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- Guelph becomes a city on the 23rd prox.
- Kedey & Co., of St. John, N.B., have purchased the bankrupt stock of J. H. Murray & Co., of the same place, for \$3,500.
- Stock has been largely subscribed towards a joint stock cheese factory in North Dumfries, Ontario.
- Messrs. James Robertson & Co., of this city, Canada Saw and Lead Works, are opening a branch in St. John, N.B.
- Donald Smith, general store, Campbellton, N.B., has suspended. Liabilities, \$4,500; assets about \$2,500.
- Wm. R. Baggs, hotelkeeper, Moneton, N.B., is offering his creditors 25 cents in the dollar in 6 and 12 months secured, with interest.
- The creditors of Albert S. Crawford, general storekeeper, St. Mary's Ferry, N.B., have been anxious about his whereabouts of late. He owes them \$8,000.

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- Whitby, Ontario, has not had a fire within the limits of the corporation since October, 1877.
- Mr. F. S. Lansdell, grocer, of Simcoe, Ont., has had his goods seized for rent and his store closed up.
- An extensive and rich doposit of silver is said to have been discovered near the village of Carp, in the vicinity of Ottawa.
- A writ of attachment was issued yesterday against Freeman Hoskin, Gardenhill, Ont., wagonmaker.
- Thomas McCrosson of Toronto doing business as McCrosson & Co., hats and furs, shows liabilities of \$21,000 of which about \$10,000 are direct, and \$8,000 indirect.
- -A writ of attachment has issued against Thos. A. Cook, match factory, at the Reformatory Prison, Penetanguishene, Ontario, at the instance of Rev. Thos. Brock Fuller.
- The offer of Alanson C. Sheley, of Windsor, Ont., of fifty cents in the dollar at four months from the 15th day of April, 1878, secured by notes, has been accepted.
- The affairs of the Atlantic Mutual Life Insurance Company it is said are to be wound up, and a representative will probably be sent to Albany to look after the interest of Canadian policy-holders.
- We are informed that Thomas McLean of Brantford, Ontario, dry goods merchant, has obtained a settlement at 60 cents in the dollar secured, on liabilities of \$52,437.36.
- Wm. Dickson, of Park Hill, Ont., general dealer, has made an assignment. In referring to the insolvency of A. J. Webster & Co., of London, last week, the amount of stock was placed at \$17,000; it should have been \$7,000.
- A meeting of the creditors of G. F. Simonson, St. John, N.B., will be held the 18th inst. to take into consideration the offer to purchase the estate en bloc for \$3,000 in 1, 2 and 3 months,

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- W. G. Stevenson, of Port Hope, has effected a settlement at 50c. on the dollar, and is con. tinuing his business as merchant tailor.

- The Reliance Mutual Life Assurance Society of London, England, with head quarters for Canada in this city, was no relation of the Reliance Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Toronto, recently deceased.

- The by-law granting a bonus of \$3,300 to Gray, Young & Sparling, for establishing salt works at Blyth, Ontario, was carried the 7th inst. by a majority of sixty-seven. The works will be commenced immediately.

- The Halifax Gas Light Company has declared a half-yearly dividend of five per cent. At a recent meeting of the Company it was resolved to reduce the price of gas from \$2.80 to \$2.50 per thousand feet.

-Thomas Bennett, the younger, of Brockville, Ont., hotel keeper, formerly of the firm of Bennett & Potter, grocers, made an assignment the 27th ult. Meeting of creditors called for 17th inst., at 10 o'clock.

- From the number of letters from the Capital now-a-days, passing free through the post office, one would be led to suppose that somebody had been specially appointed to "frank" envelopes for the general public at the seat of government.

-At a meeting of the creditors of Thomas Wilson, of Brampton, Ontario, held the 6th inst., an offer made by the insolvent of 50 cents in the dollar, payable in three years unsecured, was accepted. His liabilities amounted to \$7,000; assets about \$3,000.

-The Works of the Picton, N.S., Gas Company have been sold at public auction by the sheriff on account of the foreclosure of a mortgage. They were bought by Mr. David Mc-Culloch for \$3,950. Bids were offered by some of the former proprietors individually.

-At a meeting of the creditors of C. A.

Hagerman of Port Hope on Monday last, a proposition made at the previous meeting to compound at 10 cents, 4 months without interest and without security, was confirmed. The creditors are principally family and other friends.

- The affairs of D. M. Telford, dry goods dealer, Strathroy, Ont, show liabilities of \$4,-437, and assets of \$7,400 in stock and book debts. He began business about three years ago, and although a man of good business ability, has been obliged to ask indulgence from his creditors.

- A document addressed to the Quebec City Gas Company is being extensively signed, informing the Company that the signatories have given up the use of gas, but that they are willing to continue its use providing the Company will reduce its cost to \$2 per thousand feet, with the present discount.

- The Canada Agricultural has begun paying dividends again, but not in a way contemplated by its original promoters. The total claims filed for fire losses are \$77,085.42, and on this a ten per cent. dividend will be paid on and after the 24th inst. Of the 227 claims, 12 are objected to.

-The case of F.A. Clarke, of this city, against the Exchange Bank to recover \$510, the amount of a cheque which had been accepted and paid by the bank, and debited to Clarke's acccount, but which Clarke claimed was a forgery, has been decided in favor of the bank, the judge holding the cheque genuine.

- An action for \$10,000 has been entered by Mr. D. J. Craig, assignee, against Narcisse Quintal. The defendant endorsed notes for that amount for his brother's firm, Quintal & Croteau, and the notes were paid after the insolvency of the latter to the prejudice of their creditors.

-Mr. F. X. Lanthier of Thibault, Lanthier & Co., furriers, has obtained a settlement at 55 Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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A prominent retail bankrupt concern, doing business in the dry goods line, on St. Catherine St., in this city, is advertising that it still continues business and will sell cheaper than ever. It is to be hoped that the respectable wholesale firms who supply them with new goods will consider a little the interests of neighboring firms who are trying to pay 20 shillings in the pound.

—Hungerford Bros., grocers, boots and shoes, &c., Strathroy, Ont., who failed recently; show liabilities of \$6,000, and assets \$8,000 in stock and book debts. The firm commenced only about a year ago, and have not done as careful a business as was necessary for their ultimate success. Especially was this seen in the unwise cutting of prices, following the example of some of their heavier brethren in the boot and shoe trade.

—A writ of attachment was issued last Saturday against the firm of Leggatt & Johnson of this city, wholesale boot and shoe dealers, at the instance of the Canadian Rubber Company: Liabilities about \$120,000, of which about \$80,000 are direct. The firm has worked and struggled hard, but the general cutting down of prices, coupled with the hard times, has been too much for them. It is probable that some arrangement satisfactory to all parties will be devised.

— The estate of W. T. Scott, shoe maker, Bowmanville, shows liabities \$3,662.65; assets consisting stock \$1,760.30 and debts \$875.35; total \$2644.65, leaving a deficiency of \$1,018.00, Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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— A Special General Meeting of the Members of the Montreal Corn Exchange Association will be held to-day at 12 o'clock noon, to consider the present freight rates of the Grand Trunk and Intercolonial Railways, with a view to agitate for the alteration of the same, as, owing to late changes, they discriminate to an alarming extent against the trade of this city.

— The latest Connecticut dodge for peddlers is: The manufacturers make silver-plated table knives, stamped "Shelfield," with the royal arms vignette, "Cutlers to Her Majesty." The price per hundred dozen to the trade is about \$2.50 per dozen. The peddlers, who are genuine Yankees, are dressed up in the sailor costume, having the far and oakum smell (man-of-war regulation), who go back to the homes of the honest yeomamy and take a dozen slyly out of their bag, intimating that they were smuggled and will let them go at \$5 per dozen, although "richly worth double that."

Wm. S. Snarr, the defaulting Toronto coal dealer, had endorsad his uncle's name to \$22,000 worth of paper held by one bank alone, and cashed by the defaulter. Mr. Snarr, senr., repudiates the whole transaction, and alleges that his name is only attached to \$0,000 worth of paper, held by the Bank of Toronto, and on which he is secured. Notes amounting to between \$6,000 and \$7,000, held by Moser, Hoole & Co., of Buffalo, also bear the signature

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of the uncle. These notes are also stated by the last-named person to be forgeries. A writ of attachment has been issued against the estate of John Snarr's Sons, the name under which the coal firm were doing business.

— Mr. Geo. Em. Allen, manager in St. John, N. B., of the "Mercantile Agency" of John Mc-Killop & Co., having associated with him as manager for the Lower Provinces Mr. James Jack of Halifax, is in town, interviewing our merchants and manufacturers. The Maritime reports of McKillop & Co., as well as those of the Province of Quebec, have always been comparatively most reliable, and Mr. Allen is likely to receive considerable encouragement for his special reports and other improvements, which he offers, confined, however, exclusively to the Maritime Provinces.

- W. McLaren & Co., of this city, wholesale boot and shoe dealers, whose failure was recently noted, have experienced quite a falling off in the amount of probable assets during the three weeks since their failure. They then claimed a surplus of about \$7,000 over liabilities of about \$95,000, but the method employed in keeping their books is so complicated that at the end of three weeks no statement is yet ready. Such a complex system of account keeping might have done very well in the first or second quarter of the century, but in these days of keen competition any firm ought to be able to ascertain at any time within twentyfour hours the position in which they stand. They offered 40 cents in the dollar, 35 cents secured, which was refused at the meeting yesterday.

— The schedule prejared by R. C. W. McCuaig, official assignee in the case of Garland, Mutchmor & Co., of Ottawa, shows

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total liabilities of \$315,435, of which \$34,558 is due to Canadian creditors; \$88,035 to British creditors; \$181,985 indirect to banks; \$8,213 to endorsers, and \$2,045 preferential claims. The assets are estimated at \$169,641. Of the other failures at the capital contemporaneous with that of Garland, Mutchmor & Co., W. S. Wilson shows liabilities of \$35,738, and assets of \$18,113; McKinnon Bros., liabilities \$98,697, and assets \$66,409; Hugh Stalker, liabilities \$17,941, and assets \$12,382. We regret that the name of R. A. McMorran & Co. should have been published in this connection in a recent issue.

