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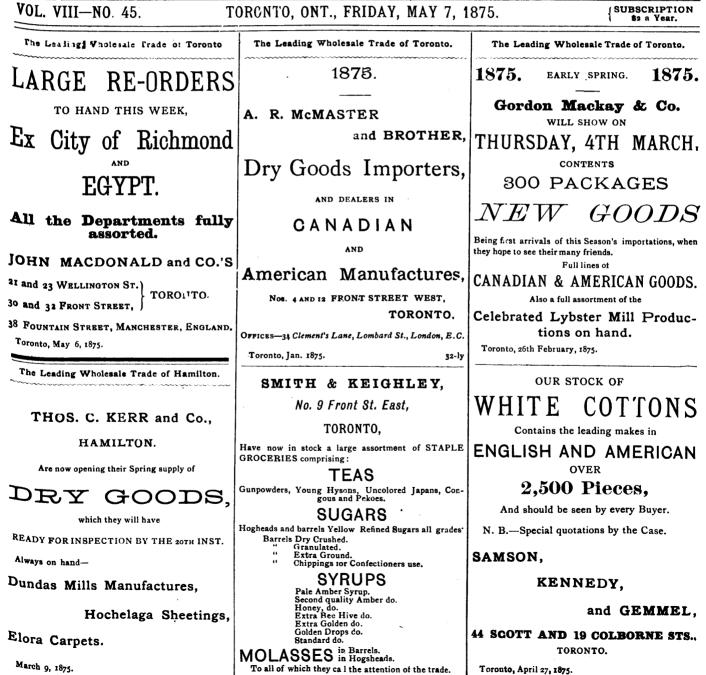
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## THE ONETAL TRADE REVIEW. -INSURANCE RONICLE





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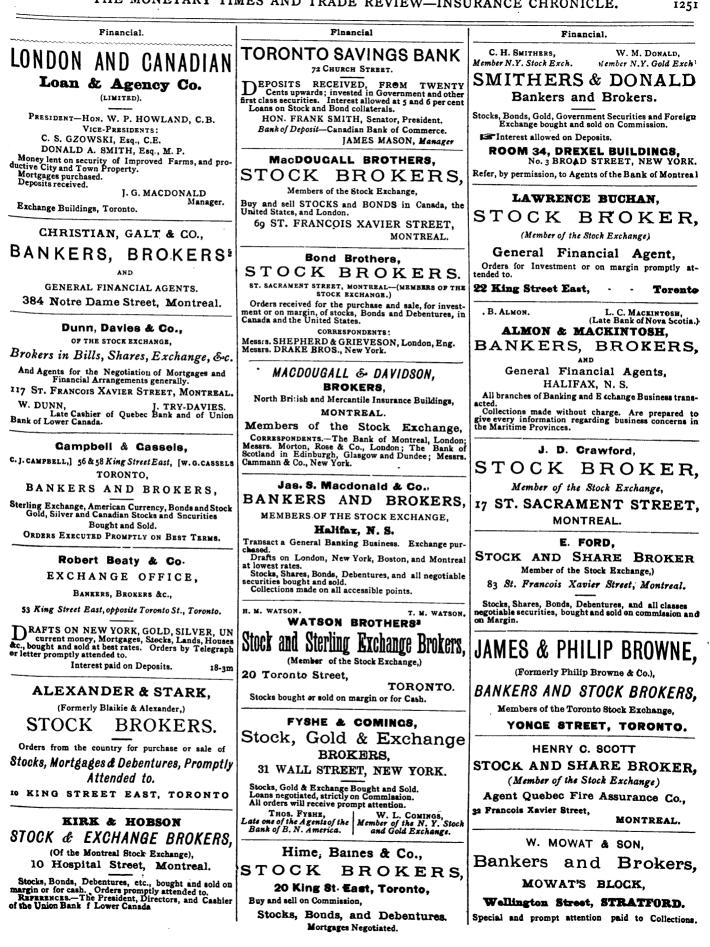
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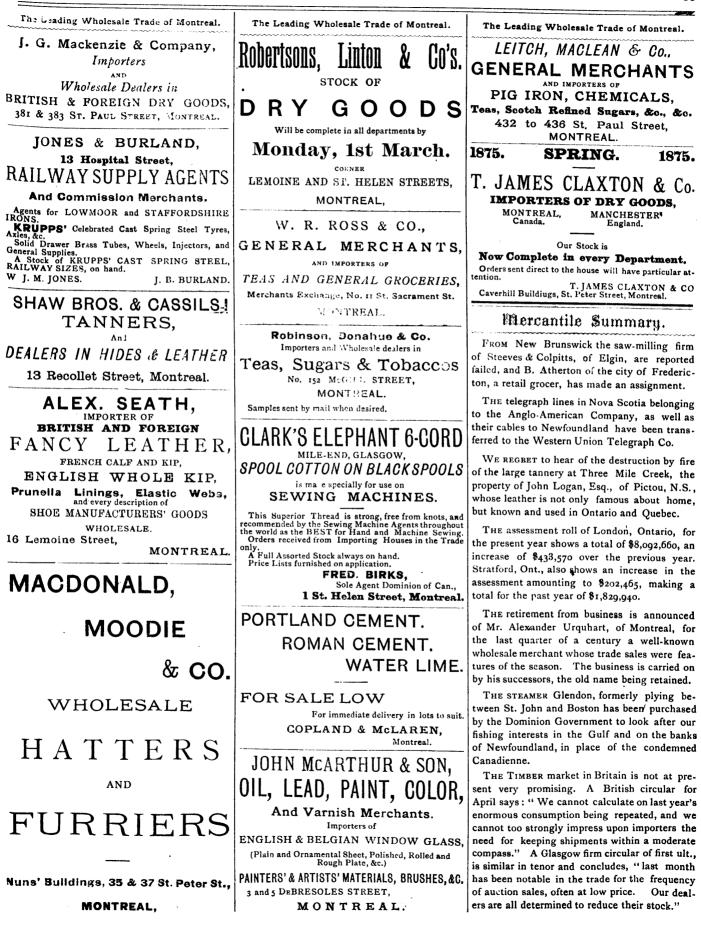
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Victoria, B. C., April 3, 1873.











I WO MORE cases of incendiarism have been tried and the parties found guilty. Judge Jenkler of Perth sentenced John Amander to seven years imprisonment in the Penitentiary for setting fire to James Mansville's barn. Wyness in the Wilson arson case pleaded guilty at his trial in Windsor, Ont., a few days ago.

At a meeting of the Ottawa Board of Trade on Monday last the frauds of rasin packers were discussed. It was stated that in some cases boxes were marked 28 lbs. when they actually contained only 18 lbs. or even less. It is hoped that some good will result by bringing the matter before the Dominion Board of Trade.

AT THE annual meeting of the Toronto Corn Exchange held on the 4th instant the following officers were elected :—President, Mr. James McCuaig, proposed by Mr. Chapman. Vice-President, Mr. D. Davidson. Secretary and Treasurer, George A. Chapman. Committee of Management—Messrs. J. D. Laidlaw, Geo. Muttlebury, James Neilson, K. Chisholm, W. R. Wadsworth. W. D. Matthews, R. J. Stark. Board of Arbitration—Messrs. Wm. Galbraith, J. G. Worts, Peleg Howland, James Young, D. Cowan, D. Laidlaw, and L. Coffee.

Mr. E. LAWSON, retail grocer, Toronto, gets a settlement at 75c., payable in two, four, six and eight months, without interest, unsecured; and 25c., payable in two years, secured by real estate, which is to be assigned to one of the creditors for the benefit of the estate. Malcolm Morrison, merchant, Lindsay, is offering to compound with his creditors at 30 cents.

ANOTHER attempt to organize a purely Canadian express enterprise is taking shape in Montreal. The objects are defined to be "to carry on a general express business throughout the Dominion, the United States and Europe." The gentlemen named as directors are all of the Province of Quebec. Mr. Goft, of Montreal, is President, and the Vice-President is Mr. Owen Murphy, Mayor of Quebec. The business manager is to be Mr. Sharpe, who has long been a city expressman in Montreal. The capital is now a quarter million of dollars, but is to be increased to half a million. We wish the enterprise success.

IN 1870 there were in the four Provinces then constituting the Dominion, 991 vessels and 16,-786 boats engaged in the fisheries. The manning of these gave employment to 37,498 men and the catch of that year in codfish was 682,-000 quintals; in herring, 417,000 barrels; in white fish 23,000 barrels, and in oysters, 14,500 barrels. We take the figures from the census returns.

A "CENTRAL FAIR" at which prizes to the amount of seven thousand dollars will be offered is to be held in Kingston on October 5th, 6th and 7th. The proposed show in Montreal of products intended for the Philadelphia Exhibition has been abandoned.

ST. JOHN, N.B., is again suffering annoyance and apprehension from labour troubles. The wharf men and other labourers are demanding unusually high wages, and are incensed at the action of employers in resisting their demands. Mr. Scammell, a leading shipper who had been prominent in resisting the malcontents, was knocked down and dangerously injured some time ago, it is supposed by some of the rioters. The Board of Trade and Lumber Exchange have taken action in the matter and \$500 have been subscribed to find out and punish the miscreant who made the assault. The volunteers have been warned to be ready for service.

In another place will be found a letter, over the signature "Allan Breck & Co." We do not know any such firm; bnt as the writer claims to be connected with a "Collection Bureau," we give space to what he has to say. It will be noticed that he denies nothing charged in our article of last week against these Agencies. He does not attempt to show that his undertaking has any effective machinery in operation for the collection of debts. He loses sight of this vital point; and we claim that it is comparatively lost sight of in all the schemes of this class with which we have yet become familiar. He does not, however, similarly forget the " fresh applications for certificates of membership, accompanied by the subscription fees," that are coming in.

