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— The first through express train on the Intercolonial Railway, left Halifax for River du Loup on Monday evening.

— Mr. E. Caswell a packer of Ingersoll has sent an assortment of Mess Pork, Hams and Bacon, &c., for exhibition at the centennial.

— A press telegram states that there were 91 failures in Nova Scotia during the past six months, aggregating liabilities of \$1,021,000.

- The Acadia Fire Insurance Company of Nova Scotia has declared a dividend for the half year of 74 per cent.

— The inland revenue receipts at St. John, N.B., for the month of June show a considerable falling as compared with June '75 being \$13,164 against \$21,671.

— The by-law for granting \$5,000 to aid in establishing a factory for wax thread sewing machines at Peterboro, was voted on last week and carried by a majority of 163.

— The assessors' valuation of real and personal property for taxation in the city of Halifax, is this year \$18,515,604, being over \$1,000,000 less than last year's estimate.

— A. M. Darvil left a roll of bills to the amount of \$120 on the teller's wicket at the London branch of Molsons Bank, the other day, while he stepped to the desk to get a deposit slip. When he got back the money was gone.

The Joseph Hall Company's deed of composition and discharge has been confirmed by the Court and many of the workmen have already been paid. It is said the prospects for the Company are good.

— At last week's cheese market at Ingersoll 34 factories registered 10,758 boxes. 6,250 boxes were at from 8½ to 9½ cents; at Stratford 35 factories offered 8,960 boxes, buyers were scarce, about 3,000 boxes were sold at 8 to 9 cents, fully 1,000 boxes bringing the latter figure.

— Collections at the Belleville Custom House for the year ending June 30th, exceed those of last year by over \$7500, although exports show a considerable falling off. The excess above noted is greater than the total collections ten years ago.

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— The wholesale hat and fur firm of Galbraidl, Christic & Co., Toronto, has been dissolved by the retirement of Mr. John Briggs. The remaining partners continue under the old style.

— Lobster canning is one of Nova Scotia's prominent industries. The Brig "Elba" sailed from Halifax on the 4th with a cargo of canned lobsters worth \$62,000; destination London.

— At Bridgetown on the 22nd ult. a barque of 800 tons was launched from the yard of the Granville Ferry Co. The ship "Cashmere," 1427 tons, built at Economy has arrived at St. John. Mr. James Ritchin has launched at River John a barque of 628 tons, called the "Anna."

— The "Spectator," an American Insurance review, is rather astray in its account of the St. Johns' fire, making the location St. John, New Brunswick. It also speaks of the fire sweeping a territory a mile long and 600 feet wide, destroying seven hotels, nine churches, &c., &c. We never knew the St. Johnites were such a religious people before.

— John Howe, the late postmaster at St. John, N. B., retired June the 30th, after a service of forty years during which very lengthy period, his intercourse with the public whom he served was always of the most cordial nature. The employees of the department presented Mr. Howe with an address and testimonial.

-- In commenting on the Bank Returns of 31st May we expressed surprise at the fact that the Metropolitan Bank did not declare any overdue notes unsecured in its list of assets; the explanation is satisfactory—the 30th May being the end of the Bank's financial year on that date all the overdue notes and debts were written off, so that the statement is accurate.

- The Union Bank of Newfoundland lately declared a dividend of eight per cent on the luff year, and one per cent bonus, equivalent to cighteen per cent per annum. This institution

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At a recent meeting of the creditors of Mooney Bros., Carp, whose disreputable insolvency has been referred to in these columns before, evidence has adduced to show that the firm had received money on account since the stoppage, and also that the members of the firm had taken a quantity of goods in secret. A healthy example made of one or two cases of this kind, would most likely have a deterrent effect upon others disposed to do likewise.

— Discoveries of mineral deposits seem the order of the day. A Mr. Taylor, who has mining rights near Buckingham, from which he is shipping plumbago to Toronto, has discovered silver in paying quantities in that district. The "Pembroke Observer" has been shown iron ore very much resembling that from the Haycock mine, which was found in that vicinity. Reports are also circulating of gold being found on the Gatineau, all of which circumstances would lead to the conclusion that the Ottawa district is rich in mineral deposits of all kinds and destined to be a source of wealth to the country.

The imports at New York in May were \$23,671,511, against \$34,064,048 in the same month last year, and \$36,470,532 in 1874, being a decrease of \$10,291,537, compared with May, 1875, and \$12,799,021, compared with May, 1874. The aggregate imports for the past five months were \$3.37,288,199, against \$164,144,008 in the same period in 1875, being a reduction of \$26,916,409.

The total value of the exports from New York in May amounted to \$30,095,798 against \$29,969,772 in the same month last year being an increase of \$96,026.

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— The National Board of Trade of U. S., has adjourned without any real movement for the interests which prompted its organisation; doubtless the pending political conflict held the hands of many on the question of reciprocal trade, and although we here are tired of waiting on the acceptance of our commercial good will, and are even now withdrawing all that our liberality offered, still it is likely that the leading men in politics will appreciate the fact that our courtesy is exhausted and that finesse is no fair exchange for frank kindness.

- The State of New York alone has now nearly 1,000 cheese manufactories, which use the milk of more than 250,000 cows, making therefrom 80,000,000 pounds of cheese, which is 1,000 pounds for every three cows. The cheese production of the whole United States is now over 250,000,000 pounds, of which 96,600,000 are exported. England scarcely exports 25,000,000 pounds, while little Holland, which used to be the principal cheese-producing country of the world, exports at present 60,000,000 pourds. This latter fact suggests the extent which the cheese production of the United States may reach in the course of years, and the wealth its exportations will bring back, as the Hollanders used to boast that their cheese production was more valuable than a gold mine, very few of which surpass the Dutch cheese in the profits e alized .- Jour. of App. Science.

— The St. John Telegraph of the 3rd inst. says of the opening of the Intercolonial: "A great event takes place to-day, the running of through trains over the Intercolonial railroad to Quebec! Already, the freight over the road, in all directions, has been very surprising. The quantities of salmon shipped have been so great as to lower prices in Quebec, New York, etc., while the perishable export has found a market rapidly. Immense quantities of flour are coming down by rail; the freight between Toronto

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- The Chicago Tribune evidently thinks that the Intercolonial railroad is likely to see an important competitor for the carrying trade of the Northwest, as instanced in the following paragraph: "A railway connection between Chicago and the scaboard has just been opened up, Halifax being the eastern terminal point. By the completion of the Intercolonial Railroad, which connects with the Grand Trunk and Michigan Central, an all-rail-freight route is given from Chicago to Halifax, 1705 miles in length. The increase in distance over the competing routes is compensated for by the fact that Halifax is a day nearer to Europe than any port in the United States, and further than that, it is probable that the policy of the Intercolonial and Grand Trunk managements will be to fix a freight tariff so low as to compel patronage for the new candidate for the Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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A FEATURE OF THE SLAUGHTERING PROCESS.

The manner in which American jobbers and manufacturers have managed to educate many Canadian retailers in the way of cash or short credit transactions in their dealings with them, and the consequent effect of deferred payments to our home suppliers, have often been commented on in these pages. Latterly, our enterprising cousins have discovered that they must in some degree modify this system, in order to compete with some of our merchants who are tempted by competition into an approach to the "slaughtering" process at home, and to adapt themselves to the circumstances of the times. now that cash is so scarce in the hands of retailers. Among the paper recently presented for discount at one of our principal banks, were some notes given, by country merchants to an American jobber for goods sold them. These notes were given in turn to one of our city merchants in payment for goods to be delivered in the United States free of duty, goods easily convertible into cash, thus enabling our clever cousin to maintain his usual approach to cash transactions. This ingenuity is on a par with the march recently stolen by western lumbermen upon our manufacturers, by which the season's demands of the English market for deals were supplied almost exclusively by Americans.

Almost every retailer in Montreal and Toronto is conversant with the fact that articles, which can be bought with advantage in this market by American tourists, are largely taken across the lines free of duty, without putting the purchaser to any inconvenience or anxiety, chiefly through the connivance of railroad and other officials; and we must infer that our neighbors are not a whit less ingenious in breaking holes through our fences, for the conveyance of goods saleable in Canada. The governments of both countries should see that these leakages be stopped, thereby affording the honest dealer the advantage of fair competition, and banishing the temptation to dishonesty which such practices encourage.

It is a strange feature in human nature that the person who would scorn to do a dishonest act in the ordinary affairs of life, does not scruple for a moment to take advantage of the revenue laws of the country. This has doubtless its origin from the same source as the self-imposing honesty of the man who always gets the best of a bargain, a term which has been defined as a transaction in which each individual is under the impression that he has overreached the other, or that which stills the conscience of him who pays fifty cents on the dollar to his creditors, who, he imagines have made more than the difference out of his former deal-

EASY LESSONS IN POLITICAL ECONOMY FOR YOUNG CANADIANS.

INTRODUCTION.

We begin with this number a series of articles on Political Economy, to be continued from week to week until a general review shall have been made of the subjects. For some time the want has been felt of a simple text-book on this important science,-the great works of Adam Smith, Say, Mill and others being too intricate for the young student, and their applications too general to serve for showing directly the influence of economic laws on the social condition of Canada. We have, therefore, taken care, wherever the oportunity offered, to use our own circumstances and political system for purposes of illustration. The subjects will be treated in chapters in the order of their natural sequence and apparent importance and, if, by the views expressed in the following series, we can call forth an effort of study in this direction on the part of the young men who are destined to occupy at a future day the position of leaders in Canadian commerce, such a result will amply repay our labour.

