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abroad. The tax upon securities alone will insure the British investor giving America more of his savings.

This continent has been brought into close contact with Great Britain by means of steamship ties. A trip across the Atlantic to the average American is now included in the half year's or the year's common round and task. A trans-Atlantic voyage to the average Britisher has, in the past, been held as a formidable undertaking. That insular idea is breaking away. The outgoing ocean traffic is now by no means from one direction. The British investor need no longer trust to report for safety in investment. In a few days, comparatively speaking, he may prime himself not only regarding a particular security, but on conditions and investments generally. This British tax, therefore, will bring new capital to Canada and to the United States. The latter will naturally take a large share, but the Dominion will not be out of the reckoning. Of Canadian seekers for capital there will be no lacking. The United States has approximately double the population of England, is well peopled and its agricultural and other resources are well developed. To the man with money a new country of worth is attractive. The Dominion has only about seven millions of population, while vast areas of its agricultural and other resources are absolutely untapped. Canada has yet to travel the nation-building road which has already been traversed by the United States. There are good reasons for believing that the road will be easier for the Dominion, a country which has to a large extent profited by the few pioneering errors of its neighbor. Aside from practical, there are the sentimental reasons that the money which Mother England does not get through taxation of capital may very well be kept in the family. It can be handed over to the son, Johnny Canuck.

FUNDS IN NEW YORK.

Money is unusually easy in New York; but bankers and brokers there are becoming prepared for the closing of recent abnormal periods of cheap money. Canadian trade is not too brisk, although an improvement will undoubtedly be effected this year. From the Canadian bank statement for March it is seen that our banks, as regards their foreign balances and loans, had call loans out of Canada totalling \$117,000,000; balances due by London banks, \$5,000,000; and by other foreign banks, \$29,000,000. Deducting the four millions due to London banks, there is, roughly, \$147,000,000. In addition, is to be considered the holding of bonds and securities available for marketing in London and New York. While the money of our Canadian banks in New York is but a small fraction of that circulating in the Dominion, it has a bearing on the situation in Wall Street. A fact which the big Wall Street manipulators would do well to bear in mind, says a reliable journal of that city, is that this large foreign fund, owned principally by ten or twelve of the Montreal and Toronto banks, has been accumulated because of the lack of demand for mercantile credits in the Dominion. With Canadian bankers their home mercantile customers have absolutely the first consideration; and it is quite certain that as soon as it becomes possible to employ a considerable part of the funds at home there will be a withdrawal of resources from here. In this connection it is noteworthy that mercantile loans in Canada increased over \$12,000,000 in March, and this increase may be followed by others in the spring and summer months. Should there be Canadian withdrawals in the near future from this cause they would most likely be accompanied by calls or demands for funds from the interior of the United States-originating from the same cause-and it might easily develop that the millionaire operators in the stock market will one day wake up and find that the lendable capital available for their purposes is somewhat less than they have been calculating upon.

GRAND TRUNK CANADIAN DIRECTORATE.

Much of the discontent in England regarding Grand Trunk affairs seems to be born of a very few grains of actual dissatisfaction. Some of the shareholders imagine that decreased earnings are specifically the fault of the management. A comparison with the figures of Canadian roads, and indeed of all American roads, fails to bring home to them the fact that small railroad earnings were prevalent during practically the whole of last year, and before that even. According to cabled reports of the Trunk meeting, a Canadian director or two would, in the opinion of shareholder Fairbairn and others, solve the whole problem. It was argued that the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian Northern have local directorates while the ten Grand Trunk directors all reside in London. But there is a vast difference in the respective capital locations of the roads.

Sir Charles Rivers Wilson stated that in England the Grand Trunk had something like fifty-five thousand shareholders. He also expressed the opinion that not five thousand dollars worth of Grand Trunk shares were held in Canada. While probably a larger amount is held in this country, there is no doubt that an overwhelming majority of stock is distributed amongst British investors. Sir Charles termed the Canadian directorate proposal as a rash act. Mr. Fairbairn contended that an enormous amount of business must be lost to the Grand Trunk because the road had no director on the spot. He thought that a commission or board of influential Canadians would cause more than sufficient business to justify their appointment, as well as to restore public confidence in the line.

Mr. Fairbairn is wide of the mark. Influential resident directors are not necessarily trade magnets. Rail-

road business is obtained by means of system and enterprise. The Grand Trunk has both, although it has encountered several unfortunate obstacles. Its financing from the first does not look as attractive as it might have been, but the road has learned the knack of getting what money it wants when it wants it. After all, a directorate dictates chiefly a policy. The policy is a necessity, but it is only a part moneymaker. Others than directors handle the details of a railroad. And, coming to the base of things, the details should be the revenue makers. It is difficult to see how a Canadian directorate could effect the slightest change in the road's earnings or policy. Public confidence in the line, as Mr. Fairbairn terms it, is quite up to the average. What little lack of confidence exists has been created by the continual grouching of a handful of dissatisfied shareholders. While the Grand Trunk is in the same category as other Canadian roads, although perhaps it has not received the same Government privileges, it has lived in an atmosphere of mournfulness. One can scarcely talk Grand Trunk nowadays without almost an irrepressible desire to weep.

A continual bickering anent directorial and other affairs in the conduct of any company does not help its best interests. A revolution stops business and annihilates confidence. Internal friction in a corporation's shareholding circle places the concern in an awkward position with investors, the stock exchange and finance. No one can expect Grand Trunk stocks to pursue the even tenor of their way while internal trouble is in evidence.

A Canadian Grand Trunk directorate is a fad. On the other hand, it really deserves the serious consideration of the management. It could do no harm, as has been advocated in these columns previously, to appoint one or two Canadian directors. It will be a sop to discontent. It may reduce to a minimum the tiresome wailing. The Canadian directors could travel up and down the line, smoke cigars, look out of the train windows, and make periodical reports. And if economic conditions changed for the better, it would be an easy matter to credit the Canadian directorate with the change.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

A suggestion has been made that the Ottawa Hansard for April should be tastefully bound and entitled Handbook of Grand Trunk Finance.

A facetious correspondent inquires, regarding the unfortunate immersion of Sir Robert, of Newfoundland, last week, whether or not that was a good illustration of, well, not exactly watered stock, but a watered Bond.

The cold weather which has been general in the West makes seeding a late event. Many farmers had in their wheat before the belated snow came. Late seeding does not always mean a late harvest. In the past ten years the springs of 1899, 1901 and 1902 witnessed heavy snowfalls. In 1899 a fall came in the Swift Current district on the end of May. In 1901 a fall general to Alberta occurred in the middle of April, and the next year, on 20th day of April, a heavy fall held up the seeding, which had already begun for four or five days. The latest seeding occurred in the years 1903 and 1907. In the first of these seeding was not general until May 10th, and in the latter until May 18th. The two next years in point of lateness were 1906 and last year. In the former the seed was practically all in on April 10th, while last year April 28th was the date. The life of the plant is the important consideration. If weather conditions are good, late seeding will not hurt the crop. The climatic future it is always impossible to forecast accurately. Which shows how much we have to leave to Providence.

BANKING & FINANCIAL.

SPRING OUTLOOK.

Cities and Towns East and West Report Good Progress and have Bright Hopes for Current Year.

Although the movement of trade is not quite so brisk at Elmira, Ont., yet it is of large volume and steadily im-Some of the factories are working overtime Building operations are brisk. The money conditions locally are satisfactory and obligations are met with promptness The labor market enjoys keen demand. Farmers are busilv engaged with seeding. Fall wheat stands up well, and under favorable conditions. The crops will average, thinks Mr P. A. R. Glaeser, the secretary-treasurer of the Board of Trade, a larger percentage than last year.

Crain Storage at Fort William.

The City of Fort William will have storage room for every bushel of grain shipped East out of Western Canada The big elevator of the Grand Trunk Pacific is under construction and will receive some of the 1909 crop this coming fall. With other elevators planned and to be started also this season, and with the present capacity of 14,250,000, For-William will soon be able to store the entire crop of Western Canada which will come Eastward. The C.P.R. has planned for extensions and improvements at an outlay of nearly \$2,000,000, while the Grand Trunk Pacific will spend about \$1,500,000. These sums, together with local improvements and building of business blocks and residences will bring the total building and improvements up to \$5,000,000 for

Trade conditions in Central Manitoba as a whole are indicative of a prosperous season. Realty is active in Portage la Prairie, and farm lands are in demand; the amount involved in one exchange being \$20,000 for a block of 640 acres, a rate slightly more than \$31 per acre. Prices are firm, and the absence of inflation is gratifying to the more conservative interests. There is not a great deal of land on the market, as the majority of Manitobans do not care particularly about selling, but there are several good opportunities to pick up small blocks at reasonable figures Seeding is now under way, and although a trifle late there is every promise of a good harvest this fall.

Conditions in Manitoba.

Money is free and there is little difficulty in obtaining Joans for legitimate use. Time payments are being made with satisfactory regularity, and the financial men of the city are well pleased with conditions in this respect.

As the season advances there will be room for more mep as farm and building laborers and also in the brickyards. mills and railroads camps. Laborers are now endeavoring to secure work likely to last from spring to fall.

The manufacturing outlook is good, and there will likely be a big demand for building material, farm implements. provisions, etc., owing to the early spring influx of settlers. A number of manufacturing concerns contemplate enlarging the capacity of their plants.

Seeding at Grenfell, Sask., as yet is only slightly advanced, many of the farmers not having any grain in, the weather for the last three weeks having been cold and somewhat stormy. A large proportion of the land to be sown is ready, and old farmers do not appear to be alarmed of the lateness of the season, most of them claiming that the backward spring is likely to prove better, as when warm weather comes it will come in earnest and the seed will not be checked as is often the case.

The demand for farm lands is greater than for two years past and very good prices are being realized, most purchases being made by practical farmers which is a great advantage. Business generally is rather quiet, and while cash is scarce mental issues you have raised.

the financial situation is not nearly as bad as one might expect. Farmers in fair circumstances are able to secure reasonable credit from the banks but they are not asking for as much credit as might be expected, the general idea being that they will be cautious until this year's crop is assured.

Crop news to the Monetary Times from Francis, Sask., state that seeding is not progressing very rapidly, owing to unfavorable weather all over the West. The acreage under wheat, therefore, will not amount to that which had been hoped. Still, there is plenty of time to get in the crop.

Building Outlook Good.

Seeding is backward in the Strathcona, Alta., district owing to the cold weather but the crop prospects are, on the whole, promising. The building outlook is good. Strathcona has several excellent locations suitable for manufacturers.

The outlook at Paris, Ont., is better than it has been. The wheat and grass have wintered well and agricultural conditions are of the best. Some building will be done in addition to the Sanderson Harold Company's new factory for the manufacture of refrigerators and screen doors and windows.

Money Conditions are Satisfactory.

Money conditions are good at Yorkton, Sask., as there is a fair amount of ready cash coming in. The banks are always willing to lend to anyone who can show that he has the security, and the stores have been doing good business and for a greater amount of cash than in former years. The credit system is not so much in vogue as it used to be as the merchants have learned a lesson from last year's money stringency. Seeding has not yet commenced except in a few isolated cases where some acres were seeded about two weeks ago and then stopped on account of the severe weather, but that will not affect this district so much as others on a ccount of it being principally an oat growing country. In 1906, Yorkton held the record for being the greatest individual grain shipping point in the West, and that record has been maintained up to the present day. On account of the large acreage of summer fallow last year and the suitable weather conditions for breaking new land, there will be increased acreage for seeding in 1909.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN CANADA.

Correspondent Writes as to the Recent Disallowance by the Dominion Government of the Ontario Act.

Editor Monetary Times:-

Sir,-Your editorial comment in last week's issue of Monetary Times leads me to the view that the time has now arrived when the commercial public should be better informed upon the issues which have culminated in the disallowance of the Act to revise and amend the Chartered Accountants Act passed by the Ontario Legislature in April, 1908. It is the most recent incident in a seven years' fight for a principle, and is not a quarrel between individuals excepting to the extent that certain gross breaches of faith on the part of individuals have embroiled Canadian Accountancy interests in a dispute for which there is small hope of settlement, so long as the Dominion Association fails to live up to the obligations imposed upon it by its own Act of Incorporation.

Your readers would hardly be interested in a historical recital covering the last seven years, but every business man, firm, or corporation, will be interested to know what the fight is about, as the subject is one of almost vital importance to the commercial interests of this Province. You have correctly stated the grounds of public confidence in "Chartered Accountants," and I cannot do better than deal with the funda-

A chartered accountant should become qualified only by examination. This is the universally acknowledged edge test of eligibility for admission to all the learned professions in the English-speaking world, and always will be the test. The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario has for nineteen years conducted annual examinations without passing which no one may be admitted to membership. For fifteen years the Institute has prescribed courses of study, lectures and classes, and practical experience as additional tests. A chartered accountant in this Province has come to mean a person of good character, who has complied with the Ontario Institute tests. There can be no doubt that public confidence rested securely upon this foundation, and whatever tended to disturb that confidence could not be in the public interest.

The Dominion Association of Chartered Accountants is seven years old. It has never held an examination as a test of membership or for any other purpose, yet in a dozen offices in Toronto, there may be seen framed certificates issued by that body, which set forth that:—

"The Council of the Association, after careful examination hereby grants its certificate of efficiency by virtue of its Act of Incorporation, to A. B., entitling him to use the distinguishing letters F. C. A. (Can.)."

