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The Bank of Montreal.
(ESTABLISHED 1817.)
Incorporated by Act of Parliament.

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NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVI. DEND of FIVE PER (ENT. for the current halt-year, being at the rate of TEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM, upon the paid-up Capital of the Bank, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after Saturday, the First Day of December next.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be closed from the Sixteenth to the Thirtieth days of November, both days inclusive
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The Annual General Meeting of Share holders will be held at the Banking House 61-63 Yonge Street, Toronto, on Tues day, the 22nd of January, 1907, the chair to be taken at twelve o'clock noon
By order of the Board
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The Standard Bank of Canada.
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Toronto, November 16th, 19016

## THE DOMINION BANK.

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The Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to the 31st December, both days inclusive.
The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head office of the Bank in Toronto, on Wednesday 30th January next, at twelve o'clock noon.

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-A new shipipng company has been formed in Japan, with a flect of 150,000 tons and a capital of $\$ 10.000,000$.
-Commissioner Coombs of the Salvation Army said eight steamers had been chartered to bring 25,000 people to Canada.
-Italy is holding her warships in readiness to act as mail-boats should the general seamen's strike interfere with the postal service.
-The Transcontinental Railway Commission are negotiating for the purchase of a tract. of land about two miles long at Winnipeg for shops and rards.
-The Spanish Minister of Finance introduced bill in the Chamber of Deputies providing for the temporary taxing of foreign wheat $21 / 2$ pesetas ( 50 cents),
and flour 4 pesetas $(\$ 1)$, and flour 4 pesetas ( $\$ 1$ ) per 100 kilograms
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-A bill empowering an Anglo-French company to construct a tunnel under the British Channel has been deposited with Parliament. It is estimated that this scheme will involve an expenditure of $\$ 80,000,000$. It is proposed to build two parrellel tunnels, twenty-four miles
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The Post Office Department at Ottawa issued a motice on Friday last that on and after lat January the rate of postace on letters mailed in Camada adressed to Egept and the Sondan will be two cents per half onnce.
-E. P. Stavert, who has been for some vears inspector of the Bank of New Brunswick, at St. John. N.B., has resigner and will leave at the first of the New lear for New York, where he has accepted a responsible position
-The transentinental railway commissioners have purchased a block of land two and a half miles long and half a mile wide four and a half miles east of Winnipeg. for rards and work shops. The price is about $\$ 225,000$. The land was purchased fro u Air. Matthew and Mr. Kern.

Hamilton has received another bill for expenses in con nection with the militia visit. The second bill is for $\$ 4,588$ for transportation and pay of soldiers. The first bill was $\$ 2.297$ for maintenance while in the city. The total is $\$ 6,875$, and the item makes poor reading for taxpayers.

1 company has been formed in Quebec city for the manufacture of a new cement that will take the place of stone for bulding purposes. The company in question is, composed mainly oi (Quebec men, who have subscribed a capital of $\$ 600$, 000 to erect suitable works and carry on the manufacturing proces.

Mr. T. Lindsay. of the T. Lindsay Company. Ottawa, has purchasid the Caldwell Woollen Mills, in Hull, and will, at as arly a date as possible, open the establishment and carry on the manutacturing businnss. It is Mr. Lindsay's intention to employ about 1.50 hand and run the factory to its fullest anmaty

The New South Wales Parlianent has passed a bill authurizing the construction of a huge dam at Ba ren Jack, on the Murumbidgee River, at a cost of $\$ 7,500,000$. The work will irrigate and make available for settlement $1,355,000$ acres, and the catchment, or area from which the water will be drained to the dam will be 5,000 square miles.

A report from Toronto says the Erindale Power Co., an ally of the lork County Loan Co. has been sold by the liquidator to the Stark Telephone Light and Power Co. for $\$ 47,500$. The bulk of the property is covered by a mortgage to secure the bondholders so that the proceeds of the sale will go to the bondholders rather than the general creditors. This sale has been concurred in by all parties concerned. According to the statement of the liquidator, about half the proceeds will go to the York County Loan Co
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According to a statement furnished by the Department of Trade and Commerce only, 22 (hinese immgrants came into Canada last year, each of whom paid the head tax of $\$ \mathbf{5 0 0}$; six entered at Victoria, 11 at Vanconver, four at Montreal, and one at Halifax. (hinese to the number of 2,411 paid $\$ 1$ each as a registration fee on leaving Canada for China; 828 of these registered at Victoria. 1.560 at Vancouver, 16 at Montreal, four at Halifax, and 13 at North Sydney. They had six months within which to return to Canada without paying any poll tax.

A despatch from Detroit says Hickey Oil Ce of Detroit, which was the wonder of the Leamington-Comber oil fields in Essex County, Ontario, has wound up its affairs and passed out of existence. It struck two or three gushers in the lat ter part of 1904. but they proved to be only "prekets" and did not last long. It sold about $\$ 15,000$ worth of oil to the Imperial oil Co. of Sarnia, and received about $\$ 7,000$ in bounties from the Canadian Govermment, but machinery and well construction were costly. One dividend of about one-half per cent. was paid. The total loss to stockholders will be over $\$ 14,000$
-Kootenay and Boundry. B.C., ore shipments and smelter returns for week ending December 15, 1906, are as follows:Boundry shipments 21,506 toins; Rossland 4,208; Slocan-Kontenay 1,829 . The total shipments from the mines in the above districts for the past week were 27,543 tons, and for the year to date $1,512,500$ tons. Grand Forks, B.C., 13,543 tons; Greenwond, B.C.. 3.630; Boundry Falls. R.C., 4.197; Trail. B.C 3.033; Hall Mines, Nelson B.C., 161; Marysville 600 The total amount of receipts reported from local and foreign mines far the past week were $25,16 \overline{0}$ tons, and for the year to date 1,440 , 046 tons.
-Arrangements were perfected in New York last Saturday, whereby the National Life Assurance Co. of Canada takes over the Canadian business of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society, a company having its head offices in New lork. The combined business of these two companies in Can ada amounts approximately to eleven millions. The amalgamation is designed to reduce operating expenses, the Provident Savings Life Company withdrawing from Canada on the first of the year. The National Life has its headquarters in Toronto. Elias Rogers is president, and Albert J. Ralston, manager director.

Whe bimes correspondent sentis the following cable dispatch trom bekin:--China's timanciall outlook is much more Heasing than a year ago. Hier revenue this year is salid to be the largest on record, and she also profits largely by the apprectation of silver. Another tinng gratitying to the appreciation of silver. Another thing gratifyirg to the Chinese is that the prospect is considerably brighter now than it was during the time of the boycott that the United States will retund China the unexpended balance of her Boxer indemnity, amounting, it is understood, to $2,000,000$ gold dollars.

The Public Works Department of the Alberta Government are making arrangements for the construction of a public telephone line between Edmonton and Lloydminster. Specifications have been completed and the men chosen, and the Government is now advertising for bids for material required starting from Edmonton, the route chosen for the trunk line follows the general direction of the C.N.R., but for the great er part of the way will follow the section and range lines. Every town on the railroad between Edmonton and Lloydminster will be connected with the system, and later on inland towns will be connected by branch lines.
-A special cable from London to the New York Herald says: The total wealth of the United Kingdom amounts to f9,188, 559.564 ( $\$ 45,940,000,000$ ), enough to give every man woman and child of the population $£ 207(\$ 1,035)$, and produce from an average sate investment $£ 7$ ( $\$ 35$ ) per head per annum. These figures are the result of an elaborate calculation, made by two well-known statisticians, W. J. Harris and Rev. K. A. Iike, and summarized by them in a paper read at a meeting of the Koyal statistical Society. It is also pointed out that in twelve years, up to 1905, the nation's wealth had increased ht the rate of about $£ 72,000.000$ sterling ( $\$ 360,000,000$ ) a year
-William Thomson and Co., of St. John, N.B., announce that they have acquired the controlling interest in the Accident and Guarantee Company of Canada, and have purchased the charter of the Ontario Five Insurance Company, in connection with which they are now applying for a Dominion license. With regard to the accident company, the management would be carried on from their own office, Montreal. The Ontario Fire Insurance Company will have headjuarters in Toronto, and W. E. Fudger has been engaged to act as managing direstor. The capital of the company was $\$ 500,000$, of which $\$ 325$,000 is now being subscribed for. The stock will be principally held by New Brunswickers
-The Halifax Council unanimously adopted a draft agreement under which the corporation will float 30 -year 4 per cent debentures sufficient to pay the Silliker Car Works Co. \$125, 000 , taking therefore a mortgage on the property. The money will be paid to the company in the proportion of one dollar to every two put up by the stockholders. The loan will be effected at 4 per cent., but the company will pay 5 per cent., the

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Amportant work was aceomplished du:ing the year by the life-saving service of the I nited viates Government, thousands of mperilled lives and mullions of dollars' worth of property bemg saved through the herotsm and vigilance of the lifesavers. (ieneral supermtendent Kimball, of the life-saving service, shows, in his annual report, that the number of marine disasters was 849 in the waters of the United states. Oi these 49 ressels and 29 lives were lost and 811 persons were succored at the varous stathons. The total value of property saved was $\$ 12,266.100$, while that lost was $\$ 2 . i 75,046$. Of the disasters 5.320 lives were imperilled. At the (l) of the last fiscal year the lite-sating establishment comprisel 279 stations, of which 200 were on the Atlantic coast, tio on the (ireat Lakes, lif on the Pacific Coast proper, and one each at the falls of the Ohio River and Nome, Alaska. The life-saving crews rendered assistance of more or less importane to 39$\}^{\text {vessels in addi- }}$ tion 10 those wheh were lost

The total value of the mineral production in the linted States in 1905 amounted to $\$ 1.623 .576 .127$, being an increase over 1904 of over $\$ 260,000,000$, according to a statement issue by the Geological survey. The value of iron in 190.5 was $\$ 382$, 450,000 . During the same period there was a total production of over $300.000,000$ short tons of coal. with a value of $\$ 476$, 756,963. Of this amount there was produced $77,659.850 \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{ns}$ of anthracite coal, valued at $\$ 334,877.963$. The value of fuel amounted to $\$ 602.473 .217$. The coke production amounted to $32,231.129$ short tons, valued at $\$ 72.476 .196$. There were produced 40.454.215, 132 cubic feet of gas, $5.751,378$ short tons of coke, 80.022 .043 gallons of tar, $42.986,268$ galloms of ammonia
lypor. and $38,663,682$ pounds of ammonta silphate the totals of all these products being $\$ .56 .684 .972$. The total production of iron ore 1 11 190.5 amounted to 42.526 .133 long tons, valued at . $\$$ T. 51650.604 ; pig ron, $22.992,380$ long tons, valued at $\$ 392$,4.50 .000 ; manganese $4,118.000$ long tons, valued at $\$ 3 \mathrm{it}, 214$; gold, 4. W26.702 ounces, valued at $\$ 88.180 .711$, silver $56,191.594$ ounces, ranted at $\$ 34: 221,972$; copper, 901.901 .843 pounds, valued at $\$ 139.795 .716 ;$ lead, 302.000 short tons, valued at $\$ 28.698 .000$; ance. 243.3.449 short tons valued at $\$ 24,0.54 .182$, and platinum, 318 ounces, valued at *5. 3820 .

