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 Reserve Fund
 1,100,000

 Total Assets
 8,539,476
 

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 Subscribed Capital
 \$1,876,000

 Capital Paid-up
 1,000,000

 Reserve Fund
 \*
 445,000

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Inspector, - - ROBERT ARMSTRONG.

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H. D. CAMERON, Manager.

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President, WILLIAM GLASS, Sheriff, Co. Middlesex. Vice-President, Adam Murray, Treas. "

 Subscribed Capital
 \$ 630,000

 Paid-up Capital
 609,046

 Reserv- Fund
 75,000

 Total Assets
 1,493,236

The Company issues Debentures for two or more years in sums of \$100 and upwards, bearing interest at highest current rates, payable half-yearly by coupons. Executors and Trustees are authorized by law to invest in Debentures of this company.

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LONDON, ONT.

INCORPORATED 1872.

 Capital
 \$1,000,000
 00

 Subscribed
 1,000,000
 00

 Paid-up
 833,121
 00

 Reserve and Contingent
 135,539
 16

 Savings Bank Deposits and Debentures
 768,995
 75

Loans made on farm and city property, on the

most favorable terms.

Municipal and School Section Debentures pur-Municipal and School Section Decentures pur-chased.

Money received on deposit and interest allowed thereon.

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OFFICE, No. 17 TORONTO ST., TORONTO.

 Capital
 \$1,057,250

 Paid-up
 611,430

 Absets
 1,300,000

Money advanced on improved Real Estate at owest current rates.

Sterling and Currency Debentures issued.

Money received on deposit, and interest allowed payable half-yearly. By Vic. 42, Chap. 20, Statutes of Ontario, Executors and Administrators are authorized to invest trust funds in Debentures of this Company.

WM. MULOCK, M.P., GEO. S. C. BETHUNE, President.

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\$2,000,000 1,200,000 600,000 4,525,000

OFFICES: No. 70 CHURCH ST., TORONTO.

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WALTER S. LEE. Manager.

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LONDON, ONT.

 Capital Stock Subscribed
 \$1,500,000

 Capital Stock Paid-up
 1,100,000

 Reserve Fund
 391,000

Money advanced on the security of Real Estate on favorable terms.

Debentures issued in Currency or Sterling.

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Interest allowed on Deposits.

R. W. SMYLIE, Manager.

### THE HOME Savings and Loan Company.

(LIMITED).

OFFICE: No. 72 CHURCH ST., TORONTO.

Authorized Capital \$2,000,000 Subscribed Capital 1,000,000

Deposits received, and interest at current rates al-

Deposits received, and lowed.

Money loaned on Mortgage on Real Estate, on reasonable and convenient terms.

Advances on collateral security of Debentures, and Bank and other Stocks.

Hon. FRANK SMITH, President.

JAMES MASON, Manager. BUILDING AND LOAN

ASSOCIATION.

DIVIDEND No. 31.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Three per cent. has been declared for the half-year ending 31st December instant, and that the same will be payable at the Offices of the Association, 13 Toronto Street, on an after

SATURDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1886.

The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to ne 31st December, both days inclusive, By order of the Board.

rd. WALTER GILLESPIE, Manager.

#### The London & Ontario Investment Co. (LIMITED).

OF TORONTO, ONT.

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Vice-President, William H. Beatty, Esq.

DIRECTORS.

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A. M. COSBY, Manager.

84 King Street East, Toronto.

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 Capital Subscribed
 \$300,000

 Capital Paid-up
 300,000

 Reserve Fund
 65,000

 Deposits and Can. Debentures
 605,000

Money loaned at low rates of interest on the courity of Real Estate and Municipal Debentures.

Deposits received and interest allowed.

W. F. COWAN. President. W. F. ALLEN Vice-President.

T. H. McMILLAN, Sec.-Treas.

The Loan Companies.

### THE ONTARIO INVESTMENT ASSOCIATION

#### LONDON, CANADA.

| Capital Subscribed | <b>\$</b> 2,650,000 00 |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Capital Paid-up    | 634,715 71             |
| Reserve]Fund       | 500,000 00             |
| Investments        | 1,998,621 06           |

#### DIRECTORS.

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Benj. Cronyn, Barrister. Daniel Macfie, Esq. John Labatt, Brewer. Jno. Elliott, Manufac'r. Isaiah Danks, Secretary Water Commissioners.

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HENRY TAYLOR, Manager

OFFICE: RICHMOND ST., LONDON, ONT.

### THE ONTARIO Loan & Debenture Company,

OF LONDON, CANADA.

| Capital Subscribed | \$2,000,000 |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Paid-up Capital    | 1,200,000   |
| Keserve Fund       | 285,000     |
| Total Assets       | 3,041,190   |
| Total Liabilities  | 1,507,573   |

Money loaned on Real Estate Securities only.

Municipal and School Section Debentures purchased.

WILLIAM F. BULLEN.
Manager.

London, Ontario, 1885.

### **LONDON & CANADIAN** Loan & Agency Co.

(LIMITED).

| BIR W. P. HOWLAND CR . K CM C | _                  |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Capital Subscribed            | PRESIDENT          |
|                               |                    |
| _ '' Paid-up                  | <b>\$4,000,000</b> |
| Reserve                       | 560,000            |
|                               | 200,000            |

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The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to the 31st day of December, both days inclusive. . By order of the Board.

Toronto, Nov. 25, 1885.

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D. McGEE, Secretary.

## The National Investment Co. of Canada

(LIMITED).

20 ADELAIDE STREET EAST, TORONTO.

Capital ..... \$2,000,000

DIRECTORS.

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ANDREW RUTHERFORD, Manager.

The Loan Companies.

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(LIMITED).
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Incorporated 1878 by Letters Patent under Great Seal of Canada.

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JOHN WALTON, Esq., J.P., Vice-President.
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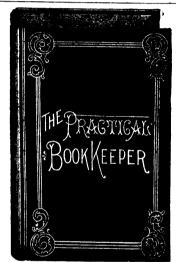
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#### Mercantile Summary.

Mr. Wm. Fitzpatrick, of Toronto (barrister), has been appointed Superintendent of Insurance, vice Prof. Cherriman, resigned.

THE machinery for the Coaticook Iron Wheel Co. has been arriving and the new factory will likely be in operation soon.

Savinos banks were instituted in England sixty-eight years ago. They are now in operation in fifteen European States, and have sixteen millions of depositors.

James T. Hurley, manufacturer of boots and shoes, in St. John, N. B., has purchased the machinery and plant recently tenanted by James Robinson & Co., and will continue the business at that stand.

Messrs. Gzowski & Buchan, stock exchange brokers and general agents, so long in the old stand, corner of King and Toronto streets, this city, have removed to 24 King street East, the building in which their office formerly was having been sold to the Quebec Bank.

EXPORTS from Canada for October were again largely in excess of the imports, being \$9,498,626 for goods the produce of Canada and \$1,029,291 for goods the produce of other countries, or a total of \$10,527,917, against a total of imports for the month of \$8,577,814.

It is stated that the Star Manufacturing Company's works at Waterloo, Que., will start this week. The Advertiser says the company has obtained a large English contract for bottle tops and a quantity of shanks will be manufactured for the Canadian boot and shoe trade.

The iron brokers of Glasgow did not meet on 20th ult. owing to the funeral of Mr. Robt. Donaldson of that city, who died on the previous Tuesday, aged 58. Mr. Donaldson, as the head of the firm of James Watson and Co., says the Iron Trades' Exchange, exercised great influence on the Glasgow and Middlesborough Exchanges, and the operations of his firm have for years been of great magnitude, and have for a long time affected the market value of pig iron. It is not many months since Mr. Donaldson visited this country, with a party of relatives and friends.

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#### Mercantile Summary.

The death last week of Mr. Robt. W. Behan, of Quebec, is announced. Deceased was of the dry goods firm of Behair Brothers.

The engine house, machine shop and boiler house of the Northern and Western railway are about completed, at Gibson, New Brunswick.

An estimate of the value of new buildings in Toronto for four recent years gives the following figures:—1882, \$1,757,630; 1883, \$1,506,740; 1884, \$2,033,245; 1885, \$2,344,300.

THE report of the St. John and Maine Railway Company shows an available balance of £1,731 for the past half year, after providing for debenture interest. By taking £1,000 from the reserve a small dividend is declared.

THE Customs duties collected at the port of Toronto last month amounted to \$186,354.71; for November, 1884, \$204,729.71. Inland revenue receipts at this port for November, 1885, were \$38,524; for the same month last year, \$40,188.

THE French River Lumber Co. is dissolved by effluxion of time, Sir W. P. Howland Messrs. John Waldie, Malcolm McDougall, and Robt. Thompson advertise that all monies due by or claims due to the company will be settled by Mr. John Waldie.

A PAPER in the boot and shoe trade thinks the retail dealer in those commodities hears more growling than any other individual. We will back the retail coal dealer against the world; he has to stand more kicks and cuffs (metaphorically) than any one. It seems natural for a man to growl about his coal bill after the coal is burnt.—Coal Trade Journal.

The mineral oil industry of Scotland was outlined by Mr. James McGilchrist, president of the Dumbarton Philosophical Society recently. He said that there are \$12,500,000 invested in the industry, and as showing its rise and progress it was pointed out that in 1871 the amount of shale distilled was 800,000 tons, and the crude oil produced therefrom was 25,000,000 gallons. At the present time there are 2,090,000 tons of shale distilled annually, producing 62,712,000 gallons of crude oil.

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On Tuesday, of this week, Mr. Walter S. Lee, of the Western Canada Loan & Savings Co. handed cheque for \$538,000 to the Omnium Securities Co., of Hamilton, and the entire mortgages of the latter Co., running from two to fifteen years, are now in the vaults of the Western Canada.

J. A. GADOUA & FRERE, a firm of retail and jobbing confectioners, in Montreal, met their creditors on the 25th ult., and now offer 25 cents on the dollar. They owe about \$7000. and attribute their failure to the serious effects of the small-pox epidemic upon their business which lay mostly in the east end of the city the quarter principally affected.

THE report of the Trust and Loan of Canada has been issued. The net profits f r the six months ending 30th September amount to £10,839. There is carried to reserve fund £544, A dividend at the rate of six per cent. and a bonus of one-half per cent. have been declared, and £3,536 carried forward to next

THE Hamilton commercial travellers met on the 28th ult., when officers were nominated for the C. T. A. as under :- E. A. Dalley, 1st Vice-President; W. G. Reid, 2nd Vice-President; J. H. Stone, Geo. Hamilton, J. H. Herring, J. A. Orr, Fred. Ashbough, H. G. Wright, Chas. A. Burdon, T. M. Davis, R. Turpin, S. Kemp, Alex. Munro, directors.

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THE pottery industry in St. John's Que' which for a time was overdone and in a condition of semi-collapse, is reviving. The works formerly known as Pearson's pottery have been taken hold of by a joint stock company, under the style of the British Porcelain Manufacturing Co., Mr. Pearson having gone out of the business. The concern has just got to work, and our informant thinks, with very fair chances of success. Another pottery on a considerable scale is being built in St. John's by Messrs. J. & H. Black.

VALUE of exports from Kingston during November was \$157,864. Value of imports, for same period, \$92,302.

THE completion of the bridge across the St. John river at Fredericton, is a matter upon which the people of that capital are to be congratulated.

An increase is shown in exports of Canadian produce from Hamilton to the United States last month over same month 1884. The figures this year are \$135,296.

THE capacity of J. P. Wiser's distillery at Prescott is being increased. Ten copper tanks are being put into the new tank house, each to contain 10,000 gallons of spirits. There are also upwards of 1,000 head of cattle in the feeding barns.

It is now about a year since Messrs. Cote & Co. got their boot and shoe factory started at St. Johns, near Montreal. They are reported to be doing an active trade and to have a number of orders ahead. The opinion is expressed that, St. John's being an advantageous manufacturing centre, there is a good field there for active men with fair capital.

Almost a year ago, counterfeit fives on the Bank of British North America, of the issue of 1877, were being passed, and the Bank took pains to remove that issue from circulation. The "blue" note of 1884 replaced the others, which were destroyed as they came in. But within ten days a new edition of the counterfeit V has appeared printed on better paper.

IMMIGRANTS at Toronto during eleven months of this year numbered 8,180, as compared with 12,428 last year. Of this number 5,093 remained in Ontario, 1,268 went to Manitoba and the remainder to the Western States. The nationalities of those remaining in Ontario were English 3,228, Irish 961, Scotch 838, Germans 49, Scandinavians 11, other nationalities six.

THE apathy of citizens in a matter of vital importance, received fresh illustration on Saturday last in the voting upon the waterworks by-law in Hamilton. This, if carried would have empowered the city council to purchase new pumping machinery to the value of \$70,000. It was not carried. It was condemned by a majority of 176 in a total of 902 votes cast. Ward No. 2 was the only ward that pronounced in favor of it. There will therefore be no new water works pumps in Hamilton just yet. The Spectator declares that "new pumps of some sort must be had, or very soou we may nave no pumps at all."

If traders would continue to sell out at the rate which appears this week, and if no new traders started, there would soon be breathing room in the mercantile ranks: W. H. Watson at Blyth, has sold out to W. Magill; Archd. Brockie, at Paisley, has sold out to D. D. Shanks. These are general dealers: B. H. Rothwell, at Brantford, has sold out his stock of books, &c., to H. R. Blackwood; B. Morse, grocer, Brantford, has sold out to Stephenson Bros. L. C. Leonard, of London, has sold out his crockery business. Jas. Scanlon has sold out his shoe stock in Stratford to Thos. Lawson. James Blackall, of Brandon, Manitoba, is selling off his dry goods stock by auction. D. J. Lalonde, grocer, Winnipeg, has gone out of business.

A WINNIPEG firm writes: "With regard to the state of trade in this locality, we think there is a decided improvement and a more hopeful feeling. The lack of cold weather and sleighing have had a tendency to keep back the volume of winter trade, usual in November;

have been enabled to get through with an extraordinary amount of ploughing and preparations for the next year's crop. Our advices from the country are very encouraging; the country merchants are paying up very well. The trade in the city is fair. Stocks are now more proportionate to the requirements of the people than they have been in the past seasons, in other words, trade is not as much overdone in any line."

It is a very annoying retrospect for a group of creditors to find a man to whom they had been indulgent by way of extension or compromise, proving unworthy of their leniency. Such is probably now the feeling of the creditors of Lewis Knapp of Shelburne who has done a grocery business for five years past. Having been burned out in May last year, he got a settlement at 42 cents in the \$, when it was shrewdly surmised that he could have paid more. He has just assigned again. ---- A grist mill man at Ridgetown, George Gunder by name, who last year fitted up his premises to make roller-process flour has found the business less easy to manage, or less profitable than he expected and now makes an assignment to James Mitton.

THERE are various kinds of distinction, perhaps it is as proper to be a distinguished medicine man as to be famous otherwise. Such publicity as a handsomely lithographed group of portraits for framing can give, has been given by Messrs. Root & Tinker, of New York, to a dozen "famous medicine men" of the United States, after the fashion of the groups of journalists published by the same firm. In the circular which accompanies the picture we find it stated that "people have erroneous notions, both of the motives and character of proprietary medicine men." And the assurance is gravely given that: "As a rule they are solid, substantial, trustworthy citizens, who win the success that comes to them purely on the merit of the goods they produce and of the work they perform."