- The auction sale yesterday of the insolvent estate of W. Stafford & Co., wholesale boot and shoe manufacturers of this city, resulted more favorably than the most sanguine creditors were led to expect. The whole estate was purchased by Mr. Struthers, of London, Ontario, formerly with Messrs. John Birrell & Co. of that city, for \$32,500 cash in three days. The stock brought \$18,780, or 731 cents in the dollar; the book debts \$11,700, or 431 cents in the dollar, and the machinery \$1950. The whole would be equal to about 35 cents on direct liabilities. It is stated that Mr. Struthers has resold to a couple of gentleman of undoubted business ability, one of whom might have averted some

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recent business troubles had his counsels prevailed in time.

-Mr. Richard Smardon of this city wholesale boot and shoe dealer against whom a writ of attachement was issued early in the week attributes his difficulties to the over competition which has existed in his line for some time back and the consequent cutting of prices. He did a business of about \$180,000 to \$200,000 a year. His gross profits in 1877 were \$35,000; in 1878, \$36,518. The expense account of running the factory shows in round numbers \$12,000 or about 72 per cent. including foreman's wages, which if deducted, as is not uncommon, would reduce it to about 6 per cent.; the total cost of selling goods of say \$170,000 would be \$10,100; the interest account was about \$10,000 a year. He claims to have lost \$50,000 in bad debts during the past 21 years. We give these figures in justice to Mr. Smardon, as it has been stated that the expenses of the business were exceedingly large. It is possible, however, that other causes not within his personal control operated against his success. The business was begun five years ago as Smardon & Young, but Mr. Young retired in May, 1877, and is now of the firm of Young & McGauvran, in the same line.

- The Reliance Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Toronto, one of the youngest of its class, came to a sensible conclusion at its first annual meeting held recently in that city in deciding to retire from the field. The experience of the company has been anything but satisfactory; the expenses were too great to allow of anything like adequate provision to be made for losses, the agents alone absorbing about 25 per cent. of the cash income of the

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- One of the most interesting auction sales of the period was that of the estate of Mullarky & Co., which took place last Wednesday. There was quite a gathering of the trade, many of them men who could look back to better times, and Mr. Mullarky was deeply sympathised with in his troubles. Each intending bidder before he could make an offer was compelled to hand over Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal

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a certified cheque for \$1,000. The result of the sale was quite satisfactory to the creditors. The stock, manufactured and unmanufactured, was knocked down to Mr. Gravel, formerly of Slack & Gravel, for \$28,000, or about 781 cents in the dollar, while the book debts were bought by Messrs, Cechrane, Cassils & Co., for \$18,400, or 364 cents in the dollar, who also purchased the machinery for \$1,600; it cost \$9,000 originally. The whole realized \$48,780, payable in cash, six days, equal to about 20 cents in the dollar, cash. The success which attended the two sales of Wednesday has led the leading leather merchants to refuse any but reasonable offers from other insolvent boot and shoe houses in which they have a controlling voice as creditors. It is intimated that the Mullarky estate is likely to pass into the hands of a hardworking firm, who are at present insolvent, but who have powerful friends to assist them.

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	1871,	1875	1876.	1877.	1878.	1879.	Total.
		ş	\$	\$	ş	ş	\$
Gross Sales	82,898 54	188,663-08	225,857 33	216,000 01	219,100 50	27,713 89	960,239 35
Profits	15,880 32	37,890 65	53,215 13	37,274 17	12,727 91		150,988 18
Interest	95 47	6,695 10	6,267 08	7,426 60	10,161 56	2,429 74	33,068 55
Expenses	3,779 50	6,983 09	6,106 78	5,718 50	9,009 03	2,193 86	33,853 76
Commissions	3,741 48	9,643-52	8,881 02	11,106 55	11,686 18	2,350 99	47,412 74
Bad Debts	379 71	11,631 60	-13,885 86	13,536 90	19,774 83	10,600 53	69,809 43
S. Conlson	795 70	1,297 79				••••••	2,993 19
W. Stafford	2,949 91	2,099 85	4,978 15	5,162 16	6,433 73	1,264 96	23,888 76
	11,741.47	39,340 95	40,121 89	42,950 77	57,128 33	18,843 07	211,026 48

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GRAIN TRADE WITH THE UNITED STATES.

The protest referred to in our last issue of the members of the Corn Exchange against the imposition of a duty on American grain imported into the Dominion, and the petition to the same effect to Parliament, extensively signed here by shippers of grain inland, ocean carriers and dealers, maintaining that, by a protective duty on breadstuffs, the export trade of the city would be seriously interfered with, as well as trade generally, cannot fail to make itself felt in the House, as it may perhaps modify the preconceived policy of the executive relating to the duty on breadstuffs.

The agriculturists claim the benefit of heavy duties on foreign produce, and would have the country believe that importation of grain from the United States is detrimental to their interests. If it may be established that the exchange of agricultural produce between the two countries balances itself, that the two

staple articles of the exchange, barley and Indian corn, do not interfere with the market value of Canadian production, much will have been done to dispel this mistaken impression.

Statistics, as understood in other countries, do not exist with us; there are no data to assist in making up an annual statement or even a fair estimate of the yield of the various grain crops. Approximates are always more or less fallacious, too often mere guess work, and the figures placing the average crop of wheat in Canada at 25,000,000 bushels, and the consumption at 23,000,000 bushels, have no other value than the facility they give to balance fancy tables of imports and exports. Quantities remaining in the hands of farmers or required for seed are overlooked. In the absence of authentic statements, the position of Canada as an agricultural country cannot be established, and were an opinion to be based on the various statistics unauthoritatively published, great doubts of her capacity as a regular exporting country might be entertained. If, for instance, the excess of exports of wheat over imports in 1875-6 was 3,629,344 bushels, the excess of imports over exports in 1876-7 amounted to 2,393,076 bushels, with an assumed consumption of 23,500,000 bushels. The average production, according to these figures, is hardly above the regular consumption.

Stating the amount of grain in measure imported into Canada from the United States, deducting from it the amount exported, and comparing the remaining left for Canadian consumption with the exports of Canadian grain produce into the United States, will exhibit at once the position of both countries, and how much Canada has been benefited or injured by the intercourse.

Imports of grain produce from the United States into Canada, 1877-8,

			Bushels.
Barley			302,082
Indian corn	••••		. 7,387,477
Oats			. 2,162,216
Peas	••••••		. 8,595
Wheat	•••••	• • • • • • • • •	5,635,403
Rye			. 146,823
Other			
Reduced in b	ushels :		
Wheat flour			1,564,320
Oat meal			
Indian meal			1.861 100
Rye flour			11,298
Meal	•	,	9,690
Bushels		•••••••	18.617.428

Exports from Canada of part of the

imports from United States to foreign countries, 1877-8:

	Bushels.
Barley	275.943
Indian corn	3,986,948
Oats	90,779
Wheat	4,115,708
Rye	26,595
Other	27
Reduced in bushels:	
Wheat flour	14,076
Oat meal	1,468
Bushels	S,521,535
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Dalance entered into consumption...... 10,005,893

The exports from Canada of Canadian produce into the United States for the year under review amounted as follows:—

	Bushels.
Barley	6,498,444
Indian corn	473
Beans	71,062
Oats	19,378
Peas	716,255
Wheat	991,328
Rye	404,207
Other	5,912
Flour (in bushels)	108,935
Oat meal	
Indian meal	324

Bushels..... 8,921,617 which is to be deducted from imports from the United States into Canada, entered into consumption and amounting to 10,095,893 bushels, leaving an excess of imports over exports of 1,174,276 bushels, balance of exchange of grain produce between the two countries. Is this paltry difference in favor (this year at least) of the United States to be a serious ground for complaints on the part of the farmers? The exports of Canada last year, of produce of the country, amounted to 10,190,025 bushels, leaving aside the 8,521,535 bushels of foreign produce that passed through her territory to reach a market. Is this a sign of a ruinous foreign competition?

The dependence of both countries on each other in the matter of cereals, is such that any change in their relative position cannot fail to be detrimental to their interests. Each one has its staple article of exchange; against the average of 6,000,000 of bushels of barley yearly exported to the United States, Canada receives the same amount of Indian corn the country cannot advantageously grow. If the Province of Ontario finds it to its interest to purchase in the United States 2,000,000 bushels of oats, and grind it

into oatmeal for export, instead of raising it on a land more remuneratively sown in barley, the provinces of Prince Edward Island and Quebec export 2,340,062 bushels of oats, and the imports into Ontario, far from restraining exports, have added the labor of the milling to the wealth of the country. 312,804 barrels of flour have been imported from the United States mostly in the Lower Provinces; had they come from the wheat-growing districts of the Dominion, they would have stood dearer to the consumer. Coming from the American ports on the Atlantic, they were a link in that series of commercial operations that forms the international exchange between countries, so easily broken by changes in tariff, while the 476,431 barrels of home production, which the foreign produce has partly replaced, have been shipped abroad, earning a profit to the shipper, the ship and the insurer.

The total amount of exports for the year 1877-8 is 28,807,453 bushels; deducting from it the total imports consumed or re-exported, amounting to 18,617,428 bushels, there remains, as already said, an exportation of Canadian produce of 10,190,025 bushels. The imposition of a fiscal duty would not have increased the amount, but would have actually decreased the quantity of American produce in transit through the country, to the loss of the Canadian canals, vessels and ports of export. The customs formalities, the bond to be given for the payment of the duties, the landing certificate from abroadfor the cancellation of the bond and the penalties would benefit the American routes to the seaboard to the detriment of Canada.

A still higher motive opposes the placing of a duty on agricultural produce; any increase in the cost of living to the workingman is a lowering of his daily wages, or an increase in the cost to the manufacturer.