IT is understood that the creditors of Messrs. Donald Murray & Co. and Messrs Murray, Middlemiss & Co. have pretty generally accepted the obligations of Messrs. John McKillop & Co., their successors, in settlement of their claims. The time for payment is extended over two years; and the ability to meet these obligations is said to rest on the hope of profits to be made in the meantime. If this is the state of facts, we confess that the prospect is not flattering. We are strongly of the opinion that any firm undertaking the business of a Commercial Agency amongst us should be possessed of ample means; it ought to be thorougly responsible in a financial sense. Without this the temptation to do wrong is vastly increased, and these concerns are not by any means free from the temptations to wrongdoing. There is danger that, under the pressure of financial necessity, they may seek a present advantage, even though it involves an injustice to some one. Then without adequate capital





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And Solicit an EARLY VISIT from their Customers and the

## TRADE GENERALLY.

WAREHOUSE-34 Yonge Street, TORONTO.

N.B.—Owing to the depressed state of Trade in Britain, many lines of Goods have been purchased at very low prices, and BUYERS will find it much to their interest to visit the Markets, and inspect Stocks personally, instead of ordering from Trave lers Samples.

THE MONETARY TIMES, AND TRADE REVIEW. FORONTO, CAN., FRIDAY MAY 7, 1875

## ANNUAL REPORT ON LIFE INSU-RANCE.

Mr. Orlow W. Chapman, Superintendent of Insurance for the State of New York, is a business man rather than a theorist; and his annual reports show that he not only has the practical knowledge of insurance to make up his mind on the subject, but that he has also the courage to state his conclusions. His Life Report for 1874 is now before us. The business of that year he cannot regard as entirely satisfactory, but there are indications of a general movement in the right direction. "It is manifest "-Mr. Chapman thinks-" that those who control this interest are becoming more vigilant and conservative. There is evidence of greater economy in management, of more care in the organization of medical departments, of efforts to weed out bad risks already taken, of more constant and critical supervision over the action of distant subordinates, and of greater harmony of action among companies-all of which augurs well for the future. \* \* And whenever this unfortunate era of amalgamations and receiverships shall be closed, the debris of wrecked organizations cleared away, the business relieved of entanglements and disrobed of technicalities, the people educated to an intelligent understanding of the true objects of life insurance, its real purpose and its legitimate field, public confidence will be restored, those companies that remain will be the better appreciated, and prosperity will again be the rule rather than the exception." It

will be perceived from this language that the period of crisis in life insurance has not yet passed; and the means prescribed for securing a return of prosperity seem to lie yet in the distance, and some of them are provokingly difficult of realization. It appears that there were fewer companies in the business—50 against 56 the year before -fewer policies were issued by about 25 per cent., and the total amount of insurance has diminished. On the other hand, it is noted with satisfaction that assets have grown much faster than liabilities, and that the "surplus as regards policy-holders" has considerably increased. The fifty companies to which the Report relates had gross assets to the amount of \$387,281,896.81, being an increase of \$27,141,212.32 over the amount reported for 1873 ; at the same time the liabilities, except capital stock, were \$328,392,551.70, being \$16,841,624.08 more than at the close of 1873. The surplus as regards policyholders has steadily risen from year to year, as shown by an elaborate table extending back to 1859, and is now \$58,889,345.11.

The aggregate income of the companies fell off in 1874, it having been \$115,732,713,-47, or \$2,663,788.74 less than that of 1873; while the total expenditure was \$81,232,-332.54, being also less than in 1873 by the sum of \$3,269,113.93. The percentage of expenses to total income was 13.81 against 14.28 in 1873, and 13.75 in 1872. In connection with the expenditures it is noticeable that the amount paid for surrendered policies was \$22,453,954.53, being \$5,784,-360.64 more than was paid for that purpose in 1873. For losses and matured policies \$25,797,860.26 were paid away—a sum not very largely in excess of that disbursed for surrendered policies as just noticed !

A very large amount of new business was obtained during the year; 144,783 new policies were issued, insuring the sum of \$351,-803,670. Looking at such an accession of new customers we can scarcely suppress a gush of congratulation to the companies on their rapid advancement; but a glance at the other side of the picture only reminds one "how false and fleeting are all things here below;" for in the same companies no less than 152,555 policies were terminated, covering insurance for \$385,770,256! So that instead of a gain there was a loss of business. Only a small percentage of this loss arose legitimately. From death or maturing of policies the amount was but \$23,667,923, or only a little more than six per cent. of the whole. These figures will show the extent of the various leakages by which all that enormous sum of \$385,770,-256 was lost to the companies :

POLICIES.           By death or maturity	AMOUNT. \$ 23,667,923 5,191,254 92,796,824 179,023,161 30,853,237 54,237,857
Aggregate 152,555	\$385,770,256

Taking, individually, the companies doing business in Canada which report to the Superintendent for New York, we find that their new and terminated business in 1874 compare as follows, the comparison being by the amount of the policies issued and terminated respectively:

	Policies	Policies
Adjantia Mentural	issued.	terminated.
Atlantic Mutual	\$ 1,142,795	\$ 1,591,810
Ætna of Hartford	15,182,318	19,539,476
Connecticut	19,965,324	16,401,421
Equitable	34,189,815	37,442,944
UTIODO	6,088,184	12,446,854
Metropolitan	11,870,435	10,869,155
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New York	21,809,389	22,646,653
Northwestern	11,796,029	11,187,011
Phoenix of Hartford	10,745,275	17,265,531
Travellers	5,086,263	3,664,243
United States	5,791,470	5,721,591
Union	14,517,543	8,203,365
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ever, not anticipated. Those figures deserve careful study. They make this fact plain : that an immense quantity of energy and expense are devoted to the useless endeavor to maintain the business at a high pressure point. Nothing is accomplished by the whole army of agents, by an annual deluge of insurance literature, and by all the elaborate and expensive machinery at work, beyond preventing the more rapid decline of the business to its natural proportions. No advance is made; all that is gained in front is lost in the rear, and more. Every one of those lapsed, cancelled, surrendered, and "not taken" policies costs money. The time and efforts of the agent are expended, the doctor's fee has to be paid, the preparing, transmitting, and examining of the papers involve time and labor, and consequently expense. It is obvious that whatever is paid out of a company's funds in a futile effort to get new members, is a loss to existing members; it has to be borne in some way by their policies. Hence it would be most desirable in their interests that there should be some relaxation of the present strain for new risks: a wiser policy would be to conserve more carefully existing resources, and see that the regular income from permanent mem-

bers is preserved and invested for their benefit, allowing the legitimate demand for life insurance to become more nearly equal to the supply. The Managers of these companies need to fling away ambition, and find consolation for their rapidly diminishing proportions in a lower rate of expense, and in the happy consciousness that they would be doing what is best for the interests they are set to protect and guard.

## NOTES ON OUR TRADE DURING 1874.

We have in previous articles stated the general results of the Commerce of the Dominion during 1874. The total volume of our transactions was \$216,756,097, being a decrease as compared with the previous year of \$548,419; there remained in bond, however, goods imported but not entered, to the value of \$312,726 more than at the close of the previous twelve months. Our importations (that is-entered for consumption) were \$127,404,169, and our exports \$89,351,928-the former showing a decline of \$110,425, and the latter \$437,994. These figures, which we take from the official blue book, differ somewhat from the returns which we were able to obtain before Parliament met, but not so materially as to effect our general deductions at that time.

We now propose to examine briefly some of the details of last year's trade, and we find our task very considerably simplified on this occasion from the fact that the new Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Johnson, has introduced some new and useful tables into the returns. The statement of the imports and exports of the Dominion, as a whole, coupled with 'the names of each country with which we dealt, was very much required, and it is not creditable to the past management of the Customs' department, that it is only in 1875, eight years after Confederation, that it makes its appearance for the first time in our Trade returns.

The countries with which the commerce of Canada was transacted last year, with the value of the exchanges which took place, were as follows:

COUNTRIES.	IMPOBTS.	EXPORTS.
Great Britain		\$35,898,482
United States		35,061,117
France		267,212
Germany	956,917	65,511
Spain.	458,067	960
Portugal	100.544	192.663
Italy	46.085	190,211
Holland	256.138	14.905
Belgium	293,659	168,694
British N. A. Provinces	1,068,468	1.411.278
British West Indies	919,517	1,958,933
Spanish West Indies	1,340,235	1,246,371
French do	30,502	372.009
Other West India Islands	17,479	66,678
South America	473.530	1,212,615
China and Japan	1.224.506	38.024
Australia	139,674	98,478
South Africa	100,011	8,316
Other Countries	•••••••••	470,375
Goods not the produce of		\$10,010
Canada	396.839	10,614,096
Reprint Copyrights	3,328	
	0,020	•••••••
Total	127.404.169	\$89,351,928
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In analysing these statistics, we are at once struck with the great disparity between the value of our imports and exports, which was no less than \$38,000,000 in round numbers. But the most important fact is the great change in the current of our trade with the United States. The extent of our transactions was slightly greater than during 1873, but our purchases rose \$6,544,071, whilst our sales fell off \$5,493, 538. The balance against us on the transactions of the year appears to have been \$19,218,632. At the close of 1873 there was also a balance against us of \$7,000,000, but that was the first year in which the balance was not in our favour since Confederation took place. The tables may now, however, be said to have turned, for our neighbors now sell us annually more than they take from us. Our transactions with Great Britain have slightly augmented, having reached the handsome aggregate (taking in goods not Canadian produce) of \$108,803. 642, and we are pleased to observe an increase of over half a million in our trade with France. Our dealings with South America kept up well, but fell off with the West Indies, Germany, China and Japan, and Australia.