It is only three weeks to Christmas, and it will soon be time to look up Christmas presents and Christmas cards. Indeed, for those who have friends across the Atlantic, next week is the latest date. None that we have seen this year can surpass the holiday cards of Hildesheimer & Faulkner, for which the Toronto News Company, 42 Yonge street, are sole Canadian agents. One does not wonder that these have received the gold medal at the London International Exhibition held last year. For daintiness of design, softness and beauty of coloring, they are admirable. Farm scenes after Albert Bowers, forest scenes by Fred Hines, sea pieces by Percy Robertson and F. C. Price, flowers by Ernest Wilson, birds by Alice West, maidens by Jane Dealy and Alice Havers, and a variety of sketches by B. D. Sigmund, form a gallery of delight. The wonder is that such perfection of artistic handling can be presented to the public in so cheap a form.

THE Hamilton firm of Grant & Furmidge began to make carriages two years ago. Their means were too limited, and they began to feel financial pressure. Lately their difficulties accumulated and last week they assigned to Sherman E. Townsend.—Chas. E. Stuart & Co. have been doing a wood and coal business in St. Catharines for some years. Stuart has, at least, and last year he admitted young Shickluna as partner. Now, as their neighbors are rather surprised to find, they are in trouble, and mainly in the hands of H. E. Yates, of Rochester, who is the principal half that sum in assets.--In May, 1884, Mr. George Offord, jr., a son of the Kingston manufacturer of that name, began a retail shoe business in Port Arthur, having previously been in the employ of John Holden & Co., of Winnipeg. That firm, we understand, assisted him to start. He found it needful to ask an extension last fall, and has within a few days assigned to A. Squier.

On King Street in this city, under the shadow of St. James tall spire, Mr. Samuel T. Muscat has had a jewellery store. According to his version, business has not been going well with him, and last week, at a meeting of his creditors he offered them 331 cents in the dollar of their claims, having first however, carefully given his wife a chattel mortgage for \$1000. When the assembled creditors learned this, and found that to offset liabilities of \$9000 Samuel T. showed only about \$2000 worth of assets, they refused his compromise offer. Queen Street west, this city, is the location chosen by Mr. Wm. Watson to begin his grocery business about three years ago-He had previously been paymaster on the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway and in Gordon & MacKay's employ, and was well spoken of. His business has not succeeded, however, whether because of a lack of necessary knowledge on his part, or, as he claims, because of dishonesty in an employe. He owes \$3600 and has less than \$2000 assets.

It has been decided by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to grant the same rates of carriage on barley and oats as are given on frosted wheat, and until further notice the following through all rail rates will govern shipments of barley and oats purchased from farmers on and after 28th November. Special eastbound barley and oat tariff via C. P. R. all rail line to Montreal and C. P. R. stations west thereof: From Winnipeg, St. Boniface, Niverville, Otterburn, Dufrost, Arnaud, Dominion City; Emerson, Morris, Rosenfield and Gretna, 42 cents; Morden, 43 cents; Manitou, 44 cents; Stonewall, West Selkirk, Murray Park, Headingly, Starbuck, Elm Creek. Maryland, Eud Track, M. S. W., Rosser, Marquette, Reaburn, Poplar Point, High Bluff and Portage la Prairie, 43c.; Burnside, Bagot, Austin, Sydney, Carberry, Sewell, Chater and Brandon, 44c.; Alexander, Griswold, Oak Lake, Virden, Elkhorn and Moosomin, 45c.; Wapella, Whitewood, Broadview, Grenfell and Wolseley, 46c.; Indian Head, Qu'Appelle, Balgonie, Regina, Penoe and Moose Jaw, 47c.

HENRY WARD Powis is among the Canadians who have deservedly made a name and standing in the old world as well as the new. Having gained his knowledge of the timber trade mainly in Quebec, Mr. Powis was so fortunate as to form, some years ago, a connection with the prominent and wealthy English house of Bryant & May. The firm of Bryant, Powis & Bryant was formed and has been very successful in the wood trade. Since the recent death of one of the Messrs. Bryant, it has been decided to form a joint stock concern under the name of Bryant, Powis & Bryant, Limited, to continue a business of wood brokers and importers. Messrs. Wilberforce Bryant, Frederick C. Bryant, and Mr. Henry Powis, the principal proprietors. The anthorized capital is £200,000 in shares of £1, and £100,000 is the first issue. They take fully paid 33,333 shares of the present issue. The transfer of the business is to include the leasehold offices and premises belonging to the firm in London, Quebec and Montreal, with all fixtures, furniture and fittings therein. We are told that the shares, to use an American but this is not an unmixed evil, as the farmers creditor. They owe \$10,000 and have barely expression, "are going off like hot cakes."

ELIZUR WRIGHT, well designated "a great figure in American underwriting," died last week in his eighty-first year. It was while insurance commissioner of Massachusetts, that Mr. Wrtght won his reputation as an authority on insurance matters, but he had been a noted and noteworthy man before that day. He began adult life as a school-teacher, attended Yale College, and became an Ohio professor. A fierce abolitionist, he nearly suffered death at the hands of Southerners. But at length, says the Chronicle, came a change in his pursuits and fortunes. After having been an editor and a translator, the Union Mutual Life insurance company, which started in 1852, employed him to prepare certain mathematical tables. These occupied him a year and earned him \$5,500. In 1858 he agitated for certain legislation reforming insurance methods and secured it, and he was then made insurance commissioner, a position which he held for eight years. Mr. Wright continued to write eight years. Mr. Wright continued to write occasionally for the press, on current topics, for many years. He was a free trader and woman suffragist, and took much interest in currency questions. "In the decline of his life, he manifested some weaknesses of opinion, but his hobbies, like all the acts of his life, were honorable. In every mental sense Mr. Wright was a broad man."

What care and skill could do to make a healthful and convenient factory appears to have been done by Messrs. J. D. King & Co. manufacturers of boots and shoes, with respect to their recently acquired premises on Wellington street, near York, in this city. These were formerly occupied as the Virginia Tobacco Works, and since their purchase by J. D. King & Co. have been enlarged and renovated, The boiler and engine room is outside the main building, and the lavatories and closets (on each floor) are also exterior to the factory. Pains has been taken, evidently with success, to make the drainage and ventilation perfect. There are five flats, in which the firm employs on an average 250 hands, and produces over one hundred varieties of boots and shoes. Facility of communication of the different departments with each other, assists the advantageous division of labor; while abundance of light and air is afforded to each of the separate work rooms, a matter of no small moment in economy of production as well as in the health and comfort of the employes. The main building is 60 feet by 100. There is a steam hoist, shafting on each floor, and an array of sewing machines, cutting and splitting machines, MacKay sewers, steam peggers, cable screw wire machines, enough to deafen any one not accustomed to the sounds deafen any one not accustomed to the sounds of busy labor. Hand work, too, is given much attention: a dozen men may be seen on the old-fashioned shoemaker's benches, sewing and hammering as our forefathers did fifty years ago. The firm is to be congratulated on their complete and handsome factory.

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An occurrence at a Dorchester hotel the other day discovers what looks like a plot to injure a manufacturer. The Pure Gold M'fg Co. which makes blacking, soap, &c., and puts up spices and baking powder, distributed, free, a lot of sample packages of their powder. The cook at a Dorchester hotel, made and served some cakes with this powder, guests at the hotel became ill, and the landlord went to Mr. Saunders, public analyst, who pronounced the powder chiefly bichromate of potash, a poisonous substance, which had been used, he thought, instead of bi-tartrate of potash or cream of tartar. Having looked further into the matter and examined other sample packages of Pure Gold Baking Powder, as given away in London, Mr. Saunders "finds the powder to be white, and in a narrower inside envelope, and entirely different in appearance from the poisonous powder referred to," and other circumstances make it "highly probable that the package in question had been tampered with." Mr Jardine, the proprietor of the Pure Gold M'fg Co., denies that such a poisonous substance is used at his factory and publishes a certificate of confidence from the leading wholesale grocers of this city. We readily believe that, as is claimed, "The Pure Gold Baking Powder is perfectly white in color, and contains only the finest qualities of cream of tartar and soda, with a small percentage of corn starch.

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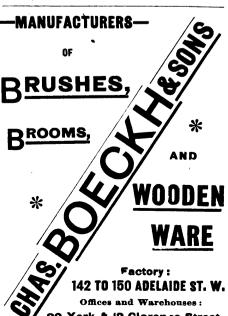
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#### THE SITUATION.

Considerable alacrity has been shown in issuing the first volume of the results of the labors of the Royal Commission on the Causes of Depression in British Trade. There is a general agreement among the witnesses, many of whom are found in Government departments and Chambers of Commerce, to the effect that considerable depression has existed in the last five years, which was not visible in the previous five years. Some witnesses attribute the difficulty to German and Belgian competition, foreign tariffs and high railway rates. The Birmingham Chamber of Commerce recommends a duty on foreign manufactures of the kind manufactured in England. The Leeds Chamber of Commerce attributes serious injury to foreign tariffs. Manchester trade has suffered much from foreign productions, But we have no suggestion of tariff retaliation. The assessment returns show a decline of £5,000,000 in the value of land within the last five years; and one witness thought the decline was greater. One witness hinted that of late England had been living on her capital to some extent, and diminishing the amount of her investments in foreign securities; but critics who have undertaken to deal with the facts show that this is not the case. Amendments to the Bankruptcy and Limited Liability Acts are recommended; the first to include the registration of private arrangements between debtors and creditors, with a statement of the causes of failure. The opinion was expressed, not very positively, by one witness that the Limited Liability Act had done more harm than good,

The New York Chamber of Commerce can hit upon no better plan for the revival of the American mercantile marine than a congressional appropriation in the form of bounties. The vote for this antiquated expedient, strange to say, was nearly unanimous, 27 against one. Probably the shipping interest made a special effort to bring about this result, which is surely the last thing that should have been expected from the intelligence of a representative commercial body like the Chamber of Commerce of New York. The request is made

at a time when Congress must have made up its mind to begin, however cautiously, to travel in the opposite direction.

An Ottawa journal states, without circumlocution that the object of the Premier's visit to England is the establishment of a line of trans-Pacific steamers, to connect Canada with Asia, and to make this country an entrepot of commerce between England and Japan and China. This means a demand that the mails for the east be carried by the Canadian Pacific Railway and its ocean connections at each end; a transfer that was certain to be asked for, but the granting of which will be possible only if the commercial conditions can be shown to be favorable. Everything considered, is this the best route? This is the question to be decided, and on its decision the future route for the mails between England and Japan and China must depend. But even if this question is to engage the Premier's attention when he is in England, it does not follow that no other subject will come under discussion between him and the British Government.

The annual meeting of Societe d' Industrie laitiere of the Province of Quebec, will be held at St. Hyacinthe on the 13th and 14th of January. A large number of persons interested in the butter and cheese interests is expected to put in an appearance. Speeches will be made by experts. There is no branch of Canadian industry in which the waste is so great as in butter-making which, taken as a whole, has very little to redeem it from the reproach of being a failure. In this direction, as a result of ignorance and carelessness, millions are thrown away every year, and not a single human being is benefitted by the sacrifice. It is time to wipe out this reproach, and if the meeting at St. Hyacinthe should tend to that result, those who take part in it will be entitled to be regarded as true patriots. The railways have agreed to reduce fares to visitors.

The sovereignty of Spain over the Caro. line Islands is to be recognized, Germany by which the question of title was raised. and England, which has large interests in that quarter of the globe, having signed an agreement to this effect. The blood of the Spaniard, which at one time rose to boiling point over the question, will now resume its normal temperature; but it will be unfortunate if the nation should become impressed with the idea that the intemperate expression of its wishes and alleged intentions contributed in the least to the result to which international justice and good faith pointed the way.

The result of the British and Irish elections is not such as to ensure the return of Gladstone to power. The Fair Trade cry told against the Liberals, and their own divisions made in favor of the Tories. Chamberlain has done more than any one else, friend or foe, to wreck his party. The Irish vote in English constituencies, was, according to the directions of the Nationalist leaders, cast for the Tories. It would be a curious retribution if the two British alists being able to turn the scale either way, and to extort what it wishes from the weakness of the Government.

Mr. Joly, the late premier for the Province of Quebec, has resigned his seat for Lotbiniere, rather than countenance the formation of a political party on national lines. In doing so he strengthens the extreme party in the county which he lately represented; but his deliberate choice of action, amid the frenzy of the masses of French Canadians, must give pause to such of them as are capable of being sobered. M. Chapleau, in a letter to his constituents, breasts the storm manfully: "It is not," he says, "when the tempest rages that the pilot should abandon his post, or yield to the fears of those who have placed themselves in his charge." This is his answer to the demand that he should resign. He speaks undeniable truth when he says that the isolation of the French would "engender antagonism, conflict and, worse than all, a war of races. Let others," he added, "force you into these excesses; you will never find me an exponent of such dangerous doctrines." M. Joly and M. Chapleau have, under the circumstances, well and nobly done their duty.

An elaborate scheme for placing England and all her dependencies in close and constant cable communication, is said to be in contemplation by Lord Salisbury's government. If this means anything, it must mean the laying of new cables to distant colonies, if such there be, which are now without cable connection. Where cables exist, they will scarcely be kept a-going for amusement, and unless there be something to communicate. Perhaps this half-formed project has some connection with the airy schemes of Inperial Federation which, for the amusement of the curious, have lately been exhibited, and of which neither the shape nor form can be distinctly discerned.

No great reduction of the American tariff need be looked for in the coming Session of Congress. Neither party is in favor of any sweeping change at present. Some reduction of duty will probably find favor with Congress. But there are demands; it cannot be said there is any serious movement, in the other direction. While, as noticed in another paragraph, the New York Chamber of Commerce advocates the revival of the obsolete system of shipping bounties, the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel workers, in Youngstown, Ohio on its own account, calls for higher duties on iron. The old story of the low rates of wages in Europe is made to do duty as a reason for this demand. It is impossible to believe that Congress can be induced to increase the war taxes so many years after the return of peace.

The renewal of the Latin Union is for a period of five years with Belgium left out, but with liberty to enter. The suspension of the coinage of silver is continued, with the condition that coinage may be resumed by any of the contracting States on redeeming in gold the balance of its silver circulaparties should unite to prevent the Nation. tion in other countries. The amount of

token silver is to remain at its present level of six francs per head of the population. An exchange of silver between the contracting countries is to take place within five years, and adverse balances are to be adjusted in gold or bank notes. Surplus silver of one country held by another will, from the second year, pay a low rate of interest. The amount of silver which the French government is bound to take back from Switzerland is limited to 66,000,000 francs, to be paid in gold. At the bottom of this arrangement there is always gold. and in the principal structure there is limitation of silver: this is bi-metalism under restriction, and with the admitted necessity of redemption. This is the next thing to monn-metalism. The silver of one State is not to be a legal tender in the others. except at the public offices. though the bank of France consents to receive the silver of the union States on account of the Treasury.

The annexation of Burmah may be expected to follow the capture of King Thebaw, whom the conquerors will take to Bombay or Calcutta as a State prisoner. By this new conquest the commerce of England in that part of the world will be extended.

#### THE HARVEST OF 1885 IN ONTARIO.

The Ontario Bureau of Industries has published a synoptical view of the result of the harvest of 1885, in this Province. The acreage and total yield are presented in the following table, comparison being made with the previous year:-

Acres-1885.

