not so good a showing as was expected, the fact does not arise from any decline in the business of the bank, whose totals show an increase of nearly half a million in assets, but mainly from competition, which tends to lessen the scale of earnings.

Among the elements in the business activity, which during 1898—99 characterized the business of the bank, are not only agriculture, stock-raising, and wholesale and retail trade, but manufactures, mining and lumbering in the shape of pulp wood. As showing how the East and West are knitted together by financial interest

it is worthy to note that this bank, hitherto not intimately known outside Quebec province, has established a branch in West Kootenay, B.C., at a point where smelting works are about to be established. The general business of the Eastern Townships' of Quebec has been active and profitable, as we learn from the report. In this respect the locality in question has only been sharing in the prosperity which the past twelve-month has brought to Canada generally, and which bids fair to continue.

MISUSE OF THE COMMON SCHOOLS.

A correspondent, dating from a town in Western Nova Scotia, sends us proof that the system of using the primary Public schools as academies, where future teachers are trained, and where all the "ologies" and the "higher education" rather than the three R's are taught, is not confined to Ontario. This gentleman, who writes from Annapolis County, says:

"Your columns have, during the last few months, contained several very instructive references to the question of Public School Education, more particularly in Ontario, but the remarks are equally applicable to this province. It would seem to be useless to urge reforms in the methods of teaching adopted, while we have persons in authority willing to commit themselves to such a statement as our superintendent is reported to have made."

The reference is to an address made by the Superintendent of Schools for Nova Scotia, before a Teachers' Institute, at Weymouth, on 25th May. The evening meeting was a public one, and the hall, we are told by the Halifax papers, was crowded to the doors. Said the Superintendent:

"Our Public School System is the result of a compromise; therefore poorer than the best teachers would have it, but better than the poorest would make it. We need not be ashamed of our schools, nor of the work done in them. True, we are handicapped by losing two years of school life in learning spelling when it ought to be learned in a week. So also a vast amount of time is thrown away on reduction tables, which will be saved when the metric system becomes imperative."

Evidently, then, this official is no less contemptuous of spelling, as a subject of school tuition, than a certain Toronto teacher cited in this journal last month was of both penmanship and spelling. The scholars of the Toronto teacher in question, by the way, were taught (highest Fifth form), Algebra, Euclid, Physics and Botany for 275 minutes each week, but spelling only 15 minutes, and penmanship did not appear on the time-table at all. Several of the local clergy were present, it seems, at this Weymouth lecture, and one at least, Father Sullivan, put himself on record as "satisfied with the Public School System of Nova Scotia." So, however, was not Professor Russell, of the Normal School, who was by no means in love with the method of teaching Science in the majority of schools, but, indeed, expressed dislike of the Geology text-book. Says our correspondent:

"I think it is generally understood that the whole system here is framed and conducted with the object of making teachers, and not for the benefit directly of the majority of the pupils. I was present at a large public meeting not long ago and heard the Attorney-General of Nova Scotia denounce in severe terms the system that sacrificed the interests of 95 per cent. of the population in order that 5 per cent. might become teachers or professional persons." We venture to think that many of our readers will agree with "Nova Scotian" when he says: "It is certainly time that something should be done to secure a more satisfactory result from the expenditure of a very large proportion of our taxes. If the teachers, who were addressed by the Superintendent in this way, go home to their country schools with the determination to pay even less attention than before to spelling, who shall blame them?"

MODERN SHIP PROJECTS.

Two new steamship lines are talked of, one which will seek to develop trade with France, and the other with the British West Indies. The former project has for years been fostered by the Montreal Chambre de Commerce, and it is naturally a great satisfaction to that body that a direct line of steamers between Bordeaux and Montreal will soon be in service. Emile Galibert, the president of this commercial body, at a dinner recently given in Montreal, made reference to the new line and is reported in the press as follows: "The Chambre Française, founded in 1866, was modestly doing all in its power to foster the interests of both the province of Quebec and its mother country. It was with this object in view that they contributed to the foundation of the new transatlantic line. One year ago, he happened to be in Bordeaux and pressed upon the commercial men of this town the necessity of establishing a direct line between their port and Montreal. The suggestion had now materialized, and it should prove a success, as the agent of the new company on this side of the ocean was Hon. Alph. Desjardins." France has no colonial possessions which are capable of supplying products in competition with those of Canada; and being possessed of a knowledge of the French language and trade requirements, the merchants of Montreal and Quebec should be in a position to trade successfully with both French exporters and importers.

The British West Indies, impelled by recent industrial depression and the threatened ruin of their sugar interests, in the conquest of the Spanish West Indies by the United States, are looking to Canada for relief. The Federalist, of Jamaica, referring to the fact that the possession of Cuba and Porto Rico will make the Americans less than ever inclined to buy the products of the British West Indies, says:

"Is it any wonder that we recoil from them, and stretch out our hands to Canada, imploring her to trade with us, to take our products and give us in exchange her goods? The dairy products of Canada are infinitely superior to those of the United States, and, if placed on our markets, will quickly supplant the latter. So, also, with her wheaten flour. Some of the products of her looms and factories cannot be surpassed even by Great Britain, but with unaccountable bashfulness our fellowcitizens of the Dominion of Canada hesitate to woo and win us and to monopolize the trade and commerce which we offer. But how are we to get the perishable products to Canada in suitable condition except there be direct and regular steam communication? This want can be supplied by Canada, and we have no doubt if her commercial men rose to the occasion the Government would not hesitate to subzsidize two or more steamship lines for the purpose. We suppose the West Indian Administrations also would do something especially to help shippers of fruit."

An import trade is essential to an export trade, and when we purchase our West India products through the United States, we only help the latter country to build up an export trade, and fail to develop Canadian export opportunities. The Dominion has, however, a large annual charge for steamship subsidies, and it is a question how far this amount should be exceeded—even in securing so desirable an object as closer and more extended trade relations with the subjects of Queen Victoria in the British West Indies.

WASTE OF ENERGY IN LIFE ASSURANCE CANVASSING.

Many a time one sees, or hears, an earnest, redfaced determined life agent laboring with a man at the wrong time or in the wrong way to get an application. The onlooker could probably tell that agent that he was wasting his breath, knowing the customer as he did. It was the wrong way of talking, and the wrong kind of talk to catch him. Or the man had already been plentifully canvassed or was already heavily insured, but listened civilly to the perspiring agent, as he labored on through figures and instances, premiums and bonuses. This is one direction in which energy is often expended to no result by ill-informed agents, some of whom eventually will learn tact through tribulation; there are others which we cannot mention to-day. What we wish now to do is to notice the story told by the Insurance Agents' Review, thus:

"It is not often that a director of an insurance company gets canvassed by one of his own agents. But this really happened once down in Essex, where a new agent trying to work up a connection, especially in ordinary cases, went up to several large houses on the outskirts of a town and left prospectuses and a note intimating that he would call on a future day. One of these prospectuses he left at the home of one of the directors of his office. When he called at that particular house he was asked into the library, and for an hour and a half had a very hot time of it. But he stuck to his guns, much to the amusement of the director. He didn't get a proposal, but he got a lot of useful information, and a sovereign for his cheek."

Because such a funny blunder is unusual, it is not at all impossible nor even improbable. As the story above narrated was said to be true, so the Review vouches for the truth of another story of a like kind, told of an agent of a big American life insurance company, who left some papers and a note at the house of the manager of another big American life office, with an intimation that he would call and explain matters, which he did. It is stated that the interview was of a highly educational character. The manager of No. 2 learned a good deal about company No. 1, which he did not know before, and that probably the other office did not know itself. "At the close of the voluminous explanations, in which the manager was solemnly assured of the inferiority of his own office, and any other, to the agent's office, the veil was lifted, and the agent left, a sadder and a wiser man." These examples suffice to show that a great deal of energy is misdirected by life assurance canvassers, who are full of zeal, and full of physical vim, too, but who waste themselves and dim their chances by not being informed beforehand as to the persons they are going to canvass.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CREDIT MEN.

The convention of this body at Buffalo last week lasted three days. Much discussion was had and probably some good was done. In dealing with alleged fraudulent failures the committee who had the matter in hand reported that it had investigated three cases of alleged fraudulent failures, but the prosecution in each case had come to naught; resolutions were adopted approving the plan of dealing with fraudulent failures proposed, and a committee was instructed to perfect the details as speedily as possible.

The plan of dealing with compromise offers of settlement as proposed by the investigation department was approved, with such modifications as experience may justify in order to make it the more effective in operation.

It was further resolved, That the suggestion be endorsed that experienced men be selected to act under the bankruptcy law as trustees; their appointment to be for a specified territory and lines of business, and that their selection and approval be announced to the members of the association, and the investigation committee was instructed to perfect such an organization as would do this.

The Committee upon Improvement of Mercantile Agency Service offered for the consideration of the convention four resolutions. The first one, embodying a number of improvements suggested to the agencies, was passed, after several amendments had been made eliminating such portions as the "payment of better salaries to reporters," the "use of the uniform property statement blank," "cash payment to correspondents," and the "writing of special type-written letters when applying for statements by mail." The second resolution was prefaced by a statement to the effect that the agencies had shown an indifference to the suggestions of the credit men, and also contained a suggestion that the time was ripe for the development of another mercantile agency. There was no debate upon this resolution, a motion to table it being made as soon as it was submitted to the convention, and by a unanimous vote it was tabled. The third and fourth resolutions on the subject of credit methods were passed. There would, we are told, have been a very spirited debate if the second resolution had not been tabled, as a number of delegates were prepared to protest against a proposal which they thought uncalled for, and unjust. As we stated last week the convention did not endorse the proposed new "Mutual Mercantile Agency." Erastus Wiman was present, intending to advertise the concern, and he expected recognizion, but he was not recognized and did not speak.

The report of the committee on credit department methods was submitted by F. J. Hopkins of Minneapolis. It attacked anti-trust legislation in Texas and Arkansas, which practically drives out the substantial fire insurance companies. Mr. Hopkins described a model credit system. Another resolution was adopted favoring the making of debtors' exemptions under the bankruptcy law uniform throughout the States.

During the sessions addresses were delivered by H. E. Hutchings, of Burnham, Hanna, Munger & Co., Kansas City on "The Relation of Salesmen and Credit Men;" by Hugo Kanzler, of Muser Bros., New York, on "Dating Ahead;" by William H. Prendergast, of New York, on "Law and Its Relations to Trade and Commerce," and by Samuel J. Kline, of Joseph Beifeld & Co., Chicago, on "The Relation Between System and Success in the Conduct of Business."

Afterwards, a pleasing interruption occurred in the shape of a presentation to retiring President James G. Cannon of New York of a silver loving-cup and to retiring Secretary F. R. Boocock of New York of a diamond and emerald scarf pin. The presentation speech was made by R. Hanlon of St. Louis and the recipients of the momentos responded. Thanks were officially tendered to the Buffalo association, and speeches of congratulation on its work were made by several delegates. The three hundred visitors were delighted with their reception, and those of them from a distance were amazed at the size of the city and its railway and shipping activity.

When the election of officers was reached the unanimous vote of the convention was cast for the Hon. John Field of Young, Smyth, Field & Co., Philadelphia, for president, and Frederick W. Standart of Denver for vice-president. The following State vice-presidents were chosen: For New York, Frank Sibley, Buffalo; Iowa, W. S. Robbins; Missouri, J. R. Barclay:

Nebraska, no nomination; Louisiana, T. H. Ferguson; Colorado, C. F. Best; Minnesota, F. J. Hopkins; Pennsylvania, J. H. Ritter; Massachusetts, Charles L. Lewando; Maryland, J. Harry Tregoe; Connecticut, F. H. Bosson; Michigan, George B. Pulfer; Tennessee, no nomination; Ohio, W. H. Hoppel; Wisconsin, O. C. Hanson; Kentucky, Phil Laib; Illinois, Henry D. Smith.

