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## The Merchants Bank of Canada

Notice la hereby given that o dividend of Thrae and One-half per cent. for the current half-year, belng at the rate of seven per cent. per annam upon the Paid.up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared, and that the game will be payable at to banklag-houee in thle clty; on and after.

THURSDAY, THE FTRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT.
The Tranefer Booke will be closed from the 17th to the 31st day of May next, both daye inclusive. whe annmal general meeting of the ehareholder a Montreal, on WeDNESDAY Y the 2let day of JUN of next. The,chair will je taken at 12 o'clock noon.

By order of the Board,
THOS, FYSHE,
Montreal, 25 th April, $\begin{aligned} & \text { Joint General Managor. } \\ & \text { 1890. }\end{aligned}$

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## The Canadian Bank of Commerce.

DIVIDEND NO. 64.
Notice 18 hereby given that a Dividend of Three and One-Half Per Cent. upon the capital stock of this inettution las been declared for the current the Bank and its Branches on and after

THURSDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT.
The Tranefer Booke will be cloged from the 1 tith of May to the 31et of May, both daya Inclusive.
the annual general meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank will be held at the anking-house, in Toronto, on

TUESDAF, the 20th day of JUNE next.
The chair will be tgken at 18 o'clock.
By order of the Board.
B. E. WALIKER,

General Manager.
Toronto, Aprll 25th, 1895.

The Traders Bank of Canada.

## Dividend No. 27.

Notice is hercby given that a dividend at the rate of Six (6) per cent per annum on the paid-tip capital stock of the Bank, has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at its leanking-houes in this clty, and at

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The annual general meeting of ehareholdore will bo hed at the on Tneaday, the lo day of June neat.
The chalr will be taken at 12 o'clock noon.
II. S. Strathy,

The Traders Bank of Canada. Goneral Manager. Toronto, 18th April, 1899. :

## Banque d'Hochelaga.

Notice is hereby given that, a difidend of three and one half per cent ( 3 K p.c. $)$ for the current hale year, equal to SEVEN PER CENT per annum on the paili-np Capital Stock of this Inatitution, has been declared, sidd that the same will be payable at the Head onico or at ita branches, on and after

## THURSDAY,'THE FIRST DAY OF

 JUNE NEXT.The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17 the to the $813 t \mathrm{St}$ May, both daye inclueive. The snninal general of the Shareholdere will take place st the Hend ontce, on Thuzeday, the 15th day of June next, at Noon.
By order of the Board.
M.J. A. PRENDERGAST

Montresi, 18th Ap̈ril, 189\%.

## The Chartered Banks.

## Bank of Hamilton.

Notice ta hereby given that a dirldend of four per cant. for the current balf-year has this day been declared, and that the

ON AND AFTER FIRST JUNE NEXT.
The Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 31st of May, both days inclusive.
The annanl general meeting of the ehareholders Wlll he held at the had outce of the Bark, on Monday, 19 th of Jane, at 120 clock.

By order of the Board,
IIamilton, April 26, 1899.- J. TURNBULL, $\quad$ Cashier.

## MEROHANTS' BANK.

## OF HALIFAX.

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## The Standard Bank of Canada.

DIVIDEND No. 47.
Notice is hereby glven that a Dividend of Four Norice fa her current half-year, mpou the pald capital tock of this Bank, has been declared, sud that the same will be payahle at its Banking.house in this city, and at itt agencles, on and atter

THURSDAY, FIRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT.
The transfer books whit be closed from the lith to the 3let daya of May both day incluglve. The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders Will be hald at the Bank, on Wedneaday, the 21 taf of June next, the chair to be taken at twelve o'clock ${ }_{\mathrm{By}}$
By order of the Board.
GEORGE P. REID,
Toronto; 25th April, 1899. Genaral Manager.

## The Bank of Ottawa. DIVIDEND No. 46.

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THURSDAY, THE FIRST DAT OF JUNE, 1899.
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ghtarg fadiaprl, 1899. GEO. BURH,

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## Union Bank of Canada

 DIVIDEND NO. Ot.[^0]
## QUEBEC BANK.

Notice is hereby glven that a Dividend of Three Per Cent. upon the paid-ap capital stock of this instltation has been declared for the carreat haltyear, and that the bame will be payable at its
lanking House in the city of Quebec, and at its branches, on and after

THURSDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF JUNR NEXT.
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The annual general meeting of the ghareholdars onday. he bth day By order of the

TMOMAS MCDOUGALL,
Quebec, $25 t h^{+}$A pril, 1899. General Mranger.

## GALIFAX BANKING CO. Incorporisted 1872.

Capital Paid-Jp, .." .." .. ".. $\$ 500,000$ HEAD OFFICE,
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## Banque Ville Marie.

Notice la hereby given that a dividend of Three Per Cent ( 8 per cent.) for the current half-year equal to Stix Per Cent. Jer annum on the pald-ur capital stock of this Ingititution has been decisred omice, and at its branches, on or atter

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& \text { By order of the Board, } \\
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The Chartered Banks.

## Eastern Townships Bank.

## anNuAl meeting.

Notice In hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Sliareholdere of this Ban will be held in their Banking IIouse in the eity of herbrooke, on
WEDNESDAY, TRE SEVENTH DAY OF JUNE NEXT.
The chair will bo taken at 2 o'clock p.m
Iy order of the Board,
WM. FARWELL,
Genaral Manager.
Bherbrooke, 6til May, 1809.

## La Banque Jacques Cartier.

## DIVIDEND No. 67.

Notlee is hereby given that s Dividend of Three per cent. ( 3 per cent.) for the cnrrent half-yesr, capltal stock of this inetitution, has been declared, and that the game will be paid at ite Banking IIonse, In this city, on and after

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By order of the Board
TANCREDE BIENVENU,
Montreal, 25 th Aprll, 1899.
Goneral Manager.

La Banque Nationale. HEAD OFFICP, QUEBEC Rest, . ........... $81,200,000$
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## The Chartered Banks.

## Imperial Bank of Canada

DIVIDEAND No. 48

Notice ts hereby given that a dividend of Four per
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## Commercial Summany.

ke Merchants, Manufacturers and other business men should bear. in mind that tho "Journal of Oommerce" vill not accept adoertisemonts through any agents not specially in its employ. Its circulation-extending to a'l-parts:of the Dominion-renders it the best advertssing medium in Canada-equas to all others combined, while ils rates do not include heaoy commissions.
-The Phoonix Fire Assurance of London, Eng., has moved its Montreal off costo the new London \& Lancashire Life bưilding on St. Jamos street.
-Tre Confederation Life Association has moved its Montroal offices to the ground floor of the City and District Say. ing Bank buildijng.
-Port Dalhousiz, Ont., taxpayers have voted in favor of granting a bonus of $\$ 6,000$ to the Toronto Rubber Shoe Company for the refitting of ita factory.
-ameitican fron ore ls now being shlpped from the Lake Superlor mines; U.S., to Deseronto, Ont. A fleet of yessele has been chartered for that purpose.
-Ata recent wine auction sale in Lon. don 1847 port was sold at 108 shillings 8 dozen, champagne, 1884, fetched 200 shillings, and a dozen sold at 310 shillings per dozen.

- Advices from ,Victorla; .B.C., state that the spring sealling season has closed with the best catch on record. Nineteen schooners have been engaged and 11,800 skins have been taken.
-Tha Mexican "Herald" has inyented a striking phrase. It describes the present day as "an age of international fuesiness, of interforing with other people's busi. ness," whioh is as true as it is graphic.
-"Tre country store is no bad school for business of the largest scale," says onr Now York namesake in commenting on the career of two eminent Amerioan finan. clers who commenced IIfo in that sphere.
-Tae fruit district betweon Hamilton and Nagara Falls, Ont, is reported as giving promise of a splendid yield. Peaoh pear and plam treos never looked better, and grape vineg ghow prospectg of an abun. dant orop


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-Mr. Winliab Hodson, who died a ghort time ago was thè best known wine expert In England, In the last article he wrote he discussed the question as to the enormous prices of ohampagne of certain brands. He declared that these prices wore quite unjustiflable, they arose only from the oaprice of fashlon, not from any real saperiority over ohampagnes sold at less than half the price. As an expert he pronounces some wines which are sold at $\delta 4$ shillings to 48 shilliags per dozen to be quite as pare, and for all practical purposes as good as those selling at 100 shillings and 120 slillings a dozen. He wrote, "There Is a champagne ring somewhere which ought to be broken."
-Four American officers, a Lt. Col., two Majors, and a Captain, who were with the troops in Caba have been found gullty of shirking their duty in the most cowardly manner while the ught was goling on in Santiago. They are also declared to have agsumed high military rank when grossly incompetent to falfil the duties they undertook. At the time we said, that It was very dangerous to an army to be officered by undisciplined men, for which some American papers took us aharply to task. Those men kept 1,000 soldiers back from joining their comrades when a bsittle was raging, which might have led to the annililation of the American-anmy in Cubs. The English Admiral Byag on 11th March, 1756, was shot for leas reprehensible conduct.
-At a meeting of oreditors of Hooper \& Co, chemiste, Toronto, on the 11th inst, a statement was presented showing the total assots to be $\$ 20,233$, conslating of stook in trade, $\$ 20,583$; shop furniture and fixtures, $\$ 3,051$; book debts, $\$ 2,050$. Total liablities $\$ 23,867$ of which $\$ 20,006$ is,ordinary, and $\$ 3,260$ preferred. No offer was made, and the distribation of the estate was left, in the hands of the inspectors. There are 122 creditors, of whom $\overline{6}$ are for small amounts. Among the Toronto oreditors are : A. R. Fraser estate, $\$ 4,882$; Standard Bank secured, $\$ 8,278$; Jane E. Hooper, seoured, $\$ 2,500$; Lyman Bros. Co. limited, $\$ 2,078$; Chas, H. Heys, $\$ 1,800$; R. L. Glbson, $\$ 388$; Cresswell Bros. \& Schmitz, $\$ 304$; Toronto Firnaee and Crematory Company, \$250; Northrop and Lyman Company, \$248; R. H. Howard \& Co., \$245; Holgate, Fielding Co., (limited), \$150; Evans \& Sons, IImitod, $\$ 187$; Lyman, Knox \& Co., $\$ 103$; J. E. Seagram, Waterloo, Ont., $\$ 184$; Gllmour Bros. \& Co., Montreal, $\$ 135$; Davis \& Lawrence Co., llpited, Montreal, \$128; H. Corby, Belleville, $\$ 100$. Preferred claimg:-rent, $\$ 1,025$; taxes $\$ 1,362$, and wages $\$ 273$.


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-Tree U. S. government has issued an order requiring postmasters to attend their offices. This will be a great reform. We once called te see the Postmsster at Detroit. We were nshered Into a room at the Post office where half a dozen men were smoklng, each one with his feet on the takle. On our enquiring for the Postmaster, the smokers laughed at, and chaffed us for our simplicity in expecting him to be at the post office. At length one informed us that that official never attended the post office, he had a store on Woodward Aventie where he could be found any day in business hours. Such positions in the States are usually mere sinecures given to political favorites. It is high time the abuse was stopped.
-The Merohante Bank of Canada has opened à branch at Elora, Ont., Wellington county, in which Elora is situated, is famed for the prosperity of its farming community, something more of the energy and calculation of the shrewd business man being noticed in the management of their affairs than is geneally observed. The monthly " fairs," uatil recent years the pritolpal bartering and trading centres for stock in that county doubtless taught them lessons in economy, shrewdaess and thrift which sustained them and their holdings against the inevitable result of the extravagent ideas which latterly have became so apparant among a portion of the youth of the land. The average young farmer of Wellington County, Ont., takes more pride in the number of fat cattle he can prepare for shipment each season than in the polish of the modern top buggy too often purchased on credit.
-Bank dividends and meetings, The following shows the bank dividends recently declared and dates of annual meetings of leading banks in order of date :
or leading banks in order of date: Per cent

|  | Per cent for 3 year, | W'ble. | Annual <br> Meeting. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Banque Nationale | 3 p.c. | due. | 17th May |
| Bank of Montreal | 5 p.c. | 1st Juno | 5 th June |
| Quebec Bank | p.c. | " | 5th June |
| Bank of Hochela | 3/2p.c. | ${ }^{6}$ | 15 th June |
| Jacques Cartler: | 3 р.c. | ${ }^{\prime}$ | 15th June |
| Ontario Bank | $21 / 2$ p.c. |  | 15th June |
| Union Bank. | 8 p.c. | " | 15 th June |
| Benk of Hamiliton | 4 p.c. | " | 19th June |
| Bank of Toronto | p.c. | " | 20th June |
| Bank of Commer | 31/2 p.c. | " | 20th June |
| Traders Bank | 3 р.e. | " | 20 th June |
| Ville Marie. | p.c. | " | 20th June |
| Merohants Bk, of | 31/2p.c. | " | 21st June |
| Etandard Bank. | 4 p.c. | " | 21st June |
| Imperial Bank | $4 \& 1$ p.c. | - " | 21st June |
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-Tres recent governmental change in regard to the shipping and handling' of oil is saarcely responsible for the difficulties of James McNally, cooper, Aylmer, Ont., who has assigned. He has been in business twenty years, being originally at London. He suffered by fire in '97, but local assistance was tendered him in rebuilding. He has been holding out onder a chattel mortgage for some time.
-St. Joun, N.B., special,-An estimate of the ghipment of lumber from this port to the United States since January 1 gives the following figures: Long lumber (feet) $32,000,000$; laths (pleces) 37,000,000; shingles (pieces), 13,000,000; piling (pleces) 2,271,000; cordwood (cords), 520 . Vessels other than winter port steamers, since the first of the year, have taken to British ports over 18,000 , 000 superficial feet of deals, eto.
-As American life insurance company has declined to pay elaims under"policies held by deceased persons who had died under Christian Scieace treatment on the ground that they had committed sulcido. The clown in Hamlet in the charchyard scene, Act V., speaks of a person who may have "drowned herself in her own defence," probably this could be pleaded in case a. Christian Sclentist dies under that syatem of healing.
-The Ontario Goverament has ontered formal protest agalnst the Federal Government for introducing an "Act respecting Benevolent Societies." The ground la taken that the Provincial Government has exclusive jurisdiction in such matters. As the protest has been entered, it is understood, on the advice of Sir Oliver Mowat, the situation is very lnteresting as it puts two governmentsin collision that were acting in politioal harmony.
-Tree Loudon I'imes says "Cariada must learn that she cannot have her own way in the Joint High Commisalon negotiations." The Times mast learn that Canada has no wish to have entirely her own way, the experience woald be a great novelty if she got it, but Canada will not submit to any jug handle arrangement; with the handle towards the United States. We have had too much of that and its repetition will not be tolerated. by Canadians.
-Fítryfve cents in the dollar ls offered by E. F. F. Genner, drugs, Digby, N.S. He succeeded the firm of Falconer \& Co., it-Sherbrooke, N.S., in Oct. '95. In the summer of ' 98 he par' chased the business of W. A. McLaren being assisted by a Hallfax house He suffered a loes by fire in Feb, last.-A., F. Laberque, general store; Green Rlver, N. B., has, assigned. He began in March '08, bat apparently attempted too much for his limited means.

