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-There were 65 business failures in Canadalast week, 37 the previous weok, 58 in the first weok of January 1890 and a like total in the same week of 1895.
--Some Canadian bec-keepere are feeding their bees on brown sugar so as to induce a greater output of honey. The practico is becoming very prevalent, greatly to the hurt of the honey.
-Canada consumes more thay 20,000;000 lbs . of tea per aunum, representing over $\$ 2,000,000$ in cost price. Jupan sup. plies about $\$ 1,840,000$ worth ; China 584,(100, and Iodia and Ceylon about $\$ 90,000$.
-Ir one noint was emphasized more than another at the recent dairy convention in Brockville it was that farmers wero chiefly to blame for bad tlavors in cheese. The general caluss is in the handling of the milk at the farm.

- Flour shipments to China aud Aus. tralia continue to be very heavy, 1,000 tons having been shipped by the Eupress of Intiu on the ith inst. while another huge shipulent was made by the Mimoria on the Oth.
-General trate is quiet at lalifax. The fish market is depressed owing to lack of demand from the West Indies and the United States. 'Thongh the export of apples from Nova Scotia has been heavy the profit has been little or nothing.

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-Water power seems to have taken an extraordinary develop. ment in Frunce. Ont of a total of 118,655 separate workshops, 59 per cont generate their power by water.
-Last week's total of business failures in the United States is 488, one of the largest ever reported. For the first and last week in 1800 the total was 448 and 325 respectively. In the frst wooks of 1804 and 1805 the total was 484 and 405 respectively.
-Bank clearings at Winnipeg, Hamilton, Toronto, Montreal and Culifax amounted to $\$ 22,967,000$ last woek, compared with $\$ 16,651,000$ in the preceding week, and $\$ 27,000,000$ in the first week of January, 1800. 'the clearings at the five Canadian cities during 1896 were 1.4 per cent less than in 1895.
-One of the most extensive deposits of tin in the world has been found naar Guauajuato, Mexico. It is estimated that there are over $100,000,000$ tons of the motal in sight. It assays $61 / 2$ per cent pure tin. A company of American and Mex ican capitalists has been formed to dovelop the deposit,

- Randway earnings in the United States are making better comparisons than for sometime past. The earnings of 60 railways for Dec. 1800, aggregate $\$ 20,798,968$, a decrease of only 1 per cont compared with the previous December. The falling off in November was 10 per cent and in October 4 per cent com. pared with the corresponding months of last year. Still better comparisons are expected for January.


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-B. N. Foster, fruit, etc., Brantford, Ont, has assigned. It is an old established concern, but apparently he has not been able to make it pay. Failed in 1895, compromising at the time at 50 c in the dollar. Afterwards working along under chattel mortgage, which is still in force against him for $\$ 500$. Creditors who are not secured will receive very little-J. D. Camerod, general store, Greenfleld, Ont., has assigned-E. O. Fensom, milliner, North Bay, Ont., has assigned, with liabilities about $\$ 1,000$.
-Tan following is the programme of the Eastern trip of the Tariff Commissioners: Leave Ottawa Saturday afternoon, the 16th instant, for Quebec; remain here until Tuesday afternoon, the 19th inst.; arrive at Halifax Wednesday, the 20th; hearings at Halifax Thursday, the 21st and Friday the 22nd; leave Hallfax fos St. John Saturday, the 23rd; hearing at St. John Monday the 25 th and Tuesday the 26th.
-Ture idle machinery of one of San Francisco's woollen mills which was crushed under the great Democratic boon of Free Trade in wool, was sold to a Japanose company. When the new owners took possession they brought their Japanese labor with them to transfer the machinery. It was taken down piece by piece, carefully wrapped in paper and marked by the nimble fingered Orients, who àcompanied it back to Japan.
-Tae Department of Trade and Commerce have recently been informed regarding a new fuel manufactured from peat in Norway, and found to be of considerable commercial value. When an attempt was made to manufacture gas out of it the result showed it more profitable than ordinary coal for the purpose. Negotiations have been going on for the sale of the patent rights to other countries, and a Toronto real ostate firm is ondeavoring to secure the Canadian rights.


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-Atraces against the department store may possibly bear fruit in Illinois. A bill is to be introduced at the next session of the Legislature of that State establishing a general license system for all merchants on a scale correspouding to the number of branches of business in which the storekeeper is ongaged. Boginning with a fee of $\$ 20$ for a single-line merchaut, donble that sum would be charged for additional line, or $\$ 00$ for two lines, and $\$ 180$ for three lines, $\$ 540$ for four lines, $\$ 1,620$ for five lines, $\$ 4,86$ ) for six lines, and so on. The proposed plan would work something like the calculations in the old story about the nails in a horse's shoe, since the figures show that a dealer in 12 lines would have to pay a license fee of $\$ 81.900$.
-Tme tobacco production of the world for 1890, according to the estimates of Darnstaedter, were 530,000 hogsheads ( 1,000 pounds each) in the United States, India 385,000 hogsheads, Russia 154,000, Austria 143,000, China 110,000, Germany 77,000, Cuba, Dutch India and Turkey in Europe 66,000 each, Brazil 66,000, Japan 49,000, France 44,000 , the Philipine Islands 44,000 , Persia 40,000, Turkey in Asia 88,000 , Cape Colony 22,000, Bavaria and Herzegovina 20,000, Columbia 12,000, Belgium 10,000, Algier ${ }^{\circ}$ and Sau Domingo 9,000 each, Argentina, Paraguay, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Australia, Holland and Greece 6,000 each, with small scattering amounts in nnnamed portions of Europe and Asia. The average world's total is about $2,200,000$ hogsheads.
-Some farmers can produce milk at 15 cents per 100 lbs ., while with others it costs 78 cents per 100 lbs. Why cannot all do what the former does? The throe leading factors in this great problem are first, the cow, what must she be and how fed and handled? second, the farm, what must that be and how handled? third, the result, the cost of milk per 100 pounds. Each of these three factors were important and must not be slighted. The market for butter and cheese never asks, what does milk cost the producer, nor does it caro. It looks only at the amount offored and quality. Farmers should not look at the market end when they should be looking at the cost ead. Let them decide that they will produce milk by the cow and by the acre, which will mean a low cost of milk per 100 pounds. The farmer will wake up to the importance of producing a good cow for himself, The problem of to-day is how shall a farmer make as much profit at 50 cents a hundred pounds of milk as he did when he got a dollar a hundred.

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-Acetylene is coming very much to the front now, but it is not a novelty to the chemist by any means, says an English writer. It is a combination of hydrogen and carbon. Sixty years ago Humphrey Davy discovered the illuminating powers of this combiuation. It is, however, a French inventor, M. Moisgau, who has been enabled by the use of an electric furnace to rroduce it in large quantities. Lime and charcoal powder are subjected to the flerce hoat of this furnace. Oxygon is given clit. The remaining calcium of the lime comblnes with the cirbon, forming a fusible and crystallisable body-carbide of calcium. On immersiou ln water, acetylene is given out, lime beling precipitated
-E. Martin \& Co, grocers, Pembroke, Ont., have assigned. J. L. Cassidy \& Co., Montreal, are one of the largest creditorsJ. J. Thomdson; Sarnia. Ont.. has assigned. Two Toronto firms suod on thoir acconnts, not feeling disposed to grant any favors. Outside of these two flums his liabilities are not large-Kelly \& Co., general storg, Tavistock Ont., have assigned. The only partner in this concern was Sophie J. Kelly, husband having been trading in wife's namo for sometime. Ite has had reverses and could not use his own name. He was assisted by a Alontreal wholesale house to a considerable extont, but they have been gradually withdewing their support.
-Tus proposed amagamation of the threo dairy associations of Ontario will cause a saving of fully $\$ 2,000$. If the union takes place there would in future be but two dairy associations in the province to be called the Butter and Cheese Aslociations of eastern and western Ontario respectively, with one Executive Committee composed of three representaves from each association to act as a central Advisory Board. Aftor this instructors will need to have a full knowledge of both cheese and butter making. A grant from the Dominion Government is advocated for the purpose of holding dairy shows in Eastern Ontario, as Guelph has now an annual fat stock show supported by the Provincial Goverament.
—Mucir of the grass seeds imported from Europe contain foul soeds, and home-grown seed almost invariably succeeds better than imported soits. Timothy hay should not ho spoken of too alightly, tut as June clover ripens, a week or ten days ahead of it the mixture is not a good one. Mammoth clover and timothy wore a better mixture. Broom grass if cut frequently, and wire grass are not enemies of the farmer, but a splendid varioty for making up a mixture for permanent pasture. Fre.
quent cutting and light harrowing which would expose the roots will soon eradicate the pest of quack grass. Deep plough. ing on the other havd, only spreads it all the more.
-The annnal report of the Canadian Inland Revpnue Department for the fiscal year 1805-96 has been issued, and from it we flad that the quantity of tobacco consumed in the Dominion for that period was $0,083,000$ pounds, or 340,000 pounds less than the average of the past four years. Half a million pounds of Canadian tobacco was used in the factories. There are $1,500,000$ men above the age of twenty in the Dominion. This would make the average consumption of tobacco, snuff and cigarettes made in Canada a little over six pounds for each male adult. There were $108,290,000$ cigars consumed, against $106,181,000$ in 1895, und an average of $110,192,000$ for four years. Cigarettes were manufactured to the extent of $77,664,000$, against 54,493 ,000 in 1895, and 44,450,000 in 1894.
-Gho. G. Hacker, men's furngs., Hamilton, Ont. has assigned. Held meeting of creditors in November which was adjouraed with the object of taking stock, but landlord put in the bailiff for arrears of rent, and he was forced into insolvency. Has suffered for some time past from bad health, and his business has gone behind. He made a settlement in'1805, and has had difficulties in meeting his payments. Competition has been keen. Obliged to give considerable credit, his outstandings have not been available-W. H. TPonkin, general store, Leskard, Ont., assignment alroady reported. Is now offering to compromise at 60 cents in the dollar-Dawson \& Oke, tailors, Loudon, Ont., are offering o compromise at 50 cents in the dollar. Their liabilities are about $\$ 1,600$, and their assets nominally about $\$ 1,800$.
-G. W. Mumay, confecticner, Waterford, Ont., has assigned; no capital, a small affair-Silas H. Patterson, jeweller, Waterford, Ont., has assignod, owing $\$ 1,000$. Assets amount to about the same, but are not easily realized. Estate will likely make a satisfactory offer-W. D. Clement, physician, Woodstock, Ont., has assigned-Crawford, Lynch \& Co., general store, Orillia, held meeting of creditors on the 9 th, statement showing assets of $\$ 14,000$, and liabilities of $\$ 11,000$. Made an offer of 7 c in the dollar, which was not accepted-Mrs. McCartnoy, millinery, Petrolia, Ont., has assigned. Liabilities are small, and statement is likely to be fair-Annie Doherty, milliuer, Picton, Ont., has assigned-W. J. Burns, general store, Seeley's Bay, Ont., has

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assigned to J. P. Langley, owing. about $\$ 5,000$. An old resident and trader having been in business some years. Did fairly well, but during the recent depression, his trade has fallen off. He has also lost through crediting too freely.
-s. Cuarr n \& Co. grocer, Montreal, have assigned on demand of II. Curbeille. This is the wife of S. Charron, who was formerly carrying on grocery business in his own name but failed in Jauurry last, and then sold out, starting again in ber name. A small affair-Estate of late' T. Flenagan, restaurant, Montreal, has turned out rather badly, and creditors are being ohered 10 cents in the dollir cash. Owos $\$ 6,000$, with hzsets of less than ${ }^{2} 1,00$. The buls of liabilities is widow's dower claim of $\$ 4,000 ; G$. Sleeman is principal creditor for merchandise. Widow will continue the business if this scheme succeeds-T. H. Mallette, grocer, Montreal, has assigned to the court on demand mado by J. Perrault. Liabilities $\$ 7,250$. Principal creditors, J. Perrault, $\$ 1,340$; Laporte, Martin \& Co., $\$ 648$; Hudon, Hebert \& Co., \$859; L. B. Wilson \& Co., $\$ 377$; N. Quintal \& Fils, $\$ 382$; St. David Wine Cu., Toronto, $\$ 243$; P'. Grace \& Co., $\$ 226$; C. Langlois \& Co., $\$ 202 ;$ A. Briset \& Fils, $\$ 288$; T. Kinsella, $\$ 235$; H. Trudel, et al, $\$ 840$. Meetiog of crediturs fixed for 19 th inst.

Bay of Quines Notes-Madoc village is again talking about a market-Belleville now imposes a tax of $\$ 250$ on transient traders-The steaner "Pierrepoint" made her last trip between Kingston and Garden Island on Saturday. This is the earliest date in agreat number of years that the steamer has been forced by the ice th lay up-The woather has been quite mild during the past few days. Snow is much needed-The Tichborne House at Parham Station was burned last week. Loss $\$ 2,000$; insurance $\$ 200$-Stirling telophone and telegraph office has been putin tirst class condition-Oats have been selling at from 18 to 20 cents in Kingston-The financial affairs of Picton are in a muddle as the result of electing incompetent persons to office-One firm will take out 7,100 cords of wood at Jarkins this winter-Charles W. Post, of Carrying place, produced 10,000 los. of honey last year-Richmond's dry goods store in Kingston was gutted by fire last Friday week-Kingston is still confdent of being made a divisional point of the Graud Trunk-James Musgrove, haruess maker, Picton, has assigned-The work of construction of the Kingston and Smith's Falls railway will be commenced next summer-The ferry steamers are running between Kingston and Cape Vincent--The O'Connor House, Deseronto, was to have been sold by auction on Tuesday, but thero wes no bid offered-The Zion Cheose Company held their an nual meeting and they pay a dividend of twenty dollars and sixteen cents per standard.

[^1] 114 Yonge street, Torunto, Ont,
--Anvices from Petrolia, Ont. nute that while no changes have occurred in prices the market has assumed a decidedly firmer tone during the last few weeks, and there is very slight prospect of a decline in values. The demand for petroleum, both crude and refined, is very strong, and all branches of the business are in a state of healthy activity. Drilling is, kept up steadily, all the rigs that are not working at Buthwell and other new, or supposed territuries, being kept busy at home. Following are the shipments for last month, on the Grand Trunk and Michigan Central roads.

Grand Trunk Railway.

| Grand Trunk Railway. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crude. | Refined. | C. Equiv. |
| 15,350 | 20,010 | 65,375 |
| Michigan | Central | Railway. |
| 4,158 | 9,981 | 24,952 |
| 19,508 | 20,991 | 94,327 |

-Smart's Tea Co., Hamilton, Ont., has assigned to C. S. Scott The concern was composed of T. G. S. McArthur, he being only registered partner, acting as a cover for others. Affairs of this concern have been rather complicated. It has been under chattel mortgage to different people, and has had considerable diffculty in making the business pay. The wholesale grocery company of McPherson, Glasses \& Co., are interested to a large extent, but hold chattel mortgage as security-M. R. Dunn, general store, Bonfield, Ont., has assigned-Crawford, Lyach * Co., general store, Orillia, Ont., whose offer of 70 c in the dollar has not been accepted, have now assigned to Henry Barber \& Co, Torunto-Munco \& Co., grocers, 'Toronto, Ont., have assigned -Toronto Hay Cutting Co., Toronto, Ont., has assigned. Business in this line has been very dull, and there have been quite a number of losses sustained by the trade. The capital of the present owner -E. Johnston-has always been considered much too limited, but his liabilities are under $\$ 1,000-J$. T'ooley \& Co.; general store, Brockville, Ont., has assigned-Halliday \& Co., general store, Chesley, Ont., aro unable to meet engagements and have called $a$ meeting of creditors. Last spring they wers unablo to pay their bills as they fell due, and obtained at that time an extension from principal creditors spread over 3, 6 , and 9 months, at 7 per cent interest. They showed surplus of $\$ 18$,000 , but not in ative shape, and had assets aggregating $\$ 27,450$. Their liabilities now are $\$ 0,000$.