What will be the public estimate of an institution which will issue such documents, and of persons who will display them, knowing the contrary to be the fact? One holder of such a certificate admits frankly that he is not an accountant, and has never professed to be one. Another member secured admission to the Dominion Association within three or four months after the Board of Examiners of the Ontario Institute had declared him upon examination, to be incompetent. To go on, would be to multiply instances. Is it not in the public interest that the Province should enact laws which will remove all uncertainty as to what a Chartered Accountant is, in Ontario?

A Dominion Association should be an organization made up of representatives from Provincial institutes and controlled by none of them. This was the principle for which the Provincial institutes fought, and fought successfully when the bill for the incorporation of the Dominion Association was before Parliament. Section 3 of the Act passed in 1902 was drawn by counsel for the Provincial Institutes and provided that "The Association shall be composed of all members in good standing of existing provincial incorporated institutes and associations who shall apply for membership within one year after the passing of this Act, and of any other persons of whose qualifications and fitness the Council approves." By the very act of applying, therefore, the provincial member was a component part of the Association. Almost to a man they availed themselves of their statutory rights, and their applications, about ninety in number were handed to the secretary before the statutory general meeting was held. The chairman, claiming to act under legal advice refused to these applicants their rights as members, and the meeting, thus unlawfully constituted proceeded to enact by-laws and do other business. These by-laws were subsequently found to enact practically every provision which Parliament had struck out of their Act of Incorporation. What will be the public estimate of an organization whose first official act is to disfranchise three-fourths of the persons who are declared by the Parliament of Canada to compose the Association? Can any stream rise higher than its source?

An examination of the membership rolls of the Dominion Association shows that the voting control has rested continuously with the Montreal members. Beneficial control is not of necessity inimical to the public interest, but this is emphatically not a case of that kind. The Montreal members have a local society known as the Association of Accountants in Montreal, but having power from the Quebec Legislature to prevent any person not a member of the Montreal Association from using the designation in Montreal of "Chartered Accountant." Observe, then, how this control of the Do-

minion Association has been exercised. resident in Montreal, has been admitted to membership in the Dominion Association without first qualifying by examination in the local society, and the solitary exception was admittedly taken in by an inadvertence. The rule is a good one, an' it was proper to enforce it. But there is also another and higher rule which should actuate accountants as well as other people:-"Do unto others as ye would they should do unto you." These Montreal men, secure behind their own entrenchments, virtually issued "letters of marque" to the Ontario section of the Dominion Council, permitting them to go privateering through Ontario. How well or how badly they have acquitted themselves may be judged by the fact that nineteen persons have been admitted in Ontario without an examination of any sort, thirteen of whom have no voteslest the Montreal control be endangered. So rigidly, moreover, has the Montreal Association enforced its rights, that not even a member of the Dominion Association, unless also a member of the Association of Accountants in Montreal, dare use the designation "Chartered Accountant" in Montreal. Yet the Royal prerogative is invoked by this corporation, controlled in Montreal, to prevent the Legislature of Ontario from surrounding its own Province with the precise legislative safeguards they enjoy in Montreal. Can it be supposed that the Ontario Institute will endure without protest such an intolerable situation?

Accounting in the Dominion should be placed upon a uniform basis. This is what the promoters of the Dominion Association argued before the Parliamentary Committee that they intended to do. They have had seven years in which to do it. Let some of their able advocates tell your readers what they have done in this direction. Meanwhile let me point to the fact that the standards of the Ontario, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, and Saskatchewan Societies in the matter of examinations and tests of membership are practically identical to-day, principally if not altogether by reason of the efforts of the Ontario Institute. Had the conditions of the Act incorporating the Dominion Association been respected, that body might to-day be receiving the credit for what has already been accomplished.

All parties concerned should come to an agreement which will harmonize interests. The provincial societies are without exception in entire accord as to the nature of such an agreement. The Montreal Association has within the past month placed itself upon record in a manner which is a complete vindication of the position taken by the Ontario Institute since 1902, and while it is a matter for deep regret that their present stand was not taken seven years ago, they still have it in their power as the controlling factor in the Dominion Association to undo the mischief that has been done under their aegis, and to compel the Dominion Association to act in harmony with the policy of the provincial societies, as Parliament intended it should. If it continues in its present career, it may be assured of the active and unwavering opposition of the three provincial societies chiefly affected by its mischevious policy.

Disallowance of the Ontario Act means that any unscrupulous person in Ontario may hold himself out meanwhile by a designation that derives its value in this Province, solely from the standards of capacity fixed and maintained by the Ontario Institute. It gives the Dominion Association no better right to continue to violate the conditions of its Act of Incorporation than it ever had. Parliament intended it to be an Association of persons who were already Chartered Accountants by virtue of membership in existing societies, and having thus placed the corporation under proper control, left the further right of admission to its council. The right to confer degrees or designations was expressly refused. No one in his senses will contend that power refused in an Act of Incorporation, can be exercised by a by-law, yet we find the letters F. C. A. "Can.", A. C. A. "Can.", in common use, and persons are paying money for the privilege.

I have never been able to learn why all these proceedings complained of have taken place. They talk mysteriously at times of legal advice. Will they now let the daylight in and

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publish for the benefit of your readers and all whom it may concern the text of these alleged legal opinions? If they actually have the legal opinions which afforded the pretext for doing as they have done will they be willing now in the public interest to put the matter to a test before an Ontario court? Will any of the nineteen persons in whose interest this disallowance has been obtained, come out frankly under their signatures and tell your readers precisely what injury or hardship has been done to them by the Act which has now been disallowed?

The solid sentiment of the Ontario Institute membership-Chartered Accountants by examination-accords with your own views upon this important question, and you will earn their thanks for the opportunity afforded for a public discussion at this juncture.

Geo. Edwards.

Toronto, May 4th, 1909.

The question of price is delaying progress in the negotiations for the purchase of the London Electric Company. The latter want \$400,000 for their plant but the Council, under the advice of the engineer, whose valuation reaches \$102,000, will not consent to pay that amount.

PRINCE RUPERT

- Fortunes will be made in Prince Rupert real estate by those who have reliable information.
- We were appointed official appraisers of the townsite by the Land Commissioner of the Grand Trunk Pacific.
- Mr. Murdoff is now on the ground, and will personally inspect every lot in Prince Rupert.
- ¶ We can give you the most reliable information. Full particulars, maps, etc., sent on request.

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CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

The following are the figures for the Canadian Clearing House for the weeks ended May 7th, 1908, April 29th, and May 6th, 1909, with percentage, increase or decrease:-

PROBLEMAN SEL	May 7,'08.	April 29,'09.	May 6,'09. Change
	\$30,534,693	\$30,243,907	\$35,937,444 + 17.6
Toronto	23,340,227	25,020,519	29,977,727 + 28.4
Winnipeg	12,136,563	11,969,510	17,782,526 + 46 5
Vancouver	3,617,892	4,812,159	4,940,954 + 36.5
Ottawa	3,562,532	3,179,178	3,672,990 + 3.1
Quebec	2,460,521	1,887,327	2,468,981 + 0.3
Halifax	1,872,305	1,488,682	1,797,827 — 3.9
Hamilton	1,522,930	1,311,036	1,626,894 + 6.8
St. John	1,288,897	1,373,582	1,500,138 + 16.3
Calgary	1,216,036	1,416,332	1,517,496 + 41.2
London	1,452,330	987,376	1,668,024 + 14.8
Victoria*	1,100,092	1,139,367	1,132,659 + 2.1
Edmonton	788,017	979,555	951,945 + 20.8
Total	\$84 002 02F	\$85 808 E20	\$104.075.605 + 23.6

*Week ended Tuesday.

EXCHANGE RATES.

Monetary Times Office, Friday 1 p.m.

The following prices are supplied by Messrs. Glazebrook & Cronyn, 75 Yonge Street, Toronto:-

DIVIDENDS PAYABLE.

Company.	Rate %	Term	Payable
Dom. Iron & Steel, pref	. 101/2		May 10
Sterling Bank	. 11/4	quarter	May 15
Trethewey Mine	. 10		May 15
Montreal L. H. & P.	. 11/2	quarter	May 15
Ruffalo Mines	. 3	bonus	May 15
Cobalt Central Mines	. I		May 15
Penmans, Limited, common		quarter	May 15
Demerara Elec. Co., 2nd mtg. bonds	5. 3		
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RAILROAD EARNINGS.

Road	Wee	k End	ling	1908	1909	(Change
C. N. R.		April	30 \$	172,200	3 193,600	+18	21,400
C. P. R.		April	30 1	,463,000	1,814,000	+	351,000
G. T. R.				902,112	955,171	+	53,059
T. & N. O				17,685	40,066	+	22,673
Montreal S				66,393	67,753	+	1,360
Toronto S				63,284	67,148	+	3,863

STOCKS, BONDS and INVESTMENTS

STOCK EXCHANGE THIS WEEK.

More Activity on Canadian Floors—C.P.R. and Scotia were Features—Montreal Elections Next Week.

The most important event this week in the United States was the declaration by the Supreme Court that the commodities clause of the Interstate Commerce Act of 1906, known as the Hepburn Railway Rate Law, is constitutional. That judgment reverses and remands the decision of the United States Circuit Court. The judgment retains to the railroads the right to own stock in coal companies. The announcement when learned by the Stock Exchange caused a decided upward movement, Reading, for instance, making a jump of eight points from its previous low level. This is one of a series of many decisions in which legislatures and similar bodies have upheld corporations against the Government and is another case bearing out the recent contention of the Monetary Times that the former drastic anti-corporation sentiment is giving way to a more sane policy.

The Toronto market has shown strength, the most interesting feature perhaps being C.P.R., which has continued firm. At Montreal this stock went higher than 180. The good earning record of the road is thought to be responsible. There has been some activity in Mackay and Dominion Steel has received its share of attention.

Accrued Interest to the Seller.

The practice regarding accrued interest in New York has been for it to go to the seller. This method was recently adopted in Montreal. Toronto until this week has followed the rule of other foreign exchanges which provides for accrued interest going to the buyer. In future the rule on the Toronto Stock Exchange will be that the accrued interest shall go to the vendor.

Navigation stocks are again being considered. Mr. R. Forget, president of the company, has given several bullish interviews of late, but he says his purpose is not to help the Richelieu stock. "I want Richelieu," he stated in an interview, "to sell on its merits as an investment." He expects the coming season to be the most profitable on record.

The increase in the capital of the Rio de Janeiro Tramway, Light & Power Company from \$25,000,000 to \$40,000,000 by the issue of 150,000 shares at par was voted upon by Rio shareholders this week. There were no dissentients.

Dividends Cease for the Present.

The Cobalt Silver Queen meeting was held last week. At the end of the last financial year there was cash on hand of \$54,861. With that balance and with what the mine has produced \$195,000 in dividends have been paid to the shareholders. The installation of a new and larger plant on the company's property has also been made. For some time past, says the directors' report, the company has been mining in lean ore, which does not produce very large returns and for that reason it was necessary to discontinue the paying of dividends.

The Nipissing and La Rose merger story is again in the market. We observe that a Montreal paper states it was the first journal in Canada or the United States to publish the prospective change in the companies' relationship. We really believe that the Monetary Times can honestly claim this prediction distinction, as in the issue of June 13th, 1908, appeared this line: "The Nipissing Mines Company may go into partnership with La Rose Consolidated. The Monetary Times has made inquiries of Nipissing and La Rose directors this week who say that there is "nothing doing" and that "the reports are untrue." That is quite likely. The opinions of these gentlemen having been duly recorded, it remains to be added that the future holds for us all many surprises.

A move which will undoubtedly be of advantage to investors in mining securities has been taken by the Montreal

Mining Exchange, by the adoption of a by-law authorizing its members under certain conditions to divide their commissions with brokers who are members of good standing on certain other mining exchanges. That course will save a double rate of commission.

Montreal Stock Exchange Elections.

The following seems to be the general feeling regarding the slate to be presented on May 14th for election on the Montreal Stock Exchange: Chairman, Mr. W. J. Turpin; Vice-Chairman, Mr. Gordon Strathy; Treasurer, Mr. F. C. Fairbanks; Committee, Messrs. J. Pangman, D. S. Miller, P. P. Cowans, H. B. Macdougall and Rodolphe Forget.

The Canadian Consolidated Rubber Company, Limited, securities are being listed on the Montreal Stock Exchange and will probably be called for the first time on Monday next. The capitalization includes \$2,000,000 preferred 7 per cent. stock, authorized, and \$1,980,000, issued, and \$3,000,000 common authorized, and \$2,805,000 issued, with \$2,600,000 bonds authorized and issued, bearing 6 per cent.

Mr. Eric G. McCuaig, of McCuaig Bros. & Company, has been elected a member of the Stock Exchange, Mr. Rykert McCuaig transferring his seat to him.