Acres-1884

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Carrots
Turnips
Hay and clover, tons ...

| rall wheat   | 875,136  | 864,740   |
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| Spring Wheat   | 799,463  | 721,647   |
| Barley   | 597,873  | 700,472   |
| Oats   | 1,543,745  | 1.481.828   |
| Rye  | 78,293   | 103,416   |
| Peas   | 646,081  | 570,928   |
| Corn   | 167,831  | 174,560   |
| Buckwheat  | 61,776   | 65,836  |
| Beans  | 24,651   | 24,878  |
| Potatoes   | 159,741  | 168,757   |
| Mangel Wurzels   | 16'435   | 18,341  |
| Carrots  | 9,024  | 10,987  |
| Turnips  | 102,303  | 104,199   |
| Hay and clover   | 2,268,091  | 2,193,369   |
|  |  |   |
| FIELD CROPS.   | Rushels—'85  | Bughala '94   |
| FIELD CROPS. Fall Wheat                                      | Bushels—'85,   | Bushels—'84.  |
| Fall Wheat   | 22,478,281   | 20,717 631  |
| Fall Wheat   | 22,478,281<br>9.129,881  | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661  |
| Fall Wheat<br>Spring Wheat<br>Barley                         | 22,478,281<br>9.129,881<br>16,533,587  | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661<br>19,119,041  |
| Fall Wheat   | 22,478,281<br>9.129,881<br>16,533,587<br>55,229,742  | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661<br>19,119,041<br>57,696,304  |
| Fall Wheat   | 22,478,281<br>9.129,881<br><b>16</b> ,533,587<br>55,229,742<br>1,294,925   | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661<br>19,119,041<br>57,696,304<br>1,648,259   |
| Fall Wheat   | 22,478,281<br>9.129,881<br>16,533,587<br>55,229,742<br>1,294,925<br>14,006,192   | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661<br>19,119,041<br>57,696,304<br>1,648,259<br>13,691,607   |
| Fall Wheat Spring Wheat Barley Oats Rye Corn                 | 22,478,281<br>9.129,881<br>16,533,587<br>55,229,742<br>1,294,925<br>14,006,192<br>10,741,391                                       | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661<br>19,119,041<br>57,696,304<br>1,648,259<br>13,691,607<br>12,935,889                                       |
| Fall Wheat   | 22,478,281<br>9.129,881<br>16,533,587<br>55,229,742<br>1,294,925<br>14,006,192<br>10,741,391<br>1,530,675                          | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661<br>19,119,041<br>57,696,304<br>1,648,259<br>13,691,607<br>12,935,889<br>1,484,570                          |
| Fall Wheat Spring Wheat Barley Oats Rye Corn Buckwheat Beans | 22,478,281<br>9,129,881<br>16,533,587<br>55,229,742<br>1,294,925<br>14,006,192<br>10,741,391<br>1,590,675<br>496,564               | 20,717 631<br>14,679,661<br>19,119,041<br>57,696,304<br>1,648,259<br>13,691,607<br>12,935,889<br>1,484,570<br>592,044               |
| Fall Wheat   | 22,478,281<br>9,129,861<br>16,533,587<br>55,229,742<br>1,294,925<br>14,006,192<br>10,741,391<br>1,590,675<br>496,564<br>21,094,144 | 20,717 631<br>14,609,661<br>19,119,041<br>57,696,304<br>1,648,259<br>13,691,607<br>12,935,889<br>1,484,570<br>592,044<br>27,546,261 |
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The yield per acre for a period of four years is also given :-

| -             | U           |              |       |        |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|-------|--------|
| 171-11 3375 1 | 1885.       | 1884.        | 1883. | 1892.  |
| Fall Wheat, b | ush 24.5    | 24.0         | 10.6  | . 26.3 |
| Spring Whea   | t do 11 4   | 20.2         | 16.6  | 16.5   |
| Barley        | do 27.7     | 27.3         | 24.3  | 28.6   |
| Oats          | do 35.8     | 38.9         | 38.5  |        |
| Rve           | do 16.5     | 15.9         |       | 36.4   |
| Peas          | do 21.7     |              | 16.0  | 18.7   |
| Corn (in ear) |             | 24.0         | 19.7  | 19.6   |
| Buckwheat     |             | 74.1         | •••   | 64.9   |
|               | do 24.8     | 22.5         | ***** | 25.2   |
| Beans         | do 20.0     | <b>2</b> 3.8 |       | 20.7   |
| Potatoes      | do132.0     | 163.2        | 98.0  | 115.0  |
| Mangolds      | do466.1     | 471.9        | 363.0 | 488.0  |
| Carrots       | do383.7     | 382.0        | 354.0 | 403.0  |
| Turnips       | do 402.1    | 426.2        | 304.0 |        |
| Hay and clove |             | 1.39         | 1.75  | 448.0  |
| and order     | , voii 1 10 | 1.05         | 1.75  | 1.14   |

In comparisons of this kind everything depends on the accuracy of the figures. The acreage of the crops was arrived at from estimates made by farmers, not later than the 25th June; the average yield is deduced from returns made by threshers and correspondents of the Bureau to the great crops, wheat, barley, oats, Ontario is 1st November. The acreage of the crops | singularly favored :-

is largely conjectural; accurate returns could only be got by a process similar to that of taking the census for the year. The returns received could only be samples, and as such approximate conclusions may be drawn from them. They are probably the best obtainable by the process used, and for the early presentation for which they are required. Much would depend on the number of returns, and an increase one year over another, while it would tend towards greater accuracy in the year in which they were most numerous, would make the comparison somewhat unequal. The actual average of previous years is ascertained by a surer process, which the Bureau regards as equal to a census-taking; but even when comparison is made with figures of which the substantial accuracy may be assumed, the degree of certainty which attaches to one side of the comparison is no proof of the accuracy of the other side. So great are the discrepancies in the returns of different years, that the figures of one year afford little or no check upon those of another year. The yield of autumn wheat is put down for last year at twenty-four bushels an acre, and for this year at a fraction more; for 1883 the figure is only 10.6, and in 1882 it is over 26. When the divergences are so great the figures of one year are no check upon those of another. The actual yield per acre over the whole province is very difficult to get at, and anything like absolute accuracy must be unattainable. An average of over 26 bushels to the acre of autumn wheat in 1882 is a figure that may well stagger belief; it is not far from the average of England, where farming is pursued in a much more scientific way than here.

Twenty-four bushels per acre, the stated yield of the present and last year, is enor mous, not only by comparison, as we shall presently see, but also as a result of the actual method of farming in Ontario. The stated average of spring wheat fell from 20.2 bushels per acre, last year, to 11.4. this year, rain and frost being responsible for the principal damage, which lowered the average. Of barley the crop is not bad; and the yield is set down as about equal to that of last year; but the selling value is reduced by discoloration. Oats are below the average, but perhaps not greatly: 35.8 bushels per acre being the stated yield against 38.5, the highest figure of the four years. When the word average is used it must be supposed to have reference to some ascertained standard; but it conveys no information to the reader who is not in possession of the standard. If peas and beans were injuriously affected by alternations of wet and dry weather, and by uneven ripening, and if the pea-bug did some damage, the yield was not far behind that of the other years given. The potato rot, so fatal in Ireland in 1847, has reappeared in Ontario this year, destroying one-half the crop all the way from the Ottawa to the Detroit River, and the process of destruction is still going on,

A comparison with eight States of the American union shows that in the three

| FALL WHEAT: 1885.      | 1884. | 1883. | 1882. |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Ontario bush 24.5      | 24.0  | 10.6  | 26.3  |
| Ohio do 8.1            | 15.3  | 9.5   | 16.7  |
| Michigan do20.0        | 14.0  | 12.0  | 17.3  |
| Indiana do10.8         | 13.2  | 10.4  | 15.7  |
| Illinois do 9.2        | 12.6  | 10.0  | 16.0  |
| New York do 15.5       | 16.5  | 11.0  | 18.7  |
| Pennsylvania bush 10.0 | 15.0  | 13.5  | 15.5  |
| SPRING WHEAT:          |       |       |       |
| Ontario bush11.4       | 20.2  | 16.6  | 16.5  |
| Iowa do 11.2           | 12.5  | 12.7  | 11.0  |
| Minnesota do11.5       | 16.1  | 13.2  | 13.3  |
| BIRLEY:                |       | -0    | 10.0  |
| Ontario bush27.7       | 27.3  | 24.3  | 28.6  |
| Ohio do 20.5           | 26.0  | 21.0  | 199   |
| Michigan do27.0        | 23.0  | 21.0  | 25.2  |
| Indiana do 12.5        | 23.0  | 20.4  | 24.0  |
| Illinois do 22.3       | 24.0  | 26.0  | 22.5  |
| New York do 22.0       | 23.0  | 24.5  | 25.0  |
| Pennsylvania bush.18.5 | 19.0  | 25.0  | 23.5  |
| Iowa bush 23.0         | 23,0  | 23.6  | 21.7  |
| Minnesota do 23.8      | 26.4  | 24.0  | 23.3  |
| OATS:                  |       |       | 20.0  |
| Ontario bush35.8       | 38.9  | 38.5  | 36.4  |
| Ohio do 34.5           | 29.0  | 34.0  | 28.0  |
| Michigan do35.5        | 32.0  | 36.7  | 33.3  |
| Indiana do31.5         | 30.0  | 30.5  | 27.0  |
| Illinois do32.7        | 33.0  | 33 0  | 37.4  |
| New York do. 28.0      | 30.0  | 32.0  | 34.2  |
| Pennsylvania bush.27.0 | 28.0  | 33.0  | 27.8  |
| Iowa bush32.5          | 32.0  | 36.0  | 31.8  |
| Minnesota do 34.7      | 35.3  | 37.0  | 40.0  |
|                        | 23.0  | 01.0  | =0.0  |

The choice of States for comparison with Canada has been fairly and judiciously made; the lapse of time since they were brought under cultivation has, in all cases, practically given about the same chance for the effects of exhaustion to show themselves, though the time of the first settlement varies greatly; but all the lands included in the comparison have been under cultivation long enough to make the effects of an exhausting system of agriculture visible. It is very encouraging to note that a high average is far better maintained in Ontario than in the eight States brought into comparison with this province. Especially is this true of autumn wheat. The comparison for a single year would have been of no value, because the discrepancies might be due to accidental causes; but the superiority of Ontario in the production of autumn wheat is persistent throughout the four years, and they form the basis of a fair average. Even in spring wheat, during the quadrennial period, the advantage is in our favor; and in barley and oats the comparison tells in the same The character of Ontario's direction. wheat crop this year depends on the relative quantities of autumn and of spring sown; and as there is a larger acreage of autumn wheat, which is the good crop, than of spring which is very nearly a failure, the average of the wheat crop, taken as a whole, is not bad; it is good in comparison with wheat crops in the eight States in question.

#### FRENCH TRADE.

The foreign commerce of France merits attention. Its diffusion as well as its extent is very great. Siam and Japan, Algeria and Mexico, Australia and South Africa, are among the countries with whom she trades. According to the Annuaire de la Marine du Commerce Française, for 1885, the largest share of French trade, inward or outward, which falls to any nation is done with Great Britain. Out of an aggregate trade of 10,447 millions of francs, (about \$2,090,000,000) in the year 1883, nearly twenty per cent. was done with the United Kingdom. Imports from that country into France were of the value of 838 million francs and exports to her from France were estimated as worth 1.092 millions. The country doing the trade next

largest to Britain is Belgium, sending 600 millions to France and taking 548 millions from her; but the United States follows hard with purchases from her sister republic of 504 million francs in 1883, in return for which she sent 379 millions. The relative share (expressed in millions of francs) borne by various countries in the trade of France for 1883, may be shown by a table,

| <b>.</b>           | Imports from.  | Exports to |
|--------------------|----------------|------------|
| Great Britain      | 838.0          | 1,092.1    |
| Belgium            | 600.0          |            |
| Germany            | 000.9          | 543.8      |
| Germany            | •••• 583.3     | 373.6      |
| Italy              | 503.3          | 287.7      |
| Spain              | 404 4          |            |
| United States      | 270.0          | 292.2      |
| Switzerland        | 579.0          | 504.3      |
| Switzerland        | 367.0          | 315.9      |
| British India      | $\cdots 285.2$ | 17.5       |
| Russia             | 944.0          | -,         |
| Argentine Republic | 107.0          | 25.9       |
| Turkey             | 197.0          | 129.0      |
| Turkey             | $\cdots 163.6$ | 77.9       |
| Austria,           | 140 5          | 34.5       |
| China              | 120.0          | 0 2.0      |
| Brazil             | 104.0          | 19.9       |
|                    | 125.5          | 81.1       |
|                    |                |            |

Beside figures such as these, the 15 million francs of Canadian trade seem insignificant, indeed. Even St. Pierre and Miquelon, the French islands in the St. Lawrence, do twice the business with France which is done by the whole of Canada. So long as the trade of the Dominion with la belle France remains at such a narrow limit, the Anglophobists, the political "cranks" and the Quixotic orators of the Province of Quebec may talk platitudes about rapprochement, or perhaps even the retablissement des relations of the days of Louis XIV. but it will amount to nothing. Canada is British, and British, not French, she will remain, in principle and feeling, as well as in allegiance.

#### NOTES ON A RECENT VISIT TO MANITOBA.

A correspondent whose vision takes a wide sweep of the financial horizon, writes:

A traveller arriving in Winnipeg and passing through its streets, would scarcely suppose that the city had passed through the severe ordeal of a commercial depression within the last year. Especially, he would not suppose it, if he had not seen the city before for several years. Between 1882, when the boom was at its height, and now, the appearance of the city has vastly improved. Main street, which is the widest, and will yet be, probably, the finest street in the Dominion, has had many handsome brick and stone buildings of good architecture erected upon it during that time. Many handsome blocks of warehouses, offices, banks, &c., are now to be found, where, only two or three years ago, mere wooden shanties occupied both sides of the street. And the street itself has been radically changed from its former condition of glutinous black mud; it has been, during the last year, laid with block pavement along the whole length and width. The Street Railway runs for some three miles along its course. There are very wide sidewalks, fairly busy with people; numerous shops well lined with stocks of goods; and banks fairly busy with customers. Improvements have appeared also in other parts of the city. Several really noble churches have been erected, whose wealthiest of our cities. The government up.

buildings, too, and many handsome private residences adorn the wide and well-laid out streets in the suburbs. There are not very many shops to let, nor are there many private houses to let. The city does not lock deeply depressed. It has not the appearance that Toronto had after the great revulsion of 1857, although it has passed through a similar experience from the same

The truth seems to be that things are not as good as they look. Heavy loads of debt rest on many of the handsome blocks of buildings of the city. Some churches are overwhelmed by the debts that rest upon them; and arrangements with creditors have taken place. foundations of one building, intended for an immense hotel, still awaiting the superstructure. Another large and handsome hotel, that was actually finished, is loaded with a debt great in comparison with present values; and is partially occupied at present as a boarding house. The stocks of goods in the city are many of them bankrupt ones, and those who sell them are working along under insolvency arrangements. Noble mansions in the outskirts, that would do credit to our wealthiest eastern cities, are closed up or occupied by caretakers. The rush of business, the joviality, the excitement, the rapid changing of immense blocks of money in real estate operations, the rushing to and fro of men with their bargains in suburban lots, all these things have passed away, and many of the actors in these scenes have passed away too, most of them poverty stricken and ruined.

Yet the city, commercially, is on a sounder basis to-day than it was in the times of inflation. Wholesale houses have learned to discriminate between worthless and reliable customers. They have cut down expenses and shortened credit. They do less business, but they do it on a more satisfactory basis now than than they have done for several years back, and there is a business to be done. There is a large population in the towns and villages of the interior whose wants are mainly supplied from Winnipeg; and things in the interior itself, as we shall presently see, are on a much better footing than they were a year ago. Altogether the condition of affairs in Winnipeg is rather hopeful than otherwise. Its residents think, with some reason, that they have seen the worst. They have learned salutary lessons which they will not readily forget. The time of inflation has passed; the time of solid business, rational values, reasonable rents, moderate profits and fair prices has set in.