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| 1899. | $457,655$ |
| 1898 | 475,591 |
| Decrease. | \$17.036 |

-     - A pleabina feature of the situation regarding the new settlers now coming by thousands to the Canadian Northwest is the fact that they are the poaceful home-loving people who have but one ambition la their minds, the betterment of thelr condltlon, financially and-bocially. If, on the other hand, the wave flowing westward was drawn thither only by the intoxicating infinence of the gold felds, settlement of the country and productiveness of the soil would still be wanting.
-THi Dlamond Light and Heating Company Ltd. of Montreal has been incorporated with a capital of $\$ 200,000$.-A license has been issued to the Victoria-Montreal Fire Insurance Company, with head office in Montreal.-Applloation will be made for incorporation of the Colonial Bleaching \& Printing Co. Lta., Montreal, oapital $\$ 500,000$. - Also for the Wingate Chemical Co. Ltd. Montreal; capltal $\$ 30,000$. -Tooke Bros. Ltd. Montreal and St. Henri, capital $\$ 200,000$. -The Lynn Shoe Company, Montreal, has been lincerporated, capital $\$ 30,000$.
-Mr. Henrr B. Hyde, who died a fow days ago, was one of the most diatinguished personages in the world of life assurance. As president of the Equitable he was known the world over, but it is not so well known that that gigantic company wasorganized by himself in 1859 when a yong man of 25 yoars, and was bullt. up to be one of the largeat corporations ln the world by his in domnitable energy, skillfal management, and ound judgment. He was so absorbed in its business as to have had no llfe outaide his office and home. Hls years were no doubt aurtalled by the. labours and aixieties of his office as President.
-Mn. N. W. Glagrich, of St. Jácob's Woollen Mills; Ont., whose woollen goods and yarns are so favourably known, writes thas in enclosing another year's subscription:"I thlak the Journal of Commeroe is the best paper of the eame class pub. llohed in Canada." In thanking our esteemed subscriber we can aesure him that bis viewh are shared by a larger number of those who read a paper like thls journal than those who sub. scribe to any other of the same class in this Dominion, and the number ls steadlly lncreasing.
-Tres spring seeding throughont Manitoba has progressed within the past two weelss at a rate soarcely anticlpated, owing to the very favorable weather conditions. As a resalt the area under wheat will be fully up to the average thls season, notwith. atanding the backward condition of the ground last fall owing to the prolonged rains. This favorable result has tation the only known objection from the prospecta for a year of plenty through. out the weat. Grain prices have been good, cattle are advancing In price and the Manitoba farmer ls happy:


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-Geo. Mousseau, who has been dolng a emall lumber business at Belle River, Ont., has assigned. He was formerly of Mousseau Bros., who dissolved in'07 he continuing. Llabilities light.
-The assigament is announced of Joseph Pelchat, a general dealer in a small way atSt. Joseph de la Beauce, Que., referred to a previous issue as having suspended payment. Liablities, $\$ 854$; assets $\$ 345$.
-Ortawa, Ont., reports a much better demand for lumber than for many years past. The high water of the Chaudiere has caused some inconvenience to mill owners, which is felt the more owlag to the brisk outlet for their product.
-The village of Purt Burwell, Ont., was partially swept away by fire on the 12th inst., 27 houses including the greater portion of the business district.being destroyed. The total loss will be over $\$ 40,000$; partially insured.
$\rightarrow \Delta$ fren the failure of Steeves Bros., St. John, N.B., in '82, G. D. Steeves turned his attention to farming in the vicinity of Fredericton. In July '80 he again embarked in business with a general stock at Hillsburgh, N.B. His assignment lo now recorded.
-Bhociville, Ont. has accepted a choice from elght tenders for the floating debt and local improvement debentures of the town. The amount was $\$ 30,222$ bearing 4 per cent interest and running over twenty years. From the accepted tender $\$ 1,388$ will be realized over the face value.
-That fires are becoming more numerous it cannot be sald, but that they are becoming more indifferent as to location is olearly proven. The residence of Mr. Clancey, fire insurance agent, Owen Sound, Ont., was burued on the 12th Inst. The exploding of a lamp was assigned as the cause.
-Tare Standard Bank, Bowmanville, was burglarlzed on 13th lnst. and $\$ 11,000$ taken from the safe. If banks would protect their premises and not rely wholly on a safe ingide to guard their oash, these burglaries could not occur. We gave this adpiee a year ago, but it was not heeded, hence the recent robberies,
-'lue Australian sugar industry is gradually onlarging its field of operations, Advices from Brisbane, Queensland, state that the returas show eighty-two thousand acres of land under cultivation which will produce 164,000 tons of augar, Queensland has increased its yleid by half a ton an acre over last season,
-A window glass trust is among the latest consolidated moves In the United States. The capital is $\$ 80,000,000$. 98 per cent of the pro ductive facilities of the country is thus brought under one head. The new concern will succeed the window glass comblne on the 29th inst., when all plants will close for the summer season.
-Forlow ing a sacrifice sale of his goods on May 1st, J. G.. Kolfage, general merchant in a limited way at Kingsville, Ont.; now assigns. He succeeded to the grocer y business of Grenier. \& Woodweiss in the spring of '94, coming from Amherstburg where he had conducted a drygoods and millinery business for about two yeare.
-Counterfeit one dollar Dominion of Canada notes are belng circulated. They are evidently the work of a number of accom. plices, some of the bills being well executed while others show marks which readily allow of their detection:- The strange part the affair is that the makers of the counterfeit notes are freely adv ertising their success.
-Preparations for improvement in the handling of frultare being made at St. Catharines, Ont. A Cold Storage and Forwarding Company has been formed with a capital of $\$ 10,000$. In 1,000 shares of $\$ 10$ each. The allotment is limited to twonty, and nearly every fruit grower in the district is said to possess from two to twenty shares.
-The old rolling mill property at Guelph, Ont., has been parchased by a company of which Mr. C. Kloepber, manufacturer, Guelph, and Mr, John White, manufacturer, London, are at the head. Remodeling of the building for the manufactare of bolts, horseshoes, etc., is now in progress. It is expected the worlse will be in a position to turn out bar iron In a few weeks.
-A contemponary, who has gone into the book publiehing business, seems to be somewhat of a novice. He puts Dryden and Pope amongst "Early English" anthors alongside with Chaucer; and gives names as those of alleged "eminent anthors", which are entirely unknown in the world of literature: A book. seller should learn to spell the names of authors correctly.
-THe coal output of Great Britain last year was 202,180,000 tons, of the Unlted States $178,760,000$ tons, and Germany 91,055 ;000 tons. The average values at pit's mouth were respectively; 82 cents, $\$ 1.15$; and $\$ 170$. As Groat Britaln has a population of only half that of the States her coal output is more than double per head that of Americh, and nearly 4 times that of Germany.

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## GROCERY NOTES.

New opposition is likely to be shortly encountered in the vinegar and plekle trade:. A Hamiliton, Ont., despatch reads :"Some of the largest wholegale grocers in Hamilton, Toronto and London are considering the taking over of the premises of the Hamilton Vinegar Company, and going into the manufacturing of vinegar and pickles on a large soale, in opposition to the big vinegar trust recently formed, with headquarters in Toronto. The grocers have about oighty travellers on the road who woaid handle the outpot of the Hamilton factory." While vinegar is sold at a much higher price in Canada than in the United States, both wholesale and retail, it is claimed by makers here that the difference is fully made up in the quality as against the cheaper article. Good family vingar, either cider or white wine graded as 40 grain, has been selling in Chicago right along for $3 / 2$ cents per gallon, wine measure, either in single barrels or in larger lots. This has been the price by the large vinegar companies, with 75 cents additional for the barrel and the same allowance for empties. The wholesale grocery houses sold the same grade for 5 cente, barrel included. This vinegar bas been frequently retailed by departmental stores for $21 / 2$ to 3 cents per galion for special sales. A popular way of advertising this staple has been to make a price of 12 to 14 cents for a stone gallon jug filled with 40 gr . vinegar, eitier kind. In this manner the jug would cost $51 / 2$ conts and the vinegar $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, leaving a profit of 25 to 50 per cent at a special sale. From 10 to 20 cents per gallon are the ordinary retail prices where no cutting is indulged in. Quart size (wine measure) square glass bottles of domestic pickles appeared on the Chicago market a year ago and swept the city against all others, at $\$ 10.80$ per gross or in $1 / 2$ gross lots. These came assorted if preferred, being in gherkins, mixed, chow-chow and sweet. They retailed at 10 cents.
The extreme scaroity of tin plate is causing alarm among British Columbia cainers. Indications now point to a large run of bookeye salmon, and it fs stated not a aingle box of tin plate can be bought on the Pacific coast. Across the line it has been very scarce, and as stocks in Vancouver were fairly large they have been drawn apon, with the result that the market is depleted. Puget Sound took most of the material, and operations there this year will be on a gigantic scale. Quite recently 8,000 boxes of tin plate were shipped south. British Columbia canners are said to be relying on the cans left over from the poor season of last year. Their stocks are not large. The uncertainty as to regulatlons was the cause of the canners not making preparations until long after the usual period.
Mall advlces from Liverpool report the estimated stock of cur rants in bond there on April 25 tin at 2,164 tons, against $4,0 \overline{0} 8$ tons at the same date last year. Total arrivale at Liverpool for the Beason to April 25 th 21,285 tons, compared with 20,225 tons for the corresponding period in 1898.

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| 181,762, | " | " | 134,795 |
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| 677,062, | " | " | 340,814 |
| 180,761, | " | ". | 142,385 |

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The Pure Food law, now being enforced in some portions of the United States, is not becoming operative any too soon. The annual report of the Connecticut. Agricultural Experiment Station, recently issued, shows that of sixty-threo samples of fruit jelly examined two-thirds contained starch, glucose, aniline dye, and salicylic acld. Out of forty samples of marmalades and jams, only three were pure, the rest being adulterated like jellies. The difficulty whioh has of late jears confronted the average U. S. city housekeeper in securing pure food cannot be traced altogether to the door of the factory which produces a substitute. Natural conditions have brought these unwholesome. elements of life (or death) into existence. That the demand creates the supply is as true of cheap food as of cheap shoes or cheap clothes. So long as a certain percentage of the community call for low-priced goods, and prefer risking their use to paying a fair price for that which is really good, these spurious adulterated articles will be on hand unless legislated out of existence. From the poorer classes in the large cities come the bulk of the demand for such cheap foods, which may be classed as beyond the first necessaries of existence. These are dxed up for sale-like the poor man fixing himself for a loan-as respectable as possible, till their appearance not only decelves the customer but often the dealer as well. He sees ready sale and the possibility of better profits, and orders the spurious article. Next he reads of it being offered at cost by some-"cut price" or department store and this double advertising causes it to become speedily known. Because a large house handles it, it must of necessity be good.
Statistics from Liverpool show total arrival of Valenola raising there from the beginning of the season to April 27 th to have been 4,428 tons, or 448 tons more than for the same perlod last year. Of Smyrna Sultana raisins there arrived at Liverpool for the season to April 27 th 440,085 packages, or 132,080 packages less than during the corresponding period in 1808.
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## THE BRITISH GOVERNMENTS' PROPOSAL

 RE. THE PACIFIC CABLE.A dispatch from the Colonial Secretary to the Gover-nor-General dated 29th April last states the terms on which the British Government will assist the Pacific Cable. The document is a surprise, as it has been officially stated that Great Britain had agreed to contribute a percentage of the cost of constructing the cable. Mr. Chamberlain in his letter to the GovernorGeneral saps however :
"Referring to pour telegram of April 24, Her Majesty's Government is anxious to show sympathy with the Canadian and Australian Governments in assisting the Pacific cable scheme, but cunnot agree to taken an active part in laying a worliny line. We are accordingly willing to make a contract with these governments, by which they assist setting up financially in every respect as if it were an enterprise of a private company on these conditions:-That the Canadian and Australian governments undertake to construct the line, and to provide yearly any further sum necessary for its efficient maintenance and working."

