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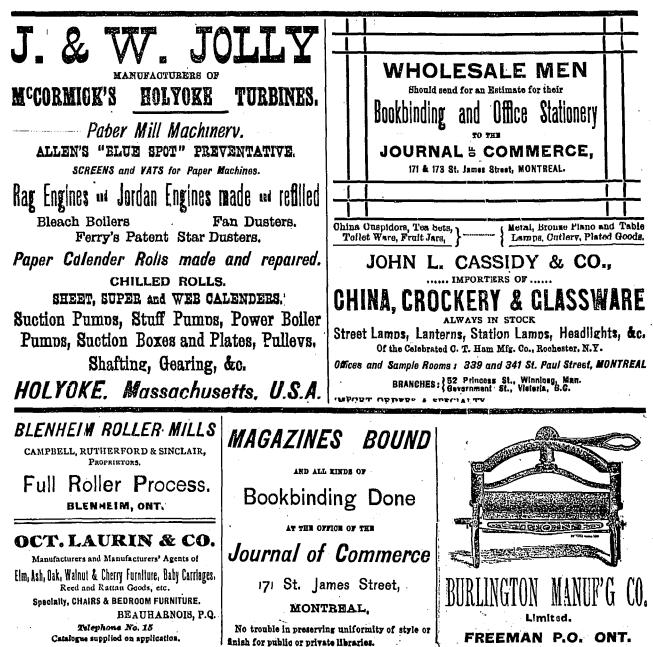
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-Grand Trunk Railway return of traffic week ending Jan. 28th, '93. Passenger train earnings, '93, \$94,155, '92, \$94,-260; Freight train do., '93, \$245,132, '92, \$231,162. Total do. do., '93, \$339,-287, '92, \$325,422. Increase '93, \$13,865.

-D. F. Armstrong, shoes, Kingston, is in trouble and offering 50c on the dollar. His father-in-law, who generally holds a large claim against him, is understood to be in charge of his affairs and the store has not been closed to business.

-The late of eighteen coal dealers in Rochester, N. Y., indicted for combining and conspiring to raise prices, has not | fare better than usual in such cases.

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stock and book debts. A steady man, but with no great capacity for management. Extension of credit assisted his downfall. -Mr. George W. Woodland, general merchant, Durham, Ont., has made an assignment for benefit of creditors. He has been in business for some six years, succeeding his father who was one of the oldest merchants in the place. As Mr. Woodland's stock is nearly new, and well kept,

it is to be expected that creditors will





-An example of courage was recently shown by the teller of the Home Savings & Loan Society, Toronto, which calls for recognition. Four masked men drew revolvers and demanded the delivery over of \$7,000, which was in his keeping, but although the whole staff was terrorised, and his life appeared to be at stake he refused. The desperadoes became alarmed and made good their escape.

-A despatch from Halifax states that the firm of H. & L. Tessier, St. John's, Nild., has assigned, with liabilities of \$8,000. Their London agents will be the heaviest losers. The Newfoundland creditors, it is said, will not be seriously embarrassed by their losses. Speculations in the fish trade are given as the cause of heavy losses. The house has been in existence upwards of lifty years.

-J. H. Hooper, drugs, Souris, P. E. I., commenced business four years ago and was supposed to have some means. He has no wassigned, preferring creditors to the amount of \$1,287. He owes largely in addition to this, probably from \$4,-000 to \$5,000. His assets are:-Stock in

trade, \$2,100; furniture, \$800. The estate will probably pay nothing over the preferred claims.

-The French Minister of Foreign Affairs recently announced that the Dominion of Cauada had reduced the duties on French wines, in exchange for the concession by France of the minimum tariff on certain articles of Canadian production. The treaty securing these concessions is in the hands of Sir Charles Tupper and will be presented to the Home authorities for ratification.

-A Waterloo, Ont., exchange announces the promotion of Mr. P. H. Sims, to the position of secretary of the British America Assurance Company, Toronto; also the appointment of Thos. A. Gale, of Elora, to the position of inspector of the Mercantile Fire Insurance Co., Mr. Gale succeeds Mr. Clemens, who has resigned and comes with a high record to the company. Mr. Sims' promotion, we had occasion to notice some months ago.

-Since navigation closed apples have generally arrived in Europe in poor conditions, some being frosted. Latest shipments were much better in condition and quality, the result being an advance, from 4s to 5s per barrel, with prospects of a further rise if future lots are of good quality. Exporters cannot realise too thoroughly the absolute importance of maintaining a high standard if the trade is to be maintained with reputation and profit to Canada.

-The creditors of F. B. Skinner, furniture, Guelph, Ont., have offered to compromise at 25c on the dollar, cash. An estimate places liabilities at \$1,200 and assets at \$1,800. F. B. Skinner and Geo. Skinner carried on a furniture business in Guelph for a long time, the latter supplying the capital. Two years ago they out to P. Spragge. George retired from business and all the capital retired with him. His brother started up in a small way without capital and without business habits and this is the result.

-The London Times, in its annual summary of the agricultural condition of England, brings out in contrasted figures the effect of American competition upon the farmers of that country. It shows





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that in 1892 there were 2,800,000 less acres devoted to the growing of grain than in 1872; that there had been a very material falling off in the land devoted to other kinds of crops, while, on the other hand, the acreage devoted to pasturage had increased in the twenty years covered by the comparison by 4,600,000 acres.

-The recent assignment of W. C. Gortz, boots and shoes, Guelph, Ont., was precipitated by a creditor who had sued and threatened execution. He started in a small trade. Added to this, business has business and gradually drifted into ready made work. He never possessed sufficient capital and merchants sold him more goods than he actually required for his small trade. Added to this, business has suffered by the sale of bankrupt stocks in the vicinity. A meeting of creditors has been called to meet in Toronto this week. Liabilities \$1,850; assets \$2,000.

-The affairs of H. N. Schmidt, saw and grist mill, Mildmay, Ont., are not in good shape, his liabilities being estimated at over \$26,000, while the assets are about \$15,000. These consist of mill property and some wheat, flour and barrel stuff. Of the liabilities \$10,000 are secured by mortgage, warehouse receipts and endorsed noted. He commenced ten years ago and compromised on a former occasion, paying his creditors in full. The business appears to have suffered of late through lack of shrewd and careful man-

agement. The property is mortgaged for \$5,500 and interest.

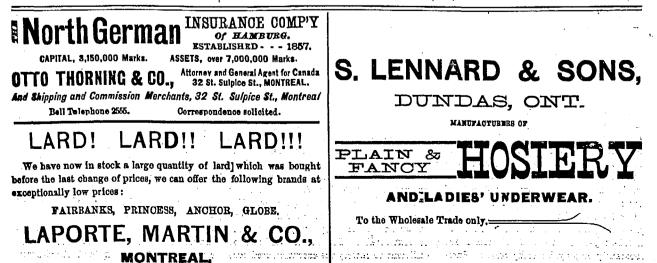
-W. R. Lindsay, Calgary, N. W. T., agent for the sale of agricultural implements, recently made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. Liabilities about \$10,000; assets \$6,000. The assets consist principally of farmers' notes not yet matured. The cause of the failure seems to have been that the insolvent commenced operations, about 18 months ago, with little or no capital, and though very successful in making sales, a large amount had to be paid for freight and customs duties on implements coming from the United States. This was raised at high rates of interest by depositing the farmers' notes as collaterals, and in this way his only available means of payment were tied up, and pressing claims could not be met. A meeting of creditors has been called.

-The Corn Exchange, of this city, will discuss the canal tolls question, so soon as something authenic is known as to the intentions of the government. If as understood, the rebate system is to be abandoned, and all shipments made to pay full tolls, the effect on the trade of this port may be serious, as even last year the Erie Canal secured grain shipments from Manitoba. It is the opinion of some merchants that of our trade is not looked after, and given the same opportunities as on the American side, the bulk of Mani-

toba's crops will not reach Montreal for export but New York. The Eric Canal is free and until Canadian canals are also free there will be discontent among shippers. Possibly the canals should not be considered as a source of revenue but the shipping should not be relieved from all burdens for maintenance and repairs.

The Toronto Court of Appeals has been called upon by the Attorney-General to settle a complex point in regard to executions and assignments for the benefit of creditors. The point is whether executions in the hands of a sheriff against a man when he makes an assignment: should take precedence over the ordinary creditors' claims. It is a matter that comes to the front often, and there is no settled law on it. Mr. Chief Justice Galt held lately in the case of the Union Bank against Neville that assignments did not supersede executions, and from that is now deducted the argument that if assignments do not supersede executions they cannot destroy them. If it is held executions have a priority it may open a new field of competition among business men. When it is thought a man is going to fill there will be a rush to get judgment before he signs the assignment paper, so as to get ahead of the others on the estate.

-Our Arthur, Ont., correspondent writes:-The intensely cold weather which has prevailed for some weeks past has rendered business much quieter than



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usual at this time of the year. Pork here as elsewhere has been in demand the price for some time past standing at \$8.50, but I fancy that everything in the shape of a hog has about been put on the market. I. M. Halley, baker and grocer, has for the past three weeks been carrying on a sale of imported goods by auction. Johnston & Cusick who hail from Palmerston have brought in a general stock of goods which they are also selling by auction and with two auctions going on at the same time the local dealers are more than disgusted. George Stephenson, a retired farmer with an itching for mercantile life, has bought out Colville & Twine who have for some two years past carried on a general store here, and a Mr. Tindall who has for years carried on business in Fergus, has bought out J. T. Mitchell.

-An inadvertence crept into a paragraph in our issue of the 23rd of December last when referring to the firm of Mc-Naughton & Co., dry goods merchants, Kingston. The settlements made by that firm in 1878 should have been stated as 50 cents in the dollar instead of 25 cents. The former trouble, it is but proper to say, was caused by lending their name to a creditor who subsequently fell into difficulties, dragging the Messrs. McNaughton with him in his downfall. The creditor for whom they had endorsed had been a true friend, and as one good turn deserves another, there was no hesitation in granting him the assistance he required. The recent interruption to the firm's prosperity was caused by their removing from a stand in which they had dono business for over 20 years. McNaughton & Co. have warm friends in Montreal who hope that their career in the future may be free from similar vicissitudes.

.-A letter from Campbellton, N. B., says: -This has been a favorable season for our lumber operators, and the cut will be large both of spruce and cedar. We have only about one foot of snow, instead of three to four feet, as usual at this season. The weather has been clear and cold for about a month past, the thermometer registering below zero almost constantly. It is not common for our fishermen to be busy in the winter season, but this winter smelts have found their way here in great quantities, and two fishermen are reported to have caught two tons in one night, the price paid to fishermen for their catch is 21-2c per lb. About 80 fishermen are constantly employed fishing smelts. Busi-



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-The creditors of Connolly & Co., Charlottetown, P. E. I., are not likely to get much satisfaction out of the estate. Several suits were brought against them but they were making payments on account, during the autumn and early winter, and it was thought that they would pull through, or at any rate would do all in their power to do so. They held auction sales, as they said they were overstocked and wanted to convert goods into money to pay off debts. After these sales had been going on for some time, Patrick, one of the firm, left the Province, not to return. The day after executions and Bills of sale appeared against the firm to the amount of \$7,000 The Sheriff seized the goods and the sale is still going on. The remaining partner John remains. No one knows how much they owe, but it must be considerable. The assets will not be sufficient to satisfy the execution creditors

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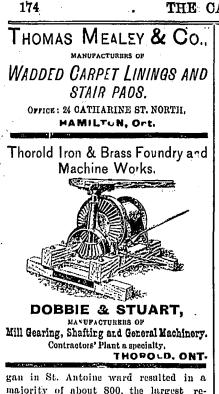
and holders of Bills of Sale. It is generally believed Patrick must have taken a few thousand dollars with him. These men had been regarded as thrifty, money making men, but they bought too many goods, and disappointed everybody in making so bad a failure.