The stock markets have been in excellent shape in Montreal, there being a general advance in prices and a large turnover. Pacific has again been a feature both of strength and activity, although the price was a point down from the highest, at 180, at the close, on Wednesday. Soo also participated to some extent in the strength of its running mate, selling up to 13734, and closing a fraction below that figure. The date for selling of rights has now passed. Power has had a splendid advance, being up to 1171/2, which, with the 11/2 dividend is equal to 119. This price has been reached in spite of the danger from the Saraguay and other companies which are anxious to get a share of the city's patronage. Textile securities have been affected little or not at all by the partial strike of employees at the Magog mills, it being doubtless the general view that the arbitration about to be undertaken by the Board of Conciliation will smooth out all

Scotia Has Advanced,

One of the features of the week for which no authentic explanation has been provided, is the gradual advance in the price of Scotia. On Wednesday night it sold at the high point of the movement, namely, 6236, and still seemed in good demand. Some think that this is due to success in financing the new arrangement, others attributing it to the hope of a dividend, and yet others to the hunt for proxies. Another feature was the rise in Montreal Cotton, on Tuesday, from 121 to 124, many associating the movement with the Textile Co. Rio bonds experienced a little boom, selling up to 95 and being in good demand. Porto Rico still holds strong around 51 to a fraction over, and Quebec Railway is firm at 53. Lake of the Woods has been in good demand at 108 to a fraction more. The rest of the market is uninteresting.

REPLIES TO INQUIRERS.

975. J. P., Oxbow, Sask.—We are answering your inquiry by letter.

976. S., Toronto.—The Provincial Building and Loan Association sold its assets to the Dominion Permanent Loan & Savings Company on June 25th, 1902.

977. H. A., Toronto.—The trade figures you require are being forwarded.

Binders for filing six months' copies of the Monetary Times may be had on application to the head office at Toronto. The binders are useful, durable, and gilt-lettered at back. Price, \$1.25.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that under the First Part of chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, known as "The Companies Act," letters patent have been issued under the Seal of the Secretary of State of Canada, bearing date the 19th day of April, 1909, incorporating Lames Steller Loyell, accountant, William Bain, bookkeeper. James Steller Lovell, accountant, William Bain, bookkeeper, Robert Gowans, solicitor's clerk, Henry Chambers, solicitor's clerk, Robert Musgrave Coates, solicitor's clerk, Samuel Goodman Crowell, solicitor, and George Hamilton Cassels, solicitor, all of the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, for the following purposes, viz.:—(a) To manufacture, buy and sell and otherwise deal in and with gilsonite, mineral where applied and all products and by products thereof. (b) rubber, asphalt and all products and by-products thereof; (b) To enter into contracts for, construct, execute, own and carry on all descriptions of works, and to carry on the business of a general construction and paving company and contractor; (c) To carry on business as a manufacturer of and dealer in logs, lumber, timber, wood, metal; all articles into the manufacture of which wood or metal enters and all kinds of natural products and by products thereof, and to carry on the business. products and by-products thereof, and to carry on the business of a general dealer in merchandise; (d) To construct, ness of a general dealer in merchandise; (d) To construct, maintain, alter, make, work and operate on the property of the company, and for the purposes of the company, or on the purpose of the company, or on the purpose of the company, or on the purpose of the company. other property with license or permission of the owners, works other property with license of permission of the owners, works of every description, reservoirs, dams, flumes, race and other ways, water powers, aqueducts, wells, roads, piers, wharves, buildings, shops, stamping mills, and other works and machinery, plant, and appliances of every description; (e) To carry on any other business, whether manufacturing or otherwise, which may seem to the company capable of being conwise, which may seem to the company capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with the business or objects of the company and germane thereto; (f) To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake and assume all or any part of the assets, business, property, privileges, contracts, rights, obligations and liabilities of any person, firm or company carrying on any business which this company is authorized to carry on, or any business similar thereto or possessed of property suitable for the purposes thereof; and from time to time to apply for, purchase or acquire by assignment, transfer or otherwise, and to exercise, carry out and enjoy any statute, ordinance, order, license, power, authority, franchise, concession, right or privilege which any Government or authorities, supreme, municipal or local, or any corporation or other public hody, may be employed to enact, make or grant other public body, may be empowered to enact, make or grant, and to pay for, aid in and contribute towards carrying the same into effect, and to use any of the company's capital same into enect, and to use any of the company's capital stock, bonds or other securities and assets to pay for or in consideration for the foregoing; (g) To raise and assist in raising money for and to aid by way of bonus, cash advances, promise, endorsement, guarantee or otherwise any corporation in the capital stock of which the company holds shares or with which it may have business relations, and to act as employed agent or manager of any such corporation, and to ployé, agent or manager of any such corporation, and to guarantee the performance of contracts by any such corpora-tion, or by any person or persons with whom the company may have business relations; (h) To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests, co-operation, joint adventure, reciprocal concession or otherwise with any person or company now or hereafter carrying on or engaged in any business or transaction which this company is authorized to carry on or engage in; (i) To pro-cure the company to be registered and recognized in any foreign country, and to designate persons therein, according to the laws of such foreign country to represent this company, and to accept service for and on behalf of this company of any process or suit; (j) To amalgamate with any other company having objects similar to those of this company; (k) To lease, sell, or otherwise dispose of the property and assets of the company or any part thereof, for such consideration as the company may deem fit, including shares, debentures or securities of any company; (1) To do all acts and exercise all powers and carry on all business incidental to the due carry-ing out of the objects for which the company is incorporated and necessary to enable the company to profitably carry on its undertakings; (m) The business or purpose of the company is from time to time to do any one or more of the things herein set forth and to do all or any of the said things in Canada or elsewhere, and as principals or agents. The operations of the company to be carried on throughout the Dominion of Canada and elsewhere, by the name of "The Canadian Mineral Rubber & Paving Company" (Limited), with a capital stock of one million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into 15,000 shares of one hundred dollars, and the chief place of business of the said company to be at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario.

Dated at the office of the Secretary of State of Canada,

this 20th day of April, 1909.

CHAS. MURPHY. Secretary of State.

Dated at Toronto this 5th day of May, 1909.

BLAKE, LASH & CASSELS,

THE CANADIAN MINERAL RUBBER AND PAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

DIVIDENDS

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

DIVIDEND NO. 89.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Two per cent. upon the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the three months ending 31st May next, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its branches on and after Tuesday, 1st June next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to 31st

May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

ALEXANDER LAIRD, General Manager.

Toronto, 28th April, 1909.

Mr. A. W. Pentland, accountant of the North Winnipeg branch of the Bank of Commerce, was tendered a farewell banquet at the Ontario Hotel the other night. About thirty were present. Mr. H. L. Edmunds, manager of the branch, being chairman. Mr. Pentland was presented with a handsome travelling bag.

A mortgage made by the Canadian Northern Railway Company to the National Trust Company, securing an issue of \$10,000 bonds per mile upon the company's line extending from a point near Etoimanimi to Pas Mission, a distance of about 88.1 miles, has been deposited in the office of the Secretary of State of Canada.

Messrs. W. A. Henderson & Co., chartered accountants, of Winnipeg, have opened a branch office at 103 Darke Block, Regina, with O. Thorpe as manager. Mr. Henderson rerecently returned to Winnipeg, making changes in the accounting system at Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, and Regina. These changes were recommended by his firm. They have been retained by Lethbridge and Medicine Hat to make the annual audit.

Mr. C. J. Claassen, late cashier of the State Bank of Jansen, and prior to that in the banking business at Beatrice, Nebr., has succeeded Paul B. Burleigh as manager of J. L. Brandeis & Sons, bankers, which is a large commercial bank associated with the department store of J. L. Brandeis & Sons, of Omaha, Nebr. Mr. Claassen has been quite recently connected with Jansen & Claassen and the Saskatchewan Elevator Company at Winnipeg.

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BANKING NEWS AND NOTES.

F. R. Bartlett & Company have increased the number of their directors from 3 to 5.

The Close Brick Company have increased the number of their directors from 3 to 5.

The James Mines, Ltd., of Toronto, have increased the number of their directors from 5 to 7.

The capital stock of P. Burns & Company has been increased from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

The capital stock of the Big River Lumber Company has been increased from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000.

The capital stock of A. R. Clarke & Company, Ltd., has been increased from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

The Gall River and Raven's Lake Cement Works have been sold to the Scarboro Securities for \$500,000.

The name of McLean, Stinson & Company, Ltd., has been changed to McLean, Stinson & Brodie, Ltd.

The capital stock of the Columbus Cobalt Silver Co., Ltd., has been increased from \$450,000 to \$600,000.

The head office of the National Manufacturing Company, Ltd., has been changed from Pembroke to Ottawa, Ont.

The number of directors of the Gold Pyramid Mining

Company, of Montreal, have been increased from 3 to 7.

The capital stock of the Delany & Petit Sand Paper Company, Ltd., has been increased from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

The capital stock of the Canadian Farm Implements, Limited, of Manitoba, has been decreased from \$50,000 to

The name of the Canadian Mineral Rubber & Paving Company has been changed to Canadian Mineral Rubber Company

The Otisse-Currie Consolidated Silver Mines, Ltd., has received permission to keep its books without the Province of Ontario.

A branch of the Bank of British North America has been opened at Paynton, Sask., under the temporary management of Mr. J. Jeffrey.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has opened a branch at corner of Dovercourt and College Streets, Toronto, in temporary premises.

The capital stock of the Gifford Extension Mines, Ltd., has been redivided from 350,000 shares of \$1 each to 1,400,000 shares of 25 cents each.

The provisional directors of the Anglo-Canadian and Continental Bank have opened stock subscription books at 86 Notre Dame Street West, Montreal.

The name of the Ash Grove Mining Company, Ltd., has been changed to the Painkiller Lake Gold Mining Company, Ltd.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the Rothschild Cobalt Company, Ltd., will be held at New Liskeard, on May 3rd, to consider the advisability of disposing of the company's property.

On the eve of his departure for Montreal as manager of the head office of Molsons Bank, Mr. T. B. Phepoe, formerly

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These Debentures will, be in denominations of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) each, in sterling or Canadian currency and payable in London, Montreal or Winnipeg to suit purchaser, will be dated July 1st, 1909, payable in forty years from date and will bear interest at the rate of four per cent. (4%) per annum, half-yearly.

All offers must be addressed to the undersigned and must reach this office not later than the fifteenth day of May next. The highest or any tender not accepted unless satisfactory.

HUGH ARMSTRONG,
Provincial Treasurer.

Provincial Treasurer's Office, Winnipeg, April 20th, 1909.

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA TENDERS FOR DEBENTURES.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to 4 o'clock p.m. on Monday, the 31st Day of May, 1909, for the purchase of \$1,397,000.00, forty years, 4 per cent. Debentures.

Official statement of particulars can be obtained at the Bank of British North America, Toronto, Ont., or at the Comptroller's office, Vancouver, B.C.

G. F. BALDWIN,
City Comptroller.

Vancouver, B.C.,
April 14th, 1909.

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FOR SALE

Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) County of Oxford "Road Improvement Debentures," to be issued June 1st, 1909; 30 equal annual instalments of principal and interest; interest at 5 per cent. per annum.

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and marked "Tender" will be received up till 12 o'clock a.m., June 7th, 1909.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

N. E. BIRTCH, County Clerk,

Woodstock, Ont.

manager of the Hamilton branch, was presented with a purse of \$400 by friends in that city.

The capital stock of the following companies has been increased:—Ryan (Gow Ganda) Mining Company, from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000; Cukra Company of Toronto, from \$375,000 to \$400,000; West Loane Wagon Company, from \$50,000 to \$100,000; Beaver Consolidated Mines, from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000; Hyslop Brothers, from \$40,000 to \$100,000; Warren Bituminous Paving Company of Ontario, from \$150,000 to \$200,000; C. W. Bongard Company, from \$40,000 to \$100,000; M. Brennan & Sons, Manufacturing Company of Hamilton, from \$100,000 to \$150,000 by the issue of 500 shares of new preference stock of \$100.

MONTREAL SECTION

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SUING THE GOVERNMENT.

R. and O. Take Action—Civic Inquiry Progressing—Canadian Investments in England—Navigation Opens.

Monetary Times Office, Montreal, May 6th.

The Richelieu and Ontario Compay has taken out a suit against the Government, which, if sustained, will add \$35,000 and interest to the assets of the company. The company claims that it formerly owned some 26,500 acres of land at the junction of the Richelieu and St. Lawrence Rivers, on the Sorel side of the river, and that in 1902 the Government took the land over in order to build the present deep water wharves, for which the R. & O. Company have never been reimbursed. The transaction took place during the time of the Hon. J. I. Tarte, who, the Government claims, made an arrangement with the city of Sorel to purchase the land in question from the company, and to present it to the Government on condition that the Marine Department construct docks there. The Government, accordingly, calls the city in warranty and, in this connection, has fyled in court a resolution of the City Council of Sorel endorsing the proposition as related by the Government. The city of Sorel, however, claims that it was powerless to make such a grant without taking a popular vote. The resolution referred to was only a matter between the company and the city and was not intended for the Government. In addition the city claims that the company offered to give the land free, provided the Government constructed the wharves and gave them a berth for their boats, which the Government had failed to do. Above all is a point raised by the Government as to whether or not the R. & O. Company ever owned the property in question at all. The claim that the company originally acquired it from the Dominion Government and allows that it could not grant title, as there is doubt whether the Dominion or the Provincial Government owned the title. The case is before the Exchequer Court and is occasioning considerable interest on the street.

Canadian Investments on English Market.

