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—The Union Bank of Canada has purchased a property in St. Catharines, Ont., and will open a branch there.

—The revenue of the Lands and Forests Department of the Quebec provincial government during 1909 was \$906,360.

—The Traders Bank of Canada have opened branches at Rosetown, Sask., Fort George, B.C.; Beiseker, Sask.; and Steelton, Ont.

—There are now 2,700 miles of railways of en for traffic in China and 20,000 miles of telegraph line in operation. Japan possesses about double this mileage of railway.

—The financial statement of the Dominion for April shows a total expenditure on consolidated account during the month, of \$4,802,170, and on capital account of 1,914,768 The revenue to April 30 was \$100,394,261.

—The Census Office at Washington unofficially estimates the population of the United States at 91,424,423. The population of France is given as 38 millions; Germany 63 millions; Austria 46 millions; Italy 32 millions; Britain 42 millions.

—Bank clearings show no diminution in the heavy volume of payments through the banks. Total bank exchanges last week at all leading cities in the United States are \$3,432,904.535; a gain of 11.4 per cent over a year ago, and of 19.5 per cent compared with the corresponding week in 1906.

—The following customs decisions relative to the rates of duty leviable on various articles imported into the South African Customs Union have recently been given: Brushes, crocodile glue, 15 per cent ad val.; rebate allowed upon goods, the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom and reciprocating British Colonies, 3 per cent ad val. Pynka polishing tablets, 4s 9d. per 100 lbs. or 25 per cent ad val. (whichever shall be the greater), rebate 3 per cent ad val. Sulphide of Sodium and transformer oil, 15 per cent ad val., rebate 3 per cent ad val.

- —It is announced that the coal mine discovered some months ago at St. David, Levis, is shortly to be operated.
- -The Sterling Bank has decided to build this year on the site recently acquired on Portage Ave., corner of Smith Street, Winnipeg.
- —The Canada Gazette announ is the incorporation of the Blau Gas Co. of Canada, Montreal, capitalized at \$3,500,000, and of The Alpha Flax Fibre and Twine Co., Montreal, capital \$1.500,000.
- French law has been promulgated ordering the provision annually, for ten years from 1911, of a sum of 2,000,000 francs (about \$400.600), to be expended in the encouragement of olive growing in France.
- —During the last nine months, imports of raw cotton into the United States increased from \$8,000,000 to \$12,000,000, and cotton goods_amported in the same time by \$4,009,000, over the corresponding period the year before.
- The output of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. for April amounted to 22,760 tons of pig iron against 21,194 tons in the same month last year, and 24.815 tons of steel ingots against 25,063 tons in the same month of 1909.
- -While it is next to impossible to estimate accurately the amount of American railway bonds actually placed in the European markets since the first of the current year, the aggregate of the issues at least partially distributed in those markets is well in excess of \$150.000,000.
- A British firm of tube manufacturers has proposed to build a plant in Australia for the production of iron and steel tubes from imported skelp. The Australian Government is asked to give a bonus on the product and to give some protection against imports, particularly from Germany and the United States.
- Reuter's Correspondent at Suez cables that the third oil well at Jemsah in Egypt has become a gusher. Dr. Ball and the staff of the Egyptian Government Survey Department were present when the well was drilled in. In the first six hours 180 tons of oil flowed, and the flow was steadily increasing when it was shut.
- Increase in Idle Cars.—Due largely to the coal strike, the number of idle freight cars in the United States and Canada increased greatly in the two weeks ending April 13. The net surplus on that date was 77.357, against 25.886 on March 30. The coal car suplus was 40.857, a gain of 33.457. Box cars increased from 15.834 to 20.527.
- —The Calcutta jute mills are all seriously curtailing their production, owing to the scarcity of labour, caused in part by a plague scare, which although it was without any foundation in fact, emptied some of the mills of their employees, many of whom are not likely to return from their village homes for some weeks, or possibly months.
- —It took the U.S. Senate something less than fifteen minutes to consider and pass the pension appropriation bill, carrying about \$155,000.000. Senator Scott, who was in charge of the bill, stated that henceforth there would be a rapid falling off in the amount required for the payment of pensions. He said that 31,000 pensioners had died last year.
- —Although the first steamer equipped with turbines was put in service as recently as 1901, there are now 64 vessels carrying this equipment, with an aggregate horsepower of 603,200, according to statistics recently gathered. It is estimated that not less than 120 tons of weight is saved in the boiler room of the largest of the turbine propelled liners because of the lower steam pressure employed in their operation.

- —Lloyd's Shipping Register reports that on March 31, there were under construction in the United Kingdom 349 steamships, with a gross tonnage of 1,052,887, against 388 ships of a gross tonnage of 902,983 on March 31, 1909, and 37 sailing ships, 4,748 tons, against 60 of 9,289 tons, last year. The figures of the warship tonnage now being built of 77 vessels, with 303,685 tons displacement, are the largest reported since September, 1904.
- —Washington advices state that postal receipts during March at the 50 largest cities reflect a decided improvement in business compared with the same month last year. Nasaville, Tenn., was the only office reporting a decline. The general percentage of increase for the month was 14.70 per cent. The total gross receipts amounted to more than \$19,709,000, an expansion of nearly \$1.500,000. Springfield, Mass, Providence, R.I., and Seattle, Wash., headed the list.
- —It is rumoured that the U.S. Government is to be asked to permit the passage through the mails of two-pound packages of Porto Rico coffee, to be sent as free samples in order to popularize the variety. The War Department is said to favour the scheme on the ground that when the States acquired Porto Rico, the island lost its Spanish trade, and has now, by the late tariff arrangements, lost the French market. The cheaper Brazilian coffee give it no natural chance to winning its way into the U.S.
- —Japan is steadily increasing her purchases of Australian wools, the figure being 16,630 bales this season, as compared with 7.114 bales last season. During the past season the special feature has been that Japanese buyers did not operate on one or two grades of wool, as formerly, but for all descriptions of the staple the number of buying firms has increased, and the future promises well. The fact that the Japanese now buy all descriptions of the staple illustrates the advances made in wool manufacturing in Japan.
- —According to figures collected by the Board of Agriculture the number of sheep in Great Britain last year was 27,618,419, the highest total since 1892. The number of sheep has increased rapidly in recent years, and for the present supply exceeds demand, with consequent low price. The number of horses in Great Britain is said to be 11,552,993, an increase of 7,322 over 1908. A gratifying feature is that in agricultural horses the number is the largest on record. Cattle were also in record numbers, at 7,020,982. Pigs numbered 2,380,887, a decrease of 15.7 per cent, since 1908.
- --It is feared that there will be little fruit in a number of States west of the Great Lakes. Owing to the unusually warm weather in March, everything was remarkably forward, and then, in the course of two weeks, in the latter part of April, freezing temperatures and blizzards prevailed. The prospects for fruit had never been so fine, and the losses are, therefore, especially great. The States affected are the Dakotas, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois and Michigan. So far, reports are not unfavourable. Of the Canadian crop, though it is early yet to attempt to speak with certainty.
- —U.S. Secretary Knox and British Ambassador Bryce last week exchanged ratifications of the international waterways treaty which relate to the use of waters on the three thousand mile boundary of the United States and Canada. The provisions of the treaty, in effect, establish a new tribunal of arbitration between the U.S. and Canada by which questions of differences arising between them, and which concern only the two countries, may be settled by their own representatives without resort to outside intervention. The treaty is to remain in force five years and thereafter until terminated upon 12 months' written notice given by either government.

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—Advices from Washington state that following the regulation recently adopted in Quebee forbidding the exportation of pulpwood from crown lands, the treasury department has given instructions to collectors of customs on the Canadian border, assessing duty in wood pudp and printing paper, produced from pulpwood cut on such lands after May 1, as provided in the tariff act. These rates are as follows:—On mechanically ground woodpulp, 1-12 of one per cent per pound, dry weight. On chemical wood pulp, unbleached 1-6 of one cent per pound, dry weight. On printing paper, the regular rates, and in addition thereto, the additional duty of 1-10 of one cent per pound, when valued at three cents per pound or less.

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—Under date of April 15, a St. Petersburg dispatch says:—
"The Ministry of Commerce has undertaken an investigation of the Russian steel and iron trust, 'Prodameta,' operating under the guise of a selling agency and controlling almost 90 per cent of the production of structural iron, wrought and cast iron, tubular steel, etc., in Russia. An alliance with the rail syndicate gives it control also of the steel rail industry. The trust, which is financed by French and Belgian capital, evaded the provision of the Russian law requiring government sanction by incorporating abroad and conducting its business ostensibly from Paris, the various plants retaining their Russian individuality. The government believes, however, that the 'gentlemen's agreement,' under which the trust operates, can be successfully assailed."

The March building returns indicate that the country in general is in the swirl of increasing activities, and that operations in all sections are being carried out on a stupendous scale, both in point of investment and in the volume of work undertaken. Permits issued in twenty representative cities reporting to "Construction" total \$8,887,787, as against \$4, This is au 730,710 in the corresponding period of last year. advance over the preceding month of \$5,812,260, and an average gain over the month of March, 1909, of 87 per cent. far the outstanding feature of the situation is the decided "upturn" in evidence on every hand, and the unusually high totals attained in almost every instance. Only three cities in the list, in fact, met with reversals, viz., Toronto, Windsor and Halifax, the loss in each case being 5 per cent, 32 per cent and 59 per cent respectively.

-A meeting of tin plate merchants was held at Liverpool, England, recently at the request of the iron and general metal trades section of the Chamber of Commerce of that city to consider the proposed abolition of the terms "coke" and "charcoal" as applied on tin plates. It was stated that the use of these terms was out of date and impracticable. Tin plates being now made of steel with a coating of tin, it was contended that the descriptions applied are misleading. Consumers found a difficulty in describing what they wanted in terms which insured the strict fulfilment of their orders. What was desired was a description which would indicate exactly what was being sold. After a long discussion, a resolution was proposed that the use of the words "coke" and "charcoal" as applied to tin plates should be discontinued. A tie vote resulted, and as the chairman refused to cast the deciding vote, the matter was left without action.

—While Brazil contains large forests and great quantities of valuable woods, in many instances the timber sections are distant from the railways, difficult of access, and can only be obtained for ties and fuel at great expense. Another inconvenience encountered in the use of Brazilian woods is found in the fact that many of the native trees are composed of such a heavy and compact grain that they will not float in water, thus rendering their transportation in the form of rafts impossible. This greatly increases the difficulties of getting the trees to the markets, and enhances the price of

the timber at the places where it is to be used. The Paulista railway system, which operates 691 miles of track in southern Brazil, and whose expense for ties and fuel is about \$300,000 per annum, has taken steps to raise its own supply of timber by planting, on a large scale, suitable trees of rapid growth. This company has set out 60,000 trees, and some of them which were planted in 1904 are now about 60 feet high and 15½ inches in diameter at the base. The same company contemplates setting out 1,000,000 eucalyptus trees. Other railways are taking up the idea, and the raising of trees in Brazil for ties and fuel is becoming an established policy of the railways of the Republic.

-Dispatches from branch offices of R. G. Dun and Co., in Canada, state that wholesale trade was hardly equal to that of the previous week, but this is regarded as entirely due to weather conditions which were decidedly unfavourable as regards their effect upon the demand for spring merchandise-The outlook for the crops, however, is uniformly good, and merchants generally have lost none of their teeling of optimism. The early opening of lake navigation and the unprecedentedly large immigration into the western provinces are important factors in the trade and industry of the country, and the effect is reflected in the steadily growing volume of shirments of all kinds of commodities from the producing centers of the East. In dry goods wholesalers still report the receipt of numerous sorting up orders, and travelling salesmen are meeting with fair success in the booking of fall and winter Manufacturers are very busy and the clothing trade is active at well-maintained prices. Groceries continue fairly active with unchanged prices, but sugars are very strong and an advance of ten cents a cental is expected. Building operations are on a large scale and all materials sell well. Hides and leather exhibit little change, and though this is a betwe seasons period for boots and shoes, some manufacturers con tinue busy. Paint grinders and oilmen report an active business and generally strong prices. The wheat trade is quiet, but prices are firmer while coarse grains are very dull. available grain space on outgoing steamers is said to be 11ready engaged for May and June. In the provision market cured meats are in moderate demand at generally firm prices.

-An account of a new substance perfected in Germany for replacing celluloids, ivory, etc., which is known as a resinite compound, is described in a report from Consul Thomas H. Norton, of Chemnitz. Mr. Norton's report says that various art industries in Germany have found a number of useful applications for the newly invented substance termed "resinite." His account follows:-"This material is produced in a variety of modifications by the union of formaldehyde and carbolic acid (phenol) in connection with certain metallic The name is given on account of its resemblance to an important form to ordinary resin. This special variety is used chiefly with porous materials, such as wood, paper, pasts board, etc., and renders them hard and impermeable. Thus ordinary pine wood when thoroughly impregnated, becomes so hard that it rapidly dulls a planer. In another form it cam be poured as a liquid into moulds. After coagulation it transparent, with ruby tint infusible and unaffected by ordinary chemical reagents. It is well adapted for making ornaments, such as hatpin heads, imitation of igwellry, and for most purposes where enamel or enamel varnish are employed. For dooplates, street numbers, signs, etc., it seems capable of rendering excellent service, being entirely unaffected by atmospheric action. A third modification is liquid, but upon the addition of a mineral acid, it solidifies in a few minutes to an elastic, homogeneous substance, which can easily be cut, turned, polished, etc. In this form resinite can replace for a multitude of purposes horn, celluloid, vegetable ivory and similiar substances. Buttons, knife handles, mosaic designs are some of the many objects made with this modification. When competing with celluloid it possesses the great advantage of being non-combustible. There is a large field for this new material in the glove manufacturing sections of Germany, where at present clasps are made chiefly from vegetable ivory."

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KING EDWARD VII.

The almost sudden and unexpected death of King Edward caused, doubtless, less of a shock to the commercial than to the social world. Stocks, always the first to quiver in any blast, were in a flutter for the first few hours. Some of them fell several points, as much as seven and eight in a few cases. But there was really little reason for it. Although the King had been a Lowerful influence for peace—his geniality and strong common sense had given him a peculiar genius for making and keeping friends for himself and his people—still the time has gone by when the death of any king could be the signal for letting slip the dogs of war. The earning ability of no one was lessened. unless it was the vendors of amusement or the workers upon certain lines of wearing goods. The money market could not have been in a better condition to meet a strain. The Bank of England, the barometer of the financial interests, had been drawing in gold from the whole world for weeks past, to meet the May liquidations, and the necessities of the tovernment. Its reserves of gold were higher than they had been for fourteen years. Two years' British income taxes

were in the banks, waiting to be drawn and re-distributed through the payment of the Treasury short time bills, due the next week or two. With the single except on of Germany—Russia, thanks to her phenomenal harvest of last year, is in better form than many authorities allow—there is money in plenty, in all the countries. Our own condition of immense deposits in the Banks aggregating over \$762,000,000, with a brisk discount business offering, and much of this cash standing as security for railroad building, provincial and municipal needs, and other wages is probably typical of what prevails the world over.

There is nothing immediately alarming in the political world. The pother and wrangling in Parliament was an affair between politicians mainly. To rigid partizans the endless battle between the "in's and the out's" appears to be momentous, and sometimes portent ous. So long as they do not make too much splash, the public allows itself to enter into some of the excitement—after all, the average man likes a bit of a row—but Britons have a way of dropping things when they tire of them, which is very disconcerting to the merely enterprising political aspirants. People are becoming tired, even of the anties of Winston Churchill, and the rantings of Lloyd-George, di-

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verting though they were for a time. The reform of the House of Lords is already "petering" out to a small ending, and is not in the least likely to have anything like a revolution sequel. King Edward's graceful tact would have been useful in easing the fall of some of his advisers. He would most likely have indicated some way of escape from their "cul de sac." with a saving of their precious dignity. He probably had the plan formulated so that he could communicate it to his successor, for he was a cool, experienced observer, who better perhaps than any other man, knew all the fine points of the political game. - So far, however, from helping on the fight to a troublesome issue, the lamented death of the King will probably form an excellent excuse for a truce, which may develop into permanent peace, by the expressed will of the people.