-G. S. Wood & Co., dry goods merchants, St. Thomas, Ont., have assigned to S. O. Perry. The liabilities are estimated at \$10,000; the assets consist of stock which may possibly realize \$4,000. If will be remembered that they succeeded Coyne Brothers nearly two years ago.

Boots and shoes, Moneton-Bradstreet's list duly noted. If you will consult the Journal of Commerce of January 6th, page 26, under caption of Leather and Shoes, you will find that the matter has not been overlooked.

The supporters of the Anti-Option bill in the U.S. Senate have succeeded at last in bringing the measure to a vote, and carrying it by a majority of forty against twenty-nine. It will now go to the House for concurrence in the Senate amendments.

---The mayoralty contest, Wednesday, resulted in the election of Senator Desjardins over Hon. James McShane by 151 votes. As there is to be a general election in a few weeks this does not wholly decide the matter, especially with so small a majority. The voting for Richard Costi-



majority of about 800, the largest reported.

-The Montreal Cork company has called a meeting of creditors for the 10th inst.

-McLean & Mitchell, dry goods, Toronto, have assigned their offer of 60c on the dollar being refused. They carried a stock valued at \$20,000.

 $\leftarrow \Lambda$  functing of the creditors of J. M. Valois. books and stationery, city, has called for the 7th inst.

-J. B. McDonald, dry goods and shoes, Charlottetown, P. E. I., is offering to compromise. He was recently burnt out and suffered a heavy loss.

-Rudolph Benudry, doing business as a jeweller on St. Lawrence street, city, under the style of N. Benudry & Fils., has assigned. He succeeded H. J. Driefus in the spring of '92. His liabilities are \$5,700.

-Bertrand, Lavallee & Gelinas, importers, city, who commenced business a year ago recently became discoutaged on finding that they were making losses in their perfumery department and thought it best to assign. Their statement shows liabilities of \$9,187 and assets of \$13,175.

-A. Brahadi, furs, city, briefly referred to last week as embarrassed, has assigned. His business career extends over 30 years. He effected a settlement in '69 and was also in difficulties in '79. On the latter occasion he compromised at 15c on the dollar. His present liabilities are \$40,000 and assets \$15,000 to \$20,000.

-Paquette & Therien, general store, St. Remi Que., recently met their creditors and offered S0e on the dollar, without security. The creditors preferred 70c, seeured, and the firm are endeavoring to obtair the necessary guarantee. They claim a surplus of \$3,000 over liabilities of \$19,-000

-The bankrupt stock of dry goods of Blagdon & Paradis, Quebec, has been sold for 63c on the dollar. The book debts unnounted to \$291.-The hardware stock of Thomas Andrews, who is retiring from business in Quebec, was put up at auction, but was withdrawn for want of buyers.

-The neighboring factory town of Cote



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St. Paul has passed the by-law granting a bonus of \$15,000 to the Grand Trunk. The vote stood 67 for, representing a property value of \$203,887, and 48 against, a value of \$58,810. A five cent fare is guaranteed and six trains per day. The road will be commenced in April.

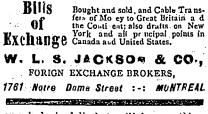
-W F. Beck & Co., crockery, city, have assigned. The business was started by W. F. Beck 12 or 1.3 years ago, but he got into difficulties in January '85 and has since carried on business under his wife's name, as above. In the spring of '91 they moved into a larger store and incurred considerable expense. The liabilities are \$5,500.

-The assignment of Thos. Tobin, shoes, Sorel, elsewhere referred to, was brought about by legal proceedings taken by a Montreal creditor. Mr. Chas. F. Smith, eity, has been named provisional guardian. The chief creditors are Chas. Parsons & Co., Toronto, \$\$45; Jas. Leggatt, eity. \$508; Jas. McCready, & Co., do., \$285; Ames Holden & Co., \$208; A. A. Taillon, Sorel, \$110; F. Labelle, do., \$103.

-F. J. Quinn, hotel, Halifax, has assigned and A. A. Jordan, restaurant, Windsor, N. S., is reported absent.—Aaron Sibley, New Glasgow, N. S., commenced in groceries about 18 months ago and sold out. Subsequently he rented another store and added lumber to his venture. He now assigns.—J. N. Benjamin, tanner, Pugwash, N. S., has assigned.—John Beckwith, shoes, River John, N. S., has made an assignment of stock, book debts, etc.

--In Manitoba the estate R. A. Troyer, general store, Oxbow, has assigned.—N. N. Cole & Co., tailors, Winnipeg, have assigned with liabilities of \$10,000 and a surplus of about \$3,000. Cole was formerly of the firm of Cole, Saunders & Rose, Cobourg. Ont. Rose retired and the other partners opened up in Winnipeg, closing out in Cobourg in '83. They had a branch in Brandon for a time. Saunders retired in September '86 and Cole continued alone. -C. Cliffe, fancy 'goods, Brandon, is asking an extension of 15 months.—J. C. Gibbard. shoes, Rapid city, has sold out and left the Province.

-G. J. Wright, provisions, Charlottetown, P. E. I., recently assigned, has been in business for over fifteen years. He was sober and lived inexpensively, but lacked push. He owes in all \$6,000. He has real estate valued at \$12,500, subject to mortgages of \$7,477. This property would probably not bring more than \$1,500, or at the very most \$2,000, over mortgages. He has farm stock, etc., \$1,170, pork, salt, etc., \$2,780, store furniture, \$523; house furniture, \$900; book debts, etc., \$280; total, \$5,653. He will be able to pay



everybody in full, but will have nothing left.

-lu Ontario, J. J. Phillips, clothing, Breckville, has assigned. At one time he was in business in Montreal and from here went to Cornwall. He assigned in March '92 and the estate was wound up. In August he restarted as J. J. Phillips & Co., his wife being reported to be the company .- E. J. O'Keefe & Co., shoes, Hamilton, have assigned. He commenced in the summer of '91 and claims a surplus of a few thousand dollars .- S. Straith, dry goods Harrow, reported in trouble. last December, has assigned. His business record is a short one .- H. Larkin, shoes, Norwich, has assigned for a moderate amount .- J. W. Fenner & Co., dry goods, Toronto, have compromised at 75c on the dollar .- S. S. Edsall, hardware, Bowmanville, has assigned .- Thos. N. Vance, clothier, Galt and Oakville, commenced his present business in March '92, having previously been a member of the firm of Vonce & Foster. Prior to that he was a farmer and had no store experience. He new assigns .- W. C. Goetz, shees, Guelph; Geo. Delasala, candy maker, Toronto and Miller & Co., furriers, Toronto, have assigned .- F. P. McGovern, a small Ottawa grocer, has effected a private compromise .-- Harris & Weir, general store, Kingsville, have, it appears, not assigned as a firm. The former has done so but Weir objects. They are fighting over partnership affairs and, in the meantime, the creditors have taken possession of everything. Their nominal assets are \$17,000 and liabilities \$14,000. The firm has been about a year in business and succeeded E. E Harris, who was unsuccessful alone .-Jos. Cote, caps and furs, Ottawa, alluded to already as offering to compromise, has assigned .- R. C. Taggart, boots and shoes, Woodstock, has been granted an extension.-P. Labby & Co., grocers, Port Arthur, have been closed out under chat-

### Thorold Cement.

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W. G. THOMPSON, Resident Engineer.

tel mortgage.-W. A. Buchner, butcher, Sarnia and R. J. Harrison, store, Teeterville, have assigned. The latter failed in the fall of '90 and settled at 60c on the dollar, on time .-- W. H. Millman, apples, Woodstock, has called a meeting of creditors .- J. W. Cheeseworth is a Toronto tailor of 15 years' standing who obtained a settlement at 50c on the dollar in Auguct '91, spread over 12 months. He is a man of good ability but speculative. His assignment is reported .- Geo. Pearn, upholsterer, Guelph and Ed. Snell, general store, Jamestown, have assigned., T. J. Tanton, shoes, London, has summoned his creditors for the 6th inst.

-In this province, J. A. Quelette, trader, Bic, after a struggle of three years has assigned. He tried hard to succeed, but insufficient capital accelerated his downfall .-- Ducharme & Noel, general store, Capelton, have assigned and a demand has been made on Lemire & Frere, dry goods, Drummondville .-- Hebert & Bazinet, dry goods city, recently held a meeting of their creditors. They suffered damage by fire in May '92, but were fully covered by insurance and continued. Particulars have not transpired .-- C. Kuhne, city, has called a meeting of his creditors .- T. Michaud flour, St. Gabriel de Brandon, a trader of some years standing, has assigned .- Alfred Sauve, dry goods, St. Henri, commenced with a small capital six years ago and latterly found his business much lessened by competition. Liabilities \$7,500 .- P. Lallier, general store, St. Jerome, has been in business since the spring of '89, but always in a small way. He was in difficulties last January and settled at 50c on the dollar, but since then has done no better. He is out with another offer-of-50 per cent., but the creditors are somewhat tired of the repetition of the first act and may ring the curtain down. -Aisenault & Frere, dry goods, Sorel, are in trouble. One of the brothers recently died after a sickness of two years, and the business has been going behind. There is a small deficiency on liabilities of about \$7.000. A settlement is being effected at 60c on the dollar, spread over 12 months. -Mrs. D. Auld, shoes, city, assigns after being 21-2 years in business. Liabilities \$1,200 ; assets \$800 .-- J. E. Deslauriers, hats, etc., city, in business since early in '86, has assigned. He was in trouble in January '92 and settled at 25c on the dollar. Present liabilities small.-Saml. Mills, another small city hatter and furrier. referred to formerly as attempting to compromise, has assigned .-- Jos. O. Pare has carried on a short lived business in dry goods in this city. Expenses, combined with the absence of good profits, caused by close local competition, made heavy inroads on his limited resources. Liabilities, ubout \$2,000 .- Thos. Tobin, shoes, Sorel, has assigned. At one time he was a partner with Scott, Tobin & Co., which firm dissolved in '88, since which time he has been alone. The paucity of capital was a serious drawback and success has been doubtful for some time. Liabilities are \$2,300 .- The creditors of the Balmoral hotel company, city, will meet on the 8th änst.-D. O'Brien & Sons, contractors for work on the new canal at Coteau landing, Que., have assigned with liabilities

of \$17,600 and assets of \$20,600 .- Daniel Paquette, St. Alphidge, has carried on business in carriages for some time and has also attempted storekeeping. The place is a small one. He only succeeded in doing a limited trade and may have extended too much. Liabilities \$6,000 .- Thos. Champagne, grocer, Sorel, has assigned.-H. J. and N. Goldstein, clothing, city, are reported absent .-- Geo. Larochelle, plasterer. city, has assigned.-A. Grawford, senior, of the firm of A. Crawford & Co., Quebec, has assigned, owing some \$1,900. Business is being conducted as usual by the firm and the assignment is understood to be a personal one .-- Wan. Murray, grocer, Sherbrooke, referred to as in difficulty, has assigned.

The Consumers' Cordage Co. cannot be accused of a desire to keep a good thing all to themselves, as is shown by the prospectus they so freely advertise during the last few weeks. Those friends of the people into whose souls the iron has found its way, who have been loading themselves to the muzzle preparing to lay siege to the concern, should remember that every opportunity is now given the public to enter and partake of the feast within, and should recommend their friends to seize the opportunity—should enter themselves—or hold their tongues forever after.

It would seem as though the only practical way to abolish the Quebee Upper House were by an individual canvass among the anembers. Let the leaders, or a inajority, sign an agreement to retire—to abolish themselves, as it were—and the others would be likely to follow the example. The chief obstacle would thus be removed. They should take a leaf out of the books of some of our joint stock companies when the latter wish to over-ride charter difficulties in the way of amalgamation or dissolution. Who will be the first to sacrifice his membership for his country's good ?

