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-3,500 sheep and 1,200 cattle have been shipped for Liverpool this week from Toronto.

- A gang of eighty men was despatched to the Georgian Bay lumber district from Ottawa on Wednesday.

- The Western Fair closed at London, Ont., on the 4th inst., after a very successful week, the admissions during which were about 60,000.

- Ex-Governor Seymour of New York will contribute his mite to the next North American -an article on "The Cheese Industry."

- During the last year the life insurance companies in America have returned to the insured for losses, endowments, surrender values, dividends and other items, a-larger amount than they have received in premiums.

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- There is perhaps no appointment in the acts of the government more commendable than that of Mr. Wm. Buckingham, Hon. Mr. McKenzie's private secretary, to the position of Deputy Minister of the Interior. It is one of the instances in which honor is the meed of merit.

- It is not alone in fire insurance that the competition has reduced the rates below a paying figure. In inland marine insurance the matter is still worse. Last year the companies doing this business received \$2,058,970 whilst the losses were \$2,095,250, a loss of alle the expenses and part of the premium.

- The St. Lawrence Hall Hotel of this city, after an existence of over a quarter of a centuary, had its doors closed last Tuesday by the assignee at the instance of the Jacques Cartier Bank, the insolvent having been unable to make the necessary arrangements for continuing the business. The property is to be sold by auction next month.

- The immense movement of grain this season on the lakes is gradually bringing about an improvement in all branches of transportation. The average freight by lake and canal last month was higher than in any September since 1873. The average on wheat by lake last month was more than a cent in advance of the rate for August this year, and nearly three cents higher by Eric Canal.

- New York now boasts of being the greatest butter and cheese market in the world. Between January 1 and September 10, of the Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal,

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- The Secretary of the United States Treasury has issued a circular which has been approved by the President, designating Eastport as a port from which merchandise imported at such port from New Brunswick may be shipped in bond in transit through the United States or coastwise, and in transit through such Atlantic scaboard port or ports of the United States as the Secretary of the Treasury may designate.

- The A gricultural Insurance Co., of Watertown, New York, made its deposit of \$100,000 in Otlawa this week, preparatory to resuming business in Canada. The business we are informed will be confined to the Province of Ontario until the results of the negotiations for acquiring the outstanding business of the defunct Canada Agricultural Insurance Co. are known. In this they have an active competitor in a Canadian Fire Insurance Co. with headquarters in this city.

- The Galt Reformer says :- Several farmers in this neighborhood complain of a disgusting beetle or bug about half an inch long, which has proved very destructive to pumpkin, vines and the pumpkins themselves. On some farms these vegetables have been utterly destroyed by the pests, which, we are informed, have not been seen in these parts before. Melons and cucumbers have probably escaped their ravages. The odor emitted by the bug is very offensive.

- Les Mondes, of Paris, says there is a terrestrial globe in the Jesuits library of Lyons lyceum which is 170 years old, containing in great detail the curious system of African lakes

and rivers, which the English and American travellers have lately discovered. The Globe is six feet in diameter, and an inscription, near the North Pole, states that it was made in the year 1701, by F. F. Bonaventure and Gregoire, brothers of the third order of St. Francis. It has created a great sensation among geographical savants and amateurs.

- The stock and book accounts belonging to the estate of Edouard Fauteaux, of St. Jean Baptiste Village amounting to \$33,000, have inst been sold by Mr. C. Beausoleil, the assignce of the estate, for \$19,500, net cash, say 72 cents on the dollar, the highest percentage ever realized at an assignee's sale. So many ugly things have been said of the officials connected with the working of the Bankruptey Act, that a sale so satisfactory to creditors and so commendable to the assignee ought not to pass unrecorded.

- Turner, Clarkson & Co., official assignces of Campbell & Cassells' estate, Toronto, report original capital of firm in 1868 as \$15,000. Since then it has varied, until 1875, when a compromise had to be made in consequence of the failure of Duncan, Sherman & Co. After this there was a deficiency of \$5,500, which grew to \$13,700 in 1877 and \$32,700 in 1878. Losses on collaterals make net deficiencies \$47,500. Assets now \$25,700, against \$73,-700 liabilities. The drawings of partners are stated to be beyond what was agreed upon during the last eight years. They amount to \$43,000 for Campbell, and \$35,000 for Cassells. The largest losses were in 1875.

- The Merchants' Bank of Prince Edward Island, in Charlottetown, closed its doors to business the 2rd inst., and will in all probability be wound up. The gross liabilities to the public are \$366,000; to capital, \$146,000. Total assets, \$564,000. James Duncan & Co.

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owe the bank \$140,000, of which amount there is security for \$22,000. The estate of Duncan & Co. will pay only fifty or sixty cents on the dollar to unsecured creditors, so that by this firm the bank will lose \$50,000 to \$60,000, in addition to losses by one or two other firms. The statement of affairs shows a surplus of only \$50,000; but on realizing on discounts and other securities, it is very probable that a deficit will be shown.

- Henderson & Co., wholesale millinery goods, Toronto, whose failure we noted last week, have made an offer of 40 cents on the dollar.
- A new Mutual, the Empire Fire, has been started in Toronto within the past week or so, to compete for business already far over-done, and the probability is a toning-down of rates, not very high-toned now.
- The Truro (N.S.) Boot and Shoe Company, have sold out their stock, etc., to Verge, McDonald & Co., and the company is to be wound up, at rather a heavy loss to the shareholders. The general creditors, however, will be all right, as the stock is in good hands, and the company's indebtedness is being paid off as it matures.
- James Duncan & Co., of Charlottetown, P.E.I., have assigned and gone into insolvency. Their affairs are turning out badly, and unsecured creditors will not likely receive more than 50 cents. Their indebtedness to the Merchants Bank of P.E.I. is \$140,000, \$32,000 being secured.

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— Michael Brown, a general merchant, of Lockport, N.S., wishes to compromise at 50 cents on the dollar, payable in 3, 6, 9 and 12 months. Mr. Brown has been in business about four years at this point, and was some years ago in business in Halifax, where it is reported he was musuccessful, and filled, a situation here for some time before engaging in present business.

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The Iowa City Republican says:— II. G. Coe, of Cedar County, tried the experiment of spreading three bushels of salt broadcast over two acres of his wheat-field. The yield was forty bushels per acre, while the rest of the field gave only nine and a half bushels per acre. The straw was bright, not being injured by rust, as the wheat alongside of it was, and it stood six inches higher. The experiment is worth trying.

— Thompson & Bligh, commission merchants of Halifax, have assigned. They failed last May.

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but arranged with the majority of their creditors for a compromise at 60 cents on the dollar. Some of the smaller creditors who did not sign off at above figure have since been pressing for their claims in full, and it is to make the arrangement general that the present action has been taken. Their liabilities at time of suspension were \$25,000, with estimated assets of \$20,000.

— J. Brokenshire, foundryman of Kingston, has assigned. Mr. Brokenshire got into difficulty has year through lending his name rather too freely and had to stop. He showed a surplus of about \$10,000 in plant, etc., over liabilities of about \$20,000, and a three years extension was granted him, the business to be carried on under the supervision of inspectors. The Merchants' Bank and the Bank of B. N. A. were the principal creditors. He has appurently been unable to carry out the above arrangement, judging from present action.

—This is not the first time the City of Glasgow Bank has closed its doors for business. The failure of the Western Bank of Scotland, the forerunner of a series of commercial disasters of unusual magnitude, caused a heavy "run" to be made on the various banks, but, by the timely arrival of gold from London, they were all enabled to satisfy the demands made on them, with the exception of the City of Glasgow, which shut its doors on the 11th November, 1857, and for a few weeks suspended payment.

- The announcement of the suspension of Logan & Lindsay, St. John, N.B., wholesale

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grocers, has been received with expressions of general surprise. It is true that for some little time past unfavorable rumors were affoat, and they had given some evidence of being by no means easy, but the public mind was hardly prepared for an announcement of their stoppage. Their liabilities must be pretty heavy, and among the sufferers will be a good many of our Montreal houses, but as yet no figures can be quoted with any certainty.

-A very brief existence has been that of A. T. Holland & Co., wholesale stationers. They commenced business last April, and a writ of attachment was issued two or three days ago at the instance of John Crilly & Co. This is doubtless the result of going into a business already overdone, and of which they had no previous knowledge. This latter fact has placed them at a great disadvantage in buying, and as goods well-bought are half sold, it is not surprising they could not compete with others in the trade. Their liabilities are stated to be only \$6000 or \$7000, with assets in excess of these figures. The senior partner, A. T. Holland, was formerly an exchange broker.

- The Merchants' Bank of P. E. I. closed its doors on the 10th inst., and its affairs are in very unsatisfactory shape. Their balance sheet of Sept. 13th shows immediate liabilities of \$336,331, while assets immediately available,

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consisting of specie, notes of other banks, etc., only reach \$58,000. The total liabilities, including capital stock, are \$526,331; nominal assets, \$564,073; the other items, in addition to the \$58,000 above, being, bills discounted, \$147,089; overdrafts, \$290,191; Georgetown branch, \$68,000. These figures show a nominal surplus of \$38,000, which, however, will very likely shrink to a considerable deficit in realization. James Duncan & Co. owe \$140-000, \$32,000 of which is secured, and on the balance not more than 50 to 60 cents is likely. to be realized, resulting in a loss of \$50,000, or \$12,600 more than their nominal surplus. The item of \$68,800 Georgetown branch is very indefinite, and no particulars are given. Considerable blame is attached to the management, and it is generally reported that the concern will be liquidated.

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- The village of Magog, at the outlet of the Lake Memphremagog, is it creasing in importance quite rapidly. Hardly three months ago it became the terminus of the Waterloo and Magog Railroad, and we are apprized of the moving into Magog in a very few days of the Head office of the Eastern Townships Mutual Insurance Company. Twenty-one tons of policyholders of the company (we are told, three car loads) were carried by special train ove the Waterloo and Magog Railway to weigh the important step, and the moving to fresh fields and pastures new was resolved.

- A somewhat novel method of raising the wind was recently tried in this city, the operator being a man named G ..., well-known in some parts of the Maritime Provinces for his oratorical powers, and for some time a member of an auction firm in this city, now reckoned among the "things that cannot go on." The field of operation was among the leading pianoforte dealers of the city. The actor had, a short time previous to the attempt, caused a valuable instrument belonging to an absent honorable relative to be stored in the piano warerooms of Mr. Joseph Gould, by this means obtaining an

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introduction. He next purchased an instrument for himself, causing it to be sent to his house, paying \$50 down and giving his note for the balance, about \$250. The piano did not long remain in his possession. It was taken to a bonded warehouse, and a receipt taken therefor. Our readers know the value of warehouse receipts. He again called on Mr. Gould, and informed him that his family were much pleased with the piano, and a friend from Lachine admired it so much that he authorized him to procure for him a similar instrument. Fifty dollars were paid down, as before, and a promissory note given for the balance. He ordered the piano to be taken to a barge and shipped to Lachine. Mr. Gould offered to send his waggon with it direct, but the barge was preferred. The waggon was interrupted on its way to the wharf and the driver persuaded to take Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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the load to a bonded warehouse, where it was lodged as before. But suspicion was aroused through information from one of Sharpe's express men, formerly in Mr. Gould's employ, who casually mentioned the removal of the former piano. The warehouse receipt for the second piano was withheld, and both pianos, after some trouble and expense were recovered by the owner. The operator excused himself by explaining that he had an excellent opportunity for going into a paying speculation in which he expected to realize some \$6,000 or \$8,000, and that he wanted only a few hundred dollars for a brief period to make the venture. A similar attempt was made on Henry J. Shaw, the wellknown furniture and piano dealer, but Mr. Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreat.