Sir Edward Clouston, vice-president and general manager of the Bank of Montreal, has just returned from England and the Continent after an absence of a few months. His most valuable piece of advice, and one that is needed, but which unfortunately will not be heeded by those most needing it, is that the greatest care should be taken to send over nothing but the best class of investments to the English market. The fact is, that the average promoter wants money in the worst way. He is just as anxious to get it from England as from Canada, and if he can succeed better in the London market than at home he will not hesitate to take advantage of the former. Sir Edward Clouston and other representative financial men who are constantly going before the English market for the purpose of obtaining money, have a permanent interest which it is vital for them to sustain. One failure would do more to destroy their reputation than many successes. Hence they must, to a very large extent, stand sponsor for what they sell on the London market. Theirs must be no sporadic venture. Yet because of the sporadic ventures of others who have decoyed the Englishman into poor investments, the legitimate propositions are to some extent discredited. In the end the Englishman will discriminate; but every failure makes the work of financing the legitimate propositions more difficult. It is for this reason that Sir Edward and others who have permanent interest to consider, are so anxious to cultivate a sentiment in Canada against doubtful exploitations. But the man with the doubtful proposition will probably be very little influenced. Hence, the cure for the

evil lies in educating the Englishman. He is the buyer and he the looser or gainer, according as he exercises the necessary precaution. If the banking fraternity and the other reputable financial interests of Canada would protect themselves, they would be well advised to carry on a campaign in England in order to educate the investor to take nothing which comes to him under any but the best auspices.

Crowth of Canadian Banks.

Sir Edward further remarked that he thought the banks now in existence in Canada were quite capable of taking care of the necessities of the present and future of the Dominion, as he stated that in his opinion the banking institutions of Great Britain had probably diminished in number, of late years, although increasing in size. This he, apparently, regarded as the safer course for the banking growth in Canada. Speaking of the suggestion that the banks of the Dominion should increase their capital in order to better meet the requirements of the rapidly increasing trade, he expressed the opinion that this could better be done through the increase of profits. For instance, if the Bank of Montreal were to increase its capital by two million dollars, it would only have two millions more to loan, whereas deposits might increase by twenty millions, thus giving the bank twenty millions more to apply to the needs of the country.

The port of Montreal is once more open to navigation. On Sunday last the steamship Corinthian, of the Allan Line, entered port a little after eleven o'clock in the forenoon, thus winning once more for the Allan Line the coveted distinction of bringing into port the first ocean-going vessel of the season. In the afternoon, the Corsican, which showed the way to the fleet, last spring, tied up to her dock and then came the Canada of the White Star-Dominion Line; and the season was on in earnest. The harbor is now filling up rapidly.

The work of the Royal Commission, in inquiring into the various charges of misconduct on the part of civic officials and employees in Montreal, goes on in a manner which promises to provide those, who are conscious of having gone astray during the past few years, with many uncomfortable hours. The reports of the investigations are eagerly read by all and furnish topics of conversation around the brokers offices when the market is lagging. How the matter is being regarded among business circles is shown by the contributions from the Board of Trade and the Stock Exchange towards the fund which is being raised in order that the investigation may be pushed forward vigorously so long as there is any work for the Commission to perform.

The ratepayers of Wilmot Township, Ont., have defeated the People's Railway by-law.

The authority of the Beaver Flat S.D., No. 1914 of Alberta, to borrow \$350 by debentures, has been cancelled.

The usual business-like annual financial statement of the City of Brantford comes to the Monetary Times from Mr. A. K. Bunnel, the treasurer.

Speaking of the Ottawa city debt which has been growing somewhat big lately, Mayor Hopewell has said in an interview: "I would take the assets of the city—not the pavements, sidewalks, etc.—but those that could be converted into cash," said the mayor, "assets such as buildings, land, waterworks and so forth along with the sinking funds and debentures invested in them and after paying off the whole debt I would be many times a millionaire. It is wholly on that basis that the net debt ought to be calculated. It would be unfortunate were the impression to get abroad that we are running heavily into debt without accumulating something to show for it by way of very substantial assets."

MARKETS, TRADE AND COMMERCE

OUR TRADE WITH CHINA.

Could Be Much Improved—Market For Flour Almost Neglected.

The effect of the trade depression during the year 1907 is shown up very clearly in the comparative report recently issued by the Department of Trade and Commerce at Ottawa, giving the imports into China from Great Britain, the United States and Canada for the year 1907, and the two previous years. In all three instances there was a falling off from the year before: Great Britain being 7.9 lower, United States 30.8, and Canada 75 per cent. The Department of Commerce and Labor of the United States announce that for the past year China stands second with them as a commercial nation in the Oriental area. Their exports to China are 8.6 per cent. of the total, which is a decided improvement over that of last year. Canada is not making the same advances in Oriental trade as its neighbor to the south. The Department of Commerce of the Republic have made a study of the commercial relations between the Orient and themselves with the hope of making vast improvements. They have discovered that the reason for the small percentage of the foreign trade coming to American manufacturers is that they are not disposed, at the present time, to devote to that foreign trade the detailed attention given by European manufacturers, including the special manufacture of goods to suit the local markets and the maintaining of trade representatives in the field. Cotton goods is the chief article referred to in the report.

United States Leads Canada.

The imports into China for last year amounted to \$342,000,000, of which a small percentage was from the Dominion. Judging from the list of goods imported into China, given in the Government report, it seems that Canada should be able to compete with the United States much better than she is doing at present. In the line of tobacco the United States contribute a small portion of that imported by China, but Canada has evidently not opened relationship with that country in tobacco. Canada exports a small percentage of the wines, beers and spirits, and the United States also have a slight trade, but it is much greater than that of the Dominion. There is a good market for spirits in China, as the imports amounted in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000.

The trade in textiles between Canada and China amounted to a little over \$150,000, while the United States crossed the three million mark, and last year were a little over four. Considering the resources of the United States for this class of goods this fact is far from being remarkable.

Good Opportunity to Improve Trade.

The United States export to China nearly 65 per cent. of the oil and kerosene used, but Canada has no share in the trade. The Dominion exports more lead to China than the United States and also exceeds the latter in fish and fishery products. As for flour Canada seems to have neglected China, considering her abundant resources, and ships to the extent of \$600,000, while the country imports about \$15,000,000 worth of flour.

SHORTER TERMS OF CREDIT.

With the rapid growth of the city of Toronto, the wholesale houses have found that the number of their accounts is correspondingly on the increase. In nearly all lines of fruit and produce the wholesalers have to pay cash, and, owing to the conditions stated above, a new arrangement has been made for the protection of the wholesaler, and which will

ultimately prove a benefit to the retailer. The Toronto Fruit and Produce Association have issued circulars advising their customers and other friends that after May 1st of this year all goods purchased will be subject to the following terms of weekly credit:—

That all goods purchased up to Thursday night of each week shall fall due on Monday following and that all accounts are to be settled in full not later than the following Wednesday at 3 o'clock, at the offices of the members rendering the statement.

That notes, drafts or post dated cheques will not be accepted in settlement, unless same fall due before the final settling day.

That all accounts not settled within the specified time shall be subject to the rules of the Association.

All important markets in the States have adopted this system, and it has proved entirely satisfactory to both the wholesaler and retailer.

The names of the following wholesale men are attached to the circular:—H. J. Ash, Chris. Barrett, Joseph Bamford, Clemes Bros., Cleghorn & Company, Dawson Com. Company, John J. Fee, Ferrier & Company, Gunns Limited, Harris Abattoir Company, Ltd., C. Kimpton, E. W. Knowlton, The J. A. McLean Produce Company, Ltd., McDonnell & Dingwall, McBride Bros. & Company, McWilliam & Everist, Morley & Ewing, D. B. Martin, Ltd., McKinnon & See, The Park Blackwell Company, Ltd., Puddy Bros., Ltd., H. Pèters, Rutherford, Marshall & Company, The William Ryan Company, Ltd., J. J. Ryan, D. Spence, Stronach & Sons, T. H. Smith & Company, Vance & Company, White & Company, Ltd., Willard & Company,

TRADE INQUIRIES FROM OVERSEAS.

The following are recent inquiries relating to Canadian trade received at the Office of the High Commissioner for Canada, 17 Victoria Street, London, S.W.:—

Wooden Pegs.—Yorkshire correspondent wishes supplies of Canadian-made wooden clothes pegs.

Zinc Dross.—Canadian firms open to export zinc dross; also hard spelter.

Fireclay.—Cheshire firm manufacturing fire-clay goods of every description wishes Canadian business.

Apatite.—London firm desires communication with Canadian producers of apatite.

Machinery.—Scottish correspondent desires communication with Canadian parties willing to form a company for the manufacture of certain classes of machinery (steam, electric, hydraulic, etc.; hammers, haulage, transporting and hoisting gear; rock drills, air compressors, pumps, turbines, etc.); and to receive communications from owners of existing works.

Inquiries from the branch for city trade inquiries, 73 Basinghall Street, London, E.C.:—

Wooden Wheels, etc.—London firm desires communication with Canadian manufacturers of wooden wheels, spokes, hubs, etc., seeking representation in the United Kingdom.

Oxide Colors.—London firm manufacturing oxide colors desire correspondence with Canadian color importers and paint manufacturers.

Steam Engines.—West of England firm manufacturing high-speed enclosed self-lubricating steam engines and marine machinery seek Canadian resident agent.

Cotton Waste.—Liverpool firm desires communication with Canadian buyers of cotton waste.

Glues.—Firm in the Midlands of England manufacturing glues and gelatines, also bone manures and fertilizers desires Canadian agents.

CANADA SECTION

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SEEDING RETARDED BY WEATHER.

Farmers Wait for Warm Weather-Canadian Exposition and Selkirk Centennial—The Trade Outlook-Model Farm Planned.

> Monetary Times Office. Winnipeg, May 4th, 1909.

The month of April in Western Canada is usually the month in which the bulk of the wheat is sown, but this season, owing to the weather, only a small part of the seeding operations were completed by the end of the month. The weather for the past week or ten days has been anything but favorable, by this time next week warm weather may have set in, and then the grain will go in with a rush, as every farmer is in readiness with seed and drill to get right on the land.

There are many reports from the farming districts, and in some communities good headway has been made, and seeding is fairly well advanced. This applies to wheat, as the other grains are not yet a factor in the sowing campaign. In other sections seeding has only commenced, but has been s riously interrupted by the spell of chilly weather. The rest of the districts report that no grain has been sown, and that seeding is not likely to begin for several days. Over most of the entire grain growing area it is found that farmers are at work on the land, and when the grain is planted it will go in on a bed which has been carefully prepared.

Canadian 1912 Exposition.

The "Canadian Exposition and Selkirk Centennial," is the name decided upon for the Exposition to be held in Winnipeg in 1912. Last week a strong committee consisting of 50 of the leading business men of the city, started on a trip through the West, by special train, which will call at all the important points, as far west as Calgary, and north to Edmonton. They will return to Winnipeg over the C.N.R. The idea of the trip is to ascertain the sentiment of the country in regard to the holding of the fair, and also to gain their

The proposal is to have an Exposition that will be an all-Canadian event, to be held in Western Canada in 1912. Though Winnipeg is taking the lead, the Exposition will not be a Winnipeg fair, but a Dominion World's Fair, in the results of which the whole West will share.

Reports are coming to hand already from some of the points visited, assuring the committee of their interest in the movement, and of their willingness to do everything possible to promote it. The hearty co-operation and support have been assured of the Government of Saskatchewan, which has promised to use its influence in Ottawa in urging that adequate financial aid be given by the Dominion.

The Trade Outlook.

In discussing general business conditions Mr. Belcher, president of the Winnipeg Board of Trade, said that the spring marked a definite change in the business outlook. "Industrial and business interests," he said, "are looking for excuses for expansion rather than for reasons to curtail their operations. The same feeling actuates all branches of activity, whether it be transportation companies, jobbing houses or retailers. Railways are all building freely, and in the recent announcement that the Great Northern will this year build directly into Winnipeg, lies evidence that the American railways just as much as our own roads, are alive to the quickened development, and wish to take advantage of the crop movement and general transportation activity."

The growth in the membership of the Winnipeg Board of Trade has been remarked of late. At the last meeting 91 new

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applications were passed upon, which brings the total membership up to 450, and makes the Winnipeg Board of Trade the third largest in the Dominion.

A hopeful view of the situation in the West is also taken by Mr. R. Campbell, general manager of the Northern Crown Bank. "A great deal depends on the crop, of course," he said, "but there seems to be a general return of confidence, and all that is needed is a good average crop. Money is plentiful, capital being available for all legitimate purposes, which marks a decided change in the situation as compared with a short time ago, but the money market is always like that-a feast or a famine." "Payments are remarkably good,

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and another good sign is the deposits, which are rapidly increasing."

S ottish Agriculturists Plan Model Farm.

As a result of the visit last summer to the Prairie Provinces of the Scottish Agricultural Commission, an inter esting experiment is to be carried cut. During the past week, J. M. Hodge, one of the members of the commission, a successful farmer in Perthshire, Scotland, arrived in the city wi h the intention of purchasing at least 10,000 acres of land for growing wheat only. This land will be bought in the interests of a syndicate, and the intention is to bring out a number of Scottish plowmen and place them on the land. Canadian farm laborers will also be employed. Mr. Hodge, along with an official of the Department of Immigration, is now in Lethbridge making enquiry regarding the productive possibilities of the soil there. It is possible that irrigated lands may be purchased by the syndicate. The proposal is to grow wheat exclusively, and some fifteen sections will be bought immediately. Additional land may be bought later. All necessary buildings will be erected, and the farm will be operated in a practical manner, all the best methods being adopted. It will be in every way a model farm, and as the Scottish delegates are satisfied it can be operated at a good profit, this action cannot fail to have an influence on the emigration of the best class of settlers from the Mother Country to these provinces.

IN THE WHEAT MARKETS.

Market Advances a Few Points—World's Shipments Heavier—Bullish Foreign Crop Report.