The report of the North American Fire Insurance Co. which is to be found elsewhere, will not be deemed heavy reading because of its length. The position of the company, however, will be seen to have improved. They have increased their assets, their reserve fund and surplus. As the figures speak for themselves, we can only congratulate the Managing Director and his associates on the excellent showing for the past year, especially in their position as regards the maturing claims of their toutine policyholders. Mr. Mc-Cabe has evidently carned his usual winter trip to the "land of the cypress and myrtle."

The opening of Parliament a week ago



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was characterized by more than usual celat and brilliancy. There was a large attendance, and Sir John Thompson and his associates had every reason to be pleased with the occasion. The Speech from the Throne is devoid of much interest. It is chiefly taken up with our relations to the United States, in respect of which the friends of Sir John Thompson hope for great results from his policy. It is not at all improbable that Sir John may hope to secure as many friends among a class of voters who have had in the past no little influence in determining the policy of the United States in respect of Canada and Great Britain, as he may less at home through causes usually outside the domain of politics. It is probable that the Session may witness a considerable accession to the number of cabinet ministers, through promotion and otherwise.

Coffee continues to be the most adulterated article placed upon the market. Last year the public analyst took samples only of what was sold as pure coffee. There were only 123 genuine samples among 256 analyzed. One Ottawa dealer sold at forty cents a pound a material which he called coffee, and the analyst reports that it contained chicory, roasted wheat, and peas or beans, also a foreign tissue, but little or no coffee. This is a species of fraud that hurts a man physically as well as financially.

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of all that the Federal Government had at credit with the Banks, after deducting advances, \$4,409,130, the larger portion \$2,801,341, being lodged with their chief Agents in this Province. The Government balance is \$1,170,278 larger than a year ago. The Provincial Government appears on both sides of the Statement, as depositors to the extent of \$1,399,545, and borrowers of \$2,379,742. In 1891 the figures were respectively \$2,644,732 and \$303,715. Before the summer months are reached they will likely increase their borrowings for repayment of railway guarantee deposits, railway subsidies, whatever debt may be found due to the Federal Government under the approaching arbitration, and the temporary loans procured last summer. It would not\_surprise us to see the Banks called on to help in the retirement of the loan of 20,000,000 frames maturing in July. The condition of affairs in France makes it unlikely that a renewal or permancut placing of the loan there could be effected on as layourable terms as elsewhere. The Government of Ontario does not appear as a borrower from the Banks in that Province, while so small a sum as \$67,354 would cover the borrowings of the Governments of Nova Scotia and P. E. Island from their institutions.

A year ago when the total liabilities of the Banks was \$199,453,832 they held in Specie and Legals \$15,882,853. At the close of December with liabilities expanded to \$221,567,771 (an increase of \$22,113,939) they held similar reserves of \$19,101,608. The increase in liabilities has therefore been 11 per cent, and the increase in reserves only 12 per cent which ought to have been doubled.

The half year ending 30th November last showed with the majority of the Banks provision made for overdue debts at that time. These as compared with December show an increase of \$12,364, and as contrasted with the corresponding period of 1891 a reduction of \$269,-820. As forming part of the changes which have taken place since then, the Province of Ontario has increased overdue debts \$177,759, and this Province has reduced them \$330,340.

It is interesting to observe that the 'notes and cheques of other Banks' amounted to \$8,746,298 on 31st December, while looking at the Clearing House Exchanges at Montreal, Toronto, Halifax and Hamilton as we can ascertain them, only one-half the amount held would appear to have reached these centres on 3rd January when the first clearances were made. The amount in transitu must indicate the volume of transactions occurring at the outlying Banking Agencies, and is surprisingly large.

The year on which we have so recently entered opens more auspiciously in a business way than its predecessor. There are fewer failures to begin with, and the winter's trade so far despite the severe weather has been fairly remunerative. Some uncertainty as to tariff changes curtails operations of moment. We are forced to pursue a waiting policy until the American tariff has undergone some revision. Let us hope that our agricultural export trade may reap some benefit thereunder though low prices must prevail for grains when we recall the fact that December showed for the United States and Canada the heaviest stocks on record by some 55,000,000 bushels.

Money continues easy locally. Notwithstanding the ill effects of the delayed repeal of the Sherman law in regard to silver purchases the New York' market in which we are so largely interested remains quiet though it may soon again be aroused by the renewed gold shipments to France.

The usual comparative table is subjoined. The detailed statements willbe found on another page.

BANK STATEMENTS.	• • •		
	Dec 1892	Nov 1892.	Dec. 1891
Capital authorized Capital subscribed Capital paid up. Amount of Rest	\$75,958,685 63 169 643 61 938 515 25,086,615	\$75.958.685 63 146 143 61 905 378 24,938 252	\$75.7*8.665 62 674 952 61 299 305 23 666.827
LIABILITIES.			
Notes in Circulation Balance due Dom. Govt. after deducting advances for credits,	36,194,(23	37,124,505	85,631,129
pay lists, etc. Balance due to Provincial Govts Public deposits on demand after notice	4,409 130 2 988 496 68 694 266 101,526 186	3 430.478 3 463 735 68 -01 056 101.240 061	3 238,857 2 614.732 62 619,458 00 159 184
Loans from other banks in Canada secured Deposite payable on dem'd, after notice or on a fixed day by	150 000	150,000	90,158,184 42,129
other Can. banks Balances due to other banks in Canada in daily exchanges Balances due to agencies of bank or to other banks or agencies	2,764,171 118,811	2,629,757 242 338	2,830 933 135,279
in foreign countries Balance due to sgenoies of the bank or to othor banks or agencies	127,480	114,543	216,374
in the United Kingdom Other liabilities	4,120 696 474 426	3.895.371 797.748	1,416.382 487,391
Total liabilities	221,567,771	221,889,930	199,459,832
ACCEMO		•	
Specie, Dominion notes. Deposits with Government for security of circulation Notes and cheques on other banks Loans to other thes. in Gamada secured	6 720,500 12 381 108 1,761,259 8,746 293	6 257,955 11 493 958 1,761.2 9 8,00 \.440	5.769.313 10 113 040 843 075 9,119.736
Loans to other bks. in Canada secured Deposits payable on demand or after notice or on a fixed day in other banks in Canada	150,000 3,616,137	150 000 3,590,592	43,706 3,289,518
Balances due from other banks in Canada in daily exchances Balances due from other banks or agencies in foreign countries. Balances due from banks or agencies in U. K	140 885 21 698,396 1 036 344 3 328 082	222 056 23.272 646 1, 42 65 3,333 371	256.657 18 464.364 6 .337 591 3,061,722
Can. Municipal Securities and British. Foreign, Provincial or Colonial public securities (other than Dominion) Canadian, British and other railway securities. Call Leans on bonds and stocks. Carrent Loans and Discounts.	8 614.936 6 243.333 19 957.943 198,532,160	8,607.709 8.383 533 20 015,182 197,105,799	6 438.105 4 825,965 14,401,695 186,590,602
Loans to the Govt. of Canada	$\begin{array}{r} 2,447.234\\ 2,387.268\\ 1,007.287\\ 798.699\\ 4.66:,621\end{array}$	2 381 276 2 374 904 1,012 962 810 929 4,638 235	785 719
Othor assets	1,711.416	1,671,830	1,537,649
Total Assets. Aggregate of loans to directors and to firms in which they are partners.	305,730,910 7,126 495	306,680,754 6,894,747	280,754,661 6,077 636
Average Dom. notes for month. Greatest circulation during month	6 395 160 11.615 017 37,443,837	6,277 119 11.261 002 89,318,218	5 765 734 9 924 793 87,985 806

#### CANADIAN WOOL.

The hopes of a higher market, entertaine 1 at various times during the year, have not been realized to their fullest extent. The British markets were firm and higher at times, but the demand came chiefly from continental buyers, English textile trade being in a depressed condition.

In Canada, the complaint is that prices have been low and business unremunerative. This state of affairs has existel for several years. There has beer an increase in the production of Canadian wools, but the United States market has been the only one for our surplus, and the McKinley tariff has materially interfered with sending our long combing wool to that market. It is not improbable that free wool will he soon recognized as a necessity in the Republic and, in anticipation of the change, American buyers are believed to have operated largely on this side. Of late, local manufacturers have doubtless reaped most of the profits, but it must be said that lower grades of clothing have been cheapened for the consumer in this country. For the last three years there has been a gradual increase in the importation of foreigr. wool into Canada. The average prices of combing wool in '90, '91 and '92 have been the lowest on record, select Canada combing selling direct to the United States in each of the above years, in '90 for 19%e to 20c, in '91 for 18e to 19e and in '92 for 17%e to 18%e. Our combing wools are 'deteriorating in quality, as the farmers took it into their heads a few years ago to cross their sheep with Southdown and other fine wooled sheep. The result has been the production of a brashy or tender stapled wool and smaller carcasses of mutton. The larger breed of sheep, such as Leicester and Cotswold, have been decreasing, while cross breeds, Shropshire and Southdown, have been increasing, producing a very tender stapled wool. Another feature is the burry and seedy condition of some of these wools.

The opening up of the North-west territory and the discovery of large tracts of excellent grazing land has encouraged capital to be invested in sheep ranches. The most suitable breed of sheep for that country is what is generally known as the Montana meriuo type, producing short medium-fine wool. The importation of these sheep into the North-west did not increase the quality of the wool, but, on the contrary, weakened the staple, which came into the market in a poor condition;

very heavy shrinkage, and in many instances losing as high as 65 per cent., and full of seeds, black dirt and spear grass. During the last two years there has been some improvement, as the ranchmen have imported the best breeds of sheep from the old country, and are producing more desirable wool. There are no reliable statistics with regard to the number of sheep in Canada, but a recent estimate places them at 3,800,000 distributed as follows :-- Ontario, 1,375,000, averaging 5 lbs., 6,-875,000 lbs.; 'Quebec and Maritime provinces, 1,890,000, averaging 4½ lbs,, 8,505,000 lbs; North-west and British Columbia, 80,000, averaging 6 lbs., 480,000 lbs.; Manitoba, 35,000, averaging 7 lbs., 175,000 lbs. Total number 3,380,000; total weight, 16,035,000 lbs.

The wool from the North-west and British Columbia is all unwashed, and from Manitoba it is not only unwashed but mixed with much chaff and straw, which makes it of much less value to the manufacturers. The farmers complain of getting low prices for their wool, but in many instances dealers say they have themselves to blame for marketing it in bad condition.

#### TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTA-TION.

At the first glance some of our readers may imagine this heading to be erroneous, but we think a little further consideration will serve to convince them as to its being a true description of an existing state of affairs.

It is generally conceded that the profits realized by fire insurance companies are uncertain and very precarious.

The decision arrived at by the British and foreign companies to increase the rates of fire insurance premiums in the Maritime Provinces by fifty per cent is an indication of what may occur on any day in any village, town, eity, or province, in case the companies agree amongst themselves to require such action. Yet, whatever may happen or whatever may be the result, nobody can afford to be without adequate insurance against loss by fire.

These premises do not suggest any idea of wrong-doing on the part of the companies; they are financial institutions which must be managed in the interests of their shareholders, whose investments are for the purposes of safety and profit to themselves, and not for elecemosynary purposes.

While these companies are subject to sudden comparises such as have occurred in Chicago, Boston, Quebec, St. Johns (Niid.) and other places, it is impossible

for them to have any very long continued experiences of extraordinary prolit because of the severe competition for business amongst themselves which results in lowering or cutting of rates; additional cost of business by way of commissions; increased loss ratio by means of "permits" and "privileges" and the "prevailing deference to public opinion which prevents adequate defence to claims based upon misrepresentation, fraud or over-valuation.