The following list of the principal articles imported by the Dominion last year, with the value thereto, will be found alike interesting and instructive :---

Brandy 8 917 752	Hosiery 459 533
Gin 312 669	Iron and Cutlery 635 992
Rum 115 794	Other Hardware 3,618 057
Whiskey 194 251	Spades, Shovels,
Oils 105 517	&c 114 837
Cigars 609 757	Spikes, nails, &c. 223 388
Meats-all kinds 1,484 348	Stoves& castings 737 197
Carriages 131 221	Jewelry, Watch-
China & Crock-	es
ery ware, &c., 606 937	Leather 542 030
Clocks 128 869	Linens 1,157 883
Clothing 1,082 259	R. Engines and
Cottons	Cars 1,699 567
Fruits, Nuts, &c. 765 593	Fur Manufact'rs 413 279
Drugs 497 841	Leather Manu-
Fancy Goods 3,279 656	factures 407 756
Норв 121 152	Wood do 470 756
Rice 329 098	Paper-allkinds 389 791
Tea-Green and	Silks, satins, &c. 2,141 296
Japan 2,320 551	Stationery  515 883
Tea-Black 1,134 284	Small wares 2.196 223
Wines-all kinds 810 936	Woollens
Ale, Beer and	Unenumerated
Porter 244 177	Articles 622 663
Tobacco (Manu-	Trees, plants, &c 103 083
factured 145 650	Books
Tobacco Leaf 968 613	Iron 3,442 431
Sugar above No.	Cotton Wool 498 470
9 4,292 706	Flour and Meal 851 421
Sugar below No.	Coarse Grains 304 457
9	Wheat 9,910 551
Cane juice 290 380	Indian Corn 2,676 751
Candy, &c 77 723	Machinery, (not
PatentMedicines 80 779	made in Cana-
Molasses	
Fnrniture	da 337 079 Anchors, Chains
Carpets & Rugs 804 499	
Musical Instru-	&c 399 205 Cables, Cordage,
menta 669 558	
Machinery 910 893	&c 580 610 Railroad bars &c 4,326 695
Oils-rectified 554 853	Stool 870 990
Packages 549 551	Steel
Paints & Colors 320 719	Hides, pelts, &c 1,458 325
Gunpowder	Salt
Firearms 102 583	Wood 1,018 082
Glass—all kinds 517 567	Wool 726 084
Glassware 669 585	Fish & Fish Oil 913 652
Hats, Caps and	Settler's effects 1,240 618
Bonnets 932 694	Service 8 610008 1,240 018
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The foregoing is a pretty formidable list, and it must be admitted, whatever is the moral to be drawn therefrom, that luxuries make up no insignificant portion thereof. Woollens, Cottons, Iron, Teas, Sugars, Coal and Coke are necessaries-we must import them, and in some respects it may be said the extent of our importations is the measure of our prosperity; but what shall we say of the luxuries, some of which we would have been healthier and better without? The list embraces \$2,595,575 for liquors, Tobacco \$1,114,263, not to speak of Cigars, no lessithan \$3,279,656 for fancy goods, Silks, Satins, and Velvets \$2,141,296, Musical Instruments, \$662,558-but we need not enlarge. The reader can examine the list for himself, and he will hardly rise from its perusal without the question coming up before his mind : is it a healthy commercial sign that in 1874 our importations of articles of luxury swelled to such large proportions?

Nearly one-half of our total importations were supplied by Great Britain, but it will be observed by the first table in this article, that the United States was only \$8,796,668 behind her last year. Besides our customary exchanges of lumber, breadstuffs and general farm products, our American neighbors sent us a large quantity of goods, manufactured in whole or in part, during the twelve months under review. Among them, we may mention sugars, hardware, jewelry and watches, manufactures in wood, musical instruments, machinery, books. cables and cordage, locomotive engine frames, axles, &c., furniture and carriages -all these articles being somewhat conspicuous in consequence of the quantity and value thereof imported. In our British imports, dry goods of all kinds stand out most prominently, but we also take from the mother country largely of sugars, teas, fancy goods, railroad and other iron, steel, small-wares, and a great variety of useful and fancy articles. We get most of our brandy from France, our gin from Holland, and buy freely of cigars from Germany. The West Indies supply us largely with sugar, molasses, coffee, cigars and rum. Newfoundland sold us nearly one million dollars worth of fish and fish products last year, Spain supplied us with dried fruits and wines, and China with tea.

This article has already become so extended that we are unable in this issue to take up the consideration of our exports during 1874. We shall, however, return to the subject at an early day, when the value and character of our exports, as well as other features of our commerce, during last year, will be adverted to.

#### CONDITION OF THE UNITED STATES MONEY MARKET.

There is every symptom of a general restoration of confidence and of a return to the ordinary condition of things on the other side of the border. Money has continued easy for a considerable time, and this week there has been a healthier flow of legal tenders from all points of the interior to New York. Deposits in banks have increased; some \$3,000,000; stocks in Wall Street are generally buoyant; mercantile paper is commanding higher credit generally, in consequence of the very cautious way in which business has been conducted for some time back, and the liquidations that have been steadily proceeded with arising out of the revulsion of 1873; are mostly drawing to a close, and they have generally been carried through in a perfectly satisfactory manner.

The banks have for a long time been extremely cautious about employing their funds in the channel of ordinary discounts, preferring to make advances on stock exchange securities; but they are now appearing as purchasers of mercantile bills.

The bill business of New York, like that of London, is very largely in the hands of a class of brokers, who make a specialty of both buying and selling them with recourse, or without, as the case may be. A banker having fuuds and desiring to discount, can at any time have his choice of hundreds of transactions which he can take up or let alone as pleases him from day to day.

The ease and convenience of this to a banker as compared with the carrying of heavy lines of accomodation as is done here can be well appreciated by those who have been pressed for discounts during the last two or three months. Here, the banker carries the load of his customer's business. If he stops discounting, it is a question if his customer will not stop too. Pressed as he may be for funds to meet the demands of depositors and note-holders, he is often pressed at the very same time by his mercantile customers who must have more money to meet payments in England, or to pay duties at the Custom House. Hence the peculiar stress and burden of a banker's position in Canada as compared with that of his brethren in New York. No doubt these have their difficulties too. But this difficulty is one they know comparatively little of. If they want to discount, they can do it without being bound to continue it. If they wish to call their funds in, they have nothing to do but to let paper mature and be paid; for paid it generally is. In these transactions they do not see the merchant or know him at all. They deal with the broker alone.

It is also a convenient place for the borrower as well as the lender. Merchants without recourse; that is, they are not to be called on again, even if the paper is not paid. Of course this costs them a higher rate. But then it saves them a world of worry and anxiety. It keeps them in an easy position financially. They have nothing to do with financing for their customers, or helping to meet their paper. They have done with it entirely. Then their liabilities are kept down, and though the rate of discount may be two or three per cent. higher, they can well afford to pay the higher rate, in order to escape the subsequent risks. There is occasionally a little of this done in Canada with the banks. Merchants will sell their customer's paper out and out to a banker, instead of discounting it in the ordinary way. But what is a rare exception here is the ordinary rule in centres like New York and London.

Mercantile houses also who desire to negotiate such loans as bankers generally undertake here will arrange to sell their own notes to brokers. Paper of this class, sometimes endorsed, but often not, is to be found by the million, in the hands of bill brokers in New York. Firms in all parts of the country raise money in this way. Railway companies, and manufacturing companies too, are constant customers. The paper of certain houses and certain railways is constantly quoted on the bill market, and the value of names and guarantors is as accurately gauged as the price of wheat or iron. Of course the current quotations are only for first-class names and generally for paper not over two or three months.

The Treasury is expected to make heavy disbursements of gold for interest during the month of June. What effect this will have on the price of gold and sterling bills remain to be seen. It must always be remembered when considering the ease of money in the States, and the low rate of interest prevailing there, that this is all for the currency of the country, not for gold. At present gold is dearer than it has been for a long time back. A premium of  $15\frac{1}{4}$  is a heavy tax on the conversion of American money into the currency of the world. Long ere this it has been confidently hoped that American currency would be worth par and redemption in specie begin again. Schemes in abundance have been discussed with a view to bringing this about, and one notable bill has been passed through Congress. But all legislation on the subject, except legislation to contract issues, is mere tinkering with the question.

United States are actually at the present moment no nearer specie payments than that have large batches of customer's paper they were five years ago. It is interesting can go to a broker or broker's, and sell it to note the value of gold from time to time during that period. Thus:

May	1, 1870	115
"	* 1871	1113
"	" 1872	1121
"	" 1873	1167
**	" 1874	1127
"	" 1875	1153

How long this kind of business may last passes the wit of man to tell. The nation raises a terrible outcry whenever contraction is spoken of; but contraction is the only possible way to specie payments. What is the reason that these notes are at a discount but that there are too many of them for legitimate business. Contract the volume and they will rise in price, and when they have risen to par by the force of circumstances, then specie payments will be a matter of course.

Meantime it is satisfactory to us that we are on a gold baisis. Money may be scarce and dear; but, when we get it, it is real money after all, and money available to pay our debts all over the world.

## THE PRODUCE TRADE.

A considerable movement in wheat is now going on, and in a channel which is somewhat unusual. It is more profitable to ship to New York than to Montreal, and considerable quantities are taking that route on their way to Europe.

New York is making at length strenuous efforts to recover a large trade which has been gradually diverted to other channels. For some time her merchants felt so sure of her unquestioned supremacy that they almost ridiculed the idea of any serious rivalry on the part of others. But the course of trade of late years has taught them a different lesson. Montreal has become a serious competitor for the trade of the Western States, and year by year the St. Lawrence route has grown into favor and importance. As Canadians we could not but rejoice. And though the trade has not brought much profit to the merchants engaged in it, the country at large has undoubtedly been benefitted. It has given employment to numbers of our people on the route, and found freight for a large amount of shipping.

Heavy losses, however, were incurred last vear, and the New York merchants seem disposed to think the present a favorable time for striking a blow to recover their former supremacy. What with the reduc-The tion of Canal Tolls on the Erie, and cheaper

ocean freight, there is now a decided advantage in the New York route over that by the St. Lawrence; and trade will always seek the cheapest channels. Patriotic motives will not influence men to send grain to one port when they can make more out of it by sending it to another. The profits of the business are lean enough at the best, and every additional cent of price is welcomed as a 'boon by the merchant whose purchase of grain so often show a profit on the wrong side of the book; it may therefore be a question, not of adding to profits, but of reducing a loss to the smallest minimum.