Considering that the home government thus explicitly decliues to pay one cent of the cost it is somewhat cool of Mr. Chamberlain to demand that the line is to be laid and built and worked according to the directions of the Imperial authorities. He allso demands that the messages of the British Government shall have priority over all others and be charged at rates not exceeding one half of those payable by the publie. He then ofere to pay fiverighteanths of a y

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deficit on the working, not exceeding $\$ 97,300(£ 20,000)$ per annum. This offer amounts to an undertaking to pay. $\$ 27,025$ towards meeting a deficit when it amounts to the above sum, or a less amount proportionately. As the British Government would practically control the building of the cable, and control also its operations by having priority of its use, and would pay only half rates on its messages, the above proposal is a very one-sided arrangement. The home government by only paying half rates would save enough each year to pay the maximum it offers to coitribute to wards any deficit. The estimates of working expenses and revenue show a probability of Canada having to pay $\$ 90,000$ a year, for some years, towards the deficit and Great Britain only $\$ 27,025$ per year, all of which she would save by thie half rates privilige. Mr. Chamberlain's proposal means this, "You Canadians must engage yourselves to pay; probably, $\$ 90,000$ a year for fifty years as your share of the annual deficit in working the cable, while the Imperial Government will, practically, pay not one cent, and besides that, you Cauadians must contribute a yearly sum of $\$ 70,000$ towards a sinking fund and interest on the capital sunk in constructing the cable, towards which charges the Imperial Government will pay nothing." The deficit may not be as much as estimated. But; whatever it may be, the home government will really have to contribute nothing, but the governments of Canada, British Columbia and Australasia will have to pay fif-teen-eighteenths without any such compensation as the home government will enjoy by passing messages at half rates. The arrangement is too lop-sided to be equitable.

## THE DISTANCE FACTOR IN BUSINESS.

The distance separating the field of production, or the main centre of distribution, from the points of consumption, has ever been an important factor in business. It has been the principal one in establishing methods of trade, both in regard to the wholesale collection of goods at central points, and arrangements for their subsequent delivery to retailers. Distance has also affected the modes by which retailers have reached their individual customers. The distinction between wholesale merchants and retailers was wholly unknown in early days, as the same person or firm who purchased or made goods on a considerable scale, sold them not only to smaller merchants but to individual consumers.
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comprising those grown or made in the immediate vicinity, and others brought from all the then known parts of the world. The foreign merchants, manufacturers and growers, had their temporary stall at those Fairs, alongside those of native traders. At these stalls, or booths the goods were on haud which the dealers had to sell, who would also take orders for later delivery. But the main business of the Fair was, the sale and purchase of articles then exposed for sale,which the buyers had to remove at once, as no storage facilities were provided. The sellers were iudiffereut as to the standing of buyers, so long as the payments were satisfactory, by cash or exchange of goods. There was no distinction known between wholesale and retail trader, either as buyer or seller.
As population began to increase in the towns at a distance from the location of a great fair and capital accumulated, a new class of merchants arose who opened a warehouse wherein a Fair was kept open all the year round. These traders bought goods from native and foreign producers which they stored for the inspection of both individual consumers and retailers. Gradually the system was developed of specialising lines of goods, and confining sales to those in the trade, with whose shops the warehouses declined to compete Up to quite recent years there were small manufacturers in England who peddled their goods through the adjacent district, selling them from a large waggon, in any quantity, to any buyer who had the requisite cashi. This system has disappeared, and, as a rule, manufac:turers do not deal directly with consumers but only with wholesale or retail firms.
A revival of the old-time Fair system is seen in London, England, in a number of vast warehouses where goods are collected on a large scale ready for delivery, that have been drawn from all parts of the world. In some of these emporiums the business is both wholesale and retail, no questions being asked of buyers, whose purchases on any scale receive equal attention. A number of these warerooms are conducted by manufacturers whose establishments are in a distant county, and who keep their principal stocks in London, which is the largest distributing centre in the world, where everything made or grown on this earth can be bought that is marketable.

The annibilation of distance, which has enabled such changes to be nade, is developing other changes, which are quietly effecting a revolution in trading methods. The sharp line between wholesaler and retailer is becoming less distinct than it was years ago. There are
across the Atlantic for custom. There are retail firms in this city which solicit business in every town from Gaspe to Victoria, B.C., even in Dawson City. They endeavour to secure orders even from other retailers. The counter of one of these new class of traders extends practically across the continent, at which sales are made from the value of a few cents, up to the cost of a wholesaie package. The idea of distance being an obstacle is not now entertained, and the rule that manufacturers and importers should sell only to storekeepers is being relaxed. The facilities for travel and for postal and telegraphic and telephonic communications have beeu so enlarged as to bring all classes, manufacturers, growers, importers, retailers, consumers, into closer coutact. The world, in fact, is becoming like an oldtime Fair where all classes of people, with their multitudinous wants, as buyers and sellers of all known classes of goods, are brought into contact, and business goes on as though all were gathered in olie locality.
Our American neighbours realise those new conditions far more than our friends in Great Britain. Whatever í Yaukee has to sell he announces as on sale by him, to all the probable or possible buyers he can address. He is like the old.time bellman who rang his bell all over the town, so that every one in the place heard his anouncements. The British manufacturer. and merchant is either too conceited, or too shy, or too indifferent about business, or too ignorant of modern conditions, to put his wares persistently and promineutly before probable or possible buyers. The idea is far too generally entertained in the old land that everybody who wants, or who is likely to buy goods, knows where they are on sale, and that every seller knows every possible customer. That is the village notion of trade, it is one utterly behind the age. Whoever wishes custom in this day mustadopt the old bellman plan, he most rouse the whole street, as it were, to listen to his announcements. He must not wait for customers to discover him like a new star, or a secluded hermit in a cave, after patient search, but he must go out hunting, as it were, for customers and informing them of what wares he has for sale. He must realise that now-a-days distance is practically annihilated in the sphere of trade and that business can be developed in every civilised community. The up to date trader takes as his motto the boast of Falstuff's friend Pistol;

> "Why, then the world's mine oyster,
> Which I with sword will open."

## THE NEW LIFE ASSURANCE BILL.

A strong opposition has developed to the life ass urance bill introduced by the Finance Minister. The bill proposes to change the rate at which the life companies compute their reserves, from 4 per cent to $3 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent. The present rate of $4 \frac{1}{3}$ per cent was fixed in 1877, when such mortgage securities as are acceptable to life assurauce companies were plentifil at rates ranging from 6 to 8 per cent. On the 12th inst., a deputation of life assurance managers interviewed the Pinance Minister on this question, amongst whom were Messrs. J. K. Macdonald, of the Confederation Life; Mr. David Burke, of the Royal Victoria; Mr. Sutherland, of the 'lemperance and General; Mr. Dexter, of the Federal Life; Mr. Milne, of the Northern of London and others. They proposed that the reserve percentage be fixed at 4 per cent, instead of $3 \frac{1}{3}$, as in

Mr. Fielding's Bill. They also urge that all the companies be given the same privileges as to investing their funds, and existing discriminations be abolished.

As the new Bill affects orrr 200,000 policy holders, each of whom is interested in life assurance to the extent, on an average, to extent of $\$ 1,300$, the question at issue is manifestly a very serious one. It touches very closely the interests of one-sixth of the entire population of Canada. If a company undertakes any obligations to its policyholders on the assumption that it will earn, say 5 per cent on its investments, and it is only able to secure say 4 per cent or less, its very foundations are unstable and the weakness will go on developing. Against such a contingency it is well for a goverument to protect policyholders.

If, however, a life assurance company is compelled to compute its reserve on lower basis of interest rate than what it averages, there is liable to be considerable injustice done to existing policyholders. It would compel the reservation of funds on which a large class of policyholders have an equitable claim, viz., those whose policies entitie them to a share in the profits. The great bulk indeed of policyholders have been induced to take out policies on the distinct understanding, or the express condition, that they would share in the distribution of profits periodically. By the new Act there would be such a restriction placed on the amount so divisible as to be practical breach of the contract entered into by the company with its policyholders, who, to the extent of such restriction, would be wronged. So far as the new business to be acquired by the companies is concerned they would beable to meet the new condition by charging higher premiums. But, on policies now current, they could not impose heavier preminus, consequently they would have to meet the new condition by depriving policyholders of profits proportionate to the reduction in the rate for computing reserves.
No one disputes that money, will not earn as much as it once did. But a very large amount of the assets of life assurance companies are certain to realise more than 4 per cent for many years to come. They have, for instance, lenta very large sum on policies for which they charge 6 per cent. Those who have to pay this high rate in many cases find it very convenient to have a share in the profits they help the company to realise. If the new Bill becomes law they will find it oppressive to pay 6 per cent on the loan made on their policy while their share of the profits has been cut down. It would only be just then to fix the rate allowed to be charged at 5 per cent, as otherwise those who have borrowed on their policies will be contributing a most unjust portion of the profits distributable to other policyholders. A few companies have reduced the rate for calculating reserves to 4 per cent. But many policyholders regard this as a most inequitable infringement upon their just claims, as indeed a breach of contract, for undoubtedly it is so When a policyholder's premiums have been paid under an agreement to share in the profits when reserves were computed at $4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Few persons see the bearing of the new Act on their policy interests, but, if those having current policies of some years standing, or even policies dated this year on the old termsand conditions, were to realise that the proposed Act will materially reduce the value of their policies-as it certainiy willthere would be an effectual protest against it in its present forin.

THE BANK OF MONTREAL STATEMENT.
The statement issued by the Bank of Montreal shoming the result of its business for year ending 30 th $A$ pril 1899 , is always awaited with much interest. It may be said generally to give the key note to the numerous bank statements which follow shortly after. The net profits for the past year were $\$ 1,350,582$, which is 11.25 per cent on the paid up capital, as against $\$ 1,265,300$ in 1897-8, which was 10.54 per cent on the capital. This provided $\$ 1,200,000$ for two half-yearly dividendsof. 5 per cent each, and left $\$ 150,582$ to be carried to Profit and Loss Account, which now stands at $\$ 1,102,792$, thus practically making the Reserve Fundover seven millions of dollars. . The bank now holds $\$ 10,927,004$ of deposits not bearing interest, which is $\$ 950,338$ less than last year, and $\$ 35,486,834$ of deposits bearing interest which is $\$ 6,747,443$ in excess of amount in 1897-98. The current loans and discounts show an increase in the year of $3 \frac{1}{3}$ millions. We note a larger eduction in its holdings of U. S. railway bonds. The statement is one which will be gratifying to the stockholders.

THE HARBOUR REPORT FOR 1898.
The Harbour Commissioners' report for 1898 has just been issued. For all commercial purposes it is a somewhat belated document, but there are some points of general interest worthy of consideration.

The total receipts on revenue account for the year, were $\$ 302,511$, as against $\$ 288,584$ in 1897 , and $\$ 281,840$ in 1896, which was the first year of the reduction of 20 per cent in the tariff of harbour charges. This is satisfactory as showing the continued increase in the business of the harbour ; and the revenue is now larger than it was before the 20 per cent reduction made in the harbour dues three years ago. In a measure the incidental expenditures connected with the management and mainteńance have also been buoyant and increased, but the balance for the last year shows a surplus of the respectable sum of $\$ 54,588$, as against $\$ 33,319$ for 1807, and $\$ 29,488$ for 1896. It should be stated, however, that in the latter year the lower tariff did not take effect until the 22nd June of that year. , This condition of the revenue will be an encouragement for the advocates of making Montreal a cheaper port. It is evident that comerce will follow the cheapest route, and every effort should be made in the interest of the Dominion, to enable the St. Lawrence route to claim that distiuction. There are several charges along the line, which could verre profitably be reduced in order to increase the volume of trade. Each talen by itself may appear small, but the old Scotch saying remains true that "every little makes a muckle."

The costs of transportation and charges on freight have been greatly reduced of late years, and the increased trade is the profitable compensation. Within the last eighteen years there have been three heavy reductions of harbour dues in Montreal and each one resulted in an increase of revenue. In view of this undeniable fact the Harbour Commissioners might well take heart of grace and boldly make á still further reduction, and, at the same time, use their: legitimate influence in securing reductions in the excessive charges made by other bodies over which they may not have direct control.
The surplus revenues and large profits of late years will justify the reductions, and there can be no sufficient
roasons for not taking another step towards making Montreal a free port. It mas be said that the neir works will cost money the interest of which must be paid. The answer to that is the increased accommodation will bring more trade and consequently more revenue,-otherwise, if we have not that faith, it would be the extreme of folly to go on with the expeuditure for the enlargement of the harbour. Althoing no new work of any inmortance was done last year, the sum of over $\$ 130,000$ was expended on capital account, the benefit of which will perliaps be derived in the futire. An interesting table in the Harbour Master's reportalthough it has been published before-is worth repeating. It shows that in the last decade the tomuage of sea-going vessels arriving here, has nearly doubled-in 1889 it was 823,185 tons and in 1898 1,584,072 tons. Whilst the number of vessels was 695 in 1889 and only 868 in 1898. These figures mark the immense increase in the size of the ocean steam vessels frequenting this port in the last ten years. Sailing slips are now practically a thing of the past, as far as Montreal is concerned.
Returning to the financial aspect of the report we find that the bonded debt of the Harbour trust is $\$ 3$,522,000, the interest charge on which last year was $\$ 148,215$. In order to be able to prosecute the new. worksarranged for, known as plan 12a, the Government; by recent legislation will advance the further sum of$\$ 2,700,000$, and the city will have to contribute $\$ 650,000$ to bring up the wharves to what is called the high level for flood protection purposes, and it is intimated that these works will be energetically prosecuted this season. We trust this will follow but we very much fear, as has been freely expressed in thiese columus that, although the surface plan adopted is all right, the level decided upon will, for some jears to cone, prove to be a serious derangement of trade on the wharves, and a detriment to that of the country at large, without any need as far as that trade is concerned.

The president in his remarks mentions that the suspense account claim for work done on the river up to the time the channcl debt was assumed by the Government is yet unsettled, and, with accrued interest, is now near $\$ 2,000,000$. This clain has frequently been laid before the Dominion Government, the last time, we are now informed, was in March, 1893. Sooner or later this legitinate chlaim will be acknowledged and paid by the Government.