- Many Americans are doubtless under the impression that this land of free public schools and other great educational advantages exceeds all others in the use it makes of the post office. But according to statistics recently submitted by the eniversal Postal Union, Great Britain ranks ahead of us in this respect. In 1905 the number of letters and postal cards passing through the British post office was 78.3 per head of population, while the L.S. came next with 67.6 per head. The report furnishes other surprises. France and Norway, for instance, each with a good school system and a highly intelligent people, stand lower on the list than Austria and Argentina. New Zealand comes next to the United'States with ${ }_{6} 66.3$ per head. and after that Switzerland. with 79.70 . The land of the Alps stands' tirst in the number of post offices in proportion to the populition, the ratio there being one office to every 896 people. Germany has one for every 1,460 . (Great Britain one for every 1,859. Denmark one for every 2,586 . Italy one for every 3.981, and France for every 4.551. Great Britain derives the greatest profits from her postal system, netting ammally about $\$ 23.438,62 \overline{7}$. the second country heing Russia, with $\$ 20.595 .595$ profits. Russia is not considered a letterwiting country. and its pinted matter is restrained, and yet on its peculiar system it derives good profits.
-The San Francisco policyholders of the Atlanta-Birmingham Insurance Company held a meeting last week in that city and elected a committee to look into the matter as to the best method to press the claims of policyholders. As soon as the meeting was called, Bush Finnell, attorney for the insurance company, who had called the meeting, announced that he had just received a dispatch from J. T. Dargan, former president of the company. stating that the Alabama Department had put the company in the hands of a receiver. and that, therefore, further negotiations would have to cease. After a thorough discussion of the situation, the policyholders decided that the best they could do would be either to send an attorney to Atlanta to press their claims or else to engage one already located in that city who was familiar with the insurance laws of Georgia and Alabama. A committee of three, consisting of Joseph Cumming, H. W. Ballentine and Ralph P. Doolan was elected to investigate the situation as soon as possible and to
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## -The first steps were taken last Friday toward the forma-

 tion of an "Association of Life Insurance Presidents." Broadly speaking, the purposes of the organization will be to further the interests of policyholders and to bring about a more nearly uniform practice in the conduct of life insurance business. The meeting was at the suggestion of President Panl Morton, of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and brought together representatives of 24 companies. Three other compames sent commumeations, expressing approval of the proposed association. Mr. Morton presided and Thos. A. Buckner second vice-president of the New York Life, was made temporary secretary. A committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws and subsequently reported a tentative plan of orgamzation: Copies of the plan which met with general approval were distributed, but final action was deferred until December $/ 28$, when it is purposed to effect a permanent organization. Presidents and vice-presidents represented theil companes will be eligible to membership. Mr. Morton sais of the gathering that it was the general disposition to enter into an association, provided one could be formed on the right me. Under the tentative plan, he continued, the welfare of the policyholder would be the first thing considered, and next would come a better and more uniform practice generally in Hire insurance. Expenses were to be reduced where possibl and waste eliminated. The assocration, he said, would publicly. present its veews to law-making bodies and all others wishing mformation on life insurance matters. There would be nothing about the proposed organization to keep from the pnblic. It
-The N.Y. Insurance Press says questions have been asked lately, What will the two Canadian companies, which are now hicensed in New York, do next year? Will they comply with the Armstrong legislation, or will they withdraw? Inquiry at the office of the Canada Life elicited the information that it will temporarily cease writing new business but will maintain offices for the convenience of its clients. Officials said that under the New York law the strongest British company, as at present constituted, could not do business in the State. The reason is that, companies doing business in New York must declare dividends annually. No British company does that, and it is doubtful whether any would agree to do it. The Canada Life has been built up along British lines, declar ing dividends quinquennially, and during the past twenty years it has also written deferred dividend contracts. Both systems have been popular. As the Canada Life has been in New

Lork only a few years. its manag ment is disinclined to upset the company's established practice for the benefit of the New lork fraction of its basiness. Another reason for a temporary cessation of writing new business in the state is that stipulation of the law for a valuation basis materially lower than that of the Canala Life. The officials believe that it would be a great mistake to weakein the strength of the company valuation basis, and they are firm in the conviction that to modify their contracts to conform wath the requirement would be contrary to the interest of policyholders. The
company having entered Great company having entered Great Britain recently and obtained a Satisfactory business there, the officials do not feel justified in disturbing the agency contracts there and in the States where the company was well established before it entered New York.
nual dimer of the Liverpool shief guest at the twelfth ant which was attended by nearly three hundred shipbrokers and merchants. As to the suggestion that the shipping industry was in a depressed condition, he said he found that the gross tomage of the world was $31,700,000$, and out of that the British Empire claimed $16,000,000$, and the Enited Kingdom alone had got $15,000,000$, which was pretty good for a depressed industry. In the year 1850 (ireat Britain had ress than onethird of the shipping of the world, and now we have got one-halt, which agatn is pretty good for a depressed industiy. Again. proceeded Mr. Lloyd-tieorge, Sir/Alfred Jones warns us against German competition. He is very much afraid of Germany. I am not. I have heard this talk about Geimany wiping the floor with us ever since I was a small boy, ant that is a long time ago. But where are they in steam? The total German steam tonnage is $3.400,000$, and they come second best to us. Yet during the last six years we have added 4,000,000 tons. We have added more in six years by 600,000 tons to our British mercantile marine than the whole tonnage of this formidable body that frightens even a brave man like Sir Alfred Jones. We are keeping a respectable distance from Germany. In the year 1900 the excess of our gross tonnage over Germany was $10,000,000$. We have $10,000,000$ tons more than the German Empire, with all its swagger. This year the excess of Brifish tonnage over German is $13,000,000$. We have increased the distance. Where is Germany? It is out of sight. 1 am not afrald of Germany, at any rate not until she. annexes the British Isles, and that will take some doing. I don't know what the aeroplanes will do-but I am perfectly cer tain we need not fear anything from Germany. We have hat a. most extraordinary increase in British shipping, and the marvel to me is not that other countries have grown, but that we have succeeded year after year in capturing such a share of the trade of the world. That Great Britain was more than holding her own was the greatest compliment to British grit. for the sea was open to all on equal terms. Yet Britain had beaten the world. Everywhere could be found British ships, plying backwards and forwards. like ants, carrying cargoes to and from every country under the sun.

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## (HRISTMASTIDE

Never in the history of Camada has business been so brisk at this season of the year. For several days before Christmas every thoroughfare leading to the retail shops in our towns and cities where goods suitable for holiday gifts were displayed, peoplé of both pexes and of all ages could be seen wending their way intent upon purchases for all and sundry. At, the doors of all the principal stores crowds elhowed their way in and out, and every counter space was filled with customers wait ing to be served; in many places the visitors lined the counters two and three deep. In some stores the clerks of both sexes were now and again heard to remark in the erening twilight that they had not had a moment for mid-day meals of late, and that they did not hope to get home before midnight. Even the telephones were busy with orders. Sleighs and messengers laden to the utmost, were seen hurrying along in every direction until "the wee sma' hours ayont the twal," delivering parcels more or less valuable, useful or attractive, for young and old, preparing for the joyous display of Christmas morning and the accompanying hilarity which rouses paterfamilias from his slumbers hours before his usual time for wakingand he is thankful for the succeeding silence that-
"Left so free his ears,-
That he might hear the music of the spheres, And all the angels singing out of heaven."

The strenuous efforts of years past and especially of this one now gliding away, have been blessed beyond his expectations, perhaps his deserts, and it is all brought home to him by the joys of Christmastide and the happy faces, hearts and voices of all that he holds dear; and he turns again upon his, luxurious conch in peaceful content to be wakened again an hour or two later to be smothered with the thanks and kisses of the hostages he Thas given to Fortune; and he rouses to a full sense of it all, of the blessings of full possession, ready and eager to enter upon another year of prosperity, and consequent happiness to all concerned.

A friend, who has himself "given hostages to Fortune," here reminds us of the reproof administered in the old legend to him who had all his life been holding forth to his audiences upon the wretchedness of the world-one who had not given such "hostages." Being asked at the Judgment-Seat how the latest arrival had liked the beautiful world He had made for man, and having no answer ready, was requested to return to Earth again and examine it from another standpoint. He remained as long as he was permitted, and when he again presented himself before his Creator it was as a better and a wiser being.

But "revenons a nos moutons." If there be one example more forcible than another of the exceeding busy time surrounding the Holiday season this year, it is

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the post-office. And it is not in the towns and cities that this rush has been apparent : the village post-offices have been actively besieged also. In the cities the carriers were each provided with a horse and sleigh to bear their loads of missives, picture-cards and packets of all limited sizes. The number of letters and newspapers put through the Montreal post-office on Christmas Eve was about doulble that of a year ago. This all means increased revenue to the Department at Ottawa and a pleasant frame of mind to the worthy Minister him,self.

TANATION ON NCOMES.
The latest sought amendment to the statutes of the Province of Quebec is intended to provide for power to lery a tax upon the incomes of persons in receipt of salaries of $\$ 1,200$ and upwards who do not otherwise directly contribute to the revenne. Whether such authority lie within the power of the Province is a question which may be determined by reference to the British North America Act. The proposal seems to come, howerer, rather untimely when the Legislature is announced as preparing to repeal the tax apon agents for business establishments which do not possess branches within the Province of Quebec. The proposed new tax would probably come home to every one of the several thousand commercial travellers whose homes are understood to be within the limits of the Province, a fact that should render it far more olojectionable and unpopular than the existing tax upon travellers from beyad. The promoters of the tax contemplated, have, doubtless, reckoned upon the members of the various professional callings; the physicians and surgeons, lawyers, notaries, real estate dealers and brokers, school-teachers and college professors, music teachers, lodying-house keepers, municipal servants, government employes, bachelors living in hotels, young men living on their incomes, young and elderly women of more than ample means, wealthy widows, managers and accountants, and many others who do not in any way pay taxes to help provide for the various benefits they enjoy as citizens, but which others must and do pay for-such as protection to life and personal property, the use of light, water, parks, and streets-such as they are. They doubtless are convinced that curb-stone brokers and those engaged in mining and produce transactions should contribute to the revenue with at least as much reason as do the members of the Stock Exchange.

And they probably cast their eyes occasionally on the numerous public drinking shops, and hearing of the

## Six Months Gain.

IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 1906
Mutual heserve Lite Insurance Co.


Gained in Surplus,
\$41,696.43
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\$ $71,645.63$ Surplus, June 30, 1906,

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gislative Investigating pense margin of all companies doing a the lower ratio of expelle to exCapable Men, with or without experience, can secure the
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Shigh prices they sometimes pay to halders or controllers of licenses and to those who are ready to sell their privileges for a good round sum, and consider whether these generally independent people could not allord to contribute cach of them from 25 to 50 per cent. more than they now do. This, they have doubtless been told would have the effect of weeding out some of the undesirable keepers, persons' who have so little regard for any rules or regulations that they may transgress with impunity or with the connivance of guardians with itching palms and easy consciences.
Were the burden of the taxes more evenly imposedin such manner that each and everyone shall bear his fair proportion-there would be less complaint on the part of business men, insurance companies-who are compelled to pay a tax upon the thrift of the peopleand other institutions, and there would be less frequent marehing to the Capital for authority to render life more expensive upon those who already pay more than their share into the public chest. Whaterer may be arened concerning exemptions for religions edifices and commmities, cducational institutions and the like, a proportion of the municipal or governmental financiers inclines to the belief that many of those embraced in the catalogue enumerated have no claim to be exempt from contributing their share towards the burden which must be borne, no matter who escapes his due responsibility.
It will doubtless be urged by many professional men that they already pay business taxes; but the authorities are likely to reply that this is a mere drop in the bucket to what is borne by merchants, manufacturers, banks and underwriters of all sorts and conditions.

