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-The population of Kinggton has grown to 18,626, an increase of 700 during the year.
-The price of Standard Oil stock has fallen 200 per share during the last twelve months.
-The Western Canada Flour Mills are erecting a 50.000 bushel grain elevator at Yorkton, Sask.
-During the month of August the Cuban government expended about a million dollars in roads improvement, sanitation and harbour service work

As a result of the operations of certain Oriental banks in India and elsewhere, the price of silver in New York, which is atways governed ly dondon quotations. Suddenly fell lye pet ounce lant werk, bringing many heavy losses to dealars in that metal.

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- A good crop of lambs is reported in somth Australia. The average is set as ligh as 90 per cent, which means a tramendous aldition to the $\overline{3}, 060,000$ sheeep pastured there. Food is good, rain having been plentiful. Last year 248.291 fat lambs were exported.

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-A merger has been completed and is to be eapitalized at $\$ 10,000.000$, which will control certain canning interests in the South. especially tabasco saluce and flavouring extracts. E. A. Mellheny is to be president, and F. Kopf, vice-president. The new combination has a Montreal connection.

The international conference of cotton -pinners and growers held at Atlanta, (ia., have decid d to form :a permanent organization to include not only the associations now affiliated, but also the Continental Spinners' Association of Enrope. and the Seal Island Coitton Growers' Association.

The newly formed (ireat West (coal ('o.. of Port Arthur, is about to open coal seams upon the 12.000 acres of land secured in Alberta, about 20 miles north of Frank in what is known as the Craw Trongh. Veins aggregating 132 feet in thickness are to be operated upon at once, the cal being of the coking variety.
-The judgment in the Federal Arbitration case in Australia raises the wages of sheep shearers 20 per cent. Formerly at 20 s per 100 hand shearers made 16 as day ( $* 3.8 .5$ ). With machines expert men earned from $30 \leqslant(\$ 7.20)$ to $40 \times(\$ 9.72)$ p lay. The increase will come hardly upon sheep owners, and the wool industry.
-Norway sardines of the full fall fat varieties are unnsmally scarce this year, and there will be a scarcity of the dark -moked kinds. The French sardine fishery has been a failure, and the Portugal fishermen have had only a gleam of prosperity. No doubt imported sardines will be hard to get for the winter's trade

Winnipeg insurance men are complaining about the number of foreign "wild cat" companies doing business in Manitoha. They ask that the law can be interpreted to see what can he done to put a check upon the operations of companies, which would not be able to meet the claims made ujon them in case of large fires.
-The Postoffice Department at Ottawa has complēted sta-ti-ties of British mails coming into Canada by Canadian steamirs for the months of July and August showing an increase of 162 er cent. compared with 1906, the number for July and Au gust. 1906, being 2,120 bags, while for the same months in 1907 there were 0,569 bag.
-Sealers returning from Belming Sea report the fishery a comparative failure this year. So far, only about 3,000 skins have been reported and upwards of 40 sea otter skins. These latter most valuable pelts are more in number than for previous years, and will help to compensate the sealers for their poor success with the fur seals.

The Traders' Bank, Turonto, has opened a branch in its new six-storey building at Yonge and Bloor streets. The branch is located on the ground floor of the structure, in commodious (luarters finished in renaissance style, with woodwork of birch and mahogany. At the rear of the banking room is a large lault containing a safe and safety equipment
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What is said to be the richest mica mine in the world is situater at Sydenham, Ont., near Kingston. Silver mica of the very highest quality, is obtained there though the bulk of the preduct is what is known from its colour as amber mica, in large unfoliated crystals. The micar is shipped by barge and rail to Ottawa, where it is trimmed and otherwise prepared for market.

Antigua, W. E. I., is becoming an important cotton producing country. In 1905, 400 acres was planted to the crop, in 1906. 670 acres and a larger acreage this year. Last year's yield of the superior Sea 1sland grade was 53,550 lbs., which realized 24 c to $3 \overline{\mathrm{j}}$ per lb. West Indian cotton seed has a peculiar value for planting, and is exported for that purpose to the Southern States.
-In his speech at Shanghai last week, U.S. Secretary Taft declated the desire of his country "to do full justice to China as shown by the return of our share of the Boxer indemnity," A San Francisco man, a few days previously, had shown a somewhat dis-similar desire. when he declared under oath that the value of the articles he had acquired as loot during the Boxer campaign came to $\$ 70,000$.

- The price of cauned goods will likely be advanced this winter. Such is the opinion of a prominent canner of Picton, the centre of the camning industry. It will depend largely upon the price set by Canadian Canners' Consolidated, just what the outside, iudependents do. Canned corn, at least, will be sold at an adran ed price. The factories have had a far busier season than anticipated two months ago.

The New Brunswick government has approved of the plans of the (irand Falls Power Co, an organization composed of American capitalists who have undertaken to start an enormous water power at Grand Falls. on St. John River. Under the terms of the charter it will be necessary for the company to begin work within sixty days, and they must expend a million dollars within the first five years.
-American perators are about to secure another big New Brunswick lumber property. The transfer of the Alexander Gibson Railway and Manufacturing Company's lumber business and mills to the International Paper Co., of Bangor, Me., will be completed in the very near future. The Gibson lumber property include» $22 \overline{5}, 000$ acres of soil-right timber lands; also licenses on $21 / 1 / 2$ miles of Crown timber lands.
-The New York Chronicle says: The stockholders of the Mortgage Panking Company, of Pittsburgh, Pa., have voted to surrender their charter, go into liquidation and reorganise with $\$ 500,000$ eapital and $\$ 125,000$ surplus, for the purpose of
engaging in a real estate business exclusively. The company's banking business was transferred in April of last year to the Guarantee Title \& Trust Company, of Pittsburgh.

The cotton seed of Egypt contains a heavier percentage of oil, and is, therefore, more valuable than that from any other country. Mills have been established all through the Delta in near proximity to the sources of supply, and large quantities of oil is now produced which sells at about $\$ 142$ a ton. The great proportion of this is used for culinary purposes in the country itself, the cake finding ready sale in England.
-The firm of John Lewis \& Co., doing a successful business for twęnty-five years in Hillsboro, N.B., will be dissolved Nov. 1st, and a new company organized under the name of J. Lewis, Peck Co., Limited, wholesale and retail general store. The above business is a continuation of the business of the late Honourable John Lewis, who started a general stone in Hillsboro in 1825. Mr. J. L. Peck is the principal stockholder in the new company.
-The Peel Oil and Gas Co., which has leased 1.000 acres about 30 miles west of Toronto, will start immediately the drilling of wells with a view to finding gas and oil, of which there are good surface prospects. On either side of this field gas fiows of 45,000 cubic feet and 1,300 cubbic feet have been released. In fact. in the Munico district, there has been for sixteen years a flow of gas sufficient for cooking purposes and lighting stables, on several farms.
-Experiments have been made in casting nickel with iron with a -iew to settling the value of the composition from a chemical and cross-breaking point of view. It appears that there is no marked improvement in the physical strength of the castings, and that the nickel thermit does not distribute itself with enough uniformity to improve the iron. If it is to be used successfully, it must be with specially selected specimens of iron, free from ordinary impurities.
-A new fuel that is claimed to make less smoke and to be equal as a heat producer to three tons of coal is being tried in Pittsburg. It is composed of one part anthracite coal dust, tive parts of bituminous'coal dust, one part of Portland cement and one other chemical ingredient. The new fuel is the invention of a Wilkes-Parre miner who has sold the patent rights to a firm of contractors who propose to manufacture it on an extensive scale. Its cost will be from $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 6$ a ton.

According to the Annual Report of the Militia Council of the Doninion. just issued, the country is already feeling the burden of defence, assumed by the Government, when it decided to relieve the Imperial authorities of the expense of maintaining its fortifications at Halifax and elsewhere. The inereased cost of the permanent force for last year was $\$ 1,014$,166. Th re is till due the Imperial Government the sum of $\$ 257,259.35$ on account of stores and equipment taken over by the Department of Militia at Halifax.

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Total gross earnings of all railroads in the U.S., reporting for the four weeks of Scptember, are $\$ 44,942$ 605, an increase of 11.1 per cent over the same period of last year. The gain testifies to the large tomage movement in all classes of freight on these roads, which are mostly in the Central West, South and Southwent. (irand Trunk Ry, traflic earrings from Oct. I to 7 , 1907. $\$ 920,606$; corresponding date last year. $\$ 831,691$; increass, $\$ \$ 2,915$. ('amablian Pacitic Ry. return of traffic earnings from Oct. 1 to $10,1907, \$ 1,497.000 ; 1906, \$ 1.482 .000$; increase, $\$ 15,000$.

You might not imagine that we should want to build many of these $\$ 120$ mink muffs," a dity furrier remarked, "and yet we sell as many as we can furnish. The kind of people who buy such expensivo goods would surprise you. We suppose that the cheaper lines would suit them better, but we get smubbed for the suggestion. thongh in the same breath we mas be asked to accept payment in instalments. In fact. it is always the cheap goods which are left over." The furrier beeame thenghtful "With prices of eatables high as they are now. I often wouler whether the dath rate among children is not higher becallase the money which should go for the table is spent for show. Of coursp, the" cheaper furs are just as warm :and about as diarable ats the expensive ones."

The Eicomomists index number of areage prices of com modition at the open'ng of October, reported is 2,457 , comparing with 2.519 on sutember 1. The Eonomist eas: " There is little dombt that the fall was mainly due to slackening activity in trade. since it-hats manifested itself prinepally in guotations for raw waterials used in staple industries," It must be re membered, however, that the decline has been greatly assisted by the matural reaction from recent apeculative manipulation of copper and other metals. The Economist's index number stood last June at 2.601 , the highest reported in any one month or year since 1856. In December 31 that year it stoor at 2,715 . In the middle of 1897 the number was $1,88.5$; since then the adrance to this year's high level was almost continuous.
--The Montreal Park and Island Railway Co. is persevering with its scheme of continuing the firesent electric car systom to st. Aun: de Bellevie and ultimately around the island of Montieal. Some opposition has been' met with in the vicinity of Pointe Claire and Beaconstield, where the land divided into nan row farms is valuable, and held by small farmers. Arbitration has surceeded in settling most of the disputes upon a cash basis of about $\$ 17.5$ per acre, which cannot be considered an ex". ©sive price. Experts have been appointed by the Court to appraise the value of a large mursery which is rather badly cut by the proposed line and thej report will show that $\$ 2,000$ per acre is near the figure at which the lows caused by running acress plantations of growing hydrangeas and other valuable shrubs. will require to be calculated

As shuwing purcha-es of British Columbia timber lands made by American investors, it may be stated that during the present year a Michigan syndicate purchased 50,000 acres of timber lands in klaanch River country, in the northern part of Vancouver Island, which land is estimated to hold $3,000,00,000$ fiet of fir, yellow and red cedar,and white pine lumber. This company is building mills, also a railroad 22 miles long, to enable it to ship its lumber, making a total inrestment of nearly $\$ 2,000,000$. The Standurd Oil Co. has purchased 50,000 acres of timber lands at Ash and Dixon Lakes, near Allurni, © $n$ whic $h$ are fir and cedar tress in large quantities, the investment amounting to millions. So far, nothing has been made public as to whether the company proposes to cut and sell the timber or to hold the property for an advance.

The l'inted steel ('orporation has had almost a practical monopoly of the steel rail making for the I'nited states, and the expret trade for some time now, and has got its plant arranged for the production of material of a standard size and qinality. Notern repuirements ask for heavier rails, and a differing constituent in the metal used. The Jones and MeLangh'in Steel ('o., of Pittsburg, always the chief competitor of the Steel Co. in everything but rails, has now under consideration the establishing of the largest and most modern rail making plant in the world, in the hope, doubtless, of catching the stecl Co. people upon the hip. A merry war is pretty sure to be the result as the monopoly enjoyed by the Steel Co. has led to carelessness in manufacturing, and the Mct au hlin reople could not probably choose better time for their breaking in.
-Patent Report.-The following Canadian and American patents have been recently secured through the agency of Messrs, Marion \& Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal, Canada. and Washington, D.C. Any information on the subject will be supplied free of charge by applying to the above named firm. Canada: Henry von Celsing, Stockholm, Sweden, milking

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-The ' 'anada Gazette be made next season for Canada Railway Compan. way from the United Sta Calgary and also from a its junction with the Liv the Rocky Mountains, we down the valley of the E adian Pacific Railway at way will apply to Parlia ham h line f!om Killam to Sa-katchewan. Peace Rive corporation with authorit telephone and telegraph through the Peace River Yukon to Dawson City. Company, with a capital s quarters at Victoria, B C.,
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-Leaders in the Welsh tin-plate industry have formed a combinat on, which, it is said, will result in the total exclusion American and German Steel bars, says a report from LonHon. These during the last two years have been dumped into South Wales in enormous quantities. The centre of the tinmate industry is at Llanelly, which suffered greatly a few vears ago under the McKinley tariff. New markets, however, have been found and the cost of working has been reduced to such an extent that Jlanelly once again supplies about twothirds of the worlds demand for tin plates. A group of manu facturers recently decided to make their own steel and thus save intermediate profits, and the experiment proved so successful that seven other companies, with thirty-eight mills, have joined the original combination. There will altogether be eighty mills in the association, which will have a combined capital of e2.50.000, and will increase the output of tin plates 100 per

The r'anada Gazette contains notice that application will be made next season for an act to incorporate The Western of Canada Railway Company, which proposes to construct a railway from the United States boundary at a point in Alberta to Calgary and also from a point on the middle branch at or near its junction with the Livingstone River, thence to a point in the Rocky Mountains, west of Goulds Dome; thence southerly lown the valley of the Elk River to a junction with the Canadian Pacific Railway at Michael. The Canadian Pacific RailWay will apply to Parliament for authority to construct a imanh line f:om Killam to Strathoona, Alberta. The Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Peace River and Dawson Railway will seek inorporation with authority to operate a line of railway and telephone and telegraph lines from Saskatoon northwesterly through the Peace River district, British Columbia and the Yukon to Dawson City. The Canada Mexican development Company, with a capital stock of one million dollars and head quarters at Victoria, BC., has been incorporated.