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Shaw recovered his piano also. Messrs. Laurent, Laforce & Co. were also approached, a lady helpmeet having called a few days before and tried the instruments. Mr. Laforce was more cautious; he was not satisfied with the signature to the promissory note part of the business nor with the promised endorser thereon, and he is consequently the only member of the quartette who could not accord with the G sharp minor in this little modern concerto, composed exclusively for the pianoforte. Mr. G *** had better try some other instrument, the axe or the plough for instance.

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COUNTERVAILING DUTIES.

Although the new Administration has not yet been constituted, yet it seems a fit time for the discussion of those questions which must undergo its consideration at a very early period, and which we may reasonably expect will receive their solution from the new Parliament. The sugar question has recently been discussed very fully in our columns, and we can scarcely doubt that, among the changes in the tariff, an extra duty will be placed on all sugars imported from foreign countries granting bounties on exportation. Even advanced Free-traders in England have admitted the propriety of protecting our own industries against the fraudulent action of foreigners, and we fear that it is but too true that, wherever bounties are granted on exportation, frauds will occur. There is sufficient evidence at all events that frauds of great magnitude have been committed by the sugar importers in the United States.

Our present intention is to invite consideration to the discriminating duties in the United States in favor of their own importing and shipping interests. The articles of most importance which benefit

by these duties are tea and coffee, and on these articles alone a countervailing duty of 10 per cent, was imposed in Canada, when the duties on those articles were abolished. There seems good reason to believe that Sir John Macdonald's Government will adhere to its former policy which was changed by the late government to the utter destruction of our direct trade with the East and its transference to New York. Although when these duties have been advocated there has been an attempt to excite an Ontario opposition feeling, we cannot think that on full consideration the western interests would have any just ground of complaint at their imposition. All that is asked is perfeet fair play. Even on the assumption. which is scarcely well founded, that prices would rule a little higher it would be infinitely better that they should, than that an important branch of our commerce should be transferred from our own seaports, and from our own merchants, to our United States rivals through the operation of an unjust law. It is well known that there was a good deal of hesitation on the part of the Imperial Government as to sanctioning the Canadian Act of 1872, but, after full discussion, it was at last left to its operation. It seems clear that the only cases in which imperial interference with Dominion Acts should take place are those in which the latter violate commercial treaties between Great Britain and Foreign countries. Such a violation led to the disallowance of Australian Acts some years ago, and it is manifest that great care should be taken to avoid any just ground of complaint. The commercial treaty between Great Britain and the United States expressly limits the exemption from higher duties than those imposed on like articles from other foreign countries to her Majesty's possessions in Europe. There is therefore no treaty obligation to prevent legislation in the direction of imposing a similar duty on all articles imported from the United States, equal to the excess of duty levied in the United States on articles imported from Canada, beyond that levied on similar articles when imported from other countries.

It is desirable when any fresh legislation shall take place to re-consider the whole subject, as there are many articles besides tea and coffee imported from the East, and the trade usage is to assort cargoes not only of different descriptions of tea but of various other articles. The only articles exempted in the United States from the discriminating duty of 10 per cent. are wool, raw cotton and raw silk as reeled from the cocoon. In order,

therefore, to place Canadian importers and shipowners on a footing of equality with their neighbors the list of articles must be extended much beyond tea and coffee, indeed it would seem advisable to adopt some general terms.

CURIOUS DISCLOSURES, No 2.

In our issue of the 4th instant we gave to our readers the first result of an inquiry we instituted with a view of exposing certain anomalies in the importation of various classes of goods into the Dominion. The field of investigation is so large that we may be permitted to wander and, without following any regular line of merchandize, to pick up any article of trade, and they are numerous, exhibiting the most striking inconsistency in its valuation at the different ports of entry. Molasses as a subject of study shall follow locomotives and passengers cars.

The importation of molasses into the Dominion for the fiscal year 1876-1877, amounts to 41,413,969 lbs., valued \$778,682, according to the Government reports. To facilitate comparison with foreign countries, we shall transform the quantities expressed in weight into wine gallons, at the usual rate of 12 lbs, per gallon. Thus transformed, the importation amounts to 3,451,164 gallons, valued at about \$778,682 equal to 22.26c, per gallon. The importation into Canada of about one gallon per head of population comes from three different countries, the West Indies Islands, Great Britain and the United States.

The West Indies are by far the largest importers into Canada, 2,543,171 gallons having thence been entered at a value of \$616,127; average per gallon 24.68c, which price seems a fair valuation. If to this value of 25c, per gallon we add 35 per cent. for freight, insurance, duties, charges, leakage, and transportation into the interior, the average selling price of 40c, to 42c, per gallon at four months, leaves only a fair profit to the importer. In this there is nothing to criticize.

Great Britain has imported molasses into three Provinces, and the valuation is certainly of a wide range, as may be seen by the following table:

Importation of molasses from Great Britain, and average value per gallon.

No.		Average
of gals.	Value.	val. per gal.
Ontario 9,078	\$ 955	10·5c.
Quebec 7,919	1,516	19-1
P. E. Island. 427	94	22.02

Molasses valued 10½c, per gallon or 7 of one cent per lb. had been till now unknown to the trade. Treacle is worth in England 13 shillings per cwt., or 26c, per gallon. For what purpose were they imported—for distilling purposes or for brewing? They do not appear in the report of the Internal Revenue Department. The 7,919 gallons imported into the Province of Quebec are rather low in value, but, compared with the entry into Ontario, their undervaluation is not worth noticing.

The importation from the United States exhibit, differences in valuation far more astonishing:

Importation from the United States in each Province, and average value per gallon:

	No.		Average
	of gals.	Value.	val. per gal.
Ontario	53,679	\$ 15,205	28·32c
Quebec	695,910	112,729	16.05
Nova Scotia.	27,299	5,718	20:05
N. Br'wick	80,284	18,400	22.09
P. E. Island.	41,237	8,726	21.01

Why American molasses are worth 28½c, per gallon in the Province of Ontario, while 695,910 gallons from the same place are valued at only 16c, in Quebec, is one of those riddles we acknowledge ourselves to be unable to solve. Even the difference between the valuation in the three Maritime Provinces and the value in Ontario is unaccountable.

American molasses, Louisiana or New Orleans, range usually from 50c. for choice down to 25c. for frosted. The report of the Chamber of Commerce of New York for 1877, gives the average for the year. New Orleans prime to choice 51 08c. per gallon. We may admit that the importation into Canada does not consist of prime Louisiana molasses, yet we believe it to be at least equal in quality to the average of the exportations from the United States. The report of the Chamber of Commerce furnishes us with the necessary information:

Value of American molasses exported from the Port of New York in 1877, according to the Report of the Chamber of Commerce:—Gallons, 30,188,936; value \$7,808,257; average value per gallon, 26c.

According to the official reports of the Canadian Government: Value of American molasses imported into the Dominion:—10,895,921 lbs., equal to 907,993 gallons. Value \$162,555; Average value, 17-9c. per gallon.

Difference between the two valuations 8-1c., equal to \$18,236.85, loss to the revenue on American molasses alone.

We leave our readers to draw their own conclusions.

- Reaping and moving machines from the United States are said to be entered at some ports of the Maritime Provinces at \$32 each. Our Canadian fence is saidly out of repair.

LIABILITY OF SHIPOWNERS.

In view of the attention that will probably be given to the liability of the owner beyond the value of the ship and freight, at the next session of the Association for the Reform and Codification of the Laws of Nations, it will not be uninteresting to examine the English and Ameri-Yean Legislation and that of Europe on this important subject.

On the continent of Europe the ordinances of Louis XIV and the ancient laws of the seas, such as they existed in France, are based on the principle of limitation of shipowners' liability. These ordinances of 1681, and the jurisprudence that confirmed them, held "that the shipowner never exposes anything more than his ship to the chances of navigation" or (as it was sometimes expressed) "his sea fortune, and not his estates on land." Many decisions of the French courts, running from 1761 to 1830, might be cited to establish the uniform acquiescence in this general proposition.

The Code of Commerce, which was passed under the first Empire, substantially reproduced the ordinances. Article 216 provides, that "every shipowner is civilly responsible for the acts of the master, for what relates to the ship and the voyage. This responsibility ceases with the abandonment of the ship and freight." The question then arose: what was intended by the word acts (faits). did it embrace the contracts and engagements of the master as well as his tortious acts? The Legislature, by passing the law of 1841, put an end to all uncertainty, and the article 216 of the Code of Commerce was amended as follows: "Every ship owner is civilly responsible for the acts of the captain, and held to the contracts entered into by the latter for everything relating to the ship and the voyage. He may, in all cases, free himself from the above by the abandonment of the ship and freight.

The law, therefore, is well settled in France, by the clear language of the statutes, that the shipowner may abandon, and thereby put an end to all responsibility on his part. So it is in Portugal, in Holland, in Hamburg, (statutes of 1603), in Denmark, in Sweden, in Norway, in Russia, in Italy and in Malta. It is not so, according to the English and American Law. By these, if the master borrows money on the credit of the owner in a foreign port, to make the necessary repairs to the ship, or to pay general average expenses, the owner is bound to pay the debt, and the shippers are bound to contribute their proportion of the general average expenses whether the vessel and cargo subsequently arrive at the port of destination or are totally lost. The personal liability of English and American shipowners, for the acts of the master is limited by statute in certain specified cases, but that of the master's borrowing money in a foreign port, for the necessities of the ship, is not one of them. The principle of limited liability on the part of the owner is admitted only for damages caused by the wrongful acts or negligence of the master or crew, provided he (the owner, is personally free from all blame.

By Act of Congress passed in 1851, shipowners are exempted from any loss. damage or injury by collision, for any act, matter or thing, loss, damage, or forfeiture, done, occasioned or incurred without the privity or knowledge of such owner or owners, beyond the amount or value of their respective interests in the ship or vessel, and its impending freight. In England, similar Acts were passed, 7 George II, in 1734, 26 George III, passed in 1786, and 53 George III., limiting the liability to cases of loss by negligence, collisions, etc. Under the English Statutes, the courts held that the value of the ship and freight was to be estimated as it stood immediately prior to the injury; so that if a ship were totally lost by a sea peril, the ship owners were still liable for its value. The hardship thus created under the statutes arose from the fact that they contained no provision for a surrender and assignment of the ship and freight, but provided that the owner should pay their value into court, thus differing from the general maritime law of Europe, which, by authorizing the abandonment, practically restricted the loss of the owner to the actual value. These statutes have since been modified by the Acts of 17 and 18 Victoria and 25 and 26 Victoria, fixing the liability of the ship at a stated sum per ton of the ship's regis-

The courts in England as well as in the United States have been laboring to reconcile due respect, in the general rules which create and accompany the principal's liability, with the erection of guards and the establishment of restrictions likely to prevent injustice and abuse. The captain's acts must be reasonable in themselves, they must be honest, they must be prudent, they must be within the scope of his authority; if such the principal cannot be said to have incurred a greater amount of liability than he contemplated in employing him. If they are not such, the law will restrict the damages that the owner may suffer, to the value of the ship and freight.

In conclusion, the law appears to be as follows:

Ist. By the general maritime law of modern Europe the power of the master to bind his owner is, in all cases—whether arising out of contract or tort—limited only to ship and freight.

2nd. At common law the question is considered as one of principal and agent, and is governed by the general laws of agency.

3rd. In Continental Europe the maritime law governs, and the owner cannot be held beyond the value of the ship and reight.

4th. In England and in the United States there is no statutory restriction upon the liability of the owner, except in case of torts and quasi torts.

5th. In England and in the United States the courts have sought in all questions as to the liability of the owner for the contracts of the master to pay regard both to the general maritime law and to the common law of agency. The leaning on the part of English courts appears to be rather in favor of the common law liability, and that of the United States rather in favor of the limited liability created by maritime law.