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-Trm United States last weekly bank statement shows the extraordinary increase of $\$ 14,407,000$ in legal tenders. In part this is due to the paymonts of interest by the Treasury, amounting to about : $8,500,000$, while the remainder has come principally from the interior and from local savings banks. This movement places the surplus reserve at $\$ 48,991,450$, the increaso for tho week being $\$ 10,704,500$. It is needless to say that this change portende a still easior condition of the loan market in tho United States.
—St. Joun Nu' \& Bol' Wonks, St. John, N.B., which suspended paymont in November last, held a meeting of creditors at tho time, at which statoment was submitted showing liabilities of $\$ 10,000$, and assets of $\$ 8,000$. A committee was then appointed to investigate affars, and report at further meeting. Being unable to effect any settlement, they have assigned. listate is not likely to turn out woll.
-Tue "Aorangi," the new stemmer of the Canadian-Austrahan SS. Co., which is to ply between Sydney, N.S.W., and Vancouver, 13.C., will make her first regular trip in Agril. The addition of a third steamer to the line will allow of more frequent trips than the present monthly sailings, and will enable. New Zealand to ehare in the service.
-To prevent low water in bollers a float may be placed inside the bollor, connecting it with a valve in the feed-water pipe. As the water lowers, the float drops aud opens the valve, allowing the water to flow in, and at the same time opening a steam valvo, thus giving an alarm te the engineor.
-Oon Eoglish exchanges abound with discussions on the mining enterprises of South Africa, and to a lesser degree of Westralin. Some of them are very sad reading. And yet it is buta very short time ago that they were looked upon as offering the best opportunities for investors.

## Nerlich \& Co., <br> TORONTO

Mis In the Journal of Comamer of the Sth inst. an error was committed in what is technically known as the " make-up," by which the columns of the first editorial were transposed, and was not discovered till the greater portion of the edition was printed. An error in one of the dates was also made.

## MINING IN JAPAN.

The Japan Weekly Mrail states that the value of the mining output in Japan in 1892 amounted to $15,145,817 \mathrm{y} 0 \mathrm{n}$; in 1893 it was $10,385,818$ you, and in $1894,20,190,874$ yen. An increaso of more than 40 per cent. in three years is not a bad record. The following table gives the value of the principal minerals obtained during the two years 1893 and 1894:

|  | 1893. <br> Yen. | 1894. <br> Yen. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Coal. | 6,837,809 | 9,585,155 |
| Copper | 4,003,515 | 5,567,947 |
| Silver | 2,723,402 | 2,710,769 |
| Gold. | 307,305 | 788,574 |
| Iron. | 892,478 | 507,401 |

This table shows what the principal minorals of Japan are, but it would be erroneous tn infer that other minerals are of small importance in Japan. That is not the case. In point of fact, gold, iron and other mines have developed to a greater or less extent because of the facility for working them. The output of kerosense increased from 200,000 yen in 1893 to 260,000 yen in the foliowing year. Sulphur, plumbago, tin, lead and manganese all show a similar increase. It woald not bo an exaggeration to say that the supply of various ores is almost inexhaustible in Japan, and that the mining industry has not yet advanced beyond its threshold.

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-A. R. McKax, general store, Wolaford, N.S., has assigned to his brother John A. McKay, making two preferences, Patrick Burke and A. R. McKay.
-C. R. Dicmie \& Co., hardware, Canning, N.S., have absigned Habilities are not heavy, estate should turn out well-A. G. Cunningham, flour, Halifax, N.S., has assigoed to Geo. E. Boak, making a number of preferences; liabilities $\$ 35,000$.
-Ode Oshawa, Ont., correspondent writes: Mr. Frank Braithwaite who has been employed in Emerson \& Hawkins, hardware shop, is about to go into partnership with his brother and open another hardware business here. The firm will be known as Braithwaite Bros-The Henrys who have about 9,000 barrels of apples in store here are now repacking and shipping to England.
-B. Ladzon, Jr., general store, St. David d'Yamaska, Que., has assigned to the court on demand of P. P. Martin \& Co., and meeting of creditors has been fixed for 10th Jan., to appoint curator-Alex. Pichette, hardware, St. Hyacinthe, Que., has asaigned to the court on demand of St. Hyacinthe Bank; liabilities are $\$ 23,000 ;$ assets $\$ 17,000$. Meeting of creditors to appoint a curator Jan 18th, when he is likely to make an offer-P. Gauthier, hotel, Buckingham, Que., has assigned; liabilities are under $\$ 500$.
-J. V. Plamondon \& Co., shoes, Quebec, whose failure is already reported, have succeeded in effecting settlement with creditors at 40 cents in the dollar, 4,8 and 12 monthss securedJ. B. U. Gregoire, furniture, St. Johns, Que, on whom a demand of assignment was made by G. Fredette, Sr., has assigned to the court with liabilities of $\$ 3,000$. On the death of his father creditors accepted bim for father's liabilities. Estate appears to have turned out rather poorly, and business has been flat. He coutemplates making an offer-M. G. Hawley, photos, Sutton, Que., has recently been calling on his Montreal creditors, and bas offered them 50 cents in the dollar, payable in 30 days. Creditors are considering the matter-E. Dussault, drygoods, Quebec, has effected a composition wich creditors at 30 cents in the dollar. Liabibilities were $\$ 2,300$, and asssts nominally $\$ 1,800$.
-Joun Price \& Son, hides, Montreal, on whom two demands of assignment were made, one by A. W. Bonner, the other by Molson's Bank, have assigned to the court with liabilities of $\$ 96,-$ 748. The principal creditors are, Jas. $0^{\prime}$ Connor, $\$ 16,000$; Molson's Bank, $\$ 8,188$; Banque Nationale, $\$ 392$; Thos. Lambe, $\$ 1,400$; Banque Jacques Cartier, \$297; Bapk of Montreal, \$223; $\mathbf{A}$. W. Bonner, $\$ 230$. This is an old business established by John Price who conducted it alone for years. Hefailed in 1870, compromising at that time at 10 c in the dollar, failing a second time in 1892,

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with liabilities of $\$ 18,000$, on which he paid 20c. After this ho admitted his son Wm. John, and his brother Job. Prive, under present stylo. Firm dissolving again in April 1896, Joseph re. tiring, remaining partuers continuing under same style-E. Reeves \& Co., shoes, Montreal, have assigned to the court with liabilities of $\$ 7,219$. Principal creditors: Sister of the Congregation for rent, \$1,570; Ames Holden \& Co., \$1,094; J. B. King \& Co., Toronto, $\$ 5,471 ;$ L. H. Packard $\mathrm{C}_{0} ., \& \$ 381$; Z. Lapierro \& Sons, $\$ 314$; Canada Rubber Co., 8200 ; J. Renaud, 203 ; L . Reeves, $\$ 201$; Paul Galibert, $\$ 310$; J. C. Clark, $\$ 275$; A. Trudel, \$457. Meeting of creditors called for 21 st inst.
-T. H. Perllirs \& Co., tailore, Gananoque, Ont,, have ussigned. Assets about $\$ 2,500$, liabilities ditto. The business was began under style of Fitzpatrick \& Phillips, who failed ln Januuary, 1898, estate being sold and bought in for Phillips by his father, who paid 50c in the dollar. The father was understood to be the only registered partner, but concern was under the management of the son-Frank Bros. drygoods, Cuelph, Ont, held a meeting of creditors on 10th inst., at which their statement shawed assets of $\$ 7,000$, and liabilitios of $\$ 13,000$. Mada offer to creditors of 40 c in the dollar, which was refused, and firm was requested to assign. They opened in fall of 1894; previous to this they had been in Detroitand Chicago. For a time they had quite a large trade, having a branch at Fergusand at Tilsonburg, but these they have closed. Competition has been keen, they have cut prices themselves and their management has only been fair-Annie F: Tocher, temperance hotel, Hanllton, Ont., has assigned-Thclsaberry \& Loughrey, harness, London, Ont., have assigned-Jas Butler, hotel, Stiitaville, Ont., whose assignment has been referred to held a meeting of creditors on 11th. Made an offer of 25 c in 3 months-Edwin Sked. nev, brush mnfr., Hamiiton, Ont., is offering. to compromise at 25 c in the dollar. Principal portion of his assets is under chattel mortgage, and his liabilities will be about $\$ 500-F$. Vancamp, hardware, Lindsay, Ont., has assigned-R. O. Smith, books, etc., Orillia, Ont., has assigned. He had some capital, but his busi ness has been a losing one from the start. Probably paid too much for his first purchase-N. I.. Haugh, jeweller, Toronto, has assignod.

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Englaind is solving the problem which has beeii tronbling her with regard to her tropical possessions of late years, owing to the great depression in the sugar trade, sugar, we mean, as produced from the cane.

Although among the most conservative of people, British manufacturers seem to have readily taken to the idea that the nettle-like plant known as Ramie, which grows profusely in India and will yield four crops a year, can be substituted to great advantage for the product of the silk-worm of Southern Europe or wherever the mulberry freely grows, and also for the products ef the flax and hemp fields of Ireland and the Netherlands. Considerable money has been spent for some years past over the endeavors to convert the silhy fibres of this plant into textile fabrics, which its appearance would warrant people in believing quite practicable. Mistakes have been made, chiefly in the dyeing processes, the chemicals in some cases rendering the fibre quite brittle and useless.

The use of the Ramie plant is by no means new in the East, having been for many years employed by the Hindoos and Chinese in making rough, strong cloths, as well as nets and lines for fishing. As yet, however, it has but an unimportant place in modern commerce, although the plants which produce it have been cultivated as an experiment for some years in English gardens, for instance at Kew, where it has been wonderfully successful, especially the Chinese variety which, however, only produces two crops a year.

Many persons, and especially those who have been cultivating tracts of this plant in India and also to some extentin South America, are of the firm opinion that the new silky fibre will supersede flax, hemp, silk and other textile fabrics. The intrinsic value of the fibre has for a long time been fully admitted, and the Indian Government twice offered a prize of $\$ 25,000$ for a high quality of fabric produced from the plant ; but the prize was never won. The difficulty lay in the production for which two distinct operations are necessary. It would seem that no method by machinery could be found to thoroughly separate the gum and the fibre. It was done by a chemical process, and it was in the use of these that the fibre had been rendered so brittle as to unfit it for use. The strong chemicals, it seems, rotted the fibre. This was particularly the case with the French product. The Americans next took up the scheme and, with their usual sanguine expectations, prophesied great things and dropped considerable money to solve the problem. A chemist of Hindoo origin but of European education, has at length solved the difficulty. The new patented method turns upon the employment of zincate of soda, and a company has been formed with patents taken out all over the world, and an experimental factory in London, which turns out about two tons a week for spinning. The son of the Austrian Consul in this city made diligent enquiries as to thie fibre and product during a recent sojourn in Europe, and it is probable that Canada will not fall much to the rear in the use of a new raw material.
We may return to this subject to describe the process which, under the new patent; is very economical. The manufacturers in the north-eastern counties of Ireland also. the Netherlauds, will have to look to their laurels. The new process, known as the "Gomess;" has been in use nearly two years, and the product appears to be free from defects. But the object of the manufacturer, as in the Southern States, is to get as near to the place of growth as possible. As to the cheapness, the Rhea ribbons cani be bought in London for about
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## THE QUEBEC AND ONTARIO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLIES.

In respect to the Legislatures of the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario, we cannot very heartily say we "Welcome the coming, and speed the parting guest," for were both to take a vacation, the land, to use the old phrase, would have rest. Canada's legislative mill is altogether too busy. No sooner does one set of stones get out of gear than another commences grinding, the result being a production far in excess of the needs of the market. Year after year the different Provincial Assemblies turn out batches of new Acts, the larger portion of which are superfluous; many of them die in early infancy, and very few live to be of any permanent service. A Bill passed in one Session is usually regarded as "raw material" for the legislation of the next one. Acts seem passed, not to work themselves, but to find work for legislators and for lawyers. Amendments are made to Provincial Acts in such profusion that it puzzles the bar and the bench to know what the law really is, so numerous have been the changes made to explain it ; or correct it; or render it workable. Hence Provincial Statutes are apt to be "shreds and patches," like an old coat of which the original structure can bnly be guessed at by a sartorial expert.

This perpetual variation of our legislative Acts has one merit at least, it helps to break up the monotony of life by springing new surprises upon the legal profession and their clients. An Ontario judge not long ago said, "A kaleidoscope is a very amusing toy for a child; and probably has some use in an artistic sense, but kaleidoscopic legislation in which the combinations were so rapidly changed was a nuisance and an interminable source of vexatious litigation." Now the Ontario Assembly is opening, the bar is wondering
what will be the next programme of the variety-show, and the members of that august body are cudgelling their brains to devise some amendments ${ }^{*}$ to the Acts they passed last Session. Take, as an illustration, the laws relating to insurance in Ontario, which are a tangled mesh of elaborate and inharmonious provisions, mandatory and prohibitive, and are vexations alike to the companies and to polizyholders. We trust the new Attorney-General, the Hon. Mr. Hardy, will set his face like a flint against making the present confusion more confounded by new amendments to Acts which niight very well be allowed a chance to be practically tested before being changed.
The Quebee Legislators have left little behind them to seriously complain of. She Lower House did little to earn the thanks of Montreal. But possibly the cow is grateful for being relieved of her milk, and for many years the city has been regarded as the milch cow in the Quebec herd. We owe much however to the new Provincial 'Treasurer for his efforts to keep this city from being, as farmers say, " milked dry." 'The effort made to saddle the city with the entire cost of improving Notre Dame Street, when a formal agreement had been sigued by property owners thereon to bear a share of the expense, was defeated owing in no small degree to the determination of the Hon. Mr. Atwater to protect the city from this injustice. The Mayor, who did yeoman service in this work, acknowledged the value of Mr. Atwater's assistauce. But, we shall remember for some time, that a gross wrong proposed to be dove to our citizens, a wrong based in the violation of a legal agreement, was supported by a majority of the Lower House for reasons which would justify highway robbery, as they simply arose from sympathy with an effort to victimize the citizens at large in order to put money in the pockets of a few. The Quebee Legislature did good work in supporting the scheme to consolidate or convert the Provincial debt, which cannot fail to prove highly advantageous to the Proviuce.

If we may be allowed a suggestion, we should like the Ontario Govt. to sweep away every Act bearing on insolvency, making the ground clear for an entirely new Act. Patching is unsatisfactory; the need is for one Act built-up from the ground as one design, all the parts being in harmony and fitting well together. This would give the members useful work, and keep them from tinkering so much with their own legislation in previons yenrs. The House will be the poorer for Mr. Balfour's absence from the chair, where, had he been spared, he would have made a name as an excellent Speaker. Mr. Harcourt doubtless will make another admirable Budget speech, and will do so in no trepidation of any effective cirificism, as the Opposition lacks a finamial nathority. The absence of Mr. Mowat will make the Ontario House look like the family circle with puterfamilias away, for Sir Oliver's benevolent smile, like the rain, fell equally upon the just, who followed him, and the unjust, who longed to occupy his side of the House.

