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## The Chartered Banks.

THE MOLSONS BANK.
Incorporated by ajt of Pablinigent, 1858.
HEAD OFFICE,
MONTREAL.
Paid-up Capital.....................................................................00,000
Rest Fund ................000
Thos. WORTMAN President. DIRECTORS.
R. W Shepherd J. H. R. M

MoLson, Vice-Preaident R. H. Ewing. Mir D. L. Macph
Miles Williams.
A. F. Gault.
M. Wolferbtan Thomas, General Manager.
M. Heaton, Aylmer, Ont., Brostrillanohes. London, Meaford, Montreal, Morrisbnrg, Hamilton, Owen Sound, Ridgetown, Smith's Falls, Sorel, St. Thomss, St. Hyacinthe, Que., Toronto, Trenton, Waterloo, Ont., Woodstock.
Agents in Canaia., Quebec-Ls Banque du Peuple and Eastern Townahips Bank Ontario-Dominion of New Brunswick. Nondon. New Brunswick-Bank Banking Company and Bova Scotia-The Halifax Island-Bank of Nova Branches. Prince Edward Summerside. Newfoundland-Commercial Bank of In Europa, St. John's.
In Europe.-London-Alliance Bank (Limited); Messers. Glyn, Mills, Currie \& Co.; Messrs. Morton,
Rose \& Co Antwerp, Belgium Liverpool-The Bank of Liverpool. In United Belgium-La Banque d'Anvers.

Bank; Messrs. W. Wstew York-Mechanics' National Morton, Bliss. W. Watson and Alex. Lang; Messrs. Bank. Portland-Casco National Bank. Chicago| First National Bank. Cleveland-Commercial |
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| National Bational Bank. Chicago- | Third Natik. Detroit-Mechanics' Bank. BuffaloMarine National Bank. Milwaukee - Wisconsin Natione \&ire Ins. Co. Bank. Helena, Montans-First National Bank. Fort Benton, Montana - Firs Collections made in all pecond National Bank. charnge. promptly remitted at lowest rates of ex Letters of Oredit issued available in all parts of

the worl.

## UMION BANK OF CANADA.

Notice is hereby given that a
DIVIDEND OF THREE PER CENT. upon the Paid up Capital Stock of this institution at its banking house and that the same will be payable on and after Monday, the Third day of branches The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to By orderember next, both days inclusive.
By order of the Board.

## Quebec. Nov. 23rd, 1885. <br> E. WEBB, Cashier.

## BAKK OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

CAPIT Incorporated by Royal Charter, 1868.
Branches Lon Office- 28 Cornhill, London. Branches at San Francisco, Cal.; Portland, Or.; Fio-
toria, B.C.; New Westminster, B.O.; Vancouver, B.O. AGENTA AND CORRREPONDENTA. In CANADA-Bank of Montreal and Branches, who will undertake renaittances, telegraphio or otherwise, and any benking business with Brítish Columbia. New York. Bgents Bank of Montreal,
UNFTED KINGDOM-Benk B Chich Chicago. National Prov. Bank of Eng. North and South Wales Bank, British Linen Co.'s Bank, Bank of Ireland.
Telegraphic transfers and remittances to and frome rates. Coints can be made through this bank at current description of banking business transacted.
BANK OF YARMOUTH,
YARMOUTIE: N.E. DIRECTORS.

Oeshier.
L. T. W. Jonns, osident. $\begin{array}{ll}\text { L. E. BAEER, President. } \\ \text { J. E. Brown, Vice-Prenidont } \\ \text { John Lovitt. } & \text { Hugh Cann. } \\ \text { J. W. Moody }\end{array}$ CORRESPONDERYPs AT
Halifax-The Merchants Bank of Halitax. St. John-The Bank of Montreal.
do The Bank of British North America. Montreal-The Bank of Montreal.
New York-The Nationsl Citisens Bank.
Boston-The Eliot National Bank.
Gold and Curreney Drafts and of Lonajon. change bought and sold.

Deposits received and interest allowed
ST. STEPHEN'S BANK.
 Capital ................................................... 8800,000 eserve..
W. H. TODD,

Prosident.
London-Mesars. Glyn, Milis, Currie d Co. New York-Bank of New York, N.B.A. Bonton-Giobe National Bank. Montreal-Bank of Montreal. Drafts issued on mony Branch of the Bank of Montreal.

## THE FEDERAL BAIK OF CAMADA.

Oeplital ........................................................ 81,850,000
Rest ......................................
185,000 Rest ..... DIREOTORS

## 8. Nomperinuar, Fisq., President

(1). B. PLAYFAIB, Esq., Vico-Preaident. William Galbraith, Esi
Benj. Cronyn, Esq. Gurney, Eseq.
H. E. Clarke, Esq., M.P.P. Benj. Cronyn, Esq. W. Langmuir, Kesq.
G. W. Yabresp, - - - General Manager.

HEAD OFFICE, . . - TOBONTO, ONT.

ERANOEIS.
Lurore, Nondon, Nimcor, St. Mary's,

Btrathroy.
Thisonburg. Thimonburg Win Yongerst. Winnipeg, Ex -
 Bankers and
change National Bank. Boston - The Maveriak of Scotland.

## BANK OF OTTAWA,

## ortawa.

Capital (sil paid-up)...................................................................................000
R10,000
Jamers MacLarrn, Esq., President,
Charles Magere, Esq., Vice-President. DIRECTORS.
. T. Bate, Fsq., R. Blackburn, Esq., Hon. Georgo Bryson, Hon. L. R. Church, Alexander Fraser, Esq., Geo. Hay, Esq., John Mather, Esq.
Grobgi Bubn,
BRANOHES
Arnprior. Carleton Place, Pembroke, Winnipeg, Man. Montreal. Agents in London. Eng.-Alliance Bank.
MERCHANTS' BANK
OF EIAIIEA工.
Capital Paid-np
1,000,000
HEAD OFFIOF, - HATIFAX, N.S. DIRECTORS
Thomas E. Krany, President
Jayan Butilms, Vice-President; Thos. A. Bitchic,
Allison Smith, E.J. Davys, Thomas Ritchie.
D. H. DUsdan,

## AGENORss.

In Nove Geotia-Antigonish, Bridgewater, Guyt borough, Londonderry, Lunenburg, Maitland, (Hants Oo.), Piotou, Fort Hawkesbury, Sydney, Truro, Weymouth. In New Branswick-Bathurst, Dorchester, Kingston (Kent Co.), Moncton. Newcastle, Seckplis. In Prince Edward Island-CharSt. Pierre, Miquelon.

## HALIFAX BANKING CO. <br> Inoorporatind 1872.


HEAD OFFIOE, - HALIPAX, N.S. W. L. Pitanminy DiRROTORS.

## Robis Uninctis, Preaident. Mortor, Fice-Preaident

 Thomes Bayne, F. D. Corbett, Jes. Thomenn.AGBNCIEs-Nova Scotia: Antigonish, Amherst, Barrington, Lockeport, Lunenburg, New Glasgow, Parrsboro,' Bhelburne, '8pringhill, Truro Windsor. New Brunswick: Petitcodiac, Backville, ft. John. Corrasgoxdenrs-Ontario and Quebec-Molsons Bank and Branches. New York-Bank of New York, National Banking Association; Kidder, Peaboay a -Union Bank of London and Alliance Bank.
THE PEOPLE'S BANK
OF' NTW BRUNEWIOK FREDMRICTON, N.b.


## A. R. RANDOLTM,

Preatident

- Onahior
Tondon- Tomsiges agmerab.
Tondon-Union Bank of London.
Bowton-Efliot National Bank.
Montreal-Union Bank of Iower Canade

The Chartered Banks.

## BANK OF HAMILTON.

Capital Subscribed ........................... 81,000,000
 DIRECTORS.
Jomp ©tuabt, Req., Preaident.
G. Rambay Fon. Jayes TURMEr, Fice Preaident Charles Gurney, Eaq
B. A. Colquieorge Roach, Esq. C: ahier.
ampares.
Alliston-A. M. Kirkland, Agent.
Georgetown-H. M. Watson, Agent.
Listowel-H. H. O'Reilly, Agent.
Milton-J. Butterfield, Xgent.
Orangeville-R. T. Haun, Agent.
Port Elgin-W. Corbould, Agent.
Wingham-B. Willson, Agent.
Agents in New Tork-Bank of Montreal.
Agents in London, Eng.-The National Bank of Sootiand.

## EAStern townhilps ballk.

DIVIDEND No. 54.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of THREE AND ONE-HAEF PER CENT. upon the Paid up Capital Stook of this Bank hae been deciared fill be payable at harr-year, and that the Branches on and atter

Monday, 3rd day of January next.
The transfer books will be closod from the 15th to the soth December, both days inclusive.
By order of the Board.
WM. FARWELL,
Genaral Managor.
ZFherbrooke, 1st December, 1898.
LA BANQUE DU PEUPLE.

## Betabursem in 185\%.

Capital pald-ap ................................. 81,800,000
Replarve ..................................................... 800,000
Jacgusa Grintir, : .... President.
Branch-Three Rivers, P.Q.; P. E. Panneton, Man'gy Agency-St. Remis, P.Q.; ©. Bedard, Agent.
Fiondon, England-The Alliance Benk, Limited Quebec, P.Q.-Bank of Montreal.

## BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

Capital Paid-tip ............................... R1,118sedo Deserve Fund,$\ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . i d e n t ; ~ f o h n ~$ Doull, Vice-Preaddent; Bamual A. White, Jame Bremner, Daniel Oronan, Adam Burns, Jatrus Eirt.
 Agenoies in Nore Bootie-Amherest Annapolly, Glaggow. North Bydney, Plotou, Yarmouth, Camp Glasgow, North Byaney, Prictu, Yarmoun, Irederio ton Moncton, Newoestle, St. Andrews. St. John, Bt. Ito'phen, Sussex, Woodstook. In Manitoba-Winn. peg. In P.E.Isiand-Chariottetown and sammaraide, Collections made on favorable terms and promptly remitted for.

## THE MARITIME BANK

 OF THI DOMINION OF OANADA.HRAD OFFICE,
BT. JOHE, R.B.
Paid-ap Onpltal
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Pest... Oapital

Jer. Harrison, Yerohant; Thon Frotidian (of Mio lellan a Co. Baniseris); Joan Man Ithioy (of Tapley Mros. Indiantown); A. A. Btarime ze (ofoton. Acency-Frederioton-A. B. Murrayternati Anent.

## THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND


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HEAD OFFIOR,
Owpltal.............. ع6,000,000. Pald-up......... E1,000,000. Eecerve Fund...... Eece,


## OURBENT $\triangle O C O$ UNTB are kept eqrecably to unai eantim.





## The Chartered Bankg． <br> THE WESTERN BANK

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W．F．Cowan Esq．B．Haminis，Esq．Vice－Preaident． Robert McIntosh，M．D．J．A．Gibeon，Esq． T．H．MoMITLAN，Paterson，Esq． Whitby，Midland，Tilsonburg，New Hamburg，Mill－ Deposits received arook，Ont．interest sllowed．Collec tions solicited and promptly made．Drafts issued available on all parts of the Dominion．Sterling Correspondents in Inge bought and sold． of Bootland．$\Delta t$ New York－The Merchanta Bank of Canada．

## PEOPLES BANK OF HALFAX．

Oapital Authorized DIRICTORS．
R．W．Frabmr，Pres．W．J．Colmican，Vice－Pres． Thomas A．Brown，Esq．George H．Stary，Esq Pater Jaok，Augustus W．West，Esq．
ranahes－Trakeport and Wolfville Agents in London－The Union Bank of London． ＂＂New York－The Bank of New York．
＂
＂＂Boston－New England Nstional Bank．

## La Banque Nationale．

Capital Paid－up ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．88，000，000 HEAD OFFICE， QUEBEO． Hon．I．Thibaudead，Pres．© P．Lafranoz，Cashior Theophile LeDroit，Esq． $\mathbf{U}$ ．Te Eion．P．Garneau．Eaq．U．Teasier，jr．，Esg．

Hon．Dir．Hon．J．R．Thibendean，Montreal．
Branches．－Montroal，C．A．Vallee，Manager；Ottawa， IH ．Carriere，do．；Sherbrooke，John Campbell do，
Agents－．The National Bk．of Sootland，Ld．London； Grunebanm Freres \＆Co．and Ls BanguedePariset des Grunebanm Freres aco．and La BanquedeParis etde York；National Revere Bank，Borton；Commeroial Bank of Newfoundland；Bank of Toronto；Bank of New Brunswiok，Merchants Bank of Halifar，Bank of

## THEBANKOFLONDON

 IN OAINADA．
## DIVIDEND NO． 6.

Notine is hereby given that a dividend of THREE hall year，being at the rate of Seron the current per annum，has this day been declared per Cent paid－up capital stock of The Bank of London in anada，and that the same will be due and payable the Bank and its branches on and after
MONDAY，3rd DAY OF JANUARY， $188 \%$. The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to By order of the Board，
London，Ont．A．M．SMART，Cashier
2sed November， 1886.