The effect of the Rebellion was singular in many ways. It has spoiled immigration for a whole year, and so did harm; but it caused the disbursement of immense sums of money in the interior, and so enabled debts to be discharged for considerable amounts, which would otherwise have dragged for years. Many an old account has been paid this summer and many a protested bill taken up, More money in fact was received by the Province than if a second really good harvest had been reaped. The damage done by the hinderexterior and interior alike would befit the ing of immigration was thus largely made

The business of lending money in Winnipeg has been a disastrous one during the last few years. Banks, Loan Companies, and private capitalists alike, have been affected. The losses made by the banks have been frequently referred to in your columns; but it is singular how the prudent and cautious loan companies, that lend money on mortgage, have been deceived and lured into transactions which cannot fail to end in heavy loss. In fact, all the phenomena connected with money lending, with which the people of Canada were familiar from 1857 to 1865, have been repeated in the experience of Winnipeg and the North-west,

The interior of the country is rapidly changing its appearance, and character; settlements are taking place on the vast stretches of prairie, which formerly met the eye in travelling; and the sight of well stacked crops garnered around the home of the farmers that meet the eye in every direction is one of the most cheery that can possibly be seen.

Your readers have already heard that the crop on the ground this year was the most abundant ever known. There possibly never was as much wheat on any given space of ground in the world as there was in Manitoba in the middle of August this year. But for two or three nights towards the end of the month the breath of frost passed over the land in a capricious zig-zag fashion, the effect being that, in many instances, almost the whole crop was spoiled. And in many more sufficient damage was done to reduce the magnificent harvest to a mere average. In some districts, however, the frost scarcely touched the grain at all. It was an exhilarating prospect that met the eye in passing through such tracts of country as these. The lifting up that would ensue, the large tide of wealth that would pour in when the crop was harvested was calculated to raise the spirits to a high pitch of satisfaction and hopefulness. From numerous enquiries made in various parts and in different districts of the country the following result was tabulated :---

The crop in quantity, taken as a whole, was fully thirty-three per cent. above an an average. Of this large crop one third was rated in a first-rate condition and will yield the finest grade of hard wheat. Another third was partially damaged; but this would still make flour of tolerably good quality-the damage being from ten to twenty cents per bushel. Of the remaining third the greater part would be so touched by the frost as to be unfit for milling purposes at all, and useful only for feeding cattle. The price, however, is fully ten cents per bushel more than it was last year, and the general result will be about equal to an average crop at the average price of last year, say at 58 cents per bushel. The other crops have suffered little damage by the frost, Oats, which were green on the night of the frost, ripened perfectly afterwards and showed no signs of damage whatever. This frost, however, will have one very admirable result. It has thoroughly broken up the idea of devoting farms exclusively to the raising of wheat. This idea needed to be broken up, for it is a bad

one. It would be a heavy misfortune to Manitoba if it were to become a region of large farms devoted simply to the manufacture of crops of wheat. This is now seen and appreciated. Men are convinced by the misfortunes of this year that it is a mistake; and they are turning their attention in another direction.

The subject will be pursued and concluded in another paper.

#### LIFE INSURANCE.

Two subscribers, the one a merchant in the east, and the other a banker in the west, ask our "candid opinion on the Homans plan-circular enclosed." and lalso our view of "the security offered to a person insuring in the Federal Life."

No two intelligent insurance experts, even, in our opinion could possibly come to an identical conclusion as to how the plan works, with the circulars sent us as their sole authority. One might conclude that the cost of being insured twelve mon hs for \$1,000, age twenty or twenty-five, would be \$26.00. Another would call it \$20. And at age sixty, one would say \$61.76 and another \$37.88. The contention of one would be that the man joining at twentyfive would always be rated at \$12.00 per \$1,000 for maximum assessment, while another would stoutly maintain that the rate rises every year after entry, as the age increases, so that at forty-five his rate would be \$18.36, and at sixty, rise to \$47.76. And then \$3 on top of all assessments must be paid per annum for expenses for each \$1,000 of insurance, and this is wrongly represented to be from "one-half to onetenth that charged on the old plan."

Cheapness is claimed for the plan, but as its basis is an increasing or natural premium, it can only be cheap during a short time, and must prove a dear plan to those who live long. A man joining at thirty and paying natural premiums, adding nothing for expenses, would find that at ninety-four he would have paid out \$8,382.23 for the \$1,000 left to his family by his death at that age. On the level premium system practised by regular companies, even without profits, the \$1,000 would have cost him from \$17 to \$18 per annum, or at ninetyfour, only from \$10.80 to \$11.50—more than \$7,000 less for the sixty-four years' insurance of \$1,000. The plan is anything but cheap.

On page 2 of the prospectus it is stated that after the first year only mortuary premiums to meet the death losses are required and that all "banking" is done away with as being one of the evils of the business, but a little farther on we find, to our astonishment, that

"These mortuary premiums are at once deposited in trust, 75 per cent. to be used solely in settlement of death claims, and the residue for the creation of a Guaranty Fund, additional to the capital, assets and surplus of the company, to be accumulated for the protection of its policyholders.

It therefore appears that one-third as much is "banked" as is devoted to paying claims. This is more than is added to the reserve by old liners, after a certain stage.

claims of 1884 is \$1,180,741, while the reserve or "banking portion of the business" called for an addition of only \$680,240, or less than one-fifth.

On page 4 the full "with profits" premiums of a mutual company are quoted to compare with the cost under the Homans plan, instead of using the one-year-term rate. The former, age 35, is \$248.40 for \$10,000, while the regular short term rate is usually about \$117—a material difference. Intelligent people may be excused if they have not much confidence in a plan needing such bolstering.

As to the security afforded by the Federal, some information can be had from the government reports of the past three years as follows :--

|               | 1882.   | 1883.             | 1884.     |
|---------------|---------|-------------------|-----------|
| Insurance     | 394,350 | <b>\$</b> 722,669 | \$872,645 |
| Receipts      | 7,371   | 17,200            | 23,795    |
| Payments      | 16,278  | 25,133            | 28.834    |
| Cap. & Assets | 68,693  | 87,355            | 87.452    |
| Liabilities   | 6,884   | 37,518            | 45,713    |
| Surplus       | 61,809  | 49,837            | 41,739    |
| Capital prid  | 68,655  | 68,850            | 68,850    |

#### BUSINESS MEN'S VIEWS.

A general dealer of experience in Brighton, ventures the opinion that: "If storekeepers would live within their means and trade within their capital, all would be well." No doubt, no doubt. And if others than storekeepers would live within their means they would be better able to pay their store bills and so assist the storekeepers to trade within their capital. And then—but even then, we regret to conclude, all would not be well, for we are not living in Utopia.

The range of prices for cheese has been so low, and the difficulty of getting grain to market so great, that "it makes collections an impossibility," says a general firm in Athelstan, Que., "unless the strong arm of the law is employed, something that traders do not care to do." To sue a debtor is truly, in most cases, an unpleasant resort. And it is a method not needed in the case of every man who is slow pay but who is willing and sure. But with some debtors it is necessary, and should be used without

Here is the deliverance of a dealer on Lake Huron, who is somewhat of a pessimist, evidently, but who has grounds for too much of his lamentation: "Plenty storekeepers will tell you that business is bad, yet new men are continually starting up in business. These are nearly all green hands, having a few hundred dollars saved from farming or clerking. The trade of some districts, though no bigger than in 1880, is divided among twice the number of shopkeepers. There are twice too many in business. Is not the ease with which unpleasant debts are compounded and cancelled, a primary cause of this insane crowding into business, both in wholesale and retail? So long as our young farmers see in our towns, business men, living in style and luxury, so long will this state of things exist. Let the 'gent' who asks for credit for goods understand that he must live on the profits of his business, and not on the capital of his creditors."

"When I see," says a correspondent in

splendid farming section fail, year after year, mainly from want of proper cultivation and of drainage, and see the immense capital uselessly employed in commercethe very capital needed to improve our farming lands-and when I see further, that our towns are filled with strong, strapping fellows, largely from our farms, attending high schools to fit themselves for preachers, doctors, lawyers, merchants, &c., while but few go for farmers or mechanics, I almost despair of my country."

A correspondent who signs himself "Enquirer" calls our attention to what he finds to be a growing evil, and requests that we give the matter consideration, and suggest a remedy. "A certain article of commerce is sold by the barrel," he says, "the barrel is, by law, of a certain standard. Unscrupulous manufacturers place upon the market undersized and underweight barrels. The dealer, working upon the ignorance or carelessness of the buyer, or both, encourages the manufacturer in many cases, because the railway companies, charging a rate per hundred pounds, carry one-ninth more of the light barrels for the same money. Thus the public, through the dishonesty of maker and dealer playing into each others' hands, purchase an article presumably of standard weight, when it is not so. The consumer is the loser, the dealer and maker are the gainers and the honest manufacturer is heavily handicapped. What is the remedv ?"

Vicious trade usages of the kind described are insidious. Abhorred at first, they are yet "endured, then pitied, then embraced." A barrel of coal tar is supposed to contain 331 gallons; but along comes an American manufacturer who sells a barrel for less money. Examined, this barrel' is found -o contain but 30 gallons. As another instance, Portland cement used to come in from the British market at 375 pounds to the barrel. Now, Belgian and German makers send us barrels of it weighing only 355 pounds. So with many other articles. Such reductions of quantity are practically a fraud upon the consumer, who does not get what he fancies he is getting.

—In the November number of the Philadelphia Textile Record, which is devoted to the interest of American manufacturers of textiles, we find the following;-"The trades unions of New York City have declared war against the New York Trade School, an institution which has undertaken to give to young men instruction in the mechanic arts. The unions, having throttled the apprentice system, are now attempting to prevent the substitution of schools in the place of that system. The movement amounts simply to a declaration that no young man shall learn a trade unless he has the permission of the unions. This is tyranny of the worst and most offensive kind. A man in this country has an absolutely indisputable right to learn any honest business that he wishes to learn; and the attempt of any man, or any body of men, to prohibit is doing so is intolerably insolent. If the trades-unions are going to array themselves against iudustrial educa-One-third of the Connecticut Mutual's the extreme North West, "the crops of this tion in this country, we warn them that

they will be beaten in the contest. The people already have suffered much from the reckless audacity of these organizations. and have borne with them patiently; but they will not endure such an invasion of personal rights as is involved in this attempt to monopolize mechanical knowledge and skill."

-In value of foreign commerce the United States, last year, stood fourth on the world's list; Great Britain being first, Germany second, and France third. noticeable feature in the foreign trade of the United States, during the last fiscal year, is the decline in the imports of \$90,-000,009, and in the exports of \$32,000,000. Among the exports the greatest increase in manufactures of late years has been in agricultural implements, cottons, and manufactures of iron, from locomotives to sewing machines, and including tools and hardware. The effect of the reduction of duties was not great, a decline of \$12,000,000, and would have been scarcely perceptible if there had not been a heavy decline in imports. Of the foreign trade only 14.6 per cent. was carried in foreign bottoms. The number of emigrants that arrived was 395,-346, against 518,592 in the previous year.

#### HOW HAVE YOU FOUND BUSINESS.

Bad roads, consequent dull trade and poor collections, are a common experience in country districts at present. Still the tenor of many of our correspondents' replies is cheerful and re-assuring:

The experience of Messrs. Lucas, Park & Co., wholsesale grocers in Hamilton is: "Business is about the same as last year. Collections a little better."

An Oshawa correspondent replies to our enquiry: "It is very dull here just now; the roads are in a very bad state, which prevents farmers coming in to do their trading."

Mr. John Ott, of Brantford, maker of sheepskin linings, &c., says: "In most lines trade has been good, a big improvement over last year's. Very few failures, and as a rule notes are paid well."

John Dunbar, merchant tailor in Kingston. finds that "Business is better, it has a healthier tone. Altogether customers prefer to pay cash rather than ask for time. I have not bought as much goods, but find it much easier to collect accounts than at this time last year.'

A general dealer at Little Current, tells us that "Crops are very poor here this season, and owing to low prices business is dull."

A dry goods dealer at Portage la Prairie writes: "The crops in this vicinity were excellent, and well saved. A large quantity of wheat has been marketed here at remunerative prices. Business has been good, but owing to the mild weather heavy goods have not moved as readily as they otherwise would have done."

From Brandon, Manitoba, a storekeeper writes: "Trade is very good with me. The general business of this locality being now (Nov. 20th,) very much better than at any previous season since "the boom" notwithstanding much wheat being frozen, which is selling freely."

A dealer in shoes, &c., at Waterford, near Lake Erie, writes in reply to our question as to state of trade: "It is a great deal better than in spite of the concourse of buyers, prices last year, but prices of farmers' produce re- ruled low throughout. There were exceptions, the assured has. Pamphlet enclosed.

ceding will make it dull after the holidays. Another matter I would mention is that we need more manufacturing interest in this section, which is a good one for the purpose."

Bobcaygeon, Peterboro County, used to be considered far back in the fur bearing wooden country. It is no longer so. A subscriber at that point says: "I found business good up to the close of navigation, but now we look for a dull time. Spring wheat is a bad crop, and potatoes are badly rotted. Even the farmer who is not hurt thinks he is so, and it makes good excuse for him, but a hard time for the shopkeeper to collect."

A frank correspondent in St. Johns, on the Richelieu River, south-east from Montreal, says: "The crops generally are abundant, with the exception of the hay crop, which has for some years been the principle interest of the farmers in this district. A large export business in this is carried on with American markets, particularly with Boston, where high prices are usually obtained. This season the crop was light, though the quality of yield was very fair. Holders, in consequence, were asking such high prices from the shippers that they could not handle it at any profit, and this business in consequence has been very dull. Trade generally has been flat, but merchants have, as a rule, been cautious in buying and kept their stocks down, and there have not been any failures in this town during the past six months. Some of the retail dry goods merchants have benefitted by Montreal's small pox epidemic, their sales are considerably above the average."

#### LUMBER MARKETS.

Advices from Chicago to the close of No. vember say that while the bulk of receipts went directly to the yard docks, a few loads came upon the market and were sold at steady prices. The season is drawing toward the end, and no further activity is expected. Short green piece stuff still sells at \$9.50 a thousand. No. 2 boards and strips sell at \$10.50 to \$11 for green, and from \$11 to \$11.50 for dry, when the stock is of average quality. Extra shingles are slightly weaker than they were, but standard and low grade shingles are firm in price. Five and six-inch clear bring from \$1 to \$1.25. But few vessels are now going out for loads, but more would sail if they could get cargoes. Receipts of lumber and shingles from 1st January to 25th November of two years were:

| Lumber, 18851,688,843,000 18841,783,311,000              | Shingles.<br>737,295,000<br>845,453,000    |
|--|--|
| Decrease94,468,000  LAKE RECEIPTS FOR 1885 TO            | 108,158,000<br>nov. 25.                    |
| Lumber Shingles Lath                                     | 1,472,571,000<br>476,018,000<br>48,495,000 |
| Posts Ties Wood, cords                                   | 1,815,757                                  |
| Slabs, cords   | 30,484<br>20,162<br>51,806                 |
| STOCK ON HAND NOVEMBE                                    | R 1.                                       |
| 1885.<br>  Lumber and timber . 665,050,130<br>  Shingles | 321,361,925<br>70,742,042                  |

The Timber Trades Journal of 21st November states that trade in London continues lifeless, with no hope of revival till after the elections are over. At Foy, Morgan & Co's sale on 19th,

537,435

Cedar posts.....

400,805

of course, but the general tone was still of an unfavorable character. Nevertheless, "there was a disposition amongst those assembled to pay fair values for really high-class wood. The little pine lot at £23 10s was evidence of this, the deals being certainly not the primest we have seen from Quebec.'

Liverpool correspondence of the same journal announces that altho' timber arrivals are but moderate, they suffice for the demand, and the statement is made that "there is a general impression that stocks of timber, deals, &c., in the manufacturers' and dealers' hands in the country are somewhat extensive, and this must be taken into consideration when comparing the available supplies at the seaports."