## THE ARBITRATION TREATY BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN AND THE STATES.

A I'reaty has been signed by the provisions of which Great Britain and the United States are severally bound to refer all cases of dispate between them to arbitration. The arbitrators are to be, three members of
the Judicial Sommittee of the Privy Council, and three judges of the United States Supreme Court. When their decision is unanimous it will be final, or, final if the award is given by a vote of 5 to 1 . If these conditions do not occur, then one of the parties can protest against the award, and the mediation of a friendly power is to be asked. The above refers to territorial claims, fishery and navigation disputes, indeed generally to those more serious questions which are most likely to provoke hostilities. For minor questions, where only $\$ 000,000$ is at stake, the arbitrators are to be chosen as usual, one by each party, and a third by those two. In these cases the award will be final if unanimous, if not so, another board of five arbitrators will be chosen, two on each side, and a charman by the four. Should the interests of any British colony be involved it will be allowed for one of the arbitrators to be drawn from that colony. The treaty is well meant; it does not recoguize any uew principle, but gives to one which has been recognized for centuries a more formal international acknowledgment and force than has hitherto obtained in such arrangements. There is no doubt the visit of Lord Chief. Justice Russell last year was intended to prepare the public mind for this treaty, a work which it very effectually accomplished.

While we cordially approve of the reference of international disputes to the arbitration of reason rather than the arbitrament of arms, we are not over-sanguine as to the continued, unbroken success of this scheme. In all human agreements there must be a penalty involved by this breach, and a Court of ultimate appeal, with power to enforce its verdicts, or such agreements will not be invariably respected. Ordinary arbitrations, when ordered by a Court of law by consent of the two parties, have the authority of a Court, and judgments arrived at can be enforced. But the award made by voluntary arbitrations may be accepted or ignored at the will of either party, or of both parties. 'I'he Treaty is admirable in its intention, but amounts to nothing more than a friendly understanding. It has no power to enforce the awards of the arbitrators. In the case, for instance, of Venezuela, the arbitrators might decide the boundary in dispute averse to that country, or contrary to the British claim. What would then be done? Uncle Sam might, in his own language, say, "What are you going to do about it?" For a difficulty of this kind the Treaty does not provide a solution. The plain truth is that, an arbitration treaty confined to two nations is on too restricted a scale to be of much practical value, as it entirely lacks the power necessary for enforcing awards. If however the great nations of Hurope were to join in such a treaty, they could compel obedience to any arbitration which they had arranged, for no one uation would dare to defy a combination of the other powers. It is true enough, "war is a game which, were their subjects wise, Kings would not play at," but war will remain the Supreme Court of Appeal for settling international disputes until the great nations enter into a joint Treaty to refer all disputes to arbitration, and to join in whitever action would be needed to enforce the arbitrators'. awards. The millenium is not dawning because of this treaty, nor will either Great Britain or the United States; because of it lessen their defences by a man or a gun.

PROPOSED MONTREAL PILOTS INCORPORATION ACI.

A notice has been given in the Canada Official Gazette that an application will be made at the uext session of Parliament for an act to incorporate the body of pilots on the river between Montreal and Quebec. . This is a matter that may be fraught with importance to the shipping, mercantile and marine insurance interests, aud as such is sure to attract considerable attention and will likely be vigorously opposed. Some twelve or fifteen years ago a similar measure was attenipted by the pilots to be passed butunsuccessfully. The reasons for opposing it then remain, with increased force, at the present time.
It is admitted on all hands that the present regulations regarding pilots are not altogether satisfactory, but by mutual concessions they might easily be made. so to all reasorable unen without incorporating a body of men with powers that may work an injustice to a minority of the pilots and at the same time tend to throttle trade interests by the majority of a small corporation. It is well known by those more immediately interested that there has been considerable friction between the pilots and the different interests involved for some years back. The present system of selection of pilots by the different lines running to Montreal, briugs about four distinct interests-that is the regular lines as against transient vessels and the selected pilots asagainst those not selected, or, as they are called the "tour de role" pilots.
The chief grievance of the latter has for years been that the regular lines do not select a sufficient number of pilots for their work, and as a consequence of the interpretation given as to what constitutes a regular line more pilots are left on the "tour de role" than the transient-vessels, not considered regular liners, ann give them employment sufficient to provide a living for. This class very naturally have contended that the earnings should be more eguitably distributed and that this could easily be done if the regular lines were each to select one or more pilots than they have done for some years and so reduce the number who have to wait for the so-called trausient ships.
This is in reality at the bottom of the whole trouble on this side of the question. The last pablished report of the Harbour Commissioners--for 1890̆-shows that the highest earnings of a selected pilot was $\$ 1,690$ grading down to $\$ 958$, the lowest figure, the highest earnings of a tour de role pilot was $\$ 047$ grading down to $\$ 328$, the lowest amount earned. The figures shewing the pilots' earnings have not yet been published for 1896, but it is understood that owing to the increase of shipping the total carnings of the pilots will be larger than 1895 while the relative proportion for the two classes of pilots will be about the same, but if anything to the advantage of the selected pilots. On the face of it there seems to be an anomaly in the present cohdition of pilotage matters. Of late years there have been great changes in matters pertaining to navigation.
These changes affect the distinct interests of the two classes of pilots. The selected pilot when be leaves his vessel can return to his home, or his farm, as the case may be, and remain there until the telegraph uforms him that he is required and heacts accordingly
at no expense for saitiug. The non-selected pilot on, the other hand has to be in waiting at Quebec-sometimes for two or more weeks-under heary expenses for board from which the selected pilots are largely exempt. This is a condition that undoubtedly calls for a remedy. 'Taken as a whole the pilots are a resspectable body of men, and all are presumably qualified for the work or they would not have their license to follow the calling of pilots.
It has been proposed to abolish the present system of selection and put all the pilots on the tour de rolereserving the present right of rejection up to three which transient vessel agents now enjoy. This the agents of regular lines-rightly or wrongly-itappears, object to.
What would probably neet the case and overcome all the difficulties, would be the selection of more pilots by the regular lines and so leave fewer for transient or irregular vessels, which would have the effect of largely equalising the work and the earnings, and avoid the complications that have led up to the present application for an Act of Incorporation which if obtained may lead to greater troubles and hindrances to the freedom of navigation in the future.
In the notice of application for the Charter it is among other things intended, it aypears, to provide that all the earnings of the pilots will be paid into a common fund which will be divided between the pilots by the Corporation according to the by-laws. What will be the character of those by-laws is not shewn but it is understood that they will be somewhat on the same lines as those the pilots below Quebec havethere they divide equally at the guaranteed rate of $\$ 600$ a year, and if that is not earned the tariff of rates for the pilotage of vessels is raised to meet the deficiency.
The pooling of earnings and equal division is vicious in principle and ought not to have the sanction of law. It cannot, in any case, be wise to place all men on a dead level as regards remuneration for their services. To do so would remove all inceative for excelling others in their own sphere. It is trice that such a state of things exists in the pilotage district below Quebec.
It is well known how political reasons gave the pilots below Quebee that Act and powers that, to say, the least, have not worked to the benefit of navigation, perliaps in the whole maritime world there does not exist a similar organization under cover of law as that of the corporation of the pilots below Quebec.
The Bill now asked for by the pilots from Quebec to Montreal is certainly not in the interest of navigation and ought to be opposed. It cannot be for the general good that a few men should have the powers--without other responsibility than their own interests-to regulate such large interests as are involved in the navigation of the St. Lawrence River. In accordance with general custom in ail countries pilots have to pass an examination and shew their qualifications and knowledge before they receive a license to work. This gives them an advantage in their business but it does not constitute a claim to control the whole regulation and business of pilotage.
There is another view to be taken of this matter. The shipping interest and the Board of Trade have for years repeatedly called the attention of the Harbour Commissioners and the Government to the excessive
charges for pilotage on the St. Lawrence. Now that the pilotage question is again raised it might be well to have this feature brought forward. The present tariff for pilotage was made years ago under different conditons and regulations than now exist. At that time it was not contemplated that a pilot should earn sixteen or seventeen hundred dollars for a half year's service. Now with the facilities for travel back and forth and the regularity with which vessels now arrive and are dispatehed, one half of that half year's service may be spent at their own homes at rest. That is a happy state that must make many a sea captain's mouth water when lie reflects that for but little more pay he has to work and buffet the stormy seas for the full twelve months in the year.

It has been the study and effort for years of many men to reduce the charges that have impeded navigation on the St. Lawreuce and restricted its capabilities. Of late years much has been done by the Government to help in that direction as well as the greater safety of navigation. The Harbour Commissioners have hitherto endeavored to reduce all charges in the port and as far as possible make it virtually free. The financial statement made at the last meeting on Tuesday shews the reduction of 20 per cent $m$ ade in June has been beneficial to the trade already and the usual surplus of receipts over ordinary expenditure will likely not be materially reduced. With a wise economy still further steps in the same direction may be expected.

In the meantime the full bearing of this movement by the pilots may well be watched and considered by all having an interest in the future welfare of the trade of Montreal.

## SLAUGHITRRING AGAIN.

As a slaughter market for the United States manufacturers Canadil is not much less useful to-day than it was some years ago The "National Policy" has not been as successful in this direction as its friends at first believed it would be. In spite of heavy duties, American manufacturers will, in order to keep thèir plant and men employed, sell their wares in Canada at prices far below cost, to the great hurt of the native industries of this country. Catuada is peculiarly and temptingly situated for purposes of disposal of surplas stocks, on the part of our neighbours. Contiguity and similarity of requirements are factors in the question which no legislation can effect. In another place we mention a shipment of pig iron to 'lorouto from the United States at a price far below the card in that country. Another case was brought to our notice recently where shipments had been made to Canada of felt hats which in the United States were sold at $\$ 4.50$ a dozen, and which were laid down here at $\$ 2.50$ a dozen. Over the line the spring is a month or so - earlier than here. After catering to the demand there what is left over can be dumped into, Canada at alwost any price. It is better than letting the goods rot on the manufacturer's shelves. This particular slaughtering of felt hats in this market was the cause of at least one failure in Montreal.

One of the strongest arguments used in favour of the establishment of a policy of protection in Canada
was that it would keep our people employed. Butin spite of the duties, and in spite of the heroic efforts to meet the competition of the Americans, our manufacturers are again and again under sold and at prices which only manufacturing on the most enormous scase can at all explain. Canada keeps the employes of many American concerns at work and the plant in use. We are importing now from the United States at the rate of $\$ 60,000,000$ per annum. It would be interesting to know if there are many more men employed in Sanada than there are in the United States in producing manufactured articles for consumption in the Dominion. Already the basis of our supply of hardware has shifted from Liverpool to Pittsburg. The value of the iron and steel and the manufacturers of these commodities imported from the United States is double that imported from Great Britain.

Many of our jobbers would prefer now to buy in the United States than from Canadian manufacturers. They look forward to the expected reductions in the tariff with great complacency. Under strong protection the middle man, the merchant, or jobber gets but little show as the manufacturer is apt to deal direct with the retailer and ignore the merchant. But with less protection he cannot afford to send out travellers himself: he looks to the merchant to distribute his wares. It is to be hoped that if the tariff is lowered all the travelling will not be done by Americans, and that our middle men will not be disappointed in the expected results. Already the imports of the United States to Canada exceed in value those of this country to the Dnited States by $\$ 20,000,000$. Can we ever get over the fact that the Americans, working as they do on a much vaster scale, are able to manufacture more cheaply than can be done in Canada? How muchlonger shall we kick against the pricks ?

## THE CITY CHARIER.

The Legislature of Quebec has been prorogued and the citirens of Montreal, as well as the City Council, know the result of the recent legisiation and attempted legislation on the manicipal affairs of the city, consequently these will be a breathing speil in which to take stock-so to speak-and consider what is to be done for the future.

In the last days of the Session, Mayor Wilsou Smith especially rendered good service in the city's interest. His lucid statement of facts and figures carried conviction to the minds of the members of both Chambers, and on the whole the result is satisfactory even if the legislation, as passed, has to be considered as only temporary in its character. The Legislative Council has again proved its usefulness, and the opinion of many that it should not be abolished will be strengthened and more generally eutertained.

From what has developed during the last few years it is evident that the City Charter, which was revised and consolidated only a few years ago, has with the yearly tinkering and the amendments made to it by the Legislature, become so troublesome to find out what is the law that a fresh revision and consolidation of the Charter of the city seems to be imperatively re-
quired. It shoyld be of such. a character that this periodical rushing to Quebec for amendments to the Charter will be unnecessary. With general principles established the city of Montreal ought to be capable of deciding for itself how it shali be municipally gorerned. The City Council if fairly representativa of all parts of the city should know better what is required for the ununicipal good of Montreal than the country members of the Legislature who cannot know anything about details on such matters except what they are told by parties interested in exploiting some particular matter contrary to the general good.
It seems to be understood that a complete revision of the Charter of the City is to be prepared before the next Session of the Legislatare. Time rolls by rapidly. In all probability the next Session will be on long before the end of the present year. It- will take some time to prepare and mature the revision, and it it is serionsly intended to bring it forward no time should be lost.
Among the changes to be made should be a modification of the expropriation law as it now stands-and above all others the chauge in the representation of the people in the City Council, by means of a redistribution of the wards to conform somewhat with justice, equ ity, and common sense.

