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COMMERCIAL SUMMARY
-The L'nion 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 Goorge, B.C.; Beiseker, Sask.; and Steelton, Ont.
-There are now 2,700 miles of rail$w$ is $\%$ en for traffic in China and 20,000 mile= of telegraph line in operation. Japan possesses about double this mileage of railway.
-The financial statement of the Do minion for April shows a total expenditure on consolidated account during the month, of $\$ 4,802,170$, and on capital account of $1,914,7$ is 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 mil lions; Germany 63 millions; Austria 40 millions; Italy 32 millions; Britain 12 millions.
-Bank clearings show no diminution in the heary volume of payments through the lanks. 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 tho 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 Sinith Street, Winnipeg.
-The (anada Gazete :nntoun 's the incorporation of the Blau (ias Co. of Camada, Montralal. capitalized at $\$ 3,500,000$, and of The Mifha Flax Fibre and Twine Co., Montreal, capital $\$ 1.500,000$.

French law has been promulgated ordering the provi sen amnally, for ten years from 1911, of a stum of $2,000,001$ frans (about $\$ 400,600$ ), to be expended in the encourag:ment of olive growing in france.

During the last nine months, imports of raw cotton into the L'uited sitates increased from $\$ 8,000,000$ to $\$ 12,600,000$, and cotton goods imperted in the same time by $\$ 4,009,000$, over the cerresponding period the year before

The output of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. for April amounted to $2,-4,60$ tons of pig iron against 21,194 tons in the same month last yar, and 24.815 tons of steel ingots against 25.063 twis in the same month of 1909.

While it is next to impossible to estimate aceurately the amount of Aucrican 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 exeess of $\$ 1.50 .0(6), 0$ one

A British firm of tube manufacturers has proposed to build a plant in Australia for the production of iron and stem 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 Sucs cables that the third oil well at lemsah in ligypt 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 ears in the United States and Canala 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 40.8.57, a gain of 33.4.57. Box cars increased from 15.834 to 20,587 .

Th. 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 founda$t_{1}, \ldots$ in fact. emptied some of the mills of their employeas, 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 earrying 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 Narch 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 p 2 r cent. The tctal gross receipts amounted to more than $\$ 17$, 700,000 , 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 coflee give it no natural chance to winning its way into the C.S.
-Japan is steadily increasing her purchases of Australian wools, the figure being 16,630 bales this season. as comparel 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 adrances made in wool mamufacturing in Japan.
-According to figures collected by the Board of Agriculture the number of sherp) in (ireat Britain last year was $2 \overline{7}, 618,419$, the highest total since 1892. The number of sheep has increased rapilly 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 $11,5 \cdot 9,9 y 3$, an increase of $\overline{7}, 322$ over 1908. A gratifying feature is that in agricultural horses the number is the largest on record. Cattle wrre :lso in record numbers, at $7,020,982$. Pigs numbered $3_{-}$. 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, freczing 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.
-Advices from Washington state that following the regulation recently adopted in Quebec forbidding the exportatio: of pulpwood from crown lands, the treasury department has given inistructions to collectors of customs on the Canadian border, assessing duty in wood pudp and printing paper, produced fiom pulpwood cut on such lands after May 1, as providel in the tariff act. These rates are as follows:- On mechanically ground woodpulp, 1-12 of one per cent per pound, $\mathrm{dr}_{y}$ weighi. Or chemical wood pulp, unbleached 1.6 of one cent ler pouric, dry weight; bleacher $1 / 4$ of one cent per pound. dyy weght. On printing paper. the regular rates, and in ad dition thereto, the additional duty of $1-10$ of one cent per poind, wher valued at three cents per pound or less.
-Inder 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,' operatin:; under the guise of a selling agency and controlling almost :00 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 m dustry. The trust, which is financed by French and Belgian capital, evaded the provision of the Russian law requiriu; 3 government sanction by incorporating abroad and conducting its business ostensibly from Paris, the various plants ratainin $n_{b}$; their Russian individuality. The government believes, how ever, that the 'gentlemen's agreemint.' under which the trust operates, can le 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 stupendo is s:ale, both in point of investment and in the volume of work matertaken. Permits issued in twenty representative cities reporting to "Construction" total $\$ 8,887,787$, as against $\$ 4$, 7:0. 0.10 in the corresponding period of last year. This is an advance over the preceding month of $\$ 5,812,260$, and an ayerage gain over the month of March, 1909, of 87 per cent. By 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 Holifax, 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 Liverponl, 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 leing 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 duscussion, a reeolution 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 Pant ista railway system, which operates 691 miles of track in soutiern 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 $151 / 2$ 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 anà Co., im 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 retgards their effect upon the demand for spring merchandiseThe 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 unprece dentedly large immigration into the western provinces are important factors in the trade and industry of the country, and the (ffeet 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 salismen are meting with fair success in the booking of fall and winter business. Manufacturers are very busy and the clothing trade is active at well-maintained prices. Ciroceries continue fairly active with thehanged prices. lut sugars are very strong ant an advance of ten cents a cental is expected. Batilding 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 hoots and shocs. some manufacturers cos
timue bust. Paint grinders and oimen report an active bintimue buss. Paint grinders and oilmen report an active buinness and generally strong prices. The wheat trade is quiet, but prices are firmer while coarse grains are very dull. All a vailalle grain space on outgoing steamers is said to be already 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. ete., which is known as a resinite compound, is deseribed 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 applicat:ons 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 salts. 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, paste board, etc., and renders them hard and impermeaole. This ordinary pine wood when thoroughly impremated. hecomes so hard that it rapidly dulls a planer. In another form it ea be poured as a liquid into moulds. After coagulation it is transparent, with ruby tint infusible and unaffected by ordinary chemical reagents. . It is well adapted for making ornaments, such as hatpin heads, imitation of jewellry, 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, cellulo:d, vegetable ivory and similiar substances. Buttons, knife handles, mosaie 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 fietd for this new material in the glove manufacturing sections of Germany, where at present clasps are made chiefly from ves etable ivory."

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There is noth ng 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 someiimes portentious. 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 tre of them, which is very disconcerting to the merely enterprising political aspirants. People are becoming tired, even of the antics 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 iscue. the lamented death of the King will probably form an excellent excuse for a truce. which may develop into permanent peace, hy 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, Cambetta, Beaconsfield, Salisbury-to mention only these out off 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 almost Imperialism. The nary which sermed to be 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, ever 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 ag tation 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 ly war, that he left behind a united Fmpire, world-wide though it is, and that the heritag? 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 responsible-. makes the new King much more of a stranger to his people than was his father when he succeeded to the I'hrone 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. Uider our polity, the King is probably the chief link in the chain of continuity between succeeding foreior ministers. He can hardly have failed to receive dip̣. lomatic knowledge which will enable him to tread safely in his father's footsteps. He has shown the grear. est desire to understand fully all the sides of the prosent 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 upor. 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 sai.i]or King, who has been a great traveller, seems \% be impressed with its significance. It may be his lot to bring it to completion, and give the world the fed eration which will ensure permanency to the Empirc. The ideal must be inspired from the throne in all probability, though worked out according to the genius is 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 Edwaid VII. We hope and believe that the coming years will increase the heartiness with which Pritish suhients will sing the national prayer, which, if we mistake not, originally ran:-
"God save Royal George the King,
Long live our noble King."

## QLEBEC"S PILJWOOD.

There is, doultlese, much quict satisfaction over the decision of the Quebec Provincial Ministry to stop the esport of raw pulpwood from the publice lands. Thie action is in perfectalignment with that adoptecl by oui neighbours to the south in their latest tari'f bill, which most distinctly lays it down that all manulactures must be r gidly protected. and that only raw good= shall he ardmitted free of duty. Naturally, sime the slow pinches a luit. there is a howl on the other side of the line. Paper has gone up to $\$ 9.00$ a tom, though there is no possible reason for such an increase, excepting in the ['.s. duty imporid, which is probably made mainly to create a popular feeling against this country. There should be no mistake about the action taken at llashington. So long as there was an expoet duty of 250 upeon pulprood, the U.S. Ievied an import duty of 3\%. The removal of that duty followed upon the refural of permission to allow pulpwod from the Crawn deanain ta lave the frovinct at all. As the mattor stands. from hoth ontario and falenee, print paper from fulpurod eut upon Crown lanis pays a tay of \$?.i5 pere tom, the regular duty plus the additional duty provided loy the tariff bill. hringing the total duty on a ton of print paler from Canada to *is. 85. The importer pass the duty it is true, but it will be readily pereeved that the whent of this pemalty tias is to pre-
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 menfortuate 1 . S. limithouders who are hedd in a cleft stick by their orn legislatore, are most deserving of stmpathy. We shall he sumprised if they do not adopt the obvious way out of the difliculty. and erect prupin! mills luere at any rate even thongh the products are forlideden chtry to their orn country. There are profitable markets for them elsewhere and the natural alvantagesot this prorince with its numerons waterfowers, and exporting facilities will he!ptooffot many disadrantages, fiscal and others.

No doubt the dosing of the London wasom by the sudelen death of King Edward will have some stiect upon the dry groods businests. There were especial reasons lor expecting the comines stmmer to be exeptionally gay. in Iondon-the projected pageantry, a brilliant list of Conrt appointments, and the political activity, for instance. Retai?ers and warehousemen there. as wel! as in Camata and elsewhore, will find themselves encombered with a grood deal of material. whirel will not go off qeedily. 'There is a natural and proper dieposition to callel all occasions of public display throughout the entire. The effect upon private life will not be small either. As was the case when Queen Victoria passed whay, we may expect "quiet" shades of mat erial, something like half-or, may we be
allowed the phrase, quarter-mourning in tone, to be generally prevalent.

