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Incorporated by Act of Parliament, 1855

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| Reserve Fund.. | $2,250,000.00$ |
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Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT. upon the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current Quarter-being at the rate of TEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM and that the same will be payable at the Banking House in this City on and after,

## Monday, the Second Day of February Next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to the 31st January next

> By order of the Board,
T. G. BROUGH,

Toronto, December 23 rd, 1902.

## THE STANDARD BANK OF CANADA

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Capital (authorized by
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## EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BANK. DIVIDEND No.s 86.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend of Three and One-Half per Cent. for the current halt-year, has been declared upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of same will be payable at the Head Office and Branches on Friday, 2nd Day of January next.
The Transfer books will be closed from the 15th to the 3rst December, both
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J. MACKinnon,

General Manager.

## UNION BANK OF CANADA

HEAD OFFICE, - QUEBEC Capital Authorized, $\$ 3,000,000$

Capital Subscribed, $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Capital Subscribed, } & 2,250,000 \\ \text { Capital Paid-up, } & 2,236,000\end{array}$ | Capital Paid-up, : |  |
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Rest . ............... 350,000 S. STRATHX, Genaral Manager
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Hon. Peter MoLaren John Pugbley, Kgq.

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Reserve Fund. .... $8 \mathbf{8 0}, \mathbf{0 0}$ Board of Directors: George R Hart....President W.H. Webb, Hon. G. J. Troop, Andrew Mackinlay.
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## Mercantile Summary.

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The new direct line of steamers from Canada to South Africa seems to be meeting with success. The third voyage was completed the other day, when the "Melville" arrived in Capetown with a full cargo of Canadian products, such as farming implements, canned goods, oatmeal, furniture, etc. She will bring on her return trip wool and skins.
The well-known glove manufacturers of Acton, Ont., W. H. Storey \& Son, have completed what they describe as the most prosperous year's business in the history of this old-established firm. They are now advertising for forty more hands, as the present staff of workmen is not large enough to do the work required to fill all the orders already in hand.
It is announced that Chicago and New York capitalists are making arrangements to construct a six-story hotel, near St. James' Cathedral, and fronting on Victoria Square, Montreal, at a cost of $\$ 1,500,000$. It is planned to contain 480 rooms, to be 325 ft . long by 260 ft . wide, and to be completed within a year-so the talk goes.

We thank the Dominion Brewery Company for a copy of the Reference Annual of the Dominion Brewery Co., Limited, for 1903. It contains records of twenty different branches of sport, the game laws of Ontario, Quebec, and Manitoba, and the population of Canada, according to the census of 1901, and in seven previous decades, Parliamentary information, rates of postage, and other useful business information.

Woods, Baker \& Co., wholesale lumber dealers, and a syndicate of Boston and New York capitalists, have, it is reported, bought out the property of the Exploit Lumber Co., comprising 1,100 square miles of timber areas in Newfoundland, the price being $\$ 250,000$. The tract, besides being heavily timbered, is said to have several valuable waterpowers, suitable for the operation of pulp and paper mills. There is already on the site a modern saw-mill with an output of 100,000 feet per day.

The number of new vessels registered at the port of Halifax during last year was fifteen, consisting of three steamers of a total tonnage of $\mathbf{1 3 9}$, and eleven schooners and one sloop, with a total tonnage of 398 . The number of vessels on the register, at Halifax, on December 31st last, was 436 , with a tonnage of $19,-$ 445, of which 60 were steamers, tonnage 4,439, and schooners, 339, tonnage, $13, \mathrm{II} 2$. it Sydney on the register at the same date were 97 vessels of 6,622 tons, which shows a slight decrease, compared with the previous year.

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It is understood that the Cana:lian Pacific Railroad has bought a large piece of land on Notre Dame street, Montreal, to be utilized in enlarging iger street station.
On the 2nd inst. the Lane block in North Sydney, C.B., was totally destroyed by fire. It was occupied by Pilkington's jewellery store, B. B. Rice's book store, and other businesses. Loss, $\$ 10,000$; insurance, under $\$ 3,000$.
We see that the firm of McMillan \& McGuire, stockbrokers, Toronto, have just moved from 59-61 Victoria street, to larger and better appointed quarters, at the corner of Yonge and King streets, directly above the C.P.R. ticket office.
G. R. Anderson \& Brother, whose dry goods store, at Brampton, was burned on Christmas Eve, have settled with the insurance companies, and will at once make preparations to continue their business in the same premises
-There is a crisis in the Greek currant trade, owing to the long-continued over-production. As things are at present, an over-abundant crop proves a misfortune to the growers, rather than a blessing, owing to the great fall in prices Messrs. Petrie, McLachlan \& Howay propose to build and operate a dry dock at New Westminster, B.C., for the building and repairing of river craít, an enterprise much needed there, as present facilities are not sufficient. Besides repairing work, the building of hulls for new crafts is contemplated.

Mr. Prefontaine, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, recommends, it is sald, the appointment of a commission to look into the question of building a thorough:y equipped dry dock at Maisonneuve (Montreal), of which work he appears to have been an advocate for years past. It would probably cost considerably over a million dollars.
One might not unnaturally consider the letters HO, appearing alone, to be a symbol in chemistry, meaning, perhaps, hydrogen and oxygen. At all events, they are separately symbols for those two constitucnts. But we are told by a gentleman well up in the advertising art that these letters, as seen in gigantic size on walls or chimneys or fences in New York and other places, mean Howard's Oats.
A small jobbing business in stationery, religious articles, etc., started in Montreal last spring, under the somewhat pretentious style of La Compagnie Generale d'Importation, has already come to grief. The proprietors, Messrs. Lebeau \& Wiseman, who were old employees of Cadieux \& Derome, in that sort of business, have assigned, and their liabilities are put at about $\$ 1,500$... Charland \& Lacasse, jobbers of cigars and tobaccos, in Montreal, who suffered lately by fire, are offering 65 per cent. on liabilities of about $\$ 5,000$, which offer

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Several illustrations of different buildings for the proposed St. Louis Exposition have apeared in Le Prix Courant, of Montreal, notably the Transportation building, and the Electrical building.
The total collections for duty at the port of Montreal for last year amounted to $\$ 10,974,450$, compared with $\$ 9,465,000$ for the previous year, and about double the amount brought in seven yearsago.
The Winnipeg Board of Trade has been much exercised over what attitude should be taken regarding the Grand Trunk and Canadian Northern-Pacific extension projects, but decided, while thoroughly welcoming the idea, to reserve a final opinion thereon until such time as the country should be in possession of information concerning the amount of Government aid, if any, that might be asked for
A compliment was paid to Mr. Thos. H. Knox, for many years, with R. G. Dunn, \& Co's Mercantile Agency in Toronto, and latterly in charge of the city reporting and canvassing of that imporcant establishment. On the occasion of his leaving the employ of the firm, his fel-low-employees presented him with a handsome leather easy chair. The choice of the present may have the meaning that his occupation having for half his lifetime compelled him to be much on his logs, he is entitled to take an easy chair in the evenings at least, Mr. Knox, who has won many friends in Toronto, is about removing to Orillia, in the capacity of manager of the Dominion Wrought Iron Wheel Co., of Toronto. The company has increased its capital from $\$ 25,000$ to $\$ 100,000$, and removes to Orillia, where a number of people have taken an interest in it, among them Mr. J. B. Tudhope, M.P.P., president of the company. The removal to Orillia will take place about March Ist. A new factory is being erected there.
With the New Year issue of Le Quotidien, of Levis, comes a colored supplement containing a poeın by Mr . Louis Frechette, entitled, "Le Petit Porteur," and intended to signalize the carrier boy's Janaury visit to his patrons. There is an artless beauty in the "Rhymed Lesson," which this delightful writer puts into the mouth of the little newsboy. "Here I am," he says to his patrons, as he knocks at their doors, "just as you see me every evening, my papers under my arm. We don't find new year gifts coming to our house; the food is rough there, the life is hard Children of the rich! do you know how the poor envy you the candies and toys you always get? Last night I hung up my worn shoe, in the dark fire-piace, but in the morning there was nothing in it-the fairy that visits you did not come to me. So, to-day, Sir, or Madame, I ask you for a few cents to oring some trifling pleasures to my little sisters, and to make my widowed mother smile. Around the table and by the fire tonight we will remember you with thanks for your gifts, and at bed-time will say a

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## Mercantile Summary.

## Sigel, Cooper \& Co., the large American department house firm, which was reported as intending to open a branch store in Toronto, have given up the idea. <br> It is stated that arrangements are complete for obtaining sufficient capital to proceed with the development of the Sultana mine, where some people believe a practically unlimited amount of paying

 quartz exists.A by-Law has been carried almost unanimously in Fort William, Ont., to grant the Ogilvie Flour Mills Co. a free site for a million-bushel elevator and a flour mill with a minimum daily capacity of 1,500 barrels,
The George B. McNeil Co., Limited, Winnipeg, Man.; $\$ 3,300$. To carry on a business as general merchant tailors, etc. G. B. McNeil, John de Groat, G. W. Donald, F. C. Hubbard, R. R. Dalgleish, and C. P. McNeil. Manitoba charter.
On the 4 th inst., a fire, which broke out in Wapella, Assa., destroyed G. Mendell's store and its contents, R. A. Pease \& Company's bank, J. S. Ludge's butcher shop, W. J. Winning's clothing establishment, J. Pritchard's drug store, and Jubilee Hall and the Mundell Hotel. Loss, about \$15,000.
The New Year card sent out by Mr. W. J. Tucker, druggist and merchant, of Manitowaning, is an ingenious one. He tells his friends that he keeps everything in stock "from a needle to an anchor," and to prove it, sends some needles. The object lesson will not be lost upon the housewife.
NEW finds of oil continue to be reported in the Raleigh, Ont., district. Several new strikes have been made during the last few days, and the Beringer well, which was described in the papers a few weeks ago as second only to the Gurd, is now reported to be yielding twenty barrels per day.
The announcement comes from Montreal that David Torrance \& Co., the well-known shipping agents, will take the Canadian management of the Leyland and Dominion lines. The firm has represented the latter line for many years, and the combination of interests is looked upon as one of the first fruits of the Morgan merger.
It is worth noting that the Canadian Pacific Railway's sales of lands seem to be increasing in growing ratio. The sales made during the year 1902 were three times as large as those in the previous year, while for December they quadrupled those of that month in 1901. Those of the Canada North-West Land Company were also over four times as large. The C.P.R. total sales during 1902 were $2,420,440$ acres, for which they received $\$ 8,140,245$, against 830,922 acres and $\$ 2,643,973$ in 1901. The Canada North-West Land Co. sold 516,000 acres for $\$ 2,520,000$, in 1902, compared with 121,000 for $\$ 629,000$, in the year previous.

