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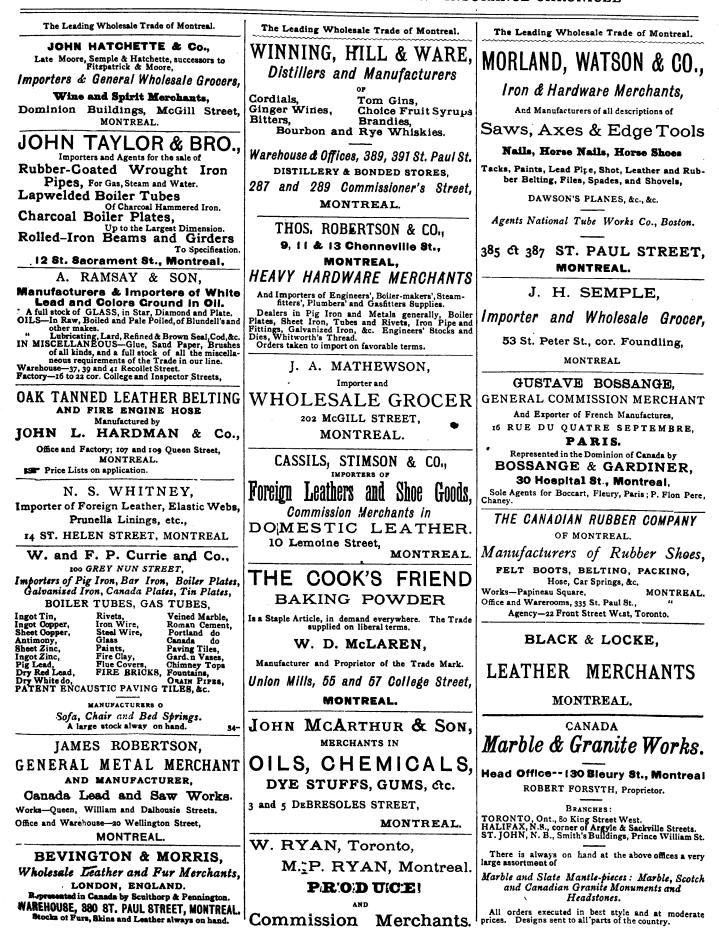


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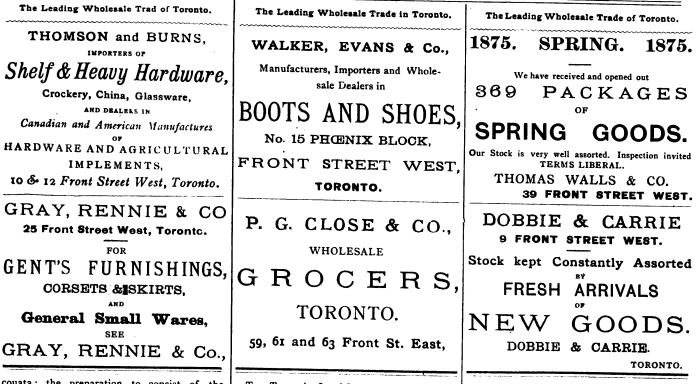
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couata; the preparation to consist of the clearance of four acres in each lot, ready for sowing, and of the construction of a dwelling house not less than sixteen feet by twenty. The price of each lot, including land and house, is in no case to exceed \$200, and the payment is to be made in five annual instalments. The work on all the lots. however, is to be done as far as possible by the settlers themselves, so as to lessen the burden on the Province.

THE Postmaster-General admits that eighty per cent of the postal receipts in the Lower Provinces go to the postmasters there, owing to the way-office system; while in Cntario and Quebec they receive only forty per cent.

THE Government contract for making 9,000 suits of military clothing has been awarded by the Minister of Militia to Ottawa clothiers, P. A. Eagleston and J. Metcalfe, whose tenders were the lowest.

THE Postmaster-General "has grave doubts" whether winter communication can be kept up by steamboat with P. E. Island. At all events the boat furnished by a late contractor does not answer, and ice-boats and canoes have had to be used.

It has been announced that the returns of imports and exports will be published quarterly hereafter.

An order in Council directs that steamboats in the Dominion shall henceforth pay a duty of seven per cent. per ton in addition to inspection fees, instead of ten as formerly.

THE rate of tavern and grocers' licenses, in Toronto, has been increased to \$160 a year; the effect of which will be to close some of the smaller taverns, and reduce the number of licensed groceries. THE Tanneries Land Swap Committee reported, before the close of the session of the Quebec Legislature, that the Government property was worth \$100,000 or \$150,000 more than that which was given in exchange for it, and that Mr. Middlemas obtained the influence of M. Dansereau, as a journalist and friend of the Ministry, to aid in effecting the exchange.

THE following figures show the effect of the present tariff upon the importations of tea at the port of Montreal for the past year, compared with 1873: 1873—Green and Japan Tea, \$3,-559,778; 1874—do, \$1,196,897, leaving a balance of \$2,362,881 in favor of New York and against the former city.

WE cannot attribute entirely to recent severe weather and consequent blocking up of railway and other routes, the scarcity of remittances and the frequency of renewals which merchants complain of. It is but one of a number of reasons, for before the recent storms of snow, travellers who had reached every part of Ontario found stocks full and few orders obtainable. Almost every branch of trade whose reports we consult shows duliness; ]and people are generally looking anxiously for the Spring and for the impulse it is to give to commercial affairs. The weekly list of failures do not decrease, and we note in them recently some names which one would scarcely expect to see in such company. W. E. Ross, whose stand in Brockville was an old established one, has assigned. Park & Borrowman, of Amherstburg, Hardware, &c., and George Middleton, of Wheatly, long a merchant and contractor, have failed, while James Smith, of Tilbury, well known in the adjoining County, has stopped payment, probably owing to a recent fire in his premises.

TIMOTHY RAJOTTE, of Ottawa, C. King

& Co., Ottawa, Desmarteau & Bond, Montreal, W. Fairweather & Co., Peterboro', and Mark T. Rogers, of Napanee, all we known in Dry Goods circles, are unable to pay in full. The failure of the last named two, however, has ceased to be a matter of grave surprise. Insolvencies are not confined to these or to any particular line, but appear in nearly every rank of trades. We count thirty-three assignments for February in Ontario alone. Montreal and Quebec furnish a fair quota of small failures; the Eastern Townships are tolerably free from them. The Lower Provinces are very quiet, not to say stagnant in a commercial way, so much so that we question if wholesale men there would agree with Governor Tilley in his congratulation on the abundant harvest and the "satisfactory condition " of their trade and commerce. We wish it were possible for Wholesale men to unite on some policy which would moderate our imports, especially of Dry Goods, for even a year or two, and so give the overburdened storekeeping community a chance to get their stocks within their wants, and the country a chance to get rid of a millstone.

ON Saturday last, a meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Association was held in Mon treal, for the purpose of hearing the report of the delegates to the recent fannual meeting held in Toronto, and to consider the propriety of withdrawing from the old Association and forming a separate organization. After some discussion, the following resolution was adopted : "Having heard the report of the delegates to the adjourned annual meeting at Toronto of the Association, it is hereby resolved, that the Local Directors of this branch of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada be requested to resign their positions in the Associa-



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## THE MONETARY TIMES, AND TRADE REVIEW. TORONTO, CAN., FRIDAY FEB. 26, 1875

#### THE FINANCE MINISTER'S STATE-MENT.

Our Finance Minister has ended his first year in the pleasant position of the man who has a surplus of increase over expenditure. The outlay for carrying on the Government of the country has been larger than ever, and shows such a constant tendency to increase that we fear great embarrassment will ensue whenever a decided check in the tide of our prosperity takes place. Last year, however, though the increase in the expenditure was large, the increase in the revenue enabled it to be met, and the year closed with a surplus of nearly \$900,000.

This statement, however, requires to be supplemented by another. The surplus of the previous year was no less than r,600, 000—so that in fact, we have retrograded to the extent of r,000; and this in spite of the additional taxation imposed.

The two years ending respectively June 1873 and 1874 compare as follows :---

Income, 1873	\$20,813,000
Expenditure, 1873	19,174,000
Surplus	.\$1,639,000
Income, 1874	\$24,205,000
Expenditure, 1874	23,316,000
Surplus	\$ 889,000
Additional income, 1874	\$3.302.000
" expenditure,1874	4.142,000
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This very large enhancement of expenditure is explained by the Finance Minister as follows :---

Additional interest on public debt \$500,000

- (This item must go on increasing so long as we go on adding to our permanent debt. There must be a large increase next year.)
- Charges connected with admission of Prince Edward Island to
- the Union ..... (The revenue derived from the Island appears to be much smaller—though how much the Finance Minister does not state.)

Subsidy to New Brunswick in lieu of export timber duties......

Maintenance of railways..... (Dr. Tupper in criticising the Finance Minister's speech maintained that a large amount included in this item ought to have been charged to capital. The error, however, if there be an error, is on the right side.)

fice Department "Indians and similar purposes"... (Not a very clear way of putting it.) Stationery increase, and increase

of indemnity to members..... 400,000 Miscellaneous charges, increase... 200,000

350,000

200.000

The Finance Minister warns us that the larger portion of these items is such as the Government has no control over; consequently forms part of a permanent increase in the expenditure of the country. It is certain, indeed, that the item of interest on the public debt will increase; for this year we have added nearly \$9,000,000 to the debenture liability of the country.

Of the increased income by far the larger part has arisen from the operation of the additional taxes imposed last year.

The imports and taxes derived from them have been as follows :

 Total imports.
 Duties derived.

 1873.......
 127,500,000
 \$12,950,000

 1874.......
 127,400,000
 14,325,000

These figures show most plainly that the duties levied cannot be considered excessive. A considerable proportion of our imports pay no duty at all, but taken all round the imports bear only a little more than 11 per cent. The rate for 1873 was a small fraction above 10. To put the matter accurately we should perhaps take the dutiable goods alone. Then we have the following result :

For 1873.....18.20

For 1874.....19.00

These are probably nearly as heavy as the respective classes of goods can bear, so that any considerable additional of duty required must come partly from those now on the free list. The increase in excise duties is shown as follows:

be easily calculated as we have no tables of total production. The other items of increase are as follows: 600.000 Post Office Department-increase \$300,000 (Increased expenditure thereon... 350,000 Public Works, including railways, increase ...... 200,000 (Increased expenditure......1,120,000 a heavy drain indeed.) 850,000 Interest on investments-increase 210,000 900,000 (This forms a set-off against the increased interest on the public debt.) Ordance Lands-increase..... 160,000

1873 ...... \$4,460,000

1874 ..... 5,594,000

The proportionate increase here cannot

The variations in other items, some of which have increased and some decreased are only trifling. The increase altogether amounts to \$3,400,000.