The announcement was made of the re-election of T. H. Greene of Sioux City as treasurer of the National association. Mr. Greene has held this important position since 1896. Choice was made of the following gentlemen as directors of the association: Thomas Todd of R. M. Sutton & Co., Baltimore, Md.; A. R. Bennett of W. M. Hoyt Company, Chicago, Ill.; P. E. Hall of Parke, Davis & Co., Detroit, Mich.; W. H. Taylor of Kansas Moline Plow Company, Kansas City, Mo.; E. A. Young of Finch, Van Slyck, Young & Co., St. Paul, Minn.; A. J. Wolf of B. J. Wolf & Co., New Orleans, La.; James G. Cannon of Fourth National Bank, New York City; A. C. Case of Carnegie Steel Company, Pittsburg, Pa.; W. B. Roberts of Lang & Co., Portland, Ore.; W. H. Preston of Knapp & Spencer, Sioux City, Ia.; B. G. McMechen of Woolson Spice Company, Toledo, Ohio.

These directors met on Thursday evening, June 8th, and elected W. H. Prendergast of New York as secretary to succeed Mr. Boocock, who resigned to take a position in another concern. Hon. John Field, the newly elected president, is one of the leading business men of Philadelphia. He is a member of a big dry goods firm, and is also president of the Mechanics' National Bank. In accordance with the constitution of the association the regular annual meeting of the corporation is to be held in New York on Tuesday, June 27th. This meeting is merely to meet the requirements of the law and to ratify the action of the convention.

CANADIAN FIRE UNDERWRITERS' ASSOCIATION.

The regular quarterly meeting of the C.F.U.A. was held in Toronto on Wednesday and Thursday, 14th and 15th June. Twenty-eight companies were represented. The meeting dealt with matters pertaining to the internal economy of the association and the general working of the business, rather than with matters of public interest. It is understood that recent Ontario insurance legislation was a subject of discussion. The following representatives were present: P. H. Sims, president, in the chair. We name the companies: Aetna, A. M. Kirkpatrick; Alliance, P. M. Wickham; American, Jas. Boomer; Atlas, M. C. Hinshaw; British America, P. H. Sims, C. R. G. Johnson; Commercial Union, Jas. McGregor, W. M. Wickens; Guardian, E. P. Heaton; Hartford, P. A. McCallum; Imperial, G. R. Kearley; Keystone, M. Gibbs; Lancashire, J. G. Thompson; Liverpool and London and Globe, G. F. C. Smith; London and Lancashire, A. Wright; London Assurance, E. A. Lilly; Manchester, Jas. Boomer; Mercantile, A. Wright; National, M. C. Hinshaw; North America, F. Clement; North British and Mercantile, R. Davidson; Norwich Union, J. B. Laidlaw; Phoenix of London, R. McD. Paterson; Quebec, G. J. Pyke; Queen, Geo. Simpson; Scottish Union and National, A. F. Jones; Sun, H. M. Blackburn; Union, T. L. Morrisey; Western, C. C. Foster.

FROM PRAIRIE TO ATLANTIC.

Most of the great engineering feats of the present day were not many years ago described as visionary projects, and one must hesitate before describing as impracticable the plan put forth to establish a water high-way from the prairies of Northwest America to the Atlantic ocean. This subject was recently discussed at a meeting of the Society of Civil Engineers. Mr. G. H. Webster, reading a paper on the question, said in part:

"Is there no way of reaching a solution of a difficulty, one that will lead to a general lowering of freight rates between points far west of Winnipeg and the lakes?" The writer ventures to say that there is, and that this solution is to be found in the development of navigation on the numerous rivers and lakes between Lake Superior and the far west; in other words the writer believes that a magnificent system of waterways is capable of being opened, at a reasonable cost, that will reach

from the lakes to the farthest bounds of the rich prairies of Manitoba and the territories. We have been singularly favored in possibilities in this respect. Probably no such extensive territory in the world, apart from the St. Lawrence and Mississippi valleys, is possessed of such advantages for furnishing cheap transportation facilities as our vast prairie stretches. A most in portant feature, at the same time, in connection with these rivers and lakes is that they are all located on the line of our demestic and export traffic routes. The distance from Buffalo to New York is 504 miles, and from Winnipeg to Fort William 453 miles. The former consists of 350 miles of contracted canal and 154 miles of deeper and wider water in the Hudson river. The latter consists of only 148 miles of contracted canal and 305 miles of deep rivers and lakes; but the advantage which this gives to the Winnipeg-Lake Superior route in sailing time over the Erie will be partly counterbalanced by the increased lockage of the former. It will be fair, then, to assume that the time required by a four-boat fleet to make the round trip between Winnipeg and Fort William will at least not exceed that required between Buffalo and New York."

SOME LEGAL PRELIMINARIES.

"Law is law," said a pleader in a case known to schoolboys and public readers, "law is law, and proceedings must proceed ad finem, or at any rate up to the time when one or other is proved to be right—or wrong, all circumstances whatever notwithstanding. Fiat Justitia." It is some five years since a Mr. Boyd shipped a car load of hay from Toronto by rail en route for England. When it reached New York the hay was found to be damaged and the steamship company refused a clear receipt. Boyd had taken out an insurance policy on the hay with the Ocean Marine Company through its Toronto agents. It was only this year that Mr. Boyd resolved to try and compel the company to pay his loss on the hay, which be it remembered was damaged on rail and not on shipboard. But the company denied liability, pleading the limited authority of their Toronto agents, and arguing that the particular average clause in the policy applied to the rail risk as well as to the vessel risk. When first the defendants applied to the Master in Chambers to set aside the writ in the matter, that permission was not given. But the defendants took the matter before Mr. Justice Falconbridge, who also said the writ should stand. Again the plaintiffs appealed, this time to Chancellor Boyd, who does not differ from his brother judges. So now, at last, after all these preliminary curvettings, the steeds of the law will really get down to a trial of forces. The case is said to be the first in which such a defence has been set up. Now, let us hope, "proceedings will proceed."

THE FIRE RECORD.

The lot of the fire underwriter is not a happy one in 1899. The average general agent, either in Canada or the United States, is discouraged at the outlook. For five months of this year the fire losses on this continent are seventeen per cent. ahead of the same period last year and twelve per cent. more than on five months of 1897. Besides rates have been falling for a year and a half, and there is practically no margin of profit except for companies having a very choice line of risks.

Figures are given by The Journal of Commerce of New York, showing the fire loss of the United States and Canada during the month of May, as compiled from our daily records, amounted to \$9,091,900. The following comparative table will show the losses by months:

1893		1899
January\$12,049,	700 \$ 9,472,500	\$10,718,000
February 8,676,	750 12,629,300	18,469,000
March 10,502,	950 7,645,200	11,493,000
April 10,833,	000 8,211,000	9,213,000
May 10,193,	600 11,072,200	9,091,900
		

\$52,256.000 \$49.030,200 \$58.984.900

During May there were 162 fires of a greater destructiveness each than \$10,000. Of course there are to be included in these the loss at Dawson, Alaska, and the Indiantown fire at St. John, N.B. These are exceptional—but then there are so many exceptional fires now-a-days!

FINANCIAL MATTERS.

Commenting on the very large figures of bank clearings of last week, \$546,585,000 at thirteen cities outside New York, and \$1,693,648,000 including that city, Dun's Review says: "The volume of business shown by exchanges has been 38.3 per cent. larger than last year, and 57.1 per cent. larger than in 1892, returns showing a gain of about a third outside New York. Foreign trade indicates as before an excess of exports much smaller than last year. The course of foreign exchange is governed not by trade accounts but by needs of European bankers, who are practically helping each other to borrow from America gold which they must have and we can well spare. Whether ten or thirty millions go abroad, it is not to pay debts, but to place money where it will for the time earn more than it can here. With larger commercial demands, especially in cotton manufacture, the rates for loans are very low, and the New York market gained \$1,800,000 during the week from the interior.'

Said Mr. J. G. Cannon, the New York banker, in his address as president of the National Association of Credit Men, last week: " We have started an agitation for better credit principles, * * the frame-work of business custom has been strengthened and reconstructed. * * * In order to introduce more uniformity of action on the part of the banking interests and the mercantile community in procuring statements, as well as in the use of blanks for that purpose, I addressed seventeen different trade associations throughout the country, and all of the bankers' associations of every State in the Union, asking them to consider at their next annual convention the question of the adoption of our uniform statement blanks, and such other forms as would be useful in their business. The responses received are very encouraging. Our statement forms have already been endorsed by the National Association of Clothiers, and I am confident that many of the State bankers' associations at their annual meetings, which are to be held within a very short time, will also approve them. I have also presented the objects and aims of our organization to the Executive Council of the American Bankers' Association, directing its attention to the fact that we have adopted certain uniform blanks, and suggesting that the question be introduced for discussion at its next annual convention, with the result that the whole subject of uniform statements and credit department methods will be thoroughly canvassed at the meeting of the bankers to be held in Cleveland in September." He pronounced very strongly too against the association endorsing the proposed new Mutual Mercantile Agency. He said: "No mercantile agency, no collection agency, nor any set of men own us. We acknowledge none as masters; we are our own."

Wonderful fellows for conventions, the Americans. A Municipal Convention from all over the States is to meet at Syracuse in "the ancient Greek and Roman portion of New York State," on September 19th; a state commerce convention is proposed at some northern New York town in the same month, and the Credit Men of the United States have just concluded their three days' convention in Buffalo. Now we hear that the Bankers' Association of New York State will assemble at Saratoga in September.

The Cuban Commission has visited the United States to seek a modification of a decree issued at the direction of the President. This decree extends for two years, the time within which debts contracted in Cuba prior to December 31st last may be paid, and the commissioners, Messrs Pierra, Ramirez and others think it a mistake. They point out that the creditor class was not given an opportunity for a hearing when the decree was issued. It is unjust also to the honest debtor, who cannot obtain financial assistance, while the dishonest debtor is the only one benefited. "Our laws governing mortgages and other forms of debts and foreclosures," says Dr. Pierra, "are different from what they are in the United States, and the introduction of a new form of procedure in dealing with them and at the same time extending the debts for two years works a hardship on the honest creditor and debtor, and complicates the situation very much."

At a meeting of the bankers' section of the Montreal Board of Trade a resolution was passed expressing the profound regret at the untimely death of Mr. Francis Kennedy, for the past seven years manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia in Mont-

real, "who by his interest in all matters affecting the section, his experience and intelligence, and his kindly disposition was a valued member of the committee and had endeared himself to his fellow-bankers." The resolution was signed by A. M. Crombie, chairman, and Arthur Weir, secretary. A copy was ordered to be sent to the widow of deceased.

BARRIE BOARD OF TRADE.

The desirability of a Board of Trade for Barrie had long been street talk there, but it was not until a month ago that the initiative was taken by Mayor Wells, who called a public meeting to discuss the formation of a board to look after matters of importance relating to the trade of the town, and in some cases to advise or consult with the town council. The enthusiasm of that meeting was kindled afresh a few evenings later by Mr. Stapleton Caldecott, Toronto, who happened to be in town over night. He addressed several prominent business men on the exceptional natural advantages of Barrie. He instanced the claims of Barrie to a large share of summer tourist business, and spoke of the health and beauty, and geographical situation, respectively, of the town, as attractive to manufactures as well as summer travel. In due time the Board of Trade charter applied for was received from the Dominion Government, and at a largely attended meeting of business men the following officers were elected, the various lines of trade being well represented on the board:

President—Mr. Mortimer Atkinson, manager of Bank of Toronto.