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## Mercantile Simmary.

For December, just past, the customs returns at the port of Winnipeg amounted to $\$ 139,283$, as compared with $\$ 92,091$ for the same period of 1901 .
The West Kootenay Power and Light Co. is reported to be making excellent progress with the tedious work of constructing dams, etc., at Bonnington Falls, B.C.
W. R. Callaway, of the Soo Line, does not forget his Toronto friends. His holiday remembrance this season is a compound of Burns, Kipling, ye god Bacchus, and Gambrinus Rex.

Brockton, Mass., last year turned out no less than $12,000,000$ pairs of shoes. This surely is a remarkable record for one city. It beats the production of the previous year by about 60,000 pairs.
Chas. Head \& Co., stockbrokers, of New York and Boston, have opened offices at 15 Jordan street, Toronto. The Canadian manager will be Mr. R. R. Bongard, who for nine years past has been connected with the R. G. Dun Co., and is well and favorably known to Toronto business men.
The Canada Atlantic Railway Company will ask the Dominion Government permission to build from Whitney, Onit., on their present line, to Sault Ste. Marie; also to increase the capital stock and bonding powers, and to establish hoteis and pleasure resorts, to develop waterpowers, and to extend the time in which they may complete the enterprise.
A Quebec despatch states that a special meeting of the promoters of the trans-Canada Railway was held on 2nd January in that city, when the stock book was opened. Mr. William Price, head of the well-known lumber firm of Price Brothers \& Company, opened the list by subscribing to $\$ 100,000$ worth of stock. This is a fairly substantial proof that Quebec people believe in this road.

The Malcolm Island Co-operative Community announces that it will import 2,000 Finlanders during the summer, who, no doubt, will to a certain extent replace the Japanese as lumbermen and fishermen. The organizers of the movement believe that 25,000 will migrate to the Pacific Coast during the near future, owing to the oppression from which they suffer under the Russian Government.

A failure calling for more than an ordinary degree of unfavorable comment, is that of D. Komiensky, clothier, of St. John, N.B., who is now under arrest on a charge of obtaining goods by means of fraudulent representations. About the middle of November he made his appearance in Montreal, and is said to have bought from $\$ 6,000$ to $\$ 7,000$ worth of goods, claiming a surplus of several thousand dollars. He now, through a lawyer, offers his creditors 40 cents on the dollar, stating that he owes $\$ 6,500$, and has only a stock of \$2,500.

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## Mercantile Summary.

J. Herbert Runctman, doing business at Annapolis, N.S., as a manufacturer of larrigans, under the style of J. H. Runciman \& Co., has assigned. The liabilities are approximated at $\$ 25,000$, and the assets are reported to be largely hypothecated to the firm's bankers. The firm of G. Runciman \& Son, dry goods dealers, of the same town, are involved by the above failure, J. Herbert Runciman having participated in the management of their affairs, and the dry goods firm also have assigned, with liabilities estimated at about \$14,000.

## FINANCES IN THE UNITED STATES.

Henry Clews \&. Co., New York, in their circular, dated January 3rd, said: The year opens under somewhat different auspices than in 1902. Then the top of the "boom" was not in sight. To-day it has been fairly passed; at least so far as Wall Street is concerned. While the industrial, commercial and agricultural interests of the country continue enjoying great prosperity, Wall Street is soberly contemplating its past excesses. The period of intoxication is over: the depression following has also fairly passed off, but the rank and file are still pondering over the extraordinary doings of the last few years and endeavoring to return to more normal conditions. The result is a somewhat confused though not unpromising outlook. A look into trade conditions shows that the volume of business continues on an enormons scale. The spirit of lavishness is abroad in sharp contrast with a former spirit of economy; and this alone is a tremendous trade stimulant. In many cases production, rapidly as it is increasing in various lines, has failed thus far to overtake consumption, and so prices continue high. All the chief industries are actively employed; and, if profits are declining, the volume of orders shows no diminution. Everyone has been expecting a reaction in the iron trade; yet the great steel corporation' is still rushed with orders and has plenty of business in sight for months to come in spite of increased competition; the development of the country, and new uses for iron setting aside all calculations based upon former standards. The same is true in many other lines of industry, old establishments and new ones being fully employed, with no immediate prospect of oversupply. In the agricultural field similar conditions prevail. We have been favored with large crops and good prices, so that the farming classes are usually well-to-do. Throughout the West there is great activity and astonishing development. This is demonstrated by the congested condition of traffic on all the principal railroads, as well as by the fact that the freight moved on the Great Lakes in 1902 was about 27 per cent. greater than in the previous year. Experience shows that all great trade

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movements are followed by heavy investments in real estate, after every other field has been exploited. There is no reason to believe otherwise than that the same rule will hold true again. As for conditions within the stock market, they show distinct improvement. Of course national prosperity is the bed-rock of values on the Stock Exchange; speculative excesses of the last few years naturally produced the recent severe reaction. But Wall Street has commenced discounting all the good features again, and is now recovering from the forced contraction that followed the inflation of 1901 and 1902. There is still a large mass of undigested securities to be disposed of, and while money continues high stocks cannot do excessive climbing.

## NEW CORPORATIONS.

Following is a list of new companies, lately organized throughout Canada, that have received Government charters, or have been granted supplementary Letters Patent. The object of the company, amount of capital stock, location of principal office and names of incorporators, are given as far as possible, and whether the charter has been granted by Provincial or Dominion Governments:


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The Mount Royal Foundry Co., Lim ited, Montreal, Que.; $\$ 45,000$ Robert Dunn, Thomas Manahan, A. J. Darling, John Cavanagh, J. H. Grimm, and Hugh Vallance. Dominion charter.
The Metropolitan Estate Co., Limited, Victoria, B.C.; \$20,000. British Columbia charter.
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The Fort Erie Jockey Club, Limited, Fort Erie, Ont.; $\$ 80,000$. John Hood, W. M. Gorman, Moses Shire, A. C. Macdoneil and Joseph Battle. Ontario charter.
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The H. W. Burnett Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.; $\$ 50,000$. To manufacture and deal in pianos, organs, etc. H. W. Burnett, R. W. Burnett, W. C. Eddis, G. H. Long and E. L. Burnett. Ontario charter.
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## TORONTO STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

Considering that one day of the past week was a holiday, the volume of business transacted on the local Exchange was fairly large. There would appear to be a better feeling too for several of the stocks. Following are the details: Bank of Commerce, 175 at $1613 / 4-1621 / 4$; Imperial, 28 at $2371 / 2-239$; Dominion, 567 at $2471 / 2-250$; Standard, 3 at 252 ; Hamilton, 40 at $2315 / 8-2323$ / ; Ottawa 56 at 222 $2231 / 2$; Traders', io at $1313 / 4$; Western Assurance, 380 at $95-96$; Consumers' Gas, 37 at $2121 / 2$; C.P.R., 9,227 at $1321 / 2-$ 1373/4; Toronto Electric Light, 100 at 15698-158; General Electric, I19 at 1972021/4; Com. Cable, 385 at $16933 / 4-171$; Richelient \& Ontario, 95 at 95 -I00; Toronto Railway, 81o at $1161 / 4-118$; Twin City, $3.4 \mathrm{~S}_{2}$ at $118-\mathrm{I} 201 / 4$; Dominion Steel, 1,60\% at $60-623 / 8 ;$ B. \& Loan Assur., 90 at 105 $1 / 2$-106; Canada Land. \& National, 100 at $1051 / 2$-106, Canada Per. Loan, 75 at 120-121; Ham. Prov., 5 at 119; Huron \& Erie, 120 at $169^{1} / 2$; Imperial Loan and Investment, 21 at 140 ; London \& Can. L. \& A., 32 at 95; Cariboo-McK., 1,500 at $18-181 / 4$; Dominion Steel Bonds, 8,000 at $898-8981 / 4$; Dominion Steel, pref., 125 at 943/4, War Eagle, 1,000 at 18; Sao Paulo, 160 at $95^{1 ⁄ 2}-98$; North. Nav., 135 at 133-136; Niagara Navigation, 4 at $1171 / 2$; Carter-Crume, 50 at $102^{1 / 2}-1033 / 4$; National Trust, 20 at 138 ; Dominion Coal, 319 at $1^{132-132^{1} / 2}$; N. S. Steel, 1,235 at $106 \frac{1}{2}-1111 / 2$; Lake Superior, 725 at $83 / 8-93 / 4$; Crow's Nest, 9 at 350; Toronto Trusts, 5 at 164 , and St. Lawrence, 8 at
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## TIIE ANDERSON BANK WRECK

The story unfolded at the meeting at Oakville last Tuesday of the creditors of C. W. Anderson \& Son's defunct private bank presents so many asionisking features, so many instances of the most flagrant business incapacity, or worse, that it is a difficult task to make an analysis. The statement prepared by Assignee Clarkson shows that the liabilities consist of \$r49,$34^{6.41}$, due to depositors; $\$ 7,642.17$ due on outstanding cheques and drafts, and $\$ 79,074.90$ owing to the Bank of Hamilton. The latter holds securities for this amount nominally valued at \$ror,goo, but which, as they mainly consist of customers' paper and real estate, it is divulging no secret to say will realize considerably less. Against these total liabilities of $\$ 236$,063.48 , are placed assets amounting to $\$ 27, \mathrm{I} 36$.io. But of this sum, $\$ 22,825$.10 consists of a possible surplus in the securities held by the Bank of Hamilton, which, as suggested above, will in all likelihood be found to have melted to nothing. One illustration will suffice. In the list of securities is shown an item crediting
\$47,100 to real estate in Oakville, whereas a careful valuation by Oakville men places its probable cash value at not more than $\$ 31,000$. All that remains, therefore, to pay off an indebtedness to depositors of close upon $\$ 150,000$ is a paltry $\$ 4,000$ or $\$ 5,000$, out of which must come the assignee's fee, and other necessary expenses. The statement goes on to set forth the known losses of the firm, which comprise, among other items, $\$ 55,000$, consumed in paying debts for the bank at Palmerston, carried on by Cyrus Anderson and his son-in-law, C. K. Scott; \$16,000 lost in stock speculation, as admitted by Bert Anderson, but which amount may have been really much more, and various sums lost in a poorly understood way in real estate deals.