Taken altogether, the exhibit for the year is satisfactory, in so far as this, that we have ended it with a considerable surplus. It is to be noted however, that whereas we have entered on an era of new largely increased expenditure, it is questionable if the trade of the country, for some time to come, will yield even as large a revenue as at present. By far the larger part of our income is from imports. The universal and concurrent opinion is that our imports for some time have been excessive. A decrease of \$10,000,000 or even \$20,000,000 would be by no means an impossible, or even an undesirable event : so far as the soundness of our trade is concerned. It is probable that the excessive imports of the last two years are largely represented by unsold stocks of merchants and retailers. This process of piling up unsold goods must have a limit. We believe our banks are carrying a far larger amount of unsold imports than ever before, and that one cause of the prevailing stringency is the demand for money,-actual money, let us bear in mind, -money available in the markets of the world to pay for them. Now if the stocks are excessive, as we firmly believe, the only remedy is to diminish imports, and this will diminish revenue. The revenue may fall off even to the extent of \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 from this cause.

The Finance Minister estimates that imports will yield a large increase this year over last, and he has had the benefit of a knowledge of the imports of six months of the current year on which to found his opinion. But we doubt whether the remainder of the year will bear out the increase. We shall not be surprised to see that the total custom's revenue is rather diminished than increased for the present year, and that this is a precursor of a still greater falling off in the year to come. We are therefore sorry to find in the estimates, provision for items of increased expenditure; the principle of these are as follows:

Post Office Department ......\$200,000 Civil Government—indefinite, but certain

Menuonite Loan	100.000
(May be repaid and ought to be).	,
Dominion Lands	100.000
Philadelphia Exhibition	400 000
Pension List-principally veterans	
of 1812	50,000

Custom's Department, administration of Justice, &c., about..... 200,000

We greatly fear, in view of all these and of the enormous expenditures on Capital account, principally public works, which will yield no income either direct or indirect for some years to come, that we are going somewhat faster than is prudent.

We are glad to find that the loan negociated by the Finance Minister was placed on such good terms as to indicate that our credit is among the very highest in the London market; that credit we must maintain whatever happens, and there is no surer way of maintaining it, than by such a far-seeing and economical administration as will demonstrate our capacity to manage our own affairs under all conceivable circumstances.

#### BANKING REVIEW, FEBRUARY, 1875.

We are again in the midst of one of the sudden spasms of monetary stringency, which arise from, and are the inevitable product of, the system of currency which obtains in the Dominion, more especially when it is working alongside of another system with which it is not interchangeable. For some time there has been a scarcity of gold at call in New York held by Canadian Banks, or at their disposal by exchange: hence the necessity of remitting gold to cover drafts drawn on this side. To procure this, some banks have lately sent in Legal Tenders for redemption. But the reserve held by Goverment to meet such demand is so small a proportion of its note issues, that it is easily disturbed. It compels a policy of protection against such call for their redemption which is practically a policy of reprisals, as if to ask for a note to be paid according to its conditions of issue, that is, redeemable in gold at call, were an offensive action. To carry out this policy the Government has called in heavily from its funds held by the banks on deposit, illustrating what we have more than once pointed out, the precarious tenure on which these deposits are held and the danger of using them for ordinary term discounts, or trading in reliance upon advances made from such a source.

The cost of exchange on New York has been a serious item to merchants, and brokers who have had loans on stocks have suffered severely, for while heavy rates, almost approaching panic rates, are executed by the banks, stocks are declining.

The snow blockades in the country districts, especially in the north, have serious ly deranged their trading facilities. Communications are, in some places, stopped wholly with the outside world, and travelling is most difficult.

Produce is very dull and bearing downwards, Spring wheat is barely worth 85c., Barley is steadily declining and must entail considerable losses on holders. In 1870, Spring wheat dropped to 75c., so that speculation is a very dangerous game at present, for there is no reason that we can see for imagining that bottom must now be touched. Farmers it is true, are not bringing their grain out, but then their action has no influence whatever on so immense a trade. If the whole of the grain produced by Canada were withdrawn from the market, prices would not be affected to any appreciable extent.

	The following is the official re	turn for the
	Banks of Ontario and Quebec fo	
	Capital.	J J. 51.
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	Dec. 31, 1874.	Jan. 31, 1875.
,	Capital authorized \$65,866,666	\$66,866,666
	Capital paid up 58,458,622	59,139,035
	Liabilities.	-
	Circulation 25,412,321	23,893,625
)	Government deposits 15,600,000	14,891,888
;	Public deposits on de-	
	mand 34,069,309	31,680,454
,	" " at notice 29,519,463	29,673,811
	Due other Banks in	
'	Canada	1,226,859
	Due other Banks not in	
1	Canada 9,884,218	10,263,267
Ì	Sundries 95,650	269,742
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	\$115,572,425	****,099,040
	Assets.	
	Specie 6,819,187	6,711,635
	Provincial notes 9,021,289	7,924,091
	Notes and cheques of	_
i	other Banks 5,301,885	4,510,969
	Due from other Banks	
	in Canada 3,456,954	3,583,845
	Due from other Banks	
	not in Canada 9,967,277	7,842,828
	Total available assets. 34,566,591	
		30,573,368
		1,186,594
		10,186
	Loans to Corporations 3,053,515 Discounts140,936,684	2,747,506
	Real Estate	142,326,084 538,281
	Bank premises 2,658,239	530,201
	Other assets 1,365,381	2,694,742
		1,350,375

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The movement above alluded to was probably operating in time to effect the January returns as the Goverment deposits and Provincial notes held by the Banks, shew each a decrease of one million.

A very large diminution appears in circu-

lation, which shews \$1,600,000 less since the end of the previous month, and no less than \$2,300,000 was drawn from the deposits at call, although the discounts, which usually leave some portion behind on deposit, rose in January \$1,400,000. The change in the position of the Banks is very marked during the month. Total available assets fell \$4,000,000, evidently owing to the redemption of circulation and the reduction of deposits; the total assets, although the chief item, discounts was so much increased, contracted \$3,000,000. The total liabilities decreased about the same amount, but of course in very much less proportion. The position of the Banks on 31st January in some degree explains the stringency prevailing at present. Their resources had diminished some four millions, while the demand for money was contant and increasing. The discounts have gone on increasing until they have reached a point which demands the serious attention of the whole banking community. We have called attention to it before and shall do so again until the evil is removed.

#### THE INSOLVENT ACT.

The new act relating to Insolvency introduced by the Minister of Justice has not been distributed as yet. It would not be well therefore without possession of the full list to pronounce definitely as to whether it is an improvement or otherwise upon its predessors, but that some of the changes proposed are open to serious objection is admitted on all hands. It seems that it is proposed to do away with voluntary assignments ; to deprive the Board of Trade of the power to nominate official Assignees and vest it in the Government ; to augment the power of inspectors; to do away altogether with the judicial functions of the Assignees ; and to extend the act to all incorporated Companies except banks, railway, telegraph and insurance Companies. Among the other provisions it is said that there is one authorizing the refusal of a discharge if the estate do not realize thirty-three cents in the dollar. It has been suggested, with great force, that this should be amended by substituting fifty cents for the amount named. Another suggestion which meets with some favour, is one to the effect that meetings of creditors should be held where the largest number of creditors reside. But as we have said, in the absence of the test, a loss is felt in discussing the contemplated changes, and we reserve further comment until next week.

DOMINION ATLAS.—Mr. G. N. Tackabury, in presenting his exceedingly handsome Atlas of the Dominion of Canada for

1875, has placed the business community under obligations. Even a cursory examination of its contents will warrant us in making this statement. The work has involved an enormous amount of labour and expense and is in all its departments a purely Canadian product. The size of the page is eighteen by fourteen inches. The paper, printing, etc., are all exceedingly good. Upwards of a hundred of the first pages are occupied with sketches of the Physical Geography and Topography of Canada; the Geology of Ontario and Quebec; the Zoology of the Dominion; an Historical Sketch of Canada; the Educational System of Ontario; the Railways of the Dominion; the Chief Lines of Communication with places in the States ; Canadian Steam Navigation ; Geology of the Lower Provinces; Mineral Statistics; the Educational System of Canada; the Climate of British North America, and a Gazetteer containing lists of the different Railroads, with their stations and distances; the names of the different Consular Agents in Canada; and a full list of all the Cities, Villages and Post-offices in Ontario and Ouebec. The names of the gentlemen who have briefly dealt with the above subjects is a sufficient guarantee of the accuracy of the statements they make. In addition to this we have the general maps illustrating different sections of the Dominion : the Pacific Railway between Manitoba and Lake Nipissing; the Northwest with its Chinotology; the Civil Divisions of Canada: also maps of the United States and Europe. Two pages are devoted to maps on British Columbia, Manitoba, and Ontario respectively; while the Province of Quebec has three two paged maps, illustrating the Western, Central, and Eastern sections. The County Maps of Ontario and Quebec are drawn upon a scale of six miles to an inch, which is sufficiently large for all practical purposes. Maps of the five cities of Ontario and two of Quebec complete the The list of cities, villages. number. post-offices and railway stations in Quebec and Ontario will be found of great value. The names of even the most insignificant villages are given, with the railways by which they can be reached, with their distance from the nearest station, their population, and the page on which they will be found marked on a map. It is also mentioned whether they are telegraph stations or have post-offices, and if not, which is the nearest of these, while the township and county in which they are situated are also given. Every Canadian who wishes to understand his own country will find the work of great value. Those engaged in mercantile pursuits will find this volume full of a

class of information that is almost indispensible. After a careful examination of the work we look upon it as a valuable addition to Canadian Geography; and we hope the publisher will find the profits commensurate with the risk incurred in the enterprise.

COMMERCIAL RELATIONS .- We are glad to observe that the annoyance our Canadian Shipowners are put to by the American Government, in being compelled when passing into Lake Michigan, to call and report at Duncan City in the Straits of Mackinac, was the subject of discussion, The war tax of 30c. per ton levied on all Canadian vessels was also brought up and strongly objected to. So long as the United States keep this tax on their own vessels as well as Canadian, we may not properly be able to complain; but there can be no good reason why the annoyance of stopping at Duncan City should not be put an end to. Considering we have the right to use that lake by the terms of the Treaty of Washington, we cannot see why the American Government should insist on this arbitrary enactment, which can only be complied with by our shipowners on some occasions at great risk, as there are frequent storms encountered in that locality. We hope an effort will be made by the Government to get this troublesome regulation set aside as early as possible. Considering the manner in which American vessels are treated in our waters, we think representations made to Washington could hardly fail to be favourably received.