> Monetary Times Office, Winnipeg, May 3rd, 1909.

With the abandonment of the May deal the market has been finding its way into normal channels again, but although

prices at the beginning of the week were from 7 to 10 cents lower than at the height of the bull campaign, unseasonable weather and the movement of shorts to cover led to a decided reaction on Tuesday. Assisted by higher cables and a firm market in Liverpool, each succeeding day brought about a slight but gradual increase in values, and by Saturday prices showed a general all-round advance on the week of from 3 to 4 cents. The weather conditions over the entire growing a ea of the North American continent favored higher prices, while reduced American shipments and Indian offerings, coupled with continued good demand from Europe, were also factors in sustaining prices.

Activity on Winnipeg Exchange.

Our Winnipeg market on the whole experienced a week of fairly sustained activity, and on several days a large amount of business was done. A quantity of No. 3 Northern, and of the lower grades, was worked for export, but exporters are handicapped by the present high figures. Cash wheat was in active demand on the declines, and local millers were good buyers of May wheat. Receipts at all terminal points continue light. A factor of passing interest in the local situation is that, so far, the lateness of the spring has not been reflected in the price of the new crop. The October option fluctuates in sympathy with July, but appears to have no strength of its own.

Big Increase in World's Shipments.

The statistical situation shows no great change. The world's shipments increased by 1½ million bushels, America's contribution was 600,000 bushels less, indicating that Europe was buying elsewhere cheaper than she could in these markets. Both Argentine and Russian exports were heavy, while the Australian shipments showed an unexpected increase of 664,000 bushels over the previous week. Canadian visible increased by a quarter million bushels, and world's

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MONEY AND MUNICIPALITIES.

The Monetary Times is considering the publication in pamphlet form and at a popular price, the articles of Mr. H. E. M. Kensit, Mem. Inst. E.E., Mem. A.M. Inst. E.E., on "Uniform Municipal Accounting," which recently appeared in these colums. In view of the movement in Canada for uniform municipal accounting, these articles are of especial interest. Mr. Kensit said in concluding his articles:

"What knowledge the writer has of the subject has been gained as an official responsible, not for the actual keeping or auditing of accounts, but for seeing that they were kept on the financial principles and in the form advocated, and this experience has promoted a lively appreciation of the great importance and highly technical nature of accountants' work. An engineer often becomes so absorbed in technical details that he loses sight of financial considerations, and similarly an accountant gets such a close view of the details of the bookkeeping that he also may lose sight of important points that may greatly affect the position of the undertaking in future years; the best results are to be obtained from collaboration between the accountants and the engineers, for neither can conduct his department to the best advantage without the help of the other."

Should the demand for this valuable series prove sufficiently great, a further announcement will be made.

COMING BOND ISSUES.

Strathcona, Alta.—Some city debentures will be placed on the market this year.

Saskatoon, Sask.—Public school debentures for \$50,000 at 5 per cent. will be issued shortly.

Latchford, Ont.—The municipality will shortly issue debentures of \$4,000 for fire protection purposes.

Oak Bay, B.C.—The ratepayers will vote on a by-law authorizing the raising of \$30,000 for waterworks.

Lumsden, Sask.—The Council have been asked to offer inducements for the erection of a \$15,000 temperance hotel.

Regina, Sask.—The ratepayers will vote on by-laws to raise \$121,000 to cover expenditure made for public improvement.

Ratepayers of Moosomin, Sask., will shortly (be asked to authorize \$23,000 of debentures to erect a new high school building.

Haileybury, Ont.—The municipality will in all probability issue debentures to the amount of \$28,000 for public school purposes.

Claresholm, Alta.—The ratepayers will vote on a by-law authorizing the borrowing of \$76,000 for water and light purposes.

Medicine Hat, Alta.—The ratepayers will vote on by-laws to raise \$10,000 for agricultural society and \$6,000 for cemetery purposes.

St. Mary's, Ont.—The by-law to guarantee the bonds of the St. Mary's Portland Cement Company to the amount of \$40,000 has been carried.

The Village Council of Kamsack has authorized the issue of \$5,000 debentures, 15-year, for street grading, sidewalks, and general improvements.

Westmount, Que.—The local Municipal Association have approved the by-law for an increased loan of \$135,000 for electric lighting plant extension.

Carberry, Man.—On May 18th the electors will vote on a by-law to issue \$8,000 5 per cent. 20-year debentures, for the

purpose of paying the debt on the municipal hall. G. Balfour, secretary-treasurer.

At Watrous, Sask., the assessors and the census-takers are at work. The Council proposes to issue debentures to provide fire protection and to lay sidewalks.

Carman, Man.—On May 21st the ratepayers will vote on a by-law to raise \$25,000 for waterworks and sewer extensions. A. Malcolmson is secretary-treasurer.

Yorkton, Sask.—Debentures are likely to be issued to the extent of \$70,000 for waterworks and sewerage extension, and \$16,000 for cement sidewalks.

Francis, Sask.—Either \$18,000 or \$23,000 worth of debentures will be issued near the middle of this month. The period thereof will be 35 years and the bonds will bear interest at 5½ per cent. The principal will be repaid from a sinking fund which is deposited from year to year with the Provincial Government.

Winnipeg, Man.—The ratepayers will vote on by-laws to raise \$400,000 for the construction of a new bridge; \$50,000 for fire hall and alarm system in Weston, and \$150,000 for purchase and improvement of parks.

DEBENTURES OFFERING.

Granum, Alta.—Until May 15th, for \$2,000 6 per cent. 10-year debentures. C. E. Cameron, secretary-treasurer.

Manitoba.—Until May 15th, \$762,000 provincial debentures. (Official advertisement appears on another page.)

Maidstone, Sask.—Until May 15th for \$900 8 per cent. O-year village debentures. J. L. Courtice, secretary-treasurer.

Bloomfield, Ont.—Until May 15 for \$8,000 4½ per cent. roads and walks debentures. Charles H. Saylor, town clerk.

Windsor, Ont.—Until May 10th for \$9,000 20-year 5 per cent. public park and \$6,641.80 10-year 5 per cent. local improvement debentures. S. Lusted, clerk.

Vancouver, B.C.—Until May 31st for \$1,397,000 40-year 4 per cent. debentures. G. F. Baldwin, city comptroller. (Official advertisement appears on another page.)

Hamilton, Ont.—Until May 27 for \$65,000 sewer, \$50,000 waterworks, \$112,000 special, \$125,000 permanent roadway—all 4 per cent. 20-years; and \$25,000 public library 4 per cent. 7 years debentures. S. H. Kent, city clerk.

DEBENTURES AWARDED.

Pembroke, Ont.—\$14,495, 4½ per cent., 10-year deben-

Lintin, S.D., Sask.—\$1,000, 6 per cent., to Messrs. H. O'Hara & Company.

Hartney, Man.—\$5,000, 5 per cent., 20-year sidewalk improvement debentures.

Blenheim, Ont.—\$3,465, 5 per cent., 18-year local improvement debentures to Mr. W. C. Brent.

St. Thomas, Ont.—\$72,000, 4½ per cent. and 5 per cent., 10 and 20-year debentures to Imperial Bank.

Peterborough, Ont.—\$25,000 4½ per cent. 20 and 30-years debentures to Brouse, Mitchell & Company.

Welland, Ont.—\$23,600, 4½ per cent., 10-year sewer debentures; \$20,642, 4½ per cent., 20-year sidewalk debentures to Mr. W. C. Brent.

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TRADE WITH AUSTRALIA.

Renewal of Canadian-Australian Line Subsidy-Activity on Pacific Coast-British Capital Coming to Canada.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Vancouver, B.C., May 1st.

The situation on the Pacific Coast of Canada is appreciated by men like Mr. William Whyte, second vice-president of the C.P.R., and Mr. C. H. Cahan, K.C., of Montreal, the latter of whom has had considerable experience with industrial enterprises. When Mr. Whyte was interviewed a week ago at Seattle, he said that there were going to be three great Pacific Coast cities, San Francisco, Seattle, and Vancouver. Seattle and Vancouver were destined to become cities and shipping points that attract railroads. The past week has seen considerable activity among Canadian Northern engineers, five parties of whom will spend the summer in the country between Kamloops and the Yellowhead Pass locating a line this way. This is a corroboration of Mr. Whyte's statement. It looks as if the route of the Canadian Northern will be via Kamloops, and this is more probable than via Lytton, as the Kamloops route will enable the line to open up a fine district, not only north but south of that city. In the Nicola Valley, which he partially traversed, are good agricultural and grazing lands as well as a mineralized zone, with coal, and it is hardly likely that these will be overlooked by the company.

Mr. Cahan went into some details in pointing out the advantages of Vancouver in being the centre of the lumber industry, the output of the Alberta wheat trade, and the city that will benefit from the development of the mineral riches of the province. Further than that, he sees an increased trade with China, Japan and the Antipodes, and declares that the merchants of Canada do not realize the enormous possibilities of this over-Pacific trade. He offers the advice, which is timely, that every large merchant in the Dominion should send out men to these countries to study conditions. Canda has trade commissioners in these countries, but they have to report in a general way, and can hardly be expected to give particular attention to special lines, such as is required when the trade is to be catered to.

Mr. Cahan is the representative of the Bank of Montreal, and declared that that institution had decided to try the experiment of confining its investments in the future to Canada. On considering the proposition to develop the waterpower at Stave River Falls, 35 miles from Vancouver, he said that the project would be commended to eastern capitalists, and about \$3,000,000 would be invested.

Canadian-Australian Line Subsidy.

Indecision on the part of the Dominion Government in the matter of renewing the subsidy to the Canadian-Australian Line is working harm to this port and Victoria, since the company now operating the boats are in the position of being unable to contract for outward business beyond the time when the subsidized service will expire, which will be in a couple of months. The officers of the steamer Aorangi, which left for Australia, last week, did not know whether or not she would be back. Some time ago, an application was made by the Union Steamship Company, which operates the service, to the Dominion Government for an in-

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THE DUTIES OF AN ACCOUNTANT IN CONNECTION WITH INSURANCE CONTRACTS.

By Paul von Szeliski, of the Insurance Firm of Szeliski & McLean, Toronto.

IV.

Opinions as to the damage sustained will often materially differ, particularly in the case of old buildings or machinery, or used articles generally. It is absolutely impossible to give any reliable rules for depreciation which would equally and uniformly apply to the vast variety of used property insured. Larger manufacturing concerns usually employ appraisal companies to value their plant from time to time. Such an independent valuation is the best evidence for a proof of loss.

If the firms should wish to write down the value of their plants below the valuation set upon it by the appraisal company, they may set aside a special contingent or reserve fund, and keep the plant account in their books at the proper value given by the appraisal company.

We will now quote from an American authority, George A. Clement, the following rules, which apply equally to Canada:—

Limitation Upon Amount of Loss or Damage as Imposed by Contract.

The insurance company is not liable beyond the actual cash value of the property at the time any loss or damage occurs, and the loss or damage shall be ascertained or estimated according to such actual cash value, with proper deductions for depreciation however caused, and shall in no event exceed what it would then cost the insured to repair or replace the same with material of like kind and quality; said ascertainment or estimate shall be made by the insured and the company, or, if they differ, then by appraisers.

Meaning of Cash Value-Manufacturers.

In ordinary cases the actual cash value means the market price or value at the time and place destroyed, and the same rule may apply to manufacturers insured; the word "then" in the limiting clause (see the foregoing) "shall not exceed what it would then cost the assured to replace," means just what it says, and not what it would cost the assured to replace from his own factory after delay of manufacturing or reproducing, etc. In ascertaining the amount of loss it is not important or conclusive what insured paid for his goods or property, whether in money or otherwise, or whether given to him. In either event he would be entitled to the benefit of his bargain or gift. The only question is as to the fair cash value of the goods destroyed. The word "then" may be construed as meaning within reasonable time.

Manufacturer of Machines.

Where insured is a manufacturer, and property covered is machines manufactured by him, under the limitation in the policy that in no event should the loss exceed what it would "cost the insured to repair or replace the same with material of like kind and quality," the measure of damage is not the market value of the property destroyed, but what it will cost the insured as a manufacturer to replace it.

Cash Value-Market Value.

Cash value of property at time of the fire means what it would cost the insured in cash to purchase property of like kind and quality; or proof of fair market value is the equivalent of actual cash value. Cost of property may be some evidence of value, but is not conclusive; cash value cannot include estimated profits. Evidence of market value and cost of replacing are both admissible, and if they conflict the verdict of a jury is conclusive.

Damage to property to extent that it is rendered useless for purpose used is destruction of it; if any value remains, the insurance company is entitled to benefit of it, if paid for in full.

We will now revert to the clauses or warranties you meet with most frequently in policies; or rather, which if not contained in the policy should be inserted in the wording as circumstances may demand it.

(A) Permission granted without notice to make ordinary alterations and repairs for a period not exceeding fifteen days.

This clause limits the work, as you will notice, to fifteen days, and it should be noted that a special permit is required, if carpenters or plumbers or other workmen are employed on the premises for a longer period than that mentioned. A consideration is usually paid for such a permit. Of late the companies have extended the privilege of finishing dwellings under construction without making any extra charge over the usual rates.

(B) Permission granted to work overtime as occasion may require. This privilege is not always granted, and in certain industries the working overtime will involve an extra charge for increased hazard.

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(C) Permission granted to cease operation as and when assured may deem necessary for a period not exceeding thirty days at any one time.