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All the losses by accident, by carelessness, by arson, fraud, over-valuation and every other cause must be paid. No company can afford to dispute them because public opinion is easily worked up to the injury of any company which seeks to defend itself against any claim, however bad the claim may be; consequently the heading to this article is incorrect in so far as it refers to that portion of the taxation of the country for fire losses which are based upon evil practices and the encouragement by juries.

It is however erroneous to suppose that the fire insurance companies pay the claims for losses by fire; it is true that they furnish and manage the machinery by which these losses are paid, but if they, in the strictest sense of the word, were to "pay" them, they would soon cease to exist, as companies generally do to more or less extent after and by reason of every conflagration; or if they do not cease to exist they withdraw from countries or districts which present reasonable probabilities of the occurrence of such contingencies.

It is the assured who pay the premiums. It is from the premiums all taxes, expenses and losses are paid; consequently it is the assured who pay all the losses, and yet the assured have no voice in the payment of them. Of. course there are exceptions to this rule, because, if a claim is disputed it may be left to the tender mercies of a jury composed in part of insured persons, in which case the companies are generally directed to pay the full amount of the policies and all the expenses of litigation, by which means the companies are effectually prevented from questioning the validity or the amounts of the claims upon them, and are driven to the formulation of such tarifis as will cover all losses however bad their origin may be.

The companies can stand this state of affairs quite as long as the public can. The people will always exist and will always require insurance against loss by fire, and must always pay such rates of premiums as will enable the

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companies to realize reasonable profit after paying for every form of iniquity the public can devise or encourage because the public cannot do without the companies.

The companies have done their duty honestly in grading every place in accordance with its liability to fire from unavoidable causes and have made every allowance for the probable reduction of the fire loss by the appliances furnished for that purpose.

Every one of the companies has endeavoured to avoid as much as possible the extra danger arising from what is generally termed moral-hazard so far as it is ascertainable by the ordinary means, but every company is liable to be imposed upon by evil persons, interested agents, and by créditors who insist upon the condonation of offences, the punishment of which would injurlously affect their own balance sheets; so that the apathy, the want of proper thought, or the adverse interests of the public all combine to increase the tax for protection for fire losses.

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Everybody grambles at the cost of adequate protection from loss by fire and yet nearly everybody does all he can to increase it, and the few only have the sense to see that all their grambling, all their animosity and all their injustice is at the expense, not of the fire insurance companies, but of the earef il honest persons who, although they may never have a fire, yet must have insurance against such losses as may occur, or are unavoidable, whatever the cost may be.

When the thoughtful, careful, honest people become the majority in Canada, then will the fire losses decrease and the taxes levied for their payment be proportionately lowered by the increased competition for a business of comparative safety.

The furtherance of a healthy public opinion on this subject is the duty of every influential journal. When that object is attained, then the fire insurance company which pays an excessive or a fraudulent claim for loss will be carefully avoided, and the companies will as carefully refrain from demoralizing the people by such payments, but until the people comprehend the facts that they, and not the companies, pay for all losses of whatever nature-honest or dishonest-the companies cannot afford to commit suicide by defending their policyholders from the increase of the tax for protection from losses by fire caused by arson, incendiarism, overvaluation or fraud and crime of any kind, because the verdicts of juries and the clamour of interested parties make it necessary that provision he made to cover their effects.

#### CANNED GOODS.

The keen competition of foreign food products in the British markets is doubtless responsible for the prejudice shown against canned goods by the agricultural press of Great Britain. Quite recently sensational and exaggerated accounts of cases of illness, reported to have arisen from eating tinned food, have been published. Slight mention is made of the fact that hundreds of millious of tins of food are consumed every year, and that the few cases of sickless reported are, in every instance, due to the parties eating spoiled canned goods.

· One of the latest cases, where three parties were obliged to go under treatment, after partaking of Canadian lobster, was due to the fact that the car had been accidentally pierced some time before. A somewhat similar case was that of a young man reported to have Ţſ died from eating bad sardines. people will eat food, tinned or otherwise, which is bad, they must expect to suffer. Recently the public analyst at Paddington has been examining some tiuned ox tongue, and certified that it is of a "poisonous" nature. Wisely enough he warns people against consuming tinned food which appears wet, or pappy, and emits a faint or a putrid odor, after being opened, though it is difficult to conceive that such advice should be necessary for people outside lunatic asylums. A system of examining tinned foods by the local health officers is suggested, also the appointment of inspectors who shall examine such foods when imported into the country. It is difficult to see how this could be worked, as the cans cannot be opened without inluring the contents and, in nine cases out of ten, the good are damaged, or spoil, in the hands of the retailer or the consumer. It is said that fruits and vegetables may, under certain conditions, become more dangerous than either fish or meat. Retailers who come into direct contact with consumers can best serve the interests of this trade, and of public health, by advising their castomers not to eat food of which they have the slightest suspicion, but to return it at once to the vendor and get it replaced.

It has been stated that the idea of canning foods was first acted upon by an Americaa who discovered scaled jars containing preserved foods among the ruins of Pompell. On the other hand

we are told that the art of hermetically sealing fresh articles of animal and veretable food was first invented by a French savant, M. Apert, in 1807. One Peter Duraud patented the newly discovered art in England in 1810 and carried it to some degree of perfection. A Philadelphian began preserving corn in 1837 and in 1848 meats were first packed in tin cans. In the same year, lobsters were first packed in tin at Harper's Well, Maine, and in 1853 canned salmon was introduced. Tomatoes were first canned in 1847-48 and samples of these were forwarded to the Queen and also to the President of the United States. So universal has become the use of goods in tin that the annual consimption has now reached over one thousand million cans per year, and there are over fifteen hundred establishments whose sole business is the packing of food and food products. Every variety of fish, fruit, meats and vegetables is packed and hermetically scaled it tin or glass. Specialties are packed with which many consumers are lot yet familiar, such as cockscombs, sweet potatoes and other delicacies, which one would not expect to find in tin cans. The enormous consumption of staple articles, so prepared, shows that the prejudice against the trale has almost disappeared. It was senseless and irrational, for if canned fruit or vegetables are removed from the can soon after opening, deleterious effects from the tin are impossible.

Statistics compiled by American authorities demonstrate that 3,223,165 cases of tomatoes were packed in the United States and 143,627 cases in Canada during last season. In '91, 3,322,-365 cases were packed in the States and 83,000 in the Dominion. As some Southern canners did not see fit to report, the American output for '92 may possibly equal the pack of the year previous. The States' markets have ruled strong and prices are 15e to 25e per dozen above those at which advance orders were taken by canners a year ago. In Canada supplies are ample and trade slow. There was an unprecedented pack of corn and our American friends proclaim that their market is free from burdensome supply with prices firm all along the line. Canadian packers are disposed to grumble about the local demand and would be willing to fill up any gap on the other side. The corn pack is thus calculated : United States, 1892, 3,417,190 cases; 1891, 2,-837,153; Canada, 1892, 113,889 cases; 1891, 52,000 cases.

#### COMPOSITION, DISCHARGE, AND PREFERENCE.

All Acts of Parliament are presumed to be passed with a knowledge by the legislature of their existing laws, whether Federal or Provincial, and of the "decisions of the courts upon the matters which are the subject of legislation. And when an Act has received a construction either from long practice or from judicial interpretation, and is afterwards re-enacted in the same terms, the legislature is deemed to have had that construction in view in the re-enactment.

It would therefore appear that any clauses in a proposed bankruptcy Act which found a place in the last Act of 1875, or its amendments, must be construed in accordance with their former interpretation. Hence it follows that a new Act will need a lawyer always at hand to acquaint us of the decisions which stand as precedents and govern the interpretation of the revived clauses, In regard to any new clauses we will still have to remember that the Act cannot cover all cases of insolvency to the exclusion of other judicial proceedings-that it cannot interfere with the common law as it may exist in any of the Provinces in regard to composition and discharge-that it does not repeal, by implication, any statute heretofore in force in any of the Provinces. Parties may still if they choose wind up the estate of an insolvent debtor without having recourse to the machinery provided by the insolvent Act, for the act only applies (and to the extent that it is not in conflict with common law) where an assignment is made, a writ of attachment issued, and proceedings taken thereunder.

The last act had to deal with unjust preferences as well as fraudulent ones, and it was found that the terms were not synonymous-that nothing but the voluntary act of the debtor in contemplation of insolvency could void a preference, such being in fraud of other creditors. But a preference under pressure where the volition of the debtor was removed did not void it. It was held that the act ought not to be construed to prevent the exercise of reasonable bona fide efforts on the part of an energetic and hopeful debtor struggling, with honest intentions, to pay all his debts. It was also decided that a debtor who is solvent may pay any or all his debts although proceedings in bankruptcy are peuding against him.

The foregoing gathered in the course of our study of the former act, have caused some people to hesitate in espousing overwarmly the introduction of a general insolvency law.

Let well alone, according to them, may still prove to be the wisest maxim to follow. If failures diminish both here and in the States without such legislation-if men will only invoke it when it suits them-and fall back on the common law when they discover in it a better protection of their interests, naturally there is some perplexity in considering the whole question of supporting a general bankruptcy law, and we should like to see it more largely discussed by our business men. Business men of Dominion wide experience should however be the best judges in the matter. Statisticians do not always agree; that they greatly differ may be seen in the returns of the most active among them, the "Mercantile Agencies."--(Communicated.)

#### MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE.

Commerce is the most fertile source of wealth, and consequently of power. Were it not for commerce, this province and its chief city would to day only evidence that degree of progress to be expected from a native population, the majority of whom were in their habits opposed to activity, whose characters possessed all that incriness of the Oriental, and being devoid of those motives which elsewhere lead to the accumulation of wealth, only serve as an impediment to commercial development.

A taste for commerce has been the result of peace and freedom, yet it is not enough for commerce or its highest degree of prosperity that the people who cherish it are free. To give to it its greatest efficiency and usefulness requires that its affairs should be regulated by wise and judicious laws, not based on theories of even the wisest economists at a distance, but the outgrowth of practical experiences at hand.

Under a feeling akin to this a number of merchants in this city were prompted to seek incorporation in 1841 as the Montreal Board of Trade. Their successors in office animated by the same feelings, prompted by a desire for the country's welfare as a whole, have during the fifty years that they have consulted together as a Board of Trade, lost no opportunity to enlarge the facilities for traffic, both by waterways and land routes, that have so manifestly contributed to our present prosperity—both local and national.

Mr. E. B. Greenshields, the retiring President, submitted at the Annual Meeting on the 31st ultimo, a report of substantial progress during the year 1892, and a record of work ndertaken and performed by the Council which affects not only civic interests but those of the Province and Dominion as well. Even in matters where the Hon. Mr. Drummond says the Board have existed only to furnish a large amount of advice to the country gratis, even there a public spirit has governed their views and course of action. First and foremost is it shown by the broad principle enunciated by the retiring president, that the use of the canals should be given free of charge to crafts and cargoes alike whether going east or west-that tolls and dues that hamper traffic should be removed. If the Council should seem to have departed from their broad-mindedness in urging that the expense of deepening the river channel should be borne by the Government, and that they should lend substantial aid towards effecting harbour improvements, we have only to ask those who think the Council have been guided by selfish local aims to remember that whatever enriches the ocean traffic at our port advances the interests of the Dominion to its remotest point.

It was in the exercise of a policy national in its breadth that the Government were induced to spend \$3,000,000 on improvements at Quebec, and though circumstances have apparently not rendered the investment a profitable one at the moment, the future may demonstrate that it had a commercial use nevertheless. Obliterate Montreal and her trade from the Public Accounts and neither Mr. Foster nor Mr. Hall could submit to their respective Governments a budget affording the wherewithal to carry on the administration of Dominion and Provincial affairs. Customs and Excise revenues mean to a considerable extent revenues accruing at Montreal-taxation (unfortunately) for the the conduct of Provincial affairs, means contributions to an overwhelming extent from trade and commerce of Montreal. And so in dealing with municipal affairs, as they may concern our commercial or individual interests, in concurring or advising in legislaton at Ottawa and Quebec, in promoting home and foreign trade, the work of the Council for 1892, as presented in their Fift tieth Annual Report, is worthy of the closest perusal.