Be this as it may, the grain is going to New York, and those who are shipping it, say that it will bring back a much better return than they could obtain for it in any other way.

This is not a pleasant prospect for the produce merchant of Montreal or for the Allan Steamers. They have been endeavoring to obtain higher freights, but this will render that out of the question; it is a question, indeed, if the freight by that line has not been too high for years back.

Of all those engaged in the transport of the vast masses of grain from Chicago and Milwaukee to Europe, no one has made any profit, speaking broadly, but the owners of the Montreal Steamers; the merchants who have carried on the trade are, mostly worse off than they were five years ago; they have worked hard, and displayed fully as much judgment as is usual in other lines of busines, the only fault perhaps has been a tendency, on the part of some, to speculate beyond their means. But after years of labor their profits have almost invariably been swept away by force of circumstances, and returns from Europe have left them in debt. When results show a steady average loss in a particular trade there must be a fault somewhere. And the question is, whether the ocean freights have not been on so high a scale that the merchant could not live. The profit on grain between one point and another is, of course, a question of cost of transport. Montreal stands, we may say, midway between the Western States and England. She pays the Western producer so much: she receives from the English consumer so much. But at the end of five years trade, and handling some sixty million bushels of grain, she finds she has not even made a commission. A bare one per cent. would have left Montreal merchants a profit of six hundred thousand dollars. It is a question if the net results do not show a loss of as much. Evidently the cost of transport has been too much. Either on the lakes or canals, or on the ocean, grain has been too heavily taxed on its passage.

The feeling in Montreal in view of past losses and this diversion of business, is anything but cheerful. And something will need to be done to remedy this unfortunate position. The parties mainly interested are the proprietors of the Allan line of steamers. And none are better able than they, to devise measures for meeting the altered circumstances. They have very large means, vast experience, and well-tried business capacity. They knew the course of trade as well as any men in the country, and they are so deeply interested not only in the steamers, but in the prosperity of Montreal and of Canada, that we are sure they may be relied on to do whatever can be done to retain the large trade which has flowed through the St. Lawrence route during the last few vears.

CITIZENS INSURANCE COMPANY. - It is encouraging to notice the progress this Company is making in the direction of placing itself in harmony with recognized principles of insurance. On a previous occasion we noted the fact that a deposit with the Finance Minister of \$53,000 in municipal debentures had been made; now we observe that a further sum of \$50,000 in cash has been deposited — making \$103,000 in all. A license has of course been issued. A copy of the circular mailed by the Company to its agents last month has reached us, which states that " the Directors have decided to amend their charter, so as to legally separate the Life Fund from the other funds of the Com-This is a necessary and impany." portant step. In the same circular it is stated the subscribed capital Stock is to be increased to \$2,000,000 with ten per per cent. paid up, giving the Company a cash capital of \$200,000. We are glad that the management of the Company have after mature reflection, become convinced of the wisdom and necessity of these various changes, and to see, with us, that it was only in this way that they could hope to win public approval and success.

- A convention of United States bank officers is to be held next July at Saratoga. It is expected that from one thousand to twelve hundred members will be present. They disclaim the idea of "dictating reforms, or of changing any laws, or of making innovations on existing rules for the government of banks or their business." What they intend is to do good to each other "by meeting together, making each other's acquaintance, and talking over matters of concern to all bank officers, and to make their official duties more easy in the future, and to leave a 'green spot' in the pathway of the past that it will be a pleasure to look upon."

-Four companies have withdrawn from the United States National Board of Fire Underwriters, in consequence of which some of the New York journals have been predicting the break-up of the Board. As there are about one hundred and seventy companies yet remaining, that occurrence is by no means probable.

—The Royal Mutual Life Insurance Company of Ottawa has been provisionally organized with Hon. James Skead as President, and E. Griffin and Joseph Annand Vice-Presidents; A. Graham, Secretary. It is proposed to raise a capital stock as soon as the requisite subscriptions can be obtained.

—A round amount of stock has been subscribed in Montreal and other cities, towards the formation of the Merchants Marine Insurance Company of Canada, and a meeting of shareholders to elect directors, etc., has been called for the 12th instant, in Montreal.

-The annual meeting of the stockholders in the Quebec Exchange was held on the 28th ult. Messrs. Weston Hunt, Henry Fry, T. H. Grant, A. Thomson, W. Walker, A. Wood, D. Rattray, were elected Directors for 1875.

- The Canadian Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Hamilton, have established an agency in Toronto. Mr. H. P. Andrew, who has had some years experience in the business in Canada and in the United States, takes charge of the Toronto office.

-220 vessels are owned in Prince Edward Island, representing 34,088 tons.

#### Correspondence.

PROTECTIVE UNION AND COLLECTION BUREAU.

#### TORONTO, May 6th, 1875.

To the Editor of the Monetary Times.

 $S_{IR}$ ,—Having read the communication in your issue of 30th ult., signed "Retailer," dated at Hamilton; also your article in reply thereto, we beg to correct some false impressions they might convey, if allowed to go unchallenged.

In the first place, we are not the "Yankee adventurers" referred to by your correspondent, and have not yet established an agency at Hamilton-though we soon hope to; and however true your statements may be with regard to some of the Collection Agencies heretofore in operation at the above place, and in this city, they are totally at variance with the facts as applied to our Bureau and its operations. This can be easily ascertained by communicating with the merchants of nearly every city and town in the Western Peninsula of Ontario, in some of which we have been in operation since September last. One of the best proofs that our Bureau system is giving general satisfaction, is the fact that the greater number of the monthly statements from those Solicitors where we have been longest in operation, contain fresh

applications for certificates of membership, accompanied by the subscription fees.

The general merits of the scheme, however, we have no wish to discuss in your paper. That is a matter for the merchants themselves to consider. But it is in reference to the carrying out of those principles that we complain of your remarks as being too generally applied; and we challenge any one to say that we have not dealt fairly, and up to the spirit of our contract, with each and every member, since the first day of our organization.

We do not seek "cheap advertising" under the disguise of correspondence; but in simple justice to ourselves—after what you have seen fit to say concerning Collection Bureaus generally—we ask you to give this a place in your columns.

We remain, yours truly,

Allen, Breck & Co.

#### insurance.

FIRE RECORD.—Napanee, May I.—A frame building near Rathburn's saw mill was totally consumed. Contents insured for \$500 and \$400 for the building which was owned by Mr. Lennox.

Chippawa, April 30.—The large tannery owned by J. F. McKlem caught fire from the sparks which fell from the chimney. Engine Company No. 1 soon extinguished the flames.

Dunville, April 30.—The light house at Port Maitland was burned last night.

Belleville, April 30.—The woollen factory owned by Mr. Adam Tailor, near Bloomfield, was destroyed with all its contents. Loss about \$10,000; no insurance.

Vienna, April 30.—A fire broke out this morning about three o'clock, destroying the warehouse and contents belonging to Mr. George Suffel, merchant, of this place. The fire was evidently the work of an incendiary. Loss, about \$2,000; partly covered by instrance.

Acton, Ont. April 30.—A fire broke out in Dr. McGarven's brick residence which was reduced to ashes. Loss, about \$4,000; insurance \$1,500.

Portland, N.B. --- Robert Anderson's rope-walk was consumed a second time within a year. Incendiarism said to be the cause.

Millbrook, April 26.—Mark Roper's hotel, in this village, took fire and is a total loss. Very little of the furniture was saved. Loss on building, \$2,000; furniture, etc., \$1,000. No insurance. After paying over \$300 for insurance he allowed his policy to expire about a month ago.

Newmarket, May 3.—The foundry of Cane Elridge was destroyed. Loss stated at \$20,000. No insurance.

COMMERCIAL RATINGS.-The financial difficulties of the past two years have operated seriously to impair the credit of many of our leading manufacturers and business men, as well as those who never had a substantial basis, and in giving credits the utmost caution is necessary if losses are to be avoided. How to obtain correct information as to the standing of parties asking credit, is the problem. necessities of the case have led to the establish-The ment of mercantile agencies. These, while answering the purpose in a general way, are far from being reliable, even when the business of the country is on a sound basis, while in its present condition they are almost valueless. This is not so much because of defects in the system as from the fact that men who are crippled in their affairs are unwilling to give a

correct statement; they are thus frequently kept at a high rating, though actually insolvent, and are only bolstered up by their fictitious standing in the books of the mercantile agency, by which means they are enabled to obtain credit. It is not surprising, therefore, that there are so many bad failures. This defective rating, however, is not confined to large houses; on the contrary, small ones in interior towns are much more liable to be overrated than are the larger establishments in the cities. Being less accessible, they are, if weak, carried along without change until they fail, and do business for years upon their creditors' capital. A shrewd, designing man can, if he will, build up an extended credit on no other basis than the commercial ratings of a mercantile agency. In times of financial distress and dull trade, however, like those we have been passing through for the past two years, such men are forced to step down and out, and when their accounts are investigated their original weakness is exposed. By various devices many of the weak ones are enabled to present a good front ; with the opening of the season they ask extended credits, and generally have no difficulty in obtaining them, owing to their having kept square with the mercantile agency. It thus becomes more than ever important to investigate closely the financial standing of parties asking accommodations, and to reduce credits to the lowest point. Careful men will not object to this, while nothing is lost by the failure to secure the custom of those who; in case of continued dull trade, cannot meet their obligations .- Shoe and Leather Reporter.