Nanufacturers have it in their favour that, by what w ll now be cons dered 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 metters. Violet shades have had the run of the market this Spring, and the prevalence of quict tones must have been remarkm by every one. Before the ad intelligence of the King's breef sicknews had been thought of, the "Textile Mercury," in its is-ue of April 30. noticed:-

Amethyst casily. heads the list of this season's fashinnable colours. with 'vieux rese' as a crectitable second. Imethyst is almost the only rolour the dressmaker or draper willconsent to think about, either in plain or fanof dress-groods. The hosier exhibits garlands of amethyst ties and amethyst socks, and the very line stripes on men's tweeds are ammethot blue. The lead is rery decided, ancl by all accounts it is to be eontinued. There is to be a winter of green-blues and! blue-greens, fowar perlaps in tone than the spring goods, but unquestionalsy deriving from them. They, and old rose. are likein to be before all the rest. It is notoften that we get so pronounced a run upon art-colours. and on so donsely limited a few of them, The concentration relieves colourists of some respomsibilitics, but, uniappily, dies not get rid of stocks that have been dyed to wher than the favoured shalles. I yers find the Hatching of these highly complex shates a trial to begin with; hut popularity brings practice, and one comfrnantion that is perhaps more checring to dyers than to colour makers. These wott sharlew are beonomical of die stuftis, and half the difficulty of obtaining them finitially litw in aroiding the putting on of too much colour . The summer amethysts have not yet had to lace much sunlight. and may fade to pass. able hues when they have done sof lut the possibility of a sumny summer is to be reckoned with, and a bad experence might have foreseen restlts upon public tate for winter." Since that was written, houcrer. has come the news which assure the manufactuers of a sale for their subdued shades for a twelvenon thas national mourning.

## WHNTER IVHEAT.

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 mike returns. This is particularly disappointing, because the value of these statistics lies in their of ficial 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 betiter be dropped at once, for if not to be universally relied upon, they are simply useless.

We reproduce the reports of the individual countries in order to furnish the fullest particulars respecting
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this most important crop. The whole commercial world is interested in and influenced by the growth, conrtitions of the plants, and the acreages sown. As was to be erpectied with wheat at its present figure, the areage under chop 's larger by 60 per cent in the countries reporting, than that of last year, and the comdition, generally speaking is excellent:-

Denmark:-Area sown in fall of 1909, 99. $1 \% 1$ acres. Condition on April 1st compared with ten vears' average, $9 \%$ per cent. Night frosts, especially in Tutland, have delayed devlopment of the crops.

Hungary :- $8,315,502$ acres sown $n$ fall of 1909 This anea is 103.3 per cent of that harvested in 1909 Condition on April 1st, 110 per cent compared with ten years' average. Inmage caused by insects 5. 6 wer cent.

Lusemburg :-27,862 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is 105 per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition on Apri 1st compared with ten years aiv. erage, 90 per cent. The cold weather at the ensi 'si Mareh has consderabli damaged the crops and delared their development

Roumania- - $4, \% 65,682$ 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 ycars' average. 105 per ent. The growth of the crops is excellent.

Sweden:-223,300 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is $10 \hat{i}$ per cent of that harvested in 1909 . Condition on April 1st. compared with ten years' average. 100 per eent. On account of an early spring, followed by hard nigit frosts, the erop, 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 slighty.

Canada:- $149, \tilde{2} 0^{\%}$ acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is $\mathbf{1 1 3}$ per cent of that harvested in 1909. Condition April 1st, 92 jeer 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 $10 \% .9$ per cent of that harrested in 1909 . Condition - April 1st 92.9 per cent, compard with ten years' average. Low conditions of wheat in Central Western states, due largely to smothering from jce wovering.

British India:-27.699.866 acres soun in fall of 1909. This area is $10 \%-1$ per cent of that sown in fall of 1908 . Weather conditions, in general, farourable. Gondition of wheat, grood.

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' a verage.

Tunis:-988,000 acres sown in fall of 1909. This area is $\mathbf{1 0 3}$ per cent of that harvested in $\mathbf{1 9 0 9}$. 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
wh ch had already commenced to develop last autumn, and also for crops sown at the end of Oetober and in November. The condition of wheat is in most cases satisfactory, and in several distriuts 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.

## EXPENANE LIVING AND TENTLLES

It must be considered an imporitant matter that in the I'nited states only two-thirds of the worsteds mih nery a d 20 per cent of the wool carding apparatus are in operation. Many of the mills are able to meet their orders ly working only four days a week. As a rule the other manufacturing interests in the States are loing much better than that. True the southern cottin mills have seriously, and by mutual agreement, curtailed their output. But it is commonly understool that spec ulation in the raw material is partly answeralle for that, and at any rate the market was already overst aked. It was not so with the woullen 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 the r orlers. The margin of profits is somewhat minite, awing to low quotations for goods, and high-priced wool. But, as one of the Huddersfield proprictors sileely remarked the other day, "there is a living in it for the hands and a clear trifle for the rest of $u$, as well." The point is, that sales are heary 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 Thited States is responsible for this. Workmen's wagres, it is said, all go in food and rent. leaving nothing, or at any rate rery litile, for clothing. The charge is popular just now, when the limelight is turned full on to the high price lisits. Perhaps, als.), it is popular leccanse it furnishes something like an exruse to some people. To the thousande, 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 basedall. Or to those who every afternoon and evening-even in the morning of late enpay to the enrichment of the numerous valudeville and moving picture managers. A visit to these crowded resorts does not leare the impression that the high cost of living has taken alray the purchasing power of the average community. It is certain that there is a good two hundred per cent more money spent in amusment now than there wasten years ago. This is a factot in the sitnation, 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 amongsit the middle and lower classes. And although trade is undoubtedly duil juit now, the British exporters are cheerful over their shipments to our neighbours. The great objection to the L'.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, prolably does, come in here, preventing the U.S. workmen from existing on the rates paid across the Atlantic. It any rate, the fact remains. that $a$ great deal of British or other foreign made woollens is used in the States, while the mills are standing idle.

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

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As will be seen in the Annual Report we reproduce upon another page, this young bank is travelling rapidly tonrards financial success. That it has already made a jlace 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 $\$ 92,832$. Thiz, considering that the Capital stock is now set at $\$ 926$,467, having increased by abont $\$ 100,000$ during the year. cannot but be considered satisfactory by sharebolders. Last year the Net Profits were $\$ 64,146$, on 9 Capital of \$829,489.

The Stock is already selling at a premiam of 24 per cent. and the sum of $\$ 24,24$ received from that son ree, 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. aind the whole of th is previum and another $\$ 50.000$ was laid aside for that purpose. The tutal of the sum beld in Reserve now announts to \$2s1.616. 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 carr ed into next year's accornts 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 staitements to be made at the Annual Meeting to be held in Toronto on Tuesday next. the $1 \%$ th inst.

The ciromlation has increased from $\$ 682,656$ last yoar to $\$ 265.908$. Depmasits have alao 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 complared with $\$ 5.15 \pm, 940$ 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 cleare, and we refer our readers' attention to it, with the confidence that they will agree that no better proof conld be giren than is there afforded, that there certainly was a place in the Canadian banking world for 'The Sterling Bank.

## "CUTTLVG 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-heanty kind. who have contrived to wreck themselves in their more legitimate arocations, and take up soliciting for fire risks as a last rusort. Usmally they have hosts of friends, and when in the fulness of their waists they murmer that the world owes them a living, the mean to collect payment from theje unfortunates. Perhaps their first strike is made upon a company. which out of pure goodness of theart, pity, or inability to say no. enrolls them amongst its agents. They never intend to follow the highly honourable business any further than necessity drivas 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 agent.
Their method is well known to most business men. They solicit insurance in the name of frendship. They do not pretend to open new fields, but importune insurers to make orer just a slice of their insurance to them. The specious plea is, "it will do you no harm, it will be a great thíng 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 conisideration is offered: "You give me a part of your insurance and I will divde the commission with you." And very often - much of tener than might be imagin-ed-the "soi-disant"" agent succeeds in car rying 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 lusiness in Canada for any fire insurance compay licensed under this Aet shall, in any way, directly or indirectly, divide, or offer to divide, his commission or other remunerat on 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 whoss property he may he insur ng or seeking to insure, of 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 jnsure with him or in or with a company emnloying him or represented by him.

Every person violating the provisions of the last pres ceding 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 sceond 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.

Every director or manager or other officer of any fire insurance company within the legislative power of the Parliament of Canada or licensed under this Act to carry on the business of fire insurance, who violates or knowingly consents to or permits the violation of
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It would be a praisewort ly act to bring any solicitor who proffers such an offer, under the operation of clanse 138 above quoted. There does not appear to Ce any way to reanh the chap who euts intr, another man's business, for h's 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 "slroo" him away from buzzing about where he bas no great r'ght to be. "But, monsieur, one must live," the thieres remarked when dscovered in the French novelist's house. "I don't see the necessity," Victor Hugo, replied.

CO-OPER ATION AMONG FRUIT GROWVERS
Taught by the wonderful success which has followed the formation of the California Fruit Growers' Association, the farmers of south Western ontario have fonmed 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 representei by a cantral organization called the California Fruit Exchange. One of these exchanges, which I risited, had a packing house $500 \times 200$ 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 businiss rery 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 bo. cause they go in a slipshod, haphazard way.
"Opportunities here in Eastern Canada are even greater than those out there. Imagine paying $\$ 1,500$. $n$ a are for land under citrous fruit, and $\$ 600$ to $\$ 800$ an acre for the raw land. Canada can produce the best apples grown in the world, and we have no expense here for irrigation or fumiga. tion, 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 rouch, 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 eo-operation is that it enables the growers to be masters of their own reputation
"'Sone 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 cooperative association known as the Forest Fruit-Growers' and Forwarding Association, and were able to get for 28 . Jetter barrels than others had to pay 45 cents for. That was a good start. Since then we have been working on, receiv. ing 50 cents to $\$ 1.00$ more for our apples than wo formerly did. We have estallished a grade and reputation for it. The production of the orchards has been greatly increased, and people are taking more intorest in the production of gnod fruit, and raise two or three times as many apples as formerly. Wherever a live co-operative association hás been started, interest in fruit-growing has been quickened:
"In the Niagara District, some years ago, fruit-growers wer? dissatisfied with their returns. The St. Catharines Col Istorage 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 cooperation associations into a central lody, 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 repressented."

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 beell devoted to packing, and there was an improvement in grading, though there is still much to be desired in this respect.

THE COTTON FRAIVDS.
The export trade has been thrown into coufusion 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 hill 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 refuse 1 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 tofile their petition in bankruptey.

Thero were about 26 honses in Liverpool a fiected by the downfall, and about 45,000 bales were concerned in the dealings with Liverifool firms. Fistimating these at $\$ 75$ per bale, "he 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. lecording 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 25,060 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 rest raining him from taking 4,200 bales of cotton consigned to Harre and shipped under bills of lading issued by Messrs. Knight, Yancy, and Co. Of course sereral firms in the U.S. are likewise affected by the irregular bills of lading. The whole matter will be gone into privately, no doubt, and care vill be taken to protect the interests of the firms affectet, 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. Tnis 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 auch conditions. It is not anticipated that the banks will in any erent lose on the transactions. Sereral consignments of cotton have arrived at tiverpool during the last ferr 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 colton to he warehonsed. The custom is $t_{0}$ have three copies of hills of lading, one of which is held by the shipper and anothor by the captain of the vessel upon which the material namedt 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 CHEMICAIS.