## SOME SUGAR STATISTICS.

In its materially lower prices and general statistical features the sugar market has attracted considerable attention during the past year. Few important operators in any of the principal markets of the world emerged entirely unscathed. Those who beld too much stock about the middle of, May sulfered the most. In the United States $5 \frac{1}{2}$ cents was the lighest and $4 \frac{1}{6}$ cents the lowest prices for refined during the year. In Montreal 43 cents was the highest and 33 cents the lowest.
F. O. Lncht's preliminary estimates of the European beet sugar production will compare with the preceding campaigus as follows:

|  | 1896-97 | 1805-96 | 1894.95 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Germany | 1,800,000 | 1,615,111 | 1,844,586 |
| Austria. | 1,050,000 | 701.405 | 1055,821 |
| France. | 780,000 | 667,853 | 702,511 |
| Russia. | 750,000 | 788,489 | 615,058 |
| Belgiam. | 205,000 | 260,050 | 243,057 |
| Holland | 145,000 | 106,829 | 84,507 |
| Other countries. | 170,000 | 168,800 | 150,000 |
| Total | 4,900,000 | 4,303,537 | 4,792,530 |

Thus the campaign of 1896-97, prel iminarily gives hope of a surplus of about 566,000 tons against its predecessor.
Mr. Licht's estimate of the principal cane districts is as follows :-

|  | 1806.97 | 1895.96 | 1894.95 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cuba | 400,000 | 392,798 | 754402 |
| Porto Rico | 50,000 | 49,948 | 52,467 |
| Trinidad. | 55,000 | 54,591 | 52,026 |
| Barbadoes | 50,000 | 42,975 | 37,040 |
| Martibique | 35,000 | 35,830 | 29,758 |
| Demerara. | 110,000. | 102,438 | 96,747 |
| Brazil | 210,000 | 22u,000 | 260,000 |
| Java. | 540,000 | 676,142 | .509,510 |
| Philippine Islands | 270,000 | 250,447 | 200.870 |
| Mauritius. | 150,000 | 140,513 | 113,926 |
| Reianion | 45,000 | 44,508 | 38,248 |
| Jamaica | 30,000 | 31,000 | 30,000 |
| Minor Antilles | 40,000 | 38,000 | 27,000 |
| United States | 320,000 | 260,000 | 325,000 |
| Peris | 70,000 | 69,000 | 75,000 |
| Fgypt | 85,000 | 82,000 | 70,000 |
| Sandwich Islauds | 160,000 | 170,000 | 148,000 |
| Total | 2,655,000 | 2,704,447 | 2,850,615 |

In this estimate Cuba is put down for 400,000 tons for the campaign of $1896-97$. The realization of this quantity will depend wholly upon milita:y sufferance in the island. If planters are allowed to grind it is the general belief that the state of the cane fields would permit of a production of fully 600,000 tons.
The best authorative estimates of the principal cane districts for the campaign of 1896.97 would seem to indicate a world's production of $2,727,000$ tons cane sugar; this estimate, however, is based upon the assumption that Cuba will produce 400,000 tons, which may or may not be realized.
On October 1st, the beginning of the present campaign, the total stocks in all principal ceuntries were, according to statistics, $1,199,464$ tons. Assuming that the estimated production of cane sugar, as here given, will be realized, viz., 2,727,000 tons, together with the realization of Mr. Licht's estimate of $4,960,000$ tons of beet sugar in Europe, we shall have a total world's supply of $8,866,464$ tons for the campaign of 1896-97. Now deducting $7,350,000$ tons (the world's consumption ior the campaign of 1896-97, according to Licht) we find that on September 30th, 1897, there should be a surplus or visible supply of $1,586,464$ tons with which to begin the campaign of 1897-98.
An outcome of the discussions in Parliament on the sugar bounties is the announcement that an international conferonce in which France, Germany, Austria, Belgium and Rus-' sia will be represented, is to meet in Paris in March to study the means of putting an end to the present state of things, which burdens the censumer with the bounties paid to the maunfacturer and refiner.
The Commission appointed by the Imperial Government to examine into the depression in the West Indian sugar industry, Las already taken the evidence of Mr. Neville Lubbock, Mr. Alstone, and other representatives of the West Indian traders. The leading recommendation made by all the witnesses thus far examined has been in favour of countervailing duties to offset the bounties paid to the continental makers of beet-root sugar, in the event of it being impossible to arrive at any agreenient with the bounty-paying nations to abolish the bounties. Statistics placed before the Commisision show that while the population of the British West Indies increases at the rate of 14,000 annually, the sugar exports have fallon 25 per cent in fourteen years. The French sugar planters in Martinique and Guadeloupe are in as bad a plight as those in the British colouies. They lave memoralized the French Government to the effect that the French colonial sugar industry is on the verge of utter ruin, and demand that agaiust the home bounty system they shall be allowed a grant of five franes on every hundred kilogrammes they export, either to lirance or to foreign countries. The English commissioners will sail for Demarara on Sunday next.
The following tables show the extent of the sugar importations at this port for the year just ended:

1. Return of sugars below 16 DS imported at Montreal for the year onding 31st December, 1896, showing countries whence imported.

2. Return of Refined Sugars and over 10 D S entered at the port of Montreal for year ending 31st December. 1800, showing ountries whence imported.

| Countries. | Quantity 1 bs. | Value \$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Great Britaln | . 1,897 | 68 |
| United States.. | .. 2,999 | 100 |
| Germany... | ... 43,419 | 1,088 |
| Hong Kong. | ... 105 | 7 |
| 'Total. | ... 48,510 | 1,808 |

## U. S. PIG IRON IN CANADA.

The figures which American furnace people quote to buyers of pig iron in Canada throw considerable light on the condition of the market across the line. Within the past three weeks orders lave been placed by Toronto men for round lots of American pig iron at very low prices. One instance is cited of a buyer who purchased 1,000 tons of No. 2 northern pir iron at $\$ 11.48$ in bond, or equal to $\$ 15.48$ freight and duty paid. The terms were cash 30 days, and delivery is to be made by end of August next. 'The point to note in this particular transaction is that the price is 16 cents por don less than the same purchaser could bny at during the prevalence of the phomenally low prices of two years ago, and $\$ 1.10$ per ton less thon ho offersd to pay during the Presidential contest, when he wanted the iron but the furnace people were not inclined to sell. Such rates as these indicate the bad condition of United States trade rather than the extension of its markets.

The monthly figures of pig iron production atford a fairly accurate idea of the course of business in the Umed States. These figures show that with one exception there was a falling off each month in the weekly output of iron from Nov. 1. 1895 to October 1 1896. But up to the 1st of July the falling off had been comparatively small, the decline in the whole of the oight months up to that date having been only from 217,306 tons to 180,532 tons, and this from the largest total ever reached in the country's history. But in the three monthis from July 1 the October 1 there was a further drop from 180,532 tons to 112,782 tons per week, this latter reduction being at the rato of about $3 \frac{1}{2}$ million tons a year. It is to bo said, too, that up to and including July the weekly product was each month above that for the corresponding date in 1895, whoreas after that the product was each month below that in 1895. The meaning and significanco of such conditions when applied to the exhibits of bank clearings is of course obvious. The very poor results for the later months were in part offiset by the more favorable results in the early portion of the year.

## BNGLAND'S BUIV'ER AND CHEESE IMPORTS.

The London Board of Trade Returns for the year 1896 are not yot published, and exact particulars of the quantity of Butter and Cheeso imported cannot be given. Details, howover, of tho weekly imports of butter from the beginning of Soptember to December 264 Lh ( 17 weeks) are available and they presont several unusual and interesting features if compared with the corresponding 17 weeks of 1895 . In the first place there is a total incroase of $57,263 \mathrm{cwts}$. for the poriod just expirod, of which 37,040 are Colonial, Canada occupying tho first place, with the large amount of $34,350 \mathrm{ewts}$, leaving Anstralasia only the smiall increase of 2,690. The 20,223 cwts. increase from foreign countries, though large in itself, is relatively very small when compared with the total forcign import, being only $2 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent while the Colonial incroase is 38 per cent. A curious feature of these 17 weeks is that Donmark has sent 2,065 cwts. and Sweden $7,714 \mathrm{cwts}$. less than in the same period of 1895 , while Holland has sent 22,327 owts. more. The most remarkable feature, however, of these 17 weeks, is the great increase from the Continent of America. This consists of 49,443 cwt. comprising 34,850 Canadian and 15,093 States. If the Argentina increase of

1,902 cwts. be added the augmented supply from the American Continent will be seen to nearly equal the total increase from all the rest of the world. The market for Canadian cheese remains firm, though some endeavours are being made to raise values.

The Montreal Butter and Cheese Association does not approve of the bonus granted during the past two years to those creameries which exported a part of their product, in conformity with the regulations of the Provincial. Department of Agriculture. As the bonus has been of no general advantage to the Quebec creameries, the Association suggests that the balance of the sum should be devoted to securing greater facilities for the transportation of butter in cold storage conveyance from the factories to points of shipment, and thence to Great Britain.

## PRIOES OF PROPRIETARY ARTICLES.

With the view of maintaining prices on proprietary articles at retail efforts have recently bgen made in England to bring the proprietor, the jobber, and the retail dealer together on a basis which should make it worth the while of each to stand by the other. The scheme has not found much numerical following but the best elements in the several classes support it. The jobbers favour it with practical unanimity, although the allegiance has not been pledged with unvarying cordiality. Whetber the numerical support from his class is greater because the British jobber's chiof aim in life is to labour that his customers may have cake while he himself subsists on bread, or because, he knows that, while the success of the scheme might be attributed to Providence, he would certainly be held responsible for its failure if there were any opportunity to charge bin with laches. It would appear, however, that fallure of the British plan, should it cone about in the near future, may be charged to the retailers themselves. The one weak point in all of these schemes, as a contemporary observes, is the fact that the retail druggist is really debarred by the ethics of his calling from extending to proprietary medicines that reaiprocal support which the proprietor will expect as a reward for his offort to protect the retailer in his profits. The want of success thus far may be charged chiefly to the fact that neither proprietors nor jobbers could be given the tangible assurance of any advantage to be derived from taking sides against the cutter and in favor of the more orthodox druggist although the disadvantage of having either of these classes against them has been made apparent. If the Englisin association finds a way out of the difficulty, it may be taken advantage of in Canada.

## AN INSURANCE DECIS1ON.

Mr. Justice Morgan recently gave a decision in Toronto on. a point in a fire insurance case that is without precedent in fire insurance judgment. The facts of the case are in brief these :-Robert Darling, wholesale woollens, was burned out in Toronto in the great fire in January, 1895. In the poli-' cies with the outside fire companies was a clause insuring goods in the warehouse sold, but not dglivered. It was tonching this point that the dispute arose. The companies paid bim the market value of the goods, but asked also for the profit he would have received on the goods if they had been delivered. The judge to whom the parties interested agreed to refer the case held that if the policies compelled the companies to pay the profit expected on the goods, as well as the value of the goods, it would be equivalent to holding the companies liable to guarantee the payment by the insurer's customers of goods sold to them to guarantee against loss by bad debts, and the decision was given. in favour of the companies. No similar case could be found in American or English reports, and the decision is unique in insurance legal records.

## SUBSCRLBERS'. RECEIPTS.

Acknowledgment of receipt of remittances, on account of subscriptions, is made by changing the year at the right hand end of the address label. As the Joorinal of Cemmerce is probably the busiest newpaper in Canada-which itshould - be-a week may sometimes elapse before the change appears, especially if the remittance arrives after the middle of the week.

## 'INDIOATIUNS OF LONGEVITY.

In discussing the indications of longevity an English medical journal recently made some very interesting remarks. It is the staying power that is in demand, backed by an inherited and reserved vitality of resistance against the usual evils to which flosh is heir. The law of heredity is at the bottom of all life insurance calculations as to whether a particular man or woman is wound up for 70 years or will ren down at 20 or 30 years. There are certain physical quatities which have great weight in determinizing the result of the struggle against a conspiring environment. It is the proper recognition of such distinctions that aids physicians in their proynosis, and turns the balance against apparently desperate chances.

Every person carries about with him the physical indications of his longevity. A long-lived person may be distinguished from the short-lived person at sight. In many instances a physician may look at the hand of a patient and tell whether he will live or die. In the vegetable as well as in the animal kingdom, each life takes its characteristics from the life from which it sprung. Among these inherited characteristics we find the capacity for continuing its life for a given length of time. I'his capacity for living is called the inherent or potential longevity. With unfavourable conditions this longevity may be greatly decreased, but with a favourable environment the longevity of the person, the family or the race may be increased. These are the two leading considerations, always interdependent-the inherited potentiality and the reactionary influences of environment. The primary conditions of longevity, are that the heart, lungs, and digestive organs, as well as the brain, should be large. If these organs are large, the trunk will be long and the limbs comparatively short. The persons will appear tall in sitting and short in standing. The hand will have a long and somewhat heavy palm and short tingers. 'The brain will be deeply seated, as shown by the orifice of the ear being low. The blue hazel or brown hazel eye, as showing an intermission of temperament, is a favourable indication. The nostrils being large, open, and fres indicates large langs. A pinched and half-closed nostril indicates small or weak lungs.

These are general nints of distinction from those of shortlived tendencies, but, of course, subj$\underset{c t}{ }$ to the usual individual exceptions. Still, it is well acknowledged that the characteristles noted are expressions of inherent potentiality, which have been proven on the basis of abundant statistical evi ence.

In the case of persons who have short-lived parentage on one side and long-lived on the other side, the question becomes more involved. It is shown in grafting and hybridizing that nature makes a supreme effort to pass the period of the shorter longevity and oxiend the life to the greater longevity. Anyone who understands these weak and dangerous periods of life is forewarned and fo"earmed. It has been observed that the children of long-lived parents inature much later and are usually backward in their studies.

## THE EXPORT EGG TRADE.

The Continent is the main source from which Great Britain draws the requisite qnota of eggs to supplement the vast numbers of uative eggs which are produced by farmers, cottagera, and private persons who keep fowls throughout the Kingdom. The trade that has-been opened with Canads for years patt
seems now to be established on a healthy basis. The greater portion of the shipments enter at Liverpool and Glasguw, the reason being that it costs more to ship them to London direct or forward them by rail from thuse ports than it dues to consiga them straight to their proper destination. Considerable supplie』 of egge for immediate use are scattered over the northern counties, where they realize fuller rates than if dieposed of in London. In the metropolis the buying fo usually of a strongly depreciative character, with a very large assorment always on hand.

There is some complaint among egg dealers in Liverpool as to ${ }^{\circ}$ the poor assistance given them by shippers. No fewer than $1,144,022,440$ eggs, of the value of $\$ 14,8 u 7,530$, were impurted by Eugland uuriag the Hrat nine months of the past year, and a large proportion of chese was entered at Liverpoul. It is odd that the trade should allege that it is nut so well served by the shippers there as at other ports. . A Liverpool correspundent of the Lundun Grocer asserts that numerous iastances of this can be quoted. About the end of November last a promineni Liverpool merchant was nutified of the arrival of a cunsigameat of Canadian egge by a steamer whicts had arrived in the dock on Monday. On Thursday the eggs were sent for early in the morning, The carter waited a whole day withuut getting a load. The same thing occurred on Friday. Oa Saturday, arter waltiag until noon, the man went off to load from anuther versel uyou which a consignment of eggs had arrived meantime. There was not much regard shown for the fact that eghe are sf. a perishable nature. It ts interesting and instructive to nute that 24 hours after this Canadian steamer had arrived in Liverpool, a consignment of eggs was shipped at Hamburg, discharged at Grimsby, placed on the railway there, and delivered in Liverpool, Bir. mingham, Wigan and uther places in time fur saturday's market. Accurdlog to I'he Grocer, all this timo the Canadian egge which had arrived a full day previousily in Liverpuol were snugly ensconced in the hold of the 'vessol lying alongside the quay. It is not particularly creditable to those who ought to be furamost in fustering the trade of diverpool to neglect che interests of such a large and growing branch of that trade. Uanadian shippers of egge should make careful enquiry concerning the prompt delivery of their shipments. Great Britain imports nearly $130,000,000$ dozen of eggs per aunum. Canada cannot arford to neglect such a market.

## THE BANK OF FlianUE.

I'hs Charter of the Bank of France expires neat year. It is to be renewed and extended for 23 years, but with changes. The limit of the nute issue is raised frum fuur bllion to tive billion francs- $\$ 1,000,000,000$. In retura, tho bank is to advance to the Guvermment $40,000,000$ frades free of interest, and is to renounce interest on luams made to the Goveramont in 1837 and 1878, whicu aggregate $140,000,000$ francs. A now tax is imposed of $1 / 3$ of the rate of discuant on that part of the Bank's circulation classified as "productive circulativa," in excess of the metalic regerve. This excess in Fuvembor last was abuat $\$ 100,000,000$, the rate of discuant being 2 per cent. Tlie $t i x$ in this case would be $\$ 2 j 0, v 00$. Having been out for a long time and never presented $f$ sr redemptiun, sume $7,000,0$ O trances of the Bantr notes are suppused to have been destroyed, bu; the Bauk is not to gain by this luss of the nute hulders: the Guverameat is to take the $7,000,000$ francs, and assumes the responsibility of redeaming them in case of presentation. The Bank must allow agricultural associations the same discount on their paper as merchants. In this parti:ular the example of the Banks of Italy, Russia, and Germany is folluwed. Farmers are alou to be allowed a representative oa the governing boards of the branches of the Bauk. Withla two' yeurs these brancues must be increased to $\%$, and su new auxillary agencies must be establinhed in thuse parts of France not bufficiently provided with bauking facillties at preseat. After 18vu the Bauk is required to establish 15 mure agencies. Whatever the Bauk of Frauce may think of these terms it is clear tuat the Guvernment has made a very advantageous arrangement fur itself and the people of France.