In the diplomatic centres, King Edward will be no doubt, greatly missed. With the single exception of the King of Austria, he was the only depository of the innermost secrets of the important international negotiations of the last half century. The great statesmen of the past century, Bismark, Gambetta, Beaconsfield, Salisbury—to mention only these out of many-left no direct successors, who inherited their knowledge. The late King had unique experience extending through long years, wherein he had fullest knowledge without responsibility, as well as during his too short reign. However, thanks probably to the cautious exercise of his great discretion, there is a great calm brooding over the international relationships of the world. He lived long enough to see the Radical programme of his Ministers develop into al-The navy which seemed to be most Imperialism. somewhat imperilled, is being increased almost satisfactorily. The subsidiary nations are awakening to a knowledge of the old saw, "United we stand, divided we fall." There is a silght showing of the teeth throughout the far-stretched Empire, which bodes evil to any power which trenches upon any part of it. In short, the whole diplomatic situation is tranquil, and not likely to be disturbed, even by the going to rest of as useful and great a king as King Edward proved to be.

Though a true aristocrat by inclination as by birth, the late King was in such complete sympathy with the democratic feeling of the times that he won the complete confidence and, indeed, admiration of all, even of the lower classes, of the population. This is an important matter, though often overlooked, even by students of history. The revolutions inspired by the proletariat from below, have always been the most danger-

ous to national existence. Political troubles breaking out amongst the leading classes have commonly had their origin in the dissatisfaction of the lowest of the people. It makes for stability and peace, when the foundation of the throne extends down to the lowest stratum. The grief over the death of the Sovereign is as real and intense in Whitechapel and Kensington as in "Mayfair." It is well that the fact is so patent as to be noticeable by the men who are always ready to make agitation into a business.

The highest tribute which can be paid to the King who has gone, is contained in the truth that he had a reign undisturbed by war, that he left behind a united Empire, world-wide though it is, and that the heritage he had striven to attain for it was long. continued peace.

KING GEORGE V.

The somewhat imposing personality of the late King and the reserved disposition of his successor—for which his severe naval training is probably responsiblemakes the new King much more of a stranger to his people than was his father when he succeeded to the Throne of Victoria the Good. It is certain that he has had careful teaching for his present high position, and that the close intimacy between his father and himself must have given him the well-stored mind which is a necessary endowment to a monarch. Under our polity, the King is probably the chief link in the chain of continuity between succeeding foreign ministers. He can hardly have failed to receive diplomatic knowledge which will enable him to tread safely in his father's footsteps. He has shown the great. est desire to understand fully all the sides of the present political controversy in England. Night after night has seen him in the Houses of Parliament conscientiously following the debates. He is possessed of a good, clear, intelligent mind, as was shown upon his return from a trip around the Empire as Duke of Cornwall, when, in his Guildhall speech, he electrified those present with his "Wake up, England!" The Imperial idea now presses for a development. It ought not to be necessary for a great calamity to bring it about, is the Boer war gave birth to its conception. The new sailor King, who has been a great traveller, seems to he impressed with its significance. It may be his lot to bring it to completion, and give the world the federation which will ensure permanency to the Empire. The ideal must be inspired from the throne in all probability, though worked out according to the genius of each component nation. A student, with a deep love of domesticity, a travelled man who has not kept his eyes closed, a sailor who must know the need of preserving the active defences of his realm, he ought, and probably will, make no unworthy successor to Edward We hope and believe that the coming years will increase the heartiness with which British subjects will sing the national prayer, which, if we mistake not, originally ran:-

> "God save Royal George the King, Long live our noble King."

QUEBEC'S PULPWOOD.

There is, doubtless, much quiet satisfaction over the decision of the Quebec Provincial Ministry to stop the export of raw pulpwood from the public lands. The action is in perfect alignment with that adopted by our neighbours to the south in their latest tariff bill, which most distinctly lays it down that all manufactures must be rigidly protected, and that only raw goods shall be admitted free of duty. Naturally, since the shoc pinches a bit, there is a howl on the other side of the line. Paper has gone up to \$9.00 a ton, though there is no possible reason for such an increase, excepting in the U.S. duty imposed, which is probably made mainly to create a popular feeling against this country. There should be no mistake about the action taken at Washington. So long as there was an export duty of 25c upon pulpwood, the U.S. levied an import duty of 35c. The removal of that duty followed upon the refusal of permission to allow pulpwood from the Crown domain to leave the Province at all. As the matter stands, from both Ontario and Quebec, print paper from pulpwood cut upon Crown lands pays a tax of \$2.75 per tion, the regular duty plus the additional duty provided by the tariff bill, bringing the total duty on a ton of print paper from Canada to \$5.75. The importer pays the duty it is true, but it will be readily perceived that the object of this penalty tax is to prevent manufacture of paper for U.S. use in Canada. The act is hardly friendly, and it should be clearly understood, is directly aimed against the establishment of factories in this Province. That it will be effective, is very problematical, and with the British market open to our pulpmakers, with an almost unlimited deamend we do not need to worry very much over it. The unfortunate U.S. limit holders who are held in a cleft stick by their own legislators, are most deserving of sympathy. We shall be surprised if they do not adopt the obvious way out of the difficulty, and erect pulping mills here at any rate, even though the products are forbidden entry to their own country. There are profitable markets for them elsewhere, and the natural advantages of this Province with its numerous waterpowers, and exporting facilities will help to offset many disadvantages, fiscal and others.

THE MOURNING GOODS TRADE.

No doubt the closing of the London season by the swiden death of King Edward will have some effect upon the dry goods business. There were especial reasons for expecting the coming summer to be exceptionally gay, in London—the projected pageantry, a brilliant list of Court appointments, and the political activity, for instance. Retailers and warehousemen there, as well as in Canada and elsewhere, will find themselves encumbered with a good deal of material, which will not go off speedily. There is a natural and proper disposition to cancel all occasions of public display throughout the empire. The effect upon private life will not be small either. As was the case when Queen Victoria passed away, we may expect "quiet" shades of material, something like half—er, may we be

allowed the phrase, quarter—mourning in tone, to be generally prevalent.

Manufacturers have it in their favour that, by what will now be considered a fortunate coincidence, they have been for some time past turning out such goods as may with perfect propriety be used, even by the fastidious in these matters. Violet shades have had the run of the market this Spring, and the prevalence of quiet tones must have been remarked by every one. Before the sad intelligence of the King's brief sickness had been thought of, the "Textile Mercury," in its issue of April 30, noticed:—

"Amethyst easily, heads the list of this season's fashionable colours, with 'vieux rose' as a creditable second. Amethyst is almost the only colour the dressmaker or draper will consent to think about, either in plain or fancy dress-goods. The hosier exhibits garlands of amethyst tes and amethyst socks, and the very line stripes on men's tweeds are amethyst blue. The lead is very deeided, and by all accounts it is to be continued. There is to be a winter of green-blues and blue-greens, lewer perhaps in tone than the spring goods, but unquestionably deriving from them. They, and old rose, are like-W to be before all the rest. It is not often that we get so pronounced a run upon art-colours, and on so closely limited a few of them. The concentration relieves colourists of some responsibilities, but, unhappily, does not get rid of stocks that have been dyed to other than the favoured shades. Diers find the matching of these highly complex shades a trial to begin with; but popularity brings practice, and one compensition that is perhaps more cheering to dyers than to colour makers. These soft shades are economical of dye stuffs, and half the difficulty of obtaining them initially lies in avoiding the putting on of too much colour. . . . The summer amethysts have not yet had to face much sunlight, and may fade to passable hues when they have done so; but the possibility of a sunny summer is to be reckoned with, and a bad experence might have foreseen results upon publie taste for winter." Since that was written, however, has come the news which assure the manufactwers of a sale for their subdued shades for a twelvemonths' national mourning.

WINTER WHEAT.

The International Institute of Agriculture issues from its headquarters in Rome, Italy, a bulletin, dealing with winter wheat and cattle statistics. Unfortunately, the figures are deprived of more than half their value from being incomplete, some countries having failed to make returns. This is particularly disappointing, because the value of these statistics lies in their official character, and their information upon the state of things in the world at large. If the suspicion is to be allowed to go abroad that by withholding or delaying information, advantages can be obtained in the world for any one—as is, of course, not impossible—the attempt to collate figures had better be dropped at once, for if not to be universally relied upon, they are simply useless.

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Denmark:—Area sown in fall of 1909, 99,771 acres. Condition on April 1st compared with ten years' average, 97 per cent. Night frosts, especially in Jutland,

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Hungary:—8,315.502 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 103.3 per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition on April 1st, 110 per cent compared with ten years average. Damage caused by insects 5.6 per cent.

Luxemburg: 27,862 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 105 per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition on April 1st compared with ten years average, 90 per cent. The cold weather at the end of March has considerably damaged the crops and delayed their development.

Roumania.—4.765,682 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area 115.9 per cent of that sown in fall of 1908. Condition April 1st, compared with ten years average. 105 per cent. The growth of the crops is excellent.

Sweden:—223,300 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 107 per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition on April 1st. compared with ten years' average. 100 per cent. On account of an early spring, followed by hard night frosts, the crop, which was well developed, has, in some districts, begun to depreciate; this refers especially to the northern and western parts of the country.

Switzerland:—94.344 acres wheat, 58.539 acres spelt sown in fall of 1909. Condition April 1st, wheat 96 per cent, spelt 103 per cent, compared with ten years' average. Generally speaking, the crops have wintered well, though wheat has suffered slightly.

Canada:—749,707 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 113 per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition April 1st. 92 per cent, 100 denoting a standard crop. In Ontario, winter wheat is in excellent condition. Insign ficant damage in Alberta. Good rains in March.

United States:—33,469,908 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 107.9 per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition April 1st 92.9 per cent, compared with ten years' average. Low conditions of wheat in Central Western States, due largely to smothering from ice covering.

British India: 27,699,766 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 107-1 per cent of that sown in fall of 1908. Weather conditions, in general, favourable. Condition of wheat, good.

Japan: -1,106,580 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is the same as that harvested in 1909. Condition April 1st 98 per cent, compared with ten years' average.

Tunis:—988,000 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 103 per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition April 1st, 100 per cent, compared with ten years' average.

Germany:—Weather conditions have been extremely favourable during the winter months for the crops

which had already commenced to develop last autumn, and also for crops sown at the end of October and in November. The condition of wheat is in most cases satisfactory, and in several districts even very good.

The live stock statistics are valueless, because of their incomplete condition. Even the Canadian figures are useless, since those of the important Province of British Columbia are not included.

EXPENSIVE LIVING AND TEXTILES.

It must be considered an important matter that in the United States only two-thirds of the worsteds mich nery and 70 per cent of the wool carding apparatus are in operation. Many of the mills are able to meet their orders by working only four days a week. As a rule the other manufacturing interests in the States are doing much better than that. True the southern cotten mills have seriously, and by mutual agreement, curtailed their output. But it is commonly understood that speculation in the raw material is partly answerable for that, and at any rate the market was already oversticked. It was not so with the woollen mills, the price of the wool being influenced solely by the law of demand and supply.

In Great Britain, the mills are unable to cope with their orders. The margin of profits is somewhat minute, owing to low quotations for goods, and high-priced wool. But, as one of the Huddersfield proprietors sizely remarked the other day, "there is a living in it for the hands and a clear trifle for the rest of us, as well." The point is, that sales are heavy and speedy, and that all the mills are at work as hard as possible.

It is being freely charged that the high cost of living in the United States is responsible for this. men's wages, it is said, all go in food and rent. leaving nothing, or at any rate very little, for clothing. charge is popular just now, when the limelight is turned full on to the high price lists. Perhaps, also, it is popular because it furnishes something like an excase to some people. To the thousands, for instance, who whine about dear food, as they loll about the "bleacher'es." when not absorbed in the actual excitement of the national game of baseball. Or to those who every afternoon and evening-even in the morning of late _ pay to the enrichment of the numerous vaudeville and moving picture managers. A visit to these crowded resorts does not leave the impression that the high cost of living has taken away the purchasing power of the average community. It is certain that there is a good two hundred per cent more money spent in amusement now than there was ten years ago. This is a factor in the situation, which must not be left out of the accounting.

Although the duty upon woollens is excessive, amounting in some lines to 200 per cent, under the United States tariff, the imports of British worsteds is very large. There has always been a desire for English goods in New York even amongst the middle and lower classes. And although trade is undoubtedly duil just now, the British exporters are cheerful over their shipments to our neighbours. The great objection to the U.S. goods of substantial sorts is their costliness. Rates of wages are high, and methods of production

not so cheap as in England. The high cost of living may, probably does, come in here, preventing the U.S. workmen from existing on the rates paid across the Atlantic. At any rate, the fact remains, that a great deal of British or other foreign made woollens is used in the States, while their mills are standing idle.

The same thing is true in Canada, where the woollen industry has shrunken to very narrow limits. Our manufacturers can make fine goods. But they cannot compete with foreign prices, even under the protection system. How Great Britain contrives to maintain her supremacy in this respect, under free trade, is a problem which will well repay careful study.

THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA.

As will be seen in the Annual Report we reproduce upon another page, this young Bank is travelling rapidly towards financial success. That it has already made a place for itself is evident from the statement that the Net Profits for the year ending April 30, after making the usual deductions, and allowing rebates for bills under discount, amounted to \$92,832. This, considering that the Capital Stock is now set at \$926,467, having increased by about \$100,000 during the year, cannot but be considered satisfactory by shareholders. Last year the Net Profits were \$64,146, on a Capital of \$829,489.

The Stock is already selling at a premium of 24 per cent, and the sum of \$24,244 received from that source, with \$36,714 carried over from last year, when added to the Profits gave \$153,791 for distribution. There is a no doubt carefully considered intention to build up a Reserve Fund at once, and the whole of this prerium and another \$50,000 was laid aside for that purpose. The total of the sum held in Reserve now amounts to \$281.616. Dividends amounting to 6 per cent per annum have been paid. This has required the expenditure of \$44.101, and the amount remaining on hand to be carried into next year's accounts is \$35,-444. It looks to outsiders like careful conservative banking. We shall probably receive some further insight into the intentions of the Directors, from the statements to be made at the Annual Meeting to be held in Toronto on Tuesday next, the 17th inst.

The circulation has increased from \$682,656 last year to \$765,908. Deposits have also grown within the year from \$3,306.076 to \$5,083,667, and the whole business of the Bank is now at the substantial figure of \$7.258,480, as compared with \$5.151,940 at the same time last year. Of the whole Assets \$4,088,684 is out on discounts and current advances, the Quick Assets are set at nearly three millions. There is only \$155,039 represented in Bank Premises and Furnishing, and \$18,154 invested in real estate.

The Report appears to be candid and clear, and we refer our readers' attention to it, with the confidence that they will agree that no better proof could be given than is there afforded, that there certainly was a place in the Canadian banking world for 'The Sterling Bank.

"CUTTING IN."

Amongst the many drawbacks which lie in wait to hinder the progress of the fire underwriting brokers must certainly be classed "cutters in"-if we may coin an expression. They are generally good fellows, of the slap-hearty kind, who have contrived to wreck themselves in their more legitimate avocations, and take up soliciting for fire risks as a last resort. ually they have hosts of friends, and when in the fulness of their waists they murmer that the world owes them aliving, they mean to collect payment from these unfortunates. Perhaps their first strike is made upon a company, which out of pure goodness of heart, pity, or inability to say no. enrolls them amongst its agents. They never intend to follow the highly honourable business any further than necessity drives them; they are destitute of training or of any "esprit du corps." Most likely they are merely sub-agents, on a division of profit basis with some better qualified

Their method is well known to most business men. They solicit insurance in the name of friendship. They do not pretend to open new fields, but importune insurers to make over just a slice of their insurance to them. The specious plea is, "it will do you no harm, it will be a great thing for me." The agent who has first secured the risk receives no consideration, for a reminder of his claim is at once met with the airy, "It is purely a matter of business as far as he is concerned, you paid your money for what you thought good value, he got his commission." Often, too, a consideration is offered: "You give me a part of your insurance and I will divde the commission with you." And very often-much oftener than might be imagined-the "soi-disant" agent succeeds in carrying off the reduced paltry wages of his iniquity. This is distinctly contrary to the law, which in the new Insurance Act reads as follows :-

"No agent, broker or other person representing or doing business in Canada for any fire insurance compay licensed under this Act shall, in any way, directly or indirectly, divide, or offer to divide, his commission or other remuneration with, or give, or offer to give, any part of his commission or other remuneration, or any other matter or thing of value to any person whose property he may be insuring or seeking to insure, or to any person having or claiming or appearing to have any influence or control as to the placing of such insurance, as an inducement to insure with him or in or with a company employing him or represented by him.