DAIRYMEN'S CONVENTIONS.

Two conventions of dairymen, both of unusual interest, were held during last month in the United States: "The State of New York Dairymen's Association and Board of Trade" at Utica, on the 7th, and the annual meeting of the North-Western dairymen at Chicago, on the 12th and 13th of February. Not less important have been the conventions held at Ingersoll and Ottawa. The value of these conventions, to adopt the fitting language of Mr. Folsom, President of the New York Association, "cannot be too highly estimated: They are not only a personal but a public benefit. They make known

and familiarize to all the best practices of the best minds, the result of study and investigations, and enable us to produce an article that enters the world's markets with favorable competition." An abstract of the proceedings will be of importance to our readers.

The opening address by the President laid bare the absolute facts of the cheese and butter trade. He said :- "We in New York State cannot boast of any progress; in fact, to some extent we are retrograding. Canada has certainly improved in cheese, and to-day ranks in Europe as producing better keeping quality than we do. The West has excelled to a degree that she demands and commands more money for her creameries than we obtain." A serious defect in the make of cheese last year is a want of solidity. The complaints of porosity, large and numerous holes, big eyes, &c., even in the best dairy, are becoming very serious. This is a fault that a little more care in making will remedy. The dairymen must solve the question as to how a cheese can be made that will ripen quickly, and yet stand a trip across the Atlantic in summer without deteriorating in quality. It is found that the cheeses, when they have reached a point when they can be called fully ripened, commence to degenerate very quickly. This is generally attributed to the quick curing process now adopted, wherein ten days is all the time given to ripening, when in former times thirty days were not considered too long. The storage in the houses has been tried, without satisfactory results, to overcome this tendency.

Another paper on the export trade in cheese excited much attention. The exports, from \$38,000 boxes in 1864-5, have increased to 2,133,225 boxes in 1877-8. The proper remedy for increasing the demand for cheese is to improve the quality. Farmers must either make butter or cheese, no skimming; it does not pay to make skim cheese, for every pound of butter the farmer takes from the cheese he loses 21 lbs. of the latter, so, it does not generally pay, unless butter is very dear. Another feature of the Utica convention, was a spicy paper on western rivalry. Instead of flattering the dairymen, as is usually done, the paper warns them to be on their guard against their energetic rivals of the West. New York was formerly the home of the best butter, and now, taking the quotation of butter in that city, it showed that western creamery was selling at five cents more per pound than New York State. The paper draws a contrast between the two methods of making and marketing butter,

"The New York dairyman was early taught that the first law of nature demanded that all cows should come in fresh milk early in the spring, and produce a flood of milk when butter is the hardest to make, and selling at the lowest market rates, thus requiring that the butter should be held over, and to accomplish this, he packs it in wooden tubs, and stores it in a damp and funky cellar: when this butter reaches market, it is strong and venerable with age. The young western competitor dictates no terms to his merchant and the consumer, but studies to adopt his wares to their demands. His cows are kept at work the year through. His butter is made fromcream that is sweet and pure. It is shipped in refrigerator cars, and reaches the consumer when scarcely three days' old, fresh and rosy as the blushing morn. When the fustidious consumer steps up to a tub of this butter, redolent with the perfume of the clover field, jingling the precious metal in his pocket and wearing a jove-like frown upon his manly brow, the dealer has no qualms of conscience and tremblings of terror in his soul as he opens a western tub, but, self-sustained and calm, he takes an order for a dozen tubs."

The dairy products and their consumptive demand form the subject of another paper. The exports from America last year amounted as follows: American cheese 134,000,000 lbs., and Canadian 60,000,000 lbs., making the total exports during 1878 194,000,000 lbs. The annual consumption of cheese in Great Britain is 504,000,000 lbs., and the production is 312,000,000 lbs., leaving only 192,000,000 to be required from abroad to meet the English demand. According to official statistics, there were imported into Great Britain, in 1877, about 185,000,000 pounds of cheese, and of this about 50,000,000 lbs. came from Holland and other countries of Europe. But as all the cheese exports from the United States do not go to Eng. land, the receipts of American cheese in Great Britain during 1877 were at no time above her consumptive demand. As the exportation from America has been largely increased in 1878, it is plainly evident Great Britain had as much as was required, for the cheese sent from America and Holland in 1878 cannot be far from 250,000,000 lbs. The struggle for supremacy between America and English production has commenced, and if America can afford to export cheese low enough, English dairymen must be driven from the field. The home consumption comparatively so small is due to the practice of sending all the best goods abroad and leaving the poor refuse cheese to be eaten by our own people. The English consumption of cheese is about 16 lbs. per capita; a consumption of like proportion in the United States alone would amount to not far from 750,000,000 lbs., a quantity it would take some years to reach, even with the rapid increase of production of the last ten years. That the relative prices for butter and cheese have been so nearly equal is surprising when it is ascertained that it takes two and one-half times the quantity of milk for a pound of butter that it does for a pound of cheese. Therefore the corresponding price for butter should be two and one-half times that for cheese. Thus, if cheese brings Sc., the corresponding price for butter would be 20c. But at these rates butter making has slightly the advantage, as the skimmed milk and butter milk are of more value than whev.

Great Britain imports annually about the same quantity of butter as of cheese. The official statistics show the importation in 1877 was 183,448,944 lbs., exclusive of that which comes from Ireland. English butter product, exclusive of the Irish make, amounts annually to only 59,360,000 lbs. The quantity sent from Ireland is not known, but must be large as no cheese is made in Ireland. The total consumptive demand of butter in England is in round numbers 242,000,000 lbs., supplied from France, Holland, Sweden and Denmark, with comparatively small quantities from America. Prices for several years past have been very uniform for best sorts, ranging from 130 shillings to 150 shillings sterling per cwt. If the prices of cheese are compared with these, American cheese (faultless) bringing 52 shillings, and fine 48 shillings, it is found that foreign butter brings a better price. relatively, than best American cheese. American cheese at 52 shillings equals butter at 130 shillings, while Danish butter is quoted 144 shillings per cwt. The lowest priced European butter comes from Jersey, and is quoted 110 shillings, but, on the other hand, the lowest priced American cheese is quoted at only 20 shillings, or 60 shillings below the corresponding rate for Jersey butter.

The evident conclusion is that it will not pay the American or Canadian producer to export butter unless it be of the finest description, and so packed as to arrive in sound condition. The consumption in the United States is about 800,000,000 lbs., or 16 lbs. per head, while it is only 7½ lbs. per head in England. In view of these facts, it is incumbent on the dairymen to stop making skimmed cheese and to improve their methods of dairying. Larger quantities of butter are required to be put

up in prints and small packages and sent fresh from the churn to the table of consumers. The number of recent inventions in butter packages show the increasing demand for nice, sweet, fresh butter in small packages convenient for the table, and in such shape that there will be no loss on account of deterioration from holding. Every hotel and boarding house in cities should be regularly supplied at short intervals with sweet, fresh butter; and when consumers can obtain small packages from week to week, or from day to day, of a free palatable article, consumption may be increased to an unlimited extent.

Another very interesting question was discussed, namely, the cost of producing cheese in 1878. The Secretary of one of the conventions had sent out some 250 postal cards to farmers with printed questions on them for reply. By this means he got at the yield of the cows, cost of producing milk, amount of milk necessary to make a pound of cheese and many other highly interesting points From the general results, he makes the average cost per cow \$39.70, while the gross money product of the dairy was \$47.25 per cow-leaving but a small margin for profit when wear and tear is considered; but as this cost was mostly taken from the products of the farm, the showing is not so bad.

Many of the questions so thoroughly elucidated at the conventions have the equal application on both sides of the line. We are glad to observe that the deep-setting system in butter making, which we advocated in a series of articles last spring and summer, is becoming more and more popular every year.

OVERTRADING.

It is much to be feared that, in consequence of the anticipated increase in our customs duties, our merchants have been induced to import much more largely than the circumstances of the country warrant. In our last number we gave some statistics showing the large increase in the exports from the United Kingdom to British North America in the month of January of a considerable number of leading articles. It appears that during the month of February there was an immense increase in the customs duties in Canada as compared with the corresponding month in 1878. This is not absolute proof of overtrading, as the goods may have only been taken from the bonded ware touse at an earlier period than they otherwise would have been. There is, however, some reason to fear that the temptation to obtain the benefit of in-

creased prices, owing to higher duties, may have led to much greater importations than the requirements of the country justify. There is likewise reason to fear that exaggerated ideas have prevailed as to the extent of the increase of duties. Before our present issue is in the hands of many of our readers the financial statement will have been made, but we can scarcely doubt that the increases in the tariff will fall very far short of what speculators have calculated on, and we are persuaded that they will not compensate for the loss that will be incurred should the market be overstocked with goods at such a period of depression as that which at present exists. We hope most sincerely that our apprehensions may prove to be groundless, but it has been most unfortunate that so long a time should have elapsed during which people have been encouraged to believe that measures would be adopted to increase the price of all kinds of manufactures. The effect of the recent large importations, moreover, will be calculated to prevent, for a considerable time, our manufacturers securing the monopoly of the home market, for which they have been laboring so earnestly. There is we fear much cause for anxiety under the circumstances to which we have called attention.

THE INSOLVENCY LAW.

