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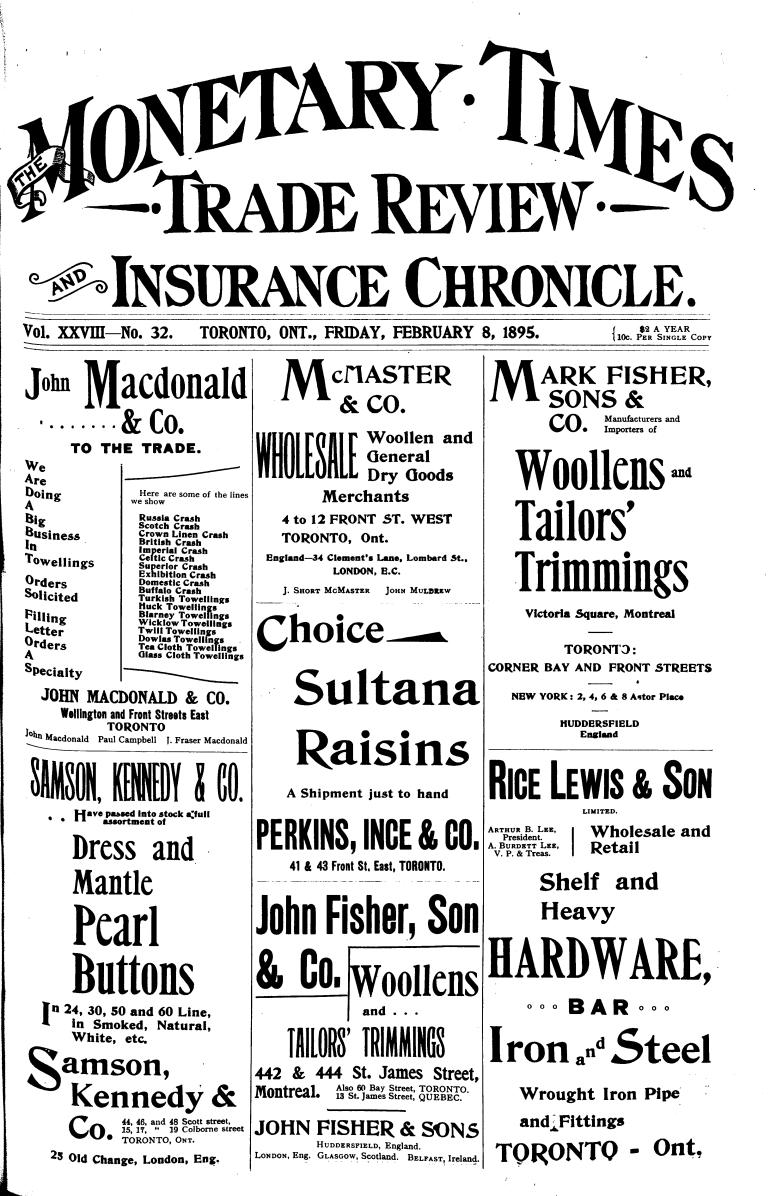
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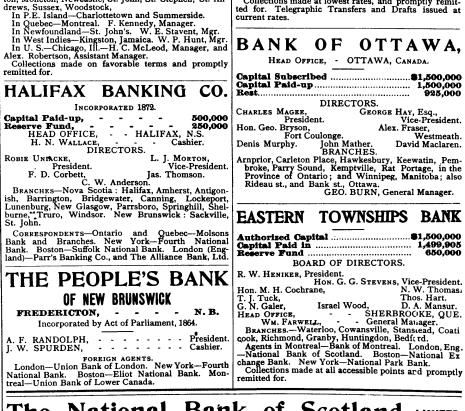
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DECISIONS IN COMMERCIAL LAW.

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BURY V. MURRAY .--- Verbal evidence is inadmissible to contradict an absolute notarial transfer, even where there is a commencement of proof, by writing not amounting to a full admission. A defendant cannot set up by way of compensation to a claim due to the plaintiff, a judgment purchased subsequent to the date of the action, against one who is not a party and for whom the plaintiff alleged to be a prete-non. In an action to recover an amount received by the defendant for the plaintiff, the defendant pleaded inter alia that the action was premature, inasmuch as he got the money irregularly from the treasurer of the Province of Quebec on a report of distribution of the prothonotary before all the contestations to the report of collocation had been decided. The Supreme Court of Canada holds, affirming the judgment of the Court of Quebec, that this defence was not open to the defendant, as it would be giving him the benefit of his own improper and illegal proceedings.

FITZGERALD V. CITY OF OTTAWA .--- When the plaintiff's land was part of a township he and his neighbors had, with the permission of the township authorities, constructed a box drain to the highway to carry surface water therefrom. After the locality had become part of the defendants' territory, this drain collapsed, and the earth covering of it acted as a dam, which penned back the water upon the plaintiff's land. The defendants' engineer then made a cut which carried away the water for a time. This, however, became filled up, and the water again came on the defendants' land. He notified the defendants, but they did not remedy the matter until after substantial injury was done. Chancellor Boyd decided that they were liable.

ALEXANDER V. WATSON.—A., a wholesale merchant, had been supplying goods to C. & Co., when, becoming doubtful of their credit, he insisted on their account being reduced to \$5,000, and on security for further credit. W. was offered as security and gave A. a guaranty in the form of a letter as follows: "I understand that you are prepared to furnish C. & Co. with stock to the extent of \$5,000 as a current account, but want a guaranty for any amount beyond that sum. In order not to impede their operations I have consented to become responsible to you for any loss you may sustain in any amount upon your current account in excess of the said sum of \$5,000, including your own credit of \$5,000, unless sanctioned by a further guaranty." A. then continued to supply C. & Co. with goods, and in an action by him on this guaranty, the Supreme Court of Canada holds, affirming the judgment of the Court of Appeal, that there could be no liability on this guaranty, unless the indebtedness of C. & Co. to A. should exceed the sum of \$5,000; and at the time of action brought such indebtedness having been reduced by payments from C. & Co., and dividends from their insolvent estate to less than such sum, A. had no cause of action.

OELRICHS V. TRENT VALLEY WOOLEN MANUFACTURING CO .--- C. & Co., brokers in New York, sent a sample of wool to the defendants at Campbellford in Canada, offering to procure for them certain lots at certain prices. After a number of telegrams and letters between the defendants and C. & Co., the offe was accepted by the former, at the pric named, for wool "laid down in New York," and payment was to be in six months from arrival of wool in New York, without interest. Bought and sold notes were respectively delivered to the defendants and the brokers, the latter signing the sold note. The wool having arrived, the defendants would only accept it subject to inspection when it reached their place of business in Canada, to which the seller would not agree, aud it was finally sold to other persons, and an action brought against the defendants for the difference between the price realized on such sale and that agreed on with the brokers. The Supreme Court of Canada holds, affirming the decision of the Court of Appeal for Ontario, that the brokers could be considered to have acted as agents of the defendants in making the contract, but if not, the company having never objected to the want of authority in the brokers nor to the form of the contract, must be held to have acquiesced in the contract as valid and duly authorized. Also, that there being no special agreement to the contrary, the place for inspection of the wool by the buyer was New York, where the wool was to be delivered, and it made no difference that the defendants had previously bought wool from the same person who had sent it to Campbellford to be inspected. Further, that the evidence of a usage of the trade as to inspection offered by the defendants was insufficient, such usage not being shown to have been universal and so well known that the parties would be presumed to have had it in mind when making the contract and to have dealt with each other with reference to it.





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A MEETING of the Galt and Preston Electric Railway was held the other day. The report showed that on Dec. 31, 1894, the road having been in operation a few days over five months, the gross receipts had been \$5,980.27, while the running expenses were \$4,155.22, making the net earnings \$1,825.05. This a very promising return. The cost of the road, we are told, was \$59,537.

An interesting illustrated supplement is issued by the St John Daily Telegraph, which has entered its thirty-third year, having been founded in 1862 by John Livingston. The supplement contains portraits of William Elder, who bought the paper in 1871, and of Mr. Tucker, the president of the company, and of H. H. McLean, its manager. The various members of the staff are also pictured.

THE eleventh annual meeting of the Vancouver Island Building Society was held in Victoria on Saturday evening, 26th January. The financial statement and the report of the board were received and adopted. J. M. Rear, G. A. Carlton, R. Carter, C. Booth, R. Erskine, and F. Carne were elected directors by acclamation. Ben. Williams was re-elected secretary, and A. H. Maynard was chosen treasurer.

C. A. Poirier, trader, Windsor Mills, is endeavoring to arrange his small liabilities, nearly all due locally. ---- Hubert Paradis, manufacturer of match splints at Levis, has assigned. He compromised liabilities of \$26,000 only last April ----- Napoleon Lepine, of Magog, was originally a shoemaker and started a billiard room some few years ago, from which he drifted into a liquor and bottling business, jobbing to country hotels, etc. He is now reported as having assigned, with liabilities of some \$6,500.

MR. GIROUX, of the Quebec Custom House, has compiled a statement of the number and tonnage of steamers and sailing vessels entered inward and outward at that port. The decline of shipping at that port is most marked, according to these statistics. The total number of vessels which arrived in 1893 was 431, against only 389 in 1894. Great Britain supplied 234 of these in 1893 and 225 in 1894, while Norway and Sweden sent 155 in the former and 128 in the latter year. The total clearances in 1893 were 345 as against 294 in 1894. Most of these went to the United Kingdom.

THE Hall Mowing Machine Co. of Canada is being incorporated at Sherbrooke capital, stock, \$100,000. The first directors to be Samuel F. Morey, J. S. Mitchell, A. N. Thompson and Richard Smith, of Sherbrooke, M. F. Hackett, M.P.P., and G. H. House, of Stanstead; Geo. A. Hall, of Portland, Me .---- It is also proposed to incorporate the Montreal Roofing Company, capital \$150,000, hitherto carried on as a private enterprise. The first directors will be Enoch James, E. Bernier, T. H. Love, Samuel Burne, F. F. Powell and J. G. Duquette.

MUCH unintended cruelty is practised upon the most faithful of our dumb animals, the horse. This is often the case with persons who are merely thoughtless, and would be sorry to inflict pain on any of our brute creation. But the continuous use of the overcheck bridle and small bit has proved to be the cause of much suffering. To obviate this the Humane Bit Manufacturing Company, Newark, N.J., has done a good work, which should be appreciated by all lovers of the horse. After having fully tested this bit, we agree with all horsemen that it is the most comfortable appliance invented to control the horse. With it the animal's head may be kept in perfect position without pressure on the mouth. This year the price has been reduced so low that the use of this bit ought to become general, especially among roadsters and carriage horses. The colt, when trained with it, escapes a lot of pain and worry. Persons disposed to treat their animals kindly should discard the old bit, and the Humane Society should encourage the sale of the new one.

THE week furnishes the following list of country failures in the Province of Quebec: I. B. V. Chamberland, in general trade at Fraserville since 1886, has made abandonment of his estate. He has of late been in trouble with the authorities, owing to illicit liquor -Eugene Raymond, a hotel keeper at selling .--Grande Riviere, offers 50 cents on the dollar. -E. T. Roy, general dealer at Les Saules, a new post office back of Quebec, wants his creditors to let him off 90 per cent. of his liabilities of about \$1,000 ----- Theophile Curodeau, a harness maker of St. George de la Beauce, went into a grocery business last year; result, disaster, and a request to creditors to take \$300 for their \$1,500 of liabilities.----A similar case is

that of J. B. Lavallee, of St. Germain de Grantham, who was formerly a factory hand in the States. He began a small store business in 1893, and is now gazetted insolvent ----- Still a third case, to prove that something more than a store, and the goods to sell in it, are requisites to success as a merchant : Octave Fredette, a farmer of St. Narcisse de Lotbiniere, lacking not only experience, but also education, finds plenty houses to stock him up on credit. The usual result follows, and his assignment is now announced; liabilities not yet ascertained .---- A more notable instance, however, where long experience, education, and even some moderate capital, failed to command success, is that of L. P. Marchand, of St. Tite. For ten years he clerked for an old merchant, whom he bought out in 1893 at 80 cents on the dollar and started. A want of discrimination in credits was the rock he split on. Poor collections were followed by suits entered by Montreal creditors, and now a demand of assignment has been made apon him.

In Montreal the failures for the week are to be noted : J. Homier, in the hat and fur trade in a small way, has failed.---J. M. Dekepentigny, grocer, has assigned since our report of last week, and owes \$6,313 --- Robert Duclos, with a heretofore good record of some twenty odd years, has been obliged to assign. Losses by flood, and the disturbance to business first by the widening, and then by the asphalting of Notre Dame street west, have had much to do with his troubles. Liabilities are about \$22,000.----A. Duperrouzel, the keeper of a French restaurant, has assigned. He owes \$4,887.--J. H. Bedard, formerly an entry clerk in a wholesale dry goods house, and who started a grocery business a year ago, has called a meeting of his creditors -----F. Phillips. peddlers' supplies, asks an extension on debts of \$3.500 ---- T. D. Vadeboncoeur, tailor, has made assignment of his estate : he owes some \$3,200.-L.G. Thouvin, grocer, has made, since our last, an offer of 20 per cent. on liabilities of \$20,200, which is hardly likely to be accepted. He owes besides \$12,000 of a mortgage liability.

THE grocery firm of McElderry & McCrea, in Guelph, has been dissolved by reason of the acceptance, by Mr. McElderry, of the secretaryship of the Guelph and Ontario Loan Society. The business will be continued by Mr. J. A. McCrea.

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ASSIGNEE CLARKSON is anxious to dispose of the leasehold of a large and valuable coal dock, centrally located, on our water front.

In far western Canada are the following assignments : H. B. Shadwell & Co., dry goods, New Westminster; Hartney & Dickson, general dealers at Hartney; Ford, Lowe & Co., grocers, Winnipeg.

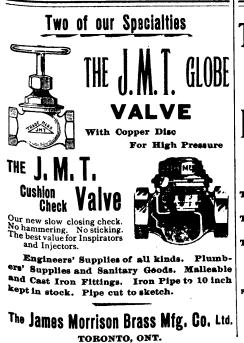
For twenty odd years Mr. Alexander Smith was the respected agent of the Merchants' Bank of Canada at Napanee. In 1893 he was superannuated, and now we hear of his death in Montreal, at the age of 70 years. His remains were sent to Napanee for burial.

THE general stock of Durns & Co. at Acton, is advertised for sale on next Wednesday .--On the same day the dry goods stock of J. ${\rm W}$ Relyea, Brockville, and that of the Shaw Company and of J. H. Cleaves, will be sold .---- Jas. Robertson's large dry goods stock at St. Thomas will be sold a day later.

A KINGSTON dry goods firm, Spence & Co., are asking an extension, in payments spread over 24 months. The liabilities are stated at \$9,500, with an apparent surplus of \$2,100.-Buckley & Co., of Cornwall, Ont., a concern that has had a good many ups and downs in the who succeeded Fraser & Lloyd in the dry goods business at Pembroke last fall, have made an assignment.

Ar St. John, N.B., Doherty & Foster, a tailoring firm, are seeking a compromise at the rate of 30 cents on the dollar, liabilities being, in round figures, \$15,000. They are spoken of as industrious, practical men, but have shown weakness in crediting and general management. -The Misses Romans & Vaughan, milliners, Halifax, N.S., and a small grocer of the same city, one A. H. Larder, are reported as assigned.

ASSIGNMENTS in Ontario : Thos. Johnston, crockery, Picton; Benj. Brillinger, hotel, Richmond Hill; Chas. E. Tanner, banker, Blyth ; D. B. Pratt & Co., boots and shoes, Hamilton; W. J. McGinn, baker, London; Guerard Bros., hotel, Port Arthur; A. J. O'Boyle, general dealer, Brechin; J. S. Smith & Co., dry goods, Ingersoll; Jno. Fraser, general store, Lefroy; E. A. Wood, general store, Uxbridge; James Nichol, grocer, Millbank; Hoover Brothers, clothiers, Port Arthur: Stephen Syer, carpets, St. Catharines; W. Evans, general store, Flesherton ; Harvey Morris, stave manufacturer,



Blenheim; R. Pearce, grocer, Hamilton; R. Storey, merchant, Acton; Shaw & McClung, Sonya; G. W Helstrope, furniture, Creemore

THE sudden death in New York of Mr. Emanuel Samuel, of the Toronto firm of Samuel, Benjamin & Co., gave a shock of surprise to many friends and admirers of that worthy gentleman. At only forty-five years of age, in apparently good health, amid surroundings of success and comfort, to be cut off instantaneously by what appears to have been an unfortunate accident, was a sad fate for any one.



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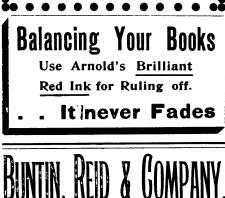
But it was especially sad for a man like this, genial, kindly, happy in his work and in his Mr. Samuel had lived in Canada friends. nearly all his life, partly in Montreal, but for a long period in Toronto. Like his father and his uncle before him, who composed the firm of M. & L. Samuel, the deceased was a man of liberal spirit, whose word was his bond.