They have wisely appended thereto sketches of the growth of the City of Montreal from its foundation in 1642, with statistics of trade since the incorporation of the Board. Our 250th anniversary is fitly marked by this pamphlet of 225 pages and the approaching

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completion of the new Board of Trade Building will afford another example of our progress. As we read the pamphlet, together with the reports of the Associations affiliated to the Board, we find in the erudition displayed therein that Byron was perhaps hasty when . he said

- "If commerce fills the purse,
- She clogs the brain."

We congratulate the outgoing members of the Council over their honourable labours of the past year and the successes which attended so many of their efforts and we trust they will have handed down the traditions of the past unimpaired to their successors whom we welcome in the following gentlemen: W. W. Ogilvie, president, by acclamation; J. A. Cantlie, 1st vicepresident, by acclamation; Mr. W. C. Munderloh, 2nd vice-president, by acclamation; Mr. E. Judge, treasurer, by acclamation. Members of Council: Messrs. J. B. McLea, 601 votes; C. H. Gould, 585; R. M. Esdaile, 559; D. L. Lockerby, 553; T. J. Drummond, 527; A. A. Thibeaudeau, 523; J. McKergow, 513; C. F. Smith, 496; W. Cunningham, 466; J. D. Rolland, 445; J. Williamson, 443; F. J. Hart, 441. Board of Arbitration: E. B. Greenshields, 642 votes; J. P. Cleghorn, 630; George Childs, 616; Robert Archer, 614; Andrew Allan, 609; F. W. Henshaw, 608; C. P. Hebert, 604; James Slessor, 601; Hon. G. A. Drummond, 599; R. Reford, 596; J. Kerry, 593; H. A. Budden, 572.

#### THE SILVER QUESTION.

At a meeting of the Hartford, Conn., Board of Trade, held lately the following preamble and resolutions, introduced by Col. Jacob L. Greene, President of the Connecticut Mutual, were unanimously adopted :—

"Whereas, the abundance and accessibility of silver ores, and the improved methods of their treatment, have already so reduced the cost of production that the amount of the metal in a coined dollar costs on the average less than thirty cents, with every condition favorable for a constant and indefinite decrease ;- and whereas, under these conditions, and with silver used only as merchandise by the principal commercial nations of the world, its price is maintained at even its present point of depreciation of 24 per cent. in two and a half years, only by the monthly government purchases of 4,-500,000' ounces, for the use of which as currency there is no demand ;-and whereas, the people of the United States are thus sustaining alone, for the benefit of mine owners, a silver market which can stand no longer than it has such artificial support, and which can never acquire the strength it now lacks to support itself, but must grow weaker as

production continues and cost decreases; -and whereas, the enormous present storage and the rapid accumulation of this already cheap and cheapening metal represented in our domestic currency by certificates redeemable directly or indirectly in gold, have already greatly in jured our credit, and are driving foreign capital out of investment here, to the great impairment of our gold resources, and tending to raise the rate of interest ;---and whereas, the time is evidently close at hand when gold can be retained in our currency only by repeatedly borrowing large amounts thereof on the issue of government bonds, to be as repeatedly expelled again from the currency so long as silver purchases continue ;- resolved, that, we demand the immediate and unconditional repeal of any and every act authorizing government purchases of silver : and that we earnestly request our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use every means in their power to that end, and until it be accomplished."

#### WATERLOO MUTUAL FIRE INS. Co.

The Waterloo Mutual Fire Ins. Co. whose 30th annual statement appeared last issue, makes the usual satisfactory exhibit to its members. The number of policies issued during the year was 7,70S as compared with 6,614 policies in 1891, bringing the total in force up to 16,704. The aggregate covered by these policies is now \$16,719,117. The total earnings of the Company are \$143,710.81, as compared with \$127,238 in the year proceeding. That the numbers are getting back a good share of their contributions, is shown by the number of claims paid during the year, which reached 249, and the amount, \$\$5,275.66, less re-insurance. The history of the Company during its 30 years just closed, is vouched for by the number of policies issued, 139,850; the amount insured \$139,740,261; and receipts of. \$2,846,577; while the losses paid were \$1,535,273, a record of usefulness which speaks in eloquent terms for itself. Among the directors of the company, we notice the names of leading business men of the town and county. That the management has been highly satisfactory is shown by the re-election of the President, Mr. Chus. Hendry, and the Vicepresident, Mr. Geo. Randall, for the present year, with Mr. C. M. Taylor, Secty.

#### THE DUTY ON CLOTHING AND MATERIALS.

There is an impression prevailing throughout the country, that modifications of more or less importance are likely to be made in certain items of the tariff during the present session of Parliament. It is probable, among others, that the attention of the government will be directed to the duty on clothing and on woollens and cotton linings, etc., used by clothing manufacturers. There is in this respect an anomals which will, no doubt, receive consideration at an early day. The duty on imported clothing to-day is 25 per cent ad valorem, and ten cents per lh. weight. The duty on woollens is 20 per cent., and ten cents per lb. The duty on cottons for linings is 32 1-2 per cent. Now a consideration of the processes of manufacture in this country will show that the clothing manufacturer is operating at a serious disadvantage. For example, the waste which takes place in cutting has to be sold for 1-2 cent to 1 cent a pound, and a fair estimate upon the duties above named would make this waste pay a duty of not less than 20 cents per 1b. It does not need much argument to point out the unfairness of the tariff in this respect, but it is probably a consequence of the changes that were made from time to time. An advance was made in the tariff on woollens, but the tariff on clothing remained the same. In order to equalize the tariff and make it less burdensome all around, it is recommended that the government knock off 5 per cent., and 21-2 cents per lb. on woollens, and restore the duty on clothing to the former figure. It will be readily seen that the next-to-nothing price at which waste has to be sold, makes the present duty on woollens a serious tax upon the manu-facturer. Imported ready-made clothing is free of this burden; there is no waste.

Our leading Canadian line of ocean steamships (The H. & A. Allan) carried. 44,150 passengers across the Atlantic in 1892 against 43,000 in 1891.

-At the opening of tenders for the Ives' estate yesterday, the offer of 85 cents in the dollar, made by Mr. H. R. Ives, was accepted. A competing tender of 871-2 cents in the dollar was made by Warden King & Son, but on motion of B. & S. H. Thompson, seconded by C. J. Chisholm, the offer of Mr. Ives was preferred.

The fin plate trade with the United States, says an English letter, has considerably recovered during December as is shown by the fact that the weight sent away was 23,417 tons, against 18,586 tons in December, 1891. One or two departments of the iron trade have also done better with the other side, but it is more than ever becoming apparent that in railroad iron and some other descriptions of material the one flourishing Ameriean demand is practically extinct.

#### THE MANUFACTURERS' LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The annual report of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co. which appeared in our columns last week, deserves more than passing mention. The number of policies issued during the year was but a mere fraction less than those for 1891, being in number 1350, and covering \$2,069.250. This steadiness and maintenance of business is commendable and is much to be preferred to the boom of the early years of the company. The total amount of husiness in force on the first of January was \$8,186,989 as compared with \$7,-413,761 a year before. The premium in. come for the year shows a considerable advance, also, while the interest from investments advanced from \$13,574 to \$18,-03S. The assets, which showed an advance of \$\$6,219 in 1891, have-increased over \$100,000 during the year under review. The total assets now amount to \$542,794.98, these being chiefly in the form of Dominion Bonds, Municipal De-





good demand for export and first pots have readily brought \$4.25 to \$4.30; sec-onds \$3.60. Pearls nominal at \$5.25. Recelpts since 1st January, 10S pots, 7 pearls. Deliveries, 162 pots, 10 pearls. In store 2nd February, at noon, 31 pots, 49 pearls.

Butter and Cheese .- The city demand for butter is fair. Prices are unchanged at 22c to 23c for creamery, 20c to 22c fro Townships, 18c to 19c for Morrisburg and Brockville and 17c to 18c for Western. In England arrivals have been well cleared and market closes firm. Cheese is dull but strong and 11 1-2c is asked for finest. From Liverpool we learn that demand has improved; stocks are going into strong hands and the market closed lirm at 1s advance. There is a good enquiry for mediums about 45s, also for parcels a little under finest. Faucy September 55s 6d to 57s, some choice lots held for 58s, good to fine 44s to 51s. The last Liverpool cable comes at 56s.

cent higher. Commerce closed with buyers at 1451-2. Cable went from 181 to 178 and later sales were made at around 179 1-2. Telegraph neglected. Richelieu was weak going from 75 1-4 to 73 3-4 and was weak going from 75 1-4 to 73 3-4 and closed at about its lowest point. After selling down to 180, Street railway ad-vanced 3 per cent. Gas was steady at the close after selling down 2 points. Paci-fic declined from 87 3-8 to 86 3-4. Tele-phone dull and easy. There was an ad-vance of 10 per cent in Montreal cotton and the stock closed with buyers at 151 1-2. Following is the record for the week as per Clouston & Co., stock brokweek as per Clouston & Co., stock brokегя :-

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Bauks.	No. Sinares.	Highest price.	Lowest price.	Average this week last year
Montreal Ontario	138 25	237 119 <del>]</del>	2351 1194	221 <del>8</del>
Peoples	84	116	116	997

at 116, Duluth Common 13 1-4, Gas 233 3-4 and 233 1-2, Dom. cotton 140, Montreal cotton 152 and 153 1-4, Montreal 236 8-4 and Richelieu at 74. The rise in Montreal cotton is partly due to a rumor that its profits were 221-2 per cent net, and that the company intends to double up its capital. The stock closed at 155 asked, 153 1-8 bid.

At this afternoon's hoard Street railway

sold at 184, Molsons at 1743-4, Peoples

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Thursday Evg., Feb. 2nd, '93. The changes in prices of staples, or in trade conditions, during the week, have been neither numerous or important. The