From the president and auditors' statements, we gather that an important change lias been made in the matter of the valuation of the plant of the trust. This is an account that it appears has not hitherto been published in the annual reports. The value of the plant has been kept at its gost without any allowance for depreciation, which for such plant is always very large from the nature of the work it has to perform. The item of plant had been kept at $\$ 517,370$, but by a recent valuation it is reduced, after allowance for depreciation, to $\$ 216$,77. This is a proper course to take in such matters, and if it is done annually it will materially alter the tables showing the cost per cubic yard of the dredging and other works. We understand from. those accustomed to carry on such works that the practical allowance for depreciation of such plant as this, is to per cent. The tables of the cost of work done as made up, as stated in the harbour reports, do not include interest of the cost of the plant, nor any allow.
bissance for depreciation in the value from wear and tear reand becoming obsolete.
ET: The cost of the dredging is also based as stated on what is called scow measurement. It is well under-
$\because$ stood by those conversant with such matters that a yard by scow measurement is not more than two-thirds of a cubic yard measured in the solid. . This difference in the measurement added to the interest on the cost of the plant, and the fair allowance for its depreciation, materially adds to the cost per cubic yard of the dredging to the extent of probably double what is shown in the tables in the report. In this respect they are, in a manner. misleading.

## 'THE HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS' MAP.

At the end of the Harbour Commissioners' Report is a very neat and well-got-up map, showing all the contemplated improvements in the central harbour and also those proposed at Maisonneuve with the soundings showing the depth of water in the channel and on the various shoals down as far as Longue Pointe.

In our issue of the 28th A pril last we gave a descrip. tion of the proposed new works at Maisonneuve, and stated that it appeared well on paper, and as it combined both the high and low level principle, it showed considerable ingenuity of design. Being entirely a new work it would notinterfere with the present trade during construction. Without expressing any opinion of our own, we then pointed out that there might be an objection to the great cost of that plan, and also to its great projection into the river, which might cause ice jams in certain seasons that would be injurious. We have nothing to add inow to what was said in that article, except to again suggest the advisability of a full and mature consideration of the probable effect of the ice question in view of the movement that took place at the last break-up. The new wharf lately built a little below the cotton factory, was completely macadamised and also provided with two railway tracks. This wharf projects only about 800 feet into the river, yet it was such an obstruction that the ice made sad havoc with it. A considerable portion of the macadam was stripped off the surface and large excavations were scooped out of the filling in the wharf and the rail tracks for a considerable length swept away. It is easy to understand how that could be under the circumstances, yet it is proposed that the new wharves a little further down shall project some 1,200 feet still further out into the river-that is about 2,000 feet from the shore line. These plans are still waiting approval at Ottaiva, and doubtless this feature will receive the fullest consideration from the responsible authorities.

## THE RIVER PILOIS.

Considerable space is devoted in the Harbour Commissiouers' Report, to documents dealing with the pilots' troubles, and the buoy service of last year, to the condition of which was attributable most of the accidents that occurred on the river in 1898. A better buoy service is promised by the Government for the future, and therefore an improvement in this respect may be looked for. If such should be the case, the efforts made by certain parties to prejudice the unarine insurance underwriters against the river navigation up to Montreal will fail to make any permanent
increase in the cate of premiums. The threat of such a: course being adopted, will, however, doubtless have the effect of inducing more caution on the part of both shipowners and pilots in the future, the absence of which, in some of the accidents of last pear, was more blameable than the deficient buoy service. The unfortunate grounding of the "Gallia" near Sorel last Sunday, will doubtless be made the most of by those interested in decrying this port. When the cause of that accident is known and made public, it will be found, we are confident, that it was not owing to angthing connected with the safe navigation of the St. Lavrrence. The water in the river is unusually high and the channel at that point is by no means intricate. The weather was fair and the ship was in charge of a pilot of the highest class for character, ability and experience. It is to be regretted that this fine vessel should thus in. augurate the accident season for 1890 , but at the same time it does not support in any way the assumption of special danger in coming to Montreal.

The trouble with the pilots seems to be pretty well over. The only grievance that appears to be yet. unsettled, is that regarding the system of training the apprentice pilots and limiting their number. These matters the pilots want"to get control of under new regulations, one of which would give the sons of pilots a preference over otiers, and, in a measure help to perpetuate the present family compact, as the pilot ar rangement is often styled. We fancy there will be no further trouble on this score. The pilots had a most profitable season in the seven months of last year: The highest individual earning of the pilots was $\$ 2,021$, whilst the average earnings of the whole body was about $\$ 1,500$ for each pilot. We do not now express any opinion on the question so often raised as to whether or not the pilot charges are too high, but we may remark that in the season when they are snpposed to be at work, they can at intervals, if they chose, spend a large part of their time at home, and during the five winter months they can devote their whole time to their farms or other occupations.

The pilots, as a whole, are a very respectable class of men, of course, there are exceptions. They liave great responsibilities, but as compared with other men with equal responsibilities, they are exceedingly well paid, and they should know when they are well off and cease agitation to obtain further and more unreasonable privileges and powers than they now have.

## AN ENGLISH CRITIC OF A CANADIAN LIFE COMPANY.

Although we may not always be able to endorse the criticisms passed on Canadian institutions by English papers they are usually written with considerable skill and, where insurance is concerned, with expert knowledge. The tendency of Euglish critics is towards a degree of conservatism and prudence in management which is at times sonewhat too extreme. The buoyancy of a new country and its optimism are not fully appreciated in the old country. At times too there is a disposition to slash out more freely than is wise in showing their independence of the natural and just claims of Canadian companies to sympathetic treatmeut. : A little jealousy too is apparent when one of our companies steps into the English field, though we in Canada never dream of reciprocating such jealousy

When criticising British companies doing business here. The Joint Stock Companies. Jourrial, a paper edited with marked ability, published in London, Eng. has recently devoted attention to the Sun Life of Canada. It remarks, "A critical examination of the accounts published by Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada ádds less than nothing to our appreciation of Canadian financial methods, and should occasion English policyholders to pause before throwing over old and tried home enterprises in order to give this Montreal invader a trial." Our contemporary is however a little astray in taking the Sun Life, or any one company, as typical of "Canadian financicial methods," and would have been wiser had he avoided the invidious term, "Montreal invader." After quoting statistics from the Sun Life returns it speaks of very, nearly one-third of the premium income having been, "dissipated in expeuses, dividends, and depreciation." It contin ues after quoting its rates :
"The Sun Life of Canada can less afford therefore to be extravagantin its expenditure than the great majority of life offices, and its lavish outlays compel one to talie an absolutely pessimistic view as regards the future of this enterprise."

To cap this severe judgment the journal proceeds to quote the figures of receipts and expenditures which it regards as justifying the remarks "the recordis simply disastrous," and, "the effective expenditure was actually more ruinous than is shown above." In regard to the annuity business of the Sun Life of Canada it declares, that "no English life institution, contemplating existence half a century hence, would dream of offering anmuitants such terms as are quoted by the Sun of Canada." "Our-Euglish contemporary may be justified in making these damaging comments on the Sun Life, but he is certainly most unfair and illogical in basing coriclusions as to " Canadian financial methods," on the statistics of one company.

THE LESSON OF A BIT OF BRASS TUBING.
Taking up a length of brass tubing to-day in an opticians workshop we asked whether it was of British. make or American. The proprietor said, it was made in Birmingham, Angland, American brass tubing is much lighter. Pursuing our enquiries we asked if there was any necessity for such a thickness for the uses of his business or allied ones. The reply was to the effect that much lighter tubing would answer every purpose, but, English manufacturers were too attached to old fashioned styles to change them even to retain their customers, who could get a'lighter and thérefore cheaper article in the States. We also saw this week an English made tool, used in the paper hanging trade, which was'being offered at $\$ 1.25$. The buyer thinking the price too high, was offered a similar tool of American manufacture for which 90 cents was asked. The cheaper, American, article for all practical purposes was declared to be as good as the dearer, English, was. The extra cost was in material and workmanship on which the outlay was quite needless.

Both these cases illustrate the methods by which the Americans are taking trade away from Great Britain, they make goods at as low a price as possible by avoiding any waste of material and workmanship. There are numerous lines of goods which are not required to have the strength, or the finish, or the high quality of material given to, or used in them by Rritish makers:

We may add that our informant on brass tubing said that when the very fiuest quality was needed for telescopes, the British were unrivalled. But a garden rake made of solid gold with an ebony handle would do no better work than an ordinary one made of iron: and cheap wood.
.John Bull prides himself on the high quality of his goods, but when he puts more quality into theu than is needed for practical service he is wasteful and leaves an opening for damaging competition by a rival who captures trade by economy in manufacturlug. Why cannot British manufacturers learn this lesson? Why should they not make goods of two qualities, a cheap class for those who demand lowv-priced goods, and a dearer class for those who are ready to pay for extra quality? The British producer seems to imagine that there is moral delinquency in making goods differently to his forefathers. His patterns are fetiches, whom he dare not offend. "As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be" is a noble jiturgical phrase, but it sounds exceedingly foolish when made a rule of trade, as it is by British manufacturers and workpeople.

## LA BANQUE NATIONALE.

The annual meeting of the above bank was held in Quebec on the 17 th inst., a report of the proceedings at which appears in this issue. The statement is one upon which the mavagement, the shareholders and all interested in the Bank Nationale may justly be congratulated. The net profits for past year amounted to $\$ 128,000$, which is over 10.66 per cent on the paid up Capital, so that there was amply sufficient for an increased dividend. The Board, however, wisely decided to continue paying at the rate of 0 per cent per annum, which absorbed $\$ 72,000$, and placing a considerable sum, $\$ 50,000$, to the Reserve Fund, which left $\$ 6,009$ to be ádded to credit of Profit and Loss. The Nationale ënjoys a circulation much nearer the limit than most of the banks, being close upon 90 per cent of the legal maximun. Its deposits increased last year from $\$ 3,-$ 385,374 to $\$ 3,667,938$, and the active business of the barik has enabled profitable use to be made of these funds. The assets immediately available have also been increased. The appropriation of $\$ 50,000$ out of profits in two successive years towards augmenting the Reserve Fund, gives promise of the Rest being raised ere long to a very substantial amount, which will have gratifying results to the sharebolders by adding to the value of their stock. The Bank Nationale has entered upon an era of prosperity which we trust will be prolonged, and richly reward Mr. Lafrance and the Directors for their realous and prudent labours. Owing to sagacious management, certain assets, which were much depreciated a few years ago, have been either realized at, or raised up to their face value.

## THE SECRET COMMISSIONS BILL.

Lord Russell of Killowen, who made so favourable an impression here and in the States during his visit a few years ago, has introduced a Bill in the House of Lords against secret com missions. We do not suppose Lord lussell, whose own nature is so genial and whose brain is so healthy, proposes in his Bill to reform hu. man nature by legislation, as some do, but we fear his: Bill will not be as effectual as he desires unless such a reform takes place. There was a similar Act once in force which rendered a person liable to imprisonment who gave a tip to a rail ray porter, as it was held to be
a bribe to a company's servant to do a service for a third party which was not included in the porter's duties. Secret commissions are indeed nothing but "tips.". The penalty to be imposed by the proposed Act for either giving or receiving such commissions is fixed at two years at hard labour. This alone woild render the Act a dead letter, as the punishmeint is so bad at misfit to the crime.
That secret commissions are in some cases a serious wrong to merchatile houses is not doabbful. Lord Russell named a number of cases showing this. One, which is typical, was that of a foreman who levied a commission of two cents a pound or $2 \widetilde{5}$ per cent, on all the ink furnished to his emploper through dis influence. If this were refused the order would be given to a rival aud less scrupulous ink manufacturer. His lordship gave case after case of buyers for large tirms demauding a personal coumission as a condition of placing an order. We remember seeing a carriage and pair of spleadid horses exhibited privately, which one of the largest firms in England was about to present to the inanager of an Einglish railway, manifestly as a cómmission on orders received and, by this gift, auticipated and bid for. A contractor for Orduance suyplies, goods for the Government-barracks in England, once showed us a tray covered with gold "watẹhes which he was about to present to officials. whose good-will "yas desirable in passing the articles when furnished. Of course the cost of that carriage and team and those watches, came ultimately out of the pockets of the railway and of the government. That domestic and outdoor servants receive douccurs from tradesmen who supply their employers with provisions for the house or stable, or articles for the garden, is notorious. In England and on the continent it is an estallished custom for hotel visitors and travellers to give a tip to the waiter and ollcieials, who openly resent any neglect to pay these fees, which often are really secret commissions to secure special services and attentions. The British Constitution would hardly endure the shook it would receive were the tip system abolished by thet of Parliament. Lord Russell needs to be caraful or he may start a revolution.
We have little confidence in the really grave evils arising out of the secret commission system being corrected by legislation. But we have every confidence in those evils being reduced to a minimum by the business of mercuntile houses being managed with a proper degree of watchfuiness.• The firm which stated to Tord Russelí that its foremay had levied a commission of 25 per:cent on the ink supplied to it, which the supply housse had to pay for the fireman's.good-will, must have been very loosely managed. In order to recoup himself the ink-maker must have either charged too high a price for his goods, or, clarged for more goods than were: supplied. In any establishment which is organised and managed with skill such frauds would soon be detected. If indeed due precautions were taken for protection against over-charges; short deliveries and other irregularities, no foreman would risk his position by seekiing to rob his employer by sharing in such unlawful gaius as are commonly associated with commissions." If when Lord Russell is in his seat in the House of Jords, he were to look around he would see peers who receive commissions for their supposed influence in securing business forjoint stock companies. 5 ,