Every person violating the provisions of the last preceding section shall, for the first offence, be liable to a penalty of double the amount of the premium on the application or policy in respect of which such violation took place, but in no case shall such penalty be less than one hundred dollars, and for a second or subsequent offence such person shall be liable to a penalty of double the amount of such premium, but in no case less than two hundred and fifty dollars.

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It would be a praiseworthy act to bring any solicitor who proffers such an offer, under the operation of clause 138 above quoted. There does not appear to be any way to reach the chap who cuts into another man's business, for his own selfish sake, and receives it for himself on the ground of friendship. Perhaps he is one of those evils we have to expect like mosquitos in fly-time. It may not be right to desire his death, but it would appear to be no harm to "shoo" him away from buzzing about where he has no great right to be. "But, monsieur, one must live," the thieves remarked when decovered in the French novelist's house. "I don't see the necessity," Victor Hugo, replied.

CO-OPERATION AMONG FRUIT GROWERS

Taught by the wonderful success which has followed the formation of the California Fruit Growers' Association, the farmers of South Western Ontario have found themselves into a similar organization. Its President, Mr. D. Johnson, recently addressed the members in the following practical and able manner:—

"California growers organized in a simple way, a few getting together and forming an association. This then became affiliated with a local exchange, which, in turn, is represented by a central organization called the California Fruit Exchange. One of these exchanges, which I visited, had a packing house 500 x 200 feet, paid out \$175,000 a year for wages, and its freight bill amounts to \$500,000; and there are many others like it. This splendid system of marketing has made the fruit business very profitable in California for those who take good care of their orchards, although there are many out there who are making very little out of their fruit because they go in a slipshod, haphazard way.

"Opportunities here in Eastern Canada are even greater than those out there. Imagine paying \$1,500 an acre for land under citrous fruit, and \$600 to \$800 an acre for the raw land. (anada can produce the best apples grown in the world, and we have no expense here for irrigation or fumigation, and we are near the markets of the world. There are splendid possibilities in growing and marketing good fruit. I read a statement the other day, for the truth of which I cannot vouch, that the apple crop of Oregon last year had averaged \$2.50 a box.

"One of our grea needs is co-operation, which has been a success where it has been entered into seriously, with proper realization of the obligations involved. The co-operators should stand together, and the stronger must expect to sacrifice a little sometimes in the interests of the weaker. One advantage of co-operation is that it enables the growers to be masters of their own reputation.

Some six years ago we found it difficult to sell our apples. We would consign them to the old country, but the rates were not always satisfactory. For another thing, we could not get apple barrels at a reasonable price. We organized a co-operative association known as the Forest Fruit-Growers' and Forwarding Association, and were able to get for 28c better barrels than others had to pay 45 cents for. That was a good start. Since then we have been working on, receiving 50 cents to \$1.00 more for our apples than we formerly We have established a grade and reputation for it. The production of the orchards has been greatly increased, and people are taking more interest in the production of good fruit, and raise two or three times as many apples as Wherever a live co-operative association has been formerly. started, interest in fruit-growing has been quickened.

"In the Niagara District, some years ago, fruit growers were dissatisfied with their returns. The St. Catharines Coll-storage and Forwarding Co., Limited, was organized, and last

year shipped from St. Catharines four hundred-odd cars of fruit, realizing fine prices.

"The latest development of the co-operative idea has been the organization of the co-operation associations into a central body, which has been the means of keeping the associations in touch with each other, and with the market conditions and price prospects throughout the Province.

"I believe we are now ready for another step, and that is that the central organization should take charge and sell the output of all the local organizations represented."

It is satisfactory to learn from our British advices that Canadian fruit reached the importers in better order last season than ever before. More care had been devoted to packing, and there was an improvement in grading, though there is still much to be desired in this respect.

THE COTTON FRAUDS.

The export trade has been thrown into confusion by the revelations concerning the transactions of the bankrupt firm of Knight Yancy and Co., cotton dealers, of Alabama, U.S. It appears that the firm has carried on a practice of filling up bills of lading for shipments, or intended shipments, of cotton, and instead of waiting till the cotton had actually been delivered to the carrier, and then getting the bill of lading, signed by the agent of the carrier, they have prematurely secured the agent's signature. This was followed by other irregularities, and when these became known shippers refused to deliver the cotton. It was under pressure from the banks and in order to make the best of the circumstances for all concerned, that the firm decided to file their petition in bankruptcy.

There were about 26 houses in Liverpool affected by the downfall, and about 45,000 bales were concerned in the dealings with Livenpool firms. Estimating these at \$75 per bale, the total amount involved in the transactions would be \$3,075,-000. It remains to be seen how much of this estimated sum has ben actually lost, and if so how much can be regained. According to a New Orleans cablegram, the Alabama firm were short, in Liverpool 30,000 bales, 6,000 in Havre, and 5,000 in Italy. Other messages gave the number of bales short as being 25,000 at Liverpool, 8,000 at Havre, and 6,000 at Genoa. A Reuter's cable brought the news that the captain of the steamer "Meltonian" had been served with an injunction restraining him from taking 4,200 bales of cotton consigned to Havre and shipped under bills of lading issued by Messrs. Knight, Yaney, and Co. Of course several firms in the U.S. are likewise affected by the irregular bills of lading. whole matter will be gone into privately, no doubt, and care will be taken to protect the interests of the firms affectel, during the long inquiry which will follow as a result of the discoveries already made.

The "Loverpool Echo" says that it is understood that the banks there will honour all the acceptances. This was anticipated from the first, although a suggestion was made that the bankers might assist the cotton merchants by refusing to acknowledge liabilities which were incurred under such It is not anticipated that the banks will in any event lose on the transactions. Several consignments of cotton have arrived at Liverpool during the last few days and the bills of lading not being in order, delivery has been refused, except on the holders of the bills giving the shipowners an indemnity against proceedings in case of wrong delivery. This indemnity has, of course, been given to allow the cotton to be warehoused. The custom is to have three copies of bills of lading, one of which is held by the shipper and another by the captain of the vessel upon which the material named in the bill is shipped. It is said that in a recent case the original bill of lading and the shipper's bill did not agree as to the date, and the inquiries which followed led to the fear which has since been entertained that there have been extensive irregularities.

BRITISH CHEMICALS.

A circular from S. W. Royse of Manchester says:-In the unsatisfactory condition of the cotton trade there is still only a moderate demand for chemicals for bleaching, dyeing, etc., and now there is some possibility of a wages difficulty in the cotton trade as a further depressing factor. From other branches of the home trade there is a fair demand, and export business is latterly better. The long expected general improvement does not, however, so far amount to a great deal, and is evidently only to come slowly. In the United States the Supreme Court has ordered a reargument of the Tobacco and Oil Trust cases, which means a delay of some months, possibly nearly a year, and frow in the meantime trade generally will be affected by this delay remains to be Sulphate of copper has steadily declined during last month with the metal, and exports during the first three months are 11.996 in this year against 18,234 tons in 1909 and 34.078 tons in 1908. Green copperas continues dull, but there is perhaps rather less pressure to sell. Nitrate of lead is unchanged: Acetates of lead have a steady enquiry, and brown acetate continues scarce; other lead compounds are steady. Grey acetate of lime is firm, the production being well sold here and in America: brown acetate of lime is steady, but quiet. In Miscible and solvent wood naphthas there is little business, consumers having bought well ahead. White powdered arsenic is sluggish, but maintains its value, being already very low. (arbonate of potash has at present rather an easier tone, supplies on spot being plentiful: caustic potash is steady: Montreal potashes are searce, and bringing high figures. Tartaric acid and cream of tartar are selling quietly, and are very firm at the advanced values. Yellow prussiates are dull, and the soda is a little easier in price. In tar products some good business has been arranged, and the general tone is satisfactory. Pitch continues very firm, and high prices are paid. Solvent naphtha also is moving well, consumers taking deliveries readily against their contracts, and values are well maintained. Benzoles have latterly some improved demand, and are a little dearer. Crude carbolic is selling better, and slightly advanced prices are now paid for present and forward delivery: crystals are however, still depressed: liquid is moving better for export. Creosote has only a moderate enquiry, and is barely steady. Sulphate of ammonia is steady with a moderate business doing. In. beavy alkalies there is a fair demand all round, and values are unchanged.

REAL "SHANTUNGS."

The London Chamber of Commerce has been considering the matter of misnaming silk goods under the designation of "Shantungs." The trade has become large in the class of goods thus designated, and it is well to note the official declaration of the Silk, Sub-section of the Chamber, which has iust been issued:- "That it having come to the knowledge of this Sub-Section that textile materials manufactured in England and other countries in Europe, from silk, silk and wool, and cotton, are being sold under the designation of "Shantung" or "Shantungs," with or without qualification, the members of the Sub-Section desire to place on record, that the only goods which can properly be described as "Shantung" or "Shantungs" are pongees woven in the Province of Shantung (or adjacent districts) in China, from wild silk (Tussore or Tussah), which goods have been known in all parts of the world as "Shantung Pongees" or "Shantungs" for many decules. That copies of this resolution be circulated to the trade and general press with a brief explanation of the requirements of the Merchandise Marks Act, so as to ensure that only goods which can properly be so described shall be offered or advertised for sale as "Shantung" or "Shantungs" or "Shantun." That copies be also circulated to the members of the Textile Trade Section of the London Chamber, and to the Chambers of Commerce of Manchester, Bradford, Huddersfield, Liverpool, and Glasgow, the Drapers' Chamber of Trade, and any other institutions of individuals interested."

STEEL PRODUCTION IN GERMANY.

Statistics compiled by the Vereindeutscher Eisen and Stohl Industrielles show that the production of steel in Germany and Luxemburg in the year 1909 was as follows, in metric

	Acid. Tons.	Basic. Tons.	Total. Tons.
Ingots:			
Bessemer	151,148	7,517,451	7,668,599
Open hearth	228,798	3,844,139	4,072,937
Castings	83,014	123,442	206,456
('rucible steel			84,069
Electric steel			17,773
Totals, 1909	462,960	11,485,032	12,049,834
1908	598,311	10,480,349	11,186,379
1907	685,161	11,378,471	12,063,632
1906	715,952	10,591,855	11,307,807
1905	655,495	9,411,058	10,066,553
1904	610,697	8,319,594	8,930,291
1903	613.399	8.188,116	8,801,515
1902	517,996	7,262,686	7,780,682
1901	465,040	5,929.182	6,394,222
1900	422,452	6/223.417	6,645,869

It is noteworthy that while Germany has been forward in the introduction of the electric steel furnace, the production of electric steel did not increase in 1909, but was slightly less than in 1908, the total for the latter year being 19,536 tons. It will be seen that th total of steel production in Germany in 1909 was about 14,000 tons less than in 1907, though there was an increase of more than 850,000 tons over 1908.

A STOP TO BUCKETTING.

A despatch from Washington says:—The complete suppression of the "bucketshop" business throughout the United States is sought by the Department of Justice. Prosecutions already started are to be continued with unremitting vigilance. "We have a plan to put all the bucketshops out of business, and that, too, without additional legislation by Congress," said an officer of the department recently.

Just what are the plans of the government to accomplish this end was not stated, but officers declared the statement was not thoughtlessly made. The cleaning-up work in the East already has been systematically begun, and several indictments have been returned. More are promised as a result of the investigations by the local grand jury the last few days. After the department is through with the East, operations will be begun at Chicago, and, working from that centre, it expects to conduct proceedings in such a manner as to break up any business radiating from that place.

That feature of the traffic which includes the sending out of alluring literature is one which probably will receive the serious attention of the prosecuting officers, in which case the postal laws will be invoked as an instrumentality in its suppression. The question arises, what will become of Thos. W. Lawson?

A GREAT SEWING MACHINE TRANSFER.

The Domestic Sewing Machine Company which, for forty years, has had its headquarters New York, has removed to Chicago, and the immense factory plant is to be taken from Newark, N.J., to Kankakee, Ill. A great factory building is being prepared in that city for the concern, which is the second of its size in the world, and Mr. Charles E. Foley, a nephew of the Editor-Proprietor of the "Journal of Commerce," has been appointed General Manager. The capital stock involved is over a million and a quarter dollars, and the output will have to meet an export demand of thirty thousand machines each year. The motive power is to be electrical throughout.

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Total gross earnings of all United States railroads reporting to date, for four weeks in April, aggregate \$26,570,127, an increase of 11.2 per cent, as compared with the earnings of the same roads in the corresponding period last year. This exhibit is very satisfactory, inasmuch as it reflects the continued activity in general business. Practically all of the leading systems contribute to the excellent showing, especially those in the South, West and Southwest, and preliminary reports from roads that do not make weekly statements point to equally good results in the territory they serve. In the South. Chesapeake and Ohio, Louisville and Nashville, Southern, Mobile and Ohio and Cincinnati, New Orleans and Texas Pacific, are among the roads reporting increases, and in the West, Northwest and Southwest, Wabash, Missouri Pacific. "Soo," St. Louis and Southwestern, Denver and Rio Grande, Texas and Pacific and Colorado and Southern. In the following table are given the earnings of all United States railroads reporting for four weeks in April and the increases as compared with the earnings of the same roads for the corresponding period a year ago; also of the same weeks in the two preceding months, together with the percentages of gains over last year:

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April, 4 weeks	\$26,570,137	Gain	\$2,666.772	11.2		
March, 4 weeks			3,652,295			
February, 4 weeks	$27{,}053{,}509$	Gain	2,973,913	12.3		

PIG IRON PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

According to the annual statistics published by the British Iron Trade Association the output of pig-iron in the United Kingdom during the year 1909 amounted to 9,664,287 tons, as compared with 9,289,840 tons produced during the year 1908, and 9,923,856 tons in the year 1907. The following table shows the production for each half-year from 1906, which we are beholden to the "Economist":—

	1906.	1907.	1908.	1909.
Half-year ended-	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
June 30	4,905,424	5,194,712	4.635,851	4,715,679
Dec. 31	5,243,964	4.729,144	4,653,989	4,948,608
Total for whole year	10,149,388	9,923,856	9.289.840	9,664,287

In the latter half of 1906 the production touched record, but a decline was in evidence until the latter half of 1908, from which period a steady advance has taken place, the output in the latter half of 1909 being almost up to the 1906-7 half-years. Turning to the production of the leading coal-producing areas the majority have increased their output as compared with the previous years, the principal increases being recorded in Durham, Lancashire, Scotland, West Cumberland, and South Staffordshire. Only five districts record a lower output, the two largest decreases being in the South Wales and Lincolnshire districts.

PRICES OF SILVER.

It is not expected that the decision of the U.S. Government to buy no more silver at present will have any effect upon the market. Nor is the demand of the Canadian mint likely to be large enough to affect matters.

Prices for bar silver have now advanced for over a month without any considerable break. It now sells at 24 I3-16d. From March 29th down to the present no daily quotation has been below 24 pence an ounce fine, and the best of the period was 24 15-16 pence. For the next higher price one has to go back as far as July 28, 1908, when 25 pence was quoted. European mail advices state that China is practically sold out in the London market, while the demand is as keen as

ever in India. Very little has been shipped so far, however. The result is that short covering has had considerable shara in putting up prices. India's effective demand still presents the most healthful feature of the trade. Prices are now 17 per cent higher in India than they were at the beginning of the present rice, in the face of sales estimated at \$15,000,000. This demonstrates India's vast absorbing power as a silver market.

WHEAT SHIPMENTS.

Foreign shipments of wheat and flour form Canada and the United States during the past week reached a total of 1.854,000 bushels as compared with 2,059,000 bushels the week before. There was an increase of 401,000 bushels over a year ago, however. Corn exports were unusually light, falling to 205,000 bushels, the smallest total of any week since last November.

The Exports of wheat and flour from North America during the past week compare with previous years as follows:—

	1910-9. 1909-8. 1908-7.
May 5	. 1.854,070 1,452,969 1.956,883
	. 2,059,239 896,312 1,620,589
	. 1,289.272 1,589,778 2,417.003
April 14	. 1.836,266 1,475,506 2,470.177
April 7	. 1,777,086 1,062.244 2,451.099
March 31	. 1,744,279 1,413,593 2,911,364
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Wheat exports in this week in 1907 were 2,994,419 bushels; in 1906, 2,142.062 bushels, and in 1905, 899,355 bushels. Exports since July 1 were 124,085,507, as against 51.987,264 for the same period last year.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

The experienced vice-president of one of the largest and most prosperous wholesale dry goods houses in Montreal, who has just returned from a trip of some weeks along the western divide of that part of North America between the Missouri and the Pacific Coast, does not hesitate to claim that Canada possesses the most valuable portion of the Continent. Instead of the fertile illimitable area of wheat-growing prairies, much of the portion to the south of the international boundary produces little beyond sage grass. The vice-president of one of our large banks is also answerable for the statement that the hay produced throughout Canada will rival in value the vaunted cotton yield of the Southern States. It is no wonder that our neighbours are steadily seeking new accuses in the North-West.