A DRAWER'S RIGHT TO STOP A CHEQUE.-The decision given by the Court of Exchequer Chamber, in the case of Glyns v. Mesa, as to the right of a drawer of a cheque to stop pay. ment of it, will give satisfaction, we think, to all business men. The decision is to the effect that a cheque is to be treated as any other bill of exchange, rendering the drawer liable to be sued upon it, if unpaid, by any bona-fide holder who is not affected by an ' equity " attaching to the party to whom or on whose account the cheque was given. The circumstances of the present case were that the plaintiffs, being the bankers of Messrs. Lizardi, who failed two years ago, pressed them for payment of their overdrafts, or for additional security, and when doing so, on the eve of the failure, received from them an order on the defendants to pay the amount of two bills for 2,000l, for which order the defendants gave the plaintiffs the cheque now in question, which the latter immediately placed to the credit of Lizardi's account. The defen-dants, hearing meanwhile that Lizardi had stopped payment, instructed their bankers not to pay the cheque, upon which the bankers not the cheque, upon which the plaintiffs Two points whether the immediately sued. us raised, one, of the were thus exchange the order from Lizardi on the defendants for a cheque by the latter was a consideration between them and the plaintiffs; and the other, whether the plaintiffs had not in any case a good title to the cheque, even if they had received it direct from Messrs. Lizardi, on the ground that being given for an antecedent debt there was a valid consideration which prevented them from being affected by the equities attaching to Lizardi. The Court below had given most attention to the first point, holding that the giving up of the order on the defendants to pay the amount was a valid consideration for the cheque as between the plaintiffs and the defendants; but the Court of Error now went further, and decided, with reference to the second point exclusively, that "a negotiable security given for such a purpose is a conditional payment of the debt," and being taken by the creditor as "money's worth" is as truly his property as the money which it represents

would have been if paid in Bank of England notes or coin. The defence had been that a cheque was different from a bill of exchange at however short a date, because in the latter case the creditor gave delay to his original debtor, and this was a consideration entitling the creditor to proceed against the drawer, while there was no such consideration in reference to a cheque payable immediately; but the Court, it will be seen, refused to recognise the distinction, and has placed a cheque on the same footing as other bills of exchange. It is to be regretted, perhaps, that the Court was not un animous, Lord Justice Coleridge having dissented from his colleagues in an elaborate judgment, on the ground that a cheque is not a bill of exchange, but an instrument sui generis; but the common sense of the matter is so plain, that we hope there is no chance of an appeal or an alteration of the law as now settled .--Eeonomist.

WAREHOUSE RECEIPTS .--- An important decision was recently given by the New York Court of Appeals relative to the value of warehouse receipts. The point is this: The First National Bank of Toledo advanced \$15.945 80 for the purchase of a cargo of wheat under an agreement that drafts should be drawn upon certain parties in New York and that the bills of lading should be given in the name of the bank as a security for the payment of the drafts. When the wheat arrived in New York it was put in a warehouse by the purchaser, who received the usual warehouse receipt from the warehouseman, and upon this the warehouseman borrowed \$14,400 from the Guaranty and Indemnity Company. One of the drafts forwarded against the property was for \$14,000 at thirty days, and when it became due the parties upon whom it was drawn being insolvent, it went to protest. The Guaranty Company then claimed the grain, and at the trial of the case a verdict was ordered in their favor. This verdict has now been re-versed by the Court of Appeals, on the ground that the grain was the property of the bank, and that the warehouseman had no right to issue any receipt to any one except the owner, as the mere fact of possession is no evidence of title .--Am. Yournai

list recently published of the American railway bonds in default since January, 1874, estimates the amount at \$567,028,639, and gives the number of companies as 122. They are divided into three classes, consisting, first, of companies involved in litigation or in hands of receivers, representing \$239,336,656 of bonds; second, companies that have already funded the interest or are now settling with bondholders without litigation, representing \$164,245,107, and third, companies whose condition has not lately been reported, or which have not taken decisive action, representing \$114,457,876. A list of railroads sold under foreclosure of mortgages in 1874 is also given, the whole number being only twelve, viz.; Cayuga Lake; Des Moines Valley; Little Rock and Fort Smith; Mobile and Montgomery; Montclair of New Jersey; the western part of the New Orleans, Mobile, and Texas; St. Louis and St. Joseph; Selma, Rome, and Dalton (64 miles in Georgia); South Side of Long Island; Springfield and Illinois S. E.; Sullivan and Erie; Sunbury and Lewiston. Their bonded indebtedness aggregated \$48,989,-000.—Railway World.

—The imports through the St. Johns Custom House last year amounted to \$1,037,911. The exports averaged during the last four years \$5,-540,000 per year. The number of vessels passing inwards and outwards in 1874 was 4,270 larger than any other port in the Dominion except Kingston, where ferries are plying all summer. The revenue of the port last year was \$29,243. In 1865 it was only \$2,731.—News, St. Johns, Que.

## Commercial.

#### MONTREAL MARKET.

#### From our own Reporter.

Montreal, May 4th, 1875. The wholesale trade of the city continues to improve, but it is admitted on all hands that the amount of business doing this year falls far short of previous years. Buyers continue to act with great caution. Wholesale houses are busy filling orders received sometime ago for shipment by the first Boats. The open navigation will no doubt exercise a beneficial influence on general business.

Navigation is now open to the West but is still closed to Ouebec the Ice bridge at Cape Rouge still holding and is not expected to break up till the first high tides. A good deal of anxiety has been felt regarding the vessels re-ported as being in the Gulf and which are now eight days over due at Quebec. A number of market Boats and Schooners arrived here to day.

Weather has been very cold and unsettled, heavy rain fell on Saturday night and Sunday morning-and yesterday morning the ground was covered to the depth of 4 inches with snow, which has now all disappeared. Farmers are anxiously looking for dry weather to get on with field labour.

ASHES .- Pots .- The demand for firsts has exceeded that of last week and as receipts have been liberal a good business has been done within our range of quotations given last week, the bulk of the business having been done at \$5.57<sup>1</sup> To-day the market closes at \$5.55 to 5.60 principally at \$5.55. No inferiors are offer-ing. *Pearls.*—There have been no transactions in this description of ash for sometime past, and it is not possible to give quotations. The stocks in the Inspection stores are Pots 1843 brls; Pearls 1186 brls.

BOOTS AND SHOES .-- Some activity in business is now looked for and numerous orders are ready for shipment, and with an improvement in the weather no doubt trade will revive. A little less than our quotations would probably be taken to effect sales. We quote Mens kid boots \$2.75 to 3.30; do. French calf \$3 to \$3.75; do Buff Congress \$1.75 to 2.25; do split Brogans \$1.10 to 1.25; Boys do goc to \$1.00; do Buff and Pebbled Congress \$1.40 to \$1.50; Womens Buff and pebbled Balmorals \$1.20 to 1.40; do Prunella boots 75c to \$1.75; Mens Buff and Pebbled Balmorals goc to \$1.15; do prunella bals 70c to \$1.20.

CATTLE.-Distillery fed cattle were in fair supply and brought \$5.75. Farm fed cattle have also been plentiful selling from \$4.75 to \$5.50 per 100 lbs live weight . Hogs .- Are now more abundant, and prices have ruled lower than our last weeks quotations \$7.75 to 7.25 per 100 lbs live weight. Some really fine animals brought about \$9.00. There is a fair enquiry for Sheep but none in the market.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS .- As the opening of navigation is so near at hand, and fresh stocks will soon arrive, holders are more disposed to press sales, and make some concessions on late prices. Bi Carb has been selling on the spot at \$5.00; considerable sales to arrive at \$4.25; Sal Soda on the spot \$1.70; to arrive \$4.25; Sai Soda on the spot \$1.70; to arrive at  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; Caustic soda ash is offered to arrive at  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; Caustic soda steady at  $3\frac{3}{2}$  to  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ; Eleaching Powder offered to arrive at  $2\frac{3}{2}$  to 3c; Epsom salts unchanged at 2c; Alum nominal. Other kinds are unchanged. DRY GOODS.—A little more activity has been provided by the benefit of arrive and with a

noticeable in this branch of trade, and with a return of fine seasonable weather, merchants are sanguine that the next two or three weeks will reduce stocks, which are still larger than is

market for them is firm. Very little doing in clothing. A good many complaints are still made of the unsatisfactory state of remittances.

RAW FURS .- This market is without any Beaver, \$1.50 to 2.00; Black Bear \$6.00 to 12.00, according to size ; Fisher, \$5.00 to 7.50 Silver Fox \$25.00 to 60.00; Cross Fox ; \$2.00 to Silver Fox  $\psi_{2,50}$  to 0.00, 0.005 Fox,  $\psi_{2,50}$  to 5.00; Red Fox \$1.25 to 1.50; Lynx \$1.50 to 1.75; Dark Labrador Martin \$7 to 8; Pale Martin \$1.25 to 1.50; Prime Dark Mink \$2.50to 0. Dark Mink, 2nd, \$1.50 to 2.00; Fine Dark Otter \$8. to 10. ; Fall Muskrat 12 to 15c; Winter do 17 to 20c; Spring do 22 to 27c Racoon 25 to 60c; Skunk 20 to 50c.

FISH.—There is only a small business doing in fish, prices continue steady for Dry Cod at \$4.75 to 5.00 : Lab. Herrings are firm, and held \$4.75 to 5.00 : Lao. Iterrings at min, and note for \$4.75 to 5.00 : Pickled Salmon, stock is well worked down, and we quote an advance of \$1. per brl., viz : \$16. \$15. \$14. for No. 1 2 and 3 respectively. Mackerel unchanged. FREIGHTS.—There have been some engage-

ments made by Steamships to Liverpool for Heavy Grain at 5/6 this is 2/9 under the opening rates of 1874.