First vice-president—Mr. A. W. Wilkinson, grain merchant. Second vice-president—Mr. James Vair, dry goods merchant and grocer.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mr. J. H. Bennett, insurance agent. Council—George Livingston, boot and shoe merchant; George Reedy, dry goods merchant; C. A. Perkins, grocer; P. Kearns, provision merchant; S. Wesley, publisher; H. J. Grasett, manager Bank of Commerce; H. H. Otton, hardware merchant; George Ball, manufacturer; John Rogerson, general agent, fire and life; Alex. Sinclair, tanner; J. J. Brown, grain and seedsman; R. E. Fletcher, contractor.

A constitution and by-laws were to be adopted at a meeting on Tuesday night last, and the board will consider manufactures, a communication having already been received from a furniture firm desirous of locating in the town. Better freight rates will also receive due attention.

FOR GROCERS AND PROVISION DEALERS.

The prospects of a fair peach crop in the Essex district are now reported in spite of the damage by frost this spring.

An Ottawa exchange: The fruit trade this season is nearly double what it has been in any previous year. The trade of the surrounding country and towns for 100 miles is all supplied from Ottawa now.

The feature of the canned vegetables market just now may be said to be Indian corn. A report reaches us that a speculator has placed orders for no less than 80,000 cases. If this should turn out true some factories will not be able to supply their regular customers.

There are some hundreds of barrels of prime P. E. Island pctatoes now in port, the owners of which find it difficult to dispose of them at the price now demanded. This clearly shows that the frost of last winter did not damage local stocks to the extent reported.—St. John's, Nfld., News.

An earnest of the much to be desired growth of the Canadian creamery butter system to much greater importance as an element in our exports to Great Britain is found in the figures of spring shipments of butter from Montreal. The quantity which has gone forward up to Saturday is practically double that of the previous spring, the figures being 22,407 packages this year, against 11,638 at same date last year.

Not much appears to be doing in "long sweetenings," such as honey and maple syrup. A Montreal report of Tuesday says that the market for maple product in that city continues quiet on account of the small offerings. We quote: Syrup, in wood, 534 to 6c. per lb.; and at 65 to 70c. per tin. Sugar sold at 8½

to 9c. per lb. In honey business was dull and prices unchanged. Quote: White clover comb, in 1-lb. sections, 8 to 9c.; dark, 6 to 7c.; white extracted, 7 to 7½c. and dark, at 4 to 5c. the pound.

Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere was on the 8th inst. waited upon by Mr. J. C. Ford, of Oakville, Ont., and Mr. G. W. Hunt, of Ottawa, who desired to enter a protest against the clauses of Mr. Penny's bill, enacting that the standard of measure for buying and selling strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, currants and other small fruits shall be the quart, which shall contain, when full, 67 cubic inches, and that the inside measurement of the standard quart basket shall be five inches and one-quarter on each side at the top, and four inches and three-eighths on each side at the bottom, and two inches and seven-eighths deep. Mr. Henderson, M.P., introduced the deputation. The speakers said the enactment of these provisions would upset the trade and make a new sized crate necessary for shipment of small fruits by rail.

On Friday last at Trenton, New Jersey, the American Pastry and Manufacturing Company was incorporated with an authorized capital of \$3,000,000. One-third of the stock is preferred, with 7 per cent. cumulative dividends. The company is to make and sell wholesale pastry. The incorporators are all Jersey City men-a dozen of them. Pie by the acre may be expected to be the outcome of such deals as these. The San Francisco Examiner of Friday last states that the Pacific Coast Biscuit Company, otherwise known as the Cracker Trust, has collapsed. Julius Brownstein, secretary of the Standard Biscuit Company, declares that the promoters of the combine could not sell the stock, and he thought that the scheme of consolidation would not be revived. It is as well to note that the Union Biscuit Company has been incorporated at St. Louis this week, with a capital of \$50,000. W. W. Moore, a Chicago capitalist, is the principal stockholder. Although the company is incorporated for only \$50,000, it is said there is a large sum of money behind the venture.

The San Francisco Country Merchant does not relish the idea of a combination of grocers in that city, and has this to say about modern tendencies: It is universally held by economists that the tendency of profits is to a minimum, or in other words for the world's work to be done cheaper and cheaper. No one can doubt the truth of this principle that has his eyes open to what is going on around him. Even the trusts have been obliged to reduce prices and margins right along. What hope, therefore can there be for the reversal of this natural process in the grocery trade, which is and must always be, open to everybody? Have our readers ever considered upon what principle it is that the number of people in the grocery business is determined? It is simply the greatest number that can continue in it and make a living. Is it not, therefore, clear that if by any means profits are increased the number of people in the business must be correspondingly augmented, and the trade to be done further divided. * * * Indeed the increase of profits and of the number of stores will make competition for business all the more keen; and when eventually prices break and return to their former level, as they invariably do, the conditions are so much the worse that everybody must lose until the people who are in excess in the business are frozen out and the standard conditions are once more re-established?

CHEESE IN NEW YORK STATE.

"New York was for a long time the premier state in dairy production," says The Chicago Record, "but of late years this position has been disputed by other states. New York is still the premier state in cheese production, about one-half the cheese produced in the Union being made in that state. New York also still leads in butter made on farms. But in co-operative butter-making, that branch of dairying which at present is making most advancement and which holds out the best prospects to the dairy farmer, New York is greatly exceeded by Iowa. In this respect it is exceeded, too, by Illinois and Pennsylvania, and it is rivaled by Wisconsin and Minnesota. New York state has always been the great seat of co-operative cheese-making in our country, and, under the advantageous operation of that method of manufacture, it early won and has ever since held the principal place in the manufacture of cheese. The following table shows the percentage of the total cheese product of the

country held by the cheese made in the state of New York over a period of forty years:

Per ct.	Per ct.
In 1850	In 1890 48

Wisconsin is next in importance as a cheese-making state, its percentage of the total production in 1890 being 21. Following Wisconsin are Ohio, 8.7 per cent; Illinois, 4 per cent., and Vermont, Iowa, Pennsylvania and Michigan."

INSURANCE MATTERS.

Politics has its rewards sometimes. When Mr. Benjamin Harrison ceased to be President of the United States he returned to the comparative obscurity of townships law. But he had influential friends who kept him in view when big fees were going. Mr. Harrison was engaged as counsel in the Venezuela case, and his fee for this service is said to be \$100,000. The Insurance Register understands that he already had \$150,000 insurance on his life and will presently add to that sum.

On Friday afternoon of last week, says The New York Journal of Commerce, in response to an invitation, about twenty prominent fire underwriters met at the Liverpool and London and Globe building to consider the present unfortunate condition of the fire insurance business and endeavor to discover some method of improving the situation. The gradual but persistent fall in rates to unprofitable figures, the non-union companies' high commissions, non-board competition—particularly that of the United States Lloyds—and last but not least the heavy fire losses, have made serious inroads on the surpluses of many companies. The meeting was quite informal and those present unburdened their minds, but it was evident before the proceedings had advanced far that a diagnosis and not a remedy would be the result of the conference.

One by one the old fashioned things are falling away. It used to be the habit years ago for fire insurance companies to label the house on which they had taken a risk. The Missouri Star says that it was a matter of pride for the householder to have a small metal sign on which was stamped in gilt letters, "Niagara" or "Aetna" or something of the sort tacked on the gable end of his porch. It was an indication that he was a business man and took life seriously. One rather pitied in those days the family of the man on whose house there was no insurance sign. It indicated that the head of the house was probably not a "good provider" and unthrifty. This little badge of thrift has gone out of usage, probably because fire insurance has become so common that it is not worth while to call the attention of the world to the fact that you are protected.

The compressed or liquid air promoter is amongst us, and companies and patents in connection therewith darken the air. Perpetual motion is whispered of, and how to ensure something being got out of nothing. Respectfully commended to the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association.—London Insurance Review.

During last week, the Canadian secretary of the Standard Life, Mr. J. Hutton Balfour, on his way to Winnipeg, spent a couple of days in Toronto, where he interviewed the agents of the company. Considering the number of new companies in the field, and the increasing competition, Mr. Balfour expressed himself as highly pleased with the business done by the company, especially in Toronto, which, we are told, shows a large increase at the end of May over that to same date, 1898. While in the city Mr. Balfour entertained members of the staff and others at luncheon in the Queen's Hotel.

Ottawa has started out to form a fire insurance company, which it may be supposed will not join the association. Up to Tuesday last there had been secured subscriptions of stock from twenty-eight parties aggregating in value \$240,000. It is desired to have say \$300,000 subscribed in amounts of \$5,000 and upwards, after which the stock books will then be thrown open to the general public who may wish to take an interest in the concern. Here is a complete list of the subscribers up to the 13th inst.: \$10,000 each—J. R. Booth, C. Magee, G. B. Pattee, C. Ross, D. Murphy, J. Roberts Allan, John Mather, C. B.

Powell, M.P.P., C. J. Booth, John Coates, A. Lumsden, M.P.P., R. J. Devlin, F. X. St. Jacques, J. A. Gemmill, C. C. Ray, J. A. Seybold, McLaughlin Bros., B. Rosamond, M.P., W. C. Edwards, M.P., W. D. Morris; \$5,000 each—G. S. May, Hon. Geo. Bryson, A. Barnet, Allan Francis (Renfrew), Allan & Fleming, W. D. Hogg, Thos. Mackay, M.P., W. J. Pcupore, M.P.

We regret to learn that the large and handsome new residence of the University of Mount Alison, at Sackville, N.B., was burned on Sunday morning last. The fire is supposed to have originated in the furnace. Professor Tweedie loses his library; some of the hospital and college society pictures and furniture were saved. The following insurances are telegraphed: Queen and Liverpool and London and Globe, \$10,000 each; Imperial and Commercial Union, \$7,500 each; Union, \$5,000.

IN THE DRY GOODS STORE.

Hot weather goods are in order now and everybody seems to be making preparation for a few weeks at summer resorts.

The Coaticooke, Que., woolen mill was burned to the ground on June 9th. The fire caught in the picking room. Only a few looms and some stock were saved. The loss is about \$10,000, which is partly insured. The building is a total loss.

An excellent advertisement is that of G. B. Ryan & Co., Guelph, now running in The Mercury. The space occupied by the firm in the newspaper extending over several columns, contains a cut of a big trans-atlantic liner, with these words in large type: "ONCE MORE THEY'RE OFF, OUR THREE BUYERS." Messrs. Ryan & Co. make interesting statements about their three stores.

From Nottingham it is reported that "the plain departments are very busy and the lace departments fairly well off, but there are departments—the embroideries, for instance—which are slack. Such goods as bobbin nets, mosquito nets, and tulles can scarcely be supplied fast enough, and there are no stocks to speak of. In laces, Valenciennes is still most popular, but other makes sell pretty well, and special goods are being made in quantity."

For five months of the present year no fewer than fifty new cotton mills have been built or are projected in the Southern States of the Union. These mean the employment of 600,000 or perhaps 700,000 new spindles, and the expenditure of perhaps \$11,500,000. Besides this, says The Commercial Bulletin, some thirty of the established cotton manufacturing concerns are enlarging their plants, which will add 400,000 more spindles. Much of this industrial expansion is taking place in North and South Carolina, but Georgia is a good third.

Mail advices from Leeds, Yorkshire, state: "Warehouse stocks of winter cloths are much reduced during the few days that business has been resumed. The turnover has been principally of reversibles, presidents, beavers, heavy diagonals, and mixture overcoatings. Of tweeds, mixtures and the Irish kinds are the most salable, prices being steady. At a sale by auction of some thousand pieces of meltons the ordinary prices for medium sorts were barely realized. Cloths for women's wear have been poor business owing to the bad weather, and they are still quiet."