CRUDE RUBBER.

Sales of Ceylon grades of crude rubber at the London Auction room this week, resulted in some encouraging to the trade. Prices are showing some elasticity, the demand being, as usual, normal, for manufacturing purposes only. The speculative element, which reports from the Amazon were expected to excite, gave no signs, and though prices of up-river fire were increased, it is not certain that sales were made at the advance. The actual basis would appear to be about between \$1.67 for coarse to \$2.48 fine, for the up-river grades, Fine islands -tanking at about \$2.40, Caucho, ball, \$1.60, though some advances upon these prices have been reported.

-The Canadian Bank of Commerce will erect a new threestorey bank building in New Westminster this summer.

INSURANCE NOTES.

—The Ohio Legislature has just passed a law prohibiting rebates by fire companies and agents under a penalty of from \$100 to \$500 for each offence.

-London, Lloyds, underwriters have insured the promoter of the Jeffries and Johnson prize fight against the postponement of fray through death or accident. They have taken \$30,000 risks upon each of the fighters.

—It is not exactly straight to talk about the millions of pounds' insurance upon the King's life, when what were really insured were either business prospects, or other undertakings, whose success was contingent upon the King's health and life.

—The Quebec Life Underwriters, at their general annual meeting, elected the following officers for 1910-11:—President, J. T. Lachance, first vice-president, J. F. Belleau; second vice-president, M. Monaghan; secretary-treasurer, J. T. Chenard; members of Council—Messrs. Frank Glass, J. B. Morissette, L. A. Trudel, O. N. Gagnon and J. G. Bruneau.

Talk about new life Insurance companies in this city and Toronto, which has been in general circulation this week, must not be construed too literally. There is no very great amount of money available for such undertakings, though there are many ways of substracting the something from what looks like nothing to the uninitiated. It is wise to wait until official notice of incorporation has been posted, before pledging faith.

A new association of underwriters at Lloyd's London, has been formed under the name of the "Lloyd's Fire and Non-Marine Underwriters' Association." It is understeed that it will work upon somewhat similar lines to those of the "Lloyd's Underwriters' Association" in the marine branch of the business, promulgating information among its mem'ers and considering the matter of current rates. Many of the prominent fire underwriters at Lloyd's have already joined the association.

—The Prudential Weekly Record seasonably remarks:—"The insurance business gives a man more freedom than other occupations, but it rests with each one whether this freedom is to be an aid or an hindrance to him. To the right man it means money, for he will strive the harder when his activity is uninfluenced by routine, but the man who accepts this freedom as "vacation" is already handjeapped. The insurance business is not for him. One thing is to be remembered, viz., that the insurance agent must figure upon utilizing some of his evening in the business. This is essential, for many of the people with whom he must deal are only accessible after the evening meal."

—The hotels and shopkeepers of London, taught by past experiences, discounted the probable loss to them through the death of the late King by effecting insurance against it with Lloyds and other underwriters. There was a regular rush for insurance last Friday, when the news of King Edward's serious condition appeared. Rates are said to have been run up to 65c, at which figure a large amount of protection was obtained. It is remarkable, and shows the unexpectedness of the death, that no report has been made of a premium rate approaching near to that of 80c, which was paid during a previous illness of the King. The cancellations of London hotel room orders by U.S. travellers are already large enough to make a deep hole in the prospective profits of the coming season.

—The settlement of litigation in which the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York has been involved for some years, it is understood, requires the payment of \$4,025,000 by the Equitable Life, to the Mercantile Trust Company, the Mercantile Safe Deposit Company, and the Security Safe Deposit Co.; in return, the Equitable will receive total benefits of \$5,043,000, making a net gain to the Society of \$1,018,000. It is stated that the arcangement provides for the payment by the Equitable to the Mercantile Trust Co. of \$2,750,000 in settlement of the so-called "Turner" loans, which it is said is \$650,000 less than at first claimed. In return it will receive bonds and securities representing lands in Colorado and Kentucky supposed to be worth at least the sum to be paid over. For the release to it of the Mercantile Safe Deposit Company's lease on the Equitable

Building, at 120 Broadway, New York, the Equitable is to pay \$1,050,000. The real estate department of the Equitable estimates that such release will increase the value of its building by \$2,000,000. The Equitable will likewise pay \$225,000 to the Security Safe Deposit Co. of Boston for the release of the latter's lease on the Boston building of the Equitable. This release is estimated to be worth to the Equitable \$430,000. Both leases had one hundred years to run. The settlement was effected by a special committee of the policyholders' directors.

FIRE RECORD.

The residence of Jas. Cavanagh, Charleston, Ont., was burned May 5. Loss \$1,500 with \$400 insurance.

The Barlow cheese factory, Brockville was destroyed by fire Friday last. Loss \$2,000, with small insurance.

The residence of W. H. Tapley, Outremont, was burned Sazurday. Loss \$23,000.

Fire Sunday destroyed the stable of the Prince Albert Turf Club, Prince Albert.

The dwelling of Wm. Noc, Ingersoll, was destroyed by fire Friday last. No insurance.

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Monaghan Township. Loss covered by insurance. Fire May 5, destroyed the Dominion Block, Strathroy. T. Statham and Son, machinists, who had an extensive plant in

Statham and Son, machinists, who had an extensive plant in the building, suffered the heaviest loss, which is pretty well covered by insurance. The building was owned by a loun company in London, and will not likely be re-built by them.

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R. Balcomb's lumber and planing mills, Vienna, Ont., were gutted by fire May 4. Loss partly insured.

The frame house occupied by A. Carr, Belleville ,was burned Saturday. 1.oss \$1,000, insured.

The Victoria Hall Hotel and residence of W. Higgins, Meccalfe, were gutted by fire Saturday. Higgins was insured for \$1,000, but, as far as known, there was no insurance on the hotel. C. T. Bradshaw was the lessee of the hotel.

The Tretheway blacksmith shop, Cobalt, was burned May 4. Two business blocks at Norwood, were destroyed by fire Friday last. The losses and chief sufferers are as follows:--Reynolds estate, thirteen thousand partly covered by insurance; S. W. Waters, general store, \$8,000; insurance \$6.000; J. L. Squire, grocery store, \$7,000, partly insured; Hatten and Wood, of Peterboro, loss \$4,000; King Hotel, property loss \$4,000, partly insured; contents loss \$3,000, insurance \$2,000, J. B. Pearse, interest in hotel, loss \$1,500, and damage to block loss \$500, partly insured; B. W. Leberett, grocery, \$5,-900, insurance \$3,000; W. H. Girven. jeweller, loss \$3,500. insurance \$1,250. Thomas Waller, harness maker, \$3,000, insurance \$2.000; K. G. Thompson, druggist, loss \$3,500, insurance \$2,500; Mrs. E. Elliott, residence, \$2,000, no insurance; J. E. Thompson, grocer, loss \$1.200, insurance \$900; Dr. S. P. Ford, surgical instruments and drugs, estimated loss \$800, partly covered by insurance; Misses Farrell, dressmaker, \$1,-900, some insurance; Dr. A. M. Weldon, dentist, \$800, insurance \$500; W. C. Harrison, damage to electric wires and fixtures, \$500; John Hendren, piano dealer, \$200. no insurance; W. A. Richardson, insurance office, all contents saved; Fred. Anderson, barber, \$150, some insurance; John Wier, livcryman, \$400; Workman and Forester, \$500, insurance \$300, Chosen Friends, \$200.

The Balan and Northern hotel, at Prince Rupert, B.C., owned by J. Latrace and J. Hartley, were destroyed by fire Friday last, entailing a loss of \$10,000.

Four dwellings at Earlscourt, Ont., were gutted by fire Saturday. They were occupied by J. Binder; J. Barbercoff; Thos. Hughes, and Geo. Hughes.

Fire Monday burned M. E. Schooley's bakery. Welland. Loss \$4,000, with \$1.500 insurance.

The sash and door factory of V. Reed, at North Hatley, was burned Wednesday. About 75,000 feet of lumber was destroyed. Loss \$10,000.

In a fire which took place at Fitzpatrick's livery, London, Tuesday, three horses were burned. Loss \$1,500.

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n- . iA despatch from Boston states that Perkins, Hardy and Co., shoe manufacturers, of that city, and Derry, N.B., assigned to D. M. Friedman and Robert C. King. The liabilities are \$600,000 and the normal assets \$500,000. The creditors reside mainly in New York and Boston. The firm employs 3,000 hands.

The assignment of the affairs of the Minerva Manufacturing Co., Toronto, to Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson is announced. The company has been manufacturing ladies' wear, and conducted a large business, and the failure, which was unexpected, is said to be due to the continued illness of the manager of the company, Mr. A. G. Peacey. The preliminary valuation of the company's assets places them at \$80,000, and it is expected that a surplus may be shown. The largest creditors are in Toronto. It is proposed to sell the business as a going concern. Whitewear manufacturers have been complaining of the scarcity of operative and the high price of material, but it is generally considered that the business, which is largely centred in Toronto, is profitable.

Late assignments in Ontario:—H. A. Clemens Co., Ltd., planing mill, Guelph; E. W. Hammett, trader, Kelso; Miller and Wagoner, grocers, Osnabruck Centre; B. H. Scott and Co., grocers, Toronto; England Bros., traders Woodville. W. B. Moyer, grocer, Hamilton; J. Morissette, hotel. Ottawa; Vergne Johnston, gent's furnishings, Toronto; G. N. Arnold, photos, Kingsville; W. H. Millar, baker, Ottawa, and Thos. Dufour, trader, Sandwick West.

F. Ehrhardt, baker, Walkerville, Ont.; is absent, and his creditors are in possession.

H. R. Wood. Ltd., office appliances, Toronto, is asking an extension, and Henry Curling, restaurant, Ottawa, has obtained an extension.

In this province, recent failures are:—Arsene Belanger, baker, city; Alex. Prieur, wall paper, city; Gustave Mereure, tailor, Quebec: Ed. Morrison, lumber, Lachute; Jos. Courtmarche, store, Ferme Neuve, and Nap. Jean, store, St. Moise.

Leandre Gervais, furniture, city, and P. P. Auger, of Le Vitoscope (moving pictures), city, are reported absent.

A petition for a winding-up order has issued against the Canada Loose Leaf Co., Ltd., city.

Harry Freed, mfr. paper boxes, city, is offering to compromise.

A Cushing and Co., lumber, St. John, N.B., have suspended. B. G. Herman, grocer. Lunenburg, N.S., has assigned. The sheriff is in charge of the assets of J. B. Rice and Co., Bear River, N.S.

The failure of Raymond Freres, grocers and liquors, St. Hyacinthe, is chiefly due to lack of capital, which has been crippling them for some time. They are said to owe \$75,000.

A winding-up order has been granted against the Cie O. Poirier, Ltee., city, importers in leathers and shoes, on demand of Ovide Bouillard, of Drummondville.

A petition for winding-up order has been granted by Mr. Justice Davidson against the Temiskaming Mining Supply Co., Ltd., in liquidation, on voluntary demand.

Commercial failures in the United States number 220 against 220 last week, 224 the preceding week and 243 the correspond-

IMPORTANT OPENING.

LIFE MANAGER WANTED

THE CANADA LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY requires a City Manager for Hamilton. To a man under middle age, with a record as a personal producer, a splendid opening is available, and to such a one a liberal contract will be given.

Apply in confidence, stating age and experience,

THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF AGENCIES,

Canada Life Building, Toronto.

ing week last year. Failures in Canada are 18, against 15 the preceding week, and 25 the corresponding week last year.

Insolvencies in Canada during the month of April, as reported by R. G. Dun and Co., numbered 88, with defaulted indebtedness amounting to \$3.698.366, which compares with 102 failures involving \$646,193 in the month last year and 116 for \$1,191,981 in 1908. Numerically, this exhibit is a decided improvement as compared with either year, but as regards amount is far in excess of any recent comparison. This abnormal increase, however, analysis of the figures will show, is not nearly so unfavourable as would appear, for examination of the returns discloses the fact that of the \$3.698,366 involved seven unusually large suspensions account for \$3,039,828. Eliminating these seven failures therefore the totals become extremely favourable as compared with the earlier months. The manufacturing division provides the most unfavourable showing with 29 defaults for \$2,579,959 against 24 for \$117,311 in April, last year, and 28 for \$569,179 in 1908; but upwards of \$2,275,000 of this large total is accounted for by three large suspensions-one a Portland cement corporation and two manufacturing confectioners. In the trading division defaults were only 56 in number against 75 last year and 86 in 1908, but the aggregate indebtedness is \$1,062,407, which compares with \$519,132 and \$593,602, respectively, in same month of the two previous years. In this class there were four large failures for more than \$759,000, and deducting these from the total the commercial mortality assumes a decidedly encouraging aspect. There were also three "Other Commercial" failures, with liabilities of \$56,000 against three last year for \$9,750 and two in 1908 for \$29,200

AUCTION SALES.

Suckling & Company

We have been instructed by G. T. CLARKSON, Assignee,

to offer for sale by Public Auction en bloc, for a "lump sum"
—as a going concern—at our warerooms, 68 Wellington Street
West, Toronto, on

THURSDAY, MAY 19th,

at 2 o'clock p.m., the estate of the

MINERVA MANUFACTURING CO.,

Manufacturers of Ladies' Whitewear, Waists, Skirts, etc., Cor. Bathurst and College Streets, Toronto,

Consisting of:-

Machines, Electric Motors, Factory, Warehouse and Office Furniture and Fittings, approximately	12 000 00
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"Materials"—Cottons, Lawns, Muslins, Laces,	
Embroideries, Linings, Trimmings, Voiles,	
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ly	40,000.00
Manufactured Goods - Ladies' Whitewear,	20,000.00
Skirts, etc., approximately	5,000.00
Trade Marks, Copyrights, Patterns, Filling of	-, -00.07
Order Taken, approximately	15,000,00

TERMS:—One-fourth cash; 10 per cent at time of sale; balance at three, six and nine months, bearing interest at 7 per cent per annum and satisfactorily secured.

The Minerva is one of the best equipped Whitewear Factories in Canada, and is up-to-date in every department, and is a grand opportunity to take over the manufacturing business favourably known all over the Dominion.

Stock and plant may be inspected on the premises on Bathurst Street, and further information from the Auctioneer, or the Assignee, cor. Scott and Wellington Streets, Toronto.

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THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA.	ASSETS.	
To the Shareholders:	Specie	1
The Directors beg to present the following statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 30th, April, 1910:—	Notes	0
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th April,	culation	0
1909	Balances due from other Banks	0
Profits for the year ending 30th April, 1910, after deducting charges of management, etc.,	in Canada	0 .
and making provision for bad and doubtful debts, and for rebate on bills under discount. 92,832.04	the United Kingdom 87,148.8	7
Making a total of	\$1,096.297.48 Railway and other Bonds, Deben-	3
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Dividend 11/4 per cent, paid 14th August, 1909 \$ 10,519.66	and Bonds in Canada 998,976.69	2 - \$2,932,141.2 5
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\$ 44,101.98 Transferred to Reserve Fund	mises	
from Profits	foregoing heads	\$4,326,339.42
Premium on Capital Stock 24,244.57		\$7,258,480.67
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RESERVE FUND.		

Dividend No. 13 payable 16th May

G. T. SOMERS, President.

Balance at credit of account, 30th April, 1909 \$ 207,372.30

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, Toronto, on Tuesday, the 17th May next, at 11 o'clock a.m.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in Circulation	\$ 765,908.00
Deposits not bearing interest \$ 727,864.61	+ 100,000.00
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ing interest accrued to date) 4,355,803.23	
	5,083,667.84
Due to other Banks in Canada	116,692.63
Due to Agents in the United Kingdom	36,035.30
Total Liabilities to the Public	
Capital Stock Paid-up	926,467.48
Reserve Fund	281,616.87
Balance of Profits' carried forward	35 444 73

-Sir Thomas Shaughnessy has added to his other duties the chairmanship of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Pacific Railway in succession to Sir William Van Horne, who resigned. A. R. Creelman, K.C., solicitor of the company, has been elected to the vacancy on the Directorate caused by the death of Sir George Drummond.