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(D) Permission to keep such material and supplies as are necessary for the proper conduct of the business carried on, not, however, exceeding one gallon in all of benzine, gasoline, or naphtha.

This is defined by condition 10 F, from which you will notice that a special permit is required for the keeping of gunpowder, and consequently also of fireworks. Special clauses are drafted, for instance, for automobile garages, an' other risks, having specially hazardous properties.

(E) The keeping of a watchman is sometimes warranted by the assured, and a rate allowance thereby obtained.

(F) Mortgage Clause:-

It is hereby provided and agreed that this insurance as to the interest of the mortgagees only therein shall not be invalidated by any act or neglect of the mortgagor or owner of the property insured, nor by the occupation of the premises for purposes more hazardous than are permitted by this policy.

It is further provided and agreed that the mortgages shall at once notify said company of non-occupation or vacancy for over thirty days, or of any change of ownership or increased hazard that shall come to their knowledge; and that every increase of hazard, not permitted by the policy to the mortgager or owner, shall be paid for by the mortgagees on reasonable demand from the date such hazard existed.

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The net premium revenue on this amount written was £78,783 stg., equal to say £393,000. Amount received in purchase of annuities, £52,498. Claims under policies during the year, inclusive of bonus additions—by death £687,821, by survivance £159,663, together £847,484, which means \$4,237,000 paid to policyholders. The total insurance in force at end of year was, in pounds, £29,132,024, in dollars, \$145,660,000. Accumulated funds, after deducting current liabilities, £12,297,103—the addition to the accumulated funds during the year being \$276,452. The company's revenue for the twelve months was upwards of seven and a half millions of dollars.

LIFE, ACCIDENT, AND CASUALTY NOTES.

The Scottish Life Assurance Company, Limited, has been licensed to do business in Manitoba. Mr. J. S. Tupper, Winnipeg, is the principal agent in the province.

The sub-committee appointed to consider the Insurance Bill is composed of Messrs. Miller, Nesbitt, Monk, Barker, Harris, Henderson, Warburton, Perley, C. A. Wilson, Meighen and Fielding.

A prominent farmer in Southern Alberta, W. L. Thompson, died a few days ago. He was owner of 20,000 acres of land, 5,000 of which he worked. It is only a few months since Mr. Thompson took out \$50,000 insurance in the Great West

It is very doubtful, says Mr. Roger L. Merrill, the general agent of the Maryland Casualty for Wisconsin and Northern Michigan, whether good service in one part of an agency has greater value than in another. Thoughtful, conscientious, intelligent service, from the office boy to the head of the agency, is difficult to secure. It cannot be secured, except as appreciation of it is shown in a practical manner by salaries in accordance with the character of the service. An agency of a higher grade than its competitors cannot be hoped for, except as the remuneration of those giving it that grade, is greater than that paid by those competitors. Cheapness is always unsatisfactory. Practical economy is always greater with efficiency at high salaries, than with inefficiency at low ones.

PROVINCIAL INSURANCE CHARTERS.

Insurance companies that have received provincial charters have no right to do an unauthorized business in other provinces. This was the statement made by the president, Mr. J. H. H. Young, at the second annual dinner of the Saskatchewan Underwriters Association, held in Regina recently. The president occupied the chair, and around the festive board were gathered a large number of insurance men from different points throughout the province.

Mr. Young read a correspondence with the insurance department at Ottawa in regard to companies with a provincial charter doing an unauthorized business in other provinces. The department wrote that it had obtained an opinion from the Department of Justice that a company having only a provincial charter had not the right to do insurance business in a province other than the one issuing the charter, except on a license issued by the Department of Insurance at Ottawa

ONTARIO'S INSURANCE ACT.

Changes Suggested—Relieve Presidents of Heavy Responsibility as to Statements—Election of Directors.

The old grievance of the presidents of insurance companies, embodied in the fact that they are compelled to make affidavits to all statements, some of which they are unable to swear as to their accuracy, was one of the changes to Ontario's Insurance Act suggested by Mr. William Purvis, of Columbus, Ont., in his address before the Mutual Fire Underwriters' Association of that province. His suggestion urged that section 96 should be so amended as to relieve presidents of this heavy responsibility. The following changes were also suggested:

The Insurance Act should be separated into three Acts,-

- (a) The Fire Insurance Act.
- (b) The Life Insurance Act.
- (c) The Friendly Societies Act.

Section No. 123 might be simplified; either an agent of a company should be eligible to be elected a director, or a director should not receive applications for insurance. If a director receives applications for insurance, and is paid for doing the work, he is not an agent? This section should also state clearly if an agent or paid officer of the company has a right to vote in the election for directors, if otherwise qualified.

Collection of Premium Notes.

At the election of directors some simpler method might be devised, in case of a tie, to decide who is elected.

Section 4, Cap. 15, Ontario Statutes 1904, should be amended so that insurance companies incorporated after June 1st, 1904, would have the power to collect the payment on the premium note in one sum, instead of annually. This section should also provide for a first payment on all notes when the insurance commences, both those incorporated before and after 1904.

Section 9, Cap. 15, Ontario Statutes 1904, limits the time for which insurance can be taken to three years, but this only applies to companies incorporated after June 1st, 1904. This is a descrimination against the newer companies. It should apply to all or none. In my opinion it was a step in the right direction and should be applicable to all companies.

Trustees as Directors.

The law should clearly state whether or not a person who holds insurance only as a trustee of an estate, or as a trustee of a corporation, is eligible to be elected as director of a mutual fire insurance company; also if such person is entitled to vote at an annual meeting of the company.

MUNICIPAL INSURANCE.

Edmonton City Will Carry Large Proportion of Its Insurance—Details of the Proposal.

The City of Edmonton, an ultra progressive municipality. has decided to go into the insurance business. A report adopted by the City Council by its commissioners recommended that forty per cent. of the value of city buildings and contents be placed with insurance companies and that another 40 per cent. be carried by the city. The city will insure their share at the regular rates, the premiums to be set aside to form a general insurance fund, from which the city's share of any loss may be paid. About \$188,400 insurance is carried on city buildings, for which the city pays \$3,293.50 each year in premiums. A rough estimate places the value of the buildings insured at \$475,000. If these are insured at 80 per cent. of their value the premium paid at 2 per cent. will be \$7,600. One-half of this will be paid by the city, so that about \$3,800 will be put into the insurance fund every year under the new system.

Property Now Covered by Insurance.

The property at present covered is as follows:

. Co	ost.	Ins.	Premium
Power house and machinery \$29			
Engineer's residence		1,000	11.00
	7,000	4,000	48.40
	110,0	20,000	160.00
	2,817	6,000	30.00
		3,000	37.80
	5,880	14,000	105.00
	5,647	1,500	30.75
	0,041	1,500	18.75
	5,000	10,000	189.00
	0,000	20,000	528.00
Telephone fixtures		5,000	107.50
Heiminck building and stables		5,000	51.00
	,748	9,000	96.30
Exhibition buildings		6,400	180.00

\$188,400 \$3,293,50

The Folly of the Scheme.

This scheme was suggested two years ago, but the council felt then that the risk would be too great should a disastrous fire occur. The city now carries half of the risk and will gradually assume the full risk as to the fund into which the insurance premiums is paid, grows. We have a great admiration for Edmonton and its citizens but we think that in the matter of insurance the city has made more than one mistake. The Workmen's Compensation Act of Alberta, for instance, is a very drastic affair and needs considerable amendment before it conforms to proved precedents of efficiency. As to the city transacting its own insurance, it is seen that Edmonton recognizes its weakness in the matter. The municipality desires the insurance companies' support until it is supposed that the civic insurance fund is sufficiently large to provide for the risk of a possible conflag-In the event of a bad fire occurring, Edmonton being reduced to ashes, the insurance fund would be wiped out of existence and probably be discovered far below the amount required to settle call losses. Then the city would have to begin again its insurance fund, asking the companies to carry a portion. Municipal insurance has been tried time after time and almost invariably has proved a failure. Insurance companies collect premiums throughout the country and can afford, and do pay in the case of respectable concerns, when a conflagration fires a city from its site.

SOME RECENT FIRES.

The following particulars are gathered from first Press reports of conflagrations. Upon these are instituted further inquiries, which heading "Additional Information."

Brantford, Ont.—Residence of Mr. W. Turner damaged; incendiarism suspected.

Crafton, Ont.—Storehouse owned by Mr. M. J. Gillard, destroyed by fire, which originated in the cellar.

Ottawa, Ont.—Tenement owned by Mr. Wm. Hayes, destroyed; loss, \$2,000, partially covered by insurance.

Dunnville, Ont.—Barns of Mr. Chas. Ackland destroyed with contents. Loss, \$2,000; lightning the cause.

London, Ont.—Residence of Mr. Jas. Gardner, 651 Richmond Street, damaged; cause of fire, gasoline explosion.

Vancouver, B.C.—Residence of Mr. Miller, Hastings Street, destroyed; cause unknown, two children burned.

St. Thomas, Ont.—Ponsford's liquor store damaged; cause of fire unknown. A freight car was also damaged.

Caledon, Ont.—General store owned by Mr. H. Matchett destroyed. The building and contents were partially insured.

Halifax, N.S.—Home of Mr. Stephen McAskill destroyed. Cause supposed to be an overheated stove. Four children burned.

Omemee, Ont.—Residence of Mr. Wm. Fitzgerald, of Emily, and contents destroyed. An incubator explosion caused fire.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—The McMullen Grocery damaged; loss, \$2,000, partially covered by insurance. Mice believed to have eaten insulation off wires.

Collingwood, Ont.—Stable, the property of Mrs. Duncan, and hen coop the property of Mr. Thos. McDonald, destroyed. Incendiarism supposed to be the cause.

Elora, Ont.—Barn belonging to Mr. John Barber destroyed, with 45 head of cattle. Loss about \$4,000, covered in the Nickol¹ Mutual. Lightning the cause.

Elk Lake, Ont.—Hudson Bay stores, post-office, Matabanick, King Edward, and Smyth hotels, and the Joudouin Trading Company's general store, destroyed.

Quebec, Que.—Messrs. Paquet & Co., machinists, the Traders' Ready Made Clothing Co., and two other firms, damaged. Loss, \$65,000; insurance, \$25,000.

Portage la Prairie.—Canadian Northern Railway oil warehouse destroyed; loss on building and contents, including \$75 gold watch, \$575. An exploding lamp is said to have been the cause.

Peterborough, Ont.—Old drill shed, property of Mr. Robt. Nicholls destroyed; supposed incendiary origin. Milburn Bros.' farm house and driving shed destroyed; loss, including \$400 worth of machinery, \$1,500. The fire is supposed to have been caused by incendiaries.

Dauphin, Man.—Messrs. Martin & Fagen's tailor shop damaged and stock destroyed; loss \$1,500, with \$500 insurance. Miss G. Johnston, milliner, lost entire stock, which was covered by \$600 insurance; store damaged. Mr. Drinkwater's confectionery damaged; loss \$1,200, insurance \$1,700. Gasoline explosion caused the fire.

BOILER INSPECTION AND INSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA.

Recently were printed in these columns, particulars of two occurrences illustrating the necessity of proper boiler inspection and insurance. Unfortunately steam boiler insurance is not always regarded as part of the operating expense of a steam power plant. Where this item is not allowed for the omission often proves serious. The financial statement of the Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company of Canada, as on January 1st, 1908, shows that this company is doing a satisfactory business in its particular line. Its unearned premium reserve amounts to \$77,676 and the surplus to policyholders \$66,995. Cash on hand and in bank totals \$14,077, while stocks bond and debentures account for \$117,851 of the company's assets. Under the head other assets is the sum \$12,761. The company has deposited with the Dominion Government \$58,074. A policy in this company is made doubly safe, as it is guaranteed by the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection & Insurance Company, under a license granted by the Dominion Government for that purpose. The Hartford also presents a gratifying statement for the past twelve months. Under the guarantee license the total surplus for the benefit of policyholders of the Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company of Canada, according to the two financial statements, is \$2,072,863. The head office of the company is in the Continental Life Building. The president is Mr. John L. Blaikie, and the vice-president, Mr. H. N. Roberts.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED.

Hamilton, Ont.—Residence of George H. Lees. Estimated damage on building, \$150 to \$200; insured in the Royal and Guardian.

Welland, Ont.—Mr. R. D. Spencer's house under construction. Estimated loss on building, \$900. Insured in Northern Insurance Company.

Brantford, Ont.—Mr. Emery Turner's residence. Estimated damage on contents, \$100; on building, \$450. Insurance, \$500 in Anglo-American.

Parry Sound, Ont.—Residence of Mr W. J. MacLean destroyed. Value of contents \$900, and the dwelling \$1,800. Insured in the London Lancashire Insurance Company.

Edmundston, N.B.—Court House and Gaol, owned by Madawaska County. Estimated damage on stock, \$8,000; on building, \$1,500. Insurance, \$4,700 in British-American.

Pigeon Bluff P.O., Man.—Stable containing 3 horses and 18 cattle, owned by Mr. William Chambers. Estimated damage on stock, \$1,000; on building, \$500. Insurance, 300 in Farmers Mutual.

Englehart, Ont.—Murountchik & Goldfarb's two-storey house. Estimated loss on contents, \$150; on building, \$14. Insurance, \$800 in Standard Mutual. (Notified that the company had failed.)