## THE CENTRAL BANK OF CANADA．

Capital Authorized
Oapital Paid－np
．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． $81,000,000$
500,000
HEAD OFFICE，－－TORONTO． BOARD OF DIREOTORS．
David Buans，Esq．，President．
E．P．Dwight，Efsq．$\quad$ A．Moreq．，Vice－President．

A．A．ALLEN，Mitchell MoDonald，EESq． Branohem－Brampton，Durham，Guolph，Richmond
Eill，and North Toronto． fil，and North Toronto
In New York－Importers and Traders of Oommerce． Fondon，Iing．－National Bank of Eootiand，İmited

## The Commercial Bank

OE MAINITOBA．
Authorised Capital $\qquad$ ．．．．．．．． ．81，000，000 DIRECTORS．
Dojonn moAbthua，．．．
Gon．John Sutherland．．．．Preatdent． Eon．O．E．Hamilton． Prealdent．
AIarander Logan

Depontta recoived and interest allowed．Colleotions pomptly mado．Draftit iesued availablo in all parts

## CANADA PERMANENT

 Loan \＆Savings Co． INCORPORATED 1855.Subsoribed Capital
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 Reserve Fupital． ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 8，000，000 Totel Assets ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．100，000 $8,600,000$ OFFICE：CO．＇S BUILDINGS，TORONTO ST．， TORONTO．
DRPOSITS received at current rates of interent， paid or compounded half－yearly．
with interest RES issued in Currency or Sterling， in England．coupons attached，payable in Cansda or by law to invest in the Dand rrustees are authorized MONEY ADVANCED on Real Estate Security at current rates and on favorable conditions as to re－ payment．
Mortgage
Mortgages and Municipal Debentures purchased．
J．HERBERT MASON，Managing

## THE FREEHOLD

Loan and Savings Company，
CORNER CHURCH \＆COURT STREETS， TOFOINTO．

## EBTABLIBHED IN 1859.

Subscribed Capital．
Capital Paid－up．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\quad \mathbf{1 , 0 7 6 0 , 0 0 0}$ Reserve Fund ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．$\quad \mathbf{~ 1 , 0 0 0 , 0 0 0 ~}$
President，－．Hon．Wr．MoMAsters．
Manager，
Inspeotor，
Money advanced on easy torms for long periods
repayment at borrower＇s option．
Deposits recelved on interest．

## THE HAMILTON

Provident and Loan Society．
DIVIDHIND NO．31．
Notice is hereby given that a dividend of Three and this Society has ppon the Paid－up Capital Stock of ing 31st December，1886，and that the same will be payable at the Society＇s Banking House，Hamilton The transfer books will be danuary， 1887 ． the 31st December，1896，both days inclusive 16 th to Hamilton，1st Dec．， 1886 ．

## AGRICULTURAL

Savings and Loan Company．
工OINDOIN，OINI．
President，Winllam Glass，Sheriff，Co．Middlesex Vice－Preeldent，AiAM MURRAy，Treas．
nhscribed Capital $\qquad$ URR
$\qquad$ 8 830，0no 614，695 75，000
Reserve Fund．． 1，477，093
The Company issues Debentures for two or more at highest ins of $\$ 100$ and upwards，bearing interest at highest current rates，payable half－yearly by
coupons． For informetin Debentures of this company． For information apply to

W．A．LIPSEY，Manager．
Dominion Savings \＆Invesiment Sociaty，
LOINDOIN，OIVI． Isoorporatiad 18\％g．
Oapital．
Snbsoribed．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．000，000 00
 Reserve and Contingent．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．
Savings Rank Deposite and De：

788，995 75 most favorable on farm Munioipal and School Section Debentures pur－ Money，received on deposit and interest allowed
thereon． thereon． F．B．LEYS，Manager．
The Farmers＇Loan and Savings Company．
OFPICE，NO． 17 TOBONTO ST．，TORONTO Oaplal．
Pad－up ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．057，850
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 Money advanced on eacy torms for long periods
—＿The Loan Companies．
WESTERN CANADA
Loan \＆Savings Co．
Forty－Seventh Half－Yearly Dividend．
NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Five（5） per cent．for the half－year ending the 31st day of December，1886，has been declared on the Capital
Stock of this institution，and that the same will be payable at the offices of the Company，No． 70 be payable at the offices of the Company，No． 70
Church Street，Toronto，on and after

Saturdey，the 8th day of
The transfer books will he 31st of December，will be closed from the 20th to By order．
walter s．lee
Manager．
HURON AND ERIE
Loan and Savings Company，
工OINDOIN，OINM
Capital Stock Subscribed．．
81，500，000
Capital Stock Paid－up $\begin{array}{lr}\text { ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．} & \mathbf{1 , 1 0 0 , 0 0 0} \\ \mathbf{3 9 4}, 000\end{array}$

Money advanced on the security of Rea Estate on
svorable terms．
Debentures issued in Currency or Sterling．
Efxecutors and Trustees are authorized by
Parliament to invest in the Debentures of this
Company． Interest．

R．W．SMYLIE，Manager．

## THE HOME

Savings and Loan Company．
（LIMTTEAD）
OFFICE：No． 72 CHURCH ST．，TORONTO． Authorized Capital ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．8，000，000． $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 0 , 0 0 0}$
Subscribed Capital．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．

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nd interest at current rates al
Deposits received，and interest at current rates al－
owed．
Money loaned on Mortgage on Real Estate，on
Advances on collateral security of Debentures，and
Bank and other Stocks．
Hon．FRANK SMITH
JAMES MASON
BUILDING AND LOAN
ASSOCIATION．
DIVIDEND NO． 33.
Notice is hereby given that a
DIVLDEND OF THREE PER CENT． has been declared for the half－year ending 31st December instant，and that the same will be payable
at the offices of the Association，No． 13 Toronto $8 t$. at the offices
on and after

Monday，3rd January， $188 \%$.
The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to By order of the Both days inclusive． WALTER GILLEBPIE，

Manager．
The London \＆Ontario Investment Co． LImited，
DIVIDFIND NO． 17.
Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate Capital Stock of the Cer annum upon the Paid－up the current half－year，ending 31st December inst． and that the same will be payable by the Company＇， The stoak and after the ist day of January next 6th to slat instant，book deys in be closed from the By order of the Board．

A．MORGAN CGSBY，Manager．
Toronto，Dec．6th， 1886.
The Oniario Loan \＆Savings Gompany，
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## The Loan Companter.

## THE ONTARIO

 Inrestment Association,(LIMITED),
LONDON, CANADA.

## DIVIDEND NOTICE.

## Notice is hereby given that

A DIVIDEND OF FOUR (4) PER CENT.
being at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, has boen declared for the current half-year, upon the Paid up Capital Stock of the Association, and pasable at the office of the Association on and after

January 3rd Next.
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The biggest ship load of Petroleum that ever cleared from Philadelphia has just left there for Japan. The ship-the "R. D. Rice"carried 880,000 gallons.
Nova Scotia potatoes are not up to their usual high standard this season. A large percentage is affected with some kind of dry rot. Some shipments to the United States have turned out well, others the reverse.
We understand that the tender of Messrs. James Harris \& Co., of St. John, for buildıng 100 coal hoppers, 70 flat cars and 15 box cars, for the Intercolonial Railway, has been accepted.
Chatham makes, according to the Planet, a pretty good showing of new buildings for 1886 . A High School, costing $\$ 20.000$; a Roman Catholic Church, costing probably $\$ 75,030$, partly constructed; a Sunday-school chapel, $\$ 3,000$; improvements to the Court House, $\$ 3,000$; six brick and a dozen frame houses have also been erected during the year. The total value of the new structures is placed at $\$ 117,000$.

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## JOLETTE POPULARITY.

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before, by the "Northern Light," before, by the "Northern Light," which steamer is now being fitted for the service.
Hopes of the long-talked of tunnel under the Hopes of the long-talked of tunnel under the straits are by no means abandoned. Indeed, a correspondent writes us, under date 6th inst., trusting " before another season arrives it will be well under way. A tunnel from the Island to Nova Scotia," he adds, "would mean millions of dollars to the farmers of the former province."
In November last, O. and T. Drake, fruit dealers at Byng, were burned out, and their insurance policy was payable to another party; As a consequence, they derived no direct benefit from it, and have found it expedient to assign.-Wm. Short has been in business as a general storekeeper for four or five years at Dereham Centre, and we now hear of his fail-
ure. His liabilities are small. ure. His liabilities are small.-In Dresden, Martha Travis has been keeping a small store
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## mercantile summary.

The duck and yarn factory of Yarmouth, says a letter of the 4th inst., is in full operation, employing eighty hands. Yarmouth shipping is reported to be doing fairly well, some good freights having been carried by the vessels of that enterprising place.
S. S. "Damara," from Halifax to London, took 50,000 bushels grain, 5,000 barrels apples, 585 cases lobsters, 65,000 feet lumber and other cargo. Not a bad cargo, and looks as if Halifax has facilities for supplying large cargoes to ocean steamers.
North Street Depot of the Intercolonial Railway at Halifax is at length lighted with electricity, several lamps having recently been set up. The same depot is also receiving a new roof and other much needed repairs. An enthusiastic traveller tells us that "at the Deep Water terminus shipments of grain and fruit give the locality the appearance of a small Montreal."
The Corriveau Silk Mills at Montreal, which have been idle ever since the suspension of the Corriveau Silk Mills Co., simultaneously with that of the Exchange Bank, have been bought from the liquidators by a syndicate, of which Messrs. A. F. Gault and T. J. Claxton are prominent members. It is understood that a joint stock company will be formed, and that Mr. Claxton will assume the active management of the business.
In the case of National Insurance Co. v. McLaren, the chancellor decided an important question. Mr. Peter McLaren, as will be remembered, some years ago recovered a verdiot of $\$ 100,000$ against the Canada Central railway company for loss through fire to his lumber yards near Brockville. The lumber was insured for $\$ 150,000$, and the insurance companies having paid the $\$ 50,000$ over and above the amount recovered from the railway com. pany, now sought to recover it back upon the ground that Mr. McLaren was estopped by the verdict in the railway case from saying that his loss was more than $\$ 100,000$. The learned chancellor held that there was not the estoppel contended for, and gave the plaintiffs an opportunity of showing upon a reference what
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## mercantile summary.

Walierton has carried the by-law granting, a bonus of $\mathbf{\$ 6 , 0 0 0}$ for a chair factory.
The Ontario \& Qu'Appelle Land Company, apply to Parliament for power to reduce their capital stock.
Ther Canadian Pacific Railway Company has ordered a steel screw steamer of 1,000 tons barthen to ply on Paget Sound.
The orange growers in the vicinity of $\mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{g}}$ Angeles, Cal., expect to ship two thousand car loads of oranges to eastern points this season.
The by-law to raise $\$ 175,000$ for the Guelph Junction Railway, a branch of the Canadiap Pacific, was carried by over 600 majority.
Robinson \& Shaw, hardware merchanta Almonte, are asking their creditors for a compromise at the rate of sixty cents in the dollar.
A Paty of New York Bobomians propege to eatablish a large cigar factory at Sag Herbop, which will give employment to about one thon mand mon and givla.
In Victoria, B. C., W. Dickie, oomminaina. and fruit dealer, is said to have left the comptry after selling out his stock. The party who succeeded him is also reported away.
Trie nowly annezed municipality of St. Gabrial han been connected with the Montreal fire alarm telegraph. The rate-payers of 8 ; Hepri are next agitating for anpexation.
Mr. Hugh Sutirerhand, preaident of the. Hudeon's Bay Railway, will make anothar. trip to England shortly. He expecte that the forty-one miles of the road now graded will ber. railed by Christmas.
Thi promoters of the Rocky Moantajn Mining and Lumber Company have applige for letters patent of incorporation. The promoters are mainly Port Arthur and Winnipeg people. The cepital stook is $\$ 500,004$
Tur Sonth Ontario Pacific Reilway Come: pany will apply at Ottaw for lenm to copstruct a lina from a point on Lake Erie to Ridgetown, and thence through the countian of Kent, Middlesex. Lambton and Huron to somo point on Lake Huron, and also to bind th branch line to Oil Springs.
Ty prospects of the Saskatchewap mipe grow brighter each. day, says the Timpa, of Medicine Hat. They are now working four heads, the spaplest seam being fipe feet eight and running as high as six feet of solid coal. "The quality of the coal is improving. Large. orders are received daily for this coal, and be. tare the spring the ontput will no doubt be farf: above what was at firat intended."

Ons hundred barrels of grape wine has been made in the vicinity of Nebraska City, Neb., this year. The Chronicle is particular in designating it " grape wine," in order to dispel any idea as to the presence of logwood.
The ratepayers of Laprairie have anthorized the manicipal council to issue $\$ 13,000$ in debetures to consolidate the village debt, to undertake certain improvements and to grant land to manufacturers wishing to establish new industries in the municipality.

We learn from the Canada Gazette that the districts, hitherto prevailing, of inspectors as to the adulteration of food, have been altered. They are hereafter to be co-terminous with the inland revenue inspection districts. The analysts are re-appointed to the new divisions.
"I say all men are liars," is the startling
displayed heading to a well-known merchant's advertisement in a Toronto daily paper. This sweeping assertion is qualified to a certain extent by the next lines of the paragraph, which read! "Who are in the dry goods trade, when they state they sell the same quality Persian lambskin cap at $\$ 6$ that I sell at $\$ 10 . "$
This is what Touchstone would call the " lie This is
A Pitrsburar exchange says: "A grocer at Lancaster, Pa., hangs up in his window every morning a list of persons who are owing him, with their place of business. At the top it is stated that the accounts will be sold cheap.' If this plan was adopted in some of our western cities, says the Chicago Grocer, the retailer would be found one of these fine mornings hanging to the nearest lamp-post.

In the province of Quebec, late failures are as follows; T. Lavoie, sewing machines, River du Loup en bas, has assigned. S. Dupuis, grocer, St. Anicet, is seeking a compromise. At Rimouski, C. A. St. Pierre, grocer, has closed his doors. N. O. Lebran, hats, Sorel, has assigned, on demand, as also have S. \& W. E. Harrington, general store, Metapedia; F. Larin, saloon, Montreal, E. Chouinard, grocer, Quebec, and T. Nevenx, general store, St. Clet.

Not only is the title of Mr. Judson's little book attractive, "Beautiful Homes and How to build them," published for 50 cents by the Lumberman, Chicago, and not only are the daintily-colored designs and plans for houses with which it abounds suggestive, but theres is much practical in foundation in the book. The tables of strength of materials, methods of measurement, hints on framing and various saggestions as to house-building, may well prove of great service to those who build houses as well as those who get them bailt.