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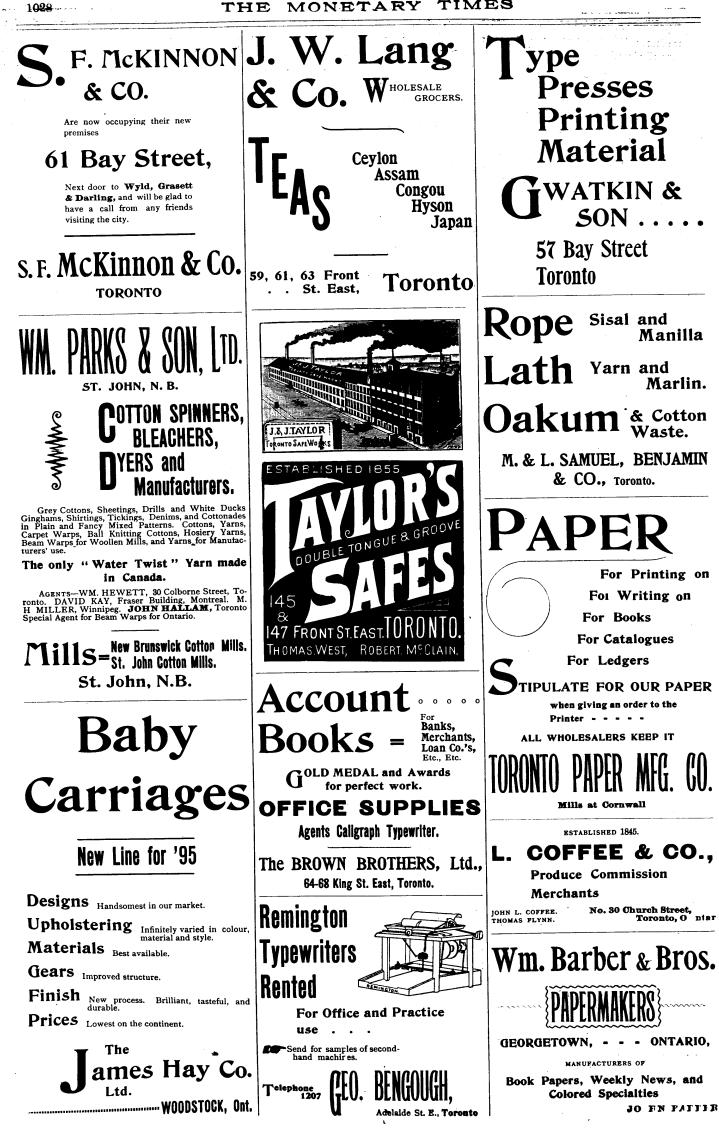
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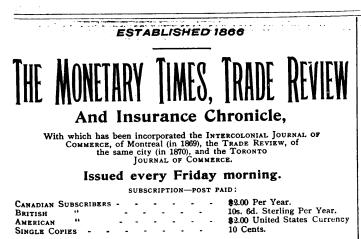
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THE SITUATION.

Newfoundland, in petitioning the British Government to appoint a royal commission to enquire into the affairs of the colony, seeks to make a condition which is, we venture to think, unprecedented. The proposal is that the British Government should purchase the acquiescence of the islanders in the appointment of the commission by the payment of a sum of money, in return for which the petitioners will accept the recommendation of the commission, whatever it may be. That any such condition will be agreed to by the Imperial Government is improbable. Newfoundland is in serious trouble, financial and political, and she will accept of advice from people likely to be able to offer such as will be of service, if the adviser will only consent to pay for the privilege. The notion is in the last degree incongruous. To look at the other side : How could the Newfoundlanders agree in advance to accept a conclusion of which they can know nothing? The implied expectation may be that the remedy proposed will be federation with Canada; but if this is intended, it would be better to have it understood in direct terms than to take a leap in the dark. In the hour of disaster, the tendency to disintegration is general. Sir William Whiteway's party is represented as being in the throes of dissolution, at a moment when it is essential that it should hold together. There is one consolation : things in the island have reached that pass that they cannot well get worse.

At a recent public meeting attended by members of the Dominion Government, the fact that the United States is now producing pig iron cheaper than any other country was dwelt upon. The price, in Alabama, was stated to be \$6.75 per ton. The statement is, we believe, correct. But as much cannot be said for the reasons given for this cheapness. It is not true that Alabama has been able to compete with the world in the production of pig iron because of any tariff policy affecting iron that has been acted upon. Alabama produces the cheapest iron, because she has the best facilities for doing so; the iron ore, the coal and the limestone, the three things necessary to the production of iron, are all found in close proximity to one another, and negro labor is not dear. In other places, coal and iron ore are sometimes found close to one another, but even then the limestone necessary for the flux, is wanting. This explains

why Alabama can produce iron cheaper than it can be produced anywhere else. Alabama iron masters need no protection, because they can meet the competition of the world in foreign markets as well as at home. Their competition has troubled nobody more than the iron men of Pennsylvania, by whom strenuous efforts have been made to prevent their rivals making use of the ordinary channels of distribution, and who refused to sell their wares to men who dealt in the Alabama product. In this way, the Alabama iron has gone direct to founders and others who work it up, when it has not found its way to the retailer. And so one class of retailers have been dispensed with. Canada gives a bounty of \$4.48 per ton on pig iron produced in the country, when for \$1.77 more a ton can be bought in the open market of Alabama. Special advantages such as Alabama possesses have often, in the past, produced a revolution in particular industries, to the ruin of those which are handicapped by some want which is supplied at less cost by the latest triumphant rival.

During the week the Canadian public has been a little startled by the announcement from England concerning a new railway scheme, the Atlantic & Lake Superior. The news did not attract much attention, because faith in the possibility of present realization is wanting. The statement was accompanied by a story of a Government guarantee of bonds, which was a real puzzle. How and when was such guarantee given ? It is now said that certain guarantees were promised to some roads some time ago, and that those who are interested in the promise or promises have been dealt with. Are the projects in question still really alive ? Has there been compliance with the conditions of the guarantee, in point of time and expenditure? Or is the whole thing a shadowy reminiscence? We are told this: that the lines to which the guarantees were originally promised have made a free gift of their claim to the Atlantic & Lake Superior company. As a rule, men, and of all men, railway men, do not give anything valuable for nothing. What is the value in this case? Is the thing given capable of being transferred in this way? There will probably be time to answer these and some other questions before the wild scheme is ever put upon its feet. One of the sponsors for it is J. R. Thibaudeau, a senator of the Dominion and a well-known Montrealer. Another, less favorably known, because more visionary, is C. N. Arm-That Mr. Andrew F. Gault has resigned from strong. the provisional board is significant.

A Vancouver correspondent, Mr. Nicolai C. Schon, points out some difficulties that would stand in the way of Canada joining in the British treaty with Japan. It is assumed that, in such an arrangement, Japan would insist upon the unrestricted right of her subjects to emigrate to the Dominion and make their home here. We are not, in fact, assured whether the treaty in question contains any such provision; we must therefore assume that the question, in its present shape, is only capable of being treated on a hypothetical basis. The objection brought against Japanese labor is the same as that which has largely succeeded in prospectively excluding Chinese labor: both kinds of labor are cheap. A Japanese laborer, in British Columbia, it is assumed, would be willing to work ten hours a day for fifty cents. It is natural that white laborers should object to a competition which would require them to accept a lower scale of living than that to which they have been accustomed. The immigration of cheap labor has precisely the same effect upon the labor market that an excessive natural increase in the native laboring population has; so far as the jostling of

numbers goes; but it has this further effect, that the influx of the newcomers tends to lower the standard of the comfort which has hitherto prevailed among the workmen. Ever since the days of Malthus, political economists have been telling laborers to check the natural increase of their numbers, for the purpose of preventing ruinous competition, want, starvation, or even worse. The workmen have learnt to apply the same rule to the multiplication of workmen by means of immigration. But the objection may be carried too far for the general welfare. Our correspondent touches a tender spot when he refers to the labor of Chinese and Japanese in mines; but passing over the particular instance which he mentions of mining coal at Nanaimo, the fact remains that there are certain poor mines which can be worked only by this cheap labor. Surely the white miners, who could not make a living in these mines, should not envy the Chinaman or the Japanese miner who can make such a living by working therein as corresponds with the rule of comfort which he is willing to abide by.

It is rather late in the day to talk of bonusing the business of building wooden ships. Still such a course does find advocates in British Columbia. The comparatively isolated position of the province is pleaded, so as to make a special case. This had to be done, when the decline of wooden ship-building, once an extensive industry in the east, is considered. We do not remember that, at any time, this industry was bonused in Quebec or the Maritime Provinces. The notion of bonusing, in British Columbia, may be taken as part of the current theory of protection, which has been so extensively reduced to practice in all parts of the Dominion. And of the various forms of protection, the bonus is not the most objectionable. It has something, relatively speaking, in its favor that is wanting to other forms. In giving a bonus you know the extent of the cost, which is not the case in some other forms of protection. British Columbia, we are reminded, possesses suitable materials for building wooden ships; but this facility rather tells against the claim than in its favor. Royalties paid upon increased shipments, some argue, would partly recoup the bonus. This is a question for the province. The bonus is asked as a temporary thing, as all such aids are, but experience shows that once granted they are never voluntarily surrendered. The bonus is relied on to attract foreign capital, but if it were to be only temporary, the bait would scarcely take. It is asked as a means of reaching foreign markets, vessels not being always procurable to carry cargoes abroad. If so things cannot be said to be in a satisfactory condition, but does it follow that there is not a better way out of the difficulty than resort to the bonusing of wooden ships?

SOME DRY GOODS VIEWS.

One of the most significant paragraphs in the annual report of the dry goods section of the Toronto Board of Trade is that in which the opinion is stated that Canadian stocks of dry goods, both wholesale and retail, are much smaller then they were a year ago. We agree with the conclusion drawn that the trade of 1895 must benefit by this condition, supposing the statement to be true, which there is much reason to believe. The year 1894, it is confessed, "has been an unsatisfactory one from a moneymaking point of view," but the chairman congratulates his auditory that they have passed through a very trying time with their ranks unbroken. Having regard to the untoward conditions prevailing all the world over, Canada has done well. "That our banking institutions, as well as our large mercantile houses, have been conducted on sound lines, and with considerable prudence and foresight," says Mr. Ander-

son, "is evident from the fact that at no time during the past year did any panic exist, and no failures have occurred amongst the wholesale houses." Referring to the marked decrease in failures of traders in the United States and the increase of them in Canada, the report says: "As we in Canada generally follow about a year behind the United States either in prosperity or adversity, I am hopeful that the year 1895 will show a decrease in the number of failures in Canada."

The year has been remarkable, we are reminded, for the low price of staple commodities. That this has had its effect in lessened volume of foreign purchases, measured by money value, is apparent from a comparison of the imports of dry goods at Toronto during 1894 and 1893. The value of cotton, wool and silk goods entered at this port last year was \$750,000 less than 1893. Upon referring to our fyles we find the total Toronto imports of dry goods, including hats, bonnets and fancy goods, were \$5,514,870 in 1893 and \$4,389,812 in 1894, a decline of \$1,124,558.

Reference is made to the action of the section, in concert with the similar section of the Montreal Board of Trade, in making representations at Ottawa with respect to features objected to in the tariff, as well as to inequalities in its administration at different ports. The subject of municipal taxation, as it pressed unduly upon the members of the section, is now, we are told, being dealt with by the Attorney-General of Ontario. In a concluding paragraph the report recommends the consideration during the current year of the Insolvency Bill, the rights of landlord and tenant as regards fixtures, dating goods ahead, cash discounts and better protection against fire. These are all live issues, and we may reasonably expect some improvement in the existing state of things regarding them to result from their discussion by the dry goods section of the Board of Trade.

MINERALS IN ONTARIO.

The third report of the Ontario Bureau of Mines, that for 1893, reached us last week. It was sent on 24th April last to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and by him transmitted, apparently on the same date, to the Lieutenant-Governor. Where it has been since Providence and the printer only know. The report says of transactions in mining lands leased or sold, that while there was a noticeable increase in number, their average area was less. Most of the patents were taken out in the Rainy River region.

In the statistical portion of the book structural materials are first dealt with. Less stone was quarried and less ordinary brick made than in 1892, but pressed brick of a fancy sort shows increased production. There was, at the same time, a larger output of lime. The manufacture of cements increases steadily; four concerns in the province produce Portland and five natural rock cement. It is said of the former material that some of the home-made is superior to the imported. Terra cotta is a material the demand for which is likely to grow.

Ontario phosphate, or apatite, mines were almost entirely idle during 1893. This was because of the cheaper production of Florida and South Carolina mines. Of gypsum a reduced quantity was mined, only four out of the six companies on the Grand River working. In addition to being a fertilizer, it is now said that gypsum is serviceable as a potato-bug poison. Salt making exhibited an increased output by fifteen concerns at a greater expense, but at a reduced aggregate market value. The production of mica was 70 tons.

Coming to metals we learn that all the copper and nickel mining done in the province was in the Sudbury District, with the exception of the opening up of copper veins at Point Mamainse, on Lake Superior. The quantity of ore raised and smelted was 63,944 tons, and the product was 7,176 tons ordinary and 452 tons Bessemerized matte, the estimated metal contents being 1,481 tons copper, 1,642 tons nickel and 19 tons cobalt; total value say \$579,302. The result of Ontario gold and silver mining during the twelve months was not great, measured in dollars and cents. By reason of the depreciation of silver only development work was done at the silver mines. The total gold treated was 5,560 tons, yielding 1,695 ounces bullion, valued at \$32,960.

Measured in money value the most importent item in the list is petroleum and its products, the aggregate of which is placed at \$2,188,681. Nearly two-thirds of this consists of illuminating oil and \$215,000 of paraffin wax and fuel product. The number of persons employed in the industry is estimated at 1,500. The whole number of wells producing natural gas was 107. Eight wells in the Essex field are estimated to yield forty-two millions of feet daily. There were 117 miles of pipe line in the province. Three Essex villages, Kingsville, Learnington and Ruthven, are supplied with the gas, and an 8-inch pipe line will supply Windsor, Sandwich and Walkerville.

QUANTITY AND VALUE OF MINERAL PRODUCTION IN 1893, WITH NUM-BER OF WORKMEN EMPLOYED AND AMOUNT OF WAGES PAID FOR LABOR.

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Heads and sills		170.000	180,000	1700	\$464,000
Coursing stone, squar			260.000		
Rubble, etc., cubic yar	as	410,200	63,567)		1
Natural rock cement, b	arreis	74.353		224	60,208
Portland cement,	,	31,924	63,848	600	122,500
	ushs	2,700,000	364,000	000	122,000
	No	17,300,000	190,000)	2650	451,000
Common brick,		162,350,000	932,500		
Pressed brick, plain,	"	20,208,000)		0.04	00.000
Pressed brick, fancy,	••	1,373,000	217,373	224	80,686
Roofing tile,	"	53,000)	•		
Terra cotta.	"				
Sewer pipe,	••		230,000	85	34,000
Pottery,	"		115,000	150	36,000
Gypsum,	tons	2,818	7,363)	33	9,220
Alabastine & plastico,	••	140	14,8005	00	- ,
Phosphate of lime.	"	20	200	4	500
Salt.	"	48,450	149,850	210	44,440
Mica.		70	8,600	40	4,500
Nickel.	••	1,642	454,702)		
Copper,		1.431	115,200	495	252,517
Cobalt.		19	9,400		
Gold ore,		5,560	32,960	168	49,027
Silver ore,		500	2.500	5	400
Petroleum, imperial	gals		-,		
Illuminating oil, "			1.372.209)		
Lubricating oil, "	••		277,500		
All other oils, "	••		323,156	515	302,000
Paraffin wax, lbs		2,250,000	143,325		• •
Fuelproduct		2,200,000	72,500)		
Natural gas, M cubic	faat	2,342,000	238,200	59	24,592
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Totals	• • • • • •		\$6,120,753	7,162	\$1 ,935,590

RAILWAY FARES.

"The more you cheapen railway fares," said a wellknown Canadian railway man years ago, "the more will people travel." And the truth of the position is shown by the great returns obtained by the railways from the excursion rates of late years made so common. Now we hear that, stimulated by the remarkable growth in third-class railway passenger travel in the United Kingdom, and struck by the fact that the receipts from first and second-class traffic have recently shown a steady decline, an Irish railway company is about to make a change. This change is that it will reduce the first and second-class fares, not a little, but considerably—so much so, in fact, that on a journey of 100 miles, there will not be a difference of more than 2s. and 3s. between third and second, second and first-class fares respectively. Needless to say, the aim is to popularize first-class travelling.

The experiment meets with the approval of an Eng-

lish trade paper, the Birmingham Hardware Journal, which calls it common sense, and says: "It has been a marked feature of late years that the receipts from first and second-class travellers have diminished in steady ratio, while those accruing from third-class traffic have proportionately increased. From which the railway officials have argued, by a process of reasoning worthy of a postmastergeneral, that the two superior classes are predestined to die out. On some lines, indeed, the intermediate class has been abandoned definitely. And, of course, if the railway directors will it so, we shall in time possess but one common class. It is reserved for an Irish railway company to stem the tide where its English brethren not only float with the stream, but seem rather desirous than otherwise of making downward progress."

DEBENTURE-HOLDERS' SECURITY.

The minds of debenture-holders in Great Britain have been disturbed of late by the action of a New Zealand investment company in handing over the uncalled capital of the company as security for a bank loan. This is making a preferred creditor of the bank to the injury of the debentureholders, part of whose security is thus taken from them. The circumstance has interest for Canadian loan societies which borrow money abroad. How can the interests of debentureholders in our societies best be protected in case any Canadian company should take the notion to do-which prudence and good faith forbid !---as these New Zealanders have done ? Different methods suggest themselves; one plan is to deed over the whole assets of the company to one or more trustees, the deed to take effect when any default is made in debenture interest or principal. Another is to get an alteration made in the charters of individual companies to accomplish the desired result of securing the British lender. Α third is to have an enactment at Ottawa declaring the debentures of loan companies a first charge upon their assets. We are told that the Mortgage Loan Companies' Association of Ontario, at its meeting in January, took no united action on the matter. It was left for each company to arrange the matter as was found satisfactory to itself and its debenture creditors whenever occasion arose for action.

FLAX

A writer in the Edmonton Bulletin urges the farmers of that district to turn their attention to the cultivation of flax. The price of flax seed in Winnipeg ranges from \$1 to \$1.50 per bushel. At the same time it is four pounds less to the bushel than wheat. With the wheat market in its present condition, and no signs of permanent improvement, one would think farmers might with advantage cultivate flax. The Mennonites are the principal growers in the Northwest, and they send large quantities of the seed to Canada to the large manufacturing mills of J. & J. Livingston, of Baden, Ont. The Messrs. Livingston also have mills at Blyth, Brussels, Embro, Linwood, Listowel, Palmerston, Stratford, Seaforth, Tavistock, Thamesford, and Wellesley, in the Province of Ontario. In the year before last this firm received no less than 150,000 bushels from the Mennonites, and last year over 100,-000 bushels. There is also a mill in Winnipeg which converts the seed into linseed oil and oil cake for feeding cattle. But the seed is the simplest process for the farmers to try, as it requires little attention. being a spring crop. From the sowing of half a bushel of seed the Mennonites get from 20 to 25 bushels to the acre, and they cut it with their reapers the same as any other grain.