A circular from S. W. Royse of Manchester says:-In the unsitisfactory condition of the cotton trade there is still only a moderate demand for chennicals for bleaching, dyeing, tte., and now there is sume possibility of a wages difficulty in tho cotton trade as a further depressing factor. From other lran nehes of the home trad there is a fair demand, and export husiness is latterly better. The long expected gener. al improvement dors not, however, so fal amoment to a great deal, and is evilentily only to come slowly. In the United states the supreme Court has ordered a reargmment of the Tobateco and (hil Trust cases, which means a delay of some months, powsidy nearly a year, and how in the meantime trade guerally will he affected by this delay remains to be seen. Sulphate of copper has steadily declined during last month with the mital, and experts during the first three monthe are 11.996 ; in this year against 18.234 tons in 1909 and 34:0is tons in igous. direen coppreas contimes dull, but there is perhaps rat her less pressure to sell. Nitrate of lead is unchanged: Seetates of lead thave a stoady empuiry, and brown aretate continnes searee: other lead compomads are steady. firey acentate of lime is firm, the production being well sold here and in Amerik: brown acetate of lime is steady, but cuice. In aliscible and solvent wood naphthas there is little bunimes, consumers having bought well ahead. White powdered arsenic is sluggish, but maintains its value, being alraady viry low. (arlmonate of potash has at present rather an canser tonc, stupplies on spot being plentiful : canstic potash is steady: Montreal potashes are searce, and bringing high figures. Tartarice acid and cream of tartar are selling quietly, and are very firm at the advanced values. Yellow prussiates are dull.and the sola 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 priess are paid. Solvent naphtha also is moving well, consumers taking deliverics readily against their contracts, and valus are well maintained. Benzoles have latterly some improved demand. anel are a little dearer. Crude carbolic is selling lefter. and alightly adranced prices are now paid for present and forward delivery: erystals arehowewer, still depressed: liquid is moving better for export. Creosote has only a moderate enquiry. and is barely steady. Sulphate of ammonia is stendy with a moderato businese doing. In, how walkalies there is a fair demand all round and values are unchenged.

## REAS "CHANTLNGK.

The bundon (hamber of commere has been considering tha matior of mishaminy silk gools under the designation of "Hantums." The trade has beeome large in the class of prode thine designated, and it is well to note the official declar:ation of the silk. Sub-section of the Chamber, which has just been issucd:- "That it having come to the knowledge of this subsicection that textile materials manufactured in England and other countries in Europe. from silk. silk and wool, anl cotton. are being sold under the designation of "Shantung" or "'hantungs," with or without qualification, the members of the subsestion desire to place on record, that the only gools which call properly be desaribed as "Shantung" or "Shantunus" are pongees woven in the Province of Shantung (or aljacent districts) in China, from wild silk (Tissore or Tussah). Which goods have been known in all parts of th world as "Shantung Pongees" or "Shantungs" for many deculles. That copies of this resolution be circulated to the trade and general press with a brief explamation of the recuirements of the Merchandise Marks Act, so as to ensure that only goods which can properly be so degcribed shall by offered or adrertised 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 io thi 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 tons:-

|  | Acid. <br> Tons. | Basic. Tons. | Total. Tons. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ingots: |  |  |  |
| Bessemer. | 151,148 | 7,517,451 | 7,668,599 |
| Open hearth. | 2.28,798 | 3,844,139 | 4,072,937 |
| Castings.. | 83,014 | 123,442 | 206,456 |
| C'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 | 715.959 | 10,591,555 | 11,307,807 |
| 1905 | 655, 49.5 | 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 | 46.5,040 | 5,929.182 | 6,394,222 |
| 1900 | 42\%.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 suppres. sion of the "lucketshop" business throughout the United States is sought hy 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 "hat are the plans of the govermment to accomplisia 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 Fast, operations will be begun at Chicago, and, working from that centr", it expects to conduct proceedings in such a manner as to break up any lusiness 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 prosecnting 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 t. 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 convern, 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 apppointed 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 electric. al throughout.

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## RAILROAD EARNINGS

Total gross earnings of all United States railroads reporting to date, for four weeks in April, aggregate $\$ 26,570,127$, an in crease of 11.2 per cent, as compared with the earnings of the same roads in the corresponding period last ycar. 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 Nashrille, Southern, Mobile and Ohio and Cincinnati. New Orleans and Texas Pacific, are among the roads reporting increases, and in the West, Northwest and Southwest, Walash, Missouri Pacific. "'oo," St. Louis and Southwestern. Denver and Rio Grand', Texas and Pacifie 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 :ts compared with the earnings of the same roads for the corres. ponding period a year ago: also of the same weeks in the two preceding months. together with the percentages of gains over last year:

April. 4 weeks . . . . . .. $\$ 26,570,137$ (rain $\$ 2,666.772 \quad 11.2$
March, 4 weeks
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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 higl, er 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 SHIPMFNTS

Foreign shipments of wheat and flour form Canada and the United States during the past week reached a total of 1 . $8.54,000$ bushels. as compared with $2,059,000$ bushels the week lefore. There was an increase of 401,000 bushels over a year ago, however. Corn exports were unusually light, falling $t$, 205.000 bushels, the smallest total of any week since last November.
The Exports of wheat and flour from North Ameriea during the past week compare with previous years as follows:-

1910-9. 1909-8. 1908-7.

| May 5 | 1.8.54,070 | 1,452.969 | 1.956,883 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April 28 | 2,059,239 | 896.312 | 1,620,589 |
| April 21 | 1,289.272 | 1,589.778 | 2,417.003 |
| April 14 | 1.836,266 | 1.475.506 | 2,470.177 |
| April | 1,777,086 | 1,062.244 | 2,451,099 |
| March 31 | 1,744,279 | 1,413,593 | 2,911,364 |
| March 24 | 1,638.578 | 2,035,715 | 2,293.964 |

Wheat exports in this week in 1907 were 2,994.419 bushels; in 1906. 2,142. 162 bushels, and in 1905, 899,355 bushels. Exports since July 1 were 124,085,507. as against $51.087,264$ 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 weste?n 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 houndary produces little beyond sage grass. The vice-presidint of one of our large banks is also answerable for the statement that the hay produced throughout Canada will rival in value the raunted cotton yield of the Southern States. It is no wonder that our neighbours ars: steadily seeking new fremes in the North-West.

## CRUDE RUBBER.

Salus of ceylon grades of cerude rubber at the London Auction room this week, resulted in some encouraging to the trace. Prices are showing some elasticity, the demand being, as uscal, normal, for manufacturing purposes on!y. The speculative element, which reports from the Amazon were ex pectid to excite, gave no signs, and though prices of up-river fio: wert increased, $t$ is not certain that sales were made at t!:, advance. The actalal basis would appear to be about between $\$ 1.67$ for coarse to $\$ 2.48$ fine, for the up-river grades, Fine islands -tanling it, about $\$ 2.40$, Caucho, ball, $\$ 1.60$, though some adrances upon these prices have been reported.

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## INSURANCE NOTES.

-The Ohio Legislature has just passed a law prohibiting rebates by fire companies and agents under a penalty of from $\$ 100$ to $\$ .0(x)$ for each ofrence

London, Lloyds, underwriters have insured the promoter of the Jeffrices and Johnson prize fight against the postponement of fray through death or acedent. They have takan $\$ 30,000$ 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 oflicers 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 Comncil- Nessrs. Frank (hass, J. B. Morissatte. L. . I. 'Trudel, O. N. Gagnon and J. (i. Breneau

Talk aloont 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 ammunt of mones available for such undertakings, though there are many wiys of substracting the something frem what looks like mothing to the minitiated. It is wise to wait until offidial notice of incorporation has been posted, before pledging faith

A new assocriation of underwriters at Lioyd's. London, has lieen formed under the name of the "Lloyd's Fire and Non-Marine 'Anderwriters' Association." It is understeod that it will work upon somewhat similar lines to those of the "Lloyd's I'nderwriters' Assoriation" in the marine branch oi the linsiness, promulgating information antong its mem'er, 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 seisonably remarks:-"The insurance business gives a man more freedom than other oc(upations, but it rists with each one whether this freedom is to be an ai! 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 "racation" is already handjeapped. The insurane 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 tho 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 be effecting insurance against it with Lloyds and other underwriters. There was a regular rush for instrance last Friday, when the news of King Edward's sorious condition appeared. Rates are said to have been run up to 6.火. 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 soc, which was paid during : previous illness of the King. The cancellations of l.ondon hotel room orders ly 1 '.S. travellers are already large emough to make a deep hole in the prospective profits of the coming season.

Th: settlement of litigation in which the Equitable Life Assurance Sucsety of New York has been involved for some years. it is understood, requires the payment of $\$ 4,025,000$ by the Fepuitable Life, to the Mereantile Trust Company, the Mercantile Safe Deposit Company, and the Serurity 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 arrangement provides for the payment by the Equitable to the Mereantile Trust Co. of $\$ 2,750,000$ in settlement of the so-ralled "Turner" ?oans, which it is suid is $\$ 650,000$ less than ot 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 Mercartile 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 increass the value of its building by $\$ 2,00,000$. 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 bya special committee of the policyholders' directors.