On the whole, the tendency of modern jurisprudence is to limit the liability of the shipowner, and thereby to follow the general maritime law. The policy of the law everywhere has been constantly developing itself in the direction of encouraging capitalists to invest limited sums of money in useful enterprises without imperilling their whole estate. The formation of mining and manufacturing companies, and of a variety of others, are evidences of this; the American statute authorizing special co-partnership (which statute was based upon the French laws of commandite,) the recent English statutes authorizing the formation of limited liability companies, all these testify to the growing sense of legislatures that capital should be encouraged to enter into useful channels of commerce and business without any greater risk than the loss of the sum invested; and it is to be hoped that, if any steps are to be taken by the next congress of the association towards settling the liability of the owner for the acts of the master, these considerations of public policy will not be overlooked.

REPEALING OF THE NATIONAL BANKRUPTCY LAW IN THE UNITED STATES.

Last month the National Bankruptey Law, passed in 1868, spoken of at the time with so high commendation by the people of the United States, went out of existence, amidst general exceration. This fact happened to pass without hardly eliciting a remark from the commercial press of Canada; yet during the ten years of its existence, the Bankruptey Law has been of great service in returning to active business, men whom the political events of the Secession war had ruined.

Many of the ablest statesmen and deepest thinkers of the Republic had long advocated the passage of a uniform bankrupt law, which should override and supersede the State bankruptcy laws, but they had urged it in vain. Thus, on May 18 and June 5, 1840, Mr. Webster made two powerful speeches in the United States Senate, pleading for the introduction of a Bill to establish a uniform bankruptcy system. He pointed out that for a commercial nation there could be no more important necessity than a good bankrupt law. He reminded his hearers that, commercial as their country was, and subject to great vicissitudes of trade and business, no law had existed since 1803 by which any honest man, failing in business, could be effectually discharged from debt by surrendering his property. By the Constitution, as laid down by "the Fathers of the Republic," the States were severally prohibited from passing laws impairing the obligation of contracts. Now bankrupt laws impair the obligation of contracts if they discharge the bankrupt from his debts without payment. The power thus taken from the States was vested, according to Mr. Webster, in the hands of Congress-a power which he implored the Senate to exert, but without

While Congress hesitated stern necessity compelled the States, each in its sovereign capacity, to take separate action. The nation was young, vigorous, enterprising, sparsely settled, and poor, in the sense that it had little realised capital. Its area was enormous, its resources were illimitable, and, as a natural result, traders and merchants of all kinds abounded, who embarked upon the ocean of commerce with no money, and with vast ambition and spirit. "Commercial disaster" could hardly fail to follow in many cases, and each State was soon constrained to pass its own bankruptey laws. It was natural that, in a country in which, half-a century ago, there was hardly a

single capitalist, the sympathy of State Legislatures should have been with the debtor rather than with the creditor. The consequence was, that the bankrupt laws of every State in the Union favored the insolvent to a dangerous degree. It became a proverb that such and such a citizen, having failed twice, must necessarily be a rich man. The rich wholesale firms of New York, Philadelphia, and Boston found that a Western merchant, to whom they had given credit, might invoke protection from the bankruptey laws of his own State, and force them to accept any dividend he liked to offer. The cry became general for a National Bankruptey Act, which would bring the insolvents before the United States Courts, and give to the creditors, whether they belonged to the same State as the insolvent or not, an equal footing before the law. The National Bankruptey Law of 1868 was passed by the two Houses of Congress, confirmed by the President, and spoken of with high commendation by the judicial dignitaries of the Supreme Court.

After ten years of trial, the National Bankruptcy Law of the United States has just passed out of existence. The Act repealing the old law came into force Sept. 2nd, and, in the words then employed by the New York World, "with to-day the business of the country will begin under a credit system modified by the absence of any general Bankrupt Act." That the repealed statute was unduly lenient to the debtor is made apparent by the rush of applicants who, previous to the 2nd ult, sought relief under its provisions from their liabilities.

The repeal of the Bankrupt Law has materially aided in closing out all weak and unsound concerns from business ranks, and left the field for those who have the ability and capital to properly conduct a legitimate trade. This statement applies to every department of commercial activity, for in the long depression of the last tive years all branches of business have been severely tested, and only the strong have been able to survive.

That, within a few years, the necessity for a new general bankruptcy law shall be felt is beyond doubt. Congress, enlightened by the working of the Law now repealed, will have to enact a new one as lenient for the honest debtor's misfortune, as severe for the over-reaching creditor.

The Financial Chronicle has made a compilation of railroad earnings, for the first nine months of 1878, of twenty-six leading Western roads, and finds an increase of \$5,661,178 as compared with the same months of 1877. The earnings were \$70,073,360, in 1878, and \$73,412,182 in 1877.

[—] Wine can be bought in Cyprus for three cents per bottle: the trouble is to get the three cents. Necessaries as well as luxuries, however cheap they seem, may be very dear when people have not the means to buy them.

SARDINES AND PRUNES.

The arrival from abroad of fresh sardines and new prunes being near at hand, a few details as to these articles may be of interest to country storekeepers, as their trade will require a new supply before the winter sets in. The consumption of sardines in oil is everywhere taking a larger place in public alimentation. The preparation of the fish (an entirely French industry) is confined to the shores of the Atlantic, from the rock-bound coast of Britiany to the mouth of the Charente River; numerous factories along the scashore are engaged in the preservation of the fish, for the netting of which, fishroes from this side of the Atlantic are imported, though, it is said, locusts from Algeria and Morocco are now used as substitutes. The exportation of sardines from France is yearly increasing. In 1859 the value of the exports of sardines was \$,703,475 francs; in 1875, this had increased threefold, amounting to 26,916,174 francs. This represents an exportation of about sixtyeight millions of boxes. If we multiply the number of boxes by 12, we shall have the number of fishes preserved and boxed for export. The importation last year into the United States amounted to \$773,331; and in the Dominion, \$41,065 is the declared value of the entries at the Custom

The fishery this year, though not so large as the preceding one, is amply sufficient to satisfy the demand, and prices in France are about the same they were one year ago. Good well-known brands, as Penanros, Terrien, Tertrais and Boston, are held from 41 to 42 francs per 100 quarter-boxes, equal to 114 cents here wholesale. The fish is said to be plump, of good size and perfect preservation. It is to be hoped that all the fish of last year has been disposed of, and that no one shall try to palm old fish as new on unwary people; the thickness of the oil, the saltness of the fish and its flaccidity are sure indications of its lack of freshness.

Prunes are imported from three different countries—from Turkey, Germany and France. The commonest kinds are brought from Turkey and Germany, the best from the south of France. This year the crop of prunes is not so large as was expected, the fruit having suffered in consequence of the wet weather at the time of ripening. Prices in France, and we call the attention of the buyers to this rule, are regulated by the number of fruits in a given weight. Thus, 50 kilos (110 lbs.) of prunes, giving 130 to 140 fruits to the pound in weight will sell about \$1,00

less per 110 lbs. than prunes of the same place of growth giving 100 to 105 fruits to the pound. These two descriptions being the usual ones imported here, our little piece of information cannot fall amiss at the time of purchase.

The French quotations this year at the place of production are, for prunes (130 to 140 fruits per lbs.), 24 francs per 50 kilos (110 lbs.) in bls. of 120 to 150 lbs., or 25 frames per 50 kilos in cases of 50 to 60 lbs., and for prunes (100 to 105 fruits per 1b.), 29 francs per 110 lbs. in cases of 50 to 60 lbs: equal to 7 and 8 cents per lb. here, wholesale. The consumption in Canada amounts to 671,000 lbs, according to customs returns, and has been steadily increasing. In the process of drying, ripe and sweet fruits exude through the skin grape sugar, forming a white coating to the fruit. This is frequently supplemented by a light sprinkling of flour, just as pleasant to the eye but quite objectionable to the taste.

MONTHLY RETURN OF EXPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER.

The return of the exports for September from the Port of Montreal, compared with that of last year for the same month, is far from exhibiting a satisfactory result. The total return shows a decrease of \$1,362,395 for the month, and if, from that total, we take off the export of coin and bullion, that cannot be considered as a production of the country or as a mechandise in transit through the country, the decrease is \$1,400,486.

It may be said that the depreciation in value ought to be taken into account, and that, perhaps, the trade of the port has not declined, though the value of the goods forwarded or dealt in appears to be less important. In the export of goods, the produce of Canada, there is a decrease in value of \$267,625, though there is a large increase in the number of bushels of grain, 68,405 bushels, and an increase of 1,267 heads of horned cattle and 4,079 sheep. But there is a decrease of \$368,-907 in the shipment of butter and cheese, of \$32,605 in produce of the mine, and \$36,425 in produce of the forests, so there is in reality a decrease in the amount of business. The worst feature of the present return is the decrease of\$1,131,851 in the exportation of goods not the produce of the country. The month of September has been in the United States the heaviest month ever known for the export of cereals. All the railroads and canals were loaded to their full capacity, and yet the route to the Atlantic through Canada shows a decrease in traffic of \$1,131,851. The navigation of the Wel land Canal was closed for a short while during the month of September, but, has the stoppage of traffic on the Canal for a few days to account for so heavy a decrease? This matter deserves the serious attention of our Board of Trade, and measures ought to be taken to bring back to our port a transit so advantageous to the prosperity of the country.

KID GLOVES.

We have already made known the difficulties importers of kid gloves were laboring under in the United States, in consequence of the action of the Custom House officers raising the invoices from 42 francs to 52 francs for two button ladies' gloves. Alexandre's and Trefousse's gloves have been made a test case, and though merchant appraisers had sustained the importers, the collector of the port of New York has confirmed the decision of the general appraiser and advanced the value of the gloves of that description from 42 frames to 49 frames per dozen. This advance carries penalties for undervaluation in each case. The importance of this decision consists not only in the raising of the price of two button ladies? gloves, but it bears upon the whole importation of gloves from the 2 button to the 6 button ladies, as well as men's and misses' also. It is said that by that decision the duties are increased 16 per cent; gloves of all description must consequently advance in the same proportion. Pending this test case, one hundred thousand to one hundred and fifty thousand pairs of gloves were awaiting the decision, and are affected by it. The worst of it is that the season is now over, and the loss entailed on the importers must be considerable.

The Canadian importers have no other interest in the matter than an occasional sale to Americans visiting the country, who, finding gloves so much cheaper here, will improve the opportunity and buy a lot, at the same time asking themselves the question, if this is not the only country in the world where customs had more consideration for the consumer than for the interest of the revenue.

THE MOLSONS BANK—ANNUAL MEETING.

We have the pleasure of placing before our readers the annual statement of the Molsons Bank's affairs to the 30th September last, and of congratulating the shareholders on such a favorable exhibit. Considering the difficulties through which business has passed during the year, and the general depression that has prevailed, the Bank has done remarkably well,

Acting with prudence and resolution in reducing the dividend, the bank managers have kept the "Rest" unimpaired, and begin this year with a Rest of \$400,000, being 20 per cent, upon the capital. No better preparation could be made for the revival of the business of the country, and no better proof could be offered of the skill and experience of the management of the institution.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

The more important business changes of the past week are as follows :-

Dissolutions :- Seymore & Steele, builders, Teeswater, Seymore continues; and Thompson & Blakeney, Montreal.

Offer to compromise: - R. C. Wry, Jolieure, N.B; at 50 cents; M. Brown, general store, Lockport, N.S., at 50 cents, in 3, 6, 9 and 12

Compromised :- R. M. Blake, general store, Richmond, at 75 cents, in 3, 6, and 9 months; J. A. Dusablonde, dry goods, Quebec: J. Jeffs, groceries, Toronto, at 30 cents.

Selling or sold out :- E. S. Crafts, boots and shoes, Amherst, N.S.; S. H. Lundy, stationery, Aurora; A. Leslie, groceries, Owen Sound; A. Dawson, hotel, Port Credit; R. McKay, general store, Paisley; H. W. Allan, general store, Port Rowan; J. II. Black, jeweller, Teeswater; Anderson & Co., dry goods, Toronto; Jas. McGuire, general store, Wingham: H. M. McIntosh, hotel; Alex, McKinnon, Lucknow; Henry Harrison, waggons, Pefferlew; H. M. Buckner, stoves, &c., Hamilton.