LIABILITY OF COMMON CARRIERS .--- An important bill relating to the rights and liabilities of Common Carriers have been introduced by a private member. The Government stated that they have had the subject under their consideration, although they have not as yet proposed any action. The bill before the House provides that Railway Companies shall not be liable for certain classes of articles over the sum of \$50, unless notified of greater value before shipment, and on the other hand, it provides they shall be liable for all negligence and loss, whatever "conditions" they may attach to their shipping bills.

SILVER COINAGE .--- The public will learn with pleasure that the 20c silver pieces are to be withdrawn from circulation. In answer to a question, the Finance Minister stated that more silver coinage has been ordered by the Government from England, and that when it arrived, the 2oc. pieces would be called in. These coins are very often taken for 25c., and give the public a shall refer to this subject again. good deal of trouble.

STEAM TO THE WEST INDIES .--- It appears that the contract to run a line of steamvessels between Canada and the British and Spanish West Indies, has not yet been awarded. Offers have been made to the Government, but none have yet been accepted. The subject still engages the attention of the Government, and there can be no doubt that before many months steam communication will be provided between the Dominion and the Islands. Such a line of steamships must increase our already valuable trade with the West Indies.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES .--- The new law in respect to Weights and Measures is not to go into force until the 1st of July next. It appears that the division of the country into districts for the purposes of the Act has not yet been made by the Minister of Inland Revenue. This will, however, be done within a few weeks, after which the Inspectors will be appointed. This is a matter of considerable importance to traders, and it is to be hoped that appointments will only be made of men well qualiffed for the position.

SAFETY OF RAILWAY TRAVELLERS.-The Government has introduced a bill providing that the platforms of all cars which carry passengers shall touch each other and be protected by a railing, and that the doors shall open outwards as well as inwards. Several of the provisions of those measures will doubtless give rise to considerable discussion.

COPYRIGHT .--- The Government has introduced a Copyright Bill. This is a measure which has been long called for by some of our publishers-not a large, but a growing and highly respectable class. The fees for copyrighting any work will be moderate.

MONEY MARKET.-There is a very severe stringency in money in Montreal, operating principally in the sphere of stock operations. Many loans have been called in that were bearing moderate rates of interest, and are now placed at 10, to even 12 per cent., according to the time they have to run. Stocks are depressed in view of this state of things. The pressure has been partly relieved by large loans of sterling exchange; that is, the English markets have been drawn upon to furnish the money wanted there. This, however, is only a temporary expedient.

THE DOMINION NOTE ACT .--- We notice that the Finance Minister has introduced an Act to amend the Dominion Note Act, with a view of strengthening the basis on which it rests. We

ANCHOR MARINE INSURANCE CO.-The annual meeting was held in Toronto, on Monday, 22nd inst., in the offices of the Company, when the report presented to the shareholders showed that the premium receipts amounted to \$55,238. after deducting amount for re-insurance and cancelled policies, left the sum of \$47,394. Out of this amount there were paid for losses, \$6,754, and \$4,500 set apart for losses in course of adjustment. These figures show the very low average of less than 20 per cent of the receipts for losses. The cost of organization and expenses together are only 221 per cent. After paying a dividend of ten per cent., the Company was able to carry \$22,146 to the reserve.

-William Molson, Esq., of Montreal, President of the Molson's Bank, died, on the 19th inst., at the ripe age of 81 years. During his lifetime he was connected with many important manufacturing projects, with the Bank of Montreal and with the Grand Trunk Railway. He was a liberal contributor to McGill College, the General Hospital, and other charitable institutions in Montreal, where his memory will be held in general esteem. At the meeting of the Directors of the Molson's Bank, John Molson, Vice-President, was elected President ; Thomas Workman, Esq., Vice-President, and the Hon. D. L. McPherson, to fill the vacancy in the Direction.

-It is not without surprise that we learn that Mr. I. D. Purkis, General Manager of the Dominion Telegraph Company, has, owing to difficulties between himself and the Secretary, found it necessary to tender his resignation, to take effect on the 30th April next. Mr. Purkis, we believe, has been largely instrumental in relieving the Company of the difficulties it was in at the time he assumed the management, and to us it appears strange that his resignation should have been so readily accepted.

-At a meeting of the provisional Directors of the Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company, held in Ottawa a few days ago, the solicitor of the Company announced that 10 per cent. of the capital stock had been paid up, and that it was competent for the meeting to elect Directors aud officers, which was proceeded with. The following is the result :- Directors : Hon. James Skead, Hon. D. Laird, A. Hagar, M.P., M. Wholehan, D. C. Church, Ira Morgan, Dr. Brouse, M. P., G. W. Eaton, J. Fulton, C. T. Bate, W. Gibson, M. P., Hon. L. R. Church, F. Stancliffe, J. H. Malloy, Dr. Ferguson. The officers for the year are :- President, Hop. Jas. Skead ; Vice-President, Hon. L. H. Church ; Managing Director, M. Wholehan; Secretary, H. J. Bronskill; Solicitor, R. Cassels, jr.

-A meeting of the shareholders of the Imperial Bank of Canada, was held in the Mechanics' Institute yesterday afternoon. A report of the proceedings will be found in another column.

#### meetings.

#### MIDLAND RAILWAY.

The annual meeting of the Shareholders of this Company was held in Port Hope on the 16th inst. The following is the Directors Report.

In submitting their Report for the year ending 31st Dec., 1784, with the customary accounts attached thereto, the Directors have the honor to state that the expectations regarding the Revenue Receipts for the year have not been realized, and exhibit a decrease as against the previous year, the total receipts in 1874 having been \$303,602.56 (£62,384.1.9 sterling), as against \$318,159.88 or £65,375 sterling, showing a decrease of \$14,557,32 (£2,991.4.8 sterling) in The continued depression of trade in the 1874. The continued depression of trade in the U. S. which affected principally the main staple from which the revenue of this Railway is derived -lumber-has been felt even more severely this past year than it was the year previous, and whilst the Report of the General Freight Agent shews an additional decrease in lumber alone to the extent of 10,000,000 feet as carried over the Railway for 1874 in comparison with last year, the total diminution as compared with 1872 from this the principal source of revenue of the Midland Railway, reaches the unprecedented figures of 36,000,000 feet. A proportionate decrease has likewise taken place in the haulage of ties, posts, and square timber-staples that were equally affected with lumber in the general depression appertaining to that trade. Whilst the Directors must regret that the expectations they entertained of seeing the lumber trade revive were not realized, some satisfaction may be derived in the general earnings of the road as regards the passenger and general goods traffic, which have shewn no diminution, but on the contrary exhibit a very handsome increase in every item, especially grain, the latter demon-strating the gratifying fact of an increased acreage under cultivation along the districts tributary to this Railway.

Expenditures.— The working expenditures of the line have been \$177,751.87 (£36,524.7.2 sterling) against \$180,175.90 (£37,022.8.11 sterl-ing), in comparison with last year, shewing a rate equal to 58.55 per cent. on gross receipts as against 57.05 per cent. the previous year. The length of the road operated in full for the first time this year has increased the Traffic, Train, and Water Service Department, and in these two items more particularly, an increase in expenditure had to be incurred ; whilst in the expenses for fuel, oil and waste, owing to the superior new locomotives employed, and their greater carrying power, a large saving was effected. A very great decrease in the expenses is likewise apparent from the detailed statement of Repairs to Rolling Stock, which, having been put in most thorough order consequent upon the

change of gauge, has obviated the usual outlay. In the General Management, the officers have been particular to effect what saving could be done. In the item of Insurance a large increase became necessary, but their principal attention was more especially directed to the improvement and maintenance of the roadway, in which it became incumbent to increase the outlay to a extent. These causes considerable have diminished the net rate of revenue, and the Directors here feel that they can hold out no hopes of reducing the expenditure, as far as the maintenance of the roadway is concerned until a considerable number of new rails are laid, and the road is more heavily ballasted. Revenue Account.-The unfinished extension

has obliged the Directors to make a similar charge of interest on £40,000 sterling of 1st Mortgage Bonds, the proceeds of which were entirely devoted to the extension as has been in itself is a very strong inducement for every effort to be made to complete the line to Waubashene, and thus afford some return for this outlay on Capital Account.

The Rolling Stock of the Company has undergone an entire alteration, necessitated by the change of gauge. A re-valuation of all the plant of the Company was made in September, since which there has been no alteration, and the Directors re-attach a copy of their Report as previously published, shewing a detail of the outlay, and of the actual value of the Company's Rolling Stock. The Railway became under contract this spring, for the delivery to them of an additional one hundred platform cars, the completion of which is deferred to the coming year, and with it the consequent outlay beyond the material already purchased towards their construction. The addition of these cars to the rolling stock is necessary when the line is extended, as the Directors trust it will be the in coming spring, to Waubashene. A contract was made with the Portland Company for seven (7) new locomotives, the payment for which was agreed upon such terms as would meet the financial position of the Company.

Of the old locomotives, ten (10) have been altered to suit the new gauge, and have had such thorough repairs and improvements added to them as largely to enhance their value; all of which is set forth in detail in the statement annexed.

Special Works .-- The economy imposed upon the Management by the diminished traffic, necessitated a curtailment in expenditure of such special works which otherwise it might have been very desirable to undertake. Among these latter the replacing of the wooden bridge across Campbell's Creek by a stone culvert and permanent embankment, which would have entailed an outlay of nearly \$30,000, had to be deferred, and in lieu thereof a new wooden bridge will take the place of the present structure. The com-pletion of the Round-house and Tank-house, and other minor necessary works, are referred to in detail in the Report of the Chief Engineer. The expenditures for all these have been restricted to the smallest amount which it was possible to do.

In regard to such additional ballasting as part of the line requires, the same causes have obliged the Management to exercise economy, but it is hoped that the revival of trade, and the consequent increase of the means of the Company, will enable the necessary work to be done to a greater extent in the coming year than hitherto.