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12845	Toronto Commerce Dominion Standard	\$2,000,000 6,000,000 1,500,000 1,5 0,000 2,000,000	\$2,000,000 6,000,000 1 570,000 1,500,000 1,000,000	\$2,000,000 6,000,000 1,500,000 1,500,000 1,000,000	\$1,700 000 1,000 000 1,400 000 315 000 525 000	10 7 10 7 8	\$1,771,974 3,255,377 1,132,540 1,056,121 911,829	\$30,992 43 305 28 472 18 807 19,+60 90 810	(812,319 773 223,736 83 935	\$5,425, 01 5 775,995 3,525,013 1 852 696 1 802 756 3,197,187	1 2 8 4 5 6
6 7 8 9 10	Imperial Traders Hamilton Ottawa Western Total. Ontario	$\begin{array}{r} 2,000,000 \\ 1,000,000 \\ 1,250,000 \\ 1,500,000 \\ 1,000,000 \\ \hline 19,750,000 \end{array}$	$1,963,6 \ 0 \\ 6,7,49 \ ) \\ 1,25 \ , 00 \\ 1,509,600 \\ 570,990 \\ \hline 17,821,960 \\ \hline$	1,947,840 607,400 1,250, 00 1,3(2,400 365,364 17,513,004	$\begin{array}{r}1,023,910\\55,000\\650,000\\710,520\\80000\\\hline7,459,430\end{array}$	8 6 8 7	$1,592,104590,\cdot351,161,3221.012,553323,08812,807,543$	20,210 20,028 24,177 205,651	213,854 82,500 7,229 15,524 	856 955 1.487,531 1 282 660 262,448 25,468,262	7 8 9 10
11 12 13 14 15	Montreal British North America Du Peuple Jacques Cartier Ville-Marie	12,000,000) 4,866,666 1,200,000 500,000 500,000	$\begin{array}{r} 12,000,009 \\ 4,866,666 \\ 1,2,90,000 \\ 590,000 \\ 590,000 \end{array}$	12,000,000 4,866,666 1,2,0,000 500,000 479,5 0	6,000,000 1,289,668 480,000 175,000	10 71 6 7 6	5,327,423 1,173,373 810,711 403,686 292,724	2801,341 2,131 13,628 20,165 4,993	560,315 639 167.318 50,000	13,597,544 2,327,529 1,542,534 698,374 164,649	11 12 13 14 15
16 17 18 19 20	D'Hochelaga Molsons Merchants Nationale Quebec	$\begin{array}{c} 1,000,000\\ 2,000,000\\ 6,000,000\\ 1,200,000\\ 3,000,000\\ \end{array}$	710,100 2,000,000 6,000,000 1,2x0,000 2,5x0,000	710,100 2,000,000 6,000,000 1,2,0,000 2,500,000	200 000 1,150 000 2,725,000 550,000	6 8 7 6 7	566,302 1,868,214 3,47+,623 937,278 704,581 1,130,095	$\begin{array}{r} 19,8 \$1\\ 16,102\\ 210,180\\ 3.924\\ 17,722\\ 5,689\end{array}$	82,854 58,085 4,150 24,153 5,409	598.056 5.429.963 3.831 227 744 824 4,481 238 1.048 462	16 17 18 19 20
21 22 23 24	Union St. Jean Eastern Townships Total, Quebec	$\begin{array}{r} 1,200,000\\ 1,000,000\\ 1,000,000\\ 1,500,000\\ \hline 36,966,666\end{array}$	$1,200,000 \\ 500,200 \\ 504,600 \\ 1,500,000 \\ 35,181,568 $	1,200,000254,937307,1351,499,81534,718,153	225,000 15 000 625 000 13,4°4,666	6 	45,303 265,252 780,083 17,779,618	25,046 3,140,802	448,746 9,422 8,658 30 296 1,399,545	5.816 65 719 552,273 34,988,208	21 22 28 24
25 26 27 28 29	Nova Scotia Morchants of Halifax Peoples Halifax B. Co	$1,590,000 \\ 1,5 0,000 \\ 800,000 \\ 500,000 \\ 1,000,00$	1,5 ¥),000 1,100,000 737,000 590,0 M 590,000	1,590,000 1,100,000 700,000 500,000 500,000	1 050 000 510 000 115 000 110 000 210 000	8 6 6 6	1,128,060 1,020,192 428,568 274,808 450,811 83,402	433,535 121,501 4,517 7,096 31,328 22.065	3,501 100	1 256 748 1,391 116 227 362 352 119 444,080	25 26 27 28 29
30 31 32 33	Yarmouth Exchange Commercial, Windsor Total, Nova Scotia New Brunswick	300,000 281,000 500,000 6,380,000 500,000	300,000 280,000 500,000 5,380,000 5,380,000 500,000	300,000 249,788 26 , WN 5,109,788 500,000	60 000 30 000 71 000 2,156,000 525 000	6 6 	48,337 103,767 3,537,945 444,636	22,065 <u>12,834</u> <u>632,876</u> <u>35,630</u>	3 601	71 859 80,163 61 633 3,535,085 656 235	30 31 32 33
34 35 36 37 38	People's St. Stophen's Total, N. B Commercial, Man	187,0 0 2,00,000 887,000 2,000,000 9,733,333	183,000 2 10,000 88 1,000 74 1,5 10 2,92 1,000	$ \begin{array}{r}     18,000 \\     200,000 \\     \overline{88,000} \\     552,459 \\     2,92,00 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{r}1r5,000\\-45,000\\-675.000\\-50000\\1,266,229\end{array}$	6 6 6 6	102,817 104,218 655,671 403,030 848,646	19,177 21 637 76,464 353,837	75,920 619,560	40 256 124,534 821,025 776 389 2,707,444	33 34 35 36 87
38. 39	Brit. Col Summorside, P. E. I Merchants, P. E. I. Grand Total.	48 660 200, 2 75 958 685	48,666 197,911 <u>63,169, 43</u>	48,666 196,454 61,938,515	5,290 40,000 25,086,615	8	848,646 44,738 116,802 36,194,023	4 409.130	2,988,496	17,422 80 431 68 694,266	33
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12345	Toronto Commerce Dominion	\$3 213 290									
	Ontario Standard	$\begin{array}{r} 11,322,765\\ 6,140,224\\ 3,475,604\\ 3,038,612 \end{array}$		\$ 94,199 406,126 58,479	\$ 7 001 2,983  493	\$2,984 8,424	611,747 227,551 81,902	645 9,460	10,549,088 21 748,495 11,054,575 6,685,445 5,939,190		84
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8 9 10 11 12 13	Ontario. Standard Imperial. Traders Hamilton Ottawa Western Total, Ontario Montreal. British North Amorica. Du Peuple Jacques-Cartier	$\begin{array}{c} 6.1-10\ 224\\ 3\ 475\ 604\\ 3,038,612\\ 5,007\ 133\\ 2,200,676\\ 3,522,038\\ 2\ 458\ 303\\ 1,015,173\\ \hline 41\ 306,818\\ 12,475,587\\ 7,1\ 3,981\\ 3,372\ 326\\ 1,858\ 141\\ \end{array}$		\$ 94,197 406,126 58,479 	2,983 493 2,963 38 381	8,424 1,552 12,960 38,695	227,551 81,902 240,847 150,738 162,392  1,475,177  116,143 9,630	9,460 <u>1262</u> 11,367 115,928 15 5,965 8,243	$\begin{array}{c} 21748,495\\ 11,054,575\\ 6,635,445\\ 5,939,190\\ 10,033452\\ 3960,026\\ 6,375,821\\ 5,055,611\\ 1601,972\\ 83,000,675\\ 83,000,675\\ 35,427,851\\ 10,738,179\\ 6029,008\\ 2,945,281\\ \end{array}$		1 22 8 4 4 5 6 7 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 5
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Return of Bank British North America includes Canudian husiness only. Bank of British Columbia b nus of 1 per cent. equal in all to a dividend of 7 per cent. per annum. Molsons' Bank bonus of 1 per cent. equal in all to a dividend of 9 per cent. per annum.

Dry Goods.—Our manufacturers continue to report a steady demand for their products but although raw cotton is high, and there is a prospective advance in wool and woolens, there is no change to report in price lists this week. City retail trade is, generally speaking, quiet, but on enquiry we find January's trade to have been in excess of last year's and this is accounted for by the steady wintry weather. In the outlying districts, business has kept up wonderfully well, although the absence of snow has materially curtailed the receipts of the laboring classes who have been deprived of a measure of employment. Travellers out with spring samples are sending in fair orders except from British Columbia, where trade is dull. Money receipta are not giving satisfaction. There are a few exceptions but complaints are pretty general. Liverpool-Cotton firm; American middlings, 51-53. New York-Cotton futures steady; Feb. 9.22c; March, 9.40c; April, 9.50c; May, 9.55c. Close, spots quiet; sules, 2,000 bales; pplands, 9.7-16c; Gulf, 911-16c; futures, firm; sales, 238,300 bales; Feb., 9.28c; March,

9.38c; April, 9.48c; May, 9.57c; June, 9.62c; July, 9.66c.

Eggs.-Supplies are light and prices firm demand good. Fresh boiling, 28c to 30c; fall held, 23c to 25c; city limed 22c to 23c. Farmers eggs in baskets, new laid, 40c to 45c; market case eggs, 23c to 25c.

Fish and Oils.—There has been a good demand for fresh frozen fish, supplies of which have not been large this season. Lent opens on the 15th inst. Tommy cods

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12 13 14	Montreal B. N. A Du Peuple Jacq. Cartier	2,073 226 348.279 97,182 29,012	3,157.568 712 202 172 488 93,916	260,000 59,888 38,570 22,187 21,000	1.562.74	5 <b>25.000</b>	2 06 2,08	9 17,239 7 843 26,955	11;395.2 692.4 83.8 34.4	71 418,144 96 80 90 83,925	540,000	1,245,661 2,870	1,433,865	123 543 577,750 1,116 514 390,353 1	12 16 14
16 17 18	Ville Marie . D'Hochelaga Molsons Merchants . Nationale Duches	$\begin{array}{r} 14,705\\ 58,501\\ 206.856\\ 299\ 5,0\\ 74\ 239\\ 79.320\\ \end{array}$	3 :,387 130 006 503 437 613 289 105,449 287,555	21,000 29,644 90,000 153,699 35,332 32,786	66.159 103 174 443,003 664 547 172.137 280 487	4 3 7 125,000	205 05	7 5,854 4 7,629 7 3,188 1 11,413	6,9 50,1 197,4 1,335 1 33 0 67,4	39 42 14 65	104 375 1,078 132 35,000 148,433	800 837,611 129,843 541,690	711,200 287,987 304,540	793 945 11	16 17 18
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35	N.Brunswick reoplos St. Stephen's	182 078 9 850 10,210	162 743 17.695 14.103	23,305 6,730 5,383	36 185 3,872 5,483		55,05 3,78 50,45 109.29	55 30 99	75,5 4,0 17,0 96 5	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		12.227 3.000  15.227	284,154 38,259 322,413	153,147	38 84 85
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in good demand at \$2.40 to \$2.50 per-bri; fresh haddock, 31-4c; cod, 21-2c to 23-4c; steak cod, 41-2c; fresh B. C. sal-mon 9c; lower ports ditto., 13c; smelts large. 5c. Green cod has been scarce and firm but a recent arrival caused tempor-ary case. Fish oils steady and unchanged.

Flour and Grain .- These markets have followed the old rut locally, there being nothing to report except the filling of

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jobbing orders at current prices. Late prices for wheat at Chicago are 727-8c Jan., and Feb., 77c May and 763-4c July. Business in oatmeal is fair here and we note a sale of rolled oats at \$1.85. A Montreal merchant in the Newfoundland trade stated that the business now done in flour, for the Island, through city men, is quite limited. Large sales have recent-ly been made in the west, for through shipment, but the trade is done direct.

The mills in Ontario have travellers out The mills in Ontario have travellers out in every hamlet below, competition is keen, and the stuff is sent direct. Business, varies with freights, state of markets, etc., a large share being occasionally sceured by houses in St. Louis. Just now the ad-vantage is with the Canadian millers. A Liverpool cable reports wheat easy and in poor demand; holders offer mdoerately. Corn firm, fair demand. Beerbohm's cable says:—cargoes off coast, wheat quiet; . . . . .

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## Canadian Pac fic R'y.

A half-yearly dividend upon the Capital Stock of this Company, at the rate of FIVE PER CENT. per annum, will be paid on FEBRUARY 17th next, to the shareholders of record on that date. Of this dividend one and one-half per cent. is from the annuity provided for until August 1893 by a deposit with the Canadian Government, and one per cent is from the surplus earnings of the Company.

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Warrants of European shareholders on the London Register will be payable in sterling at the rate of four shillings and one penny half-penny (4s 1½d) per dollar, less income tax at the Bank of Montreal, 22 Abchurth Lane, London, and will be delivered on or about the same date at the office of the Company, 1 Queen Victoria Street, London, England. The transfer books of the Company will

The transfer books of the Company will be closed in London at 3 o'clock p. m. Friday, January 6th, and in Montreal and New York at the same hour on Saturday, January 21st, and will be re-opened at ten o'clock a.m. on Monday, 19th February next.

By order of the Board, CHARLES DRINKWATER,

Secretary.

corn, nil. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, what, red winter, firmly held; white very dull; corn, firm. California wheat, off coast, 21s. On passage to continent, wheat, 449,000 quarters; corn, 125,000 quarters; on passage to United Kingdom, wheat and flour, 2,772,000 quarters; corn, 211,000 quarters. Liverpool mixed maize 4s SB-4d; Canadian peas, 5s 4d. Danubian maize, ex-ship, 21s 9d; prompt, 22s. Walla Walla wheat, off coast, 29s 6d; present and following month ,30s 3d.