## FIRE RECORD

The residence of Jas. (avanagh, Charleston, Ont., was burned May 5. Loss $\$ 1,500$ with $\$ 400$ insurance.
The Barlow cheese factory, Brockville was destroyed by firz Friday last. Loss $\$ 2,000$, with small insurance.
The residence of $\mathbb{W}$. H. Tapley. Outremont, was burned Satrirday. Loss 423,000 .
Fire sunday destroyed the stable of the Prince Albert Turf Club, Prince Albert.
The dwelling of Wm. Noe, Ingersoll, was destroyed by fire Friday last. No insurance.
Fire May 5 destroyed the dwelling of J. OBrien, Nerth Monaghan Township. Loss covered by insurance.
Fire May 5, destroyed the Dominion Block, strathroy. T. Statham and con, machinists, who had an extensive plant in the building, suffered the heaviest loss, which is pretty we:l covered by insurance. The building was owned by a lom comprany in landon, and will not likely be re-luilt by them.
R. Balcomb's lumber and planing mills, Yienna, Ont., were gutted by fire May 4. Loss partly insured.
The frame house occupied by A. Carr, Belleville ,was burned Saturlay. looss $\$ 1,000$, insured.
The Victoria Hall Hotel and residence of W. Higgins Meicalfe, 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 books at Norwood, were destroyed by fire Friday last. The losses and chief sufferers are as follows:Reynolds estate, thirteen thousand partly sovered 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 lozs $\$ 4,000$, partly insured; contents loss $\$ 3,000$, insurance $\$ 2,000$, f. B. Pearse, interest in hotel. loss $\$ 1,500$, and damage to block loss $\$ 500$, partly insured; B. W. Leberett, grocery, $\$ \$$, m 00 , insurance $\$ 3,000 ; \mathrm{W}$. H. Girven. jeweller, loss $\$ 3,500$. in suraner $\$ 1.250$. Thomas Waller, harness maker, $\$ 3,000$, insurwhe $\$ 2.060 ; \mathrm{K}$. G. Thompson, druggist, loss $\$ 3,500$, insuranee \$2.500; Mrs. E. Elliott, residence. \$2, 900, no insurance; I.日. 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, $\$ 800$, in sturance \$500; W. C. Harrison, damage to electric wires and fixtures. $\$ .500$; John Hendren, piano dealer, $\$ 200$ no insarance: W. A. Richardson, insurance office, all contents saved; Fred. Anderson, barler, $\$ 150$, some insurance; John Wier, liseryman, $\$ 400$; Workman and Forester, $\$ 500$, insurance $\$ 300$, (hosen Friends. \$200.
The Balan and Northern hotel, at Prince Rupert. B.C., owned by .J. Satrace and .J. Hartley, were destroyed by fire Friday last, entailing a loss of $\$ 10,000$.
Four dwellines 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 $\$ 1.500$ insturancec

The sash and door factory of Y. Reed, at North Hatlev, was burned Wednesday. About $\$ 5,000$ 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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shoe man
to D. M. $\$ 600,000$ a side mainly 000 hands.

## BUSINESE DIFFICULTIES.

A despatch from Boston states that Perkins, Hardy and Co., shoe manufacturers, of that city, and Derry, N.B., assigned to D. M. Friedman and Rabert 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, eity; 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 0. 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 againsi 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 INSPELTOR 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 $\$ 3,039,828$. Sliminating 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 i.) last year and 86 in 1908, but the aggregate indebtedness is $\$ 1,062,407$, which compares with $\$ 519,132$ and $\$ 593,602$, respectively, in the 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 oclock p.m., the estate of the minerva mandfacturing so.,

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
"Materials"-Cottons, Lawns, Muslins, Laces, Embroideries, Linings, Trimmings, Voiles, Saxonys, Costume Materials, approximate 1y

Manufactured Goods - Ladies' Whitewear, Skirts, ete.. approximatels 5,000.00
Trade Marks, Copyrights, Patterns, Filling of 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 ofportunity 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.

## Meetings, Reports, \&c.

THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA.
To the Shareholders:

The Directors beg to present the following statement of the result of the business of the Bank for the year ending 30th, April,, 1910:-

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th April,
1909 .. .. .. .. . . . . . .. . . . . . .. .. \$ 36,714.67
Premium received on Capital Stock . . . . . . . 24,244.57
Profits for the year ending 30th April, 1910, af-
ter deducting charges of management, etc., and making provision for bad and doubtful debts, and for rebate on bills under discount.
$92,832.04$
Making a total of .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. $\$ 153,791.28$

Appropriated as follows:-

| Dividend $11 / 4$ per-cent, paid 14 th August, 1909 |  | 10,519,66 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dividend $11 / 4$ per cent, paid 15 th November, 1909 |  | 10,573.61 |
| Dividend $11 / 4$ per cent, paid 15 th February, 1910 |  | $11,428.06$ |
| Dividend $11 / 4$ per cent, payable 16th May, 1910 .. |  | 11,580.65 |
|  |  | 44,101.98 |
| Transferred to Reserve Fund from Profits |  | 50,000.00 |
| Transferred to Reserve Fund Premium on Capital Stock .. .. |  | 24,244.57 |

118,346.55

Palance of Profit and Loss Areount carried for ward ..
\$ 35,444.73

RFSERYE FUND.
Balance at credit of account, 30th April, 1909 \$ 207,372.30 Transferred from Profit and Loss Account Premium received on Capital Stock 50,000.1)0 $24,244.57$
\$ 281,616.87
G. I. SOMERS, President.

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 . . $\$ 727,864.61$ Deposits bearing interest (includ-
ing interest acerued to date) .. 4,355,803.23
5,083,667. S4
Due to other Banks in Canada .. .. .. .. . . . $\quad 116,692.63$
Due to Agents in the United Kingdom .. .. .. $36,035.30$
Total Liabilities to the Public . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 6,002,303.77$
Capital Stock Paid-up
Reserve Fund
Balance of Profits carried forward

926,467. 48
281,616.87

Dividend No. 13 payable 16th May
11,580.65 Former Dividends unclaimed 1,067.17
$\$ 7,258,480.6{ }^{7}$

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Notes .. .. .. .. .. .. .. . .
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Railway and other Bonds, Deben-
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Call and Short Loans on Stocks and lionds in Canada

Bills Discounted and Advances
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Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)
Bank Premises, Safes and Office Furniture
Real Estate other than Bank Premises
Other Assets not included under
foregoing heads
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F. W. BROUGHALL,

General Manager.
Toronto, April 30th, 1910
-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 W:inam, 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 lmperial 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 premium. 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 schence 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 doult 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 increasing prices, on good reports from the management. The fact that all the milling stocks held firm throughout the fluctuations in 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 $\overline{1}, 1910, \$ 822,937 ; 1909, \$ 714$, 028; increase $\$ 108,909$.

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

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 $\$ 12 \pi, 000.000$ National Railways of Mexico second preferred stock.
May interest and dividend disbursements in the States ar ${ }^{3}$ 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 lasi we ${ }^{2} \mathrm{k}$ 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. Russin 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 Fgypt 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 Shoro Railrond. Efforts to place issules 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.
Thae Royal Securities Corporation, Limited, have purchased an issue of 47,5005 per cent 30 -year debentures of the town of Dow val, Que.
The Bank of Montreal has declared the regular quarterly dividend of $21 / 2$ per cent payable June 1 , to shareholders of recori. 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 Nay 11, 1910.
At Toronto, lank quotations: Molsons 2075/3; Imperial 226; Traders $1453 / 4$.

In New York: Money on call $31 / 2$ to 4 per cent. Time loans fio days $33 / 4$ to 4 per cent 90 days 4 per cent; 6 months 4 to $41 / 4$ per cent. Prime mercantile paper $41 / 2$ 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, $827 / 4$; pfd. $1181 / 4$. In London: Spanish 4's $951 / 4$. Bar silver $2415-16 \mathrm{~d}$ per ounce. Money 2 to $21 / 2$ per cent. Discount rates: Short bills and. 3 months' bills 3 3-16 to $31 / 4$ per cent. Gold premiums: Mad-


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## MONTREAL.

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rid, 6.80 ; Lislon, 11. Berlin exchange on London 20 marks $491 / 2$ pfennigs. Paris exc. 25 francs $2.51 / 2$ centimes.
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARRETS.
Montreal, Thursday, May 12th, 1910.
There were few changes in trade conditions during th: week. A gloom was cast over the city by the death of the King, which was mecentuated 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 lonited states, further curtailment in pig iron production is shown. but the United States steel corporation. after raising dividends and wages l:as established a great pronsion 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 unfavounble and are arousing U.心. bankers and merchants to the consideration of ways and means of increasing agricultural and mannfaturing exports; during the latest week at New lork the imports were $\$ 19,552,195$ or $\$ 8.304 .17$ in excess of the exports and $\$ 2,101,875$ in excess of the imports last year and $\$ 7,057.365$ in excess of 1908 .

BITVER, - Market weak here and in the coantry. Choicest creamery $2.21 / 20$ to 260 , with lower prices expected.
(HENE Guiet with fodder eheese at lle to $111 / 2^{\mathrm{C}}$. Exports for the opening week of the season 16.91 boxes, against 17,045 last year.

DRI (ic:0DE. - The wather has been wet and cold and somewhat against business in this line. The sorting trade has heen quieter, but is generally w, to expectations. Cozton speculation for future delvery has been moderately aetive at some adwance. This was due to covaring of shoris coincident with reports that rains were neede 1 in Texas an-1 a number of other States, and also that a good deal of coiton will be shipped out of the New York stock both to the south and to Enrope. Considerable ocean freight engagements are said to have been made for Liverpool. Bremen and

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7c; halibut,
50c each; d per lb.; pel pike 7e per 4c per lb.;
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FLOUR .market.

## Prairie Cotton Co.

SPELLAL ATTENTION. TO $1-16$ TO 1.8 hEAVY BODIKD BLACK LAND CO'TTON.

ABERDEEN, Miss.

W. FOWLER, Manager.

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 beex 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 needd 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 fon the Continent, notably in Germany.
-In the U.S. domestic goods market retailers continue io 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 coilstructions required by converters. Bleached cottons are quiet, with prices easy, but printed goods have been in little better inquiry. Ginghams hold firm and the best staples aresold 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 denimis 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. U'nderwear 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 5 c per yard was anonunced in the U.S.., largely bzcause 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 23 e to 24 c and ordinary at 19 c to 20 c .

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 7 c ; halibut, express, 9 to 10 c ; salmon 22c; shad, buck, 40 to 50 c each; do. roe, 75 to 80 c each; barbotte, dressed 8 to 10 c per lb .; perch, dressed, 8 to 10 c ; Gaspereaux, large, 2 c each; pike 7e per lb.; lake trout, 12c per lb. Fiozen: Steak cod 4e per lb.; market cod, 3e per lb.; B.C. salmon, red, 9c per lb.; Gaspe salmon 18c; pike, round, 6 c ; dore (winter caught), 9 c ; haddock 4 c ; No. 1 smelts, 9 c ; large sea herring $\$ 1.25$ per 100. Oysters: "Sealshipt," solid meats, $\$ 2$ per gal.; bulk oysters $\$ 1.50$; live lobsters, 15 c per 1 b .