Extension to Waubashene and Midland.-The hopes entertained of finishing this important link of the Railway during the past year, and thus creating into a source of revenue an outlay of unproductive capital account, that has exceeded \$800,000, have not yet been realized. The arrangements, however, that have been made with the bondholders, to which reference s made later in the Report, allow the expectation to be formed that this essential tributary to the line will see its completion in the coming summer. A further effort will be necessary to finish the work between Waubashene and Midland, to avoid the expenditure in the construction of piers at Waubashene for receiving lumber from the adjoining mills in the Bay, to which the Railway will lead direct when extended to Mid-land, and a repetition of a heavy outlay for temporary use, similar to the one at Beaverton, to which allusion is made in the Chief Engineer's Report, would thereby be avoided.

Government aid for Extension .- During the last session of Parliament the Ontario Government have subsidized this Company to the extent of \$2,250 per mile for the extension from Orillia. The Directors feel a disappointment in the smallness of this amount, and more especially as a railway passing through a similar country, and starting from the same point-Orillia-viz: the stated in the Report of last year, and this item Northern, has and is receiving, a subsidy of

\$4,000, and they entertain the hope that such due and just representations which they purpose to make to the Government will induce a more equitable allowance for works which this Company is prosecuting, and which are of no less importance than those of the railway mentioned. Change of Guage.-The change of guage of this Railway from 5 ft. 6 in. to 4 ft. 8 in.—the standard now being generally adopted in this. Country was successfully standard now being generally adopted in this. country — was successfully ac-complished in the month of June last. The expectations that have been entertained in having our system harmonized with that of the Grand Trunk, have been to a great extent realized, and the benefits from it will be still more apparent when the line is completed to its terminus on Georgian Bay, and the Company may fairly venture upon seeking a through traffic from the west through the northern lakes in connection with the Grand Trunk. The detailed statements issued by the Directors in September are hereby added to the report, shewing all items of cost and expenditure connected with the alteration of the guage, the cost of which has fallen below the estimates originally made.

Whilst the Directors, as shadowed forth in their Report of last year, expected to meet the outlay on capital account expended on the extension and change of guage, by the sale of the remaining Second Mortgage Bonds, they regret to state that in this they were disapointed. Under these circumstances the President was called to England late in the fall to make such financial arrangements as became necessary in view of the interest maturing on the bonds of the Company, and to find the means of completing the system of this Railway It having been found impossible to place any new loan on the market, owing to the incompletion of the line and the general distrust to railway debentures in England, an agreement was arrived at with the bondholders by which they deferred the payment of interest for three and four years, respectively. The details of this arrangement are about being carried out, and the Directors feel confident that with the facilities afforded them, they will be enabled to complete the line to Wabaushene the coming summer, and make such further provision towards the final works to Midland as may enable them to reach that point early the following spring.

In conclusion, the Directors beg to state that they had much pleasure in the visit made by F. Murton, Esq. M. I. C. E., who was sent out by the Bondholders to make thorough examination of the Railway, and whose very able and exhaustive Report was duly published, and they believe that the knowledge obtained through Mr. Murton, and the visit of the President to Europe in connection with the arrangements entered into, will greately conduce to a better appreciation of the position of this Railway, its future prospects, and the value of securities.

All of which is respectfully submitted. (Signed)

A. HUGEL,

President.

At a subsequent meeting of the Board Mr. A. Hugel was re-elected President and Managing Director.

#### THE VICTORIA RAILWAY.

The annual general meeting of the Victoria Railway Company was held on Monday the 8th of Feburary, at the Company's office in this city. The old Board of Directors was unanimously re-elected, with Mr. George Laidlaw as President. The annual report adopted states that the work has been steadily prosecuted since the turning of the first sod on the 5th of August last by a force varying from 250 to 500 men. It recommends the employment of some person on behalf

of the government to locate the emigrants employed in the work and look after their interests. Under judicious management the money received in payment for labor would enable new settlers to get a fair start on their holdings, so that by the time the works were completed they could live independently and have profitable employment on their own propreties in cutting and shipping the products of the forest to market by rail. The directors believe that there is no other way of getting the land rapidly and permanently occupied than that they have endeavored to inaugurate of enabling the settlers to earn money from their employment on public works to maintain themselves until they can bring their land under cultivation. They consider it possible to direct a large volume of Scandinavian emigration hither under proper auspices, besides encourag-ing young Canadians to take up homesteads along the line of railway. In view of the contracts called for, and the subsidies authorized for the extension of the Pacific Railway from the mouth of the French River to meet the Montreal system of Railways at Ottawa, all concerned in the furture prosperity of the midland district to be intersected by the Victoria Railway look with anxiety for the policy to be adopted by the Dominion and Local Governments with regard to the connections to be established with that section of the Pacific Railway.

The report of Mr. James Ross, Chief Engineer, was also submitted, from which it appeared that the survey of the line was commenced on the 16th April, 1874, and the construction in the middle of August following, and that rapid progress had been made in the work of construction. Nineteen miles, being the heaviest part of the work between Lindsay and Kinmount, is completed ready for the rails. The clearing and grubbing is finished with the exception of about half a mile. The piles for the bridge over McLaren's Creek, which will be 3500 feet in length, are driven and capped. At Fenelon River cribs have been sunk and filled. Timber Timber for the approaches to Burnt River bridge will be framed and piles driven in about a month's time. At Kinmount several large stone culverts have been built, and other work in connection with bridging accomplished. A contract has been made for timber to finish the structures, to be on hand at the opening of navigation. The fencing has been let by contract, and a great many of the rails delivered. Contracts have been made for the delivery and distribution of 22,000 ties between Lindsay and Fenelon Falls, and for 18,000 ties between Fenelon Falls and Kinmount. Between Kinmount and Haliburton the location. of the line is nearly finished. Owing to the amount of granite on this portion of the road, it will be found difficult to construct.

#### ANCHOR MARINE INSURANCE CO.

The first ordinary general meeting of the Shareholders was held at the office of the Company, Toronto, on Monday, Feb. 27, 1875.

The following is the Annual Report : GENTLEMEN :

Your Directors have much pleasure in submitting for your consideration the statement of general revenue account of the business of the Company up to Dec. 31, 1874.

The Company was organized and commenced business on the first of April last, and the statement submitted, therefore, covers a period of only nine months.

The premiums received amount to \$55,233.68, and after deducting re-insurance and canceled policies, the net sum is \$47.394.03, out of which \$6,734.77 has been paid for losses, and an appropriation of \$4,500 for losses unadjusted, leaving a balance on insurance account of \$36,159.26.

The interest realized since the Company was organized amounts to \$1,747.94. The Directors have felt justified in declaring a dividend of 10 per cent., leaving the sum of \$22,146.63 to be carried forward.

The business of the above period has been of a most satisfactory character, and your Directors feel confident that the statement submitted will meet with your approval, and give confidence in the future success of the Company.

In accordance with the Act of Incorporation all the Directors retire, but are eligible for reelection.

General Revenue Account for the year endings 31st Dec. 1874. RECEIPTS. To premium inland cargo.....\$28,688 84

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(Signed) ERNEST G. FULFORD, (Signed) GEO. J. MAULSON. Multions. W. P. HOWLAND, C. B. President. HUGH SCOTT, Managing Director.

Toronto, Feb. 22, 1875.

#### Commercial.

#### MONTREAL MARKET.

From our own Reporter.

Montreal, Feb. 23rd, 1875.

The state of the roads in country districts has almost entirely put a stop to business, and as a natural consequence all branches of the wholesale trade in the city are at a standstill, and any business doing was quite of a jobbing character. The tightness in the money market has also helped to restrict business, and a considerable advance in the rate of discount is looked for. In the stock market, prices of all securities have fallen considerably in value.

Since Friday night we have had much milder weather. Saturday it snowed all day, and on Sunday we had a very high wind drifting the snow and blocking up roads and railways very badly.

Our quotations this week do not show much change, and in the absence of business are to some extent nominal.

Ashes.—Pots—The amount of business done this week has been within smaller compass, and receipts have been lighter; prices have generally had a downward tendency, in the early part of the week Firsts were placed at \$5.85 to 5.95. Seconds \$5.00, and Thirds \$4.00. Pearls —There has been very few transations in this description of ash, and sales reported of Firsts were at \$6.75 to 6.80; inferiors are nominal. The stocks at present in the inspection stores are Pots 927 brls., Pearls 1107 brls. BOOTS AND SHOES.—No change in prices, the

BOOTS AND SHOES.—No change in prices, the bulk of the Western orders are now filled. We understand that quite a number of houses in the trade are dismissing a portion of their workmen. The business of the season will fall considerably short of the usual amount done. Mens stoga boots \$2.25 to 2.75; do Kip do \$2.75 to 3.25; do French calf \$3.50 to 3.75; Boys stoga boots \$1.75 to 2.00; do Kip do \$2.00 to 2.25; Youths stoga \$1.40c to \$1.-60; Youths Kip do \$1.50c to \$1.60; Womens split boots goc to \$1.10; do Buff do \$1.15 to 1.40; do pebbled grainbals. \$1.20 to 1.50; Misses heavy split boots 75 togue; do Buff do goe to 1.25; do pebbled grain bals \$1.00 to 1.25; Childs pebbled grain bals. 75 to goc; do. heavy buff

boots 65 to 75c. CATTLE.—Only about five car-loads of cattle were in the market yesterday, which were very quickly bought up, none of them were first-class, weight. Sheep one car load was in the market for which \$5.50 per 100 lbs. live weight was asked without being sold : Dressed Hogs are in fair supply and we have to report an advance on

late quotations, sales at \$8.50 per 100 lbs. DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—We have only to report a continuance of the dullness which has characterized this market since the beginning of the year, and quotations are without any material change, stocks are small. Bi Carb some small sales continue to take place at \$5.00 to 5.25; Sal Soda is moving also in a small way at from \$1.80 to 2.00; Soda ash is a shade easier, no sales over \$2.121; Caustic Soda could be had for \$3.75, but no sales are taking place; Bleaching powder is nominal at 3c; Alum dull at 21 to 21; Saltpetre is a little firmer at 81 to 81c.

DRY GOODS .- Most of the wholesale houses are still busy opening up spring goods. There is a general complaint from travellers of the difficulty of effecting sales in the country, but as soon as the roads are in a little better condition, more demand is looked for. The opening of the spring trade is later this season than usual. A few buyers have been in town for spring goods, but no activity is looked for before the 1st March. Clothing has been dull, but as the weather improves, a good spring trade is looked for. Remittances are rather under the mark at present.