Commencing or recently commenced business :- Jno. Lloyd, stationer, Aurora; W. Oaten, groceries, Bracebridge; Borthwick & Co., bakers, Dundas; Geo. Achison, dry goods, Goderich; J. D. Mills, confectionery, Hamilton; T. F. Clark, boots and shoes, Hamilton; Thos. Simmons, fruits and groceries, Lucknow; W. P. Guy, watchmaker, Moorfield; Mrs. Grafton, hotel, Port Gredit; Henry Putman, general store, Paisley; Pierce & Griffin, general store, Palmerston; D. McGrigor, flour and feed, Teeswater; J. F. Collings, jeweller, Teeswater; J. Storrington, general store, Wingham; Wm. Hutton, hotel, Wingham; Almon & McIntosh, bankers and brokers, Halifax; D. Nelson, general store, St. John; L. L. Sharp, watchmaker, St. John; N. C. Calhoun, hotel, St. John; Geo. A. Shaw, boots and shoes, Moncton; P. Oliver & Son, hotel, Lennoxville; W. Marshall, general store, Croyden; A. S. Duncan, groceries, Elora; Lees & Mussen, fruits, Hamilton; Jewell & Hopkins, groceries, Harriston; W. G. Wilson, general store, Marlbank; S. Steel, groceries, Paisley, and Reynolds & Newton, groceries, Richmond Hill, Ont.

New co-partnerships:-J. Forrester & Co., general store, Laprairie, now Forrester & Barbeau; P. W. Bell, groceries, Collingwood, Auldradge is the new partner; Alguire & Wiltse, general store, Farmersville, changed to Lamb & Wiltse; Jno. Campbell, pork, now Campbell & Lawry. Thos. Warren, waggons, Marmora, has gone out of business.

- The Canadian Manufacturers Exchange of this city, has begun to bear good fruit although only a few weeks in operation. We learn that one wholesale house has already saved some \$100, another \$300 odd, and a third somewhat over \$100. The object of the Association, as stated in the prospectus before us, is: 1 .- To afford such information as may prevent Traders, who have been found to have acted dishonestly in former transactions, from obtaining further credit from the members of the Association. 2. -To limit Retail Buyers of small means, or weak credit, in their purchases, so that overstocking may not lead them into insolvency; and also to prevent dishonest traders from deliberately purchasing large stocks with a view to effecting a composition, or going into insolvency. 3 .- To endeavor to lessen the loss that annually accrues to manufacturers and wholesale merchants, through the granting of deeds of composition and discharge to insolvent debtors, by refusing signatures to such deeds of composition when a less sum than threefourths (1) of the debt is offered, or when the debtor has previously compromised, or failed, or when it is considered that there has been any attempt made to defraud the creditors. 4. -To obtain information, 1st-as to the standing of buyers from members of this Association; 2nd-with regard to new markets in foreign countries; 3rd-of new inventions of interest and importance to the members; 4thof improvements in manufacturing whereby saving of labor or cost may be effected. All this is surely laudable, and, if all the members of the Association act harmoniously and in good faith throughout, should be productive of good results. The Officers, the Executive Committee and the original subscribers comprise many of our leading merchants and manufacturers, and should be a guarantee of success.

To THE POINT.-We feel quite thankful to those of our subscribers who deal with us as business men, file their newspaper subscription bill among the bills to be paid and pay it. Business habits, though generally commended, are not generally practised. The attention of some of our readers, who think that the receiving of a newspaper and perhaps the perusing of it are a sufficient compensation to the Editor for his enterprise and labor, is called to the wailing of a brother editor, with whom we sympathize very much, the more so as his complaint is akin to ours :-

"Money Wanted .- We must have moneyit is useless to say we can do without it, for we it is useless to say we can no measurement can not. If we were to die and go to the bone patch we might get along without it, but while we live we must have some money. From this we live we must have some money. From this date we shall expect every one in debt to us to at once pay us. Some can easily do it, others must borrow the sum due and send it, for we can bear no one's burdens. Let it be so that we need not ask again, for it is too painful for us longer to bear what we are now bearing.

THE EXPENSE OF BANKRUPTCY IN GREAT BRI-TAIN .- A correspondent of Truth, after disenssing the expenses of bankruptcy considered as a general question, encloses a printed list of the results of twenty-four bankruptcies, which he says "are in no way exceptional." Altogether their estates realized £56,917 10s. 9d. Out of this the "trustees" managed to appropriate £15,586 17s. 4½d., £11,415 3s. 3d. went to the trustees' solicitors, £16,299 9s. 10d. to the credi-

tors, while \$2,762 los. 2d. represented the balance, probably never to be distributed, remaining in the hands of the trustees at the time of the last audit. "The facts of one of the twentyfour cases are peculiarly instructive. In it the committee of inspection was a firm of London soilcitors, the trustee an accountant having offices in the same building, and the only assets were sold by an auctioneer, whose charges for so doing were £00 3s, 1d. The sale realized £599 15s. 7d., which was thus divided: The committee of inspection voted the solicitors of the trustee (themselves, doubtless) £173 2s. 5d., and awarded the trustee £172 17s. 9d.; but the creditors did not get a single farthing, the rest of the funds being pocketed for incidental expenses. In another case the trustee was a soliciter and the registrar of a county court, and knowing that his official position prevented him charging carrayagantly, he did next to nothing and only took £39 17s. 6d. for his services; but he so managed that his solicitor's costs amounted to £1,298 18s. 7d. The creditors only got £839 8s. 9d. between them."

THE MOLSONS BANK.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Molsons' Bank was held last Monday at the banking house in this city. The chair was occupied by Mr. John Molson, president, and Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, cashier, acted as secretary. Among the shareholders present were noticed the following:--Hon. D. L. Mac-pherson, Hon. Mr. Justice. Day, Messis. Thos. Workman, John Hatchison, Daniel Wilson, H. A. Nelson, Capt. P. Duruford, John H. R. Molson, T. J. Glaston, R. Mont, Algernon Stephen, W. D. McLaren, and John W.

Molson.
The President, Mr. John Molson, having taken the chair, the eashier read the following report: Gentlemen,—On the occasion of submitting

to you their last annual report, your Directors expressed their belief in an early resumption of commercial and manufacturing activity, many indications, as they conceived pointing thereto; but it is scarcely necessary to say that the depression which had spread over this in common with almost all commercial countries of the world had not run its course. Its effects have been felt by the Bank as by kindred institutions in the curtailment of business and in the incurring of losses. It will, however, he some satisfaction to the shareholders to know that these losses have chiefly resulted from the unclosed transactions of former years, and that the Bank has been exempt from any loss, except of a very trilling character, since the close of the last half year. A perceptible improvement has recently transpired in the volume and nature of the business of the Bank, and with its continuance your Directors entertain a reasonable hope of a gradual return to the Bank of its former state of prosperity

We now lay before the shareholders the annual statement of the Bank's affairs to 30th September last :

Balance remaining at credit of Profit and Loss account on 30th Sept., 1877..... To which add net profits after deducting expenses of management and reservation of interest ac-

\$ 23,039 61

crued on deposits and Exchange 201,793 34 \$224,832 95

From which has been paid-45th dividend payable 1st April, '78, at 6 p. c. per annum. \$59,901.45 46th dividend payable 1st Oct. 78, at 6 p. c. 59,901.45 \$119,802.90

Leaving a surplus of..... . \$105,030 05 Written off to bad and doubtful. debts..... 101,899 62

Leaving at credit Profit and Loss, at Ridgetown, a thriving place on the Canada

Southern Railway.

The branches of the Bank have been inspected twice during the year, and the cash at head of-fice has been carefully counted at intervals by the Directors.

JOHN MOLSON. President.

Montreal, 14th October, 1878.

GENERAL STATEMENT	OF	THE	AFFAIRS	oF	THE
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Capital authorized Capital subscribed			\$2,00	00,000	00
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LIABIL PURS

Capital paid up\$	1,996,715	00
Notes in circulation	995,549	00
Dominion Government Deposits	*	
payable on demand	56,210	19
Other deposits payable on de-		
mand	1,935,439	62
Other deposits payable after		
notice	781,589	33
Due to other Banks in Canada	32,887	71
Due to other Branches	21,414	
Due to Foreign Agents	15,124	01
Due to Agents in United King-		
dom	60,979	89
Rest	400,000	00
Profit and Loss	3,130	43
Forty-sixth Dividend	59,901	45
Dividends unclaimed	2,388	-11
Interest, Exchange, &c , reserved	34,045	82
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ASSETS.

Specie		
	578,352	54
Notes and Cheques of other Banks Balances due from other Banks	232,646	88
in CanadaBalances due from Foreign	22,829	84
AgentsBalances due from Agents in	91,554	63
United KingdomLoans and Bills discounted on	4,138	09
Bank Stocks Lonus and Bills discounted on	4,200	00
Bonds, Debentures, &c	157,088	00
Loans to Corporations	44,625	00
Bills discounted and current Bills discounted, past due, se-	4,724,415	40
Bills discounted, past due and	32,054	
not secured	197,109	
Bank premises at Head Office and Branches, at their actual	124,553	82
cost	177,192	05
Other Assets	4,615	

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THE MOLSONS BANK, Montreal, 14th Oct., 1878.

Montreal, 14th Oct., 1878.

The President, in moving the adoption of the report, said:—Gentlemen,—You have heard the report which has just been read, and I think you will agree with me that, considering the year through which we have just passed, the result of the bank's business may be considered satisfactory. In the early part of the year losses were developed, which induced your Directors reluctantly to reduce the usual dividend, but, in their onlines it was preferable to do so in their opinion, it was preferable to do so rather than reduce the rest below 20 per cent. on the capital, and in this they feel sure that you will agree with them. Had the result of the first six months been equal to that of the last, a larger dividend might possibly have been paid. I am glad to be able to say that our business during the last few months has our obtainess during the last lew months has shown marked improvement. While it would have been gratifying to your Directors to have reported larger profits, yet, I think I may say that, considering the great commercial depression which has prevailed, the bank has done as well as could reasonably have been expected.

We begin the year with a rest of \$400,000, 20 per cent, upon our capital, and an improving business. I do not think of anything more that I need say. I now move, seconded by Judge Day, the adoption of the report.

Hon. Judge Day, in seconding the adoption of the report, said that the report must be received as a gratifying one, under the existing unfavorable circumstances of business during the last two or three years. Of course, when men were dissatisfied, they looked about for a scapegoat, and the natural scapegoat for shareholders, if in any way inclined to be dissatisfied, was the directors. It seemed to him, at present, they had no reason to lay any heavy burden of fault on the directors, but rather to the universal paralysis of trade and commercial dealings generallysis of trade and commercial dealings generallysis. rally. Altough they could not say they were quite happy under the diminished dividends and shrinkage in values, on the whole, the gentle-men entrusted with the administration of the affairs of the bank had done their duty skillfully and prudently. There was one little ray of light in the remarks made by the chairman, namely, that the business had improved within the last few months. They might include in the hope that they had reached the lowest point, that they had arrived at that time of thick darkness which preceded the dawning day, and that hereafter there would not be any sudden reac-tion of improvement but a gradual growing progress in the right-direction, and that at their next annual meeting the report presented would be more satisfactory than that just received. In business above all things else, brevity was the soul of wit, he would content himself, without further remarks, with seconding the adoption of the report.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Mr. W. D. McLaren moved, seconded by Mr. Daniel Wilson, that the thanks of the share-holders be tendered to the President, Vice-Pre-sident and Directors for their management of the bank during the past year, and that the President be requested to accept the sum of \$3,000. Carried unanimously.

The President, on behalf of himself and directors, thanked the shareholders for this expression of confidence.