## FIRE RECORD.

At Montreal on the 11th inst. the sash and door factory of Joseph Paq'ele was destroyed by fire together with its contents. It is a repeciciun of what occurred nine years ago: The loss in about $\$ 40,000$; innuranos only $\$ 15,000$.

## CRATHERN \& CAVERHILL'S WAREHOUSE FIRE.

The warehouse of Cratheru \& Caverhill, which extends from Colborne St. to Anu St., was totally destroyed by fire on the night of the 12th inst. The stock, which conslsted of the usual articles found in a fully equippod heavy hardware establishment, is valued at $\$ 250,000$. Stock-taking has just been completed so that the extent of the loss can be accurately known. The insurance on the stock, which aggregates $\$ 200,000$, is all placed in tive English companies some of whom have largely reinsured in other companies, Liverpool, London \& Glole, $\$ 50,000$; Royal $\$ 40,000 ;$ Phoenix, $\$ 40,000$ : London Corporation, $\$ 40,000$, and North America, $\$ 30,000$. The L. L. \& G. had reinsured in the Phoenix of I lartford and Atlas companies for $\$ 4,000$ and $\$ 6,000$ respectively, The Loudon Corpn. had reinsured in the British America for $\$ 7,500$, in the Lancashire for $\$ 6,000$, and the Sun for $\$ 2,500$. 'The North America had reinsured in the Connecti cut for $\$ 10,000$ and the Phenix of Brooklyn for $\$ 5,000$. The insurance on the building, $\$ 20,000$, is all in the London Corpuration. The policies are all old ones having heen in existence for a long time. There was no oil or other inllammable material stored in the warehouse. The firemen deserve great credit for the able way they handled the ife, which was one of the fiercost ever known in Montreal. Iu contining it to the one building they did much more than those who watched the progress of the fire expected.

## A REMARKABLE MECLANICAL IMPROVEMENT.

One would imagine that jperfection of tone and action had already been reached by leading piano-makers. But they are never sutistied; thay must kaep on striving a lee greater things especially thuse mannactarers with great wealth at their command. The modern demand for the Upright Piano opened a new tied for ingenuity. It was always looked upon as impracticable to obtain with Uprights, tono and perfection of action equal to what had been secured in the improved square pianos and espectally in the l'arlour Grands and Concert lianos.
The manalaciurers of tho celebrated Kabe lianos, attor per sistent endeavors, have at length hit upon and perfected an action that complotely orercomes the diflienty relerred tis, so that musicians can now have in the Uprights of this old estab)lished Honse frepesented in Muntreal by Mosses. Willis \& Co who have the new inproved pianos in their Notre Dame street warerooms) instruments with tone and action fully equal to what has heretoforo been looked upon as impossible except in tho Grand makes and sizos.

We need hardly enter into any explanation of the ingenious mechanism by which this great improvement is accomplished as skillful players and those , who wish to obtain the best style in executing passages that so frequently oceur in tho produc tions of some of the ablest composers, should call and see and judge for themselves. The new improvement renders the keys most pensitive to the touch, so much so that repeated notes and trills, and runs in chromatic passages are oxecuted with the greatest facility. Thero is no need of hard pressure or thumping here to bring out the sound; the desired effect responds to the slightest touch of the fingers, and will repeat as long as required.
For durability and symmetry the Knabe Pianos stand in the first rank, and the new features briefly noted above should esablish their chaim to the phrase, Ne plus ullura.

## THE COFFEE WAR.

The President of the Woolston Spice Cu., Joledo, has admitted that the Arbuckles will eventually coutrol the local spice plant. He says that the purchase of the 60 shares of stock by the Arbuckles-to which we referred in our issue of last weok-has given a now plase to the situation. He would not be surprised to hear that hostilities betweon them and the Sugar Trust had coased. The Arbucklea are reported to be wegotiating for the Woolson property conditional on their retirement from the sugar business.
-M. Bnariy \& Sons, Welland, Ont., shipped to the Grand Trunk Ry. Co. at Moutreal a Hoisting Engine and Boiler, for use in the Engineering Department, The G. 'I, R. have several of M, Beatiy \& Sons' Engines in use.

## REUENT QUEBEC FAILURES

Two or three Quebec failures of more than usual coming together have attracted considerable attention thls week Chier among them is the suspension of Misael Thibaudeau, wholesale and retail grocer, who for many years has done a good business in Quebec city as a small jobber, beginning in the re tail line in a very small way $3 \overline{0}$ years ago. The direct liabilities are about $\$ 100,000$ and the indirect $\$ 40,000$. Among the chief creditors are, A. Joseph \& Sons, $\$ 30,000$; T. Ledroit, $\$ 18,000$; and Whitehead \&Turner, $\$ 14,000$, the balance being spread over a number of firms. The assets show nearly dollar for dollar, but the outstandings are large and not of the beat character. Too mjch credit has been given, the business has not been well managed, and several severe losses have been incurred. Nearly $\$ 15,000$ was written off in bad debts during 1806 . Stock is now being taken by Joseph \& Sons aud Whitehead \& Turnor. Mr. 'Thibaudeau's credit with his bank has always been excellent and anything with his name on it has been readily taken. His extensive discounting has kept him afloat while he has been running bohind frster than he or anyone else appears to have real-ized-J. A. Plamondon, wholesale flour, who hesitated sometimo between liquidating and assigning, decided to assign. His liabilities are about $\$ 60,000$, nearly $\$ 48,000$ of which is owed to the Banque National, but is doubless largely secured. Among the eight or ten creditors are, W. W. Ogilvie, Montreal, for $\$ 1,800$; Lake of Woods Milling Cu. $\$ 2,000 ;$ R. F. Cream \& Co., Quebec, \$700; Geo. 'languay, $\$ 400$; McKay Milling Co., Ottawa and a fow others. A carload of llour had been shipped to Plamondon by W. W. Ogilvie, but fortunately hat not been delivered, and consequently is still the property of the shipper. Insuflicient capital, and business inexperience have been the main causes of his trouble. The assets are nominally about $\$ 3,000$ less than liablities -0 . Giguac \& Fils, lumber, held a meeting a few weeks ago at which they offered 25 cents in the dollar which was refused. As a subsequent meeting hold a few days ago, offered 40 cents in the dollar cash, or 45 c . 6,12 , and 18 months unsecured. Having been nuable to arrange the matter they have assigned. Liabilities are $\$ 05,000$, of which, $\$[8,000$ is privileged; assets $\$ 36,000$. These failures emphasize a necesity for a radical change in the credit system which obtains in Quebec. Dealers expect and obtain almost unlimited credit From six months to a year is the average with the privilege(?) of frequent renewals. No business can be carried on successfully on terms such as theso.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Don, Toronto.-The idea of a joint stock remedy is not a bad one for the promoter ; but the public will naturally be disposed to inquire whether a business which would not support one or two owners is likely to be more remunerative when divided among many more.
Chaigalacere, Brockville.-'The mild weather is the cause, but price is also influenced by the greater number in the business. New laid eggs are in limited supply, and have fallen lately to 40 cents, or 20 cents less than the highest figure of the season.

Mac., Now Glasgow.-The proposed furniture enterprise has been abandoned or rather postponed. Repairing is more in demand.

Woollens, St. John. N.B.-Three of the travellers and two of the warehouse men. There will be no lack of enterprise.
L. C., St. Catharines.- Labels and remittance, but no samples.

Investon, Toronto،-Demand of assignanent is contested.
Will be declded shortly.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.
Return of traffic period ending Jan. 7, 1897:

|  | $\begin{gathered} 1807 \\ \$ \end{gathered}$ | $1896 .$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Passenger Train Earnings. | $1100^{\text {, }}$ 59 | 109,712 |
| Eroight do. do. | 150,491 | 186,250 |
| $\because$ Total do. do. | 267,350 | 205,062 |

## AN OLD BUSINESS RELIC.

We are indebted to Mesers. Rae \& Donnelly, the well known auction and commission merchants, for an old salesbook covering the period 1791 to 1795. Among the names entered are MLcTavish, Frobisher, Viger, Wurtele, Bouthillier, Leprohon, Porteous, Gray, Rassell, Aird, MeCarthy, Scott, Fisher, and many others whose descendants are conspicuous in business to day.
-The Messrs. Gray of Toronto, who for some time have conducted the Fibre-Chamois factory in this city, as largely concerned in the business themselves, have disposed of their interest to the company, which will be continued under the same title as heretofore.
-Mr. Jas. P. Murray of the prosperous Toronto Carpet Mfg. Co., well known to the wholesale trade in Montreal, has been making New Year's Calls on his friends, and is now on his way home to prepare samples for next season.
-M. Beatry \& Sons, Welland, Ont., have the order for an Hoisting Fingine and Boiler, from the Dominion Bridge Co., Montreal, to be used on a special self-propelling derrick car, for use in erectling a new steel bridge on the Canadiau Paciflo Railway at Surprise Creek.

That $\$ 50$ Prize-Contributions received this week from " E M. T.," Bowmanville; "L. O'C.," Toronto; "W. McW." Guelph, and "M. M.," Orillia, also from "H.S.S." and "A. G. S.," Toronto, and "K. C.," of Montreal. The time for receiving the competing productions expires to-day.
. - M. Beatty \& Sons, Welland, Ont., shipped to Rat Portage, Dec. 30th a Mine Hoisting Engine and Boiler with wire ropeand sheaves for the shaft head, for the Mikado Gold Mining Co., to be used on their Gold mine about forty miles from Rat Portage.
-Jacos Silverstone, retail hatter, city, has begun $a_{n}$ action against IR. G. Dun \& Co., claiming damages of $\$ 2,000$, for having early in December published him as "in financial difficulties." Action is also about to be taken against a wholesaler arising out of what led to the same error. Mistakes will happen in the best regulated offices
-Perrault \& Co., furniture, Montreal, have assigned o the court on demand of Mrs. Jos. Perrault. Liabilities $\$ 6,327$; prinoipal creditors, Alexand.ia Mnfg. Co., \$237; J. W. Kilgour \& Bro. Beauharnois, $\$ 600$; G. S. Marphy, Montreal, ren t $\$ 2,551$; C. Mignault, $\$ 589$; A. T. Perrault $\$ 100-\mathrm{H}$. Portegais, clothing Montreal, on whom a demand of assignment was made by A. D. Campbell \& Co., have filed consent to assign. Business is a small one; Ilabilities not over $\$ 1,000-L$. P. Durresne; jeweller, Montreal, has assigned to court on demand of J. H. Mallette, Wm. Eaves beiug named provisional guardian. Liabilities are $\$ 3,458$; principal creditors, Wm. Eaveb, $\$ 1,226$. J. B. R. Dufresne, $\$ 400$; Hon. Jes. Mishane, rent, $\$ 325$; A. Eaves, $\$ 310$; L. P. Dufresne $\$ 280$; J. H. Mallette $\$ 200$. Meeting of creditors called for 23rd-E. Leonard, drugs, Montreal, has assigned to the court, on demand of Evans Sons, Ltd, Liabilities are $\$ 3,520$; aseets consisting of stock $\$ 2,100$; tixtures, $\$ 1,700$; book debts, $\$ 450$; shares in Merchants Tel. Co., $\$ 100$; property, $\$ 450$; total assets $\$ 4,800$. Princlpal creditors, Evans Sons Ltd., $\$ 1,016$; Jos. Compte, $\$ 1,560 ;$ Lyman, Sons \& Cu., $\$ 180$.

## BUSINESS CIIANGES.

Ontario-Cronsted Mining Co. Ltd. Niagara Falls, applying for incorporation; Samuel Fleuty, stationery, Palmerstun, dead; Sovereiga Mining Co. Lid., Rat Portage, applying fur incorporation; Chus. Kendry, Sr. general store, \&c., Stirton: dead; J. Fawcett, drover, Dunnville, dead; W. J. Schultz \& Son, furnitare, Sutton, W. J. Shultz dead ; P. McLeod, general store, Hawkestone, sold out; John Sheppard, painter, Ottawa, bailiff in possession; John Gles, liquors, Elmirä, sold out to W. Pfaff; Shell \& Jinn, shoes, Elmira, moved to Moorfield; Colborne Eros; General store, Goderich, W. A. Colborne, dead; Geo. Hill, fuel, "\&o. Hamilton; sold out; J. Walsh \& Co.tpleture frames, Turonto, "bailifr in possession; Hurry \& Parsons, wholesale butchers,

Brampton, dissolved; Consolidated Cariboo Hydraulic Mining Co. ltad. Toronto, seeking incorporation; Dawson Commission Co. Litd. Toronto, seeking incorporation; Mary l'ilman, hotel, Hamilton, sold out; S. G. Treble, men's furnishings, Hamilton, advertises business for sale; Chas. A. Wismer, jeweller, London, moving to Goderich; James Goudall, arocer, Ottawa; dead; J W. McCabe, grocer, Palmerston, sold out; J. F. Morriah, grocer, Toronto, dead; P. E. Fuller, confectioner, Watford, suld out.
Quebec-Jos. Paquin; grocer, Montreal, bailifif sale adverised; Beauregard \& Kay, cheese, St. Pudentienne, dissolved; Cote \& Pigeon, contractors, Montreal, dissolved; Honore Gervais, butcher, Montreal, dead; Hughs, Cook \&. Co., mnfrs, oils and tallow, Montreal! dissolved and new. frm formed; E. Leonard, drugs. Montreal, seizure put in by landlurd; The Nichols Chemical Co. Ltd., Capelton, seeking incorporation; A. S. Campbell \& Co., wholesale clothing, Montreal, A. S. Campbell \& Miss Ida $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{i}}$. Campbell register as the partners; Hearle Mnfg. Co., mirs. soap Montreal, John Dowasy ceased doing business under this style; Julius Lindberg, mnfrs. soap, Montreal, balliff sale advertised; Alex. E. McDonald, stationery, Montreal, bailiff sale advertised; C. Fournier \& Co., milliners, Montreal, new co-partnership; Miron Denils, livery, Montreal, dead; Mignault \& Frere, mills, St. Charles, dissolved.

Brifisi Columbia-James Cunningham, clothing, \&c., New Westminster, opened; Cowan, Holten, Downs Co., wholesale liquors, Revelstoke, starting; Canada Westann Telephone \& Telegraph Co. Ltd., Vancouver, seeking incorporation.

Prince Edward Islandi-J. J. Trainor, hotel, Charlottetown, dead.

Mantroba \& N.W.T.-Bromleg \& Co., tents, \&c., Winnipeg, succeeded by Edwin Bromley;
Nova Scotia-John T. Walker, contractor, Dartmouth, dead; W. H. McAlpine, general store, Louisburg, dead; Thos. Kirby physician, Tuskett, dead; Morden Woollen Mfg. Co., Morden, dissolved.

New Brunswick-P. W. F. Brewster \& Co., carriages, Albert \& Hillsboro, dissolved; Hall \& Fairweather, wholesale grocers, St. John, seeking incorporation; Chas. Pickard, men's furnishings and lumber, Sackville, sold out stock of men's furnishings to W. J. Goodwin \& Co.