[^2]lucal vessels, while a chief officer, who gets $\$ 50$ or $\$ 100$ on local essels, gets but $\$ 22$ on a Norwegian vessel. Deckhands on local steamers are paid twice the wage of a chief officer of a Corwegian vessel, and deck crews of the Norwegian steamers get what local seamen would regard as starvation wages. They cannot desert, and make it necessary for the steamer to em ploy sailcrs locally at the local wages, for the deck arews ship ped on Norwegian vessels are carried under guarantees, bonds men in Norway being responsible for the differencts between the wages paid them and that necessary to pay any man taken to replace them. Naturally shipping men are anxious for some change in the law, which will prevent the under cutting of the foreign ships.
-The Commissioners appointed by the Dominion Government to investigate the fisheries of Western Ontario have arranged to hold twelve or thirteen further sittings between Port Rowan and Welland or Niagara-on-the-Lake. At all the previous sittings valuable evidence has been secured on the past and present supply of food fishes in Lake Erie, the extent :ind effects of U.S. poaching, the relative effects of pound-nets and gill-nets, the desirability of abolishing all protective close seasons, or of establishing one uniform close season from some date in November to a date in April or May following, the ne cessity of new Dominion fish hatcheries, etc. It is generully agreed that whereas 15 or 20 years ago sturgeon were most abundant in Lake Erie and were regarded as a muisance, the price per cartload being 50 cents, at the present time the sturgeon lrings 25 cents per pound, while the value of the caviar of eggs in a ripe sturgeon is about a dollar a pound. White fish also have seriously declined generally, and lake herring appear to be in danger. Blue pike or pickerel are now the principal fish, and carp, mullets and inferior kinds are plentiful in many localities. The commissioners will have to deal with the possibility of restoring the better classes of marketable fish. Among the grievances, felt by the fishermen are the unfair and oppressive methods of American fish combines, who buy the Camadian catches. the injury resulting from the authority over the fisheries divided between the Dominion Government at Ottawa and the Provincial Government at Toronto, and the heary fees exacted from the fishermen. Prominence has been given at some of the sittings to game fish and the anglers' rights, etc., etc.

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The net profits for the year foot up *630.685.5\% equal to 1 ti.3 per eent on the ('apital. Wut of this sum *:39.000 was transferred to Reserve, which now stands at $\$ 1 . \therefore 50,000$, exactly equal to the amount of the common stock: $\$ 60.000$ was paid for interest on bonds: $\$ 140,000$ for dividends on preferred stock: $\$ 131,250$ for dividends on common stock for the last 18 months, or within a small fraction of 14.3 per cent per annum; the sum of $\$ 100.000$ was transferred to property reserve account; the whole learing a balance of \$148,806.95 carried to the credit of Profit and Loss.

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It is needless to repeat what appears in the State-ment-that the Company's year ends on the 31st Angast, and that the increase in prices meantime has no bearing upon the profits for the period under review; also that in estimating the percentage of earnings the bond issue is not included in the capital stock.

## germany's reciprocal foreign trade.

By arrangement between the German ambassador at Waskington, and Hon. Elihu Root, the United States Secretary of State, important administrative changes have been made in Customs matters which appear to have an important effect upon the trade between the two countries. One of several curious provisions in these changes is "that the owner, consignee or agent of any imported merchandise which has been actually purchased may, at the time when he shall make and verify his written entry of such merchandise, but not afterward, make such addition in the entry to or such deductions from the cost or value given in the invoice or pro forma invoice or statement in form of an invoics, which he shall produce with his entry, as in his opinion may raise or lower the same to the actual market value or Wholesale price of such merchandise at the time of exportation to the United States, in the principal markets of the country from which the same has been imported."

Really this is placing the valuating of exports completely without test in the hands of the exporter. Opinions have always differed as regards the value of the oath, in support of invoices of exports to the United States. But the abolition of the oath, just when the valuating of such exports has been removed from among the duties of consuls and special agents, and left to the conscience of the exporter, is another provision of these changes which might also be termed curious. The United States papers unfavourable to the administration claim that results show that the Germans have for once been too shrp for the Yankees, " the Germans
got the concession which empowers them to put their own valuation on their goods sent to America and to pay duty on them accordingly. By undervaluing their goods one-half, which can easily be done, the Germans thus cut the tariff in two. Generally speaking it is a poor policy that leaves with the foreigner the determination of the duty he shall pray. That is the distinction which German diplomats have achieved," says one paper. Says another, "In the case of Germany the laydewn policy was adopted. Tariff concessions were granted, along with the legalization of undervaluation, that have resulted in an enormous increase in the inflow of cmpetitive manufactures from (iermany." Returns show, as a matter of fact, that the Germans were not slow in taking advantage of what was favourable to them in the administrative changes. The exports of manufactures for the first month, July, increased by $\$ 3,000,000$. Says another United states journal "When the Government reports come along they will show that from one German province alone the August exports to this country of goods competing with those of United States capital and labor increased by more than 200 per cent over August, 1906." The American Economist says " From a single consular district in Germany some heavy increases in competitive exports to the United States, as compared with August, 1906, are reported. In artificial flowers the increase is more than 150 per cent; in china and earthenware, more than 400 per cent; in cotton goods, nearly 100 per cent; in glassware, about 45 per cent; in metal goods, about 150 per cent; while of paper and paper goods the export is nearly ten times as great as it was in August a year ago." The Government is quite alive to the importance of this tariff trouble just at the beginning of the Presidential election campaign. A Government Commission has been despatched to Europe to give further consideration to this and other matters. Litigation is invited, in order that the Courts may settle the questions regarding the legality of these administrative changes. And a draft bill has been prepared which, it is suggested, might be submitted in December at the next session of Congress, defining the variations in the administration of the Customs Act, and modifying them in some particulars. There is something like a confession of a fear on the part of the administration that there was too nuch haste in acting upon the recommendations of Professor North's Commission, which led to these revised regulations. But no doubt at the bottom of the whole matter lies the need of supplying material for the coming Presidential campaign. Commercial and all other issues are subservient to the great all-inportant question to be settled next year, " which party shall control the goverument of the kepublic." It should be remembered also that the arrangements with Germany were intended to be reciprocal in character, and that full returns of United States exports have not yet been furnished. There is a possibility that the adroit and astute German diplomatists may soon be able, by direct or indirect means, to remove the irritating Surtax of 25 per cent, which the Canadian government imposed upon its export trade with this country. The working out of the United States reciprocal arrangements will have a distinct bearing upon the subject, and will be watched with interest by those concerned in the trade with Germany.

## LIFE INSURANCE RETTURNS

The total of Life Insurance in force in Canada at the close of 1906 was $\$ 656,260,900$. Of this amount $\$ 420$, 864,847 was carried by Canadian companies, $\$ 45,655$,951 by British companies and $\$ 189,840,102$ by United States companies. The increase over the totals of last year was $4.5,926,660$. The business was transacted by 44 active companies, of which ? 4 "are ('anadian, 7 British and $1: 3$ [ nited states. The total amount of policics in C'imada taken during the vear 1906 was $\$ 95,013,205$ which is less than the amount taken in 1905 , by $\$ 10$, 894, 131. The Caradian companies show a decerease in 1906 of $* 5,088,888$, whilst in 1905 they had an increase of $\mathbb{*} 8,4 \mathrm{tr}, 028$; the Chited states companies have a deerease of * $6,395,6,689$, whilst in 1905 they had a deerease of $\mathbb{*}, 6,5,5996$ : and the British companies have an increase of $* 590,4+6$, whilst in 190. they had an increase of $w: i \cdot 2 \cdot 20:$, the total deerease in 1906 being $\$ 10,89+$. 131, as above stated. The respective amounts effected are Canadian companies. $\$ 6,4.50,253$; British com-
 20? So that the amoment taken loy native companies eveeeds that taken by the Britioh and U.S. together by nearly $\mathbb{*}: 9,900.000$, a remarkable fact when it is recalled that one, if not the largest of the British companies made umsimal efforts to push their life branch a few y a ars ago.

It is noticcable, in view of the agitation against the large compranies in the Vnited states, that the business effected during the year shows a decrease in that of the United states companies of $\$ 6,396,699$, as compared with the previous year, and a decrease of $\$ 8.054,68.5$ compared with 1904 . The business dropped by the L.s. companies has apparently been taken up at least in part. by ('analian companies

The total amount paid to policy-holders during 1906 was: as follows:-Death clams (imeluding bomus additions), wi. .2.s.s.se0.02; matured endowments (including bonns additions), *2.608.314.2i; ammitants, $\$ 312,689 .-$ 31; paid for surrendered policies, $\$ 1,812,20+.87$; divi-
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Ther number of lives insured was siteogh. Of these $8, \%$ s died during the yeare the proportion of deaths to lives insured being 9.98.5. This is bey a trifle, an increase over last fars proportion, but shows a propertionate improvement ore the s previons years, ranging from nearly 1 per cont to. 128 . These figures compare with general lasmuableness with the actuarial requirements of Engliwh and European companies, and indicate a conservative and safe state of alfairs, which ought to be reassuring to Comadian policy-holders. Perhaps a little amplitiation on the death rate tables, as compared with idealistic actuarial calculations would be an improvement in future Reports of the Superintendents of Insurance. Public confidence in life insurance requires some reinstatement, and the present policy of the larger companies to grant the people fullest information might well recoive all the assistance the official department can possilly afford. That it is the general public which requires Life Insurance, and not merely the wealthier classes is shown by the large number of lives among which the risks are divided as shown above, as well as by the average amount of new policies which for
last year was $\$ 1,570$ for Canadian companies, $\$ 2,280$ for Rritish companies, and $\$ 1,386$ for United States companies. This is a cheering feature of the business. In England the new Employer's Liabilities legislation is driving employers, especially householders into insuring their servants against death and accident, and is iroving a distinct blessing to insurance people, especial ly to those companies doing Accident business. It looks as though the artisans, and other workmen are doing their own insuring in this country, which is a less indirect method, and one not a bit the less effective for cmployees. If these figures are properly understood, probably nearly one in every seven of the inhabitants of the Dominion-men, women and children,-is carrying some life insurance
The total amount of premiums received during the year was $\$ 22,364,456$. Of this great amount, Canadian companies received $\$ 14,093,056$; British companies, $\$ 1,583,861$ and United States companies, $\$ 6,687,539$. Of - erey $\$ 100$ of premiums, policy-holders received $\$ 47.83$, which left $\$ 52.17$ to be carried forward for reserve, expense and profit. For the 28 years previous, the total payments to policy-holders amounted to $\$ 52.20$ out of every $\$ 100$ of premiums, which shows a nearer approach to an idealistic margin of safety. But these figures do not give a complete idea of the real income of the Canadian companies which shouid rather show that the total receipts were: Premiuns and annuity sales, $\$ \mathbf{1 8}$,$993,538.43$; interest and dividends, $\mathbb{4} 1,5.53,337.47$; sundry, $\$ 1,095,650.53$; total, $\$ 24,8+2,566.43$. Against this being set amounts paid to policy-holders and annuitants, $\$ 2,39+, 852.29$; general expenses, $* 5,7+4,308.5 t$; dividends to stockholders, $\$ 234,400.00$; total, $\$ 13,3 i 3,-$ 590. $\times 3$. Hence out of every $\$ 100$ of income they have copended in payment to poliey-holders *29.う々; in gencral expenses, $\$ 23.12$; and in dividends to stockholders, $\$ 0.9+$, leaving $\$ 46.18$ to be carried to reserve.

It should be noted that the surplus of assets over liabilities exceeding capital in the case of Canadian companies is $\$ 11,435,4 i r . i 4$. Taken altogether the Annual Report of the Dominion superintendent is satisfactory as regards the Life Insurance department. Large, thongh the linsiness is, it is not so lucrative as might be crpected upon the face of the published statements. Whatever the income from investment may be, which is not very clear, it does not appear that the business will bear any substantial diminution in the rate of premiums charged. Possibly, expenses might be decreased slightly. I pon that point further information might be instructive. But it is greatly to be hoped that the new leqislation proposed will not add to the expenses and premium rates of the Companies. In the present temper of the country, its men will look for life insurance, and it would not be wise, for instance, to throw too much of this l,usiness into the control of the mutual benefit societies, which, though they fill an undoubtedly important place in the community, should not be overloaded with the risks which properly belong to the Companies.
-The manufacturers of Swiss milk chocolate have held a meeting in Europe, and have finally fixed the advance in price to foreign purchasers at about 2.5 per cent, claiming that the cause of the advance is the scarcity and high price of cocoa beans.

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## A WORD TO THE INSURED.

The season is approaching when, for several months, artificial heating becomes absolutely necessary in every residence and place of business in Canada, as well as in the Northern and more enterprising and prosperous States of the neighbouring republic. There is no country in the world where the population is better equipped for protection from any extremes of weather than in Canada. The early settlers built the walls of their houses and stores thick enough to withstand almost any kind of siege, and their garments were not lacking in due proportion. Modern appliances brought about considerable improvements. The use of winter (double) windows, which are little known in Western Ontario and the Northern States, combined with hot-water or steam furnaces, have rendered our dwellings and offices -all save the few warehouses which remain to us of the humble old structures-the most comfortable and luxurious to be found perhaps in the world. This is not alone in our larger cities and towns; modern improvements, which former commercial travellers often longed for in their sojourn at village and country inns, are being introduced everywhere, and rheumatism and lumbago less common among the "boys."
Insurance men are not, however, blind to the incrase in risk which follows on the introduction of so many improvements. They know that it requires some skill and care to employ furnaces, sprinklers, and electric apparatus to advantage and free from danger to premises, plant, stock or furniture; and, therefore, as cool weather approaches they occasionally remind the owners of insurable property that greater care should be taken to prevent accidents resulting from ignorance or thoughtlessness. Of this character is the circular issued quite lately by the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association in Montreal, dealing chiefly, however, with the use of fire sprinklers which, it is superfluous to say, have been found so economical of insurance rates in large factories. A small freeze-up, it is pointed out, may disable a large portion or the whole of the plant. Care must, therefore, be taken to prevent any of the usually less heated pipes from frost, particular attention to ie given to more exposed places, such as hallways, entrys, show windows, attics and skylights. If portions of the sprinkler system are shat off for any reason, arrangements should be made to have the water thened on promptly in case of fire.