-The earthquake at Cost Rica was a terrible calamity, the fatalities running into the thousands, and the damages into amounts which, to that country, must appear to be simply appalling. The terrors of the situation are accentuated by the continuance of the earth tremors.

-As may be seen by the Advt. on another page, an exceptionally good opening is offered to a capable life assurance man to take charge of the Hamilton Agency of the Canada Life Assurance Company.

-Friday 20th, the day set for the burial of the late King Edward VII has been proclaimed a public holiday for the Dominion.

-A gas well with an estimate flow of five million feet daily has been sunk in Albert County near Moncton, N.B.

- The Imperial Oil Co. will erect an oil tank at Fort William, Ont., of a capacity of 1,000,000 gallons.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Thursday Afternoon, May 12, 1910.

The unwarranted flutter which followed the announcement of the death of the King, passed away after the two days' calm afforded by the judicious as well as patriotic closing of the Exchanges on Saturday, and the Sunday rest. "Not Amurath, an Amurath succeeds," on the Imperial throne, and a little thought showed that the British markets could hardly have been in a better position to meet the shock, and there was really nothing in the situation to warrant the upsetting of local stock prices.

As we have more than once stated, the C.P.R. earnings warrant a good advance in the stock which, led by a New York demand, is now running up towards the hundred point Transactions have been fairly heavy, and in at least some instances there has been an eye to profit taking higher up. The merged Dominion Stocks will be covered by the new holding stock now being issued, and though inducements offered are low, the success of the scheme was assured long ago by Mr. Ross's action. It is suggested that the merger should be known as the Canadian Steel Corporation. Men are imitative creatures at best. The Power and Street Railway Companies all took a dip at the week's end, from which they had a slow return. No doubt there was some quiet unloading for profit taking, at the higher figures, and some little manipulating for decoy purposes about the lowest. Detroit has had a little run of activity with mereasing prices, on good reports from the management. The fact that all the milling stocks held firm-throughout the fluctuations wheat prices shows where the stock is held, and the confidence reposed in directors.

The Banks have not been largely in evidence, though stocks are on the rise in most instances, the Royal, Montreal and Merchants being especially strong.

C.P.R. return of traffic earnings from May 1 to 7, 1910, \$1,855,000; 1909, \$1,329.000; increase, \$1,329.000.—G. T. R. traffic earnings from May 1 to 7, 1910, \$822,937; 1909, \$714,028; increase \$108,909.

It is announced that the Royal Bank is taking, steps to have its stock listed on the London Exchange.

The Federal Banking Co., of Mexico City, which closed its doors this week, was hard hit by a run upon it, at the time when the United States Banking Co. went under. It was only a small affair, and according to its statement filed in Court still has a balance of \$60,580 in gold over its liabilities.

It is reported that J. P. Morgan is at work upon Chinese finances, and is trying to work up an investment of a hundred millions in U.S. securities. The scheme is large enough to be true, but those Chinese financiers are pretty wily, too.

If the Supreme Court maintains its constitutionality, the new U.S. Corporations tax is expected to bring in no less than \$26,000,000 to the federal treasury.

During April, Municipal Bonds aggregating \$19.272,843 were sold in the U.S.

The Provincial and Municipal bonds issued in Canada last month amounted to \$11,718,873.

Paris has listed on the Bourse, the \$125,000.000 National Railways of Mexico second preferred stock.

May interest and dividend disbursements in the States are estimated at \$87,327.094, against \$138,502,189 on April and \$79,391,032 in May a year ago.

Two New York Stock Exchange memberships were sold last week for \$75.000 each. The last previous transaction was in April, when two memberships sold for \$78.000 each.

It is estimated that the late rise in wages to railway men in the States will entil expenditure of over \$150,000. Passenger rates on Eastern lines and frieghts out West have been advanced to meet this increased cost.

Money is decidedly cheaper in Germany than in London, and the German exchange upon London is very nearly at the gold point. If, therefore, the discount rate does not fall away in London, the probability is that gold will be sent from Berlin.

In Paris, preparations are being made for a great Japanese

loan amounting to 18 millions sterling, bearing 4 per cent interest, and as all the great bankers are interested there is very little else doing in the market. Paris is so largely interested in copper shares that the depression in copper checks business on the Paris Bourse.

The details of last week's movements into and out of the Bank of England were as follows:—Imports £4,658,000 (of which £27,000 from Australia and £4,631,000 bought in the open market, including £4,009,000 United States gold coin); exports £543,000 (of which £190,000 to South America, £350,000 to the Continent and £3,000 earmarked Straits Settlements) and shipments of £1.372,000 net to the interior of Great Britain.

The best opinion in London is that the Brazilian demand for gold is now satisfied and, consequently, that there is to consider only the possible demands of Russia and India. Russia has been exceedingly moderate in her demands all this year, and, according to all reasonable probability, will continue so. India has got a very great deal of gold from Egypt and Australia, and probably will not need to take much from the Bank of England.

The first definite information respecting the floatation of U.S. bonds abroad came in a dispatch from Paris, as follows:

—Morgan, Harjes and Company have placed Lake Shore Railroad notes to the amount of \$10,000,000 here, and confirmed the statement that they are about to place \$10,000,000 of "Big Four" bonds. It is also understood that the house is arranging for the sale of \$20,000,000 of the bonds of the West Shore Railroad. Efforts to place issues by other interests are actively in progress. Included in these latter is another block of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad's 5 per cent bonds.

The Rand gold output in April was 619,045 fine ounces.

The Royal Securities Corporation, Limited, have purchased an issue of \$7,500 5 per cent 30-year debentures of the town of Doryal, Oue.

The Bank of Montreal has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2½ per cent payable June 1, to shareholders of record. May 16. The directors of the Windsor Hotel Co. have declared a dividend of 5 per cent for the current half-year, ending April 30, payable May 16 to shareholders of record May 11, 1910.

At Toronto, bank quotations: Molsons 2075%; Imperial 226; Traders 145%.

In New York: Money on call 3½ to 4 per cent. Time loans 60 days 3¾ to 4 per cent 90 days 4 per cent; 6 months 4 to 4½ per cent. Prime merantile paper 4½ to 5 per cent. Sterling exchange 4.83.35 to 4.83.50 for 60 day bills and at 4.86.50 for demand. U.S. Steel, com, 82¾; pfd. 118½. In London: Spanish 4's 95¼. Bar silver 24 15-16d per ounce. Money 2 to 2½ per cent. Discount rates: Short bills and 3 months' bills 3 3-16 to 3½ per cent. Gold premiums: Mad-



Walter R Wonham & Sons,

MONTREAL.

Agents for Canada.

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The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending May 12, 1910, as compiled by Messrs. C. Meredith and Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:-

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Eastern Townships	õ	162	162		
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Molsons	47	208	$207 \frac{1}{2}$	208	250
Montreal	228	253	250 -	253	
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Do. Prof	61	89	88	88-3/4	1.51
Bell Telep. Co	34	146	145	145	147 1/2
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Do. Pref	7	$64\frac{1}{2}$	64	$64\frac{1}{2}$	
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Do. Pref	497	86	84	851/2	
Can. Convert	125	$44 \frac{1}{2}$	44	$44\frac{1}{2}$	43
Can. Rubber	25	96	96	96	77
Can. Pacific	1228	190	182	$189-\frac{1}{4}$	$181\frac{1}{2}$
New Pacific	151 - 1.5	185	1821/4	185	**
Dom. Cal. com	15	$66.3/_{1}$	$64\%_1$	663/4	67 1/2
Dom. Coal, pfd	5	106	106	106	$109\frac{1}{2}$
Dom. Park	46	4.5	45	4.5	
Dom. Iron & Steel, com.	7.507	67 1/4	$63\frac{1}{54}$	67	34
Do. Pref	778	105	1021/2	105	1161/2
Textile	120	73	72	72	68
Do. Pref	15	101	1001/2	1001/2	106
Halifax Elec. Ry	27	124	123	123	
take of Woods	170	135	134	, 135	111
Lake of Woods, pfd	60	126	125	125	$122\frac{1}{4}$
Mont. Light, H. & Power	1806	134	1301/1	133	$119\frac{1}{4}$
Mont. Teleg. Co	101	149	148	148	154
Mont. St. Ry	3889	2433/4	238	$2423/_{4}$	210
N.W. Land	125	100	100	100	
Ottawa L. & P	50	110	110	110	
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, Thursday, May 12th, 1910.

There were few changes in trade conditions during the week. A gloom was cast over the city by the death of the King, which was accentuated by wet, cold disagreeable weather. In the West most of the seeding is said to be completed. Advices from the prairie provinces speak of cold dry weather, with moisture badly needed but in this district there has been an excess of rain this Spring. The scarcity and dearness of live stock continues a feature, owing to the operations of American layers in Canada. In the United States, further curtailment in pig iron production is shown, but the United States Steel Corporation, after raising dividends and wages has established a great pension fund, thus displaying its confidence in the feature. The dry goods trade, while still under the influence of the cotton situation, reveals conservative strength. The foreign trade statistics continue unfavourable and are arousing U.S. bankers and merchants to the consideration of ways and means of increasing agricultural and manufacturing exports; during the latest week at New York the imports were \$19,752,195 or \$8,304,177 in excess of the exports and \$2,101,875 in excess of the imports last year and \$7,057,365 in excess of 1908.

BUTTER.-Market weak here and in the country. Choicest creamery 251/2c to 26c, with lower prices expected.

OHEESE. -- Quiet with fodder cheese at 11c to 111/2c. Exports for the opening week of the season 16,791 boxes, against 17,045 last year.

DRY GCODS.—The weather has been wet and cold and somewhat against business in this line. The sorting trade has been quieter, but is generally up to expectations. Cotton speculation for future delivery has been moderately active at some advance. This was due to covering of shorts coincident with reports that rains were needed in Texas and a number of other States, and also that a good deal of cocton will be shipped out of the New York stock both to the South and to Europe. Considerable ocean freight engagements are said to have been made for Liverpool. Bremen and

"Full of Quality"

NOBLEMEN

→ CIGARS ⊱

Clear Havana.

Cuban Made.

Retailed at 2 for 25c.

Superior to imported costing double the price.

S Davis & Sons, Limited, Montreal, Que.

-Montreal bank clearings for week ending May 12, 1910, \$42,145,255; 1909, \$31,893,818; 1908, \$27,167,471.

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FISH A good dema and the sea and higher, heads, are dock, fancy, 7c; halibut, 50c each; de per lb.; per pike 7c per 4c per lb.; 1b.; Gaspe 9c; haddock 100. Ovst oysters \$1.5

FLOUR .market.

Prairie Cotton Co.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO 1-16 TO 1-8 HEAVY BODIED BLACK LAND COTTON.

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Dunkirk, France. Some reports, too are, to the effect that the crop outlook is not altogether favourable in States where it is said that some re-planting was necessary, owing to the recent frosts. As usual, the damage has seemingly been much exaggerated, but there is an idea that copious rains are desirable not only in Texas, but over most of the rest of the Belt, partly because moisture is needed to bring up the replanted cotton. Also there are reports to the effect that the cotton goods trade has latterly improved both in England and on the Continent, notably in Germany.

-In the U.S. domestic goods market retailers continue to buy conservatively of staples, but have shown some interest in re-stocking with novelty summer merchandise. Fall River has been selling contracts on wide cloths to run through June, July and August. Last week the trading at that center ran into 145,000 pieces, of which 105,000 were for future delivery. Drills and sheetings are generally slow, except on special constructions required by converters. Bleached cottons quiet, with prices easy, but printed goods have been in little better inquiry. Ginghams hold firm and the best staples are sold ahead. Fine and fancy cottons are being bought very moderately at first hands, but job lots are hard to find. The firmness of cotton militates against mill profits and is a factor in holding buyers back until the first government crop report comes to hand in June. Curtailment in mill centers is steadily increasing. The best export trade reported was a sale of denims for shipment to Australia and some further business with Manila. Reports from the Far East state that distribution there is satisfactory, but there is little or no reordering being done from this side. Miscellaneous export business is steady, but of moderate volume. Underwear and hosiery have been quiet with first hands.

—Trade in men's wear has been generally quiet during the week. In one line of well-known woolens for fall an advance of 5c per yard was anonunced in the U.S., largely because of its well sold condition and recognized quality. Other well made woollens rule firm, but the market on worsteds continues unsatisfactory.

EGGS.—A good business at steady prices. Selected 23c to 24c and ordinary at 19c to 20c.

FEED.—Good demand, and prices again easier. Ont. bran, \$19.50 to \$20; middling \$22 to \$23. Manitoba bran \$18.50 to \$19.00; shorts \$21 to \$22; pure grain mouillie \$32 to \$33; mixed grades \$25 to \$28.

FISH AND OYSTERS.—Haddock has continued in good demand. New lake trout are coming in, and the season for brook trout has started. Shad are scarce and higher, but all river fish, including pike, perch and bullheads, are coming in freely and prices are low. Fresh: Haddock, fancy, shore, 5 to 6c per lb.; steak cod, heads off, 5 to 7c; halibut, express, 9 to 10c; salmon 22c; shad, buck, 40 to 50c each; do. roe, 75 to 80c each; barbotte, dressed 8 to 10c per lb.; perch, dressed, 8 to 10c; Gaspereaux, large, 2c each; pike 7c per lb.; lake trout, 12c per lb. Flozen: Steak cod 4c per lb.; market cod, 3c per lb.; B.C. salmon, red, 9c per lb.; Gaspe salmon 18c; pike, round, 6c; dore (winter caught), 9c; haddock 4c; No. 1 smelts, 9c; large sea herring \$1.25 per 100. Oysters: "Sealshipt," solid meats, \$2 per gal.; bulk oysters \$1.50; live lobsters, 15c per lb.

FLOUR.—Demand is limited to small lots in this market. Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts,

\$5.60; Manitoba spring wheat patents, seconds, \$5.10; winter wheat patents \$5.40 to \$5.50; Manitoba bakers \$4.90; straight rollers \$5.00 to \$5.15; straight rollers, in bags, \$2.35 to \$2.45.

GRAIN.-The markets were weak and unsettled. At Winnipeg wheat sold at 98%c May, 99%c July, 94c Oct. Oats 32%c May, 33%c July. Receipts of wheat at Winnipeg on Monday 384 cars; last year 41. The market was a dragging one, but held fairly firm until the announcement of the United States Government crop report. This made the condition 82.1, against 83.5 last year and was decidedly better than expected and acted as a bearish factor. There were liberal offers and some selling pressure in the Winnipeg pit all day and the report put July on the rocks. The drop in July was 2 cents from the high point of the morning. Total wheat in store at Fort William and Port Arthur on May 6 was 5,321, 469, against 5,434,360 last week and 6,676,547 last year. Total shipments for week 1,760,356; last year, 2,097,554. Chieago, future quotations closed: Wheat, May, \$1.14%; July, \$1.04; Sept. \$1.01 to \$1.01%. Corn, May, 61%c; July 621/20; Sept. 633%c. Oats, May, 42c to 421/sc; July 401/sc to 401/4c; Sept. 38%c. Rye, May, 76c; July 781/2c. May, \$4.25; Oct. \$4.00. Clover seed, nothing doing. the Montreal market business in Manitoba spring wheat over the cable was quiet, there being little or no demand owing to the fact that the offerings from Russia were large and sellers were pressing sales. There continues to be a fair enquiry from European sources for oats, but as bids were 6d to 9d per quarter out of line with prices here, no business was done. The local trade in all lines of coarse grains contimes quiet, as the demand is only for small lots to fill actual requirements.

-Wheat has advanced during the week, especially May. Reports of damage in the Southwest are still current, and it is also said that germination of the plant a the Norh-West is delayed by cold, dry weather. Such reports have come particularly from South Dakota and Canada. Meantime, too, the offerings are light, and even believers in lower prices are holding aloof, awaiting the issuance of the Government report on the 9th inst. Undoubtedly it is no unusual thing for damage in the wheat country to be exaggerated. the fact is that during the past week prices have advanced, partly from the fear that there may be something in these reports. Also Liverpool prices have shown decided strength. A sharp advance there was attributed not only to the strength in American markets, but also to a rise in Buenos Ayres and to rumours that Russian shipments in the near future are likely to decrease materially. Bulls lav a good deal of stress on the reports of dry, cold weather in the American and Canadian North-West, and powerful interests are on the long side. At the same time Liverpool is fearful of decreased Russian shipments, and a further advance in America and Argentina. The recent advance is believed to be largely due, however, to bull manipulation and more or less exaggeration of damage to the crop. What is termed the technical position has been weakened by the heavy covering of shorts.