Messrs. Livingetone, Jonnston \& Co., wholesale manufacturers of clothing in this city, have admitted H. Langlois as partner. The
style of the firm remains as before.-In the village of Mildmay, Henderson \& Callfas have dissolved. The former continues the woollen and the latter the general store business.The firm of Peuchen \& Collins, paint manufacturers in this city, has been dissolved.In Brantford the grocery firm of Wright \& Vanstone is dissolved. The latter continues the business.
An interesting item in the Winnipeg Free Press tells of the opening, by the Waterous Engine Works, Brantford, of a branch factory in St. Paul, Minnesota. Mr. F. L. Waterons has left Winnipeg to take charge of the St. Paul works, and many kind things are said of him by press and people there. The works at Winnipeg are to be closed, but the office will
be kept open, and Mr. George Erb will act as
agent for the present. Mr. Waterous taken with him to St. Panl his beautiful little steam
yacht, the " Ksthleen." yaoht, the " Kathleen."
A number of New Brunswick timber land licenses were sold at the crown land office, Fredericton, last week, all of which were taken at the upset price without competition: Salmon river, Victoria, 2 miles, E. Hitchcock Madawaska river, $9 \frac{1}{2}$ miles, Madawaska river, 4t miles, Madawaska river, 2 miles, Geo. A. Murchie ; Moose Lake, head of Musquash river, 2 miles, Geo. Herd ; Becaguimic river, 2 miles, F. H. Hale.
The Wisconsin Central Railroad has inaugurated a sensible system. It has issued an order prohibiting the porters from receiving any fees whatever upon pain of instant dismissal. The only exception made is that, when specially requested to do so, they may black a passenger's boots; but fort his service they are not to charge more than ten cents. At the same time the wages of the porters are raised, so that they can live without asking fees from passengers.
Ir is reported that J. W. Cassiday, carriage builder at St. Catharines, has gone far, far away, leaving unpaid creditors to the amount of over $\$ 2000$. His assets are valued at about half this sum. -In Walkerton, a dealer in lumber named Paul Inglis, is in trouble; he has made an assignment.-W. H. Davis and S. J. Tow, shoe dealers in this city, are said to be in trouble arising out of the Charles worth \& Co. failure.-Jos. Keep, a speculative builder in Toronto, is said to have left the country with liabilities of $\$ 6,000$ or $\$ 8,000$.
A regrettable failure is that of Messers. D. \& J. Maguire, ship owners and export traders of Quebec, whose liabilities approach half a million dollars. The firm owned a large fleet of sailing vessels and exported largely of sawn lumber to Brazil and the Argentine Republic. The protest of their drafts falling due in New York, owing to an outbreak of cholera at the River Plate. preventing their ships from discharging cargo, is said to be the immediate cause of the firm's stoppage. Among the creditors are the English banking house of Barings, Messrs. Ross \& Co. and Mr. Samson, of Quebec, and several Canadian banks.
The Inspector of Colonization Companies, Mr. R. Stephenson, has been travelling through the North-West three months, going on a " buckboard" over the territory comprising the Edmonton, Prince Albert, Battleford Regina and Calgary districts. Out of the
twenty-six colonization companies which twenty-six colonization companies which existed three years ago only fifteen are left,
and these, says the inspector, are doing fairly and these, says the inspector, are doing fairly
well. Mr. Stephenson says he found amongst the settlers a universally stronger feeling of contentment than he ever observed during any any of his previous visits. "They have few grievances to complain of. In the Battleford, Prince Albert and Edmonton districts the crops were very good, no trouble from frost being experienced."
Theres are but few changes this week in the ranks of Ontario traders. In Bloomingdale, Wm. Erb \& Bon have sold out their general store and cabinet business to J. G. Peppler. S. Johnstone has bought the grocery business of Mrs. J. J. Malone.-At Stevensville, M. P. Detenbeck has sold his general store business to Esther Detenbeck. The wholesale boot and shoe stook of Charlesworth \& Co., in this city, is offered for sale.-At Harriston, Thos.
G. McCracken has sold his G. McCracken has sold his grocery business to Thos. Dunbar.——The Stratford Co-operative
Cigar Manufacturing Co. has sold its basinesa
to"Wood and Tozke. Adams \& McLeod have sold there stock of general merchandise to J. A. Levis.-M. Pettit, dealer in tins, has purchased the business of W. B. Cooper, Wellington.
Not long ago a young lady having entered dry goods store not a thousand miles from New York politely requested to be shown a certain article. An impatient clerk in a charlish manner obeyed her wishes. "What's the price ?" she asked. "Three dollars," was the unceremonious reply. "Three dollars!" exclaimed the lady in surprise; "how very high your prices are!" "They're cheap enough if you'll imagine so!" was the surly reply. "Well, you may wrap it up for meand I will take it," said the lady. The article was accordingly packed, and the lady, taking it in her hands, was leaving the store; but the alarmed clerk, running after her, exclaimed : "Madame, you have not paid me!" "Oh, yes
I have if you'll only I have if you'll only imagine so," she archly replied. The article was paid for, but not, however, before the proprietor took in the "situation."-Dry Goods Chronicle.
Multiplication of offices in the hands of one man is sometimes attended with awkward consequences. An illustration is found in the case of the United States Consul at Charlottetown, who is also Marshal of the Vice-Admiralty Court of that port. An American fishing vessel has boen condemned by the Court for fishing within the three-mile limit; so the American Consul, as Marshal of a British ViceAdmirality Court, sells an American vessel for violation of British law. Uncle Sam will require to be a little more particular with his consular service, especially about the British provinces, during the enforcement of fishing regulations. Pooh Bah, with his variety of functions, is all very well in a play, such as the "Mikado," but judged by the temper of the President's Message, at least one of the parties to the fishery dispates is not in a laughing mood and does not wish to be amused by the contradictory attitudes of an over-officed official.
An old subscriber, and an observant business man, writing from the heart of the Western peninsula of Ontario, makes the following pertinent observations: "Trade here has the same chronic ailment that attaches to it in every point of Canada that I have touched-it is sadly overdone. 'There is too much expense incurred by merchants in making sales, too heavy bidding in various ways for patronage, and too many are waiting for the dollar that a neighbouring housewife is about to invest. Expense seems to be no sonsideration; a desire for volume of business is everything, hence the "guessing" and "gift" schemes so mach resorted to by those of whom we would expect better. "Manufacturers as a rule are busy and seem contented. Some are working overtime notwithstanding that in many cases the capa-city has been much increased within the last few years. "Grain comes out slowly, barley excepted, but farmers are steadily bettering their position in spite of the low prices ruling lately for wheat. Year by year the produce of the farm becomes more varied; the productiveness of the land is retsined thereby, the farmer is pursuing a more scientific course and his income is increasing proportionately. Money comes in fairly well and there is little, if any, of the irresponsive feeling of eight or ten years ago.'

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## THE SITUATION.

M. Bayard, Secretary of State at Washington, in a letter to the President asking him to communicate the fishery correspondence to Congress, states that "notifcation has not failed to be duly given to the government of Great Britain that compensation is expected for the loss and damage caused to American fishermen by the unwarrantabie action of the local authorities of the Dominion of Canada, not merely by the summary seizure of their vesselis and the exaction of heavy fines in advance of hearing and judgment, but for the curtailment of privileges to which they were justly entitled under the commercial regulations, as well as treaty stipulations, and consequent interference with their legitimate voyages, whereby the natural profits of their industry were seriously diminished, and in many cases wholly destroyed." And the president backs up the secretary's suggestion for a commission to take evidence on the subject for the information of Cougress. It remains to be seen whether any irregularities have occurred in the Canadian treatment of the cases dealt with. We apprehend that in all cases of seizure and fines the usual course has been followed. Denying coal to American fishing vessels, when they would have been entitled to wood, is an arguable point, and if any error was made by the Canadian authorities it will probably be found in this decision. But Secretary Bayard does not cease to hope that "propositions now pending for consideration" may prove the basis of a just and permanent settlement. To which every Canadian will say, Amen.

The attempt to prevent the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. from carrying a line beyond Port Moody to Coal Harbor, on the Pacific ocean, has been frustrated. Mr. Major, last year, raised an objection against the branch or extension going through his property. The Supreme Court has just decided against Mr. Major. It was contended that the company kad no right, under its charter, to extend beyond Port Moody; a contention which was met by the allegation that the roed in question was a branch, not an extension of the main line; and this
view the court sustained, Judge Henry dissenting. Whatever might have been the legal merits of the question, Mr.Major could not hope to succeed, in the long run; for if authority to extend to the Pacific did not exist, parliament could not have refused leave to amend the charter so as to remove the doubt or inhibition. Mr. Major was, in this view of the case, fighting a hopeless battle; and the wonder is that he did not see it at the outset. Of course, there is the possibility of an appeal to the Privy Council; but a reversal of the decision of the Supreme Court would not tie the hands of parliament, and the ultimate result would be the same as if no such reversal took place.

The attempt of the anti-renters to confis. cate the property of Irish landlords may be set down as a failure. It is now certain that the government will be sustained in its determination to uphold the law. Lord Hartington, and even Mr. Bright, have left no doubt on this point. And at least one Home ruler threatens to vote Home Rule no more, in which several others will join him, unless the confiscation theories of the no-renters be abandoned. It was quite time that the blow struck at the rights of property was parried. As one of the speakers at the Liberal Union conference, on Tuesday, said, "the cry of no rent is anarchy." If confiscation of one form of property were to take place, the inner circles which are supposed to protect other forms would soon give way. The only safety in dealing with confiscation is to repulse it boldiy and vigorously, at the threshold, and this is now certain to be done.

Some of the fishermen of Labrador and Newfoundland are beginning to turn their eyes to the new pastures of the West. The discovery of black cod on the Pacific Coast of British Columbia has created a desire to share in the finny wealth which is there obtainable. Enquiries on the subjectimade of the Minister of Marine are said to be numerous; and he is awaiting the full report of the commander of the exploratory expedition. The fishermen of the Maritime Provinces may be compared to a swarming hive, which sends forth mach young blood to the neighboring American fisheries, very often only to come back in American vessels to poach on the Canadian coast. It is the flag, not the crew, that constitutes the nationality; and when these fishermen go under a foreign flag they voluntarily leave behind them the rights which they had in the rich heritage of the Canadian coast fisheries. They cannot have both, but it is in their option to make their election, and when they do so they have no right to complain, if they make a wrong choice. In that case it is easy to correct the error by returning. Does not the fact that Maritime Province fishermen go to join their labor to American capital furnish a hint by which those who command capital, in the r provinces, might profit? Is there not room te fit out more Provincial fishing vessels to operate in our coast fisheries?
An endeavor to make a large reduction in the number of tavern and aqdopp licenser,
in Toronto, has so far failed; and though the question may come up again, the votes on the several divisions in the council do not leave the impression that any great change is going to be effected. There are two ways of reducing the number of licensed drinking places: one by decreasing the number of licenses, the other by increasing the price of the license. It is a curious fact that very different results from lessening the number of drinking places are expected by different persons. The distillers of Pennsylvania are in favor of high license, and they have formed themselves into an association to secure that boon to themselves; their theory being that if you lessen greatly the number of places at which beer is sold, you proportionately increase the consumption of whiskey. Such increase might take place through the increase of unlicensed houses, thot it is difficult to see how it could otherwise. Besides, much lager is drunk in Philadelphia, and but little, comparatively, in Toronto. High license might operate differently in the two places.

The respectable American press is denouncing a plot which is said to have pretty widely extended ramifications in the United States against Mexico. The alleged object is not annexation bat to establish in Mexico a Socialistic Republic, in realization of the theory of Henry George and other dreamers and marauders. A graduate of Hartford is at the head of the hair-brained scheme. His theory is that he can compel both England and the United States to aid in the realization of his plans: the first by an attempt to protect British bondholders, and the other to prevent a British protectorate over Mexico. Far-fetched as all this is, he social repablic to be established by filibustering is said to have a large number of supporters outside of Mexico, and its advocates rely upon getting the "labor vote" inside. If the ramifications of the plot be anything like as extensive as is represented, it cannot be long before the United States government will feel it its duty to interfere to protect its honor and preserve its neatrality.

The report of Mr. Manning, Secretary of the United States Treasury, is perhaps the ablest piece of official literature which the Republic has produced. It bears on its face abundant evidence that its author has made a profound study of the silver qu stion; and he is equally at home dealing with the finances of the United States. Nevertheless his view of the silver qrestion is, first of all, American, even while it seems to be most cosmopolitan. He is a bi-metalist, who believes in anity of action by the great powers; but he does not believe that there is any use asking for now monetary conterences until England has made up her mind to retrace the step she took in 1818, when she made gold her standard. Mr. Mênning believes in free coinage, but not in the purchast of silver by the State. He traces the fall in the price of wheat, in America, to the fall in the price of silver in India, where the price of wheat is nominally the same as it was fourtecen years ago, but really twenty-five per cent lower. But he
fails to make allowance for other causes which have tended practically to lower the price of wheat in India; when this allow ance is made there will be something left in what he says; and if the United States suffers in this way, so does Canada.

Secretary Manning repeats his suggestion for " $a$ better currency for the people of the United States than the best now possessed by any nation." This is nothing less than "a currency in which every dollar note shall be the representative certificate of a coin dollar actually in the treasury and payable on demand ; a currency," he adds, "in which own monetary unit, coined in gold, or its equivalent, coined in silver, shall not be suffered to part company." But before this can be done, what Secretary Manning calls the monetary dislocation, effected by the practical throwing out of one of the precious metals by many nations must be cured. If that cure should come, the ideal currency of Mr. Manning may become the actual currency of the United States. There is no denying, however, that it would be a dear currency; and the question is whether the waste resulting from dearness would be made up by the qualities of absolute safety and the greatest degree of attainable stability.

More than two years ago the provincial premier, of Quebec, expressed the opinion that a railway bridge across the St. Lawrence river, at Quebec, would have to be built. And now a member of the city conncil of Quebec, Alderman Chouinard, brings the subject under public notice. The practical question is how to raise the capital, vaguely spoken of as "from three to five millions," required for the construction. The alderman in question apparently seems to think that this task should be undertaken by the North Shore Railway Company and the provincial and general governments, the latter as proprietor of the Intercolonial with which it would be the best means of making western connection. Others suggest a private company, on the supposition that the local traffic would alone return a revenue sufficient to pay interest on the cost, which is more than doubtful.

## PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S MES. SAGE.

On the subject of the Canadian fisheries, we learn from this document something about what was done, after the Senate of the United States pronounced against the project of a new treaty. "Negotiations were instituted to obtain an agreement with her Britannic Majesty's Government for the promulgation of such joint interpretation and definition of the article of the conventin of 1818 relating to the territorial waters and inshore fisheries of the British provincen as should secure the Canadian rights from encroachment by United States fishermen, and, at the same time, insure the enjoyment by the latter of the privileges guaranteed to them by such convention." A joint interpretation is a desirable thing, and there ought to be no great diff. cully in agreeing upon it. There would be a decided advantage to both sides, in
clearing the controversy from the possibility of conflicting interpretations. And even if the effect should not be to prevent poaching, all old disputes as to the limitations of the rights of the two parties would be at an end, though it is possible that srme new ones might arise. That poaching will ever cease is perhaps too much to expent ; the game is too alluring, the stolen apple too sweet not to create a desire for its possession. But when poaching becomes, as it bids fair to become, unprofitable, the incitement to pursue it will be greatly lessened.