CANADIAN HAY ABROAD.

Mr. John Crowe, a stock agent and hay exporter of Montreal, recently gave a rather interesting account of the development of Canada's trade in hay with Great Britain. "This export hay trade was begun to Glasgow from Montreal by a very few of us in 1889; from that time it worked its way into the other Scotch ports which had direct communication from here, Leith, Aberdeen and Dundee being tried, and I will give Scotchmen credit for knowing a good article when they see it; they took hold right away." Liverpool was the next

port in Great Britain to take hold of Canadian hay. London was conservative in its ideas up to 1892, and would not touch Canadian hay, although importing large quantities from Russia, Belgium, Germany, Holland and Algeria.

In 1892 the people of London began to buy our hay more freely, "and it was only in 1893, when the hay famine, or rather ' hay fever," took hold of the Londoners, that they forgot their prejudices and bought all the Canadian hay offered them, and inasmuch as the permanency of the trade is concerned, we have to feel grateful to the circumstances of the season 1893 for the widespread introduction of our hay to the metropolis of the world, as London is. It did more than unfortunate exporters could have done in twenty years trying to force the sale of our stuff on prejudiced buyers, and I am pleased to tell you that we are to-day in the same position amongst the consumers in London as we occupy in Liverpool and Glasgow." Mr. Crowe, however, claims that the Montreal Harbor Commissioners discriminate unjustly against hay exporters in the matter of wharfage dues.

MONTREAL HARBOR.

An important enquiry in the interests of Montreal harbor was begun last week in the office of the Harbor Commissioners in that city, the first of the kind since 1887, at which were discussed the spring inundations, the outcome being the present guard pier. It appears that the Dominion Government pays the entire expense this time, while it bore only half the cost of the previous one. This year's Government commission includes Louis Coste, chief engineer of the Public Works Department, Ottawa, who is chairman; W. P. Anderson, chief engineer Marine and Fisheries Department, and Thos. Munro, engineer in charge of the works on the Soulanges Canal, who also acts as secretary. The enquiry is to embrace a very wide field, thoroughly investigating plan No. 6, and the proposed improvements in the east end of the city, such as a new basin there. Thus far there have been examined: Henry Bulmer. chairman of the harbor board; John Kennedy, its chief engineer; Thomas Howard, harbor master; Robert Reford, W. W. Ogilvie, Ald. Hurteau, and T. G. Shaughnessy, of the C.P.R.; representatives from the Grand Trunk, Chamber of Commerce, Corn Exchange, steamship companies and general shipping interests have vet to be heard from.

LICENSES IN MONTREAL.

The revenue derived last year by the city of Montreal from licenses amounted to \$61,523.58. Some forty items went to constitute this total. the largest being traders' expresses, and next to them carts and trucks, traders' carts and dogs. We append a list of the principal items :

Final Prove	
Traders' expresses\$	14,256 82
Carts and trucks	6,746 69
Traders' carts	5,852 86
Single carriages	4,844 50
Double expresses	4,284 34
Single jobbing expresses	2,280 79
Bakers' wagons	2,405 28
Traders' double expresses	1,796 26
Dogs	5,364 00
Milkmen's wagons and carts	3,541 50
Horse and wagon peddlers	2,325 00
Public billiard tables	1,807 50
Private ditto	400 00
Peddlers with hand carts and on foot	1,010 00

Then there are bakers' and brewers' carts, market traders, two classes, hand organ players (out of whom \$98 is obtained), rag pickers, coal carters, hearses (\$266), carrioles belonging to private citizens-a survival of some ancient city regulation, surely-----diables " and "pigeon holes," junk stores and second-hand shops, which two last-mentioned sorts of places contribute \$625 between them.

TORONTO FIRE BRIGADE.

In the death of Richard Ardagh, chief of her fire brigade, from injuries received at the late fire, the city of Toronto loses a valuable officer. Devoted to his duty, valorous, fearless, ready to go wherever he would send his men, he had the elements of a hero. And he possessed, besides, what is not always allied with intrepidity, the quality of good judgment. He died a hero's death, and his place is not easy to fill. But no sufficient excuse for delay in appointing his successor can be found in the stubborn bickerings of aldermen. Happily there are some principles laid down which should enable choice of a chief to be made. We are told that the rules governing the brigade state that in the event of a vacancy, promotion shall be in the order of length of service and fitness for the position. If the inability of the fire committee of the council to agree upon a new chief arises from a plethora of qualified men, the city is to be congratulated. But the fact should not hinder a choice. The claims of Foreman Villiers, of Lombard street fire hall, should not be overlooked in the arrangement of subordi-

nate offices resulting from a new chief's appointment from among the present staff. Villiers was on the old fire brigade, and has been twenty years a foreman. He has been, besides, a consistently steady and serviceable fireman.

MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade was held on Wednesday of last week, our correspondent's report of which was received too late for last issue. The retiring president, Mr. W. W. Ogilvie, was in the chair.

The scrutineers presented their report on the election of officers, the balloting for which had taken place on the previous day. The officers for 1895 are as under :

President-J. A. Cantlie, by acclamation.

First vice-president -John Torrance, by acclamation.

Second vice-president—John McKergow, by acclamation. Treasurer—Charles F. Smith, by acclamation.

The following are members of council :

Geo. Childs, W. H. Meredith, Geo. Hague, David Robertson, G. F. C. Smith, J. T. McBride, Wm. Nivin, David Macfarlane, Wm. Mc-Nally, James E. Rendell, Archibald Nicoll, Henry Miles.

For the board of arbitration there were thirteen candidates, all of whom were elected save Mr. John Fairbairn. Their names are as follows

E. B. Greenshields, Robert Archer, W. W. Ogilvie, Hugh Mc-Lennan, James P. Cleghorn, Edgar Judge, James Slessor, John B. McLea, H. A. Budden, John Baird, F. W. Henshaw, Charles Chaput.

The retiring president congratulated his successor on the constitution of his council. He and the outgoing council regretted the termination of two very pleasant years of work. Those who were going out of office were all comparatively young men, and might be back on the council again. He was quite sure that the retiring members of the council would not lose their hold on the work of the board, but would continue to take as lively an interest as ever in its affairs. In acknowledging a vote of thanks for his two years' services as president, Mr. Ogilvie impressed upon the new council the necessity of looking closely after the comfort of the board's tenants.

The newly elected president, Mr. Cantlie, in returning thanks for his election, paid a tribute to the abilities of Mr. Ogilvie, and assured the board of the earnest desire of himself and the council to promote its interests, relying upon the co-operation of the members. Mr. John Torrance also briefly returned thanks for his election, after which Mr. G. W. Stephens pointed out that a matter of the greatest importance to the mercantile community was a board of arbitration, which would settle in a few minutes cases that at present occupied the law courts for months. Mr. Edgar Judge, the retiring treasurer, who was duly thanked for his services, explained, in reply to the last speaker, that since the new charter of the board of arbitration was granted, some eight years ago, the board has not on a single occasion been called upon to act. This was, perhaps, because the board's powers were very limited; its decisions were not binding. The matter would be brought before the Quebec Legislature at its next session, and if the powers asked for were granted a simple mode of arbitration would result, and the expense of those interminable lawsuits with which this country was cursed would be done away with. Mr. Judge added that, although the board of arbitration's charter was granted by the Dominion Parliament, yet as the proposed amendments dealt with civil rights, they belonged to the Legislature.

ACTUARIAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA.

We have received No. 12 of the Papers and Transactions of the Actuarial Society of America, whose autumn meeting was held in New York on October 11th and 12th last, Mr. Howell W. St. John, actuary of the Ætna Life, in the chair. Among the papers submitted was one by William Hendry, manager and actuary of the Ontario Mutual Life, on "Extended Term Insurance." A paper by Mr. David Carment, on "Australian Companies' Methods of Apportioning Surplus," was read by Mr. T. B. Macaulay, actuary of the Sun Life of Canada, and gave rise to a discussion. Occasion was taken by the president to introduce to the society the editor of the Journal of the Institute of Actuaries, Mr. Gerald H. Ryan, a fellow of the Institute, and actuary of the British Empire Mutual Life. In the course of his address Mr. Ryan said :

". . . It is natural that there should be many points at which we feel that we touch common ground, and I should like to mention one impression which my recent visit in Canada made upon my mind. In going through Canada, I was delighted to find that the recent system of examinations which the Institute of Actuaries have established in Canada has called forth some sort of enthusiasm, if we can apply the word enthusiasm at all to life insurance subjects, which I think some people doubt. There were evidences throughout insurance circles that

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people were looking to this extension of our examination system with a great deal of interest, as affording the rising generation an encouragement to acquire knowledge and opportunities for advancement which hitherto they had not possessed. And I think, sir, that is a movement which is fraught with the highest promise for the cause of life insurance business. One other point which struck me in Canada was this, that in the insurance department in Ottawa there are no fewer than three members of the Institute of Actuaries on the staff. There is Mr. Fitzgerald's assistant, who is a fellow of the Institute by examination; a second assistant has passed two examinations, and another gentleman has passed one. Now, nothing could be more satisfactory, I think, in the interests of the Institute of Actuaries, or, in fact, in the interests of actuarial societies in general, than to find a Government department recognizing its position and encouraging its clerks to become members of its body. Unfortunately, if you gentlemen were to come over to the 'old country,' and go to our Board of Trade, which, year by year, prepares in condensed form the accounts of British life insurance companies, and has charge of the administration of the Life Assurance Companies' Act, I think you might search high and low, from the president of the board to the janitor, but you would not find a member of the Institute of Actuaries on the regular staff, though I ought to add that they have as consulting adviser an actuary of great eminence. (Laughter.) Well, sir, I think that is one point where Ottawa scores and London does not." (Applause.)

OWEN SOUND BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual meeting of the Owen Sound Board of Trade was held on 1st instant. The secretary, Mr. Jas. H. Rutherford, read his statistical report for 1894. The shipping returns showed very little decline considering the dull season. The tonnage and number of vessels greatly exceeded 1892, and were but little behind 1893, and the freight handled was greatly in excess of last year. Large numbers of cattle, sheep and hogs were transported at the port during the past season. Exports amounted to \$765,615 during the last fiscal year, a decided increase, and imports, too, were larger. Produce was handled by local warehouses, of grain, hogs, wool, etc., to a plainly increasing degree.

An interesting report was also presented by the acting president, Mayor Kennedy, after which the election of officers took place with the following result : President, S. Lloyd; vice-president, J. W. Maitland; secretary-treasurer, Jas. H. Rutherford; council, M. Kennedy, S. J. Parker, ex-Mayor McLaughlan W. B. Stevens, E. W. Wand, J. C. Patterson, John Wright, Robert Whitman, C. Eaton, Wm Brown.

MERCHANTS' BANK OF HALIFAX.

The annual report of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax has been issued. It shows that the net profits of the bank for last year were 158,585, to which must be added 16,875, brought over from 1893. This sufficed to pay seven per cent. dividend upon the paid-up capital of the bank, which is 1,100,000, and to add 800,000 to the reserve, making that fund 6600,000. The balance of something more than 18,000 is carried forward. At the close of the year the bank had notes in circulation to the amount of 941,031.36; its deposits at call amounted to 1,333,830, and deposits subject to notice were 3,552,597. The bank has done well to show such a rate of earning as 14.41 per cent., and by means of steady additions to reserve that fund now reaches 61.8Per cent. of the capital. This bank's statement would appear to prove the allegation made by a number of business men, that trade in the Maritime Provinces has been, better than those farther west have found it.

METROPOLITAN LIFE.

Our readers have heard from time to time of the enterprise of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and its remarkable progress in industrial insurance. We have just seen a copy of the statement for 1894, and an astonishing one it is. The new insurance written by the company in that year was 308 millions of dollars, which is more than double that of 1893. It paid no less than 57,782 claims, amounting to \$5,747,592, which is a little less than a hundred dollars per claim. Its income last year was over eighteen millions of dollars. The assets of the company, whose total is \$22,326,622, consist of bonds and mortgages, \$9,733,000; Government bonds, city and railway stocks and bonds at market value, \$5,307,000; real estate, accrued interest, cash, etc., forming the remainder. In addition to the re-insurance fund required by law, a special reserve is maintained by the company. All liabilities being deducted, there remains the sum of \$4,035,740 capital and surplus as security for policy-holders. Such splendid results as are indicated by these figures are the result of unusual skill and prudence on the part of the management and of loyal effort on the Part of 15,000 agents and employes. When one hears anything of the

Metropolitan one involuntarily times of the president. And we observe with interest that on the occasion of the January meeting of directors that gentleman was presented by the board and the officers with a gold medal bearing a medallion of himself, and on the reverse the inscription: "A WELL-ROUNDED YEAR, 1894. SEMI-CENTENNIAL OF JOHN R. HEGEMAN."

TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Travelers is best known as an accident company. But its life assurance business has reached very respectable dimensions, for it has written 81,300 life policies in thirty years, and its present life risks aggregate 84 millions. The total accident losses paid by this widelyknown company since 1864 amount to the great sum of \$16,576,000, more than half a million dollars a year; and the number of accident policies on its books reaches the large figure of 2,097,419, of which no less than 89,716 were written in the year 1894. Thirty three accident losses paid every day, a thousand every month, is its record for last year. The amount of satisfaction to the travelling American or Canadian which such a statement implies can hardly be stated in figures. And the company is prompt and business-like in its transactions, as well as strong in its position. The statement for 1894 shows total assets of \$17,664,000 against total liabilities of \$15,192,000, its surplus to policy-holders being increased from \$2,206,000 in 1893 to \$2,472,000 to-day. Truly, Hartford is a great centre for insurance business. And the Hartford school of underwriters has no better exemplars than the management of the Travelers.

MONTREAL CORN EXCHANGE.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Corn Exchange was held last week, the retiring president, Mr. D. G. Thomson, in the chair, and between forty and fifty members present. The excessive shortages on grain lightered from the railway elevators into the steamers in the harbor were a subject of discussion. Messrs. D. G. Thomson, Edgar Judge and A. G. McBean were appointed a committee to wait on the railway companies in reference to the matter. They were instructed to ask the railways to agree, for a fixed charge per car, to guarantee weight of grain delivered at country stations. Scrutineers having been appointed, the election of officers took place, when it was found that all the officers had been re-elected, viz. : President, Mr. D. G. Thomson; treasurer, Wm. Stewart; committee of management, Messrs. James Allen, E. F. Craig, R. M. Esdaile, W. Hastings, Robt. Peddie, J. Robillard and A. G. Thomson. The old members of the board of review were also reappointed.

BRITISH CANADIAN LOAN COMPANY.

The transactions of the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company, limited, are shown with great fulness in its annual report. The company sold and renewed \$266,000 worth of sterling debentures, and redeemed \$154.565 worth; sold \$61,500 of Canadian, and redeemed \$11,400. It received in repayment of mortgage loans \$197,000, and paid out for new investments \$187,000, while a smaller sum in mortgages was extended for a further term. The profit and loss account shows a balance of \$t47,222, of which \$38,823 is net earning for the year, and \$8,399 was brought from 1893. To have paid seven per cent. dividend, added \$8,000 to Reserve, appropriated \$5,000 for expected losses, and carried \$6,328 forward, is a showing with which shareholders have no reason to be displeased.

UNION LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY.

A very fair exhibit is made by the Union Loan and Savings Company of the result of its transactions for 1894. The aggregate of transactions is almost exactly the same as that of 1893, but the total earning was slightly less, illustrating the universal tendency towards a lower scale of interest earning. We gather from the president's address, however, that this has been partially offset by the renewal of debentures at a lower rate. The company's usual dividend of eight per cent. has been earned and \$7,450 placed to contingent account. We note with interest the paragraph in the report that the company "deems it advisable not to take credit for interest in arrears on mortgages in doubtful cases. and in some other cases to write down the . . amounts." This is the proper thing to do. We have heard of companies that did "the other thing," in the hope that their interest would be paid or that their land would go up. In some cases it came out all right, but in others the truth had to become known at last. Repayments have been well met, Dr. Geikie tells us; and what he says about the improved demand here and there for Ontario farm lands for the purposes of mixed farming, agrees with the experience of mortgage loaning associations in other cities.

HARDWARE AND METALS.

The St. Thomas Car Wheel Co. is in receipt of orders from England, France, Germany, Russia and Brazil.

The Canadian Master Plumbers' Association, confined at present to Ontario and Quebec, has decided to take in the St. John and Halifax associations.

James Watson & Co., Glasgow, Jan. 25th, report " the Scotch pig iron market flat during the week, having receded 6d. per ton. We have to report a dull demand all round."

About thirty men are employed in the erection of the Hamilton smelting works plant. Considerable machinery has arrived since the first of the year. The steel smoke stack has arrived and is 125 feet long and 14 feet in diameter at its base, and cost \$5,300. The steel roof for the cast house is expected next week.

The Montreal firm of H. R. Ives & Co. have lately completed successfully a noteworthy piece of foundry work. They made 440 large sections of pipe, 10 feet in diameter and five feet long, weighing between three and four tons each. Out of this large number there were only 17 defective ones from any cause whatever. These rings of pipe sections were used for culverts underneath the new Soulanges Canal, allowing two rivers to run beneath that canal.