Next in importance to the fiscal policy of the Government is the measure to be adopted for dealing with insolvent estates. As we anticipated, the members of the Government entertain different opinions on the subject, and have therefore been obliged to treat it as an open question. Under the circumstances the course adopted seems the most likely to secure a measure that will be satisfactory to the country. The Minister of Justice has obtained the concurrence of the House to the appointment of a select committee to consider the subject, and it seems probable that Mr. Colby's bill will be referred to that committee. We have little doubt that the new Bankruptcy Bill, introduced by the Lord Chancellor of England, will receive the consideration of the committee. The objections which have been made to the English law are very similar to those made here, viz., the facilities afforded by the existing law for arrangements between debtors and their creditors, which result more for the benefit of the former than the latter. Experience has proved that there has been an immense increase in the number of liquidations by arrangement and composition, and the most urgent reform advocated in a movement from the principal bankers

and merchants of London is to put a stop to the facilities which private arrangements afford to insolvent persons to escape from the reasonable control and supervision of their creditors. The probability is, that additional strength will be given to the Bankruptcy Court in England, and that much greater judicial supervision over insolvents will be enforced. In Canada the most serious complaints have been the unfair competition to which solvent traders have been subjected, owing to compositions enabling insolvents to obtain their stocks of goods at reduced prices. We have no doubt that the tendency of the forthcoming legislation will be to render compositions and discharges difficult, if not absolutely impossible, while securing a fair division of the estates of insolvents, and preventing as much as possible fraudulent pre ferences.

SUPERANNUATION.

We have observed with regret that the principle of providing for the superanmuation of public officers has been recently objected to, both in the House of Commons and in the press. The object tion is based on the ground that government employees should provide for their families in the same way as others, and that if they neglect doing so their families must suffer. There might be some force in this argument if the public interest would be benefited by placing government employees on precisely the same footing as persons employed either by corporations or by private individuals. One of the necessary consequences of party government is, that there is a tendency on the part of the leaders of rival parties to substitute their political friends for their opponents, and that unless the civil service is placed on the footing of permanency, it would become wholly demoralized. As it is, although the leaders of both political parties admit the expediency of having a permanent civil service. and the impropriety of molesting officers on account of their political bias, yet it cannot be denied that when changes of Ministry take place, complaints are made of the violation of what is admitted to be the established rule. It is far from our intention to discuss individual cases, which are invariably the subject of controversy, one party contending that there were special reasons for the dismissals or superannuations, and the other party refusing to admit the validity of the grounds stated. It must be admitted on all hands, that the few cases in which dismissals have taken place only prove the general rule, that public officers may rely

with a good deal of confidence on the permanency of their situations.

Our contention is that, on the assumption that a permanent civil service is calculated to promote the public interest, a system of superannuation is a necessary adjunct to that system. Long before the superannuation system was established for the civil service, it had been adopted with almost universal concurrence for the Judges, not, be it observed, to enable those functionaries to provide for their families, but to place them in a position to retire from the bench when either age or ill health might render such a step desirable. Even in the case of judges, complaints have frequently been made in the Mother Country that they remain on the bench long after it has been thought by all but themselves that their retirement would be beneficial to the public. The case of the judges is peculiar, because as it has been deemed expedient to make completely independent of the Executive Government, it is hardly possible to compel them to resign. In the civil service precisely the same consequences are found to result from the superannuation system. The cases are rare in which any officer applies for superannuation, and it has been found necessary to establish rules to enforce retirement after a certain age has been reached. The argument about providing for their families has no weight. Neither in the case of judges nor of officers of the civil service, are pensions granted either to widows or children. Without superannuation the strong probability is, that old civil servants would continue in office long after the period when, in the interest of the public, their retirement should have been insisted on. If there were no superannuation it would be scarcely possible to compel resignation.

The opponents of superannuation admit that public officers should have the guarantee of permanent employment, and that, if dismissed for the purpose of economy, either a pension or commutation money should be given. But it has even been admitted that, in the case of a person appointed to permanent office, if, by a mistake of the Government, his services were found to be of no value, he should be compensated before being dismissed. The absurdity must be sufficiently obvious of giving to an incompetent man a compensation which is refused to a man whose whole life has been spent in the service. There are at the present time in the public employment of the Dominion three individuals at least whose average length of service would be about 50 years, and who are still performing laborious public duties. Would it, we would ask those who cavil at superannuation, be consistent with the public interests to allow those gentlemen, in the event of their falling in to bad health, to retire without any kind of compensation? It must not be forgotten that when the superannuation system was established it was intended to be selfsupporting, and it is probable that it would have been so in the course of time had not Parliament in its wisdom reduced the percentage of contribution. The superannuation allowances have, of course, been larger in the infancy of the system than they will be when, by the lapse of time, it has come to be in its normal state. The revenue at present is about \$40,000, and the expenditure a little over \$100,000. This was paid to 272 pensioners, 25 of whom died during the fiscal year. Of those, 20 had been in the public service for periods varying from 20 to 40 years, and five for periods from 10 to 20. On the present list 10 have been in the service 40 years and upwards, 61, 30 and under 40 years, and \$6, 20, and under 30 years. Only 14 retired with less than 10 years service, and the cause was almost invariably abolition of office. On the whole there can be no doubt that the superannuation system has worked well. It is absolutely necessary that a permanent system should be accompanied with proivison for retirement, and although exceptional cases may be cited in which persons capable of performing their duties may have been superannuated, yet for each one of these it is probable that there are four or five in which persons who ought to retire owing to age or infirmity are permitted to remain in office on full salary. It will appear from our pension list that about four-fifths of the recipients are over 60 years of age, while those above 70 and 80 are about one-third of the aggregate number.

Although we believe that the great public convenience of the superannuation system must recommend it to Parliament, and that there is little cause for apprehension that those who object to it will succeed in effecting a change in public opinion, yet when gentlemen of Parliamentary influence attack it, we think that no effort should be spared to defend a measure which is absolutely necessary in order to maintain the efficiency of the public service.

We are requested to state that the firm of Bossange & Gardiner is composed of Gustave Bossange of Paris, France, and F. Lionel Gardiner, of Montreul. The business here has been solely under the personal management of Mr. Gardiner and no other persons have ever had any direct or indirect interest in the

MULLARKY & CO.

If ever the commercial history of Canada during the decade of 1870-80 comes to be written, the boot and shoe trade will be sure to command a prominent position, and among the most conspicuous figures must stand out in bold relief the name of the firm, or rather the gentleman, whose ascent and descent are partly illustrated by the table given below. The "Rise and Fall of the Roman Empire" has had its chronicler, the "Rise and Fall of the Moustache" has been illustrated by Burdette of the Burlington Hawkeye, while the "Rise and Fall of the Irish Nation" has been graphically pourtrayed by Sir Jonah Barrington; but what are all these to the hero of Kinkora? He certainly has contributed not a little to the truth of the saying, "There's nothing like leather." A Hindoo prince once remarked to a British officer, he would rather be a tiger for a day than a sheep for a century. Mr. Mullarky, for a tenth of a century at least, has not only been princely in his style of living, but with a princely generosity was always ready to relieve the shoeless at any cost, or at no cost at all.

To show that the shoemaker did not "stick to his last," the following among his numerous outside investments were conned over at the recent meeting of creditors, namely, to wit: The Mitchell Steamship Co.; the Royal Canadian and the Stadacona Fire Insurance Companies, in the former of which he was a prominent director and largely and with lavish effect controlled the New York appointments; Le Crédit Foncier; City Gas Company, the Quebec Rubber Manufacturing Company, and last, though not least, the great St.

Pierre Land Manufacturing Company (now no more), which numbered him among its numerous victims, although it is alleged that the 200 shares (wrongly printed 20 shares last week), acquired through the sale of his furniture last spring, was not the worst of his movements.

Of course it was necessary that such a personage should have his private suburban residence; and among the costliest and most extensive in the city was "Kinkora," named after the palace of the celebrated Irish monarch and hero, Brien Boru, of whom Tom Moore says:

"Remember the glories of Brien the brave, Though the days of the hero are o'er; Though lost to Mononia * * * *, He returns to Kinkora no more."

Real estate at the capital as well as elegant vacant lots in this city was a desirable acquisition, and he did not disdain to take a bite even at bush lands at four times their value, since sold for taxes and vanished like the glories of the St. Pierre Land scheme.

The firm very nearly came to a stop in 1874, owing to Mr. Mullarky's anxiety to make a pilgrimage to the Eternal City with those who sailed in the "City of Brussels," whose slow return voyage caused so much anxiety to those whose families were on board, to Mr. Mullarky among others. He could not get away, however. The machinery of his business was so delicate that the least "hitch" would have brought on inevitable "smash;" if any part of the plant got damaged, the time lost in repairing had to be made up by night-work, so close did the requirements of the firm tread upon the output of goods; so close, that instantaneous

drafts were an absolute necessity to ward off immediate difficulty.

Somewhat over a year ago, as stated already, finding his investments increasing in a faster ratio than the income therefrom, and being "badly cramped," he went about among his friends and acquaintances seeking for the wherewithal to carry him along for two years, by which time the income was sure to overtake the outgo, and \$40,000 was all that was needed. Finding no takers he next took his creditors into his councils, and they, always of an easy and generous nature, not wishing to clip his airy flight too abruptly, magnanimously came to the rescue and abated 25 per cent. of all their claims, which was sure, however, to be paid every cent of it if he lived; and if he died, why there were life policies amounting to \$65,000 to fall back upon. This abatement re-established the credit of the firm in a measure, and gave them a surplus capital over indebtedness by their own statement of \$30,000. But where has this all gone?

The history of last year has already been commented upon. The promise to give up "Kinkora" was postponed, and now the unfortunate manufacturer is worse off than when he started a quarter of a century ago with only a capital of \$500. But it is something to point at with perhaps some feeling of pride that during the brief period included in the following table he worked up a business which enabled him personally to draw out the magnificent sum of \$159,956.81, equal to an average of nearly \$20,000 per annum, the present year covering only the months of January and February:

SALES, PROFITS, EXPENSES, &c., AND PARTNERS' DRAWINGS.