FLOUR.-Demand is limited to small lots in this
market. Manitoba $\begin{aligned} & \text { spring wheat patents, firsts, }\end{aligned}$
$\$ 5.60$; Manitoba spring wheat patents, seconds, $\$ 5.10$; winter wheat patents $\$ 0.40$ to $\$ 5.50$; Manitoba bakers $\$ 4.90$; straight rollers $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 5.15$; straight rollers, in bags, $\$ 2.35$ to $\$ 2.45$.

GRALN.-The markets were weak and unsettled. At Winnipeg wheat sold at $98 \% / 4$ c May, $99 \% / 4 \mathrm{c}$ July, 94 c Oct. Oats $32 \% / \mathrm{c}$ May, $337 / \mathrm{s}$ e July. Receipts of wheat at Winnipeg on Monday $384 \mathrm{cars} ;$ 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 expeated and acted as a bearish factor. There were liberal effers 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, $2,097,554$. Chicago, future quotations closed: Wheat, May, $\$ 1.14 \frac{1}{s}$; July, $\$ 1.04$; Sept. $\$ 1.01$ to $\$ 1.013 / 4$. Corn, May, $611 / \mathrm{se}$; July $621 / 2 \times$; Sept. $633 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Oats, May, 42 c to $421 / \mathrm{sc}$; July $401 / \mathrm{c}$ c to $401 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; Sept. $383 / 5 \mathrm{c}$. Rye, May, 76c; July $781 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Timothy seed, May, $\$ 4.25$; Oct. $\$ 4.00$. Clover seed, nothing doing. In the Montreal market business in Manitoba spring wheat over the cable was quiet, there being little or no demand owin. 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 9 d per quarter out of line with prices here, no business was done. The local trade in all lines of coarse grains continues 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-IVest is delayed by cold, dry weather. Such reports have come particularly from South Dakota and Canada. Meantime. ton, 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 umusual thing for damage in the wheat country to be exaggerated. Yet 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 deeided strength. A sharp advalice 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 lay 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 ba largely due, howerer, 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. aythough the rise in prices has not been marked. Cash houses at the West liave 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, FTC.-There is a good demand at steady prices. Oranges: Valencia, 420 s, case, $\$ 4.75$; California nqvel, $150,176,200,216$, box, $\$ 3.75$; do. $96,112,126$, box, $\$ 3.50$. -Grapefruit: $46,64,80$ box $\$ 4.50$.-Cocoanuts: 100 and 150 , bag, $\$ 4.25$. -Dates: Hallowees, lb., $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; new, pkg., 7c. Figs, new, $2 \frac{3}{4}$ inch, lb., 10c.-Apples: Sp $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$, No. 1 , bbl., $\$ 5.50$; No. 2, $\$ 4.25$.-Bananas: Bunch, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 2.25$.-Pineapples: 24 and 30, crate, $\$ 4.50$ - Lemons: "Marconi," fancy, 300's box, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.00$.-Onions: Fgyptian, lb., $21 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.--Celery: Flozida, crate, $\$ 3.75 .-T o m a t o e s, ~ F l o r i d a, ~ c r a t e, ~ \$ 3.00 .-C a b b a g e, ~$ case) $\$ 4.25$.-Asparagus, doz., $\$ 4.50$.-Lettuce: Boston, box,

Stocks, Bonds and Securities dealt in on the Montreal Stock Exchange.

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| British NorthAmerica..... | 4,866,666 | 4,866,666 | 4,866,666 | 2,530,666 | 52.00 | 243 |  | 3 | April |  | Oct. | 150 |  |
| Can. Bank of Commerce.. | 15,000,000 | 10,000,000 | 10,000,000 | 6,000,000 | 60.00 | 50 |  | $2{ }^{*}$ | Mch. | June Sept. |  | .... | ... |
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| 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 | ....... | 2t******* | Mch. | June Sept. | Dec. | .... |  |
| Hochelaga | 4,000,000 | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 | 2,300,000 | 92.00 | 100 |  |  |  | June Sept. |  | .... | .... |
| Home | 2,000,000 | 1,211,300 | 1,110,420 | 333,653 | 30.00 | 100 |  | 112* | Mch. | June Sept. | Dec. |  |  |
| Imperial. | 10,000,000 | 5,000,000 | 5,000,000 | 5,000,000 | 100.00 | 100 |  | 2\%* | Feb. | May Aug. | Nov. | .... | - |
| La Banque Nationale. | 2,000,000. | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 | 1,050,000 | 52.50 | 30 |  | 17* | Feb. | May Aug. | Nov. |  |  |
| Merchants. | 10,000, 000 | 6,000,000 | 6,000,000 | 4,500,000 | 75.00 | 100 | 178.00 | $2^{*}$ |  | June Sept. |  | 180 | 178 |
| Metropolitan.. | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 100.00 | 100 |  | 2 * | Jan. | April July | Oct. |  |  |
| Molsons | 5,000,000 | 3,500,000 | 3,500,000 | 3,850,000 | 110.00 | 100 | 209.00 | 2! ${ }^{\text {* }}$ | Jan. | April July | Oct. | .... | 209 |
| Montreal | 14,400,001 | 14,400,000 | 14,400,000 | 12,000,000 | 83.33 | 100 | 253.00 | 2t** | Mch. | June Sept. | Dec. | .... | 253 |
| New Brunswick | 1,000,000 | 773,340 | 772,540 | 1,376,945 | 178.23 | 100 |  | $33_{4}{ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | April July | Oct. | .... | .... |
| Northern Crown | 6,000,000 | 2,207.50 0 | 2,203,113 | 100,000 | 4.53 | 100 |  |  |  | ...... July |  |  |  |
| Nora Scotia. | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 5,400,000 | 180.90 | 100 |  | 3 * | Jan. | April July | Oct. |  |  |
| Ottawa. | 5,000,000 | 3,329,200 | 3,297,550 | 3,216,850 | 97.54 | 100 |  | 21閨* | Mch. | June Sept. | Dec. | .... | $\cdots$ |
| Provincial Bank of Can | 2,000,000 | 1,000,075 | 1,000,000 | 350,000 | 35.00 | 100 |  | 14* | Jan. | A pril July | Oct. |  |  |
| Quebec | 3,000,000 | 2,500,000 | 2,500,000 | 1,250,000 | 50.00 | 100 |  | $1{ }^{*}$ | Mch. | June Sept. | Dec. | 126 |  |
| Royal | 10,000,000 | 5,000,000 | 5,000,000 | 5,00,000 | 114.00 | 100 | 233.25 | 2id* | Jan. | April July | Oct. | 234 | 2334 |
| Sovereign | $3.000,000$ | 3,000.000 | 3,000,000 |  |  | 100 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standard. | $2.000,000$ | 2.000,000 | 2,000,000 | 2,400,000 | 120.00 | 50 | ........ | 3 * | Feb. | May Aug. | Nov. | $\ldots$ |  |
| $8 t$. Stephens. | 200,(00) | 200.000 | 200,000 | 55,000 | 27.50 | 100 |  | $2{ }^{\text {2 }}$ | 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 |  | $1 \chi^{*}$ | Feb. | May Aug. |  |  |  |
| Toronto. | 10,000, $0 \times(0)$ | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 | 4,750,000 | 118.75 | 100 |  | $2{ }_{\text {d }}{ }^{\text {+ }}$ | Mch. | June Sept. | Dec. |  |  |
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Tuports of Spanish peanuts into the U.S. for ten months preveding Felriany at Pórtsmouth and Norfolk amounted to Ti2. 163 pounds. In addition. say the importers, about 32.000 hage or about $4,320,000$ poinds of peanuts are annually imported at New York. It is claimed that a large part of the imports are renacked in American baga by Virginian peanut cleaners wnd sold as Virginia peanuts.

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HIDE - AND LEATHER. - The local markets are quiet. Trading in all warieties of hides has been moderate in tha States, and the tone of the market is less active than heretofore. Western packir hides are firmly held, but there are some indications of an easier market in other varieties, es. pecially country stock, which is quotable from $1 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to $1 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ under prices that ruled a week or so ago. (hicago packers are talking up to $1.53 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ for April native steers, but no business his bern effected in these as yet at over $1.51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. although there Wals an undonfirmed report last week that some May native =teers were soid ahead at $161 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

HONEI:-Stealy, with demand for small lots. Clover, white 1 te to $1 . \mathrm{c}$; dark $11 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; white extract $\mathrm{d} 101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 11 c ; buckwheat ie to $\overline{7} 1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$

IRON AND HARIDWARE-There is a good business for the season. (opper has latterly been firmer and people are asking whether th: turn in the long lane has come; producers serm dispesed to get together. European prices for electrolytir have latterly advanced, although the general statistical position of copper is considered bearish. Spot to July 11.93 to 12.20 e. New York. Tin firmer but less active spot to May and June offered at $32.871 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$; London adrancing. Lea1 dull and lower; spot offered at 4.40 c , with 4.30 c bid, New York. Spelter dull, with May, June and July offered at 5.05 and 4.9 :c bid. Pig iron has been dull. Curtailment of the production is reported to have begun in earnest; No. 1 Northern $\$ 17.2 .5$ to $\$ 17.75$, No. 2 Southern $\$ 15.75$ to $\$ 16.25$. Vany ['.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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-Pittsburg. -The market is in a state of transition and consumers are holding off purcliases. Primariiy, this condition is due to the weakening prices of pig irmen and rok? An overproduction of both these basic materials is being rewedied ly y 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 irom are largely nominal, but it is believed that the bettom has been reached at present prices. Bessemer iron is quoted \$17, hasic $\$ 15 . \pi \overline{5}$ and gray forge $\$ 15.25$, Valley, 90 cents additional, Pittslourg. The scrap iron market has folt 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 harth billets which are quoted $\$ 1.50$ in advance of Bescemer, the !at tur being more plentiful. Open he:arth billets are quotell $\$ 8.50$ and $\$ 29$, and sheet and tin bars $\$ 29$. There is littlo 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 maintiinell as al rule.