## THE B.ANK STATEMENT FOR NOUEMBER

The apmomehing clowe of the your affords evidence that the expansion ol'banking businces will out-distance all former recorls. The statement for November maintains its customary character of being the month in which the circulation atiains its greatest height, and also begins to show evidence of its tendency to find its way back into the banks after performing its functions in assisting to move and market the crops. And here it may be remarked that wheat is not the only cereal produced in the North-West nor the North-West the only portion of Canada calling for the intervention of banking currency in harvest time. The regularity of the demand upon the banks during the harvesting and marketing period of the year and the rise and fall of the year, it is
movement may be seen by the following table giving the annual maximum and minimum amount of circu－ lation at the three dates named：－

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|  | 11，580，920 | 10，113，830 |
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| 1890\％．．P9，\％is．380 | 33．5，9．5，1．50 | 35，26 6.590 |
| 17x．or Were |  | Derc．（69）．5（5） |
| 140\％．．．．3 ．．3s． 110 | 34， 3101.000 | $34.36 \cdot . .6+0$ |
| 万r | 1.9 | Ince. 30s |

IVe should mention here that while the figures as at
 reathed he the circulation in that month was ＊s 6,30 ， ，
 all inerease of upwards of $\because 1 / 2$ millions beyond the lar－ ges exersi on record at the time．The decline shown for the Nomember statement was $\$ 3,216,2,33$ ，or，taking the masimum（ireulation during（）ctober，a reduction of＊isens．sus，which lar outrum all preeding returns． I study of the comparative table sulpoined will prove intereting in this respect．
＇Tho swelling of deposits contmues unabated，being an increate of＊11，380，000 in（anada as compared with last month，or，taking $\mathfrak{1}$ ² millions outside of Canada， nearly 19 millions．Here is something which deserves to be writ in letteris of gold．It may be seen also that there is much licquidatign going on．
The item Current Loans（Discounts）in Canada shows considerable cepamsion also，a fortunate circumstance all round，if the excess of deposits is to be kept employ－ ed．The increase during the month was about $\$ 7,685$ ，－ 000．There is hut little increase in domestic call loans， those made ontside of Canada show an expansion that hat not been expected．The feature formerly noted of the correspondence between the amounts of＂Deposits outsile C＇anada＂and＂C＇all Loans outside Canada＂is agam apparent ；at this time both are greater than usual．

Taking the Statement as a whole，it shows a remark－ able degree of prosperity throughout the country as the result of the year＇s business，and everything seems aus－ picious for a continuation of the blessings which the Divine bounty has bestowed upon the people．

We append the usual comparative table：the detailed statements of the different banks are given on succeed－ ing pages：－
the bank statement．
 Reserve Fund．．
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { ．}(17,689,54) & 61,513,794 & 58,529,624 & 26,438,799\end{array}$

## LIABILITIES．

| Notes in circulation ．．．．．．80， | 83，718，630 | 72，592，543 | 35，262，599 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Due Dominion（Government ．．5，494，445 | 3，910，851 | 3，672，460 | 523，813 |
| Due Prov．fiovts．．．．．．．．．8，978，559 | 8，712，998 | 6，602，086 | 2，856，325 |
| Deposits on demand ．．．．．．183，391，213 | 181，408，733 | 157，548，539 | 70，051，597 |
| Deposits after notice ．．．．． $400,307,693$ | 390，909，519 | 354，393，053 | 126， 2911,355 |
| Deposits outside Canada ．．．．62， 215.090 | 55，236，427 | 43，987，686 |  |
| Loans from bks．in Can．，sec．．6，Stio，331 | 9，950，6：20 | 577，8\％ | 155，000 |
| Depts on demand in Can．bk，7，336，848 | 7，075，＋80 | 6，413，169 | ，251，050 |
| Due agencies in L．K．．．．．．． $7,204,976$ | 7，350，003 | 5．280，560 | 2，346，2io |
| Due agencies abroad ．．．．．．2，217．838 | $2,160,743$ | 2，159，488 | 169，207 |
| Other liabilities ．．．．．．．．．．13，6us，569 | 14，221，58s |  | 1，020，541 |
| Total lialilities． |  |  | $-1$ |


| Specie ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．23，503，550 | 23，433，206 | $20,-61,503$ | 8，306，639 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dominion notis ．．．．．．．．．．47，297，497 | 45，208，690 | 39，712，000 | 14，811，770 |
| 1）phosits securing circulation－4，746，247 | 4，it6，24i | $3.875,499$ | 1，836，218 |
| Notes \＆chemues on other liks．31，72，968 | 32，036／799 | 25，3325，795 | 9，441，263 |
|  | 4，1950， 735 | 5，7：3，784 | 260，786 |
| Depts on demand in Can．lks．9，953，110 | $8,718,667$ | 7．977．408 | 3，663，972 |
| Due from banks in I．K．．．．8，313，137 | 91，217， 559 | 11，421，605 | 10，126，734 |
| Due from foreign liks，cte．．．17，559，315 | 18．129，580 | 15．486，242 | 18，230，123 |
| Dom．\＆Prov．（iovt，secs．．．．10，075， 6 6 | 9.253 .851 | 8.957 .075 | 2，789，529 |
| Can．Munic，\＆other pub，secs．． 21.289 .893 （Not Dominion．） | 20，ies，000 | 19， $4.49,534$ | 9，719，885 |
| failway and other secs．．．．．${ }^{\text {a }}$ ， 86 | 41，148，540 | 69，576， 294 | 11，758，440 |
| （all loans in Canada ．．．．．． $56,140,834$ | 56， 578.8 .501 | 18．702．009 | 14，216，343 |
| Call loans outside Canada ．．66，919，335 | c0，536．937 | 59，501，234 |  |
| Current loans in Canada ．．．．．38，6：5，115 | $531,019,419$ | 457，008，115 | 212，906，674 |
| Current loans outside Camala ．35， $1888,8.7$ | $3 \overline{2}, \stackrel{2}{2}, 25 \overline{4}$ | 32，080，027 |  |
| Loany to（iovt．of Canada．．．．1，wii |  |  |  |
| Loans to Prov．Govts．．．． 978,198 | 809，091 | 1，858，859 | 589，743 |
| Overdue debts ．．．．．．．．．．2，880，124 | 2，352，095 | $1.696,7 \pm 3$ | 3，979，866 |
| R．E．besides 1，k．premises ．．808，839 | －60，320 | 661.081 | 086，233 |
| Mortgages on real estate ．．．．431，394 | 409.557 | 530，780 | 459，285 |
| Bank premises ．．．．．．．．．．14，149，343 | 13．760，956 | 11，2\％0，397 | 5，651，437 |
| Other assets ．．，．．．．．．．．．．10．181，051 | 10，488，906 | 9，836，267 | 2，096，719 |
| Total assets ．．．．．．．．．949，013，077 | ［135，313，464 | 817，149，152 | 333，077，531 |
| Loans to directors \＆their firm 9，656，370 | 9，495，918 | 8，594，105 | 8，019，857 |
| Av．specie for month ．．．．．．21，858，090 |  | 19，776，046 | 8，338，094 |
| Av．Dom．notes for month ．．44，911，563 | 40． 460.400 | 37，533，252 | 14，476，108 |
| （irt＇st circulation during m．．Sk，011，712 | 86，304．765 | 79，226，877 | 37，236，492 |

## THE BANK OF HOCHELAGA．

As the statement presented at the annual meeting of the Bank of Hochelaga a year ago covered eighteen months business，comparison is not quite as facile as usual．A proportion（namely two－thirds）of the earn－ ings for a year－and－a－half，equals，in round rumbers， $\$ 315,000$ ，showing that the earnings for the 12 months ended the 30th November ultimo，were greater by 1.64 per cent．on the paid－up capital，or $\$ 32,843$ ，than the 12 months of last year＇s net profits．In other words， the net earnings for the 12 months ended the 30th November， 1905 ，were about $\$ 314,661$ ，or 15.73 per cent．，as against $\$ 347,504$ ，or $1 \% .37$ per cent．，for the
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year under review. This is a remarkable record, and goes far to justify the resolution carried at the meeting held on the 19th instant to double the capital stock of the Bank, as shown by the detailed statement on an'other page, to which we invite attention. A further comparison is given by the table which follows:-

## \section*{8,306,639} <br> 14,811,770

The situation that the companies had before them on the 21 st of April was the most difficult in the whole history of fire insurance. In the first place the conflagration itself was the largest that there had ever been; secondly, it was not an ordinary confiagration but had been preceded by an earthquake for whose direct effects the companies were not liable, and yet the evidence of which had been largely obliterated by the fire; third, as to some extent in all conflagrations or large fires, but there particularly, there was a large dectruction not only of policies but of records of all kinds among the insured; fourth, San Francisco being the city from which all the Pacific C'oast business was managed, there was a large destruction of the records of the companies, some companies for instance, which sent no details to their home hoffices but whese acoounts were audited there, losing their records in toto. These had to be reproduced as best they might from agents and brokers' records and from maps in cases where these had fortunately been saved.

The situation would have been complicated enough if there had been relations between only the companies and the insured, but there was in addition a vast mass of reinsurance not only among the companies directly involved, hut with other companies. Some of these foreign treaty companies soon after the fire united in publishing a letter to the reinsured companies warning them that the reinsurance companies would not follow them in their settlements beyond the peint of strict liability: The most perplexing feature of the early situation was probally the fact that the companies were at a loss to know how much of their reinsurance they could collect.

The report then details the events that led up to the "New lork Agreement" and the split in the ranks of the companies, and says:
"A word may be said as to the composition of the two classes. The first class was largely made up of old, substantial companice with a reputation for honouralle straightforward mothods. They had lad large losses but they had also large surpluses to sover their losses. There was cuery reason why such companies should proceed to settla their losses in the old recognized way, adjusting each loss upon its individual merits. The second class, on the other hand, was less homogeneous. It included first some companies so 'hard hit' as to be unable, at the time at least, to contemplate payment in full, second, some companies that were quite willing to take any opportunity to escape as easily as possible, and third, some companies which sincerely enough thought the plan a fair one and favourable for the insured, and were at least willing to put themselves on record in favour of it gn a test vote. As a matter of fact when it came to actual settiement some of the 'six-bit' companies settled their claims quite as favourably as the 'dollar for dollar' companies.

The difficulty of establishing claims where policies or the companies' records were destroyed, and particularly in the case where both were lost, was one of the elements of the early situation. Many of the companics did everything in their power to help the insured in this matter, others apparently tried to make as much trouble as possible. It was the same with the filing of proofs of loss. Some of the companies aided the in-
sured by furnishing blank forms and by actual assistance in filling in the information; other companies, on the other hand, did everything to prevent the filing of proof's of loss. Proof's of loss were refused, were thrown into the faces of clamants without being opened, and were even relused when sent by registered mail.
Reports of such grow incivilities very naturally found their way into the newspapers; as did likewise reports of many of the carly settlements, which, as a matter of fact, were much lower on the average than they were latir. Fonne of the companies which began paying early offoring 40 and 50 per cent., while others definitely denied liability altogether. The result of this behaviour by a part of the companies, followed as it was very soon ly the 'six-bit' split, led to a wave of popular indignation. The new-bapers were largely responsible for this, but the banme for its inception unquestionably lims with those companies which begam by using thomongly diseraceplul mothods in dealing with their clam!ants.
such a state of feeling inctween the insurers and the intured was most unfortunate. On the one hand, the timil-pow people for the most part, whose insurance was all they hart-wre Irightened in thousands of cases into setiling their claims at a morch lower figure 1.an yar riyht: in the other hand, whatever natural instinets the insured may have had for telling the truth about their loses and for treating the representatives of the insurance companies as well meaning gentlemen received a hard binw. Thare were undoubtedly many cases of frand on the part of the inkured; it is doubtful if, on the other hamd. there has ever been an insurance situation in which there has been such disgracelul intimidation and discourtesy. Discoartesy Was com recognized as worth a delinite amount in salvage.
it camot be said to emplatically, however, that this does not apply to all the companies, nor even to most of them. Apparently the trouble was primeipally due to adjusters from the ontside who eame prejudiced and impressed with the neepsity of making drastic compromises. Ind this was quite matmal alter all. The carly newspaper aceoimts of the calamity represented San Frambioon as destroyed l,y an arthquake, fire hatiing simply burned the ruis! Xearly every person who came there from the East during the first few week came with this impresion. It was weoks before a tr!e underatamding of the situation thoronghly affected the insuramee companies and some have not bern affected yet.

The compranins which are most to be praised are those which, using as nearly as possible the methods of ordinary times, made careful but fair adjustments. Such companies have no serionc complaint to make of the insured, and difficult as the situation was, their experience proves that the attempt to adjust each loss on its merits was the only satisfactory method.

On account of the great number of Josses and on account of the lack of evidence in a great number of cases as to the nature and extent of the damage done, adjustments on the whole could not be made with as great care as usmal. The companies generally insisted, following the New York agreement, upon a 10 per cent.
on stocks of merchandise, and in general this was thought to be reasonable, it being evident that a failure to prove a loss satisfactorily opened a proper field for compromise.

The matter of earthquake damage was handled by the companies in very different ways. Some of the companies counted the earthquake damage, if any, aqumst the sound value along with depreciation. This whlom hrought the claim below the face of the policy, particularly as there was fery general under-insurance. Other campanies, while making no claim for earthquake damage where no evidence existed, in case of proved earthquake damage settled ly a compromise on the face of the policy, the reason for compromise being the possible voiding of the policy under the fallen building clanse. Other companies clamed a general concession from each policyholder on account of general conditions. There was no serious attempt made in general to bisape paying for damage done by dynamiting. The companies which made large discounts could hardly have been said to have made adjustments; their process of settlement being nothing more in reality than the buying of policies.