Groceries.—The movement has been moderate and but few are disposed to complain seriously about payments, which are better than last year's average, at this season. We have head of cables, from Barbadoes quoting new molasses there at 14c to 14.3-4c, and al ending broker is responsible for the statement that the market opined at 12c and now stands at 15c. Dealers quote Barbadoes on spot at 33.1-2c 34c. Offerings are said to have been made from St. John, N. B., at 28.1-2c f.o.b., equal to about the inside price or slightly under, on spot. Sugars are firm but unchanged. There is nothing new in raw but the market when tested is found to be strong with full rates obtained. A London cable quotes cane quiet; Java, 16s 6d: refining. 14s 3d. Reef quiet; Jan. and Feb., 14s 41-2d. Tens are only in jobbing demand but nre steadily held. Indian tens have recently advanted 1d to 1.1-2d in London. Gallon apples are now quoted at \$2.25 and 3 lb., at 90c. Foreign drived fruits are quiet. Bosnia prumes in fair demand and firm at 7.1-2c to 10c.

Leather and Shoes.—Reports from the factories are encouraging. Prices for manufacturel goods are well maintained and orders, so far, are in advance of previous seasons. Leather is a little more active, but dealers will not feel the benefit until factories have been in full operation a little time longer. January payments have been as good as expected and indications for February are fair. We notice, however, ouite a number of small boot and shoe failures throughout the country. Quebec reports a large demand for colored shoes in calf, cow hile, goat, etc., but buff and pebble shoes have also a good call.



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Live Stock.-Montrealers bought several cars in the west at 31-4e to 35-8c. As high as 41-4e was paid, but 4e was the average top price in Toronto. On this market a car of best stock was purchased at 5e for export via Boston. Batchers, paid 41-2e for choice. A car of ranche beef sold in Brockville at 6e. Hogs in the west sold at \$6.85 to \$7. Liverpool cables quote finest steers 10 1-2e to 11e; good to choice 10e to 10 1-2e.

Oils.—Linseed is higher, also turpentine. Raw linseed, 61c to 62c; boiled 63c to 65c. Spirits of turpentine, 53c to 55c.

Provisions.—Pork touched \$20 per brl. in Chicago, equal to \$23 and over, laid down here, but is now somewhat lower. Dressed hogs on spot are quiet but jobbers are asking \$0.50 to \$0.75. The high prices are enusing dullness. Canada short cut is quoted at \$22 to \$23 and Western new mess \$21 to \$22. Hams are steady at 12 1-2c to 13c and hecon at 11 1-4c to 12c. Lard 10c to 101-2c.

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> TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE. (Revised by telefraph.)

Toronto Feb. 2, 1898. There has been a fair business transacted this week in wholesale circles, but it was chiefly of a sorting-up character. Values continue firm, but payments are slow in many instances. Dry goods generally in fair request, with cottons firmer it: some ins ances. The mevement in wheat is restricted, but holders somewhat firmer in thier views. Money is easy, the common rate for call loans being 5 per cent. Sterling exchange is also easier in sympathy with New York. New York drafts per bid between banks adn 1-16 premium asked. Speculation is less, but

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the general tone of quotations firmer. Montreal higher at 237, and Dominion sola at 2781-2. Hamilton sold at 165, Commerce at 1451-2, Merchants at 167 Toronto at 2541-2. Ontario wanted at 1181-2, and Imperial at 101-2, Loan Company issues steady. Canada Permauent sold at 200, Canada Landed at 137, Building & Loan at 106, London & Ontario at 118 to 120, London & Canadian at 1341-2, Farmers at 1321-4, Freehold at 1391-2, and Central Canada at 128. Cable irregular, with sales at 179 to 178, and up to 180. Canadian Pacific dull at 861-2. Dominion Telegraph higher, selling at 1041-4. British America Assurance. at 1291-2, and Western at 1691-8 ..

Butter.-Receipts moderate, and prices firm. The best sell at 20c to 21c medium at 15c to 17c, and creamery and pound rolls at 22c to 24c. Eggs firm at 2c4 to 25c for fresh and 30c to 32c for new laid. Cheese firm, selling at 111-2c to 12c per lb.

Dressed Hogs.—The market continues very firm with sales at \$8.60 to \$8.80, according to quality.

Flour and Grain.—Flour has ruled dull and stendy this week. Straight roller is quoted at \$3.10 to \$3.20, extras at \$2.80 to \$2.90. Ontario patents at \$8.25 to \$3.40, Manitoba patents at \$4.35, and strong bakers at \$3.80 to \$3.90. Wheat is quiet and steady. White and red winter sold outside at 66c to 67c, and spring at Gle on the northern, No. 1 Manitoba hard sold at 87c N.B., No. 2 at 84c to 841.2c, and No. 3 at 77c. No. 1 frosted 70c bid, and No. 3 at 77c. No. 1 frosted 70c bid, and No. 1 and 42c for No. 2. Oute firmer, selling at 311.2c on track and at 251.2c outside. Pras, firmer, with sales at 58c outside. Rye sold at 53c and buckwheat at 44c to 45c. Rran is worth \$13 in car lots and shorts \$13 to \$14.

Groceries,-Business fair this week and prices generally firm. Teas are in good demand and firm, and coffees steady. Sugars bring 43-4e to 5c for granulated, and 83-4e to 41-4e for yellows. Fruits steady, and canned goods unchanged. Soaps are higher owing to advance in tallow.

Hardware.—Rusiness is quict as a rule and prices generally stendy. Bar iron \$2.05.

Hides and Skins.-Hides dull and unchanged at 5c to 51-4c for cured. Green bring 41-2c for No. 1, 31-2c for No. 2,



PRESTON FURNITURE Freston, On". Desk & Office Furniture OF EVERY DESCRIPTION. WRITE FOR PRICES AND CATALOGUE. ledge on various extensive public works, and in every instance the result has prov-ed highly satisfactory." Mr. Thomas Monro, engineer in charge of the Welland Canal enlargement, writing in 1879, stated :-- "During the past four years, about one million bushels of Thorold hydraulic cement have been used in the construction of the canal works in my charge, and this experience enables me to testify to the excellence of the article." Mr. W. G. Thompson, resident engineer on this work, wrote in 1884:-- My tests of the Thorold hydraulic cement have extended over a period of twenty-eight years, and have been on a large scale, as exemplified in the locks, bridges, culverts other mason-ry on the Welland Canal and Welland Railway, and that the record, which has been invariably satisfactory, is to be found in examination of these structures. The necessary tearing down of masonry and concrete during the Welland Canal enlargement, has afforded abundant evidence of the reliability of the Thorold hydraulic cement, both in masonry and concrete, and above and under water; and I desire no better cement for the class of work referred to." Mr. J. C. Bailey, chief engineer of Northern Pacific Junction Railway, writing in 1886, says :--" Dur-ing the construction of the Credit Valley Railway, of which I was then Chief Engineer, the Thoroid coment was used al-together in the building of the culverts, bridge abutments, and other masonry. Again, on the Northern and Pacific Junc-tion Railway (recently finished) some thousands of harrels of this cement were used in the masonry and concrete required, and under peculiar circumstances, which put the cement to a very severe test inded, as the work was unavoidably done in winter, and in the coldest weather possi-Whiter, and in the contest writher possi-ble. The last writer concludes by saying that the cement "can safely and with pro-fit he used wherever Portland cement is specified." The same cement was used in the contemption of the Withveit buildes the construction of the Victoria bridge of Montreal, the towers of the old Suspen-sion bridge, and in the Canadian abut-ments and approaches of the Cantilever Bridge at Ningara Falls and in the Inter-national bridge at Fort Erie, in all of which works it has the approaches weights. which works it has thoroughly maintained its reputation. The raw material is practically inexhaustable in the neighbor-

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practically inexhibite in the neighbor-hood, and the capneity of the works—con-ducted by the estate of the late John Battle, managed by his sons who have shown themselves in this respect men of character and ability—is only bounded by the demand for the article. There is no doubt that ere long this Canadian cement will entirely supersede the imported arti-ele in all our multic works and in a recle in all our public works, and in a re-tail way by builders and others. It is claimed, and with some justice, that an increase of duty is due to those who have invested so largely in the promotion of this interest in Canada.

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CARPET-LININGS AND STAIR-PADS.

Every housekeeper recognizes the importance of having something under room and stair carpets to soften the tread as

well as to save wear. In the olden times, newspapers, straw, felt paper and old carpets had been used, but noue of these gave complete satisfaction. Thomas Mealey & Co., of Hamilton, Ont., have for some time past been manufacturing carpet linings that serve every purpose of the kind, besides adding warmth and com-fort to the appartments where used. They consist of cotton about a quarter of an inch thick, covered on both sides by strong paper, tightly stitched, which when laid, presents an even surface for the carpet to be spread upon. For stair-pads they are so constructed as to fit firmly over the edges of the steps, thus giving pro-tection to the carpet where it is subjected to the most wear. These goods have become a staple article wherever carpets are sold, and have been highly approved and appreciated wherever employed. Some of the leading carpet dealers in Ontario atthe relating entries the Ontario at-test the value of this lining. One retail carpet house in Toronto has sold as many as ten thousand yards per month. The business of the factory is situated in Dun-das, and is conducted by Mr. F. E. Dallyn, partner and brother-in-law of the late propurior, who died in 1591. Mr. proprietor who died in 1891. Mr. Dallyn's experience with a leading whole-Mr. sale house in Hamilton, and for some time with the Hamilton Cotton Co., eminently fits him for the business.

pany was formed for the purpose of manufacturing bridges, but it is of an elastic and progressive nature, and includes Ship-This is evidenced by the large amount of money lately spent in the equipment of a large Shipyard where ships of the largest size can be built and launched, the beautiful Hamilton Bay affording plenty of deep water front to enable the launching of

tract for making the largest and finest steel ship ever built in Canada for passenger traffic, briefly referred to a short time since. It is for the Niagara Navigation Co. of Toronto and is to be put in service for next season between Toronto and Ningara. It is to have a speed of

Although the contract was awarded at a late date, the Hamilton Bridge Cc. have made such rapid progress that all expectations have been more than met in anticipation of its being finished on time. As may be seen from the dimensions given below, this is a large boat, and it is worthy the attention of our Government and people that such work can be and is being carried on successfully in Canada.

Total length of steel ship "Ningara" 811 ft. over all; width of 86 feet beam, and 68 feet over guards; with 13 1-2 feet moulded depth. The engines will be supplied by the W. & A. Fletcher Co. of New York; the cylinder is to be 75 inches in diameter and 11 feet stroke; side wheels 25 feet diameter, and face of 11'.4," and will make 38 revolutions per minute. Five boilers 101-2 feet in diameter and 21, feet long, with 3 corrugated furnaces in each of 31-2 feet diameter will supply steam. These boilers are also being made by the Hamilton Bridge Co., which has special machinery for this purpose. The design for this steamer was furnished by: Mr. Frank E. Kirby of Detroit.

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truct for a large steel arch bridge from the C. P. R. to earry their traffic over one of the gorges in the Rocky Mountains. This Bridge will be one of the largest railroad arches on the continent, having a span of 336 feet and a rise of 100 feet; and the total height of the rail above the hottom of the earnyon will be about 275 to 300 feet. The total length of the bridge will be 405 feet, and will weigh about 1,400,000 pounds. The design was furnished by Chief Engineer Peterson of the C. P. R., and the whole bridge is to be manufactured and creded by the Hamilton Bridge Co. by the 15th of next August.