The circular points out also that if prompt attention is called for as in case of fire, it must be prepared in advance. The condition of the fire extinguishing apparatus is of vital importance, as both the insurer and the insured, are depending on its reliability. This is one of the suggestions offered to the houses in which the sprinkler system has been installed. The circular pointedly recommends each property owner thus equipped to:-
"See that all sprinkler valves are kept open and in operative condition.

When it becomes necessary to close a sprinkler valve during working hours, a competent man should be stationed at the valve, so that water can be turned on immediately in case a fire occurs.
When necessary to make changes in sprinkler system, extra care should be taken to have the least possible
portion of the equipment out of commission at any one time.
Please notify this office at once, whenever necessary to shut water off sprinklers, or in any way modify the fire protection."
The circular is timely, no doubt, in more senses than one; and it is to be hoped that the recommendations and hints thrown out-prompted doubtless by the foresight or experience of the various offices-may serve the good purpose for which they are intended. It should not be forgotten, however, that, with all heretofore said in praise of sprinkling equipment it is not invariably to be relied upon. A case in which a well-sprinklered plant can almost half burn up was that in the hardwood flooring plant of W. D. Young \& Co., at Bay City, Mich.; loss estimated at about $\$ 200,000$; insurance, $\$ 585,000$, referred to by the American Exchange and Review. This happened in defiance of the supposition that sprinklers put out fires so quickly that the insurance rate was run down from $\$ 1.04$ to 20 cts. on a sprinklered Camden, N.J., canned soup plant. Probably our Montreal underwriters had this case in mind ere issuing the circular alrove mentioned.

## BALANCE OF TRADE.

Some of the papers in the United States are drawing attention to the fact, already noted in these columns, that for the month of August, the exports of merchandise from that country were only $\$ 1,833,352$ in excess of the value of the imports. For some years past the monthly exports have been $\$ 45,000,000$ or $\$ 50,090,000$ greater than the imports, but have been steadily deslining of late. The journals noted have been deducing "blue ruin" from this fact, and declaring that something must be done to sare the country from financial calamity. These more or less ephemeral philosophers have evidently forgotten to look abroad, and consider the cases of nations whose prosperity is assured, who constantly impoit more than they export. It appears elemental to some that a country must sell abroad more than it receives if it is to lie considered prospersus. 'They argue that a storekeeper who bought more than he sold would soon find his way to insolvency, and, as a corollary to such lucid reasoning, they accept the Napoleonic dictum and class themselves as "a nation of shopkeepers," and-as they would put it-" let it go at that."
In the old public discussions in mediaeral times between the thinkers of the day, it was by no means a rare thing for one of the disputants to interrupt the generalizings of an opponent by the shout "distinguo!" It is about time to " make a distinction," in the setting forth of this fallacious argument. There are two or thiree notable exceptions to the very elementary rule which lies at the bottom of the argument based upon the disappearing trade balance of the country.

Suppose the case of a gold producing country. What becomes of a so-called balance of trade in favour if, while the country is selling more than it buys, it is shipping its gold abroad? Might not that be a case where the homely old English adage would apply "Saving at the spigot and losing at the bung?" The United States
is a gold-producing country, let it be remembered, and some further information is necessary before argument can be based simply upon the disappearance of the excess of exports over imports. In the second place, if wealth has so increased that capital has been sent abroad to carn dividends, and there is enough money therefore in the country to buy imported luxuries, or to use more of native produce, can the country be said to be increasing in poverty? In the next place, if the population has so increased that it consumes the natural products, and imports materials to keep its citizens employed in furnishing themselves with necessities or luxuries for which they are able to pay, is the country trembling upon the crumbling edge of ruin? Or, finally and chiefly, if a cargo of cotton has been exported, and in return the vessel brings back a much more valuable cargo of velvets and silks as imports, has the country made a bad bargain?

The Journal of Commerce has, on several occasions, referred to the fallacy of this Balance of Trade theory, and expects to be obliged to do so, so long as men consider the subject without a true regard to principles of public.and political economy. Our United States contemporaries would do well to consider and well work out the problem-" May not an excess of imforts over exports be under some circumstances a sign of rational prosperity rather than of decline?"

## CONCRETE BULLDING BLOCKS.

The recent collapse of a large building in Philadelphia, constructed of concrete blocks, has calused some consternation in the building trade. No doubt it is a serious thing for contractors to face the possibility of the settling down into crumbled ruin of just completed edifices. But this danger is so slight as to be almost imaginary, under correct conditions of erection. The present danger is rather that of a senseless scare, which will militate against the sensible use of this most convenient material. It will be wiser to remember the theory invoked by Jaques-

## "Swect are the uses of adversity,

 Which, like the toad, ugly and venemous, Wears yet a precious jewel in his head"-which, by the way, the modern toad does not.-There are "sermons" even in artificial "stones," and, doubtles. the Philadelphia wreck will teach builders carefulness, and show which way danger lies in using the concrete blocks.

There is heyond doubt a legitimate use for concrete in building. There are very ancient buildings made of it along the Nile; there are in C'eylon erections which have withstood the ravages of the elements for over twenty or thirty centuries. In fact, concrete is a rock, first disintegrated, and then firmly compacted again. That is, of course, when of proper composition. The due proportions of cement, gravel and sand are well known, and there should be no experimenting in that respect. Nor should any mistaken economy cause the substitution of anything for good sharp sand (not saltsea beach-sand) and clean gravel. The using of ma-chine-ground crystalline limestone, as obtained from near the riverside, and cheaply sold as crushed quartz
rock for driveways and paths, is a mistake and may be a crime, as introducing a weak "crushable" substance into the concrete. It should be remembered that what is aimed at, is the formation of a hard conglomerate, something like the "pudding stone," or breccia, well known to geologists, and stone masons. The properly proportioned mass should be thoroughly mixed in large r,uantities by machine mixers, and not by shovel power, which is likely to vary in potency in accordance with the presence or absence of the foremen.

Above all, the blocks when moulded should be thorcughly dried and seasoned before being set in position. The practice of making the blocks by small machines in sheds contiguous to the new buildings, and laying them in cement bedding as they are needed, whether seasoned, or not, is the reverse of wise. Recently a local contractor remarked of one of his unfinished buildings, " I expect to have to take out some of the blocks and slip in others before we deliver the job." The man was simply courting disaster. What will be hard durable rock in a short time is, at first, simply a mass of cemented substance slightly hardened on the outside, but partially liquid in the interior. It is extremely dangerous to lay weight or strain upon it until the consolidating process is fairly complete, as it would be to use clay bricks before they had been burnt.

In a year it will become hard as natural rock, and after that nothing more durable could well be made use of than concrete. It can also be made highly ornamental by various methods. It can be cast into any required shapes or moulds. It is economical, and easily laid into pesition. In fact, there is no reason why it should not come into general use. But as the Philadelphiam incident shows, there is the greatest need that protection be afforded against ignorant, careless or dishonourable contractors, who do make use of it. There is further need that some who give contracts be defended against the results of their own intemperate hurry. It is not possible to hurry concrete into hardening to the safety point, in less than a certain time, without employing artificial means. which have not yet been fully tested. wise, sensible system of building inspection, much more soarching and drastic than we have in use at present, is alsolutely necessary if the concrete blocks are to be used with safety.

## 1)ISHONOURED CHEQUES.

In San Francisco, last week, L. H. Jacobi, Jr., the son, of a prominent telephone official, was arrested on a charge of having wilfully overdrawn his account with a local bank, and will be prosecuted under the new State law, which provides for imprisonment or fine, or both, for this offense. He was released on $\$ 2,000$ bail pending his hearing, and protests his innocence. The overdraft wa. by means of cheques upon a non-existent balance. If California has a law which can reach the fellow who has the habit of paying his bills by means of worthless cheques, it is, indeed, a land of golden fortune. We need such a law right here, and we ought to have it quickly. A few years ago a dishonoured cheque was considered a disgrace, and a presage of the approaching financial ruin of the man who made it. To-day it is an evil which is encountered frequently and passes without much
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comment, and yet nothing more annoying can well be imagined than to be met at the teller's window with " no funds," at deposit times.

It is more than annoying. There is a firm doing a large business in this city, which is at the present moment suffering great embarrassment, and may have to go into insolvency from this very thing.. A cheque for a large amount was received late in the afternoon, and its value invested according to the instructions of its maker. Upon attempting to realize upon it to cover the investment, the cheque was returned from the bank. The victims who suffered heavily financially, and in reputation, sought the assistance of the law. At some expense a judgment was obtained against the maker of the cheque, when it was discovered that, contrary to all expectation, he was a man of straw, and owned nothing wherewith to satisfy the judgment.

It is generally understood that there have been similar cases during the past summer. Such action must be fraudulent in the intention of the men who thus leave worry and ruin in their track, and there ought to he some way of "getting" them, and also of penalizing them as criminals as they deserve. Let us have some plan of stamping as a fraud the man who deliberately or even careless'y gives a fraudulent order upon his banker, to the possible undoing of his neighbour-even though we have to go to San Francisco for it. There are, of course, occasional instances where cheques are given out in ignorance of the absolute state of the maker's bank balance; a delay or other cause may occur, but these are not such cases as those alluded to.

## the financial brokerage situation.

What a commentary might be written on the causes learling up to the slump in speculative stocks this week and the weakening of others. One might well question whether men arrived at the age of reason are not, on occasion, as subject to panic as are the herds of the field or a school-room of girls when one of them is seized with a nervous attack. The passing of its due dividend by a Detroit street railway a few days ago, has had an effect upon securities in Montreal, Toronto and all over the country, wherever men gather to back their opinions as to the future rated value of stocks and shares, or employ others to "work the oracle" for them,-an effect which only the aggregate reputation of the Stock Exchange can warrant as in any degree rational. There is some doubt as to the propriety of the Detroit management in deciding not to pay its usual dividend just now. No one appears to doubt that the earning power of the lines is as good as ever. There was, at any rate, little to justify more than a waiting attitude on the part of stockholders. There was absolutely no reason upon the face of things, for the throwing of stock upon the market at the sacrifice of something like 40 per cent of its value. It is hard to believe that advantage was taken of the Detroit incident to engineer a panic for the purpose of forcing down other stocks. A deep knowledge of human nature, of its susceptibility to the contagion of alarm, might perhaps in certain communities lead to some such action. But in this instance we refuse to agree that such Machiavelianism was attempted.
The ancients had a theory that all such contagious alarms were caused by their god Pan. Hence our word

Panic. It is from this god that our somewhat Miltonic popular conception of the devil is derived. A few score years ago we might have ascribed the panic which caused such financial confusion on the street to the devil, and let it go at that. We prefer to believe that in the inrer consciousness of the brokers, who, speaking roughly, may be said to be the pulse whereby we may guage the condition of the commercial body, there is a growing belief that the present era of prosperity is about to be followed shortly by "bad times." Everything appears to be portentious of calamity to the man who expects ruin. It was an appreciation of this truth that made Macbeth to be such a miracle of production among Shakespearian plays. To the brokers the fact that the Detroit tractions system did not pay its usual dividend, appeared to be the letting in of water, which would inevitably become a flood; and their fears went a long way towards making a reality of what was apparent; which, by the way, is not uncommon among the rank and file of men.
A true diagnosis of the "pulse" action lately, would probably be-" wiry, thin, intermittent, with strong febrile symptoms."

Not much sympathy is due those speculators who were unable to maintain their holdings in the face of a falling market. They took their chances, and having lost the game, must, like good sportsmen, do no "squealing." It will, indeed, be an excellent thing if the effect of the slump is seen in some liquidations, which will restore money now locked up in speculations to the legitimate channels of banking and trade.

## la compagnie de pulpe de ouiatchouan.

The collapse of the Ouiatchouan Pulp Co., briefly referred to last week, was quite unlooked for, and upon the face of it appears to have been unnectssary. Pressure by the bank which holds the only serious claim against the company, and a somewhat involved method of securing its claim, are the ostensible reasons given. It is highly probable, however, that a deal of considerable magnitude may be in process of formation which called for the changes in the controlling powers that must now become necessary.
The Company was incorporated in 1902, with an authorized capital of $\$ 150,000$, of wh.ch $\$ 140.000$ was paid up. Some $\$ 200$, 000 was spent in improving the mill and timber limits at Lac Bouchette, wh:ch were purchased at a bargain price of $\$ 40.000$. A good busines; has always been done, and future prospects are excellent. In order to secure money for improvements a loan of $\$ 163,000$ was made from La Banque Nationale, which held the personal notes of the President, the wealthy Mr. E. Paradis, of Quebec, as security. To protect himself, Mr. Paradis, through the Bank, secured a writ against the company come months ago covering the amount for which he was responsible.
There is good water power at the mill site. and the pulp and other lumber is abundant elsewhere; thus the assets should greatly overbalance the liabilities. The Chicoutimi Pulp Co., which has one of the largest paper pulp factories in existence, is not far away and could use to advantage the output of the limits, even if the mills of the company were not employed. The Directorate is a strong one, and inspired perfect confidence: E. Paradis. president; Napoleon Vezina, Quebec, vicepresident, and Messrs. J. J. Lavery, A. B. Dupuis, Wilbrod Jalbert. of Quebec; Jos. Brassard. Roberval; D. A. Lachevrotiere, Lotbiniere; J. E. Tremblay, St. Alphonse. It is possible that a reorganization may be effected under Mr. V. Dubue, in order that the season's lumbering operations may not be hindered. There is general sympathy for all concerned as they include men of character and probity in the Ancient Capital and surrounding districts.