I. Of Governments and Law.

Society, which is the formal expression of the social instinct, adopts certain forms of government which are shaped by circumstances, and these are, according to their peculiarities, styled: despotism, oligarchy, limited monarchy or republic. Very often these styles vary in their application, and what is called a limited monarchy may be almost an oligarchy, as in the days of extreme toryism in England; or what is called a limited monarchy in Canada to day is really more a republic than the government of the United States and still more such than the French Republic; nevertheless, the tendency of society in higher general civilization is toward a real commonwealth or, in other words, a union of interest and action in self-government. Now such a union means, in all fairness, a union in the performance of duty to the public weal, and all young Canadians should understand that no selfish motives ought to govern their public actions; that they should devote their minds to the consideration of questions of the day thoughtfully and in a manner to develop their understanding; also, that no vote should be given in obedience to orders of a caucus or party, but rather in accordance with an intelligent appreciation of the issue in its full bearings.

Law is a regulation of government for the guidance of the citizen to a protection of the common interest; it may be divided into two parts: 1st. Law developed by the past experience of nations and modified by judicial interpretation to suit our conditions of social life, and 2nd. Statutory enactments to apply the just principles of this common law to certain cases which arise peculiar to the age or the country: in statutory enactments or statutes there is the uncertainty of application which belongs often to hurried legislation as compared with a legal decision matured through centuries of trials in parallel cases; still as these statutes are necessary to good government, the young Canadian citizen should guard the commonwealth as far as in him lies from the choice of incompetent or reckless legislators.

No law should be made to protect, against the interests of the honest citizen, either the rogue, the monopolist, or any selfish or dishonorable citizen, or any combination of the same; this is one reason why laws should be few in number, simple in their framing, as far as possible

limited to purposes of general utility, and as little as possible giving immunities to private individuals or societies for any reasons. The most important improvements in English legislation in the last half century have been made by wiping out statutes which affected the administration of justice equally.

When we said in the beginning that oligarchies were a certain state of government, we did not mention the fact that oligarchies very often appear as quasi governors in free republics or monarchies like ours, in the shape of predominant railway cliques or of other corporate bodies dangerous to the public interest; this is a danger to ward off by watchful legislation.

II. Of the Administration of Justice.

The first function of government being performed in the enactment of laws for protection of social order and social interests, its next duty is to provide for the administration of justice between men and the peaceful preservation of property and persons; among a free educated people this task is not difficult, but even among the most civilized communities there are certain people (largely in great towns) whose disregard of their obligation to the general interest makes it necessary to enforce the laws by inflicting penalties; the appointment of justices from among the practised lawyers of the country and the selection and payment of inferior functionaries, such as sheriff's, court house officials, registrars, &c., conclude the active duties of government in this direction. After this the deputed authorities perform their separate duties; the sheriff strikes the juries, the judges instruct these according to the evidence and the law, and the juries give their verdict after consideration of proof brought before them. Juries consist of Grand and Petit Juries; the Grand Jury consists of persons chosen by the sheriff from a list of persons owning or holding a certain amount of real estate, which is a rough manner of estimating their capacity to consider questions of large interest and the state of peace or crime to which they pertain; they cannot convict an accused person, but merely decide if the evidence offered is sufficient to warrant his trial before a jury of his ordinary fellow-countrymen; their duty is also to present to the justice all instances brought under their notice of mismanagement of the peace of the district, or in the condition of the prisons, or any other matters pertaining to their functions. The Petit Jury, consisting of twelve, is chosen from the ordinary class of people possessed of

a smaller holding or property, and hears the full evidence as well as the arguments of counsel on both sides, which are summed up by the judge who, while showing the jury the way in which his learned opinion leans, yet leaves to their common sense a full freedom to decide conscientionsly. Complaint is often made of the imperfection of the jury system which ac. cords decisions against real justice, but, although there is occasionally truth in this, it is not by abolishing the system but by improving the intelligence of juries that we shall arrive at a solution of the difficulty, and here it becomes theeluty of the intelligent citizen of the Dominion to aid in raising all to a capacity on a level with their civic functions.

It is only under systems developed through despotic or semi-despotic and oligarchic governments that the administration of justice is purely official, that is where the consideration of justice or of subjection to criminal law is entirely submitted to the minds of persons appointed by the supreme government and subject to dismissal at will-such is the administration of the law in France a despotic republic, or in Prussia an oligarchic monarchy, or in Russia a despotism slowly changing to comparative freedom. Under such systems the administration of justice is by officials deputed with powers from the central government, and as a frequent rule such administration is liable to influences corrupt or overbearing, so that the sense of justice is revolted in a people who, educated even as the worst of our classes in Canada, would know instinctively that a jury of their fellows would deal more fairly between man and man.

III. Of other duties of Government.

The other duties of Government consist of defence against external enemies, this requires the maintenance of an armed force by land and sea varying in magnitude according to the exigency of the situation; also the raising a revenue by excise, income tax or duties on imports, the which should be judiciously applied to defray the charges of the different departments and to the payment of interest on loans for public works whose cost may be properly laid to the charge of posterity.

The imposition of these charges on the people demands great discretion on the part of the government; in Eastern despotically governed countries forced contributions without regard to the ability of those so taxed are to this day the cause of great misery among the people, and in many parts of continental Europe the burthen is very unequal, the higher classes fre-

quently escaping with a light payment in person and purse while the lower classes are overloaded. Of the three methods of raising a revenue it would seem that in a thickly settled country an income tax, an excise and a low duty on the importation of certain articles of general consumption are best adapted to raise a revenue with fairness to all. On the other hand a thinly settled country would yield no return over the cost of collecting an income tax, so that such a state would of course fall back on excise and duties on imports, and here the duty of the government would be to levy its charges with due regard to fostering the industries natural to, or capable of, being readily domesticated in the country. This matter will have our further attention in a later chapter.

Of Great Monopolies.

Monopolies in old English times and in the old days of official government in Canada were an unmitigatedly great evil; but when an opportunity offered to the nation to accept solid investments, immoveable in their nature, from great masses of capital in many parts of the world, it became a question if we could not so hedge in our rights as a community that we could keep this offered value in proper use without sacrificing the independence of our national vitality; all our statutes have been so framed, and all conceding statutes have merely relieved enterprises supposed to have been begun by the investors in good faith. Yet every young Canadian should watch carefully the schemes projected for railways which are practically monopolies of a highway. Whatever road is a waste of the resources of the country (for to a large extent the country does always aid the foreign investor), the charter of such a road should meet with the close scrutiny of every citizen.

The principle of making a proposition prove itself by trial commends itself to every thinking young Canadian. Apart from railroads there are a few other monopolies which call for special attention, as they are mostly local and confined to short highways, bridges, river-dams and other matters which can be governed by municipal bodies, or to Provincial Governments.

Of Provincial and Municipal Governments.

The chief element of a really free government, whether it be called a republic or a monarchy, is that the self-rule of local groups shall be free to their local councils in matters concerning themselves only; hence we have the municipal system which gives freedom of action

in all local matters to the groups of population called townships, villages or towns, and allows them to frame their own by-laws under a general statute for making roads, keeping the peace, supporting schools and other purposes of a like nature. It is this municipal system which is the foundation of the structure of a free state. The French republic with its system of centralization by prefects in every department numbs the vitality of the national movement; on the other hand the municipal council is a place where the future legislator acquires a first knowledge of his duties. Here, while examining a subject of local interest and giving his vote for or against it, he devotes relatively the same attention as would be given to a question interesting the whole country. It will be seen therefore that the municipal system even as a modern invention would be valuable to civilization, but it must not be forgotten that this institution, modified to-day according to our needs, is as old as our knowledge of history, and in fact must have formed the germ of free states as contrasted with despotic rule.

COMING OVER.

We are glad to notice some of the foreign Life Insurance Companies have decided to invest in this country the moneys received from Canadian policyholders. The Globe Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, one of the strongest and best American Companies, announces its intention of investing here the entire premium reserve on all their Canadian policies. This will afford Canadians all the security they desire, giving them the double security of both the capital and assets of the country at home and the investments in this country, besides doing away with the objections urged against foreign companies of taking out of the country such vast amounts of money every year. The Globe Mutual in carrying out this principle virtually becomes a home Company, and we look for the example set to be followed by all other foreign Life Companies who desire to do business in the Dominion. Life Insurance is a contract sacred in its character, involving a trust which cannot have too strong safeguards thrown around it, and Life Insurance interests are now becoming so enormous that we hope to see the wise and necessary legislative enactments foreshadowed by the Dominion Government, fully carried out at the next session.

Mr. James F. Burns, the chief superintendent of agencies for the Globe Mutual, has been in this city for several days, and has secured the services of a gentleman

of large experience to act as General Manager for the Dominion, under whose control we predict for the Company a a successful career. All encouragement should be given to such institutions as thus become part and parcel of the enterprises of the country, especially such as incite to thrift and promote the development of the resources of the country.

MERCHANTS' BANK OF CANADA.