Altogether, the losses "accounted for," if one may use such a term where all the knowledge existing is of such a shadowy description, amount to $\$ 108,493$.62. And now comes the question, what has become of the balance? The nominal assets added on to the known losses total about $\$ 135,639$. Where has the difference between this and the liabilities of $\$ 236,063$, viz., the large sum of $\$ 100,424$-to say nothing of the original capital, vanished? Dropped absolutely out of sight, the assignee and inspection committee told the creditors. Naturally, these people want to discover where it has gone, and the unanimous feeling of the meeting was in favor of leaving no stone unturned to find out. Is the balance to be accounted for, as suggested by some, in the shape of quantities of worthless notes burnt or stored away somewhere by Bert Anderson in very shame for the full extent of his business incapacity to become public? Was it stolen or has it merely been squandered away in reckless enterprises, almost unknowingly, as the miserable manner in which the Andersons carried on their business might lead one to expect? For it came out at the meeting that their book-keeping was of a most primitive type, no proper profit and loss account was ever kept, a trial balance was a thing unknown, and the only thing the Andersons cared about was to credit themselves each year with $\$ 4,000$ or $\$ 5,000$, not knowing whether the business could stand it or not. They might have been insolvent for years ; indeed, there is evidence to show that they had been practically insolvent since 1894, the same year that they changed bankers.

The Bank of Hamilton's connection with the firm is coming in for some very bitter comment on the part of creditors and others, who accuse it of grabbing everything in sight. It certainly presents some features which on their face look very strange. In the first place, as a result of the failure of the Palmerston bank, the Andersons, in December, I90I, gave a blanket mortgage to that bank, said mortgage not being registered until a year later. Then, on December 26th, 1902, those interested in the then defunct Oakville bank received notice that as early as March 14th, 1902, the Andersons had assigned everything to the Bank of Hamilton, this not being previously known. Yet, after this assignment, the Oakville bank took in deposits which they continued doing until the actual hour of the relinquishment of their affairs to Mr. Clarkson. Some of the creditors also complain of certain drafts on the Anderson bank, which they allege were returned dishonored by the Bank of Hamilton, after a
detention varying from two weeks to one month. The position of the Bank of Hamilton will prove the crux of the whole unfortunate business. Its popularity has not been increased by any means as a result of its course in this extraordinarily mysterious affair, and there are people who do not hesitate to suggest that some understanding exists between the Andersons and the bank, working out for anything but the good of the ordinary creditors. If the giving of a mortgage at a time when the firm was already insolvent can be proved illegal, and the securities held by the Bank of Hamilton be turned over to the assignee for the general benefit, then the creditors will be able to get something like 20 cents on the dollar. And this is what the latter are determined to do, if by any possibility they can. At the meeting it was decided to have Bert Anderson and the manager of the Bank of Hamilton examined under oath before the Commissioner, and for their whole connection to be probed to the bottom, Should anything be divulged warranting such a course there is every possibility that the former will be arrested for something a little worse than incapacity. For ourselves, we would say that while anything is to be welcomed which may bid fair to relieve the present pitiful state of things at Oakville, and while the action of the Bank of Hamilton appears on the face of it peculiar, yet presumably they have acted under legal advice at every stage, and probably it will be found that they have done no more than the law allows them in protecting themselves. At any rate we prefer to reserve our opinion until after a most searching investigation.

The Anderson Private Bank failure will be long remembered as another striking example of the facility with which, under existing circumstances, a man may carry on a large business based on nothing more than a good reputation among his neighbors. We asked several of the losing depositors at Oakville why they had entrusted their money to a concern of which they were in a position to know so little, and the answer in each case was substantially the same: "The Andersons! Why I had known them all their lives; we have grown up together; I would as soon trust my money to them as to myself." All very well and good, providing everything goes well. But why should even my dearest friend have control of my worldly possessions, and speculate with them, and mortgage them to protect another debt, it may be, in another place, all without the slightest pretence of accounting to me for their use? The chartered banks have to make monthly reports to the Government as to their exact financial position; loan companies are restricted to certain securities. Why should private banks alone be free to go their own way, to invest, if they choose, in the most wildcat of new schemes, accounting to no man for even the things that are his? One weakness the private banker has to contend with lies in the fact that frequently he receives more money in deposits than can legitimately be employed at a profit in his locality, and so it comes about that we find him tempted to speculate. In this case, the Andersons were interested in an electric light system, a creamery, a mill, in hay, and we know not what else. Was it wonderful that they met with disaster? There are large classes in the
community who need to be protected against their own blind confidence; a little enforced publicity as to the inher workings of their favorite investments would vastly help. The men of honesty and good capacity would have no reason to fear the result; those of another sort would be weeded out.
N.B.-Since the above was written, we note that some misunderstanding seems to have arisen as to the real meaning of the figures given out at the meeting. On another page, therefore, will be found an abstract of the case as it stands in the light of the most recent information.

## THE BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY.

No one interested in the industrial and agricultural welfare of Ontario can look without interest on the efforts which are being made to establish beet sugar factories in the province. Such efforts are entitled to, and we have no doubt receive, the earnest sympathy and support of all. Starting on this basis, we shall not be misunderstood if we say a word of warning to those inclined to push the development of this industry too rapidly. Factories have been built at several points in the province, where differing conditions prevail as to soil, cost of production, transportation facilities and the like, and these are under different sets of managers, so that we may reasonably hope that in one or more of them efficient management may be looked for.

Under these circumstances, we think that no further factories should for a time be undertaken, and that this time should be more than a season or two. We have every reason to believe that we can grow, and continue indefinitely to grow, beets suitable for the purpose, at a price which will justify their use in the production of sugar and at the same time reward the farmer for his labor. We cannot, however, be sure of this until it has been tried for some years, and it has become clear, from extended experience, that the necessary return to the ground of the constituents removed by the growth of beets can be carried on in such a way as to maintain the saccharine value of the product, and at a cost not incompatible with a reasonable profit. It is not sufficient to prove that for a year or two we can grow the right kind of beets; their probable quality, after years of growing them, is the point of most importance.

That the business is not all plain sailing is evidenced by the conditions at Bay City, Michigan, a State to which the promoters of beet sugar-making in Canada have been used to point for an example. The past season there has been unprofitable, both to beet factories and farmers sowing beets. The, factories have, we are told, been obliged to shut down frequently for want of beets, for the first time in their history. This may be to some extent due to the falling off in shipments of these roots from Ontario, consequent on the establishment of factories on this side. Some of the farmers who supply the Bay City factories have put out what is described as an ultimatum, demanding a higher price for their beets, and the abolition of the test for percentage of sugar, and it is
clear that, whatever the merits of the controversy may be, the business there is not at present in a satisfactory position.

Our view is, briefly, that Canadians should let the present experiments be thoroughly tried before further expanding our beet-sugar interests.

## ASSESSMENT LIFE ASSURANCE.

There has lain on our desk for several weeks a circular, which we ought, perhaps, to have printed in part sooner, so as to let our readers know what good things were going in anticipation of the holidays. It is an offer for new members by the Independent Order of Foresters, and displays a liberal and somewhat ingenious plan of what in regular life assurance would be called rebating premiums.

The High Court of Central Ontario sends out an imploring appeal to all Dear Sirs and Brothers, under the authority of the High Standing Committee, to take part in an active campaign in securing new members before 3Ist January. If the Dear Sirs and Brothers will do this, and rake in six members each between ages 18 and 55, all registration and certificate fees, usually exacted, will be remitted, and each Sir and Brother thus successful will besides get a prize. It looks as if new members were not coming into the I.O.F. as fast as usual, when such strenuous measures are taken to canvass for them.

Mr. Hearn's circular No. I is accompanied by Oronhyatekha's circular No. 2, which is quite lengthy, puffing the Order, as usual, exalting his own horn, as usual, and denouncing the "jealousy and malevolence," the "greed," and the criminal "unfairness" of the enemies of fraternalism generally. But here is an extract from it :

In order to assist you in this noble work, Dispensation is hereby issued remitting till the 31st January, 1903, all Registration and Certificate Fees in the Insurance and Mortuary Department.

A cash prize will be given to each officer or member, except paid deputies, for every member he or she secures between the ist November, 1902, and the Ist February, 1903; such new member to pay at least three monthly premiums. The amounts of the prizes shall be as follows: Two dollars for a member taking a $\$ 500$ policy; three dollars for a member taking a $\$ 1,000$ policy; four dollars for a member taking a $\$ 2,000$ policy; and five dollars for a member taking a $\$ 3,000$, $\$ 4,000$ or $\$ 5,000$ policy.

The Executive Council desire also that those Courts and individual members who engage with most zeal and success in this work from now until January 31st, 1903, shall receive some special mark of recognition for the same, in addition to the cash prizes mentioned above, as explained in the circular signed by the Supreme Secretary, which is sent you herewith.

Now it is to be remarked upon this extraordinary offer, that the new member secured is expected to pay "at least three monthly premiums." In the case of a $\$ 1,000$ policy, at 76 cents per month assessment, this would be $\$ 2.28$. But the circular offers $\$ 3$ as a prize to the man who gets this new member, which sum exceeds by 72 cents what the Order gets from him, if he or she should never pay another assessment. The full rates are inadequate for life assurance anyhow, as we have often shown; and yet here is a Christmas circular from the S.C.R. exhorting people to come in and
be protected, while lessening by his offer of prizes the very assessments which ought to be their protection. Queer logic; but sufficient, presumably, for the brethren and sisters, who are content to take taffy and bombast for gospel, or who will prefer the gilded and sweetened processes of assessmentism to the less palatable but infinitely safer methods of old-line life assurance.

## STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

A perusal of the table of transactions on the Toronto Stock Exchange for the year 1902, a copy of which appears elsewhere in this number, will be of interest. It shows that the range of securities dealt in on the local Exchange is still growing, and that the figure cut by stock speculation in the Canadian business world is one of growing importance. Whether this feature, under present circumstances, where so many amateurs are taking to dabbling in stocks, is a good encouraging sign for the future or not is a point we need not discuss in this connection. The table is of particular interest, showing, as it does, the highest and lowest range of prices; and during the year the fluctuations were certainly very large, as many people know to their cost. Bank and loan companies, perhaps, held steadiest, taking the year as a whole. Even among these, we notice such differences as 229 in January against 256 in November for the Bank of Toronto; 209 in January, against 226 in November, for the Bank of Ottawa; 109 in January, against 130 in December, for the Traders'; 80 in February, against 100 in May for the London and Canadian Loan and Agency, and so forth. But it was the Industrial and miscellaneous shares which showed the most remarkable variations. Canada North-West Land varied between 30 and 150; Northern Navigation, between 105 $3 / 4$ and 173; Sao Paulo, between 50 and 109; Dominion Coal, between $533 / 4$ and 146; Dominion Iron and Steel, between 25 and $79 \frac{1}{4}$; Nova Scotia Steel and Coal, between 44 and $1181 / 8$, while Consol, Lake Superior, dropped from 34 in May to 7 in December.

Summarizing the whole table roughly, it would appear that the highest prices were realized on the largest number of stocks in April and September, May and August following next, while the month in which the largest number reached the lowest values was January, with February and December coming after. We have also before us a comparative table, showing the transactions on the Montreal Stock Exchange for the years Igoi and 1902. This, like the Toronto sheets, gives evidence of course of remarkable fluctuations. Fromit as well we are able to gather a comparison of the actual transactions madie in any of the various stocis in each year. For example, the number of shares of C.P.R. sold in 1902 was 489,198 , as against 262,483 in 1gor. Montreal Street Railway shows, however, a decline from 170,426, in 1901, to 56,729 last year; Richelieu \& Ontario also declined from 77, 105 to 34,457 . Dominion Iron and Steel made a leap from 19,356, in 1901, to 640,546 , in 1902, while of preferred, of which $23^{-}$ 768 were sold in 1901, 84,146 changed hands in 1902. Of Dominion Coal, common, 178,184 shares were sold last year, against 97,883 the year before, while preferred showed contrariwise, the number declining from

5,543 to 1,406 . Bank shares, naturally, do not show such active transfer as some of the other stocks, still they attracted at least as much interest last year as before, and it is a satisfaction to realize that the purchases along this line were generally for legitimate investment purposes.

## CLEARING HOUSE FIGURES.

The year 1902 exhibits a remarkable increase of commercial transactions, as reflected in the returns of the eleven bank clearing houses, in as many Canadian cities. No truer record of the volume ot business can be obtained than that of the bank clearing; ; and the year just past shows a greater increase than that of any previous year.

Montreal's business, as shown by iher clearings, was not as active by many millions in 1900 as in 1899 ; but the increase in 1gor over the precerling year was rearly one-fifth, while last year's clearings, \$r,094,000000 , exceeded those of 190 r by $\$ 198,000,000$, or say eighteen per cent.

Taking the city of Toronto, her clearings for a period of five years show continuous increase. Between 1898 and 1899, there is a growth of 14 per cent. Next year the increase was trifling; but in 1901 it was 18 per cent.; and last year the figures were $\$ 806,000,000$, as compared with $\$ 623,000,000$ in 1901, a growth of 23 per cent.

Of the smaller places, Winnipeg and Quebec show the most remarkable growth. The aggregate shows clearings of $\$ 1,574,000,000$ at eight clearing houses in 1900, as compared with $\$ 1,978,618,000$ at ten clearing houses in 1901, and with $\$ 2,537,220,000$ at eleven, in 1902. The great increases at Montreal and Toronto in the last two years have been in a large degree owing to transactions in stocks and shares in addition to the business arising from production, importation and carriage. We present a list of yearly totals :

Aggregate transactions at canadian clearing hQuses.

|  | 1900. | 1901. | 1902. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montreal | \$721,335,891 | \$895,612,398 | \$1,094,476,796 |
| Toronto | 513,629,628 | 622,361,921 | 805,881,130 |
| Winnipeg | 108,678,022 | 132,653,962 | 188,609,202 |
| Halifax | 77,276,420 | 88,533,965 | 87,359,418 |
| Hamilton | 40,240,919 | 42,439,108 | 45,672,053 |
| St. John | 35,493,952 | 39.381,897 | 41,507,196 |
| Vancouver | 45,459,722 | 47,103,318 | 55,225,765 |
| Victoria | 31,964,282 | 31,791,374 | 28,551,296 |
| Quebec | Not estab'ished | 49,912,897 | 71,430,958 |
| Ottawa | Not established | *28,827,774 | 95,409, 130 |
| London | . Not established | Not established | $\dagger$ †23,097,539 |
| Total <br> *Part | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,574,078,836 \\ & \dagger \text { Seven month } \end{aligned}$ | $\$ \mathrm{~T}, 978,6 \mathrm{r} 8,6 \mathrm{I} 4$ established. | \$2,537,220,483 |

## BUSINESS IN NOVA SCOTIA IN 1902.

In all lines of business the year just past seems to have been a good one. Members generally ot the wholesale houses speak of the year as having brought a good volume of business and better profits than ordinarily, because of the absence of bad debts. All through the year retail merchants have been able to
meet their obligations promptly, because industrial conditions have been better probably than at any time in provincial history, and money has had free circulation. So the year has evidently been a satisfactory one to retailers in the towns and country districts, because their collections have been good and they also have sustained but few losses.

Quite a number of Halifax wholesale firms have enlarged their business during the year and there seems to be a steady regaining of the trade which was lost years ago, when Quebec and Ontario got better connection with these provinces, and sent their travellers into what was the natural territory of Halifax houses, which were at that time almost, if not entirely, without travelling representatives. But Halifax houses have a keen appreciation of the travelling man to-day, and their methods being entirely modern and prudent, they are regaining the ground they once lost. This is particularly true of dry goods houses, whose plan of encouraging retailers to buy in small lots, as required at frequent intervals, has been very successful, the retailers following this plan being able to keeptheir stocks fresher and to keep down dead stock to a minimum. There seems to be a disposition, too, for retailers to go in for shorter credits and take discounts, a prudential movement, which has been encouraged by the freer circulation of money.

The chief drawbacks to business in Nova Scotia this year have been the comparative failure of fruit crops in the Annapolis Valley and the unsatisfactory fishing season. These have had a tendency to make trade dull in the Valley and along the western shore, but in the eastern part of the province and in Cape Breton, also in Prince Edward Island, which is supplied largely by Halifax houses, conditions have been so uniformly good and of such an important character that the unsatisfactory characteristics of trade in the other ports have been more than offset.

Christmas trade at retail was exceedingly good in Halifax, though the richer people seemed content to buy cheaper goods than is customary, but of a kind that seemed to show more for the money. Other buying, however, was extremely good, and on the whole the volume and total value exceeded last year's business. Many of the Christmas window displays were very attractive.

Meantime, there has been a very good December trade among Halifax wholesale houses. The cold snap early in the month started the sale of warm goods and occasioned a heavy run on wholesalers and many repeats. The boot and shoe trade experienced a heavy demand for the same reason, and much of the business that would have fallen on Christmas week was done earlier, to the satisfaction of both wholesale and retail men, for Christmas week creates such a rush usually that many sales are lost under ordinary circumstances. The grocery trade, of course, pursures the even tenor of its way. The hardware trade is for the present rather quiet. Travellers from all the wholesale houses start out immediately after the New Year.

The early snow created activity in various trades, and would have been very beneficial also to the lumbering business of the province had other conditions
been favorable, but the swamps and lakes ankl streams had not had an opportunity to get frozen, nor the ground to get properly hardened, so that the winter hauling of logs could not be prosecuted to any great extent. And now things are in a worse state, for the snow has come and gone two or three times, and the soft weather coming in between the cold snaps has been very detrimental to the industry's proper prosecution. Still, the weather has probably not been any more unfavorable than in previous seasons, and there is still plenty of time to make up. Had the ground and swamps been well frozen, however, when, the first snow came, the industry would have had a better send-off than it has had for many years.

## THE FIRE LOSS OF 1902.

The present year has not been a very unfavorable one in the matter of fires, compared with previous years. In the year 1899 the fire losses in Canada and the United States amounted to $\$ 136,773,200$, in 1900 the aggregate losses were $\$ 163,362,250$. while in 1901 they increased to $\$ 164,347,540$. With a favorable loss ratio for December, fire underwriters will fare reasonably well in 1902. The combination of increased rates and reduced losses ought to enable them to show a fair profit. The December figures are not out yet, but we give the New York Journal of Commerce figures for eleven months. The following table shows the losses of eleven months for three years:

|  | 1902. | 1901. | 1900. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | \$15,032,800 | \$16.574,950 | \$11,755,300 |
| February | 21,010,500 | 13,992,000 | 15.427,000 |
| March | 12,056,600 | 15,036,250 | 13,349,200 |
| April | 13,894,600 | II, 352,800 | 25.727,000 |
| May | 14,866,000 | 22,380,150 | 15,759,400 |
| June | 10,245,350 | 9.590,000 | 21,281,000 |
| July | 10,028,000 | 15,740,000 | 13,609,100 |
| August | 7,425,550 | 8,334,000 | 10,298,250 |
| September | 9,945,000 | 7,645,200 | 9,110,300 |
| October | 9,593,300 | 14,749,900 | 7,107,000 |
| November | 10,546,650 | 13,473,400 | 11,420,700 |
| Total | \$134,644,350 | \$148,868,650 | \$154,844,250 |

## MORE ABOUT THE ANDERSON BANK.

On another page will be found some comments on the recent meeting of creditors of the Anderson Bank at Oakville. Since then it has transpired that there is a chance of a considerable portion of the missing money being accounted for by tracing it back previous to 1895 . The following subsidiary statement will show the position of affairs as it stands to-day, and we insert it the more readily because there would appear to have been some misunderstanding in the public mind regarding the real meaning of the figures as before presented.