The account of settlements made ly the various compranies, which is given hereafter, has a double purpose. There has been general interest throughout the country in the way in which the insurance companies were mecting the situation; to meet this demard it secmed only fair that some impartial account should be given, based on carelilly collected information. secondly, it will be a pity if the san Franciseo conflaqration passes out of remembance without serving to loint the way to some needed changes in fire insurance; first, in the actual conduct of the business by the companies themselves: second, in legislation, and, third, in the attitude of the insured. The practically most important thing to know for this purpose is juct what, in this crisis, the companies have done.

The account given herewith is based on the tabulation of some 10,000 settlements. Information concerning these has been furnished ly the insured, partly upon blank forms distributed hy the Chamber of Commeree and partly on coupons printed in the newspapers. Reports on a large number of settlements have been received from the savings hanks. This information was suplemented in some cases by personal statements from the companies themselves, a circular letter having been sent to all the companies inviting them to make statements if they so desired."

The report then submits a list of the committee's findings as to settlements, which will be found interesting to underwriters, hut it is doubtful as to how they regard its accuracy. The list is as follows:-

Aachen and Munich, settled most of its claims at 75 per cent., but paid 80 to 90 per cent. on many claims, particularly committee losses.

Actna, settled its claims at 100 per cent.
Agricultural, began by discounting at 75 per cent., but later paid mostly in full, less 2 per cent. for cash. Alliance of Philadelphia, paid its claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.

Alliance of London, same policy and settlements as Commercial Union of London.

American of Boston, settled its claims at 40 per cent

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American Central, paid mostly in full with from 2 to 5 per cent. discount for cash.

American of P'inladelphia, settled its claims at 50 per cent.

Assurance Company of America, settled its claims in general at is per cent.

Athanta-Birmingham.-The representatives of this company ieft the State in May. Nothing has been paid up to the present time, although offers of aj per cent. cash and 15 per cent. in notes have been recently received.

Itlas, settled its claims in full, and less 1 and 2 per cent. for cash.

Austin Fire, settled its clams at from 65 to 85 per cent. largely at about is.

Iustrian P'hoenix, denied liability and withdrew from: the state, having palid no claims.

British America of Toronto, pand some claims at 85 and 90 per cent., but largely at one-third cash, one-third in to months, one-third in 12 months.

British America of New York, same settlements as the British America.

Bufialo derman, settled its claims in general at from $r 5$ to 90 per cent.

Caledonian of Edinburgh, settled claims at from 15 per cent. up to 98 per cent., but largely at about 90 per cent.

Caledonian-American, same settlements as Caledonian of Edinburgh.

C'alifornia settled its claims at 100 per cent.
Calumet.-Certain stockholders subscribed special fund of $\$ 500,000$ upon the agreement of a majority of the claimants to accept this settlement, releasing thereby the plant and already existing assets of the company from further claims. The surplus to policyholders at the time was $\$ 3 i 5,000$.
Camden, involved in San Francisco conflagration only as a remsurer.

Citizens, settled its claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.

Colonial Underwriters, same settlements as National of Hartford.

Commercial Union of London, policy contains earthquake clause. Settled its claims at 50 and is per cent., according to location. Paid claims of $\$ 500$ or less in full and at least $\$ 500$ on claims of $\$ 500$ or more.
Commercial Cnion of New York, same policy and same settlements as Commercial Union of London.

Concordia, settled its claims at 75 to 90 per cent.
Connecticut, settled its claims in full, and less 1 and 2 per cent. for cash.

Continental, settled its claims at 100 per cent.
Delaware, settled its claims at from 60 to 80 per cent., largely:at 85 per cent.

Dutchess, settled its claims at 30 per cent.
Eagle, settled its claims mostly at 75 per cent.
English-American Underwriters, same settlements as
the London and Lancashire.
Equitable, involved in the San Francisco conflagra-
tion only as a reinsurer.

Federal, settled its claims at from 85 per cent. up, but largely above 90 per cent.

Fire Association of Philadephıa, settled its claims at from is to 95 per cent.; ite carly claims largely at 75 per cent., its later claims largely at 90 per cent.

Fireman’s Fund, has paid 20 per cent. on claims; has offered to pay 30 per cent. more in cash and remaining j0 per cent. in stock of compran. Claimants have generally accepted this offer.
Franklin, settled claims at from is per cent. up, largely at about 90 per cent.
German of Freeport, setfled its claims at 60 per cent.
dierman of Peoria, settled its claims at 50 per cent.
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German American, policy contained carthquake clause which was not taken adrantage of. Settled its claims mostly in full, less : per cent. for cash.
German National, settled its clams at 60 per cent.
Germania, setted its claims at from 85 to 95 per cent., largely at about 85 per cent.

Girard, settled its claims at from 85 to 90 per cent., mostly at 85 and 80 per cent.

Gilens Falls, settled its claims at from 90 per cent. up, but mostly in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.
(ilobe and liutgers, settled its claims mostly at 75 per cent.; a few at 90 per cent.

Hamburg-Bremen, settled its claims at 75 per cent.
Hanover, settled its claims at 75 per cent. up, largely at about 90 per cent.

Hartford, settled its claims in full, less a per cent. for cash.

Home, settled its claims in full, and less 1 and 2 per ceut. for cash.
Home Fire and Marine, same settlements as Fireman's Fund.

Indemnity, same policy and settlements as Norwich Union.
Insurance Company of North America, settled its claims in full, and less $\gtrsim$ per cent. for cash.

Kings ('ounty, involved in san Francisco conflagration only as a reinsurer.
Law Chion and Crown, settled its claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.

Liverpool \& London \& Globe, settled its claims at 100 per cent.

London and Lancashire, began by paying its small claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash; in June dropped to payments of largely about 90 per cent., coming back finally to 98 and 100 per cent. The company states that its payments have averaged about 93 per cent. of the amount of its claims.
London Assurance Corporation, settled its claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.
Manchester, settled its claims in full less 2 per cent. for cash; all policies had been reinsured in the Atlas.
Mercantile Fire and Marine, settled its claims mostly in full, less 2 to 5 per cent. for cash.
Michigan Fire and Marine, seftled its claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.
Milwaukee Mechanics, settled its claims at 70 per
cent., having taken advantage of the Wisconsin Safety Fund Law.

Nassau, settled its claims at from 80 to 90 per cent., mostly at is per cent.

National of Hartford, began by discounting at 75 per cent., later settled nearly all its. claims at upwards of 90 per cent. The company states that its payments have areraged $9+$ jer cent. of the face of the policy!

National I nion settled its claims at is per cent. up, largely at about !o per cent.

New Bromswick, settlel its claims largely at about $\%$ \% per cent.

Dew Hampshire, policy contained earthquake clause which was not taken advantage of. Settled its claims in full, and less 1 per cent. for cash.

New York, settled its clams at to per cent.
New Yorik Underwriters, same settlements as the Hartford.

New לealand, settled its clams in full, less 2 per cent. for casis. About one-fifth of the entire number of outstanding policies contained an carthquake clause; company settled such claims at from is to 50 per cent.

Niagara, settled its clams in full, less 2 p.c. for cash.
North British and Mercantile, settled its claims in full, lese a per cent. for cash.
North fierman of New York, has paid nothing; company in the hands of a receiver!

North German of Hamburg, company has denied liability and retired from the State, having paid no claims.
North River, settled its claims mostly at is per cent.; in a few cases at 90 per cent.
Sortioern of London, settled its, claime in full, less 1 fere cent. for cash.

Xorthwestern Fire and Marine, rettled its claims in general at from 85 to 8.5 per cent.

Noithwestern National, settled its elams largely in full, less a per cent. lor cash.

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Orient, same settlements as london and Lancar-hire.
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Phenix of Brooklyn, began be discounting clams adt is per cent.; lafer settled clamis in general at from s.j per cent. up to 100 per cent.: datal furnished by the company indicate that about is per cent. of company's liability: will have been settled at an average of 98 per cent. of the amount of the claims.

Philadelphia Underwriters, wettled its claims at from 90 per cent. up.

Phoenix of Hartford, policy contained an earthquake clause, which led to settlement of early claims at 75 per cent. The bulk of its claims were, however, settled without reference to the earthquake clanse, mostly in full, less 2 per cent. for cesh.

Phoenix of London, settled its claims in full, and less 2 per cent. for cash.
Protector Underwriters, same policy and settlements as Phoenix of Hartford.

Profidence-Washington, settled its claims in general at from 90 per cent. up, but largely in full less 2 to 5 per cent. for cash.

Prussian National, settled its claims at is per cent.
Quecen, settled its claims at 100 per cent.
Queen ('ity, began by settling claims at $i 5$ per cent.; later settled daims in full, giving notes in some cases; the company states that some payments on earlier claims have been brought up to the same standard.
Whine and Moselle, policy contains earthquake clause Denied liability and withdrew from the State. Claims of $\$ 500$ or less have been jpaid at $50^{\prime}$ per cent.

Rochester-German, settied its claims largely at from 90 per cent. up.

Royal, settled its claims at 100 per cent.
Royal Exchange, settted its claims at from $\% 5$ per per cent. up, but largely at 85 to 95 per cent.
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Scottish Union and National, settled its claims in full, fess 2 per cent. for cash.

Security of New Haven, settled its claims largely in full, less from 2 to 5 per cent. for cash.
security of Baltimore, in the hands of a receiver.
springfield, settled its claims in full, and less 1 per cent. for cash.
spring (iarden, settled its claims in general at 90 per rent.

State of Liverpool, settled its claims mostly in full less from 2 to 5 per cent. for cash.
N't. Paul Fire and Marine, settled its claims mostly in lull, less from 2 to 5 per cent. for cásh.
sin, settled its claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.
siva, settled its claims at from 35 per cent. up.
Thitonia, settled its claims in full, less 2 to 5 per cent. for cash.

Traders, in the hands of a receiver.
Transatlantic, denied liability and withdrew from the state; no claims paid,
Inion of l'hiladephia, involved in the san Franciseo conflagration only as a reinsurer.
Coion Assurance, settled its claims in full, less 2 per cent. for cash.

I'nited Firemens, settled ite claims at from is per cont. up, but in general at about 90 per cent.

Victoria, settled its claims in full, less 2 per cent.
Il estchester, settled some claims at $i 5$ and 80 pe" cent., but later paid largely in full, less from 2 to 5 per cent. for cash.
Western of Toronto, same settlements as Brit. Am. Williamsburgh ('ity, most of its policies contain earthquake clause. Settled claims on these at 50 to 75 per cent., according to location. On such policies paid claims of $\$ 500$ or less in full and at least $\$ 500$ on claims of $\$ 500$ or more. Settled claims on policies that did not contain earthquake clause largely at 95 per cent.

The report then submits the following suggestions in regard to possible legislation:-
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than there is to-day, or than there has ever been, if there is to be adequate insurance protection for large cities. To this end, as has been said, it is desirable that the business of fire insurance should be made as attractive to capital as may be consistent with the good of the insured.
"A long step in this direction may be taken by applying intelligence and fairmindedness $\mathfrak{t}$ the subject of insurance legislation; in fact, intelligent legislation would have the effect of improving conditions for both the insurer and the insured, for inevitably any restriction upon the insurer is immediately shifted to the shoulders of the insured. But in our present condition in California the thing we least need now is more legislation. P Publicity is better than legislatiom, and for some years fire, insurance will continue to be a matter of public interest. There is no more inexorable economic fact than that unwise legislation will do one of two things, either raise the rates or drive companies out of business. The best thing that could possibly be done for the insured is to remove all unnecessary restrictions from the companies and to encourage the formation of organizations for properly adjusting rates and preserving stable conditions.
"Such organizations seem to have the character of trusts, but in reality their nature is entirely different. Of course, any organization may be used in such a way as to prevent competition and doubiless boards may be and have been used for this purpose; but there is nothing in the fundamental nature of a board as ratemaker that tends to restrict competition; quite the opposite; for this information regarding rates must of necessity become largely public property, and is to that extent generally available for whoever will to use. There will always be non-board compatics and rates will always be kept down by competition."