THE ARNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the share-holders of the Merchants' Bank took place in the shareholders' room in the Bank building, corner of St. Peter and St. James street, on Monday, 3rd inst., at noon.

There was a very large attendance, including Sir Hugh Allan, Hon. John Hamilton, Hon J. J. C. Abbott, Mr. J. G. Mackenzie, Mr. John Ostell, Mr. Ernest Stuart, Mr. T. James Claxton, Mr. W. F. Kay, Mr. A. Roy, Mr. Andrew Allan, Mr. Damase Masson, Mr. John Pratt, Mr. Il-Lyman, Mr. Hugh McLennan, Mr. Robert Esdaile, Mr. M. C. Healy, Mr. S. Pedlar, Mr. Thomas Hood, Mr. W. Rhind, Mr. Duncan McIntyre, Mr. Wm. Darling, Mr. Peter Donovan, Mr. W. W. Ogilvie, Mr Robt, Mont, Mr. Alexander St. Denis, Mr. F. Scholes, Mr. A. Perry, Mr. John McLennan, Mr. R. J. Patton, Mr. W. B. Cumming, Alderman Wilson, Mr. J. Croil, Mr. Norton B. Corse, Mr. J. Hodgson, Mr. John Patton, Mr. John L. Cassidy, Mr. John Fairbairn, Mr. Mongenais Regard, and very many others.

Sir Hugh Allan, President of the Board of Directors, occupied the chair.

Sir Huan ALLAN said:—Gentlemen, there seems to be a large meeting of shareholders to-day, and therefore I think we had better comme tee besiness at once; as a beginning I would appoint Mr. W. B. Cumming and Mr. J. Croil to take the votes of shareholders for the election of Directors.

The meeting ununimously acquiesced in the nomination.

Sir Hugh Allan—Now, gentlemen, I will read to you the report of the Directors for the past year:

REPORT.

(If the Directors to the Shareholders at the Ninth Annual Meeting, held at the Banking House in Montreal, on Monday, 3rd July, 1876.

In the report submitted to the shareholders, at the Annual Meeting, last year, allusion was made to the existing unsatisfactory position of the business of the country, but little idea was then entertained that the depression would continue and become so universal as it has since been found to be. The diminution in the value of nearly all kinds of property has been very great, and many securities which were then regarded as of the most substantial kind, have dwindled in very serious proportions. All Banks have suffered to a greater or less extent from these causes, and the business of Banking has been for the last year attended with considerable anxiety.

The following statement exhibits the position of the Bank at the present time:

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	ending 30th May, 1876.
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	The 17th Dividend, July,
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	Balances due to other Banks and Foreign Agents
	Liabilities to the Public. \$10,886,421.86 Capital Stock paid up
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	Dividends Unclaimed 6,791.80 1,109,339.21
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	Gold and Silver Coin on hand
	Dominion Notes on land 1.216,357.50 Notes and Cheques of other Banks 534.712.82 Dominion Government Securities
	Assets immediately available \$3,130,280,26
	Bank Premises at Montreal and Branch-
	Notes discounted, current, and Advances on Securi-
	Notes and Bills discount-
	ed, overdue and not spe- cially secured (estimated Loss provided for) 285,277.27
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These statements show that a large appropriation has been made to cover shrinkage in the Street-Douglass Bonds of the Detroit and Milwankee Railway, hitherto included under the head of "Other Assets." These Bonds were

never specially valued, but merely formed part of the balance at the debit of the Commercial Bank Amalgamation Account, and no basis of valuation existed except the offer of the Great Western Railway Company for them of \$800, 600, which, though accepted, was not carried out by that Company in consequence of the refusal of the shareholders to confirm the offer But an understanding has lately been arrived at between the Bank and a Committee of the English Bondholders, under which these Bonds will participate at the rate of twenty cents in the dollar on the first mortgage bonds to be issued upon the re-organization of the Railway under pending proceedings. A basis has thus been established for a valuation of them, and they have accordingly been estimated on that basis at \$210,000, with a further allowance of about 121 per cent. to cover possible depreciation. This estimate is considered reasonable. and, from a personal examination of the Railway and its resources. I have no doubt of its Bonds becoming a remunerative security.

The large amount written off for bad debts arises only, to a small extent, from the business of the past year, but is mainly owing to the disastrous melting away of claims previously regarded as of an undoubted character.

The general aspect of the business of the country is not yet by any means reassuring, and much caution will be required in the business of banking till the atmosphere assumes a less clouded appearance.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the present aspect of the crops throughout the country is such as to warrant the belief of an abundant harvest. This will greatly tend to relieve the present depressed condition of mercantile business; and it is to be hoped that before another year a more prosperous state of affairs will have commenced.

HUGH ALLAN.
President.

MONTREAL, 3rd July, 1876.

Sir Hugh Allan-I move the adoption of the report; if any gentleman has any remarks to make, or wishes to ask me any questions, I shall be glad to answer whatever the gentleman desires. I will simply say, in addition to the report, that I have reason to believe, after a visit to Detroit, where I looked thoroughly into the working of the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway-in fact, I can assure the shareholders of the Merchants' Bank that I don't know of any railway, I don't think there is any railway, east of Chicago which is in a position to-day better than the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway. (Applause.) It has paid all its running expenses; it has paid the whole of its interest on the sectional bonds; it has paid off a very considerable amount of the accumulated debts which accrued under the management of the road by the Great Western Railway, and is at present supplying new ties and steel rails, and is doing a business which is profitable, independent of other railways, and I think altogether the future of the railway offers very well indeed. (Applause).

The room by this time had become densely packed, and the shareholders discussed one with the other the figures contained in the report, which were circulated amongst them in a printed circular.

Mr. SAMUEL PEDLAR whose introductory remarks were inaudible, said that he had gathered some interesting facts which, though the market value of their property during the year showed a great falling off, the shareholders exhibited no lack of confidence. The catalogue list of shareholders in the Merchants Bank of Canada for the year ending June 3rd. 1876, shows that 158 persons are owners of 100 shares and upwards; 91 of those shareholders hold precisely the same number of shares that they did a year or more ago; 67 out of the 158 shareholders have in some cases increased and in other cases decreased the number of their shares, but in the aggregate they hold more stock than they did one year ago by nine hundred and fifty-eight shares.

The following are the figures :-

Aggregate held in 1876......30,865
Do do 1875......29,907

Increase......958 Mr. PEDLAR continued-The names that disappear from the catalogue are more than made up by others taking their places, notably amongst whom may be mentioned the Honorable Jeremiah Northrup, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, and one of Canada's ex-Governors, the Right Honourable Lord Lisgar, (loud applause). There are I think, gentlemen, some important points in these facts. I have felt for some time that my property was at stake, and if I took the same views which I know others have, I should have sold out; in fact, I was urged by people in Western Ontario to sell, but I had the most unbounded confidence in our worthily titled and esteemed president to still stick by the old ship. (Loud applause.) These figures I have taken a deal of pains to verify, and they still assure me that I am right, (hear, hear), because if there are one hundred shareholders in one hundred and fifty-eight, or rather, more strictly speaking, ninety-one in one hundred and fifty-eight who held shares a year ago, there are a hundred strong men who feel the same as I do. (Loud applause.)

Mr. R. Anderson—I would like to ask one or two questions. I think you alluded to something here, after—

A STOCKHOLDEB-Speak louder.

Mr.Robert Anderson—I'll speak loud enough, Mr. President; have any steps been taken to consult with other banks, with a view to reduce the rate of interest paid on deposits, now that money has become so much less in value.

Sin Hugh Allan—I shall have to refer you to the General Manager.

Mr. Anderson—Well let us hear what he has to say.

Mr. RAE (General Manager)—No steps have been taken.

Mr. ROBERT ANDERSON-Don't you take-

Mr. RAE (General Manager)—I should be very glad indeed if we could get deposits for nothing at all. It would be a very good thing for the executive of a bank to get money on deposit for nothing, and I think myself the rate ought to be reduced—I think a reduction of one per cent should be made. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Robert Anderson—Well, I have another question—Have the gold and silver coin and

Dominion notes been recently counted and found correct, also the notes under discount.

Sir Hugh Allan—The first part of the question I can answer for. The gold and silver coin and all the securities held by the bank have been examined within the past fortnight and found to be correct. As for those of the branches it is impossible for the Directors to examine personally, but they are examined periodically by the inspectors, and there is no reason whatever to doubt but what they are perfectly correct. There is a certificate sent in every week by the inspectors.

A SHAREHOLDER-That is satisfactory.

Mr. R. Anderson-Yes, that is very satisfactory.

Sir HUGH ALLAN-I think so.

Mr. R. ANDERSON—What means are taken to count the cash and other assets at the branch offices, and do any of the directors attend to trust duty?

Sir Hugh Allan—The directors do not attend to that duty at the branches.

Mr. Robr. Anderson-Then who is it done by?

Sir Hugh Allan-Inspectors.

Mr. Robr. Anderson—And you rely upon them?

Sir Hugh Allan—And the manager of the bank, who goes round with the inspectors and examines all the cash in the branches in connection with the bank, and certifies to it. None of the directors ever visit any of the branches—that is officially.

Mr. ROBERT ANDERSON-As a rule-

Sir Hugh Allan—As a rule the directors visit branches occasionally, but don't go round—

Mr. ROBERT ANDERSON-Do they make any official visit?