LIVE STOCK. -A firm in Liverpool cabled that cattle met witha ready sale at good prices. The moderate numbers contributed to a quick clearance, and sales of both Americans and Canadians were madeat 15 c to 16 c per lb . On the local market there was a strong tone due to a lighter run and the improved demand from exporters for supplies in the West on aceount 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 stecre sold at $\pi 1 / 2$ to $\pi 1 / 2^{r}$, good at $63 / 4 \mathrm{e}$ to 7 c , fairly good at $61 / \mathrm{c}$ to $61 / \mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{c}}$, fair at $53 / 4$ to 6 c , and common at 5 c to $51 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ per 1 h . Choice cows brought Be to $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$, and lower grades $51 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $53 / 4 \mathrm{e}$, and bulls from $51 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb. A stronger feeling developed in the market for hogs, and prices adranced 250 to 350 per 100 lbs . Select. ed sold at $\$ 10$ to $\$ 10.25$ per 100 lbs . The market for sheep was weaker and prices ruled $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per $\mathbf{l b}$. lower, with sales of a few small lots at $51 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ per lb . There was a fairly good en quiry for spring lambs and priees were steady at from ${ }^{\circ} 4$ to ${ }^{*}$ each. Calves met with a ready sale at $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 5$ each.
M.APLE PRODUCTS.-Demand keeps fair with sales in wood at 6 c per 1 lb ., and in tins at $61 / 2^{c}$. Sugar steady, with small supplies at 10 e to lle per lb .
'MbAL.-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
OLS, TLRPENTINE, ETC.-In the local market the do mand has been a tive. New York rosin easy; strained, common to goord. $\$ 4.35$ to $\$ 4.50$. Turpentine firm; machine, barrels. $631 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Savannah, Gal, turpentme, fim, 60c; salea, 256 ; recepts 264 ; shijaments 1,913 ; stock 3 , i26. Rosin, firm; sales 741 : receipts 1,105 ; shipments 23.5 ; stock 28,294 . Quote: B. $\$ 3.85$ to $\$ 4.15$; 1) $\$ 4.15$; 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. $\$ 5.95$, W7゙. \$6.15.

PHOVISIONS.... The market for hogs has ruled strong but in face of this packers have put down prices of barrelled pork and pure lard. Ahattoir fresh killed hogs were marked up to $\$ 13.75$ to $\$ 14$ per 100 lls . Barrelled pork: Heary Canada thort cut niess jork. $3 \mathrm{i}-45$ pieces, 430 . 50 ; half barrels, Canada short cut mess pork, $\$ 15.50$; bbls. Canada short cut back pork, 4.5-55 pieces, $\$ 30.00$; half barrels short cut back pork, $\$ 15,25$; barrels Canada clear pork, $20-35$ pieces, $\$ 29.50$; ba.rels bean pork, (small pieces but fat), $\$ 27.00$; barrels flank pork, $\$ 0.50$ : barrels pickle drolls, $\$ 30.50$; barrels heavy clea: fat backs (wery heary all fat), $40-50$ pieces, 533.00 . Extra Plate becf, half larrels, 100 lbs ., ${ }^{3} .25$; tierces, $200 \mathrm{lbs} ., \$ 18$; tierces, 360 lls , $\$ 26.50$. Lard, compound, tierces, 375 lbs. , $121 / 2 \mathrm{C}$; boxes, 50 lbs . net (partchment lined), $125 / \mathrm{s}$; tubs, 50 lbs. net, grained ( 2 handles) $123 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; pails, wood, 20 lbs . net, 13 c ; tin pails, 20 lbs gross, $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$. Extra pure lard: Tierces, $35511 \mathrm{~s} ., 161 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$; boxes, 50 lbs . net (parchment lined), $165 / \mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{c}}$; tuls, 50 lbs . net grained ( 2 handles) $163 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; pails, wood, 20 lbs. net (parchment lined). 17c ; tin pails, $20 \mathrm{lbs} .$. gross, $161 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; cases, 10 lhs . tins, 60 lbs . in case, $163 / \mathrm{cc}$. Hanis: Extra large sizes, $25 \mathrm{lbs} .$, upwards, 16 c ; large sizes, 18 to $25 \mathrm{lbs} ., 17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{e}$; medium sizes, selected weights, 13 to 18 lbs., $18 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; ext=a small sizes, 10 to $13 \mathrm{lbs} ., 19 \mathrm{c}$; hams, bone out, rolled. large. 16 to $25 \mathrm{lhs} ., 181 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; hams, bone out, rolled, small, 9 to 12 lbs. , 20c; breakfast bacon, English boneless (selected), $191 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; brown brand English breakfast bacon (boneless thick), 19c; Windsor bacon, skinned (backs), 20c; spiced roll bacon, boneless, short. $161 / 2^{c}$; picnic hams 7 to 10 lbs., 15e; Wiltshire bacon (50 lbs. side) 18c; cottage rolls, 20c.

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ToBACCO. - There is a belief that business must ere long improve. as manufacturers are supplosed to be carrying small etocks. 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 tobaceo. Ohin 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 not low than such wools have been recen prices, though
general market has been quiet, with most sales sonfined 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 neve 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, $1 \mathrm{~s} 21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to 2 s 4 d ; greasy $1 \mathrm{~s} 1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~d}$ to 1s 3d. South Anstralia: 200 bales; greasy, is $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $1 \mathrm{~s} 21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. New Zealand: 8,800 bales; scoured, 9 s to $1 \mathrm{~s} 111 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$; greasy 6 d to ls $2 d$. Cape of Good Hope and Natal: 200 bales; scoured ls $71 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $1 \mathrm{~s} 91 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$; greasy $73 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$ to dd .

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## FOREST PRODUCTS

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 subjert and has lately published the resalt of the first year's work in this line as their bulletin $\mathcal{L}$, . 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 lulletin 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 $\$ 67,+25.044$. 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 $\$ \mathbf{\$}, \mathbf{4}, 338,036$. 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 308400,000 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 $56,44 \overline{7}, 000$ feet, value, $\$ 867$,969; Alberta, $41,382,000$ feet valued at $\$ 593,244$. The total production of woot 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 orde: Ontario, with a production of $223.333,000$ 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 $\$ 3150$, an. 1 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 $\$ 612,8.56$. Little more than half that number, viz., $188,991,000$, is made $1, y$ her nearest competitor, New Brunswick, the value of whose product is $\$ 286,08$ : Quebec made $92.914,000$ laths, worth \$189,076; British Columbia $86,862,000$. worth $\$ 208,255$; Nova Scotia $62,638,000$, worth \$133,893; Saskatchewan, 18.477, (000, valued at $\$ 40,173$; Manitoba, 7,370, $0 ; 0$ at a valu. of $\$ 10,200$, and Alberta 1. 069.000 , worth $\$ 3.584$.

The total number of latlis manufactured was $671,562,090$, of the value of $\$ 1$, 487,12.5. During the year the railways purchased 13.978.416 cross-ties for which they paid $\$ 5.281 .68 \%$. Of these the steam railways $(47$ in number and having a total of 20.572 miles of track) l:ought $13,-338,157$, paying therefor $\$ 5$, , 189,674 , and the electric roads (numbering 32 and having 818 miles of track), purchased 240,259 ties, costing $\$ 92.011$. Codar (incliding under this term both the eastern and the western cedar) is masily the favourite wood for ties, twice at many ties being of this species as of any other, while hemlock and tamarack in about equal numbers take next place. 1:eports as to the poles purchased were received from 46 telegraph and teln. ;hone companies, 151 electric light, power and railway companies and 19 steam railways 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 print of purch ise. $\$ 284$. 54!. Of these 185,507 poles, 162,211 wre of cedar, other woods used being tan:arack, spruce and Douglas fir

Twenty divorce bills were passed dur. ing the last sess:on of Parliament.

NEW INTENAGNS.
The following Canadian patents have been recently secured througn the agen$\therefore y$ of Marion and Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal, Canada, and Washingten, D.C.
Iny in formation on the subject will be supplied free of charge by applying os the above-named firm.
3udolf Ruth, Charlottenburg, Germany, photographic sensitive plates of hilms; Auguste Denereaz, Montreux, switzerland, sockets and plugs for elec:ric lamps; John W. Burleigh, Taunton, England, dynamo electric machine; R. 1. 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, Nigykikinda, Hungary, machine for cleaning and sorting clay: Karl A. F. lliorth, (hristiania, 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, Stuekholm, Sweden. process of extracting zinc or oxide of zine from its ores; E. Bellini and A. Tosi. Dieque, France, "ircless telegraphy; (harles II. 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 Reppurts on the manufacture of air nitrates for fert:lizer in Norway, Germany and Niagara Falls, Canada, it is learned from British consular reports that the inaustry 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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| 89 | 433.1333 | 3 |
| 90 | 438.0000 | 0 |
| 91 | 442.8666 | 7 |
| 92 | 447.7333 | 3 |
| 93 | 452.6000 | 0 |
| 94 | 457.4666 | 7 |
| 95 | $46.2 .33 \quad 33$ | 3 |
| 96 | 467.2000 | 0 |
| 97 | 472.0666 | 7 |
| 98 | 476.9333 | 3 |
| 99 | 481.8000 | 0 |
| 100 | 486.6666 | 7 |
| 200 | 973.3333 | 3 |
| 300 | 1460.0000 | 0 |
| 400 | 1946.6666 | 7 |
| 500 | 2433.3333 | 3 |
| 600 | 2920.0000 | 0 |

Table for Converting Sterling Money into Dollars and Cente at the Par of Exchange ( $91 / 2$ per cent premium).
s.d. D'ls. s.d. D'ls. s.d. D'ls. s.d. D'ls. s.d. D'ls.
$\begin{array}{lllllllllll}4.0 & -97.3 & 8.0 & 1 & 94.7 & 12.0 & 2 & 92.0 & 16.0 & 3 & 89.3 .\end{array}$

| 1 | 0 | 02.0 | 1 | 0 | 99.4 | 1 | 1 | 96.7 | 1 | 2 | 94.0 | 1 | 3 | 91.4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 0 | 04.1 | 2 | 1 | 01.4 | 2 | 1 | 98.7 | 2 | 2 | 96.1 | 2 | 3 | 93.4 |


| 2 | 0 | 04.1 | 2 | 1 | 01.4 | 2 | 1 | 98.7 | 2 | 2 | 96.1 | 2 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3 | 0 | 06.1 | 3 | 1 | 03.4 | 3 | 2 | 00.8 | 3 | 2 | 98.1 | 3 | 3 |