FURS .- There is no new feature to report in this market, and our quotations continue nominal and unchanged Beaver, \$1.50 to 1.75; Black Bear \$6.00 to 10.00, according size ; Fisher, \$5.00 to 7.00 Silver Fox \$25.00 to 50.00; Cross Fox; \$2.00 to 5.00; Red Fox \$1.25 Solo, Closs Pox,  $\phi$  2.00 to 5.00; Red Fox  $\phi$  1.25 to 1.50; Lynx \$1.50 to 1.75; Dark Labrador Martin \$7 to 8; Pale Martin \$1.25 to 1.75; Prime Dark Mink \$2.50; Dark Mink, 2nd, \$1.50 to 2.00; Fine Dark Otter \$8 to 10; Fall Muskrat 12 to 15c; Winter do 17 to 20c; Spring do 22 to 27c; Racoon 25 to 50c; Skunk

20 to 30c. FISH.—Stocks are now pretty well run down; Dry Cod is scarce and in demand at \$4.73 to \$5. Green Cod drafts have also been in request and sales have taken place at \$10 to \$11. Labrador Herrings have ruled firmer owing to the light-ness of the stock held here sales have been made at \$5.50c to \$6.50 per brl. Salmon is firmer at F15 and \$14 for No 1 & 2 respectively in brls. FUEL.—Wood dealers have taised the price

of Cordwood a dollar a cord all around on the ground of the Stocks getting low, but to all appearance there is plenty for all wants till the opening of navigation when new stocks will be gin to come in.

FLOUR.-Receipts this week have been very light amounting in all to 2100 brls; Total receipts from 1st January to date 48.302 brls. being a decrease of 14.398 brls. on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1874. This market has ruled dull and inactive all week, demands being almost entirely for the supply of local wants, one lot 500 bris. of Choice Baker Flour changed hands at \$4.50 for May delivery prices have shown very little material change since this day week, but were if anything a little stronger at the close of the market, but with few transactions Hematite \$41.50 to 42.00. Bars per 100 lbs.,

transpiring. We quote: Superior Extra \$4.85 \$4.50 to 4.60; Spring Extra \$4.65 to 4.75; Fancy \$4.50 to 4.60; Spring Extra \$4.25 to 4.35; Super-fine \$4.00 to 4.10; Strong Baker's Flour \$4.50 to 4.80; Fine \$3.70 to 3.80; Middlings \$3.40 to 3.60; Pollards \$3.00 to 3.25; U.C. bag flour \$2.10; Oatmeal is quiet at \$5.20 to 5.50; Cornmeal \$4.00.

GRAIN.--Meal.-Receipts for the past week 2000 bushels; Total receipts from 1st January to date 22.901 bushels, being a decrease of 47.586 bushels on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1874. This grain continues neglected and quotations are quite nominal in the absence of transactions. Maize the market is very quiet a few small sales at 80c; *Peas* quiet at 94c per 66 lbs. *Oats* there has been an active demand at 42c to 44c for local wants; Barley market con-tinues easier with sales at 821c to 871c; Pot Barley unchanged.

GROCERIES.-The state of the New York market in consequence of the uncertainty as to the Duty question, has reacted here, and quite unsettled the market, and it is almost impossible to effect sales, except for what is required for the supply of immediate wants. We do not in the meantime change quotations, but note them as nominal; but holders are not willing to make concessions. Sugar.-For raw sugar there is as yet no demand, some Cuba was offered at 8 to 81c without leading to business; Local refined has been in moderate demand. and quotations lead downward, we now quote Grocers A gc; Confectioners A g1c; Ground g1c; extra Ground Ioc; Yellow 81 to 82; c; Scotch refined has been less asked for, holders are however firm asking 8 to 83c; American Dry crushed bring 10c, but there is very little demand. Molasses .- Stocks are very small and high prices demanded keep back buyers; prices of last week continue to rule, but to effect any considerable sales, holders would require to meet buyers. Syrups are scarce and in demand at unchanged rates: Standard 50 to 60c; Golden 52 to 6oc; Amber 70 to 701c. Riceprices continue steady at \$4.25 to 4.50, but the demand this week has been very small. Spices there is not much doing, and although our quotations are for the present unchanged, it is probable that easier prices will prevail, as the Eastern markets show a downward tendency for many articles in this line. We quote Black Pepper 17 to 17½c; Nutmegs 95c to \$1.10; Cloves 47½ to 52c. Fruit.—There has been very little demand for Layer raisins, very few of which are in the market, holders asking \$2.90 to 3.00; valencias are in rather better demand, and a moderate business has been done at  $8\frac{3}{4}$  to  $9\frac{1}{2}$ c; currants are steady at  $5\frac{3}{4}$  to 6c; Filberts are firm at  $10\frac{1}{2}$ c to  $10\frac{1}{3}$ c, but there is no demand at the moment; Wal nuts 8½ to 9½c; Figs 15½ to 16c; Tarragona Almonds 15c at which some sales took place early in the week.

HIDESAND SKINS .- There is very little demand just now, prices in the meantime are unchanged, but a decline is confidently looked for after the 1st of March. We continue to quote No. 1 Hides \$8 to 8.25; No. 2 ditto, \$7 to 7.25; No. 3 ditto, \$6 to 6.35; Sheepskins, \$1.25 to 1.30; Calfskins, 12 to 15c. per pound.

HARDWARE .--- The past week has been one of the dullest of a dull season; but it is more than likely that the coming week will be the beginning of better times. Travellers begin to report more favourably as to prospects of the immediate future, though at the moment they feel as t their occupation was well nigh gone. Stocks are light in the country, and not by any means heavy here. Prices are the turn easier in some few lines. Remittances are light and renewals are plentiful. We quote Pig Iron per ton. Eglington, & Clyde \$31 to 32; Summerlee, and Calder \$34.50 to 35.00; American, \$32 to 34;

Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.65 to 2.75; best ditto, \$2.75 to 3.00, Swedes and Norway, \$5.50 to 6.50; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 7.00. Canada Plates per box-Glamorgan and Budd, \$5.50 to 5.60; Arrow, \$5.75 to 6.00; Garth, \$5.50 to 5.75; Hatton \$5.25 to 5.50. *Tin Plate* per box---Charcoal IC, \$10.50 to 10.75; ditto, IX, \$12.50 to 13.00; DC, \$9.50 to 10.00; Coke IC, \$8.50 to 9.00; 14 x 20, 25c extra. Tinned sheets Charcoal best No. 26 14c. Galvanized sheets best brands No. 28, 104c. Hoops and Bands per 100 lbs., \$3.25 to 3.50; Sheets best brands, \$3.75 to 4.00; Boiler Plates ordinary brands \$3.75 to 4.00; Best brands \$4.00 to 4.25; Russian Sheet Iron per lb. 16 to 17c; Cut Nails 2 D Lath, \$5.25; ditto, 21d to 4d shingle \$4.50; ditto, 5d to 10d, \$4.00; ditto 12d and larger \$3.75; ditto patent Chisel points 25c extra. Pressed Spikes \$5.00 to 5.50; Shot Canadian \$7 to 7.25; Lead-Pig, per 100 lbs \$6.50; do sheets, \$6.50; do Bar, \$6.50; Steel cast, per lb. 13 to 14c; Spring per 100 lbs. \$5.00 to 5.50; Sleigh Shoe \$4.50 to 4.75; Tire ditto, \$4.75 to 5. Ingot Tin, 25 to 26c; Ingot Copper, \$22.00. Horse Shoes 25 to 26c; Ingot Copper, \$22.00. Horse Shoes per 100 lbs. \$5.50 to 5.75; Proved Coil Chain, § in., \$6.50 to 6.75; Anchors 7 to 8c; Anvils 10 to 12c. Iron wire per bdl \$2.70 to 2.90; Files "kinmond" brand 20 per cent off English list.

LEATHER .- We have no change to make in quotations this week. Market continues to rule very quiet. The only enquiry seems to be for prime harness, which meets with a steady demand. We quote Hemlock Spanish sole No. 1 B. A. 25 to 26c; do No. 2 23 to 24c; Buffalo sole No. I 22 to 23c; do. No. 2 19 to 21c; Hemlock slaughter 27 to 30c; waxed upper light and medium 38 to 43c; ditto heavy 35 to 38c; grained upper 37 to 40c ; splits large 26 to 32c ; ditto small 18 to 25c; Calfskins 27 to 36 lbs, 60 to 75c; ditto 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; sheepskin linings 30 to 39c; harness 28 to 32c; buffed cow 14 to 17c per ft.; enamelled cow 18 to 19c; patent cow 19} to 20c; pebbled cow 14 to 17c; rough leather 27 to 28}. Leather Belting, warranted genuine English Oak Tanned, 20 per cent. off list, ditto, Canadian Tanned, 30 per cent. off list. LIQUORS.—Brandy—Although we have no

change to note in our quotations of last week, there has been a marked firmness in the market, and a very fair jobbing trade has been done; but an entire absence of any speculative demand. Gin-Market firm ; DeKuyper's in wood is held at \$1 71 to 1.721, our last week prices; green cases, \$4 to 4 10 ; red cases, \$7.50; Houtman's in wood, \$1.65; green cases, \$3.75; red cases, High Wines in large demand, and heavy sales have taken place at \$1.773, duty paid. Rye Whiskey-A large trade has been done at 741 D.P.

OILS .- There is little change to note in the state of the market ; little business is reported. Cod Oil is firmer; our quotation is unchanged at 621c. for A. Seal, steam refined, 671 to 721c.; market firm. Olive, \$1. Linseed, boiled, 70 to 72c<sub>2</sub>; ditto raw, 65 to 67<sub>4</sub>c. Petroleum-De-mand has rather fallen off; car loads are now placed at 28 to 29c.; single barrels and small lots, 30 to 32c.

PROVISIONS .- Butter - Receipts during the week, 1,244 kegs; shipments, 825 kegs; not much wholesale demand, one or two shipping lots having changed hands at 21c.; market has been dull, with tendency to easier prices. We quote-Store packed western, 20c. ; dairy ditto, 21C.; Brockville and Morrisburg butter, 21C.; Eastern Township butter, 22C. Cheese-There have been no receipts or shipments this week, have been no receipts of surplicities this week, and no wholesale demand; prices are nominal at 14 to  $14\frac{1}{2}c$  for fine to finest. Pork—This market has been firm, but not much wholesale demand at present exists. Sales of inspected mess at \$21.50 to 22; and thin mess at \$20.00 to 20.50; Lard quiet at 141 to 15c in tubs; Tallow, in brls., &c per lb. ; ditto, in the rough, 5łc.