## CAR DEMURRAGE.

The first Report of the Board of Railway Commissioners for Canida, dated March 31, 1906, has just been issued at Ottawa. The period covered by it is twenty-six months, from Feb. 1, 1904. to March 31, 1906. The decisions of the Board upon disputed points and upon applications from the railroads here appear in full, but have lost most of their interest owing to the longth of time which has elapsed between the dating and issuing of the Report. We notice, however, in Appendix H, the Order of the Board, which was supposed to come into effect on the first day of March, 1906, dealing with the vexed question of demurrage charges upon freight cars. There is nothing much more provocative of trouble than this matter, and all past experience proves the necessity of having it settled once and for all, and placed beyond the interference of local station agents. And so, in order that the regulations of the Board, which have all the force of law, may be clearly before our readers, we reproduce their salient points, believing that a full understanding of them will soften acerbity, and promote the good will which should exist between the railroad people and their customers.

Rule 1. - When cars are held under load, or awaiting loads, beyond the free time allowed by rule 2 , for any reason for which the consignee or shipper is responsible, a toll of one dollar per car, per day of twenty-four hours, or any part thereof, shall le dharged to, and paid by, the shipper, consignee, or other party responsible therefor. in addition to all other tolls paid, or payable, in respect of the goods carried, or to be carried, in or on such car.
Rule 2.-Twenty-four hours shall be allowed the censignee after notice of arrival, in which to pay the tolls or charges (if any), and give orders for special placing or delivery: (subject to rules 11 and 15). Forty-eight hours' free time shall be allowed for loading or unloading (except as hereinafter provided). On cars placed for loading, or unloading, before or at 11 o'elock a.m., the free time shall begin at 1 p.m. following; if plaed after 11 oclock a.m., the free time shall begin at 7 occlock a.m. Following. Exceptions.- (a) Twenty-four hours additional free time shall be allowed for unloading coal, coke, and lime. in bulk, and for loading or unloading the following de. serptions of lumber only, namely: boards. drals, and seantlings. (b) Five days' free time shall be allowed at Montreal, and at tide-water ports, for unloading lumber and hay for export (c) In the port'on of Canada to which the Manitoba Grain Ait, 1900, and i's amendments, app'y, only twenty-four hours' free time shall be allowed for loading grain. (d) Twenty-four hours additional free time shall be allowed for clearance of customs, where the destination is a port of entry. making the allowane for cleatane of customs, and for giving, placing or delivery orlers, forty-eight hours in all. Whore the destination is not a port of entry, forty-eight hours shall he allowed for clearance of Customs at the outside pont of entry.
Rule 3.-No car service toll shall be charged for Sundays or legal holidays.
Rule 4. Car service tolls shall not be collected from the consignee for any delays for which the customs officials may be responsible.
Rule 5.-Cars thall be so placed so as to be easily accessible ${ }^{\circ}$ at all times during the period allowed for loading and unloading. At stations where the placing is at the time reasonably practicable, cars shall be so placed so as to be easily accessible on both sides. Time lost to the shipper or consignee through interruption. either by movement of trains, or shunting of cans. or any other cause for which the railway is, or may be held to be, responsible, shall be added to the free time allowance.
Rule 6.-If wet or inclement weather, aceording to local conditions, renders loading or unloading impracticable during business hours, or expose the goods to damage, the time allowance shall be extended so as to give the full free time of suitable weather. But if the parties neglect to avail themselves of the first forty-eight hours, or seventy-two hours, as the case may be, of suitable weathor, they shall not be allowed additional free time liy reaton of ouch noglect.
Rule 7 -When, owing to conditions for which the railway
company, or connecting railway companies, is or are responsible, or to any neglect or default of its or their agents or employees, or to storms or floods, or to accidents on a railway, or accident to the equipment of the railway company or companies, cars are tendered to the consignee in numbers beyond his ascertained reasonable ability to unload within the authorized free time, such additional time shall be allowed as may be necessary, with the exercise of due and reasonable diligence on the consignee, to unload the cars so in excess.
Rule 8.-The consignee shall be promptly notified of the artival of his freight and shall be held to have been notified when notice of arrival has been delivered at his address or place of business; provided that if such notice be given later than 6 o'clock p.m., it shall be considered not to have been received until 7 o'clock the following morning. If notice be mailed, the consignee shall be held to have been notified at 7 o'cook a.m. of the day following.

## INDIA'S JUTE EXPORTS.

The jute season of India for the twelve months from July 1, 1906, to June 30, 1907, has closed, and the U.S. Consul at Calcutta, sums up the results: The jute exports during the season exceeded those of the previous year by 434,245 bales, of which increase 22,579 bales were cuttings. The following shows the comparative movement of jute from Calcutta and Chittagong, in hales, for the past four seasons:

Jute ard
rejections.
1906-7.
$1905 \cdot 6$.
1904-5.
1903-4.
4,227.631 3,815,99.5 $\begin{array}{lll}3,209,992 & 339,906 & 3,549,898 \\ 3,521,181 & 29,9,967 & 3,817,148\end{array}$

Cuttings.
Total. $332,359 \quad 4,560,020$ 309,780 $\quad 4,125,775$

The price of jute has gome down steadily until it is now considered normal. During last year this article in raw and manufactured form constituted one-fourth of the total exports of India, and will continue to be one of the most important commodities of export. The raw jute exported in 1906-7 amounted to 15970,000 hundredweight, and wats valued it $\$ 89$,460,1000 , while the manufactures of jute exported were valued at $\$ 52.385,000$, the grand total of valuation being $\$ 141,845,000$. This was nearly double the value of the exports of 1904-5, and 44 per cent greater than last year. This increase was due to the increased demand, as there was no shortage in the crops.
The chief purchases of raw jute last year were in hundredweight: U'nited Kingdom, $6,860,000$; Germany, 3,4f0.000; United States. 2,059000 , and France, $1,131,000$. All of these countries bought larger quantities in 1906-7 than in the previous year. While the prices paid for raw jute were the highrst known the advances in the price of jute manufatures were not in proportion. Raw jute advanced 10 per cent in quantity and 57 per cent in value, and jute hags advanced $i 01 / 2$ per cent in quantity and 21 per cent in value. Gunny cloth advanced only 6 per cent in quantity and 31 per. cent in value. This shows a tendency on the part of the United States to use the raw material for mannfocturing. and it weuld seem that England, Germany and France are disposed to do the eame. Notwithstanding the prosperous year in the jute trade as a whole the Indian jute mills had a trying experience, due to their failure to lay in a sufficient supply of jute before the rise in the price, the high bank rate they had to pay, the stiff advance in the price of ooml, and sarcity of lahor. Had it not been for the lack of skilled labor several new mills would have been started. America is the chief prolucer of hessians. and is paying 50 per cent more for them than formerly, with the price still advancing. The demand for sacking is smaller, which is ascribed to the ese of second-hand bags and the competition of Dundee, while India is not at this time using so many bags. The largest huyers of gunny bags in 1906-7 were United King. dom, 33.900 .000 ; Australia, $42.000,000$; United States, 25,800 ,000: China, $24,000,000$; Chili, 22900,000 : Egypt, $12.600,000$, and West Indies, $10,700,000$. The United States bought from India $479.250,000$ yards of cloth. or more than all other markets together. Argentina's purchases were $97,200,000$ yards, and those of United Kingdom $62,200,000$ yards.

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TO MAKE

It is probably well viscol applied to lea Sometimes a shoemake the following informati the leather considerabl of course making it wa sults are obtained whe (i) azed and patent leat ishes, can be easily vist The viscol dressing i dressing on the flesh si distribute it evenly ove struck through to the of the dressing, quickly the dressing on the sul lignid to the dipper by of the dipper. When th this way the leather twenty-four hours. Car of the dressing on the t will harm it in any wiping it off again. may be easily removed naphta lefore the leath much if kept for sev there is any oil or grea the glazed surface, and leat ther can not be glaze Leather for winter car water by the treatment

## BRITISH CHEMICAIS.

The volume of trade continues satisfactory, both home and export. The demand for quick delivery is good; and there is also a fair amount of business for next year; buyers, after careful consideration, are showing their confidence by placing contracts for full quantities even at the high prices that have now to be asked for some articles, says S. W. Royse, of Man chester. The Tar Products trade is in good condition. Solvent Naphtha is being consumed largely and some good forward sales have recently been made. Benzoles, however, are quiet, and any business doing for early delivery is at low prices, although some sales have been made forward at in nd vance on spot figures: gas companies will now be taking deliveries more freely, and this may have a good effect upon the market. ('rude Carbolic remains steady, and some fair quaniities have recently been placed for delivery to the end of June next. Creosote continues in good demand, and price remains very firm. In Pitch some good sales have been made, the reduced quotations having brought consumers into the market. Sulphate of Ammonia is steady, with a fair volume of business. In General Chemicals there is firmness all round. Sulphate of Copper has been heavily sold, especially for January-March, and bakers are at presont practically of the market. Grean Copperas is strong. and somewhat scarce for near delivery. With the better position of Lead all Lead compound are firm and Nitrate of Lead is selling better. Acetates of Lime and Soda continue firm. Carbonate and Caustic Potash are strong, and consumers are buying freely for delivery far ahead. White Powdered Arsenic is a little easier, and sales are only small. Tartaric Acid has been selling well for next year's delivery, prices being really tempting, and the market is now better. Prussiate of Potash is not too plentiful on spot, and Prussiate of Soda has been selling well for forwasd delivery. Borax is quite firm. Oxalic Acid somewhat scarce. In the Heavy Alkalies there are only slight alterations. Bleaching Powder is a little easier on spot. Caustic Soda unchanged. Salt Cake is dearer. Chlorates have some demand for prompt delivery only; nothing doing yet for next year.

## TO MAKE LEATHER WATER-PROOF.

It is probably well known among shoe manufacturers that viscol applied to leather makes it absolutely water-proof. Sometimes a shoemaker desires to viscolize a lot of skins, and the following information may be of value. The viscol plumps the leather considerably, besides giving it a better feeling, and of course making it water-proof and preserves it. The best results are obtained when the leather contains no oil or grease. clazed and patent leather, as well as dull leather and box finishes, can be easily viscolized.
The viseol dressing is applied as follows: Pour the viscol dressing on the flesh side of the skin by means of a dipper and distribute it evenly over the surface with the hand until it has struck through to the grain and the leather absorls no more of the dreasing, quickly and thoroughly wipe off the excess of the dressing on the surface with a soft brush. returning the liquid to the dipper by drawing the brush fimly over the edqe of the dipper. When the surface has been thoronglly wiped in this way the leather should be hung up to dry for about twenty-four hours. Care should be taken to avoid getting any of the dressing on the glazed surface of the leather, not that it will hurm it in any way, but there is the extra labor of wiping it off again Should any get on the glazed surface it may be easily removed by rubbing with a cloth wet with naphta liefore the leather is dried out. Leather improves very much if kept for several weeks after being viscolized. If there is any oil or grease in the leather the viscol drives it to the glazed surface, and thus the bright finish becomes dull. The leather can not be glazed after it has been treated with viscol. Leather for winter can be made absolutely impervious to water by the treatment above described.
-Nearly 40 miles of track have been laid west of Fort Wil liam on the Grand Trunk Pacific and trains are running daily.

## THE FARMERS' BANK OVER-SEA CONNECTIONS

Mr. W. R. Travers, general manager of the Farmers' Bank ${ }_{r}$ Toronto, has been visiting the monetary centres of the United Kingdom and the Continent of Europe in the interests of the Bank and making arrangements for agencies and correspondents at Paris, Berlin, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Brussels, Liverpool, St. Petersburg, Dublin and Queenstown. While in London he succeeded in piacing a quarter million dollars stock among capitalists in the great financial centre, and in securing Viscount Templeton as Hon. President of the Bank.

## FIRE RECORD

The Lake of the Woods elevator, at Arrow River, was burned Oct. 8. Three carloads of wheat were lost. The building and contents are insured
Fire did $\$ 1,000$ damage to the Wonderland Theatre at Chatham, Oct. 9.
--The grocery store of A. Sarazin, Ontario St, city, was dimaged to extent of $\$ 1.000,0$ ct. 10 .
Fire in the large brick block, known as the Rhodes Fillmore block, Amherst, N S., caused over $\$ 22,000$ damage. It broke out in the basement of Wilson and Brown's dry goods store. Their stock, valued at about $\$ 20,000$ was destroyed. the insurance being $\$ 8,000$. The building was damaged to the extent of about $\$ 2,000$, fully insured. D. B. Bent's store was injured to the extent of about $\$ 1,000$. W. P. Smith and Co., books and stationery. loss will be about $\$ 2,500$. Bent carries $\$ 4,000$ insurance and Smith, $\$ 3,500$.
The hangard at the corner of DesForges and Hart Sts., Three Rivers. was burnt, Friday last, also damaging Durand \& Lacourt, grocers. and Jutras \& Beulac, hotelkeepers. Loss, $\$ 1,500$.
The Roman Catholic Parish Church, at Cote St. Paul, was burnt, Saturday. Loss, $\$ 75,000$; insurance. $\$ 30,000$.
Calvin Hughes \& Sons evaporator, at Waupoos, was burnt Friday last. Loss, $\$ 2,500$.
The store of Messrs. Smallman \& Vass, at Cazaville, was destroyed by fire Monday. Insurance on building and stock was $\$ 9.1 .50$.
The evaporator of J. A. Holgate, at Foxboro, was burnt Saturday.
The Fawcett Manufg. Co's foundry at Sack ville, N.B., was damaged by fire, Tuesday, to extent of $\$ 3,000$.
Two barns, belonging to R. Reid, at Bayswater, a few miles outside of Ottawa, were burned, Sept. 15, with their contents, which included a number of dairy cattle and seven horses. Inss, $\$ 10,000$. with $\$ 4.000$ inswrance.