Sir Hugu Allan-Official visit-no, I think

Mr. ROBERT ANDERSON—Well, I have just one other question to ask you. Is it the policy of the present directors to increase the number of offices and agencies of the bank?

Sir Hugh Allan—That is a question not so easily answered. The policy of the directors is to keep the bank in a profitable way, and if the branches or agencies pay well to maintain them, if unprofitable and not paying, well, it is their policy to discontinue them. But, so far as the general question is concerned, it simply turns to this, that it is the business of the directors to see to the profitable working of the branches.

After some delay,

Sir Huga Allan said if no one else has any question to ask, I will put the motion.

Mr. James Croil.—I would like to ask, Mr. President how many branches the bank has.

Sir Hugh Allan—Thirty-nine, besides one in New York and one in England.

Mr. HENRY LYMAN—Mr. President, have you any intimation to make to this meeting with reference to the loan supposed to have been negotiated with the Provincial Government.

Sir Hugh Allan said—The bank has recently taken up the new Quebec Government loan, and although it would not be proper to anticipate the statements of the Government on the subject, I may say that the arrangement with regard to it promises to be mutually advantageous. The

Government have obtained a liberal price for their bonds, and the bank will profit by the transaction both directly and indirectly.

Mr. HENRY LYMAN-Mr. President, I did not put the question out of disrespect for the bank-

Sir Hosa Allan-Oh, I understand that, Mr. Lyman.

Mr. HENRY LYMAN—I know, sir, there has been a good deal of conversation outside, and on the street, and it occurred to me that probably it would not be improper to put the question, as I know it would be agreeable to many others, as well as to myself, to get some information, so far as I can. (Hear, hear.)

Sir Hugu Allan—Now, gentlemen, I will put the question, and before I do so I have only one remark to make, and that is about the 'Douglass-Street' bonds. Although written off altogether, the bank will still have a clear ten per cent. Rest. (Applause.) Is it your pleasure that this report should be adopted.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Hugh Molennan—I beg to move "That the thanks of the shareholders be given to the President, Vice-President and Directors for the able management of the affairs of the institution during the past year." If any gentleman will second the motion, I will move its adoption.

Mr. Alderman TROMAS HOOD-I will gladly second the motion.

Mr. Robert Anderson-I have no objection to second it also.

Mr. HUGH MCLENNAN, in supporting the adoption of his motion, said .- The statement that has been made before the shareholders here to-day removes, I think, to the satisfaction of a very great number, all of the objections raised against the position of this institution. The old question of difficulties following the Detroit and Milwaukee bonds tended very much to cause a depression of the stock in the street. One of the other influences have been referred to, but this was the one very serious matter for the stockholders. They feared there was a large amount of the assets of the Bank that was doubtful in its character. Without following the figures throughout, the President has reduced it to a point that every one can understand the statement-that has been wiped out. Another point referred to very often was the large amount of the money of the Bank that had been invested in the bank premises both in Montreal and the agencies. The statement shows we can afford to write off a very considerable amount upon that account, reduce it to the smallest amount that the most economical could deem sufficient for the operations of the bank, yet leaving a very handsome surplus and the statement here to-day has been exhaustive and brought down values to a point where we all I think understand it, and I move this vote of thanks, the result of which will testify our general opinion in that respect.

The motion was put to the meeting and carried amid loud applause.

Sir Huen Allan expressed his thanks for the cordial expression of confidence which the resolution conveyed, and announced that the ballot would close at two o'clock, unless five minutes elapsed between the casting of any ballot.

It was moved by Mr. James Moore, and seconded by Mr. D. J. Rees, "That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to the officers of the bank for their efficient services in the management of the bank during the past year."

Carried unanimously.

Montreal, 3rd July, 1876.

To the General Manager of the Merchants' Bank of Canada:

We, the undersigned, declare the following gentlemen duly elected Directors for the ensuing year:—

SIR HUGH ALLAN,
HON. JOHN HAMILTON,
ANDREW ALLAN,
D. MASSON,
H. MACKENZIE,
R. ANDERSON,
JOHN MCLENNAN.

We are Sir,
Your obedient servants.

W. B. CUMMING. James Croil.

MECHANICS BANK.

The annual general meeting of the share-holders of this Bank was held on Monday, 3rd instant. The report was straight forward in its exhibit of the Bank's position and the remedy was one of assistance on the part of the shareholders; a preferential stock (merely as to dividends and also merely for a period) was stated as the means by which the directors would be able to place this financial institution on a sound footing. The shareholders readily voted acquiscence and their action we feel certain will be justified by the careful management which now directs the Bank in its legitimate channel of trade.

HARVEST PROSPECTS IN THE UNITED STATES.

The second weekly report of crop prospects in the United States, prepared by the McKillop agency, and dated July 1st is as follows.

Our reports this week embrace Sixteen Counties in Arkausas, Twenty-five in Kausas, Seventeen in Texas, Twenty-five in Nebraska, and a few in Florida.

ARKANSAS.

The reports from Boone, Cross, Pope and Lawrence Counties, are less favorable than those from the other counties. Complaint is made that wheat is not yielding as much per acre as the average of previous years, and that, in some places, the growing cotton does not promise quite as well as usual. Corn is very good, and on the whole, the prospects are very fair. The twelve counties report:-increased area under cultivation, but the increase wholly in grain. Wheat has been generally harvested, the yield below an average, but the quality superior, and the increased area more than covers the deficiency. Condition of Corn and Cotton is very good, and prospects for a full average crop rather better than usual at this season. Oats not an average. Good Apple crop, but other fruits a failure.

KANSAS.

The wheat harvest is well advanced, fourfifths of it being in shock. The condition is ex-

cellent, and the promise is that the crop will be greatly above an average in quality and quantity. Corn is in every instance reported in good condition, and promising a full crop. Thus far the weather has been very favorable; flax, bemp and grass, are all in good condition, and likely to yield large crops. The agricultural interests of the State were never in a more prosperous condition at this season of the year. In only one County have we any complaint, and that is—" the worm is injuring some wheat alightly, but not doing any general damage."

TEXAS.

All the reports from this State concur in representing the whent crop as good, and above an average in quantity, though the yield per acre is not as great as last year. Corn and cotton are in good condition, and with favorable weather will yield above an average. Oats pretty nearly a full crop.

NERRASKA.

Two or three Counties report the corn crop as late and thin because of cold weather. With these exceptions the reports are quite favorable of all cereals. Early Spring Wheat is especially good, and the condition of the crops generally is as good or better than ever before. People having recovered from the grasshopper panic are endeavoring to regain their losses, and as neither grasshoppers nor any other insect dangerous to crops has appeared, farmers are in good spirits.

FLORIDA.

Corn very good. Cotton thus far looks well but it is too early to give an opinion respecting oither quantity or quality. The land in Florida, west of the Choctawhatchee River is very poor. This year many are turning their attention to the cultivation of Oranges, for which the climate is well adapted. It will, however, be several years before a crop for export will be made.

RECENT FIRES .- The Kingston Whig finds fault with our strictures on the carelessness of towns and townsmen in the matter of fires. Our mention of the facility of realising by incendiarism did not in any way apply to Kingston, nor indeed to any town as a local example; our purpose was to draw attention to the fact that a demoralised state of trade had produced its effect on the more unscrupulous class, and that the recklessness of life and property resulting from this, was a new danger to be watched in the interests of both citizens and insurance companies. A disaster such as the Kingston fire falls on the community, and they can only be blamed for having years ago allowed a feeling of security to lull them into negligence of the need of protection which is now felt; yet in every town we must expect to trip over incendiary knaves, and we hope that when discovered public sentiment will not spare them.

LORD MAYOR OF LONDON.—It has been definitely understood, according to the City Press, that, owing to his continued illness, Mr. Alderman Owden will not undertake the duties of the Mayoralty for the coming year. Alderman Sir Thomas White stands next on the list, and

should the choice of the livery fall on him he will be prepared to accept office. The only members of the Court of Aldermen who have not served as Sheriffs are Mr. Alderman Hadley and Mr. Alderman Nottage, and it is expected that they will be chosen for next year.

THE TRADE OF HALIFAX.

The Dominion fiscal year closed yesterday. During the year 1066 vessels entered from, and 750 vessels cleared for, ports outside the Dominion. In the previous year 771 vessels cleared for ports outside the Dominion. There were 25.211 entries passed in the long room in the past year against 26,226 in the previous year. The amount of Customs revenue collected during the month of June just closed was \$65,755.65 against \$76,793.36 for June last year, showing a decrease of \$11,037.71.

The following is a quarterly statement of Customs receipts at this port for 1875-6, in comparison with those of 1874-5.

		18	374-5,	
Quarter	ending	Sept.,	1874	355,871.23
**	14.	Dec.,	1874	310,155,71
	t c			186,255,32
rr .	tt		30, `"	312,355.13
	Tota	l	\$1	,164,637.37
		18	375-6.	
Quarter	ending	Sept.,	1875	3264,732.91
α -		Dec,	1875	230,889,07
**	14	Mar.,	1876	194,763.73
(t	11	June		
	To	tal		3941,977.98
			1874–5S1	,164,637.37
			1875-6	
מ	ecrease	1875-	6	5222,659.39

CHARACTER IN LIFE INSURANCE.