Chesterville, Ont.—Losses: Sanders, Soule & Casselman, Ltd., \$60,000; insurance \$32,000; Guardian \$15,500; North British and Mercantile \$9,500; Phoenix of London \$5,000; Anglo-American \$2,000. W. J. Nash \$500; no insurance. Masonic Lodge \$1,000; insurance \$400. T. T. Shaw \$7,000; insurance \$1,500. W. M. Saneier \$1,000; insurance \$600. Public Library \$1,000; insurance \$300. J. Pelletier \$1,500; insurance \$500. Gordon Robinson \$800; insurance \$450. Fisher & Robinson \$2,000; insurance \$400. The Canadian Metropolitan Independent, Montreal, Canada and Equity are interested. Presumed started from iron heater in rear of tailor shop.

FIRE AND MARINE NOTES.

The entire fire brigade of Saskatoon, Sask., have resigned.

The New York agents of the Western and British American Assurance Companies, W. L. Perrin & Sons, have removed their office from 45 Cedar Street to 73 Maiden Lane.

The Washington Fire Insurance Company, of Seattle, Wash., with a capital of \$250,000, has been authorized to do business in British Columbia. The head office for the province is at Vancouver, and Mr. R. H. Duke, is attorney for the company.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Western Assurance Company, Dr. John Hoskin, K.C., was elected a vice-president, in addition to Mr. W. R. Brock. Dr. Hoskin has also been elected a vice-president of the British American Assurance Company.

During the commotion caused by a fire a few doors north, burglars succeeded in forcing the rear entrance into J. Deshauller's store, Montreal, and making good their escape with over \$60, and a quant ty of goods. The Dominion Guarantee Company cover the loss.

The following companies authorized to carry on hail insurance within the Province of Saskatchewan, have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor:—Saskatchewan Insurance Company, Central Canada Insurance Company, Alberta-Canadian Insurance Company.

Land values have increased and the houses have greatly improved in the sections destroyed in the great Hull-Ottawa fire of nine years ago, the anniversary of which was on April 26th. Despite the fire of three years ago both cities have more than recovered their losses.

Reinsurance has been asked for the steamer Hawthornbank, of the Andrew Weir Fleet, which has been out from Jerneuzen, Holland, 228 days, with a cargo of creosote for Eagle harbor, and thence to Vancouver to load lumber. Her passage being slow some considerable anxiety is felt.

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, in all its departments, has placed a total of \$1,752,000 insurance. Of this the Exposition Buildings proper, owned by the Exposition Corporation, are insured for \$450,000, distributed among practically all the responsible companies doing business in Seattle.

The Jessie Fraser Copper Mining Company, Ltd., has been authorized to pay a commission upon the amount realized upon the sale of shares, debentures, or other securities of the company, not to exceed 25 per cent.

LIFE INSURANCE

Over Ten Millions

Despite the fact that the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company has only recently entered on its 22nd year in business, its Assets on Dec. 31, 1908, amounted to

\$10,361,585.32

This is an increase during the year of

\$902,354.63

Of these Assets there is held, as a liability, for the protection of policy-holders,

\$9,428,591.00

All classes of Securities were valued upon the most conservative basis. The published quotations were taken for all listed Securities. In the case of Municipal Debentures, Bonds, and other unlisted Securities, the value determined by the best advice obtainable was used.

The Manufacturers Life

Insurance Company

Head Office: Toronto, Canada.

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the last time you asked for an increase of salary?
Do you remember how you felt about it?

The Prudential

Life Insurance Agent never has to ask anybody for an increase. He makes his own

increases. He stands on his own feet, and the great Prudential is behind him.

THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA.

Incorporated as a Stock Company by the State of New Jersey.

JOHN F. DRYDEN. Write for Agency Home Office, President NEWARK, N. I.

REVIEW OF THE MONTH

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Toronto Here is a summary of April sales			Woodworth
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Saskatchewan		240,345	Horod S.D. Siaz SD.
Manitoba		100,250	Dauphin .
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Woodworth	. 15,000		1929	
Boissevain	7,000		1939	
Wisla S.D	1.000		1919	
Rogers S.D	1,000		1919	
Zaporoza S.D			1919	
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East Nissouri	3,367	41/2	1919	
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Brockville	25,310	4	1924	
		41/2	1929	
Berlin	44,163	5	1914	
Dernin	44,103	3	1929	
			1939	
Hudson Township	7,600	5	1929	
Haileybury		5	1939	
	5,000	5	1919	
Sandwich, West Township.	2,172	5	1919	
Athens	8,574 4,750	5 4 1/2	1910-29	
North Bay		5	1924	
Englehart	5,000	5	1924	
Guelph	4,515	41/2	1929	
Stratford	40,000	41/3	1939	
	15,000	41/2	1929	
	15,000	5	1924	
Midland	6,300	5	1934	
Osnabruck Township	41,144	5	1929	
" "	1,823	5	1919	
Cornwall Township	24,033	5	1929	
Rainy River	33,000	41/3	1939	
Sarnia	41,226	::;	INIT BARRA	
Guelph	8,984	41/2	1929	
Chatham	50,000	5	1939	
Peterborough	25,108	41/2	1929-39	
Essex	1,746	5	1924	
	\$498,826			
uebec.				
Montreal	\$500,000	4	1949	
Aylmer	14,000	5	1957	
	6,000	5	1937	
Valleyfield	32,000	5	1933	
Montreal	1,946.667	4	1949	
Notre Dame de Grace	33,000	41/2	1948	
Outrement	35,000	5	1956	
St. Pierre	45,000	5	1949	
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Moncton	\$8,000	4½	1949	

Nova Scotia.	Amt.	Rate	Maturity	
Liverpool	\$ 9,000	All Control of the Control	1937	
	\$24,000			

Regarding the present position of and the outlook for the market, opinions vary considerably, although the concensus leans towards the conclusion that prices of municipals are too high. That statement needs some qualification. Undoubtedly April, for most houses, has been a quiet month. Some almost have ceased to figure in the bidding. As one authority said to the Monetary Times, "Bonds can always be bought, they cannot always be sold." The slowing down process, perhaps, is best seen in the market for what may be termed high priced securities, that is to say 4¼ to 4 per cent. The demand of small buyers for these securities is very poor and indeed seems to be about played out.

Prices Are Right for Some Bonds.

For other classes, such as the 436 to 4½, the buyer is keen and it is unlikely a slackening will come for some time, the prices generally being considered about right. Western issues selling at 41/2 should be running, think many,

on a 5 per cent. basis.

A glance at one firm's sales book for 1899, a house which is advocating lower prices, shows that at that date figures were far lower than they are now. Such a comparison is scarcely fair, as during the intervening ten years, the Canadian national situation has changed materially. Prosperity dian national situation has changed materially. is now a factor which then was a very minor consideration.

Demand Increasing for Industrials.

While municipals have had a large share of attention, it looks as though industrial and public utility bonds are being more carefully considered by the investor. Some big sales have been made by Canadian houses. A bond with a bonus is sometimes attractive. There is, we know, a strong demand at present for industrials and similar issues. Recent issues are: Lake Superior Corporation, first mortgage, 5 per cent., 40-year collateral trust bonds (in London); Moirs, Limited, a Nova Scotia manufacturing house; Amalgamated Asbestos; Imperial Asbestos; Steel Steamship bonds. This market is likely to become more active.

CANADA'S APRIL FIRE LOSSES.

Reduction Over Previous Months-Large Number of Fatalities-Many Incendiaries.

The Monetary Times estimate of Canada's fire losses in April is seven hundred and twenty thousand dollars. There were a large number of small fires and comparatively few in which the damage exceeded \$10,000. In two cases the fires were serious and the loss heavy.

Here is the estimate of losses: Exceeding \$10,000	. 193,000
The losses for the first four months of the	
January February March April	\$1,500,000 1,263,005 851,690
	\$4,335,345

Losses, Ten Thousand and Over.

The following are among the fires of the month in which

the loss was \$10,000 and over:

Prescott, Ont.—New C.P.R. roundhouse and two locomo-\$12,000 partly insured.

Wallaceburg, Ont.—Sydenham Glass Works, \$125,000,

covered by insurance.

Pembroke Ont.—Messrs. Dunlop & Company's hardware store and contents; Messrs. Fenton & Smith's storehouses and residences of James Stewart and Edward Tanes, \$100,-000; insurance about \$70,000.

London, Ont.—Messrs. H. Q. Reason and Company's warehouse, \$10,000.

St. Agathe des Monts. Que.—Gaynone residence and adjoining houses, \$10,000; little insurance. Two private houses, two boarding and one baker shop, \$10,000.

Edmundston, N.B.—Court House, \$20,000; insurance, Two private

Rosthern, Sask .- Messrs. Henschell & Company, general e, \$17,500; insurance, \$6,500. London. Ont.—Murray Shoe Company, \$12,500; covered store

by insurance.

Carp Ont .- Messrs. H. McElroy & Sons' general store,

\$25,000; insurance, \$15,000.
Tofield, Alta.—Mrs. R. Logan's three buildings, \$20,000;

partially covered.

Quebec, Que.—Messrs. Paquet & Company, machinist, The Trader's Readymade Clothing Company, and two other \$65,000; insurance about \$25,000.

Saskatoon, Sask.—Oil warehouse of Saskatoon Storage & Forwarding Company, destroyed. Property in store, owned by Winnipeg Oil Company. Loss of \$20,000; covered by in-

What Was Destroyed and Causes.

The structures destroyed and damaged included: Dwellings, 40; stores, 15; barns, 7; warehouses, 10; churches, 2; hotels, 2; sawmills, 3; freight cars, 2; locomotives, 2; also a roundhouse, glassworks, vinegar factory, schooner, Government life boat station, shoe factory, machine shop, Catholic school, cotton mill, shirt factory, and barracks.

Of the presumed causes to which fires are attributed incendiarism is mentioned in eight cases; defective wiring.

cendiarism is mentioned in eight cases; defective wiring, 7; defective chimneys, 4; overheated stoves, 4; lightning, spontaneous combustion, 2; burning dry paint on schooner, 1, and lamp explosion, 1.

Loss of Life in Fires.

The loss of life in fires during April was the heaviest this year, eighteen deaths being recorded, two more than last month.

City or Town.	Lives	Lost.	Cause.
Halifax, N.S		4	Overheated stove
Emo, Ont		4	Overheated stovepipe
Vancouver, B.C		2	House on fire
Swan River, Man		I	Empire hotel fire
Moose Jaw, Sask		1	Freight car fire
Saskatoon, Sask		1	Upsetting Lamp
Roseneath, Sask		1	Presumed starting fire
Toronto, Ont		I	with coal oil
Milestone, Sask		1	Burning paper
Aberdeen		I	Overheated stove
St. Evariste, Que		I	Clothing ignited
	-	_	Playing with matches
	1	18	

The report of the loss of life through fire for the month of April will, no doubt, in itself sufficiently emphasize the necessity of guarding children against coming in contact with matches, lamps or fires of any kind. During the past month fifteen children, many of them not two years of age lost their lives in most cases through lack of forethought on the part of the parents. To leave children alone in the house is a practhe parents. To leave children alone in the house is a plactise too prevalent. The danger of this was plainly shown during the month, as in the majority of cases where children were left alone they commenced playing with fire, their clothes ignited and they were burned without a chance of being saved. In many instances the home was also destroyed.

The fire fatalities for the first four months of the year

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Work of Incendiaries.

The Vonda Hotel was set on fire and the town of Vonda, Sask., is threatened by incendiaries. The corporation have purchased a chemical fire engine and will sink several wells to afford water for protection.

An attempt to set fire to the premises of Mr. John A. Carey, Fairville, N.S., was made. The incendiary gained access to the rear of the building and saturated a cushion with oil, which he afterwards lighted.

A fire at Rosthern, Sask., which destroyed the general store of Messrs. J. Hemschell & Company, and causing damage to the extent of \$18,000 is believed to have been caused by incendiaries. There were no lights or fires in store when flames were noticed.

The Peterborough drill hall, a frame structure, which was recently totally destroyed, is believed to have been a case

of arson.

Three miles north of the city of Peterboro', two days after the drill shed was destroyed incendiaries are supposed to have set fire to Milburn Brother's farm house and driving shed which resulted in a loss of \$1,500. There had been no shed, which resulted in a loss of \$1,500.

shed, which resulted in a loss of \$1,500. There had been no fires in the premises for two weeks.

The Provincial police of Manitoba took into custody a young farmer, Henry Watson, of Winnipeg Beach, charged with the theft of a team of horses from another farmer, after which he set fire to his stable, causing the death of seventeen head of cattle. He admits the theft only.

Club House Robbed and Destroyed.

On the 11th of April the Joy Club, of Chatham, Ont., was broken into, robbed and afterwards is believed to have been set on fire by DeForest, alias Lozon, and a young fellow by

the name of Cedar. The two were tracked to the place. Cedar was arrested, tried, convicted and gave his story of it, the effect of which was, "Lozon had broken into the place and stolen part of the goods in the Club House, then afterwards set fire to it." Part of the goods of the Joy Club were left at Cedar's place by Lozon and were afterwards returned to Lozon, who hid them in a hay mow where the detectives found them. The matter of the extradition of De Forest, alias Lozon, is now in the hands of the Attorney General's Department for consideration.

Provincial Detective Greer has concluded his investiga-tion of the fires at Aurora, Ont., but has not decided yet as to a fire inquest. Little faith is placed in the "Black Hand"

theory.
While Mr. and Mrs. W. Turner, of Brantford, were visiting Toronto their home was destroyed and loss, apart from the insurance, is \$500. A neighbor said he heard noises in the house, and judging from the appearance of the house it had evidently been entered and robbed, and then set on fire. A year ago the Turners were mysteriously burned out in another section of the city.