Mr. Robert Montmoved, seconded by Captain Philip Durnford, that the thanks of the share-holders be also tendered to the Cashier, the Managers and other officers of the bank for the satisfactory manner in which they discharged their several duties. Carried manimously.

Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, Cashier, in returning thanks, referred to the past year, which had been unfortunate in one respect, namely, that they had been unable to carry out the auticipation of last meeting, that this year's return would be a great improvement on that of last year; but the fates had been adverse, and, as the report stated, they had suffered in common with other institutions. A great solace, however, was the fact that during the last seven months they had scarcely made any bad debts. This was the most satisfactory chuse in the report, and he hoped they would meet under better circumstances next time. The ballot being circumstances next time. The ballot being opened, the scrutineers, Messrs, Robert Montand Daniel Wilson, reported the following gentlemen duly elected as directors for the ensoing year:—Messrs. John Molson, Thos. Workman, T. J. Claxton, R. W. Shepherd, Hon. D. L. Mac-pherson, Horatio A. Nelson and Miles Williams. At a subsequent meeting of the Board, Mr. John Molson was re-elected President, and Mr. Thomas Workman, Vice-President.

ROT IN THE POTATO CROP.—We regret to learn that the rot is found to be prevalent in the polatoes in this neighborhood, and that with some farmers a large proportion of the crop is found to be injured. Whether the disease is prevalent throughout the country, or is con-tined to this neighborhood, we cannot say, as we have observed no mention of its existence in other parts .- Galt Reporter.

- A defective potato crop in New England this season has led to a smart advance in the price of potatoes. One day last week no less than 20 cars, containing 300 bushels each, came down the St. Andrew's railroad from the upper country, and went on direct to Boston. country, and went on direct to Boston. The purchases of potatoes at St. Stephen and Galais lately have been very large. The lowest price for good potatoes at St. Stephen is St.10 per barrel; the New England potato growers being "protected" by a daily of 15 cents a bashel, the consumers in Calais have to pay \$1.55 a barrel for the same article. This advance in the price of potatoes will do much to enrich the people of the Upper St. John, a locality that may be called the Aroestook of New Brunswick. It is quite as good a country as the Maine territory.—St. John Telegraph.

INSURANCE IN FRANCE.—The returns of the French companies for 1877 show the following results:—Life Companies. Policies in force, \$324.960,000; new assurances, \$55,518,000; premium income, \$11,558,000; death chims, \$3,mum meome, \$11,558,000; death claims, \$3,-752,000.—The new assurances show a decrease as compared with 1876 of \$1,300,000. Three new companies were started during the year, viz., L'Ouest, Le Patrimoine, and L'Abeille, the latter being an off-shoot of the fire company of the same name. Fire companies.—Policies in force, \$17,506,345,463; prenium income, \$17,019,129; fire losses \$7,854,958.—Hall companies.—The only hall insurance joint stock company now in existence is L/Abeille, whose profit and loss account for 1877 shows a profit. of \$170,378, after writing off the loss on 1876 of \$144,024. Its premium income for the year amounted to \$727,449 in respect of 52,917 policies, and its losses to \$241,357.

ADVANCE IN THE PRICE OF POTATOES.—A defective potato crop in New England, this season, has led to a smart advance in the price season, has led to a smart advance in the prace of potatoes. One day last week no less than 20 cars, containing 300 bushels each, came down the St. Andrews Bailroad from the upper country and went on direct to Boston. The country and went on direct to Boston. purchases of potatoes at St. Stephen and Calais lately have been very large. The lowest price for good potatoes at St. Stephen is \$1.10 per barrel; the New England potatoe-growers being protected" by a duty of 15 cents a bushel, the consumers in Calais have to pay \$1.55 a barrel for the same article. This advance in the price of potatoes will do much to enrich the people of the Upper St. John, a locality that may be called the Aroostook of New Bruns-wick. It is quite as good a country as the Maine territory.—St. John Telegraph.

VALUE OF METALS.—The following is an approximate estimate of the present eash value of the metals now known, rare and common. The rare metals have no market value, but they can be purchased at about the prices be-The price is given per pound, or 16 oz.

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Indium\$2	3,520,00	Silver\$18.72
Vanadium2	,500,00	Cobalt 7.75
Ruthenium1	400,00	Cadmium6.09
Rhodium	.700,00	Bismuth3.63
Palladium	.653,00	Sodium3.20
Uranium	.576,58	Nickel2.50
Osmium	.325, 28	Mercury 1.35
Iridium	.317.44	Antimony36
Gold	.301.45	Tiu33
Platinium		Copper25
Tuallium	108.77	Arsenic
Chromium	58 00	Zine11
Magnesium	46.50	Lead07
Potassium	23.00	lron02

BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS .- At the recent opening of the fifth National Dairy Association in Chicago, last Thursday, it was stated that there-were at present 12,000,000 milel cows in the United States. The value of the entire butter product of the Union for 1877 was put down at \$175,000,000, and that of cheese \$36,000,000. The egg product reaching nearly 11.000,000 barrels; worth \$82,000,000. The official records for last year give the total exports of butter from Canada as 15,479,550 lbs.; cheese, 37,700,921 lbs.; eggs, 5,025,053 dozen. The aggregate value of milk, butter and cheese of the United States and Canada being estimated at over \$620,000,900 for the past year. England is the principal consumer of these vast exports of both Canada and the States, their competitors being Sweden, Norway, Denmark, France, Switzerland, Germany, Russia and Australia.

A CHEMICAL THUMPH .- Modern chemists are very expert in resolving compound bodies into their simple elements, but the opposite process of building up bodies from their elementary constituents is one of extreme difficulty. In 1868, however, two German chemists, Profs. Graebe and Liebermann, succeeded in preparing from the hydrocarbon authracenc, manufac-tured from coal tar, the brilliant dye-stuffs hitherto won from madder. This was the first instance in which the chemist had succeeded in artificially preparing colors occurring in the vegetable kingdom; and although the manufacture of artificial madder coloring matters has assumed at the present day colossal proportions, and bids fair to supersede entirely the preparation of the natural products, it has hitherto remained the only instance of the kind in the history of chemistry, all other vegetable and animal dyes obstimately refusing to disclose the secret of their composition. Within the past few weeks the madder colors have ceased to occurred the results of the colors have ceased to occupy this unique positon. Modern chemistry has also succeeded in preparing synthetically common indigo. This discovery is like wise due to a German chemist, Prof. A. Baeyer, the genial successor to the chair of Lichig, at Manich, and a most indefatigable and successful investigator. For a score of years he has been seeking to solve the problem of the compo-sition of indigo and its synthetical preparation. Slowly and patiently he has gathered together and elaborated one fact after another autil, finally, at the last session of the German Chemical Society, he was able to announce the completion of the long research and the discovery of the last link in the chain of synthetic reactions leading to the formation of indigo. The processes involved are, however, too intricate and costly to have any immediate result on the commercial value of the well-known dye.

BURNING BUILDINGS .- Four barns have undoubtedly been burned in this town within a few years past as the direct result of carelessness. In one case a match, which had been lit to afford a momentary light, was thrown down in the dirt on the barn floor, where it started a slow fire, which gradually extended to a baymow. In another instance the enterprising owner shot an owl in the barn and killed him and burned the barn. Whenever it is necesand burned the barn. Whenever it is neces-sary to fire a gan about buildings, wool should be used for wadding, as it will not readily take fire from the powder. Spontaneous combustion, it is believed, caused the burning of the other two, one by the heat from a big pile of damp buckwheat chaff, and the other by hen manure under the shed, mixed with straw and other manure. In some instances buildings have barely escaped. One of our citizens was sitting barety escaped. One of our citizens was sitting in his house one eyening in autumn, and happening to put his hand against the wall he found it so hot as to nearly burn him. Seeking for the cause he found it to be heat from the banking around the dwelling, which was buckwheat chaff. He did not go to bed until that banking was removed. The house would intend the banking was removed. that banking was removed. The house would undoubtedly have burned before morning. Another man just at night loaded his waggon with the droppings of the barnyard, and then added some hen manure and ashes, and as it was late left the waggon standing until the was late left the waggon standing until the next morning. Fortunately he did not run it into any building, for the next day he found it on fire in three places. The dirt from a large grist mill was swept out of the back door, and here too a lot of shavings were thrown. night the mill burned down, and the fire started from the very place where this debris was rotting. A farmer who leaves the hen manure to accumulate during the summer, or the risk of having to build a new barn. Every the risk of having to build a new barn. Every building should be kept clear of litter, within and without, and no violence will be done to chemical laws nor to good taste.—Correspondent of N. Y. Tribune.

INSURANCE-FIRE RECORD.

Ottawa, Sept. 29.—A house owned by J. Goulden, badly damaged.

Quebec, Sept. 28 .- A quantity of coal belonging to A. A. Murray, destroyed.

Burritt's Rapids, Ont., Sept. 26.-The steam shingle mills owned by Dr. Ferguson, and occupied by Gordon Brothers, damaged. Loss about \$100; insured.

Biddulph, Ont., Sept. 23.—The barn and ont-buildings belonging to E. Ryan, totally des-

Aylesford, N.S., Sept. 25.—A brick building owned by Chas. Wiswell, destroyed.

Dartmouth, N.S., Sept. 26.—A cottage belonging to Geo. Crichton, and occupied by Mr. Mosher, to tally destroyed.

Shediac, N.B., Sept. 25.—A steam saw mill owned by W. J. L. Harrington, totally destroyed. Loss \$20,000, including machinery; insured for \$12,000.

Markdale, Out., Sept. 25.—A barn belonging to Samuel Bradner destroyed, together with a valuable borse and all the season's crops. Loss about \$3,000; insured in the London Mutual Insurance Co. for \$800,

Halifax, Sept. 28 .- A house on North Starr street, belonging to James McCarthy, destroyed.

Supposed incendiarism.

Montreal, Sept. 28 — The piano ware-rooms of

A. J. Boucher, Notre Dame street, slightly damaged

damaged.

Jarvis, Sept. 25.—A brick house owned and occupied by Mr. Rollington badly damaged.

Westville, N. S., Oct. 1.—A dwelling owned and occupied by F. J. Fuller as general store,

Montreal, Oct. 8 .- An old dwelling on Dalhousie street, belonging to Mr. Mulhearn, damaged to the extent of \$300; no insurance.

Fencion Falls, Oct. 3 .- A building, consisting of a bakery, grocery and dwelling-house, occupied by J. C. Elliott, and owned by Mr. Noble Ingram, destroyed. Insured.

Quebec, Oct. 7 .- A large pile of coals belonging to the Richelieu Co., upon Gillespie's Wharf partially destroyed. Insured for \$3,000 in the liverpool and London and Globe.

Stayner, Out., Oct. 5 .- The steam saw mill Stayner, Ont., Oct. 5,—The Steam Saw mill belonging to Wm. Firstbrook & Son, Warrington, totally destroyed. Loss \$3,000.

Strond, Ont., Oct. 3.—The undertaking establishment of Cummer & Scott, together with a

valuable hearse, destroyed. Insured for \$800.

Hamilton, Oct. 2 .- A large stone building on Rebecca street, occupied by Messrs. John Harvey & Co., as a wool warehouse, together with \$11,000 worth of wool, destroyed. Loss about \$80,000.

Montreal, Oct. 3.—The Shedden Cartage Company's hay loft, together with a large quantity of hay, badly damaged.

Napanee, Oct. 3.—A two-story frame house belonging to W. Marshall of Hamilton destroyed. No insurance.

Cookstown, Ont., Oct. 6.—An hotel belonging to P. Size, together with some adjoinning dwellings, destroyed. Losses as follows:—P. Size, loss on buildings, \$800, covered by insurance; John Stephens, on dwelling and contents, \$800, insured for \$500; John Wiggins, on dwelling, \$600, insurance not known; P. Hipwell, loss, \$400, no insurance.

Bloomfield, Oct. 6.—The grist, saw, shingle, and cider mill, belonging to Cooper & Burlingham, destroyed. Loss \$8,000.