-Chronicle.

All good has its compensating evil, and the little good which has been done by the system of governmental supervision of insurance companies, now so general in this country, is no exception to the rule. To a very great extent, it has superseded the necessity of personal investigation, and relieved the public from the disagreeable and unfashionable labor of independent thinking. The official seal of an insurance department is an endorsement behind which the majority of the insured never think of looking.

But it should be remembered that an insurance department has to deal with the financial condition only of an insurance company. Any corporation, duly chartered to transact the business of insurance, and possessed of the requisite amount of capital or assets, no matter what may be the experience and character, or want of experience and character, of its officers, receives the official endorsement equally with companies of established reputation, in whose management are men who have spent laborious lifetimes, and earned honorable distinction, in the discharge of those delicate duties and the performance of those sacred trusts which are i aseparable from the business of insurance.

The mischief is, that, encouraged by the case with which official endorsement may be obtained, and the general carelessness of overconfidence which it begets in the public mind. men of all characters, and too often of none,graduate from every other calling whose diplomas are stamped with the word failure,as a last resort take to the business of

This was when there was little in the business of life insurance to excite the empidity of the selfish speculator, or tempt the desperation of the needy adventurer. It required years of patient, self-denying labor and anxiety to achieve success. The business was comparatively new, and was regarded with more or less distrust by the people. None but they who encountered and overcame them can know the difficulties which beset the path of the life underwriter in those early days. Prejudice, bitter and inveterate, was to be conquered; indifference to be overcome; untried experiments to be ventured upon; ascertained laws to be obeyed under the pressure of almost overwhelming temptations to violate them; constant vigilance to be exercised, and nice questions of law and equity to be decided upon the moment, and without the light of established precedents to guide in the decision. Then the management of an insurance company was no sinecure. The executive must be something more than a gilded figure-head. He must be a firm, watchful and unwearying commander, bold and yet cautious, always on deck and at the helm. Such men there were, who toiled on amid all discouragements, and hoped on amid all disappointments; who gave to their duties qualities of head and heart that would have adorned any station, and commanded almost any price, for compensations which most of our modern fledgelings would feel insulted to have offered them. Such men are alive to day, as oarnost, as active as ever. Ask them, and they will tell you of tedious days of waiting and weary nights of care, spent in watching over the trembling fortunes of a new and unfamiliar enterprise-of the best years and the best strength of their manhood spent in laying deep and sure and strong, in some obscure and narrow office, the foundations of what are now colossal institutions, counting their assets by millions, and building their monuments of granite and marble on our broadest thoroughfares. These men worked for no venal motive; the sacred impulse of duty was the ruling passion of their lives, and the grateful tears of the widow and the orphan will keep their memories green forever .- N.Y. Insurance Chronicle.

The Saturday Review has an article on the depression of business in England. It considers the times dull rather than hard, but they are very dull. Years have passed since there was so bad a season, and it might have been expected that a season marked by the return of the Prince of Wales would have been one of more than usual brilliancy. In every direction there are signs that the world is economising, and has less money than it used to have for luxury and recreation. Pictures do not fetch their old prices, houses will not let, the supply of horses exceeds the demand, and servants can-

not get places equal to the height of their ambition. London is less gay because London is less rich, and that London should be so far less rich, as to have begun to make its economies evident, means much in the current history of the country. The wealth of the Provinces is poured into London, and when London shows the pressure of dull times there can be no doubt that times are very dull throughout Eng-It is not that any great calamity is weighing on the country, but a number of small adverse causes have produced a large unfavourable result. We are not in the midst of a commercial crisis, and if trade is more limited it is sounder than it used to be. People are not so much ruined as hit, and the number of people who have been hit in various ways is enormous Large losses have been sustained by the holders of foreign bonds, and many who have been accustomed to live merrily on precarious incomes have found their resources suddealy at an end. But this is an element in the general aggregate of impocuniosity, the importance of which may be easily exaggers ed. London is not much affected by the miseries of Turkish and Peruvian bondeolders, and it is not until the home trade and home revenues are affected that economy becomes transparent. It is because steady people are suffering that London shows signs of ditress.

FORGERY OR INSOLVENCY.—Referring to the belief that forged notes are frequently passed through banks in Halifax and St. John and negotiated on the streets, the Globe believes there is little doubt of it; and more, that they are sometimes accepted by morey lenders with a full knowledge of their fraudulent character. This may appear as strange as it is culpable, but a shrewd reason is given. The drawer of a forged piece of paper knows that the penitentiary is his doom if the note to not lifted on maturity. He will therefore strain every nerve and leave nothing undone, even to the making of another forged note, to hide his crime. In the case of a legitimate promise to pay the case is different. The worst that can happen in case of inability to retire on maturity is a notice of insolvency, in which there is nothing criminal in the eye of the law, else we presume there would not be so many insolvents. The bankrupt merely failed to pay his debts, and no stain attaches to him. In the former case discovery would lead to the forger being imprisoned and would lead to the forger being imprisoned and branded with the stump of disgrace. So that, it is plain, if the forger be dealt with cautiously, he is a surer mark than the drawer of an ordinary note. Hence the willingness of londers to negotiate such paper. They are generally sure of their pay. If, however, this statement is true, and the facts could be established, the dealers should be punished as accessories.

FIRE RECORD.

Specially prepared for the Journal of Commerce. Montreal, June 33.—A brick building owned by James Ostell, lumber merchant, was damaged by fire to the extent of about \$300. No insurance.

nsurance.

Moncton, N.B., June 23.—The McAdam Junction Station, of the Intercolonial Ruilway, containing the freight-house, dining saloon and telegraph office, was destroyed by fire. Ottawa, June 24.—The residence of Mr. Charlebois was damaged by fire to the extent of about \$500.

of about \$200.

Montreal, June 25.—A storeroom in the rear of J. Phelan's grocery, St. Lawrence street, was burned. Loss about \$300. The grocery of A. Barrett, Dorchester street, was damaged to the extent of \$500; insured for \$300.

Sherbrooke, June 27.—A grain store occupied by J. H. Gendron was totally consumed by fire also a blacksmith shop adjoining. The store of J. B. Dupont was also consumed. Loss about \$8,000. The new building of T. B. O'Dell, watchmaker, was badly damaged, also the stock and machinery of Mr. Morehouse.

Partly covered by insurance.

Montreal, June 29.—The premises of Joseph
Junes & Co., roofers, was destroyed by fire,
also an adjoining building. Loss about \$1,000, covered by insurance. Supposed to be the work

of an incendiary.

Ottawa, June 28.—A wooden block owned by Mr. Tradel was burned. Loss about \$5,000.

Ottawa, June 30.—The residence of Mr. Leblanc was destroyed by fire. Loss about

Montreal, July 2 .- A row of brick building on lberville street were damaged by fire, no insurance. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

Montreal, July 4 .- The store and residence of Montreal, July 4.—The store and residence of J. Stenhouse, latter and furrier, was badly damaged by fire. A quantity of hats and furswere destroyed. Loss about \$1,000; covered by insurance in the Citizens, Royal Canadian, and British America. Supposed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion.

Queenstown, Ont., July 4.—The Stamford Spring brewery owned by W. Henry was burned. Insured. Supposed to be the work of

an incendiary.

Montreal, July 5.—The store of Thos. Brady was slightly damaged by fire. Insured.

Halifax, N.S., July 5.—The dwelling of H. McKay at Tatamagouche was burned.

Quebec, July 5.—St. Marie's dry goods store was damaged by fire to the extent of about 5800.

Greenwood, Ont., July 5.—A steam mill and shingle factory belonging to S. J. Green & Co., and occupied by J. W. McGregor was totally destroyed by fire. Loss about \$3,500; insured for \$1,700.

Correespondence.

[Correspondence containing information of interest to the business community is desired: but as our space-is limited, incits briefly stated are all we can insert, and for such we shall be thankful. If mistakes occur, we wish it to be understood that our columns are always freely opened for corrections.

THE GOVERNMENT CANAL POLICY.

To the Editor of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.

Sin,—Having in my last two letters shown the folly of Ganada rebuilding her canals solely for the purpose of wresting from the Americans their own carrying-trade, I wish here to say a few words on the enlargement of the Welland Canal now in progress, at a cost which has been variously estimated from twelve to twenty millions of dollars.

In view of this enormous expenditure to be incurred in enlarging one only of our canals, it is well to bear in mind that, previous to the letter of the Canal commission in 1671, the Reports of the Engineers on the improvement of the St. Lawrence Navigation, and of the Board of Trade of Montreal, were unanimous in recomof Trade of Montreal, were unanimous in recom-mending that the locks of the Welland Canni should be enlarged to the same capacity as the locks of the St. Lawrence canals, and a uniform depth be given throughout. What then induced the government to incur the enormous expense above mentioned, instead of the comparatively triffing amount necessary to carry into effect the recommendations of the engineers and Board of Trade? It was acknowledged then, as it has been ever since, that, with our canns, as it has been ever since, that, with our canals of uniform dimensions, we would be perfectly able to convey the entire produce of the west to the sen-board for many years to come, and we must certainly acknowledge, that we have so far not had the produce of the west to carry. We must then seek for some other reason, and this we shall find in the "lotter of the canal commission.