## LEGAL RECORD, \&c.

Week ended Jan. 13, 1807.
The following is a rocord of transactions and cases in our Canadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issued and Judgments Rendered for sums of $\$ 300$ and upwards, (Montreal, from $\$ 175$. and upwards), and Chattel Mortgares and Bills of Sale for sums of $\$ 550$ and upwards, as taken from the public records. It willi be understood that the actions or items do not necessarily affect the credit and soundness of the persons or concerns named, as they may have been paid or otherwise settled, and that good defences may exist in cases of writs, $\mathbb{d c}$ :

## Whits Issced, Province of Quebec.

Jan. 7.
Montreal-Shearer \& Brown Co. vs D. Anderson, $\$ 201$; Land $\&$ Loan Co. ve A. Andrews, \$187; Windsor Hotel Co. vs G. Barrington, $\$ 150$; C. Meloche vs J. Boileau at al, $\$ 200$; Delle. J. Paquette vs E. Bourbon, $\$ 100$; Dlle. M. Barrette vs H . Chaille, $\$ 100 \%$ W. Delisle vs 4 . Charbonneau, $\$ 102$; A. Stroud et al vs J. Etienne et al, \$105; S. DeChantal et al vs C. Ferrari, $\$ 133 ;$ D. Archambault vs Dine. M: J. Gordon, W115; J. Buxter vs J. M. Grothe, $\$ 047$; J. 0. Goyette vs R. Guertin, $\$ 145$; Dme. F. Albert et vir va Dme. M. Jacobs et vir, $\$ 274$; Dme. M. Singer va ML. Jasowse, $\$ 128$; O. M. A. Guimond va L G. Lupointe ot al, $\$ 102$; J. Comte vs E..Leonard, $\$ 1,500 ; \mathrm{J} . \mathrm{R}$. Wilson ot al.vs L. Parent, $\$ 11 \overline{5}$; J. Coustant vs J, B. Pelletier, \$115; C. Desmarteau et al vs Dme. ©. J. Ross et al, \$5,800; C. Desmartean vs J. L. Simon, \$125.
St. Jaachim-P. E. Morier va Frederic Brodeur (Dmgs) 800 Sherbrooke-A. H. Macfurlane vs \$tanstead \& Sherbrooke Mutual Fire Ins. Co., $\$ 1,200$.

Jan. 8.
Montreal-H. E. Hart is Romeo Prevost. 4.108
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## Jan. 11.

Forester Falle-W. Evans va P. N. Pounder.
Montreal-A, Brodeur va 0 . Bissonette et ux, $\$ 2 i 0 ; \mathrm{N} . \mathrm{G}$. Valf. quette va J. D. Chartrand et al, $\$ 314$; L. B Masson vs J. B. Desrochers, $\$ 304$; A. Eaves ve L. P. Dufresne, \$310; G. A. Slater et al vg I. Guinane, $\$ 10,000$; W. Furlong vg E. McDougall, $\$ 353$; P. A. Beaudoin vs Hon. G. A. Nantel et al, $\$ 1,005 ; A$. Pulletier et al vs J. Ward, $\$ 714$; II. E. Waite va J. B. Young, $\$ 11,000$.

Jan. 12.
Montreal--G. Gauthier vs F. X, Benoit (Qui Cam) \$200; J. Beaudry et al vs $G$. W. Chatiny, $\$ 266$; Bank of B-N. A. ve A. P. Gelinas, $\$ 1,200$; M. S. 0 'Rourke ot al va H . Gilchen, \$407; Dmo. A. Poissant ve J. Gow (disputed), $\$ 2,500$; E. W. Gnaedinger of al, esql vs N. B. T. Henderson et al, esql. $\$ 3,000$; Grant Tanulug Co. vs Dme. M. A. Locke, $\$ 103 ;$ J. G. Kennedy vs Mississippi \& Dominion Steamship Co., \$870; J. Ravary vs L. Vervier, f216; A. Rousseau vg R. WIIBon et al, 1,000 .
Rigaud-J. Fletcher va A. de L. Macdonald............... 5,000
8t. Brano-A. Eaves vs L. P. Dufresne..................... 319
St. Vincent de Panl-N. G. Valiquette ve J. D. Chartrand, $\$ 314$.
Weatbury-O. Lepitre ve Lennare Fortin .................. 340

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Barford-H. P. Dennison ot al vg F. Lamy.............. 300
Montreal-C. Parsons et al vs G. Barrington, $\$ 803$; Toronto Ra. diator Mfg. Co. va R. Beckham, \$201; W. Bellemare vs M. L. P. Benoit et al, \$185; W. L. Bond v8 Dominion Cold Storate Co., \$1,521; E. Mann vs Dominion Cold Stcrage Con, 11,359 ; R. Greig vs F. T. Fournisos, $\$ 488$; T. Lalumiere vs DI. Langloie, 1109 ; Dme. U. Deguise vs Dme. E. Leonard et vir, क453; W.A. Stewart ve F. M. Murphy et hI, \$238; D. W. Earu et al vs J. B. Sparrow et al, $\$ 500$.
St. Ant. de Tilly -H. Rousseau ve Jos. Desrochers.
1,008
St. Thoodosie-F. Larose ve Elie Fontaine
Vaudreuil-Banque du Peuple ve D. Brule................... 1,000

## Whits Ibsuid, Ont.

Jan. 7.
Brantiord Tp-G. Foster et al vs W. M. IIunt et al, $\ddagger 2,037$; $\boldsymbol{G}$. Gamon vs Elizth. Palmer, $\$ 2,052$.
Dumfries $\mathrm{N}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathrm{Tp}-\mathrm{J}$. M. Irwin vs J. A. Carrick ot al..... 310
Etobicoke Tp-W. J. C. Turner vs.-Applebe © G. R. Applebe, Milton, $\boldsymbol{*}$ 6,197.
Hallowell Ty-H. Skinner \& Co. vs W. M. Ovens....... 412
Hamilton-G. FaIkenstein \& Co. vg Jas. Roberteon \& Co. 961 Taronto-Royal Loun \& Sav. Co. ve Thos. Dougias.

Jan. 8.
Charlottenhurg Tp-D. Latrelle et al vs N. M. \& Christy Bourget, $\$ 1,500$.
Cumberland T'p-H. Stark \& Co. vs Jno. Leslic et al.... 554
Bllice $\mathrm{Tp}-\mathrm{O}$. Brazell vs F. J. Kelly et al................... 1,331
Gamilton -Susan E. B. Dixou vE Dom. Council of Canada \& Nfld Royal Templars of Temperance, $\$ 1,000$.
Hanover-Ontario L. \&D. Co. vs M. F. Charlton ......... 3,000
Lancuster 'Tp-D. 13. McLennau vi Jno. McKinnon....... 2,627
Montague $\mathrm{Tp}-\mathrm{Ann} \mathrm{J}$. McLaren vs Thos. Shirley et ax... 1,378
Norwich-Eilla M. Chambers va J. A. Searles (Dmge)... 1,000
Peterboro-G. N. Reynolds vs Central Bridge \& Engineering Co. Ltd., $\$ 1,73 \mathrm{E}$.
St. Thomas-Mary A. Toogood vs Eloile Hindmarsh.... 27,882 Sarnia-W. Farr vs Wm. Eveland ....................... ${ }^{342}$
Smith's Falls-F. McEwen ys Matthew Ryau.............. 1,019
Toronto-J. D. Jeffrey et al vs Hy. Patchett............... 1,077
Walkerton-London \& Ont. I. Co. vs G. J. Diekson.... 404
Jan. 11.
Barton Tp-J. Moodie ws J. W. Gage \&C. W. Tregaiza, Hamil. ton, 8971.
Barrie-A. B. Booker vs N. Dyment........................ 337
Colborne-M. A. Scott va R. B. Scott....................... 376
Cornwall-W. A. Dickson et al vs E. \& H. King........ 1, 467
Culross-T. M. Camon ve Thos. Woodcock et al.......... 482
Ennismore--S. Curtie ve John Moloney et al............... 300
Ottawn-H. J. Caulfield \& Co. ve C. B. Beardsley, 䄧 40 ; Quebec Bank va Robt. Sedgwick et al, $\$ 414$.
Sault Sr. Mario-Can. Periu. L. \& S. Co. ve Alex. MeKinnon et ai, \$885.
Tornnto-Trusts Corporation ve Alex. D. Black, \$37,400; W. J. Ellott vs Elzth. Johnston, \$415.

Jan. 12.
Brantford Tp-P. Weaver vs J.F. \& Peter Wilson 882
Brock $\mathrm{Tp}-\mathrm{C}$. Johnson vs Wu, Dobel............. 882 400
Chosley-Lucas, Steele \& Bristol vs W. Halliday......... 978
Chatham-J. E. © B. I. Brookes vs J. S. Waugh........
573
Dorchester S-W. Payne ve Albert Braninn, \$2,021; Atlas Loan Co. ys Cline Fre. \& Raddall, \&0,876; A Kennedy vs I. I. Prichard et al, \$882.
Dumfries S. Tp-D. M. Lee ot al ve H. S. \& Elzth. Maus 452
Etobicoke Tp-J. L. Stonehouse vs M. Canning et al..... 1,207
Fitzroy Tp-T. Richardson vs Margt. Gorman et al........ 2,660
Hamilton-Mary Grahan va Jno. Campbell ot al.......... 2,518
Harrisburg-McPherson © Co. vs Edwin Weaver. 2,518
King Tp-s. Nowlliaws vs R . H. Stewart ot al 838
Nepigon-A. McIvor vs Andrew Alexander. 645
 Co., $\$ 471$.

St. Thomas-J. H. Still et al vi Jno. Campbell........... 500
Southwold-Atha Loan Co. vs Mary A. \& John Howarth, $\$ 3,808$.
Stouffille-C. R. Fitch vs Wm. Malloy (dmgs)........... 5,000
Thamesville -P. M. Fraser et al vs Chas. J. New........ 1,000
Toronto-G. A. Slater et al ve Ino. Guinade, $\$ 10,000$; J. C. Smith vs Wm. \& Jas. Cooper (dmgs), $\$ 50,000$; W. A. Dickson et al ve W. J. Harris el al, $\$ 1,027$.
Whitcburch Tp-C. Starr ve Chris Kennedy
New Yort-Irabella Lamb vs Grand Trunk Ry............... 15,000
New York-J. J, Hunter ve Robl. Hunter.................... 2,040
Jan. 13.
Barton Tp-S. McCanley vs Herman Munn \& J. Wilking, $\$ 1,000$.
Maldstone-R. F. Seymour ve Peter Corbett................. 3,000
Toronto-Townsend \& Townsend vs J. G. Gibson, \$412; E. Kerr ve Fredts. Phillips et al, exrs, $\$ 857$; J. L. Coffee ve Jno. Sullivan, $\$ 4,602$.

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Jan. 7.
Winnipeg-La Banque Nationale ve R. H. Munn, $\$ 5,700$; W. Duncan ys F. V. Williamson, $\$ 700$.

Jan. 18.
Brandon-Dick Banning Co. vs Mann \& Durham......... 2.127
Winnipeg-Alloway \& Champion ve A. Wright......... 755
Judgments Renderkd, Provinoe uf Quebec.
Jan. 8.
Montreal-U. Garand et al agt Rodolphe Tessier et al... \$ 420 Jan, 11.
Montreal-E. O. Hill \& Co. agt Jno. Lorigan.
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Montreal-1R. Prefontaine et al agt R. O. Garhart, 8819 \& $\$ 1,340$; J. F. Berthiaume agt L. Girard et al, \$1.82; Chanteloup Mfg. Co. agt Abel Huot et al, ${ }^{\mathbf{w}} 290$.

Jan. 13.
Montreal-M. Tessier vs E. Fortier et al, $\$ 302$; Hon, A. R. Dickey, esq. agt G. W. Parent, $\$ 750$.
St. Henri-L. A. Drapeau agt Jos. Jobin, $\$ 390$; Trust \& Loan Co. of Can. agt John Skelly, $\$ 5,305$.
Stanbridge Tp-A. H. Gilmour agt J. A. O'Dell.......... . 304 Judgments Rendered, Provinge of Ontamio.

Jan. 7.
Etobicoke Tp-A. Montgomery agt Alex, Gracey et al, exrs., $\$ 4,498$.
Galt-J. M. Irwin agt Emerson Main..................... 309
Peterboro-T, May \& Co. agt Mills Bros.................. 358
Toronto-U. Dfillai agt C. F. Bunbury, $3367 ;$ A. B. Demill agt Economical Mut. Fire Ins. Co., $\$ 1,798$; A. R. Duncan agt P. J. Strathy, \$2,203.
.. - F . Henderson et al agt Thos. Adair. 2,408
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Sidney Tp-F. D. O'Flynn \& Son agt G. A. Brulton.... 1,442
Windsor-F. P. Anderson agt F. A. Wiethoff...........: 1,008
T.....-T. Roy agt Ottawa \& Gatineau Ry. Co........ 1,148

Note.-In our issue of Dec. 31st, under date Dec. 20th, judgment againet Jas. \& H. J. Oke' should have read against H. J. Oke only.

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Harrisville W. Mich-R. S. Bqx agt R. Somers........... 908
Huron Tp-T. Yemen agt Donald \& Jno. McLeod....... 371
Orillia-Trusts Corporation agt J. O. Revell............... 7,414
Pelham Tp-W. B. Clarke agt Wm. \& Rebecca Patterson, $\$ 1,081$.
Reach Tp-Freehold L. \& S. Co. agt Robt. Stratton.... 8,888
Welland-Hon. F. Clemow agt E. A. C. Pew.............. 410
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Arnprior-J. Johñaton \& Co. agt G. C. Poulton......... 1,283
Ottawa-A. \&P. White agt W. G. Story ..................... 308
Jan. 18.
Belleville-Bank of Montreal vs T. C. Lazier............. 454
Metcalfe-G. Dobie \& Co. agt Rlchd. \& Wm. Henry \& W. T. Winter, $\$ 1,109$.
Ottawa-F, O. Pigeon agt H. H. Plgeon.................. 1,718
Sunnidale Tp-W.R. Teskey agt Thos. Macham.......... 843
Toronto-D.F. Jessop agt W. H. Essery, $\$ 2,105$; Central Can. L. \& S. Co agt Wm. Summerfeldt \& Co., $\$ 1,763$. .,-Medler \& Arnet agt Dominion Cold»"'Storage Co. Ltd. $\$ 686$.