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Gross Profits	69,690 59	60,305 26	76,665 90	76,808 67	51,751 59	74,939 78	59,282 92	87,619 01		506,568 72
Interest Account	4,441 53	15,624 12	18,269 89	11,055 58	13,547 53	13,582 62	4,643 05	5,005 43	2,990 08	84,159 83
Expenses Account	5,075 61	6,009 83	7,647 37	8,611 39	7,589 48	8,366 26	14,478 63	17,892 40	2,931 61	78,662 58
Commission Account	3,025 00	2,222 65	9,353 54	7,566 19	G.435 S5	7,549 16	7,818 75	4,603 71	277 45	48,347 80
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— A writ of attachment was issued on Saturday last against the firm of John L. Cassidy & Co., of this city, wholesale crockery merchants. Mr. Cassidy furnishes another example of the evil of outside speculations on the

part of otherwise well-to-do merchants, having sunk upwards of \$175,000 in land speculations within a few years. He has now returned all this property to the original owners, and is offering his creditors 40 cents in the dollar in three years, without interest or security, and even this will compel him to pay from \$250,000 to \$300,000. Mr. Cassidy had always been a hard working, economical and prosperous man of business, and had he not been led into outside ventures, would have ranked to-day among the wealthiest merchants of Montreal.

MR. TILLEY'S LOAN.

We should scarcely have deemed it necessary to notice the papers containing the particulars of the negotiation of the loan of £3,000,000 sterling, but for some remarks that we have seen to the effect that the London agents of the Dominion were not entitled to the usual commission under the circumstances. The commission and brokerage charged amount to 1 per cent. on £1,500,000 and I of 1 per cent. on £3,000,000. With the latter charge the agents have no concern whatever, and the commission is precisely what has been invariably charged on previous occasions. If any member either of Parliament or of the Press is under the delusion that a Canadian Minister of Finance can go into the London Money Market and negotiate a loan without assistance, it would be well to afford him an opportunity of trying his hand. The commission of the agents was charged only on the bonds issued on the security of the Dominion, as no risk or trouble of any kind was involved in the negotiation of the guaranteed bonds, which, if placed separately, would have been negotiated by the Bank of England for a mere brokerage. We confess that we are unable to pronounce any opinion as to the respective merits of the scheme of the rival Ministers, that of Mr. Cartwright who placed the loan at a fixed price, and that of Mr. Tilley, who invited tenders not to be less than a price named. Mr. Tilley succeeded in obtaining about one-twelfth of one per cent. over the fixed price, and on the assumption that £96 10s. would have been the fixed price, there is a profit to that extent, but it is far from improbable that contractors, if secure of the whole loan, would have taken it at a shade higher. The truth is that neither members of Parliament nor the press are capable of forming a correct judgment as to the best mode of placing a Canadian loan in the London market. Agency is absolutely necessary, and Canada has been fortunate enough to have had as its agents houses of the most undoubted character, and the wisest course it can adopt is to keep all questions relating to the floating of loans outside of the arena of party politics, and to rest assured that the Minister of Finance, whoever he may be, will do all in his power to secure the best terms that, under the circumstances, can be obtained.

— The St. Lawrence and Lake Champlain Railway Company intend pushing forward their road as soon as possible, and it is expected that the track will be laid to Bedford by next fall.

GOVERNMENT LIFE ASSURANCE.

The announcement in the speech from the throne that the Government was about to undertake the business of life assurance took the people of the country everywhere by surprise, and it is most unfortunate that there is a prevailing impression that efforts have been made by individuals to induce the Government to assume the business. Apart altogether from the merits of the scheme, it must be admitted that the time for launching it is most unpropitious. Life assurance is a speculative business of a wholly different character from that of a savings bank, and the Government proposes to enter into competition with established companies, and to carry on a business at the public expense which, to be successful, requires more than ordinary prudence. The existing companies are under supervision, and by the Consolidated Insurance Act of 1877 the Government took from them the deposits which it deemed necessary for the protection of the persons assured. It does not appear that the Government in England has had much success in its competition with the established companies, and it is to be feared that it would be impossible to inspire public confidence in a system which would necessarily be under the control of Government employees. The existing Life Assurance Companies have invested very largely in municipal securities, and by so doing have rendered important benefits to those bodies. As far as mere profit is concerned it is more than doubtful whether the Government would be successful in the speculation, and so long as it can borrow in the London market on favorable terms there is no object in its becoming a borrower at home. It is well known that the Government in England undertook the business chiefly in order to encourage the industrial classes to insure their lives, and the result has been total failure, judging from the amount insured in each year. The careful and prudent selection of lives is likely to be more efficiently exercised by the directors of companies who are responsible and interested in their safety, than it would be by Government officials upon whom no such liability or responsibility would rest. It may be hoped that, if the measure is passed this Session, it will be referred to the Standing Committee on Banking and Commerce, and that evidence will be taken as to its probable effect. Such a course has been frequently taken with bills of a similar character, such as the Government Banking Act.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

The more important business changes of the past week are as follows:—

Dissolutions:—Kee & Nauer, blacksmiths, Toronto; Boyce & Keut, pocket book manufacturers, Toronto; T. B. Barker & Sons, drugs, St. John, N.B.; W. G. Sims & Co., shipbuilders, Yarmouth, N.S.

Compromised: —J. S. Hawkesworth & Sons, Digby, at 50 cents; B. Rigg, groceries, Toronto, at 40 cents.

Offer to compromise:—R. George, plasterer and artificial stone cutter, Toronto; Galbraith, Christie & Co., hats and furs, Toronto, at 15 cents secured; Wm R. Baggs, hotel, Moncton, at 25 cents in 6 and 12 months secured.

Commenced or recently commenced:—James Robertson, of Montreal, Canada Lead and Saw Works, St. John, N.B.; J. B. Hammond, undertaker, Sussex, N.B.; John Batting, tailor, Cannington.

New Co.-partnership: — Harrington & Mackenzie, paper hangings, &c., St. John, N.B.; James Jennings, wholesale dry goods, Toronto, admitted R. C. Hamilton, style Jennings & Hamilton.

G. Graham, stoves and tinware, Stouffville, Ont., and G. A. Bateman & Co., dry goods, Sutton, Ont., are asking for an extension.

Jas. A. Whitman, gents' furnishings, Toronto, have called a meeting of creditors.

- The phosphate operations, already referred to in our last two numbers, which resulted in the arrest and imprisonment of J. L. Paquet, manager of the Banque d'Hochelaga in this city, still continue to interest the public. Mr. H. W. Goldring, from whom Paquet, Hubert, and Ouimet purchased or procured the phosphate property, is also in durance vile, having been arrested on a capias last Friday, the bail of \$77,500 not being forthcoming. Mr. Goldring has instituted proceedings against the bank claiming damages of \$100,000 for false arrest. A flaw in the capias compelled the bank to abandon the first suit and prepare another capias, which was served upon him as he emerged from the jail gate. Mr. Goldring alleges himself to be the dupe of Paquet, and says the latter paid him only some \$28,000 for five-eighths of the property. Mr. Humphrey, Goldring's gentlemanly representative at the mines in Templeton, says it was only \$22,500; and the inference suggested is, that the balance of \$55,000 was to be used as a working capital if the bank could be prevailed to take the property off Paquet's hands at the alleged price of purchase. There is likely to be a claim for another \$100,000 on the second capias. We are preparing a biographical sketch of the clever operator, whose experience is said to be worldwide, although it may be questioned whether that obtained in Canada will be among the pleasantest of his recollections hereafter, whether he wins or loses. The bank admits a total loss of about \$80,000, although this will be reduced by the Guarantee Policy of Mr. Paquet for \$10,000, and probably somewhat more by the five-eighths of the 1600 acres of phosphate lands, which Mr. Goldring originally purchased from Blackburn & McLaren of Ottawa, some time last summer, for, it is said, \$45,000, should the bank be obliged to retain it. Figures do not always deceive.

- The Government, instead of concerning itself with the Life Insurance business of the country which is already well conducted, should look a little after the Mutual Fire Insurance companies. The Local Government might take the matter up, and compel them to make sworn returns besides making a deposit. The doings of one or two mutuals in this province require some investigation.

- Attorney-General Schoonmaker, of New York, has arranged with the Freeman family to surrender \$85,000 of the stock of the Globe Insurance Company, four-fifths of the whole capital stock, which will be deposited in trust for the Company, and new officers of the Com-

pany be immediately chosen.

-The Sherbrooke and Stanstead Mutual Fire Insurance Co. are puzzled over an error as it is called, of \$18.590 in their accounts extending over five years. There are hints of peculiar features in the books of the company. but particulars are postponed pending further inquiries

- The new gas company at London, Ontario. having, by a resolution of the Council, received permission to lay down their pines throughout the city, will commence operations immediately. Gas will then be reduced from \$2.50 to \$1.50 per thousand cubic feet.

LA BANQUE DU PEUPLE.

The following report of the proceedings of the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of La Banque du Peuple, held on Monday, the 3rd inst., was unavoidably crowded out last

Pursuant to public notice given for one month in the Conada Gazette and in one French and one English newspaper, published in Montreal, in conformity with the XVIII clause of the Act of Incorporation, the General Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of La Banque du Meeting of the Stockholders of La Banque du Peuple was held this third day of March, 1879, at three o'clock p.m. C. S. Cherrier, Esq., president, in the chair, and A. A. Trottier, Esq., cashier, acting as secretary. The chairman having called the meeting to order, requested the secretary to read the following statement of the affairs of the bank.

Liabilities.

Deposits not bearing in	terest 653,806 9
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Unclaimed dividends	
Net profits on hand the expenses deducted	
Comprising:	
Profit and Loss	5120,000 00
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The Auditors' Report was then read as follows

To the Shareholders of La Banque du Peunle GENTLEMEN,—We, the undersigned Auditors, appointed at your last general meeting, have the honor to report that, after a complete and detailed examination of the books, securities, comprising the verification of coin, bullion and legal tenders, in one word, after taking cognizance of the assets and liabilities of the cornozance of the assets and liabilities of the corpo-ration of La Banque du Peuple, we declare having found the whole kept regularly and deserving our approval. The general balance sheet, as submitted to you to-day, contains the necessary details to show the actual state of the affairs of the bank. We beg to state that the bad debts, known to be such, up to the first of bad debts, known to be such, up to the first of February instant, and representing for the bank a total loss of \$82,300, have been wiped out of the books. We approve of the action of the Board of Directors in having paid a dividend of two and a half per cent. In September last, as also the paying of a dividend at the rate of two per cent. for the current half year. The whole respectfully submitted.