THE GITY COUNCLL AND THE STREETS.
The City Council again adjourned its meeting on Mouday last without deciding anything with regard to the present unbearable condition of the streets, and as they will be in the future. A special tax is a spectre that always friglitens the average aldermen. : Such a tax is not a desirable thing to face, but the streets must be cleaned by some means. In some respects it is well that the new charter has temporarily tied up the spending proclivities of some of the City Fathers. Some of them are without doubt disappointed with the working of the uew Charter, but if thiey will only be patient and unselfish enough to forego for a while some pet project, they will find the present stringent evill an ultimate general good.
As far as the street cleaning is concerned, we pointed out two weeks ago a very easy way of procuring the money. That was by simply varying some of the appropriations made to the different committees-especially that of roads-out of the $\$ 20,000$ which will be obtained by that peculiar borrowing power of 10 per cent on the increase in the valuation of real estate oper $\$ 140,000,000$. We are aware that the proceeds of that loan must be used in a certain specified way. We doubt if the letter and spirit of the law has been complied with in the distribution of that peculiar $\$ 220,000$. But, if the daily newspaper reports are correct, we were told that it was absurd to tall of varying any part of those appriations as it could not-legally we presume was meant -be done, and moreover no Chairman would consent to forego the privilege of dispensing what had been voted to his committee.
We fail to see any absurdity in asking,that some portions of those appropriations should be varied and applied to street cleaning purposes, if, as it is claimed, there is danger of an epidemic arising from the existing conditions. It was as well known when those appropriations were made that the sum voted for street-cleaning was ridiculously insufficient and the consequences that would follow: were also as well known then as they are to-day. Some of the money roted out of the $\$ 220 ; 000$ loan is for objects of embellishment, for others that might well wait for a year or so, and again for others that ought in all fairness to be paid out of revenue. We contend that if the danger of an epidemic is real, it is as legal to use money from that loan for cleaning as for some of the purposes to which it is to be applied. It is certainly a stretch of the law to pass a by-law on the ground that there may be an epidemic, and so raise money for street-cleaning. The absurdity comes in there. The true ground in this question is that the streets must bececeaned so as to promote the comfort of the people and prevent the damage that arises from the clouds of dust that penetrate stores and dwelling-houses to the injury, more or less, of all their contents and serious annoyance of the inmates. This condition of things must surely have been foreseen and ouglit to have been provided for. It is certain that none of the aldernen tried to provide for this, at least so far as is known to the public. If the aldermen would with unanimity join il varying some of the items already voled, the streets minght be kept clean all the year and the taxpayers need not be worried with special taves

LTiep bunning of Wood Brow tlour mill at Brantord on the


## THENEW YORK DRY GOODS MARKET.

While the past week cannut be said to have developed any further strength in woollen goods the absence of trade is accountable rather than the real tendency of values. Many heads of departments are in the leading foreign markets surveying the situation as it pertains to the requirements for the coming fall and winter seasons. Home tràde is exceptionally quiet even after taking into account the expected dullness of the market at this period, and ,until this bas changed the price situation will not become apparent.
In fall dress materials the element of uncertainty which has held the trade in doubt for some time as to the weayes and styles for fall is melting away with the advancing season. Those who held faith in smooth faced goods will not be disappointed while the same measure of contentment will be accorded that portion of the trade which stood by the roughor fabrics. Both weaves will bo prominently connected with the fall :and winter requirements, which is a distinctly agreeable feature of the retail trade for -in this manner there is more scope for the disposal of varied assortments than whon singly defined. In rough faced goods cheviots, homespuns, zibalines or camel's hair weaves, and crepon effects will hold sway. Large plaid effects are produced in both the homespuns and zibalines similar in effect to the clan tartans. The substitation of plaid shawls for-skirt purposes appears to be a recognized feature of the late fashions. These are made writh the plaid side as the face of the goods, the fringe being ased in the mannor of trimming after the style of capes which latterly have been brought into use. Backed fabrics or double faced goods have boen a result of this move, these being woven to show a solid color on one side and a large plaid on the other, and which can be made up either way at the option of the wearer. In homespuns solid colors are also largely shown.
In black crepons the raised or blister design is gradually giving way to less pronounced effects; the now idea being shown in the form of stripes which have also superseded the irregular effects shown the past season. In the plain weave日 soft-deep shades will predominate as against the lustrous effects, this giving more of the velvety finish to the goods. Among the principal shädes, fawns, tans, apple greens and coachman's browns, will be sought out as commanding first place.: It will thus be observed that while the new goods will be roadily distinguished they will admit of a much wider range than the distinctive features of the earlior: season had promised.

The late season followed by changeable weather has kept the trade for white goods in a narrower margin than former scasons.displayed. Fancy piques continue in good demand, and supplies on the market are not large. The styles are more varied than heretofore, running in a large measure to finor patterns ; in these however little change from past conditions is shown. Persian lawns and also Victorias are in god request in both plain and hemstitch. In dimitios and corde the full range of former seasons is still in request, these popilar effects scarcely admitting of much change.
In men's summer underwear it was oxpected, as in many othoin lines, that the return of more prosperous conditions would invite a better grade of goods to the front, but in this the trade has been disappointed. While a percentage of fine to medium goods has been in demand the call for low priced goods has been on a much larger scale than in former years. Whare $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$ garments were sold some seasons back $\$ 3$ goods soem to be required and these often give way to the $\$ 2$ to $\$ 225$ variety. Mercerised cotton goods aro boing shown in profusion. These it is to be regretted, have a tondenoy toward miserepresentation that is too readily adopted by some retailers with the suicidal impression that announcing these qoods under-names calculated to make them sell as silk or silk woven goods has the right effect. But one dealer in a town who uses this method must be net on his own
ground, for open attack is seldom countenancod and is apt to re-echo with fatal effects. Thus it is that much of the mercorised cotton goods are being sold as silks.
Men's woolien goods in worsteds, clays and serges, are sustained in the strong position assumed oarlier, and while little of note is transpiring in these goods holders are assuming an air of calm indifferenco under stocks that show but littie sustonance should an active demand spring up. They knowfill well that advances must be paid and are willing to bide their time. In overcoatings Kerseys will lead, and for these there has been considerable demand with pices very firm. Some leading makes have been withdrawn from tho market owing to extent of over sales.
In staple cottons the maxket has shown another advance in Fruit of the Loom and also in Lonsdale muslin and cambric. Some popular makes of dark calicoes have also advancede: In heavy woight sheetings, drills, etc., the market is very firm and an advance may take place any' moment. All lines of domestic dress ginghams have sold woll through the season so far and are now in light supply. $\bar{t}$ An advance in these goods is not unlikely. New fall offects in these goods are not yet shown the activity necessary to keep up with orders for prosent requirements taxing many of the manufacturers.
Many buyers have attended the opening of the carpet-season and trade resulting has been of a substantial charactor. Lace curtains are roceiving considerable attention, the fancy raffled makes in light material keeping the lead. These are nowebeing sold for use at all seasons and are shown in swisses, tambours and bobbinet effects; the former in plain and spotted, from the smallest dot to large size, being prefarred.

## ESSEX TOBACCO.

The Essex growers of tobacco are forming a company to handle the crop and prepare it for the foreign market. The titile will be the Essex Tobacco Corporation with a capital of $\$ 50,000$. This is a wise move, as the operations necessary for improving the plant, and curing the leaf, can be better conducted by a-company than by a number of inexperienced individual growers of tobacco. A manager can bo ongaged who is thoroughly versed in tobacco culture and in the methods for preparing it for the market. If the Essex growers of the weed follow his instructions they will discover what the prospects are for making this a pormanent industry and so adding to the resources of that fertile county.

## SOME RECENT INVIENTIONS.

The impression generally entertaned that the British poople are far behind Americans in inventive genius, is not sustained by the record. In every number of English pub. lications devoted to mechanical affairs we find descriptions of a great variety of articles of recent invention, ranging from the elaborate machines used in textilo manufacturers down to mousetraps. The mouse must be especially a torment in Great Britain if we may judge by the innumerable kinds of new traps being devised, nono of which however, if the in ventors wiil pardon us; is equal to a cat, or, as a ratioxtermi nator, to a good terrier. A machine has been placed on the English market by which ordinary illuminating gas is comprossed, the result being an increase of its lighting powar up from 16 to 30 candles. The cost of oparating is nominal and no danger is involved. The cost ranges from $\$ 100$ to $\$ 150$ according to size, a sum which, even in an ordinary house, would soon be saved, Other ingenious devices are shown in kitchet brashes for cleaning saucepans, which are spoken of by English domestics as boing most useful, as they save time, do the worl far better than by ordingry methods and do not damage the utonsils. Oooks here would appreciate a nem
tray just brought out for pastry by which it is prevented from becoming sodden. A small machine for use in spraying potatoes, vines and all manner of plants to destroy inse cts is offered, and has found a large sale in the old land; as it wou ld here if introduced. It can be operated by a small boy and is most effective and economical. An artistic pepper box for the tắble is also selling freely. Of the new styles of table, hall, carriage, cycle and stable lamps, which are most ingeniously constructed to give a maximum of light and of safety, their name is legion. For creameries a hand separator has been invented in England which, in a contest with a number of German and Austrian machines, won the first prize, a distinction it also has won in competition with other British machines. A newly invented tank for closents the action of which is silent and so simple as to need no repairs or fixing, as most tanks do, has recently become very popular in England. One Tnglish firm has patented an "anti-slam door and. safety hold-open." This is evidently specially intended to mitigate an English nuisance, wher'e, owing to the halls being so cold, the cry is continually heard, "Shut that door !" which often brings it to with a "slam". that is most irritating This door-stop would be appreciated in Canada. A Matchless Gas Lighter, made in England, is so great an improvement on a well known device that it would be prized by those who wish to dispense with matches, tapers, \&c., in lighting their gas. A new moat saw is a very desirable article in every kitchen it is so " natty" and safe. The above articles ate described in the last number of The ITarlucare Trate Jouinal, and are goods which would command a lares sale in the Canadian market, if properly placed before the pubfit:

## A TEMPTING BAIT

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"Guaranteed at least 3 per cent a month" is the tomptation set before the eyes of people in Canada who have more money than wit. As there are such people in our midst, notwithstanding the education given in our public schools and $\dot{\text { in }}$ the columns of the Joumal of Commerce, there are likely to be some takers.

## BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

J. II. Gales, a Montreal butcher, doing basiness under the name of J. H. Gales \& Co., has assigned with liabilities of about $\$ 6,000$. The chief creditors are the Merchants Bank, $\$ 8,825$ and Gales Bros., \$1,443,-Thomas William Gales, baker and trader, Lias also asaigned, with liabilities of about $\$ 0,000$. The chlef creditors are Gale Bros., $\$ \dot{8}, 780$, W. W. Ogllvie, $\$ 500,-\mathrm{P}$. Monotte, restaurant, Montreal, referred to in last lasue; has ássigned, Liabllities $\$ 2,000$.
$\Delta \mathrm{p}$ offer of 40 cents in the dollar, in 2,4 and 6 months, secared, is mdae by Chas. Schachter, general dealer, Chatham, N.B. He owes $\$ 5,500$. The chief feature of hia business has be enthe supplying of pediars, etc. It is thought he lost money by frequent moves.

An offer of 50 cents in the doliar is under consideration by the creditors of the Comet Cycle Company, Toronto, whose difticulties were recently referred to.
J. Poisvert, general dealer in a small way at Láurier, Man., has' nesigned, He hailed from the land of the Dakotas some four years ago, erected a small log building and forthwith proceeded to do a joint commercial and rarming business. His amblition was not sufficiently backed. $B^{4}$
©... A.E. Summerfeld, general dealer, Plumas, Man., previously referied to as offering 40 cents in the dollar, has assigned. The rasata, amounting to $\$ 2,300$ have been sold to satiefy; clalms of $\$ 2,600$.

## Meetings, Reports, etc.

LA, BANQUE NATIONALE.

## 'ANNUAL. STATEMENT, 1899.

The thirty-ninth annual general meeting of the shareholders of this institution was held at the office of the bank, Quebec, on Wednesday, the 17 th of May, 1800, at three o'clock p.m.
There were present :-Hon. Justice A. Chaiveau, Messrs. Rodolphe Aadette, Victor Chateanvert, A. B. Dupuis, Nazaire Fortier, J. B, Laliberte, N. Rioux, Charles Brochu, Joseph Euard, Joseph Garneau, Thomas Breen, James McCone, William Simone. N. Arthur Drolet, Ephrem Cloutier, E. W. Methot, Etienne Paradis, J. E. Boily, Firs. Delisle, J. A. Delisle, A. A. Dechene, H. Oct. Roy, Geo. Demers, E. Thos, Coulllard, Ulric Tessier, Cy rille 'Tessier, Jos. Archer, Jr., Rev. F. C. Gagnon, Rev. Robert Lagueux, Lorne C. Webster. Docithee Arcand, etc.

Mr, R. Audette was called to the chair and Mr, P, Lafrance was required to act as secretary.
Before proceeding to the reading of the annual report, the following gentlemen were elected scrutineers, viz.:-Messrs. J. E. Boily, N.P., N. Arthur Drolet and Etienne Paradis.

The president read the following report of the affairs of the bank:
Thirty-ninth annual report of the directors to the shareholders of La Banque Nationale.
Gentlemen,-Thie directors beg to submit to the shareholders the thirly-ninth annual report covering the year ending the 29th April, 18809 , togethêr with the usual statement of assets and lla-


The Profit and Lós Account is summed up as follows:The balance at credit of Profit and Loss on 30th April, 1808, was.
$\$ 35,415.84$
The profits of the year, after providing for cost of managemeut, accrued interest on deposits and all bad and doubtful debts, amount to......

128,009. 38
Forming the sum of
$\$ 163,425.22$
Which was appropriated as follows:
Dividend No. 68, 3 per cent, paid 2nd

Dividend No. 693 per cent, payable 1st May 1800
$\$ 36,000$

Transferred to Rest Account................ 50,000
$122,000.00$
Leaving at credit of profit and loss account.........
\$41,425. 22
'The usual inspection of all the branches of the bank has been made during the year and all show very satiefactory reaults.
A branch office was lately opened at Rimouski, and your directors contemplate opening one or two more shortly.
We are happy to state that all our officers have rendered valuable services during'the past year, and to their zeal 'and energy Is due, to a large extent, the success of our operations.
The whole respectfully submitted:
(Signed)
R. AUDETTE

President.
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general . Statement, 29th april 1890. habrimites.