At Hull, there is a fair amount in the docks, and the quays are heavily lined with good. Beyond landing and yarding operations, business is very quiet. On the Tyne, arrivals are few and business light. Glasgow advices 20th say that while the auction sales were well attended, many goods were withdrawn, the bids being too low. Quebec waney boardwood, 60 cubic ft. average log, brought 2s., and 40 ft. average. 1s. 7d. per foot; Quebec red pine, 34 feet average, 1s. 0\d. per ft.; Quebec 1st yellow pine deals, A. brought 3s. 4d. for 12 ft. 11 to 22 x 3; Sackville, N. B. Spruce deals, 9 to 18 ft. 14 to 16 x 3.

At Leith, the tone of the trade is in the direction of increased quietness, and were it not for the considerable deliveries of wood still going on for the Edinburgh International Exhibition Buildings the slackness in general business would be more felt.

An Aberdeen letter says, "As might be expected at this season, trade is quiet and requires pushing. The carpet-bag system used to be in the north as rare as a rhinoceros, but now a good many firms appear to think the system an absolute necessity. Of course samples cannot be carried along, but an emount of rhetoric is displayed on the subject of batten brands."

#### TO CORRESPONDENTS.

H. L.; Cobourg.—See page 573, issue of 20th ult. It was Lord Houghton who wrote: Man's best things are nearest him, Lie close about his feet.

and Alexander Pope says, somewhere, that Whate'er is best administered is best

Let us hope that an improved administration may soon result in the direction indicated in your letter. Public attention is hard to arouse on such matters.

ENQUIRER; St. John, N. B.—Some new discoveries with regard to aluminium are announced. It is twenty-five years or more since a French chemist began experimental research with regard to this metal. Alumina is a kind of earth, which consists of pure clay or argil.

AGENT; Stanstead.—(1.) Certainly not, the Anglo-American was doing an underground insurance business and that should have been enough. (2.) We saw, some months ago, in Insurance Society, if we remember rightly, a list of half dozen losses in Quebec amounting to some \$20,000, covered in that company, but the losers could not get a cent. (3,) Cannot say.

C. J. S.; Halifax.—It will probably be enough to remind him that "no rogue e'er felt the halter draw, with good opinion of the

S. B. M.;-Rodney, writes to us: Please give me your opinion on the standing and stability of the National Aid Association of Davenport, Iowa, and what, if any, security

[The company has a taking name, and some parts of its prospectus read plausibly. We must read the latter through carefully before pronouncing on its merits. But we do not hear of any deposit at Ottawa from this company, and Iowa is a little too far away to send money for insurance without something to show for it. Would recommend you to wait.]

#### DOMINION COMMERCIAL TRAVEL-LERS' ASSOCIATION.

The Dominion Commercial Travellers held their quarterly meeting in Montreal the other day, the president, Mr. George Boulter, in the chair. Mr. Fred Massie, was nominated for president for 1886, but he declined to stand, and Mr. R. B. Hutchinson, the present vicepresident, was elected president by acclamation. So, too, were R. C. Simpson as vicepresident, and Alex. Gowdey as treasurer.

Among the notices of motion given was one to annul the by-law relating to sick benefits and in place thereof to extend the mortuary benefit for death from natural causes to \$1000.

Some discussion took place with regard to the annual reunion, several members being in favor of a conversazione. It was finally decided, however, to hold the usual dinner on Tuesday, the 29th of December. The committee named below was appointed to carry out the arrangements: Messrs. G. R. Locker, Wm. Percival, E, Lichtenheim, W. H. Morgan, F. Birks, E Dumaresq, O. P. Patten, R. C. Simpson, G. Piche, J. Rogers, and J. J. Fairbairn. It was decided to hold the annual meeting on Saturday afternoon, December 12, at the rooms of the association, the evening session to be held at the Natural History society's hall, University street.

#### CUSTOMS AND EXCISE RETURNS.

|            |         | - 111011  | A TOTAL   | OIMB.      |
|------------|---------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Cı         | TY.     | Nov.,'85  | Nov.,'84  | Inc or Dec |
|            | customs | \$462,358 | \$566,111 | 103,753D   |
| do.        | excise  | 144,022   |           |            |
| Toronto    | customs | 186,355   | 204,730   |            |
| do.        | excise  | 38,524    |           |            |
| Halifax    | customs | 124,672   |           |            |
| do.        | excise  | 21,658    |           |            |
| St. John   | customs | 62,077    | 56,674    |            |
| do.        | excise  |           |           | 0,1001     |
| Hamilton   | customs | 49,549    | 49,503    | 46 I       |
| do.        | excise  | 27,096    |           |            |
| Quebec     | customs | 35,923    |           |            |
| do.        | excise  | 43,527    | 41,915    | 1,612 I    |
| Winnipeg   | customs |           | ,0        | 1,012 1    |
| do. ¯      | excise  |           |           | •••••      |
| London     | customs | 26,295    | 24,731    | 1,564 I    |
| do.        | excise  | 23,138    | 21,310    |            |
| Ottawa     | customs | 16,712    | -1,010    | 1,020 1    |
| do.        | excise  | 17,040    |           |            |
| Kingston   |         | 9,565     |           |            |
| do.        | excise  | 12,664    |           |            |
| Brantford  |         | 9,764     | •••••     | •••••      |
| do.        | excise  | 5,860     | 5,607     | 253 I      |
| Belleville |         | 3,161     | 3,912     | 751D       |
| do.        | excise  | 5,101     | 0,012     | 191D       |
| Guelph     | customs |           |           | •••••      |
| do.        | excise  |           |           |            |

-Hamilton's exports to the United States during November last, were of the value of \$135,296, the largest share of the whole consisting of barley. We append the principal items:

| Barley          | Value, | \$88,410 |
|-----------------|--------|----------|
| Wool            | "      | 16,767   |
| Skins and hides |        | 7,414    |
| Eggs            |        | 5,191    |
| Cattle          |        | 2,353    |
| Lumber          | 44     | 2,042    |
| Lambs           | "      | 1,625    |
| Horses          | "      | 1,150    |

-The Building and Loan Association declares a dividend of three per cent. for the current half year. The Bank of London declares one at three-and-a-haff per cent.

-We learn from the last number of the Canadian Gazette, 19th November, that as the result of the attention their exhibits at the Antwerp Exhibition have attracted, several leading Canadian firms have made arrangements to secure commercial representation on the Continent. Amongst these are the following :- Messrs. Warnock & Co., Galt, tools, &c.; The National Manufacturing Company, Ottawa; Messrs. W. Clendinning & Son, Montreal, stoves; Mr. W, E. Welding, Brantford, Ontario, pottery; Messrs. Hart Brothers & Lazier, Belleville, Ontario, pottery; the Massey Manufacturing Company, Toronto, agricultural machinery; Messrs. S. G. Kerr & Son, Canning, Nova Scotia, evaporated vegetables; Messrs. Pontbriand Brothers, Sorel, Quebec, saws, &c.; Messrs. O. Gignac & Son, Quebec, mouldings; Mr. O. V. Goulette, Gananoque, Ontario, tools, &c.; Messrs. Fish & Ireland, Argenteuil, Quebec, hygienic foods; Mr. F. G. Bullock, Otterville, Ontario, agricultural and other implements; the Williams Manufacturing Company, Montreal, sewing machines; Mr. George Fraser, Halifax, Manhattan spiced food.

#### BOOK-KEEPING.

THESIS READ BEFORE THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTER-ED ACCOUNTANTS OF ONTARIO BY E. R. C. CLARKSON, OF TORONTO, UPON HIS EXAMIN-ATION FOR THE DEGREE OF FELLOW OF THAT CORPORATION-OCTOBER 5TH, 1885.

MR. PRESIDENT .- Gentlemen .--I appear before you to-night as the unhappy chosen by the Institute of Accountants, to say something new and interesting upon "Book-keeping." The task is so prodigious that I suppose it is no sin to premise my story by asking your indulgence

How tormenting and laborious are the exer-Men whose life long labor is to preserve their equilibrium—is fittingly expressed in an epitaph which may be found in the grave of a poor accountant whose mortal remains lie in the churchyard of St. Marys at Chatham, in England:

Here lieth part of Richard Bowle-(which part we will not stop to enquire—though I may hazard the opinion that it was his brain, may hazard the opinion that it was his brain, for accountants, as we know, are mostly made up of this commodity), who faithfully served divers great lords as auditor on earth, but, above all, prepared himself to render a well balanced account to his Maker, and now has his aviatus set and rects from his torments and his quietus est and rests from his torments and labors.

"He died the 16th of December, 1626, completely ossified, his fleshy substance having turned to bone through long hours of labor and scant pay. By indefatigable efforts his friends have secured £1 10s. 9\frac{3}{2}d. to defray the cost of erecting this plain oak plank to his memory. He died, as we all shall, but he was an accountant.

An old encyclopedia describes book-keeping as that art by which all the transactions of commerce as well as private matters are methodically recorded so as to exhibit a perfect picture of a person's affairs. Book-keeping is at once a science and an art: both of which may be said to be investigations of truth; but one, science, enquires for the sake of knowledge, the other, art, for the sake of production. One may simply be called prinproduction. One may simply be called principle, the other practice.

As a science book-keeping begins, proceeds,

and ends, in as much certainty as human fallibility admits of, and whatever may become of the property in a concern, the matter of account is subject to no possible diminution.

As an art the adoption of successive expe dients in the exigencies of trade has combined accuracy with expedition, and brevity with clearness and completeness. An intimate knowledge of the fundamental principle of

manufacturer, the banker, the loan company, the building society, the municipal corpora-tion, the wholesale trader, or the smallest storekeeper. It is the grouping together under storekeeper. It is the grouping together under a uniform, never varying plan, and under convenient and self-explaining titles, of the many transactions of buying and selling, of borrowing and lending, and all the other numerous forms of dealing in cash, credit, commodities, and a selling the property and explanate which commodities, and such a respective and explanate which commodities. labor, manufacture, and exchange, which compass the great variety of operations in our private as well as our commercial world, and no undertaking is too simple, or too gigantic, to disturb its equilibrium.

That book-keeping should appear to be an occult science, co-delusive with the imaginary sciences of the middle ages and abstruse to a degree, is the result of scant enquiry into the laws which govern it.

An accountant is looked upon by some as a person who has considerable difficulty in accounting for himself, and this view will to some extent obtain, so long as we find persons who advertise themselves as "mercantile who advertise themselves as "mercanine accountants, brokers in business chances, mediators, and dealers in tin plates," securing employment as experts in accounts.

The fundamental principle of book-keeping

The fundamental principle of book-keeping is simple, and any person of ordinary intelligence can learn in a short time, and understand how this principle is to be applied in recording the transactions of an ordinary business, as for instance, one in which the proprietor buys manufactured goods at one price and sells them at another; but let him price and sells them at another; but let him go back a step and attempt to prepare a set of books for the manufacturer of those goods, and he is puzzled as to how he shall arrange the variety of facts which require to be kept track of, as step by step, the raw material is manufactured, now into one class of goods, and now another; and the cost of each class, the expenditure for labor, waste and interest are to be separately and accurately known; and yet the ground work of both these sets of accounts is identical, the greater demands of the manufacturer necessitates the keeping of additional subsidiary or auxiliary accounts in which the various atoms of the concern are uniformly collected together, and at the proper time transferred to one account which then represents the cost of the goods manufactured, as gathered from the separate records of the expenditure for raw material, labor, depreciation and interest, which constitute that cost; hence a technical knowledge of this principle alone will not make a competent accountant, for the framing of these necessary auxiliary records requires as well an intimate knowledge of the details of the particular business for which the books are intended.

There are two methods of keeping accounts: by single and by double entry; but as the former admits of no real exposition and check of the user's transactions, and is merely a device of lazy men, we need only mention it to pass

In the London "Accountant" issue of 1883, I find the following: It is claimed for the Italian method as adopted by modern practice that it grounds itself upon the scientific axiom that the whole is equal to the sum of all its parts; that it is satisfied with nothing less than a perfect equilibrium between the total amount of all the debtor accounts on one side, and that of all the creditor accounts on the other side; that it arrives at this ultimate result by exacting at every step of its progress, the same equilibrium between debtor and creditor in each entry; and by suffering no event either inwards, internal, or outwards, to take place without a self-balancing entry; that it secures at last its great object of pre-senting a perfect picture, whenever all these separate parts are collected together as a

Book-keeping accepts only dry and stern facts, and cannot choose its material or reject at pleasure, but takes the facts as they arise, disjointed and unconnected as they may be and weaves them into a complete and well arranged whole, each part filling a necessary place, and the whole constituting what is described as a picture of affairs which can be readily grasped and understood, and which displays its artistic character by its simplicity,

book-keeping enables any one to understand whatever accounts are placed before him, and to render these intelligible to others by means of fitting and recognized terms.

This principle is the same whether applied in keeping the accounts of the capitalist, the

to those forms and methods of double entry. to those forms and methods of double entry, which are specially required by merchants and designed for foreign trade, and there is a largely existing idea that double-entry book-keeping must of necessity be artificial and laborious, abounding in technical elaboration and too cumbrous for adoption in ordinary business. But the fact is that the principle by which all accounts are guided is of universal amplication, and a systematic method by which all accounts are guided is of universal application, and a systematic method, founded upon that principle may be constructed so as to suit the requirements of every existing business. The form and manner depend on special circumstances, and are capable of infinite variations, while the guiding law remains always the same. The method of account, most suited for the use of a merchant will differ from that required by a banker, and this will vary again from that which is most appropriate for a shop-keeper, while every different business will call for some peculiar modifications of its own. Yet the whole will always be governed by one uniform plan, and the labor expended should be just in proportion to the magnitude of the transactions. In large concerns book-keeping by double entry involves a large amount of labor not because of the superson of the magnitude of the transactions. In large concerns book-keeping by double entry involves a large amount of labor, not because a difficult system is used, but because the transactions are large and complicated. In smaller businesses, where the transactions are reduced in their dimensions, the record of them becomes shorter, and will present a simpler and less complicated appearance, while in the smallest, by the use of a system founded on correct principle, the accounts may without difficulty be as well kept as the largest and so as to yield equally accurate and complete results. Following this brief exposition of what book-keeping is, let us consider for a moment some of the various ways in which the method is applied.

Pilsen urges that separate account be kept of the purchases and sales of each individual kind of merchandise in which the proprietor, deals, so that, as he states, the books shall

deals, so that, as he states, the books shall constantly show what quantity of each line of goods is on hand, thus affording means of detecting theft and of summing up the posi-tion of the merchant's affairs without the tedious delays of stock-taking, which in large

tedious delays of stock-taking, which in large establishments is onerous.

Here technical diligence has purloined Mr. Pilsen's common sense, for there are many wholesale houses in Toronto who deal in so many different lines of goods that the keeping of separate accounts for each line would involve an extent and cost of labor entirely dispreportionate to the value of the result. proportionate to the value of the result, apart from the fact that in taking stock, old and depreciated goods should be taken at their preciated goods should be taken at their present value and not at their cost, and of this depreciation nothing but the handling of the goods gives evidence, and again, theft could not be discovered except by checking the stock with the record.

Now, the main object of the accountant is to accomplish his work with as little labor as lucidity permits. Clearness is of course essential. for they are not true books of account which require the binding up of the bookkeeper with the books, to explain the meaning of the entries he has made therein, but to admit the tall cash and endit transactions must mit that all cash and credit transactions must pass through the Journal, is tantamount to acknowledging that we have made no progress in this action of the inventor in this art since the days of the inventor.
Our idea is that the Journal should only

Our idea is that the Journal should only contain entries which cannot in their nature be contained with propriety in any other book, and in this view it merges into a mere crossentry record. I need not stop to argue the Point raised by some authorities that all books of account apart from the Ledger and Cash Book are Journals, for the distinction is too far drawn to a limit of serious consideration.