The dry goods section of the Montreal Board of Trade has expressed by resolution its surprise that another serious case of undervaluation has been settled by the Government, and they refer to the case of 5th June, which we mentioned last week. "The firm referred to have largely advertised the Gold Medal dress goods as extra value and cheap. It now appears that they are being undervalued at the customs, and in some cases German goods have been passed as English to obtain the rebate in the duties." The resolution goes on to say that the dry goods trade expects the Government to protect the members who honestly pay the full duty, and not to leave them open to unfair competition of unprincipled persons, who do not pay the proper duty. And the association "protests in the strongest way against the Government compremising any case in which fraud is suspected, and hopes that the policy pursued in the future will be never to compromise any such cases."

TORONTO STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

The past has been a dull week on the local market, although stocks generally remain firm but heavy. Bank shares, as a result of the good showing made in the annual statements, are very firm and in some cases good advances have been made. Ontario sold from 132 to 135. One lot of Imperial to-day sold at 220, an advance of 5 points. The inactivity in the other securities is accounted for by the refusal of the banks to advance money on call loans. It was generally thought that after the publication of annual statements of the banks they would be more disposed to make advances, but contrary to expectations the stringency in the money market still continues. The payment of dividends does not seem to have improved matters much. C.P.R. declined from 981/8, last week's closing figures, to 967/8. probably as a result of the change in the management of the company. Electric stocks remain firm, although General Electric has receded somewhat from last week's quotations, selling to-day at 1571/4 and 1561/8. The Dunlop Tire Co. has declared a dividend on the preferred stock for the period ending 30th June. The stock sold this week as high as 117. Toronto Railway closed weaker at 1151/4. Richelieu is also lower at 1101/4. Mining stocks have been fairly active, but prices are generally lower as a result of the labor troubles. War Eagle declined from 385 to 3743/4; Republic and Cariboo both sold to-day at 125. Following are the transactions:

Ontario Bank, 42 at 132-135; Bank of Toronto, 10 at 243; Merchants' Bank of Canada, 7 at 171-172; Bank of Commerce, 112 at 152-154; Imperial Bank, 23 at 215-220; Dominion Bank, 10 at 265; Standard Bank, 25 at 191; Bank of Hamilton, 2 at 191; Traders Bank, 1 at 1181/2; Western Assurance Co., 235 at 169-1694; Ontario & Qu'Appelle Land Co., 35 at 60; C.P.R., 1,400 at 96-9734; Toronto Electric Light Co., 5 at 1391/2; Canadian General Electric Co., 179 at 15634-158; Crow's Nest Coal Co., 105 at 140; Twin City Railway, 50 at 69; Payne Mining Co., 5,500 at 146-15234; Empress Mining Co., 1,500 at 6; Dunlop Tire Co., pref., 86 at 116-117; Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Co., 100 at 11014-112; Toronto Railway Co., 425 at 11514-11856; Hamilton Electric Light Co., 20 at 80; War Eagle Mining Co., 33,675 at 3744-385; Republic Mining Co., 9,700 at 125-131; Cariboo (McKinney) Mining Co., 700 at 125-130; Canada Landed & National Investment Co., 32 at 1011/2-102; Canada Permanent Loan Co., 50 at 119; Union Loan & Savings Co., 46 at 381/2-40; Western Canada Loan & Savings Co., 10 at 118.

THE CHEESE BOARDS.

Reports received this week show that at twenty-one board meetings, 26,470 boxes of cheese were offered, while last year at twenty meetings the offerings were 29,794 boxes. As shown by our table appended, salesmen are not disposed to sell at the prices offered which ranged from 7½ to 83-16c. Last year during the corresponding week prices were considerably lower, at from 6% to 7½c:

Boards and Date of meeting.	No. of facto- ries.	Cheese boarded. Boxes.	Cheese sold. Boxes.	Price Per lb. Cts.
Breckville, June 8.		4,746	60.	8
Chesterville, June 8		603	• • • •	81/8
Kingston, June 8		2,091		8 1-16
Madoc, June 8		1,005	925	8 1-16-1/8
Brighton, June 9		700	535	8
Iroquois, June 9	••••	715	• • • •	7%
Kemptville, June 9.		890	890	8-8 1-16
Lindsay, June 9		1,286	1,286	7 15-16-8
Perth, June 9		1,400	800	81/8
Ottawa, June 9	•• •• '	1,021	986	8-8 3-16
Shelburne, June 9	••	744		71/2
Winchester, June 9.		533	• • • •	8
Belleville, June 10.		1,870	770	8 3-16
London, June 10	' 16	1,377	892	7 9-16-15-16
Campbellford, June	13,	1,480	825	8 1-16-1/8
Ingersoll, June 13		250		73⁄4
Napanee, June 14.		1,570	1,090	8 1-16
Picton, June 14	16	1,385	1,135	8 3-16
Stirling, June 14		1,000	1,000	8-8 1-16
Tweed, June 14		795	435	81/8-3-16
Woodstock, June 14	6	1,009	251	8

-It was a very much interested, though not an unusally veciferous gathering, which crowded the wharf from which the steamer "Chicora" steamed away on Tuesday. Torontonians by the hundred wished to say good-speed to the members of the Argonaut Rowing Club who have gone to Henley-on-Thames, to try their skill as oarsmen against old country brawn and muscle. And the young men whom they had assembled there to honor were of a type, physical and moral, to do no discredit to the Dominion. Nothing more popular has been done of late by the Toronto Board of Trade than the presentation by its executive to the president and members of the Argonaut Club of an address conveying the encouragement and good will of the Board to the departing group of oarsmen. The resolution was uncommonly well expressed, dwelling upon the sportsmanlike spirit of the Briton and the assurance that fair play would be accorded every man and team; dwelling also upon the education "Our Boys" have had in Toronto, the home of true sport.

-Among the men of force and executive ability conspicuous of recent years in connection with great enterprises on this continent, Sir William Van Horne merits high place. After more than one false start, in selection, the Canadian Pacific Railway secured in him, about 1884, the right man as general manager, and much of this company's astonishing success has been due to his persistent energy. Sir William deserves the rest he now aims to secure by resigning the presidency of the road and taking the chairmanship of the board. Mr. Thomas G. Shaughnessy, who has been elected president, is universally conceded to be an ideal railway man. Not only has he the requisite knowledge of his business, and an excellent mental outfit, but he has personal qualities which attach people to him, from train hands up to directors. In Mr. D. McNicoll. who is promoted to be assistant general manager of the road, its patrons will find a steadfast and capable official.

—We learn from Montreal that the business of La Banque Jacques Cartier at Arthabaska Station, Que., has been transferred to the Quebec Bank. The latter bank has opened for business with Mr. A. C. Powell in charge as manager. We learn further that Mr. A. B. Van Felson, formerly manager of the upper town branch of the Quebec Bank in Quebec city, has been appointed manager of the Quebec branch of the People's Bank of Halifax.

—Belleville is offering 3½ per cent. debentures for the purchase of waterworks and for the bonusing of rolling mills. Calgary asks tenders for \$90,000 debentures to build waterworks. Listowel is retiring former obligations by issuing some \$13,000 in 4 per cents. Drainage debentures are offered by the Government of Manitoba to the amount of \$200,000, bearing 4 per cent., repayable in thirty years.

—The statement of the Imperial Bank of Canada for the twelve months ended with May has been issued. It shows remarkable earnings, much in excess of several previous years. The net profits were \$302,676, which is at the rate of more than 15 per cent. on capital.

—We are informed that the Molsons Bank, in response to a requisition signed by all the influential merchants in Victoriaville, Que., will open a branch in that town on Monday, the 19th inst., under the management of Mr. A. Marchand.

CLEARING HOUSE FIGURES.

The following are the figures of Canadian clearing houses for the week ended with Thursday, June 15th, 1899, compared with those of the previous week

Montreal	June 15th, 1999.	\$16,154,366
Toronto		10,062,887
Winnipeg	1,870,896	2,110,990
Halifax	1,216,542	1,408,555
Hamilton	746,569	
St. John	601,084	782,634
Victoria		695,910
Vancouver	. 724,079	714,978
	\$2 9,990,334	\$32,746,434

Aggregate balances, this week, \$3,800,032; last week, \$4,497,359.

Meetings.

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS' BANK.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank was held at their bankinghouse, in the city of Sherbrooke, on Wednesday, 7th day of June instant, only a small number of shareholders being

Notice of meeting having been read, R. W. Heneker, Esq., the president, took the chair.

Wm. Farwell, the general manager, was elected secretary.

F. C. Thompson and C. D. were elected scrutineers of votes.

Minutes of the last annual meeting were then read, after which the president, on behalf of the directors, submitted the following report.

REPORT.

The directors have the pleasure at the close of another—the fortieth—year their business, to meet the shareholders and render an account of their steward-ship: Although the annual returns may be classed as satisfactory, the net earnings of the year have not been as large as they anticipated a year ago; but this is accounted for by the active competition which is now taking place in every branch of business—banking not excepted.

The profit and loss statement shows that not only has provision been made for the usual dividend of 7 per cent. per annum—of which \$52,500 was paid in January last, and a like sum will be payannum-of which \$52,500 was able on the 3rd July next-but that \$15,-000 has been transferred to the Reserve Fund, which now amounts to \$850,000, representing over 56 per cent. of the capital, leaving to be carried forward a credit balance of \$41,994.72, as compared with \$22,226.50 in the previous year.

The interest-bearing deposits show a very considerable increase, which may be taken as evidence of continued confidence in the high position attained by the bank.

The general business of the Eastern Townships' during the past year has been active and profitable. Indeed, the trade returns of the Dominion show a like degree of prosperity, which has com-pensated largely for the long period of dullness which formerly prevailed. Agriculture, manufactures, lumbering in the shape of pulp wood, mining, and commercial business have all shared in this prosperity. From a study of the reports of Dun & Company and Bradstreet, it will be seen that the failures have not only been fewer than in previous years, but the aggregate of loss has been less.

The shareholders cannot but be aware of the fact that the gold-bearing region of British Columbia is being very largely developed, and after careful consideration the directors have come to the conclusion that it would be wise to open a branch at Grand Forks, B.C., a small town on the direct line of railway leading into the heart of the mining region. Smelting works will be established at this point, and a profitable business is looked for. Smelting which it is intended shall be conducted upon strictly business principles, as at other points.

All the offices of the bank have been, as usual, carefully inspected during the year; and in conclusion the directors have again to record their entire satisfaction in regard to the zeal and assiduity of the staff generally.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the

R. W. HENEKER, President.

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 15TH, 1899. Balance at credit of profit and loss, brought forward from
May 15th, 1898\$ 22,726 50 Profit of head office and branches, after deducting charges of management, ap propriation towards pension fund, interest due depositors, and provision for bad and doubtful debts 139,268 22

\$161,994 72

APPROPRIATED AS FOLLOWS: Dividend of 3½ per Dividend of 3½ per cent., paid 2nd January, 1899\$52,500 00 Dividend of 3½ per cent., payable 3rd July, 1899 52,500 00 Transferred to Reserve fund 15,000 00 - 120,000 00

Balance carried forward\$41,994 72 GENERAL STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, MAY 15TH, 1899.

Liabilities. Capital paid up.. \$
Reserve fund ...\$ 850,000 00 \$1,500,000 00 Balance profits carried forward. Balance 41,994 72 Dividend No. 79 of 3½ per cent., payable 3rd July next 52,500 00 Dividends unclaimed 3,793 57 948,288 29

\$2,448,288 29 Notes of the bank in circulation\$ 924,012 00 Deposits payable on demand .. 838,855 95 Deposits payable after notice Due banks in the 4,016,317 04 United Kingdom ... 44,970 78 Due banks in for-25,800 59 eign countries...