## HIGHENT \& LOWEST QLOTATIONS OF STOCKA

On another page will be found the customary annual table of highest-and lowest quotations of the principal stocks dealt in on Change in Montreal, covering the years 1886 to 1906 , inclusive. If there be any doubt so far as bank values are concerned, that these constitute the most, reliable index to the state of the country's trade, it must be dispelled by even a cursory examination of this table.
There are, unfortunately, exceptions to every gool rule, and one or two examples are to be seen, as furnished by the malfaisance of officials occupting the highest positions. What a series of supported misstatements are suggested by the seconded "H \& L." line across: How astute the rise and fall concurrently with the elb and flow of general credit and the quotations of undoubted securities! The manner in which the price of Ontario Bank shares was supported was of such a character that any remarkable drop, such as ordinary securities could bear without serious comment, was sufficient to bring on a crisis. Hense the sudden collapse from 131, at which the last few shares changed hands in October, down to worse than nothing on the 18th of that month, so far as the shareholders were concerned. It is not a little singular that the manager
could alone have been all these years sitting on the edge of a precipice, and feel that the end must come, soon or tate.
Other fluctuations are observable, but they are such as result from issue of new stock, of which there has been sufficient latterly to equip a series of respectable new banks. This was, of course, to be expected according as reserve funds approached the amount of the paid-up capitals on which latter alone dividends are estimated. It is to be confidently affirmed that no Nement of speculation has insinuated itself in the business of any of our great institutions, whatever may have been said of some life insurance companies.
The net earnings have, as a rule, been of a most satisfactory character, but what a strong will milust his be who refuses to take a step when great profit is as certain, in his judgment, as certain caln be. We need occasionally to remind ourselves of the example set by the temptation on the mount nearly 1900 years ago, and of some meaner ones furnished us in this present generation. How tersely has the text been put by the Bard of Ayr:

> "To catch Dame Fortune's golden smile,
> Assiduous wait upon her, And gather gear by ev'ry wile
> That's justified by Honour:
> Not for to hide it in a hedge,
> Nor for a train attendant, But for the glorious privilege Of being independent."

There is a feature in connection with the steadiness in the prices of stock of late years that cannot have escaped some financial minds. The drop in British Consuls has been attributed largely to the low rate of interest being paid by these gilt-edge securities, many holders being tempted to sell out and invest in some of the many investments which pay, or promise ts pay, four or five times as much. The same temptation assails holders of the most conservative securities in Canada, the prices of which sometimes invite owners to make "a change into something near and strenge" which returns double or trebie the amount of the dividends; but absolute security is, in :a sense, a dividend in itself; and that the public beliere so is shown by the paucity of the transactions on 'Change. Indeed there is a remarkable scarcity of bank shares offering. The facility
with which money with which money can be had upon these gilt-edge stocks through the agency of the savings lank-, renders holders in a measure independent of usurious lenders, who some of them wonder at thie holdings indicatad by the blue-books.
In Miscellaneous, Stocks the greatest degree of interest surrounds Dominion Iron and steel, common. The truce patched up lately between them and the coal people does not appear to have had any apparent effect for an advance in values. The flourish with which this security was announced in 1892, when local owners of inherited wealth poured in to the counters. of trust agents, and promoters could be recognized behind the screens wistfully watching those who entered to buy is still fresh in the minds of on lookers. The drop from the quotations-nearly 80 -in those days to the 7 of 1904, and even to the 21 of the present year, recall

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|  | Tomal. |  | 96, 116.4733 | 91,665, 47 | i7. 6 699.549 |  | 002.37\% | 5,49,445 | <,96¢, 559 | 1×3,391,213 | 400,307,693 | 62,815,090 |
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|  | Bank of Nowa |  |  |  |  |  | 25,3m |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | t. Stephen Bal |  |  |  | 4,ite2 | 1,293 | g | 12,0:3 | 18,785 | 12,000 | 9,662 |  |
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|  | Bank or Tormito. |  | -1.795 | 40.13x |  | 195,531 | 2x.621.990 | 690,632 | $2,166.3226$ | 14,000 | 1.28×3 309 |  |
|  | Enstern Townsliip be |  | 41,76 |  |  |  |  |  | (1, | 140.000 106090 | 1,035.448 |  |
|  | Unimn Rank Halifux |  | 12.2 .450 | 911.12 | 1.7 | 2 | 10,065,377 | 226,453 | 5993,45 | \% 6,000 | $54 \times 530$ |  |
|  | Ontario Rank | 5,000,73\% | 1.093,462 |  |  |  | 7.574,139 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Banque Nationale |  | 1-37 921 |  |  |  | 10.216:207 | 121, 2,59 | 614 | 75,000 |  |  |
|  | Bana. Provincinle Can | 6i11093 | 1,..1..... | 231,2 | 15,000 | - | ${ }^{13,401,627}$ | 1,030.444 | 2,476, | 240,000 | 2,288,789 | 113,972 |
|  | People Bk. N. B....... |  | 13,7\% |  | +,000 |  | ${ }^{4} 16330.110$ | 10,573 | 3, <br> 42,697 <br> 2,730 | - | $1+9,742$ 5,725 |  |
| ${ }_{10}^{16}$ | Uniom Bank of Camada |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Canadian Bo or |  | 177, ,2, 23 | 399, 781 | 1,063, 750 | 450.500 | 98.422. | 3,613,093 | 5,935,008 | 427,450 | 4,361.228 |  |
|  | Dovinion Bank |  | \%ibitio |  |  |  | - 34.385 .457 | 1,971,060 | 1.715.784 | 143,000 | 2,095.498 |  |
|  | Bank of Hamiltom |  | 10, $19 \times 1 \times 1$ | 446.5120 | iis,2s0 |  | - | ${ }^{1,1,1096.695}$ | 2,905,980 | 150.000 | 1.442:154 |  |
|  | st |  | 5, 92 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Banque dest. Jean. |  |  |  |  | 77.046 | (1,67,6662 | ${ }^{2} 1.081$ | ${ }^{1,024.0 .02} 8$ | 50,000 8.800 |  |  |
|  | Banque d'tochelagh |  | 93,506 | 242,894 | 133,70, | 150.348 | cit.604,669, | 229,646 | 1,177,469 | 93,000 | 1,157, 351 |  |
|  | Bank of Otawn... .... |  | 13.920 |  |  | 4,000 |  | ${ }_{736.454}^{76.64}$ | 1.929 .833 | 16.500 150.000 | ${ }_{1}^{13,937}$ |  |
|  | Imperial Bk. Canada |  | 47,728 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Western Bank Car |  |  |  |  | 2,189 | 4.861.512 | 42.196 | $4,42,305$ | ${ }_{20}$ |  |  |
|  | Traders Bank Canada |  | (1922 | $5{ }^{5}+424$ |  |  | 25,764, | 317,888 | 1,580. | 127,000 | 688,587 |  |
|  | Metropolitan Bank... | 24, 200 | (148, 69.9 | 1, 1.99 .749 |  | 29,000 | -1.199.560 | 348,990 | 1,301, | 80.000 | 648,410 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 Crown Bank of Canada <br> Home Bank of Canada Northern Bank 35 United Empire B. Can Unted Empire b. Cam |  |  |  |  | 8,80, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 4.940 |  | 4, 222 |  | 4,702,039 | - 102,883 | - | ${ }^{625,000}$ | 108,499 |  |
|  |  |  | 109 |  |  |  | 1,898,762 |  | 150.712 | 10.000 | 150,233 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 2,50 | 788,685 | 1,554 | 14,913 | 5,000 |  |  |
| Tota |  | 6. $\times 160,331$ | 7,336,848 | 7,204,976 | 2.217 .838 | 13,609,569 | -7¢,717,996 | 23,503,5,50 | 47,297,497 | 4,746.247 | 31,972,968 | 6,860,89 |

Return of Canadian Bank of Commerce. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads," includes gold bullion.
Return of Bank of British North America. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads," includes bullion.
Return of Bank of British North America. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads," includes bullion
The figures for the Dawson Branch are taken from the last returns received viz; 10th Nov., 1906.
A The deposits of the Ontario Bank, having been assumed by the Bank of Montreal, do not appear in the above Return. The Bank of Montreal
under obligation at the end of the tume fixed by the Bank Act, viz: two years, to repay under instructions of the Curator, the amount of all s under obligation
buclaimed balances.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce bonus of 1 p . c. cqual an all to a dividend of 8 p . c. per annum.
something like a distress dream to some of them, bat a-different revery for others. It is to be hoped that the demand for steel, which must come, may place this stock among those which are able to stand upon their own feet, and not rely upon bounties which the county
are obliged to pay. But there is some consolation after all in the premises, for we see that U.S. Steel common is yet lingering in the vicinity of 46 to 47 , an advance of scarcely 1 per cent. per annum during the last seven years.

## Assets.-Cor <br> Total... <br> A It is nuders <br> Other stock real light, He of getting fat able men are $n$ Oits. Street Ra at the earning digest:


tinal position of the companies resulting from the San Francisco conflagration were submitted and approved. It has taken fonger than was first expected to have these statements prepared and vertied owing to the various legal questions involved, the loss of records, and the necessity for procuring duplicate information from all the branches having the necessary figures in their books, and the generally complicatel position in connectioh with remsurance and salvages. These final statemunts showed that the companies' losses were, in common with all other companies, greater than had been anticipated. "After careful consideration of the present position and the future polucy of the companes," says the announcement, "the conclusion was come to that, to provide for the immedrate payment of all remaining losses. and to strengthen the financial situation of the companies. an issue of 7 per cent, preference stock should be made by each company- $\$ .500000$ for the British America and $\$ 1.000000$ for the Westert-and that the price of subsecription should be at a premum of 2.5 per cent. Within a short time the whole amount in each case was underwritten. free of commission. The companies will therefore recenve from this issue $\$ 687,500$ for the British America and $\$ 1$, 250.010 for the Western, making a total of $\$ 1,937.500$. The stock is to be paid for in full as soon as it can be issued. Meetings of shareholders have been called to comply with the tormalites required in connection with the issues, which will be completed betore the end of this month. The present stockholders are entitled to subscribe for the new issue in proportion to their present holdings
As Mr. Kemy, who has been in the companies' service for over 35 years. desired to be relleved from the pressure which the recent disaster at San Francisco necessarily threw upon him, the directors were fortunate in having in their service Mr. W. B. Meikle, of London, England who has been the manager of the 'ompanies' British and foreign business, conducted through the London office, for the last seven years, and who has established a large and profitable fire and marine business at that branch. Mr. Melkle was nominated by Mr. Kenny als his successor three years ago, and is one of the most capable of the younger msurance managers of the present day. He has had a long and practical experience of fite and marine insurame in Creat Brotain and in many parts of the foreign fiold. having been resident in India for sereral years, and tratelled in mont countries of the world in behalf of his tormer and present companies. Mr. Makle bats been appointed the general manager of both comp,umies in place of Mr. Kenny, whose restgation was ace pted but who retains his seat on the boarid of botl! companies
At a meeting of the sharehollers of the Wistern Assurance Co.. held at headpuarter, yesterday, the hy law passed by the Roard of Diecetoms. creating the issue of $\$ 1,060,000$, preference stock at a preminu of e. 2 eants. wats ratified manimously. Thas stock. alle what is reytired by the out side pomblic, has all been sulseribed by the origmal shareholders.