We regret being unable to give more space

[We regret being unable to give more space to-day to this interesting paper, which is too long for us to print in full.—Ed. M.T.]

The committee of English bondholders which, at the instance of the English Association of American Bond and Shareholders, was formed a short time ago to enquire into the affairs of the Quebec Central Railway, has recently had several interviews in England with authorities of the Company. The Chronicle learns that Mr. Thomas Swinyard, has been appointed by the committee to make a thorough inspection of the road and plant, and also to investigate and report upon the general financial condition and future prospects of the Company.

#### IMPORTS AT QUEBEC.

A report from the Quebec Harbor Commissioners' office, of the principal entries inwards by vessels from all parts of the Dominion, at that port for the month of October 1885, gives the following among other items of arrival of

| A 1            |             |         |         |
|----------------|-------------|---------|---------|
| Apples         |             |         | barrels |
| Aleand Porter  | 1,301 hhds. | 1,270   | "       |
| Biscuits       | 45 brls.    | 5,022   | boxes.  |
| Brandy         | 77 hhds.    | 1,301   | cases.  |
| Beef           |             | 430     | brls.   |
| Barley         |             | 6.482   | bush.   |
| Bran           | 145 tons.   |         | bush.   |
| Butter         |             | 15,050  |         |
| Boards         |             | 114,297 |         |
| Cigars         |             |         | cases.  |
| Cheese         |             | 1,563   |         |
| Coffee         |             |         | bags.   |
| Corn           |             | 27,770  |         |
| Canada Plates  |             | 2,762   | _       |
| Cod oil        |             | 5,605   |         |
| Deals          |             | 47,805  |         |
| Eggs           |             | 10,430  |         |
| Flour 2        | 0 853 he aa | 18,076  |         |
| Fruit          | w,coo bags. | 4,930   |         |
| Fish, green    |             | 3,266   | "       |
| " dry          |             |         | cwts.   |
| " other        |             | 4,399   |         |
| Glass          |             |         | boxes.  |
| Hides          |             | 12,121  |         |
| Hay            |             | 15,000  |         |
| Iron           |             | 7,979   |         |
| Leather        |             | 10.158  |         |
| Nails & Spikes | 535 kegs.   | 4,770   |         |
| Oats           | 200 ToB2:   | 19,656  |         |
| Peas           |             | 5.009   | "       |
| Potatoes       |             | 4.063   | "       |
| Pork           |             | 1,354   | brls.   |
| Rice           |             | ′       | bags.   |
| Sugar          |             | 5,730   |         |
| Soap           |             | 3,164   |         |
| Tea            |             | 5,098   | "       |
| Tobacco        |             | 7,789   | 44      |
| Wine           | 13qr. casks | 1,298   | C0.000  |
| Whiskey        | 833 brls.   | 1,700   | cases,  |
| Wood           | 000 DI18.   |         | cords.  |
|                |             | 1,000   | wrus.   |
|                |             |         |         |

#### STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Dec. 3rd, 1885.

| STOCKS.   | Highest.   | Lowest.  | Total.        | Sellers.   | Buyers.   | Average '84.  |
|---|--|--|---------------|--|---|---|
| Montreal xd Ontario xd Peoples Molsons Toronto xd Jac. Cartier xd Merchants .xd Commerce .xd Union MontrealTel Rich & Ont City Passenger, Gas C. Pacific R. R. N. W. Land Com'rce Reg | 2721<br>105<br>80<br>125<br>186<br>70<br>116<br>1203<br>55<br>1284<br>1953<br>60<br>1244<br>1953 | 199 101 74 1221 181 67 1132 1 6 40 1253 564 118 1924 46 1181 | 1012<br>5<br> | 200<br>103<br>78<br>124<br>185<br>70<br>1141<br>1162<br>557<br>1231<br>567<br>121<br>1933<br>561<br>1191 | 199 101 74 1221 181 67 1132 116 421 1253 561 118 561 1921 | 178  44 110 175  1092 117  114 59 1202 1814 45 1202 |

#### MONTREAL TRADE.

Exports from Montreal for October were of the total value of \$3,990,000, of which aggregate American or other products shipped by Canadian routes or from American ports Canadian routes or from American police (mainly American wheat and corn) contributed or \$635,000. The Canadian sixteen per cent. or \$635,000. The Canadian products shipped, as described under Blue Book headings, were as under:

| value | 73,307    |
|-------|-----------|
| "     | 4,560     |
| 66    | 347,942   |
| "     | 1,389,277 |
| "     | 788,267   |
| "     | 38,313    |
| "     | 13,691    |
|       |           |

Total......\$2,655,357
Principal items are: Phosphate, \$70,587 in value; Ashes, \$10,482; Lumber, \$334,000; Horned Cattle, \$387,000; Sheep, \$13,130; Butter, \$139,561; Cheese, \$798,324; Meats, \$24,816; Furs, \$12,671; Flour, \$147,651; Grains, \$514,130; Green Fruit, \$46,470; Leather, \$10,930 Total...

#### WARMING THE STREET CARS.

Two different devices for this purpose are to be tested, one upon the South and one upon the West Side divisions, as soon as the weather is cold enough. Should either prove successful there will be much cause for rejoicing among the patrons of both these lines. The apparatus to be tried by the South Side City Railway Company, is very simple. It is placed under the car and is expected to maintain an average temperature of about 50° even in the coldest weather. It consists of a brass in the coldest weather, It consists of a brass cylinder four inches in diameter by two and a half feet in length, within which is a piston which is drawn into the cylinder by means of which is drawn into the cylinder by means of a spring, the tension of which can be regulated by turning a small thumb-screw fixed at the end. This cylinder, whose capacity is two gallons, will be filled with gasoline, and one filling is estimated to last 16 hours. The piston forces the gasoline into a small copper tube connecting with the heater. There is a generator at the end of this tube by which the gasoline is converted into gas, which, on being lighted, gives a flame of great heat. The heater, which is of cast-iron, is partitioned into small compartments by fire-brick, and thus allows the flame to play freely over a considerable surface. Pipes leading under the car to carry off the gas fumes, fresh air is introduced into the car by similar methods, and the heat is admitted to the car through a register in the centre of the floor. The heat can be regulated by turning the thumb-screw, thus increasing or decreasing the supply of gas.

The one to be tested by Superintendent James K. Lake, on the West Side, was recently tried upon a Madison street car which made two trips with one charge. Mr. Lake declares the only way to heat a car, which has two doors constantly opening is to have a continuous line of heat under each seat. He cona spring, the tension of which can be regulated

two doors constantly opening is to have a con-tinuous line of heat under each seat. He considers the device in question the most feasible ever yet presented, and believes that one charge may, with a few improvements, be made to last each day as long as the car is in use. This will be comforting news to the frozen ears of last winter.—Chicago Journal of

Commerce.

#### FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO.-Windsor, 23rd.-Maria Richards. frame dwelling damaged \$300, not insured.
——Adelaide, 16th.—John Warner's barn with The state of the s \$1,500, insurance \$700.—Amherstburg, 27tb.

—Denis Barron's roller flour mill destroyed, with 2,000 bushels wheat, loss \$18,000, insurance \$10,000.—Guelph,28th...Elmslie's grain warehouse burned, with 300 bushels wheat, 200 of barley, 600 of oats, 500 of cracked wheat, &c., &c.; loss \$3,200. Mrs. Jackson had buildings partly insured. Elmslie had \$1,000 in the control of the cont ings partly insured; Elmslie had \$1,000 in Royal on stock.

NOTHER PROVINCES.—St. Andrews, N.B., Nov. 20.—Incendiary fire destroyed A. Bell's barn and thirty tons hay, on St. John Road; loss \$600; no insurance.—Dunham, Que., 25.—Laraway's sawmill burned, with 75,000 shingles and a lot of lumber, supposed incendiary.—Montreal 21.—Stable at 35 St. Antoine street burned with contents; loss \$600; insured.—North Sydney, 20.—Cargo of schooner "Florella," from Montreal with hay and general goods took fire on yovage and hay and general goods took fire on voyage, and was put out by fire brigade here.

#### THE LUMBER TRADE.

Although the present season has been and is a dull one for nearly all kinds of business we are glad to know that the trade in sawed lumber has been good, and that the market is gradually extending, as this fact will encourage our lumbermen to go on and take out logs age our lumbermen to go on and take out logs the coming winter, giving employment to thousands who might otherwise be unable to obtain work. The cut at the Ottawa mills for the past season has been, as nearly as can be ascertained, 277,000,000 feet. The principal markets are England, the United States and South America, the demand from the latter being largely on the increase. The sea-

son's trade has been, on the whole, good and the prospect for next year, unless something inforeseen should arise, very encouraging.—

Brockville Recorder.

As to Australian Timber Trade, Messrs. C. S. Ross & Co., Melbourne, writing October 3rd last, state that during the past month the public sales have been very heavy in the principal lines of timber, and the eagerness of importers to realize has resulted in a serious decline in prices, especially in flooring, lining, weather-boards, and Oregon. The arrivals of flooring have been very heavy, and cargoes have been forced on the market before they were landed.

## JUDGE MACDOUGALL ON SECOND HAND SHOPS.

There was one thing, however, which he hoped the Grand Jury (of York Co.) would consider. This was the difficulty which the consider. This was the difficulty which the police authorities found in dealing with second-hand shops and second-hand dealers. As a general rule these second-hand dealers were merely receivers of stolen property and afforded a cloak for thieves, in enabling them to dispose of stolen property. Unfortunately in many instances some of those engaged in that trade were more than suspected of dealing with these goods, well knowing them to have been stolen. The well knowing them to have been stolen. The difficulty, however, was in securing evidence difficulty, however, was in securing evidence to satisfy a jury that these people were guilty of receiving stolen goods. There was only one way in his opinion in which this difficulty could be removed, this was to license these second-hand dealers, thus placing them directly under police supervision. If this was done a man of bad character would not be given a license to receive second-hand goods. A licensed dealer, when receiving goods, could take a description of the party selling, and enter each article in a register, which could be kept. In this way, when stolen goods were found, the In this way, when stolen goods were found, the thief could be easily traced.

#### HE KNEW HOW IT WAS.

"Well, we are penniless, or mighty near it," he said as he reached home and threw the evening paper to his wife.

"Wh—what is it?"
"The Mechanics' Bank has busted, and we

. had \$4,000 on deposit there."

"But, Richard," she said, after glancing at the article, "the president says that he hopes to pay all depositors in full."

"And didn't I can the article."

"And didn't I say the same to my creditors when I failed in the grocery business, and did a single one of them receive five cents on the dollar?" he howled.—Wall Street News.

THE Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society are evidently none the worse off since they commenced taking the public into their confidence by publishing their accounts, says the Post Magazine. During the year ending July 7th, last, the company shows an increased premium income of £9,612, or, as the directors say, "in spite of depression in trade at home, it is year, accountable to the the spite of the said that the spite of the said that the said the said the said that the said the s say, "in spite of depression in trade at home, it is very encouraging that the English business increased £23,000." The income of the Company now amounts to £577,207, as compared with £567,595 in 1883-4, and £510,244 in 1882-3. The losses for the past year show an increase on those of the preceding year, and the working expenses a fractional decrease, the actual figures being:

| 18       | 1883. |  | 384. |
|----------|-------|--|------|
| Losses   | 63.0  |  | 66.0 |
| Expenses |       |  | 28.8 |
| Profit   | 8.0   |  | 5.2  |

The company is strong in reserves, apart from paid-up capital, viz.:—Reserve fund £225,000; Reserve to cover current risks, being one-third of net premiums £192,402; Balance, profit and loss £129,661; making a total of £547,063.

—A reporter of the Chignecto Post saw a car at the Amherst Station last week booked for the North West. On enquiry, it proved to contain 50 sets of car wheels and axles for the North Western Coal and Navigation Company.

Application is to be made at the next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act to in-corporate "The Colonial Bank of Canada," to carry on a general banking business in Montreal.

-According to Mr. Edward Atkinson, nearly the whole wool clip now comes to narket unwashed; and out of the 320,000,000 lbs. of domestic wool now used, there must be 25 per cent. at the least, or 80,000,000 lbs., of a very valuable oil now thrown into the rivers and wasted, while polluting both the water and the atmosphere. When the "suint" is refined, a thick, viscous oil is obtained, which is absolutely free from oxidation, and which is, therefore, the most valuable oil for curriers' use which can be found, The residuum of wool scourings, says the Shipping List, is largely imported from Europe for curriers' use, under the name of "de gras," and the substance also forms one of the ingredients of a mixture which is used for oiling wool pre-liminary to carding. "De gras" is recovered from wool scourings in Europe by a chemical process; it is very inferior to the fine oil which can be recovered from the wool by the naphtha process, but it may be cheaper.

—Economy of operation has been a special topic of study with trunk lines for some time and we are pleased to see, by their new contract, that it has been studied to some good purpose. That freight traffic could not be be redded with the life of the could be seen as pecial topic of the could be seen as special topic of the could be seen as special topic of the could be seen as the coul purpose. That freight traffic could not be handled with the best economy while fast freight lines were permitted to multiply and flourish as they have, has been an admitted fact with thoughtful railway men. A few lines, in number determined by common business sense, have perhaps their place and their worthiness. But with a half-dozen lines running over the same road, competing with themselves and also with the road giving them haulage, and consequently continually maintaining an unh althy atmosphere about the field of competition, no true economy of service can be attained. The trunk lines see this and in their agreement say that, as a reduc-tion of expenses is an important feature of their present policy, they agree to reduce the fast freight lines to the lowest possible number consistent with the proper conduct of their business .- Railway Review.

#### Commercial.

#### MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Dec. 2nd, 1885.

-Not much business doing, but on Ashes. ASHES:—Not much business doing, but on strength of small receipts, prices are a little firmer, No. 1 pots selling at \$3.60 to 3.65. We hear of nothing doing in seconds or pearls. Present stocks in store are pots 1,232 brls.; pearls 101 brls. From January 1 to November 30, 1885, receipts of pots have been 4,963 brls., of pearls 376 brls., as compared with 5,983 pots and 798 pearls for same period last year. year.

CEMENTS, FIRE CLAY, &c .- The market for these lines has now assumed its normal phase these lines has now assumed its normal phase for this season of the year, and matters are quiet. Portland cement is held firm at \$2.75 to 3.00 in lots, \$3.25 for smalls; Roman \$2.75; Canadian \$1.75; fire clay \$2 per bag; fire-bricks \$25 to \$30 a thousand, \$3.25 per hundred

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business keeps up fairly for the season, but is mainly of a job-DRUGS AND CHEMICAUS.—Business keeps up fairly for the season, but is mainly of a jobbing character. As regards prices, opium and morphia are very firm and expected to advance; gum arabic has advanced considerably as the new crop expected from Egypt has been destroyed by floods; quinine firm. We quote Sal Soda \$1 to \$1.10 per 100 lbs., Bi-Carb Soda, \$2.50 to \$2.60; Soda Ash, \$1.65 to \$1.75. Bi-chromate of Potash, per 100 lbs., \$8.00 to \$9.00; Borax, refined, 11 to 12½c.; Cream Tartar crystals, 33 to 35c.; do., ground, 37 to 38c.; Tartaric Acid crystals, 52½ to 55c.; do., powder, 56 to 60c. per .: Caustic Soda, white, \$2.40 to \$2.60; Sugar of Lead, 9 to 11c.; Bleaching Powder, \$2.25 to \$2.75 according to lot; Alum \$1.60 to \$1.75; Copperas, per 100 lbs., \$1.00; Flowers Sulphur, per 130 lbs., \$2.75 to \$3.00; Roll Sulphur, \$2.40 to \$2.60; Sulphate of Copper, \$5.00 to \$5.75; Epsom Salts, \$1.25 to \$1.40; Saltpetre, \$9.00 to \$9.50; German Quinine, \$1.15 to \$1.20; American do., \$1.15 to \$1.25; Howard's quinine, \$1.25 to \$1.90; Gum Arabic sorts, 50 to 60c.; White, 75 to \$1.90; Gum Arabic sorts, 50 to 60c.; White, 75 to \$1; Carbolic acid, 45 to 60c.; Iodide Potassium, \$4.25 to \$4.50 per Leading Wholesale Trade of Hamilton.