Among the most recent and novel applications of wire, perhaps none has greater interest to the mechanical world than that presented by the new wire fly wheel lately erected at the Mannesmann Tube Company's Works in Germany. Heavy fly wheels driven at high velocities obviously present dangers of breaking asunder from the great centrifugal force developed. The wheel at the factory mentioned consists of a cast iron hub or boss, to which two steel-plate discs or checks, about 20 feet in diameter, are bolted. The peripheral space between the discs is filled in with some 70 tons of No. 5 steel wire, completely wound round the hub, and the tensile resistance thus obtained is far superior to any casting. This huge fly wheel is driven at a speed of 240 revolutions per minute, or a peripheral velocity of about 28 miles per minute, which is nearly three times the average speed of any express train in the world. The length of wire upon such a constructed fly wheel would be about 250 miles.

There have been many cases of the use of electric motors to drive lines of shafting or isolated parts of plants, which go to prove conclusively the remarkable increased efficiency obtained, especially where the conveyance of steam for a long distance was necessary. This has led to a more thorough study of the amount of power absorbed by the line shafting and countershafts. "The minimum loss that can be looked for, and this is obtained only in exceptional cases requiring constant vigilance, is 25 per cent. of the total power developed, and more frequently runs as high as 65 to 70 per cent. A safe average would be from 40 to 50 per cent., although the actual loss must be determined for each and every case. With the use of electric motors, when properly designed and proportioned for the work, as, indeed, is as necessary in electrical work as with any other problem of mechanics if the best results are desired, this percentage of loss can be materially reduced. An inefficient result must be expected with bad electric engineering just as with a poorly arranged case of millwrighting, but, the electrical proportions being once obtained, there will, within reasonable limits, be no decrease in efficiency from deterioration."-W. E. Hall, in Cassier's Magazine.

RETAILING DRY GOODS.

Mr. Cole, of Doon, was in Guelph last week seeking inducements for the removal of his shoddy mill to that city.

The Brantford Courier says that local capitalists are considering a plan to start a Brussels carpet factory in that city.

The dry goods store of Messrs. Bailey & Sutton, Brandon, Man., has been burned, with a loss of \$35,000, and insurance, \$26,000.

White goods should be kept in boxes, the covers of which can be easily opened. By this means the goods may be kept clean the season through. Now is the time to attend to it.

Flannagan (to Casey, who has fallen from an unfinished building) ---"What's the matter wid ye, man?" Casey (feebly)---"Oh! Oi jist tuck a drap too much."--Philadelphia Record.

The Learnington council has offered Brown & Wigle, woolen manufacturers, Kingsville, exemption from taxation, free water and natural gas at 5 cents a thousand, if they will remove there.

There is some talk of the formation of a jobbers' association in connection with the London Board of Trade. The idea was suggested by a letter from Winnipeg, where an association exists and is doing good work in the disposal of bankrupt stocks.

Three buyers making purchases through Messrs. Heron, Dickson

& Co., Glasgow, have arrived [in Manchester] from Canada, namely, Messrs. John Murphy (Messrs. John Murphy & Co., Montreal), Thomas Ritchie, Belleville, Ont., and E. K. Spenny, Yarmouth, N.S. A large number of small Ontario retailers operate in this way.—*Drapers' Re*cord, Fan 19th.

FOR GROCERS AND PROVISION DEALERS.

J. H. Harris will, we are told, open up a wholesale establishment in Moncton, N.B.

The oatmeal mill at Pilot Mound recently shipped a carload of oatmeal to a firm in Australia.

Ottawa bakers have raised the price of bread, charging nine cents instead of eight for a four pound loaf.

A substantial cold storage warehouse is being erected at New Westminster, B.C., and will be completed about April 1st.

A Porto Rico letter of Jan. 16th says cod had dropped from \$7 to \$6.50 on heavy receipts from Halifax, Lunenburg and Yarmouth.

A London cable says that English merchants are unanimous in the opinion that Manitoba wheats are this year of a finer quality than they have been for a number of years past.

Hamilton wholesale butchers on the market talk of a petition asking for a covered shelter for their meat. In winter they are subjected to cold, snow and storm, and in summer to heat and rain.

Grocers in New Westminster, B.C., are discussing the adoption of an early closing system, and are apparently not of one mind as to its advisability. The authorities are strictly enforcing the early closing by-law recently passed in that city.

Returns received at the Canadian Department of Trade and Commerce show that during 1894 there was shipped to England 28,711 tons of Canadian hay. Shipments the preceding year, a period of fodder famine in England, amounted to 63,175 tons.

At the first annual meeting of the Georgian Bay Fish Co. at Collingwood, directors for 1895 were elected as follows: Messrs. Jas. Scott, Jas. Playfair, J. L. Burton, M. Burton, C. E. Stephens, C. S. Davis, W. A. Clark, T. J. Sheppard and H. Y. Telfer. At a meeting of the directors Jas. Playfair was elected president; J. L. Burton, vice-president, and W. A. Clark, manager.

A comparative statement of wheat (including flour) exported from Manitoba for the last nine years is as follows:

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The crop of	of 1886	was		4,000,000
r	1887	••		10,500,000
	1888	"		4,000,000
**	1889	"	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	4,500,000
	1890	"		11,500,000
••	1891	••		14,000,000
"	1892	**		14,000,000
••	1893	**		12,000,000
••	1894	••	estimated	15,000,000

INSURANCE ITEMS.

Mr. William John Hammond has been appointed district manager at Glasgow, Scotland, for the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

In our statement of losses by the second Toronto fire we put down the Norwich Union for \$22,000 loss. We are pleased to learn now from Mr. Dixon that "the total loss of that company on that occasion was \$7,600, every dollar of which was paid the day the claims were presented."

The boiler inspector of Montreal, Mr. Champagne, has made his report for 1894. In that year he inspected 1,412 boilers, hydraulic proofs being made in 1,327 cases. Thirteen boilers were condemned, and 119 found to be defective. Ten per cent. defective out of all examined is a very sufficient justification for his office.

Mr. Colin McLeod Robertson, who has for some time held the position of chief inspector at the Glasgow branch of the Standard Insurance Company, has been appointed by the directors of the British Empire Mutual Life Assurance Company their resident secretary at Glasgow, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. J. F. Lamont.

There is published annually, at price 50 cents per copy, "The Michigan Insurance Directory," containing a list of insurance agents and their companies in the larger cities and towns of the State, with names and addresses of all the companies authorized to transact business in the State, their officers, and the names and addresses of State or special agents in charge of Michigan, besides a quantity of other information, such as population of cities, description of fire department, antirebate law. The publisher is Edward J. Wohlgemuth, Detroit.

Sketch states that Miss C. Rogers has the honor of being the first female insurance agent in the United Kingdom. She started her enter-

prise in Dublin, greatly to the astonishment of old-fashioned folks. Now she is connected with the Norwich Union, and is as indefatigable as she is successful in a sphere which is, in more than one respect, suitable to woman. Miss Rogers, for instance, has an advantage in obtaining new clients in the heads of large drapery establishments, and in waiting upon ladies who desire insurance, but who would not care to treat with a "mere man."

The value of an adjuster who knows how to adjust fire losses so that his company shall pay no more and no less than the indemnity it has agreed to pay, is not to be estimated, says the *Insurance Herald*. It is not so much the fire loss which has put company profits to flight as it is adjuster's losses. Yet it must not be forgotten that the adjuster is frequently but the right hand of his manager, who desires haste more than accurate results in settlements; who has in view some *coup* in local agency politics which may gain him a line or two, even if it should demoralize the practice of adjustments locally for years to come.

ANSWERS TO ENQUIRERS.

L. J. G., St. Mary's, Ont., sends the following enquiries: "On what occasions did the Imperial Government guarantee Canadian bonds? Give years and amounts."—In 1869 and 1873, for the Intercolonial Railway and for the acquisition of Rupert's Land. The amounts were, we believe, £1,500,000 in each case.

"On what plea did Canada get this concession?"—The plea recited in the Public Acts relating to those transactions.

"What amount of Canadian bonds remains unsold?"—According to the Public Accounts for the fiscal year 1894, the amount is £400,000. "How much in Imperial bonds does the Canadian Government

hold against Dominion notes?"—Four hundred thousand dollars. READER, Sydney, C.B.—By no means; "bluestone," or sulphate of

READER, Sydney, C.B.—By no means, butestone, or surplate or copper, is not yet discarded in the formation of batteries for electric transmission. It is in fact in very general use. The battery now mostly employed is known as the Callaud gravity battery. What you have probably heard of is the employment of a combination electric machine to produce current for telegraphic purposes over long lines, as is done in several of the larger American and Canadian cities. This does away with thousands of cups of battery. The ingenious machine used by the Great North Western Telegraph Co. in Toronto for this purpose is called a motor-generator, and was designed by the company's electricians.

J. M., Winnipeg, asks "how long the Old Country life company known as the United Temperance Life Co., has been in existence, what responsibility it possesses, and what its experience has been with teetotal risks as compared with ordinary risks?" We reply that the results of the operations for 1894 of the United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution were as under : New assurances were effected for 2,718 policies, assuring £814,791, and the new annual premiums amount to £34,034. £270,000 was added to the funds. The accumulated funds are now £5,800,000, the annual income £600,000, and the amount paid for claims through death £4,250,000. The company is now over fifty years old. Its experience of the last twentyeight years, ended with 1893, has been, we understand, that where the mortality in the general section of the company's business has been 98 per cent. of the expectancy, in the temperance (i.e., total abstinence) section it was only 71 per cent. of the expectancy. There is thus a difference in the mortality of 27 per cent. in favor of the teetotaller.

BOOK NOTICES.

RAILWAYS AND OTHER WAYS; with sketches of Canal and Railway men, early Railroads, Tramroads, Steamers. Sixty years ago George Stephenson said to his men: "Now, my lads, you will see the day when mail coaches will go by railway, and it will be cheaper for a working man to travel on a railway than to walk on foot." The stages through which railway development has passed to reach the point where this bold prediction has been realized are sketched by the author of this work, Mr. Myles Pennington, who had arrived at man's estate when Stephenson's words were uttered. The author is, besides, specially qualified to describe the men and the measures which have given the world its great railway systems, for he has been all his life associated with them. The oldest railway officer now living, and the first general freight agent of the Grand Trunk of Canada, he knows his subject well and handles it lovingly. The result is a most entertaining book, of generous proportions and excellent typography, historical, sketchy, statistical, and humorous by turns. One is transported from Staffordshire to Quebec, then from Portland to St. Louis, from Chicago to Vancouver, amid a running commentary of fact, incident and anecdote, which is delightfully instructive. The portraits and brief biographies of railway and other forwarders on this continent, from Ross

and Hickson to Hugh Allan, Van Horne and Pottinger, are interesting in the extreme to all who desire to recall the personages and events of railway and steamboat development during half a century. And the solution of many knotty problems of transportation the world over will be found related here by one who has much right to be called an expert. There is a copious index. Williamson & Co., Toronto, are the publishers.

FIRE LOSSES IN 1894.

The fire insurance business of 1894 in Canada has shown results which are, if anything better than they were expected to be. The six Canadian, eight American and twenty-one English companies operating here enjoyed no "bonanza" of profits, neither have they, with a few exceptions, need to complain very bitterly in comparison with other years. Only ten companies out of thirty got off with less losses than 60 per cent. of the premiums; fourteen lost between 60 and 70 per cent.; ten lost more than 70 per cent. According to one tabulation of the results of the year the average loss was 66.32 of the premiums. According to another it was 64.9. Either was too much, for when the amount paid for losses exceeds six-tenths of the premiums, there is no great room for dividends, as expenses go nowadays.

The losses of some of the more prominent of the companies may be given : The Royal, which did the biggest business, shows losses of \$409,557, equal to 70.89 per cent. The North British next in order, suffered losses of \$223,650, equal to 57.96. Third in order is the Commercial Union, whose losses are \$259,529, equal to 68.1. The Imperial gets off with 57.15, while the Guardian pays 79.8. The Western gets off with \$204,529, or say 60 per cent. Another large Canadian company, the British America, suffers a slightly larger proportion (61.2) by its \$157,583 of net loss. The Eastern and the Mercantile have lost 66 and a fraction each. The Queen is now classified among the American companies, and its transactions in Canada have been the largest in that group. Losses \$174,541, equal to 65.4. The average of the four Hartford companies is 59.3; the Connecticut and Ætna showing low percentages and the Phœnix a high one. The Hartford is nearest the average, being 63.25. The aggregate of losses of all companies is stated at \$2,950,000.

-On Tuesday last there was a large attendance at Suckling & Co.'s auction rooms, when the following stocks were disposed of: Robert Darling & Co., dry goods stock of ±50,000, damaged by the recent fire-Several bankrupt stocks were also sold. Eight hundred dollars worth of goods in bond, belonging to the estate of A. R. Thompson, was bought by T. A. Garland, of Rat Portage, at 40 per cent. The clothing stock at 107 King street east, amounting to \$7,000, was sold at 42½c. to Scott & Flater, of Chatham. The Toronto Shoe Company's stock, \$15,000, was bought in two lots by Mr. T. H. Tolfree at 54c. and 70c. on the dollar respectively. "The Fair," of Leamington, amounting to \$850, was sold to J. T. Bailey at 22c. on the dollar. The balance of the dry goods stock of Tod & Co., Bowmanville, amounting to about \$750, was sold to Mr. A. Morell, of this city, for 10c. on the dollar.

-A good citizen was lost to Guelph when F. W. Stone passed away on Jan. 29th. His sturdy, upright English character and his long career (he was 81, and had lived sixty years in Wellington) as a Canadian merchant and stock breeder, will keep his memory green for many a day in Western Ontario. The deceased gentleman was for twentytwo years president of the Wellington Mutual Insurance Company. He had also represented the Canada Life Assurance Company in Guelph for more than forty years. His son, Wm. Alfred Stone, who has of late had the active management of the latter company's affairs in that city, has, we observe, been appointed to the agency.

-A prominent and respected citizen of Smith's Falls, Mr. Alexander Wood, died a few days ago at the age of 71, having lived nearly half a century in that place. He formed a partnership with Mr. Ebenezer Frost, in the firm of Frost & Wood, as far back as 1863, and at Mr. Frost's death, in 1867, the firm Frost & Wood was continued by the sons and Mr. Wood. In 1885 he bought the Ward's Island milling property, and had planned great extensions and improvements of it when he was called away. He was a man of unusual enterprise and of good business capacity.

⁻The statement of the Great West Life Assurance Company for 1894 shows new insurance during the year, \$2,788,000; net total risks in force, \$4,096,000; premium income, \$109,982. These figures exhibit marked gains over the corresponding figures of 1898.

CANADIAN PACKERS.

The Canadian Association of Fruit and Vegetable Packers met in Toronto in their annual session on the 6th inst. The meeting was well attended, the following members being present: W. Boulter, sr., Picton; Frank Boulter, Toronto; W. J. Flynn, St. Catharines; T. N. Dunn, J. H. Lee, Strathroy; W. Innes, Simcoe; W. A. Ferguson, Delhi; A. C. Miller, W. R. Wright, Picton; T. Owens, D. McAuley, Trenton; W. A. Carson, R. B. Morden, Belleville; H. J. Matthews, Lakeport; T. A. Montague, A. McKillop, West Lorne; W. H. Buntin, H. Carlisle, St. Catharines; J. J. Nairn, Aylmer; S. Fenton, St. Catharines; W. C. Breckenridge, Hamilton.

The election of officers was among the most important business of the meeting; the elections resulted as follows :

President--W. Boulter.

Vice-President-W. A. Ferguson.

Secretary-Treasurer-W. C. Breckenridge.

Assistant Secretary-G. A. Willis.

Executive Committee-W. Boulter, A. C. Miller, W. A. Ferguson, T. Montague, W. P. Innes.

Selling Committee-W. A. Ferguson, W. Boulter, W. P. Innes, S. Fenton, H. J. Matthews, A. C. Miller, W. C. Breckenridge.

Auditors-W. A. Carson, J. J. Nairn.

The various members of the association consider that the year has been a good one. Stocks at the beginning of the season were not large, and are now within small compass. Of fruits generally there is but scant supply, while the association is completely out of stock of strawberries. It was decided at the meeting to advance the price of staple lines of corn, peas and tomatoes $2\frac{1}{2}c$. a dozen. Although there was some talk among the members as to next season's operation, no arrangements were made with reference to it. The present mode of selling through committee has not given the best satisfaction to jobbers, and it is possible that a change may be made before next season's pack is placed on the market. It is understood that the association will soon be strengthened by the addition of other packers.

OTTAWA BOARD OF TRADE.

On Tuesday evening, 29th January, the Ottawa Board of Trade held its annual meeting. Mr. Wm. Scott, president, in the chair, and between twenty-five and thirty members present. The first subject discussed was the protection of the city from fire. Then the officers' reports were read. That of the secretary, Mr. N. S. Garland, showed the membership of the board to be 181, an increase of 23 during the year. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$686 on hand at the beginning of 1895.

The president's report mentioned among the subjects considered by the board the Canada Central Exhibition, an increased grant to which was asked from the City Council; the parks question; the interprovincial bridge; the Montreal and Ottawa Counties Railway, the construction of which was sought for; private banks; the Insolvency Act; the Montreal, Ottawa and Lake Huron Canal; the sawdust question as it affected Ottawa mills; better water supply and fire appliances for the city; the Ontario Arbitration Act for the settlement of commercial disputes. The election of officers then took place with the result that the following gentlemen were chosen;

President-Joseph Kavanagh.

1st Vice-President-C. Ross.

2nd Vice-President-A. W. Fleck.

Treasurer—C. A. Douglas.

Council—Thomas Workman, W. T. Masson, P. D.-Ross, George F. Henderson, George S. May, J. W. McRae, George Burn, W. E. Matthews, P. Whelan, Wm. Scott, R. M. McMorran and C. J. Booth Arbitrators—F. H. Chrysler, P. I. Bazin, A. Pratt, Ald. Cook, W.

Northwood, A. D. Richard, G. L. Orme, P. Larmonth, P. Baskerville, H. H. Wootten, G. H. Perley and D. O'Connor, jr.

When the result was announced, Mr. Kavanagh took'the president's chair and briefly thanked the members of the board for the compliment of being elected president.