## BASNESS DHFICUTAES

Amang recent assmments in Gutario are the following:-. 1 . H. Whrien. lugoors, Bancoft: B. (Eoldberg, junk deater. Mild way; II. ('. Mills, furs, Woodstock: L. A. Ross, lumber, Corn wall: II. Tait. trader, Kongston; J. L. Little. livery, Owen sombl Winding-up orders are applied for against the Domin-l hon Camstor Co.. LAtd., Dundas: and the Russill Bottling 1 or: \& otan.
In this Province, Louis Barron, carriages, st. Flavien; J Buchanan and son, wholesale grocers. Levis: .J. W. Jamb, grocer, city and Adolphe Otis, general store. St. Felicite , have assigned. A meeting of the creditors of T. L. Clarke and Co hrans founders. city. has heen called: liabhities about $\$ 14.000$ los. (iguere, satoon, city has compromised, and Thos. Regis, trader, St. Remi dAwherst, is oflering to compromise.
The American Costume Damufacturing Co.. city, mfrs. of ladies white wear. cloaks ete.. has assigned, owing some \$25.000 to $\$ 30,000$. Keen competition and limited capital are given as the chilef camses.
IIth liabilities amounting to $\$ 6,000$. Lonis .J. Vezina. bottler
and liquor merchant, eity, assigned at the request of $/$ L. Reinhardt, manager of the Salavador Brewery. The assets consist of a stock of bottles, bottling machines, safe, two horses, three carriages, three sletghs, book debts, bottling license and right of lease of Vezina's premises, on the corner of Notre Dame and Visitation streets. The principal claimants are:-L. Keinhardt $\$ 2, .683 .70$; Mme. A. St. Jean $\$ 1.600$; Alexander Walker *578; R. Dawes, *324; Rougier Freres, \$135.05

A PROPOSAL FROM THE BEIL TELEPHONE CO
The Bell Telephone Co. is ready to atford Montreal an opportunity of effecting a considerable economy in respect of the divic tire alarm and police patrol wires service. The Company has been placing its wires underground for some time, and it now proposes to negotiate with the members of the City Council on the subject on reasomable terms outlined by the President, Mr. C. F. Sise, in a letter addressed them, which Was read at yesterday's meeting. Any means that may rid the city of the antiquated unsightly poles and those often dangerous wires should not be neglected, and the Bell Telephone Company are the right sort of people to deal with.

## ELECTIC LIGIHT COMPETITION

A number of Montreal capitalists have leased the waterpower of the Beauharnois Canal from the Federal Goverfuent for the purpose of supplying a large electrical plant by which the city and citizens may be furnished with light and power. Among the subseribers are Messrs. F. H. Wílson, W'm. C. MeIntyre, S. H. Ewing. F. J. Shaw. P. J. MeIntosh, W. C. Finley, H. J. Fuller, II. Lyall and others. Here is a possible solution of the problem before the City Council and the Light Heat and Power ('o. A proposal from the new company has been submittod to the City Fatheris. The Carsley Co. also demands a consideration for their own offer.

## Meetings, Reports, etc.

## BANK OF HOCHELAGA

Thirty-Second Ammal Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Hochelaga was held in the offices of the Bank at Montreal, at noon, on Wednesday the 19 th instant.
AIr. F. X. St. Charles was called upon to take the chair, and Mr. M.J.A. Prendergast consented to act as secretary for the meeting.
The secretary then read the ammouncement in the Canada Gazette convoking the meeting.
On motion of Mr. F. N. St. Charles, Messrs. A. O. Morin and .J. H. David were appointed scrutineers.
The annual report was then presented by the president, Mr. F. X. st. Charles, as follows:-

To the shareholders of the Bank of Hochelaga
Gentlemen:--For the twelve months ending with the thirtieth of November last, the operations of your bank have given the following results, whish your directors have the honour to submit to you:-

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.
November 30th, 1906.
(Credit.)
Balance at credit protit and loss, November 30, 1905
\$ 22.992 .09
Vet profits for year ending November 30. 1906 after deducting the cost of administration, interest on deposits, losses and probable losses

Dividend 1 Dividend 13/4 Dividend $13 / 4$ Dividend 2 p Carried to r Carried to em Written off Balance at a 1906

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Reserve Fund.
Profit and Loss
Unclaimed Divi
Dividends paya

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Mortgage on prop
Real Estate
Bank premises,

## (Debit.)

Dividend $13 / 4$ per cent. paid on March 1, 1906. Dividend $13 / 4$ per cent. paid on June 1, 1906 Dividend $13 / 4$ per cent. paid on Sept. 1, 1906. Dividend 2 per cent. payatile on December 1, 1906 Carried to reserve fund
Carried to employe's pension funl
Written off bank premises, etc
Balance at credit profit anl loss, November 30, 1906

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\$1,450,000. 00
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Balance at credit, Novembeŕ 30, 1905
Carrite torwara, Notember 30, 1900
Balance at credit of reserve fund, 30 November, 1:016
\$1,600,000.0
In order to meet the needs of its clientele and that your Bank might take its legitimate part in new basiness developing, your Board has considered it advisable to open branches at Mount Royal Avenue, at Maisonneure, in \ille st. Louis de Montreal, at st. James L'Achigan, and at st. Pierre, Manitoba; other branches will soon be opened at Berthiervalle and at Laprairie, P.Q., as well as at Edmonton, Alta.
The head offices and the various branches have been regularly inspected during the year.
(Signed) F. X. ST. CHAREES,
President.


## THE GENERAL STATEMENT TO NOV: 30, 1906.

 llabilities.Capital stock paid up
$\$ 2.000,000.00$
Reserve Fund.
1,600,000.00
19,710.57
$1,045.40$
$40,000.00$
$\$ 3.600,755.97$
Due to other banks in England and foreign countries
Notes in circulation.
Deposits not bearing interest Deposit, bearing interest
Outstandıng drafts drawn by agencies on Head Office

376,603.69
1,831,275.00
3,336.812.52 8.914.004. 26

104,888.86
$\$ 14,563.584 .3$
$\$ 18.224,340.30$

## ASSETS.

Specie
\$ 229.646 .70
1.177.469.00
1.1.57,351.47
115.066 .10
93.596.45
413.533 .52
1.332 .339 .94
3.5.5.00
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$\$ 5262091.16$
12.5.58.5+1. 87
13.8:38.86
$27,000.00$
29,256. 04
333.612 .37
(Signed) M. J. A. PRENDERGAST
General Maṇager.

It was moved by Mr. F. X. St. Charles, seconded by Mr. Kobert Bickerdike, that the report as presented be adopted. Carried
Moved by Colonel Hector Prevost. Seconded by Mr. A. M. Archambault: That the thanks of the sharehoders are due the president, vice-president and the directors for th ir good admimstration of the affars of the bank during the financial teim juit closed. Camad.
Moved by Mr. Edward Fiske, seconded by Mr, Liboire Com-stant:-That a vote of thanks should also be tendered the (ieneral Manager, the Manager and other officers of this bank for the zeal they have displayed in the accomplishment of their rexpective duthes. Carri id.
Moved by Mr. Edwin Hurtubise, seconded by Mr. A. 0 Norin: "Cionsidering that, in vew of the constant and gradnal extension of the business of the Bank of Hochelaga. it is in the interests of the shareholders that its capital should be angmented. the following by-lay should be adopted:-
"The capital stock of the Bank of Hochelaga is augmented to the amount of four million dollars." Carried.
Moved ly Mir. A. Piudhomme, seconded by Dr. Vict. Mignanlt:-That the Board of Directors be anthorizal to take the mecesary steps to obtan foom the Treasury board the certificate requred by law approving the said by-law, and giving it power of execution. Carried.
By-law passed by the shareholders of the Bank of Hochelaga at the general annual meeting, held Dicember 19th, 1906.
It was proposed by Mr. T. Brosseau, K.C , seconded by Dr. V. Mignault, that the Board of Directors of the Bank be composed in future of seven directors, and that the quorum necessary for a meeting of the Directors be three directors; and that in consequence section 3 of the general by-laws of the Bank he amended to read as follows:-"The Board of Directors shall be composed of seven directors. of whom three shall compose a quorum." Carried.
Moved by Mr. Raph. Dufresne, secondgd by Mr. Alph Languedoc, that this meeting proceed to the election of the Directors of this Bank for the current year: that to this end a single ballot be employed. and that this ballot be considered as expressing the decision of the meeting. Carried.

The scrutineers then made the following report:
"We, the undersigned scrutineers duly named at the "annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank of Hochelaga, this day, declare the following gentlemen elected Directors of this Bank, for the current year. viz: - Messrs. F . X . St. Charles R. Bickerdike, J. D. Rolland, J. A. Vaillancourt. A. Turconte, E. H. Lemay and .I. M. Wilson.
(Signed) 1. O. Moris,
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serutineers.
At a subsequent meeting of the dreetors. Mr. F. X. St Charles was elected president, and YIr. Robert Bickerdike vicepresident for the ensuing year.
I. I. A PRINDERGAST

Secretary and Manager
Montreal, December 19th, 1906

Hes To each and every realer of the Journal of ('oul merce greetings are tendered again with lest wishos for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.
-Hom. (. S. Hyman, Minister of Public Works, who hat been sojourning south for some time becalse of ill-health. is reported to be convalescent.
-The case of Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn, ex-pressdent of the defunct Ontario Bank, who is charged with having signed a false statement to the Government-which, it must be supposed, he knew as much about as any officer of the bank act ing under instructions from his superior-has been enlarged to the 2nd proximo. The commission sent to New York to in vestigate late Manager McGill's investments or speculations is expected to be ready by that time. Why not make some inquiry nearer home?

## muntreal Wholesale markets

Montreal．Thurstay，December $2 \overline{7}, 1906$.
The Chrithan holidays calused quite a relaxation in whole sill departmonts．and few incilents or chanees of importance can ber noted．It his time of the year when accomets are berng wimmed mint and took taken，both of goods and pro－ opect－weak－pot－are apt to be detected，and this year may be m＂，＂aneptom，if ertain momours are to be believed．On the whole trald is satisfactory，and the elosing of booke for the sear will reval ranomalde protits to matly deserving firms
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 deation that moner hat ame fresty into the comentry in pals ment of our capertable products．The metal markets have shown－wnoth．©perialy in lead and coppere，while bart，wir



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dit Trik Moderate receipts of butter are reported ant marne is lim．（home cramery bemg quoted at $2.5 / 1 \mathrm{c}$ e to
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Maticill poctutiy．－There have been ample supplies ：t fine turkeys．better than in some former years，and demand has been brisk．Fortunatels．price hate contimed reasmable，as other poulter and exerelent fresh meats are also offering on the
 maketing and storage．Prices are about 14 to i 5 e for finest． turkers， 11 to 120 for ducks and choice chickens，some chickens of a loss time quallty rangug down to l0c．Geese range in prace from 10 to 11 c：and choice fowl from se to 9 c，others rany． ing a cent or so lower．

Dhi）（：（O）DS．The seatomble weather has cansed a good etail busmess in woollens，finm and nick－nacks of all kinds sutable for the holidave．Iravelers have been at home giving some herp，in the warehomses and talking orer prospects for the next run on the raill．New yonk cotton futures closed steady Clowing binls：－December 9．0tc；Janary 9．0se；February 9．2．je；

 do．gult．10．70c．Sales 1.816 balles．According to a deepateh Issumed by the L．S．Censis bureau．there had been ginned up to becember 133 of thi－year＇s cotton，arop．11，099．000 bales． againtat $9.2: 16$ ． 819 at this time last year．The number of gin－ a reported in opration this surbon prior to December 13 was 80， cember 1．1：9\％ti．

Eatis．－There is a good demand and so few are coming for ward that stocks are ruming down and prices strengthening Sales of selected at 2．o．to 2be；No． 1 candled 2le to 22e and Montreal ！imed 200．to 21 c ．