Oats have followed other grain upward, although the rise in prices has not been marked. Cash houses at the West have been good buyers, and cash prices have advanced. Some of the crop reports have been favourable and others have been adverse. Latterly there has been a disposition among some of the commission houses to buy May and this has had a rallying effect when prices showed a tendency to recede.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—There is a good demand at steady prices. Oranges: Valencia, 420's, case, \$4.75; California navel, 150, 176, 200, 216, box, \$3.75; do. 96, 112, 126, box, \$3.50.—Grapefruit: 46, 64, 80 box \$4.50.—Cocoanuts: 106 and 150, bag, \$4.25.—Dates: Hallowees, lb., 4%; new, pkg., 7c.—Figs, new, 2% inch, lb., 10c.—Apples: Spys, No. 1, bbl., \$5.50; No. 2, \$4.25.—Bananas: Bunch, \$2.00 to \$2.25.—Pincapples: 24 and 30, crate, \$4.50.—Lemons: "Marconi," fancy, 300's box, \$2.75 to \$3.00.—Onions: Egyptian, lb., 24c.—Celery: Florida, crate, \$3.75.—Tomatoes, Florida, crate, \$3.00.—Cabbage, case \$4.25.—Asparagus, doz., \$4.50.—Lettuce: Boston, box,

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BANKS	Capital Authorized	Capital Capital Capital Reserve of Rest 52 vi		Market value of one Share	Yearly or ly Dividend	Dates of Dividend	Prices per cent on par May 12			
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British North America	4,866,666	4,866,666	4,866,666	2,530,666	52,00	243	•	34	April. Oct.	150
Can Bank of Commerce	15,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	6,000,000	60.00	50			Mch. June Sept. Dec.	
Dominion	10,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	5,000,000	125.00	50		3 *	Jan. April July Oct.	
Eastern Townships	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	2,100,000	70.00	100	162.00	2 *	Jan. April July Oct.	162
Farmers	1,000 000	969,700	567,549		::::::			4		
Hamilton	3,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	100.00	100		24*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Hochelaga	4,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,300,000	92,00 30,00	100 100		2 *	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	
Home	2,000,000	1,211,300 5,000,000	1,11O,420 5,00O,000	333,653 5,000,000	100.00	100	• • • • • • •	1½* 2½*	Mch. June Sept. Dec. Feb. May Aug. Nov.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Imperial	10,000,000	3,000,000				100		44	reb. May Aug. Nov.	••••
La Banque Nationale	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,05C,000	52.50	30		12*	Feb. May Aug. Nov.	
Merchants	10,000,000	6,000,000	6,000,000	4,500,006	75.00	100	178.00		Mch. June Sept. Dec	180 178
Metropolitan	2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	100.00	100	200.00		Jan. April July Oct.	
Molsons	5,000,000	3,500,000	3,500,000	3,850,000	110.00	100	209.00		Jan. April July Oct.	209
Montreal	14,400,000	14,400,000	14,400,000	12,000,000	83,33	100	253.00	21 *	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	253
New Brunswick	1,000,000	773,340	772,540	1,376,945	178.23	100			Jan. April July Oct.	****
Northern Crown	6,000,000	2,207.500	2,203,113	100,000	4.53	100			Jan July	
Nova Scotia	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	5,400,000	180.00	100			Jan. April July Oct.	****
Ottawa	5,000,000	3,329,200	3,297,550	3,216,850	97.54	100		21 *	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Provincial Bank of Can	2,000,000	1,000,075	1,000,000	350,000	35.00	100		14*	Jan. April July Oct.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Quebec	3,000,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	1,250,000	50.00	100			Mch. June Sept. Dec.	126
Royal	10,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,700,000	114.00	100	233.25	21 *	Jan. April July Oct.	234 2334
Sovereign	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	0.400.000	100.00	100		1		****
Standard	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,400,000	120.00	50	•••••	3 *	Feb. May Aug. Nov.	
St. Stephens	200,000	200,000	200,000	55,000	27.50	100	•••••	21	Mch Sept	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
St. Hyacinthe	1,000,000	504,600	370,915	75,000	20.20	100				
Sterling	3,000,000	973,100	926,467	281,616	30.34	100		14*	Feb. May Aug. Nov.	
Toron to	10,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,750,000	118.75	100			Mch. June Sept. Dec.	
Traders	5,000,000	4,367,500	4,354.500	2,200,000	50.52	100	144.00		Jan. April July Oct.	144
Union of Halifax	3,000,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,200,000	80.00	50		2 *	Feb. May Aug. Nov.	••••
Union of Canada	4,000,000	3,207,200	3,203,820	1,900,000	59,33	100	144.50	11*	Mch. June Sept Dec.	144
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\$2.25. Strawberries: Box, 15c to 18c.—Cucumbers: Basket, \$4.00. Nuts; Peanuts, bou-ton, roasted, lb., 14c; French, 10c; almonds, shelled, 33c; do., Tarra, 14c; Brazils, new, 17c, walnuts, shelled, 27c; do. Gren., 14c; pecans, 18c; filberts 12c.

GROCERIES. Business is moderate in all lines, and prices are steady. There is a quiet movement in teas and the market for new goods should open shortly. Higher cables from Europe on raw sugar served to stimulate the buying of the refiners. The American refineries have been heavy buy-Prices are firm and advices received from Cuba indicate that they may advance soon. Refined sugar advanced at New York, but the local market was steady, and unchanged at writing, although some look for an advance before long of 10c per 100 lbs. New York raw sugar, firm; Muscovado, 89 test, 3.80c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.30c; molasses sugar, 89 test. 3.55c. Refined. steady; cutloaf, \$6.05; crushed \$5.96; mould A, \$5.60 cubes \$5.50; XXXX powdered \$5.40; powdered \$5.35; granulated \$5.25; diamond $\varLambda,~\$5.25;$ confectioners' A, \$5.05; No. 1 \$5.00; No. 2 \$4.95. London raw sugar, muscovado. Bs; centrifugal 15s Beet sugar, 14s 110 d. Coffee has been quiet, though a somewhat better job bing demand has been reported. Rio No. 7 at New York, 83/4 to 81/4. Santos No. 4. 91/4 to 93/4e, with sales of 75,000 bags, Government valorization, Santos on the basis, it is said, of 914c for N.Y. standard No. 4, making 200,000 bags thus far this year out of the proposed sales allotted for 1910, it is said, of 500,000 bags. The speculation in future contracts at the Exchange has been a small affair. No striking features have been noticeable, nor has there been any marked change in quotations. The market for future dried fruits has been decidedly affected both by the prospects of short crops in California and crop damage elsewhere. This year's prune crop is estimated at 50 to 60 per cent, and as a rule futures have opened about I cent above spot fruit. The latter have The demand for spot prunes is also advanced to 1/2 to 1/4e. not heavy. Future peaches have also advanced 1/2 to 1 cent from the same cause. Spot peaches are unchanged and in fair demand. Future apricots show a raise of 1/2 to 3/4 cent from the opening, but spot apricots are quiet and unchanged.

Imports of Spanish peanuts into the U.S. for ten months preceding February at Pórtsmouth and Norfolk amounted to 772.163 pounds. In addition, say the importers, about 32,000 bags, or about 4.320,000 pounds of peanuts are annually imported at New York. It is claimed that a large part of the imports are repacked in American bags by Virginian peanut cleaners and sold as Virginia peanuts.

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—The advancing tendency of the olive market is growing more pronounced, and practically all packers have now advanced their prices.

 $\rm HAY$.—Supplies light and demand good. Market firm. No. 1 \$15 to \$15.50; No. 2 extra \$14 to \$14.50; No. 2 \$12.50 to \$13.00; clover mixed \$11.50 to \$12; and clover \$10.50 to \$11.50 per ton, in car lots.

HIDES AND LEATHER.—The local markets are quiet. Trading in all varieties of hides has been moderate in the States, and the tone of the market is less active than heretofore. Western packer hides are firmly held, but there are some indications of an easier market in other varieties, especially country stock, which is quotable from ½c to ½c under prices that ruled a week or so ago. Chicago packers are talking up to 15% for April native steers, but no business has been effected in these as yet at over 15½c, although there was an unconfirmed report last week that some May native steers were soid ahead at 16½c.

HONEY.—Steady, with demand for small lots. Clover, white 14c to 15c; dark 111/2c to 121/2c; white extracted 101/2c to 11c; buckwheat 7c to 71/2c.

IRON AND HARDWARE.-There is a good business for the season. Copper has latterly been firmer and people are asking whether the turn in the long lane has come; producers seem disposed to get together. European prices for electrolytic have latterly advanced, although the general statistical position of copper is considered bearish. Spot to July 11.93 to 12.20c, New York. Tin firmer but less active spot to May and June offered at 32.871/2c; London advancing. Lead dull and lower; spot offered at 4.40c, with 4.30c bid, New York. Spelter dull, with May, June and July offered at 5.05c and 4.95c bid. Pig iron has been dull. Curtailment of the production is reported to have begun in earnest; No. 1 Northern \$17.25 to \$17.75, No. 2 Southern \$15.75 to \$16.25. Many U.S. furnaces have closed down. Bar iron is dull and weak at \$1.50 to \$1.55. Tin plates are in good demand.

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Havana Elec. Hailway		8,311,561	lst Feb.—lst Aug.	52 Broadway, N.Y	. Feb. 1st, 1952		. Redeemable at 106.
Halifax Tram	6	600,000	1st Jan.—1st July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal .	. Jan. 1st, 1916		
Leewatin Mill Co	б	750,000	lst Mch.—lst Sep.	Royal Trust Co., Montreal .			. Kedeemable at 110.
Lake of Woods Mill Co	6	1,000,000	1st June—1st Dec.	Merchants Bank of Can. Mt	. June 1st, 1928		
Laurentide Paper Co	6	1,036,000	2nd Jan.—2nd July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal .	. Jan. Znd, 1920	110 108	i
Magdalen island	в	267,000	30 June—30 Dec.				•
Mexican Elec. L. Co	b	6,000,000	1st Jan.—1st July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal .	. July 1st, 1935	83	•
Mex. L't & Power Co	5	12,000,000	1st Feb.—lst Aug.		Feb. 1st, 1938	86	•
Montreal L. & Power Co	4 1/2	5,476,000	1st Jan.—1st July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal .	. Jan. 1st, 1932	99 98	Receemable at 106 & int.
Montreal St. Ky. Co	43/3	1,500,000	1st May-lst Now.		May 1st, 1922	1001 99	914
N.S. Steel & Coal Co	6	2,282,000	1st Jan.—1st July	Montreal or Toronto			Medeemable at 110 & Int.
N.S. Steel Consolidated	6	1,470,000	lst Jan.—lst July	do do	July 18t, 1931		. Medeemable at 115 & int. after 1912.
Ugalvie Milling Co	6	1,000,000	1st June-1st Dec.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal .	. July 1st, 1932	115 112	Kedeemable at 105 & Int.
Price Bros	6	1,000,000	1st June-1st Dec.		June 1st, 1925		
Mich. & Untario	5	823,146	1st Mch.—lst Sep.				
Kio Janeiro	5	23,284,000	1st Jan.—1st July		. Jan. 1st, 1935		
Sao Paulo	b	6,000,000	1st June—lst Dec.	C.B. of C., London Nat. Trust Co., Peronto	June 1st, 1929		
winnipeg Electric	5	1,000,000	1st July-lst Jan.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal .			
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-Pittsburg.-The market is in a state of transition and consumers are holding off purchases. Primarily, this condition is due to the weakening prices of pig iron and coke. An overproduction of both these basic materials is being remedied by curtailment of output, and reports of a number of furnaces being closed down. The daily output May 1 is considerably less than a month ago. Quotations of pig iron are largely nominal, but it is believed that the bettom has been reached at present prices. Bessemer iron is quoted \$17, basic \$15.75 and gray forge \$15.25, Valley, 90 cents additional, Pittsburg. The scrap iron market has felt the effect of a dull pig iron market and prices of scrap iron and steel are weak. In steel, the demand is close to supply for open hearth billets which are quoted \$1.50 in advance of Bessemer, the latter being more plentiful. Open hearth billets are quoted \$28.50 and \$29, and sheet and tin bars \$29. There is little doing in muck bar, which is weak at \$28.50 for all pig iron. There is a fair demand for wire goods, and prices are maintained as a rule.

LIVE STOCK .- A firm in Liverpool cabled that cattle met with a ready sale at good prices. The moderate numbers contributed to a quick clearance, and sales of both Americans and Canadians were made at 15c to 16c per lb. market there was a strong tone due to a lighter run and the improved demand from exporters for supplies in the West on account of the high prices ruling in foreign markets and the low rates at which ocean freight space can be obtained both from here and Boston. Choice steers sold at 71/4 to 71/2e, good at 63/4c to 7c, fairly good at 61/4c to 61/2c, fair at 5% to 6c, and common at 5c to 5 1/2c per lb. Choice cows brought 6c to 61/4c, and lower grades 51/4c to 53/4c, and bulls from 51/4c to 64c per lb. A stronger feeling developed in the market for hogs, and prices advanced 25c to 35c per 100 lbs. Selected sold at \$10 to \$10.25 per 100 lbs. The market for sheep was weaker and prices ruled 1/2c per lb. lower, with sales of a few small lots at 51/2c per lb. There was a fairly good enquiry for spring lambs and prices were steady at from \$4 to \$8 each. Calves met with a ready sale at \$2.50 to \$5 each.

MAPLE PRODUCTS.—Demand keeps fair with sales in wood at 6c per lb., and in tins at 6½c. Sugar steady, with small supplies at 10c to 11c per lb.

'MEAL.—Business in this line fair; prices unchanged. Rolled oats \$4.05 per brl.; \$1.90 per bag. Cornmeal ordinary \$3.40 to \$3.50 per brl.

OHS, TURPENTINE, ETC.—In the local market the demand has been active. New York rosin easy; strained, common to good, \$4.35 to \$4.50. Turpentine firm; machine, barrels, 631/2c. Savannah, Ga., turpentine, film, 60c; sales, 256; recepts 264; shipments 1,913; stock 3,626. Rosin, firm; sales 741; receipts 1,105; shipments 235; stock 58,294. Quote: B. \$3.85 to \$4.15; D. \$4.15; E. \$4.55; F. \$4.70; G. \$4.75; H. \$4.90; I. \$5.00; K. \$5.10; M. \$5.60; N, \$5.70; WG. \$5.95; WW. \$6.15.

PROVISIONS .- The market for hogs has ruled strong but in face of this packers have put down prices of barrelled pork Abattoir fresh killed hogs were marked up and pure lard. to \$13.75 to \$14 per 100 lbs. Barrelled pork: Heavy Canada short cut mess pork. 35-45 pieces, \$30.50; half barrels, Canada short cut mess pork, \$15.50; bbls. Canada short cut back pork, 45-55 pieces, \$30.00; half barrels short cut back pork, \$15,25; barrels Canada clear pork, 20-35 pieces, \$29.50; basrels bean pork, (small pieces but fat), \$27.00; barrels flank pork, \$20.50; barrels pickle drolls, \$30.50; barrels heavy clear fat backs (very heavy all fat), 40-50 pieces, \$33.00. Extra Plate beef, half-barrels, 100 lbs., \$9.25; tierces, 200 lbs., \$18; tierces, 300 lls., \$26.50. Lard, compound, tierces, 375 lbs., 121/2c; boxes, 50 lbs. net (parchment lined), 121/2c; tubs, 50 lbs. net, grained (2 handles), 123/4c; pails, wood, 20 lbs. net, 13c; tin pails, 20 lbs. gross, 124c. Extra pure lard: Tierces, 375 lls., $16\frac{1}{2}e$; boxes, 50 lbs. net (parchment lined), 16%c; tubs, 50 lbs. net grained (2 handles) 16%c; pails, wood, 20 lbs. net (parchment lined), 17c; tin pails, 20 lbs.. gross, 164c; cases, 10 lbs. tins, 60 lbs. in case, 16%c. Hams: Extra large sizes, 25 lbs., upwards, 16c; large sizes, 18 to 25 lbs., 171/2e; medium sizes, selected weights, 13 to 18 lbs., 181/2c; extra small sizes, 10 to 13 lbs., 19c; hams, bone out, rolled, large, 16 to 25 lbs., 181/2c; hams, bone out, rolled, small, 9 to 12 lbs., 20c; breakfast bacon, English boneless (selected), 191/2c; brown brand English breakfast bacon (boneless thick), 19c; Windsor bacon, skinned (backs), 20c; spiced roll bacon, boneless, short. 161/2c; picnic hams 7 to 10 lbs., 15c; Wiltshire bacon (50 lbs. side) 18c; cottage rolls, 20c.