## The late mir. colin chisholm.

British Columbia papery amnomere the death, at Vancouver early this week, of Mr. Colin Chisholm-formery of StrathWhass, scotland -and for many years officially connected with the Thames police service at London, England. On his superannuation, Mr. Chisholm, who retained vigorous health, visited (anada in compary with his younger daughter, and proceeded to Dawson City, Yukon, where his som-intaw. Mr. MeDonald, popularly known as the "Klondyke King," resided. Mr. Chisholm accompanied both daughters as far as lancouver, on their journey to England a year or two since. On his former visit to England. via Montreal, Mr. Chisholm bore with him a quantity of the fnest gold nuggets unearthed in the Yukon district, one of which he generously presented to the writer. His death will be deeply mourned by his two daughters, his son, and his very successful son-in-law.
-The fact of the closing of the Erie canal for two months, for repairs, as mentioned in these columns recently, has led canal men to demand the resignation of Superintendent Stevens on the ground of incomptency.

## Meetings, Reports, \&c.

## OGILVIE FLOUR MILLS CO.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company. Limited, was held Thursday afternoon, Oct. lath. at the head offices of the company, Mr. C. R Hosmer, president, in the chair.
There were present:-Sir George A. Drummond, K.C.M.G.; E. S. Clouston, H. S. Holt. F. W. Thompson, Shirley Ogilvie, F. W. Evans, C. H. Black, Henry Loseph, C. Simpson Garland, H. Gordon Strathy, A. J. Brown, K.C., Col. Labelle, W. A. Gandle, S. A. McMurtry, treasurer; T. Williamson, secretary, etc.

Mr. Hosmer submitted the financial statements for the year, showing:

Net profits
. $\$ 630,685.57$

## Which were disposed of as follows:

## Interest on bonds.

. 80.000 .00
Dividends on preferred stock.
Dividends on common stock for $1 / 2$ years Officers' pension fund.
Transferred to rest account
(Bringing this account up to $\$ 1.250,000$ )
Property reselve account

## up

$\qquad$
140,000.00 131,250.00 $10,000.00$ 239,000.00
$100,000.00$ Balance carried forward at credit of profit and loss
account.
148.808.95

Mr. F. II. Thompson, vice-president and managing director, in seconding the adoption of the reports, spoke in part as fol-lows:-It gives me great pleasure to state that the results for the year have been most gratifying. The financial statements submitted are based upon the most conservative lines, and the results oltained have been reached after making full and ample provision for all contingencies.
The milling business during the past year has had the benefit of favorable world's market conditions, and your company has naturally shared in this prosperity.
The present year opens up under most promising conditions.
The various mills and other properties of the company have never, in my opinion, been in a higher state of efficiency, and the company is just commencing to reap some of the benefits of the ext.insive improvements that have been carried on during the past three or four years.
1 would like particularly to refer to our new plant at Fort William, which is admitted to be, both as regards the mill and elevator, scond to none in the world, both of which are now in successful and profitable operation.
Respecting the North West crop, I may say that threshing has sufficiently advanced to enable me to reiterate what I have already stated, that. in our opinion, the total crop this year will approximate from sixty to sixty five million bushels of all grades of wheat. Of this quantity, we figure there will be about thirt y -five million burhels of good milling wheat, most of which will be required by Camadian millers. The net financial results to the country as a whole, by reason of the nigher prices for all agricultural products throughout the world, will, I think. closely approximate those of last year. Under these faverable circumstances I believe the fundamental conditions of the country are sound.
The following gentlemen were re-elected directors of the company for the ensuing year:
Mr. C. R. Hosmer--President.
Mr. F. W. Thompson-Vice-President and managing director. Sir George A. Drummond, K.C.M.G.
Sir H Montagu Allan.
Mr. E. S. Clouston.
Mr. H. S. Holt.
Mr Shirley Ogilvie
And the following officers were appointed:
Mr. W. A. Black-General manager, western division.
Mr. S. A. McMurtry-Treasurer.

Mr. T. Williamson-Secretary.
Mr. W. A. Gandle-Assistant secretary.
Mr. F. H. Anson-General superintendent
Lt.-Col. A. E. Labelle-Local manager.
Mr. George A. Coslett-Fort William manager
The George Creak Audit Company were appointed auditors for the ensuing year.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

## Following is the financial statement, 31st August, 1907: Assets.

Cash on hand
\$ 170,001.81
Bills receivable
Open accounts receivable, less provision for doubt
ful debts and contingencies, $\$ 89,787.04$. 12,505.60
tul debs and contingencies, $\$ 89,78,04$
1,105,638.31 Stocks of wheat, flour, oatmeal, coarse grains,
bags, barrels, etc. 1,154,164.76
stable plant, office furniture, and chemical laboratory

33,625.00
Other assets
35,968.00
Total active assets.
\$2,511,903.48
Real estate, water powers and mill plants in Mont
real. Winnipeg and Fort William, elevators in
Manitoba and North-West Territories, prop
erty in St. John, N.B., patent rights, ete.
Good-will, trade marks, ete.
3.725,428.29 1,250,000.00
$\$ 7,487,331.77$

Bank of Montreal
LIABILITIES

Accounts, payable
\$1,453,214.63
Reserve for dividend on preferred stock and for accrued interest on bonds
Provision for completion of Fort William mill and elevator ..

50,000.00

Current liabilities.
First mortgage bonds
32.019.87

| Current liabilities. | 28.524.82 |
| :---: | :---: |
| First mortgage bonds | 1.000,000.00 |
| Capital account:- |  |
| Preferred stock .. | 2,000,000,00 |
| Common stock | 1,250 000.00 |
| Officers' pension fund | 10,000.00 |
| Reserves:- |  |
| Rest account. | 1,250,000.00 |
| Property reserve. | 100,000.00 |
| Profit and loss account. . | 148,806.95 |
|  | \$7,487.331.77 |

To interest on bonds.
$\$ 60.000 .00$
To dividends on preferred stock .... .. 140,000 00
To dividends on common stock for year 1906.

87,500.00
To dividends on common stock for half
year ending 28th Feb., 1907
43,750.00
331,250.00
To officers' pension fund
10,0.0
To rest account. transferred
239,000.00
$100,000.00$
To property reserve account, transferred
148,506.95

## \$829,056.93

By balance at credit, 31st of August, 1906 $\$ 198371.38$ 630,685.57
$\$ 829,056.95$

## DESCRIPTION OF PLANT

The following statistios relating to the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company will be interesting to the shareholders of this company, as illustrating the wide ramifications of its various and extensive interests, as participating in the great development going on in this country

Daily capacity -
Royal Mill, Montreal, Glenora Mild, Montreal Winnipeg Mill, Winnip Fort William Mill, For Corn Products Mill, M Oatmeal Mill, Winnipes

TER.
Capacity-
Elevator " $\mathbf{A}$," Montrea Elevator " B," Montreal Elevator " C," Montreal Flevatòr " D," Montrea Elevators " A," and "B Elevator "C," Winnipeg Elevator, Fort William

Total.
Daily capacity-
Barrel Factory, Montre Barrel Factory, Winnipe total

Capacity -
Flour warehouse " $\mathbf{A}$," Flour warehouse " B," Flour warehouse "C," Flour warehouse " $\mathbf{A}$," F'lour warehouse "B," Flour warehouse "C," Flour wa rehouse "A," F

## Total..

ELEVATORS IN A

Alexander
Altamont.
Altona
Areola
Argue.
Aruaud.
Balgonie
Basswood
Belle Plaine
Bethany.
Boissevain
Bradwardine
Brandon
Burnside
Carbenry
Carie vale
Carlyle.
Carman
Carnegie
(hater.
Clan William.
Crandell
Cypress River.
Delora:ne.
Dominion City
Dunrea.
Elkhorn.
Elm Creek
Esterhazy.
Franklin
Gilbert Plains.

| Daily capacity - | Barrels. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Royal Mill, Montreal, water power.. | 6,000 |
| Glenora Mill, Montreal, water power | 2,500 |
| Winnipeg Mill, Winnipeg, steam and electric power. | 3,000 |
| Fort William Mill, Fort William, electric power | 3,000 |
| Corn Products Mill, Montreal, water power | 1,300 |
| Oatmeal Mill, Winnipeg, steam and electric power | 300 |
| TERMINAL ELEVATORS. | 16,300 |
| Capacity - | Bushels. |
| Elevator " A, , Montreal. | 250,000 |
| Elevator " B," Montreal | 250,000 |
| Elevator " C," Montreal.. | 250,000 |
| Elevatorr "D," Montreal.... | 400,000 |
| Elevators "A," and " B," Winnipeg. | 300,000 |
| Elevator "C," Winnipeg.. | 250.000 |
| Elevator, Fort William | 600,000 |
| Total . . . | 2,300,000 |
| Daily capacity- | Barrels. |
| Barrel Factory, Montreal. . | 2,500 |
| Barrel Factory, Winnipeg . . . .. .. | 500 |

1,453,214.63 193,290.32 - 50,000.00 32,019.87

1,728.524.82 .000,000.00
,000,000.00
,250 000.00
$10,000.00$
250,000.00
$100,000.00$ 148,806.95

| Glenboro. . . | 35,000 | Sintaluta |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grand View. | 35,000 | Sperling. . . . . . 35000 |
| Grenfell. | 35,000 | Starbuck. . . . . . . 20,000 |
| Gretna | 45,000 | Stonewall . . . . . . 25,000 |
| Griswold. | 25,000. | Thornhill . . . . 20,000 |
| Hamiota. | 35,000 | Treherne. . . . . . 25,000 |
| Hartney. | 30.000 | Virden. . . . . . 35.000 |
| High Bluff. | 30.000 | Willow Range. . . . 20,000 |
| Holland. | 40,000 | Winkler. . . . . . . 25,000 |
| Howden. | 5,000 | Wolseley. |
| Indian Head. | , | Westwood. . . . . . 35,000 |
| Kemnay | 35,000 |  |
| Kenton. | 35,000 | Totad interior |
| Keyes | 40,000 | wheat storage cap. |
| La Salle | 25,000 | acity. . . . : . . 3.005 |
| Lauder. | 15,000 | Total terminal |
| Lenore | 35,000 | storage capacity. . .2,300,000 |
| Lyleton. | 35,000 |  |
| Manitou. | 35,000 | . Total wheat stor- |
| Manor. | 35,000 | age capacity. . . .5,305,000 |
| Total daily milling |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Barrels. } \\ 16,300 \end{array}$ |
| flour stora | city | 302,000 |

The company own their offices in Montreal, Winnipeg and St. John, N.B., besides other properties in Montreal, also stable and machine shops in Montreal, Fort William and Winnipeg.
The Montreal mills are all operated by water power and are fitted up w.th auxiliany electric power as well.
The Fort William mill is operated by electric power, generatcd from the famous Kakabeka Falls, located 18 miles from Fort William.
The Winnipeg mill is operated by electric power from the Winn-peg Power Company and has auxiliary steam plant.
The mills in Montreal have unexcelled water and rail connection with all points, domestic and foreign, with sidings on the Grand Trunk, Canadian Pacific and Intercolonial railways.
The Fort William mill is situated at the chief port of the Great Lakes and on the main line of the Canadian Pacific, Canadian Northern and Grand Trunk Pacific railways. while the Winnipeg mill is also on the main line of these roads.
The most of the wheat for the Montreal mills is loaded from the company's own elevator at Fort William and shipped through to Montreal without breaking bulk-many millions of through to Montreal without breakin
bushels being brought down annually.
The company grind exclusively only the choicest selected Manitoba wheat, and its brands are recognized as leading standards in the world's markets.
The company also maintain their own office in New York for the West India trade, as well as offices and warehouses at Toronto, London, Sarnia. Ottawa, Ont.; Vancouver, B.C.; Quebee, Que.; and St. John, N B.

## BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

In Ontario, B. V. Stafford \& Son. furniture, Arnprior, are offering to compromise. The following have assigned:-T. A. MacDonald, bicycles, Barrie; Iroquois Mfg. Co., Ltd., mfrs. buttfr separators; C. E. C'ope, restaurant, North Bay; C. E. Gunsoline, harness, Peterlore; (anzdien Eoler \& Radiatcr Co., Lttd., Toronto and Peterboro; W. J. Robinson, grocer, Toronto; T. H. Barnes, pump maker. Woodville; Fortin \& Perrault, hotel. Hawkesbury; J. A. Read, trader, Howard Township; W. G. Glever, tailor, Toronto Junction. Jos. Bazinet, boots and shoes, Cobalt, has compromised at 50c on the dollar, cash.
T. H. Nickle, furaiture dealer and undertaker, New Liskeard, has assigned. Lial lities, about $\$ 8,000$.
A. G. Watson, retail grocer, Toronto, tas ass gned to N. L. Martin \& Co. A meting of creditors is to be held on the 22nd.
Assignments in this province include the following:-H. G. Sewell, fuel, Dorval. J. Sauvial \& Co., traders, L'Islet; Jos. Lamarche, plumber; Jos. Rozen. dry grods, city; J J. McCleary, trader, Waltham; Lou's Allaire, grocer nity; H. H. Desautels, plumber, city; D. Murphy \& Co., saddlers, city; Alp. Rombache, tailors, city; Thos. Laurin, builder, St. Leonard, Port