Hamilton, Oct. 4.—A large brick building occupied by J. Deyfoot & Co. as a planing mill and sash factory, dwelling and stables belonging to Mr. Bain, and a carpenter shop belonging to Mr. Cruickshank, all destroyed. Losses as follows:—J. Deyfoot & Co., \$2000, insurance \$7000; Mr. Bain \$3000, insurance \$1000; Mr. Cruickshank \$4000, insurance

Balderson, Ont., Oct. 8.—The barn and out-buildings, together with this season's crop,

belonging to Jas. Richardson, totally destroyed. Parkhill, Out., Oct. 6 .- McNeil's stationery Parkind, Ont., Oct. 6.—McNeil's stationery store, Melanis' grocery and dwelling, Mrs. Davidson's millinery shop and dwelling, Fletcher's confectionery store and dwelling, McKinnon's shoe store, Dickson's dry goods store and dwelling, J. Benham's jewellery store and dwelling, Reid's batcher shop, and the Montreal Telegraph Co.'s office all destroyed.

Guysboro', Ont., Oct. 9 .- The whip factory on Talbot road, belonging to Henry B. Kitchen, totally destroyed. Loss \$150; no insurance.

Loss, \$30,000.

London, Ont., Oct. 8 - A barn belonging to Mr. Dyer destroyed. No insurance.

London, Out., Oct. 14.-A grocery and dwelling on Ontario street, occupied by Mr. George Butler, and owned by Mr. Grayson, destroyed. An adjoining house occupied by Mr. George Butler was also burned. Partially insured.

Ingersoll, Ont., Oct. 14.—George Bailey's carriage factory totally destroyed. The principal part of the stock was saved. Loss about \$3,000, partially covered by insurance in the Mutual Co.

Port Hope, Oct. 14.—The store occupied by Mr. George Hope, and a grocery on the corner of Ridout and Julia streets, destroyed. The building, which was owned by Mr. Garnett, was uniusured. Mr. Hope was insured for \$1,500. Stony take, Out., Oct. 10.—Summer Hotel, of this place, destroyed. Loss, \$10,000; no in surpress.

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Toronto, Oct. 10 .- The carpenter shop of John Ford, on Queen street East, damaged to the extent of \$300; covered by insurance. The lumber yard of Jno, Woods also damaged. Loss, \$1,000; insured.

Ingersoll, Oct. 10.-A building known as Boles' Block, on Thames street, damaged to the extent of \$300.

Osgoode, Oct. 9 .- The dwelling-house and outbuildings of Michael Dolan totally destroyed. Loss, \$2,000; insured in the British American for \$500. Two barns adjoining, owned by B. Laplant, containing a quantity of hay, grain, and implements, were also destroyed Loss, \$1,000; insured for \$450 in the Agricultural Mutual.

Boucherville, Que., Oct. 9.—A bakery belonging to Chas. Normandin totally destroyed. Loss, \$990; no insurance.

Port Dalhousie, Oct. 10 .- A store and dwelling owned by Mrs. J. Young, and occupied by Mrs. Fleming; a butcher shop owned by J. Smith; a large brick botel owned by J. Duffin, and occupied by Alex. Reid; and Mr. McCrath's and occupied by Alex. Reid; and Mr. McCrath's dwelling and boarding house, the lower story occupied by Montreal Telegraph Co., American Express Co., and Mr. Dwyer, tobacco, all destroyed. Loss \$8,000; insurance as follows:—McCrath, \$2,000 in the Hartford Ins. Co.; Mr. Duffin, \$1,500; Mr. Young, \$500; F. Dwyer, \$500 on stock in the Citizens of Montreal.

Montreal, Oct. 11.—A building on St. Joseph street, owned by S. Biron, and occupied by Green Bros. & Co., clothers, considerably damaged. Loss on building about \$200. Green Bros. & Co.'s loss about \$500; insured in the North British and Mercantile Co. for \$1,500.

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Port Burwell, Ont., Oct. 15.-A dwelling occupied by W. Freeland, destroyed, with \$1,200

Lanark, Ont., Oct. 11.—The barns, sheds, and stables belonging to Chas. Woods, totally destroyed, together with last season's crop, and a number of farming implements. Loss, \$2,200; no insurance.

Clinton, Ont., Oct. 15 .- The burn, stables and out-houses owned by Jas. Outle destroyed, together with contents, consisting of 200 bushels of wheat, 300 of oats, 50 of peas, 9 tons of lay, and a number of farming implements. Insured in the Hullett & McKillop Insurance Company. Cause :--lightning.

Douro, Ont., October 15.—The barn belonging to Jas. Connors destroyed. Insured for \$900 in the Northern Assurance Company. Cause :lightning,

ASSIGNMENTS.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

J. & W. James, Almonte. W. J. Redman, Oshawa. J. Brokenshire, Kingston. S. S. Mutton & Co., Toronto. Juo. Fagen, groceries, Collingwood.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

M. Davian, hotel, St. Hyacinthe. Simoon Lasselin, Lapratric. Wm. Harper, gunsmith, Montreat. Louis Hamel, shoes, Quebec.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

John R. Knowles, crockeryware, Portland.

WRITS OF ATTACHMENT.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Wm. Gardner, Cornwall. Jno. Aumann, Berlin. Henderson & Co., Toronto. Jos. Gray, flour dealer, Toronto. Augus Cameron, Toronto.

PROVINCE OF QUEREC.

Chas. Brooks, Sherbrooke.
Jas. McWilliams, contractor, Ascott.
A. Anbert, Pin Tendre.
Louis Nicol, Sherbrooke.
G. Lemieux, hotel, Conticook.
O'Neil & Russell, Montreal.
Theo. Sampson, Levis.
Jos. laker, contractor, Eaton.
P. Hébert, hotel, Marbheton.
A. T. Holland & Co., wholesale stationers,
Montreal.
Jas. Mullen, Montreal.
F. X. Wilson, St. Raphael de l'He Bizard.
G. A. Perry, groceries, Coteau Landing.
Narcisse Laurier, Montreal.
P. Gravel, boots and shoes, Montreal.
F. Sanchagrin, general store, Grondines.
H. Brownrigg, groceries, Montreal.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Geo. H. Martin, St. John.

Commercial.

MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS.

MONTBEAL, Oct. 17th, 1878.

FINANCIAL.-The week under review has been an excited one; the raising of the rate by the Bank of England to 6 per cent, all of a sudden, three days in advance of the usual day of meeting of the directors, the decline of consols and of all the Bank stock, the numerous failures brought on by the shike given to confidence by the failure of the Bank of Glasgow, the auxiety caused by Indian affairs, and the generally unsatisfactory state of trade, have brought on in London a feeling of distrust, threatening at a time to become the forerunner of a panic. In the United States, the consequence of the news from England has been, on the part of speculators, an attempt to push gold up and to lower stocks. They were successful, and had the market to themselves for a couple of days. Gold advanced 1 per cent., and stocks went down quite heavily. The presence of the Secretary of the Treasury in New York, and the payment in advance of all the coupons becoming due on the 1st of November, have checkmated the schemes of the speculators. Gold is lower, and stocks have a strong tendency to higher figures. Any attempt to bully gold at the present time is useless. From the 11th of this month to the 16th of November, eight instalments, of \$5,000,000 each, of the bonds of 1865

become due and payable at the Treasury. This will bring out of the Treasury a supply of \$40,000,000 of coin. In addition to this, the quarterly interest on the Fives of 1881 becomes due on the 11th of November, amounting to \$6,335,000. Thus within the next four weeks, the transfer of this large amount of gold to the Banks, or into general circulation, is calculated to have effects bearing upon the gold premium that still exists. Exchange continues very low, and the cotten crop, estimated the largest ever grown, said to amount to 5,200,000 bales, having to be shipped, does not tend to stiffen the rates, Montreal also has had its excitement; the news from England was not without creating among the Banks certain apprehensions and the public mind came easily to that state of nervousness in which the smallest incident seems fraught with the mightiest consequences. The declared dividend of the Bank of Montreal was I per cent. under the general expectations. The stock experienced in a few hours a fall of 12 per cent. An invention not yet perfected, lacking yet the endorsement of the scientific world, having as to its praticability the experiences only of a laboratory, is said to be conducive to the immediate pulling down of the gas works of every city and the introduction of electric light in every cottage. All at once gas stocks tumble down, and the Montreal City gas stock in two days has lost 22 per cent. Five years ago, the same thing took place in London and in Paris. A new combination of gas had been discovered; economy, increase of light, absence of danger were among the numerous advantages presented by the new source of light, and called to supersede the use of the ordinary gas. The stocks of gas companies went down; nervous people sold theirs, and cunning ones bought it and keep it yet. The stock market, in sympathy with the Bank of Montreal, fell off, money was in active demand, many loaus changed hands, new margins were asked and had to be forthcoming. Of course the reaction has taken place, and stocks are better. Money continues firm. Exchange is dull and low, at 1075, documentary, 107; gold, 100g. The decline in London of silver to 501d, gives to the American silver dollar a value of 86%.

Asnes.—Receipts continue light. Pots are very quiet, at \$3.80 to \$3.82½ for Firsts, \$5.30 for Seconds, and \$2.75 for Thirds, at which about 150 brls have changed hands during the week. Pearls unchanged. Sales 50 brls Firsts, at \$4.97½ to \$5.05 — Receipts since 1st January, 7546 brls Pots and 1016 brls Pearls; deliveries, 8026 brls Pots and 1076 brls Pearls; Stock in store on 16th October at 6 o'clock was 1411 brls Pots and 203 brls Pearls.

Boots and Shors.—A few sorting up orders are caming in, but business is quiet the present week, and will likely remain so while the present fine weather continues. No change can be mentioned in prices.

DRY Goods.—More encouraging advices from commercial travellers and purchases by visiting merchants have made the market more lively. Our wholesale houses maintain their assortments up to a scale sufficiently liberal to be attractive to every class of purchasers; yet, the unsettled political question of the Ministry, and the continuance of a mild weather, prevent many buyers operating largely. Remittances in the meanwhile continue fair.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business continues to show considerable animation, without much to

note by way of change in prices. The tendency, however, is to lower figures, the manufacturers in England being anxious to sell.

From, — The dull and drooping markets which we have reported for nearly two months have continued during another week, quotations being five to ten cents lower than they were a week ago. The stock is increasing slightly, but is a little less than it was at this time last year. We quote: Spring Extra, \$3.95 to 4.00; Fancy, \$4.05 to 4.10; Extra, \$4.15 to 4.20; Superior, \$4.30 to 4.35.

Figu.—There's no change in the fish market, except the arrival of 1500 brls Herring, not landed yet. Business in the absence of stooks rather dull. The exportation of Fish of all descriptions during last mouth from the port of Montreal amounted to \$1142 against \$10,475 the same mouth in 1877.

Furs.—The continued warm weather must affect the prices of raw furs. If the season in Europe should be warm and unseasonable, some classes of skins will full in price.

Grochies.—Not much activity to report for the week in Groceries, beyond the ordinary trade for the season supplying orders and for regular wants. Sugars show little of change, although what there is is rather in favor of buyers. Porto Rice and Barbadoes 7ac to 8jc.; Yellows, 74c to 8fc; Granulated, 9fc to 9fc. Teas—The kind most wanted, good medium grade Japans, are firm. Quotations about as last for all kinds. Molasses and Syrpps—Steady market. Rice.—\$1.20 to 4.45. Coffees.—Java, 27c to 20c; Marcaibo, 20c to 23c. Chemicals.—Trade, is moderate without change worth notice in prices. Spices.—With the exception of the firmness in Pimento before reported, and a slight advance in Cassia, all goods remain in fair ordinary demand within previous figures. Fraits.—New Valentia Raisins, 44g to 54c; New Layers, \$1.75 to 1.80. Currants, old, 3c to 54c; new, 4fc to 6c.