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Wentworth Street and McNab Street.

THOMAS LAWRY & SON, HAMILTON lb.; Iodine, \$5.00 to \$5.50; Iodoform, \$7.50 to are light and prices are firm.

Fish.-Matters in this line have quieted Fish.—Matters in this line have quieted down pretty well, and the movement at the moment is light. We quote: Labradors \$3.13 to \$3.25. probably \$3 would buy large lots; Cape Breton \$3.75 to \$4.00; Dry Cod \$3.00 to \$3.25; Green do. \$4.25; large do. \$4.50 to \$4.75; North Shore Salmon \$10.50 to \$11, for No. 1. \$9.50 to \$1 for No. 2. \$9.00, for No. 3; British Columbia \$0.00 to \$9.50: Lake trout, British Columbia \$9.00 to \$9.50; Lake trout, \$3.62\ to \$3.75.

FURS.—Raw furs are coming in more freely, and the assortment is more varied. There is and the assortment is more varied. still a good local demand for immediate wants of the city trade for bear, otter, skunk and beaver, but there is a certainty of prices declining as soon as this demand is supplied, as indications for these furs in the European market are not favorable, and we would advise holders of skins in the country to ship immediately, as they will realize better prices now than later. In bear especially there is likely to be a heavy drop, as Hudson Bay stocks in London are reported to be very heavy. The trade generally are endeavoring to base the sale of beaver at so much a skin, instead of the antiquated so much a pound way. Beaver has been bought in New York for some years by the skin, and this certainly seems the most reasonable way to buy all pelts. The dates of the London sales have been fixed as follows:—January 25th to 27th, muskrat, still a good local demand for immediate wants Ane dates of the London sales have been fixed as follows:—January 25th to 27th, muskrat, possum, beaver, coon, skunk, mink, hair seal and rabbit; March 25th to Apl. 2nd, sundry furs. We quote Beaver \$1.50 to \$2.00 per lb.; Bear \$8 to \$12; do. cub \$4 to \$6; Mink 40c to 50c.; Muskrat 5c. to 7c.; Otter \$7 to \$9; Skunk 30c. to 40c.; Fox 60 to 75c.; martin 60

GROCERIES.—Wholesale men generally in this line report a fair business doing, and consider the prospects good. Stocks in the country are light as dealers have been buying "from hand light as dealers have been buying "from hand to mouth" for some time past, and with the advent of good snow roads, orders are expected to flow in pretty freely. Collections as a rule are satisfactory. There is a speculative tendency in teas in some quarters, owing to some talk of an anticipated revival of duties by the Government but in conservative circles this is Government, but in conservative circles this is regarded as discounting the future a little too freely. A good many sales are reported at firm prices. There is no plethora here, and New York stocks of Japans especially are very Young Hysons are in demand at stiffer figures. Not much doing in Blacks. Sugars have not advanced further, and 63c is the figure for Granulated at refinery. Yellows, 51 to 6c. with some off lots at 5c.; lower grades are with some off lots at 5c.; lower grades are scarcer than brighter goods. Molasses and syrups unchanged, but the latter very scarce at factory. Fruits remain very firm as reported last week, and all lines are in light supply; indeed it would look as if stocks would be exhausted by New Year's. Coffees are also very firm as reported last week. Rice unchanged, though some thought a change possible owing so Burmese complications. In sible owing so Burmese complications. In spices, pepper and cloves remain firm. Canned tomatoes are \$1.40 \$1.50 a dozen, firm; peas \$1.50 to \$1.75, other lines as before. New filberts are to hand and sell at about 6½c.; other nuts still to come.

LEATHER.—There is a moderate business doing in leather. Manufacturers of boots and shoes are in some instances beginning to cut doing in leather. Manufacturers of boots and shoes are in some instances beginning to cut for spring, and the bulk of the travellers are out and reported doing fairly. Hides continue scarce and stiff in prices, and leather quotations are firm all round. Sole is in good supply, but stocks of upper are light, especially so in the better grades. We quote:—Spanish sole B.A. No. 1, 25to 27c.; ditto, No. 2 B. A. 21 to 24c.; No. 1, Ordinary Spanish, 24 to 25c.; No. 2, ditto, 22 to 23c.; No. 1 China, 23 to 24c.; No. 2, 21½ to 23c.; ditto, Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 21 to 23c.; ditto, Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 21 to 23c.; ditto, No. 2, 19½ to 21c.; Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 26 to 27c.; oak sole, 45 to 50c.; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 39c.; ditto, heavy, 32 to 36c.; Grained, 34 to 37c.; Scotch grained, 36 to 42c.; Splits, large, 22 to 28c.; ditto, small, 16 to 24c.; Calf-splits, 28 to 32c.; Calfskins, (35 to 46 lbs.), 70 to 80c.; Imitation French Calfskins, 80 to 85c.; Russet Sheepskin Linings, 30 to 40c.; Harness, 24 to 33c.; Buffed Cow, 13 to 16c.; Pebbled Cow, 12 to 15½c.; Rough, 23 to 28c.; Russet and Bridle. 45 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Trade remains

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Trade remains rather quiet in these lines, and there are few

The outside situation shows strength; there is a revival in the States, and at home the market for metals is firmer. Scotch warrants are cabled at 43/ 2d., and makers' quotations for Coltness are 50/-; Gartsherrie 46/-; Summerlee 49/-. Tin quotations are well maintained, lead shows a quotations are well maintained, lead shows a strong market, English pig being quoted at £12 to £12 2s. 6d., and copper £43 5s. for Chili bars, tin plates continue firm at home, and as stocks here were laid in before the advance in stocks here were laid in before the advance in freights, it is expected higher prices will be asked before long; Canada plates are neglected, bar iron unchanged. We quote:—Gartsherrie and Summerlee \$18 to \$19; Langloan, and Coltness, \$18.50 to \$19; Shott, \$18 to \$18.50; Eglinton and Dalmellington, \$16.50 to \$17.50 to \$17.50 Colder \$17.50 Colder \$18.50; Coltness, \$18.50 to \$19; Shott, \$18 to \$18.50; Eglinton and Dalmellington, \$16.50 to \$17; Calder, \$17.50 to \$18.00; Carnbroe, \$17 to \$18; Hematite, \$18 to \$20; Siemens, No. 1; \$17.50 to \$18; Bar Iron, \$1.60 to \$1.65; Best Refined, \$1.90; Siemens bar, \$2.10: Canada Plates, Blaina \$2.30 to \$2.40; Penn &c. \$2.45 to \$2.50. Tin Plates, Bradley Charcoal, \$5.75 to \$6.00; Charcoal I.C., \$4.35 to \$4.75; do I.X., \$6 to \$6.25; Coke I.C., \$3.75 to \$4.75; do I.X., \$6 to \$6.25; Coke I.C., \$3.75 to \$4.75; do I.X., \$6 to \$6.25; Coke I.C., \$3.75 to \$4.75; do I.X., \$6 to \$6.25; Coke I.C., \$3.75 to \$4.75; do I.X., \$6 to \$6.05; Charcoal I.C., \$4.90; Cording to brand: Tinned Sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½c: No. 26, 7c, the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and Bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.90 to \$2.80; Boiler Plate, per \$100 lbs., \$1.90 to \$2.80; Boiler Plate, per \$100 lbs., \$4.90 to \$2.75; heads, \$4; Russian Sheet Iron, 10 to 11c. Lead, per 100 lbs.—Pig, \$3.50 to \$4: Sheet, \$4 to \$4.25: Shot, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast steel, 11c to 13c, firm; Spring, \$2.75 to \$3.00; Tire \$2.50 to \$2.75; Sleigh shoe, \$2 to \$2.25; Round Machinery Steel, \$\frac{3}{2}\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ c, per lb.; Ingot tin, 23 to 25c; Bar Tin, 27c; Ingot Copper, 12\frac{1}{2}\$ to 14c; Sheet Zinc, \$4.50 to \$5.00; Spelter, \$4 to \$4.50; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

Olls and Paints.—Trade in these lines is

OILS AND PAINTS .- Trade in these lines is pretty quiet, and paint men are mostly busy taking stock. In oils linseed remains at 60 to 61c. for raw, and 63 to 64c.; turpentine 56 to 57c.; olive and castor unchanged. Newfound. land cod oil is pretty much held by one firm and 55c. is asked; Gaspe 52½ to 54c.; Halifax 48 50c.; steam refined seal 49 to 51c. Leads and colors as follows:—Leads (genuine and first-class brands only) \$6 to \$6.25; No. 1, \$5.50; class brands only) \$6 to \$6.25; No. 1, \$5.50; No. 2, \$5.00; No. 3, \$4.50 to \$4.75. Dry white lead, 5½c.; red, do. 4½ to 4½c. These prices for round lots, London washed whiting, 50 to 60c.; Paris white, \$1.25; Cookson's Venetian red \$1.75, other brands Venetian red \$1.50 to \$1.60; Yellow ochre, \$1.50; Spruce ochre, \$2 to \$3. Glass \$1.70 per 50 feet for first break. Salt.—The last cargo is being shipped to day by rail to different points, and stocks being all in store winter prices have been fixed as follows:—Elevens 55c.; twelves 52½c.; factory-filled \$1.15to \$1.20; Ashton's and Eureka \$2.40; Turks Island 30c. per bushel; rock salt 50c. per cwt., special quotations for ton lots.

Wool.—A very fair business is still being done in this line, supplies being taken up as soon as offered, but it is expected that in another fortnight business will be quieter as mill men get into stock-taking. We quote:—Canadian A supers 27 to 28c.; B ditto 22 to 23c.; unassorted 21 to 22c.; black 20 21c.; Cape 16 to 18c.; fleece 22 to 23c. 23с.

#### TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Dec. 3rd, 1885.

The depression in bank shares continues, chiefly influenced by some sales of stocks by timid investors, under the impression that bank earnings are declining. Imperial, Standard and Hamilton have been exceptions, improving  $2\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 per cent. respectively. Commerce has fallen 4, Montreal, 2½, Ontario 14 and Merchants 1 per cent. Western Assurance has been fairly active at from 1153 to 1161, and Dominion Telegraph steady at 951 Canada North West Land jumped wildly from 47 to 61/6, on large transactions, closing easier at 56/ to 57/.

There is no new feature in Loan Societies stocks, which remain at about old figures with moderate dealings.

rather quiet in these lines, and there are few lots of any size moving; metal stocks generally ginning to take the road with samples of

## STATEMENT.

The undersigned, a Committee of Directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the the United States, appointed to formulate the views of the Board on the advantages offered by the Society to the public, report:

1st. The Society issues all the approved forms of assurance, including Ordinary Life, Endowment, and Tontine policies. It is immater al to the Directors which form of policy is taken by intending assurers.

2nd. The Life and Endowment forms of policy provide for annual cash dividends and a surrender value; are indisputable after three years, and payable immediately after proof of death.

3rd. The premiums on a Tontine policy are the same as on the Ordinary Life, but, while the latter is only payable in the event of death, the holder of the Tontine policy has the right to draw the whole of the reserve and the accumulated profits in cash at the end of a stated period; thus, during his own life time, after his producing years are past, he can without any lar er premium than on an ordinary policy, secure these GREATER advantages.

4th. Experience shows that the return paid in cash on maturing Tontine policies approximates to, or exceeds the amount of premiums paid by policyholders, so that the average cost of the assurance will be only about the interest on the premiums.

5th. Tontine policies, like others, are paid in full in the event of death at any time during the term of the policy, and are incontestable after three years, and payable immediately after due proof of death.

6th. Experience shows that the mortality is lower among Tontine policyholders, as the better lives seek this kind of assurance, which s a considerable source of profit.

7th Tontine policies will be made nonforfeitable under the laws of the State, if so desired at the time the assurance is effected.

8th. The Tontine system is fair and just; its accounts are accurately kept, separate from all other business; the funds are judiciously invested and improved, and the accumulated profits faithfully guarded and properly apportioned.

9th. The Society has since its organization transacted a larger amount of new business than any other company, while its new business for first half of the present year is \$1,750,000 LARGER than that of the first half of 1884. It has Assets of \$60,000,000; over \$14,000,000 of Surplus, and its ratio of Surplus to Liability is greater than that of any other company.

> CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW. JOHN A. STEWART, EUGENE KELLY, WILLIAM A. WHEELOCK. CHARLES G. LANGDON, JOHN SLOANE, HENRY B. HYDE,

Committee of the Board of Directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States.

spring goods. Sorting-up orders have been and still are small, and the country boot and shoe dealer finds that money is coming in slowly from the farmer. The country roads are in such a state as to almost preclude the marketing of produce, hence the backwardness of remittances complained of by some city houses. Others again, report a most satisfactory promptness in last month's payments with but few renewals. with but few renewals.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—We are told that trade in this department is not quite so brisk as a week ago. Prices for the most part have varied but little and nearly all articles are held firmly. In consequence of large consignments received in the United States, quinine lacks the steadiness of a few days previous, and the views of holders are toned down somewhat. Opium is stronger and from recent. what. Opium is stronger and from recent advices is not unlikely to advance. Payments might be better.

FLOUR AND MEAL .- No improvement can yet FLOUR AND MEAL.—No improvement can yet be found in this market, indeed matters seem more inanimate than before, if that were possible. In the absence of business, values might be said to be nominally the same as last week, viz., superior extra \$3.80; extra \$3.70; spring wheat extra \$3.60 to \$3.65, and superfine \$3,10 to \$3.15. Oatmeal and cornmeal are also as previously quoted, and the price for brea is unchanged from \$10 to \$10.50. price for bran is unchanged from \$10 to \$10.50.

GROCERIES.—Nothing out of the ordinary run of business has occurred during the past seven days. Prices all along the list are well maintained and the volume of trade being done is considered on the whole satisfactory. The strong undercurrent said to exist at present in the tee market is expected to result in a change the tea market is expected to result in a change for the better. The scarcity of fruits is be-coming daily more pronounced. Sugars maintain a firm tone which the increased freights will have a tendency to deepen. Other articles do not call for any special comment.

WHEAT .- Sales of wheat are few Grain, Wheat.—Sales of wheat are few, this grain is comparatively neglected. Prices are a shade lower for all grades of both fall and spring. For the former No. 1 is worth about 86 to 87c.; No. 2, 84 to 85c.; No. 3, 82 to 83c. For spring, 87 to 88c. for No. 1; 85 to 86c. for No. 2; 82 to 83c. for No. 3. There is a moderate movement in Barley at 89 to 90c. for No. 1; 79 to 80c. for No. 2; 69 to 70c. for extra No. 3; and 58 to 59c. for No. 3. Peas are selling in a limited way at 61 to 62c. Oats find a few takers at 32 to 33c. Corn and Rye continue nominal. The following are the stocks in store on the 30th.: store on the 30th.:

|                 | Nov. 50, | NOV. 25, | Dec. 1, |
|-----------------|----------|----------|---------|
|                 | 1885.    | 1885.    | 1884    |
| Fall wheat bush | 114,694  | 90,364   | 44,470  |
| Spring wheat    | 58,652   | 43,850   | 88,014  |
| Mixed wheat     | 2,293    | 1,294    |         |
| Oats            |          |          |         |
| Barley          | 92,496   | 179,121  | 151,706 |
| Peas            | 16,999   | 25,792   | 15,304  |
| Rye             |          | 444      | 1,000   |
| Corn            | 8,985    | 1,499    | 220     |
|                 |          |          |         |

Total grain, bush.. 294,119 342,364 300,714

HIDES AND SKINS .- Our price list shows no change in values as compared with a week ago. Hides are reported scarce and the enquiry active. We note an advance of 10c. in sheepskins, the price being now 95c., at which it is said all offering are readily taken. Tallow continues very dull.