Maurice; Geo. Paquin, grocer, St. Majorique; J. E. L'Heureux, trader, St. Theophile du Lac; J. A. Gauthier \& Co., plumbers, city; Jos. Levasseur, general store, Portneuf. The Colonial Post Card Co., city, is asking an extension. A. D. Sauvageau, dry goods, city, has compromised.
Bigelow \& Co., general store, Glace Bay, N.S., are offering a compromise of 25 c on the dollar.
Dubois, Lapierre \& Bourbonnais, hardware, city, have assigned. The firm was composed of A. Dubois, P. Lapierre and o. Bourbonnais, all young men and there experience has been brief as the partnership only dates from March, 1907. Philias Lapierre, a farmer of Notre Dame de Grace advanced some thouvand dollars to the concern and this interest is said to have been withdrawn owing to a disagreement among the partners. The lialilities are al:out $\$ 10,000$ and there are considerable assets in the shape of stock and book debts.
Adolphe E. Clement, wholesale hats, city, has assigned and Chas. Mignault is appointed provisional guardian. He had been a drug clerk for a few years in the employ of H. Lanctot but started retailing hats in February. 1900, succeeding Samuel Hart to whom he paid $\$ 3,000$ for the stock. In 1906 he started a manufacturing and commission business and this was considered a doubtful step owing to the slendemess of his capital. A few years ago he claimed assets of about $\$ 12,000$ and a surplue of $\$ 5,200$.
Matthew Wilson, the proprietor of the Harron livery and sale stables at New Liskeard and Haileybury, has assigned. The assets consist of sixty horses, rigs and premises amounting to about $\$ 25,000$, while the liabilities are about $\$ 15,000$.
Charles B. Lanctot, merchant, city, has assigned on the demand of F. X. Gagnon.
At a meeting of creditors of B. Y. Moyes, dry goods merchant, Toronto, the statement showed assets of $\$ 6,800$ and liabilities of $\$ 11,500$.
Mr. E. A. Lowe, doing business under the title of the Somne Awning. Tent \& Tarpaulin Co., city, on Tuesday went into lionidation. The assignment was made at .the request of Mr . Herbert Stewart. representative of the Gourock Ropework Export Co., Ltd, of Port Glangow, Scotland, whose claim amounts to $\$ 1,590$.
The grent suceess which, for many years. attended the Tag business conducted by the Dennisons, of Boston, well and favourably known upon both sides of the boundary line and similar enterprises in our midst. doubtless inspired the founders to inaugurate the Canada Tag and Label Co. of this city. To all appearances a gool business was done amongst manufacturprs and other mercantile houses from the first. Its credit was however weakpned by a disastrous fire, which destroyed its premises and complaints were many of the slowness with which financial engagements were anet. Courtesy, that very cheapest of commodities, is the oil of trade, and there were occasions when irritation and possibly anxiety made this to be wanting on the part of certain locutors. The result of it all was a demand for the liquidation of the company on the fround that it had stopped payment by an accountant of this city, which demand was presented in Court on Wednestay, and a winding-up order issued.
Mr. George Mareotte. contractor. who consented to make a judicial abaudonment of his property for the benefit of his creditors a few days ago, has filed a statement of his asseta and liablilites in ('onrt. The liabilities amount to aver $\$ 18,000$, while the assets are made up ats follows:-Amount lue from N. Racine anl Napoleon Bechard, for the recovery of which litigation hais been entered upon, \$936; rights on a contract with .J. A. Duval. $\$ 800$; rolling stock, $\$ 7$; ; household furniture, \$4(n); hypothec on an immovable belonging to a man named Gravel, on St. Catherine street east, at Maisonneuve; deposit of $\$ 49$ in the Bank of Itochelaga. The principal claimants are: Desoyers \& Varin, \$2.500; J. Bte. Deseve. $\$ 3,500$ : Alfred Deseve. $\$ 2,300$; Dupuis \& Lefebvre, $\$ 1,862$; Come Frenette. $\$ 1,788$; C. Lalonge. $\$ 1$ ovo; J. T. Morin \& Co., $\$ 1,200$; Prefontaine \& Co.. $\$ 1.488$; L. Tremblay, $\$ 790$; McLead Bros, $\$ 997$, and R. T. Larin \& Co., $\$ 1,544$.
Henry Rastien, provision merchant, of this city, has consented to make a judicial abandomment of his property for the benefit of his creditors. The assignment was at the request of the Compagnie d'Approvisionnement du Canada, whose claim
amounts to \$232. The statement of assets and liabilities has not yet been filed.
Commercial failures this week in the United States, as reported by R. G. Dun \& Co., are 243, against 202 last week, 194 the preceding week and 217 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 21, against 34 last week, 40 the preceding week, and 28 last year. Of failures this week in the United States, 108 were in the East, 48 South, 55 West. and 32 in the Pacific States, and 89 report liabilities of $\$ 5,000$ or more against 83 last week. Liabilities of commercial failures reported thus far, from October, are $\$ 2,675,343$, against $\$ 1786$,141 for the same period a year ago.

- On Monday the municipal voters of Lachine will vote upon the by-law which authorizes the granting of exemption for 20 years from certain municipal taxation to the English Co., which proposes to erect a great locomotive and steel plant in the town. It is also proposed to pay a bonus of $\$ 50,000$ in three equal payments. one-third when 500 men are really at work in the factory, the next when 1,000 men are employed and the remainder 6 months liater.
-A meeting of persons interested was held on Wednesday to confer with the management and devise meails for re-organizing the business of a rather enterprising machine firm who have latterly been somewhat handicapped through the want of designs and plans in their possession formerly, but no longer readily available. It is hoped all may turn out satisfactorily.

An outflow of natural gas in the vicinity of Grenfel, Sas., is to be taken advantage of for illuminative and other purposes Similar discoveries elsewhere in the new provinces would have an immense value for the development of heat and power, as well as of light.
-An uptown tailor remarked lately that it is quite a commor thing for the women of the family to attend to the purchasing of the husband's or father's clothing. Men are, apparently, too busy to give due attention to their attire in this age.
-The French government has begun the work of transforming the Eiffel tower in Paris, which is supposed to be the highest structure in the world, into a wireless telegraph station. The most powerful apparatus yet made is to be installed.

The city brewers of Toronto have held a meeting to consider the raising of the price of beer two or three cents a gallon, or four cents a dozen bottles, in this following the lead of the distilleries who lately increased the price of spirits.

Land in the Kootenay district. near Nelson, B.C., is being acqu rel in large blocks for fruit raising purposes, transactions ramning up is high as $\$ 30,1000, \$ 40,000$ and $\$ \pi, 000$. Some thousands of acres have changed hands lately.

- At Sault st. Marie, the Canadian smelting ant Resaing Co. are about to erect their large smelter. which is to be in active operation in six months. It is saill that there is a million dollar hacking to the enterprise.
-The Superintendent of the Dominion Copper Co., Grand Forks, B.C., declares that there are three million dollars worth of copper ore in sight in his mine, sufficient to afford employment for 20 years.
-The Eastern Townships Bank is applying to the city authoritics for permission to erect their new building, at the corner of St. James St. and Victoria Square, to a height of sixteen storeys.
-Italy is exporting large quantities of hemp, which is a comparatively new industry there. Last year the exports came to $\$ 8,500,000$ against $\$ 8,457,800$ the previous year.

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 Lake of Woods Mill. Co.
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| N.S. Steel \& |  | 2,500,000 | 1 Jan. 1 July | Bank of Nova Scotia, Mo | 1 May, 1922 | 101 | $\ldots$ |  |
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| Ogivie Miling Cc. | - | 1,000, | 1 June 1 July | Bank of Montreal, Montreal .. | 1 July, 1032 | 115 |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | 1 June, |  |  |  |
| Winnipeg Electric. | 6 | 8,500,000 | 1 Jan. 1 July | Bank of Montreal, Montreal | 1 Jan, 1930 | 100 |  |  |

-The well known president of the United Mine Workers, John Mitchell, is in poor health, and will decline re-election, but hopes to be able to complete his present term.

The Italian government is proceeding rapidly with the electrification of the State railroads, some 200 miles, in several sections, being under way at the present time.
-The famous Kiel ship canal in Germany is to be enlarged at once, the increased size of modern battleships making it, almost useless in its present form.
-The price of refined petroleum for export, which has been $\$ 8.45$ a barrel, was raised thirty cents in New York by the Standard Oil Co, Friday last.
-England has put out new securities to the value of $\$ 526$,$82:, 000$ since the beginning of this year. Of this $\$ 64,000,000$ is in the form of colonial.

An enormously rich deposit of iron ore has been discovered at Lakevale, Antigonish Co., N.B. It is owned by capitalists from the United States.
-It is said that in the case of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. against the Dominion Coal Co, the suit cost $\$ 1,000$ for each hour the Court sat.

- A factory is being built at Lachine, which is to be a branch of the whirt making establishment of Messrs. Tooke Bros., of this eity.
-Steel instead of wood is to be used for cribbing and other purposes in Pennsylvanian coal mines.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.
Montreal, Thursday Ev'g., Oct. 17th, 1907.
The shrinkage in the quoted value of stocks is having but little disturbing effect upon all but those who are confronted with demands for additional margins to save their holdings. People who invest for the sake of ample dividends are not at all alarmed, as they know that the rise or fall on 'Ghange does not affect their returns, which are reckoned at so much per cent on the par value, not on the quoted price of their holdings. The owners of any of the bank shares or other sound securities will not receive a penny more dividends whether the stock be quoted at par or below, or at any figure above it.

The increase in the sales of certain speculative securities during the week, if it have any meaning at all, is merely an evidence of a keen desire to realize something on what seems of very little value except for voting or betting purposes.
Iron common dropped tō $143 / 4$, the brokerage on the total transfers during the week not being scarcely sufficient to buy cigars for the crowd. Preferred fell to 40 , but only 10 shares went at that price.
The transactions in bank stocks are very light, and probably measure some demands for margins in other lines. The largest sales were 75 Bank of Commerce at $1633 / 4$ to 164 , and 57 Merchants at 155 to 160. At Toronto, Bank of Hamilton, 24 at 194; Canada Permanent, 20 at 1181/2.
The local money market is firm at 6 per cent, including call loans, which are few and far between.
Closing exchange rates: -60 days, $85 / 8$; sight, $97-16$; cables, $95 / 8$; franes, $5.167 / 8$, plus $1-64$; marks, $9415-16$, less $1-64$; N.Y. funds, 3 -64 to $3-64$ premium U.S. Steel. com., $221 / 4$; pfd., $825 / 8$. British Consols steady at 82 9-16 to 82 11-16.
The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending Oct. 17th, 1907, as compiled by Messirs. Meredith and Co., Stock Brokers. Montreal:-

| STOCKS <br> Banks: |  | High- | Low | Last | Year |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montreal |  | est. | st. | Sale. | ago. |
| commerce. |  | 2.3 | 232 | 234 | 256 |
| Molsons. | 1.7 30 | 1633/4 | 163:3/4 | 1633/4 | . |
| liastern Townships | 5 | $1981 / 2$ | 197 | 197 | 220 |
| Toronto.. .. .. |  | 157 | 157 | 157 |  |
| Mierchants. | 6 | 203 | 203 | 203 | . $\cdot$ |
| Royal | 57 | 159 | 155 | 157 | 17.5 |
| Royal | 10 | 226 | 226 | 226 |  |

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| BANKS | Capital | Capital | ReserveFund | Percentage to Paid-up Capital |  | Market value Share \% | Dividend months | Dates of Divi |  | Prices per cent ou par cent ou par Oct. 17 |
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|  | \$ | 8 | ${ }_{8}$ |  |  |  |  |  | Oct. ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |
| British | 4, $4.866,666$ | 4, $\begin{array}{r}4,866,666 \\ 10,060,000\end{array}$ | 边 | 46.04 50.00 | 243 50 | 82.00 | ${ }_{2}^{3 t}$ * | ${ }_{\text {Achril. }}^{\text {Mch. }}$ June Sept. |  | … $164^{\circ}$ |
| Can. Bank of Comme | 955,000 | 95i, 580 |  | 27. | 100 50 50 |  | ${ }_{3}^{2}$. | ${ }_{\text {Jan. }}^{\text {Jan. April July }}$ | Oct. | 235 |
|  |  |  | 4,600,000 | 66.82 | 100 | 157. | 2 * | Jan. April July | Oct. | 160 |
| Eastern Townships. | 2,952,000 | 2,944,120 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Farmers | 607,200 | - $\begin{array}{r}385,219 \\ \text { 2.00, } \\ \text { 200 }\end{array}$ | 2,500,000 | ioo.00 | iö |  | $2{ }^{2 *}$ | Mch. June Sept. | Dec. |  |
| Hamilton | 2,500, 2 2000 | ${ }_{2}^{2,482,2,500}$ | $1,600,000$ | ${ }^{80} 0.00$ | 100 |  |  | June | Dec. | 140 |
| Hochelagi | - 96066000 | 4,845,000 | 4,845,000 | 100.00 | 100 |  | $2^{2}{ }^{*}$ | Feb. May |  |  |
| Imperial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| La Banque. | 1,794, 180 | li, $1,787,124$ | 4,000,000 |  | 100 | 15\%. 50 | ${ }^{1 *}$ | Mch. June sept. | Dee | 157 1 156 |
| Merchants | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 100.00 | 100 |  |  | Jan. April Juy | Oct. |  |
| Metropoli | $3,360,170$ | 3,360,170 | 3,360,170 | 100.00 | 100 |  | ${ }_{22^{2} \text { * }}$ | Mch. June Sept. |  | 233 |
| Mosisons | 14,400,000 | 14,400,000 | 11,000,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Brunsw |  | 709,3 | 1,195, 295 | 168.47 | 100 | 244.00 | $3^{*}$ | Jan. April July | Oct. |  |
| Northern | 1,250,000 | (1, | 5,250,000 | 175.00 | 100 | 2ї\%.00 | $\ddot{3}$ | Jan. April July | Oct. | $279 \%$ |
| Nova Scoti |  | ${ }_{3}^{3,0000,000}$ | 3 3,006,000 | 100.00 | 100 |  |  | June |  |  |
| Ota wa. | 3,000,000 180,000 | 180,000 | ,180-000 | 100.00 | 100 |  | 4 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 100 |  | 14*** | Mch. June Sept. | Dee. |  |
| Provincial ${ }_{\text {R }}$ | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 | 1,250,000 | 50.00 | 100 100 100 | ........ |  | Jan. Aprii July | ang. | 226 |
| Royal | 3,900,000 | 3,900,000 | 4,390,000 | 115.00 8.04 8 | 100 100 |  |  | Feb. May Aug. | Nov. |  |
| Soverei | li, | ${ }_{1}^{1,300,420}$ | 1,640,420 | 106.49 | 50 |  | ${ }^{\text {* }}$ | Mch. June Sept. | Dec. |  |
|  |  |  | 50,000 | 25.00 | 100 |  | ${ }_{4}^{24}$ | April | Oct. |  |
| St. Steph | 30, 30.600 | 3849,015 | ${ }^{75,1000}$ | 22.79 | 100 100 |  | $\stackrel{1}{14}$ | May Aug. Nov. |  |  |
| Stering |  | 774,7,24 | 171,151 | 22.09 | 100 |  |  | Mch. June Sept. |  | 210 |
| Toronto |  | 4, $4,304,000$ | ${ }^{\text {a }} 1.900,0000$ | ${ }_{43.68}$ | 100 |  | $3{ }^{3}$ | June | ee. |  |
| Traders |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Feb. Ma |  |  |
| Union of Hulifax | (1,000,000 | 3,091,000 | 1,600,000 | 31.71 | 100 |  | 3/ | June |  |  |
| United tmpire. | 标, (1) |  |  | ${ }^{54.54}$ | 100 |  | 3i | April | Oct. |  |
| Western ....... | 550,0000 | 550,000 | 300,000 | 3.5 |  |  |  | apr |  |  |
| Quarterly. | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