It is true, as President Cleveland says, that no agreement on the interpretation of the headland clause has ever been come to; but the great American authorities have not differed much from the Canadian view. Daniel Webster, when American Secretary of State, admitted that the Canadian interpretation was correct; and American courts have uniformly held to the same principle, when Chesapeake Bay and similar waters have been in dispute. But the headland question has not given any real trouble, during the last season; the poaching has been within the threemile limit, about which there is and can be no difference of interpretation or opinion. Putting coal upon a different footing from wood, as Canada has done, may seem to be
going to an extreme. If fishing vessels going to an extreme. If fishing vessels
have a right to obtain supplies of wood, in Canadian ports, why not coal, when they happen to be steamers? There can be only one reason why they should not get coal, and that is that the steamers would be able to outrun the cruisers under sail. But steam cruisers could be employed, though at extra cost and some inconvenience. If that were done, we might waive the right of strict construction regarding fuel.
The President makes an objection in general terms, to the action of Canadian officials, and says they are of a nature to endanger the mutually beneficial and friendly relations between the two conntries. The correspondence on the subject, which will be laid before Congress, will doubtless make plain this somewhat obsecure allusion. When the President expresses disappointment at not being able to secure a satisfactory settlement he must have had in his mind the obstructive action of the United States Senate. It is satisfactory to learn that 'negotiations are still pending, with reasonable hope that before the close of the present session of Congress announcement may be made that an acceptable conclusion has been reached."
The mode of settling the public lands of the United States, some of which have been adopted as models for ourselves, arealways of interest to Canada. The preemption law, which this country adopted, has been abused to such an extent in the country of its birth that the President recommends its amendment, to prevent a repetition of the frauds that have been practiced under it. The benefits expected from it have been threatened with entire defeat; and a similar abuse has taken place under the Timber Culture Acts. Any remedy which would seek to put checks upon the aliens-
dion of homestead rights could scarcely fail
to operate occasionally, if not frequently, to the disadvantage of the class for whose benefit it was intended; for while putting an end to colorable transactions between professional squatters and their clients, it would bear hardly upon bona fide settiers, who might wish to dispose of their lands.
The Indian problem is practically the same in the States and in Canada. The Indians can no longer subsist by the chase and the spontaneous productions of the earth; and the question is how to turn them into farmers at once. No adequate steps for training them to habits of industry have yet been taken; and the agents em. ployed are not the best for the purpose. The President insists on the necessity that
exists for some supplemental agency or exists for some supplemental agency or system for promoting the more rapid transition of the tribes from barbarism to civilization. Much of the money spent is now uselessly wasted. Though the Indians cling to their old habits, opposition to the education and training of the young men relaxes, and some slight desire for the individual holding of lands, the first sign of civilization, begins to show itself. But is the permanent settlement of the Indians possible? That is a problem to which Mr. Cleveland thinks Congress should address itself. Allotments on the reservations, he thinks should be made. So the world moves in the opposite direction to that in which Mr. Henry George is desirous it should go.

## COMPETITION.

We have become accustomed to hear that competition is the life of trade; and so it may be in communities filled with superhuman sweetness and angelic light-where selfish passion is subdued and Christian principles prevail. But there are kinds of competition which are the death of trade, and of traders, too. It is a fit and proper aim for a merchant to see if he can buy cheaper or on better terms than his competitor; if he can get his goods delivered more promptly and present them in better shape to his customers; if he can use original methods of advertising, employ intelligent and polite clerks and so systematize his affairs as to bring customers about his shop and send them away satisfied with themselves and him. These will be distinguishing traits of every competent mar-
chant. chant.
But there are many storekeepers the world over, too many in Canada, who are not worthy of the name. The e is a class, in especial, who forever try to get custom away from an opponent by such means and on such terms as do no good, but only harm, to the dealer who thus acquires it. Some are foolish enough to coax credit buyers away from a neighboring trader, without enquiry as to their character, only to find, when seeking to collect these accounts, that bad debts have been made. Others again, in their anxiety to secure "good customers" by offering goods lower than competing firms, sell at cost or under, thereby doing injustice to the general mercantile common-
ity-whose honest aim it ought to be to
make profit-and doing harm to themselves and their creditors. It is a trite saying that "a nimble sixpence is better than a slow shilling"; but this is only true when the sixpenny transaction, as well as the shilling one, yields a profit. As a rule, no merchant is justified in selling his goods under cost. It is false philanthropy to give consumers "cheap goods" when to do so involves a waste of capital andl imperils the very existence of the foolish trader who does it. It is well to consider, besides, the moral effect of such ruinous competition as we often see. Mutual abuse, decrying of of credit, personal obloquy are unjustifiable weapons in business rivalry. "Of what possible benefit can it be to two men, each jconducting a grocery or other kind of a store, says the Chicago Grocer, to be forever fighting or blackguarding each other to their customers, telling exaggerated yarns, repeating sto:ies that have been started by jealous and untruthful mon; or worse still, using up their valuable time in listening to petty stories and calumnies, which you would not believe in, much less repeat, were it not that the calumniated party is your competitor. Speak well of your competitor and he will not be your enemy. Nothing can be gained by running him down. Every word you say against him to a customer will eventually work to your injury. The listener may believe all You say at first, but upon calm reflection he will form a certain amount of disgust for you, which nothing can displace, magnified and construed as coming from a donblefaced blackguard." One may be obliged to listen to people who persist in this sort of
thing, but let traders rather earn for themthing, but let traders rather earn for them-
selves the reputation of speaking well of all men.

## THE VALUE OF TECHNICAL EDU. CATION.

In the life of a nation, the value of industrial and artistic instruction given to its young people, is getting to be understood and acted upon. Massachusetts was among the first of the American States to adopt a comprehensive system of teaching drawing in the public schools, and among the latest
is California, which is about establishing a is California, which is about establishing a
university in which technical education university in which technical education
will be taught. There is a German proverb which says, "What you would have appear in the nation's life you must introduce in the public schools." The Government of that country has so fully recognised the trath of this that it has for a long time made forestry one of the children's regular studies. Now she is teaching them manufactures, and is already feeling the effect in the increase of her foreign trade.

Germany's progress during recent years in textile manufactures is attributed to the superiority of her system of technical edr. cation, and an English paper, in referring to it, declares that "there can be no doubt that technical education is one co-operating cause of tbe great extension of the Germian manufacturing industry." Seversl weaving schools have been established, and the oldest, founded in 1852 at Mulheim, on the
teen hundred day students. The instruction comprises the theory and practicethere is one loom for every two studentsof weaving, designing, draughting patterns, etc., calculating yarns and cloths, and their cost، theory and practice dyeing, chemical and microscopic examination of materials. Besides these, there is a general course of lectures on raw materials and spinning, and on motive-power engines.
"The main feature of the instraction, however, is that, with the exception of a few lectures on general subjects, it is given individually and specially. The school has extensive collections of raw and finished materials, dye-stuffs, etc., a complete dyeing eatablishment and thirty-two treadle and Jacquard hand-looms and eighteen powerlooms for tweeds, coatings, linen, damask, sulk, velvet, ribbons, etc." In this way Germany is instructing its youth and is making itself a power in the world of commerce.
Schools and colleges of a techmical character are being established in the United States. The university which Senator Stanford is about to establish at San Francisco, says the Call, will, it is understood, include a system of technical education. It will be of advantage to California if this be true, and it would be well for the nation if this method of educating its youth were more generally practised.

## THE LAST OF THE TOLL-GATES.

Regret sometimes ming'es with the recol. lection of the last of its kind. But this will not happen when the last toll-gate disappears from the face of the earth. Representatives of the County Council of York are to meet members of the City Council of Toronto, to-day, to confer on the simul. taneous abolition of two nuisances: tollgates in the county, and market fees in the city. Some time ago the city did abolish market fees, in the expectation or hope that tolls would follow; but when it was seen that the tolls were not abolished, the market fees were restored. It is fitting that both should go together.
There are very few toll-gates left in any part of the country, and they have everywhere outlived the necessity which called them into existence. The York county roads were made by the government, out of what was called the Sydenham loan of a million and a half sterling. The county would have found it inconvenient to find the means to make these roads at that time, fully forty-five years ago. In time, the government thought it best to sell these roads along with others and some minor harbors, when the York roads fell under control of a private company; but they were resumed, after many years, for nonfulfilment by the company of the conditions of the purchase. The county then became the purchaser, at a low figure, and the roads have now been paid for out of the tolls. No ground for continuing the tollgates now exists. The worst possible way of keeping up the roads now is by means of tolls. It costs far more to collect tolls than it would to collect an assessment to cover the cost of the annnal expenditure. The machinery of collection is clumsy. Toll col.
lectors must make a living by their work, and not less than two persons can, at all hours, attend to a gate: one cannot be on duty day and night. Every team and every carriage must stop at the toll-gate, thereby losing time, and the driver is put to the inconvenience of fumbling in his pocket for the means to pay the toll. On a cold day this operation is extremely disagreeable causing irritation and more or less suffering. The collection of the additional rate necessary to keep up the roads would be next to nothing.
Between different parts of the county there ought not to be any difference of view on the undesirability of maintaining the tolls One part of the county cannot reasonably expect to tax another part through tolls. The abolition of tolls is an affair of townships, though it must be decided by the county. The townships through which the roads run should support the roads mainly or wholly, though they are of some advantage to c ntiguous townships, and this may be a reason for the division of the expense. But the parts of the county yet wanting in good rapds might do a worse thing than supply the defect. Anyhow, it ought not to be difficult to arrange an equitable basis for the maintenance of the roads in the absence of tolls.

The county would be a gainer, in two ways, by the abolition of tolls. The money necessary to keep the roads in retpair could be collected at less expense, and the afolition of market fees would bring a large gain to the farmers and market gardeners of the county, by which two classes they are almost entirely paid. Market fees have just as little reason for their continuance as tolls. The city is not at an expense, in providing markets, equal to the market fees, and if it were, this mode of raising revenue would be open to grave objection. The farmer who comes to market pays at both ends: he pays both tolls and imarket fees. It is scarcely worth while to discuss whether he collects what he advances from the customers to whom he sells; and the affirmative of the proposition could not be established. Market prices in Toronto are regulated by the whole volume of produce, in face of the demand, that comes into the city, and not by what comes through the toll-gates and appears in the open market. By far the greater proportion of the supply comes by rail, and from greater distances. It is this grester proportion that regulates prices. Before the days of railways the consumer may have paid both tolls and market fees, but he pays them no longer.

There is no reason to suppose that the city will stand in the way of the proposed arrangement. On the contrary, it has shown itself favorable to abolitien; but it is not probsble that it will give up market fees so long as the tolls are continued. Market fees are retsined as a set-off to tolls, and when they were re-imposed, the object was to get a leverage for the removal of the tolls. The city is quite willing to part with the market fees; but it does not intend to do so, while the county keeps up toll gates. The county can have no motive for retaining, a day longer, tolls on the York roads. Even if no reciprocal benefit was to be got in the surrender of market Rhine, has trained since then over seven
lees, the county would gain by sweeping the toll gates out of existence. So long as any part of the parchase money of the roads remained upaid, there was a difficulty in the way of making them free; now there is none and the county should desire abolition even more ardently than the city.
There is one toll road in the county, the Western stone road, which is the property of a company. But arrangements ought to be made by which the abolition of tolls on this road can take place as well as on the county roads. These roads are private property, which might be taken for public uses, on compensation being given to the owners. This would require legislation, or it might be done by consent. If the owners of the road asked an exorbitant price, recourse would have to be had to arbitration. But in any case, the compensation should be fall and ample; it would never do to take private property for public uses, eveh when it bears a pablic aspect, on any other terms.
The question of turnpike tolls has ceased to be a subject of general interest. There are few toll roads remaining in Canada; and the time has come when it would be for the public interest that they should be converted into free roads. This is for the general interest, whether the roads be pablic or private property. We trust that the time is not far distant when the last df the toll gates, in this country, will disappear, as a thing that has served its day and become an !obstruction rather than an aid to material progress.

## TRUST AND LOAN CO.

An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Trust and Loan Com. pany of Canada, was held on the 25th ult., in London, Eng. The report submitted for the six months ending the 30th of September states that the net profits amounted to $£ 10,358$, and after carrying to the reserve fund the moiety of profits over 6 per cent. dividend, there is a balance of $£ 14.389$, in. alading the sum brought forward. After a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, less income tax, there is $£ 4,588$ to be carried forward. The loss by realisation of securities in default during the period embraced by these accounts, it appeare, was $£ 9,199$, and, after charging this amount, tho reserve fund amounted on the 30th of September to $£ 147,730$.
We learn from the Canadian Gazette that the result above described "falls short of the expectation" of sundry shareholders, but according to the report pabiished in Herapath, there were no seriously dissenting voices at the meeting, which appears to have thanked the directors unanimously for their efforts in the management, to have applauded Mr. Boverie's explanatory speech and to have been warmed into something near good humour by what Mr. Mitchell called "the chairman's perfectly happy smile."
Some of the chairman's remarks about Canadian affairs, made as if to palliate the position of his company, should not go unnoticed. For example, he says, speaking of their securities in default, "considering
the constant depreciation there has been of this property in the older provinces." If the Hon. gentleman is by this properly understood to mean that the value of property in the older provinces of Canada is constantly depreciating, he is clearly mistaken. He admits, we observe, that his company has now actually to seek good loans, instead of waiting, as in former years, for the people to come, "clamoring," to the company to beg for loans. Perhaps if the dignified management had observed such signs of the times earlier, and condescended to do business as other people did it, the position of the Trust and Loan Co. to day might have been more satisfactory.

## LIFE ASSURANCE RATIOS.

Once every twelve months, for a number of years, we have published a table of figures, illustrating the progress of life assurance in Canada in groups of years, as exemplified by the various regular companies doing business here. We gave the amounts of their premiums, of their policies, of their death claims, of their dividends, the ratio of their losses and the ratio of expenses, all interesting features. It was objected that the item last named, the comparison of ratio of expense as shown, was not fair to some newer companies and did not show fairly in the case of life associations having a greater percentage of old business than others. We admitted that there was some ground for this criticism, and proceeded to compile another table, on the plan of one we found in the New York Spectator, showing how the Canadian business of leading American and Canadian companies compared in the following points: Ratio of expenses and death claims; of assets to liabilities ; of new business to whole sum in force ; and expense to amount of new business. This was deemed, by quite a number of insurance men, a valuable table. Among others, the editor of the Insurance and Finance Chronicle, who had objected to our first "Life Assurance Chart," expressed his satisfaction with the second one thus, in his November number: "We are glad to notice that in its last issue the Monetary Times gives a second table which is really interesting and vastly more fair, and which we will reproduce in our next issue."
But in the December number of the Chronicle a correspondent falls foul of our table, calls it audacious, designing, misleading and absurd, "compiled in the interest of one company," and so on. The editor, strange to say, apparently impressed by the bitterness of this critic, changes his view of the table in question, and taxes it with containing "errors just as grave in the opposite direction" from that which he had condemned in our first Chart. Now there is exactly as much ground in the one case as in the other for the sag. gestion that these different compilations were made in the interest of any particular company. We respect the good opinion of our contemporary too much to allow him to remain, uncorrected, under the impression that we compile tables of comparison in the interest of any monetary
he can analyse the Canadian Blue Book and the New York Insurance Report and come to any other conclusion than we have done with respect to the items in this table, the idea of which was taken from the Spectator, we shall be ready to make him amends.
We may as well warn our friend the editor, that if he goes into the chart-compiling business, and even if he chould adopt the headings of columns set out by his correspondent "Investigator," he will give offense in some quarter or other. "Justitia" will be down upon him for misleading. "Equity" will insist that he has favored one company or class of companies. "Scrutator" will wonder what under Heaven he wants to compile Charts for, any way? They are a waste of time when you can't possibly please everyone with any. It will be declared by "Anti-Tontine" that the method he opposes is an invention of the devil or the bloated capitalist ; and that any journal which tolerates the tontine principle, or a company which dares to use it, is fit for the flames. Not only is it impossible to compile a table of ratios that will not pinch the toes or the temper of some manager or "insurance expert," but the very attempt, it seems, gives rise to accusations of favoritism or worse. Will any one explain how it is that life assurance controversy, in the hands of rival companies or managers, reaches a pitch of acerbity and hostility which the English language is taxed to express?