JEAN LECLAIRE, T. PRÉFONTAINE. C. G. HILL.

LA BANQUE DU PEUPLE. Montreal, 28th February, 1879.

The following motions were then proposed and unanimously carried: On motion of Moise Branchaud, Esq., seconded by Louis Armstrong, Esq., It is resolved that the annual statement of the bank and the auditors' report just read, of the bank and the auditors' report just read, be received and adopted. On motion of Samuel Moss, Esq., seconded by E. F. Gilman, Esq., it is resolved that Messrs. C. G. Hill, T. Préfontaine and Jean Leclaire be re-appointed auditors for the current year. On motion of A. M. Delisle, Esq., seconded by David Rac, Esq., it is resolved that the thanks of the stockholders are due and are beachy tradered to the area? are due and are hereby tendered to the presi-dent, directors and cashier for the satisfactory manner in which they have managed the affairs of the bank.

A. A. TROTTIER,

Secretary. LA BANQUE DU PEUPLE.

Montreal, 3rd March, 1879. A Boy who Gave his Note.—A lawyer was called on a short time ago by a boy, who inquired if he had any waste paper to sell. The lawyer had a crisp, keen way of asking The lawyer had a crisp, keen way of asking questions, and is, moreover; a methodical man. So, pulling out a large drawer, he exhibited his stock of waste paper. "Will you give me two shillings for that?" The boy looked at the paper doubtingly a moment and offered fifteen pence. "Done," said the lawyer; and the paper was quickly transferred to the bag of the bay whose very sparkled as he lifed the the boy, whose eyes sparkled as he lifted the mighty mass. Not till it was safely stowed away did he announce that he had no money. away did he announce that he had no money. "No money! How do you expect to buy paper without money?" Not prepared to state exactly his plan of operations, the boy made no reply. "Do you consider your note good?" asked the lawyer. "Yes, sir." "Yery well; if you consider your note is good, I'd just as soon have it as the money; but it it isn't good I don't want it." The boy affirmed that he considered it good: whereupon the lawyer. don't want it." The boy affirmed that he considered it good; whereupon the lawyer wrote a note for lifteen pence, which the boy signed legibly, and, lifting the bag of papers, trudged off. Soon after dinner the little fellow returned, and, producing the money, announced that he had come to pay his note. "Well," said the lawyer, "this is the lirst time-that I ever knew a note to be taken up the day it was given. A boy that will do that is entitled to note and money too"; and, giving him both, sent him on his way with a smiling face and happy heart. The boy's note represented his

A boy who thus keeps his honor bright, however poor he may be in worldly things, is heir to an inheritance which no riches can buy,-the choice promises of God.

MARITIME SHIPPING STATISTICS .- The new yes. MARITIME SHIPPI'G STATISTIOS.—The new vessels registered at Hulifax during the past year numbered twenty-four, of which three were barques, one a brigantine, and twenty schooners, making a total tonnage of 3,554. The ships transferred from other ports and those registered to November were twenty-nine in number, of which eight were steamers, chiefly tugs, one a barquentine, four brigantines, and sixteen schooners, making a total of 2,874 tons. Very few vessels built by Halifax enterprise are Very few vessels built by Halifax enterprise are registered there. They are chiefly registered in the ports where they are built. The number of new vessels added to the shipping registered at St. John, N. B., last year is 'unusually small, amounting only to 27 vessels of 16,445 tons, against 35 vessels of 25,522 tons in 1877, and 43 vessels of 25,152 tons in 1870. There are 753 vessels of 276,272 tons registered at St. John, 169 vessels of 18,263 tons at Chatham, 180 vessels of 20,273 tons at St. Andrews, 22 vessels of 16,860 tons at Dorchester, 11 vessels of 4,667 tons at Sackville, and one vessel of 313 tons at Moncton. The shipping on the register books at the several ports of register in the Province of the several ports of register in the Province of New Brunswick amounts to 1,136 vessels of 336,558 tons, a gain of 5 vessels and 7,179 tons over last year. Ship building is stated to be comparatively dull, there being now in course of construction, or being prepared for, only 23 vessels of 20,750 tons, against 37 vessels of 33,000 tons in 1877, and 39 vessels of 34,000 tons in 1877, and 39 vessels of 34,000 tons in 1876. tons in 1876.

INSURANCE.-FIRE RECORD.

Montreal, Feb. 23.—The premises of A. O'Donohue, Chaboillez square were damaged to the extent of \$5,000. Insured in the Royal

Montreal, Feb., 22 .- The house of Thomas Montreal, Feb., 22.—The house of Thomas Collins, Inspector street, damaged to the extent of \$400. Insured in the Royal Canadian. Lake Larose, N.S., Feb. 23.—A house belonging to Mr. Comean destroyed with its contents.

No insurance.

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Levis, Que. Feb. 23.—A two-story house owned by F. Taschereau with its contents was completely burned. Insured for \$1,700.
New Glasgow, Feb., 17.—D. H. Kirkpatrick's store destroyed, very little stock was saved.
Loss about \$3,000, partly insured.
Grimsby, Feb. 22.—Robertson's grist milt totally destroyed. Loss about \$6,000; insured in the Commercial Union for \$1,200, and Phoenix Mutual, of Toronto, for \$1,200.
Orangeville, Feb. 17.—The storehouse of the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway destroyed, containing the company's stores, oil, lamps, etc. No insurance.

No insurance. No insurance.

Seaforth, Feb. 18.—A frame store owned and occupied by Mrs. Markey as a grocery and dwelling, and the adjoining frame building, owned and occupied by Mr. John Crawford as a dwelling, and Miss-Gamble, dressmaker, completely destroyed. The loss \$1,000 partly in-

Ottawa February 22 .- The hotel of Mr. Chevrier, badly damaged. Loss about \$2,500. Insurance \$1,900.

Winnipeg, Man., February 21.—The dwelling of A. H. Bertrand partially destroyed. Loss, \$500; insured for \$1,700 in the British Ameri-

can.
Halifax, N.S., Feb. 19.—The Cooperage, owned by Mr. Rehoe, on Margaret's Bay roud, three miles from the city, totally destroyed with contents. Loss heavy; no insurance. Dumfries, N.B., Feb. 16.—The dwelling of Henry Davidson, destroyed. Insured in the Royal Canadian for \$600.

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Port Elgin, Ont., February 20.—The barn and contents, of Archibald McAllister, destroyed. Loss, \$600; insurance \$100.

ed. Loss, 5600; insurance \$100.
Grandby, Que., Feb. 21.—The Commercial
Hotel, Town Hall, Vittie's post office and a
private dwelling all destroyed. Loss about
\$15,000. The Town Hall was insured for
\$6,000.

Acton, Ont., Feb. 24 .- Considerable excite-

Acton, Ont., Feb. 24.—Considerable excitement was caused here about 9 o'clock on Saturday night by the alarm of fire, when it was discovered that Edward Nickling's house was on fire. Before much damage was done, the fire was extinguished. Loss, small.
Wales, Ont., Feb. 23.—Two frame houses owned by Jas. Stuart and Tobias Myers, destroyed. Supposed incendiary.
Kingston, Feb. 16.—The workshop of Geo. Offord & Co., wholesale boot and shoe manufacturers, totally destroyed. The stock and machinery were insured for \$20,000, the building for \$4,500. Mr. Offord was burnt out in the same place about two years ago.

ASSIGNMENTS .- ONTARIO.

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M. Willing, Forest.
Thos. Carroll, Toronto.
Edwin Wilby, Toronto.
Bowman & Frier, contractors, Stratford.
W. Hewitt & Co., hardware, Toronto.
Thos. Bennett, jr., hotel, Brockville.
Thos. McCrosson, Toronto.
J. R. Carter, dry goods, Toronto.
J. W. C. Bedson, groceries, Toronto.
J. Terry & Son, produce, Toronto.
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Peter Orouter, Lindsay.
Jno. Terry & Son, Toronto.
Jno. H. Shannon, Owen Sound.
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PROVINCE OF QUEREC.

B. J. Pettener, Montreal. Wm. McLaren & Co., boots and shoes, Montreal. S. J. Baker & Co., gents' furnishings, Montreal. S. J. Baker & Co., gents turnsamp.
C. Anctil, leather, Levis.
N. Gariépy, trader, St. Paul's Bay.
H. Dionne, St. Jean Port Joli.
A. Arcand, dry goods, Quebec.
Martin Francy, trader, Montreal.
E. Ruel, trader, Lauzon.
F. X. Couillard, notary, Lauzon.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

M. McIlreith, tailor, Halifax.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Chas. Lee, St. John. J. R. Hamilton, news agent, St. John.

WRITS OF ATTACHMENT .- ONTARIO. Nation & Whitehead, Goderich. Charles May, Cayuga. T. B. Henderson, Walkerton. Louis Lenhard, Walkerton. Louis Lenhard, Walkerton.
Wm. Lines, Maple Hill.
Jno. F. Sherwood, Windsor.
R. May, Cayuga.
Henry Crossin, hatter, London.
J. F. Jordan, dry goods, St. Catharines.
F. J. Druke, lumber, Hustings.
Jno. Wallace, Lindsay.
Jas. S. Hammond, Goderich.
George Klein, dry goods, Stratford.
R. Snears, Toronto. R. Spears, Toronto. J. W. Fowke, Whitby. D. M. Telford, London. B. Benard, Barrie. A. McGirr, Feversham. S. W. Hungerford, Sarnia. M. Gilmour, Sarnia. Wm. Gordon, Sarnia Win. Gordon, Salma, Mrs. E. Wurnock, Goderich. Wm. Worden, Goderich. M. S. Morrell, Toronto. A. O. Brown, Aylmer. B. Trimble, Owen Sound. Ball & Raworth, Napanee.
R. Findley, Manotic.
Thos. Wilson, Brampton.
J. O. Gooper, stoves, Barrie.
Luke Doyle, Hamilton.
Wm. R. Robertson, Goderich.
A. J. & G. Webster, London.
Edgar Hurdle, general store, Glencoe.
Jno Snarr & Son, coal, Toronto.
J. F. Sherwood, Leamington.
Geo. Sherman, Paisley.
G. Tétreau, Goderich.
Thos. McLean, Brantford, Ball & Raworth, Napanee.