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College Bridge--Edward Sonier, general store; for...... 825 Jodqments Rendered, Nova Scotia:
aurax Jan. 11.
Halifax-A. G. Cunningham, commission, \&c., for...... 1,225
Picton-R. Tanner \& Son, shoes, for . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 988$ \& 414
Stellarton-John Power, grocer, for . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 880
Sydney-J. A. MoKenzle \&Co., stationery, du, for....... 1, 1,898

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Jan. 18.
Emersoń-Commercial Bank agt W. L. \& J. K. Griffith.
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Virden-L. Stevens agt J. F. French .
Chattel Mortgagre, Provinoe of Ontario.
Jan 7.
Amabel Tp-Sauble Fall Lumber Co. et al to G. W. Amos \& Co., $\$ 4,000$.
Brantford-David Forbis \& wife to C. Coulson, $\$ 1,881$; Eldoras \& Martha Todd toW. Vanduson, $\$ 4,000$.
Kingston-R. J. License to W. Baker..................... 2,500
Lindsay-Thos, O'Neil to A. Campbell..................... . . . 1172
Mersea-N.J. Black to D. Dougall.............................. Sin $^{\text {L }} 9$

Saltfleet Tp-W. E. Boden to Magdalene Boden. 2,741
Toronto-W. C. \& J. A. Tanner to J. Wilson............... . 72 .
Almonte-J. I. Kirkland to J. Crawford..................... ${ }^{2}{ }^{6} 00$
Camden Tp-Wm. Elgie to Sutherland-Innes Co., $\$ 820$; Wm. Elgie to Sutherland-Innes Co., $\$ 20,000$.
Ottawa-W. H. Smith to A. G. Sparks, $\$ 4,000$; W. I. Storey to D. Rae, $\$ 2,500$; Paynter \& Albott to Mary A. Paynter, $\$ 000$. Owen Sound-Robt. Nelson to Sawyer \& Massey Co..... 750
Sutton W-F. G. Tremayne to Erans \& Sons.............. 77
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$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Bruce Tp-Geo. McGreer to T. Niven...................... } & 812 \\ \text { Cavan-J. T. Fandlcy \& H. Bingleau to J. J. Saddler.... } & 1.000\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Cavan-J. T. Fandle y \& H. Binsleau to J. J. Saddler.... } & 1.600 \\ \text { Elmwood-Elmwood Lumber Co. to McNally \& Adams.. } & 8,000\end{array}$
Hamilton-Wm. \& Alice Burke to Cassandra Buttle, $\$ 583 ;$ P. M. Filman \& wife to H. Kuntz, $\$ 1,000 \& \$ 1,000 ;$ N. A. McLean \& Geo. Smythe to Grant-Lottridge Brew. Co., \$3,442; Sophia \& Emauel Wolfe to S. Hirsch, $\$ 700$.
Orillia-Jno. Kennedy to R. Davies.
3,111
Streetsville-Slatia \& Church to B. Abbott.................... 800 .
Toronto-Hy. Russell to O'Keere Brew. Co., $\$ 4,350$; Hy. Russell to G.J. Foy, $\$ 02 \overline{5}$; Jas. V. Wright to A. E. Plummer, * 1,000 .

Welland-G. W. Ramey to J. A. Lowell............... . 750
Windsor-Sarah'Groscup to Jane M. Shaw et al............ 800
Jan. 12.
Hamilton-Fredk. Taylor to C. Thompson 650
Kingston-Jno. Faddell to J. J. Orawford.................... 600
Millbrook-W. H. Coombe to W. Lang. ....................... 1,854
Owen Sound-I, \& R. Corbet to Merchants Bank.......... 4,320
Petrolia-Jas. Blake to J. W. McCutcheoh............... 850
Prescott-Mrs. Margt. A. Brown \& Raby Carman to Harriet B. Wiser, $\$ 0,000$.
St. Anne de Prescott-Victor Leroux to R. Brassard..... 2,156
St. Mary's-W. K. MacLeod to J. Follick............
Shelburne-John McLean to Mary A. McLean ot al. .
1,200
1,400
Sturgeon Falls-Thos. Sargeson to A. Heaths. 700
Tilbury-Jas. McDonald to W. C. Crawford.
1,000
Toronto-J. C. Brady to Cosgrave Brewery Co., $\ddagger \vec{\beta}, \overrightarrow{3} 12 ;$ Miss Minnie Brown to F. J. Brown, $\$ 1,000$.
..-Gananoque Hotel Co. Ltd to G. Taylor.
7,881
Jan. 13.
Goderich-Donald McCormick to R..Tennunt............ 794
Hamilton-E. W. Anderson to W. J. Anderson, $\$ 700$ : Geo. Hill to Emma Hill, $\$ 750$.

London-N. Y. McDermid to J. H. McKinnon . . . . . . . . . . . 1,500
Montreal-Gilbert Blasting \& Dredging Co. to Molsons Bank, $\$ 18,750$.
Ottaw - O. Shaw \& Co to A. Masson..................... 1,400
Picton-J. S. Williams to H. Wellbanks.................... 2,099
.........-Thos, Tune to H: James................................. 785
Ceratrel Mortgager, Man. \& N.W.T,
Jan. 7.
Emerson-W. L. Griffth to E, Thompson................ $\$ 1,181$
Jan, 8.
Lacombe-D. G. Stewart to D. W. Marsh et al, $\$ 2,500$; D. G. Stewart to W. C. Wells, $\$ 2,311$.
Portage la Prairie-McPherson \& Burns to M. A. Prest. 600
Jua. 18.
Winnipeg-R. G. Nunn \& Co. to Western Coal Co..... 1.817
Bille of Salik Provingeiof Ontario.
Klngston-Wm. Baker to R. J. License......................... $\$ \mathbf{\$ 2 , 5 0 0}$
Jan. 8.
Toronto-A. A. Hassard to G. H. Carnall.............. 1,000
Jan. 11.
Durhan-Wm. Chapman to S. T. Orchard................ 1,800
Sulifleet-Robt. Hales to E. James............................ $\quad 700$
Toronto..R. A. McConnell to Minnie Brown........... 900
Jan. 12.
Millbrook-Wm. Lang to W. H. Combs.................. 2,850
Toronto-Mre. Jane Boyd to Jaue G. Boyd.................. . . 890
Bills of Sale, N.S.
Jau. 11.
Halifax-W. IT. Newcomb, livery, for
1,400

## THEATRE FRANCAIS.

The long-looked for production of "The Charity Ball" at Theatre Francais will occur next week, and it goes without sayilhg that it will be one of the most important productions of the whole year. In the first place the play was written by Belasco and DeMille, the authors of Men and Women which scored such a hit at thls theacre earlier in the year, and then it will be beautifully mounted with new scenery and stage settings Miss Beryl Hope, who has recovered from her throat trouble, will be seen once more in the leading emotional role, a part to which she is admirably adapted. Diss Hope will doubtless receive quite an ovation from her friends on her reappearance. A new member of the stock company will appear in the "Charity Ball" in the person of Miss Ruth Macaulay, late leading woman of Madame Rhea. Miss Macauley is young, protty and very talented, and she will doubtless soon become a favorite with the audiences at this house. She will remaiu here as a permanent member of the stock company in the place of Miss Alma Roy who retires at the end of next week. The vaudeville bill will be headed by Dick Leggett. "the Rising Generation". comedian, who appeared at the Francais earlier in the season and made such a pronounced hit. The bill will also include Chas. H. Duncan, a singer of comic songs who is very popular there; Maud Beall Price a versatile entertainer, and the Burt Sister, dancers.

## Tinancial.

## Thurgday Ev'g., Jan. 14th, 1897.

The week on 'Change opened with quite an amount of activity and some material advances in quotations were noted. The fine and mild weather has been very favorable for the operations of the Montreal Street Rallway Company, which has consequently been enjoying greatly increased earninge. Naturally this had a good effect on the stock, which advanced on a brlsk demand, and other miscellaneous stocks were active and firm in sympathy; The earnings of the steam railroads have, however, fallen off materially, and thls fact, with a ceseation of the speculative demand later caused less activity and lower prices generally. Gas, Cable, Postal and Toronto Ry: have been the other principal stocks dealt in. Bank stooks were not very active but held firm all through the week:

News from outside markets is somewhat mixed, owing to the variety of influances prevailing. One authority in this connection said, speaking of New York, that it was reasonably sure that the opening prices of 1897 would be lowered probably, 20 per cent. during the year. This may be a somewhat exaggera ted estimato, but it is a fact that it would bring the principal stocks, notably Gas, Sugar, 8t. Paul and Rock Island to the average low quotations of the last four years. He points out that the plethora of money which is expected to boom stocks consists of the paper tokens of a rodundant currency which must be retired lest it renew its deadly work of driving gold from the country. Exchange is firm. Local rates are as follows: Between banks-New York funds par to $1-82$ premium ; sixties, $815-16$ to $91-10$; demand, 95 to $911-10$ and cables $911-10$ to $93 / 4$. Counter rates are :-Now York funds, $1-10$ to \% promium; sixties, $91 / 8$ to $01 / 4$; demand, $97 / 8$ to 10 ; and cables, $9 \%$ to 10 . Appended is the usual comparative table of quotations as compiled by C. Meredith \& Co.:--

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| Montreal | 81 | 231 | 228 | 210 |
| Commerce | 49 | 1203/4 | 1261 | 135 |
| Hochelaga | 25 | 181 | 131 |  |
| Merchants | 24 | 1701 | 170 | 13834 |
| Molsons. | 51 | 180 | 184 |  |
| Quebec | 2 | 1171/2 | 11712 |  |
| Misorlhankous. |  |  |  |  |
| Cable | 985 | 10514 | 1881 | 156 |
| Can, Pacil | 100 | 501/2 | $561 / 2$ | 53 |
| Gas. | 3392 | 188 | 18478 | 1979/4 |
| Mt. St Ry. | 1237 | 2231/2 | 221 | 21638 |
| Toronto Ry | 3688 | 71 | 603/5 |  |
| Bedl Tel | 176 | 150 | 155 |  |
| R. \& 0 | 20 | 8034 | 893/4 |  |
| T'olegraph x.d. | 106 | 165 | 1643/4 | 3 |
| Royal Electric. | 75 | 125 | 125 |  |
| Postal Tel. x.d. | 1755 | 9412 | 0314 | 793 |

## MONTREAL CLEARING HOUSE.

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ing Jan. 14, 1897. Clearings. Balances. $\$ 10,289,977 \quad \$ 1,284,950$
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| Week of $1806 \ldots \ldots$ | $10,053,408$ | $1,072,602$ |  |
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| " | " $1894 \ldots$. | $0,302,884$ | $1,862,621$ |

## Thursday Ev'g., Jan. 14th, 1807.

Compared with a week ago there is a generally improved feoling, although in some lines there is still said to be plenty. of room for improvement in the volume of trade. The recent snowfalls wero too light to be of much benefit to country roads, and as a consequence complaints are atill rife as to the country trade. This is reported as one of the principal causes of the poor collections noted, although in one or two lines there is said to be some improvement. As anticipated a week ago, the meetings of hardware manufacturers led to some considerable price changes in addition to what we then reported, but theso may be somewhat affected by the destructive fire in one of the largest warehouses. But tho changes wero chiefly in wire nails and barbed wire, and full particulars will be found in our market reports. Prico changes in other lines have been few and generally tinimportant. The other trade features are such as call for no particular comment, although the cold spell has stimulated trade in some lines. Prospects for spring business are generally good, although in one or two lines orders are not coming in as freely as merchants would like.

Boors and Shoes-The Factories are fairly busy and some grool-sized spring orders are coming in. Prices hold very firm, although there is no actual change to report. Retailers report a fair business with still room for improvement.


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tors, but they are of tentative character only, being confined to inquiries or very low bids. The tone of the market in all lines of domestics is easy, and although there have not been any changes in quotations, buyers are sometimes able to do botter than a woek ago. In printed and other spring fabrics business has been up to recent average, with some development of a re-order demand which ought to show further expansion in tho near future.
Fisir-Business has picked up very well since the return of colder. weather, and prospects are now for a brisk trade for some time to come. Prices generally are stendy and the following is considered to ho a fair range: Whitefieh, 7 c lb; haddock, $31 / 4$ to $31 / 2 \mathrm{c} \mathrm{lb}$.; pike, $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ $1 \mathrm{~b} . ;$ dore, $61 / \mathrm{c} 1 \mathrm{lv}$. ; smelts, 5 to 6 c 1 b .; tommycods, $\$ 1.40$ per brl. ; frozen herrings, 00 e per 100 ; No. 1 lake trout, $\$ 3.75$; Labrador salmon, $\$ 13$ to $\$ 12.50$; No. 1 halibut, $\$ 7$ to $\$ 7.50$; gonuine Labrador herrings, $\$ 4.75 ;$ No. 1 N. S. herrings, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4$; No. 1 B . C. salnon, $\$ 12$ per 23 brl ; smelss, 4 to $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per 1 b .: fresh cod, $23 / 4$ to 3 c per lh.; salmon, 12 c per 1 b ; ;
fresh cod 3 l fresh cod, $3 / 4$ to $31 / \mathrm{cc}$. Smoked fish is
steady at $6 y / 2$ to 7 c per steady at $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to. 7 c per 1 b . for baddles; Yarmouth and bry bloatera, 80c per box;

Cements and Errebricks-Quietude is still the only feature and the total absence of outdoor building operations indicates a continuance of the prevailing dullness for some time to come. Prices in these circumstances and in the absence of fresh supplies of imported stock hold steady and unchanged at the following range:$\$ 1.90$ to $\$ 2$ for Belgian cement ; $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.10$ for English cement and $\$ 16.50$ to $\$ 22.00$ for fire-bricks.
Dhessed Hoas-The colder weather has stimulated business and prices hold firm as follows :-\$4.75 in car lots, and smaller quantities $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50$, as to weight and size of lot.
Dry Goods-Travellers who are now on the road are sending in some fair-sized spring orders. They report that the recent snowfalls have been very acceptable, but they were not nearly heavy enough to put tho roads into good winter condition, and this is proving a drawback in many respects. Prospects generally, however, are fair, and a favotable feature is the continuance of better collections. City and suburban retailers are fairly busy on heavy goods, and the "January Sales" are also a stimulating feature. A despatch from Now York reports that the week closes with a largely increased attendanco of buyers in the market, and although the majority of these are likely to be seen rather in the jobbing and specialty houses than in the general commission market, yet the latter can hardly fail to show some improvement in results of spot business. In the way of mail orders, there has been some expansion in buying at firet hands in staple lines of cotton goods and spring fancies, not of any pronounced character nor calculated to givo more than very mild encouragement at the moment. There are occasional indications of interest laken in future requirements by a few large opera-