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Canadian Pacific Ry	146,016,000	146,016,000	••••••	••••	100	189 37	8x1/3	April	l		Oct.	1891	189	
Canadian Converters	1,733,000	1,783,000	••••••	••••	100	44 00	••					44	44	
Detroit Electric St	12,500,000	12,500,000	••••••	••••	100	58 00	••			• • • •	•• ••	581	58	
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POTATOES.—Business fair in a jobbing way at 40c to 45c per bag. In car lots 35c to 40c per bag for Green Mountains.

TOBACCO.—There is a belief that business must ere long improve, as manufacturers are supposed to be carrying small stocks. There are already said to be signs of a somewhat greater interest on the part of buyers, though no great increase in actual business reported. Drought in Cuba causes rather more inquiry for Havana tobacco. Ohio 1909 crop is still in demand. Pennsylvania is largley sold out.

WOOL.—The market is quiet. At Boston a few holders have sold freely of Oregon, California and fine delaine fleeces, and these transactions have swelled business in wool. In all cases sales were made at comparatively low prices, though not lower than such wools have been recently quoted. The

general market has been quiet, with most sales confined to small lots which the woollen mills have called for. The market tone is better and there is more inquiry. London is firmer and in the West the new clip is moving slowly at the prices bid, growers holding off. The trade feel that further concessions in price in view of the comparative high cost to replace supplies are not called for.

The offerings on Monday at the London wool auction sales numbered 10,180 bales and were nearly all New Zealand crossbreds. Medium coarse grades were in active demand and sold at firm prices. The American buyers purchased a few medium grades and the home trade bought Victoria scoured merinos. Following are the sales in detail:—New South Wales: 500 bales scoured, 1s 2½d to 2s 4d; greasy 1s 1½d to 1s 3d. South Australia: 200 bales; greasy, 1s 1½d to 1s 2½d. New Zealand: 8,800 bales; scoured, 9s to 1s 11½d; greasy 6d to 1s 2d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal: 200 bales; scoured 1s 7½d to 1s 9½d; greasy 7¾d to 8d.

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The lack of accurate, reliable and frequent returns concerning the production in Canada of lumber, pulpwood, lath, shingles poles and other wood products for some time been felt, and with increasing closeness of manufacture promises to be more and more in demand. In order to meet this need the forestry branch of the Department of the Interior has taken up the collection of statistics on the subject and has lately published the result of the first year's work in this line as their bulletin No. 8, entitled "Forest Products of Canada, 1908." H. R. MacMillan and G. A. Gutches have compiled the figures. The statistics have been made up from the replies returned to circulars sent by the branch to manufacturers and producers in the various wood industries. The accuracy of such results necessarily depends on the proportion of manufacturers returning the schedules sent. The returns published in the bulletin do not profess to be complete. It would, indeed, be remarkable if in this, the first year in which the statistics were collected, they had been so.

The total value of the production of lumber. lath, shingles, crossties, poles, and pulpwood was \$67,425.044. The production of sawn lumber is shown by the figures to be in the neighbourhood of 3,348,176,000 feet, board measure, per annum, valued at \$54,338,036. In this, Ontario leads with a production of 1,-294,794,000 feet, valued at \$24,398,077; Quebec being second with 690,137.000 feet, of the value of \$10.838,608, and British Columbia, third, with 647,977,000 feet, worth \$9.107.186. The other provinces rank in the following order:-New Brunswick 308 409,000 feet, valued at \$4,-081,402; Nova Scotia, 216,825,000 feet, of the value of \$2.873,730; Saskatchewan 91,166,000 feet, valued at \$1.576,820; Manitoba 56,447,000 feet, value, \$867,-969; Alberta, 41,382,000 feet valued at \$593,244. The total production of wood pulp is 363,079 tons, made from 482,777 cords of wood, and valued at \$2,931,653.

British Columbia easily leads in the production of shingles, producing 724,-652,000, of the value of \$1,391,306. Its nearest competitor is Quebec, which pro-

duced 406,440,000, valued at \$849,787, and then follow, in their order, Ontario, with a production of 223,533,000 valued at \$461,155; New Brunswick, 109,913,000, worth \$325,865; Nova Scotia, making 33.141.000, valued at \$69.370; Manitoba turning out 1,125,000 worth \$3,150, and Saskatchewan, which produces 592,000, valued at \$1,363.

The total production for the Dominion was 1,499,396,000 shingles, the aggregate value of which was \$3,101,996. In the manufacture of laths Ontario takes first place with 263.241,000 to her credit, valued at \$612,856. Little more than half that number, viz., 138,991,000, is made by her nearest competitor, New Brunswick, the value of whose product is \$286.088. Quebec made 92.914,000 laths. worth \$189,076; British Columbia 86,862,000, worth \$208,255; Nova Scotia 62,638,000, worth \$136,893; Saskatchewan, 18,477, 000, valued at \$40,173; Manitoba, 7,370, 000 at a value of \$10,200, and Alberta 1.-069.000, worth \$3,584.

The total number of laths manufactured was 671,562,000, of the value of \$1,-487.125. During the year the railways purchased 13,978,416 cross-ties for which they paid \$5,281,685. Of these the steam railways (47 in number and haying a total of 25.772 miles of track) bought 13,738,157, paying therefor \$5,-189,674, and the electric roads (numbering 32 and having 818 miles of track), purchased 240,259 ties, costing \$92.011. Cedar (including under this term both the eastern and the western cedar) is easily the favourite wood for ties, twice as many ties being of this species as of any other, while hemlock and tamarack in about equal numbers take next place. Reports as to the poles purchased were received from 46 telegraph and telephone companies, 151 electric light, power and railway companies and 19 steam vailways owning their pole lines. These represent 66,544 miles of line supported by 2,433.245 poles. These companies bought a total of 185,807 poles, paying for these, at the point of purchase, \$284 -549. Of these 185,807 poles, 162,211 were of cedar, other woods used being tamarack, spruce and Douglas fir.

Twenty divorce bills were passed during the last session of Parliament.

NEW INVENTIONS.

The following Canadian patents have been recently secured through the ageney-of Marion and Marion, Patent Attornevs, Montreal, Canada, and Washington, D.C.

Any in formation on the subject will be supplied free of charge by applying the above-named firm.

Rudolf Ruth, Charlottenburg, Germany, photographic sensitive plates of Auguste Denereaz, Montreux, films; Switzerland, sockets and plugs for electric lamps; John W. Burleigh, Taunton, England, dynamo electric machine; R. A. McDonald and W. T. Cann, North Sydney, C.B., orange peeler; H. Diamanti and C. Lambert, Paris, France, apparatus for recovering vapours issued irom volatile liquids; Michael Bohn, Nagykikinda, Hungary, machine for cleaning and sorting clay; Karl A. F. Hiorth. Christiania, Norway, method of reducing ores; Etienne W. Kuhn, London, Eng., manufacturers of grape beer.

Canada: -- Edouard Perrissin, Montreal, Que.. combination lock; Arcade Rocheleau, Pike River, Que., gang plow; Carl G. P. de Laval, Stockholm, Sweden, process of extracting zinc or oxide of zinc from its ores; E. Bellini and A. Tosi, Dieppe, France, wireless telegraphy; Charles W. Johnson, Edinburgh, Scotland, automatic golf-ball traps for putting practice.

United States:-R. A. Wiggins and C. Bristow, Christchurch, New Zealand, milking machinery; Andrew A. Welsh, Gananoque, Ont.. amusement apparatus; Albert Treand, Hawkesbury, Ont., pipe wrench.

NITRATES IN NORWAY.

Supplementing previous articles in Consular and Trade Reports on the manufacture of air nitrates for fertilizer in Norway, Germany and Niagara Falls, Canada, it is learned from British consular reports that the industry is undergoing rapid expansion in the first-named country, where nearly \$15,000,000 will be invested. Though there are vast water powers in the United States running to waste, which could be utilized to

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Up till now about \$6,000,000 has been expended on the works at Notodden and Svaelgfos and the power stations under construction at Rjukan and Vamma. When all the works are completed, at the end of 1910, \$14,600,000 will have been spent. A great point in connection with the development of this industry is that the opportunity has now arisen of opening up several industries in connection with the manufacture of nitrates, such at nitric acid, nitrate of ammonia, nitrate of potash, also sodium nitrate, which last is already being The Nobel syndicate, manufactured. in conjunction with the Birkeland and Eyde Company, is now concentrating the weak acids, with the assistance of the gas furnaces, to an acid of such percentage as to become an article of transport, and further opportunities have thus been opened for export trade, especially from works with water power that are situated near the seaboard.

It is of interest to note that no coal is used in the production of saltpeter, or other products here referred to. It is stated authoritatively that there is no probability for many years to come that the sale of saltpeter produced by the method practiced at the Notodden and Rjukanfos works will be disturbed by competition with Chile saltpeter on the question of price. When the Rjukan Falls works are fully completed, they and the Notodden works combined will represent 240,000 horsepower, with a production of saltpeter representing an export value of \$6,164,000. At some not very far distant time it is not improbable that the waterways and loughs between Skien and Notodden may be in-

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TABLE OF DAYS FOR COMPUTING INTEREST.

To Find the Number of Days from any Day of any one Month to the same Day of any other Month.

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	From	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oet.	Nov.	Dec.
I	To Jan	365	334	306	275	245	214	184	.153	122	92	61	31
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N.B.-In leap year, if the last day of February comes between, add one day to the number in the table.

EXAMPLE:-How many days from May 10th to Sept. 13th? From the above table we get 123; add 3 for difference between 10 and 13, and we get 126, the number of days required.

creased to such size as to allow seagoing vessels to load up at Notodden. Plans have already been worked out and are under consideration in connection therewith. At present everything has to be lightered to and from Skien. The value of the output of nitrates in Norway in 1908 was about \$536,000, and the total expenses amounted to \$402,000.

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COTTONSEED PRODUCTS IN RUSSIA.

In connection with an elaborate report which he makes on the cotton in-

dustry of Russia, Consul Shodgrass, at Moscow, incorporated some interesting information regarding the trade in cottonseed products in different provinces of the Russian Empire. The consul also gives some details of prices of seed and oil according to the last quotations. The essential part of this report is as follows:-

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"The first mill for the production of cotton-seed products was erected at Kata-Kurgan in 1892, consisting of two presses. In 1895 two mills of two presses each were built at Namangan; in 1902 a third mill was put up in Fletchenko, of four presses. At present there are twenty-eight mills in active opera-

tion in Asia; the largest, at Bairam-Ali, operates four presses and consumes 180. 560 pounds of seed per day. The second largest is at Fletchenko, erected by a Moscow party, running five presses, with a yearly consumption of 54,168,000 pounds of seed. In Andijan, Namangan and Chust there are three mills, consuming 144,448,000 pounds of seed per year. The aggregate consumed by all the mills in Russia is in the neighbourhood of 433,344,000 pounds of seed per year. This does not include the mill at Niji-Novgerod, which requires 72,224,000 pounds. As the annual production of seed is not more than 866,668,000 pounds, and as the best quality is sold

to the mill owners, there is left but 427,-120,000 pounds of seed or very poor quality for the farmer with which to plant in 1910. It is, therefore, apparent that without new seed from the United States the planters cannot get along, nor can they keep up a standard as in

the United States "Egyptian seeds have been tried a

number of times, but with little satisfaction, as the cost was greater than the American products and the results were poor, mixing with the domestic cotton and producing a poor hybrid.

"From the seed there is produced 15 per cent oil, 38 per cent oil cake and 11/2 per cent linter, the remainder being shell, which is utilized for fuel. price of seed is 26 cents per thirty six pounds. Oil sold in 1909 at \$2.32 per thirty-six pounds, which was considered an abnormally high price for the Russian product: Oil cake is disposed of at 21 cents per thirty-six pounds, while linter brings from \$4.12 to \$5.15, a most satisfactory figure to the manufacturers. The Russian oil cake is shipped mainly to Hamburg, where it is utilized as food

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name	of	Article.	Wholesale.
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DRUGS AND CHEMICALS-	8	c.	\$ c,
Acid, Carbolic Cryst. medi. Aloes, Cape Alom Borax, xtls. Brom. Potass Camphor, Ref. Rings Camphor, Ref. Rings Camphor, Ref. oz. ck. Citric Acid Citrate Magnesia, lb. Cocaine Hyd. oz. Copperas, per 100 lbs. Cresm Tartar Epsom Salts Glycerine Gum Arabic, per lb. Gum Trag Insect Powder, lb. Insect Powder, lb. Menthol, lb. Menthol, lb. Morphia Oil Peppermint, lb. Oil, Lemon Opium Oxalic Acid Potash Richromate Potash, lodide Quinine Strychnine Tartaric Acid	0 0 3 2 3 0 6 0 0 2	80 90 37 25 00 75 22 25 00 15 50 75 24 50 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 75 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 2	0 35 8 1 75 0 1
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boxes Acme Licorice Pellets, case Licorice Lozenges, 1 and 5 lb. cans			2 00 1 50
HEAVY CHEMICALS:-			
Blue Vitriol		50 05	2 40
Brimstone	2	00	2 3
Caustic Soda	1	25 50	2 50
Soda Bicarb	i	75	2 20
Sal. Sods		80	0 85
Sal. Soda Concentrated	1	50	2 0
DYESTUFFS—			
Archil, com Cutch Ex. L.ogwood Chip Logwood Indigo (Bongel) Indigo (Manten) Gambier	0	27	0 08
Chip Legwood	1	75	2.5
Indigo (Bengal)	1	50	1 7
Gambier	0	70	0 00
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Madder	0	80	0 90
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for animals. The Moscow prices for oil range from \$3.35 to \$3.50 per thirty-six pounds. This is due partly to the bad crop of sunflower seeds, the prices having formerly been from \$1.55 to \$3.55 in the Caucasus. In addition to its use for edible purposes the oil is used in cannel goods, such as fish, for technical purposes in the manufacture of soap and cordles, and for sizing in the cotton woollen mills."

CANADA'S BANK CLEARINGS.

The following are the bank clearings for April, 1909, as compared with the same month this year:

*		1910.	1909.
Montreal		\$165,695,174	\$135,180,233
Toronto		131,380.131	111,280,680
Winnipeg		70,546,417	54,395,883
Vancouver .	1	36,731,598	20.057.652
Ottawa		17,612,895	14.841,326
Quebec		9,298,355	8,494,393
Calgary		14,075,142	6,400,253
Halifax		8,216.218	6.859.163
Haniilton		8,278 3 13	6,250,931
St. John		6,252,644	5,546,313
Victoria		7,239,383	5.529,870
London		6.026,360	4.481,400
Edmonton	÷	5,370,143	4,044,054
Total	,	\$486,712.773	\$383,871,156

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

Name of Article.	Wholesale.
FISH—	10. 10
New Haddies, boxes, per 1b. Labrador Herrings, half brls. Mackerel, No. 1 pails Green Cod, No. 1 Green Cod, large Green Cod, small Salmon, brls. Lab. No. 1 Salmon, half brls. Salmon, British Columbia, brls. Salmon, British Columbia, half brls. Boneless Fish. Boneless Cod. Skinless Cod, case Herrings, boxes	0 004 5 50 3 00 1 75 6 00 6 50 4 50 13 00 7 00 9 05 9 05 0 05 50
Herrings, boxes	0 16
FLOUR— Choice Spring What Patents Seconds Manitoba Strong Bakers. Winter Wheat Patents. Straight Roller Straight bags Extras Rolled Oats Cornmeal, brl. Bran. in bags Shorts, in bags Monillie Mixed Grades FARM PRODUCTS— Butter—	0 00 5 80 0 00 5 80 0 00 5 10 5 50 5 60 5 10 5 25 2 43 2 50 0 00 0 0 0 0 0 0 21 00 22 00 32 00 33 t 0 25 00 28 00
Creamery Creamery, Spring Townships dairy Western Dairy Manitoba Dairy Fresh Rolls	0 00 0 00 0 25 0 26 0 00 0 09 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00
Cheese— Finest Western white Finest Western, coloured Fodder	0 124 0 124
Egge— Strictly Fresh New laid, No. 1 New laid, No. 2 Selected No. 1 Candled No. 2 Candled	0 28 0 24 0 00 0 20 0 00 0 19 0 28 0 24 0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00
Sundries— Potatoes, per bag	
Beans— Prime	0 00 0 00
G ROCERIES— Sugars—	
Standard Granulated, barrels Bags, 100 lbs. Ex. Ground, in barrels Ex. Ground in boxes Powdered, in barrels Powdered, in boxes Paris Lumps, in barrels Paris Lumps in half barrels Branded Yellows Molasses, in puncheons, Moutt. Molasses, in barrels Melasses in half barrels Evaporated Apples	0 41 0 44 0 48

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Bultanas
Loose Musc.
Layers, London
Con. Cluster
Extra Desert.
Boyal Burckingha
Valencia, Selectet
Valencia,

Rice

Standard B. . . Grade C....
Patna, per 100 lb
Pot Barley, bag
Pearl Barley, per
Tapioca, pearl, per
Tapioca, pearl, per
Corn, 2 lb. tins
Peas, 2 lb. tins Tomatoes, per do String Beans . . .