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| Hochelaga | 2.5 | 140 | 139 | 140 | 160 |
| Nova Sowtia. | 13 | $2791 / 4$ | $2791 / 4$ | $2791 / 4$ | 289 |
| Union.. | 25 | 128 | 128 | 128 | 158 |

## Miscellaneous:

| Canl Pacatic. . . . . . . . 418 | 1601/4 | 158 | 1591/2 | 1795/8 |
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| Mont. St. Ry. . . . . . . 1.2339 | 1841/3 | 175 | 176 | 261 |
| Do., New.. .. .. . . . 41 | 177 | 176 | 176 | $\cdots$ |
| Toronto sit. . . . . . . . . 1,203 | $981 / 4$ | 94 | 96 | 1161/4 |
| Haltax Elece Ry. .. .... 200 | 94 | 93 | 93 | 101 |
| Rich. \& (ont. Nav. Co. . 695 | 60 | 50 | 54 | 83 |
| Mont. L. \& Power.. .. . 4304 | $911 / 2$ | $841 / 2$ | $883 / 4$ | $971 / 2$ |
| N. S. Strel \& (Coall. . . . 816 | 64 | $591 / 2$ | 60 | 67 |
| 15om. Iron \& Steel, com... 6,874 | 19 | 141/4 | 17 | 281/2 |
| Do., Pref. . . . . . . . . 855 | 50 | 40 | 44 | $771 / 2$ |
| Dom. 'coul, comm. .. .. . 1.510 | 46 | 42 | 42 | 68 |
| Do., Pfd. . . . . . . . 2.5 | 9.5 | 9. | 9.5 | 113 |
| Bell Telep. Co. . . . . . . 93 | 122 | 121 | 121 | 147 |
| Jaurentide Paper.. .. .. 53 | 93 | 87 | 87 |  |
| Do., Pfd. . . . . . . .. 135 | 102 | 101 | 101 |  |
| Ogivie. . . . . . . . . . .. 268 | 116 | 115 | 115 | 125 |
| 'Textile. Pfd. . . . . . .. 201 | 84 | 82 | 82 | 102 |
| Do., Com. . . . . . . . 3 3 | 47 | 47 | $\cdots$ | ... |
| Lake of Woods.. . . . . . 22 - | 73 | 69 | 70 |  |
| Do., Pfd. . . . . . . . . 220 | 105 | 100 | 100 | 114 |
| Shawimigath . . . . . . . . | 53 | 53 | 53 |  |
| Inter. Coke:. .. .. .. .. 1,000 | 93 | 93 | 93 |  |
| Bonds: |  |  |  |  |
| 1)mm. ('otton. . . . . . . . 8,000 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 97 |
| Can. (obl. Cotton. . . . 1,000 | $931 / 4$ | $931 / 4$ | 931/4 | - |
| 10m. Iron \& Steel. . . . . 33.000 | $731 / 4$ | 70 | 71 | 83 |
| Ogilvie . . . . . . . . . 2.000 | 114 | 114 | 114 |  |
| Converters. . . . . . . . 4,000 | 1001/4 | 89 | 1001/4 |  |
| Textile C. .. .. . . . . . 32,000 | 82 | 82 | 82 |  |
| Winnipeg. . . . . . . . . . . 1.000 | 100 | 100 | 100 |  |

## MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS

Montreal, Thursday, Oct. 17, 1907.
A fair business has been in progress and trade conditions remain about the same. Discrimination is being shown with re-
gard to orders from certain sections of the north-west where prospects have leen clouded by crop damage and deliveries tol *uh points will be cut down. It must not be forgotten that a diversity of creps is now the rule all over this country and the frost damage to late wheat will be offset by higher prices for this cereal and by the active foreign demand now prevailing for coarse grains, lutter, chee e, le.ther, apples, live stock, dressed meats, etc. Building operations continue to be actively prosecuted and there is a good demand for structural steel, nails, paints and general hardwaze. Leather and hides are quiet at the moment but the boot and shoe factories are fully employed. Travelleas for dry goods houses have been sending in a large supply of sorting orders. There will be close supervision over spring orders, especially if the money stringeney is not relieved.

APPLES -Tatal exports for the past week were 71,628 brls.; to date. 181,350 brls.; 1906, 138,841 brls.; 1905, 253,653 brls. and 1904. 161,795 brls. The best fruit is still to come forward and it is thought the late rains will cause some needed growth. Prices are $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4.25$ for good and $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.75$ for choicest.

BEANS - Fair jobbing demand at higher prices. We quate $\$ 1.70$ for small lots.

BLTTER.-Sharp competition among buyers sent prices up in tho country, especially at Cowansville, and the market is firm. In Montreal luyers were reluctant to follow the advance and hope to see lower values later on. Buying was on a limited scale. Holders quoted 27 c to $271 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ for choicest Townships creamery. At Farnham 154 boxes sold at 28 c and there were small offerings owing to the bad roads. The exports of butter last week amounted to 973 packages, as against 33 packages for the previous week and 7,202 packages for the corresponding period of last year. Total shipments since May 1, 66,761 packages. as compared with 346,393 packages for the corresponding period of last year.

CHEESE.-The market was strong and fairly active. Sellers wanted $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for finest, western, $133 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ Townships, and $131 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ for Quebec. Mail advices from London said: There is a good deal of firmness about the market, but it would be difficult to say that more money is being made this week than last, or that there is any real improvement in the enquiry. In Utica, N.Y., 42 lots of 3,084 boxes sold at $133 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Exports of cheese from Montreal last week amounted to 93,753 boxes, as against 100,

537 boxes for the previd ing week of last year. boxes, as compared witl period of last year.

COAL.-Business fair by dealers at $\$ 7.00$ net less 25 c discount. Best paid on track.

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FLOUR.-Business fair ther advance. Choice s $\$ 5.70$; winter wheat pa do., in bags, $\$ 2.70$ to $\$ 2.7$

FISH.-Th stormy we plies of haddock and cod dock, do., $51 / 2$ c ; market cc weak-fish, 10 c ; lake trou 22 c ; bluefish, 1sc ; lobster: Ga*pe salmon, 18e. New haddies, 15 to $30-\mathrm{lb}$. boxe in small boxes, 12c; bon "Favorite" brand, 20-lb. boxes, 2-lb. bricks, 6c; b shredded cod, half-lb. car $\$ 1.80$; skinless cód, $100-1$ Labrador herrings, in brls herring, half brls., $\$ 2.50$; sea trout, in $100-\mathrm{lb}$. kegs, \$10.50; No. 1 green cod, $\therefore 5.5$; large green cod, $\$ 8$ salmon, in brls., new, \$13; in tierces, $\$ 17.50$.
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537 boxes for the previous week and 82,730 for the corresponding week of last year. Total shipments since May 1, 1,642,098 boxes, as compared with $1,869,799$ boxes for the corresponding period of last year.

COAL-Business fair at the late advance. Grate is quoted by dealers at $\$ 7.00$ net and egg, stove and chestnut at $\$ 7.25$, less 25 c discount. Best American steam coal, $\$ 4.75$ gross, duty paid on track.

DRY GOODS.-The market appears to be in grod shape with plenty of orders on hand. Travellers have done well with sorting orders and have booked considerable spring business as well. The mills have made no recent change in prices and both domestic and foreiga goods are strongly held. With the exception of a strike difficulty at one of the mills over the Saturday half-holiday question the labor question has caused no difficulty. Remittances are fair and equal to the expectations of mo-t of the leading houses. New York-Cotton futures, firm; October, 10.80 c to 10.85 c ; December, 11.08c; January, 11.00 c . Spot closed steady, 30 points higher; middling uplands, 1200 c ; do., Gulf. 12.25 c . Liverpool.-Cotton, spot, in fair demand; prices unchanged to 6 points higher; American middling, fair, 7.14d; good middling, 6.74d; middling, 654 d ; low middling, 6.18 d ; good ordinary, 5.58 d ; ordinary, 4.98 d .

EGGS.-Prices firm, with an active demand. Sales of selected at 24 c to 25 c ; No. $1,21 \mathrm{c}$; seconds, $161 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 17 c ; straight gathered, $181 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 19 c .

FLOUR-Business fairly active and prices strong at a further advance. Choice spring wheat patents, $\$ 6.30$; seconds, $\$ 5.70$; winter wheat patents, $\$ 6.00$; straight rollers, $\$ 5.75$; do., in bags, $\$ 2.70$ to $\$ 2.75$; extras, $\$ 2.05$ to $\$ 2.10$.

FISH.-Th 3 stormy weather has c ntinued to restrict supplies of haddock and cod. Halibut, expre:s, per lb., 10 ; ; had dock, do., $51 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$; market cod, express, per ib, 5 e; flo nders, 10 c ; weak-fish, 10 c ; lake trout, 10 c ; whitefish. 10 c ; brook trout, 22 c ; hluefish, 18 c ; lobsters, 30 c ; pickerel or dore, 12c; pike, 8 c ; Gaspe salmon, 18c. New kippered herrings, per box, $\$ 1$; new haddies, 15 to $30-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes, per lb., 8c; smok d herring, n.w, in small boxes, 12 c ; boneless cod, 1 to $2-\mathrm{lb}$. bricks, assorted "Favorite" brand, $20-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes, per lb., 7 c ; bcneless fish, 20 lb . boxes, 2-lb. bricks, 6 c ; boneless fish, $25-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes, locse, s ; shredded cod, half-lb. cartons, 2 dozen cartons in box, per box, $\$ 1.80$; skinless cod, $100-\mathrm{lb}$. cases, $\$ 5.50$. Pickled fish-No. 1 Labrador herrings, in brls., $\$ 5$; half brls., $\$ 275$; No. 1 N.S. herring, half brls., $\$ 2.50$; No. 1 mackerel, in pails, $\$ 2$; No. 1 sea trout, in $100-\mathrm{lb}$. kegs, $\$ 5.75$; No. 1 sea trout, $200-\mathrm{lb}$. brls., $\$ 10.50$; No. 1 green cod, per 200 lbs., $\$ 7$; small green cod, $\$ 5.75$; large green cod, $\$ 8$; No. 1 green haddock, $\$ 6$; Labrador salmon, in brls., new, \$13; do, half brls., \$7; Labrador salmon, in tierees, $\$ 17.50$.
(:REEN FRUITS.-Business keeps fair and prices are firm. California peaches, Salways, $\$ 1.50$; plums, Italian and Gross, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.75$ : Bartlett pears, boxes, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.75$; grapes, Tokays, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.25$. Oranges, 126 size, $\$ 5.75$ per box; Jamaica. fine stock, $\$ 7$ per bbl. Lemons, Verdellis, fancy stock, 3 in size, $\$ 450$. Apples, Duchess, St. Lawrence, Wealthys, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$ per bbl.; Culverts, Jennetting $\pm$, etc., $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.25$ per bbl. Bananas, Jamaica, fine fruit, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.75$.

CRAIN.-The market has been firm but not active as foreign buyers are not willing to pay the recently advanced prices, especially in view of better crop reports from India. In the North-west good milling wheat is selling at $\$ 1.00$ as against 6 6nc this time last year, Oats were strong with a fair demand. Siles of new crop were made at 55 c to 58 c per bushel, ex store, as to quality. In Toronto, traders are operating cautiously as there is some doubt whether present prices can be maintained. Prices there are quoted as follows: Winter wheat, No. 2 white or red, $\$ 1.05$ to $\$ 1.06$; Manitoba wheat, No. 1 northern, $\$ 1.201 / 2$; No. $2, \$ 1.18$ to $\$ 1.201 / 2$. Barley, from 75e to $\$ 3 \mathrm{c}$, according to quality. Oats-No. 2 white, $\tilde{6}$ c outside; mixed, 54c outside. Rye, 8le outside. Peas, quiet at 87 c outside. Corn, No. 2 yellow American, 75 c to 76 c , Toronto freights. In Ohicago, December
wheat sold at $\$ 1.053 / 4$ and May at $\$ 1.111 / 4$. Cash quotations for No. 2 spring wheat were $\$ 1.16$ to $\$ 1.19$; No. $3, \$ 1.03$ to $\$ 119$; No. 2 red, $\$ 1.031 / 2$ to $\$ 1.051 / 4$. Ext:eme nervousness was manifested in wheat, the prices fluctuating over a range of more than $2 c$. Sentiment was inclined to the bear side, because of large shipments from Russia during last week and.the breaking of the drought in India. Liberal receipts at Winnipcg also caused some selling. On the advance there was general realizing, which soon caused the loss of all the gain and the market closed weak.