- 5,849,956 36 \$8,298,244 65 Assets. Specie 108,226 05 Dominion notes. 109,133 00 Bills and cheques on other banks 50,392 32 Due from other banks in Canada 309,731 39 Due from other banks not in Canada Dominion Gov-ernment deben-213,567 14 tures 13,000 00 Provincial Government debentures and other public securities 284,312 10 Call loans on bonds and

stocks 65,426 89 Total assets immediately available Deposits with

Dominion Government for security of bank note circulation\$ Current loans,

discounts and advances to the public 6,803,397 24 ·

Real estate, other than bank premises Debts secured by mortgages ...

86,633 06 21,443 73

52,897 53

- 1,153,788 89

Loans overdue. all loss provided for Other assets and items in transitu between offices of the bank....

furniture

18,904 40

34,334 80 7,017,610 76 premises and bank

\$8,298,244 65

126,845 00

WM. FARWELL,

General Manager. Upon conclusion of reading of the report, the president addressed the meeting, referring briefly to the establishment of the bank in 1859, and the prosperity which had ever since attended it through its being constantly in touch with the business interests of the section served, holding that other than the bank and the country had progressed by thus acting together. He then referred to the various items of the statement and the growth of the deposits, showing the general prosperity of the country.

Remarks followed by Mr. Pierce and others, mainly relative to the establishment of the branch in British Columbia, after which the report as read was adopted. The thanks of the shareholders were voted to the president and directors, also to the general manager, managers and other officers of the bank.

The ballot was then taken for the election of directors for the ensuing year, when the scrutineers reported the re-election of the previous board, viz.: R. W. Heneker, Hon. M. H. Cochrane, Israel Wood, T. J. Tuck, C. H. Kathan, G. Stevens, N. W. Thomas, J. N. Galer, and H. B. Brown, Q.C.

There being no further business, the

meeting adjourned.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, June 14th, 1899. , same 1898. STOCKS. Montreal 251 251 Montrea.
Ontario......
Molsons
Toronto 25 250 240 1581 241 25 35 Moisons
Toronto
J. Cartier
Merchants
Commerce 198 108 170 153<u>1</u> 120 168 153<u>1</u> 108 168 151 120 140 137 150 Nationale
M. Telegraph ...
R. & O. Nav. ...
Street Ry.
do. New ... 24 300 4212 1651 161 6310 177 112 328 32, 202 170 103 256 252 325 Gas......C.P.R. 1811 - 170 25 \$6000

TORONTO MARKETS.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—Butter is coming forward very freely. In dairy, tubs now make up the bulk of receipts on account of the hot weather. Apparently, in spite of the large receipts, dealers have no difficulty in disposing of stocks and keep well sold up. Creamery is steady and in both good supply and demand. Cheese is steady, with 8 to 8½c. per lb. quoted on the local market. There are fairly large deliveries of eggs at country points, but prices are high. The season was, it will be remembered, some three or four weeks late in starting, and picklers, mindful of last year's good returns, have been anxious to fill their vats, and are competing for supplies. It is the general opinion that when the pickling season closes in the first weeks of July, the quantity of eggs in pickle will be larger than usual.

THE ____

Montreal Boundary Creek Mining Co. LIMITED.

Capital Stock, \$2,000,000.

2,000,000 Shares.

Par Value, \$1.00 Each.

Executive Office MONTREAL, P.Q.

OFFICERS:

HON. A. W. OGILVIE, President.

W. BARCLAY STEPHENS, Esq., Vice-President. W. JACQUES, Esq., Secretary-Treasurer.

DIRECTORS:

HON. A. W. OGILVIE, Senator of Canada, Montreal. HON. RICHARD TURNER, of Whitehead & Turner,

W. L. HOGG, Esq., Manager of The Investment Co., Limited, Montreal.

T. W. HORN, Esq., Pres't Luxfer Prism Co., Toronto. W. BARCLAY STEPHENS, Esq., Manager Western Loan and Trust Co., Montreal.

JAS. G. ROSS, Esq., of P. S. Ross & Sons, Montreal. HERMAN YOUNG, Esq., of H. & J. Young, Quebec.

AUDITORS:

P. S. ROSS & SONS.

TRUSTEES:

THE INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Montreal Boundary Creek Mining Company, Limited, has recently purchased the well known mining properties, viz., "Sunset," "Crown Silver," and "C.O.D.," situated three miles from Greenwood City in

Silver," and "C. O. D.," situated three miles from Greenwood City in Deadwood Camp, Boundary Creek District, British Columbia.

These properties adjoin the famous "Mother Lode," and are located in one of the richest mining districts in British Columbia.

The development work done upon the Montreal Boundary Creek Mining Company's properties is very extensive, and shows an immense body of ore carrying most encouraging values in gold and copper. Upon the "Sunset" alone the following development work has been accomplished:—A shaft has been sunk to the depth of 200 feet and 1,175 feet of tunnelling done. At the 100 foot level an ore body over 70 feet wide was uncovered, which has been proven by further development to be was uncovered, which has been proven by further development to be

The Canadian Pacific Railway will run across the Company's properties, thus affording splendid shipping facilities for its ores. The Company has arranged for the purchase of one of the largest mining plants in the Boundary Creek District, which will be in operation within

three months.

A limited amount of stock is offered to the public until June 20th at

25 cents per share, fully paid and non-assessable.

Applications for stock will be received by, and any information may be obtained through brokers, Room 13, Western Loan & Trust Building, St. Sacrament Street, Montreal, or the Secretary, 47 St. Francois Xavier Street, Montreal.

No application for stock will be accepted under 1,000 shares.

BUCHANAN & JONES, Agents, 27 Jordan Street, Toronto.

TORONTO STOCKS IN STORE.	
June 12,	une 13,
1899.	1898.
Hard wheat 6,800	9,500
Fall wheat	5,779
Spring wheat 2,964	875
Goose wheat 2,400	3,800
Barley 10,750	1,700
Oats 1,400	2,000
Peas 0,000	7,600.
Corn	10.000

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

	June 12,	June 13,
	1899.	18 9 8.
Wheat	<i>27,</i> 61 <i>7,</i> 000	19,682,000
Corn	13,266,000	21,445,000
Oats	8,133,000	7,113,000
Rye		1,178,000
Barley	1,264,000	497,000

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Trade is quiet. For export, dealers are bidding \$2.80 for straight roller (buyers' bags), while in the local jobbing trade straight roller brings \$3.15 in barrels. Only a small trade is doing in millfeed, with bran quoted \$13, and shorts \$14.50 to \$15 per ton.

GRAIN.—There have only been moderate transactions on the local market this week. For red and white Ontario wheat 71 to 72c. per bushel is quoted north and west. Manitoba wheat is steady and without change at about 88 to 90c. per bushel. There is little of interest to report of oats; the market is steady but quiet, with 20 to 30c. per bushel quoted. Peas are slightly weaker with transactions at 64 to 66c. per bushel. Barley is dull. Buckwheat is in moderate request at unchanged prices. For American corn, No. 2 grade, 42½c. is asked on track here. Rye remains quiet and prices nominally unchanged.

GREEN FRUIT.—There is a good seasonable, trade movement in green fruit. Oranges are about out of the market. The light stock on hand shows the effects of long keeping in cold storage, and is in poor condition. Prices, however, have advanced, and we quote: Boxes, 200's and 300's, \$4.50 to \$5; halfboxes, 180's, \$2.75. The hot weather has brought out a good demand for lemons, and the movement is very brisk. Prices are as follows: Extra fancy, 360's, 300's, \$3.50 to \$3.75; fancy, 300's, \$3 to \$3.25; extra choice, 300's, 360's, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Bananas are selling well at \$1.50 to \$2 per bunch. Pineapples are not abundant. Canadian strawberries are coming forward more freely, and find ready sale, with prices continuing high.

GROCERIES.—There is a fair seasonable movement in general grocery supplies. For sugars there is active demand, as is usual before and during the fruit canning season. In canned goods there is nothing new and the recent action of the canners in advancing prices has apparently had little effect upon the trade movement. Coffees are quiet. Teas are being distributed but with no special activity.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The market shows little or no change. Hide values are firm. Prices to butchers are unaltered. We hear this week of cured hides sold in a small way at 9½c. per lb. Sheepskins are quiet. Lambskins are quoted 25c. each. Calfskins are quiet with 9c. per lb. paid for green skins. Tallow is steady and without special feature.

LEATHER.—There is a good steady demand for both sole and black leathers. Prices are being fairly well maintained. For sole leather there is good demand from manufacturers and country jobbers. Glove leather and buff, as well as splits, are going by way of export freely, and bring remunerative prices. A mail report from Leicester, England, says: "The boot and shoe trade is active all round. Stocks are very small, and the deliveries

have been extremely heavy for the past two months. The sales of leather are still large, and prices are very firm all round. Glove and satin hides, red sides and wax splits of Canadian and American tannage, and French and German calf are extremely dear. English light sole leathers are a very brisk trade at extreme quotations.

Provisions.—There is brisk movement in hog products and supplies are being freely distributed to the centres of consumption. Long, clear bacon is quoted 6½ to 7c., and breakfast smoked, 10 to 10½c. per lb.; hams are steady at 10c. per lb., and rolls continue steady and unchanged at a range of 8 to 8½c. per lb.

Wool.--The season is now active. Deliveries of the new clip are being freely made. For washed fleece wool 14c. is the standard price quoted. Of unwashed wool there is only a moderate quantity coming in, and for the few parcels offered 8 to 8½c. per lb. is being paid. We are inclined to look for a firmer feeling in wool before the season is over, although we frankly confess local authorities do not share our views. In the United States a more cheerful tone has prevailed the past two weeks, and is none the less pronounced during the week under review, with sellers in most in-stances holding out for full current rates. The goods market is slowly working into better shape. Clay worsteds and serges have been advanced from 2½ to 5 per cent. this week, and the improved condition of the dry goods trade has sent these men into the market. Medium wools have not advanced, but Territory wools of fine medium grade are now selling at 45c. to 47c. clean, and purchases have been made in Texas and Idaho at prices equivalent to 50c. landed in Bos-The situation in the local market is still depressed, and probably the best that can be said of it is that it is without prospects of improvement.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, 14th June, 1899.

Ashes.—The market remains a dull one, and tending, if anything, to weakness. British demand is light, and shipments but moderate. Quotations are more or less nominal, at about \$4 for first pots, \$3.75 for seconds, and \$4.75 for pearls.

CEMENTS AND FIREBRICKS.—The demand for cements has not been particularly active since the opening of the season, and while a fair aggregate of business is reported in small to car lots, no big orders are being booked. Receipts for the week ending to-day are 4,800 barrels of Belgian and German, 1,600 barels of English, and 166,000 firebricks. We quote Belgian, \$2 to \$2.10; English, \$2.30 to \$2.40, and German, \$2.45 to \$2.60; firebricks, \$16 to \$22 per thousand.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—There is a moderate local movement. Butter is a shade firmer this week at 17 to 17½c. per lb. for finest creamery, a figure somewhat above the ideas of exporters; dairy from 12 to 15½c., according to quality. Shipments last week were comparatively small, being 1,380 packages, but the aggregate for the season thus far is ahead of last year, being 22,407 packages, as compared with 11,638 at date in 1898. Cheese values are fairly firm at about last week's figures, namely, 8 to 8½c. for colored, and 7¾ to 8½c. for white. Last week's shipments were liberal, aggregating 52,374 boxes, as against 26,926 boxes same week of last year.

DRY GOODS.—The warm weather is beneficial to trade generally, and city retailers profess to be well pleased with the volume of sales. Wholesale dealers

report good sorting business in muslins, washgoods, and other seasonable fabrics, and also a fair booking of fall orders. They say they have no complaints to make as regards collections.