$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}4 & 0 & 08.1 & 4 & 1 & 05.4 & 4 & 2 & 02.8 & 4 & 3 & 00.1 & 4 & 3 & 97.4\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}5 & 0 & 10.1 & 5 & 1 & 06.5 & 5 & 2 & 04.8 & 5 & 3 & 02.1 & 5 & 3 & 99.5\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}6 & 0 & 12.2 & 6 & 1 & 09.5 & 6 & 2 & 06.8 & 6 & 3 & 04.2 & ; & 4 & 01.5\end{array}$

| 7 | 0 | 14.2 | 7 | 1 | 11.5 | 7 | 2 | 08.9 | 7 | 3 | 06.2 | 7 | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}8 & 0 & 16.2 & 8 & 1 & 13.6 & 8 & 2 & 10.9 & 8 & 3 & 08.2 & 8 & 4 \\ 05.6\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}9 & 0 & 18.3 & 9 & 1 & 15.6 & 9 & 2 & 12.9 & 9 & 3 & 10.3 & 9 & 4\end{array} 07.6$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}10 & 0 & 20.3 & 10 & 1 & 17.6 & 10 & 2 & 14.9 & 10 & 3 & 12.3 & 10 & 4 & 09.6\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}11 & 0 & 22.3 & 11 & 1 & 19.6 & 11 & 2 & 17.0 & 11 & 3 & 14.3 & 11 & 4\end{array} 11.6$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}1.0 & 0 & 24.8 & 5.0 & 1 & 21.7 & 9.0 & 2 & 19.0 & 13.0 & 3 & 16.3 & 17.0 & 4 & 13.7\end{array}$

| 1 | 0 | 26.4 | 1 | 1 | 23.7 | 1 | 2 | 21.0 | 1 | 3 | 18.4 | 1 | 4 | 15.7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 0 | 28.4 | 2 | 1 | 25.7 | 2 | 2 | 23.1 | 2 | 3 | 20.4 | 2 | 4 | 17.7 |
| 3 | 0 | 30.4 | 3 | 1 | 27.8 | 3 | 2 | 25.1 | 3 | 3 | 22.4 | 3 | 4 | 19.8 |

$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}4 & 0 & 32.4 & 4 & 1 & 29.8 & 4 & 2 & 27.1 & 4 & 3 & 24.4 & 4\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}5 & 0 & 34.5 & 5 & 1 & 31.8 & 5 & 2 & 29.1 & 5 & 3 & 26.5 & 5 \\ 4 & 23.8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}6 & 0 & 36.5 & 6 & 1 & 33.8 & 6 & 2 & 31.2 & 6 & 3 & 28.5 & 6 & 4 \\ 25.8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}7 & 0 & 38.5 & 7 & 1 & 35.9 & 7 & 2 & 33.2 & 7 & 3 & 30.5 & 7 & 4 \\ 27.9\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}8 & 0 & 40.6 & 8 & 1 & 37.9 & 8 & 2 & 35.2 & \mathrm{~S} & 3 & 32.6 & 8 & 429.9\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllllllllll}9 & 0 & 42.6 & 9 & 1 & 39.9 & 9 & 2 & 37.3 & 9 & 3 & 34.6 & 9 & 4 & 31.9\end{array}$
$10 \quad 0 \quad 44.6 \quad 10 \quad 141.9 \quad 10 \quad 2 \quad 39.3 \quad 100336.6 \quad 100433.9$
$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllll}2.0 & 0 & 48.7 & 6.0 & 1 & 46.0 & 10.0 & 2 & 43.3 & 14.0 & 3 & 40.7 & 18.0 & 4 & 38.0\end{array}$

| 1 | 0 | 50.7 | 1 | 1 | 48.0 | 1 | 2 | 45.4 | 1 | 3 | 42.7 | 1 | 4 | 40.0 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | 0 | 52.7 | 2 | 1 | 50.1 | 2 | 2 | 47.4 | 2 | 3 | 44.7 | 2 | 4 | 42.1 |
| 3 | 0 | 54.8 | 3 | 1 | 52.1 | 3 | 2 | 49.4 | 3 | 3 | 46.8 | 3 | 4 | 44.1 |
| 4 | 0 | 56.8 | 4 | 1 | 54.1 | 4 | 2 | 51.4 | 4 | 3 | 48.8 | 4 | 4 | 46.1 |
| 5 | 0 | 58.8 | 5 | 1 | 56.1 | 5 | 2 | 53.5 | 5 | 3 | 50.8 | 5 | 4 | 48.1 |
| 6 | 0 | 60.8 | 6 | 1 | 58.2 | 6 | 2 | 55.5 | 6 | 3 | 52.8 | 6 | 4 | 50.2 |
| 7 | 0 | 62.9 | 7 | 1 | 60.2 | 7 | 2 | 57.5 | 7 | 3 | 54.9 | 7 | 4 | 52.8 |
| $\mathbf{8}$ | 0 | 64.9 | 8 | 1 | 62.2 | 8 | 2 | 59.6 | 8 | 3 | 56.9 | 8 | 4 | 54.8 |
| 9 | 0 | 66.9 | 9 | 1 | 64.3 | 9 | 2 | 61.6 | 9 | 3 | 58.9 | 9 | 4 | 56.3 |
| 10 | 0 | 68.9 | 10 | 1 | 66.3 | 10 | 2 | 63.6 | 10 | 3 | 60.9 | 10 | 4 | 58.3 |
| 11 | 0 | 71.0 | 11 | 1 | 68.3 | 11 | 2 | 65.6 | 11 | 3 | 63.0 | 11 | 4 | 60.3 |

$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllll}3.0 & 0 & 73.0 & 7.0 & 1 & 70.3 & 11.0 & 2 & 67.7 & 15 & 0 & 3 & 65.0 & 19.0 & 4 & 62.3\end{array}$

| 1 | 0 | 75.0 | 1 | 1 | 72.4 | 1 | 2 | 69.7 | 1 | 3 | 67.0 | 1 | 4 | 64.4 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2 | 0 | 77.1 | 2 | 1 | 74.4 | 2 | 2 | 71.7 | 2 | 3 | 69.1 | 2 | 4 | 66.4 |
| 3 | 0 | 79.1 | 3 | 1 | 76.4 | 3 | 2 | 73.8 | 3 | 3 | 71.1 | 3 | 4 | 68.4 |
| 4 | 0 | 81.1 | 4 | 1 | 78.4 | 4 | 2 | 75.8 | 4 | 3 | 73.1 | 4 | 4 | 70.4 |
| 5 | 0 | 83.1 | 5 | 1 | 80.5 | 5 | 2 | 77.8 | 5 | 3 | 75.1 | 5 | 4 | 72.5 |
| 6 | 0 | 85.2 | 6 | 1 | 82.5 | 6 | 2 | 79.8 | 6 | 3 | 77.2 | 6 | 4 | 74.5 |
| 7 | 0 | 87.2 | 7 | 1 | 84.5 | 7 | 2 | 81.9 | 7 | 3 | 79.2 | 7 | 4 | 76.5 |
| 8 | 0 | 89.2 | 8 | 1 | 86.6 | 8 | 2 | 83.9 | 8 | 3 | 81.2 | 8 | 4 | 78.6 |
| 9 | 0 | 91.3 | 9 | 1 | 88.6 | 9 | 2 | 85.9 | 9 | 3 | 83.3 | 9 | 4 | 80.6 |
| 10 | 0 | 93.3 | 10 | 1 | 90.6 | 10 | 2 | 87.9 | 10 | 3 | 85.3 | 10 | 4 | 82.6 |
| 11 | 0 | 95.3 | 11 | 1 | 92.6 | 11 | 2 | 90.0 | 11 | 3 | 37.3 | 11 | 4 | 84.0 |

produce this article, nothing has yet been done in that line, although this country is buying annually about $\$ 15$,000,000 worth of Chilean nitrates. The Eratish consuls report from Christiania reads:-

Up till now about $\$ 6,300,000$ has been expended on the works at Notodden and Svaelgfos and the power stations under construction at Rjukan and Vam. ma. 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 in dustry 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 manufactured. The Nobel syndicate, in conjunction with the Birkeland and Eyde Company, is now concentrating the weak acids. with the assistance of the gas furnaces, to an acod of such percentace as to become an article of trans port, 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 zale 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 lough; hitw en skien and Notodden may be in
creased to suc vessels to loa have already under consides with. At pr lightered to a of the output 1908 was abo expenses amor

COTTONS

In connectic port which he

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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 $\$ 402,000$.

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 sottonseed products in different provinces of tho 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:-
"The first mill for the production of cotton-seed products was erected at Kata-kime:an 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 thers are twenty-eight mills in active opera-
tion in Asia; the largest, at Bairan-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 $54,168,001)$ pounds of seed. In Andijan, Namangar 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 it 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 ollners, there is left but 427, 120),Onf) perunds of seed ol very poor. quality for the farmer with which to flant in 1910. It is, therefore :aprarent that without new sured from the linited tiater the planters camnot get along, now (ait they kerep "p, atandard as in the Limited states

Fgyptian seeds have heen tried a humber of times. but with little sationfamtion, as the cost was greater than the lincrican products and the results wre poor. mixing with the domestic cotton anill producing a poor hyrbid

From the send there is produced 15 per cent oil, 38 prer cent oileake and $11 / 2$ fer wnt linter. the remainder being -hell. which is utilized for fuel. The pine of seed is 26 cents per thirts. six
 thirtswix poomds. which was considered Ill abmormally high price for the Russtan product : Oil eake is disposed of at 21 conts per 4 hiot! wix poillels. white lintert brings from *t. I2 (1) owi 15. a most sat isfactore ligure to the manufacturers Thu" linessian o:l make is Flippeci mainly to Itamburge. where it is utilized as foot