Alex. Sutherland, Kingston. Juo. Finley, Port Stanley. Thos. A. Fuller, Barrie. Henry Allen, Stratford. C. Gillies, West Lorne. R. Spears, Toronto.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

La Compagnie Franco Canadienne, Quebec. Dominion Loan Mortgage Co., Montreal. Ellen McAllen, Montreal. W. N. Kinne, hotel, Montreal. Forrester & Bourdeau, Laprairie. Robert Dunn & Co., Montreal. Robert Dunn & Co., Montreal, Barbeau & Co., Montreal, Wm. J. Haire, Franklin Centre. A. Dorais, dry goods, Montreal. D. Rochette, tanner, St. Antoine. John McCready, Ste. Colombe. D. Mercure, trader, Three Rivers. Langelier & Foisy, Iberville. Joseph O. Sirois, Grand River. Philometa Manuer, trader, Montre Montreal Manuer, M Joseph C. Sirols, Grand Micel.
Philomene Menard, trader, Montreal.
Geo. Yon, tinsmith, Montreal.
John Burns, gas fitter, Montreal.
R. & J. McLeod, traders, Montreal.
A. Pilon, trader, Ste. Scholastique.
B. Botter, trader, Montreal R. Foster, trader, Montreal. Papineau & Archambault, Montreal. Beveridge & Helliwell, Montreal. M. Henry, Montreal. E. Latarte, trader, St. Paschal.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA. David Scott, Halifax.
Amos Atkinson, Amberst.
D. McKarcher, Picton.
James Love & Co., Vale Colliery.
Jos. Colin, Halifax.
D. J. S. Holstead, Halifax.
D. J. Milancon, Digby.
D. McKarcher & Co., liquors, New Glasgow.
R. B. McIntosh, wholesale groceries, Halifax.
Lambert Bros., furniture, Halifax.
J. E. Richardson, Lockport.
Wm. M. Clough, general store, Port Bastings.
Payzant & Bigelow, Spencer's Island.
J. R. Renwick, Halifax.
Wm. H. McKenzie, general store, Garden of Eden. David Scott, Halifax. Eden. Eden.
Wm. A. Vibert, Halifax.
Francis O. Cook, Guysboro.
M. Keating, Guysboro.
Geo. W. Christie, Truro.
S. C. Hood, jewellery and drugs, Yarmouth.
J. S. Holsted, Halifax.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

J. Robertson, Richibucto. Jacob Robertson, general store, Weldford. E. H. S. Flood, St. John. D. Smith, Campbellton. E. Shepherd, St. John.

Commercial.

MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, March 13th, 1879.

The cheap trip advertised to begin last Monday has not brought very many buyers to town, but those that have arrived express themselves satisfied with their visit. It was not to be expected that there would be any great number down the first trip, as travellers were out earlier, and sound retailers have had goods pressed upon their notice for two months past and had every opportunity furnished them for buying. The boot and shoe trade is purifying itself at last and setting a good example to other trades, especially to the dry goods people, who, with a few exceptions, seem yet to think that they must encourage bankrupts to continue in business to the injury of their neighbours and the general demoralization of the trade. The weather has been quite spring-like during

the week, and the country roads have been much improved through the thaw, followed by the frost of last night. The money markets show little change. Stocks are looking up-

Asues. -Receipts of Pots have somewhat fallen off, but the demand being light, price has given way, and \$3.95 has been taken for small brls. of First Pots; it is quite clear we sman oris. of rist Pois; it is quite clear we will see very low prices next summer. Seconds, \$3.35. Thirds \$2.75. Pearls.—Are scarce and wanted, but it is impossible to quote. Receipts since 1st January, 1430 bris Pots and 75 bris Pearls. Deliveries, 737 bris Pots and 75 bris Pearls. Stock in store on 12th March at six p.m., 1816 bris Pots and 135 bris Pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES .- There seems to be more activity in the trade the present week, a few buyers are in town, and a better feeling is manifest as to the future. Prices cannot be said to have advanced, but the feeling among the houses which remain solvent is that better prices will be obtained as the season advances, as stocks of desirable goods are not large.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS .- A moderate business is doing in a limited way with prices unchanged. In the absence of advices from England we have no report as to the state of the market there.

Day Goods.-The business thus far this season compares favorably with that of the corresponding period of last year. There appears to be an over stock of American Cottons in the market, and retailers have also been supplied largely direct from American buyers; whence it should be inferred that this article will not command top prices during the remainder of the season. No change in our quota-

FLOUR.—There has been only a moderate demand for flour during the week. The market, however, has ruled very firm, and holders are asking advanced prices for forward delivery. Spring Wheat flours are 5c to 10c per barrel on spot sales.

FURS AND SKINS,-There has been an advance on the Hudson Bay sales in some lines and a decline in others at the sale of C. M. Lampson, but the price in this market will not be materially affected by the figures. Russian imported furs will be scarce and consequently higher, if the apprehensions concerning the plague are realized.

GROCERIES .- In the uncertainty about duties, no heavy operations are being made. It is expected to-morrow the subject will be discussed if not finally settled. Sugars.—Market here fairly steady for all kinds. The good qualities of low Yellows are not plenty. Teas, furnities of fow lettows are not pienty. 1283, firm for desirable grades with light, business actually doing. Molasses and Syrups, unchanged. Aice, rather higher and not plenty, \$4.30 to \$4.50. Chemicals and Spices are unchanged. Fruits, Valentia Rasins, firm, 6c to 6½c; other binds incetive. kinds inactive.

HARDWARE.-Pending the declaration of the tariff changes, wholesale houses are unwilling to take orders at present prices for future delivery, and there is little business doing meantime Recent advices from England state that makers of Tin Plates are now masters of the situation, and an important change in the scale of prices has been resolved upon by the Tinplate Makers Association to go into effect the 1st inst., although the makers have been acting upon it since the quarterly meeting on the 8th January. Tipplate may now be quoted in the Montreal market at \$5.75. Doubles are only 50 cents per box less than 14x20, thus: DU \$5.25; IC \$5.75; DX \$7.25; IX \$7.75: 12x12 to be 25 cents extra; 10x14, 14x20 and 20x23 (112 sheets) to be double 20x14 with 50 cents àdded.

LEATHER.-There has been a little more doing this week, and the prospects for a fair spring business look brighter Prices continue to favour buyers. The Hide market is fairly active. Dealers are paying \$6 per 100 for No. 1 inspect-

LIVE STOCK .- The arrivals of live stock at Point St. Charles last week were fifteen carloads of cattle and three carloads of cattle. At the St. Gabriel market last Monday, the At the St. Gabriel market last Monday, the prices of good cattle were higher than at any period of this season. Eight first-class heifers were sold at nearly \$52 each, or \$4c. per lb., four of which were afterwards sold by former purchaser at \$4c. per lb; eighteen cattle at \$600, or from \$4c, to \$3c, per lb; fifteen cattle at \$600, or fabout \$c, per lb. At the Viger Nathet short sixty head of eathle were offered Market about sixty head of cattle were offered, but, owing to high prices being asked and animals not of good quality, very few were sold. Aslot of small cattle was sold at from \$13 to \$25 each.

Oils.-There has been some enquiry for Linseed Oil , but sales have been moderate as holders, expecting an advance in the tariff, are not auxious to sell. Prices for small lots remain as before at 50c. for Raw and 63c. for Boiled. Naval Stores are in moderate demand, prices unchanged. Paints, without change.

PROVISIONS-Butter. - Owing to the mild weather during the past week, coupled with increased arrivals, the market has had an easier tone. The city demand has been very light, while there is little or no export demand. Last English advices report market easier for low grades owing to heavy arrivals and milder weather, while choice qualities remain about the same. It is thought that the bustock in New York will be consigned. It is thought that the bulk of the

Cheese .- Owing to recent heavy shipments the market has been somewhat easier on the other side. The New York market is steady, there being a good export enquiry for all grades but principally for "Fancy White," which is scarce. Market here unchanged. About 12 carloads were shipped from here during the week via Portland for Liverpool.

· SEEDS .- Since our last report the market has been more active, but there has been very little change to note in prices. We quote Red Glover S6 50 to \$7.00 per 100 lbs. in quantity, and Timothy at \$1.60 to \$1.60 per bushel of 45 lbs.

. Tobaccos. The demand for manufactured plug continues good, most sales are delivered in bond. The United States baving resolved to reduce in May next their excise duty to 16c per lle, it is not thought now any change will be made here. Quotations remain steady as last quoted and without any prospect of change as leaf continues steady and low in price. Cigars.—Importation of Havanas have price. Gigara.—Importation of ravanas may been considerable, but the most being made from the later crops of tobaccos are not in much demand, even with expected advance in duties. Those from older leaf with good burning qualities command ready sale. Reports ing qualities command ready sale. Reports from Cuba as to present crop continue very favorable, especially in the Veulta Abajo district, and prices, from the accounts of some sales of leaf in the fields, will rule high. Domestics, for medium and low grades, are in good demand, the latter are at present to a considerable extent neglected on account of the low prices of some purposed Hayanas. low prices of some imported Havanas.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Toronto, March 13.