FURS.—Despite the warm weather, some fair mixed lots of raw furs are still being received, for which quotations, as below, are being paid. The results of the London June sales will be available for next week's issue. We quote: Mink, dark, \$2 to \$2.50; pale, \$1 to \$1.25; marten, large, \$3 to \$3.50; dark, from \$4 to \$6; fisher, \$4 to \$6.50; lynx, large, \$2.50; small, \$1.50 to \$2; otter, \$8 to \$13; large red fox, \$2; small, \$1.80; cross fox, \$3 to \$7; silver fox, \$20 to \$75; choice bear, \$12 to \$18; medium, \$10 to \$14; small, \$5 to \$9; skunk, 20c., 40c., 60c., and 90c.; coon, 20c., 40c., 60c., and 90c.; fall rats, 8c. to 12c.; kitts, 2c. to 6c.; winter, 12c. to 14c.; choice spring, 15 to 18c.

MONTREAL STOCKS IN STORE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.
	June 5.	June 12.
Wheat	324,953	459,023
Corn	56,723	88,665
Oats	464,998	486,157
Rye	3,98 3	4,149
Peas	109,059	103,615
Barley	11,688	11,688
Total grain	971,455	1,153,297
Oatmeal	184	326
Flour	20,301	21,672
Buckwheat	4,487	4.786

GROCERIES.—Refiners report a good demand for sugars, with strong outside markets for both raw and refined, and if further advances develop in New York, prices here will likely go up a peg. Factory quotations here are \$4.50 for standard granulated, with yellows ranging from \$3.70 to \$4.25. The situation as regards the several houses before referred to as standing aloof from the general understanding between refiners and the trade, is still unchanged. Very few American sugars are now being brought in, as American granulated would cost about \$4.65 to lay down. Barbadoes molasses is reported a point lower at the island, reaching 14c. first cost, equal to about 32 to 32½c. per gal. laid down, but the cargo received last week was sold to arrive, when the market was at a higher notch, and 36c. is said to have been the figure realized. Jobbing figures at the moment are 36c. for single puncheons, and 35c. for car lots. Some moderate



Debentures for Sale.

The undersigned is prepared to receive offers for the purchase of

Debentures of Drainage District No. 2.

in the Province of Manitoba, guaranteed, by the Province, and issued under the provisions of "The Land Drainage Act," 1895, and amendments thereto, the whole issue amounting to about the sum of \$35,0,000 o, of which only \$200,000 oo may be sold at present; such debentures to be dated July 1st, 1899, payable in thirty years from the date of issue, and bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly.

All offers must be addressed to the undersigned, marked "Tender for Debentures," and must reach this office not later than the 20th day of July, 1899 and must state the rate per centum offered for the whole of the issue, or the \$200,000.00 worth, whether the debentures are desired in currency or sterling, the denomination or denominations (not more than two), and number of each desired, and at what place it is desired to have the debentures and interest made payable.

Delivery of, and payment for the debentures to be

Delivery of, and payment for the debentures to be made in Winnipeg, on or about the 20th of August next. Coupons representing unearned interest to be paid for or detached.

D. H. McMILLAN, Provincial Treasurer.

Provincial Treasurer's Office, Winnipeg, Man., June 3rd, 1899.

wholesale orders are reported as booked for new pack of tomatoes, peas and corn, at the figures noted as fixed by the Can
Steel boiler plate, 4-inch, and upat the figures noted as fixed by the Canpackers are reported to have advised their local agents not to push for contracts on corn, because it is reported that a speculator has placed orders for 80,000 cases of corn, which, if true, will likely make some factories short for general business. Orders for round lots of new strawberries have been booked at \$1.35. Some business has been done in new pack of Rivers Inlet, B.C., salmon at \$4 on coast, but no orders have yet been recented for Exercise Price of the same part of ported for Fraser River pack. Dried apples are reported very scarce and wanted, with 6½c. now being asked by some holders; evaporated are worth 9c. in a jobbing way.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—Business in hides during the week has been rather slow, but with regard to prices there has beeen no change, dealers paying 9c. for No. I green beef hides, 10 and 8c. per lb. for calfskins, No. I and 2, and 20c. each for lambskins and clips. Tallow holds its recently-acquired gain, rendered selling at 434 to 5c. per lb., and butchers realizing 2c. on the average for rough.

LEATHER.-Local boot and shoe men are still light buyers. A Bristol (England), leather man has been in the market since last writing, apparently an anxious buyer, and is reported to have picked up some fair lots of sole. A London buyer was also here, but did not apparently do much business. Last week's steamers took out some good lots of Western splits and glove leather. We quote: Spanish sole, B.A., No. 1, 24c. to 24½; No. 2, 23c. to 23½; No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 23 to 24c.; No. 2, 21 to 22c.; No. 1 slaughter, 26 to 28c.; No. 2, do., 24 to 26c.; common, 20 to 21c.; Waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; do., heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; Western splits, 21 to 24c.; Quebec do., 16 to 18c.; juniors, 16 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calfskins, (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 28c.; Canadian, 20 to 24c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; rus-24c.; colored pebble cow, 3 to 15c.; rus-set sheepskins linings, 30 to 40c.; colored, 6 to 7½c.; harness, 24 to 27c.; buffed cow, 13 to 15c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebble cow, 11½ to 13c.; polished buff, 12 to 13c.; glove-grain, 12 to 13c.; rough, 22 to 23c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Business is reported fairly active for the season, and values in most lines are very firmly held, indeed further stiffening is reported in For Hamilton No. 1 pig some lines. iron \$20 cash is asked for round lots, and \$20.50 for smaller parcels. Manufacturers of American iron pipe advanced prices last Friday, and the local mills followed suit on Monday. Tin plates are steady at the advance noted last week, and some 00.00; common ditto, \$00 to 00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.80 to \$1.85; Canada plates— Pontypool or equal, \$2.25; 52 sheets to box: 60 sheets, \$2.30 to 2.35; 75 sheets, \$2.40; Galvanized Canada plates, \$4 to \$2.40; Galvanized Canada plates, \$4 to \$4.25 per box of 52 sheets; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$6 to \$6.25; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.30; No. 26, \$2.25; No. 24, \$2.20; No. 16, and heavier, \$2.45; tin plates—Charcoal, I. C. Alloway, \$3.60 to \$3.65; do., I.X., \$4.25; P.D. Crown, I.C., \$4 to 4.25; ditto, I.X., \$4.50; coke, I.C., \$3.30 to \$3.35; ditto, standard, \$3 for 100 lbs. collapsed sheets No. 28 codinary lbs.; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, \$4.50; No. 26, \$4 to \$4.25; No. 24, \$4 in case lots; Morewood, \$5 to 5.10;

wards, \$2.75 to 2.90 for Dalzell and equal; ditto, three-sixteenths inch, \$2.75 to \$3; tank iron, ¼-inch, \$1.50; three-sixteenths, ditto, \$2; tank steel, \$1.75; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.40 to 2.45; Russian sheet iron, 9c.; lead, per 100 lbs., \$4; sheet, \$4.50 to 4.60; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast-steel, 8 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.75; best cast-steel, 8 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.75; spring, \$2.75; sleigh shoe, 00.0; tire, 0.00; round machinery steel, \$2.75 to \$3, as to finish; ingot tin, 28½ to 29c. for L. & F. Straits, 28¼ to 28¾c. bar tin, 30c.; ingot copper, 19 to 19½c.; sheet-zinc, \$7.50 to \$8; Silesian spelter, \$7 to \$7.25; Veille Montagne spelter, \$7.25 to \$7.50; American spelter, \$7 to \$7.25; antimony 10½c. antimony, 10½c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Linseed oil has developed another marked advance of 2c. per gallon, and some houses complain of much difficulty in getting even small lots of raw. Turpentine has at last de-clined a couple of cents per gallon, but the market South is reported to again firmed up since the change was made locally. Other lines are unaltered. We quote: Single barrels, raw and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 55 and 58c. per gal.; for one to four barrel lots; 5 to 9 barrels, 54 and 57c.; net 30 days, or 3 per cent., for 4 months' terms. Turpentine one to four barrels, 62c.; five to nine barrels, 61c.; net 30 days. Olive oil, machinery, 90c.; Cod oil, 34 to 36c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 37½ to 40c. per gallon. Castor oil, 8 to 8½c. in quantity; tins, 9 to 9½c.; machinery castor oil, 7½ to 8c.; Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$6; No. 1, \$5.62½; No. 2, \$5.30; No. 3, \$4.87½; No. 4, \$4.50; dry white lead, 5½ to 6c. for pure; No. 1, ditto, 5c.; genuine red ditto, 5c.; No. 1, red lead, 4½ to 43½c.; Putty, in bulk, bbls., \$1.65; kegs, \$1.80; bladder putty, in bbls., \$1.80; smaller quantities, \$1.95; 25-lb. tins, \$2.05; 12½-lb. tins, \$2.30. London washed whiting, 37 to 40c.; Paris white, 75 to 80c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to \$2. Window glass, \$1.80 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.90 for second break. Turpentine one to four barrels, 62c.; five to \$2. Window glass, \$1.80 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.90 for second break. Paris green, 14c. in 50 and 100-lb packages; 15c. in 25-lb. packages; pound packages, in boxes. 15½ to 16c.

WOOL.—Very little buying of raw wool is reported during the past fortnight, as manufacturers say they cannot pay the present high prices of imported stock, and some of them are reported to be turning more of their attention to domestic fleece. For Capes 17½ to 21c. is asked, greasy Australian, 25 to 27c., and for B.A.'s, 40 to 45c. is wanted. A local importing firm has about 400 bales of Cape afloat, which they say they will not be able to sell below 20c.

THE COTTON MARKET.

The feature of the week was the month-ly report by the United States Government's Agricultural Bureau, which made a decrease in the acreage from last year of 8 per cent., and placed the average condition on June 1st, at 85.7, against 89 on the same date last year. From New Orleans, June 9th, comes the following: "Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a decrease for the week just closed shows a decrease for the week just closed of 76,797 bales, against a decrease of 77,062 last year, and a decrease of 71,563 in 1895. The total visible is 3,444,613 bales, against 3,521,410 last week, and 2,792,049 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 3,138,613 bales, against 3,245,410 last week, and 2,501,049 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 306,000 bales, against 276,000 last week, and 291,000 last year.

THE BRITISH CANADIAN LOAN AND INVESTMENT CO., Limited

DIVIDEND NO. 43

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of Five per sent, per annum on the paid up capital of the company for the half-year ending 30th June, 1899, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable on the 3rd day of July next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 22nd to the 33th proximo, both days inclusive.

By order of the Directors.

R. H. TOMLINSON, Manager.

Toronto, May 30th, 1899.



TENDERS FOR PLACER MINING CLAIMS ON DOMINION CREEK, IN THE YUKON TERRITORY.

SEALED Tenders addressed to the undersigned and marked on the envelope "Tender for a placer mining claim" will be received at this Department until noon on Friday the first day of September, 1899, for placer claims and fractions of claims on Dominion Creek reserved for the Crown.

The following is a list of the numbers of the claims and fractions and the approximate frontage thereof as surveyed by Messrs. James Gibbons and R. W. Cautley Dominion Land Surveyors:—

	BELOW UPPI	ER DISCOVERY.	
No.	Length in ft.	No.	Length in ft.
1 &	5.	10 A	33.3
2 A	19.	15 A	42.25
3 A	30.2	31 A	48
8 A	87.4	02.12	10
	ABOVE LOWI	ER DISCOVERY.	
No.	Length in ft.	No.	Length
1 A	12.	6 A	35:00
2 A	59.1	10 A	143·25
4 A	1.25	10 11	140 20
7 42			
١		ER DISCOVERY.	•
No.	Length in ft.	No.	Length in ft.
1 A	56 3	75 A	24.7
2 A	7.2	76	500·
2 ()	20.3	57 70 G	449.8
8 A	34.00	16 C	33.8
9 A	3 25	1 + A	164.7
1 A	58.4	78 A	3.6
13 A	6+5 40+15	80	431·3
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37	500	94	500·
38	352	95	500·
68 A	917	96	500·
69 A	40.5	97	500·
70 A	72.6	98	5 00·
71	414.4	99	500·
73 A	12.3	100	478.7
74 A	21.3	101	119.