This "letter."-for the "canal commission" refused to call it a report, contains the greatest number of ill-considered mischievous assertions

on the Canadian Canals and Western transportution, that were ever printed at the public ex-nense. It says: if the Welland canal is enlarged penae. It says: It the weight chair semarger sufficiently to pass-the largest ressels navigat-ing the lakes, freight from Chicago to Kingston would be reduced about four cents a bushel, because, "the larger the vessel the cheaper will be the freight." And yet, very shortly after the "letter" decides that the new Welland canal shall be made about three feet less in depth than the loaded draught of these same large lake vessels. Not an atom of proof is furnished that the owners of these large ressels would ever trust them in the canals; no mention is made of the increased insurance that would be incurred thereby: No consideration is given to the circumstance that if the present tolls are levied for a canal costing \$7,500,000 what rate of toll must be levied when the same canal has of for mint be ferred when the same cann has cost for enlarging, some \$15,000,000 more besides a large increase in the cost of repairs, running and maintenance. The "letter," assides a large increase in the cost of repairs, running and maintenance. The "letter," asserts that, sooner or latter, the carriage of the great bulk of the western produce required by Great Britain, must come into our hands," but all present and previous experience contradicts the assertion and, as for the matter of cheapness, produce is now,—Without any canal enlargement being carried from Chicago to the seament being carried from Chicago to the seament being carried from Chicago to the seament of the seament board, by quite a number of routes besides our own, not merely for the four cents less, for own, not merely for the four cents less, for which we are to sink our S15,000,000 but for nearly one half less than the freight rates quoted in the "letter," and yet it is this "letter of the canal commission," which is being constantly referred to as the authority for this engrouse arranditive. this enormous expenditure.

There is another feature of this transportation business to which parties who talk so confidently about "the larger the vessel the cheaper the freight" would do well to take heed, for, in the new circumstances under which the trade is now prosecuted, the large vessel instead of bringing "grist to our mill," may be just the means of keeping it away. The vessel owners of the upper lakes find that, in consequence of the severe competition existing duence of the sovere competition existing between the numerous transport-routes, the only chance which remains for them to compete successfully with the railways is to enlarge the lake vessels to the utmost capacity of the harbours of the great produce centres. As an example of this policy, only last week, a schooner from Chicago arrived at Buffalo, N. Y., echooner from Omeago arrived at Buffalo, N. 1, of 2500 tons burthen, and a draught of sixteen feet of water; She had a cargo of 37,000 bushels of corn and could easily have brought 3000 bushels more, if Chicago harbour had been a foot deeper;—Now this schooner will carry her 90,000 bushels at about the same cost as 60 or 70,000 bushels and will thus be able to continue a competition that is driving smaller vessels out of the frade.

If then the result of this competition for the western transportation trade shall be to confine the Lake trade to the largest sized vessels only, which could not make use of our enlarged canals even were they disposed to do so, we may perhaps realize to some extent the folly of plunging into debt to build canals upon the mere chances and contingencies of a foreign trade, which at any time may be so altered or shaped as to render all our efforts to obtain it

JAMES H. SPRINGLE, C. E.

Montreal, June 28th, 1876.

Commercial.

MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, JULY 6th, 1876.

Our anticipations of last week are still to be realised; the confidence in a penceful state of Europe, or rather the sense of security is yet unaltered there can be no doubt however that a religious war such as now brings into conflict the two races and faiths, must in the end force into an active conflict the more important states. Meantime we must watch guardedly the movement of values and our own markets will naturally feel the uncertainty of prices. We have

no changes worthy of note to record, business is dull and little is doing except for mere consumption.

ASHES.—The receipts this week have been moderate and with a fair demand for Pots, the price of Firsts has slightly advanced, the extreme range of sales for the week being \$4.00 to 4.10, at which about 300 brls. Firsts were sold; a few Seconds sold at \$3.00 to 3.10; No thirds offering. The stock is as large as ever and it is difficult to account for even the trifling advance this week; the English market is excessively weak and we look for an early decline here. In Pearls there have been transactions at \$5.00 for heavy tares, and \$4.80 for light tares; Seconds nominal. The receipts for the year are \$272 here. Pear and \$6.00 km. the year are 7372 brls. Pots and 540 brls. Pearls; the deliveries 4575 brls. Pots, and 466

bris. Pearls, and the stock in store this evening is 4878 bris. Pots and 1079 bris. Pearls

Boots And Shoes.—There is still a little enquiry for light summer goods, but trade generating ally is very quiet and must remain so until open-

ing of fall business.

CATTLE.—At the St. Gabriel market on Monday, there were 11 carloads of cattle offered for The market was dull and prices remained sale. The market was duft and prices remained unchanged since the previous week, distillery fed selling at from \$4 to \$5 and farm fed from \$4 to \$4.75 per 100 lbs. A dealer from Toronto sold one carload at \$4.87 per 100 lbs. Two dealers from Windsor sold over \$9 head of cattle at \$5 per 100 lbs. There were 16 hogs on the market which were sold at \$6.50 per 100 lbs. There were no sheep or lambs on the market.

Dungs and Chemicals.—Business continues

DEGGS AND CHEMICALS.—DUSINESS CONTINUES to move allowly along without particular feature to note by way of change.—All lines of goods are in full supply and orders can be placed at rates favorable to buyers in most cases.—Prices given herewith are about the ordinary market that for good! given herewith are about the ordinary market rates for small orders.—Soda Ash, \$1.90 to \$2.25; Sal Soda, \$1.35 to \$1.50, according to quantity; Soda Bicarb, \$3.50 to 3.75; Caustic Soda, \$1.5c, to 31c. Extract Logwood is easier, and is quoted 11c. to 111c. for bulk, and for packages in proportion. Bleach-

ing Powder, 13c. to 2c.

Duy Goops.—We are pleased to learn that a more cheerful feeling prevades the trade in consequence of the many letter orders being received here daily, indicating a more lively state of the retail trade in all directions. The prospect of good crops is no doubt having a decided effect in stimulating sales. Remittances since the turn of the month have improved and

renewals are less often asked for.

FLOUR.—Receipts for the week, 17,171 barrels, stock 3rd inst. 68,032 barrels, against 77,079 on 15th June and 60,533 on 2nd July 1875. The mar-ket has shown little animation during the week. It has been plentifully supplied with Extra and Superior Extra and these grades have been sold at \$5.05 to \$5.10 for the former and \$5.25 to \$5.35 for the latter. In fancy there has been more doing than has been lately. The supply has increased and it has met a fair demand at \$4.90 to \$4.95. Fresh ground spring Extra has been scarce and it has commanded \$4.70, old ground and cloudy has been sold at \$4.60 to \$4.65.

STOCKS

July 3,'76 June 15,'76 July 2,'75 530,836 440,067 251,116 Wheat..... 103,856 88,081 Corn..... 119,459 120,503 23,406 Peas 21,792 Oats..... 96,433 12,745

Figh.—We have no change to report; the fish season is past and on both sides of the gulf this uncertain harvest has been unproductive; tms uncertain narvest has been unproductive; still a strike of herring may, while we write, have brought another change; would not a study of the fish and their habits pay a people who make fishing their livelihood.—Nominal prices are:—Codfish No. 2, S4.50. Dry Cod ewt, S5.25. Salmon, steady, No. 2 S12; No. 3, S11. No. 1 Split Herrings, S4.

FREIGHTS are not so firm, there have been registers are not so firm, there have been some engagements to Liverpool at 6s, but there would be difficulty in placing much at that rate. Glasgow may be quoted 3d, dearer. Flour freights 3s, 3d, to either Liverpool or

Glasgow. Ashes, 30s. Pots; 37s. 6d. Pearls. Provisions 45s. to 50s.
Funs and Skins.—We have no changes to note in this trade, prices are of course governed by the great annual exchange of Leipsic, and during our summer period we can neither pre-dict prices nor speak of demand for furs; it is however, probable that the troubles in Eastern Europe tray cause a drain of chenp furs for military use. We quote:— Beaver, \$2.00; Prime Black Benr, \$6.00 to \$12.00; according to size; Fisher \$6.00 to \$9.00; Silver Fox, \$25 to \$60; Cross Fox, \$2.00 to \$5.00; Red Fox, \$1.00 to \$1.25; Lynx, \$1.50 to \$2.25; dark Labrador Martin, \$7 to \$9; pale Martin, \$1.50 to \$2.00; prime fresh dark Mink, \$2.00 to \$2.50; fine dark Otter, \$7 to \$9; Fall Muskrat, 12c. to 14c.; Winter do, 15c. to 18c; Spring do, 22c.; Raccoun, 25c. to 60c.; Skink, 20c. to 50c.

Hardware.— A considerable amount of however, probable that the troubles in Eastern

HARDWARE. - A considerable amount of orders have been placed in England, during the last week or so. Parties thinking it was in vain to wait for further immediate reductions and feeling that the time had arrived when specifications should be sent forward as freights will not likely rute lower as the season

LEATHER.—Several large sales of measured Leather, such as Pebble and Patent Leather have taken place the past week, and at very fair

taken place the past week, and at very fair prices.—First-class slaughter sale is in good demand. There is a better feeling generally, and good fall business is anticipated.