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kippered herrings, $\$ 1,80$ to $\$ 1,50$ per box; slscoes, 75 c per basket of 100 fish. Dried cod sells at $\$ 4$ per cwt.; pollock, $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 2$ per 100 lbs.; skinless cod, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5.25$ per 100 lbs ; boneless cod, $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per lb. Salt fish shows few changes, green cod is firm. Distributors' prices are about $\$ 4.35$ to $\$ 4.50$ for No: 1, $\$ 3.35$ for No. $2, \$ 5$ for large and $\$ 5.25$ for draft.
Flour-The declines in wheat prices in Chicago have as yet had no effect on flour quotations, which hold steady. A brisk export business for both England and Scotland is boing done in Ontario flours, while Manitoba millers also report a steady demand and large sales for Australia and on local account. Late reports note a steady business West in the finer grades and prices are firm. Meal is quiet and prices generally steady, while in feed both bran and shorts are in limited demand with quotations steady.
Grain-The local grain market is in much the same position as a week ago. One of the features has been the somewhat firmer feeling in oats. Sales have been made as low as $243 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, but it is doubtful if any could now be obtained at less than 25c, with holders firm, and some asking as high as $251 \% \mathrm{c}$. Peas are steady and unchanged. Wheat in the West is firm, and so far prices have not declined de. spite the break in Chicago prices. Cable advices to the Board of Trade were as follows: Cargoes off coast, wheat and maize quiet ; cargoes on passage, wheat firmer, 8d higher, maize stgady. English country markets, wheat steady: Liverpool spot wheat firm, pot maize quiet. Minneapolis first bakers' fiour, 24 s 6 d . Futures, wheat steady, 6s $91 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ Jan., 6s $101 / \mathrm{A}^{\mathrm{d}}$ Feb., 6s 11 d March, os $111 / \mathrm{d}$ May, 6s $93 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ July; maize quiet, 2 s 9 d Jan., $2 \mathrm{~s} 91 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ Feb., $2 \mathrm{~s} .9 \mathrm{~J} / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ March, 2s 93/4 April, 2s 10d May. Paris wheat, 22.40 Jannary ; 22.70 February; flour, 47.80 January, 48.00 February. French country markots steady.
Green Froit-Business has again been very quiet, and although fresh arrivals by way of New York are noted, the demend is only slow. Prices are steady as follows.: Lemons, Messinas, per box, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.75$, Malagas, in chests, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50$; bananas, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.75$ per bunch, apples, 75 c to $\$ 1.50$ per bbl; Fameuse apples, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 2.00$ per bbl.; Cataw. ba grapes, 5 lb . basirets, 25 c ; cocoanuts, bags, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.25$ per hundred ; sweot potatoes, $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.50 \mathrm{brl}$; Cape Cod cranberries, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$ brl., N. S. cranberries, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 5$ bri.; new chestuuts, 18 c lb.; oranges, California navels, per box, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$; Jamaica oranges, $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 8 \mathrm{brl}$.; do boxes, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50$; pineapples, 20 to 25 c ; Malaga grapes, $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 8$ per keg ; new figs, fancy, 13 to 17 c ; choice, 10 to 12c, and Spanish onions, in crates, 80 to 85 c ; walnuts, Grenoble. 11 to 12c lb.; new dates, 0 c Ib .; lettuce, Westert, 30 to 40 c per doz., Boaton, 75 to -90 c per doz., and Florida tomatoes, $\$ 4.50$ per crate.
Grocertes-The sugar market shows no material cliange. A fair amount of business is being put through and refiners report prices as steady at $37 / 8$ to 4 c . for granulated and $31 / 0$ to $35 / \mathrm{c}$. for yellows according to quality. A New York report says of raws :-The market runs along with an open question as to whether the refiners or importers will get the better of the market through the prolonged dullness. It is certain that the sellers are not as yet influenced by the position of refined in its lower prices and dragging demands, and over important supplies would not be willing to consider other than firm rates. There is no urgent offering of even small lots these having beon pretty well cleaned u from time to time. However, all rates a at present peminal. The early Lond

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Hardwara－The manufacturers＇meet－ ings，to which we referred a week ago，led to some matorial price changes，some of which we then reported．The discounts in wire nails have again all been changed， and for the Province of Quebec are now 80 and $21 / 2$ per cent，as compared with 75 ， and 10 and $21 / 2$ per cent．previously，and for Ontario 80 per cent．as compared with 75 and 10 per cent．The otherdiscounts are now 80 per cent．for Manitoba， 80 and $21 / 2$ per cent．for British Columbia，Winnipeg 75 and 5 per cent．，delivered freights pre－ paid and Manitoba and Northwest Territo－ ries 75 and 5 per cent，with freights equal－ jzed to cheapest point．While these are certainly substantial reductions，they are not so material as would appear at first sight，as in addition to changing the dis－ counts manufacturers have slightly in creased the list price，averaging about $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ， while the guages have also been altered， so that there are really under the new arrangement less nails to the keg．Barbed wire prices have also been reduced and are now $\$ 2.75$ for Ontario，$\$ 2.90$ for Que－ bec，$\$ 2.85$ for New．Brunswick and Nova Scotia and $\$ 2.871 / 2$ for Prince Edward Island，each per 100 pounds．The spade and shovel manufacturers have completed thoir arrangements with respect to the proposed combine with the American manufacturers and prices are firm at the advanced quotation of $\$ 1.50$ per dozen． Business generally is still very quict，al though it is said that collections are some－ what improved．Better country roads ere needed to stimulate búsiness．

Har－Trading is still only small al－ though arrivals are somewhat larger． Prices generalily are steady at about last week＇s level，$\$ 10.50$ to $\$ 10.75$ for No． 1 ， and ig to \＄0， 2 L for No． 2.

Hides－A better demand from tanners is reported and prices hold firm but un－ chauged at last week＇s level．Quotations are 7c，0c．and 5c．for Nos．1， 2 and 3 re－ spectively．Lambskins are steady and un－ clanged at 75 c ．with other lines quiet．An American report says ：－－The market for common dry hides appeared to be gradu－ ally working in favor of the seller．The amount of business transncted was small， as tanners were reluctant to pay the higher prices asked by importers．For Bogota bides a slight advanco was established in quotations，and 14 to lisc．are now the prices named，as against $131 / 2$ to $141 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ． There continued a slight market for city slaughter hiddes．Receutly a sale of 1,200 side brands was made at 73 c．，but at the close $71 / 4$ to $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ．was quoted； 600 bulls were sold at $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ．Advices from the West reported a qulet trade，with the market showing less stability of tone than latterly noted．A sale of 5,000 native steers was made on Saturday at 01／4c．Calfskins had． only a limited call，but values held steady．

Leatmer－ A moderate business is re－ ported，but it is believed that there will be a further improvement in tho demand．In sympathy with the steady feeling in hides， leather prices are firm，although no actual change has been noted．
－Paints and Oils－Business has fallen into a quiet rut．White lead paints are firm at the advanced prices noted last week，which makes quotations now ：Pure， $\$ 5 ;$ No． $1, \$ 4.621 / 2 ;$ No． $2, \$ 4.25$ ，and No． $3, \$ 3.871 /$ Linseed oil and turpentino are nochanged，while castor oil is firm at $01 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ． Collections are only modorate，the brid roads in the country still being blamed．
Petroleom－$A$ good business is still being done，the present being the＂har－ vest time＂in this branch of trade． Prices are firm as follows：W，W．， $191 / 2$ to $201 \mathrm{c} ;$ P．W． 18 to 19 c ；Canadian， $151 / 2$ to $10 \frac{1 / 2 c}{}$ ；American benzine， $211 / 2$ to $.2 \overline{50}$ ； Canadian benzine， 14 to $1 \overline{\mathrm{c}}$ ；astral， $21 \frac{1}{2}$ to $221 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ．Refined in Petrolia quoted at 10 c in bulk，and $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ in barrels，in car lots，f．o．b．there．

Produce and Provisions－The cheebe market shows a little more animation than formerly，and both＇export and local busi－ ness is more active and consequently holders are firmer in their ideas．Finest goads are selling at about $101 / 2$ to $105 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ ， and in fact $10 \% \mathrm{c}$ is asked in somo in． stances．The public cable quotes both white and colored cheese as unchanged at， 52 shillings．Butter is quiet，the demand from exporters having fallon off on account of holders＇views being above theirs．Lo－ cally there is not much doing，but cream－ ory is firmly held at 19 to $191 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ．Dairy and rolls are quiet，For eggs there is a moderate demand and the market is steady．Limed are in fair request，while the strictly fresh grades are scurce．Pro visions are quiet but prices gencraliy hold steady．

## TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE． <br> （Revised by Telegraph）．

Toronto．Jan．14， 1897.
There is no change in the trade situa－ tion．Wholesale trade is quiet as a rule， and prices of the leading staples aro said to be unchanged．Travellers are out，but as yet they are not tooking many orders． The sorting up demand is slow，but this is not unusual at this season of the year． Collections are rather slow．Money is un－ changed，with call loans quoted at 5 to $51 / 2$ and prime paper 6 to $61 / 2$ per cent． Sterling is firmer in sympathy with Now York rates．Stocks fairly active and strong．Latest sales：Bank of Mont－ real 230，Commerce 12714 ，Hamilton 153， Imperial Bank 173，Dominion 223．Postal 945／2，Cable 165，General Eiectric 80，To－ ronto Ry．701／4，Dominiou Telegraph 123， Western Assurance 1551／4，British America 110．＇Coutral Canada Loon 118，Canada Landed 104\％，Wostorn Canada 1071／2．

Butrice，\＆o．－Trade in butter is quiet and prices as a rule are unchanged．The best tub is jobbing at 14 to 10 co，large rolls at 13 to 14 c and pound rolls 15 to 17 c ， Creamory bringes 18 to 20 c the latter for choice rolls．Fggs 20 to 28 c ．per doz． for new－laid and 10 to 17c for cold－storage Cheese steady at $91 / 2$ to 10 c for summer makes and 10 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for autumn makes．
－Dressed Hogs－The market is very firm．Choice medium twelghts bring ，\＄5 $\$ 5.10$ by oar lot，and heavy $\$ 4.70$ to ${ }^{-1}$ 4．75，

Flour and Grain－Flour is dull， with stralght rollers quoted at $\$ 3.90$ to $\$ 400$ ，and Ontario patents at $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.30$ ．Manitoba patents $\$ 4,80$ to $\$ 5.00$ and strong bakers 94.75 to $\$ 4.80$ Bran is quoted at $\$ 7^{-}$to $\$ 7.50$ west and at $\$ 0$ here for ton lots．Oatmeal $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 3.00$ ．Wheat is dull with white and red held at 83c，outside，with 80c bid．No． 1 Manitoha hard selle at 04c， grinding in transit．Toronto freight，No． 8 hard 85c North Buy and No． 1 quoted at 78 c Furt Willim．Barley atoнig， whih No． 1 quated at 3 n̄c．No， 2 sold ht 8llc，No． 8 extra at 25 c and feed at 22c．Outs eusier at 10 c for white wegt and 180 for mixed．Peas firm，with


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bales at 420 north and west．Rye 3 are to 86c．Corn dill at $221 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ west for new． Buckwheat 28c wert．

Gnoceries－Trade quiet and feature－ less．Sugars are steady，with gramulated quoted at 4 c to $4 \frac{1}{6}$ ．and yellows at $31 / 4$ to $33 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ ．Rio coffee at 15 to 17 c ．Canned goods staraly；tomatoes aro quoted at 67 to 7he；peas at 60 to 75c ； corn at b5 to 70e；salmon，（Cohops）at $\$ 1.10$ to $\$ 1,25$ ．Vulencia ralsing，off stalk $51 / 4$ to $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ，and relections $01 / 2$ to 7 c ：Cur－ rants， $41 / /$ to $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ ．Prunes $61 / 4$ to $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ．

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## J．O．R．FRAPPIER <br> Electrical Contractor，and Experimentalist in Electrical Works．

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6\％e for No． 2 and 41／c for No．3．Calf－ skins 6 to 8 c ．Sheppskine are birm at 85 to 90c．Tallow dull at 8 to $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ ．

Live Stock－Receipts are a little smaller this week but prices unchanged． Exporters 314 to 3940 per 1 b ．and the best bulls at＇ 3 to $31 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ ．The best butchers＇ cattle bring 8 to $31 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ ，medium $21 / 2$ to 2 Kc and Inferior $13 / 4$ to $21 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ ．Milch cows $\$ 25$ to $\$ 40$ each the lat： ter for choice，Calves $\$ 5$ to $\$ 7.00$ per head．Sheep soll at 3 to $81 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ for choice exporters and 21／2c for butchers． Lamhs at $31 / 2$ to 4 c per lb ．Hogs firm， the best bacun lots selling at 436 tu $4 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$ thick fats $83 / 2$ to $35 / \mathrm{c}$ ，and light 4 o ． Suws 80，and stags 20 per 1 b ．

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Woor－There is nothing doing，and prices are nominal．Combing fleece 20 to $211 / \mathrm{c}$ c，and rejections 17c．Pulled wools 20 to 21 c for supers and 22 to 28 c for extras．

| MONTREAL WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT-THURSDAY! |  |  |  |  | JAN. 14, 1897 |  |  |
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## COLOUR IN INTERIOR DECORATIONS.

In the trades or professions covering the subject of interior decorations, colour is the one prime, essential necessity, says an upholstering coutemporary. Quality is all right in its way; good design is desirable, but everything may be undertaken and the work be a failure unless the colouring is correct. The man who will deny this is the man who realizes that his discernment of colour harmony is defective.

In undertaking the furnighings of a house, the character of a design period is to be the last thing to consider. We would say first, in determing upon the colourings of the various apartment, Give us a glance at the frocks and the smart dresses worn by the ladies of your household, for it is a reckless jump in the dark to attempt any lasting success if we furnished any colourings which, although for the moment pleasing to her, were of a character which, by long experience, she had learned to dislike.

A woman who is once told that she looks badly in red will learn to detest that colour. The phlegmatic gentlemen, whose clothes are of somber hue, and would be happy in an Oriental room, would be like a fish out of water in pale blue and rose colours.

But, of course, it is quite impracticable to look through a woman's wardrobe, so the next best thing is to judge of her celourings by her complexion.

The subject is well understood by the milliners, also by decorators of the better class, and the decorator who can detect at a glance the colours to which a woman is predisposed, has clearly a great advantage in the making of a sale and the giving of permanent satisfaction.

In this country the scientific knowledge of colour atmosphere in the home is but little understood, but in the older conntries time and experience have given to one's interior surroundings distinctive colours for the people. The yellows, and sharp reds, and dark blacks, which aro adapted so generally by the Chinese, are colourings that are simply suited to their complexions. To the darker races in the Orient we find, agaio, colours which are specially harmonious-colours which we have learned to regard as Oriental colourings. They have become a national characteristic. As we go further north, to the Mediterranean, wo find the
colouring again changes, and as we reach far Russia, Norway and Sweden, where the complexions are paler, we fiad, again, the tints essentally different throughout everything in the way of apparel and decorations. In this country we are of a cosmopolitan class. There is no distinctive trait, and our selections must be adapted to individual needs.

## FRENOH COTTON GOODS.

The war of 1870, by depriving France of the trade of Mul house, had a very considerable effect upon the condition of the cotton industry. Until 1878 the consumption of foreign piece goods in France exceeded the exports of the French goods. Fronch spinning mills worked up 80,000 tons of raw material instead of 100,000 tons. But new mills were established, the imports of raw cotton lncreased, and the industry sought new outlets in foreign countries. In this it was successful for, in 1882, the year that new commercial treaties were put in force, the export amounted in value to nearly 100 millions of francs, exceeding the imports of similar goods by 24 millions. This vigorous effort had even other results. Although the average of the duties had not been raised, French piece goods, during the prosperous period 1880-1883, had gained sufficient force to compete directly with importations from foreign countries, and from 1885 the value of foreign tissues placed on French markets gradually decreased, while French goods were gaining new customers elsewhere. In 1889 the value of foreign imports was reduced almost one-half-i.c. 41 millions instead of 75 millions in 1884 while exports of French goods approached 118 millions.
-The Government of New South Wales has appolnted the present general honorary secretary of the Irish Dairy Assoclation to go out to the Colony as Dairy Instruotor.
-J. E. Frdeman, general store, Harmony, N.S., is offering to compromise at 25 cents in the dollar, secured, in 3 and 0 months.
-H. F. Feenan \& Co., general store; Mount Stewart, P.E.I., have assigned to Oliver Rattenbury, of Charlottetown. Deed prefers the assignee, a brother, to amount of $\$ 1,000$, Smith Bros., Halifax, for $\$ 300$. Will offer 50 cents in the dollar.
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## A Moment with the Thoughtul.

Sovoral manufacturers of house heating bollers are vieing with each other in an attempt to bee huw chenply thetr products can lo medo, and give no thought to their ondifance, eficiency or economy.

## INFERIOR COODS ARE DEAR AT ANY RICE.

Wo nak that you compare the excellence in construntion and inibh, arrangenient and quality of heating eurrace, lat


After a careful investigation of these features we feel safo in leaving the decision to our best judgmont.

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## DECIMAL DIALS.

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