## an insurance problem.

X. Y. Z. writes thus from London : "Know. ing yours to be the highest authority on all technical points of insurance, we leave it to you to settle a dispute and have agreed to abide by your decision. Having a fire in our show room a valuable carpet was considerably barnt. Having two policies, A's policy reading on farniture and fixtures; B's policy on fixtures only. B. refusing to pay anything on carpet destroyed. A. also refusing to pay the B. share on the ground that the carpet is a fixture, being nailed to the floor and not movable. I have consulted four outside insurance men, two claim it to be a fixture, and two farniture, while I claim it to be both. Is B liable for part?"
We scarcely profess to be able satisfactorily to answer a question on a "technical point" on which insurance experts themselves differ so materially. The opinions of companies A and B are affected in some measure no doubt by the question of liability or non-liability. The four experts to whom the question was submitted are equally divided in opinion as to whether "a valuable carpet in a show room" is an article of furniture or an item to be in. cluded under the term "fixtures," and our correspondent, fearing doubtless that he would not be paid the loss on his carpet if he sided with one side or the other, wisely came to the safe conclusion that " it was both."
We asked a gentleman whose sole business for about 20 years was the adjustment of fire losses, what his opinion was on this weighty matter, and being a Scotchman he answered by asking another question, the following: "Is a Jerv's Harp a musical instrument." Had this valuable carpet been damaged by fire in a private dwelling, would it not be included as an article of household furniture, although tacked to the floor? and would not companies A. and B, both acknowledge their liability for
any damage done to it by fire, just as much as they would on that of any other article of household furniture damaged by fire? Undoubtedly they would. A fixture in a building is something that cannot be taken away by the person putting it there if the building is not his own, unless there is a distinct understanding between the owner and tenant to that effect. No person ever questioned the right of a tenant to remove his carpets. From all the light we have been able to obtain on the question involved we decide that company $A$. alone is liable for the damage done to the carpet and should pay at once.

## AN ASSESSMENT CASE.

The Toronto Street Railway is a well-conducted concern, which has afforded real ac. commodation to the citizens and expended a great deal of money in so doing. But it is also a paying concern, in spite of the disavowals of its proprietors, and they have no sort of right to evade payment of their legitimate share in the taxation of the city. An attempt on their part to escape with a fraction of the assessment which properly attaches to them, miscarried, thanks to the pertinacityHon. Mr. Smith callsit persecution-of the present mayor.
The assessment of Messrs. Frank Smith and George W. Keily, proprietors of the T. S. R., was raised this year from $\$ 12,000$ to $\$ 50,000$ each on shares in the company. They went before the Court of Revision to complain of this, but obtained no reduction. The next appeal was to the County Court Judge, who gave the case a hearing on Friday last. As a ground for objecting to pay income assessment on so large a sum, Hon. Mr. Smith declared that his ncome from the company was only $\$ 9,006$-i. e. $\$ 2,000$ salary as president, $\$ 1,000$ $\$, 006-i$. e. $\$ 2,000$ salary as
as director, $\$ 6,006$ dividend on 1,001 shares of stock.
But when asked the unexpected question whether the company had issued any bonds, the admission had to be made that bonds to the amount of $\$ 600,000$ were issued by resolation duly minuted, "to recoup the shareholders for their outlay," but no consideration had been given for them. Thas the earnings of the company would go to pay dividend to shareholders in the first place, and interest to these same shareholders in the second place on one and the same investment! A mode of doubling up dividends from a prosperous concern which makes the attempt to get off paying legitimate taxes all the less creditable.

Judgment in the matter was given on Tuesday last by His Honor Judge McDougall. In Mr. Keily's case, the income assessment is reduced from $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 20,434$. The judgment continues: "The interest derived from $\$ 226,000$ worth of stock is assessable. Whatever their object this much is clear : the company created a liability without receiving any consideration therefor, and from their This is only another way of paying a larger dividend to the shareholder as upon income. I think the appeal of Hon Frank Smith must also be allowed in part, and his income reduced from $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 11,526$. He was holder of $\$ 126,000$ worth of bonds given to him under the same circumstances as in Mr. Kiely's cass which were sold in the latter end of Aprise of these beginning of May last. On the to four months' he received an allowance equal to four months interest. As to a larger amoun the city is not able I adhere to my ruling that the city is no allowed to cross-examine an officer of the
company to show the court that the company ought to have deolared a larger dividend, but they have a right to know what share of the earnings of the company got into the pockets of the shareholders."
Creating a liability without consideration is a process known as watering; and it is with sincere regret that we find recourse was had to it by the Toronto Street Railway Company.

## THE KEEPING OF ACCOUNTS.

Our readers have before-them in the preeent issne the conclusion of the paper on "Bookkeeping for Country Stores," by Messrs. Clarkson \& Lye, began last week. The specimen form of journal which accompanies it will prove of assistance in making clear the anthors' views in that particular. The form adopted appears to us to have distinct merit. Lest the length of the paper may deter some from reading it, we offer in this column some brief extracts from it, to show that it is something more than a dry lesson in debita and credits.
"One of the incentives to the keeping of accounts should be the reflection that all men are liable to misfortune from fire, burglars or some other form of calamity, and then when it is necessary to present claims for insurance monies, or to ask for the indulgence of creditors, the man with the straight record and correct accounts has the least difficulty in obtaining that for which he seeks.
"It is also possible that oircumstances may lead you to wish to sell your business. How much more confidently can you speak of it if you have complete records to prove your assertions as to its condition?
"Do not bay from too many persons. Do not buy too mach at once from any person. Speculation in merchandise is a special and distinct pursuit. It is perhaps legitimate where properly conducted, bat not for you.
" Never give accommodation notes. No respectable or solvent wholessle house ever asks for them, consequently you had better seek new houses from which to parchase goods, than to put yourselt in danger of benkruptcy by acomodating those who are already bankrupt."
The paper is a serviceable one to any person engaged in trade, or who purposes so engaging. We have some misgivings as to its proper appreciation by the business colleges, which will be apt to consider that the authors are giving the business public too much for nothing. But Messrs. Lye and Clarkson are content, apparently to take that risk; so we, on our part, assume the risk of giving their production the wideat publicity we can.

## CANADIAN ENGINEERS.

It is proposed to form an association of engineers for the Dominion, whether railway, canal, harbour, sanitary or representing any other branch of the profession. Meetings called by circular were held in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal, during last March for the parpose of forming such an association. Draft constitutions have been adopted at each of the above name centres, and a special meeting is now in session in Montreal to make the final arrangements for organization.
The object of the association is to advance engineering science as sister bodies do in England and the States. Mr. Alan Macdongall and other gentlemen are present, we understand, from Toronto. The Ottawn con-
tingent consists of Messers. Perley, Keefer, Anderson, Lynch and Surtees.

## ST. JOHN BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual meeting of the St. John Board of Trade was held on the 6th instant, Sheriff Harding presiding. Messrs. Robert Reed, Harrison \& Pugsley and R. A. \& J. Stewart were proposed for membership. A report made as to membership fees by the Finance Committee was adopted. Mr Hall stated that after paying all expenses the Board would have a balance of $\$ 300$ on hand. Mr. 8. Schofield urged the importance of amalgamating the Board of Trade and the News room. Sheriff Harding aaked that the Board nominate some other person than himself for the presidenoy. He thanked the Board for the honor conferred upon him in the past.
Mr. W. H. Thorne moved, and Mr. S. 8. Hall seconded Sheriff Harding's re-nomiration. The Sheriff, on consenting to stand nomination for enother year, was duly elected president, and Mr. W. H. Thorne was elected vice-president.
The following gentlemen were chosen members of the Council:-S. Schotield, Geo. Robertson, J. F. Robertson, W. W. Tarnball, 6. S. Hall, S. Jones, R. Cruikshank, H. J. Thorne, John McMillan and W. E. Vroom.

## THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS.

Saturday of last week was the date of meating of two associations of commercial travellers in Ontario. The quarterly meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Association was held at their offices in the Public Library bailding, Toronto, on that day; Mr. Hugh Blain, of Eby, Blain \& Co., in the chair. The report showed that the association's affairs are in a prosperous condition. Mr. Blain declined to be a candidate for the presidency, and retired after occupying the position for two years. Mr.J.C. Blaok was eleoted president by acclamation ; Mr. A. A. Allan, vice-president, and Mr. Robert H. Gray, treasurer. The nominations of candidates for a new board of directors were received. The annual meeting is to be held in Philharmonic Hall on Dec. 30. In the evening it is arranged that there shall be a ball and conversazione in the Pavilion.
The annual meeting of the Western Ontario Commercial Travellers' Association was held on the 4th inst, when the following officers were elected without opposition:-President, W. J. Reid ; first vice-president, H. D. Long; second vice-president, S. Munro; third vicepresident, R. H. Greene, of Hamilton; treesurer, B. N. Sterling. The names of the directors chosen for the ensuing year are: W. B. Case, R. L. Peddie, John Marr, H. MoIntyro F. H. Crabbe, E. H. Grenfell, C. E. Starling. Directors for ontside plaoes-Hamilton, R. K. Hope and John Booker ; Toronto, F. W. Heath and John J. Quarry; Stratiord, James Dow ; Paris, James Maxwell; Brantiford, Geo. Watt, Jr.; Ayr, John G. Watson ; Oshawa, E. O. Felt ; St. Thomas, W. T. Cochrane; Galt, T. D. Wardlaw ; Ingersoll, W. L. Undérwood; Montreal, H. Laviolette. The membership is 611 and the reserve $\$ 9,000$, compared with 505 members and $\$ 8,000$ reserve in 1885.
-The Standard Bank has deolared a half. yearly dividend of three and a half por cent., payable on January 3ird next. The Bank of London also declaree a semi-annual dividend of 34 por conit.


#### Abstract

-The free classes in Montreal of the Board of Arts and Manufacturer for the Province of Quebeo, are doing an important work and are well attended. The studies taught are free-hand drawing, mechanical drawing, archi- frew, Almonte, lately under the Port of Brockville, has been added to the survey of Ottawa; and Perth and Carlton Place have within a few weeks been crested ports and placed ander the port of Ottawa.


 tectural drawing, modelling, wood-carving, lithography and building. There is also a Scagliola class for plasterers. Instruction in all the classes is given in both languages, the nationalities of the papils being nearly equally divided. In the mechanical drawing class the pupils are to a large extent English-speaking, while in the lithographic and wood-carving classes the French-speaking element predomiastes. Model ing has about an equel number of each, but in architectural and free-hand drawing there are more French than English papils. About 300 young men are already at work. The classes which are entirely free, are held from 7.30 to $9.30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The oopies and models in use are from the best sources, notably the Departments of Science and Art, South Kensington, London, and the National Art Schools of Paris.
## -During the latter half of November and

 thus far in December there appears to have been a material advance in transatlantic freights, greatest, however, says the Record of Philadelphia, in offers for'the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe and the far East. An English steamship was chartered to load at this port 80,000 bushels of grain to Cork for orders at 4 shillings per quarter, while early in September 3 shillings were offered and taken by many vessels here and at Baltimore. " Petroleum tonnage to Europe during the summer was 1 shilling 10 pence per barrel, while now 2 shillings 9 pence is in many instances refused. The British ship ' Sapphire' last summer was offered and accepted 2 shillings to Antwerp, while now she could probably get 3 shillings. To the French ports of Cette, Roven, and Bordeaux there has been an advance of at least 1 shilling in both grain and freight."-It might be expected, from the prices oharged for the luxurious accommodationsgiven railway travellers in America by the Pullman Sleeping Car Comprny, that this concern was a paying one. Its annual report is published by the Springfield Republican, as under:-The annual report of the Pullman Car Company shows that that company earned $\$ 5,623,000$, of which about two millions was spent in operating expenses. It paid $\$ 1,274,000$ in dividends or say eight per cent., and carried $\$ 1,155,000$ to surplus. The surplus, after marking off nearly half a million, is now $\$ 9,264,000$. The wages paid at the city of Pullman by this and other corporations, including the town amounted to $\$ 2,110,000$, and averaged $\$ 587$ for 3,597 employes, during a year of 310 working days"This shows," says the paper quoted from, "that American labor is not entirely crushed. The average is about $\$ 10$ higher than last year. Pullman now has a population of 9,000."
-Ottawa is to be congratulated on her increasing trade. Where in the years beginning with 1875 and ending with 1880 , the customs' collections at that port declined from $\$ 249,000$ to $\$ 166,000$, they have since shown a steady in crease, from $\$ 247,000$ in 1881 to $\$ 307,000$ in the fiscal year 1886. The Customs' officials, the Citizen says, are becoming cramped for room in their quarters over the post office, and a new building is spoken of for their accommodation. In addition to Pembroke and Ren.
-The formation of a board of trade is a very natural and proper move, in the case of a town growing in commercial importance as rapidly as Moncton. We are therefore interested to learn that, at a meeting held in that place last week, which was largely attended, it was decided to form a board of trade, for Moncton. A committee of leading buisiness men Messrs. P. McSweeney, J. L, Harris, F. W. Sumner, J. Peters and J. R. Foster was appointed to arrange details.
-A meeting of business men was held last week in Lindsay to discuss the formation of a Board of Trade for that town. Mr. John Dobson was chairman and Mr. T. B. Dean secretary. Short addresses were made by Mr. Porteous, Mr. J. D. Flavelle and Mr. McDon. nell, all of whom favored the formation of the Board. Resolutions were passed affirming the desirability of forming such a commercial body for Lindsay, and Messrs. Dobson, Moore and Porteous were chosen a committee to formulate the scheme.
-The town of Liverpool, N.S., is recovering from the lethargy into which it fell after the shock occasioned by the collapse of the Bank of Acadia and the Bank of Liverpool. We learn that the shipments of dry fish from that port for the present season amount to nearly 20,000 quintals. Queen's county, of which Liverpool is the chief town, is ooming to the front with its gold mines. The newly found leads at Caledonia, in the rear of the county, turning out very rich.
-Annapolis, N. S., has within two months exported over fifty thousand barrels of apples, mostly to Great Britain. The following is a list of the shipments :