SALT .--- There have only been a few retail sales of Coarse at 80c; Fine continues nominal at goc, and Factory filled is procurable at \$1,40 to 1.50. Wool.-There has been a little more enquiry

this week, and some small sales are reported to have taken place within our range of quotations. Pulled super 32 to 34; No. 1 Black 30 to 31c; Unassorted 32c.

#### TORONTO MARKET.

#### TORONTO, February, 25, 1875.

The duliness in all branches of trade noticed in our last still continues prevalent. The partial disappearance of the snow blockade has modified one of its causes, but another has come into force in the tightness of the money market which threatens to prove more serious. In face of this difficulty none care either to buy or sell any more than can be done with a perfect assurance of safety. Produce has been quiet and stocks in some cases decreasing, but prices steady save in the case of barley. Provisions also are quiet, and the movement in groceries is small. Manufactured and imported goods exceedingly quiet with holders decidedly disinclined to press sales.

BOOTS AND SHOES .- There are very few buy. ers in the market, and the movement in spring goods has, thus far, been very small. Some orders are coming in from travellers, but they are below those of proceeding seasons.

CATTLE.—Beeves—There has been a slight increase in receipts since our last, but the supply is still insufficient. Prices are firm and all offering find ready sale at \$5.00 to 5.25 for first-class; \$4.00 to 4.50 for second-class, and \$3.00 to 3.50 for third-class. Should supplies **33.00 to 3.50 for third-class.** Should supplies increase, however, it is probable that these prices can be maintained. *Sheep.*—The former scarcity remains unabated; an active demand at firm prices fails to draw forth supplies. Prices are firm at \$6.50 to 7.50 for first-class; \$5.00 to 3.50 for second-class, and \$3.50 to 4.00 for third-class. Lambs-The state of supply and demand was much the same as in the case of sheep, until the last couple of days when a few came into the market. First-class are much wanted, and any dressing not less than 50 lbs., would now command \$5.50 to 6.50; secondclass are worth \$4.00 to 5.00, and third-class in the present scarcity would sell at \$3.50. Calves -Remain very steady with an increasing de-mand at firm prices. First-class dressing not less than 120 lbs., are firm at \$10. to 12., and second-class dressing from 80 to 110 lbs. at \$6. to 8. Third-class are not wanted.

DRUGS.—Trade continues quiet in conse-quence of bad roads. Quinine, to arrive is offered at 8 to 10c below our quotations, but is scarce on the spot. Balsam, camphor, ergot, oil of peppermint and citric acid are tending upwards. Mercurials are thought to have reached the top and a fall is expected. FLOURAND MEAL.—Flour.—Stocks in store on

the 22nd inst, 13,594 brls., against 30,771 the corresponding date of last year. The movement has been very small all through the week partly on account of scarcity and partly on account of a limited demand. Prices have shown but little change Superior extra has been quiet and neglected all week Extra sold last week at \$4.40 f.o.b. and is still held at the same figure. Fancy has been quiet, a lot sold yesterday at \$4.20 f.o.b. Spring extra changed hands last week and on Monday at \$3.95 f.o.b. Superfine has been nominal. The market yesterday closed very quiet; the only sale reported was that of the above lot of fancy; Spring extra could have been above lot of lancy; spring extra could nave been bought in some cases at \$3.95c. OATMEAL... Prices have remained firm; there was a car-lot sold last week at \$5.10 on the track and this price would probably be repeated. Small lots are unchanged at \$5.25 to \$5.50. Bran...Has

been exceedingly scarce and in active demand at about \$18.00 per cars on the track. GRAIN.- Stocks in store on the 22nd inst.

432,814 bush.; oats 11,400 bush; barley, 78,432; peas, 80,667 bush.; rye, 500 bush.; corn, 8,726 bush.; against 641,978 bush. of wheat; 7,122 bush. of oats ; 20,097 bush. barley ; 78,437 bush. of peas ; nil bush. of rye, and 8,600 bush. of corn on the corresponding date of last year. Wheat.—A fairly steady demand at firm prices has prevailed all week. The movement in fall has been very limited; a car of No. 2 sold on Monday at 94c in store, and seven cars of No. 3 changed hands on Tuesday at 88c in store. Spring has been more active. One round lot sold on Friday at 88c in store, and another on Monday at somewhere about 89c; some cars sold on Tuesday at 88c on the track, and 8oc in store. The market yesterday was quiet and rather easy. No. 2 fall could have been sold at 94c, and No. spring at 88c in store. On the street fall sold at 98c; treadwell at 94c, and spring at 89c. Oats.—Have been very scarce and in active demand, but even an advance in prices has failed to bring them forward. Several cars to arrive sold last week at 46c. Since then none have been offered; could they have been got yesterday 46 to 47c would have been paid. Street prices stood at 48 to 50c. Barley.-The market has become demoralized, and prices have declined at least fifteen cents since our last. A lot of 2000 bushels of No. 7 inspected sold last week at \$1.40 f.o.b.; but on Monday the best price for car lots of No. 2 was goc delivered, and on the track, at which figures sales were made. Since then no buyers could be found, so our quotations must be regarded as nominal. On the street prices have declined to goc. Peas .-There has been some movement during the week, but on strictly p. t. It is certain, however, that No. 1 must have brought 75c, and No. 2 sold at 73c in store, as these prices were freely offered all week, and yesterday it seemed probable that 76c would have been paid. Street prices 75 to 76c. Rye.-Sells at 70c on the street, but with very little offering even there.

GROCERIES .--- Coffee has been quiet and unchanged all week; small lots have been sold at 30 to 31c for. Java, and 25<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c. for a trade lot of Porto Rico. Fish—Herrings seem to be very weak; a lot of Labradors sold on p. t.; but we believe that they can be had at \$6; small lots bring \$6.25 to 6.50. Cod is nnchanged; trout is firmer at \$4.12 to 4.25; of whitefish there is none. Fruit-Layers are unchanged ; a lot of 200 boxes sold at \$2.75. Valencias seem to be unsettled, but sales of round lots were made at 81 and gc, and of lots of 25 and 50 boxes at 91c. Sultanas are very scarce and no movement reported. Currants are quiet ; lots are held at 6 to 61c. Nuts are unchanged at 151 to 16c. for almonds; 91c. for Brazil nuts, and 81c. for walnuts. Liquors-Brandies are rather easier and some sorts are quoted at a decline of 25c. Whiskey is unchanged. *Rice remains nominally* unchanged at \$4.40 to 4.60. Syrups-Are rather firmer; sales have been made of golden at equal to 52c. here, and of amber at 70c. Sugar-Prices are rather firmer than at our last. Sales have been made of New York refined at 81c.; of English refined at 8<sup>ª</sup><sub>4</sub>c. ; of Montreal refined at 8<sup>4</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c., and of Demerara at 8<sup>4</sup>/<sub>3</sub> to 9c. Dry crushed and ground also are firmer; a mixed lot sold at Ioc. Tea-Has been very quiet all week; stocks are light, and the demand has fallen off, save for low-grade Young Hysons, which are not to be had. One line of Ping-Suey, a good third, sold at 37c.; one line of Japan changed hands at 40c, and another at 41c. Black are equally quiet with greens; the only sale reported is that of a lot of good medinm

There has been no change in prices, nor is there anything to note in the situation beyond a scarcity and firmness in glass. In England pig HIDES AND SKINS.—Hides.—Green are un-

changed at last week's decline, and sell at 7c for No. 1 and 6c for No. 2. Cured are still very slow of sale: a car of No. 1 changed hands at 7<sup>2</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c, but this is not likely to be repeated as holders usually stand out for 8c. Calfshins remain nominally unchanged. Sheepskins prices have declined 15 to 20c. Green usually sell at \$1.50 to 1,60, with something more for very choice.

Hops.—The market remains inactive with brewers buying only sufficient for immediate wants, and paying about 40c for small lots. New York is reported as dull, and prices 2c lower than last week. Stocks in the States are estimated at 23,000 bales.

LEATHER.-The dullness of last week has remained almost unabated. Spanish sole seems to be almost the only article for which anything of a demand is heard; a lot of 200 sides sold at 26<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c. Slaughter is dull, unless light weights which are wanted. Harness is enquired for in some quarters, but is generally quiet; prices of all sorts are unchanged. Cod oil is very steady.

PETROLEUM .--- No change has been reported since our last. A fair trade is being done at 26 to 27c for small lots. Cars sell for 24c at London and 251c here.

PROVISIONS .- Butter .- Continues to be very dull with prices very weak. There was a lot of 200 packages of good shipping quality sold at 19c, which may be regarded as the top price for this grade For choice dairy suited to the local market 23 to 24c would be paid. Box butter ranges from 18 to 22c according to quality. English markets are again reported weaker. Cheese.—Remains quiet and unchanged with small lots selling at 14 to 14<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>c. Eggs.—Are still scarce and in active demand at a further advance of two to three cents, lots are worth 23 to 24c. Pork .-- There have been sales of one large lot at \$20.50, and of small lots at \$21.50, but cars are now offered at \$20.00. Bacon .-Some round lots have changed hands on strictly p. t.; small lots are unaltered at 10 to 101c for Cumberland; long-clean can be had at IIC. Hams.-Are in fair demand in small lots at steady prices, one lot of 100 smoked sold at 13c; pickled are unchanged. Lard.—The market is quiet, the only movement being in small lots which sell at 14 to 14th for tierces, and 14th to 14% for tennets. Hogs .- Have been rather quiet, a good many of those snowed-up have come forward, but are slow of sale; values pro-bably range from \$7 to 8. Dried Apples.—Are selling fairly this week at from 8 to 8 fc.

SALT .- The movement is small and prices are unchanged. Liverpool course sells at \$1.40 to 1.50, and fine at \$1.60 to 1.70 for small lots. Car-lots of Goderich can be had at \$1.00, and small lots at \$1.10 to 1.20.

WOOL .- The market has been quiet and prices rather easier. There was one lot of 3000 lbs. of super sold at equal to 301c here, and another of super sold at equal to 54 note, and There was also a mixed lot sold at 33c for broken. fleece ; 32c for tub-washed and 24c for unwashed.

#### Insurance.

FIRE RECORD.-Invermay, February 20.-The barns and stables of Wm. Simmons, of Arran, were totally destroyed by fire. About four hun-dred bushels of grain, all the hay and straw, with eleven head of cattle, and a quantity of farm

implements were consumed. Small insurance. Clarksville, February 20.—A fire broke out in the outbuildings of Mr. B. Stephens, two barns, the stable, the granary, with several hundred bushels of grain, and a threshing machine were destroyed.