Mr. R. J. Wickstead gave notice that at the next meeting of the board he would move a resolution, "That it is expedient that the colony of Newfoundland be forthwith admitted into the Union in accordance with the provisions of the B. N. A. Act of 1867.

RUBBER STAMPS IN LAW.

Is a receipt valid which is made by a rubber stamp and identified by a clerk? A Philadelphia judge decided the other day that it was not, being bad in law. So we are told by the *Bookseller and Newsdealer*. This being the case, will the signature to the correspondence of a firm or company, made by a rubber stamp, as is often done nowadays, be any more legal than the receipt just mentioned? The practice of using

a rubber stamp instead of handwriting may be carried to an unwise and unbusiness like length. The journal quoted says: "The principal of a house or the manager of a department is too prone to delegate important powers and responsibilities to subordinates. The latter may be faithful, honest, and intelligent, but there are certain important duties which, in the interest of employer and employee, the former should assume. A slight mistake in the office has caused many a weary and expensive hour on the witness stand in court."

CLEARING-HOUSE RETURNS.

The following are the figures of the Canadian clearing-houses for the week ended with Thursday, Feb. 7th, compared with those of the previous week:

CLEARINGS. Montreal	Feb. 7. \$10.667.160	Jan. 31. \$1 0,620,344
Toronto	8,360,870	4,332,940
Halifax Winnipeg	1,233,261 730,687	$944,341 \\ 641,954$
Hamilton		474,206
Total		\$17,013,785
Aggregate balances this week,	\$ 2,943,939;	last week, \$2,733,559.

-The business of the Perth Mutual Fire Insurance Company is growing. Its aggregate at risk is \$8,760,081. And, warned by the untoward experience of 1893, the management is accumulating a cash reserve. The company has some \$10,000 cash in bank, holds mortgages and debentures for \$52,000, and behind these has \$138,000 in premium notes. The total assets at 31st December, namely, \$211,466, shows an increase for 1894 of more than \$18,000. The proportion of the company's business done on the cash system is larger than that done on the note system. Losses are happily less than those of 1893, and the company is able to show, as the result of the business for last year, a net profit of \$13,692, which shows that they have done quite as well as the average of fire insurance companies.

-In the speech from the throne the Government of Nova Scotia uses the following language about 1894: "While the past year cannot be described as one of general prosperity throughout the Dominion, it must be a gratification for us to know that a fair degree of success rewarded the industry of our people in their diversified fields of labor. A good harvest, an average fishery, marked progress in mining operations and considerable activity in other departments, combined to enable the people of Nova Scotia to avoid to some extent the depression of trade which prevailed so widely on this continent."

-The Truro Board of Trade held its annual meeting on Friday, 25th January. Officers for 1895 were elected as under: C. E. Bentley, president; E. E. McNutt, 1st vice-president; W. E. Blight, 2nd vicepresident. Members of executive committee: R. T. Craig, T. G. Mc-Mullen, I. E. Bigelow, R. J. Turner, D. J. Thomas, P. McG. Archibald, W. Craig, G. Walker Smith, S. M. Bentley, F. McClure. The secretary is G. A. Hall. At the next meeting the subject of attracting new industries to the town will be taken up.

-The annual meeting of the Exchange Bank of Yarmouth has been held. The earnings of the year sufficed to pay the dividend of 6 per cent. and place \$4,240 to profit and loss. The reserve remains as before at \$30,000. The former board of directors was re-elected, namely: Robt. Cale, president; J. H. Killam, vice-president; N. B. Lewis, B. B. Law, Wm. Lovitt.

---We are informed that Mr. W. D. Matthews, of the Toronto firm of W. D. Matthews & Co., has been elected to a seat at the board of directors of the Canada Permanent Loan and Savings Company, to fill the vacancy created by the death of the late Mr. A. M. Smith.

--We receive, just as we are going to press, a copy of the annual report of the Toronto Board of Trade for 1894, whose 150 pages embrace reports of several of the sections of the board, as well as statistics of the port and a list of the members.

-Mr. William Ross having resigned the position of secretary of the Guelph & Ontario Investment and Savings Society, the position has been secured by Mr. J. E. McElderry, who for many years has been a merchant in that city.

-Additional reports of companies will be found on page 1,046 of the present issue.

Meetings.

UNION LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY.

The thirtieth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Loan and Savings Com-pany was held at the company's offices, 28 and 30 Toronto street, Toronto, on Wednesday, the

6th day of February, 1895, at 3 p.m. The meet-ing, as usual, was largely attended. Walter B. Geikie, Esq., president, in the chair. The managing director, Mr. Maclean, read the notice convening the meeting, as also the following following

REPORT

The directors have the pleasure to submit their thirtieth annual report and statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December 1894, and to report the result of another year's business

As will be seen on reference to the statemen of accounts appended hereto, the revenue from all sources amounts to \$150,181.43, out of which two half-yearly dividends have been paid at the two half-yearly dividends have been paid at the rate of eight per cent. per annum, amounting together to \$54,816.20; interest on debentures, \$56,436; interest on deposits, \$13,669.74; cost of management, \$16,762.25; which includes \$4,377.18 for debenture expenses; municipal tax, \$1,020.37, leaving a balance of \$11,013.24 to the aredia of the contingent account in addia to the service of the contingent account in addia to the service of the contingent account in addia to the service of the contingent account in addia to the credit of the contingent account, in addition to the reserve fund of the company, which amounts to \$260,000.

It is satisfactory to be able to report that borrowers' repayments during the past year have been met with fair regularity, amounting to \$363,995.21, and that new debentures have been taken up at reduced rates of interest to the extent of \$335,000, and maturing debenture amounting to \$320,000 have been repaid.

A corresponding reduction in the rate of in terest paid to depositors has also been made, the amount received during the year being \$312,591, and \$357,612 repaid.

\$312,591, and \$357,612 repaid. In consequence of the full limit of the com-pany's borrowing powers being so nearly reached, your directors have at times been compelled to refuse offers of large amounts for investment on favorable terms. The total amount held by the company on debenture and deposit from British and Canadian investors is \$1700 000 \$1,700,000.

The earning power of the company has been equal to the average of former years, yet the net profit appears less than last year, the board having deemed it advisable, in doubtful cases, not to take credit for interest earned on mortgages in arrear, owing to the depreciation now existing in the value of real estate, and in some cases to write down the amounts. With a revival of business, of which there are already distinct indications, your directors see nothing to prevent the company from realizing the full amount of its claim against any properties in default.

Your directors regret the removal by death of Mr. Henry Yates, of Brantford, one of the largest stock and debenture holders of the company, and a valued member of the board. The vacancy has been filled by the election of Dr. H. B. Yates, who will represent the large interests of his late father, and be a most valuable acquisition to the board.

It is with much satisfaction that your direc-tors have again the pleasure to record their sense of the valuable and efficient services rendered by Mr. Wm. C. McEwen, resident-director of the company, and sole partner of the long-established firm of Messrs. J. & A. F. Adam, W.S., No. 9 South Charlotte street, Edinburgh, general agents of the company for Scotland; and likewise those of Messrs. Allan, Buckley Allan & Milne, advocates, 56 Castle street, Aberdeen, in connection with the deben-ture business of the company : and it is satis-factory to note that the lower rates now Drethe business of the company and it is satisfactory to note that the lower rates now pre-vailing on mortgage loans have been fully met by the favorable terms upon which the com-Pany has been supplied with debenture money, chiefly obtained through their general agents. W. MACLEAN, W. B. GEIKIE, President

President. Managing Director.

ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS.

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-	Reserve fund	260,000 00
1	Contingent account balance \$ 3,537 19	
e	Contingent account added this year 7,476 05	11,013 24
	Dividend No. 60, payable 8th	
t	January	27,601 60
f		\$2,708,277 70
s	Assets.	
	Mortgages on real estate, etc	\$2,447,416 34
t	Other securities	8,156 07
n	Real estate (company's premises,	65,774 57
h	Toronto street) Office furniture, etc	1,244 42
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Interest on mortgages, etc..... .\$150,181 43 We, the undersigned, have audited the books of the Union Loan and Savings Company for the year ending 31st Dec., 1894, and find them in conformity with the above statement, and have checked the vouchers and mortgage regis-ters and found them correct ters, and found them correct. JAMES CARLYLE. JOHN N. LAKE. Auditors.

JOHN N. LAKE. J The president, on rising to move the adop-tion of the report, said: Another year has quickly passed since our last annual meeting, a year of considerable and world-wide business depression, which very specially affected the Mother Country, and to a much greater extent, the United States. Britain's colonial possessions too have had

a much greater extent, the United States. Britain's colonial possessions, too, have had their share of hard times, which have been so general. Yet Canada's lot has been fortunate in comparison with that of Australia, for example, where the results have been unfortu-nate, although it is to be hoped only tempo-varily so rarily so

Canada's share of the general depression, Canada's snare of the general depression, while comparatively light, has been very generally and sensibly felt by all classes. We have had low prices for grain, and especially for wheat, arising from a too abundant supply being grown throughout the world, yet even with the low prices a good harvest for which with the low prices, a good harvest, for which there is cause for thankfulness, has materially aided us.

An improvement has already begun amongst An improvement has already begun amongst our farmers, who in consequence of the lowered prices of grain, are wisely turning their atten-tion to dairy farming, and to stock raising, which will be much more profitable than wheat growing, and for which nearly all Canada, and especially Optario is admirably adapted especially Ontario, is admirably adapted.

I have recently learned from prominent, practical men, who reside in different sections of Ontario, that on this account the demand for of Ontario, that on this account the demand for farming lands has recently become greater than for some time past, that sales are being made much more frequently and readily, and that considerably better prices are obtained. City property is in like manner improving gradually, 335,002 61 several sales of centrally situated property at 15,589 66 good prices having recently been effected.

The annual report is in your hands. You see that we have the goodly sum of \$150,181.43 to report as our income for the year. Out of this we have paid two half-yearly dividends at the usual rate of 8 per cent. per annum, which must in itself be satisfactory to all our stock-holders. The municipal tax has also been holders. paid, as well as all interest due on debentures and deposits. In addition there is the cost of management.

In this is included, as the report states, the sum of \$4,377.18, incurred during the year for de-benture expenses. When this is deducted it will be seen that every care has as usual been taken to curtail expenses as far as possible. We have been able also to add the sum of \$7.476.05 to the Contingent Fund, which, with the balance of \$3,537.19 given in the financial statement, makes this fund stand at \$11,013,24, ofter having made every allowance for possible after having made every allowance for possible shrinkage. You will notice that the Reserve shrinkage. You will notice that the Reserve Fund has not been in any way trenched upon, although it was not to be expected that this year it could be increased. It amounts to \$260. 000, being 37 per cent. of the paid-up capital of the company.

It is gratifying to know that repayments have been well met by borrowers during the past year, and that securities in arrear have been so carefully looked after as to yield a good return on the money invested.

A large number of new debentures have been taken up at reduced rates of interest, aggre-gating \$335,000, while matured debentures, bearing a higher rate of interest, have been repaid, amounting, as the report shows, to \$320,000. A good deal of money, and some-times in large sums, for short periods and on favorable terms, has been offered to the com-pany and declined, owing to the limit of our borrowing power being nearly reached. The continued and increasing confidence in the company is further shown by the fact of money having come in freely for new debentures, while with few exceptions, those due this year have been renewed for a further period of years, and on more favorable terms. A large number of new debentures have been

on more favorable terms. We are glad to note this tendency to some-what lower rates of interest payable on deben-tures and deposits, which the reduced rates of interest now obtainable on loans renders not only desirable, but necessary.

Although the directors have not seen fit in some instances to include in the report, as they might have done, interest earned on mortgages in arrear beyond what is readily collectable, there is nothing, as is stated in the report, to prevent the company from realizing the total amount of its claim against all properties in default.

During the past year, under the care-il and conservative course which has Luring the past year, under the care-ful and conservative course which has always characterized the company in the conduct of its business, the actual losses sustained have been trifling, a fact for which the company is largely indebted to in-creasing care on the part of their managing director. I am no prophet, and do not pretend to being endowed with such a gift, but from a pursuance of a similar, and even if possible an increasingly cautious policy, we confidently be-lieve, especially as business is showing unmis-takable signs of improvement, that very satis-factory records may be hopefully looked for in the not far distant future. the not far distant future.

In common with other companies, w that with money abundant, and to be had from many quarters at low rates, it is essential to be scrupulously watchful over every loan applied for, and we have on this account declined very many that years ago would have been consid-ered desirable. But for this, which we deem the right course to have pursued, we could have greatly increased the volume of business done during the year, and have had far less money in hard then we now have

hand than we now have. With the revival of business now beginning to be felt in real estate and in many other ways, while we are contented and gratified with the past, we are hopeful as to the future.

This year, also, we have to record, with much regret, the death of one of the members of the board, the late Henry Yates, Esq., of Brantford, whose name was widely known in Canada, and who always took a great interest in the company's affairs. He was one of our largest stock and debenture holders.

His son, Dr. H. B. Yates, has been elected to succeed his father on the board, and his busi-ness capacity, as well as his stake in the com-pany, are such as to ensure his best efforts being put forth to advance all its interests.

We record with pleasure the sense the direc-We record with pleasure the sense the difference tors entertain of the value and efficiency of the services of their colleague, Wm. C. McEwen, Esq., W.S., resident-director, and sole partner of the long established firm of J. & A. F. Adam, W.S., in Edinburgh, Scotland. During the past year, as indeed ever since he has been acting in the company's behalf, his zeal in advan-cing its interests is recorded with very great satisfaction.

Our best thanks and acknowledgments are also due to Messrs. Allan, Buckley, Allan & Milne, advocates, of Aberdeen, Scotland, for their valuable services rendered from year to year to the company as their agents in the north of Scotland.

Mr. James Caverhill, agent of the company in Cork, Ireland, has also the thanks of the board for his efforts. He has only filled the position of agent for a short time, and his work for the company has on that account been necessarily limited.

To our managing director the best thanks of the stockholders are due, and, I am sure, will be most heartily accorded. Mr. Maclean has, as you all know, long and efficiently discharged his duties, and his interest in the company's welfare shows no abatement, but rather, if pos-

weitare shows no abatement, but father, it pos-sible, increases as time goes on. Mr. Maclean reports that all the officers in the service of the company have faithfully and efficiently discharged their respective duties during the past year. The following resolutions were passed unani-menulu

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"That the report of the directors and statements of accounts, submitted to this meeting, be received and adopted.'

be received and adopted." "That the thanks of this meeting be and are hereby tendered to William C. McEwen, Esq., W.S., resident-director of the company, and sole partner of the long-established firm of Messrs. J. & A. F. Adam, W.S., 9 South Char-lotte street, Edinburgh, for the very valuable and important services rendered by him, and also those of Messrs. Allan, Buckley, Allan & Milne, advocates, 56 Castle street, Aberdeen, for similar services rendered by them during for similar services rendered by them during the past year." "That the thanks of this meeting be and are

hereby tendered to the managing director, offi-cers and auditors of the company, for the satis-factory manner in which they have discharged their respective duties, and that the auditors be reappointed for the current year." "That Rev. Dr. Moffatt and Mr. H. L

Stark be and they are hereby appointed scruti-neers for the purpose of determing the votes for the election of directors for the current year

The scrutineers reported the following gentle-men duly elected directors of the company: W. B. Geikie, M.D., John Stark, Francis Richardson, Wm. N. Eastwood, H. B. Yates, M.D., J. C. McGee, Wm. C. McEwen, W.S, and W. Maclean.

At a subsequent meeting of the board, Dr. Geikie was elected president and John Stark, vice.president.

W. MACLEAN Managing-Director.

BRITISH CANADIAN LOAN AND IN-VESTMENT COMPANY (LIMITED).

The annual general meeting of this company was held at its head office, 25 Adelaide street east, Toronto, on Wednesday, the 6th Febru-ary, 1895, the following shareholders being present :-

present:— A. H. Campbell, John Burns, William Ince, Major George Greig, P. M. Clark, Dr. Ogden, Charles B. Petry, Samuel Nordheimer, George Robinson, Samuel Trees, Dr. Thorburn, J. J. Woodhouse, Charles E. Hooper, Donald Mac-kay, W. R. Brock, Alexander Dixon, Henry Pellatt, J. H. Mayne Campbell and Edward R. Craig Greig.

The president, Mr. A. H. Campbell, was ap-pointed chairman, and the manager, R. H. Tomlinson, secretary of the meeting. The an-nual report and the usual financial statements were submitted as follows :-

REPORT.

The directors beg to submit the sementeent

The amount of sterling debentures sold and renewed during the past year was \$266,644, and the amount redeemed was \$154,565, being a the amount redeemed was total amount outstand. decrease of \$58,570 upon the amount outstand-ing 31st December, 1893. On currency deben-

tures there has been received \$61,500 and re-deemed \$11,400, the balance current being \$278,975. The total amount of money borrowed for investment is \$1,666,337.

During the year the sum of \$197,254 has been received in repayment of loans on mortgage, and \$187,287 paid out for new investments, and mortgages to the amount of \$37,100 were extended for further term, the securities being found unquestionable. The loans on mortgage with interest to 31st December last amounted to \$2.178.359.

The amount at credit of profit and loss is \$47,222.72, made up of

Balance from last year's statement .. \$ 8,398 80 Net profits for the year..... 38,823 92 \$47,222 72

which has been disposed of as follows: Two half-yearly dividends

at the rate of 7 per cent.\$27,894 54 per annum.... Added to reserve fund. 8,000 00 Appropriated for antici-

5,000 00 nated losses Balance carried forward to

next year 6,328 18

\$47,222 72 Although there has been no increase in the company's business during the past year, the net profits have been somewhat larger, arising from the constant employment of the funds, the lower rate of interest paid on debentures, and a reduction in the charges on money borrowed and lent.

In addition to paying the usual dividend of 7 per cent, the directors have been enabled to add *8,000 to the Reserve Fund, which is now equal to 30 per cent. upon the paid up capital; and after making an appropriation of \$5,000 for anticipated losses, to carry forward over \$6,000 to next year's business.