Each tender shall specify the numbers of the claims and fractions tendered for and also the amount of bonus offered for each claim and fraction. The tender may be for the whole lot or any one or more of the claims and fractions and must be accompanied by an accepted cheque in favour of the Minister of the Interior for ten per cent. of the amount offered one-half or the remainder to be paid into the Department of the Interior at Ottawa or to the Commissioner of the Yukon Territory at Dawson within thirty days from notice of acceptance of tender, and the balance within six months thereafter with interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum.

Entries for the claims and fractions will be granted in accordance with the Placer Mining Regulations on acceptance of tender.

in accordance with tacceptance of tender.

The entries will be subject to the usual royalty and the provisions of the said Regulations from time to time in force, except as to representation provided for by Clause 39, which will not be required.

The claims and fractional claims for which entries may be granted shall not include any portion of the bench or hill claims for which entry may have been previously

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

JOHN R. HALL,

Secretary

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, 27th May, 1800.

TORONTO PRICES CURRENT.

	Name of Article	Wholesule Rates.	Name of Article	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.
•	Breadstuffs.		Groceries.—Con.	\$ c. \$ c.	Hardware.—Con.		Canned Fruits.
1	Manitoba Patent Manitoba Patent Strong Baker Patent (Winter Wheat Straight Roller Bran per ton Shorts Oatmeal	s 3 50 3 70 t) 3 15 3 35 3 15 3 20 12 00 12 50 14 00 15 00	Syrups: Com. to fine, Fine to choice Pale Molasses: W. I., gal New Orleans Rice: Arracan Patna dom to imp	0 00 0 00 0 021 0 022 0 03 0 031 0 30 0 50 0 25 0 35 0 035 0 035 0 05 0 06	Annealed	3 00 0 00 4 00 0 00 9 75 3 00 2 85 9 90	PINE APPLE — Extra Standard doz. \$ 0 00 2 25 Standard
C	RAIN: Winter Wheat, No. 1	0.70 0.71	Patna, dom. to imp Japan, " Genuine Hd. Carolina Spices: Allspices	0 06 0 064 0 09 0 10 0 18 0 90	Screws, flat head " r'u head Boiler tubes, 2 in " 3 in	773 00 0 09 0 00	" Lombards, 2 lbs " 0 00 1 25 " 0 00 1 00 " 3" " 0 00 1 40
	No. 9 No. 3 Spring Wheat, No. 1 No. 9	. 0 67 0 72 . 0 65 0 70 . 0 68 0 70 . 0 66 0 68	Cassia, whole per lb Cloves	0 25 0 40 0 18 0 35 0 25 0 28 0 90 0 95	STEEL: CastBlack Diamond	0 11 0 00	Canned Vegetables.
	Man. Hard, No. 1	0 83 0 84 0 82 0 83 0 80 0 80 0 41 0 42		0 60 1 10 1 00 1 10 0 15 0 16	Boiler plate, ½ in	9 10 0 00 9 00 0 00	SEANS—WS,
	Oats, Peas Rye	0 34 0 35 0 29 0 30 0 63 0 64 0 53 0 54	Extra Granulated Extra Bright Coffee	5 18 5 28 4 55 4 60 4 C0 0 00 3 75 0 00 3 70 0 00	30 to 70 dy	0 00 2 05 0 00 2 10 0 00 2 15 0 00 2 20 0 00 2 45 0 00 2 65 0 00 2 70	MACKEREL
	Provisions. Butter, dairy, tubs "Rolls Creamery, tubs "Prints Dried Apples	0 13 0 14 0 164 0 17 0 17 0 174	Japan, Yokohama Japan, Kobe Japan, Nagasaki, gun- powder, com. to choic't Japan, Siftings & Dust	0 37 0 09 0 10 0 10 0 10 0 10	Wire Nails HORSE NAILS: Toronto Acadian HORSE SHOES, 100 lbs. CANADA PLATES: all dull	2 55 3 55 dis 50% 50/20 3 35 0 00	SARDINES—Alberts, \$'s
	Hops, Canadian	0 08 0 09 0 15 0 20 10 50 11 00 0 00 14 00	Young Hyson, Moyune, Yg. Hyson Fychow and Tienkal, com. to cho't Yg. Hyson, Pingsuey,	0 95 0 65	MLS Lion & pol	9 60 0 00 0 00 3 10	CHICKEN-Boneless, Aylmer, 1902., 2 doz
	Hams. Rolls Lard Lard	0 10 0 101 0 10 0 101 08 0 081 0 062 0 071	Gunpowder, Pingsuey, Ceylon, Broken Orange, Pekoes. Ceylon, Orange Pekoes, Broken Pekoes	0 15 0 90 0 0 85 0 45 0 92 0 30	Window Glass: 95 and under	3 80 0 00 4 20 0 00 4 50 0 00	PIGS' FEET—I's, 9 doz
	Rggs, \$\psi\$ doz. fresh Beans, per bush Leather. Spanish Sole, No. 1	0 00 1 10	Pekoes	0 28 0 35	61 to 70	5 2) 0 00 0 101 0 00 0 10 0 00	SOUP—Clark's, 1 s, Ox Tail, 2 doz "0 00 1 40 "Clark's, 1's, Chioken, 2 doz "0 00 1 40 FISH—Medium scaled Herring "0 11 0 12 CHIPPED BEFT—3's and 1's, per doz. 170 2 80 SMELTS—60 tins per case
	No. 9 Slaughter, heavy No. 1 light No. 2 " No. 2 " Harness, heavy " light	0 26 0 28 0 34 0 26 0 00 0 24	Pekoes Pekoes Pekoe Souchong Souchong	000 000	Axes: Splitting axes	5 25 5 50 6 GC 19 00	SHRIMPS
	light & medium. Kip Skins French "Domestic	0 30 0 35 0 35 0 35 0 40 0 75 0 90 0 60	Oolong, Formosa Tobacco, Manufactured Mahogany Tuckett's Black Dark P. of W.	0 35 0 65 0 00 0 62 0 00 0 62 0 00 0 65		0.50 0.60	SULPHATE OF AMMONIA " 4 4 00 0 00 Phosphate Thomas (Rd), car lots, per ton 21 00 0 00 POTASH, MURIATE, f.o.b. Toronto, 48 00 0 00 " SULPHATE, " 51 00 0 00 " KAINIT, " car lots, " 21 00 0 00
	French Calf. French Calf. Splits, W lb Enamelled Cow, W ft	0 45 0 65 1 10 1 40 0 90 0 95 0 18 0 93	Myrtle Navy	0 00 0 71	Linseed, raw f.o.b	0 53 0 00 1 30 1 40 0 49 0 50	delivered
	Pebble Grain, upper Buf Russets, light, * Ib. Gambler Sumac	0 15 0 18 0 194 0 15 0 40 0 45	Napoleon, 8's	0 00 0 58 0 00 0 67 0 00 0 68 0 00 0 60	Petroleum. C.O.B., Toronto Canadian, 5 to 10 tris Can. Water White American Water White	0 16 0 16	1 in. pine & thicker, cut up and better 11 in. pine & thicker, cut up and better 12 in. " " " 31 00 34 00 12 and thicker cutting up
9	Hides & Skins.	Per lb.	Liquor Pure Spirit, 65 o. p " 50 o. p " 25 u. p Family Proof Whiskey	1 b'd dy pd 1 26 4 44 1 14 4 08 0 60 2 06	White Lead, dry	4 87½ 6 0) 4 62½ 5 10 4 90 5 00	1x10 and 12 dressing
Ì	alfskins, green	0 09 0 092 0 09 0 00 0 80 1 0J 0 25 0 00	90 u. p Old Bourbon, 90 u. p. (Rye and Malt, 25 u. p. Rye Whiskey, 4 y old "5 y. old	85 9 40	Venetian Red, Eng Yellow Ochre, French Vermilion, Eng Varnish, No. 1 furn Varnish, No. 1 Carr	1 50 9 00 1 50 9 95 0 80 0 90 0 65 1 00	1 inch dressing and better. 20 00 94 00 1 inch siding nill run 14 00 15 00 1 inch siding nill run 10 00 19 00 1 inch siding sommon. 10 00 19 00 1 inch siding ship culls 20 00 10 00 1 inch siding mill culls 8 60 9 00 Cull soantling. 7 50 9 00
	" rendered	0 00 0 094	Ingot	29 0 00 11	Putty, per brl. of 100 lbs Spirita Turpentine	0 55 0 65 1 85 9 00 0 64 0 00	1 inch strips a in. to 8 in. mill run
	ulled, combing	0 00 0 14	Pig	23g 0 00 0 0 05g	Alumlb. Sine Vitriol	2 00 0 00 0 69 0 10 0 021 0 03	Hard Woods—PM. ft. Car Lots. Ash white, 1st and 2nd—1 to 2 in \$24 00 25 00
Į	ava 🎔 lb., green	\$ 0. \$ 0. 0 94 0 83 0 08 0 19 0 99 0 96 0 95 0 89	Zinc sheet	11 0 12 172 0 182 162 0 172 24 0 00	Campnor (Campnor Castor Oil (Caustic Soda (Cream Tartar Ib)	0 65 0 70 0 31 0 40 0 11 0 13 0 022 0 05	black, " 1 "12" 18 00 20 00 18 60 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18
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CANADIAN WOODS IN LIVER-POOL.

The monthly circular of Messrs. Farnworth & Jardine, dated Liverpool, 1st June, says: "The arrivals from British North America during the past month have been 29,300 tons register, against 11,432 tons register during the corresponding month last year, and the aggregate tonnage to this date from all places during the years 1897, 1898 and 1899 has been 122,388, 105,694 and 121,525 tons, respectively. Business during the past month has been fairly satisfactory. The new search son's imports are now coming forward, and meet with fair enquiry; stocks generally are not heavy, and prices, except for a few articles, are firm.

"Canadian Woods .-- Pine Timber .-- Of Waney one small parcel has just arrived; there is a fair demand, stocks are light and values steady. Square.—The deand values steady. Square.—The demand is limited and stocks are sufficient. Red Pine.—There is little enquiry, but stocks are now small. St. John: A parcel of very prime quality has just arrived. Oak.—There have been no arrivals; the deliveries have been small, and the demand continues very dull: and the demand continues very dull; stocks are sufficient, but there is little change in value to report. Elm.—There has been more enquiry, and prime fresh wood is wanted; the stock is light, and values have improved. Ash.—There is little enquiry; but stocks are getting bare. Pine Deals.—The arrivals have been large, the deliveries unsatisfactory, and there is no improvement in values to report; stocks are much too heavy. Red pine deals are in steady request, and prices rule firm.

"New Brunswick and Nova Scotia Spruce and Pine Deals.—The arrivals have been very heavy, amounting to about 11,600 standards, against 1,726 standards same month last year; with a steady demand there has been a good consumption, and stocks, although increased, are not excessive. There is little change in value to report, but shippers are asking higher rates to meet the advance in freights. Pine deals are dull of sale.

-St. John has been imported more freely, and the deliveries have been satisfactory; values are firm, and the satisfactory; values are firm, and the stock is moderate. Planks have not met with so ready sale, and prices have de-clined slightly; stocks are heavy.