Hamilton.-The Ontario Brewery owned by Leopold Bauer, was totally destoyed by fire. Was insured in the Canadian Mutual Insurance Company for \$2,000, and in the Canada Farmer for \$2,000.

Fergus, February 17.—Watson's Steam Tan-nery was destroyed by fire. Loss from \$10,000 to \$12,000, which is pretty well covered by in surance.

Warsaw, Ont., February 11.-Mr. Thomas G. Choate's saw mill was consumed by fire. The loss is about \$4,000, and we learn there was an insurance of \$,1000.

Quebec, February 19.—A fire broke-out in the Wholesale Warehouse of T. Ledroit, the building and contents were destroyed, the following are the insurances: On the building, \$4,000 in the Quebec; on the contents: In the Royal \$10,000; Quebec, \$12,000. There is also an insurance of \$12,000 in the Liverpool, London and Globe on a quantity of axes stored by Messrs. Boivin & Co.

Windsor, Feb. 22.—A fire broke out in the shop of Mr. S. Wilson, and it was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at about \$9,000.

Port Stanley, Feb. 22.-A fire destroyed Thos. Robinson's drug-store and its contents. The stock was insured for \$500. The insurance on the building is unknown.

Napanee, Feb. 22.—The steam flour mill owned by Mr. Wm. Ross, caught fire by friction of the machinery, which was quickly put out. The mill contained about 6,000 or 7,000 bushels of wheat, which were considerably damaged by water and removal. The loss is covered by insurance.

Ingersoll, Feb. 6. - The frame dwelling, workshop and wood-shed, with contents, belonging to Mr. Archibald Park, was destroyed by fire. Loss about \$2,000; insured in the Middlesex Mutual for \$1,000.

Woodville, Feb. 24.—A fire was discovered in Morgan's boot and shoe store, which consumed the building with contents. A book and stationery shop in course of erection for Wm. Chandler, Brignall & Jackson's carriage and blacksmith's shop, and a stable and wood-shed belonging to D. Jackson, were also totally con-sumed. Morgan's loss will be heavy, as he had a large stock and was only insured for \$400. All his books and papers were also burnt. There was no insurance on the other buildings destroyed.

St. John, Feb. 18 .--- The house on King street East, owned by the Chubb estate, and occupied by Mrs. Diggs, George Williams, and Daniel Fowler, took fire, and nearly consumed. No Insurance.

Montreal, Feb. 23.—Early this morning a fire which assumed considerable proportions before it was extinguished, took place in the storage shed of McCrary & McGoldrick, between William and Coleborne streets, which quickly spread to the cork factory of Mr. John Auld, the tin stamping works of Mr. Whitehouse and McGill's soap factory. The damage done has not yet been fully valued. McCrary & McGoldrick's stock is insured in the Royal Canadian for \$500 and the buildings for \$1,500. Mr. Auld is insured in the British America \$5,000 and in the Citizens \$2,000; damage to the buildings about \$1,500, insured in the Western for \$1,000. Origin of the fire unknown but sus-pected to be incendiary.

#### IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA.

The general meeting of the stockholders of the institution was held on Thursday 25th Feb. at the Mechanics' Institute, when the following

shareholders were present. R. K. Burgess, Peter Bacher, Dr. Barrick, E. Bendelari, Henry Blong, John Burns, Wm. Brown, Robt. Carrie, John Crickmore, Wm.

Croft, Chas. Carnegie, E. C. Chadwick, of In-gersoll, D. Davidson, Thos. Davies, S. W. Far-rell, John Fisken, H. J. Furlong, V. E. Fuller, Wm. Foster, of Brampton, John Gardiner, Jas. Graham, D. Galbraith, Patrick Hughes, John Herbert, John Herron, Wm. Hope, R. H. Temple, H. S. Howland, Peleg Howland, Hon. W P. Howland, W. H. Howland, Neil John W, P. Howland, W. H. Howland, Neil John-son, Clarkson Jones, F. W. Kingston, J. Lamond Smith, Robert McPhail, J. H. Mead, Jno. McBean, John Morison, Richard Miller, Q.C., and Thomas R. Merritt, of St. Catha-rines, Edward Nanton, H. Pellatt, E. B. Osler, Wm. Ramsay, John Smith, Wm. Stanley, Robt. Cochran, Robt. Stewart, Dr. Thorburn, Robt. Thompson, Wm. Warwick, T. R. Wadsworth, of Weston, etc., etc.

Moved by Peter Bacher, Esq., seconded by John McBean, Esq., that H. S. Howland, Esq., do take the chair.

Moved by John Smith, seconded by James Graham, Esq., that D. R. Wilkie, Esq., be requested to act as Secretary.

The Chairman then requested the Secretary to read the advertisement calling the meeting, and also the by-laws of the Bank.

Moved by John Fisken, Esq, seconded by J. H. Mead, Esq., that the by-laws now read be adopted.

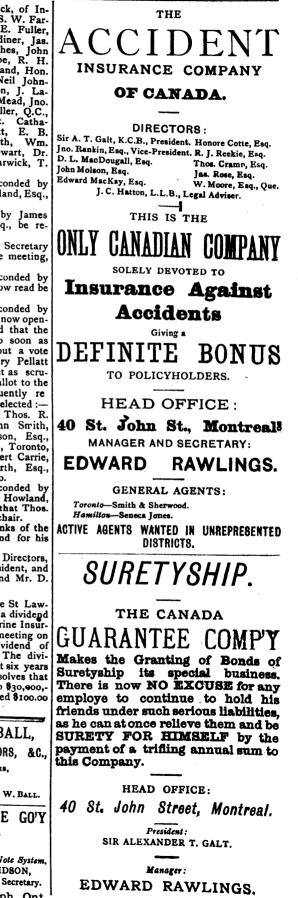
Moved by T. R. Merritt, Esq., seconded by G. D. Boulton, Esq., that the poll be now opened for the election of Directors and that the same be closed at three o'clock, or so soon as five minutes shall have elapsed without a vote having been tendered and that Henry Pellatt and Robt. Cochran be requested to act as scrutineers and report the result of the ballot to the Chairman. The scrutineers subsequently re Henry S. Howland, Esq., Toronto, Thos. R. Merritt, Esq., St. Catharines, John Smith, Esq., Toronto, Hon. James R. Benson, Esq., St. Catharines, Patrick Hughes, Esq., Toronto, Wm. Ramsay, Esq., Toronto, Robert Carrie, Esq., Toronto, Thos. R. Wadsworth, Esq., Weston, John Fisken, Esq., Toronto. Moved by D. Galbraith, Esq., seconded by William Croft, Esq., that Henry S. Howland, Esq., do now leave the chair, and that Thos. R. Merritt, Esq., do now take the chair. It was then moved that the thanks of the meeting be tendered to Mr. Howland for his able conduct in the chair.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. H. S. Howland was elected President, and Mr. T. R. Merritt Vice-President, and Mr. D. R. Wilkie, Cashier.

-The Pictou "Standard " says the St Lawrence Marine Insurance has declared a dividend of \$100 per share. The Home Marine Insurance Association held their annual meeting on the 19th inst., and declared a dividend of \$7,500 00, being \$150.00 per share. The dividends from this office during the past six years amount to \$42.500. The meeting resolves that until the reserve cash fund amounts to \$30,900,-000, the annual dividend shall not exced \$100.00 per share.



F. W. STONE, CHAS. DAVIDSON, President. Head Office, Guelph, Ont, -



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Canada, Province of Ontario ] In the County Court of County of York. } the County of York. n the matter of George Barker, of the City of Toronto, Merchant, and Manufacturer, an Insolvent. On Monday the twenty-second day of March next, at a o'clock noon, the undersigned will apply to the Judge f the said Court, for a discharge under the said Act.	ending		D. Govt. de- posits pay'ble P after notice dej or on a fixed day.	250,000 00	539,888 89		152,594 no		2,073,333 33		8	51,130 14	0000 20	888	30,000 00	150,000 00	193.888 90	173,200 00		5,619,896 43 1,						
GEORGE BARKER. Dated at Toronto, this 15th day of February, A.D. 1875 INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.	the Month		Dom. Govt. deposits pay- able on Demand.	9,332 22	32	4,260 87	314,0 <b>9</b> 4 c0	30,500 00	2,166,788 of	334	5	15,000 00 25,324 77	8 2	5 10 1	3,256 16		~ m	94,798 87	<b>.</b> :	3,66 ,751 33	59,313 36			22,143 28		42,537 17 42,537 17 13,087 82
In the matter of Samuel H. Lavallee (late La- ellee & Fox,) an Insolvent. The Insolvent has made an assignment of his estate to ne, and the Creditors are notified to meet at my Office, No. 3 Wellington Street East, Toronto, on the 1st day f March, next, at one o'clock p.m. to receive state-	Charter for t		Notes in do	1,023,768	2,206,311			191,910			787,473	203,290	103. 16	286,274	345,931	3,986,178	151,040	751,253	204,194	23,893,625	117,558	166,587	273,042	260,177		109,858
aents of his affairs, and to appoint an Assignee. JAS. WATSON, Interim Assignee. Toronto, February 23, A. D. 1875.	under Ch	AL.	Capital Paid Up.	1,746,050	6,000,000 070,250	361,466	1,976,674	427,930	11,960,500	4,866,666 1,600,000	1,978,660	646,910 181,730	162,470	1,479,177	980,210	8,089,866	450,510 695,050	2,498,460	653,960	59,139,035	271,270	295.545	600,000	400,000		476,960
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I, the undersigned William Thomas Mason, of Toronto, ave been appointed Assignee in this matter. Creditors the have not already done so) are requested to file their aims before me, within one month. W. T. MASON, Assignee.	S	•			6,000,000 1,000,000		2,000,000			,800,000 600,000	000,000		500,000	500,000	1,000,000			000,000		<b>66,866,666</b> 63	300,000		·	I,000,000 I	•	200,000
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W. T. MASON, Assigne . Dited at Toronto, this 27th day of February, A.D. 1875.	ST		ÎN.	Bank o	Can. E Domin	Niagar	Royal St. Lat	Federa Bank (	Bank	Banqu	Banqu	Banque Vil Banque de.	Banqu La Bai	City B. Easter	Erchar	Mercha	Metrop	Ouebec	Stadac	Total (	Bank o	Exchan	People	Bank of	NEW Bank of	Maritim St. Step