Market inactive and unsettled. Flour quiet but steady A car of Superior Extra sold at equal to \$4.40 to-day, and Extra brought \$4.15 yesterday; Spring Extra wanted at \$3.95 to \$4.00; Oatmeal offered at \$3.75, with \$3.50

bid. Wheat rather demoralized to-day; No. 2 and No. 3 Spring offered at previous prices, but 92c is prabably the best price that can be relied on for the former and 87c to 88c for the latter; buyers hold off. Oats firm and wanted; American sold at 35 to on track, and 34c bid for Canadian. Barley rather easy; car of two rowed sold by sample at 63c on track. Peas nominally unchanged.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, 1.05 p.m.—Wheat dull and lower. Chicago, \$1.07 to \$1.08; Milwaukee, \$1.08; Red Winter \$1.14. Pork, April, \$10.25. Lard, April, \$6.671.

Chicago, 13th March, 1879, 1.00 p.m.—Wheat, April, 91 c. to 91 c.; May 95 c. Receipts 54,000 bushels; shipments 80,000 bush Corn, May 36 c. to 36 c.; June 36 c. Receipts 55,000 bushels; to 363c.; June 363c. Receipts 55,000 bushels; Shipments 95,000 bushels. Oats, May 253c. Receipts 62,000 bushels; shipments 52,000 bush. Pork, A pril S9.70; May S9.80 to S9.824. Lard, April S6.45; May S6.524. Live Hogs, receipts, 16,000. Market quiet. Floating cargoes Wheat and Corn quiet. Cargoes on passage, Wheat and corn rather easier. Spring Wheat off coast 428.64 Corn off Coast 22s. Spring Wheat per shipment 4058d. to 41s. Arrivals of Coast Wheat and Corn small. Livernool Spot Wheat and Corn guiet. small. Liverpool Spot Wheat and Corn quiet. Amount of Wheat on passage 1,450,000 quarters. Amount of Corn on passage 510,000 quarters.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

Liverpool and London, Beerbohm's Report, March 13th. — Floating Cargoes Wheat at opening quieter. Floating Cargoes Corn rather easier. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, Wheat, rather easier. Cargoes on passage and for Shipment, Corn, quiet Mark Lane, Wheat, unaltered. Mark Lane, Corn, unaltered. Med. Ch. or Mil. Wheat, passage and Ch. or Mil. Wheat, passage and Ch. or Mil. Wheat passage and Ch. or Mil. unaltered. Mark Lane, Corn, unaltered. Med. Ch. or Mil. Wheat, 42s. 6d. Mixed American Corn, 23s. 3d. Ch. or Mil. Wheat, per 480 lbs. 46s. 6d. to 41s. No. of cargoes on passage to U. K., Wheat, 1,450,000 qrs. No. of cargoes on passage to U. K., Corn, 51,000 qrs. Liverpool Wheat, spot, at opening, quiet. Liverpool Corn, spot, at opening quiet.

Liverpool Press Report, March 13.—Flour, 8s. 6d. to 10s.; Spring Wheat, 7s. 9d. to 8s. 3d.; Red Winter, 9s. 1d. to 9s. 5d.; White Winter, 8s. 11d. to 9s. 6d.; Club, 9s. 4d. to 9s. 9d. Corn, 4s. 7d. Pork, 49s. Lard; 33s. Cheese 48s.

IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal per Grand Trunk Railway from 1st Jan. to 13th March, 1878 and 1879, nelusive :

		1878.	1879.
Ashes	hrls	1,272	1,505
Butter	brls	14 867	19,817
Barley	bush	11,719	14,168
Bacon	boxes	37. 37	to 1/4"
Corn	bush	4.000	2,061
	boxes		57
	brls		82,985
Lard	brls	5.166	729
Oats	bush	6,300	30,078
Oatmeal	brls		608
	bush		2,200
Pork	brls	2,202	819
	bush		2,368

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes .- 146 brls. Pot, - brl. Pearl. Butter .- 568 orls. Barley. - 968 bush. Bacon.—— box. Corn.—— bush. Cheese.— 51 boxes.
Flour.— 10,575 brls.
Lard.— 233 brls.
Qats.— 4,978 bush. Outmeat.— 100 brls.
Peas.— bush.
Pork.— brl. Wheat .- 768 bush,

EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st Jan. to 13th March, 1878 and 1879, inclusive.

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Ashes	brls brlsbush.	392	367
Butter.	brls	37,640	52,281
Barley.	bush	36,050	
Bacon	boxes	3,746	6,754
Corn	bush		
Cheese.	boxes	8,394	28,568
Caitle	AND THE REPORT OF THE PARTY.	473	1,681
Clour.	brls	29,030	22,480
Horses.		16	
Hogs	brls	570	270
Lard	brls	5,789	3,933
Lumber	rfeet		
Oatmer	ıl brls	15,374	4,529
Oats	bush	17,441	3,030
Peas	bush	59,102	101,903
Pork	brls	906	66
Sheep		1,161	969
Wheat.	bush	503,474	430,915

EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes.—21 brls. Pots, — brls. Pearl. Butter.—2,195 brls. Barley.— bush. Barley. - bush. Bacon. - 718 boxes. Corn.——bush. Cheese.— 7,058 boxes. Cattle.—— Flour. - 1,771 brls. Lard.—— brls. Lumber.—— fee Oats.—— bush. – feet Valmeal .- 80 brls. Peas .- 6,400 bush. Pork .- - brls. Sheep .-Wheat .- 34,400 bush.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.-Traffic receipts for period ending, 28th February, 1879.— Passengers, 52,688.48: Freight, 53,827.47; Mails and Sundries, 5924.12. Total Receipts for current period 1879, 57,440.07. Corresponding period 1878, \$9,041.18. Decrease, \$1,601.11.

T THE RED STORE,

581 ST. CATHERINE STREET.

Our Great Cheap. Sale of Spring Goods will begin on MONDAY, 10th instant, to be continued a brough-out this mouth. As the times are hard, and money very scarce, we are determined to sell cheap. Our extensive stock, consisting of, the very important lines, and in which the public knows we excel, are

Tweeds and Dress Goods.

We have cortainly in these two lines the best and most varied choice that can be offered by any house in Montreal, our special attention being exclusively devoted to these Branches. We are in a position to dely competition for the best houses in Canada, being directly supplied by manufacturers, and have no hesitation in recommending you to pay us an early visit and examine for yourself what we are doing in Choap Goods.

At the Red Store.

The rich like the poor are sure to find Goods suitable for their purses. Everything will be done to merit the confidence of the public. Do not forgot Cheap Sale taking place next week, 10th March.

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N.B.—Use Clamperton's Six Cord and Gince Sewing Cotton for hand and maching,

KINGSTON Coffee and Steam Spice Mills FOR SALE.

The undersigned ofters for sale his Slock, Machinery and good-will in the above business, on very easy terms of payment, and will rent the premises, which are well situated and adapted for the business At a very Moderate Rental and for a long or short terms of years.

All Machinery is in good working order. Satisfactory reasons given for selling.
P.S.—I will, it necessary, give the purchaser one month of my time free of charge to assist him.
Apply personally or by letter of the purchase one of the purchase one of the purchase one of the purchase one of the purchase of the purchase

Kingston, Ont.

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS

QUEBRO, 23rd January, 1879.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that His Excellency the Lientenant-Governor has been pleased, by Order-in-Council, dated the 20th

pleased by Order-in-Council, and the 20th January instant, to add the following clause to the Timber Regulations:—
All persons are hereby strictly forbidden, unless they may have previously obtained a special authorization to that effect from the Countissioner of Crown Lands or from his Agents, to sioner of Crown Lands or from his Agents, to settle, squat, clear, or chop on Lots in Unsurveyed Territory, or on Surveyed Tands not yet open for sale, or to cut down any merchantable trees which may be found thereon, comprised within the limits of this Province, and forming portion of the locations granted in virtue of licenses for the cutting of timber thereon; said timber heing the exclusive property of the holders of said licenses, who have the exclusive right to enter actions against any person or persons who may be found violating this order F. LANGELIER.

Commissioner of C. L.

G. H. MIIMM & CO.'S CHAMPAGNE. IMPORTATION IN 1878 35,906 Cases,



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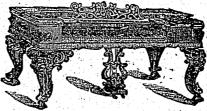
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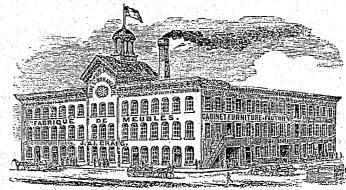


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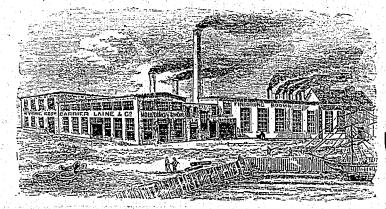
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Capital Subscribed. \$800,000 00 Capital Paid-up 400,000.00

	ASSETS.	100			
	Cash in Bank	\$ 92,996	75		
	Government and Municipal Bonds	246.136	10		
	United States Bonds and Deposits	88 481	31		
	Loan and Investment Co. Stocks and Denosite	107 445	EQ.		
	Mortgages on Real Estate. Bills Receivable—(Marine Premium)	47,411	7Š		
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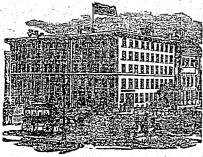
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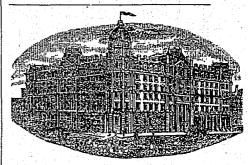
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Quebec Bank	100	2,600,000	2,499,920	475,000	8,	94 95
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Toronto	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	81	
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Imperial Loan and Investment Co	60	600,000	600,000	50,000	4	1071
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00	Do. do. 3rd Mort. 1891	100	105
10	Buffalo and Lake Huron 6. p.c	all.	103
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00	Do. Preference	100	74
100	Canada Southern 1st Mort, 7 p c	all	61
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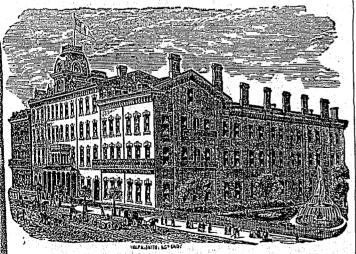
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