Notwithstanding the general depression, re-payments of principal and interest on mort-

gages have been made with fair punctuality. The directors desire to bear testimony to the very efficient manner in which the manager and other officers of the company have discharged

their respective duties. The balance sheet and profit and loss account, duly audited, are herewith submitted. A. H. CAMPBELL

President.

Toronto, 1st February, 1895. STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st December, 1894.

BALANCE SHEET.

Linhilities

L	Liabilities.		
L	Capital stock, 20,000 shares of		١.
L	\$100 each. \$2,000,000, of which		
ł	\$20 on currency and £4 on ster-		
Ł	ling shares have been paid \$	398,493 34	
1	Sterling debentures. \$1,374,447 85		
ł	Currency "268,975 41		١.
ł	Investors' mortgage		11
1	certificates 22,913 41		1:
	certificates 22,913 41	1,666,336 67	L
I	D i il I I ad Cariner	1,000,330 01	
1	Provincial Loan and Savings		
1	Company (amount due by them	10 000 10	
	to their depositors)	10,266 18	
	Interest on debentures, etc., ac-		
	crued to date	16,700 30	ļ
.	Due agents in Britain	1,153 80	
	Sundry creditors (borrowers' bal-		
	ances. etc.)	2,443 13	
,	ances, etc.) Dividend No. 34, at 7 per cent.		
	per annum, payable 2nd Janu-		
5	ary, 1895	13,947 27	1
-	Reserve Fund	120,000 00	
Ş	Balance at credit of Profit and		
	Loss	6,328 18	١I
,			
,		\$2,235,668 87	.
e	Assets.	#2,200,000 01	
-	Loans on mort-		
y	gages on real		
Ξ.	estate \$2,178,359 14		
	Loans on stocks,		
).	debentures held,		
Ι.	etc 11,376 19		
1-	Stock in Royal		
s			
	land (investment		
	on account re-		
	serve fund) 15,058 98		
h		\$2,204,794.3	1
	Cash on hand \$ 1,401 51		

	\$ 1,401 51	Ψ2,2
in : •	16,283 07	
in 	5,762 03	6

Britain

Sundry debtors (disbursements re-payable by borrowers, etc.) Office furniture and fittings	5,627 1,800	
	\$2,235,668	87
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOU	INT.	
Dr .		
To interest paid and ac-		
crued to 31st Decem-		
ber, 1894.	\$74,068	32
Expenses of manage-		
ment, salaries. rent and		
taxes, directors' and		
auditors' fees, printing		
and stationery, inspec-	70	
tion charges, etc \$11,752	12	
Commission paid loan	00	
agoing the test of tes	U#	
Advertising, commission		
and other expenses connected with the		
sale of debentures 3.322	45	
sale of debentures 0,022	16.54	6 19
Dividend No. 33, at 7 per cent.	•	
annum, paid 2nd July, 1894	13,94	1 27

annum, paid 2nd July, 1894 ... Dividend No. 34, at 7 per cent. per annum, payable 2nd January, 1895 Carried to reserve fund 8.000 00 Appropriated for anticipated losses Balance carried forward..... 5,000 00 6.328 18 \$137,837 23 Cr. By balance 31st Decem-.....\$9,398 80 ber, 1893 Less vote of annual meeting 1,000 00• 8,398 80 -\$ Interest received and accrued to 31st December, 1894 129,438 43 \$137.837 23 1894. Dec. 31st. -By balance to next year .. \$6,328 18

13.947 27

R. H. TOMLINSON. Manager.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICALE.

We have made a careful audit of the books and accounts of the British Canadian Loan and Investment Company (Limited) for the year ending 31st December, 1894, and have examined the securities; and we hereby certify that the above balance sheet and profit and loss account are correct.

DAVID HIGGINS, HENRY WM. EDDIS, F.C.A., Auditors.

Toronto, 31st January, 1895.

Toronto, 31st January, 1895. The scrutineers appointed to take the ballot reported the retiring board re-elected, as fol-lows: A. H. Campbell, George Greig, William Ince, John Burns, Samuel Trees, J. K. Kerr, Q.C., Henry F. J. Jackson and W. R. Brock. At a subsequent meeting of the newly-elected board, Mr. A. H. Campbell was re-elected pre-sident and Major George Greig vice-president.

ECONOMICAL MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Economical Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Berlin was held in that town on Friday, the Economical Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Berlin was held in that town on Friday, the 25th January, 1895, at one o'clock p.m., at the company's office. Present were the following gentlemen, viz.: Messrs. J. Fennell, Geo. Lang. Frank Turner, C.E., P. S. Lautenschlager, F. Snyder, H. Knell, C. Babst, Hon. S. Merner, Geo. Pattinson, H. L. Janzen, L. J. Breithaupt, A. B. Powell, J. A. Mackie, W. Strong, R. B. Cook, J. J. Cook, J. A. Beaton, A. B. Bru-bacher, James W. Walker, A. Walker, W. Pinder, W. Stanley, J. H. Johnson, W. Tindall, N. W. Gingrich, J. Querin, T. S. Minton, Dr. H. G. Lackner, S. E. Moyer, A. Sinclair, D. Peacock, I. Hord, J. Oliver, W. Niehaus, J. S. Anthes, H. Bornhold, H. M. Schaefer, G. M. Bettschen, H. Schwenn, L. Siegmann, P. Jan-zen, P. E. W. Moyer, H. S. Boehmer, J. C. Breithaupt, Dr. J. E. Hett, P. Pequegnat, H. J. Hall, J. M. Weber, manager and assistants. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. The president read the fol-lowing director's report:—

REPORT In submitting this the 23rd annual report of the Economical, the directors are pleased to be able to present one so satisfactory in every respect.

\$23,446 61 During the year, as will be noticed by the detailed report, 5,343 policies were issued, cov-

ring \$5,624,965, making the total insurance ring \$5,624,965, making the total insurance carried by the company, under 9,551 policies, \$9,723,336. This is a net increase of \$1,005,471. The net assets of the company now amount to \$298,539, an increase of \$11,555. The company paid for 161 fire losses, \$52,026, showing a decrease of \$5,204. The increase in the premium income is \$17,834, which enables the company to add to its reserve \$15,337. While the re-insurance liability of the com-

While the re-insurance liability of the com-bany is \$23,367, we have a total cash assets of \$93,614

Although the volume of business has greatly attention to the again, with pleasure, call your attention to the agents' balances, which at the close of the year amounted to the small sum of \$327.53, showing that our staff of agents are careful and prompt in remitting. You will be called upon to elect five directors

in place of those retiring, namely : Fr. Snyder, Hon. S. Merner, T. W. Thompson, L. J. Breithaupt and C. Pabst, all of whom are eligible for re-election. All of which is respectfully submitted on be-

half of the directors.

JOHN FENNELL President.

\$109 849 69

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ECONOMICAL MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF BERLIN FOR THE YEAR 1894.

To premiums, cash sys-.....\$49,117 29 Receipts. 1st instalments on notes, 1892...... 20,860 50 -\$69,977 79 Instalments, 1892 13 50 '' 1893 2,450 62 '' 1894 25,562 53 13 50 28,026 65 906 25 Rent 2,667 82 Interest 3,574 07 126 55 ransfer fees Rebate of claim British America . 1,077 06 Rebate of claim mattress 60 50 works 1,264 11

			\$102,842	62
Expend	itures.			- }
By losses, 1893 \$	8 7.088	51		1
do. 1894	44 937	57		
uo. 1004	11,001		\$52,026	08
Commissions and bonus			<i>₩02,020</i>	00
	10 011	00		
to agents	019,011	09		.
Law costs	341			·
Fuel, light and water	116	14		
Travelling and adjust-				
ment expenses	1,621	15		
Salaries, directors' and				
auditors' fees	6,630	30		
Printing and stationery.	1,348	33		1
Postage, telegraph, tele-				
phone and express	805	38		
Repairs to building and	000	00		
furniture	639	01		
	183			
Taxes				
Goad's plans	292			
Signs for agents	78	80		
Bradstreet and Dun &				
Co		00		
Typewriter		00		
Government license	195	45		
Miscellaneous	142	80		
			32,465	64
Re-insurance	\$2.373	46		
Rebate		20		
	010		3.013	66
Balance			15,337	
Dalance			10,001	21
			\$102,842	69
	-			04
INVESTMEN	T ACCO	UNT	•	
D				
To profit and loss ac)r.			

To profit and loss ac- count, 1894	15,337 24		
Cash reserve, January 1st, 1894		\$90,155	22
Accrued interest Agents' balances	$551 82 \\ 327 53$	₩00,100	22
Due bills for first pre- miums Instalments in course of	1,951 38		
collection	3,276 32	6,107	05
		\$96,262	27
By montreases		\$ 33 102	87

Building	. 15,000 00
Deposit on current account	
Deposit receipts	. 25,000 00
Cash at head office	. 377 95
Sundry cash assets	. 6,107 05
	\$ 96.262 27
BALANCE SHEET, December 31	lst, 1894.
Dr.	
To unadjusted losses	. \$ 2,648 11
Balance of assets	. 298,539 38
	\$301,187 49
Cr.	
Du anah assats	S 06 962 97

By cash assets. Net premium notes..... 204,925 22

\$301,187 49

To the directors of the Economical Mutual Fire

Insurance Company: Your auditors beg to report that they have audited the company's books for the year end-ing 31st December, 1894, and found them correct.

J. S. HOFFMAN, Auditors.

Berlin, January 8th, 1895.

On motion of the president, seconded by Mr. ang, the above report was adopted

Lang, the above report was adopted. Moved by Mr. Mackie, seconded by Mr. Breithaupt, that the financial statement as submitted and read by the manager and certi-fied by the auditors, be adopted, and that all payments made by the manager during the financial year ending 31st December, 1894, be and are hereby confirmed and sanctioned; and that the action of the manager is hereby confirmed in accepting applications, issuing confirmed in accepting applications, issuing policies, effecting re-insurances and terminat-ing risks as implied in the figures set forth in the said financial statement.

the said financial statement. After the ballot was taken the scrutineers, Messrs. Anthes and Lackner, declared the fol-lowing gentlemen elected as directors, viz. : F. Snyder, Hon. S. Merner, T. W. Thomson, L. J. Breithaupt, C. Pabst. On motion of F. Turner, seconded by A. B. Powell, the retiring board of honorary directors was re-elected

was re-elected.

The thanks of the company were tendered to the agents for their work during the past year and for the care they have exercised in taking risks.

In return it was moved by Mr. J. J. Cook, seconded by Mr. Stanley, that a hearty vote of thanks be tendered to the management for its courteous treatment of the agents of the company

At a subsequent meeting of the board of directors, Mr. J. Fennell was re-elected president, and Mr. G. Lang vice-president.

Correspondence.

TWO BRITISH COLUMBIA QUESTIONS.

Editor MONETARY TIMES

SIR,-Will you suffer me as a British Columbian, acquainted with the points at issue, to comment in some detail on two interesting sug-gestions that are made in THE MONETARY TIMES of January 11th? The first of these con-cerns hop culture in B. C., in urging further development of which you say: "Why the development of which you say: "Why the inhabitants of B.C. have not turned their atteninhabitants of B.C. nave not turned turned turned turned tion to growing hops, has for some time been a query with those having knowledge of this pro-vince's resources and adaptability to this par-ticular industry?" The query can be easily answered, by reference to present prices and by consideration also of those that are fairly certain the the immediate future. The chief consideration also of those that are fairly certain to prevail in the immediate future. The chief reason why hop-growing is little practised in B.C. lies in the fact that, as prices stand, the culture fails, as a rule even to pay expenses, far less realize a modicum of profit. In London, England, the best Pacific coast hops realize but 11 to 13 cents a pound, whilst in New York 11 to 12 cents are the maximum quotations. Our B.C. hops are not all of course of the best quality, good as most of them doubtless are. quality, good as most of them doubtless are. But even those that are "of the best" will be found by reference to the above New York and London prices, and allowing for broker's com-mission, cost of transit, and other necessary adductions to command at most but 9 and 21 deductions, to command at most but 8 or $8\frac{1}{3}$ cents a pound net. Many of our province's hops have indeed lately brought considerably By mortgages...... \$33,102 87 less than either of these modest sums, as I am

formed by a leading buyer. Yet, according to fr. Dell, whom you quote in support of the ossibilities of profits in hop growing in B.C., minimum return of 10 cents a pound will be isually required, even to pay expenses. Nor is here much better hope in respect of the com-ng season, for a large surplus will be carried over from the world's hop harvest of 1894, and low prices—probably less even than those have quoted — will according to the have quoted — will, according to the *American Agriculturist*, prevail next fall. In-leed many impoverished Pacific Coast growers deed many impoverished Pacific Coast growers are already selling the 1895 crop in advance at miserable quotations. Under these circum-stances it is unlikely, indeed, that 1895 will witness any large addition to the small area now under hops in a province which at best pro-duced last year less than 500 bales. There is accordingly nothing to encourage further hop culture in British Columbia at this present; and we must reluctantly admit that we cannot. and we must reluctantly admit that we cannot, as things are, expect much of this diminutive

branch of our province's general agriculture. So much for British Columbia hop culture. Now may I say something also anent an editorial Now may I say something also anent an editorial in your issue of the date already mentioned. It is there hinted as probable that Canada will "find her advantage" in becoming a third party to the British treaty with Ja-pan. Now whilst this would, as I think, be doubtfully advantageous to Canada as a whole, the unconditional acceptance of the treaty would prove fraught with dire disaster to B.C. And from what I learn, and what may be gleaned, also, from an observant study of the to B.C. And from what I learn, and what may be gleaned, also, from an observant study of the Japan mind at this present, it is fairly obvious that Japan will, if asked to arrange with Ca-nada, insist on the practically unqualified acceptance of a treaty of equal rights. and based also in the main on principles of free trade and unrestricted rights of immigration and settlement. The acceptance by Canada of and settlement. The acceptance by Canada of the treaty, therefore, means, first, the free, or almost free, admission into Canada of Japanese almost free, admission into Canada of Japanese boots, shoes, clothes and other commodities, exceedingly cheap, made by skilled native labor, working at 25 cents a day, or little more, and with the aid of excellent machinery. It means, next, the permanently free and unre-stricted immigration into B.C. of crganized bardee c Loroners coolies imported by native hordes of Japanese coolies, imported by native hordes of Japanese cooles, imported by harive labor contractors, and ready to work very long hours for 50 cents a day. This these coolies can do because content to live, as a rule, in "sin-gle blessedness," on the cheapest of food that is mainly vegetables, and to remain deprived of mainly vegetables, and to remain deprived of many things which the ordinary white worker reasonably deems practical necessities of life. The Japanese coolie in B.C. can and will live "harder and tougher" than the most frugal habitant of rural Quebec, and can and will—as-he does—sell his labor on terms that are little higher than those exacted by his less ingenious Chinese rival Chinese rival.

Now we British Columbians have already in our midst some 10,000 Chinese and about 1,000 Japanese coolie settlers, as against a white population of only 70,000, including women and children, the Chinese and Japanese amongst us being almost exclusively single males of work-ing age. Hence the Mongol labor of British Columbia stands already to the white labor in something like the large proportion of 1 to 3. The Chinese and Japs are consequently—on a working basis of little more than 50 cents per day of 10 hours—"thrusting to the wall " large and growing numbers of our own people in B. C We cannot therefore look calmly and inactive whilst a proposal is being made that would hinder Canada from taking such steps, in the early future, as will probably become absolutely necessary to prevent British Columbia from be-coming what the Sandwich Islands are already in the main wing a blond of Little Chies with Loren the main, viz., a blend of Little China with Japan in miniature. Even now Mongol coolies have ousted from their employment a host of white workers at our Comox coal mines. There is also grave reason to fear that similar cheap also grave reason to fear that similar cheap labor—either Chinese or Japanese—may force itself, by reason of the fierce competition of Comox in the San Francisco coal market, on our other B.C. coal mines at Nanaimo and Wellington, which now provide a fair living for some 7,000 white collier folk. Hence fear of Mongol cheap labor is with us no mere bogey that is raised only to frighten children of a larger growth, but a grave social menace, for any further large displacement of white workers in B.C. by Mongol toilers must and will lead to widespread and dangerous disorder, that will not readily down, or indeed down at all with-out violent resistance. We British Colum-bians therefore sincerely trust that Canada will E. R. C. CLARKSON,

Liquidator of above estate.

enter into no treaty with Japan that shall in anywise abridge the Dominion's powers of reanywise abridge the Dominion's powers of re-striction in respect of a coolie immigration that is always throwing out of work hundreds of Canadian toilers in B.C., and likely to take effect yet more formidably at the close of the present contest in the Orient. With many analocies for the learth of my latter apologies for the length of my letter,

Believe me, Yours fraternally, NICOLAI C. SCHON.

Vancouver, Jan. 23, 1895.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Feb. 6th, 1895.

Stocks.	Highest.	Lowest.	Total.	Sellers.	Buyers.	Average price 1894.
Montreal	2201	219	93	221	219	219
Ontario	91	91	10	100		110
People's	1201	120	113	125		117
Molsons				175	170	
Toronto				245	.	240
Jac. Cartier				117		117
Merchants	165	164	6	167	164	155
Commerce	138	1371	102	138	137	133
Union				100		'
M. Teleg	158	1571	47	158	$156\frac{1}{2}$	
Rich. & Ont	977	96	1565	98	95 1	
Street Ry	1841	1821	1617	185	183	168
do new stock	$182\frac{1}{2}$	1805	3340	182	1813	
Gas	195	191	2428	193 <u>4</u>	193	
C. Pacific Ry	523	52	225	$52\frac{3}{4}$	$52\frac{1}{2}$	70
Land gr'nt b'nds	1091	1091	\$1000		109	109
N. West Land				60		
Bell Tele. Co	154	154	115	156	154	136
do., new stock			, ,			
Montreal 4%						

THE Royal Electric Company of Montreal appointed a new general manager to succeed Mr. Charles W. Hagar, who resigns. The new official is Mr. W. H. Browne, the late general manager of the United Edison Illuminating Company, of New York.