HARDWARE.—Generally speaking the metal and hardware trade does not present any new features since our last extended remarks. There has been a marked advance in the price There has been a marked advance in the price of ingot tin and it is now held at £98 per ton in England. In sympathy with this upward movement tin plates are considerably firmer. The copper market which has gone very low, has also disclosed of late a better tone, and pig lead is dearer by 10 shillings sterling. This, combined with the increased cost of transport. ation at the present season has, in a measure, ation at the present season has, in a measure, the effect of making holders stiffer in their views. Trade on the whole has kept up well in consequence of the open season which has also given a perceptible impetus to the building trade and consequently a demand for certain goods in that particular line. Some houses are busy stock taking. We hear of complaints as to the difficulty of getting money and short date renewals are not uncommon.

Petroleum.—A slight change in the quotations for Canadian oil will be noticed. For single barrels 15c. is now the figure, instead of 15½c. as previously printed, and 14½c. replaces



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the former price of 15c. for 5 to 10 barrel lots of the same oil. Carbon safety is unchanged at 19c. and American prime white and water ditto still command 23 to 26c. respectively.

Provisions.—Dressed hogs have been coming Provisions.—Dressed hogs have been coming in more freely and sales have been made at \$5 to \$5.25, the feeling is weak to-day at \$5. Long clear has changed hands in small quantities at 7 to 7½c. Hams bring 11½ to 12c., breakfast bacon 11½c. Lard is worth 8½ to 9½c. The supply of butter continues plentiful. Choice commands 15 to 16c., but inferior is not wanted. Cheese is dull and only a limited trade is reported. For dried apples in small lots, 42 to 5c. is about the figure. Eggs are moving at 20 to 21c., fresh pickled 17c.

Wool.—The situation in the local wool mar-

ket is just about the same as a week ago.
There appears to be a moderate demand from the factories at previous quotations.

#### BRITISH MARKETS.

The circular of J. Lewenz & Co., dated London, 20th November last, says: There is no change to report in our market, which continues very firm. Public sales of China teas were again very light, but a rather considerable weight of Congou, coming out of the late numerous arrivals, has been on offer privately. For the latter there was at first but little biding as dealers hoved to be able to buy on ding as dealers hoped to be able to buy on easier terms should some pressure to sell be shown in any quarter, but importers would make no concessions. Transactions include sales of medium and fine blackleaf teas for export but the bulk of the business appears again to have been done in Foochow Congous

up to 10d.

Full prices have been paid for all Congous sold at auction; scented teas kept steady, while green teas showed rather better prices for Gunpowders and Imperials generally, for the lowest grades of Hyson and Young Hyson, and also for Foongmee and Gomee makes, only first and second Young Hyson and bold leaf Hysons remaining unchanged.

Henderson & Glass, of Liverpool and Birmingham, report in their circular of 21st November, as follows: Iron—The Malleable Trade has become dull again, and as we are now in the middle of the election campaign we can-not look for any immediate improvement, not look for any immediate improvement, more especially as we are close upon the Christmas holidays. We must hope the new year will bring a brighter future for the trade. Metals generally have risen in price during the past week. Pig iron was very strong yesterday at an advance of about 2/1 per ton since the 9th instant. In our opinion trade will require to give support to this, otherwise it will slide back to the old figures. Tin—Strong at an advance of £4 to £4/10/- per ton on the month. Tin Plates—Some purchases were made at low prices a week since, but the market is firmer and at least 3d. per box more for cokes must now be quoted. Charcoals steady.

The stopping manufacture every fourth week sustains prices. Copper—There has been some improvement in tha position of this article, the value of Chili Bars having enhanced about 30/- per ton. Sheet advanced £2 per ton. Pig Lead firmer and closes quite 10/- per ton dearer than a month ago. Linseed Oil—Dull, with colly a moderate business passing. High freight er than a month ago. Linseed Oil—Dull, with only a moderate business passing. High freight rates to Canada also affect values here. Freights—From Liverpool to Montreal are as follows:—On finished iron and tinplates 20/and 20% per ton; on linseed oil 22/6 and 10% per ton gross. To Toronto, Hamilton, Guelph and London, 22/6 and 10% for usual weight by steamer and rail. To Halifax, N. S., 12/6 and 10% per. To St. John, N.B., via Halifax 17/6 and 10% per ton. To St. John, N.B., via and 10% per ton. To St. John Boston, 15/-, all ordinary weights.

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E. M. CHADWICK,
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Toronto, Dec. 2, 1885.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

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November 30th, 1885.

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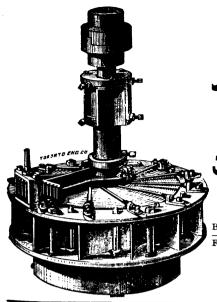
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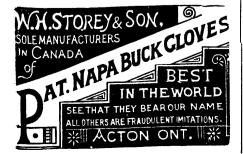
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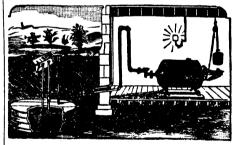
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| Oats<br>Peas<br>Rye   | 0 58 0 60                           | Vac. Pan Demerara .<br>Jamaica, in hhds                           | 0 061 0 00                               | Horse NAILs:<br>Pointed and finished                           | ∫ 40 to 45 pc                         |
| Corn<br>Timothy Seed, ♥ bu<br>Clover ""   |                                     | Canadian refined<br>Extra Granulated                              | 0 051 0 061<br>0 063 0 07<br>0 081 0 081 | Ordinary   |                                       |
| Clover " "<br>Flax, screen'd, 100 lbs   | 5 00 5 50<br>2 75 0 00              | Redpath Paris Lump<br>TEAS: Japan.<br>Yokoha.com.togood           | 0 18 0 30                                | "F" Arrow<br>Garth<br>Blaina                                   |                                       |
| Provisions.   |                                     | " fine to choice<br>Nagasa. com. to good                          | 0 35 0 50<br>0 18 0 21                   | Pen  | 4 10 4 25                             |
| Butter, choice, # lb.   | 1 0 09 0 098                        | " fine to choice<br>Congou & Souchong.                            | 0 23 0 30<br>0 20 0 65                   | IX "   | 6 00 6 25                             |
| Dried Apples  | 0.08 0.09                           | Oolong, good to fine. "Formosa Y. Hyson, com. to g'd              | 0 45 0 65                                | IXX "  | 3 75 4 10                             |
| Beef, Mess  | 0 00 10 00                          | " med. to choice " extra choice                                   | 0 30 0 45<br>0 50 0 65                   | WINDOW GLASS: 25 and under                                     | 1 80 0 00                             |
| " Cumb'rl'd cut   | 0 06 0 06                           | Gunpwd.com to med " med to fine " fine to finest                  | 0 20 0 35                                | 26 x 40  | 1 90 0 00<br>2 40 0 00                |
| " B'kfst smok'd<br>Hams<br>Lard   | 1 0 111 0 00 1                      | Imperial  | 0 26 0 60                                | 51 x 60 GUNPOWDER:   | 0 50 000                              |
| Lard<br>Eggs, ₩ doz<br>Dressed Hogs   | 0 20 0 21                           | Tobacco, Manufact'r'd<br>Dark P. of W<br>Bright s'rts g'd to fine | U 42 U 42 <del>8</del>                   | Can blasting per kg. " sporting FF " FFF                       | 4 75 0 00<br>5 00 0 00                |
| Shoulders<br>Rolls  | 1007 008                            | " choice " Myrtle Navy  | 0 58 0 60                                | " rifleROPE: Manilla   | 0 101 0 11                            |
| Salt.   |                                     | Solace  |  | Axes: L'man's Pride  | 0 00 7 75                             |
| Liv'rpool coarse, be  | 0 65 0 70<br>0 85 0 90              | Wines, Liquors, &c.   |  | Keen Cutter<br>Dufferin<br>Black Prince                        | 10 00 0 00                            |
| Canadian, ₩ brl<br>"Eureka," ₩ 56 lbs.<br>Washington, 50 "  | 0 65 0 67                           | ALE: English, pts   | 1  | Lance  | 10 75 net.                            |
| C. Salt A. 56 lbs dairy<br>Rice's dairy   | 0 45 0 00<br>0 40 0 00              | Younger's, pts  | 2 55 2 75<br>1 65 1 75                   | Petroleum.   | Imp ml                                |
| Leather.  |                                     | PORTER: Guinness, pts   | 2 55 2 75<br>1 65 1 75<br>2 55 2 65      | Canadian, 5 to 10 bris   | Imp. gal.<br>0 14½ 0 00<br>0 15 0 00  |
| Spanish Sole, No. 1   | 0 26 0 29                           | BRANDY: Hen'es'v case   | 12 25 12 50                              | Carbon Safety<br>Amer'n Prime White                            | 0 19 0 00                             |
| Claughter heavy   | 0 23 0 26<br>0 28 0 30<br>0 25 0 29 | Martell's " Otard Dupuy & Co" J. Robin & Co. "                    | 10 50 11 50<br>10 00 10 25               | " Water "  | 0 26 0 00                             |
| 1148-1-   | 0 25 0 29<br>0 23 0 25<br>0 21 0 22 | Pinet Castillon & Co. A. Martignon & Co                           | 9 50 16 00                               | Oils.  |                                       |
| Harness, neavy  | 0 25 0 28                           | GIN: De Kuypers, #gl<br>"B. & D<br>"Green cases                   | 0 00 0 00                                | Cod Oil, Imp. gal<br>Straits Oil " "<br>Palm, ₱ lb             | 0 62 0 65<br>0 50 0 55                |
| Upper, No. 1 heavy "light & med   |                                     | Booth's Old Tom   | 9 00 9 25                                | Lard.ext.Nol Morse   | 0 07½ 0 09<br>0 65 0 67½<br>0 62 0 65 |
| Kip Skins, French  "English "Domestic   |                                     | Rum: Jamaica, 16 o.p<br>Demerara, "                               | 3 25 3 50<br>3 00 3 25                   | Ordinary No.1 " Linseed, raw Linseed, boiled Olive, P Imp. gal | 0 64 0 65                             |
| " Veals<br>Heml'k Calf (25 to 30  | . 0 70 0 75<br>0 0 50 0 53          | Wines: Port, common " fine old                                    |  | II Seal. straw   | 1000000                               |
| French Calf   | . 1 05 1 35                         | Sherry, medium<br>" old   | . 2 25 2 75                              | " pale S. R  | . 0 65 0 67                           |
| Splits, large, & lb  " small  Enamelled Cow, & f  | t 0 20 0 24<br>t 0 17 0 19          | CHAMPAGNES:<br>B. & E. Perrier—                                   |  | Paints, &c.  |                                       |
| Patent<br>Pebble Grain  | 0 17 0 20                           | 1st quality, qts<br>" pts<br>2nd ' qts                            | . 0 00 23 00                             | White Lead, genuin   | e = 75 6 00                           |
| Buff<br>Russets, light, ₱ lb  | 040 050                             | " " pts   | . 0 00 16 00<br>. 6 00 7 00              | White Lead, No.1 .   | 5 25 5 60                             |
| Gambier<br>Sumac<br>Degras  | 0 05½ 0 06                          | Dunville's Irish, do  | Pond Pai                                 | d Red Lead dry   | 4 75 5 00                             |
| -   |                                     | Pure Spts " "   | 1 00 3 28                                | Yellow Ochre, Frinc  | b 0 012 0 023                         |
| Hides & Skins. Steers, 60 to 90 lbs   | Per lb.<br>0 09 0 00                | " 25 u.p. "<br>F'mily Prf Whisky                                  | 0 48 1 59                                |  | 0 80 1 00                             |
| Cows, green<br>Cured and Inspecte   | 0 00 0 08<br>0 091 0 10             | " Rye and Malt.   | 0 53 1 6                                 | Whiting  | 0 60 0 70                             |
| " cured   | 0 13 0 15                           | Rye Whisky, 7 yrs of  | p 0 45 1 40<br>d 1 05 2 10               | Drugs.   |                                       |
| Sheepskins<br>Tallow, rough<br>Tallow, rendered   | 0 03 0 00                           | Hardware.   | \$ c. \$ c                               | Aloes, Cape  | 0 02 0 03                             |
| Wool.   |                                     | Tin: Bars # lb  | 0 25 0 2                                 | 7 Blue Vitriol   | 0 054 0 07                            |
| Fleece, comb'g ord  | 0 19 0 20                           | Sheet   | 0 131 0 1                                | •   DOLEY  | 0 35 0 45                             |
| " Southdown   | 0 18 0 19                           | Pig   | 0 034 0 0                                | 4   Caustic Soda   | 0 027 0 05                            |
| " super   | 0 25 0 2                            | ShotZINC: Sheet   | 0 05 0 0<br>0 04 1 0 0                   | 5 Ερsom Salts<br>4 Εxt'ct Logwood, bu                          | 0 013 0 024                           |
| Groceries.  |                                     | Solder, hf. & hf  | 0 17 0 1                                 | 8 " " box  | 0 12 0 18                             |
| Coffees:<br>Gov. Java 🎔 lb  |                                     | 7 II Camabasa   |  |  | 0 75 0 95                             |
| Jamaica<br>Mocha  | 0 15 0 2                            | 2 " No. 2<br>6 Nova Scotia bar                                    | 00 00 00 0                               | Madder<br>Morphia Sul<br>Opium                                 | 1 80 2 00                             |
| Ceylon plantation<br>Fish: Herring, scal  | 0 22 0 2<br>ed 0 17 0 1             | Bar, ordinary Swedes, 1 in. or ov                                 | er 0 00 4                                | O Oxalic Acid<br>O Paris Green                                 | 0 12 0 14                             |
| Ceylon plantation Fish: Herring, scal Dry Cod, \$\psi\$ 112 lb Sardines, Fr. Qrs PRUIT: Raisins, Lay Pairins London p | 3 75 4 0<br>0 11 0 1                | 7 Bar, ordinary   | 2 15 2 5<br>2 15 2 5                     | Potass Iodide<br>Quassia                                       | 4 40 4 75                             |
| PRUIT: Raisins, Lay<br>Raisins, London,n<br>"Blk b'skets,n  | rs 2 50 2 7<br>ew 3 25 3 5          | 5 Tank Plates  Boiler Rivets, bes                                 | 2 00 2 5<br>t 4 00 4                     | 25   Quinine<br>50   Saltpetre<br>13   Sal Rochelle            | 0 091 0 10                            |
| "Valentias, n<br>Currants Prov'l n  | ew 0 08% 0 0                        | GALVANIZED IRON: Best No. 22                                      | 0 041 0                                  | Shellac  | 0 28 0 32                             |
| " N'w Pat   | ras 0 08 0 0<br>0 093 0 1           | 61 " 24<br>0 " 96   | 0 041 0                                  | Sulphur Flowers<br>Soda Ash                                    | 0 01½ 0<br>3 2 85 3                   |
| Prunes  | 0 04 0 0                            | nsgri " 98,,,,,   | 0 051 0                                  | 067 Tartaric Acid  | 0 55 0 8                              |

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