LUMBER—Most of the mills continue sawing, but not to full capacity. A scarcity in some kinds of lumber for the American market is likely to be felt as the majorty of Ottawa mills are sawing for the English market. This how-ever will depend much on the ruling of R. R. freights from West to East in the U.S. The unprecedentedly low rates at present enabling Mi-chigan lumber almost entirely to replace Cana-dian lumber in Eastern markets, Panding a dian lumber in Eastern markets. Pending a cessation of the R.R. war, Canadian lumber for American market must certainly be in greater cessation of the R.R. war, Uanndian Inniber for American market must certainly be in greator demand. Sales for English market few, most mills working on contracts' made last spring. No change in prices, which are as follows for Montreal:—Shipping culls, S8.00 per m. feet; Spruce Sidings, S8 do. Fine—Common boards and scantling, S10 to S16 per m.; Clear lumber, S30 to S45; First quality lumber, S30 to S36 per m, surface measure; Cull deals, S18 to S24 do.; do, dressed, S35 to \$40 do.; 2 by 1 inch furrings S4 per 100 pieces; Laths. S1.30 to 1.50 per m; Spruce lumber, S10 to S12 per m feet; Spruce deals, \$24 per 100 pieces; Laths. S1.30 to 1.50 per m; Spruce lumber, S0 to S12 per m feet; long pine lumber, for building purposes, S18 to S34, according to length and size; long hemlock lumber is \$3 less per m feet than pine. Dressed lumber—1 inch boards, \$18 to \$20 per m feet; do. 1½ inch roofing, \$20 do.; do. 1½ inch flooring, S20 to \$24 do.; do. 1½ inch flooring, S20 to \$30 do.; do. 2 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do. 3 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do. 3 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do. 5 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do. 5 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do. 6 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do. 6 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do. 10 inch first supply at 62 feet.—Cod of inch flooring inch flooring flooring flooring flooring flooring flooring flooring flooring flooring inch flooring inch flooring floorin

Naval Stores .- There is nothing new to note in this line. Prices as a rule have a downward tendency, the demand is as before noted fair.

Paints.—The call for paints is maintained to extent previously reported, prices remain at former quotations.—See Prices Current.

SEEDS.—In this line the spring demand having passed away, we can say nothing of prices except as the future market may be affected; it is altogether probable that the selected seed grain may be stimulated in price by the state of Europe and that the price of roots may vary with the demand for cattle to serve army demands.

WHOLESALE GROCERY MARKET .- With the exception of sugars which have taken further advance, and are active for all kinds, other gr ceries show little of moment as to change

or to transactions. Sugars.—Low Cuba sold in quantity at fully 64; held at 67 ro 63; Barbadoes now arriving sold about 63 for considerable lot, held firm at 7, smaller lots 11th at least over above figures, United States and least over above figures, United States and British markets strong at higher prices. In yellow refined an advance of \$\frac{1}{4}\$ to \$\frac{1}{4}\$ in smaller lots.—Teas, market continues quiet, reports are not favorable from Japan as to quality of tea recently offering hastily prepared with a good deal of light inferior leaf, really choice teas are reported as not plenty.—Hodosses, 23 to 27 for Sugarhouse; 40 to 43 for Barbados. Coffees, advices from abroad report a firm market and generally higher, some Java coffee has been shipped from New York to Holland, a most unusual occurrence, with us prices are about as before given.—Rice, firm at \$3.70 to \$3.90.—\$Spices, light business at about inst week's figures for all kinds.—Fraits, prospects reported good for all kinds.—Fraits, prospects reported good for growing crops of currants and raisins and with probability of moderate prices particularly for raisins.—Currants, are in light stock in most markets, prices .ere are 6; to 7½; Valentia raisins 7½ to 8.—Salt 55 to 58 ets. for Ooarse

WINES AND LIQUORS .- The condition of the market is still as before. The movement, except in certain brands, is very quiet and even in these cases the demand is merely local.—See Prices Current.

Wook.-Considerable quantities of wool are being bought in Western Canada at prices ranging from 27 to 28c, price in Eastern section of Canada ranges from 25 to 27c. A good deal has been taken from the farmers at the above figures:—Pulled Wool, Sup., 30c. to 35c.; Pulled Medium 28c. to 32c.; Pulled No. 2 20c. to 28c.; Black, 23c. to 26

Produces AND Provisions.—In these lines we can only refer our readers to the report of last week; the changes have been of no importance, and the singulation of business is as marked here as elsewhere. It is altogether possible that another week will give quite a different record, but meantime the middlemen, who to a certain extent control the delivery of produce, should be careful not to binder by any holding back for speculative purposes, the flow of produce toward a market. There is more likelihood of our whole people making money by active reproduction than there can possibly be from our waiting idly for a rise in prices.

BULKMEATS are as last week. Mr. McShane is about to ship over a hundred head of live cattle, and we hope his enterprise will assume its proper magnitude; any effort in this direc-tion must ultimately benefit our regular bulk-

ment trade.

BUTTER is as before. Eggs have slightly varied with the season. Freights are irregular and quotations are mainly decided by the ultimate destination of the hulls. Flour and Wheat are uncertain, prices cannot be depended on. Cheese shows some fall, which may be due to the usual spring supply.

IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal from 1st January to 6th July, 1875 and 1876:

Ashes Bacon		7,901 194
Bacon		194
Barley	25,106	66,569
Butter	19,453	18,030
Cheese	100,145	59,624
Corn	343,135	1,037,486
Flour	417,626	401,426
Lard	150	20,398
Oats	81,583	829 925
Peas	715,627	447,941
Pork	13,366	6,526
Wheat 2	,544,715	2,913,537

REMARKS.

Ashes .- Receipts for the week, 313 brls. Pot, 61 brls. Pearl. Decrease, 1,163 brls.

Bacon.-Receipts, 13 box. Increase, 180

Barley .- Receipts, bush. Increase, 41,463 hugh

Butter .- Receipts, 1,295 brls. Decrease, 1,423

Cheese .- Receipts, 16,484 boxes. Decrense, 40,-521 boxes. Corn .- Receipts, 135,402 bush. Increase, 694,-

351 bush.

Flour.—Receipts, 25,911 bris. Decrease, 16,200

Lard.—Receipts, 2,000 brls. Increase, 20,248 brls.

Oats .- Receipts, 236,533 bush. Increase, 748 .-352 bush.

Peas.-Receipts, 27,046 bush. Decrease, 267,-686 bush.

Pork.-Receipts, 423 brls. Decrease, 6,840 bris.

Wheat .- Receipts, 196,568 bush. Increase 368,822 bush.

EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st January to 6th July, 1875 and 1876.

	1875.	1876
Ashes	5,954	4,430
Bacon		28,335
Barley	18	359
Butter	23,132	22,393
Corn	348,543	704,109
Cheese	69,392	80,037
Flour		126,246
Lurd	14,907	28,885
Oats		1,009,855
Peas	1,100,904	560.012
Pork		5,258
Wheat	2,356,315	2,553,236
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Ashes .- Exports for the week, 223 brls. Pot. brls. Pearls Decrense, 1,514 brls.

Bacon.-Exports, 619 boxes. Increase, 16,577 boxes. Barley .- Exports, - bush. Increase, 341

Butter.—Exports, 322 brls. Decrease, 739

Cheese .- Exports, 1020 boxes. Increase, 10,645 boxes.

Corn.-Exports, 31,035 bush. Increase, 355,-556 bush Flour.-Exports, 3,650 brls. Decrease, 20,632

Lard.-Exports, 4,200 bris. Increase, 13,978

brls. Oats.-Exports, 55,788 bush. Increase, 879,-

313 bush.

Pers.—Exports, 28,754 bush. Decrease, 534,-892 bush.

Pork .- Exports, 30 brls. Increase, 1,672 brls. Wheat.-Exports, 296,528 bush. Increase 196,921 bush.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

Grand Trunk Railway.—Return of traffic for week ending June 24th, 1876, and the corresponding week, 1875. 1876.—Passengers, Mails and Express freight, \$60,062; Freight and Live Stock \$108,526; Total, \$168,588. 1875.—Passengers, Mails, Express Freight, \$72,561; Freight and Live Stock, \$38,293; Total, \$160,854. Increase, \$7,734.

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Aggregate traffic for 25 weeks from January 8th: 1876.—Passengers, \$1,294,585; Freight and Live Stock, \$3,249,125; Total, \$4,543,710. 1875.—Passengers, \$1,437,456; Freight and Live Stock, \$2,910,644; Total, \$4,348,100. Increase, \$195,610. Miles open, 1388½.

MIDLAND RAILWAY OF CANADA.—Port Hope June 26th, 1876. Statement of traffic receipts for week, from 14th to 21st June, 1876, in comparison with same period last year:—Passengers, \$1, 53.01; Freight, \$2,947.19; Mails and Express, \$240.08; Total, \$5,040.28. Same week last

year, \$7,695.17. Decrease, \$2,654.89. Total traffic to date, \$118,492.12; do. year previous, \$118,389. 16. Increase, \$102.96.

F. WHITEHEAD. Secretary.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF CANADA -The triffic for week ending 23rd June, 4876.—Passengers, \$32,498.58; Freight and Live Stock, \$42,-824.77; Mails and Sandries, \$2,298.72; Total \$77,622.07; Corresponding Week of last year \$68,860.69. Increase, \$8,761.38.