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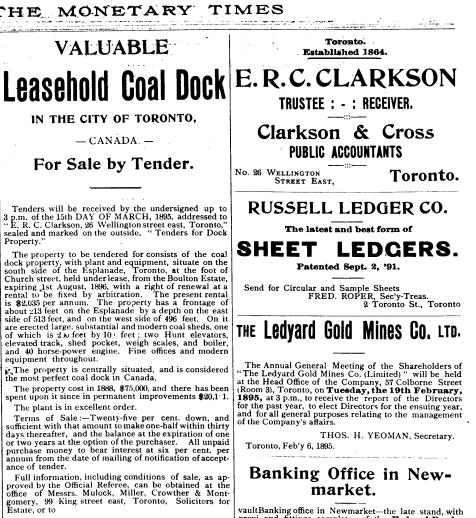
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-The United States Minister to Russia will, it is said, resign the post, the reason being that he finds the salary of \$17,500 a year totally inadequate to keep up the position in the style in which it should be maintained by the ambassador from the United States. On the same day last month a bill was to be introduced in Congress by Mr. Richardson (Dem., Tenn.) appropriating \$1,000,000 to provide a suitable residence for the President of the United States. If the telegraph has not put a cypher too many into the sum mentioned, what becomes of the "republican simplicity" we hear so much about in the United States?

--The great quantity of 246,603 bushels of oats was loaded aboard the big steel steamer "S. S. Curry" by Chicago elevator men before removing to her winter quarters. Up to this time the "Onoko" held the record with 187,-657 bushels.

Commercial.

MONTR EAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Feb. 6th, 1895. ASHES. – Business has been very dull of late, and the English market weaker. Shipments

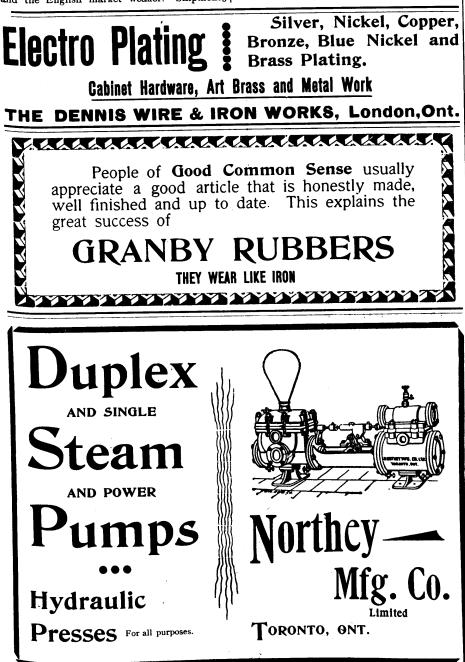
during January were only 59 brls. pots and one brl. pearls. Receipts for January were 110 brls. pots. Values are easy at \$4 to 4.05 for No. 1 pots, and #3.65 to 3.70 for seconds; of pearls there have been none sold lately.

CEMENTS AND FIREBRICKS.—The season is of course not favorable to any movement in cements, and prices are more or less nominal at \$2.05 to 2.15 for English and \$1.95 to 2 for Belgian. There is a fair movement in firebricks for repairs at \$17.50 to 22 for ordinary brands and \$25 for Glenboig.

DRY GOODS.—Customers' paper was fairly provided for on the 4th inst., which is usually a "big month." Anticipations in some quarters were not altogether favorable as to the results, but after weighing reports of different merchants, it may be reasonably stated that the 4th inst. was an average one, and no notable defaults, resulting in failure, have as yet been reported. There is no particular activity in sales just at the moment, and nothing new to be said as to values.

FISH.—The Lenten demand has not yet set in very actively, and prices are not greatly altered from last week. We quote: No. 1 green cod, \$4.25; No.1 large, \$5.25 to 5.50; dry cod, \$4.25 to 4.50; herrings, \$3.75 to 4.50, according to brand; N. S. salmon, \$13 to 14 for No. 1; B. C. ditto, \$10.50 to 11; sea trout \$9 to 10; fresh herring, 90c. to \$1 per hundred; cod and haddock, 3 to 4c.; finnan haddies, 6 to 7c. per pound.

FURS.—The results of the London fur sales are reported as follows : Muskrat skins sold 15 per cent. lower than last March, mink 10 per cent. higher, red fox same as last March, lynx



15 per cent. lower, wolf 5 per cent. lower, mar. ten 60 per cent. higher, black bear 5 per cent. lower, beaver 10 to 15 per cent. lower. Receipts at the moment are small, only some odd droppings coming in. Quotations, as revised for strictly prime pelts, are as follows : beaver, \$3.25 to \$4; black bear, \$15 to \$25; cub do., \$5 to \$10; red fox, \$1.25 to \$1.50; muskrat, 7 to 10c.; lynx, \$1.50 to \$2.50; marten, \$1.25 to \$1.75; mink, \$1 to \$1.50; skunk, 50c. to \$1.25; otter, \$8 to \$12; fisher, \$5 to \$7.

GROCERIES.—The heavy storm of last week was very general, resulting in heavily drifted country roads, which has interfered somewhat with the current of business and with the movements of travellers in the interior. The local movement in teas is not very active, but we are told of a sale of 700 pkgs. of low grade Japans to Chicago, with offers from the same quarter for other fair lots. London advices report continued firmness in blacks. Raw sugars keep strengthening, but local prices for refined continue on the same low level, namely, 34c. for standard granulated at the refinery, and from 25c. up for yellows. German refined seems out of the market entirely for the present. The jobbing price for Barbadoes molasses has at last been advanced to 324c., with first hands still holding firm at 33c. in lots. Coffees are in moderate request at 18 to 21c. for Rio, Java 26 to 30c., Mocha 27 to 30c., Maracaibo 20 to 24c., Jamaica 19 to 22c. Dried fruits are dull. Further advance is advised from Europe in currants, Russia being reported a heavy purchaser. For prunes there is some moderate demand at $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}c$. Dried apples are generally quoted at $5\frac{1}{2}$ to 6c.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—A good demand from tanners for cured hides is noted, with continued scarcity of stock, and the quality poor, owing to grubs. Dealers are buying No. 1 light hides at 5c., heavies at $5\frac{1}{2}$ c. per lb, with sales to tanners of cured at $5\frac{1}{2}$ c. and $6\frac{1}{2}$ c. respectively. Lambskins 60 to 65c. each. Tallow continues slow of sale at 5 to $5\frac{1}{2}$ c. per pound.

LEATHER.—A little more business is reported and a more active month is looked for, as shoe manufacturers will have to begin shipping spring goods in March. We hear of a contract made the other day for 5,000 sides of No. 2 Spanish sole at 17c. per pound, and there are fair exports of sole to England all the time, Splits, buff and grain all rule very firm, with low stocks. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A. No. 1, 18 to 20c.; do No. 2 to B. A., 17 to 18c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 17 to 18c.; No. 2, 16 to 17c.; No. 1 slaughter, 19 to 21c. No. 2 do., 17 to 18c.; common, 15 to 16c.; American oaksole, 39 to 43c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 24 to 26c.; do. heavy, 20 to 24c.; grained, 24 to 26c.; Scotch grained, 25 to 27c.; splits, 14 to 17c.; do. juniors, 11 to 12c.; calf-splits, 27 to 30c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; colored calf, American, 23 to 27c.; Canadian, 19 to 21c.; colored pebble cow, 124 to 134c.; nueset sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 18 to 23c.; buffed cow, 10 to 12c.; polished buff, 9 to 11c.; glove grain, 9 to 10c.; rough, 16 to 17c.; russet and bridle. 40 to 50c. METALS AND HARDWARE —The row up of

METALS AND HARDWARE.—The rev va of trade is slow in coming, especially in the line of heavy metals. Apart from sales of a few car lots of domestic pig iron at \$17, there has been little done, and foundrymen report very slack business. Scotch warrants are cabled easier at \$2.65 to 2.80, and we understand a 500-box lot was done a few days ago at something under the inside figure. A round lot of galvanized iron could be done at \$4.15 for No. 28. Tin showed a temporary spirt in New York last week, but has fallen back again. Copper and lead are without change. Canadian band iron is selling at \$1.85, English \$2.00, hoops \$2.10. We quote : Coltness pig iron, none here; Calder, Nc. 1, none here; Calder No. 3, none here; Summerlee, \$21.00 to 21.50; Eglinton, \$19.50; Gartsherrie, none here; Langloan, none here; Carribroe, \$19.00 to 19.50; Shotts, none here; \$18.60 to 18.50; Siemens, pig, No. 1, \$16.75 to \$17.00; Ferrona, No. 1, \$16.50 to 17.00; machinery scrap, \$15.00; common do., \$12.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.60; British, \$2 to 2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5.00; Ca. nada plates — Blaina, or Garth, \$2.05; all polished Canadas, \$2.75; Terne roofing plate, 20×28 , $$5.75 \ to 6.00 . Black sheet iron, No. 28, $$2.15 \ to 2.30$; No. 26, $$2.15 \ to 2.20$; No.24, \$2.101tin plates—Bradley charcoal, $$5.25 \ to 5.50 ; charcoal I.C., $$3.25 \ to 3.50 ; P.D. Crown, $$3.75 \ to 4.00$; do. I.X., $$4.75 \ to 5.00$; Coke I.C., $$2.65 \ to 2.80$; coke wasters, \$2.65; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, $41 \ to 41c$.; No. 26, 4c.: No. 24, 32c., in case lots; Morewood, $52 \ to 62c$.; No. 26, $61 \ to 62c$.; the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.85; English ditto, \$2.00; hoops, \$2.10. Steel boiler plate, $4 \ inch and upwards$, $$2.00 \ to 2.10 \ for Dalzell,$ $and equal; American steel plates, <math>$1.90 \ to 2 ; and equal; American steel plates \$1.90 to \$2; ditto, three-sixteenths inch, \$2.60; common tankiron, \$1.65 to 1.75; tank steel, \$1.80; heads, tank iron, \$1.00 to 1.0; tank steel, \$1.80; heads, \$2.85; Russian sheet iron, 10 to 104c.; lead, per 1001bs, pig, \$2.85 to 3.00; sheet, \$4 to 4.25, shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 104 to 12c.; toe calk, \$2.50; spring, \$2.50 to \$2.75; tire, \$2 to 2.25; sleigh shoe, \$2; round machinery steel, \$2.50; input tin 16 to 16c that in 25c input contract 2.25; sleigh shoe, \$2; round machinery steel, \$2 to 2.25; sleigh shoe, \$2; round machinery steel, \$2.50; ingot tin, 16 to 164c.; bar tin, 25c.; ingot copper, 92 to 11c.; sheet zinc, \$4.50 to 4.75; Silesian spel-ter, \$4 to 4.25; American do, \$4 to 4.25. Antimony 104 to 12c.; bright iron wires, Nos. 0 to 8, \$2 65 per 100 lbs.; annealed do, \$2.70; galvanized, \$3.35; the trade discount on wire is 20 per cent. Barb and twisted wire and staples, 3c. Coil chain, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, 5c.; $\frac{3}{2}$ inch, $4\frac{1}{2}c.$; $\frac{7}{4}$ in., $3\frac{1}{2}c.$, $\frac{7}{4}$ in., and upwards

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Turpentine is again advanced to 45 to 46c.; a very strong market is reported in the South, and stocks on spot are in narrow compass. In other fines there is nothing of a novel character. We quote:--Turpentine, 46c. per gallon for single bar-rels; two to four barrels, 45c. Linseed oil, raw, 57c. per gallon; boiled, 60c.; 5-barrel lots, lc. less; olive oil, machinery, 90c.; castor, in lots, 64c.; single cases, 64 to 64c.; tins, 7c.; Nfld. cod, 38 to 40c. per gal.; Gaspe oil, 38c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 38 to 40c., in small lots. Leads(chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$4.50 to 4.75; No. 1, \$4.25 to 4.50; No. 2, \$4 to 4.25; No. 3, \$3.75 to 4; dry white lead, 42 to 44c.; genuine red do., 44c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; putty, 2c. in bladders per brl.; London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 90c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50; window glass, \$1.20 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.30 for second break; third break, \$2.80. These prices are shaded 5c. for 50-box lots.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Feb. 7th, 1895.

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DRUGS.—The new year has not brought any material improvement to the drug trade. Orders received are only for small and unimportant amounts. While this plan of trading is con-servative, and not attended with any considerservative, and not attended with any consider-able degree of risk, it lessens the profit of wholesale merchants. For it costs almost as much to distribute a great many small parcels as a large quantity of goods. In values the feature of the week has been a marked advance in the price of Norwegian cod liver oil, which is now selling at \$2 a gal Muriate cocaine is now selling at \$2 a gal. Muriate cocaine is firm and higher. Opium, cream tartar and tartaric acid are inclined to easiness.

DRY GOODS .- Since the commencement of the year there has been the usual rush with the wholesale houses to make shipments for the spring trade. Some of the importers have been working late into the night in order to keep faith with their customers. The good



sent forward include prints, linens, dress goods, gentlemen's furnishings, and carpets. Although for the bulk of these goods orders were placed some weeks ago, still the number and amount of orders received during the week have been very satisfactory, and indicate confidence in the coming season's business. Should the present favorable conditions of snow, good reads etc. be continued the close of the winter roads, etc., be continued, the close of the winter season will undoubtedly see most retailers with little stock left over, which is an encouraging fact.

•FURS.-The latter part of 1894 was favorable to the fur trade, but since the new year business appears to have dropped off somewhat. For for skins about the same prices as last year are being paid, ranging from 25c. to \$1.25. At the last Lampson sales raccoon sold 30 per cent. lower than in March. Dealers here pay from 10 to 60c. each for skins. Mink, on the con-trary, has advanced abroad, and offerings bring from 10c. to \$1.25, according to color and size. Muskrat is lower in England, local dealers paying 8c. Skunk, too, is lower abroad. Merchants are paying \$1.25 for black, and 15 to 50c. for white. For marten dealers are paying \$1.50 to \$2.50; \$1.50 to \$2.50 for lynx, and \$3 per lb. for beaver

The wheat market has been some-GRAIN.what steadier this week in consequence of a firmer feeling in both English and American markets. Deliveries at outside points are not excessive, while the present movement is almost entirely confined to the supplying of local mil-lers' wants. Barley is firm; there has been some export movement in the United States and enquiries from American brewers keep up well. Oats continue unchanged, with quota-tions well maintained; some enquiries for large

lots have been received from the eastern provinces: there yet remains in western On-tario, it is thought, good stocks of oats. Peas are firm and cables give an advance of 1¹/₂d. per cwt. in English markets. Rye and corn find but nominal movement.

GROCERIES .- Nothing has happened to excite GROCERIES.—Nothing has happened to excite special interest in the grocery trade this week. Values are steady and very well maintained. There is nothing special to note in coffees. Only a limited movement is taking place in dried fruit. Currants are firm locally because of re-ported advances abroad. There are some nice selected layer raisins offering at 5 to $5\frac{1}{3}c.$, which are considered good value. There is a better demand for survey and this will probably conselected layer raising old ring at 5 to 5gc., while are considered good value. There is a better demand for syrups, and this will probably con-tinue through Lent; there are some cheap American syrups on the market at 21 to 23c., but they are not in good favor since thick and sharp. Sugars are selling well; country re-tailers continue to purchase on an extensive reals. The trade obtains no profin in the sugar The trade obtains no profit in the sugar scale. The trade obtains no profit in the sugar trade as conducted at present. All over the country come reports of slaughter prices, and a staple article is being distributed by wholesale and retail merchants alike without remunera-tion for their pains. Prices of yellows have within the week declined a point, and are now quoted: Bright, \$3 to 3.10; medium bright, \$3; yellow, \$2.80 to 2.90 per cwt. The Canadian Packers' Association is in session, and at the time of writing it is impossible to obtain in-formation of the proceedings. It is believed scale. formation of the proceedings. It is believed that outside packers are soon to be admitted into the association. Corn is strong, with standand brands selling at $87\frac{1}{2}$ to 90c.; a few "off brands" may be had at 80c. Tomatoes bring 85 to 90c. Standard brands of peas are quoted at 80 to 90c., with selected at \$1 to 1.10. Canned fish are moving freely, with prices unchanged.