To be accounted for-

| Deposits | 6,000 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Due to bank | 79,000 |
| Cash capital, Palmerston | 25,000 |
| Cash capital, Oakville | 12,000 |
| Real estate, Oakville, say |  |

$\$ 303,000$

## Against which we have-

Paper held by Bank account, Oakville.............. $\$ 42,000$
Paper held by Bank account, Palmerston .......... $5_{51,000}$
Real estate, Palmerston ............................ II, 300
Real estate, Oakville ...................................... 31,000
Book accounts
3,600


It will be noticed that the losses on stocks as accounted for now are already larger than in original estimate, and this item may grow. It appears that the income from the business was about $\$ 3,600$ per year. The three brothers drew, all told, $\$ 2,400$ per year, and their expenses were about $\$ 500$, which would make the outgo of office $\$ 2,900$, leaving a surplus of only $\$ 700$. The real estate had previously been managed by the other sons, who drew any profit that might accrue therefrom, and this did not go into the business. It may also be stated that some of the collaterals hield by the Bank of Hamilton are endorsed by C. W. Anderson personally, which would enable the bank to make a good claim on the real estate covered by the mortgage, even if no mortgage existed. The reason that the mortgage was not registered, it now transpires, was because Anderson did not wisi it, as his farm had been in the family without encumbrance since I812.

## THE FAILURE LIST.

R. G. Dun \& Co.'s compilation of failures shows a continued improvement. Last year the number of commercial failures throughout Canada was 1,1or, banking failures 6 , as compared with the previous year when there were $1,34 \mathrm{I}$ commercial and one banking, and in 1900 when there were 1,355 commercial and 6 banking. The total liabilities involved, however, do not show such a decrease. In 1902 they were $\$ 10,934.777$ in commercial, and $\$ 269,000$ in banking failures, whereas in 1901, the commercial liabilities were $\$ 10,81 \mathrm{I}, 67 \mathrm{I}$, and the banking $\$ 600$. Included, last year, under the head of commercial failures are liabilities of manufacturing concerns for $\$ 4,247,723$, trading, $\$ 6,221,017$, others, $\$ 466,037$. For the previous year these figures were respectively $\$ 3,505,095$, $\$ 6,845,329$ and $\$ 37 \mathrm{I}, 247$. The following table gives a comparison of commercial failures by provinces:

|  | No. Failures. |  |  | Liabilities. |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Province. | 1902. |  |  | 190I. | 1902. |

The banking failures referred to were five in Ontario with total liabilities of $\$ 69,000$, and one in Quebec with liabilities of $\$ 200,000$.

## POULTRY.

The recent experiences regarding turkeys, geese, chickens, in fact, all classes of poultry should be an object lesson to Canadian farmers. Too often in the past the feathered tribe have been relegated to a back place as regards the attention which they receive and the importance attached to them. Yet during the last three weeks buyers have been rushing around trying to obtain good birds at almost any price-and trying oftentimes in vain. Turkeys during the Christmas season were very scarce, and some of the large corporations, both in Toronto and Montreal, were obliged to forego the usual treat to each employee of a turkey for Christmas Day. Choice birds sold readily at 14 to 15 c ., and
ordinary frozen stock fetched 13 c. to 14 C ., and sometimes more without much difficulty; young chickens were about in the same position, and we have heard of a few isolated cases in which farmers actually received 75 c . per bird. Of course these were extra fine, but it goes to show what customers are prepared to give in order to get what they want. It goes to show too that it emphatically pays for the farmer to devote a large part of his time to the raising of fancy stock. It requires more care and more skill to raise such quality, but no item of his daily work would pay better.

Apart, too, from the local demand in Canada for good poultry, which appears to be increasing, there are big possibilities in the way of the export trade. Last year, Canada's exports of poultry to Great Britain amounted to $\$ 238,047$, as against only $\$ 18,992$ six years ago. But this is merely a drop in the bucket. Were the supply regular, more to be depended upon, the demand for the Canadian product would be found to increase almost automatically. We believe that owing to the very keen demand at home, comparatively small quantities of poultry left for England this Christmas, and it was, of course, better to sell in the domestic market, but had there been a surplus, and had it been shipped there, probably good prices would have been realized. At all events, farmers should realize what profits are possible in the business and should devote all care to the producing of high grade, well-finished birds.

## OUR HALIFAX LETTER.

Some transportation matters of importance have recently come up in Nova Scotia. One of these is the final settling of the steamship service along the western shore by giving the contract to a St. John firm under subsidy from the Dominion and two provincial governments. Another matter of interest in this connection is the proposal to build a new trunk line from Digby to Sydney, the motive being to give the "iron city" more direct connection with New York by providing a steamer service between Digby and some port in Maine that has railway connection. Looking at the map our readers may see that this will make a very direct line. In this connection The Monetary Times has said something already about the making of Digby into an ocean port. It would seem that this attractive little town has a future of some consequence before it. Another railway line that is much needed is one to connect Truro with Parrsboro following the north shore of Cobequid Bay. If this railway should be built, and the proposed railway to Brule on the Northumberland Strait, Truro will loom larger than ever as a railway centre. The desired Truro-Parrsboro line would pass through a very populous country, and one that contains much valuable farming land worked by people who are in a very prosperous condition.

The Truro-Parrsboro proposition is one that should interest Halifax people, for it may offer a solution to one of the difficulties of the port. It is manifest that if Halifax is ever to handle much of the export trade of Canada, the grades of the Intercolonial Railway must be made much easier and the curves must be widened considerably. In order to reduce the cost of haulage, railways elsewhere have had to do this sort of thing. Now, from Truro to Amherst the I. C. R. has very heavy grades over the Cobequid mountains, and the expense of taking freights over that portion of the line is very heavy. This would be obviated by building a loop that would serve the country between Truro and Parrsboro, the loop consisting of the proposed new line, a portion of the Cumberland railway, and a piece of new railway from a suitable point on the Cumberland railway to a point in the neighborhood of Athol on the main line of the I. C. R. This would probably coincide very closely with the original survey of the I.C.R. between Truro and Amherst, and would greatly cheapen the cost of transportation through that part of the province. When the Quebec bridge is completed, and certain rail connections west from Quebec are finished, there ought to be considerable quantities of orain to come through to Halifax in the winter months. If so, in order to carry it
economically the I.C.R. would have to be improved at several points as suggested. The above sketch shows how it could be improved at one point where the connection is very badly needed.

The success of the Labrador fishing this year, and the consequent demoralization of many of the export markets for fish has created a rather unsatisfactory condition in the fish business, but exporters are hopeful of a present revival. At least the situation is not causing them excessive worry, and while they do not say the situation is bright, they regard it all right and the outlook as fair. The Lunenberg people have been able to get better prices for their bank fish than was first thought could be maintained, and they have been able to do this because they can afford to hold their stocks if people do not feel disposed to buy, and their feeling is consequently very firm. It was thought the price would be down to $\$ 3$ by this time, but the prices range from $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.40$, and very strong at that.

The Monetary Times recently spoke of Amherst as a busy and prosperous Nova Scotian town. This place has just been the scene of a very successful winter fat stock show, an institution which was started last year, and is bound to have a very beneficial influence upon maritime stock raising. The fair has very suitable buildings, and at the show just ended the entries were very numerous, showing a large increase over last year, and in all departments many improvements were noticeable. It is quite fitting that so enterprising a town should be the scene of the annual competition of people engaged in what ought one day to be a very important Maritime industry. Amherst is destined to be a manufacturing centre of importance. In addition to the industries mentioned in these pages a fortnight ago, still another is promised in the Maritime Heating Co., which will seek incorporation with a capital of $\$ 100,000$, and is to undertake the production of the hot water heaters at present manufactured by the Robb Engineering Company.

Among other towns that have of late shown signs of enterprise might be mentioned Windsor, the historic seat of the oldest university in the Maritime provinces. Just before the Christmas holidays the townspeople inaugurated a Merchants' Day, arranging railway excursions, with the result that many people from the surrounding country visited the town and made heavy purchases. This is the sort of activity that gives a town reputation and helps its business.

## NEW MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS.

The idea of municipal ownership showed last Monday that it was not losing ground. Listowel ratepayers voted in favor of taking over the electric light and waterworks, and those in Belleville in favor of the city council taking over the waterworks management. Guelph has decided to buy out the Light and Power Company. Many by-laws were passed to assist in the establishment of various industries. Brussels will loan $\$ 5,000$ to Lotteridge Bros. to start woolen mills. Waterloo, Ont., voted $\$ 5,000$ to Schierholtz \& Co. to help in building an upholstery factory, besides a free site and exemption from taxes for ten years. Dunnville expressed its willingness to loan J. D. Pennington, of Dundas, $\$ 15,000$, in order to start a refrigerator and wood working factory. Port Hope will raise $\$$ ro,000 to assist the Standard Ideal Sanitary Company. Markham Village will exempt the Lount Brush Handle Works from taxation. Belleville ratepayers decided to give the balance of the $\$ 50,000$ bonus, viz., $\$ 30,000$, originally granted to Messrs. Abbott \& Mitchell for rolling mills, to T. M. Kirkwood, in instalments of $\$ 5,000$ per year, provided he rolls 7,000 tons of iron or steel yearly; should his production be less than this, the bonus will be reduced pro rata, but he must turn out 3,500 tons for a minimum. On the other hand the bonus and exemption system was declared against at some places. Windsor for example voted against exempting the Erie Tobacco Company from taxation, and Peterborough defeated a by-law to exempt J. Turner \& Sons' proposed fuel yard. Several towns are going to put in civic improvements. Beaverton will build a new town hall; Godcrich is to have a public library. Collingwood will improve
its harbor, and Peterborough decided to spend $\$ 20,000$ for permanent improvements..

## NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN MATTERS.

Since writing you last, there is not much improvement to report in the state of affairs in Australia. Business is still sery quiet, and ordering is done from hand to mouth. The drought, however, seems to have broken up at last, and good soaking rains are coming down over a very large area. If this had happened some months ago, it would have done a world of good to the various crops, but now it is too late, and only the pastoral lands will profit by it.