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DIVIDEND NO. 18.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT.

upon the capital Stock of this institution has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after

Monday, the 3rd Day of July next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th of June, both days inclusive

The Annual General Meeting

of the Shareholders of the Bank will be held at the Banking House in Toronto, on

Tuesday, the 11th day of July next.

The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock, noon. By order of the Board.

W. N. ANDERSON, General Manager.

Toronto, 23rd May, 1876.

Dividends.

MERCHANTS' BANK

OF CANADA.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT.

upon the Capital Stock of this Institution for the current half-year has been this day declared, and that the same will be due and payable at the Bank and its Branches, and Agencies, on and after

Monday, the 3rd of July next.

The Transfer Book will be closed from the FIFTEENTH to the THIRTIETH JUNE NEXT, both days inclusive.

The Aunual General Meeting

of the Shareholders will be held in the BANK-ING HOUSE, in this City, on

Monday, the 3rd Day of July next.

The Chair will be taken at 12 o'clock (noon) precisely.

By order of the Board.

JACKSON RAE, General Manager.

Montreal 27th May, 1876.

Dominion Telegraph Co.

DIVIDEND NO. 10.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of

THREE PER CENT.

for the half year ending the 30th of June, 1876, is declared upon the paid up capital of the Company and will be payable on and after

TUESDAY, THE FIRST OF AUGUST NEXT.

at the General Offices, Toronto, and at the other offices of the Company.

By Order of the Board,

F. ROPER,

Secretary

Toronto, 5th June, 1876.

Wines, Spirits, &c.

JOHN HOPE & CO.,

MONTREAL,

Sole Agents in Canada for

Messrs, JOHN DeKUYPER & SON, Rotterdam.

- " MOET & CHANDON, Epernay.
- " BARTON & GUESTIER, Bord aux.
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Messrs. BULLOCK, LADE & Co., Glasgow.

- " DEINHARD & Co., Coblentz.
- 4 E. & G. HIBBERT, London, Export Bottlers, of Messrs. Bass & Co's. Pale Ale.
- " E. & J. BURKE, Dublin, Export Bottlers of Mesers. A. Guinness Son & Co's. Extra Foreign Stout, &c., &c.

N. B.—Orders received from the Whole-sale Trade only.

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Cif. Active, energetic Agents wanted throughout the Dominion, to whom liberal inducements will be offered.

CAMADA LIPE

ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1847.

CAPITAL & FUNDS, OVER \$3,000,000,

Managing Director and President .- A. G. RAMSAY, F.I.A. Vice-President-JAS. HAMILTON, M.D. Secretary-R. HILLS.

The Rates charged are LOWER than those of other Com-

panies. It has the LARGEST BUSINESS of any Company in

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The PROFIT BONUSES added to Life Policies are LARGER than given by any other Company in Canada.

It has occurred that Profits not only altogether EXTINGUISH all Premium Payments, but, in addition, yield the holder an ANNUAL SURPLUS.

holder an ANNUAL SURPLUS.

The great increase in the business of Canadian Life Companies was recently alluded to in Parliament, by the Minister of Finance, and the last Government Returns show that the Canada Life still maintains its lead and pre-eminence of all other Companies.

It having been lately intimated by the representatives of American Companies, that the legislation contemplated by Government would lead to their altogether withdrawing from Canada, assurers in such Companies desirons of joining an Institution like the Canada Life, permanently established in the country, are informed that in many cases this can be done, with an Actual Reduction of Yearsty expense.

WITH AN ACTUAL REDUCTION OF YEARLY EXPENSE.

Rates for the various systems of Assurance may be learned upon application at the Head Office in Hamilton, or at any of the Company's Agencies.

R. POWNALL, General Agent for Province of Quebec. CANADA LIFE BUILDING,

182 ST. JAMES STREET, MONTREAL.

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MERCHANTS' MARINE INS.

COMPANY OF CANADA.

CAPITAL \$1,000,000

With Power to Increase to \$2,000,000.

Montreal. Head

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THE BRITISH AMERICA

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Insurances granted on all descriptions of property against loss and damage by fire and the perils of inland navigation. Agencies established in the principal cities, towns, and ports of shipment throughout the Province.

F. A. BALL, Manager

ROYAL CANADIAN

INSURANCE COMPANX

THIRD ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN INSURANCE CO. OF MONTREAL. FIRE AND MARINE

ending 31st December, 1875. the Year

Amount of Capital Subscribed . . \$6,000,000



Amount of Capital paid up in Cash , . .

Total Assets......\$1,387.999 85 LIABILITIES.

Amount required to re-insure all outstanding Risks \$664,790 62

\$579,780

ASSETS.

U.S	and other Securities and Cash in hands of U.S		
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INCOME. Interest on Investments..... 57,982 35 48 Total Income during the Year......\$1,426,662 71 74

Cash on hand and on Deposit

Total Liabilities, including unpaid and unadjusted Losses, and

The above Statement is presented to the Canadian Public as an evidence of its strength, and the Company trusts to receive a continuance of the patronage hitherto accorded by the Insurance community.

Board of Directors.

JOHN OSTELL, Director "The New City Gas Company "-President. | J. ROSAIRE THIBAUDEAU, Director "La Banque Nationale "-Vice-President. JOSEPH BARSALOU, (of Messrs. Benning & Barsalou.) ANDREW WILSON, Director "The New City Gas" and "City Passenger

Railway" Companies.

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ANDREW ROBERTSON, President "Montreal Board of Trade," and President "Dominion Board of Trade." DUNCAN McINTYRE, of Messrs. McIntyre, French & Co., Wholesale

Dry Goods Merchants. HUGH MACKAY, of Messrs. Mackay & Brother, Wholesale Dry Goods Merchants.

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George Robertson.
M. Doran.

C. F. Gildersleeve, Agent.

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Barrister-Hugh MacMahon.

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S. Jones. Agent.

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ST. JOHN, N.B.

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A. M. Cosby, Agent.

COBOURG.

Peter McCallum, (of McCallum & Son.) John Jeffery (of Jeffery Bro.) George Guillet.

John Butler, Agent.

WINDSOR.

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D. L. KIRBY, Sub-Manager Montreal.

ALFRED PERRY.

General Manager.

ARTHUR GAGNON.

Secretary-Treasurer.

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THE

Accident Insurance Co.

The only Canadian Company solely devoted to Insurance against Accidents, and giving definite Bonus to the Policy holaers.

This Company is not mixed up with Life, Fire or any other class of Insurance. It is for

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alone, and can therefore transact the business upon the most favourable terms, and a secure hasis.

President: -SIR A. T. GALT, K.C.M.G.

MANAGER AND SECRETARY:

EDWARD RAWLINGS,

MONTREAL.

AUDITORS: - EVANS & RIDDELL.

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THE CANADA

GUARANTEE COMPANY

MAKES THE

Granting of Bonds of Surelyship ITS SPECIAL BUSINESS.

There is now NO EXCUSE for any employee to continue to bold his friends under such serious liabilities, as he can at once relieve them and he

SURETY FOR HIMSELF

by the payment of a trifling annual sum to this Company.

This Company is not mixed up with Fire, Marine, Life, Accident or other business; its whole Capital and Funds are solely for the security of those holding its Bonds.

JANUARY 7th, 1876.—The full deposit of \$50,000 has been made with the Government. It is the only Guarantee Company that has made any Deposit.

HEAD OFFICE: - MONTREAL.

President :- SIR ALEXANDER T. GALT.

Manager:

EDWARD RAWLINGS.

AUDITORS: - EVANS & RIDDELL.

STOCKS AND BONDS,

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The Company insures almost every description of property at the lowest rate of premium corresponding to the nature of the risk.

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At last Division the Bonus declared was at the rate of £15s, per cent, per annum on all sums assured, and the previously vested Bonuses. On policies of old standing, this was in many cases equal to £119s, per cent, per annum on the original sum assured.
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Profits are ascertained every five years.
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Capital. \$1,000,000.

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It pays all losses caused by lightning, whether fire ensues or not.

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It is a purely Canadian Institution, its business is confined to the Dominion, and is under the management of men who have devoted many years to this peculiar branch of Insurance, and understand thoroughly the requirements of the Farmers are a class. as a class.

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A. DESJARDINS, M.P., Vice-President.

EDWARD II. GOFF, Managing Director's Sec. J. II. SMITH, Chief Inspector.

J. P. CONSTABLE, Assistant Secretary.

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This Company's Lines are composed of the undernoted First-class, Full-powered Clydebuilt, Double-Engine, Iron Steamships:—

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Circassian3400	Lt. W. H. Smith, R.N.R.
	Capt. Brown
Sarmatian3600	Capt. A. D. Aird
Hibernian3434	Lt. F. Archer, R.N.R.
Caspian3200	Capt. Trocks
Scandinavian3000	Capt. R. S. Watts
Prussian3000	Capt, J. Ritchie
Austrian2700	Capt. H. Wylie
Nestorian2700	Capt. Barclay
Moravian2650	Capt. Graham
Peruvian2600	Capt. Richardson
Manitoban 3150	Capt. Miller
Nova Scotian3200	Capt. Wallace
Canadian2600	Capt. McLean
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