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-The Dominion Bank apply to Parliament to incorporate their Guarantee Fund Society, the purpose being the protection of themselves and their employees; also to incorporate their Pension Fund Society, the object of the latter being to provide for the payment of pensions
and annuities.
-Among the loan companies of this pro vince, the London and Ontario Investment Company declares a dividend of $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. for the half year, and the Ontario Investment
Association one of 4.
-The imports at Winnipeg for November were: free goods, value $\$ 40,895$; dutiable value $\$ 94,753$. Value of exports $\$ 24,254$. The exports were greater and the imports less than
in the same month of 1885 . in the same month of 1885.
-The Calabogie iron mine is said to have been secured by a wealthy American firm, and a large quantity of iron ore will probably be
shipped from Kingston next year

## BOOK-KEEPING FOR COUNTRY STORES.

## (Continued from our last.)

A paper by E. R. C. Clarkson, F. C. A., and Henry Lye, read before the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario.
It must always be remembered that the Journal is in itself a subsidiary book. The only necessity for its existence is its convenience for the preparation of the accounts for Ledger entries, consequently I shall pass or to the consideration of the Ledger before that of the Journal.
Two simple,complete and satisfactory forms for a distributing journal are annexed for your
guidance. In No. 1 (the form which appers in guidance. In No. 1 (the form which appears in our columns) every item passing throngh your book is collected here under separate debit and credit headings. Each entry on the debit side, having a contra, balancing entry on the credit side, thus preserving the equilibrium of your accounts-the chief feature in doub e entry book-keeping, Explanation as to
the precise nature of the entry, where neces. sary, is given in the centre spaces. The whole being written up daily, weekly, fortnightly or monthly, as the merchant may desire, and proved correct by the totals agreeing, will exhibit at any of these periods just what the merchant has been doing, in gross, as well as in detail. The chief featares of this form are, lst-Knowing that no entry can be properly made in it without being entered twice, once on the left hand or debit side and once on the right hand or credit side, as :-

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the merchant at the time he is making aide). entry makes it in double entry form, before opening his ledger to transfer to it, in gross, the SALES, PURCHASES, EXPENSE, CASH, BANK, iNTERest and discount and wages accounts, and in detail, the transactions with persons. He adds up the different columns, and if the total of those on the debit side agree with the total of those on the credit side he may be sure (unless he enter an item in the wrong column), that he has kept his record correctly. If these totals do not agree, he is at once informed of it, and has not, as is often the case, to travel over months of work to find out why his books will not balance. This form gives the easiest method of preserving the balance of one's books and of writing them up with the least labor. Additional columns may be added to more fully particularize the trader's dealings, if desired-such as columns for Produce deal. ings, Consignments, etc.
Form 2 gives a somewhat different arrangement of columns but these may be extended or contracted as the peculiar nature of any This form
accounts with contemplates the keeping of alone, to which individuals in the Ledger alone, to which they are immediately trans. ferred from the Day book. This Journal is written up daily.
You will perceive that this system is complete without a sepsrate Cash Book. The cash transactions are all entered in the Day Book from which the personal or individual accounts bave their proper debits or credits in the Ledger, whilst the Property accounts get their proper debits and credits from the Journal. I recommend that the Cash Account in the Ledger be kept in the came Acas shown in the Journal for the following Yeasons.
Yon will perceive that you have debited merchandise account with all merchandise bold, consequently you with all merchandise sold, consequently you are able to tell at any and sold. Part amount of merchandise bought and sold. Part of this merchandize is sold on credit, part for cash and part for produce.
At the end of every six months you will on hand and the amount ount of merchandise merchandise due you. From month to month you will see the amount of merchandise sold and the amount of cash and of produce received for it, and you will find it interesting and instructive to be able to see at a glance the whole course of your business, as you may desire to push sales for cash, and collections, in anticipation of maturing bills.
You will find the state of your bank account by adding the bank debit in your
Ledger to the unposted Bank Deposits in your

Journal and deducting the cash received from bank; but a more ready way is to keep a Bank Balance Account in the stab of your Cheque Book and compare this balance with that in your Ledger at the end of every month. The readiest way is the best way and the danger of being mortified by finding one of your checks dishonored on account of its being in excess of your bank balance is easily averted by keeping your balance "as you go," in the stub of your cheque book.
I advise keeping the account of your personal expenses separate from that of your business expenses, because it is important for you to know which must be curtailed and which may be safely increased.
There are convenient books sold for the purpose of entering your Bills Receivable and Bills Payable. Be careful to number every note you give with its proper consecutive number. When you pay a note make the entry in the Remarks column, as to the time "and mode of payment, and do not write "paid" without showing how and when it was paid. If you do not pay the note, but renew it, enter the number of the renewal note in the Remarks column, and when you enter the renewal note, give in the remarks margin the namber of the note so renewed.
Never give accommodation notes. No respectable or solvent wholesale house ever asks for them, consequently you had better seek new houses from which to purchase goods, than to put yourself in danger of bankruptey by accommodating those who are already bankrupt.
I have said that you will have ascertained at the end of every six months the amount of merchandise on hand. About the 15th of February and the 15th of August in every year the stock of goods in most properly conducted general stores is smaller than at any other period, consequently the labor of stock. taking is then the lightest. The season's sales are then practically over and the goods for the approaching seasons have not arrived. There is always a lot of goods on hand which do not improve by keeping but may become unsalable if not at once attended to and disposed of. People nowadays don't want goods which are shelf-worn, faded and out of fashion, or which they have seen so many times as to make them suspect their quality.

Do not buy from too many persons. Do not buy too much at once from any person. Speculation in merchandise is a special and distinct pursuit. It is perhaps legitimate where properly conducted, but not for you.
When you make your Inventory, use only the left hand page of the book and enter on it the quantity, description, honse-sign, (from whom bought) year-sign, (when bought), original cost and amount. Always leave the right hand page blank, until you have finished the listing of your stock. Then go over the list and enter on the right side your remarks as to the disposal, \&c., of the goods and the actual cash value after allowing for age, damage, fading, fashion, and every other means the depreciation. Now by adding together the amounts as they are on the right side you whilst by find the real value of your stock; whilst by adding the amounts on the left side you will find what it cost you, and by the year-signs you will find the interest you have lost and the discounts
purchases.
The man who knows too much to be able to
The man who knows too mything, should leave this country for the country's good; whilst the man who studies his business and learns his basiness from that study, is a good man for this country and will probably stay here and prosper all the days of his life.
One of the incentives to the keeping of acOne of should be the reflection that all men connts should be the refrom fire, burglars or are liable to misfortune from fire, then when some other form of calamity, and tor insurance it is necessary to present claims or monies, or to ask for the indulgence oord and tors, the man with the straigg difficulty in ob. correct accounts has the least dificult it also taining that for which he seeks. It is also possible that circumstances may lead more wish to sell your business. How if you have confidently can you speak of assertions as complete records
los condition? ibilities in view, it is not
With these possibilities proper entries in only necessary to make the books, invoices, proper books, but to keep a safe place. Many inventories and monies in a safe place. year in men spend about a month in every year in
taking stock, knowing neither why nor wherefore they do this. They neither balance their books. reassort their stocks, ascertain their standing nor (some of them) extend the items in their Inventory. Partly from laziness, partly from ignorance and partly from fear, they stop in their labors before they reap any benefit from them.
I have ulready shown the proper method of keeping your Day Book, Ledger, Journal and Bill Book and of taking an Invantory of your merchandise. After all the entries to the date of your Inventory are posted from your Day Book and your Journal into the Ledger the amounts of the various debits in your Ledger will equal the amounts of the various credits. This is the Trial Balance which is generally taken off to show the correctness of the work.
This being done you will enter to the credit of your merchandise account the amount of the right side of your Inventory Book. The excess of the credit side of your Merchandise Account then, over the debit side, is the gross amount of profit you have made since the last closing of the account.
You now close the Merchandise Account by nering upon the debit side the amount of the credit of what is known as a Profit and Loss Account. After ruling off the now balanced Merchandise Account you reopen it for fresh operations by entering on the debit side of it the amount shown on the right side of of it the amontory Book.
In order to find the actual amount of profit or loss which you have made since the last closing of your books, you enter on the oredit side of each of your expense accounts an "By Pequal to that on theount" becanse you "By Profit and Loss Account bide of your carry these amounts to

You now have what is known as a Profit and Loss Account which shews the gross profit of Loss Account, which shews side, and the ex your business on the crearit sidit side. If the pense of running it on the deb than the debit, the excess is your net business profit for the term since the last closing of your books.
What is known as the "closing of your books" is done by entering on the debit side of your Profit and Loss Accoant an amount equal to the excess of the credit side of it, saying "To John Fitznorman," or whatever your name may be. Then you carry this amount to the credit of your own personal account which personal account you have previously debited with all monies and goods you have drawn from the business. You now rule-of drawn fro and Loas Account and your books the Profit
Naturally enough, being honest and cantious, you wish to know just how you stand with the world. You have had to write off some bad debts from customers who are not likely to pay you, and you have done this by entering to the credit of their accounts sums equal to the balances they owe you saying "By Profit and Loss" and carrying these sums to the debit of your Proflt and Loss Account, before balancing it, as previously directed. So now you have no accounts left open except those which are good, and you ascertain the balan ces of these by footing them, always using a pen instead of a pencil.
On one page of your Ledger you write down on the debit side all the debit balances on your Ledger and on the credit side all the credit bslances. The differences between the sums total of these debits and credits will show your financial position if you leave out your personal or capital account because you will have on the debit side accounts Receivable that are due to you. Bills Receivable, that is, notes payable to you, cash on hand, and cash in bank ; and on the credit side you will have accounts payable, that is, accounts due you, and Bills Payable, that is, notes payable by you.
This is what is known as a Balance Sheet and the more reasonable study you give it the more it will teach you.
-Arrangements have been completed for the establishment in the North-West of a training farm for boys and girls from the homes of Dr. Bernardo in England and Eastern Canada. The farm will be situated at Birtle, where a block of five thousand acres has been secured. The erection of the necessary buildings will be proceeded with at once, and the first party of boys brought out next spring.


## CANADIAN INYENTORS AND

 PATENTS.Some weeks ago, a meeting of the Inventors' Institute of Great Britain, was held at their rooms, at 27 Chancery Lane, London. According to the Daily Chronicle's report of Nov. J. Mackie, C. E., gave a report of a visit S. J. Mackie, C. E., gave a report of a visit the
members paid to the Colonial Exhibition The party numbered 78, and amongst them Were Admiral Selwyn, Sir James Doaglass, Colonel Moncrieff, Colonel F. Robinson Aikman, V. C, Mr. M. Ransome, Captain Fan. ion of this report Mr. sion of this report, Mr. Henry F. Coombs, of St. John, New Brunswick, read a paper on
Canadian inventions and Canadian patent laws.
The lecturer stated that Canadian inventors were a numerons body, and their number was increasing rapidly. In the year 1885 the Canadian Patent Office issued 2,200 patents ; dollars. From this had to be deducted to $\$ 10,000$ dollars. From this had to be deducted $\$ 10,000$, showing a net profit of $\$ 59,000$ or over $£ 12,000$. certainly a pretty penny to collect from people the cost of a patent wes (Hear.) In Canada, years, this being the Government fee. The patent could be continued for ten years longer by paying f8 5s. The money was payable in instalments, upon the failure of any of which the patent would lapse. The total duration of a patent was fifteen years. The agents' fees weare all they could get. (Laughter and hear, hear.) But the ordinary charges were $£ 85 \mathrm{~s}$. to $£ 10$, inolusive of Government fees and basiness had mols being required. In fact, the business had outgrown the facilities of the The Dominion patent required reorganisation. The Dominion patent office was reorganised when the Canadian patent aggregated a few present an appendage of department was a Agriculture. New accomme Department of quired for models deposited, at present models costing scores of dollars each being stacked like lumber. A room assigned for such a purpose would be of value as part of a masenm where the progress of art could be practically
Previously to confederation, each of the older provinces had it own separate patent law, but in the year 1872 a general act was passed, and this, with the amendments of 1873-4-5 and 1883-4, made up the existing patent laws of the Dominion. Mr. Coombs considered that the later amendments were not in the interest of inventors. Patents were issued only to inventors or their assigns. Provisional protection was secured for incom. plete inventions by the issue of caveats. This Was a secret document, and was good for twelve months, conditional on no application being made for a patent for a similar invention, in which case a notice was issued to the holder of the caveat, calling upon him to perfect his invention in three months in order to ventors the benefit of priority. Canadian in patent laws were unjust to them, and their pataimed the repeal of such parts on the and they claimed the repeal of such parts on the ground with any of its citizens. He then quoted extracts from the Canadian Acts on the sub ject, in justification of this remark. One of his statements was that according to Canadian law, if a promissory note given for an inven tion did not contain on its face the intimation of that fact the vendor of the invention was liable to a term of imprisonment not exceeding twelve months.
In conclusion, he advocated the unification of the principles of the law of patents through out the Empire, so that the English inventor should be able to say that his patent was his own, wherever the British flag flew. (Cheers.) A discussion followed, sustained by the chairman, who expressed his approval of the coir cluding suggestion of Mr. Coombs, by Mr. F. Ransome, Mr. Cornwall, Mr. Mowbray Walker, Mr. Biggar, Mr. Ingrey, Mr. Mackie and Mr. Collins. A vote of thanks to the writer of the paper and to Mr. Coombs brought the procoedings to a close
-Eight hundred chickens were burned to death in a recent fire at Earl Park. Indiana, and every negro in the vicinity has gone into
mourning.

## HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY.

The report of the governor and committee of this company, published on 20th ult., states advices have been lately received reporting "Cam Owen" near Churchill, and the loss of her outward cargo, consisting of supplies for Hudson's Bay Factory, and the adjoining Hadson's Bay ports. The vessel and her cargo, valued at $£ 11,270$, are fully covered by insurance, but the loss will entail a charge of $\pm 3,700$ against the company's marine insurance fund, their share being limited to onethird of the risk. The trade of the coast ports can be carried on withoat much inconvenience notwithstanding the loss of the supplies and provisions by the "Cam Owen," but the furs intended to have been shipped by that vessel are necesarily detained at York Factory and be forwarded to Loxd season, when they will The total to London in the usual course.
The total quantity of furs to be sold by the company at their next sales is not expected to fall short of the average collections of former years. From Winnipeg and the adjoining dis ricts the accounts of general trade are more bavourable than those of the previous outfit but until the complete accounts of outfit 1885 would premature the fur sales are held, it would premature to forecast the probable New induse business for the current year siderable activity has been displayed in con nection with building operations in Winnipes West elsewhere in Manitoba and the North West Territory. The land commissioner of inquiries cony has recently reported that inquiries respecting land are increasing, and the improved prospects are expected to be fol-
lowed by satisfactory results.