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| Nontreal | \$165,695, 174 | *135.180.23:3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Toromo | 131.380.131 | 111.28 : 69\% |
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| Vancomer | 36.7.31.599 | 20.1057 .603 |
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| Name of Article. | Wholesale. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FISH- | 10 | 80 |
| New Haddies, boxes, per lb. |  | 0001 |
| Labrador Herrings .. .. .. .. .. |  | 550 |
| Labrador Herrings, hall brla. |  | 300 |
| Mackerel, No. 1 pails .. .. .. |  | 175 |
| Green Cod, No. 1 .. .. .. |  | 600 |
| Green Cod, large .. .. .. .. .. |  | 650 |
| Green Cod, smal .. |  | 450 |
| Salmon, bris., Lab. |  | 1800 |
| Salmon, half brls. .... |  | 700 |
| Salmon, British Columbla, bris. |  |  |
| Salmon, British Columbia, half brls. |  | 1000 |
| Boneless Fish.. .. .. .. .. | 005 | 9 G 51 |
| Boneless Cod.. .. .. | $005{ }^{\text {\% }}$ | 06 |
| Skinless Cod, case .. | 000 | 550 |
| Herrings, boxes .. |  | 016 |
| FLOUR- |  |  |
| Choice Spring Wheat Patento | 000 |  |
| Seconds . . . . ${ }^{\text {a }}$.. |  | 530 |
| Maniluoz strong Bakers, |  | ${ }_{5} 10$ |
| IInter Wheat Patents.. |  | 560 |
| Straight Roller . . |  | 525 |
| Straight bags .. | 240 | 250 |
| Extras .. .. .. .. .. | 000 | 000 |
| Killed Oats . . . .. |  |  |
| Cornmeal, brl. .. .. | 340 | 350 |
| Bran, in bags | 000 | 2100 |
| Shorts, in bags .. .. | 2100 | 2200 |
| Mouillie | 3200 | 38 ¢0 |
| Mixed Grades .. | 2500 | 2800 |
| PARM PRODUCTS- |  |  |
| Butter- |  |  |
| Creamery .. .. . |  |  |
| Cramery, Spring .. | 025 | 026 |
| Townships dairy .. Western Dairy | 000 | 409 |
| Manitoba Dairy .. ... |  |  |
| Fresh Rolls |  | 600 |

Cheese-

Egge-


## Sundries



| Beans- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
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## 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 boundarles and is in consequence never recorded by statisticians. In spite of this obvious fact, says the Toronto (ilobe, much interest attaches to records of that small part of a nation's trade that makes up her exports and imports. (ianada's total export and import trade for the year ending with February last was $\$ 663, \overline{7} 49$,250 , as conipared with $\$ 550,088,991$ for the previous year, and $\$ 642,728,050 \mathrm{j}$ for the year ending with February, 1908. Tlese totals indude coin and bullion, and there is no substantial reason for excluding them from traxie statistics. Gold used in trade is as much a produet of labour as iron or lead. and its yearly consmuption in the arts is as a rule closely related to the yearly production. That it is used as a mediom of exchange does not materially affect its economic influence and does not make its extensive importation necessarily adrantageous or otherwise. Juring the year ending with Febrnary last we imported dutiable goods to the value of $\$ 220,550$ 405, on which $\$ 9.9 .430,097$ was rollected, and free goods to the value of $\$ 1: 39,7: 36$, 622. All these totals show marked advances compared with the figures for the previous leals
The total exports were $\$ 297$. 494.227 . of which $\$ 2.516 .364$ was evin and bullion. $\$ 19.567 .627$ foreign produce, and $\$ 275$,$410: 236$ domestic produce. Agricultural products and animals and their products naturally hold the leading plase with a total of \$149.514.279. and the products nf the mine come next. with a total of $\$ 390098.3$ \% The export of manufactures show a steady increase during the past four years. the total for the year under consideration being $\$ 31,012,299$. Th" record hy countrice shows that the chiff source of our import trade is the I nited States the totals for the year being \$114.500.7:33 dutiable gonds and $\$ 102,348,429$ free gools. Great Britain comes next with a record of $\$ 69,438.05$ dutiable and $\$ 23,248,247$ free goods. In the record of exports by countries Great Britain is shown to be our chief eus tomer, with an aggregate of $\$ \mathbf{1 3 8 , 0 8 0 , 7 5 4}$ 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.

BRITTSH EMIGRATION.
According to the returns of the Bri tish Board of Trade, the net emigration from the United Kingdom to countries outside of Furope during the years 1908 and 1909 was as follows:-

## WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT


Per 100 leet net. -


Zinc-
Spelter, per $100 \mathrm{lbs} . . . \quad . . \quad . \quad . .$.
Sheet zinc .. .. .. .. ..
..


| Wire- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Plain | galvanized, No. | Per 100 lbs . |
| do | do No. 6, 7, | ${ }_{2}^{280}$ |
| do | do No. 9 .. .. | 230 |
| do | do No. 10 .. | 280 |
| do | do No. 11 .. .. | 285 |
| do | do N. ${ }^{12}$.. ${ }^{\text {do }}$ | 245 |
| do | do No. 18 .. | 255 |
| do | do No. 14 .. | 315 |
| do | do No. 15 .. | 0 vo |
| do | do No. 16 .. .. ... . | 000 |
| Ba rbed | W Wire, M ontreal .-.... ..... . .... | 2.50 |
| Spring | Wire, per 100, 1.25 .. .. .. |  |

Net extra.
Iron and Steel Wire, plain, 6 to $9 . . \quad 2 \quad 35$ bare ROPE-


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Trarred Sheeting,

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and inspected.....
Sheepskins Clips .-
laqnbaking:
Calfskins, No. i
do No. 2
Horse Hides
rallow ruderil ... $\because . .$.
WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

| Name of Articlo. | Wholesale. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LEATHER- | c | 8 c. |
| No. 1 B. A. sole .. | 027 | 028 |
| Mo. 2, B. A. sole .. .. .... | $0^{232}$ | 0254 |
| siaughter, No. ${ }_{\text {Light, medium and hënvi.: }}$ | O25 | 028 |
| Light, No. $2 .$. | $0 \% 5$ | 027 |
| Harnemil .. . . .. | 030 | 034 |
| Upper, heay | 038 | 040 |
| Upper, light | 038 | 040 |
| Grained Upper .. .. .. ... .. | 038 | 040 |
| Hootch Grain | 036 | 038 |
| 1 lip Skins, French | 065 | 070 |
| snelibh | 050 | 060 |
| Canada Kid | $\bigcirc{ }^{-} 50$ | 060 |
| Hemlock Cal ${ }^{\text {en }}$.. | 070 | 070 |
| Hemlock, Prench Calf dight | $\begin{array}{ll}0 & 00 \\ 0 & 95\end{array}$ | 000 125 |
| Prenits, ligat and medium | ${ }^{0} 29$ | ${ }_{0}^{125}$ |
| splits, heayy .. .... .. .... | 023 | 025 |
| splite, small .. .... .. .... | 018 | 020 |
| Leather Board, Canada .. - | 006 | 010 |
| Enamelled Cow, per ft. . . . | 016 | 018 |
| Pebble Grain .. .... .. ... $\cdot$ | 013 | 015 |
| Glove Grain .. .. .. .. .. .. | 013 | 015 |
| Box Calp .. .-.. .. .. .. .0 | 018 | 022 |
| Brush (Cow) kid .. .. .. .. | 000 | 000 |
| Buff | 014 | 017 |
| Russetts, light .. | 040 | 045 |
| Runsetts, heavy .. .. .. ... .- | 030 | 035 |
| Rusetts, No. ${ }^{\text {2 }}$. . .0 . . . . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | O 30 | 035 |
| Ruseetta' Saddlers', dozem .. | 800 | 900 |
| Imt. French CalP .. .. .. .. | ${ }^{6} 65$ | 075 |
| Rnglish Oak, lb. | 035 | 045 |
| Dongola, extra .... | 038 | 042 |
| Dongole, No. $1 . .$. .. | 020 | 022 |
| Dongola, ordinary .. .. .. .. | 014 | 016 |
| Coloured Pebbles | 015 | 017 |
| Coloured Calf .. .. .. .. .... | 017 | 020 |
| LUMBER- |  |  |
| S Inch Pire ( Face Measure) .- |  |  |
| 3 Inch Spruce (Board Mensure) |  | 1600 |
| 1 Inch $1^{\text {Pine }}$ (Board Messure) |  | 1800 |
| 1 Inch Spruce ( ${ }^{\text {Board }}$ Measure) |  | 1800 |
| 1 Inch Spruce (T. and G.) .. |  | 2500 |
| 1 Inch Pine (T. and 0.). | 2400 | 3000 |
| 2x3, $3 \times 3$ and $3 \times 4$ Spruce (B.M.) |  | 1800 |
| 2x3. $3 \times 3$ and $3 \times 4$ Pine (B.M.) |  | 2200 2200 |
| 11/4 Spruce, Flooring (B.M.) |  | 2500 |
| 11/2 Spruce (T. and G.) .. .. |  | 2400 |
| 11/2 Pine (T. and 0.) $i v i$ |  | 3300 |
| 1 Pine (L. and G.) (V.I.B.) |  | 3300 |
| Laths (per 1.000) .. .. . . . |  | 350 |
| MatCuES- |  |  |
| Telegraph, case |  | 475 |
| Telephone, case . |  | 465 |
| Tiger, case |  | 445 |
| King Edward |  | 360 |
| Head Li, ight |  | 450 |
| Eagle l'arlor 200's |  | 210 |
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| do, 500 's . |  | 520 |
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## Australia.

Canada
New Zealand.
United states
South Africa.
ill others.
These ligures represent the differen: between the number of persons of Brit ish origin leaving the Linited ling dom for the countries speceified and the number of persons of British origin return ing to the lnited kingdom from those countries. The emigration in 1908 wha not as great as the enigration in 190); and the number of those returning was greater in 1908 than in 1909. This would indicate that industrial conditions wreberter in the United Kinglom, re latively to the countries named, in las than in 1909-that the depression follow ing the tinancial stringency in 1900 was loss severely felt in Great Britain than in the Enited states and the other countries and was recovered from more rapidly. Apart from that, the above tigures 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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## hUNENTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even-numbered section of DorninLon Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, excepting 3 and 26 , not reserved, may be bomesteaded 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 acre more or less.
Application for entry in ust be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Linds Agency or Sub-agency for the distriet in which the land is situate. Entry by proxy may, however, be made at any Agency, on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sliter of an intonding homesteader.
DUl'LE: - (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years.
(2) A homesteader may, if he so de sides, perform the required residence du ties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of bis nomestead. He may also do so by living with father or mothor, on certain con ditions. 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 parente os on farming land owned an himalf must notify the Agent for the distriet of such intention.

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| French Casks .. .... | 0090 |
| French, barrels .. ..... |  |
| American White, barrels. | $\begin{array}{lll}0 \\ 0 & 160 \\ 0 & 19\end{array}$ |
| Brunswick Green .... .. .. | $00^{0}$ |
| French Imperial Green . . .-. | ${ }^{0} 12$ |
| No. 1 Furnture Varnish, per gal. | 085 0 0 |
| a Furniture Varnibh, per gal Brown Japan | 085 |
| Black Japan . . . . ... ${ }^{\text {Bra }}$ | 080 |
| Orange Shellac, No. 1 .. .. .. | ${ }^{2} 00$ |
| Orange Shellec. pure.. .\% . $\because$ | 2 <br>  <br> 10 <br> 10 |
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