FLOUR.—The stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst, were 95.086 brls, against 58.740 brls on the 15th ult and 119.184 brls on the 1st of May 1874. Receipts for the past week 29 600 brls; total receipts from 1st January to date 173.959 brls being an increase of 506 brls on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1874. There has been some disposition on the part of holders to make concessions in order to effect sales, and under these circumstances a fair business has been done both for the supply of local wants, and also in round lots of Spring Extra and Extra Superfine. Market closes firm with good enquiry We quote Superior Extra \$5,10 enduity we quote superior Extra 5,10to 5,25; Extra Superfine \$4.90t0 4.95; Fancy  $$4.70 t0 4.72\frac{1}{3}$ ; Spring Extra \$4.55 t0 4.60; Superfine \$4.25 t0 4.30; Strong Bakers Flour \$4.70 t0 4.90; Fine \$4.00; Middlings \$3.80; Pollards \$3.60; U. C. Bag flour \$2,20 to 2,30; Oatmeal firm and more active at \$5,50 to 5,50; Cornmeal \$4,00. GRAIN.—Wheat.—Stocks in store and in the

hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst was 221.020 bush, against 202 794 bush on the 15th ult and 605.934 bush on the 1st of May 1874; Receipts for the past week 8400 bushels Total receipts from 1st January to date 148.501 bush being an increase of 20.674 bush on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1874. There is nothing doing as yet for shipment and pricer are still nominal in the absence of sales. Yesterday white winter wheat was offered at \$1.16 without finding a buyer about 4c less would no doubt be paid. *Pease.*—Market firm closing at \$1.06 to 1.09; Maize quiet at 79 to 80; Oats firm at 48 to 50c; Barley without anima-tion nominal quotation 70c. Timothy seed easier at \$2.35 to 2.50 ;Clover is rather dearer at 103 to 111c per lb.

GROCERIES .- Teas-For Japan Tea there has been a moderate demand both for job lots and invoices, prices range from 45 to 65c according to grade. Medium kinds are scarce. Green and Black Teas are dull. Imperials 35 to 70c; Young Hyson 35 to 80c; Congou 35 to 71; Souchong 40 to 75c. Coffee—Stocks are small the demand, however, is very limited and con-fined to job lots. Singapore 24 to 26c; Java 28 to 30c; Maracaibo 24 to 25c; Jamaica is wanted, but little in the market for which 20c is paid. Sugar-There has been more doing in this article this week than for sometime past, especially in imported yellows at  $7\frac{1}{2}$  to  $8\frac{1}{2}$ c to arrive; Local Refined, we now quote Grocers A  $8\frac{1}{2}c$ ; Confectioners A  $8\frac{3}{2}c$ ; Ground  $8\frac{7}{8}$ ; Extra A 8½c; Confectioners A 8½c; Ground 8½; Extra freely for the fall trade. We quote: Hem-Ground 9%c; In Raw Sugar there is not much lock Spanish sole No. I B. A. 25 to ooc; do

Rico offered at 7<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> to 8c. Molasses-There is some demand but stocks in the meantime are small and the extreme prices asked curtails business. For Sugar House 371c is asked, and for Barbadoes 38 to 50c. Syrups—Are in good demand, Amber 70c; Golden 50 to 54c; Stan-dard 48c. Rice stocks are now pretty low and sales are reported from \$4.00 to 4.25 on the spot. Spices—There has been no special move ment this week lower prices are looked for in Black Pepper; for lots on the spot 161 to 17c is paid, but lots to arrive are offering at 141c; White Pepper 25 to 27c; Nutmegs are scarce, sales at 92<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to \$1.00; Cloves 43 to 45c: Cassia 16 to 17c according to size of lot; Ginger is scarce. Pimento 8 to 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>c. Fruit-Layer Raisins have fallen considerably in value and some large sales have taken place from \$2.00 to 2.40, a lot of 4,000 boxes changing hands at our inside quota-4,000 boxes changing natus at our inside quota-tion; Valencias 8 to  $8\frac{1}{4}$ ; Currants, firm,  $5\frac{1}{4}$  to  $6\frac{1}{3}$ ; Figs 14 to 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; Filberts 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 11; Walnuts 8 to 9c.

HIDES.-Have a downward tendency and a further decline is expected before next week. Calf skins and Lamb skins are also lower. We now quote No. 1 inspected \$7.00; No. 2 ditto \$6.00; No. 3 ditto \$5.00 per 100 lbs. Sheep skins, none in market ; Lamb skins 15 to 20 each : Calf skins roc per lb.

HARDWARE .--- The usual activity which prevails at the opening of navigation, is observable amongst the trade, and new supplies are much needed to assort stocks. Prices tend downwards in consequence of the reduced cost of goods now coming out from Britain. We repeat most of the quotations of last week, but these would be shaded to meet buyers views. Pig Iron.—Prices pending near arrivals are altogether nominal, and no doubt are in favor of buyers, but in the present state of this market, and the prospects of the "strike" being ended in England, almost any reasonable offer would likely be accepted. Bar, per roo lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.60 to 2.65; best do., \$2.75 to 3.00, Swedes and Norway \$5.50 to 6.50; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 7 \$5.50 to 6.50; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 7 Canada Plates per box—Glamorgan and Budd, \$5.50 to 5.75; Arrow, \$0.00 to 0.00; Garth \$5.50 to 5.75; Hatton \$5.25 to 5.50. Tin Plate per box—Charcoal IC, \$10.25 to 10.50; ditto, IX, \$12.25 to 12.50; DC, \$9.25 to 9.50; Coke IC, \$8.75 to 9.00; 14 x 20, 25C extra. Tinned sheets Charcoal best No. 26 14c. Galvanized sheets best brands No.28, 10c. Hoops and Bands per 100 lbs., \$3.25 to 3.50; Sheets best brands, \$3.50 to 3.75; Boiler Plates ordinary brands \$3.50 to 3.75; Boiler Plates ordinary brands \$3.50 to 3.75; Best brands \$3.90 to 4.00; Russian Sheet Iron per lb. 16 to 17c; Cut Nails 2 D Lath, \$4.80; ditto, 21d to 4d shingle \$4.05; ditto, 5d to 10d, \$3.55; ditto 12d and larger ditto, 5d to 10d, \$3.55; ditto 12d and larger \$3.30; over 100 kegs 15c per keg less; ditto patent Chisel points 25c extra. Pressed Spikes \$5.00 to 5.25; Shot Canadian \$7 to 7.25; Lead—Pig, per 100 lbs \$6.50; do sheets. \$6.50; do Bar, \$6.50; Steel cast, per lb. 13 to 14c; Spring per 100 lbs. \$5.00 to 5.50; Sleigh Shoe \$4.50 to 4.75 ; Tire ditto, \$4.75 to 5. Ingot Tin, 24 to 25c; Ingot Copper, \$22 to 23. Horse Shoes per 100 lbs. \$5.25 to 5.50; Proved Coil Chain, § in., \$6.50 to 6.75; Anchors 7 to 8c; Anvils 10 to 12c. Iron wire per bdl \$2.60 to \$2.80; Files "KINMOND" brand 5 to 10 per cent off English list.

LEATHER .--- Business continues inactive, the demand from manufacturers being extremely limited, and only choice stock is enquired for. Stock is in good supply and though prices are very little changed, large parcels could be had under the quoted rates. No improvement in the demand is looked for before the end of the month when manufacturers will commence to cut desirable at this season. Fancy goods are Ground 9%; In Raw Sugar there is not much lock Spanish sole No. I B. A. 25 to ooc; do moderately active. Cottons are scarce, and the doing at present, Demerara 8½ to 8½; Porto No. 2 23c; Buffalo sole No. I 22 to 23c; do.

No. 2 19 to 20c Hemlock slaughter 27 to 29c; waxed upper light and medium 34 to 42c; ditto heavy 33 to 38c; grained upper 37 to 40c; splits large 26 to 32c; do small 18 to 25c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs, 60 to 80c; do 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; sheepskin linings 30 to 40c; harness 28 to 32c; buffed cow 13 to 17c per ft.; enamelled cow 18 to 19c; patent cow 18 to 19c; pebbled cow 14 to 17c; rough leather 25 to 27]. Leather Belting, warranted genuine English Oak Tanned, 20 per cent. off list, ditto Canadian Tanned, 30 per cent. off list.

LIOUORS-There is nothing doing in this trade beyond the usual jobbing demand, but activity is looked for with the opening of navigation. Brandy in wood continues to sell from \$2.55 to 3.00 according to brand ; case brandy bring from \$8.75 to 9.00. Jamaica Rum \$2.25 to 2.40; Gin.—Hollands \$1.60 to 1.75 in wood ; Green cases \$4.00 to 4.50; Red cases \$7.00 to 7.75; High Wines \$1.77 D.P.; Rye Whiskey 95c D.P.

NAVAL STORES. Business continues to be very dull, transactions being hardly sufficient to establish quotations, any small sales taking place have been within our range of quotations. We continue to quote: Spts. Turpentine 500; Strained Rossin \$3.75; No. 2 \$4; No. 1 \$5.00; Pale \$5.50 to 7.50; Pine Tar and Pitch are held at \$4.00 to 4.50 respectively ; Coal Tar \$3.75 to 3.00 as to quantity ; Roofing Pitch \$2.75.

OILS .- Old stocks of oil are now pretty well reduced, market is very quiet, no large transac-tions transpiring. We quote Cod A 621c; ditto B 60c: Seal Fale goc; Straw seal 571c; Steam refined seal 65c; Bleached whale 75c; Olive 95c to \$1.00; Linseed boiled 67 to 70c; ditto raw 62 to 65c ; Petroleum, market is quiet, no further reduction likely to take place. Car-loads are selling at 28c, single barrels at 30c.

PROVISIONS.—Butter.—Receipts for the past week 945 kegs; no shipments. There is a good demand for new butter at 20 to 22c, at which all offering readily find buyers. Old butter is difficult to sell just now, unless at a considerable reduction in prices which holders are not disposed to grant, preferring to hold on till navigation is open, in hopes of getting better prices. We quote store packed Western 14 to 17c; dairy ditto 15 to 17; Eastern Townships 16 to 18. Cheese-Receipts 171 boxes; no shipments. Market quiet and easier. Fine factory is pro-Market quiet and easier. Fine factory is pro-curable at  $13\frac{1}{2}$ ; finest 14 to  $14\frac{1}{2}$ C Pork—Re-ceipts 875 qrls; shipments 41 brls. Market is steady but not much business doing, prices continue the same as last week. Mess \$23.00; thin mess \$21.50 to 22.00. Lard-Price has again advanced and sales have been made at 15 to 16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c, acccording to package. Tallow, rendered 8c per lb. in brls., ditto in the rough 5 to 61c.