## HEMLOCK BARK.

The supply of hemlock in Lower Canada will be exhausted, so far as a practical supply is concerned, mach sooner than most people think. It is a fact not known to the aveorage reader that the supply of hemlock in the Eastern Townships, of Canada East, so-called, is practically exhausted. Notwithstanding the immense hemlock forests which existed there twenty-five years ago, the ruthless hand of the destroyer has levelled those great hem. lock forests. Very little of the lumber was marketed at the time the bark was peeled, as it would not pay the transportation bills. hence millions upon millions of hemlock logs have rotted on the ground in Canada during The past quarter of a century.
Twenty-five years ago Mr. Cutting, of Win chester, brought in the first carloads of conse quence from the Eastern Townships into $\$ 1.50$ tosetts. At that time he paid only hauled to the line for bark peeled, dried and This was the line of the railroads in Canada buyer more profit to the carlosd then thed the be made from haft to the carload then than can seemed at that a dozen carloads now. It forests of that part as though the hemlook exhausted, but to-day the great tanneries erected there twenty years ago are idle and are rotting down, merely because a supply of bark wannot be procared.
Co., established tanning firm of F. Shaw \& yoars ago, they bought the at Waterloo, Que., bark delivered bought thousands of cords of $\$ 1.50$ per cord. This, of course at $\$ 1.25$ to great advantage over those tanneries operated at a great distance from the base of hemlock supplies, but this advantage is fast wanlock and but a limited number of tanneries can be run in Canada at the present time. Even the great hemlock extract companies, which were located in the heart of the hemlock districts, Upton. Neened, with the single exception at fooled away at was a great hemlock forest case in the Eastern to any one as was the The French habitant who felled his hemado. trees, who peeled his bark, who piled it to dry the railroad, getting ont winter hauled it to cord, did not realize twenty-five to $\$ 1.50$ per for his own labor.

- The supply of available hemlock is so small startling importance, bubject is really one of owners of hemlock lands. A thnners and
vestigation of the vestigation of the subject is necessery in-
important. The area of hemlook lands was and bark is an article which of spruce or pine, and bark is an article which can only be trans-
ported by teams or railroad. It cannot be ported by teams or railroad. It cannot be streams.-Exchange.


## FIRE RECORD.

Ontario.-Budley, Nov. 25.-John Dickson's barns destroyed; no insurance.-Sydney, 27. Donter's barn and contents consumed. insurance Guiness' house destrichmond.-A. B. Mcsarance small. Aurora, 29 .-J. A. Philhing residence burned; no insurance.- A. Philhips' 29.-Benj. Loze's blacksmith shop barnelline, 8500 ; insured in Mercantith shop barned ; loss Dec. 1.-Edw. Crawford's $\$ 175$. Guelph, -Merriton. Crawford's stable destroyed. stock factory destroyed \& Channel's wool and stock $\$ 2,000$; insurance borough, 2.-E. Sutton's barn and contents destroyed ; loss $\$ 1,000$; partially insured.Alvinston,' 2.-Malone partially insured. Bros.' grain elevato consumed ; loss $\$ 2,200$; insurance $\$ 1,200$. Malahide.-A. W. Newell's house and contents rotally destroyed. -Ottawa, 3.-The Isbester residence gutted; insured in Royal Canadian and Scottigh Union for $\$ 13,000$. Amberst burg, 4.-Jas. Delmore's barn in Anderdon township destroyed. © Ottawa, 4. - Three Hamilton, 4.-The ste destroyed; loss $\$ 5,000$. Hamilton, 4.-The Alexandria Arcade damgeneral store owned by Mrr, 5.-Jas. Stark's loss $\$ 6,000$. ingned by Mrs. Christie, burned ; loss $\$ 6,000$; insurance $\$ 5,000$.-Brantiord, 8 Works, $A$ Whe, consumed; loss $\$ 1,000$
Other Provinces. - St. Hyacinthe, Que. Dec. 2.-L. P. Morlins saw mill destroyed; Michel, 4.-Patrick Rooneys incole St. burned; loss $\$ 4,000$. - Montreal, 5.- The Laval University damaged 86,000 ; building Catholic Church Napille, Que., 6.-The Roman Catholic Church destroyed, along with con vent ; losses as follows: on church about $\$ 70$,
000 , insured $\$ 16,000$; o00, insured $\$ 16,000$; on convent $\$ 5,000$, no insurance. Guardin loses $\$ 5,000$; insurance $\$ 1,000$. Jos. Coubal's loss is $\$ 1,200$; no insur ance. - Brandon, Man., Nov. 21.-J. D. Burnie's residence, occupied by Capt. Wastie
damaged $\$ 2,000$, -The fire hall totally destroyed Prairie, Man -The fre hall totally destroyed ; loss $\$ 10,000$ contents burned; no insurancet's barn and Harbor, 25.-R. 'H. MacMillan's housaac's dry goods store totaily destroyed; loss 83,000 ; ho insurance. bleachery damaged $\$ 650$ 27.-Hodgson's Waasis, N. B.-The barns and outbuildings of A Grass, consumed ; no insurance.-Mon. treal, 27.-The Dominion Oil Cloth factory
barned ; loss $\$ 9,000$; insured.

## HOW MUCH GROSS PROFIT?

It is probable that many men fail in business simply because they do not make enough profit on their sales. This may seem somewhat singular, but it is true, and may be due to ignorance or miscalculation. We have known a cash store which was doing a large business to fail, and the only cause which could be assigned, was a failure of profits. The store was not a "cutting "one, bat the ending Was about the same.
Some dealers make the mistake of believing that, as long as goods are sold at some gross profit; everything is all right. But a small gross profit on even very large sales may not amount to enough to pay the actual running expenses of the business. We sometimes hear goods at 5 per cent to sell $\$ 100,000$ worth of $\$ 50,000$ at 9 per cent." Bross profit than to sell unless the expenses of the this is not true same, which would not be the case remain th
To the merchant the pract
once arises, how much gross profit mestion at make to have my business a profitable mist I The question is not one that can be ane one in a general way, bat must be figared out under the special conditions of each man's busi ness. The managers of the English Civil cent. as a very moderate gross profit of 17 per business is done on an enormous scale, so that
the ratio of expenses is reduced to a minimum.
he ratio of expenses is reduced to a minimum.
What is the average gross profit necessary in the retail trade. Can not some of our read. ers give some testimony on this question.-St. Louit Grocer.
-The shareholders of the Sherbrooke Loan and Mortgage Co., met in that city last on the Ist of last month. Mr. L. B. Lawford, the president occupied the chair. Owing to the low rate of interest prevailing the dividend declared was not so high as usual, 2 per cent. beltg dpolitred for the last half year, making 5 per cent for the year. No -loss is reported atid the diredtors believe every dollar of the company's mortgage debt to be well secured and perfectly good. The paid up stock now amounts to $\$ 101,500$. The report was received and adopted, and the old board of directors reelected, viz: L. B. Lawford, president; G. E. Rioux, viz: L. B. Lawford, president; G. . . Hale and Jas. Davidson, directors ; S. J. Foss, sec.-treas.
-The season of navigation at Kingston closed on Saturday last, and it is considered a 6ery successful one. During the past sesson

 1880, $12,500,000$ bestis varions years wore: In bashels; in 1882 bushels; in 1881, 5,000 , 1883 $5,750,000$ bushels, in $1884,4,500,000$ bushels; in 1885, nearly $3,000,000$ bushels; in $1886,6,500$, 000 bushelg.
-"I see, James," remarked a New Jersey grocer as he was looking over his books the other day, "that you constantly leave thie ' $h$ " out of the shugar." "Certainly, sir, that's acconding to Webster." "Webster, Webster.
Yonesg man, I've been in this business twentyYopig menn, I've been in this basiness twenty-
eingityears, and I don't propose at this late eight years, and I don't propose at this late
day to lat no Webster come around and dictate day to lat no Webster come around and dictate
to me. Put in the ' $h$ ' sir, and don't you leave out a single ' $s$ ' out of sinnamon if you wish to keep your place here."
-Canada, it appears, is once more to be visited by a deputation in the interest of extended trade between that country and the Dominion. The Canadian Gazette says: "The French Minister of Commerce and the Cham. ber of Commerce of Paris have, we understand, sent a representative, M. Giroux, to Canada to enquire into the question of extended trade between France and the Dominion.'
-During the month of October, 22 vessels of all sizes cleared from Nanaimo laden with coal. The total quantity carried aggregated $5,3,50$ tons.

## Eammercial.

## MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montrial, December 8th, 1886.
In wholesale circles, matters have assumed a quiet aepect in most lines of merchandipe. Groceries show a pretify fair movement, and with a good snowfall throughout the country, there would be some further aetivity in this line before the holiday dulness of trade
in. East of this city, there is fair sleighing in. East of this city, there the Ottawa district, and some parts of Quebec, more snow is needed for good teaming and we have hat operations. Still what snow somewhat.

The stock market is fairly active with steadiness in prices prevailing: Montreal latest sales were at 240 to 2411 ; Commento 2121 ; 1301 to 131 $\frac{1}{2}$; Merchants 1301; Moreph 1191, to Otetario 116電; Montreal Tole firmness, Mer120 ; cotton stooks still show Arma 95 ; Hochelaga 143.

Asars.-Statiatige of the potash trade ahow a continued diminution of production i

Canada. The total receipts of pots for November at this point were only 212 brls., and for the year to Nov. 30 th, 3,367 brls. Business at the moment is small and receipts light ; prices are higher, sales of fitst pots transpiring at $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.10$; seconds $\$ 3.40$. Pearls in very light supply, the only recent lot received was no 12 brls. the other day, thing them would no late sales, but parties wanting to . Stocks of pots in England are about 800 brls., here about 450 brls.
Dry Goods.-The cold, wintry weather of the lust week has helped retail trade in city and country materially, and the result is seen in the freer remittances of the last few days. But still, some houses say, there is room for improvement, for matters in this respect have not been wholly satisfactory of late. There are some travellers still out who are selling fair lots of spring merchandise principally, with a sprinkling of sorting orders for fall goods, but wholessle trade as a rule is quiet. Values in all lines show continued firmness, and some talk has been heard of woollen men forming a combination similar to that of the cotton manufacturers, but nothing definite has resulted so far.
Drogs and Cermicals.-Trade has quieted somewhat, but values continue firm as a rule. Glycarine still advancing, and held at 25 c .; opium very firm at advanoe; Canada Balsam has gone up considerably. We quote.-- $\$ 2.60$; Boda 90 to $\$ 1.00 \mathrm{Bi}$-Carb Soda, 2.51 .75 ; Biohro Ash, per 100 lbs., $\$ 1.60$ lbs., $\$ 8$ to $\$ 10.00$; mate of Potash, per 10 c .; Cream Tartar crystals, 31 to 33c.; do. ground, 35 to 36c.; Tartaric Acid orystals, 80 to 90 c .; do. powder, 60 to 65 c. . Citric Acid, 75 to 80 ; Caustic Soda, white, $\$ 2.40$ to $\$ 2.60$; Suggr of Lead, 9 to 11 c ., Bleaching Powder, $\$ 2.51 .75$; Copperas, per to lot ; Alum, Flowers Sulphur, per 100 lbe., 100 lbs., $\$ 1.00$ : Fowers $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.25$; Sulphate 32.50to \$3; Roll Sulphar, \$2.00 Epeom Salts, of Copper, 84.50 to $\$ 5.00$; Epsom $\$ 9.00$ to $\$ 9.50$;
81.25 to $\$ 1.40 ;$ Saltpetre, $\$ 5$. American Quinine, 70 to 75c. ; Howard's guinine, 85 to 90 c .; Opium, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.75$; MIorphis, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.70$; Gum Arabic Porphis, 81.50 . White $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.10$; Carbolio
sorts, 70 to 80 c.;
 84.00 per Ib., Iodine, 8 . $\$ 7.00$. Prices for essential oils are : 6.00 to $\$ 7.00$. Prices $\$ 0$; oil bergamot $\$ 3.25$ Dil lemon $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 3.00$.

Fors ; Orange, cold weather has favored the demand from the local trade, but towards Xmas the enquiry is sure to slacken off, and prices will weaken, indeed values in some lines are already slightly easier if anything and country dealers should hasten forward any pelts they fox, fisher and martin, will are fair, and in pretty freely from this ont, now that snow has come in fair quantity now that the country. Latest London advices indicate easier prices in otter and beaver, but mink and muskrat are likely to remain mink and We quote :- Beaver $\$ 3.50$ to steady. bear $\$ 12$ to $\$ 15$; cab do. $\$ 5$ to
$\$ 4.00$; $\$ 4.00$; fisher $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$; fox, red, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.10$; fox oross, 2.00 ; lynx, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$; marten 90 c . to $\$ 1.00$; mink, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.25$; maskrat, 10 to 12 c . ;

Fise.- Values are not materially altered; Fra. od is still in fair demand and movgreen cod freely than other lines. We ing mere quonuine Labrador herrings $\$ 5.75$ to 6.00; inferior brands so-called Labradors $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50$; Cape Breton $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 5.75$; dry cod $\$ 3.00$; green ditto., $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.25$ for No. 1 ; No. 2 \$3.00 to $\$ 8.25$; mackere1 scarce at 86.50; NortBritish Colambis do. $\$ 14.00$; lake No. 2 tront $\$ 3.75$.
Grocerres.-Trade has been slower this last week or so, snow is wanted in some sections, notably the Ottawa Valley, and were we favored with a good all round tall, there would be a good movement peforem some seotions are ness set in. Payments above noted principally. Sagars are about as they were; some city Bagarr haye reported sales of granulated at ${ }_{57}{ }_{50}$., but this refers to second quality, best quality has not sold below 6c. in quantity at refipery, and indped there has hecan an on ort to make an in New York; yellows uneighth advance in very firm, atock is smaller ohanged. Molesen for some years, and prin.
cipally in one hand; 35c. is asked for Barbadoes ; Porto Rico 30 to 31c. ; Trinidad 28 to 28c. ; syrups very firm at last noted advance and no quantity to be had. The New York tea market is strong and excited, and an all round advance of 2 c . may be fairly said to be established there ; for teas held here on New York which were offered at 15c. a short time ago, 16 dic. has now been refused, and brokers have instructions not to sell without referring offers to New York. There has been no response in the local market yet, bat it is only reasonable to suppose that.values nunst advance here sooner or later, and any freer enquiry would likely develope a move in this direction; at the moment the demand 18 but moderate. Coffees also show increased values; Rio 14c. ; Jamaica 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12te. ; O. G. Java 16 to 25c. Currants and raisins as last reported, holders of good Valencias are asking 6tc. in holders, off qualities can be had as yet at lower lots, Jff qualities can be har as Stocks o figures; prunes reported higher. Stocks of nuts are very small here, the high prices, and increased duty having prevented people buy. ing. For Turkish filberts 9c. is asked Tarragona Almonds 15 to 16c.; Ivica do. 14 to 15 c, ; no walnut before January. Canned goods generally steady at high prices last quoted.
Hides.-Prices of green hides are atill 81, $7 \frac{1}{3}$ and $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ; No. 1 cured $9 \frac{17}{2}$. ; dry hides 15 to 16 c .; but there are prospects of a weakening in these figures. Caliskins quiet at 10 c .; sheapskins 80 to 900 . ; lambskins 75 to 80 c.