GROCERIES.-Business is fairly active at full prices. The indications of bad weather caused retailers to get under cover early with their orders. This was especially the calse at New York where the retailer will soon have control of all the goods in sight in some lines. Efforts of the jobbers to place supplementary orders in the hope of giving them some stock on "hich to work during the winter have generally proved failures. Packers have nothing to offer, Small jobbers in various parts of the country are now coming forward to hunt for goods they refused to buy at the higher prices a few weeks ago, only to find there is nothing to be had here. On canned goods and on some lines of dried fruits the Western buyers appear to have had the chief advantage of foresight, and a larger proportion of the holdings than usual has gone to that section. A large demand has set in for macaroni and prices ase expected to go higher. Cables from the London beet sugar market reported a further decline but the market took on a firmer tone later in the day. At New York, there was an absence of feature to the market for refined. The withdrawal orders were no more than moderate and no new business was reported. The undertone held steady, with refiners asking former prices. The American, Arbuckle and Howell quoted on the basis of 4.80 e less 1 per cent cash for granulated, but the Federal was still 10 points below this figure and somewhat behind in deliveries. Spot quotations at New York were centrifugal, 96 degrees test, \$3.95; Muscovado, 89 degrees test, $\$ 3.45$; molasses sugar. 89 degrees test, $\$ 3.10$. The "Delphine, has sailed from Almeria with the biggest cargo of grapes for the season thus far. All told, she is bringing 55,000 barrels, of which 49,000 are for New York, 3,500 for Philadelphia and 2,500 for Boston. The total guantity of grapes on the way reported up to Saturday was 292.500 barrels for New York and 16,875 barrels for other ports. Receipts of Almeria grapes from the beginning of the seascn to date have keen 208,946 tarrels, against 127,809 barrels for the corresponding time last year. Some of the largest Louisiana paper shell pecan nuts that have ever come to this market are shown. The nuts, which are very full meated are grated as " mammoth" and justify the title, as they average $13 / 4$ inches in length and three-quarters of an inch in diameter. There is reported to be a scarcity of the better grades of Smyrna figs. Opening prices on new crop Persian dates to arrive on the steamer "Tabaristan," at New York, were announced by the Hills Bros. Co. They were $51 / \mathrm{s}$ e on standard brands of Hallowees, $43 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ for Khadrawees and $41 / 2 \mathrm{C}$ for Sairs. These figures are decidedly higher than those named on the first tide steamers last year, which were $43 / s^{c}$ to $43 / 4 c$ on Hallowees and $41 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $43 / \mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{c}}$ on Khadra wees according to weller. and $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ on Sairs. Almeria grapes are lower in price owing to large crops, and cables state that the crops sustained no damage from the late rains. At New York the first important shipment of new crop Malaga raisins came on the "Antonio Lopez," and consisted of about $\$, 500$ boxes, part of which is for Canada. Offerings out of the new goods on the spot are made at. $\$ 2.75$ for connoisseur clusters and $\$ 375$ to $\$ 4.25$ for finer grades. London layers for first half October shipment from Malaga are offered at $\$ 1.85$. The long overdue " Mongibollo," with some 30,000 boxes of Valencia raisins. also arrived but most of her stock was sold in transit, a considerable proportion of it to seeders. For what remains $73 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ is demanded on layers. The steamer "Bellona" hrought to Montreal this week one of the largest and finest loads of dried fruit which has ever come to Canada from the Mediterranean. At Patras, 28,000 packages of currants were taken on; at Denia, 75,000 packages of raisins and 9,000 packages of onions; at Malaga, 9,000 packages of Spanish raisins. Canned goods are scarce and firm. Peas and beans have been sold up and corn is actively enquired for. Southern sellers of corn have recently placed thousands
of cases at inc f.obl. factory for Maine style. At New York to mato ju bbers have been holding off. They can now buy standard 3 lb . Marylands for packers' lablel at $871 / 2^{\text {e }}$ f.ob., but the cut is not deep enough to satisfy them.
II. Y Y.--Fuit demand at better prices; new crop, $\$ 15.50$ to $\$ 16.50$ for No. 1 timothy; $\$ 14.50$ to $\$ 15.50$ for No. 2, and $\$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14$ for clover; mixed, $\$ 14$ to $\$ 14.50$ per ton, in car lot.

HIDES AND TALLOW.--Business unchanged and values ste dy. No. 1 hides. 9 c ; No. 2 hides, 8 c ; No. 3 hids. 7 c ; No. 1 calfskins. per lb., 10 c ; No. 2 calfskins, per lb, 8 c ; lambskins, goc to ioc; No. 1 horsehides, each $\$ 2$; No. 2 horsehides, each $\$ 1.50$; tallow. rendered. p r $\mathrm{lb} . .51 / 2^{c}$ to $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; tallow, rough, per 1 b ., $1 \frac{1}{2}$ e to 3 c.

HONEY.-Market dull and prices firm. White clover, comb, 12c to 13 c ; buck wheat, $91 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to 10 c and extracted, $81 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ extracted white clover comb, 10c to lle per lb.

HRON ANI II.ARDWARE,--Business has contillued on a fair scale in this line Latest British cables quote:-Tin, spot. £141; futures. \&1:38 5s. Standard. copper, spot, £60 15s; 3
 Werh. .fosing at é18 lis, against $£ 19$ low on the preceding Friday and against cis los at the correspon ling time last year. Spelter has adranced 15 s during the week. G. M. B. closed at $E_{2} 2.2$ the same as on the preceding day and against C2- 12- dad on the corresponding day last year. At New York it $i$ andicepated that there will be haray strats shipments of fin suphlies that have been held back. The London markat for the week his dropped \& 16 li.e on spot and Cl 16 on futures with large, tranzantions. Late cables from London reported that the (hinese were active hure of of tin after the heaver lionidation. Tlle output of copper in the United States. Mexico and Calladia for sepptember wat 68,388,00n poments, which shows a falling will from september last year of 29.573 .000 pounds, or :0 per cert. The total production for nine monthe was s24, 1,209100 prouls, a decrease of 62.000 .000 pounds. The falling off wan partimbarly marked in the Arizoma and Butte mines Thes ligures. with the price of copprer practically cut in two, faithfully represt the current depression in the copper trade (o) wall at the New York Fxthange for regular warrants, eash to December incensive, $\$ 17.50$ was bid. Standard foundry war rants. cash to November. inchusive, $\$ 18.50$ bid. On call 500 tons reqular Octoher, 500 tons ditto November and 500 tons ditto December sold at $\$ 18$. In lar iron new business has been small, lat faif perifications have been received on contracts. Current aales are made at 1 fine base Pittshurg, or 1.7 fe tide watel, lase half extras. The jobbing trade is quiet at 2 c bas full extras from store: There is a good demand at steady price for pig iron in this market. In the United States there seems little tendeney towards a decrease in output and, espeeially in the south where furnaces that have been out for repairs are about to blow in.

IJTE STock. In Liverpool. Canadian cattle were lower in price at $101 / \mathrm{ce}$ to $111 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ and ranchers at 10 c to $101 / \mathrm{e}$. Locally supplies were large of unfinished steers. heifers and cows which farmer, will not fatten owing to the dearness of feed-stuff Chosice beeves were not plentiful. Sales of choice cattle were
 common. at $21 / \mathrm{ce}$ to 3 c . and camers at $11 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{e}$ per lb . Sup plies of theep and lambs were fully 600 head smaller than a week ayo, and in consequence a stronger fecling developed in the market for the latter, which resulted in prices being ad vanced $1 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $1 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ per bb ., but sheep values were firm and an changed. Sheep sold at 4 c to $41 / 4 \mathrm{e}$, and lambs at $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 6 c per lb . The demand for calves was good, of which the offerings were fair. Choice stock sold at $\$ 12$ to $\$ 15$; good at $\$ 8$ to $\$ 10$; fair at $\$ 5$ to $\$ 7$, and common at $\$ 4$ each. Live hogs were firm and calcs of selected were made at $\$ 6.25$ to $\$ 6.50$ per 100 lbs weighed off cars. The shipments from Montreal were 3.71 ? head. against 2.547 a week ago

MAPLE PRODUCTS.-Trade quiet. No changes. Syrup, $51 / 2^{c}$ per lb . in wood; $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ in tins; maple sugar, 9 c per b .

MEAL-Steady trade especially in rolled oats at $\$ 2.921 / 2$ per bag. Cornmeal, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.85$.
MILL FEED.-Trade active at the late advance. Manitoba bran, bags, $\$ 23$; shorts, $\$ 25$ to $\$ 28$ per ton; Ontario bran, in bags, $\$ 24$ to $\$ 25$; shorts, $\$ 25$ to $\$ 26$; milled mouillie, $\$ 28$ to $\$ 32$ per ton; straight grain, $\$ 34$ to $\$ 35$.

NAVAL STORES-Business good at firm prices. Pine pitch, $\$ 4^{\circ}$ to $\$ 4.50$ brl.; pine tar $\$ 9$ to $\$ 9.50$; oakum, 4 c to 7 clb ; coal tar, $\$ 4$ brl.; roofing pitch, $\$ 1$ per 100 lbs ; cotton waste, coloured, 5 c to 7 e per lb ; white, 8 c to 11 c ; rope: Sisal $7-16$ and and upwards. $10 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; $3 / 8,11 \mathrm{c} ; 3-16,11 \frac{1}{2}$ c ; Manilla, $7-16$ and larger, $15 \mathrm{c} ; 3 / 8,151 / 2 \mathrm{c} ; 1 / 4$ and $5-16$. 16 c ; Lath yarn, 10 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

OLLS, ROSINS, ETC-The local markets are firm in sympathy with foreign advices. London-Calcutta linseed, Octo her and November, 46 s 6 id. Linseed oil, $25 \mathrm{~s} 41 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. Sperm oil, t34. Petroleum, Amer:can refined, $63 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$; spirits, $71 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. Tur pentine spirits, 38 s 9 d . Rosin, American strained, 10s 6d; do., fine, 15 s 3 d . New York-Rosin, firm; strained, common to good, $\$ 4.45$. Turpentine, steady, 55 c . Savannah-Spirits, turpentine. firm; regular, $511 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $521 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; sales rejorted, 604 . Rosin, market firm.

OYSTERS.-Fine oysters in the shell from Prince Edward Island have been held at $\$ 12$ per brrl. sitandards, bulk, per gallen, $\$ 1.50$; do., bulk, qt., tin, sealed 40 c ; paper pails, per 100 , pt. s.ze, $\$ 1$; paper pails, per 100 , qt. size, $\$ 1.25$.

POTATOES.-Businss fair, but late rains are endangering the crop. Prices are steady at. $\overline{\mathbf{5} \mathrm{c}}$ to 80 c per bag.

PROVISIONS.-A good business at firm values. Abattoir fresh killed hogs, \$9 to 9.25 . Heavy Canada short cut mess pork in tierces, $\$ 33.50$ to $\$ 34$; barrels, $\$ 22.50$ to $\$ 23$. fompound lard in tierces. 375 lbs ., $93 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 10 c ; boxes, 50 lbs , parchanent lined, 10 c to $101 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; pure lard, tierces, 12 c to $121 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; tins, 3 to 10 lb . cases, $123 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 13 c . Hams. extra large size, 25 lbs. and upward, $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; large sizes, 18 to $25 \mathrm{lbs} ., 131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 14 c ; medium sizes, selected weights, 12 to $18 \mathrm{lbs} .141 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 15 c ; extra small sizes, 8 to 12 lbs ., 15 c to $15 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; English boneless break fast bacon, 14 c to 1 ck ; Windsor bacon, b icks, 15 c ; spiced rolled bacon, boneless, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Wiltshire bacon. 50 lb . sides, 15 c .

WOOL-Business moderate. Canada fleece tub washed, 26c to 28 c ; Canada fleece, in the grease, 18e to 20c; Canada pulled, brushed. 30 c ; Canada, pulled, unbrushed, 27 c to 29 c ; pulled lambs hushed, ece to 32 c ; pulled lambs, unbrushed, 30 c ; N. IV merinos. 18 c to 20 c.

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ADVICE TO HOG DRESSERS.
The Department of Agriculture has is sued instructions for the benefit of farm ers and others concerned in the preparation of slaughtered hogs for market: The custom prevailing among farmers throughout Canada of slaughtering animals, particularly swine, upon their own premi es and selling the dressed carcases on the local market, is one which entails more or less loss to the producer. Before the advent of packing establishments. tro donestic trade was supplied by the local butchers, who were necessarily compelled to provide for future supplies, and. as a result, the local markets were created. Conditions have changed, however, the local dealers no longer supplying the domestic trade, which has passed into the hands of the packing houses, which are now the distributirg centres for weats. Packers ean afford to, and actually do pay higher prices and sell at lower values than the local butchers for reasons which ar obvious when one considers what profits are represented by the by-products. The packers are adverse to buying dressed carcases as they represent smaller profits in by-products; again dressed carcas:s are imperfectly handled $b v$ the farmer, the meat in many cases leeng bruisod and unsightly, this, as well as improper chilling being deterrent to good pricts. Animals, especially hogs, require scientifie chilling, otherwise those parts whi h enter into the process of curing become sour and unfit for market. Packers pre fer to buy their meats on the hoof, : nd for the reasons set forth alove, ar abe to pay higher prices for the same.
In view, however, of the large trade carried on in some parts of Canlda, in re particularly during the fill and wint $r$. in dresel pork. as well as in other dressed meats, attention may be directal to one of the requirements of the regula tions made under the new Meat Inspection Act, which is likely to have a considerable effect on the limsiness ab ve referred to. The Department of Agriculture at Ottawa having assumed the responsibility of inspecting ant pracii allv guaranteeing the healthfulness of all meats and reat products sent out by the packing houses. must, of necessity, protect itself by naking sure that no dis eased carcases are permitted to entcr these est blishments. The most effective way of preventing the entry of such 'izeased meat is, of course, the carefrl ai te-mortem inspection provided for by the regulations, but, in view of the large trade carried on in dressed carcases, and of the fact that both farmers and packers have been in the habit of handling meats in this way, the officials in charge of the enforcement of th ${ }^{\text {A }}$ Act have decided to admit to the establishments un der inspection, dressed carcises under such conditions as will enable them to judgo with reasonable certainty, as to whother the animal, prior to slaughter, was free from disease. Provision has, therefore, been made for the admission on inspection, of dressed carcos's with

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## g)l"TIL AMERICAN EMERALD

 VIINING.The German Minister in Bogota, Co lombia, has sent to his Government a detailed report on the emerald mines of of Muso, in the Department of Boyaca. These mines have undergone many vicissitudes.
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[^3]:    -In the vournal of Commerce of the 4th in stant, page 644, right-hand column, the population of British Columbia should be given as about 300,000 .-A portion of last week's issue was completed before the discovery was made that a line at the top of the article relating to wholesale hardware vicissitudes, page 697, was omitted The line should read as follows: "The estate of Gravel \& Duhamel, importers of car riages and."

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