Grain.—European markets continue to discourage new shipments of Brendstuffs. The decline has not reached bottom, and the account sales of consignments entail heavy losses on the shippers, yet exports from New York are considerable, and for the week ending on the 11th instant were the following:

instant were the following: Flour, brls... 26,655 Pecceding week, 21,500 Wheat, bush 1,215,605 " 2,038,136 Corn, bush... 651,785 " 560,980

Gorn, bush... 651,785
In Chicago, the market is drooping day after day, and No. 2 is lower than it has been known for many years; the complaint there is that, with nearly 6,000,000 bushels of grain in store, they have no room for the new crop coming to market. It is now ascertained that the new Spring Wheat is quite deficient in quality, and in England a difference of 1s. 6d. is made between Old Spring Wheat and the Wheat of this year's gathering. Here business is at a standstill, nothing doing. Wheat, Corn, Rye, Oats and Earley are nominal, as no offer to England has met with an answer. We quote Canada Wheat No. 2 nominal. Corn 45c. asked. Rye, no stock. Oats, 27c., no demand, Pens, 75c. to 76c. Earley, the demand has ceased, 85c. to 88c. Freights, steamer 5s. for Liverpool; 4s. 6d, for Glasgow.

	Oct. 15,	Oct. 15,
	1878,	1877.
Wheat, bush	175,425	324,028
Corn, bush	193,405	283,520
Peas, bush	9,774	32,087
Oats, bush	8,613	69,599
Barley, bush	46,551	8,977
Rye, bush	960	2,531
Flour, bbls	170,83	54,163
Oatmeal, bbls	442	1,776
Corumeal, bbls	289	450

HARDWARE. — Buyers have not been inclined to accumulate stocks in large quantities, but restrict their purchases to the actual requirements of their trade. In the main, however, their transactions have proved encouraging to

the wholesale dealers, and afforded evidence of the prudence the reverses of late years have inculcated. No variations in value have been reported, and prices are fairly maintained.

Hors.—There is no material alteration in Enghand. The demand continues good for all the better classes, but other descriptions are neglected. The scarcity of fine hops is already making itself felt, and there is little doubt but that higher rates for such will soon be obtained. In New York the market is fairly active, the more liberal arrivals enabling buyers to execute orders for export with less trouble. Prices continue firm, especially on desirable shipping grades, the supply of which is still quite meagre. New York new crop, choice to funcy, 13c to 15c per lb.; good to prime, 11c to 12c; Easterns, 10c to 12c; Westerns, 10c to 12c per lb.

LEATHER.—The leather market has been unusually dull the past week, owing principally to the fact that the wholesale boot and shoe manufacturers are getting up their samples, and until orders are taken, very little will be done in this line. Prices remain unchanged.

LIVE STOCK.—The season for shipment of cattle from this port seems to be over. The shipment of Live Stock from this port during the present week is as follows: By S.S. (Canadian," for Glasgow, 98 cattle, 18 horses and 4 sheep; by S.S. (Wiking," for Liverpool, 200 cattle, 700 sheep and 7 horses; by S.S. (Viking," for Glasgow, 170 cattle, and 200 sheep. The high rate of insurance from Montreal during this month has a great deal to do with the reduction of our exports. Toronto is shipping largely through American ports. Prices here are lower. Select Cattle is scarce, and poor animals are so abundant that many have been taken back into the country.

Oils.—A moderate demand exists for leading Oils with rather easier ligures prevailing. S. R. Seal can be bought in large lots at 46c.; Vat Oil at 42dc.; Straw, bright samples at 39c. to 40c. Cod Oil is in moderate demand at 475c for best Newfoundland, and two or three cents lower for lower port brands. Naval Stores.—We have no change to note since our last. The demand is moderate, Paints in fair demand; prices easy.

Provisions. - Butter-The market is very dull with only a few orders for Townships, and of this every tub must be of fine quality and selected. The outlook for the bulk of the make looks more gloomy every week, and the only consolution left is that with the lessons now experienced it will enhance the quality of our future production, for this is the chief desi-keratum required to make a progressive step in this branch of our exports. The weather continues very mild and summer-like, and no improvement can be expected with such a large make going on. Advices from New York state the trade there is very dull, but strange to relate, one shipper has bought this week 2,500 pkgs. of Oleomargarine at 14c per lb, for the English market. Some few months ago it was predicted that, owing to the low price of Butter, the manufacture of Oleomargarine was killed, yet to day this manufactured article sells in large lines, while stale or Medium Butter is unsaleable. This will be a subject for the trade to wisely ponder over. We note sales of selected Townships at 161c, and Morrisburgh selected at 16c in a small way, while other grades remain in the same neglected condition, and are not enquired for at all.

Choese.—The market is demoralized, and it is nearly an utter impossibility to give accurate quotations. Both dealers and shippers seem to view the outlook with anything but a cheerful aspect. We have repeatedly warned holders of the dangers ahead, in the face of thee normous stocks both on this side of the Atlantic and also in Great Britain, and the certainty of a bad winding-up if this "holding policy" was continued. However we note at the country markets this week that Factorymen are only just

beginning to realize the situation, and that they must now be content to accept lower rates. The advices from abroad report a very uneasy feeling among the Trade, as the stocks are the largest ever known before at this season of the year, viz: 170,026 boxes in Liverpool, and fully year, viz. 170,20 boxes in Liverpool, and range 100,000 boxes in London, with large stocks in Bristol, Glasgow and other markets, mostly composed of inferior quality, which is blocking the way for later makes. Private cable advices report a good demand for finest fresh made lots at 47s to 50s, but no sale for other qualities, of which the stock is mainly composed. It is also said that the English make is very heavy and not yet begun to be marketed. All this will tell on future prices and make anxious sellers during the whole year. Nothing but very low prices, even for the finest, will help to work off he enormous accumulation now held on this: side, which from careful estimate are as follows: In the vicinity of Belleville, and West as far as Toronto, the stock to be moved to the end of October is estimated at 35,000 boxes, while in Brockville and Napanee districts at least 70,000 boxes, being largely composed of earlier makes contracted some time ago and since re-jected by the purchaser with the excuse that the quality was below expectations, while in the neighborhood of Ingersoll and Stratford it is said that there are about 156,000 Boxes to be moved to end of September, while for October the make will be about 50,000 boxes additional. The stock in Montreal is variously estimated at from 25,000 to 35,000 boxes, and there is quite a quantity of Cheese held in the Eastern Townships and also in the French Districts. At the lowest possible calcula-tion the stocks on hand to end of October will not be far short of 300,000 boxes. What is to be done with this quantity is a question not easily solved. It must not be overlooked, also that the stocks across the line are still large, and the most sauguine operator consisiders 250,000 boxes in New York city will not over-estimate the quantity of Cheese stored there and awaiting an outlet. It is also generally acknowledged that the quantity in New York State, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana is the largest ever known. as the Fall make has been nearly double that of any previous season. With these facts so plain before us our advice to Factorymen would be to sell for what they can get, otherwise they may have to accept lower rates later on, as it is evident that there is an over-production in the make. We quote 9c. to 91c. for September, and 8c. to 81c. for August makes. At the Ingersoll market Oct 15th, seven factories registered 3,770 boxes of August and Sep-tember make. Over 20,000 were represented which were not registered; the market being dull they did not think it best to register. boxes August sold at 8ac. At Woodstock, Ont., Oct. 16th, market very dull, ten factories registered 4,245 boxes, mostly August and September make. One factory reported sold Aug. and the balance of the season on private terms At Utica, N. Y., Oct. 14, there was a sharp, and, to the Factorymen, unexpected decline in cheese, and business was the lightest of any market day this season. Several of the buyers were present under positive instructions not to purchase any thing, neither to send forward anything for sale on commission. They report no room in the New York steamers for any additional stock. There were, however, a few transactions in fancy lots during the day at buyers' prices, all other cheese being neglected. Only 3,000 boxes of the large offering were sold, some 2,500 of them going at 94c—a decline of 4c per pound on the same grade from last Monday—and the others at 9c. The cheese were all fine Septembers. The stock back in the country is very large for the period : for instance about 14,000 boxes, all dates, from June down, were offered for sale Saturday upon the little side market at Watertown, ninety miles north. There is not a great deal of poor cheese in the vicinity, but the accumulation of fine is getting to be unwieldy. Unless a big hole is miraculously made in the New York accumulation this week, there is no chance for improvement on 94c next Tuesday; indeed, the market is likely to be still more at

the dictation of the buyer. The market day next week will be put over till Tuesday, the 22d, to accommodate a local cheese fair.

Cheese transactions in new York last week, and for the corresponding period for the past two years, are as follows:

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LUMBER .- The trade has returned to its previous state of stagnation. In Liverpool, it was thought an improvement had taken place but it did not continue, and the following extract shows the position of this most important lumber market. Even latterly there has been more inquiry for certain goods, but at prices which would only leave a loss to the shippers. The supplies have fortunately been considerably curtailed; and the result is that the stock is getting into very moderate proportions, but the outlook for consumption for building is so dull that the supplies must continue very small, if any improvement in value is to be gained in the next few months. At the outports trade seems to be even more depressed, the demand having fullen off considerably, in consequence of the building trade being in so unsatisfactory a condition. Colonial Woods.—Yellow Pine moves away only in retail quantities; the stock of ordinary is ample, but there has been a little of ordinary is ample, but there has been a little more inquiry for good wood. Red Pine of good quality is wanted. Oak is very dull of sale, and at anction the parcel per "Glasgow" was with-drawn unsold. Good Elm is in fair demand, and fresh parcels have been sold at 22½d and 22 per foot; the latter for 60 feet average. Large fresh Ash is scarce. Black Walnut is wanted, and the stock of fresh wood is exhausted. Birch and the stock of riesa wood is exhausted, oren shows a slight improvement. Quebec Pine deals are without change, but at the outports there is a little inquiry. N. B. & N. S. Spruce deals continue to come forward too freely, and prices are easier; the late sales have been—of St. John's at £6 10s to 6£ 15s per standard; Miramichi and Bathurst, £6 5s to £6 10s per standard, and Richibucto and other ports, at from £6 5s to £6 7s 6d, with non-dimensions at 5s less. At the auction on Friday last the averages were—for Richibucto, £6 5s and £6 6s per standard, and for Halifax, £6 1s 1d per standard. In the United States there is more activity with no advance in value. In the West, arrangements for a large crop of logs next winter is now too strong to admit of a question that an ample crop will be got in, snow or no snow. A large number of contracts have been let and men are leaving for the woods every day. Many camps have already been established, and some are already at work skidding logs. Wholesale dealers in lumbermen's supplies report trade almost double that of last year. In Albuny there has been a fair trade during the week, the bulk of the sales have been made at our outside quotations, the trade accepting those figures with much freedom. We have not any change to note in prices; common grades are held with more firmness; the upper grades are steadily held. Stocks are ample, and the assortment is good. The holders of coarse lumber, generally, are asking more money for spruce and a slight advance is noted; hemlock is unchanged in price and is in moderate stock; spruce continues in large supply. The canal receipts at Albany are fair, and for the week are in excess of the corresponding week a year ago. In East Saginaw, the past week presented no new feature in the general lumber market, the tendency being rather to weakness than to firmness. There were a large number of buyers in the market "looking around" but few sales were effected. and those for small lots, and a good portion of them on private terms. Several sales were reported in the local papers as high as \$6 and \$12 and one or two at \$6.75, \$11.50 and \$26, but in one case the price is disputed and the other of 200,000 feet was a special lot. It was reported that a local dealer was offered lumber at \$5 and Sil, but we could not ascertain that any sale had been effected at this price. The mills are all running, unless some closed Saturday night

as it was intimated Saturday evening at the Lumber Exchange they would, and stocks are accumulating. Anticipating a large crop of logs the coming winter there seems to be a strong desire on the part of manufacturers to reduce their present stock, hence the weakness in the market. Quotations, however, for cargo lots may be repeated as follows, with a tendency lots may be repeated as follows, with a tendency toward the lower figures:

Three upper grades...... 26 00 to 28 00 Common 11 00 to 12 00 Mill culls...... 5 50 to € 00

The Northwestern Lumberman of Oct. 12 says: Chicago-The largest fleet of lumber-laden vessels that ever carried terror to the heart of a commission man entered this port between Saturday and Monday last. Prices have held up wonderfully well considering the pressure, and it can not be truthfully said that there is a decline in any of the standard grades, sufficient to lny nny střess upon.