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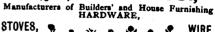
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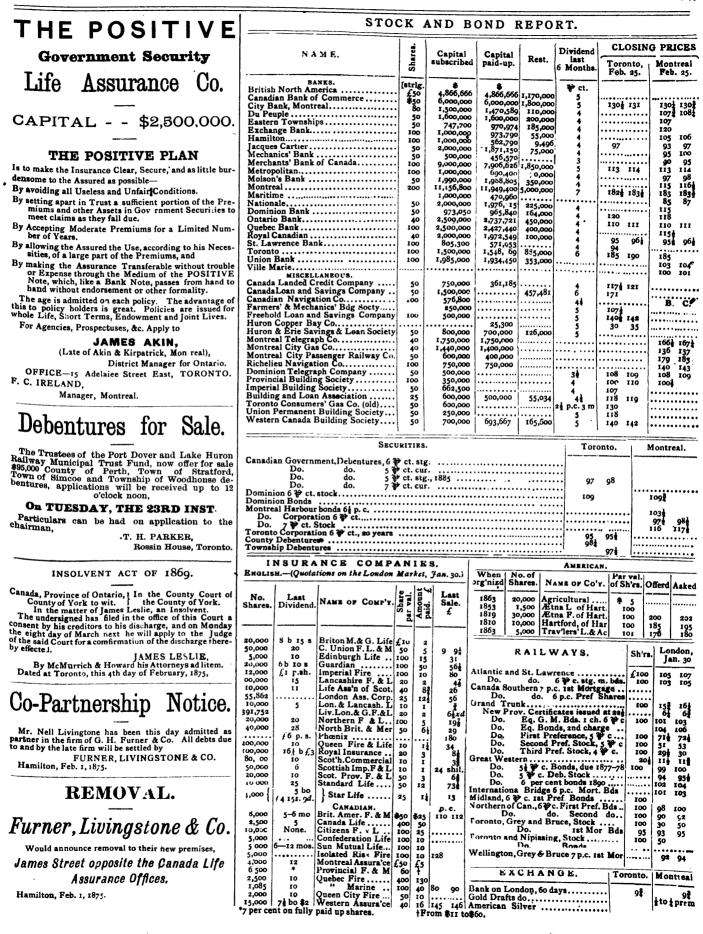




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STORAGE, WAREHOUSING	" Kip Boots	3 10 3 40	Gopper: Pig	022024 029033	Machinery & gall.	03004
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BANKRUPT STOCKS sold on Commission.	" Batts Childs' Bals	0 80 1 10 0 70 0 90	E. T. or W. assd. sizes Patent Hammered do	0 10 0 20	White Lead, dry Red Lead. Venetian Red, English. Yellow Ochre, French Whiting	0 072 0 0
ESTABLISHED 1845.	" Batts " Turned Cacks	0 65 0 80	Iron (at 6 months):		Venetian Red, English. Yellow Ochre, French.	0 02 0 0 0
·	Drugs. Aloes Cape		Bar-Amer., # 100 fb.	34 00 35 00	Petroleum	
L. COFFEE & CO.,	Alum	0 02 0 03	Other brands, No. 1 " No. 2	29 00 32 00	(Refined, # gallon.) Delivered at London, Ont	
PRODUCE COMMISSION MERCHANTS.	Castor Oil	0 14 0 15			No. 1, 5 cars Delivered in Toronto :	024 0 0
No. 30 Ohurch Street, Toronto, Ont.	Epsom Salts	0 32 0 33			" less than car.	0 26 0 4
	Indigo, Madras	0 09 0 10	Hoops-Coopers "Band Boiler Flates	3 35 3 50	Benzine Produce.	0 00 0 4
AWRENCE COFFEE. THOMAS FLYNN	Madder Opium	0 10 0 12 8 20 8 50	Hatton	5 05 '5 CO	Flowr (per brl.): f.o.c Superior extra Extra	4 75 4 4
BEAVER AND TORONTO	Oxalic Acid Potass Iodide	0 19 0 20	Swansea	5 50 5 75	Extra Fancy Spring wheat, extra No. 1 Superfine	4 35 0 0
MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.	Soda Ash	2 10 2 25	Bar @ 100 lbs	0 07 0 074	No. 1 Superfine	3 95 4 0
	Tartaric Acid	0.057.0.064	Snot	0 06 0 06	Cornmeal small lots	5 00 5 1
The ANNUAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the office, Toronto Bank Buildings, cor-	Groceries. Coffees : Java, P 10	0 30 0 31	Iron Wire (4 months): No. 6, P bundle	3 00 3 25	Fall Wheat, No r	
her of Church and Wellington Streets, on	Ceylon Rio	0 28 0 30 0 20 0 22	"9, " 12.	3 30 3 55 3 60 3 85	Treadwell	0 94 0 9
Friday, the 26th day of Feb. inst-	Fish: Herrings,Lab " Canso	625650 000000	Pomder	4 00 4 25	No 2	0 89 0 9
At 12 o'clock noon, for the reception of the report of the Board of Directors, the election of Directors in place of	" round " scaled	0 42 0 45	Blasting Canada FF "	400 000	Barley, No. 1	046 04
hose retiring by rotation, and the disposal of other usiness. The attendance of members is requested.	Mackerel, brls	9 00 10 00 0 00 0 00	Blasting, English	5 25 0 00	Peas	
By order. W. T. O'REILLY, Secretary.	Salmon, salt water	4 12 4 25 16 00 16 50	rrr "	5 00 0 00 5 25 0 00	Provisions Butter, choice, P ili	
Toronto, Feb. 5, 1875.	Dry Cod, # 112 lbs Fruit: Raisins, Layer,	2 75 2 90	Pressed Spikes(4 months): Regular sizes, 100 Extra	5 50 6 00 6 50 7 50	Cheese Ordinary	018 01
NSOLVENT ACT OF 1869, AND AMEND-	"Valentias i	0 141 0 151 0 09 0 091	Tin Plate (4 months:)	11	Bacon, Canada	20 00 21 0
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tyle and firm of E. B. Holt & Co., an insolvent. I, the undersigned James Bellingham Boustead, of the	Syrups, Standard. Golden Soice	057060 058060	TTICCO C DAINO, W ID.	18	Lard	0 00 0 0
			Green, No. 1	0 061 0 00	Beef Hams	0 18 0 0
leet at my once, No. 14 Adelaide Street East, 10ronto,	Cassia, whole, # tb Cloves	0 52 0 55	Cured and inspected Calfskins, green	0 00 C 10	Tallow rendered Salt, etc.	0 06 0 0
n Thursday, the eleventh day of March next, at two clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of examining	Ginger, ground	0 90 1 20		0 50 1 60	Liverpool coarse Goderich	140 150
the insolvent, and for the ordering of the affairs of the state generally.	Pepper, black	0 32 0 34	In lots of less than 50 sides, 10 P cent.			100 12
JAS. B. BOUSTEAD, Assignee. Dated at Toronto, this 24th day of February, 1875.	Centrifugal, in boxes	0 09 0 00 none.	higher Spanish Sole, 1st qu'lity		Wines, Liquors, ctc Ale: English, pts	1 95 2 10
	Cuba Demerara V. P.	none. 0 083 0 091		026 v j0	Brandy: Hennessy's ggl	3 00 3 2
NSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMEND. MENTS THERETO.	Redpath's refined Low A Crushed	0 083 0 091 0 083 0 91 0 093 0 10 0 085 0 095	middle, wgts. 10 Do. No. 2,	0 28 0 29	Hennes y's cases	2 60 3 00 9 50 9 75
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In the mater of James Adam of the City of Toronto, arrister and Stationer, trading under the style and firm	Ground	0 10 0 101 0 00 0 00 0	Harness, best "No. 2	0 30 0 22 11	Gin: DeKuyera (Pga)	8 00 8 50 1 85 1 90
I James Adam & Co. insolvent The Insolvent has made an Assignment of his Estate	Japan common to good .	0 40 0 50	Upper heavy "light	0 25 0 40 11	" green cases " red " Booth's Old Tom	
o me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at my office, No. 14 Adelaide Street East, in the City of Toronto.	Colored, common to fine	0 60 0 65 0 45 0 75	Kip skins, French English	0 Q0 I 00	Damaica io o.p	2 30 2 35
n Friday the Twelfth day March next, at two o'clock the afternoon, to receive Statements of his Affairs, and	Oolong, good to fine	0 30 0 80	Hemlock Calf (30 to 35 lbs.), per doz		Whisky : GOODBRHAM & WORTS'	185 200
JAS. B. BOUSTEAD, Interim Assign e.	Y. Hyson, com. to good. Medium to choice	0 45 0 58	Do. light French Calf	0 50 0 63	Terms CashUnder 5 brls., nett.; 5 to 10 brls.,	
ated at Toronto, this 24th day of February, A.D. 1875	Gunpwd com. to med	070080 035040	Splits, large, w ID.	0 28 0 35 1	21 p.c. off; 10 brls. and over, 5 p.c. off.	
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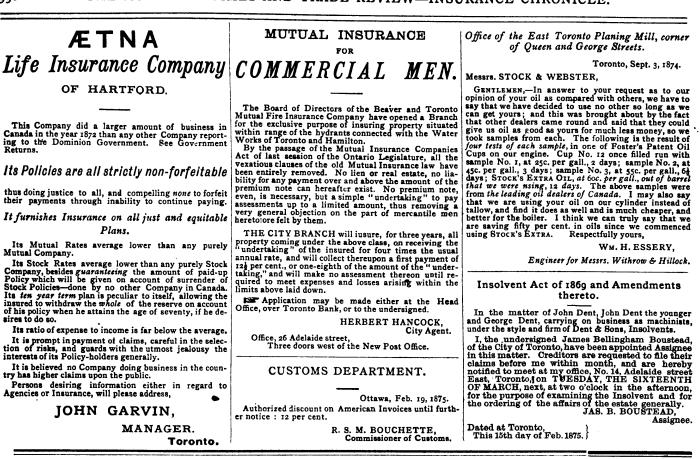
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Cash Premiums and Interest ... \$25,486 13

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Claims under Policies paid..... \$8,348 95 Claim Appropriation for Losses resisted and waiting proof 750 00 Agents' Commission, Salaries, Directors Fees, Office Rent. &c.... 6,192 73 Scrip Appropriation to Policy-holders of 1874, on deposit Royal Canadian Bank, being forty per cent ...... 10,194 45

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Premium Rec	ceipts for the	year	ending	31st	Dec.	1874	-	-	494,133
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