NEW LISTINGS.

The following is a record of new listings on the Toronto and Montreal Stock Exchanges since the beginning of the

Company.	Listed.	Amount.
Toronto—		
Crown Reserve Mining Co	March 9	\$2,000,000
William A. Rogers, Ltd. (com.)	March 9	750,000
William A. Rogers, Ltd. (pref.)	March 9	900,000
Porto Rico Railway Co	April 7	3,000,000
Trethewey Silver-Cobalt Mine, Ltd. Montreal—	April 7	945,450
Quebec Railway (pref.)	Feb. 1	500,000
Porto Rico	April 13	3,000,000

With the listing of Trethewey and Crown Reserve, four Cobalts are now quoted, the other two being Nipissing and La Rose.

The stock only and not the bonds of Porto Rico were listed. Quebec Railway, common and bonds, were previously listed; the preferred stock only was added this year.

ANNUAL MEETINGS.

Among the companies and institutions which held their annual meetings last month were:

Petewawa Lumber, Pulp & Paper Company, North Midland Railway Company, Morrisey Fernie & Michel Railway, Crow's Nest Southern Railway, London Fence Company, Nipissing Mines, Credit Froncier Franco-Canadien, Silver Queen, Montreal Grain Elevating Company.

COBALT'S APRIL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the ore shipments from Cobalt during April:

Mine.	Tons.
Buffalo	
Chambers Ferland	50.
City of Cobalt	54.5
Cobalt Central	43.3
Coniagas	31.8
Crown Reserve	211.3
Kerr Lake	50. I
La Rose	727.9
McKinley-Darragh	62.1
Nipissing	394.3
O'Brien	
Right-of-Way	280.8
Silver Queen	31.4
Temiskaming	186.5
Trethewey	127.4

Total ...\$2,432.5 The shipments for March were 2,556.2 tons

CANADIAN FLOTATIONS IN LONDON.

The following flotations in London during April are of interest to Canadians:

Ontario Covernment.—£820,000, 4 per cent., registered stock. Issue price, 102 per cent. Loan raised to take up Treasury bills due May 1st, 1909, which were issued for T. & N. O. Railway construction.

Lake Superior Corporation.—\$5,000,000 first mortgage, 5 per cent., 40-year collateral trust bonds. Issue price, 90. Subscriptions received, 60 per cent. of total issue.

Calgary City.—£124,800, 4½ per cent., debentures. Issue price, 103½. Fully subscribed.

Amalgamated Asbestos Corporation, Limited. \$2,000,000 underwritten.

APRIL HAPPENINGS.

Brief Summary for the Busy Man of the Chief Events During the Past Month.

Banking and Financial.

The Grain Growers' Grain Company sought power in the Manitoba Legislature to increase their capital from \$250,000 to \$1,000,000.

Agreements covering the questions recently at issue between the Dominion Iron & Steel and the Dominion Coal Companies were signed at Montreal on March 27th and a cheque for \$2.750.000 period by the Coal Company to the cheque for \$2,750,000 was paid by the Coal Company to the Steel Company as part settlement of damages.

The Amalgamated Asbestos Corporation, Limited, was

formed, comprising the majority of asbestos properties in the Province of Quebec. Total capitalization, \$15,000,000. Hon. W. S. Fielding brought down the Budget, showing

revenue for the year ended March 31st, 1909, of \$84,500,000 and ordinary expenditure \$83,000,000. Capital expenditures and ordinary expenditure \$83,000,000. Capital expenditures totalled \$49,224,000. Few tariff changes.

The LaRose Consolidated Mining Company acquired the

Lawson Mine.

Announcement was made that all preferred shareholders of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company should be paid back dividends to the extent of 10½ per cent., which is equal to three half-yearly dividends at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum on \$5,000,000, the total amount of the companies preferred stock.

Stock Exchange.

Messrs. Ennis and Stoppani, consolidated stock exchange brokers, New York, made a general assignment. The firm had Canadian branches and many clients in the Dominion. The Standard Mining and Stock Exchange decided to

reduce the official brokerage rates on certain mining stocks to one cent flat.

Life Insurance.

Representatives of the insurance companies writing business in Canada waited on the Banking and Commerce Committee at Ottawa with reference to the proposed Insurance A parliamentary sub-committee was appointed to con-Bill. A parliamentar sider further the Bill.

A Workmen's Compensation Bill was introduced in the

Quebec Legislature.

Fire Insurance.

Important amendments were made to the Manitoba Insurance Act. The amount of a company's authorized capital must be at least \$500,000, with \$250,000 subscribed, and

\$25,000 paid up.

The Halifax Insurance Company celebrated its centenary.

The organization of the Canada West Fire and the Prudential Fire Insurance Companies was completed, both

being Winnipeg concerns.

The re-insurance arrangement between the Standard Mutual and other companies was set aside at Toronto by an order of Justice Riddell.

The Anchor Fire & Marine Insurance Company, of Ed-

The Anchor Fire & Marine Insurance Company, of Edmonton, Alta., was incorporated. Capital, \$50,000.

W. A. Coulson was fined under the Manitoba Insurance Act for accepting premiums in the Retail Merchants Fire Insurance Company which had not been incorporated. The magistrate stated that Coulson evidently acted in good faith but the company was technically wrong.

The Canada West Fire Insurance Company was granted a Manitoba license.

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Miscellaneous.

A Royal Commission opened an inquiry at Montreal into the conduct of civic affairs of that city.

MONTH'S DIVIDEND CHANCES.

Back dividends to the extent of 101/2 per cent. were paid

to Dominion Iron & Steel, preferred, shareholders.

The dividend on the Western Canada Flour Mills Stock was increased from 5 to 6 per cent. Since the fall of 1906 the company paid 5 per cent.

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WESTERN SECTION.

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visible by two million, compared with a decrease of 4¾ million a year ago. An estimate of Broomhall places the Indian exports for the coming season at 32 million, against 18 million last year; and half of this amount, or 16 million, is expected to come forward during the next ten weeks. There have been further rains, however, in Northern India, which will delay the harvest. Foreign crop conditions, outside the United Kingdom, are not as favorable as they might be, the outlook being especially poor in Austria-Hungary. The condition of the United States winter wheat is much improved, and the prospects are better than when April opened.

Effect of Weather on Prices.

As regards Canada, the North-West Grain Dealers' Association's estimate up to April 21st places the amount inspected to date at 67½ millions; amount in store at country points and in farmers' hands, after allowing for feed and seed, 10,000,000; in transit, 600,000; for seeding purposes, 12,000,000; and country mills' requirements, 8,000,000—or a total crop of approximately 98 million bushels. At the same time, whatever be the true situation regarding invisible stocks, it is realized that prices will pivot on climatic conditions, and crop advices during the immediate future, and until Western weather clears up, no material break in prices is probable.

PACIFIC SECTION.

(Continued from Page 1998.)

creased subsidy, the company undertaking to establish a 21day service with faster and better boats. A striking instance is noticed this week in the arrival of the Antipodean representatives to the Imperial Press Conference, who will pass through Canada under the guidance of George Ham, the C.P.R.'s veteran person pilot. These men will be sure to comment on conditions. Some years ago, when the periodical drought created havoc in Australia, many people came from there to take up land in Canada. With this country kept before their minds, while not anticipating another disastrous period for Australia, there may be reasons for people wanting to seek another land, while no immigrants would be better for this country. Canada thinks enough of trade considerations to have a commissioner in Australia, and with a continued improvement along this line, it is a wonder that prompt action was not taken, one way or the other, in deciding the subsidy question.

Every care should be taken to foster trans-Pacific commerce, and until it is firmly established it cannot compete successfully against the aggressive competitiors to the south. At present with the service that has obtained between here and Australia, Canada has held its own there. Steamship companies are reaching out to Vancouver with their lines. The latest to announce regular calls here is the Kosmos Line, following the abandonment of the Cape Horn route by the Chargeur Reunis Company. Encouragement should be the policy of the Government, and if this cannot be given, at least proposals should not be neglected.

NEW INCORPORATIONS.

The head office of each company is situate in the town, city, or province mentioned at the beginning of each paragraph. The persons named are provisional directors.

Selkirk, Man.—Thompson Lumber, \$40,000; J. J. Jackson, B. B. Thompson, E. J. Tarr.

Beausejour, Man.—Berger & Company, \$10,000; M. Berger, E. Berger, C. McDowell, Winnipeg.

British Columbia.—Acme Trust Company, \$10,000. B.C. Realty Mutual Unit Company, \$25,000. Canadian Japanese Association. Colbert Plumbing & Heating Company, \$25,000. Eagle Harbor Packing Company, \$25,000. Fort George

Lumber & Navigation Company, \$50,000. Nanaimo Gas & Power Company, \$100,000. Nanoose Lumber Company, \$25,ooo. Rivers Inlet Lumber Company, \$1,000,000. T. B. Cuthbertson & Company, \$100,000. Tyee-Swayne Copper Cuthbertson & Company, \$100,000. Mines, \$100,000. Vancouver Grain Exchange, \$10,000. Vancouver Steam Supply Company, \$500,000. Victoria Country Club, \$100,000. White Wings Poultry Farm, \$30,000. Canada Buddhist Mission. Denman Island Mutual Improvement Society. Howe Sound & Northern Boom Company, \$50,000. Mohawk Creek Mining Company, \$300,000. Wood Lake Canning Company, \$10,000. American Canadian Trading Company, \$10,000. Anna L. Jenkins Estate Incorporated, \$250,000. Associated Workers Trust Company, \$25,000 Campbell River Power Company, \$50,000. Denrica Mines, \$10,000. Island Dock & Warehouse Company, \$500,000. Kootenay Agencies, \$10,000. Kelowna Sports Association, \$15,000. Lemon, Gonnason Company, \$150,000. Mainland Trust Company, \$10,000. Nahmint River Lumber Company, \$250,000. Northwest and British Columbia Timber Company, \$150,000. North Kootenay Land & Timber Company, \$750,ooc. Okanagan Press, \$25,000. Palace Livery Sale and Boarding Livery Stables, \$50,000. Queen Charlotte Hospital Society. Shuswap Lake Land & Development Company, \$35,000. United Service Club, \$10,000.

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In a recent bulletin compiled by The Bureau of American Republics, an Official U.S. Commission at Washington, the following statements are included about Brazil:-

RAZIL in the last century was very properly considered a land of gold and diamonds. It has been estimated that the gold produced by the mines of Brazil from the time of their discovery to 1820 amounted to about \$600,000,000. One half of this was yielded by the State of Minas Gereas (in which is situated the town of Diamantina with over twenty thousand population). Gold and diamonds were then found on or very near the surface. Miners never dug deep pits. At the beginning of the nineteenth century these superficial deposits were practically exhausted. The more attractive industry of coffee, rubber, etc., led to great neglect in the extraction of gold and precious stones.

The exploitation of the vast mineral wealth of the country may be said to be still in its infancy.

Minas Geraes (the state in which the Company's claims are located) is the land par excellence of minerals. Minas Gereas-all kinds of mines-owes its name to the mineral wealth of its soil. Among these gold occupies the first rank.

More precious still than gold are diamonds, of which Brazil possesses important mines. The famous diamond known as the Southern Star came from Brazil. The diamond-producing centres of Brazil, especially Diamantina, have been aroused to great activity. In the last few years the production has considerably decreased, owing to the practical exhaustion of the *superficial* mines. Minas Gereas has been the principal center for diamond mining in Brazil. The only workings in existence in Minas are in the bed of the Jequitinhonha and other smaller rivers.

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river, it cuts through the gold belt.

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THE DIAMANTINA DISTRICT

BY A. CAIRN HODGE, M.E., LONDON, ENG.

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COBALT ORE SHIPMENTS.

The following are the Cobalt ore shipments, in pounds, for the week ended May 1st:-La Rose, 254,500; Trethewey, 191,988; Nipissing, 120,660; O'Brien, 128,018; McKinley-Darragh, 57,340; Buffalo, 44,620; Chambers Ferland, 40,000; Cobalt Central, 43,270; total, 1,013,196 pounds, or 506 tons. The shipments for the week ended April 24th totalled 1,081,-115 pounds or 540 tons. The total shipments since January 1st are now 19,144,231 pounds, or 9,572 tons.

In 1904 the camp produced 158 tons, valued at \$316,217; in 1905, 2,144 tons, valued at \$1,473,196; in 1906, 5,129 tons, valued at \$3,900,000; in 1907, 14,040 tons; in 1908, 25,700 tons.

Two additional branches of the Canadian Bank of Commerce have been opened in Calgary. Mr. D. C. Sawyers will have charge of the East Calgary branch, and W. C. Wylie the other. Both will be under the supervision of C. W. Rowley, manager of the central branch. It is only a little more than six years since the first branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce was established in the Province of Alberta-in Calgary-whilst to-day thirty branches extend over the province, three of which, or one-tenth of the number, are in the City of Calgary.

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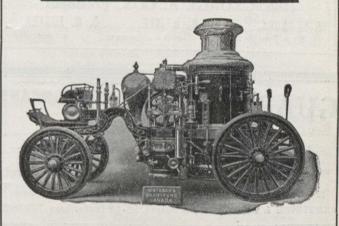
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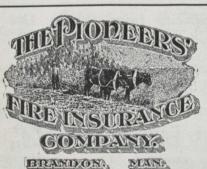
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