"United States Oak.-The arrivals have been small; there is no improvement to report in either demand or value, and stocks are ample. Oak Planks.—There has been a very large import, about 250,-000 cubic feet, and, although the deliveries have been good, a further decline in prices has taken place; stocks are adequate. The total stock amounts to about 355,000 cubic feet. Hickory (round), has received more freely, and prices are difficult to maintain prices are difficult to maintain.

"Pitch Pine.-The arrivals have been 6 vessels, 8,156 tons, against 10 vessels, 8,418 tons during the like period last year; the import and the consumption are again large, and stocks are larger though still moderate. Of hewn, the import con-sists of 2 part cargoes from Ship Island and Mobile; there has been a fair consumption, and the stock is light; prices are higher. Of sawn there has been a large import, and though the consumption has been good, stocks are slightly heavier. Of deals and boards the import consists of a cargo from Jacksonville and several parcels from New Orleans; there has been a fair consumption and stocks are nominal.

"Oregon and British Columbian Pine. -The stock is now very small, and fresh arrivals should come to a good market.'

LIVERPOOL PRICES

Liverpool, June 15, 12.30 p.m

	8.	- 1
Wheat, Spring	6	31
Red Winter	6	9
No. 1 Cal	0	0
Corn old	3	51
" new	3	5
Peas	5	103
Lard	26	0
Pork	42	5
Bacon, heavy	29	6
Bacon, light	88	6
Tallow	25	6
Cheese, new white	43	0
Cheese new colored	42	0

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Our Annual Report for 1898 shows as the result of the year's operations the following—Substantial in-creases in the important items shown below

December - '-"		An i	ncrease of
Premium income	89,264		14,741 16
iliterest income	9,603		11,111 10
Total income			1,648 22
Total income	118,921	60	37,443 38
Net assets	253,421	70	25 544 53
Gross assets			
Danasa usacta	581,686		30 544 53
Reserve	221.197	Q1	42,467 73
New insurance	1 164 030	20	
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and outstanding premiums.			a acciaca,
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	BANKS		Capital Sub-	Capital	Post	Divi- dend	CLOSING PRICES		
		Share	scribed.	Paid-up.	Rest.	last 6 Months.		LIFAX, e 13, 99	Cash val
Brit	ish North America	8243	\$4,866,666	\$ 4,866,666	1,460,000	23 %	100	100	
Con	mercial Bank. Windsor, N.S	40	500 000	349.172	96,00C	3 %	123 110	126	299.29
Hai	rax Banking Co	20	500,000	500,00C	375,000		1534	115 157	14.00
Non	ifax Banking Co	:00	1,878,000	1,543,300	1 282.475	34 34	183	1851	30.70 183.50
Not	Section Drumswick	100	500,000	500,000	600,000	6	300	301	300 00
	a Scotia ple's Bank of Halifax	100	1,665,100	1,693 800	1,828,180	4		224	218.50
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		50	2,000,000	2,000,000	150,000 1,500,000	3,	***	•••	
Que	beo	100	2,500,000	2,500,000	702,000	4+	198	*****	99.00
Ville	Marie	100	500,000	479,620	10,000	3	125	*****	195.00
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Мол	treal	100	6,000,000	6,010,000	2,600,000	34	169		169 00
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ond	on Loan Co. of Canada	50	679,700	661.850	81.000	٠	107	115	53.59
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inia	le's Loan & Deposit Co	50	600,000	600,000	40,000	3	•••	36	
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որո Խող	on & Ont. Inv. Co., Ltd. do.	100	2,750,000	550,000	100,000	1½* 3	1927	100	134.50
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		100	1,500,000	375,000	51,000		35	75 38	35.00
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to January 1st, 1899

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New Insurance (written & taken up '98) \$3,106,550 00

> Income 1808. \$1,231,197 39

> Assets, \$6,825,116 81

Cash Surplus, Government standard, \$416,206 05

Total Surplus Security for Policyholders, including capital stock, \$1,416,206.05.

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YEAR	INCOME	ASSURANCE IN FORCE
1873	\$16.435	\$701,000
1878	59.277	1.885,311
1883	199.183	6,572,719
1888	393.475	12,041,914
1893	626,278	17,751,107
1898	\$923,941	\$23,703,979

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held in suspense by the slightest doubt. "Leaving aside the sciences, as a subject of conversation, the company talked about the news of the day—he pronounced upon the news of the day. I desired to entrap him, and said to myself, 'I must go into my stronghold—I must take refuge in my country.' So I spoke to him of Persia. But scarcely had I spoken four words when he twice gave me the lie, on the authority of Messrs. Tavernier and Sir John Chardin, respectively. 'Good God!' said I, 'what kind of man is this? He already knows the streets of Ispahan, the capital of my country, better than I.' My resolution was soon taken, I held my peace, and he went on settling everything, as before."

ARE LUMBER PRICES AT THE

"Lumber prices at the present time are about as high as they were in 1892, and in some cases higher. There should be a gradual advance in average prices as the years go by, for in spite of natural growth the quantity of available timber is decreasing and a carrying charge is to be added. But it is probable that the carrying charge since 1892 or the spring of 1893, and the present time, has been covered by the advance.

"In yellow pine the general range of

prices is about what it was in 1892, with some items a little higher. In white pine good lumber is about the same, with low-grade lumber higher. In hardwoods some lines are decidedly higher, with the general average somewhat in excess of the prices in 1892. Hemlock has shown a decided advance in the west. The general tendency of shingles, however, is an exception, for since 1892 red-cedar shingles have come into prominence, and by their enormous supply have had the effect of lowering the average range of values, though at some stages of the market prices are higher and well maintained.
"It should be remembered that 1892 and

the first few months of 1893 marked the culmination of a profitable business period that was followed quickly by the panic and a heavy decline in values which are only now being restored At the present time the country is not at the culmination of a 'boom' period, if such it may be called, but apparently hardly begun on a period of industrial and commercial prosperity

of indefinite length.

"The change began in 1897, and with some fluctuations there has been on the whole a steadily-swelling volume of business ever since. Lumber prices have moved upward since the summer of that what will be the outcome? Prices are now at a point which yield a profit if properly distributed to all engaged in the business—manufacturers, all legitimate middlemen and distributors. This is as it should be and distributors. This is as it should be, and is for what the Lumberman has always stood. Incidentally, however, we might throw out a warning. There is a growing feeling through the country that prices of many commodities are being pushed too high. It is doubtful if this is the case with lumber; but it certainly would be better to rest content with what already has been secured than to risk collapse by carrying the process of price increment to the point of inflation. Still, the warning may be unnecessary; in fact, there is a feeling quite generally notice-able, through the lumber trade, that the top notch of average prices has nearly or quite been reached, though a few items or classes may yet go higher."—Lumber-

FORESTRY.

"Forestry is the rational use of the soil for wood crops just as agriculture is the rational use of the soil for food crops, said E. B. Fernow, at a meeting of the American Statistical Association. "Rational use of the soil requires a division of the same, and the assignment of different portions to food crops and to wood crops. In the well-ordered state the soils most fit for agriculture are devoted to systematic cultivation of food crops, as fields and pastures; but just so should the non-agricultural soils, the absolute forest soils, be devoted to the systematic cultivation of wood crops. When such a disposition or distribution and use of soils is accomplished, the highest state of civilization from the cultural point of view is reached. Since, then, the statistician, reached. Since, then, the statistician, especially the census statistican, has for his final task to measure the state of our civilization, the distribution of farm and forest area forms a proper object of his

"Wood growth fulfills a twofold function; not only does it supply materials most necessary to civilization, but it forms a condition of the earth's surface, which is known or believed to have a determinative influence on other cultural conditions, namely, those of climate, soil and waterflow. Especially in the last two directions the forest cover, in certain situations, on hills, slopes and mountains, exercises a potent influence in preventing erosion of soils and in regulating the drainage of rain and snow waters, thereby decreasing the excess and frequency of high and low water stages, both in the water channels and the subterranean

ground waters.
"The forest, therefore, forms a special cultural element aside from the material which it supplies, hence forestry statistics must have two objects in view, namely, to furnish information regarding the material supplies of the forest resource, and information regarding its conditions with reference to the other-mentioned conditions which the forest cover influences or predicates. We may at once distinguish 'supply' forests and 'protective' forests.
As a rule the two functions are or should

be exercised simultaneously.

"As a result of the method of culling, which our lumbermen have pursued in harvesting the valuable virgin harvesting the valuable virgin growth, we shall find that large areas, which to the unprofessional eye appear an unbroken forest, contain in reality hardly any kinds or individual trees fit for industrial uses. Worse, by this gradual culling out of the useful kinds, the ground is left to the occupancy of the tree weeds, which must first be removed to give room for a valuable forest crop, just as the forest had to be removed to make room for the agri-

cultural use of the soil.

THE PRESS EXCURSION.

About seventy-five editors and other members of the Canadian Press Association are being made happy by an ex-cursion trip over the C.P.R. and Northern Pacific railways from Winnipeg to the Pacific and back. According to the Free

made all arrangements. The party embraces representatives of about fifty of the leading papers of Western Ontario, Manitoba and the North-west Territories. Two sleeping cars were chartered, and attached to the regular passenger train, leaving Winnipeg at 13 o'clock, Tuesday, June 13th. The first stop of a whole day was arranged for Banff, then the itinerary reads to Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Ore., and return via Victoria, Vancouver, the Kootenay country, visiting Spokane from Rossland, then back to Nelson, B.C., and home over the Crow's Nest road, reaching Winnipeg June 30th, the trip occupying eighteen days.

Cordial invitations have been received by the committee from commercial and press organizations of the different cities on the route, so that splendid receptions await the party at all points. At Portland, Ore., the Canadian residents have taken in hand the matter of receiving and entertaining the editors, and a royal

time is anticipated.

FRUIT AT AUCTION.

Monday afternoon, 12th inst., at the ontreal Fruit Exchange Company's Montreal warehouse, there was one of the most brisk sales of the season. A carload of bananas was the first on the programme, and sold up to \$1.15 per bunch. The Missouri tomatoes, a splendid car of prime stock, consigned to Messrs. Moquin & Cote, met with vigorous bidding, and they sold up to \$1.20 per crate. A peculiar feature of this sale was the fact that Mr. John Callaghan, the energetic, enthusiastic and tireless member of the firm of Hart & Tuckwell, bought some 20 lines at one slap at \$1 per crate. When the market showed strength, as it did, he allowed his purchase to be again submitted to the competition among those who were disappointed in not securing the choice lines they wished. Mr. Callaghan's pluck was well rewarded, and the "round up" showed in a few moments a profit of ioc. to 15c. per crate. deserved as it is, just this style of sub-stantial bidding is the mainstay of a sale.—Potter & Morin conducted the sale.

DELIVERY OF LETTERS.

In a Montreal court, a week ago, Mr. Justice Mathieu declined to grant the petition of Martial E. Leprohon, who alleged that he had done business under the name of Leprohon & Leprohon booksellers, and that he had since made an assignment, to order the acting postmaster of Montreal to deliver up to him all the letters addressed to the firm. The court said it was the duty of the post-master to deliver letters to those to whom they belong, and that it did not think proper to interfere or give general instructions, especially when an abandon-ment had been made, and settled as alleged it had been done in this case.

The difference between talent and genius is this; while the former usually develops some special branch of our faculties, the latter commands them all. When the former is combined with tact, it is often more than a match for the latter.—Beaconsfield.

—On the subject of "Electricity for Insect Bites," "Dr. Friedlander, of Wiesbaden," says Electricity, "recommends galvanism to relieve the pain and irritation and to reduce the swelling caused by the bites of insects. The negative electrode is placed over the seat of the sting. It is Press, the committee in charge of the proposed excursion of the members of the Western Canada Press Association, cal insects."

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