## ABBETs.

Specte Dominion notes
Notes of and cheques on other bauts Belances due from other Banks in
Canada ......................... of the Bank

Deposit with Dom. Gov. for secarity of Note circulation.
Doniluion Debentares. .............
Call Loans on Stocks and Bonds..

Total Assets immediately available. Current loang, disconnts and advances to the publio........ Notes and bills discounted overdue (loss provided for).
Real Estate, the property of the Bank (other than Bank pre. mises).

Bauk Premises, Furniture and Stationery
N. Lavoire

Inspector.

68,441.27
286,088.00
233,862.09
49,511.86
84,587.17
65,000.00
35,000.00
107,150.00

6,192;200.83
26,753.20

14,800.88
6,283,814.90
161,834.20
$\$ 6,254,569.55$

## P. Lafriance

Manager.

Moved by Mr. R. Audette, seconded by Mr. A. P. Dupuis,
"That the report of the directors and the statements now read be adopted, printed, and publlshed for distribution among the shareholders."-Adopted.
The election being then proceeded with, the following gentlemen obtained the largest number of votes and were consequently duly elected directors for the ensuing year :-Mr. Rodolph, Audette, Hon.'Justice A. Chanveau, Messrs. Victor Chateauvert, A. B. Dapuis, J. B. Laliberte, Naz. Fortier and Naroisse Rioux.

The president left the chair and Mr. Chas. Brocha baing ckilled thereto, it was the nmoved by Mr. Jos. Archer, Jr., seconded by O. E, L. Dionne.
"Tiat the thanks of this meeting are due and tendered to Mr . R. Audette for his services in the chair, as algo to the scrutineers and secretary for the fulfilment of their respective duties."
The motion was adopted and the meeting adjourned.

## R, Audeiter,

President.

## P. Lafrance,

Secretary.
At a meeting of the directors, held on the same day, Mr, $R$. Audette was re-elected president, and Mr. A. B. Dupuis, vicepresident of the bank for the ensuing year.
P. Lafrance,

Manager.
-A contearrorary informs ug that "the light it shall tarn" on a certaininjostice, "has already borne fralt." This is getting ahead of time with a vengeance.
figemayon Prefontaine, we regret to asy hart himeelf a few daye ago by a fall at St. Agathe, caused by stepping on a loose plank in the sidewalk. His Worship having had an Impressive object lesson will probably be more zealous in preventing simi. lar accidenta which are far too frequent in this clty.
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-Tue Imperial Bank has declered a dividend-for past half. year of 4 per cent with a bonus of one per cent. It is notable that the two banks which each opened a branchjin Montreal nome short time ago show improved profts for past year.

Durhas, Ont;; Special,-A By-law to grant a loan of $\$ 10,000$ to The Durham Furniture Company (Limited), has been carried by a sweeping majority; and operations will' be coinmenced- at once, for the erection of suitable balldings. Stock lists have been opened In the town and vicinity, for a company, to be known as "The Durbam Cement Company," and already about $\$ 20,000$ has been subscribed. The promoters have been in correspondence with a wealthy syndicate, and an option for the parchase of some hundreds of acres of marl deposits, within a radius of six miles of the town, has been secured. The deposite are sald to be almost lnexhautable, and on the evidence of an expert, who has examined them; would, with an average output of 500 bbls . per day, last for over a hundred years.

LRGAT RECORD. \&O.
Week ended May 16, 1899.
The following ls a record of transactions and oases in our Canadian courts of law; comprisiog Writs Issued and Judgmenta Rendered for sums of $\$ 300$ and upwards, (Montreal, from $\$ 175$ and upwards), and Chattel Mortgages and Bill of Sale for bams of $\$ 550$ and upwards), as taken from the public records It will be understood that the actions or Items do not necessarily affect the oredit and soundness of the persons or concerns naffed, as they may have been paid or otherwlese settled, and that good defences may exist in cases of writa, \&o.

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May 114
Barton Tp-F. A. Carpenter \& Co, vs Jas. Brayley . . . . . $\$ 925$ Berlla_C. W. Erb, as Economical Fire Ins. Co............ 2,800 Bridgeburg-W. Jenkins vs J. T. James dmgs............... 5,000 Ridgetown-H. McKay \& Co, vs H. W. Lumley et al..... 888 St: Catharlines-W.-Brown vs S. E. \& H. G. Kennedy. :ix. 8,080 Sault Ste. Marie-Sohool Board Muniolpality Sault Ste, Marle ve. J. B. Duff, 8335 .

Toronto-F. F. Grean vs H. ․ Willams et al......... $\$ 2,042$
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Alexandria-R. R. MoLollan vs Geo. \& M. Hearnden....
Clinton-J. Patterson vs B. Clark, dmgs.................jici 2,000
Combermere-W. Haryett vs John McHernes.
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away from the region where "pandemonium reigned." The Bank of Montreal statement shows larger profits than last year. La Banque Nationale also did very well in 1898-99, as the statement in this issue shows. The Government has declined to arrange for a Canadian Mint being estab. lished. A Japan loan for $\$ 50,000,000$ at 41/2 per cent is to be offered at 90 , and a Russian one is rumoured, U. S. railways earned $\$ 1,818,038$ more in April than in same month 1808. The local stock market Las had no features, of much intereat. Money is tighter, the big slump in New York having a cautioning effect. Pacific earnings continue to show increases which. keep up the price and encourage hopes of advance. Bank of Commerce has been sold at 157. The Bill to release the Banque da Peaple directors seems likely to pass.

The following is a comparative table of stocks for w. e. May 18th, supplied by Chàs, Meredith \& Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal.

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Whthout hesitation the advancing prices of many articles of general merchandise, the cooler weather has retarded in a serious manner the numerous lines that are governed thereby, ;The strike which has : been kept up by the moulders longer than was expected has also had its offect in the neighborhood of these industries. This, however, is about settled. Manufactured hardware has shown further advances for the week in wrought iron plpe, coil chain, eto. Groceries remain steady at the advances noted a week ago. Remittances from country points are pronounced better than this month a year ago, while very few fallures of importance are recorded. From interior points all correspondence Indicates life and activlty in industrial Ilnes. Good prices are being realized for whatever farmers can offer, so that altogether the causes for fallure are fow while those for prosperity are many. In paints an advence of one eighth all round has been mado in white lead. Shoe manufacturers report good orders from far and near.
Butrem.-Notwithstanding that receipts Lave khown a cousiderable increase for the past few days, the market coatinues to hold steady, principally owing to increased. orderg from the several Denglish markets. Consequently a very satisfactory trade is reported at $101 / 4$ to $163 / \mathrm{c}$ for choicest oreamery in boxes, and 10 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ in tubs. Choice towniships dairy is in fair demand and moves out at 14 to 150 . Fine sweet Western dairy meets with suflicient attentlon to keep it moving at 18 to $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Medium and inferior qualities continue to remaln neglected, no apparent outlet being found foy these grades.
Canned Goods.-The demand from the country trade is slow, and in a jobbing way, alsbj little is doing, and whilst prices remain steady, it is not unlikely, if consumptiontidoes not quickon within the next fewsweeks, that an easior feelling will prevall in regard to tomatoes and corn, stocks of which are more liberal than is generally" supposed. News comes from the coast in regard to salmon that canners
there will probably find themselves in a bad predicament to meet the spring run, owing to the want of cans. which, it is alleged, they sold to American canners some little time ago ander the impression that thëy would not want so many for themselves, since the new Government regulations sedrionsly lajured their prospects of putting up a large pack, It would be well, however, to take thils report with some caution. TSalmon Intereste on the coast have farpast seasons proved themselves to be ablemanipulators of value.
Cembnts, firfe Brices, etc.-No life is apparent in the cement market so far this season. Arrivals for the week are: Fire bricks, 37,700; Relglan and German cement, 12,490 brla: ; English cement, 1,300. No change in prices has as yet beenshown from those prevalling at the opening.
Cineese.-The market is showing conBlderable more strength and business paseing is much larger than that of a weok provious. Finest new Weitern is being sold freely at $93 / 8$ to $95 / \mathrm{c}$ c. French cheese 9 to $91 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Choicest fall make still meets with considerablo attention at $101 / 2$ to 11c.
: Chemicals, Oils, mic.-A fair distribat-- Ing trade covers the situation in the chemical market. Chlorate of potash is very firm owing to the recent advance in primary marisets. Oitric acld is also firm and roported in light supply, Linseed oil is unchanged, but owing to the advance of 3 to 40 in the U. S. markets, there is a possi. bility of higher figures here. The raw material in the U. S. holds unngually high In comparison with the present price of the manufactured oil. Turpentine ls easier in the States and quotations show a decline of 3/2c.

Dried Froit.-Consumptive wants are at low ebb, the competition of fresh fruits from the Southern States having cut these out, This is a feature of more than passing prominence at the moment by reason of the large consigniments of strawberries and pineapples offering. When retailers can sell 3 large boxes of fine strawberries for 250 , and a choice pineapple for 10 to 150 , there is little attraction in currants and raising at 7 to 10 c per. 1 b . retail.

- Eage-Recelpts for the weols have been exceedingly large, and, as a consequence, the market shows more or less weakness.

The cooler weather prevailing, however, increases the local demand, and supplies have accordingly receded. The arrival of stock other than that which retailers can conscientiously declare to be strictly fresh, has already been followed by: a fear on the part of the man who sells by the dozen, that all are second-class. Best fresh stock is held at 11 to $111 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. The expectations, however, are that the market will go at least $3 / 3$ c lower within a few days.

Flour, Feed and Meal.-Nlour shows a good demand from country points, and a fair distributing trade is bolng done, Export trade is fally up to the average with prices steady, Oatmeal is quiat at former quotations. Feed continues to be in very scarce súpply and prices rule very firm. Quotations are: Winter wheat patents, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.00$; straight roller, $\$ 8.50$ to $\$ 3.65$ : and in bags, $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.75$; Manitoba patents, $\$ 095$ to $\$ 4.00$; strong bakers, $\$ 3.65$ to $\$ 3.70$. Bran, Manitoba, $\$ 16$; do. Ont., $\$ 16.50$; shorts, $\$ 16.50$ to $\$ 17$; moullie, $\$ 19.50$ to $\$ 20$; patmeal $\$ 3.7 \overline{0}$ to $\$ 3.80$ and $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.80$ per bag. Baled hay ls showing a good demand, at former prices. No. $1, \$ 6.50$ to $\$ 7.25 ; \mathrm{Na}, 2$, extra, $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6.00$; clover and mixed, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5.00$.

Green Fruits, exc.-Montrealas a fruit centre is becoming speedily recognized. The large number of Mediterraneãn fruit anctions held since the opening of bayigation togather with many oar lots of California products found active bidders at prices that prove a good future for the cily in the distribution of such commodities. Lt the auction of the St. Marnock's cargo on the 15th inst., $\$ 3.25$ was realized for extreme fancy lemons, the balance bringing 75 c to $\$ 2.75$ as to grade. Oranges $500^{\circ}$ to $\$ 3.50$ a box. The next cargo will be sold under the sapervision of Messrs. Hart \& Tuckwell, on the 26th inst. Auction strawberries brought $5 / / 2$ to 9 c per quart boxes. Market quotations are: Apples, Northern Sples, $\$ 6.00$ to $\$ 7.00$; Baldwins, $\$ 4.00$; Russets, $\$ 5.00$; California Navel oranges, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.00$; lemons $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 3.00$, Bananas are held at $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 2.00 ;$ Cape Cod cranberries $\$ 6.00$ to 7.50 per 100 qt . brl. pine apples, 8c to 20 c each. Florida tomatoes, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5.00$ carrier ; grape fruit, $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 8.50$ per box. Vegetables.-Green radish, 40 to 50 c dozen; lettuce, Canadian, 20 to 35 c dozen; do.; Joston, \$1.15 dozen ; new Havaná


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Iron and Hardifare.-The moulders strike, which has tended to embarass iron manufacturers lately, is now on the eve of general settlement, and deliveries, it is expected, will shortly be resumed. The appreciation in tirst cost of iron at primary points of production still goes on, and this week local dealers have been obliged to mark up price of iron plpe 15 c to $\$ 1.00$ as to size, the new jobbing prices being as follow: $1 / 2$ inch $\$ 2.05$; $3 / 4$ inch; $\$ 3.55 ; 1$ inch, $\$ 4.90$; $1 \frac{1}{4}$ inch, $\$ 0.50 ; 11 / 2$ inch, $\$ 8.2 \overline{0}$; and 2 inch, $\$ 10$ '50. Coil chain has also advanced considerably as follows: $1 / 4$ fnch from $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 5.75 ; 5.16$ inch, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50 ; 3 / 3 \mathrm{inch}, \$ 3.85$ to $\$ 4.00 ; 7-16 \mathrm{inch}$, $\$ 3.70$ to $\$ 0.85$; $1 / 2$ inch, $\$ 3.55$, to $\$ 3.75$; 0.10 Inch, $\$ 3.40$ to $\$ 8.70 \%$ inch, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 8.60 ; 3$ inch, $\$ 3.15$ to $\$ 3.40$; 78 inch and 1 inch, $\$ 8.00$ to $\$ 3.30$.
Leatier and Shoes, - The leather situation here has assumed a quiet waiting character aside from the steady export business which continues to hold good. Shoe manufacturers report good condI tions prevalling for the fall trade with business features from outside points of a nature to denote a healthy season's trade. Moner is being secured for fair remittances.although the present is an off season in. cónotry finances. Leathers hold firm int tone with dealers having plenty orders sold ahead

Maple Phoducts.-Both aprup and sugar remain very firm at provlous quota. tions. Receipts are very light with the advancing season.