With regard to the havoc the prolonged drought has caused in New South Wales alone, some interesting figures are given by Mr. Carruthers, leader of the Opposition, from which I take the following:

Loss in Sheep and Cattle.-There will not be $20,000,000$ sheep left, that is to say, we will only have a third of the number that we had a few years ago. The value of the sheep that are left, allowing for the better price obtainable now. represents a loss of $£ 8,000,000$ to $£ 10,000,000$. In addition to that, there has been a very serious loss of large stock.

Loss in Agriculture.-No doubt the grain harvest will not exceed $3,500,000$ bushels. As the requirements for food amount to $8,000,000$ and for seed to $2,000,000$ bushels, there will be a shortage of $6,500,000$ bushels. The estimated wheat yield of the other States is about 12,500,000. Their food and seed requirements are about $20,000,000$ bushels, showing a shortage of $7,500,000$ bushels, which, added to the New South Wales' shortage, is $14,000,000$ bushels. Those figures refer to consumption under ordinary circumstances, but if bread gets dearer, consumption will fall, and the shortage will drop to about $11,000,000$ bushels.

Increase in Prices of Necessities.-Milling wheat, 1900, 2s. 7 d . to 2 s . 8 d . per bushel; 1902, 5s. 7 d . per bushel. Flour, 1900, £6 to £6 10s. per ton; 1902, city roller, £II to £II 10s. per ton. Maize, prime grain, 1goo, prime grain, 3 s . per bushel; 1902, prime river feed, 5s. 6d. to 5 s . 9d. Oats, prime New Zealand, 1900 , 2 s . Id. to 2 s . 2 d . per bushel; 1902, prime New Zealand, 3s. 8d. to 3s. 9d. Oaten hay, local, 1900, prime, £ ${ }_{3}$ to $£_{3} 5 \mathrm{~s}$. per ton; 1902, oaten hay, (local), prime, £7 per ton. Chaff, local extra prime, 1goo, local extra prime, $£_{3} 6 \mathrm{~s}$.; 1902, chaff, (local), market bare, Melbourne medium, £6 5 s . to £6 ros.; Adelaide, average quality, £6 10s. to £6 15 s .; extra prime (scarce), £7 to £7 2 s .6 d . Beef, 1900, about 24s 6d. per 100-lb.; 1902, 44 s . per 100-lb. Sheep, 1900, best merino wethers, 14s. 6 d . to 15 s .6 d. ; 1902, best merino wethers, 15 s .6 d . to 2Is. 3d. Butter, 1900, finest creamery and factory, 9 d . per lb .; 1902, prime factory, iod. per 1 b .

In some of the country towns half the shops are closed. In parts of the interior the settlers, large and small, are leaving their homes and temporarily abandoning their holdings until a change comes. The water supply for domestic purposes has become exhausted in many places. It is absolutely impossible that this state of affairs can continue without some assistance being rendered.

In face of this, in the most affected States an agitation is set on foot to get the duties on fodder and breadstuffs suspended. This matter, according to the constitution, has to be decided by the Federal Parliament, and unfortunately, Parliament has been prorogued for thirteen months, consequently there is a difficulty in bringing this measure into effect. Sir Edmond Barton, the Federal Premier, is said to have given as his opinion, that no whisper would be heard from the Federal Government in case the different States would act in this matter independently. This caused the ire of the South Australian Premier, who wired a sharp rebuke to the Federal Premier, saying, that if such important questions were treated in this way, Federation was a farce, etc. (South Australia is the only State which has something to spare and wants to make the best of it); meanwhile the fodder and breadstuffs' prices are going up, and the droughtstricken pastoralists are at their wits' end how to keep the
remaining stock alive. The welcome rain, however, will do a lot of good, and may avert the worst.

The Sydney and Melbourne dry goods houses, who are mostly over-stocked, are trying to dispose of their surplus in New Zealand at slaughtering prices, which naturally must lead to a glut in this market.

Australia also sends hundreds of her unemployed to these shores, which influx is already gladly felt in several trades, and induced some municipalities to pass resolutions to employ at public works their own citizens only. Though the building trade for private account is pretty brisk right through New Zealand, there is not sufficient work to employ all newcomers. The outlook for labor is consequently not too bright in the near future.

Last week the general elections took place; the result was a foregone conclusion, the Seddon Government going in again with an overwhelming majority. At the same time a local option poll was held, which caused great public interest. The result was that many towns and country districts went in for prohibition and some for reduction of licenses, and a great number of hotels will have to shut up by the first of June next. Some of the hotelkeepers will be very hard hit, as no compensation is given.

The prohibition party was well organized throughout, and naturally largely supported by the female vote, and feels confident to carry total prohibition throughout New Zealand at the next poll, which takes place in 1905. Under these circumstances, it is no wonder that hotel property is at a discount and that the trade feels very uneasy. What New Zealand's fairly thirsty population will do when all the pubs. are closed is a matter for conjecture, no doubt the tourist traffic, of which so much is expected for the future, will dwindle down and many trades connected with the hotel trade will suffer very badly.

The liquor trade itself I don't think will be very much affected, as many persons will lay in a stock who formerly slaked their thirst at an hotel bar. It is true that many of the hotels were badly managed, and this induced moderate drinkers to vote for prohibition who are now, however, appalled at the result, and will most likely vote the other way in 1905.

Personally, I am ot opinion that if New Zealand could do away with the pernicious barmaid system, and if some attention were given to the subjugation of the gambling spirit, which pervades young and old here, many of the now prevailing evils would soon be things of the past. On the 9th of last month the steamer "Elingamite," regularly trading between Sydney and the east coast of New Zealand, struck a rock off one of the King islands and foundered in about 40 fathoms of water, within twenty minutes. About 170 of the 200 passengers on board were saved or found drowned, but one boat containing about thirty passengers and crew has not been heard of since, and is considered to be lost. This terrible catastrophe has cast a gloom over the whole of Australasia. An enquiry into the cause of the disaster is proceeding at Auckland, and watched with keen interest. Whatever may be the result of the enquiry, one thing is certain, captain, passengers and crew behaved splendidly during the trying experiences, and if anyone may be found guilty of negligence, this certainly will be taken into consideration when meting out punishment.

Dunedin, N.Z.,
Th. de Schryver.
12th December, 1902.
Whilst writing the above, news comes from Melbourne, that the Federal Cabinet has declined to entertain the remission of the fodder duties.

It is pointed out that any measures taken by the Commonwealth must extend to the whole community, and not merely to two States (New South Wales and Queensland), which are desiring the remission, otherwise it would be against the spirit of the constitution, and unfair to the people of the other States. After expressing deep sympathy with the sufferers, the Ministerial Minute says: "If it rests on us alone to offer some relief, we should rely upon our knowledge of the humanity of the Federal Parliament for its endorsement."

SELECTIONS FROM OUR FRENCH CONTEMPORARIES.

In Montreal it is at the city hall the peopie find sensations, spicy ones, it is true. The public, especially the commercial public, gets sensational facts for its money if it does not get civic improvements. However, all this cannot last a long time now; and we are absolutely of the same opinion with the aldermen who are calling for the appointment of a royal commission which shall once for all winnow our municipal affairs. The tax-payers need to be informed and reassured not alone as to the integrity of their representatives in the council, but also as to the honesty of their servants in the various departments of the city's work, and the system of administration carried on in them: for in truth, events which have lately transpired have caused an anxiety which is not difficult to understand. The public is generally inclined, in such circumstances, to accuse all its servants; and a royal commission would prove much to the purpose in deciding frankly the responsibilities incurred.-Moniteur de Commerce, Dec. 26th, 1902.

Le Prix Courant has an article addressed to storekeepers, which makes some suggestions that might be worth heeding. For one thing, it asks why so many merchants permit the walls of their premises to be covered, perhaps the whole wall painted, with announcements or pictures respecting articles which sometimes they keep in stock and sometimes do not. Still further, it goes on to say, the insides of shops are plastered all over in the same way. "An advertising company uses both the inside and outside of shops for announcements in the shape of affiches, placards, pictures, to catch the eye." "The first reflection which should come in to the mind of a shrewd merchant is this: If the inside of my shop is a desirable place for somebody else to advertise wares in, it ought to be worth at least as much to me for the same purpose. Second reflection: If a company offers me 50 per cent. of what the vacant space around my shop would rent for, i.e., for advertising purposes, why should I virtually give away to it the other fifty per cent. of space which those persons might pay who have their advertisements strung round my 'shop ?" The conclusion of the writer is that merchants should not hastily sign an agreement, as some have done, by which they give all their wall space to 'some advertising company to the exclusion of other advertisers.

A pretty cover, on unusually good paper, characterizes the 55 page Ho'iday Issue of the Quebec commercial weekly. La Semaine Commerciale. It contains advertising in four colors, sometimes on colored paper, and portraits of well known Quebeckers, among whom are the Messrs. Alphonse and Ernest Dussault, the present proprietors of the tobacco house of B. Houde \& Co., and Mr. Wm. McWilliam, the confectioner. The editorial utterance headed "I902-1903" expresses the conviction-we translate somewhat freely-that what is to be desired at this juncture is that our rulers should understand "that the development, the progress, and the success of our national industries resides essentially in prudent protection by means of a fiscal tariff raised against ruinous competition from products of foreign industry; that it resides further in the rapid settlement of the country by means of iron roads, and by our immediate and permanent improvement of the principal waterway of the continent, the St. Lawrence River; also in the making of a reciprocal commercial treaty with the United States, our natural market ("notre marché natural"); and lastly in the establishment of fast lines of steamers between Quebec and Liverpool."

## INDUSTRIAL NOTES.

The Mineral Range Iron Mining Company, of Mayo township, Ont., are about to construct an electric railway from L'Amable to their magnetic iron property, to be operated by power procured near the latter. They also propose to erect a large concentrator.

The manufacturers of shovels and spades in Canada have made a reduction in price to meet the competition from Great Britain and the United States. Instead of a discount of 40 and 5 as formerly, they have made the discount 45 per cent. off list prices.

It is announced that D. L. McKinnon, of Sudbury, Ont., and other capitalists have purchased the Belleville Iron and Steel Rolling mills, which have been closed down for two years, and will ba used for the manufacture of bar iron and steel, horseshoes, cut nails, railway spikes and washers, Bellevilie's citizens will shortly vote on a by-law to raise $\$ 30,000$ for a bonus to assist in the resumption of operations at these mills.