Besides the above they have during the past year built all the bridges and Vinducts for the Niagara Falls and River Railroad at Niagara Falls and a long viadact for the Grand Trunk Ry., on their new Glencoe & Alvinston line. They have also built several roofs for carsheds and power-houses. They have constantly on hand a large amount of material for all

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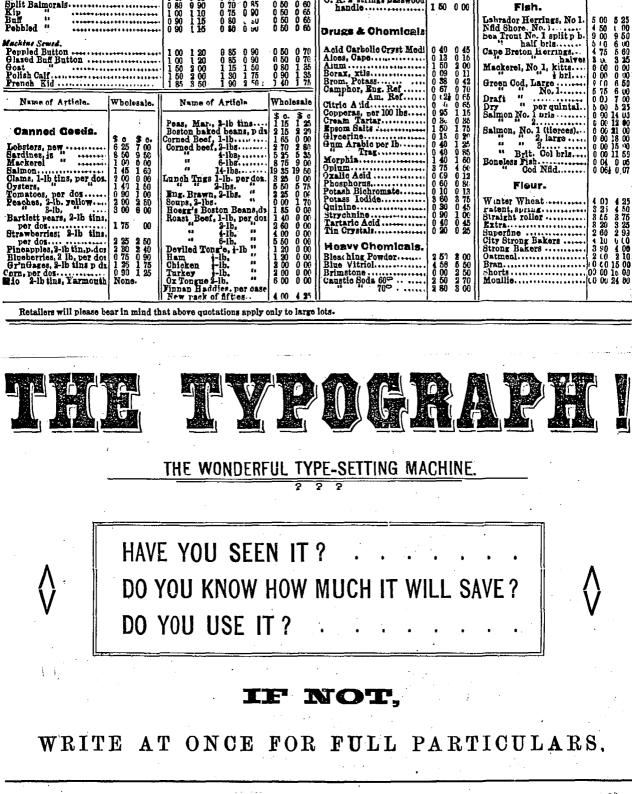
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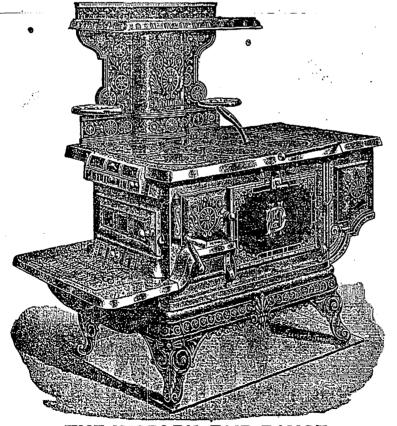
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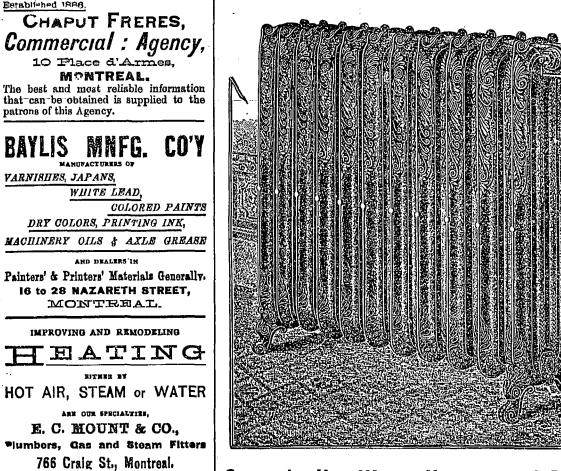
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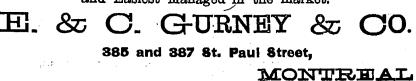
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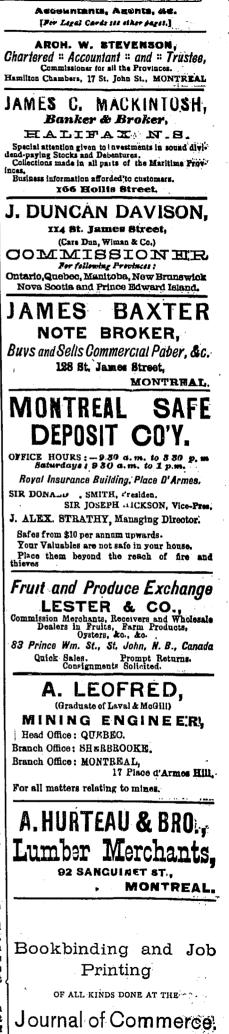
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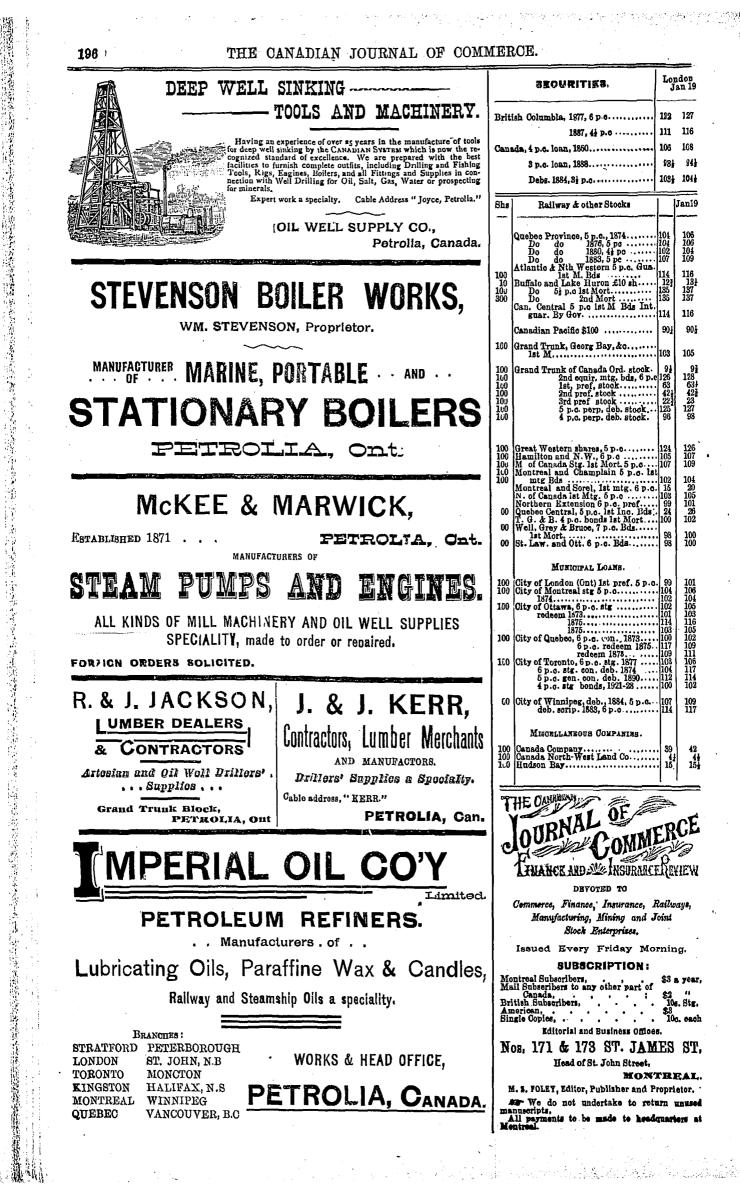
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The Directors, who are now the owners of the entire Capital stock, have decided, at the request of numerous friends of the Company throughout Canada, to enlarge the proprietorship of its stock, and to offer for sale, at par, ten thousand shares, of one hundred dollars each, fully paid and non-assessable.

Payments are to be made as follows :--Five per cent. on application; fifteen per cent. on allotment; twenty per cent. each in one, two, three and four months from the date of allotment. Applicants have the right to pay in full on allotment.

Applications for shares will be received until February 15th, 1893, at any of the offices of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, at the offices of the Union Bank of Halifax, and at the head office of the Company, N. Y. Life Building, Montreal.

Forms of application for shares may be obtained at any of the above places, or they will be sent by mail on request.

Should no allotment of stock be made to any applicant for shares, the amount paid will be returned in full, and in the event of the Directors finding it impossible to allot the full number of shares applied for, the surplus of the deposit will be credited toward the amount payable on allotment.

The right is reserved of withdrawing the offer in whole or part at any time before allotment, and of alloting to any applicant any less number of shares than the number applied for.

As the dividends of the Company are payable quarterly, beginning with the first day of March next, allottees of stock will be entitled to receive a proportion of the quarterly dividend as declared, corresponding to the amount paid upon their subscription.

It is proposed to apply to the Stock Exchanges of Montreal and Toronto for official quotations of the shares of the Company.

The Consumers Cordage Company was organized in June, 1890, with a Capital of one million dollars, to operate several of the largest Cordage and Binder Twine Factories in Canada. It, at first, operated these under leases, but its operations having been successful, the Capital Stock was subsequently increased to Three Million Dollars, and the leased properties were purchased.

The Company has **no** mortgage indebtedness; and, according to the law under which it was incorporated, none can be created without the consent of two-thirds of the shareholders, represented at a meeting called for the purpose.

The Company has placed in the hands of its Bankers :----

(a) Full statements of its affairs, certified to by Messrs. Caldwell, Tait & Wilks, Chartered Accountants, Montreal.

(b) The following letter from Messrs. Abbotts, Campbell & Meredith, advocates, Montreal, upon the legality of its incorporation, and the issue of its stock :--

MONTREAL, January 5, 1893. Consumers Cordage Co., Ltd., Montreal :-

GENTLEMEN,-We have examined the books and documents con-

nected with the organization of the Consumers Cordage Company, Limited, and are of opinion that it has been properly incorporated, and that its capital stock of \$3,000,000, as issued, is fully paid up and nonassessable, according to the provisions of the "Companies Act." We are, yours truly,

(Signed), ABBOTTS, CAMPBELL & MEREDITH.

(0). A report from Messrs. Macmaster and McGibbon, Solicitors of the Company, that the titles to its Mills have been duly examined, and that no encumbrance exists.

Applicants for shares may examine these documents, copies of which may be seen at the Company's offices, and at the various offices of the Banks mentioned above.

The Consumers Cordage Company is probably the second largest Manufacturer of Cordage and Binder Twine in the world, and claims the following very material advantages over its competitors :---

1st. Ample capital to conduct its business, which enables it :--

(a) To buy its raw material in larger quantities, and at lower prices.(b) To use only the latest and most improved machinery, thus keeping

its mills in the highest state of efficiency. 2nd. Economy in selling and distributing its manufactured product.

3rd. The business covers so wide a territory (its manufactured goods go to almost every civilized country in the world) that it cannot be seriously injured by local troubles; and its Manufacturing establishments are so scattered that the danger of severe loss by fire is very slight.

4th. Lower cost of production.

(a). By maintaining the sharpest competition between its several mills, it is enabled to introduce all the best methods found in each.

(b). By spreading its commercial expenses over a larger output.

(c). By placing in one hand the purchasing of the Raw materials and Manufacturing supplies for the several Mills, thus securing lowest prices.(d). By manufacturing for themselves many of their supplies.

The Company has always found it in its interest to divide the economies effected in production and distribution with the Consumer, and since its existence the Consumer has, upon the average, had a better article at a lower price than previously.

The Company does not claim to have any monopoly, or to earn monopoly profit; in fact, it has not done so. Since its organization it has been able owing to the advantages above referred to, to earn a net return on its present capital of not less than 10 per cent. per annum (as statements in their Bankers' hands will show), and the Directors believe that these profits will be maintained in the future, as the cost of production and distribution show each year a marked decrease.

The Dividend for the year ending S1st October, 1892, was at the rate of S<sup>1/3</sup> per cent. per annum. The past record of the Company and its present position justify the Directors in believing that quarterly dividends of one and three-quarters per cent. can be paid, and should the profits for the present year be as large as the outlook promises, the final quarter's dividend might be increased.

Any further information may be had at the head office of the Company at Montreal.

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