TORONTO PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.
Breadstuffs.		GroceriesCon.	\$ c. \$ c.	HardwareCon.	\$ c. \$ c.	Canned Fruits-Cases, 2 doz. each.
FLCUR : (🍄 brl.) Manitoba Patent	\$\$ c. \$\$ c. 3 80 3 90	Syrups : Com. to fine, lb Fine to choice	0 021 0 023	Annealed Galvanized	00 to 25% 00 to 25%	Apples-3's, 1 doz. \$1 00 1 10 BLUEBERRIES-1's, " 0 85 1 00 " 2's, Loggie's" 1 10 1 20
" Strong Bakers Patent (Winter Wheat)	3 60 3 70 2 60 2 75	MOLASSES : W. I., gal	0 30 0 40	Coil chain § in Barbed wire, gal §	0 007 0 00 1	CHERRIES-2's,
Straight Roller Extra Oatmeal	0 00 0 00	New Orleans RICE: Arracan	0 034 0 034	Screws, flat head	50 to 50% 771 to 80%	STRAWBERRIES-2's, " 1 9C 2 10 PEACHES-2's, Yellow
Rolled Wheat Bran, per ton	3 60 4 00	Patna, dom. to imp Japan, """… Genuine Hd. Carolina	0.037 0.037	" r'u head Boiler tubes, 2 in " " 3 in	0 09 0 00	PLUMS—2's, Green Gage
GRAIN: Winter Wheat, No. 1		SPICES : Allspices Cassia, whole per lb	0 11 0 12 0 13 0 15	STEEL : Cast Black Diamond	$0 12\frac{1}{2} 0 14$ 0 11 0 00	BEANS-2's, Stringlessper doz. \$0 85 0 90 "2's, White Wax" 0 00 0 95
" No. 2 No. 3 Spring Wheat, No. 1	0 55 0 56	Ginger, ground Ginger, root	0 18 0 28 0 20 0 25	Boiler plate, 1 in " 5/16 in " 3 & th'ck'r	2 10 0 00 2 10 0 00 2 10 0 00	" 3's, Baked, Delhi" 145 Совм—2's, Standard" 0871 140 Ред. — 2's, Standard" 085 145
" No. 2 " No. 3	0 60 0 61	Nutmegs Mace Pepper, black, ground		Cut NAILS:	2 40 0 00	PEARS-2'S " 1 95 1 75 "
Man. Hard, No. 1 """ No. 2 """ No. 3	0 76 0 77	" white, ground SUGARS :	022 0 29	50 and 60 dyA.P 40 dyA.P 30 dyA.P	 0 00 2 15	Римркіля
Barley No. 1 " No. 2 " No. 3 Extra	. 040 041	Redpath Paris Lump. Extra Granulated Off g 111 ulad	0 031 0 031	20, 16, 12 dyA.P 10 dyA.P 8 and 9 dyA.P	0 00 2 25	Fish, Fowl, Meats-Cases. 21b. tins
Oats, Peas	0 32 0 33	Very bright Bright Yellow	3 25 3 30 3 00 3 10	6 and 7 dyA.P 4 and 5 dyA.P	0 00 2 50	"Horse Shoe, 4 doz
Rye Corn Buckwheat	0 54 0 55	Med. Bright Yellow Yellow Demerara	2 80 2 90	3 dy	0 00 3 10	LOBSTER-Noble Crown, flat tins, 4's
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Beef, Mess Pork, Mess	. 12 00 12 50 . 00 00 15 50	genuine Yg. Hyson Fychow an	. 035 065 d	IXX " DC " IC M. L. S.	5 50 0 00 3 25 3 50 5 25 5 50	Duck-Boneless, 1's, 2 doz
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Upper, No. 1 heavy "light & mediu Kip Skins, French	02002 m. 02503	5 Pekoes 5 Pekoe Souchong	0 21 0 23	Linseed, raw	0 53 00	1 10 1 20
" English	0 15 0 9 0 60 0 7 0 35 0 5	0 Kangra Valley	0 20 0 35	Olive 39 Imp gal	1 30 1 4	Sawn Pine Lumber, Inspected, B.M.
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HARDWARE AND METALS .- The trade move ment, although slow and unsatisfactory, is if anything a little better than a week ago. A large number of retailers throughout the country have not yet finished stock taking, and so are not inclined to purchase in large quantities. Con-tracts for future delivery, however, continue of a satisfactory character. The milk can trade is very active, and jobbers are forwarding large quantities of material for manufacturing hup-poses. Business in metals is improving slowly, while values remain firm. Import orders of window glass, to be delivered in June, continue good. There is little or nothing doing in the good. There is little or nothing doing in the plumbing business; however, a good trade is looked for next spring. Heavy hardware is not in request, partially as the result of high freight rates. There is a fairly good trade in tinware supplies, but orders are principally for small amounts. The only change in values is a re-duction in iron pipe, which is now quoted at 70c., and 5 to 15 per cent., according to quan-tities tities

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HIDES AND SKINS .--- In spite of a decline in the Chicago market local merchants still retain hides at their old prices. But the situation is undoubtedly weakening. The quality is deterio-rating with the advancing season. Stocks do not sell very readily, and in some of the cellars there are accumulations. One important factor in the situation is that American buyers are holding aloof from the market, and with this outlet closed the position of holders is weakened not a little. As we stated last week, there was some difference of opinion as to the advisability of raising the price of sheepskins at the month's commencement. However, the bulls prevailed, commencement. However, the bulls prevailed, and, in consequence sheepskins stand at 80c., an advance of 5c. Whether any further ohange will be made in prices during the month we cannot say. At present figures, values, in com-parison with former years, are by no means high. At this season of the year there is so high. At this season of the year there is so much variance in quality that it is extremely difficult to buy on a standard price. The local tallow market is weak, although quotations are no less. Some stock has been brought here from the United States recently, but we understand the results attained were not up to expectations, and it is improbable that the transac-tions will be repeated.

PROVISIONS.—Trade is but moderately active. The butter market remains unchanged, that means dull and slow; medium and common means dull and slow; medium and common grades are selling at 8c., fine tubs at 14c., but for these descriptions there is only weak de-mand, the bulk of the trade being done in rolls at 12 to 14c. The local jobbing cheese busi-ness is very quiet, and the feeling decidedly easy. Hog products remain unaltered in regard to values; nackers are not overly busy: receiptor to values; packers are not overly busy; receipts of dressed hogs are not excessive, but quite equal to all demands. Eggs are in a somewhat firmer position than they were a week ago; new laid are worth 20c., limed 11 to 12c., and cold storage 11 to 12c, per doz. Dried apples are a little firmer at $5\frac{1}{3}c$, while evaporated are firm at $7\frac{1}{3}c$. With the advancing season an increased quantity of this fruit is passing into consumption.

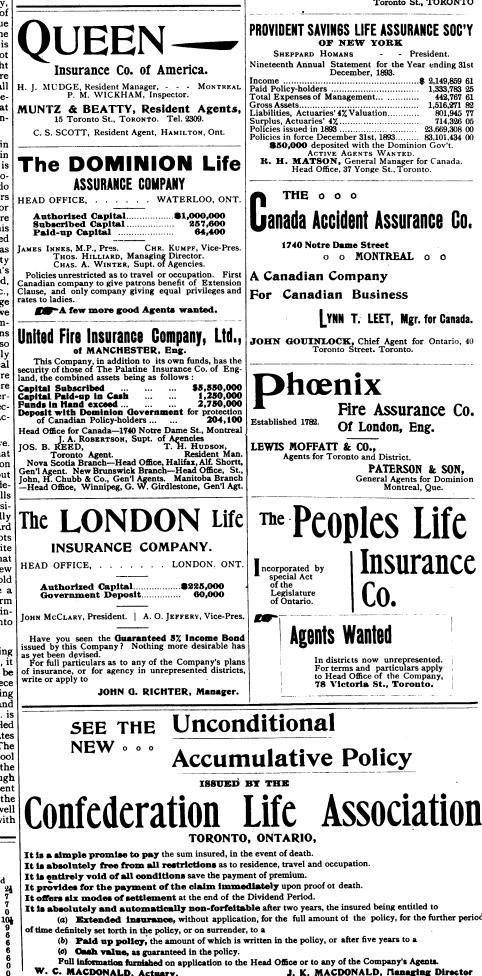
WOOL.—After the pretty thorough cleaning up which the market underwent last week, it was not to be expected that there would be much activity this week, at least so far as fleece wool is concerned. However, stocks remaining in the country are so small that they command a premium and an advance of 1c. per lb. is being paid by Toronto merchants. For pulled there is a fair demand from the United States and several carloads are going forward. The circular of a well known Philadelphia wool house, Justice Bateman & Co., says of the situation in the United States: "Although American woolen manufacturers for the present appear to be fairly well employed under the new tariff laws, the seller of wool is not so well new tariff laws, the seller of wool is not so wool off, as he must now divide his business with

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Feb. 7, 12.30 p.m.

Wheat, Spring	s.	d
Red, Winter	5	
No. 1 Cal	-	
Com	Ā	
Peas	4	1
Peas	38	-
	58	
	28	
Bacon, light	28 28 24	
Cheese, new white		
Cheese, new white Cheese, new colored	50	
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foreigners who are selling wools at such tempting prices as to secure large orders from mills which were previously supplied from the domestic staple. The wool market therefore fails to quite keep abreast of the activity in the American mills, which are better employed than they were at any time during last year in supplying goods required to restore the assortment reduced to a low point in anticipation of the new tariff laws.



It is absolutely and automatically non-forfeitable after two years, the insured being entitled to (a) Extended insurance, without application, for the full amount of the policy, for the further period of time definitely set torth in the policy, or on surrender, to a

(b) Paid up policy, the amount of which is written in the policy, or after five years to a **Oash value**, as guaranteed in the policy.

Full information furnished on application to the Head Office or to any of the Company's Agents. W. C. MACDONALD, Actuary. J. K. MACDONALD, Managing Director

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PERTH MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the mem-bers of the Perth Mutual Fire Insurance Com-pany was held in the company's office, Market Square, Stratford, on Wednesday, the 23rd January last.

Among those present were Messrs. William avidson, mayor of Stratford; Hon. Thomas Among those present were messes, witham Davidson, mayor of Stratford; Hon. Thomas Ballantyne, William Mowat, Thomas Orr, Geo. Hyde, Joseph Salkeld, Andrew Kuhry, George Leversage, J. D. Moore, W. S. Bolger, A. Frame, Nelson Monteith and G. G. McPherson. The following report was then submitted :

REPORT.

The board of directors beg to lay before you the thirty-first annual statement of the affairs of the company, being for the year ended 31st December, 1894, and are pleased to be able to report an increase both in the amount of business done and in the amount of the reserve fund.

Our assets, including premium notes, now amount to \$211,466.69, and deducting from this amount to \$211,406.69, and deducting from the source of the year, \$360.28 agents' balances (amounts overpaid), and \$26,-377.57, the amount of reserve required to reinsure all current risks on the cash system, we have, as our net surplus, \$180,278.84

nave, as our net surplus, \$180,278.84. The total income of the year was \$95,611.87, and the total expenditure \$77,109.05. Allowing for losses under adjustment and for agents' accounts, \$4,810.28, we have as the net profit of the year's business \$13,692.54, a result which we think must prove satisfactory to every mem ber of the company

ber of the company. The number of policies issued and amount of insurance written during the year was 4,879 policies for \$5,789,481. The total number of policies in force and amount at risk on 31st December was 8,319 policies for \$9,486,706, an increase as compared with the previous year of 1,533 for \$1,916,795.

As we hold re-insurance policies for \$726,625, our net liability on account of amount at risk is \$8,760,081.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Income.

To balance from 1893\$ 53,989 55 Premiums on note sys-\$40,333 65

tem	10,000	00
Premiums on cash sys		
tem	44,902	32
Interest	2,503	26
Extra premiums and fees	434	60
Re-insurance losses	7.438	04

95.611 87

\$149.601 42

Disburse	ments.			
By paid losses of 1894	\$40,606	49		
Paid losses of 1893	1,010	44		
Rebate and abatements.	4,184			
Re-insurance	8,070			
-		\$	53,872	53
Agents' commissions	\$13,603	30		
" bonuses		70		
			14,578	00 [
Law costs	260		•	
Fuel and light	30			
Investigation claims	670			
Statutory assessment	175			
Travelling expenses	525			
Rent and taxes	411	90		
Salaries, directors' and				I
auditors'	4,329			
Printing and stationery.	1,072			
Postage, office account	349			
" agencies	228			
Express and freight	146			
Telephone & telegrams	111			
Exchange	77	85		
Other expenses	268	09		-
			8,658	52

Balance	\$77,109 72,492	
	\$149,601	42
Assets.		
Stratford municipal de- bentures	}	

Mortgages	40,725	õõ	
Savings bank, Bank of Commerce	3,099		
Current account, Bank of Commerce	6,495	45	
Agents' and other com- panies' balances	4,531	13	

	Instalments 766 62 Bills receivable 1,677 70 Office furniture 1,017 35 Goad's plans 2,540 15
1	\$ 72,852 65
	Premium notes, after deducting all
	payments thereon 138,614 04
	Total assets
	Liabilities.
	Amount required to re-

insure all current risks on the cash system .. \$26,377 57 Losses under adjust-ment 4,450 00 Other accounts..... Balance assets over 360 28 liabilities 180,278 84

\$211.466 69

Detailed statements of the amount at risk, cash account, assets and liabilities, profit and loss account, agents' balances, losses paid, and the inspector's and auditors' reports are here-with submitted, and will, we trust, prove satisfactory.

The retiring directors of the year are Messrs William Mowat, J. D. Moore, James Jones, and G. G. McPherson, all of whom are eligible for re-election. All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) WM. DAVIDSON, President.

Stratford, January 16th, 1894.

To the President and Directors of the Perth Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Mutual Fire Insurance Company. GENTLEMEN,—We, the undersigned auditors, certify that we have made a detailed audit of all the books of the said company for the year ending the 31st December, 1894, and have examined all the securities, vouchers, and documents relating to the said company's financial affairs, and have compared the com-pany's balance sheet and profit and loss ac-count with the said books, all of which we have found correct. found correct.

Dated the 12th day of Jan., A.D. 1895.

(Signed) JOHN PEARSON, Auditors.

After the adoption of the report, the retiring directors, Messrs. William Mowat, J. D. Moore, James Jones and G. G. McPherson were re-elected. At a meeting of the board held subse quent to the annual meeting Mr. William Davidson was elected president and Mr. William Mowat vice-president.

ONTARIO'S BEE INDUSTRY.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Bee Keepers' Association was held the other day at Stratford, the president. Mr. A. Pickett, of Nassagaweya, stated that the past year, from the bee-keepers' standpoint, upon the whole had been rather discouraging. The bees wintered well and came out in spring with few wintered well and came out in spring with few losses, but the cold and wet weather following drove them back to their hives, compelling them to live on their winter stores, with the result that they were exhausted before the weather became favorable for the gathering of a freek eventy and in concentration many did a fresh supply, and in consequence many died of starvation. The survivors gathered but little; honey clover and other blossoms being cut short by the drought, the result was little more than half a crop. He was pleased to notice that their annual meetings were increasing in attendance and also that the Provincial Government had taken an active interest in promoting the honey-making industry by ap-pointing a foul-brood inspector and in other ways.

THE ECONOMY OF A GOLD LOAN.

Four or five years ago the Territory of Ari-zona had occasion to borrow some money, about \$75,000, and the Act of Congress author-izing the loan was amended upon the motion of Mr. Smith, the delegate from the Territory, to make the loan payable in gold. Eastern news-papers promptly commented upon this action by a man who was known to be an advocate of by a man who was known to be an advocate of free coinage, and who purported to be the re-presentative of free coinage people. Mr. Smith made some kind of an explanation designed to keep his record as a free silver man straight. It amounted in substance to a complaint that the "gold bugs" were demanding their pound of flesh, etc., etc., and Arizona was at their

mercy. But the fact remained, and indeed was confessed in the amendment that Mr. Smith offered, that Arizona could borrow more econ-omically if it would guarantee to repay gold than if it left the kind of money in which the bonds were to be redeemed indefinite.

Now, this is all the fact that is needful for sensible men to know. They but offend their voices when they rail at Shylocks if they cannot rail the seal from off the bond, or in modern parlance, the natural desire of the lender to know what will ultimately be repaid to him, or to those to whom he sells his bond, if he lets his money go. If men individually, or as a political or commercial corporation, find that they can borrow more cheaply on a gold bond than on a silver bond or a legal tender bond, that is a sufficient reason for borrowing on a gold bond; and if they complain and rave and curse because they cannot borrow more favorably on a cause they cannot borrow more ravorably on a bond redeemable in anything that people may choose fifty years hence to offer in its redemp-tion, they are as foolish as the child who beats a chair outer which it has at which it a chair over which it has stumbled.—Commercial Bulletin.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

The state of things in Newfoundland is criti-The unsound and effete mode of conductcal. ing affairs on that island for many years is now fully exposed, and much suffering is the result. A correspondent of THE MONETARY TIMES, writing on January 16th, says: "Our country is in desperate straits now, politically and com-mercially, and indeed both these are closely interwoven. There could be no remedy internally, and the structure-politics and commerce-should come to an end by failing of its own huge rottenness. The men who reared this structure and propped it by laws and customs of their own making, were the same who wrecked the banks and plundered the inhabi-

tants. The Union's condition seems to be as bad almost as the Commercial." We learn respecting the failure of John Munn & Co., of Harbor Grace, that the large sealing fleet of steamers and sailing vessels of this extensive concern will go to the ice as usual in March, with the permission of the court and In march, with the permission of the court and the trustees, a step much to be desired. One of the partners in the house is already on his way to England to make arrangements for securing the last payment (in 1896) of a proposed compromise

-Acording to the circular of Messrs. Henry R. Merton & Co., the visible supply of copper in England, France, and afloat from Chili and Australia at the close of December was 52,676 tons, an increase on the stock quoted for No-vember 30th of 381 tons. In the same period the net improvement in price of Chili bars is 10s., the latest quotation being £40 12s. 6d.

-The meanings attached to the different precious stones are as follows : the garnet means constancy; the amethyst, sincerity; the bloodstone, courage; the saphire, innocence; the emerald, success; the agate, long life; the carnelian, content; the pearl, tears; the diamond, purity; the opal, sorrow; the turquoise, happiness; the malachite, prosperity.—Ladies, Home Journal.

The big steel schooner "Marcia," sister ship to the "Malta," built in Chicago for the Minnesota Steamship Company, was launched in January. The dimensions of the "Marcia" in January. The dimensions of the "Marcia" are 302 feet keel, 320 feet over all, 40 feet beam and 24 feet moulded depth. On a draft of 145 feet she will carry 3,000 tons, and when the 20-foot channel is completed her capacity will exceed 4,000 tons.

The late Robert Louis Stevenson was wont to relate the following episode connected with the time when he was a budding litterateur. One day, in his usual absent minded fashion, he was entering the famous second-hand book shop kept by James Stillie, when he came into collision kept by James Stillie, when he came into Collision with a fuming old gentleman who was leaving the establishment. The latter called to Ste-enson in an angry tone, "Man, can you not look where you are going?" Stevenson apolo-gized for his awkwardness, and was then con-fronted by Mr. Stillie, who was also in a state of excitement. The bookseller exclaimed, "The capture here here trying to make out that an old ot excitement. The bookseller exclaimed, "The cratur has been trying to make out that an old book I sold him is spurious! He may be able to write, but he knows nothing about black-let-ter books! He's the most disagreeable cus-tomer that ever entered my shop!" "Who is he?" queried Stevenson. "Oh, that's the great Mr. Thomas Carlyle," was the answer.