Leateer.-Some of the shoe manufacturers have completed stock-taking, and have been buying fair lots of leather, so that business is a little better than it was. Prices generally are steady, sole is inclined to be firmer. Accounts asles just received of shipments of splits and baff made to England before olose of naviga. ion show fair results. We quote:-Spansh sole B. A No. 1, 24 to 26 c . ; do. No. , B. A., 20 to 230.; No. 1 Ordinary Spanish, 21 to 23c. ; No. 2 do., 19 to 21c. ; No. 1 Chine, 22 to 23 c .; No. 2, 21 to 22 c. ; ditto, Buffalo Sole, No. 1, 21 to 22c.; aitto, No. 2, $19 \frac{1}{2}$ to 21c.; Hemlock Slanghter, No. 1, 25 to 27 c . ; oak sole, 40 to 48c. ; Waxed Upper, light and modium, 33 to 38c. ; ditto, heavy, 32 to 36c.; Grained, 34 to 77c. ; Scotch grained, 36 to 40c. ; Splits large, 22 to 28c. ; ditto, small, 16 to 240.; Calf-splits, 28 to 32c. ; Calfskins. ( 35 to 46 lbs.), 70 to 800 .; Imitation French Calf, skins 80 to 85 ; Russet Sheepskin Linings, 30 to 40c. ; Harness, 24 to 33c. ; Baffed Cow, 18 to 16c.; Pebbled Cow, 11 to 15zt. ; Rough 23 to 28c.; Russet and Bridle, 54 to 550.
Metals end Hardwarm.-Business in these ine may be called dull and everybody seems to be putting off further buying till after 1st January, except for pressing needs. The British iron market remains quiet for both pig and bar, and locally also these lines are unchanged ; in Canads plates the demand is abont over for the season. Tin is developing a further advance, statistics favoring higher prices, as present stocks are 3,700 tons less than in December, 1883, and 2,200 tons leas than December, 1885, while the consumption generally is increasing; tin plates are frm at home, and offers cabled for future delivery of round lots at present prices have been deolined; copper and lead as before. We quote:-Summerlee, $\$ 18.00$; Gartsherrie, $\$ 17.50$ to $\$ 18.00$; Lang loan and Coltness, $\$ 18.00$; Shott, $\$ 17.50$ to 18.00 ; Eglinton and Dalmellington, $\$ 16$ to $\$ 16.50$; Calder, $\$ 17$ to $\$ 17.50$; Carn: broe, \$16.50 to \$17.00; Hematite, \$20; Siemens, No. 1, $\$ 18.00$; Bar Iron, 1,60 to \$1.65; Best Refined, 1.85 ; Siemens Bar, \$2.10; Canada Plates, Blaina, $\$ 2.35$ to $\$ 2.40$; Penn and Pontpool, \$2.50. Tin Plates, Bradley Charcoal, $\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 6.00$ : OharooalI.C. $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.75$; do. I.X., $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6.00$; Coke I.C. $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.00$; Galvanized sheote, No. 28, 50 to 7c, according to brand; Tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 610 : No. 26, 70, the nsual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bande, per 100 \$2.25; Btafiordshire, $\$ 2.25$ to $\% 8.50$; Common Sheet iron, $2.00 ;$ Steal. Bpiler Pl Pe, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.75$; heeds, \$4.00; Romine giol
Iron, 100 to 11c. Lead, par 100 ibs.-Pit 8.75 Iron, 100 to 11c. Lead, per 1001 be.- Figy ${ }^{3.75}$ to $\$ 4.00$; Sheet, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50$; Shot, 6.00 to \$6.50: beat ceast steel, 110 to 180, frime; Gpring, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 8.00$; Tire, $\$ 2.54$ to 82.75 ; Sleigh shoe, 92.00 to 82.25 ; Ronnd Machinery Steal, 30 to 810 par 1b. Ingot tin, 25c: Bar Tin, 27 to 200 ; Ingot Copper, 120 to 130 ; Sheet Zinc, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 5.00$; Spelter, $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.25$;

Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.25, per 100
lbs.; Annealed do. $\$ 2.30$.
Oris, Pannts and Grass.-There have been some large receipts of steam refined seal oil, about 700 brls., which has cansed some falling off in prices, and a sale of a considerable lot at 480. is reported: we quote 49 to 50 c . for transactions; very little pale or straw in the market. Cod oil quiet, stocks are fall, Newfoundland is worth 38 to 40 c .; Halifax 34 to 35c. Castor and olive foils unchanged; linseed 60 and 63c. for raw and boiled in lots nnder 5 brls.; turpentine 56 to 57 c . Leads, oolors and glass unchanged. We quote :-Leads (chemically pure 8nd first-class brands only) $\$ 6.00$; No, white lead 5 No, $\$ 4.50$; No. 3, $\$ 4.25$. Dry white lead $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; red do. 44 to 41c.; London washed whiting, 55 to 60 c .. Paris white, $\$ 1.13$ to $\$ 1.25$; Cookson's Venetian Red, 11.75 ; other brands Venetian Red, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.60$; Yellow ochre, $\$ 1.50$; Spruce ochre, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 3$. Glass ohre, $\$ 1.50$; Spruce ochre, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 3$. Glass
$\$ 1.50$ per 50 feet for first break; $\$ 1.60$ for
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Salr. Wall winter prices are now in
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57fo. for twe 57 fc . ; for twelves 521 to 55 c .; factory
filled $\$ 1.20$ to $\$ 1.25$; Enreks and Ashton' filled 81.20 to $\$ 1.25$; Enreka and Ashton's
$\$ 2.40 ;$ Rice's pure dairy $\$ 2.00$ and
 bushel.
Wool.-We can report nothing specially new in this line. The market for domestic is wools not in so wools not in so active demand, but values pretty steady some sales of greasy cape are reported at 16 to 18c. We quote:-Cape 17 to 20c.; Australian nominal; A supers 28 to 29 c . ; $\mathbf{B}$ super 23 to 24 c .; unassorted 21 to 23 c .; fleoce
23 23 to 25 c .

## TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, 9th Dec., 1886.
There seems to be no material abatement in the demand for shares of nearly all kinds and the highest prices of the year-in fact in some cases the highest rates ever touched-have been recorded during the past week. With the exception of Commerce, which has fallen 1 per cent, all Bank shares are higher than a week ago, although there was something of a re-
action just at the close. Montreal is $3 \frac{3}{4}$ and action just at the close. Montreal is 39 and
Toronto $2 \frac{1}{2}$ higher, while others show a less considerable advance.
Western Assurance was strong, selling from 1631 to 1664 , but falling off to $165 \frac{1}{3}$. and British America rose $3 \frac{1}{2}$, to 1264 now bid. Otherwise the miscellaneous list was quiet and steady. The activity of London and Canadian at from 161 to 162 is the only noticeable fea. ture of Loan Society shares. Money on call is rather more plentiful, but rates unshanged at 5 to $5 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
FisH.-Supplies of salt white fish are almost exhansted, and the prospects for replenishing
are not the best. The demand for this deare not the best. The demand for this de-
soription and also for tront is brisk. tions are without change. Split herrings are hard to get, but Labrador herrings are fairly plentiful now. The last catoh is said to be large. Stocks of fresh white fish are not easy
to obtain; 7to. is the price to the wholesale to obtain; 7 lt . is the price to the wholesale
trade and 6 tic. for dressed trout. Fresh lake trade and 64c. for dressed trout. Fresh lake
herrings are sold to wholesalers at 4 c . per pound.

Flour and Meal.-Dealers tell the same old story of a dull and inactive market. Prices are about the same as last reported, say $\$ 3.40$ extra; $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.05$ extra; $\$ 3.30$ to $\$ 3.35$ for | extra; $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.05$ for spring wheat extra; |
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| and $\$ 2.70$ to $\$ 2.75$ for superfine. Transactions |

in oatmeal are not numerons, and $\$ 3.60$ to the latter the former and $\$ 2.90$ and $\$ 3.00$ for the latter are stil
$\$ 11.00$ to $\$ 1150$.
Grain.-At the opening of the week the mar ket for wheat was strong and advanced a couple of cents, but during the pa-t day or so, it has reacted, and our quotations of last re, port are repeated for both fall and spring. ted. Since the little stock, and trading is limi. showu decided weakness nigation. Barley has showu decided weakness which has also been qucressed by higher rates of freights. We No. 2, 49 to 50 cight, 56 to 57 c .; No. 1, 54 to 55 c .; 39 to 40 c . Oats and peas are unchanged in price. There is nothing doing in Rye and to 50 c . respectively Gre respectively.
Groczries,-Advices from the refineries an. nounce an advance of $\frac{1}{8} \mathrm{c}$. on all grades of sugar. Outside markets are said to be very firm and a father appreciation in price is not among the improbable events. Teas show 2 to 3c, from indicste from lowest point. All descriptions indicate a better tone. According to the New York Commercial Bulletin:-
"Saturday's coffee market was excited and higher. Havre made an advance of 34 francs, and was backed up by Rio with 100 to 150 reis gain, and exchange up $\frac{1}{8} d$. with prompt reflection here in liberal buying and free covering at an improvement of 40 points, well supported at the close. The bulk of the business was in contracts upon the Exchange, the rapidity of the improvement temporarily checking spot trading in Brazils; but much life was infused in mild goods, and much liberal trading took place between, jobbers in both first and second-hand parcels."
Hardware. -Trade, for this season of the year, keeps up very well, and there is a considerably better tone perceptible in almost all branches of the business. Especially is this the crse in tin plates, metals, etc. The ill some ti the low prices which have existed for and the makers of one of are now being felt, brands of Canada Plates coming favored mands of are renada Plates coming to this market, are reported to be in financial have also manufactured for works, which have also manufactured for Canada, are shat down and have called a meeting of creditors. One or two other manafacturers, owing to the unsatisfactory nature of the business, Canada plates. There hafacture any more failures in the tin plate trade, including the Balmoral, which plates have been largely the to this market at low figures. Any contracts in the hands of these makers may vir. tually be considered as cancelled. Galvanized sheet iron is also higher in consequence of the advance in spelter for galvanizing. Ingot tin indicanything, firmer, which is viewed as an indication that the comparatively high prices. now existing will be maintained throughout buoyant, still there copper market is not so the recently pablished been no decline from ing exhibited by holders of pig lead and its product, the lead market is considered to be in a good condition. We hear of no change in least for market in England and Germany, at booked at old pricess and round lots can be stocks are in old prices. In window glass the specification good shape, and any moderate plete. The can be filled promptly and comeffect on the price of nails so far, as large sup. plies have reached this city by propeller, and be considered very remun not, it is thought, riers. There is very remunerative to the carriers. There is a fair business doing in general

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Hides and Skins.-Owing to largely increased supplies the hide market shows some weakness and prices have declined from to $\frac{1}{2}$ c. There is, however, a very fair demand. Skins meet with ready buyers at firm quotations, $\$ 1$ for best. Nothing is being done in calf-skins which are nominal. There is no change for the better to note in tallow, both rough and rendered being dull and prices the same as a week ago.

Lumber.-As the close of the year approaches the local trade becomes quieter. The cold weather has checked outside operations on baildings, but inside work will be pushed actively. Dealers do not look for much advance in prices anless perhaps in some of the better wrades of lumber. The spring, it is thought, will no doubt see a scarcity of dry lumber. The mills under favorable weather are busy stocking up and the prospect is that there will be tall supplies. Cars can be had more readily than some weeks ago, but are not yet by any means plentiful.
Provisions.-We have very few changes to note in the condition of this market from a week ago. City dealers are taking all the choice butter which is up to standard, bat there is no movement in medium qualities. Some common has changed hands at 9c. There is but little doing in the hog product department, and our quotations of last Friday still hold good. Dressed hogs are arriving Irealy and bring 85.60 to $\$ 5.65$. Egge are firm at 19 to 20 c . Fall made cheese is firm and is jobbing at 13c. There are a few hops changing hands at 20 to 30 c . for yearling, and fine Bavarian command 40 to 45 c . Cranberries are selling slowly and in small lots.
Last week was a busy one for the pork packers of the Western States. It is stated by the Cincinnati Price Current that the past week has been an active one in pork packing operations in the west. The ten prominent packing points have handled 505,000 hogs during the week, against 450,000 last year, and since Nov. 1 a total of $1,485,000$, against $1,775,000$ last year, indicating a shortage of 290,000 ; other places mentioned in the accompanying detailed exhibit have packed 146,000, against 158,000 last year. It is probable that the shortage for all points is about 300,000 hogs. The quality of hogs now marketed is generally excellent; in some cases reported not quite so heary, but not so rough. The trade generally regards the ontlook with much confidence, but the presert advance is looked upon as premature and calculated to operate more or less adversely to the outcome of the season's oper ations if it be maintained. Several reporta show the number of hogs packed from Novemshow 1 to date, and latest mail dates at various
places, compared with corresponding time last year:-

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| Wool.-An active enquiry for fleece is still to be noted and all kinds of low grades are scarce. Pulled is also in good request and last week's figures are well maintained. Cable reports respecting fine wools indicate a firm market and stiff prices. |  |  |
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## FOREIGN MARKETS.

Cremidi Brothers Currants Report, dated Patres Greece Nov 12, 1886, is sent to us by Parras, Greece, Nov. Bayley. It states that Messrs. Stanway B Bayloy. market has been since report of 5 th inst. our ill trannactions, almost unchanged with $/ 6$ f.o.b.'
to-day we quote $16 / 3$ to $16 / 6$ dol at not exceeding The whole crop is estimsted at not foot, and 125,000 tons; shipments are as
fruit unsold throughout Greece is about 38,000 tons.
Our opinion is that although Marseilles speculators keep such a large quantity ( 6,000 tons at city and 5,000 afloat,) they will not force sales, and the strong demand expected from Paris will not only maintain prices but harden them. Some 1,000 tons have been sold these last few days for the United States, a demand is also expected from U. K. In our last issue we stated by error that shipments to U. K. in 1885 were 43,700 tons instead of 46,300 tons. Shipments to date as compared with last year are :


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