CARGO QUOTATIONS.

Coarse common joist and scant-	
ling	to 7.25
	7.50 to 7.62 <u>4</u>
Common to fair boards and strips	8.50 to 10.00
Good to choice boards and strips	
Shingles	1.75 to 2.25

RECEIPTS. Total receipts of lumber and shingles from Jan. 1 to and including Oct. 9:

Year.	Lumber.	Shingles.
1878	872,617,189	-512,133,700
1877		382,549,000

Increase in receipts of lumber to Oct. 9, 86,-323,412 feet; increase in shingles, 129,584,700. STOCK ON HAND.

Stocks on hand inithis city Sept. 1, 1878, as compared with the same dates the two preceding years, were as follows:

1878. 1877

Lumber.....371,126,172 329,124,650 Shingles....158,149,000 89,117,000 In Canada, the market is very quiet, and the few vessels loading at Quebec will close a sca-son without parallel for its dulness.

WINES AND SPIRITS .- There is nothing to be added to our last report on the new vintage in Europe. Later news confirms the opinions we expressed of a tendency towards higher prices for ordinary wines. The quality will be good, but the quantities everywhere are below an average. In domestic spirits the market continues quiet, with no change in the quota-

Wook.-Large stocks are still held by deal. ers, chiefly of fleece wool, and price has a little drooping tendency. Some shipments hav been made and are still being made to England, but prices there are lower, which causes ship-ments sent forward only of a sample character. Bulk still held in Canada. Pulled wools inactive. Prices unchanged.

MARKETS (By Telegraph).

Toronto, Oct. 17.

Market still inactive. Flour very dull, Extra offered to-day at equal to \$4.10 here with \$3.60 bid, and a sale yesterday at equal to \$3.75 here. Spring Extra offered at equal to \$3.75 with no bids, but would probably find a sale at \$3.50 to \$4.55.00 med. of \$4.55.00 to olds, but would probably find a sale at \$3.50 to 3.55. Oa., meal offered at \$3.80 to arrive, with no bids. Wheat no lower. Sales of cars of No. 1 Spring at \$35 to \$4c with more offering at \$35. Barley weak; a car of No. 2 offered at \$35. Barley weak; a car of No. 2 offered at \$35. Barley weak; a car of No. 3 sold in car lots at 70c f.o.c. On street 25,000 bushels sold at 60c to \$1.02. Peas nominal. Oats to arrive offered at 27te without bids. offered at 271c without bids.

AMERICAN MARKETS .- Oct. 17.

Chicago, 9.30 a.m.—Wheat opens at 79c bid Nov. Pork, \$7.52½ bid, \$7.57½ asked Nov.; \$7.60 bid, \$7.65 asked Dec.; \$8.60 bid, \$8.67½

asked Jan. Lard, \$6.12\(\frac{1}{2}\) bid Oct.; \$6.15\) bid, \$6.20\) asked Nov.; \$6.12\(\frac{1}{2}\) bid, \$6.20\) asked the year; \$6.17\(\frac{1}{2}\) bid Dec.; \$2\(\frac{1}{2}\) bid, \$6.20\) asked the year; \$6.17\(\frac{1}{2}\) bid Dec.; \$2\(\frac{1}{2}\) bid, \$0.2\) \$6.2\) an. Chicago, \$9.10\)—Whit, \$0.2\) \$6.2\) \$6.2\] bec. Pork, \$7.60\) cash; \$7.62\(\frac{1}{2}\) Nov. Lard, \$6.17\(\frac{1}{2}\) cash. Milwaukee, \$10.40\] a.m.—Wheat, \$79\(\frac{1}{2}\) Nov.; \$1\(\frac{1}{2}\) cosh.

81 c Dec. Milwankee .- Wheat, No. 2, 79c. cash; 803c.

New York, 12 noon .- Wheat quiet and firm;

New York, 12 noon.—Wheat quiet and firm; Chicago, 87c to 88c; Milwaukee, 92c to 95c; No. 2 Red, 98½c. Corn quiet strong at 45½c; No. 2, 45½c; No. 3, 45c. Oats quiet. Wheat, Chic. No. Vork, 3 p.m.—Market quiet. Wheat, Chic. No. 2, 88c to 89c; Red Wanter, 99c. Sales, 25,000 bash. Corn quiet at 46¼c. Sales, 75,000 bash. Pork, S8.40 per brl. Lard, 86.62½ per brl. Gold 100½.

Detroit.-Prime Michigan White, 90 c cash;

903c Nov. Toledo,—No. 2 Red Winter, 88c Oct.; 884c

ENGLISH MARKETS-Oct. 17th.

Beerhohm, London, Oct. 17.-Floating carfeernoim, London, Oct. 17.—Ploating cargoes Wheat, very dull. Floating cargoes Corn, very dull. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, Wheat, very inactive. Cargoes on passage and for shipment, Corn, very inactive. Mixed Amer. Corn, 22s. and 6d. No. of cargoes on passage to U.K., Wheat, 1,475,000 qrs. No. of cargoes on passage to U.K., Corn, 400,000 qrs. Liverpool Wheat, spot dull. Liverpool Corn. sont Juli. Liverpool Corn, spot dull.

IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal per Grand Trunk Railway, the Canal and River, from 1st January to 17th October, 1877 and 1878:

1877,	1878.
12,611	8,564
89,732	85,769
439,597	148,415
162	170
4,364,244	-5,691,339
209,783	201,101
594,971	645,650
44,910	24,061
197,169	272,719
21,194	. 23,519
242,512	615,377
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RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes,-146 brls. Pot, 20 brls. Pearl. Butter.—8,699 brls. Barley.—1,704 bush.
Bacon.——boxes.
Corn.—137,068 bush. Cheese .- 9,350 boxes. Flour.— 27,365 brls. Lard.—1,000 brls. Oats.—822 bosh. Oatmeal.—3,010 brls. Peas.—1,316 bush. Pork.—250 brls. Wheat:-291,105 bush.

EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st January to 17th October, 1877 and 1878.

	1877.	1878.
Ashes brls	11,723	7,739
Butter brls	86,142	114,117
Barleybush	458,544	135.830
Baconboxes	27,248	4,995
Cornbush	3,612,757	5,087,190
Cheeseboxes	354,618	348,250
Cattle	5,129	14,626
Flourbrls	171,543	290,851
Horses	99	ี้ อีอิธ
Hogs		2,312
Lardbrls	32,138	10,655
Lumberfeet		6,884,105
Oatmeal,brls	14,731	52,479
Oatsbush	187,942	891,349

Peasbush Porkbrls	682,995 15,826	1,596,649
Sheep	2,290	6,297 32,552
Wheat bush	3,625,504	5,188,649

EXPORTS FOR THE WERK. Ashes. - 307 brls. Pots, 42 brls. Pearl. Butter .- 7,844 hrls. Barley.— 3 bush. Bacon.—— boxes. Corn.-82,506 bush. Cheese,-11,285 boxes. Cattle.--219. Flour .- 7,001 brls. Hogs.-Horses.— 18. Lard.—— brls. Lumber.—698,781 feet. Oats.— 7,249 bush. Oatmeat.—835 brls. Peas.-35,812 bush. Pork .- 100 brls. Steep.— 2,156. H heat .- 144,013 bush.

OIL REPORT.

Petrolia, October 14th, 1878.—Business continues brisk, and the shipments of crude last week were in excess of any previous week this year. Prices continue firm despite unfavorable reports from the United States, and no change need be anticipated for some time. Developing need of anticipated for some time. Peveloping is fairly active, but no new strikes worthy of note. The shipments for last week were as follows: Crude, 8,094 barrels; Distillate, 560 barrels; Refined oil, 428 barrels. Prices: Crude \$2,08 per barrel. Refined oil, 14c. per wine gallon, F. O. B. London.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA. - Traffic receipts for period ending 30th September, 1878.— Passengers, \$17,625.12; Preight, \$11,451.39; Mails and Sundries, \$936.51. Total Receipts for current period 1878, \$30,021.02. Correspond-ing period 1877, \$25,570.13. Increase, \$4,450.99

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY .- Return of traffic for week ending October 12th, 1878, and the corresponding week 1877.—Passengers, Mails, and Express Freight, \$68,714; Freight and Live Stock, \$138,290; Total, \$207, 04. Corresponding week 1877, \$221,694. Decrease, 1878, \$14,690.

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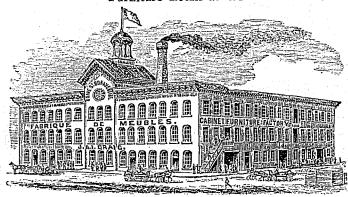
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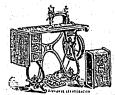
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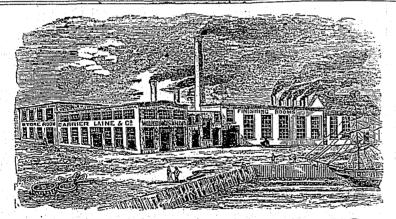
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ASSETS.				
Cash in Bank	842,248	41		
Government and Municipal Bonds.	331,469	20		
United States Bonds and Deposits	421.972	50		
Bank Stooks	99,781	25		
Loan and Investment Co. Stocks and Deposits	82,215	50		
Mortgages on Real Estato	53.853	73		
Bills Receivable-(Marino Premium)	41,992	18		
Interest Unpaid and Accrued	12,179	74		
Company's Offices	22,750	51		
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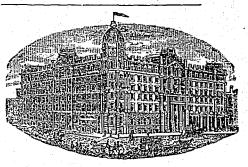
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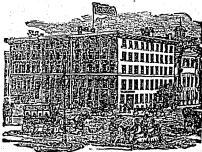
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198	9.70	2.50
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393	20.49	4.39
475	51 24	13 83
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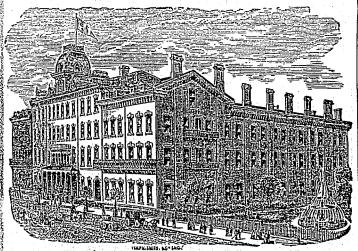
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British America Fire & Marine Canada Life	2,500	5-6mos. 7}-6mos.	\$50 400 100	\$50 50 20	\$ 56 85	112 193
Confederation Life	5,000 5,000	6-6 mos. 4-6 mos.	100 100 100	10 121 10	11 123	120½ 102 26
Quebec PiroQueen City Fire	2,500 2,000 20,000	12½ 10 7¼ 6 mos.	400 50 40	130 10 20	120 10 261	1201 100 105 153
Royal Canadian Insurance	2600 2335	8 per ct. 8& bon. 2p.c.	100 100 50	45 20 20	20 20	82 100 102j
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BRITISH AND FOREIGN .- (Quotation on the London Market, Sept. 30th, 1878.)

Briton Medical Life 20,000 10	£10 2 £1 2½.
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Life Association of Scotland 10.000 30	40 81 33
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Northern Fire & Life	50 61 411
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Queen Fire & Life	10 1 8 111
Royal Insurance Fire & Life	20 3 227 :
Scottish Commercial Fire & Life 125,000 221	10 1 21
Scottish Imperial Fire and Life 50,000 6	10 1 1 104
Scottish Provincial Fire & Life 20,000 30	50 8 121
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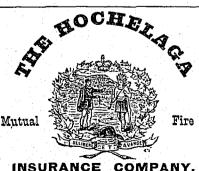
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