FLot R－No change can be noted，as demand is confined to small lots．but prices are steady Manitoba patents $\$+.10$ to \＄4．2．5；strong bakers $\$ 4.10$ ；straight rollers $\$ 3.6 .5$ to $\$ 3.75$ ； do．in lage $\$ 1.0 .5$ to $\$ 1.75$ ；extras $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.60$ ．
（iRAIN．－There is not much of interest in the local market outside of oats，which are quite firm owing to a good demand
and small supplies．Sales of car lots of No． 2 white were made at $421 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ；No． 3 at $411 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ，and No． 4 at $401 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$ per bushel，ex shere．Ihere is atso at tair demand for American corn from outnat，sonnces．and sales of car lots of No． 2 yellow were himbly at ．．．．e．and No． 3 mixed at 54 c per bushel ex store． Bumber in Manitoba sprong wheat over the cable continues Illuet．Whe demand was himited and bids in sone cases were －1w to ：3 lower．In the Weat the market for Ontario wreat is stagnant．as the mills are not buying to any extent and there is no demand for export．Fxporters say that they cannot pay mone han dis．for Ontario and expert it profitably．and Hal the ate not anxions to hamdle it at 6．9．There is not minch actulty in Mantola wheat．Millstuffs are still seare
 the Xoith－west has had a strengthening eflect on the（hicage ＂heat malket．lut twanse of realzing sales late in the ses suou the wosing pitces ware barely teady．Final quotations OII the May delacery were off 1／8e．Com wat a shate higher and wat－wer 吅 ，Daty returns of exports for December do nut indiate the falling off that has been perelictel by the （xport homses．Of the $\mathbf{T 0 . 0 0 0} 00 \mathrm{ok}$ ）bashels that hate gone abroad since Jule 1 ．abont one that was in the form of flour．
 ar than lhow of wheat，as winter wheat millers are just get ting their lamest alos cleared throngla the oonth Atlantio port－Salle of what at the seaboard bately show that the thecion bued lian not hat interest in Therean grain，thongh Hhe comerter is content to have the speculatur ！elieve this is He carc．Lamalan shlmamts are making the same general progress an a year ago．The big increate in ！amulian ex port－in credited to the near approach of the close of naviga－ tion on the rivers
（akbil fhtits－Business has been active in this market．Quotations：－Oranges：Fresh sweet Floridas．126， 150 $176,200,216, \$ 3.25$ ；Jamaica oranges，barrels repacked sound \＄4．－Grape fruit：Finest Flonda grape fruit．64，80，96，\＄4．
Lemons：In the Mount Royal brand lemons we offer the finest stock imported into Canada without exception，are spe－ cially selected and packed and really are the cream of Sicily， These are $\$ 4$ for 300 ；statue of Republic，fancy， $300 \mathrm{~s}, \$ 3.75$ ； do．， $360 \mathrm{~s} . \$ 3.75$ ．－Cranberries：Cape Cod cranberries，fine stock per bul．，$\$ 10$ ．－Grapes：Amerias，large steck，$\$ 5$ per bbl．，do． medium．$\$ 4.50$ ．－Dried fruit：New Hallowi dates， 5 c per lb． new figs， $10-1 \mathrm{~h}$ ．boxes net weight， 6 crown，$\$ 1.10$ ；do． 5 crown， 90 c do． 3 crown， 80 c；glove boxes， 16 －oz．size， 9 c ．－Onions Spanish onions，cases，$\$_{2} .25$ ；red onions，in $100-\mathrm{lb}$ ．sacks，$\$ 1.65$ ．

H．II．－A good demand for baled hay，a＊receipts are small and stocks held are moderate．Prices are strongly held as follows：－－No． $1 \$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14$ ：No． 2 2 $\$ 12.50$ to $\$ 13$ ；ant pure clover $\$ 10.50$ to $\$ 11$ jer ton．

IIIIES AND TALLOW：－The decline in hides is considered fortunate by many in the trade as prices were too high．Lib－ mal supplies have been received，and quality is good，with the weption of colf suw Jamb slins awe higher owing to scarcity and increased slze．Following are the quotations for tre－slı city stock：－No． 1 hides． $1 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ to tanners．12c：No． 2 hiles， $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to tanners． 1 le ：No． 3 hides． $1 / \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{e}}$ to tanners 10 c ：No． 1 calf skims，per It．，12c；No． 2 calfikins，per lb．，loct；lambskina，
 tallow，rundered．per its．：3e to $\overline{\mathrm{c}}$ ：tallow．roughi．per it．． $1 /(\mathrm{e}$ to 3 c ．

HONLY．－Quiet and stealy．White clover comb lise to 14 e ， white extracted 10 c to $101 / 14 \mathrm{c}$ ：buckwheat Sc to $\mathrm{P} 1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ ．

IRON AND HARDWARE．－The demand for small wares has been brisk since the holiday season began．Pipe makers and others have been slow in making deliveries，and now we hear of quotations being withdrawn for a number of smaller ar－ ticles of manuacture．New York，pig iron quiet：norther：1 \＄0． 50 to $\$ 26.25$ ；southern $\$ 21$ to $\$ 27.50$ Copper．strong， 03.95 to 23.0 ．$\$ 6$ to $\$ 6$ ． 15 ．Tin quiet；Straits $\$ 42.45$ to $\$ 42.70$ ；plates quiet．Spelter，firm：domestic $\$ 6.60$ to $\$ 6.65$ ．

LIL STOC heavy buying ronto report a cattle were de export，but go ones were picl are practucaly lambs are stea tions，steady 3.2 .5 to $\$ 3.7$.

MAPLE PRO prices．Syrup ure，and at is to Te per 1 I ．．
 for bran，owing shorts $\$ 22$ per $\$ 2.2 .50$ to $\$ 2.5$ ； grain＊2S to $\$ 30$

N．JIL sto oakimm， 4 c to per 100 lbs ； 8 c to lle． 8／8，1lc；3－16， 1 $1 / 4$ and $5-16,16$

OILS，RESIN nary，42s 9d． American retinc strained，10s 3d Antwerp，petrol thec，steady， 66 Resin firm；sale 85．628．Quotat
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PROLIMONS． toir fresh killed pounds．Live per 100 pou hort cut mess － 1.50 to $\$ 2.2$. tubs io llss．，par $123 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 13 c ；pu izes． 25 lbs 131／2c；medutm luc：extra small miled，large 15 c acon，loc ；Wilt

ROLLED O．AT： moment in the
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IIOOL．－There
t，the strong posi call is quite mod tromi．Montreal： flece．in the gre： Canada，pulled，un （1）：32c；pulled lam to $2 \mathrm{He}^{-}$．

At the annual ance Co．held in $26 t h$ instant．Mr． president，and Mr ． ensuing year．The
ite were made oer bushel, ex an corn from yellow were el ex store. ble continues ne cases were Ontario wheat tent and there they cannot oditably. and There is not re still scarce ed receipts in nt the (hicag') te in the sesnal yuotations whale higher for Declember alicted by the t hise gone form of flour. survive longnith Atlantic how that the grain, though !elieve this is same general !athubian ex ase of natiga-
tive in this ridas. 126, $15(1$, epacked sound $4,80.96, \$ 4$.
we offer the ,tion, are speeam of Sicily, y, $300 \mathrm{~s}, \$ 3.75$; ies, fine stock, per bbl., do. es, 5 c per lb.; ; do. 5 crown, 9c.-Onions: . sacks, $\$ 1.65$.
ipts are small orgly held as \$13; ant pure
= is considered oo high. Libgood, with the gher. owing to quotations for $\because$ No. 2 hides, Oc: No. 1 calfOci; lambskins, s, each. \$1.50; i. per IS.. $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$
mb 13 c to 14 c ,
mall wares has pe makers and 1 now we hear of smaller aruiet: northera Copper. strong, Straits $\$ 42.45$ $\$ 6.60$ to $\$ 6.65$.

LIE SOCK.-Locally there is nothing of value to report heavy buying for the holidays being over. Advices from To ronto report a lower temlenay, and a considerable number of cattle were left on the market. There was some enquiry for export, but good cattle were not plentiful, although a few old ones were proked up at steady prices. stockers and feeder are practucaly nommal and are quoted lower. Shoep and lambs are stealy and hogs unchanged. Export cattle - Suotil tions, steady; chorce $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 4.90$; good $\$ 4.10$ to $\$ 4.50$; cors $\$ 3.2 .5$ to $\$ 3.75 ;$ bulls, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.7 .5$.

MAPLE PRODLCTS.-A moderate movement at steady prices. 'syup at is) to (ixe per tin of one gatlon. Wine meas
 to $\overline{\text { e }}$ per It... in wood; maple sugat \& $1 / 2 \cdot$ to $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per lb

A!1IIIt:LD.-There is a strong market, and copectally si for bran, owing to its scarcity. Mamitoba bran, in bags, क2l; shorts $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.5 ;$ mulled momblie $\$ 22$ to $\$ 2.5$ per ton, and straight grain *2s to \$30

NAlJL STOREK—Pine pitch. $\$ 3 . \pi$ brl.; pine tar, $\$ 4.50$; oakim, 4 c to ie per 1 b ; coal tar, $\$ 4$ brl.; roofing pitch, $\$ 1$ per 100 lbs .; cotton waste, colored, 5 c to ic per lb .; white 8 c to lle. Rope:-Sisal 7-16 and upwards, $101 / 2$ ? $8 / 8$, 1lc; 3-16, $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. Manilla, $7-16$ and larger, $15 \mathrm{c} ; 3 / 8,151 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; $1 / 4$ and $5-16,16 \mathrm{c}$. Lath yarn, 10 c to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$

OLLS, RESIN, ETC.-Calcatta linseed, December and dau uary, 42s 9d. Linseed oil 21s 6d. Sperm oil $x: 34$. Petroleum American retinc d. 6 .j-ltid; do. pirits, :a, d. Resin. Americau straned, lus 3 d ; do. Final its. Turpontane pirits, !s 6 d .
 Antwerp, petrofer steady, $663 / 4$ d. Sales. 470 ; recepts. 541 ; hipmente lot Resin firm; sales, 1.119 ; recoipts. $1.666^{-}$; shipments. 364: stock, 85.628. Quotations:-A, B, (', 1), E. $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.0 \overline{5}$ : F, \$1.0.) to $4.05 \frac{1}{2}$; (i. $\$+.0 .5$ to $\$ 4.10 ; 11 . \$ 4.25 ; 1,44.50$ K. $+5.15: 11$ $\$ 4.07 \frac{1}{2} ;(i, \$+.0 .5$ to $\$ 4.10 ; 11 . \$ 4.25$
$\$ 5.50 ; N . \$ 6 ; W G, \$ 6.7 .5 ; W W, \$ 6.85$.
lotatois. - bemand good! and there is quite a briok jult onng trade. P'rices firm, with busines at s.o. to 90. per bag car lots ioc to soc

PROMINONS.-Prices sfealy. with goon demand. Abat toir fresh killed hogs quosed at $\$ 9.00$ to $\$ 9.25$ per 100 pounds. Live hogs have rujed steady at $\$ 6.75$ to $\$$ pitis. per 100 pounds weighed off cars. Heary Canada chort cut mess pork. Aln therces. $x: 3.20$ to $\$ 32 . .30$; barrels, 21.50 to \$22. Compound lard in tierces, 375 fbs . Sc to $81 / 4$; tubs i0 lhs., parchment lined $81 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; kettle lard tierces $123 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to lïc; pure lard ijerces 12c. Hams, extra large izes. 25 Hos, upwards, 130 ; large sizes, 18 to 25 lhs. $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; medutm sizes. selected weights. 12 to $18 / \mathrm{Hs}$. He: extra small sizes, 8 to $12 \mathrm{lbs} . .141 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ hams, bone out Hed, large 15c; do. small, l6c; English boneless breakfast acon, 15 c ; Wiltshire bacon backs, 15 c .

HOLLED OATS. - The market is quiet, there being no int forement in the demaml, and prices are quoted at $\$ 2$ per hag
 if Mincong Line this week. Jetive competition $b a \sin$ a a gemeral drance in values. and at the close merinos were $21 / 2$ to 01 rent., and crossbreds 5 to $71 / 2$ per cent. miner
$\| \mathrm{OOL}_{2}$.-There is not much doing, but prices are firm owing th. the strong position abroad. Supplies are not large, but the call is quite molerate. Dealers quote the following pices for Itnol. Montreal:-Canada fleece, tub washed, 26 to 28 c ; Canada flece. in the grease, 18 to 20c; (anata pulled, brished, 30c; Canada, pulled, unbrushed, 27 to 29 c ; pulled lamb's, brushed. 30 to :3c; pulled lamb's. unbrushed, 30c; Northrllest merinos 18 to $24 e^{-}$.

At the annual mesting of the Mutual Reserve Life Insur ance Co. held in the company's premises, New York, on the 26th instant. Mr. Frederick A. Burnham was re-elected as president, and Mr . George D. Eldridge vice-president for the ensuing year. The report presented was adopted.