Pannts.-There has been a decided advance in the various grades of white lead, prices being marked up one-elghth all round. 'l'his bas been caused by the higher cost of all base products which have been gradually advancing. Glass is firm, bút no change has taken place in prices.
Potatoes. - There appears to be a vary. ing price for the best stock at present: 08 cents per bag of 90 lbs . was reported paid for a carload this week, while reports of purchases for 65 cents of tirst stock have been verlfed. However, the market can readly care for all arrivals at the former figure as the demand in good and anppleer

Provienoss.-The export demand has ronewad the hife hhtch had dropped out of the propision market for some months. There are good lots going forward in hams, bacon and lard, prices being if anythting a little stronger. Quotations are : Cunadian pork; barrels, $\$ 15.00$ to $\$ 15.50$; hams, $101 / \mathrm{c}$ to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; bacon, $10 \% \mathrm{zc}$ to 11c. - Pure lard, pail 7 to $71 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; compound refined, $51 / 40$ to 53/ a per lb.

Svans, There has been no cliange fa values this week, refiners still quotling granulated $\$ 4.00$ and yellows $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.40$ at factory. London cables beeto steady at the decline of yesterday, namely, $11 \mathrm{~s} 21 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ for May and June. The demanid locally Is tame, buyers stlll holding of with belief that values will go lower belole they go high.

Teas.-The market for teas is comparatively lifeless, as against the activity that prevailed prior to the bringing down of the budgett: Buyers, now that the doabt of a duty is removed, have lapsed into indifference, satisfied that supply and demand Will bring around an opportunity to bay to better advantage later on. That this view is perhaps over sanguine, coñidering the fact that tea values hereare relatively below the Lundon or Calcatta market, not fore etting Shanghai, seems to quake no impression, stocks of most grades on spot are small The usual povement to galvanize, Japan tequinto prominence is manifest by resson of new crop belag nearly due, but there is not muditesponse from the trade.

Wool,-Prices hold the full measure of firmness obtained in the pastiweeks. In the local market there is little iddoing in fine wools, the price being too high to be counteananced in so short a perlid by manufacturers. They cannot realize that. wools are really at the polnt held. Importers have obtained the full prices of $171 / 2$ to20 $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for balance of Capes on hand. B.A. is not obtalnable here at any price. It is very scarce in France as a good demand exists. there. It would be worth 00 c laid down here at present, 45 c being the figure formerly. The London sales which close this week continue to show advances of 20 to 25 per cont over the March prices.

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

Messra. H. J. Cooper \& Coi, London, Eng. have patented and are manufacturing the neatest and safest pocket matoh. box in the market. It has been atyled the "Saiftee." It in made in electro-plate, nickel silver, and solld silver, so that it has. quite an elegant appearance. It is made. to take ordinary wooden safety matches, which will make it popular with smokers who object to the use of wax vestas. A pocket box of this kind has long been required by deyotees of the waed, who pronounce it, "just the very thing we wanted." The firm call attention to thelr addrees, etc.; In another column. A portrait of Mr . Cooper will appear'next week.

The Cýclostyle Coic London, Eng, has placed on the market an antomatic Cyclostyle which is a marked inprovement on the usual apparatus for copying documents. The hand rolling which is so objectionable in machines of this kind is done away. with as the distribution of Ink and printing is mechanically done by simply turning a handle. It is quite easy to operate while seated ati a tablo: Another machine of the same company is the "NeoCyclostyle." by which 2,000 copies in in delible black ink of any circular, writing, drawing, or music can be made olther from the owner's.own writing or eny other copy This machine has won 25 prize pigdals, Itis simple, durable, rapld, mod.

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## TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE:

(Revised by ' Telegraph).
Toronio, May 18, 1848.
General trade was only falr this weels the weather being unfavorable for dry goods. The movement under the clroamstances was satisfactory, and in volume exceede that of the corresponding two weeks of May last year. A fair trade is reported in hardware and metals, and groceries aro moderately active. Hides are unchanged, and trade in leather gcod. Staple goods contlinue firm in prices. Money la unchanged, with prime commercial paper die. counted at 6 per cent and call loans 5 percent. Sterling exchange is firmer. Stocks quitet and generally firm. Latest sales:Dominion Bank 206, Hamilton 100 xd , Commerce $1501 / 2 x$ d, Cable 1857/r C.P.R. 981/4, Toronto Ry. 118, Richelieu 113, Twin City $681 / 2$, British Am. Assurance 126\% War Eagle 377, Republic 133.

Butrer \&c: - The demand for butter continues fair, and offerings are large. Cholee rolls sell at 11 to 120 , and mediam at 9 to 10c. Pound rolls 12 to 140, and dairy tub at 10 to 12 c . Creamery 17 to 180 for rolls and 16 to 163 go for tubs. Eggs unchanged at 11 to $113 / 2^{2}$ per doz. in case lotts. Cheese is ste8dy old relling at $101 / 2$ to 11 c and new at-10 to $101 / 2$ in jobbing lots.

Dreserd Hoas-The offerings are small and prices unchanged. Cholce cars are quoted at $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.40$, and mixed at $\$ 5.15$ to $\$ 5.20$.

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FLoun and Grain-The flour marketmes lo quiet with prices firm. Stralght rollers In wood $\$ 2.90$ to $\$ 3.10$, west, and Ontario patents $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.85$. Manltoba patents $\$ 3.85$ to $\$ 4$ and atrong bakers $\$ 8.70$, HBran 13.50 here and shorts $\$ 15.50{ }^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ What quiet and firmer, with red winter and whitg belling in oar lots at 08 to $68 / 20$ north and west. Goose wheat 600 low freights. No. 1 MManitoba hard sold at 72 to $721 / 20$ Fort William, and at 77 to 780 Goderich, 9 wen Bound and Midland, No. 1 Northeror 44


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are lower at $811 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for white north and west are lower at $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for white north and west west aud $051 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ east. Corn steady ; Canadian 85 to 3516 west and Amerloan 41 to. $411 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ on tract here. Barley is dall, No. 1 being quoted at 41 to 42 c west, and No. 2 at 88 to 890 west.

Groceries - Trade is fair, and payments satisfactory. Sugars rule firm, with granulated quoted at $\$ 4,73$ to $\$ 4.78$ per 100 lbs ., and yellows at $\$ 4.18$ to $\$ 4.38$. Molasses, West India 82 to 450 in barrels. Teas in good demand and: ilrm. Now Japans are fine atock. Rio coffee 8 to 120 , and Java 30 to 32c. Dried fruits firm. Valencia raieing $41 / 20$ to 494c off-stalk, $5 \% / 2$ to $5 \% \mathrm{c}$ for seleotion and at 6 to $61 / 20$ for layers. Currante are $41 / 4$ to $49 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Canned goods are flrm; Fraser river salmon (bockeye) $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.60$; tomatoes 80 to 00 c ; peas 80 to 900 ; corn 95 ; to $\$ 1.00$; beans 80 to. 90 c .

Hardware and Metals-There is a fairly active trade, with prices raling firm. Some lines of harvest and garden tools. scarce. Metals active, with Amertcan plg Iron higher.

Hides and Sems - Hides quiet and steady, Cured are quoted at $8 \% 40$. Green unchanged at $81 / 4$ for No. 1, 71/40 for No. 2, and 01/4 for No. 3i Calfakine are steady at 8. to 10 c . Sheepskins are quoted at 90 to $\$ 1,10$. Tallow rules at $41 / 4$ to 5 c for rendered.

Live Stook-The offerings of cattle were large this week, but the demand good and prices firm. Cholce shipperg sold at $41 / 4$ and $4 \% 0$ per lb , and medium at $41 / 4$ to $41 / 20$ per lb. Bulls sell at $33 / 4$ to 40 ior heavy and at $31 / 2$ to 3580 for light. Butchers' cattle aresteady, with sales of good to prime at 4 to 43 , medium at $31 /$ to 334 and $\ln$ ferior at 8 to $31 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Stockers and feeders are steady 334 to $41 / 4$ oper lb. Calves $\$ 4$ to $\$ 10$ each. Milloh cows $\$ 80$ to $\$ 50$ each. Bheep are flrm, with sales of ewes at $3 / 2$ to $83 / 0$ per lb., and buoks 8
 are irmer with oholce bringing $\$ 4.623 / 2$ to $\$ 4.75$ per 100 lbs ; light bacon $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.371 / 2 ;$ heavy $\$ 8.75$ to $\$ 4.00$; sows $\$ 8$ to $\$ 3.25$;and stags $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.25$.

Phovisiong-The market is quiet and prices steady. Mess pork la quoted at $\$ 13,50$ to $\$ 14.00$ short out at $\$ 14: 50$ to $\$ 10$, and shoulder mess $\$ 12.50$ to $\$ 18$. Bacon $6 \%$ in car lots forlong cloar; nid 7 to $7 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ in smaller guantitios. Breakfast
bacon 10 to $104 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; and amoked hame 918 to $10 \%$ c. Rollí 8 to $8 \% / 40$. Lard ls gteady tierces 63/4, tubs 7c, and pails 71/ to 7/4c; compoand lard 53/ to 6 c . Beang are quoted 70 to 800 for ordinary, and $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.10$ for hand-picked: Drled apples 5 to $51 / \mathrm{oln}$ quàntites, ard $60^{\circ} \mathrm{ln}$ small lots: Appleg.
\$2,50 to $\$ 4,00$ per barrel. Potatoes 75 to 800 per bag on track.

Woot-The market is ateady. New fleece $I^{s}$ quoted at 18 to 140 , and unwashed $8 \% / 20$. Pulled supers $101 / 2$ to $17 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ and extrag 20 to $201 / 20$.


# BELLEVILLE ONT. 

A most important position must be accorded to Belleville, in any calculations which take account of the Bay of Quinte district in particular and Eastern Ontario in general. Both marine and inlaad is a term which appears to be contradictory in the highest degree, and practically , a physical impossibility, yet it positively applies to Belleville, and this unique position is accounted for very aturally, lying upon the shores of the Bay of Quinte, just cast of the Murray Canal. Belleville is a marine port, with an outlet both to the east and west, while just across the Bay, which is spanned by a splendid steel bridge, lies the populous and wealthy County of Prince Edward, the produce of which finds a market in Beileville, and the commerce of whose people is supplied from there. Thus it is plain Low Belleville is really both an inland city and yet a marine port. Belleville is a city of 10,500 population, having all the natural advantages which entitle any place to consideration at the hands of those of other localities, who may for any reason contemplate a change of rest dence, or who are casting about for a suitable situation for the establishment of manufacturing or commercial enterprises. This is the centre for trade and commerce for an fumense tract of counthy, being as it is the largest city between Kingston and Toronto, and divisional haadquarters for the G.'I.R. with the added importance of being the terminal point of the Midland division of the G.T.R. as a point for manufacturing industries Belleville excels, particular is this true of foundries and iron interests in general, as the deposits of Irou ore in the contiguous territory to the north, are inexhaustible and easy of access to this market. The Abbott-Mitchell Iron \& Steel Company, Limited, a recently incorporated company, is now buildiag an immense Rolling Mill, there for the purpose of the development of every branch and detail of the iron trade in Canada. This company is an amalgamation of the mills of the Metropolitan Rolling Mills of Montreal and the Mitchell Iron Foundry and Rolliag Mills of Norwlel, Connecticut. Mr. Wm. Abbott, son of tho late Sir John Abbott, is vice-president and secretary, Mr. Frank A. Mitchell is president, and Mr. Henry Pringle of Belleville, trea surer. The directorate of this concern which is meant to estab lishan new regime in the manufacturing of iron in Canada, is composed of the following gentlemen, whose names are a guar antee of good faith and careful successful business management Mr. Frank A. Mitchell, Norwich, Cona., president; Mr. Chas. Bard, Norwich, Cunn., Johu Mitchell, Norwich, Conn., Wm, Abbott, Esq., Montranl, Mr. S. I. Lazier, Belleville and Mr, Henry Pringle, Balleville. The capital stock of the company which is fully paid, is $\$ 100,000$. 'The charter of this company, is most comprehonsive, covering points and granting privileges in many lines of in thuideturiag and canstructive eadsavors, which matks the organization as one of certain future and wide usefulness to this section, and Bolleville in particular, and to Canada ia general.