All hail to the philosopher of the B. F. Goodrich Company, of Akron, Ohio. The company makes and sells rubber goods in inconceivable variety; the philosopher makes stories, essays, witticisms, and sends them to his friends and admirers. But he, or they, do more, they send out occasionally very beautiful pictures, usually of strikingly handsome women. one, entitled "Aida," life size, has just reached us. It shall be framed and hung up in the library with its predecessors. If we had known of this picture before Christmas at least two of them should have been bought by this writer, who does not know of any thing so fine for the money.

## INSURANCE NOTES.

It is stated that the Provident Savings Life Company closed 1902 with more than $\$ 26,000,000$ of new business. The marked success of this company is attributed in no small measure to the aggressive policy of its officials, as well as to the attractive features of its policies.

We are pleased to observe that the National Life Assurance Co . is making some changes in the internal placing of its head offices in the Temple Building, which will be a decided improvement. By the new arrangement there will be much more room for the public in the business office. Excellent quarters have been provided also for the use of agents, which is something always to be desired if a life company would encourage its men.

It has dawned upon some of the fraternal societies that the very liberal prospects they have hitherto held out to members are not possible of realization. Hence we are not surprised to hear that the Dominion Council of the Royal Templars of Temperance meeting in Hamilton on December 3oth decided to discontinue the total disability department of the order, as being "not in accordance with the genius of fraternalism, and very difficult to administer." It is stated that after all liabilities in connection with the department are paid, the existing fund will be divided pro rata among the members.

The Peel Farmers' Fire Insurance Company have issued a calendar for 1903 different from the usual type. The engraving shows a barn on fire, but while the flames are rapidly consuming the building the farmer is out at the road-gate saying to a neighbor who has stopped to condole with him, "I'm all right, I've a policy with the Peel Farmers'." While the farmer in this case might be better employed trying to help the hired man to save some of the implements and stock from the flames the idea of using a calendar to impress a point is one that does not seem to have occurred to many who spend large sums every year for
this kind of advertising.

The careful selection of lives lies at the threshold of successful life assurance. At least this is the opinion of $T$. Bradshaw, F.I.A., as expressed in his presidential address before the Insurance Institute of Toronto in November. And Mr. J. W. Alexander, president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, in a recent address, referring to the selection of risks said: "This side of the management of a life insurance company is of the first importance.

A half million dollars in the death claims for one year in one of the largest companies may be saved by the application of wisely directed attention with far greater ease than one hundred thousand dollars can be saved in expenses."

It has been announced officially that the new paid-for business of the New York Life Insurance Company for the year 1901 exceeds $\$ 300,000,000$. The total in force, over $\$ 1,500,000,000$, shows a gain of $\$ 190,000,000$ over that of 1901 .

On Monday the ratepayers of Toronto decided by a vote of 5,613 against 2,702 , that a new boiler and engine for the waterworks should be purchased. When one learns that, on the same occasion, nearly 25,000 votes were polled for mayor and aldermen, it indicates the carelessness of twothirds of the electors as to measures of public safety that only 8,715 persons voted on the waterworks by-law.

For some months the manager's chair of the London Assurance Corporation in Canada has been vacant. We now learn that Messrs. William Qennedy and W. B. Colley were apponted by cable message joint managers for Canada of the corporation which they have been jointly managing since the resignation of E. A. Lilly, manager, who resigned in June last. Mr. Laurie, the manager, from London, Eng., visited Montreal in June last, and Mr. Case, the New York manager, visited Montreal in the fall, and both were so satisfied as to the joint control that the present managership appointment is the result.

It is pleasing to hear that the life companies have had a good year in the Dominion. The Canada Life, we are told, has broken all its previous records, both in amount of business issued and policies actually paid for. We are informed that F. E. Sherrill has been appointed manager for Western Pennsylvania, with offices at Pittsburg. C. Elvins has been transferred from Toronto to the Pittsburg office staff. The Canada Life Assurance Company began active business in Great Britain at the first of the year. A. D. Cheyne, who has had extended experience with two leading British companies, is manager of the branch, and C. J. Dixon, for many years in the company's investment Department at head office, holds the position of branch secretary. E. A. Roden, of the Canada Life, has been appointed secretary at the Cincinnati office. He was formerly at Philadelphia. The business of this company in Ohio has increased so rapidly that the state has been divided into two branches. Mark Davis, who wrote the company's first $\$$ roo,000 policy, takes charge of Southern Ohio with headquarters at Cincinnati, F. B. Carr continuing as manager at Cleveland. Its western business has grown so rapidly that a new branch embracing the Northwest Territories has been established under the managership of R. A. Darker, who has already done good work for the company. His headquarters will be at Calgary, and F. C. Lowes goes from head office as cashier.

## FOR GROCERS AND PROVISION DEALERS.

A recent report from London, Eng., stated that Canadian butter was still finding a good market at late prices. Canadian cheese still retained a fair market, although, like all others it was of a holiday character.

There is a scarcity, of salt in Toronto, and some other Ontario points. Shortage of cars is given as one reason, the heavy demand from the Northwest for another. And the usual quantities imported from England have this year not been so large.

The world's visible supply of coffee on Jan. I was $\mathrm{I}_{3,212,-}$ 775 , as against $13,217,901$ bags on Dec. I last, a decrease of 5,126 bags. land as against $\mathrm{r} 0,870,930$ bags the same time last year. The total supplies in Europe on Jan. I were 7,168,149 bags.

Last year the receipts of stock at the Toronto cattle market were considerably larger than in 1901. Cattle coming in last year totalled 197,408, an increase of I 2.8 per cent.; sheep, 163.078 , an increase of 15.4 per cent.; hogs, 170,152 , an increase of ro.9 per cent., and calves, 11,557, an increase of 34.6 per cent. The embargo last month seemed to have but little adverse influence on business.

The position of the potato market for some time past has been a peculiar one. In Ontario, the crop last season amounted to probably not more than 30 per cent. of the average, while in Quebec and some other parts it was equal
to normal. The result is that some districts which usually export have this year had to import and vice versa. Prices in Toronto are high-goc. to $\$ \mathrm{r}$ per bag in large lots. Many of the offerings in this market have come from Eastern Quebec, and transportation charges are high. Not only this, but farmers have been making light deliveries.
-The United States Steel Corporation have declared the usual quarterly dividend of 1 per cent. on the common and $133 / 4$ per cent. on the preferred. The financial statement issued this week shows net earnings, for the past year approximately $\$ 132,662,000$. From the net earnings deductions are made of $\$ 24,528,183$ for sinking funds, depreciation and reserve funds, and for a special fund set aside for depreciation and improvements; of $\$ 15,200,000$ for interest on bonds; of $\$ 3,040,000$ on sinking funds for bonds, and of $\$ 56,052,869$ for interest on the stocks. These deductions leave undivided profits amounting to $\$ 33,841,565$ for the year, applicable to increase depreciation and reserve fund accounts, for new construction or surplus. The cash on hand is $\$ 54,724$, ro6.
-A subscriber writes from Wyoming expressing appreciation of what was said by the Monetary Times about the Wanstead railway disaster. He is very severe upon the inadequacy of the railway telegraph service as exposed on that occasion, and makes the following suggestion: "Knowing that train despatchers hold, as we might say, the keys of life or death in their hands, not to mention property, should not the Government be charged with the examination and qualification of all parties trying for that most responsible job, and then be licensed accordingly or not as the case may be. The Government has to do with many other things, and I don't think there is anything more important on land than despatching railway trains."
-The British people are not satistred that they are as well off as other nations with regard to rates of cable telegraphy. Accordingly, Mr. Henniker-Heaton decided last month to ask the Postmaster-General whether his attention has been called to the fact that the cost of cable messages from London to the Gambia is 3 s . 6 d . per word, to Sierra Leone 4s. 6d. per word, to the Gold Coast 5s. 8d. per word, to Lagos 6 s . 3d. per word, and to Nigeria 6s. 4d. per word, all English Colonies on the West Coast of Africa; while from France to the following French Colonies, also on the West Coast of Africa, viz, Senegal, Conakry, Ivory Coast, Dahomey and French Congo, the charge is only one franc per word. It appears that these colonies are only from roo to 150 miles distant from the English colonies. The P.M.G. will also be warned that the English cable companies are trying to arrange with the French companies to raise their rates to these colonies. The question now is whether he will take steps to reduce the telegraph rate to the West Coast of Africa to the level of the rate from London to Cape Town.

## CLEARING HOUSE FIGURES.

The following are the figures for Canadian clearing houses for the week ended with Thursday, Jan. 8, 1903, compared with those of the previous week.

| Cities | Jan. 8, 1903 | Dec. 31, 1902 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Montreal... | \$22,914,000 | $\$ 12,507,187$ |
| Toronto | 23,434,279 | 12,238,249 |
| Winnipeg | 5,739,314 | 4,481,040 |
| Halifax | 2,296,484 | 1,464,822 |
| Hamilton | 1,139 475 |  |
| St. John.. | 1,679,626 | 711.412 |
| Vancouver | 1,163,834 | 801,201 |
| Victoria | 536745 | 416,913 |
| Quebec | 1,543,133 | 1,103,780 |
| Ottawa | 2.453,914 | 1,384,013 |
| London | 1,170,576 | 67\%,500 |
|  | \$64, ${ }^{1,71,380}$ | \$. |