SALT .- There is no enquiry and quietness characterizes this market. Quotations are nominally unchanged. Coarse Soc: Fine 70c; factory filled \$1.40.

WOOL.—There has been a pretty fair demand but only for small lots, of which a good many have been changing hands. We have no change to report in prices. Pulled super 34 to 35c; unassorted 32 to 33c.

#### TORONTO MARKET.

## TORONTO, May, 6th, 1875.

Trade generally remains rather quiet. Navigation is now opened but has not been followed by much improvement. In produce there is still but little doing, though the feeling during the last couple of days seems to point to increased activity in such goods as are available. Provisions are quiet, but prices are very firm in

and manufactured goods are quiet, and both buyers and sellers of them are acting with very great caution. Remittances are generally said to be very small, but creditors are indisposed to press for payment.

BOOTS AND SHOES .--- The movement at present is small. The fine weather has delayed the sale of previous purchases, and thus checked further transactions. Prices are firm but unchanged.

CATTLE .- Beeves. - Receipts have continued to be small but are probably sufficient and are expected to increase from the month's fairs. All offering have sold readily at firm prices. First-class have been firm at \$5.00 to 5.25 with more wanted. Second class have sold readily at from \$4.50 to 4.75. Third class have been scarce and slow of sale, usually going off at about \$4.00; Sheep .- Have been very scarce and in active demand at still advancing prices. First class are worth \$10. to 11.00 and second class from \$7.00 to 9.00. Lambs .- There has been a ready sale for all offering and still more would have found buyers at steady prices. First class are firm at \$4.75 to 5.00 and second class usually range from \$3.00 to 4.00. Third class are not wanted. Calves .- Choice qualities continue scarce and firm but other grades are more abundant. First class dressing not less than 120 lbs bring \$10.00 to 12.00 and second class dressing from 75 to 110 lbs sell at \$5.50 to 7.50. Other sorts are not wanted.

DRUGS.—A fair sorting up trade is being done at present. Prices seem to be unsettled. Mercurials are locally weak though scarce. Seal and linseed oil have declined, but castor oil quinine and iodides are advancing.

DRY GOODS .- The market is quiet; dealers are not preparing sales nor are storekeepers anxious to buy. Both buyers and sellers seem inclined to act with caution and to consider that it is requisite to do so.

FLOUR AND MEAL .- Flour .- Stocks in store on the 3rd inst., 16,566 brls., against 30,204 on corresponding date of last year. There has corresponding date of last year. There has been scarcely any enquiry heard all week, which fact seems due to the cessation of shipping facilities to England, and to a glut in the markets of the Maritime Provinces. Prices have been very little changed since our last. The only approach made to business was the sale of two lots of 1,000 barrels of spring extra on Friday, one at equal to 4,150 being the spring certa of equal to 4,250 here. The better price was offered and refused on Tuesday. The market vesterday closed quiet, with fancy wanted at \$4.35; and quotations nominally standing at \$4.60 to 4.65 for extra; \$4.20 to \$4.25 for spring extra, and \$3.75 to \$3.85 for superfine. Oat-meal-Has been quiet but firm; car lots are held at \$4.35, and small lots have risen to \$5.50 to \$6.

FREIGHTS .-- Charters have been made at 2c. gold for wheat to Kingston, and vessels can be got at 2c. greenback to Oswego. There is nothing doing in lumber or coal. Grand Trunk rates are down to 25c to Montreal, and unchanged at 70c to St. John and Halifax. There is no through rate to England quoted.

GRAIN.-Stocks in store on the 3rd inst :-Wheat 547,576 bush.; oats 35,668 bush.; bar-ley 1,336 bush; peas 130,309 bush; rye 100 bush; corn 5,002 bush; grainst 622,110 bush of wheat; 3,200 bush of oats; nil bush of barley; 74,769 bush of peas; nil bush of rye and 850 bush of corn on the corresponding date of last year. Wheat.—The opening of naviga-tion has not, thus far, been followed by any marked improvement in the demand, and scarcely any movement has occurred. Still the feeling seems to be steady and something more would be paid than at our last. There was a lot of 16,000 bushels of No. 1 spring sold on Saturday at 98c f.o.b. To-day the feeling all cases, and meats are tending upwards rapid-ly. Groceries are improving a little but the total movement is small. Dry goods, hardware No. 1 spring at \$1.00 f.0.b. with buyers offering of 200 changed hands at 7c. Calfskins.—Are

\$1.00 for the former and 99c for the latter and having it refused. On the street fall brings 98 to \$1.01; treadwell 97 to 98c and spring 96 to 97. Oats-Have been in good demand at steady prices all week. Cars sold at 53c on the track and lots at 53c f.o.c. in the latter part of last week and the early part of the present. There was one car sold at the same price yesterday, but it is not sure that it could be repeated. On the street from 53 to 55c is paid. Barley-There has been no movement all week, for the simple reason that no grain was offered. Had there been any on the market buyers could have been found and would still be found at \$1.00 to 1.05 f.o.c., but it seems almost certain that there is none in the country. On the street a few loads have been sold at from \$1.03 to 1.04. Peas-An active demand at steady prices has continued in force all week, but as receipts have been scanty, and holders of round lots generally asking more than buyers were inclined to pay, the movement has been small. Some cars have changed hands at 87 and 88c in store, and yesterday round lots would have brought goc f.o.b. On the street 86 to 87c is paid. Rye—Is worth 70 to 71c on the street. Corn—Has been quiet and nominally unchanged.

GROCERIFS.—Coffee.—There have been sales of a line of Singapore Java at 25c and of a lot of 50 bags of Rio at 21 c. Small lots of Cey-lon sell at 28c and of Government Java at 30 to 31c. Fish-There is nothing doing in any sort and quotations are purely nominal. Fruit. -Layers are quiet and seem to be rather easier, small lots could be had at \$2.75. Valencias are quiet and weak with lots of 25 and 50 boxes selling at 8<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>c. Some seedless to arrive have been offered and one lot of 100 boxes sold at 10c. Sultanas are steady with a lot of 150 boxes sold at 14c. Prunes are lower, small lots have sold at 8c. Currants are quiet and steady at 5<sup>8</sup>/<sub>4</sub> to 6c. Brazil nuts have declined to 9 to 94c, but other nuts are unchanged. Liquors.-Hennessy's and Martell's brandies are quoted about 25c lower; there is not much doing in about 25C lower; there is not intern doing in any sort. *Rice.*—Seems to be somewhat firmer, a lot of 150 bags sold at \$4.35; stocks are small, in few hands and held firmly. *Spices.*— Are very quiet at unchanged prices. Sugar .--The demand has shown some improvement. Sales have been made of bright Demerara at 8½c, and of fair Cuba at 8%c. Montreal refined has been selling freely in job-lots at 88 to 84c. English and Scotch refined are scarce, but considerable imports are on the spring fleet; one lot changed hands at 81c. Dry crushed and ground have advanced about 25c per cental; ground sold at 8f to 9c and is now held firmly. Syrups-Are very firm; sales of trade lots were made at equal to 49 and 55c here for golden and equal to 69 and 550 nete to golden and equal to 69c for amber. Tobacco.— The feeling is generally rather easier; one lot of "Nelson Navy" sold at 45c, and some small lots at about previous prices. Tea.—The demand has shown some improvement and Young Hysons have been wanted, and lines sold at 31 to 33c for thirds; and firsts have brought 62 to 68c. Cne line of Oolong sold at 301c. Some lots of gunpowder brought 68 and 70c. Japans have been wanted; two lines of medium sold at 40c, and a lot at 47c. Blacks have been very quiet, but some small lots of Congou sold at 55 to 60c. HARDWARE.—The market has been less active

than in the preceding week. Prices are steady but in all cases unchanged. The falling off in building checks the sales of some sorts of goods, and stocks of others are run light, which fact is likely to keep prices firm until receipt of the spring shipments.

unchanged at 11c for green, and nothing doing in cured. Sheepskins.—There are very few green offering, and prices of these few range from \$1.60 to 2.00 according to quality. Lambskins. -A few are changing hands.

Hors.—Are very quiet at weak prices with holders more inclined to offer concessions. Firstclass could be had in lots at 35c, but no sales are reported.

LEATHER.-Some slight improvement is noted in trade, but the sum total of business is still small, and scarcely any round lots are moving. The only transaction of consequence was the sale of a lot of 200 sides of sole at 25c. Prices of all sorts, save native stocks, are firm. Foreign goods remain much the same as before. Cod oil is firm and expected to remain so.

LUMBER.-Is rather quiet and is expected to continne so until there is some improvement across the lake. The check to building operations here from tight money has hurt the coal trade a good deal. Receipts are coming in slowly, but stocks are ample. Prices are weak and in some cases have declined. The commoner grades are dcwn \$1 to 2 per M, and shingles also are easier.

PETROLEUM .- There has been no change in prices, though there seems to have been some movement on foot to advance them 2c. Trade

is quiet, but fairly good for the season. PROVISIONS.—Butter—There is but little doing in shipping lots, as they are neither offered nor wanted; the only transaction reported is the sale of a lot of 150 packages at 13<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>c. Choice new dairy is wanted for local use at 18 to 20c. Box butter is selling rather better at 16 to 18c. English advices are discouraging and prices again lower at 82s. 6d. to 87s. 6d. for extra. Cheese-Remains quiet and unchanged at 14 to 141c for small lots. Eggs-Are still abundant, but are selling more readily than at our last at 121 to 13c. Pork-Small lots have been in fair demand at \$21.50 to 22, but nothing doing in large. Bacon—Is selling fairly well in small lots, and at advancing prices in some cases. Cumberland brings 101 to 102c. in tons and under; a lot of 100 sides of long clear sold at 111c. Shoulders are firm at 81 to gc. Smoked meats are very firm; rolls bring 133 to 141c.; shoulders about 10c., and Cumberland 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c. Hams—Are firm and in fair demand; canvassed have sold in lots of 100 at 131c.; but small lots bring up to 141c.; smoked range fiom 13 to 13%c., the former for long cut. Lard -Prices have again advanced; tinnets are going off freely in small lots at 15 to 15<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c. Hogs-Sell readily on the street at \$8.75 to \$9.25. Dried Apples-Are going off more freely and at an advance; the range now is 8<sup>2</sup>/<sub>4</sub> to 9c. SALT — Both Liverpool and Goderich are

quiet, and unchanged at former prices.