The owaers of tiae residences and spleadid store buildiags there cortainly have not the disabilities of laboring under high ussessment adod an exorbitatut rate of taxation. The assessment is $\$ 4,000,000$ with a rate of only $201 / 2$ mills, and this sum embraces all indebtedness, both debentures and local improvements, besidea payiag ruaning expenses. The exemptions reach the sum
 separdte in Belleville, is $\$ 409,450$. There are 18 public schools and 2 separate, and 1 central or preparatory college. The school population of Belleville is 3,500 . This year's council board is something less that balf as large as formerly, being reduced from 21 ward representatives to 10 . The gentlemen who are this year's representatives of the poople as aldermen are: Curtis Bogart, Esq., John Doyle, Esq., Thos. Hadey, Esq., Wm. A. Hungerford, Esq., P. Clement Jones, Esq., E. H. Lalhoche, Esq., W. H. Panter, Esq., Alvert Robiasun, Esq., J. IL. Sterling, Esq. and Heary 'laylor, Esq. The Chairmen of Committees are: Exocutive, Ald. Doyle; Public Works, Ald. Hanley; fire, water and light, Ald. Jones, Markets, City Property and Licenses, Ald. Panter; Industrles, Rallways and Parks, Ald. Hungerford. Belleville's whole council composes each committee, and this being
so a chairman seldom finds himself short of a quorum, or at least of a sulficient number of members to authoritatively dispose of matters in committee under his charge. Aside from a mayor, the ollicers of the corporation are as follow: Clerk, Mr. D. B. Robertson; treasurer, Mr. J. P. Thompson; Solicitor, Stewart Masson, Haq.; Assessor, Francis Mcliay; Collector, J. W. Butterfleld, Harbor Master ; D. Cullins, Surveyor ; R. C. Mulme, Chiof Fire Department, W. H. Cumpbell; Auditors, Messrs. Hope McGlunis and Eugh Walker. The steamboat services to and from Belleville comprise a daily service to Kingston, a regular service to Montreal and Rochester, besides a local service to Bay of Quinte points of almost an hourly character. The tive stee bridge mentioned as spauning the bay there, connects this city with Prince Eaward County, and makes for trade to mercantile industries there which can hardly be over estimated. Nowhere on the front is there another centre of population so favorably placed as to surroundings. Elsewhere, the agricultural sur ronndings are all on one side, i.e.jback from the lake. There agricultural greatness is on all sides of Bellevillo; Hastings Conaty to the rear and on both sides of it, with Prince Ddward Conuty frontiug it. Too much importance can hardly be attached to this feature, which in the case of Belleville is absolately unique. Every sort of modern convenience is served to the people there, electric cars, electric light, sewerage, waterworks, gas, otc. The latter is in part owned by the city. The waterworks is valued at $\$ 182,000$, the purchase of which will be made soon by the city. A by-law to that effoct will be voted on by the citizens, May 30th. Tho churches of Belleville are noted for their elegance and beanty. Some idea may be gathered from the following figares: R. C. Church, \$0t.000; Tho Bridge Street Methodist Church, $\$ 50,000$; St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, $\$ 40,000$. Albert Collego, the Proviucial Deaf \& Dumb Asylum, Public Library, the Hospital for Friendless and ILomeless Women, and an Isolation Lospital are iustitutious which are creditable to this city and the philanthropical disposition of its people. 'lhe public library contaius fully 5,000 volumes, price of yearly privileges, $\$ 1.00$. The Deal and Dumb School is the loader on this continent in this line of educational endeavor, withat the present moment an attendance of 237 . The students issue a semi-monthly publication called the "Canadian Mute." This work presents no weaknesses. The mechanical work is beauiful and clean, while the news items are chosen with judgment, and the comments upon the subjects of daily iuterest show a high degree of intellectual training and oapacity.

Belleville is headquarters for the 15th Battalion of the Argyle Light Artillery, Colonel W. M. Ponton commanding. This mili. tary organization has the most complete barrack and drill hall in Canada, and Belleville is very proud that it is located there. One of the treasures of these loyal eoldiers is a statue of Her Gracious Majesty the Quesn, modelled by Princess Luise and presented to thom. Bolleville is central for a field of miaeral deposit which is little known and less understood. The following facts obtained from the provincial Assayer at the Assay office in Belleville, Mr. J. W:' 'Wells, will show this. The territory immediatoly to the north of this city containg immense quantilies of mineral bearing rocks in which are found valuable deposits of iron, gold, lead and arsenic ores. The iron ores are both hematite and magnetic. The flrst betag shipped from two deposits near Madoc, and the latter from the Welsh mine at Madoc, Dufferin mine at Malone and the Victoria mine at Irondale. All of this ore goes to the Hamilton blast furnace, Hamilton, Ont., excopt a recent trial shipment to the Deseronto charcoal furnace from the Belmont mine (Magnetic) in Peterboro county. Three gold deposits are being worked in this section, the Duloro mine, an arsenical gold ore, carrying on on the average about $\$ 14$ per ton in gold, which is treated by stamping and amalgamation for the free gold, the concentration and tailings being reached by the Bromo Cyanide process. This mino turns out on the average a 14 pound brick of pure gold per week valued at about $\$ 1,300$. The Belmont mine in Peterboro County is belng worked by atamping
and amalgamation of a quality carrying about 2 par cent sulphurets, $\$ 8.00$ per ton in gold; this mine, when working steadily and in order turas onta 16 pound brick per week. Tho Boerth mine in Frontenac, is of a very rich quality earrying from $\$ 14$ to \$40 per ton, according to agsays made in the proviacial Assaya Office, Belleville, from average samples, and is being worked by liames process. In this immediate district there are a number of valuable stone quarrios, turning out a beautiful grained lime. stone, which has boen very largely used in the constuction of public buildings and in tho canals, etc. All in all the facts relating to the various minerals deposited in and around this district, are of a nature to surprise the masses, and the already eatablished working plants turoing the various minerals into finished articles of commerce, show that this section bas not bean neglected in the more genoral rush Klondykewards.

Amonget the social anusements of Belleville are included a Golf Club, several Tonnis Clubs, splendid hoating and tishing privileges under the auspices of clubs of high and low derree, a bowling green and picnic and camping grounds along the Bay, which are occupied continually during the summer. In the winter time this city is a perfect hive of social clubs, whose members are alive to the best side of life. The Guinte Musical Club heads the list. The rooms of this club are the best in this district and the members are of the best families with a proper regard for the amenitios of lifo. Strangers sojourning in Bolleville are looked up and tend ared the hospitality of these people in a manner cordial and very grateful to the recipients.

Thereare two business colleges there, one at least of which, has a reputation for excellence which far outruns the confines of the City of Belleville or locality.

J. Parker Thomas, a prominent harister of Belleville, Ont. Commissloner for taking allidavits fur use in Superior Courts in. Quoboc. Special Examiner for Iligh Courts of Justice in Ontario, and head of the Belleville Bar Association. MLr. Thomas also occupies the position of secretary of the Looal Board of Trade.

## THE BLLLAEVITHE BUSINLSS COLLAKGE

Is an educational institutiou ranking with the thest on this continent. The curriculum of thisc ollege of business comprises bookkeeping in all its various applicatons, busiuess papers and customs, calculations, business writing, history and goography, shorthand and iypewriting, telegraphy, etc, and civil service yualificutions, including Freuch and German. The list of students at the Belleville Business College, is made up of those seekers after correct business methods and their application all over the world. The Canadian contingent of conrse is the largest, as is natural to suppose, particularly that Ontario is contiguous territory. Scarcelya State of the Union is omitted on the list of attendance, and now comors are so frequent as to suggest a wonderful elllcioncy in the courso pursued by the Balloville Busiuess College. This college was oponed many years ago by Robt. Bogle, Esq., of this city, who was later joined by J. Frith Jellers, M.A., who is now the princlpal and conductor of this establishment. Belleville owes mueh to this instltution for the excellentelags of added popalation it is constantly deawing to the city, and in return it is equally true that the students are the recipiente of the most conslderate treatmont at the hands of the citicens whose homes
are thrown open to the nowcomers in truehearted hospitality, and quarters suitable for all college boys and girls are numerous. The tuition fee for a course is most reasonable being-scholarship for the commercial course, $\$ 10$; shorthand, $\$ 30$; telegraphy, $\$ 00$; which entitle the student to complete instruction iu each department, ualimited as to time of completion. The fourth department, called the civil service course, is really a high class preparation for, the young business man, qualifying him for those special lines of business where a techaical knowledge of mathematics, or of French and German are required. The fee in this department will be quoted upon correspondence with the principal. In a word, the course of business training covers all the work of the institute of chartered accountants, indeed even more, as it includes the practical use of modern languages. The important thing for the business public of Canada to know is that this business training is detinite in its elficiency to a degree hardly reached by any other business college in America, for accountancy or secretarial work, court reporting, telegraphing or journalism.


Alderman Eungerford, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Belleville City Conncil, and a popular representative. Mr. Eungerford is prominently spoken of amongst the citizens as Belleville'a next Mayor.

## IR. J. grailam.

Mr. R. J. Graham is engaged in the business of evaporating, fruit and vegetable products, for export. The establishment there is headquarters for the combined efforts of sixteen branch factories in various portions of the United States and Canada, as well as its own business in this immediate district. Dried or dessicated fruits and vegetables are the leading lines of production. Le is also a very large dealer incheese, butter and eggs, and an exporter of these articles, owning 3 large cheese factories in Canada; 1 in this (Eastings) County, 1 in Prince Edward County and one in Essex Conaty. The combined number of employees of Mr. Graham's various establishinents reaches about 1,700 . All sales are made from there, the brauch establishments shipping goods as ordered from the head office in Belleville. The products of Mr. Graham's various establishments go all over the world and are suitable for all climates. In Britain, Mr. Graham's agents for his evaporated fruits and vegetables are as followsLondon, EI. \& T. Walker; Livarpool, James Adams, Son \& Co.; Bristol, Grifin \& Culverfell. In produce, cheese, butter and egge, London, S. E. Galzini; Liverpool, Marples, Jones \& Co., and in Glaggow, Walter Laurier \& Co. While Mr. Graham specially apprestates the demsad for his goods ia Britala, he does not neglect trade from any source, and accordingly Graham's evaporated, dried fraits and vegetables and produce are sold all over the world. In Bordeaux, France, R. Lesserre, agt.; Berlin, Gormany, Alire. 1 Peiser, agt.; Amsterdam, G. N. Sauches, agt.; Rotterdam, Altona Bros., agts.; Leipsic, Germang, R. Mussman, agt.; Dussoldorf, Germany, Suller \& Kriegesizotie, agts.; Hamburg, W. Frey \& O.., agts.; Capetown, Moffatt, Hutchios \&Co., agts.; Australia, J. S. Larke, Sidney, agt., Government office, Buenos Ayres, E. M. Remis, agt.; at the Imperial Institute, Londou, Fag., Harrison Watson, sgt. Mr. Graham's business aggre.
gates from $\$ 750,000$ to $\$ 1,250,000$ per year. The evaporator at this point has a capacity of 1,000 bushgls of fruit or vegetables daily. In this city he owns one large cold storage establishment and is now buildiag another, in both of which the cold air circulation system will be in operation lostead of ice. The system in each will be equal to the melting of about 40 tons of ice daily.

Mr. Graham is also conducting at Belleville an immense vinegar facory and all inall considering the excellence of his products togother with the wideness of his operations both as to manufacture and export, Mr. R. J. Grabam stands eaglly at the head of the busiuess community there, and in truth he is cordially so recogniz d by his iellow towasmen.


## the belleville canning co.

Messrs. Morden \& Hagermata are the proprietors of the Belle. ville Canning Company's Works, and the "Queen's Brand" of, canned goods is their product. This factory is the most exten. sive cannery in the Dominion. The outputat the present is confined to the articles of fruit and verstables, curn, beans, pers, tomatoes, pumpkias; all sorts of small fruits, apples, pears peaches, plums, strawberries and raspberries, pineapples, etc. Of the tropical fruits Messrs. Morden \& Ilagerman are large importers; recent additions to the production of this establisthment are canned chicken, turkey, mince meat, and other meate, also tomato catsup and soups, jams and jellies. The tirm is composed of two young, vigorous and enterprising citizens, and amongst Jelleville's business men there are none who more deserve success in large measure. This firm imports tin from

Wrales, and menufactures all the can sused in their business. This brach occupying an immense space for its operation, and employing large numbers of expert workmen. All of the vegetables used in this business are grown by the farm themselves under contract. Thoy have this year abut one thousand actes in seed. When the canning season is on nearly 200 people are pushing the wrk here, at good wages. The trade of the Belleville Cauning Co. is Canadian procipally, although an exportation to Britain of canued apples by this firm has reachod very large proportlons. This lirm makes a specialty of canned apples and peas and "Boston" baked boans, with and without tomato sauce. 'Ihe goods of this firm bearing the "Queen's Brand," are genuingly prepared, and are guaranteed to bo perfectly pure, toothsome and wholesome, all the cans being made without the ald of auy acid.

## marsil \& hentionn.

These gentlemen succeeded to the basiness of the $G$. \& J. Brown Mig. Co., foundrymen, at this point in January, 1807. Their establishment is complete, comprising a foundry, machine shop, boiler shop and pattern shop. Their line of manufacture includes contractors' plants, hoists, engines, dump carts, efc., and all sorts of rallway supplies. Such contractors as those upon the Victoria bridge work, and the Canadian Consuruction Company at Parran's Point, are anong the customers of this firm who are also Canadian manulacturers for the Babcock \& Wifcox Co., Montreal, showing by the mere fact of connection with whom is a sufficient garantee of the excellence of the work produced as well as the dispatch with which orders are lilled. The Marsh Henthorn Specia! Creamery engine is attractIng attention from croameries all over Canada. Its special features may be obtained upon inquiry of the firm addressed to to their Belleville office. The engine in question is unique in as much as there is not a concealed bolt or nut in the whole machine, no connection but may be reached readily by the operator with a monkey wrench, and even a novice may keep it taut and in order on this acconot. Messrs, Marsh \& Menthorn also manufacture atove castings, chilled car wheels, derrick fittings, etc. In fact every sort of foundry work is produced by this tirm. Their buildings, iocluding all the different shops and yards, occupy about two acres of ground, and their employees number about 50, all skilled men. The establishonent has an output of something more than $\$ 40,000$ per year.

## Geo. wation \& co.

Messrs. Walton \& Co. operate a large planing mill, sash and door factory, office furnishings, interior hardwood finishings, etc The material for the use of this manufactory comes from the Georgian Bay district, especially tine. The fancy hardwoods the firm get through Toronto importers. The firm especially caters for work from architects' designs, and this class of work is turned out from this factory with exacticude and promptness which invariably pleases.
tite anglo-smerican hotel.
This well known bostelry on Pront street, Bellevilio, still is the traveller's home, and the best patronized hotel between Toronto and Montreal. D. Coyle, the proprietor, is the same popular host as ever, and the advancing yeara only adde to the elficiency of his management and tīe care he displays on behalf of his guests. The Anglo-American Hotel is undergoing enlargement, improvement and retitting, and will soon be oue of the finest as well as the must comfortable houses on the line. Travelling men will congratulate themeelves that this hotel will keep pace with the times, because its location is most convenient to the mercantile community.
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