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

Montreal. Thursday. Dee. 2ith 1906
The vear closes wath a very dull market on the stock Exchange. and the transations have been so light that we merely direct attention to the table subjoined:

The hasal money market is firm at f per cent. for call loans. The maiket for foreign exhange is dull. (losing rates were: st flang sixties. ita; sight. \& $19-32$; cables. \& $15-16$; francs, S.2.2 $1 /$ mimes 1-32; marks, 94 3-16: Nen York fimels, :3-64 to 3-6it discount.

In Xell Jork. meney on call. dimall highest, $91 / 2$ per cent.; lowest. 6 per cent.; ruling rate, s per cent.: last loan. 7 per cent.: chang hid. (; per cent.; offired at i per cent. Time loans. dull and strong: 60 days, 9 per cent.; six months, $6 \%$ per cent. Prame mercantile paper, 6 to $6 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. sterling exchange, heary, at 4.82 .8 .5 to 4.82 .90 for demand, and at 4.7 .75 to 4.77 .80 for 100 day bills. Posted rates, 4.79 to $4.791 / 2$, and 4.84 to $4.8+1 / 2$. Commercial hilh. $4.75 / 4$ to $4.773 / 8$ Bar-ilver. $691 / 2$. Mexican dollars, $535 / 3$. Covermment/bonds, steady. lialroad bonds. Hregular. Paris exchange on Lon don, $2 . j$ francs, $25 \frac{1}{2}$ centimes
The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week anding December $2 \overline{2}$, 19ori, as compuled by Mersors Meredith and Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:

| storks. <br> Banks: | vaples. | 11igh. | Low. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| New, Molsons | 41 | 20.5 | 204 |
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| Hochelagat | 4 | 1.591/2 | 1591/2 |

Miscellaneous:
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Montreal street Railwa

| 660 | $19 \%$ | 1917/ |
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| 710 | 218 | 213 |
| 1200 | 12 | 10\%/4 |
| 1:33 | 113 | 112 |
| 25 | 80 | 80 |
| 4.5 | 10.5 | 110.5 |
| 100 | 83 | \$2 |
| $75 ;$ | 931/4 | (H) |
| 67.4 | 72 | $701 / 2$ |
| 1103 | 231/2 | $221 / 4$ |
| .) 4 | 1.5 | 6:3 |
| 310 | 64 | 63 |
| 5 | 109 | 109 |
| 50 | 100 | 100 |
| 60 | 1081/2 | 108 |

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| Banke. | 1886 | 1887 | 1888 | 1889 | 1890 | 1891 | 1892 | 1893 | 1894 | 1895 | 1896 | 1897 | 1898 | 1899 | 1900 | 1901 | 1902 | 1903 | 1904 | 1905 | 1906 |
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 Sovereign . . II. $\begin{array}{ll}133 & 155+ \\ 130 & 132 \frac{1}{4}\end{array}$

## Miscellaneous.




















[^0] Oftice of the Minister of Agriculture and Statistics of the Dominion of Canada,



heavy chemicals－


| DYESTUFFS－ |  |
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| Archil．con | 027031 |
| Cutch ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ${ }_{0} 08$ |
| Chip Logwood ．．． |  |
| Indigo（Bengal）．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 75 & 2 \\ 150 \\ 50 & 1 & 75\end{array}$ |
| Indigo Madras ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 070 <br> 100 |
| Gambier ．． | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 06 & 0 \\ 07\end{array}$ |
| Madder ．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | ¢ 09012 |
| Sumac ．．．${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 42504750 |




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$\begin{array}{lllll}0 & 23 & 0 & 25 & \\ 0 & 22 & 0 & 25 & 22 \\ 0 & 21 & 0 & 221 \\ 0 & 20 & 0 & 214 \\ 0 & 21 & \text { SMITHFIELD WORKS，BRADFORD ST．}\end{array}$

＂Holesatie prices current．

| Name of Article． | Wholesale． |
| :---: | :---: |
| FARM PRODUCTS－Con．－ |  |
| Cheese－ | 8 c 8 |
| Finest Western white | $0128012 \%$ |
| Finest Western，coloured ． | $012 \pm 012 \%$ |
| Finest Eastern ．．．．．． | $012012 甘$ |

${ }^{\prime}$ Eggs－
Best Selected
Seconds
Limed ．
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { N．} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & \text { Cand ed } \\ \text { No．} \\ \text { Candled }\end{array}$


Sundries－
Potatoes，per bag，of 90 lbs ，
Honey，White Clover，combl $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 70 & 0 & 80 \\ 0 & 1=1 & 0 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 14\end{array}$ Honey，White Clover，comb
Honey，extracted $\begin{array}{lllll}0 & 18 & 0 & 14 \\ 0 & \text { U8，} & 0 & 10 k\end{array}$
．Beans－
$\underset{\text { Best hand－pick }}{\text { Prime }}$

## Gruceries－

## Sugars－




Salt－



Corse delivered Montreal $1 \ddot{5}$
Butter Salt，bags， 200 lbs
Cheese Salt，bags， 200 lbs
brls． 280 lbs.
Coffees－
Seal brand， 2 lb ．cans
Old Government－Java．
Pure Mocho
${ }_{P}$ Pure Maracaibo
Pure Jamaica
Pure Santos
Fancy Rio
Pure Santos
Fancy Rio
Pure Rio ．．

## WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

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Coil Chain-No. 6
Coil Chain-No.


Calvanized Staples-
100 lb . box, $11 / 2$ to $13 / 4$
Bright,
$11 / 2$


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$\qquad$ Band canadian, 1 to 6 in., $3 . c$; over
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Canada Plates-

Black Iron l'ipe, $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 4 \text { inch } \\ & 3 / 8 \text { inch }\end{aligned}$
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$11 /$ inch inch

Per 100 feet nett

##  Steel, Spring, Steel Tire 100 lbs <br>  <br> Steel. Toe Calk <br> Steel, Harrow Footh

Tin Plates

IN Charcoal,
Terne Plate $1 \mathrm{Cl}, 20$
Russian Sheet Iron
Lion \& Crown, timned slieet
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26 gauge
Lead: Pig. per 100
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Tenders must be accompanied by marked cheque for 1 per cent. of amount of tender payable to the City Treasurer as an earnest of good faith
Interest and coupons will be payable at the Bank of British North America at Vancouver, B.C. or at the Bank of B.
N. A., Toronto,

GEO. F. GIBSON
Vancouver, B.C.,
6th of December, 1906.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

| Name of Article. $\quad$ Wholesale. |
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## HARDWARE.-CON.

Black Sheet Iron, per 100 lbs - $\quad$ s c. 8 c.

280 f.o.b.
Montreal.
215 base.

ROPE


WIRE NaILS-
2d extra
3d extra .....
4 d and 7 d extra
8 d and
8 d and 9 d extra
Sd and 9d extra.
16 d and 20 d extro

BHIDMN: PAPER-
Dry, Sheeting, roll
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HIDES-
Montreal Green Hides-
Montreal, No. 1
Montreal, No
2
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ranners pay $\dot{1}$ extra for sorted cured
$\begin{array}{lllll}0 & 00 & 0 & 12 \downarrow \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 00 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 101\end{array}$
Sheepskins
$\underset{\text { Spring Lambskins, each.. }}{\text { Calfskins }}$
Calfskins, No
Calfskins, No
Horse Hides

LEATHER-
 $\qquad$

## OILS

Cot R. Pale
Straw Seal
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ard Oil, extra.
inseed. raw, net
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Turpentine, nett
petroleum
Acme Prime Whit
Acme Water Whit
Benzine, per gal.

GLASS-
First break, 50 fee
Second Break, 50
First Break, 100 f
Second Break, 100 Third Break
Fourth Break

PAINT\&\& \& . Lead, pare, 50 to
Do Do. No. 3
Do. No. 4 White lead, dry
 Whllow Ochre. Fren Whiting, Gilders' Whiting, Paris, Gil English Cement,
Belgian Cement Grman Cement United States Cemen
Fire Bricks, per 1,00 Fire Clay, 200 lb . pk Rosin, per 100 lbs .

Glue-
Domestic Broken She French Casks
French, barrels
French, barrels ${ }^{\text {American White. }}$
Coopers' Wlue Ce.
Brunswick Green
French Imperial Gre
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Orange Shellac, No.
White Shellac ..
Putty, Shellac, 1000
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Kalsomine 5 lb . pkgs.
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Buenos. Ayres.
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Cape. greasy
Australian, greasy

WHOLESAIAE PRICES CURRENT

| Name of Article． | Wholesale． |
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|  | 8321／2 $\mathrm{c} 371 / 2$ |
| Straw Peal Seal ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 0 40 9 <br> 0 35 0 |
| Lod liver oil，Xtal．．Norway Process | 100120 |
| Cod Liver Oil，Norwegian | $\begin{array}{lll}125 & 150\end{array}$ |
| Castor Oil ${ }^{\text {Casior }}$－${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 0 08 0 <br> 0 08  |
| Lastor Oil，extra ．． | $\begin{array}{cccc}0 & 74 & 0 & 08 \\ 0 & 70 & 0 \\ 0 & \text { St }\end{array}$ |
| Lard bil＇．．．．． | 060070 |
| l．insed，raw，nett | 051052 |
| Linseed，boiled，rett | 054 |
| Oive，pure ． |  |
| Turpentine，neti，per case | 863 |
|  | $\begin{array}{llll}86 & 0 & 87 \\ 00 & 1\end{array}$ |
| Wood Aicohol，per gallon ．．．．．．．． | $100 \quad 125$ |
| PETROLEUM－ |  |
| Acme Prime White，per gal． | 0151 |
| Aeme Water White，per gal． | 017 |
| Astral，per gal． | 019 |
| Benzine，per gal．．．．．．．．． | 0174020 |
| Gasoline，per gal．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 0224026 |
| gLASS－ |  |
| First break， 50 feet ．．．．．． | 185 |
| Second Break， 50 teet ．．．．．．．．．． | 195 |
| irst Break， 100 feet | 350 |
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The Kansas Supreme Court has handed down a decision which is calculated to make directors of assessment concerns,
:and wher matnal organizations which contemplate remsuring their risks, to sit (II) :and think. The siit was Moulton va, the Masonic Mutual Benefit Society Horace Moultom was insured in the Masome Mutual Bearlit. After his death claim was made. The cencern denied habinty, and sult way brought to recover on the ceitificate, and while the suit was pending it was absorbed by the Northwestern Life. Which in turn was absorbed by the Mutual Reserve of New lork. It is held that the directors were thenstees of the funds. shopld have held them in trust for the payment of claims. and having falled so to do are individually responsible

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There are some evidences that, as in Scotland, the supply in Canada is overrunning the demand, and that the pro- 1901-02 mised change which will encourage the 1902-03 use of alcohol in the arts will be a wel- 1903-04

There are considerable quantities used also in bonded factories, which last year took 450,499 gallons; some was otherwise accounted for, and $1,118,563$ gallons were taken for re-distillation. In four years, however, the quantity in warehouse under Government control has ineroased from $10,563,408$ proof gallons to $17,034,420$ proof gallons, which represents a considerable ocean of fire water

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the customs returns and the excise collections, which show a continuance of the decline in Canala of the use of spirituous liguors and an increase in that of malt beverages. The record goes back to 1869. It shows that in 1574 the consmuption of spirits in Canada was 1.99 t gallons-almost eight quarts a head. and that in the same /year the use of bee amounted to just over three gallons a head. It was 1866 before the consumption of spirits permanently fell below a gallon a head. Last year, fler varviag liuctuations, it stood at 0.861 a gallon a head, while the consumptio: of beer had risen to 5.25 g gallons, or 21 quarts. The consumption of wine, which some people think should be encouraged as a supplanter of spisits, is so small as almont to be negligible. It nevar at any tim was much in excess of a quart a head. Last year it fell to mine-tenths of a ynart. Finally, according to the departmental calculations, the revenue per head collected from users of intoxicant.s amounts to $\$_{2} .07$. of whech $\$ 1.80$ is $^{\prime}$ collected on spirits, 22 cents on beer and 5 cents on wine

The revenue produced from these main sources of excise taxation in 1905-96 was $\$ 6.795 .900$ from spirits, $\$ 10,003$ from malt liquor, and $\$ 1.292,443$ from malt. The department's methods do not require the keeping of a record of the production of beer and other malt liquors. The report, however, includes a calculation, based on

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