SEEDS .-- The demand for clover is less active than at our last, and prices are easier, lots are not worth over \$10.00 to 10.25, but Hungarian is still in demand at \$3.00 per cental. Dealers are selling clover at \$10.50 to 10.75; timothy at \$5.25 to 5.50; tares at \$3.00 to 3.50, and Hungarian at \$3.25 per cental.

WOOL.-The feeling generally seems to be firm, but the market is very quiet. There was one lot of 4,500 lbs., of fleece clothing sold at  $36\frac{1}{2}c$ , and a few small lots of super have changed hands at 321c, round lots are to be had at 32c, though some holders ask 33c and look for firmer prices.

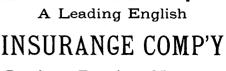
-In the House of Assembly at Halifax the Provincial Secretary introduced a bill to further encourage the building of railways. It pro-vides that an additional subsidy of \$2,000 a mile be granted the Western Counties Railway Company to assist in building the line from Annapolis to Yarmouth ; \$4,000 per mile to any company to assist in building a railway from the

Strait of Canso to Broad Cove, touching the Bras D'Or; \$4,000 per mile to any company to build a line from Middleton to Bridgewater, Malone Bay, Lunenburg, and Liverpool.

PREPARATION OF HIDES .- One of the earliest processes in the preparation of hides for tanning is the removal of the hair. This is 'sometimes affected by inducing a slight putrefaction, which loosens the epidermis and renders the hairs easily detachable. But in this country the method usually adopted is to place the hides in a large vat or pit containing milk of lime. in which they are frequently moved, so as to allow the line to act equally on every part. After from sixteen to twenty days the hair is easily removed by a blunt scraper. In Germany, Austria and Belgium, however, the trade is reported to have all but abandoned the old method of unhairing, in favour of one in which sulphide of sodium is the depilatory agent, the sulphide of soda in a crystalline form being now especially manufactured for the purpose in Germany. The process is modified in various ways to meet the peculiarities of the metal operated upon. Sometimes, where it is necessary that the hair should be removed as quickly as possible, as in the case of sole leather, the hides are painted with a paste consisting of one part of crystallised sulphide of sodium and three parts of lime. The hides are covered with damp matting to prevent the drying of the paste, and in fifteen or twenty hours the pro-cess is complete, and the hides can be unhaired. In other cases the skins are steeped in a solution of sulphide of sodium—1 16 quarts-when the time required to 100 three days. When the be unhaired by hand, it is or three days. two the hides are to necessary that they should be first well rinsed with water; and the men employed in the laying on the paste are usually provided with india rubber gloves, on account of its corrosive properties.

MONTREAL PERMANENT BUILDING SOCIETY. The annual meeting of this society was held some weeks ago. The business of the year has been satisfactory. Nine per cent. of a dividend has been paid. The balance due on existing loans is \$295,737.10. The subscribed capital is now \$346,400. Profit and loss account ; received interest on mortgages, \$40,121.26; interest and fines, \$850.98; premium on new stock, \$9,283.16. Total, \$50,235,40. Paid, \$34,478.60, leaving a balance to contingent ac-count of \$15,776.80. The present value of loans is \$487,384 76. The old officers and Board of Directors were re-elected as follows: Directors—Henry Thomas, Esq., President; George H. Frothingham, Esq., Vice-President; R. Esdaile, Esq.; T. Hart, Esq.; A. W. Ogilvie, Esq.; T. Caverhill, Esq.; W. F. Kay, Esq.; M. H. Gault, Esq.; Thomas Craig, Secretary-Treasurer.

-The annual budget was submitted to the British House of Commons on the 15th inst., shows that the surplus of receipts over expenditure for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1875, was £593,833. The expenditure for the current has a subscription of the set of the bulk of the set o ing plan for the reduction of the public debt :-The charge on account of the debt for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1876, is estimated at  $\pounds$ 7,215,000. This charge is to be gradually in-£7,215,000. creased until it amounts £28,000,000, at which figure it shall permanently remain. The yearly overplus which is not required for the payment of the interest shall be applied to the redemption of the debt, thus in 30 years £213,000,000 of the debt can be cancelled.



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Country, and especially in Insurance, and should give their support to Canadian Companies. The Capital Stock of the "NATIONAL" is \$2,000,000, (with power to increase to \$5,000,000), in 20,000 Shares of \$100 each. Ten per cent is payable on subscription. which will give the Company, on the present Capital, the sum of \$200,000, which is all that is required to place the Company on a sound financial basis. The remainder of the capital is subject to the calls of the Directors, although it is not anticipated that it will be necessary to make any further calls.

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Subscriptions to the Stock are now being taken throughout the Dominion, and it is the intention of the promoters to commence business at an early date.

Stock Books are open at the Office of the undersigned, 245 ST. JAMES STREET, where Subscriptions will be received and all information given.

Montreal, April 12, 1875.

## NOTICE

Is hereby given that under and by virtue of an Act passed at the last session of the Dominion Parilament, the name of "The Imperial Building, Savings, and Investment Company" will, on and after the first day of June next, be changed to that of "The Imperial Loan and Invest-ment Company."

Dated April, 2-, 1875.

H. W. EDDIS, Esq., Toronto.

E. H. KERTLAND.

Secretary

## CARD.

HAMBURG, April 1, 1875.

In accordance wi.h your wish, we have much pleasure in stating that you represented us in Liverpool during a period of about twelve years in connection with our gen-eral and particular average of adjustments.

(Signed) ASS'N OF HAMBURG UNDERWRITERS. M. MENZEL, First President.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869, AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Cook & Lovey, Insolvents. I, the undersigned William Thomas Mason, of Toronto, have been appointed Assignee in this matter. Creditors who have not aiready done so, are requested to file their claims before me, within one month.

W. T. MASON, Assignee. Dated at Toronto this 24th day of April, 1875.

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Heating Apparatus," will be re-ceived at this office until Monday the 17th day of May instant, at noon, for Heating Apparatus, required for the Custom House, Toronto, now being erected at Toronto.

Plans, Specifications, &c., can be seen at the Office of the Department of Public Work, Ottawa, and at the Office of R. C Windeyer, Esq., Architect, Toronto, on and after Thursday the 6th instant, where Forms of Ten-der, &c., and all necessary information can be obtained.

No Tender will be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and—in the case of firms—except there are attached the actual signature, occupation and place of residence of each member of the

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By order.

F. BRAUN.

Secretary.

Department of Public Works, ) Ottawa, May 3, 1875.

Manager pro tem.

CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT

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OTTAWA, 6th April, 1875. OTTAWA, 6th April, 1575. Notice is hereby given that His Excellency the Gov-ernor-General, by an Order in Council bearing date the 3rd instant, and under the authority veste in him by the 4th Section of the 3ist Victoria, cap. 6, has been pleased to order and direct that the following article be trans-ferred to the list of goods which may be imported into Canada free of duty, viz: "Ground Gypsum for agricultural purposes." By Command, J. JOHNSON, Commissioner of Customs.

EDWARD H. GOFF.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Douglas C. Richardson, Insolvent. The Insolvent has made an Assignment of his Esta e to me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at my office, No. 14 Adelaide Street East, in the City of Toronto, on Tuesday the Eighteenth day of May next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to receive statements of his affairs, and to appoint an Assignee.

JAS. B. BOUSTEAD, Interim Assignee, Dated at Toronto, this 28th day of April, A.D. 1875.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Joseph Petch, Toronto, an insolvent. In the matter of Joseph Petch, Toronto, an insolvent. I, the undersigned James Bellingham Boustead, of t.e City of Toronto, have been appointed assignee in this matter. Creditors .re requested to file their claims before me within one month, and are hereby notified to meet at my office, No. 14 Adelaide street east, Toronto, on Monday, the 7th day of June next, at two o'clock, afternoon, for the purpose or examining the Insolvent and for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally. JAN. B. BOUSTEAD, Assignee. Toronto, May 5, 1875.

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## Government House, Ottawa.

Wednesday, 31st day of March, 1875. PRESENT :

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

On the recommendation of the Honorable the Minister on the recommendation of the Honorabie the Minister of Customs and under the provision of the 8th and 54th sections of the Act passed in the Session of the Parlia-ment of Cauada, held in the 31st year of Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered 6 and initialed, "An Act respecting the Customs."

His Excellency, by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, has been pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the Out Port of Truro, in the Province of Nova Scotia, be, and the same is hereby con-stituted a Port of Entry and Warehousing Port, the same to take effect from the 1st day of April next.

W. A. HIMSWORTH, Clerk Privy Council.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

In the matter of Jesse S. Peckham, Stephen T. Peck-ham, Isaac Mortimer Hoag, and Edwin Stocking, indi-vidually and as co-partners trading under the name, style and firm of Peckham & Hoag, Insolvents. The Insolvents have made an assignment of their estate to me, and the creditors are notified to meet at the Insolvent's place of business in the Exchange Buildings, in Toronto, on Tuesday the twenty-fifth day of May inst. at three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive statements of their affairs and to appoint an assignce. IOHN KERE, Interim Assignce

JOHN KERR, Interim Assignee. Toronto, May 5, 1875.



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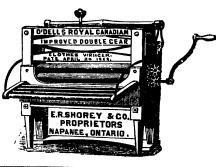
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