## BRITISH JUDICIAL TESTS.

Witty and Wise Obiter Dicta by a London Police Court Judge.
Little more than twelve months after his retirement from the position of judge of the City of London Court, an office he had filled for a period of 42 years, Mr. Commissioner Kerr has passed away at his residence at Northwood, near Rickmansworth, at the ripe old age of 8 r . As a judge, Robert Malcolm Kerr was remarkable for the expeditious discharge of the business of his court-where, perhaps, the law's delays were less known than in any other-and for his scathing criticisms on legal usages, and not unfrequently on members of the profession practising before him. They were unconventional and unsparing to a degree unknown elsewhere. In a light and airy fashion he dealt with many a dispute which, in his opinion, ought never to have come into court at all; but none the less was he always ready to bestow a patient hearing upon any action that demanded serious consideration. Whatever off-handedness might seem to be betrayed in his "obiter dicta," he took his duties seriously and conscientiously. During the many years that he presided in the court he was but once late in commencing his duties, and that was on an extremely frosty day, when one of his horses fell on the street. Among some of his famous sayings in court the following may be recalled; the circumstances which evoked them may be conjectured:
"I am not here to lecture upon law; otherwise I should be here all day and night teaching the profession their business."
"King David said in his haste, 'All men are liars.' If he had sat here as I have for over forty years he would have said it in his leisure."
"The moment that you, a foreigner, land at Dover, you are supposed to know the whole law of England-which nobody ever knew."
"Always put everything into writing. Pens are cheap, ink is cheap, and paper is cheap."
"People contradict each other so much that by and by every commercial transaction will have to be reduced into writing. When you go to buy even a penny loaf you will have to take an order for it in "writing to prevent a contradiction arising."
"Men who have not any money always go about well dressed. They cannot afford to dress shabbily."
"I cannot help costs accumulating. Lawyers must live, you know. If you were to establish the doctrine that lawyers were only to get a commission on what they recover there would be no adjournments, no refreshers-no anything. People would be made honest then. It would be a sad thing for the lawyers, but that would not matter."
"Counter claims are an abomination, and are simply the modern substitute for the old dilatory and fraudulent pleas with
which the public were familiar forty years ago."
"I hope the system of giving credit for coals will be stopped. I pay for my coals 'down on the nail.' Why should not everyone else ? In fact, I would abolish credit altogether in this country if I could."
"A man who does not pay his debts ought to be made a social outcast."
"Never go to law under any circumstances. You had much better lose your money than go to law. As a rule, it only puts money into the pockets of the lawyers-the very worst form in which it can be spent."
"Have you not lived long enough to know that promises are made to be broken? If a man breaks one promise never believe him again."
"The man who promises to pay his debts never does it. The man who does it pays instead of promising."
"I will give you a hint which will be of service to you for the rest of your professional life as a solicitor. Always let evidence of prejudice go in without objection, because it does more harm to the man who imports it than to the person whom he tries to damage by the prejudice."
"Never sign a hire-purchase agreement. They are generally snares and delusions. In fact, never sign anything for the rest
of your life," of your life."

## BOOK NOTICES.

In its reviewing column, under the heading of "Commerce and Literature," Le Prix Courant, of Montreal, has the following in its issue of January and, respecting a story recently written by a young man of Toronto: "The ranks of commerce do not lack persons of culture, but it is rarely that a business man uses his pen for purely literary ends. We cannot but congratulate the rare merchants who form, in this connection exceptions to the rule. Mr. Ralph W. Hees, of the firm of George H. Hees, Son \& Co., has just published in John Murphy \& Co.'s Christmas and New Year's Annual, a delightful story, which we have read with marked interest. We are not aware whether The Newsboy's Christmas Eve is the first literary effort of Mr . Hees. We shall be surprised if it is, for a debutant does not write with such charming simplicity as he does. First appearance or not, we trust Mr. Hees will not withdraw from so prom. ising a course, and that we may again have the pleasure of noticing his writings."

## CONTRIBUTORY NEGLIGENCE.

While Attorney James Lindsay Gordon was waiting in the corridors of the County Court House recently for a negligence case in which he appeared to be called, he explained "contributory negligence" to an enquirer in the anguage of an old Virginia negro preacher.
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far behind, and he was manifesting no little uneasiness about it. Mild expostulation failed to accomplish results. Finally, one Sunday the deacons had had an unusually poor offering, and as the parson surveyed it, he said:
". 'De trouble wif dis hyuh church, brethren and sistern, am de contributory negligence of the congregation.'
"'Wha' yo' mean by dat, pahson?' enquired the senior deacon.
" 'I mean jes' what I sed,' repeated the parson, emphatically. 'When de plate am passed around nearly all of dem neglects to contribute.'"-New York Times.

## J. P. MORGAN'S EPITAPH.

Here rests his head, at last, upon his earth;
He now belongs to what he made his own;
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And God once more is running things alone.
-S. E. Kiser.

A NEW boat is being constructed at the Montreal canal basin to ply between that city and Ottawa. She will cost $\$ 20,000$, and will take the place of the 'Henry Bate.'

## Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Montreal, January 7, 1903.
Ashes.-Although the market for potash has remained very quiet, yet the undertone has been firmer on account of exceedingly small receipts, and prices are somewhat higher with recent sales of first quality pots at $\$ 4.40$ to $\$ 4.45$, and seconds at $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 3.80$ per 100 lbs . The market for pearls is dull at $\$ 6$ to $\$ 6$.io.

Cement and Firebricks.-The demand for cement is slow, as is usual at this season of the year, in consequence the market is very quiet and without any new feature to note, prices being steady. A fair trade is passing in firebricks. We quote: Belgian, $\$$ r. 95 to $\$ 2$. Io for standard brands; English, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.30$; German, $\$ 2.30$ to $\$ 2.45$; firebricks, $\$ 22$ to $\$ 25$.

Dairy Products.-The cheese situation becomes "increasingly bullish as time passes, and it now seems clear that buyers have nothing to gain by holding off. The market is strong, and prices have scored a further advance of fully $1 / 2$ c. per lb . on the week. There has been some enquiry for finest goods and $127 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. was bid for a round lot, but the holder turned it down, and the inside figure for such stock now is 13c. The stock of cheese here at present has also been materially reduced during the past month to 139,073 boxes, a decrease of $42,907^{\circ}$ and is away below that of last year at the same time. At Liverpool also they are only 64,000 boxes, against 70,000 boxes a month ago,
showing clearly that the consumptive demand has been more than equal to the month's receipts on the other side. The butter market has recorded no material change. Choice fresh creamery meets a good local demand at $221 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. to 23 c ., but for undergrades and held stock, business is dull and the tone heavy. Holders however hope to gradually work it off without having to submit to any material decline, because the winter make is generally admitted to be much smaller than last year. Values on this class of stock range from 20 c . to $2 \mathrm{I}^{1 / 2 c}$. per lb . The stocks in store here are figured at 43,073 packages creamery, and 14,357 dairy, a total of 57,430 packages, against 70,963 packages a month ago, a decrease of 13,533 packages.

Furs.-The past week has been a quiet one in this branch of the trade, but the season's business so far, on the whole, has been a fairly satisfactory one. The tone of the market for all skins rules very steady, and there is no change in prices to note. We quote for prime skins as follows. Beaver, large, $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6.50$; medium ditto, $\$ 4$ to \$4.75; choice black bear, large, \$17.50; medium, \$13; small, \$6.50; fisher, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$ for fine dark skins; red fox, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 4$, as to quality and size; silver fox, $\$ 100$ to $\$ 200$; cross fox, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 7$; wolverine, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 5$; lynx, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 9$; marten, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 7$; mink, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 4.50$; winter rats, io to 15 c .; fall ditto, 8 to IIc.; otter, $\$ 18$ for dark pelts, ranging down to $\$ 8$; coon, black No. I, $\$$ I. 50 to $\$ 2.50$ as to size; ordinary
dark, $\$ \mathrm{I}$ to $\$ \mathrm{I} .75$; skunk, $\$ \mathrm{I} .50$ for all black, other kinds, 20c. to \$1.io.
Groceries.-Business in this department of the trade has been generally quiet owing to the fact that retail dealers bought fairly liberally before the holidays, therefore they have ample supplies of most lines on hand for the present. The feeling generally in all staple lines has remained steady, and there is no change in prices to note. The demand for sugar has been slow at $\$ 3.80$ for granulated and at $\$ 3.15$ to $\$ 3.65$ for yellows per 100 lbs ., as to quality at the factory. Teas are quiet but firm. With reference to currants the Greece market holds very firm at the recent higher level, and with a good demand from the Continent and England a further advance in prices would not be unexpected.

- Hides.-There has been no change to note in the condition of the hide market, and business continues quiet. We quote $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for No. I beef hides; lambskins, 65 c each.
Metals and Hardware.- The trade in this line has continued quiet, and little activity is anticipated for at least another week or ten days yet. The tone of the market generally is firm for most lines, but values show no actual change. In regard to pig tin primary advices state that the speculative movement in it which manifested itself with increasing strength at the end of last week has continued with an access of vigor stimulated by advices of much higher prices in London.


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Groceries.-Under this heading there is little to say this week. Sugars remain as before, and there is comparatively little movement. Teas are stili quite active, under the conditions previously reported, and prices, especially for Ceylons, continue quite high.
Hides and Skins.-The quality of the hides coming forward now is so poor that the demand is suffering as buyers feel inclined to await developments. For lambskins the enquiry the last week has been a little brisker. The market is at present fairly strong. Calfskins are steady. A weaker market exists for tallow.

Fruit.-The past-Christmas lull is visible in this business, and things around the wholesale fruit warehouses are a little dull, though plenty of oranges, etc., are coming forward, which sell at fair prices. We quote: Oranges, Mexican, $\$ 2.50$ per box; Florida, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$; Valencias, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5$. California navels, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.25$; Jamaica, $\$ 5.50$; California lemons, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$; Messina, $\$ 3.50$; bananas, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 2.50$ per bunch; cocoanuts, $\$ 3.50$ per sack; cranberries, $\$ 9.50$ per bbl.; winter apples, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.50$; Almeria grapes, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$ per bbl. ; Lima beans, 7c. per 1 b .; onions, 65 c . per keg; Spanish, 70c. per case.

Fuel.-The state of the coal market is still very unsettled, and it only needs a real cold snap to show how unsatisfactory it actually is, though citizens have to a large extent calmed down. Latterly the arrivals of anthracite have fallen off and many merchants have practically none in hand. Prices are confusing, anything from $\$ 7$ to $\$ 9$ apparently being asked and given.

Provisions.-Dairy butter is coming in in fair quantities, but the quality of much of it leaves something to be desired. For extra choice qualities, the demand is very brisk. The market for cheese is firm at 13 to $131 / 2$ c. For eggs there is a good demand, and prices keep up. Poultry is not coming in very plentifully, but the demand has fallen off a little the last few days, and prices are easier. Hops are very firm without appreciable change in price. Prices for hog products are steady, but not a great deal of business is passing.

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