Salt-

Windsor 1 lb., ba Windsor 8 lb. 100 Windsor 5 lb. 60 l Windsor 7 lb. 42 l Windsor 200 lb. -Coane delivered M Coane delivered M Butter Salt, bag, Butter Salt, bag, Salt haves Cheese Salt, bags, Cheese Salt, bris,

Coffeet

Seal brand, 2 lb.
1 lb.
Old Government Pure Mocho Pure Maracaibo .. Pure Jamaica . . Pure Santos Fancy Rio Fancy Rio ...

Teas-

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Ceylon
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HARDWARE-

Antimony......
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Galvanized Staple 100 lb. box, 1½ to Bright, 1½ to 1%

Galvanized Iron-

Queen's Head, or e Cornet, do., 28 gr Iron Horse Shoes

No. 2 and larger
No. 1 and smaller
Bar iron per 100 il
Am. Sheet Steel, 6
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Raisins— Bultanas Loose Musc. Layers, London Con. Cluster Extra Desert. Esyal Buckingham Valencia, Selected Valencia, Selected Valencia, Layers Currants Filatras Patras Vostiggas Prunes, California Prunes, French Figs, in bags Frigs, in bags Frigs, paw layers Bosnia Prunes Rice— Standard B. Grade C Patna, per 100 lbs. Peatl Barley, bag 98 lbs. Peatl Barley, per lb. Seed Taplicat Com, 2 lb. tins Balmon, 4 dozen case Tomatoes, per dozen String Beans	\$ C \$ 0 8 0 110 0 90 0 100 0 00 2 20 0 00 2 40 0 05 0 066 0 066 0 066 0 07 0 08 0 07 0 08 0 07 0 01 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 07 0 10 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
String Beans Salt— Windsor 1 lb., bags gross Windsor 8 lb. 100 bags in brl. Windsor 5 lb. 60 bags Windsor 7 lb. 42 bags Windsor 200 lb Coarse delivered Montreal 1 bag Coarse delivered Montreal 5 bags Butter Salt, bags, 200 lbs. Cheese Salt, bags, 200 lbs. Cheese Salt, bags, 200 lbs. Cheese Salt, bags, 200 lbs.	1 59 3 00 2 90 2 80 1 16 0 60 7 1 1 55 2 10
Ceffees Seal brand, 2 lb. cans lb. cans Old Government—Java Pure Mocho Pure Maracaibo Pure Jamaica Pure Santos Pancy Rio Pure Rio	• 32 • 33 • 31 • 24 • 18 • 17 \$ • 16 • 15
Teas— Young Hysons, common . Young Hysons, best grade Japans	0 18 0 28 0 32 0 36 0 22 0 40 0 21 0 35 0 22 0 35 0 22 0 35
HARDWARE— Antimony	0 10 0 32 0 33 0 18 0 21
Cut Nail Schedule— Base price, per keg 40d, 50d, 60d and 70d, Nails Extras—over and above 30d No. 5 No. 5 No. 8 4 inch 516 inch 4 inch	2 40 Base 0 09h 0 07? 0 06? 0 06 0 06 5 10 4 25 8 55
Coil Chain No. %	3 35 3 25 8 20 2 15 2 15 3 15
Bright, 1½ to 1¾	4 10 4 85 8 85 4 10
No. 2 and larger No. 1 and smaller Bar lron per 100 lbs. Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 15. Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 20. Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 24. Am. Sheet Steel, 6 ft. x 2½ ft., 24.	8 50 8 75 1 80 2 40 2 45 2 45 2 55 2 70 2 50 2 25

CANADA'S FOREIGN TRADE.

The practice of estimating the volume of trade that crosses international boundaries as a nation's trade is general among statisticians, and while it may lead to many false deductions, it often affords a more or less reliable index of commercial activity. The greater part of a nation's trade as a rule does not cross national boundaries and is in consequence never recorded by sta-In spite of this obvious tisticians. fact, says the Toronto Globe, much interest attaches to records of that small part of a nation's trade that makes up her exports and imports. Canada's total export and import trade for the year ending with February last was \$663,749,-256, as compared with \$550,088,991 for the previous year, and \$642,728,055 for the year ending with February, 1908. These totals include coin and bullion, and there is no substantial reason for excluding them from trade statistics. Gold used in trade is as much a product of labour as iron or lead, and its yearly consumption in the arts is as a rule closely related to the yearly production. That it is used as a medium of exchange does not materially affect its economic influence and does not make its extensive importation necessarily advantageous or otherwise. During the year ending with February last we imported dutiable goods to the value of \$220,550,-405, on which \$59,430,097 was collected, and free goods to the value of \$139,736,-622. All these totals show marked advances compared with the figures for the previous year.

The total exports were \$297.494.227, of which \$2.516.364 was coin and bullion. \$19.567.627 foreign produce, and \$275. 410.236 domestic produce. Agricultural products and animals and their products naturally hold the leading place with a total of \$142514279, and the products of the mine come next, with a total of \$39.098371. The export of manufactures show a steady increase during the past four years, the total for the year under consideration being \$31,012299. The record by countries shows that the chief source of our import trade is the United States, the totals for the year being \$114.500.733 dutiable goods and \$102,348,729 free goods. Great Britain comes next with a record of \$69,438.055 dutiable and \$23,248,247 free goods. In the record of exports by countries Great Britain is shown to be our chief customer, with an aggregate of \$138,086,754 in home produce and \$10,199,041 foreign goods exported. The United States holds second place with \$101,959,145 domestic produce and \$8,883,739 foreign goods exported.

BRITISH EMIGRATION.

According to the returns of the British Board of Trade, the net emigration from the United Kingdom to countries outside of Europe during the years 1908 and 1909 was as follows:—

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

WHOLESALE PRICES CU	RR	EN	T.
Name of Article.	Wh	ole	5410 .
Camada Plates—	8	0.	1 e.
Full polish Ordinary, 25 sheets Ordinary, 60 sheets Ordinary, 75 sheets Black from Pipe, 34 inch 34 inch 1 inch 134 inch 134 inch 134 inch 135 inch 1 inch			\$ 60 2 50 2 55 2 50 0 00 0 00 2 58 3 10 4 40 6 00 7 15 9 80
Per 100 feet net			
Steel, cast per lb. Rlack Diamomd . Steel, Spring, 100 lbs		-450	10 00 0 07 1 2 60 2 00 1 95 2 50 2 75 2 05
Tin Plates-			
C Coke, 14 x 20	0	09	4 00 4 25 5 00 6 90 0 10
26 gauge Lead: Pig, per 100 lbs. Sheet. Shot, 100 lbs., 750 less 25 per cent.	5	50	7 85 5 75 6 50 0 00
Lead Pipe, per 100 lbs	7 c 1€	pe 288 2	
Spelter, per 100 lbs	0	061	6 00 0 06≇
8 to 16 gauge	2 2 2 2 2 2	35 05 10 20 35	0 00 0 00 0 00 0 00
Wire—			
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Name of Article.		Wholesale.
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LEATHER— No. 1 B. A. Sole No. 2 B. A. Sole No. 2 B. A. Sole No. 2 B. A. Sole Light, No. 1 Light, No. 2 Harnes Upper, heavy Upper, light Grained Upper Nootch Grain Nip Skins, Frach Koglish		0 27 0 28 0 23 0 25 0 25 0 27 0 27 0 28
Canada Kid	::	0 38 0 40 0 36 0 38 0 65 0 70 0 50 0 60 0 70 0 70 0 70 0 70 0 95 1 25
Splits, light and medium Splits, heavy Splits, small Leather Board, Canada Foarmelled Cow, per ft. Pebble Grain Glove Grain Space Calf		0 23 0 26 0 23 0 25 0 18 0 20 0 06 0 10 0 16 0 18 0 13 0 15 0 18 0 22
Russetts, heavy		0 00 0 0 00 0 14 0 17 0 40 45 0 30 0 35 8 00 9 00 0 65 0 75 0 35 0 45 0 38 0 42
Russetts Saddlerm, dozen Int. French Calf Rnglish Oak, lb. Dongola, extra Dongola, no. 1 Dongola ordinary Coloured Pebbles LUMBER—	::	0 20 0 22 0 14 0 16 0 15 0 17 0 17 0 20
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MATCHES— Telegraph, case Telephone, case Tiger, case King Edward Head Light Eagle Parlor 200's Silent, 200's	::	4 75 4 65 4 45 3 60 4 50 2 10 2 40 5 20 2 20
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Col Oli S. R. Pale Seal Straw Seal Straw Seal Ood Liver Oil, Nfid, Norway Proc Cod Liver Oil, Norwegian Castor Oil Castor Oil Lineed, raw Lineed, raw Lineed, boiled Olive, pure Olive, extra, qt., per case Turpentine, nett Wood Alcohol, per gallon		0 09 0 11 0 08 0 09 9 75 0 80 0 00 0 73 0 00 0 76 2 00 2 25 3 85 4 00 0 70 0 85 0 80 1 00
PETROLEUM—Acme Prime White per gal. Acme Water White, per gal. Astral, per gal. Benzine, per gal. Gasoline per gal.		0 17 0 18 0 21 0 18 0 18
Third Break		1 50 1 60 2 75 2 95 3 35 3 60
PAINTS, &c.— Laci, pure, 50 to 100 lbm. kegs Do. No. 1 Do. No. 1 Do. No. 2 Whiting, Guilder Whiting, Guilders' Whiting, Guilders' Whiting, Paris Gilders' Whiting, Paris Gilders' Regish Cement Cask Belgian Cement United States Cement Thre Bricks, per 1,000 Fire Clay, 200 lb. pkgs. Rosin 280 lbs. gr. 2		5 85 7 00 5 90 6 15 5 55 6 95 5 15 15 1 180 5 95 7 15 5 90 5 7 15 6 90 5 90 1 75 2 00 1 75 2 00 1 75 2 00 2 00 0 00 2 00 2 05 1 85 1 90 2 00 2 10 2 00 2 10 7 7 7 00 2 10

	1908.	1909.
Australia	11,476	17,377
Canada	41,455	50,437
New Zealand	8.947	
United States	33,431	56,304
South Africa	4,780	2.487
All others	602	5,300

These figures represent the difference between the number of persons of British origin leaving the United Kingdom for the countries specified and the number of persons of British origin returning to the United Kingdom from those countries. The emigration in 1908 was not as great as the emigration in 1909; and the number of those returning was greater in 1908 than in 1909. This would indicate that industrial conditions were better in the United Kingdom, relatively to the countries named, in 1998 than in 1909-that the depression following the financial stringency in 1907 was less severely felt in Great Britain than in the United States and the other countries and was recovered from more rapidly. Apart from that, the above figures are significant and interesting as showing that the Dominion and the United States are pre-eminently the lands to which British emigration goes.

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Any even-numbered section of Dorninion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be no mesteaded by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres more or less.

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DUTLES: -(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.

(2) A homesteader may, if he se desides, perform the required residence duties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. He may also do so by living with father or mother, on certain conditions. Joint ownership in land will not meet this requirement.

(3) A homesteader intending to perform his residence duties in accordance with the above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention.

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Name of Article.	Wholesale.			
.Glue-	8	c.		P 0.
Domestic Broken Sheet French Casis French Casis French Darrels American White, barrels Coopers' Glue Brunswick Green French Imperial Green No. 1 furniture Varnish, per gal. a Furniture Varnish, per gal. black Japan Orange Shellac, No. 1 Orange Shellac, pure. White Shellac Putty, bulk 100 lb. barrel Putty, in blacders, Kalsomine 6 lb. pkgs. Paris Green, I.O.b. Montreal—	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 2 2 1	11 09 16 19 04 12 85 75 85 80 00 10 40 65	1 0	16 10 14 00 20 10 16 90 80 90 85 40 42 67 11
Bris. 600 lbs. 100 lb, lots Prums, 50 lbs. 100 lb, lots Pkgs, 1 lb. 100 lb, lots Tins, 1 lb.			0 0	16# 17 18 19
WOOL— Canadian Washed Fleece North-West Suenos Ayres Naial, greasy Cape, greasy WINES, LIQUORS, ETC.—	0 0 0	19 00 25 00 18 00	0 0 0 0	21 00 40 20 20 00
Ale— English, Qts	2 1 0	40 50 85	2 1 1	70 70 50
Dublin Stout, qts. Dublin Stout, pts. Lager Beer, U.S. Lager, Canadian	1 1 1	25	2 I 1 1	70 70 65 40 40
Spirits, Canadian—per gal. Mehol 65, O.P. Spirits, 50, O.P. Spirits, 25 U.P. Lub Rye, U.P. Rye Whiskey, ord., gal.	4 2 4		4 4 2 4 2	80 95 50 00 30
Ports- Carragona		40 00		00
Sherries— Diez Hermanos Other Brands		50 85		
Clarety— Medoc	2 4	25 00	2 5	75 00
Champagne— Piper Heidsieck	28 12	00 50	34 14	00 50
Brandies— Richard, 20 years flute 12 qts. in case Richard Medecinal Lichard V.S.O.P., 12 qts Lichard V.O., 12 qts	3		7 16 14 12 9	00 00 50 25 00
Scotch Whiskeys Sullock Lade, G.L. Silmarnock Laher's O.V.G Lewars Litchells Glenogle, 12 qta. do Special Reserve 12 qta. do Finest Old Scotch, 12 qta.	9 9		10 10 9 15 8 9 9	50 00 50 00 00 00 50
Irish Whiskey— dichell Cruiskeen Lawn over's, qts ameson's, qts sushmill's surke's angstura Bitters, per 2 dog.	10 9 9 8	50 1 25 1 50 1 50 1 00 1	100	00 50 50 00
Gin— Institute grown, cases onden Dey lymouth singer Ale, Beliast, doz ods water, imports, doz polikania, 60 sts.	0 7 9 1 1 7	30 30	8 9 1	M



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British American Fire and Marine Cansda Life	15,000 2,500 10,000 25 000 13,372	31—6 mos. 4—6 mos. 71—6 mos. 5—6 mos. 2—3 mos.	350 400 100 40 50	350 400 10 20 50	97 160 277 80 160	

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Apr 30, 1910

Bhares	Dividend	NAME	share	Paid	C105	ing Prices
250,000	10s. per 8h.	Alliance Assur	50	21-5	101	111
450,000	10s. per sh.	Do. (New)	1	1	121	121
220,000	5s.	Atlas Fire & Life	10	248	5	5‡
100,000	171/2	British Law Fire, Life	10	1	4	41
29 5,000	60	Commercial Union	10	1	174	18
100,000	108.	Employers' Liability	10	2	10	11
10,000	18%	Equity & Law	100	6	231	24
169,996	12%	Gen. Accident, Fire & Life	5	136	11	2}
10,000	10	General Life	100	5	74	8
900,000	10	Guardian	10	6	101	101
67,000	16 2-8	Indernaity Mar	15	8	8	81
50,06G	16.	Law Life	20	20	241	25
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20,000	17. 6d per sh.	Legal & General Life	50	8	174	18
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105,650	22	London & Lancashire Fire	25	21/2	24	25
10,000	15	London & Lancashire Life	10	3	74	71
10,000	40s. Per sh.	Marine.	25	43/2	35	36
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180,000	90	Thames & Mer. Marine	20	2	64	61
65,400	18	Union Mar., Life	20	21/2	6	61
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Canada, 4 per cent loan, 1910	914 924
Insc. Sh	100 101
Manitoba 1910 5 p.c	78 80 100 102

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100 Atlantic & Nth. West 5 p.c. gua. 1st M. Bonds	116 13 184 186‡ 106 108	118 184 186 187 107
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