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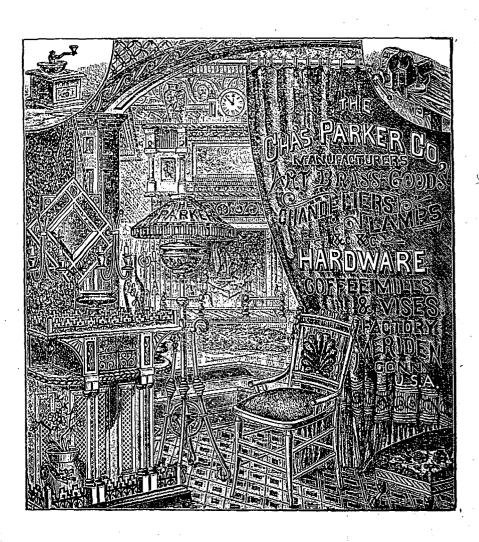
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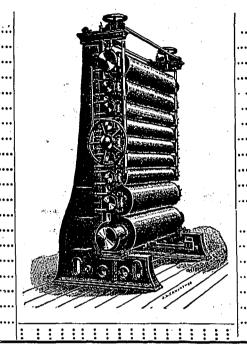
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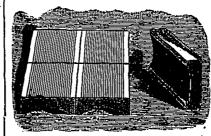
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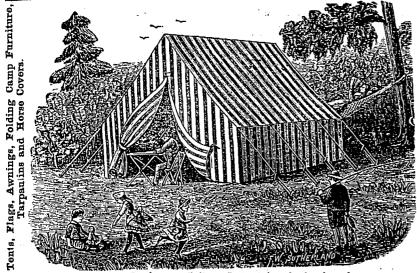
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| 6,000  | Peterboro 9,0,0   |
| 13,000 | Pt. Hope 5,500  |
| 9,000  | Quebec 75,000   |
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| 7,500  | St. Catharines 10,500   |
| 7,300  |   |
| 11,000 | Stratford 10,000  |
| 45,000 | Three Rivers 9.500  |
| 20,000 | Toronto 200,000   |
| 6,000  | Woodstock 9,000   |
| 32,000 |   |
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THE census of the United Kingdom, according to the estimate of the Registrar-General, shows a population of thirty-nine millions.

A strong committee has been formed in Winnipeg to promote immigration from Europe and the United States during the coming summer.

THE Chesley creamery have secured the promise of 1200 cows for this summer and are making extensive improvements in their buildings and machinery.

THE usual number of idiots are preparing to cross the Atlantic in dories, etc., this year. Unfortunately it is probable that some of them will be successful.

BUSINESS men in Ontario are petitioning the local legislature to provide a means for the better and more economical collection of small debts by process of law.

M. Tierney, a Hastings grocer, should have got on if any man should. He is spoken of as a close careful man, doing business under light expense, and yet we hear of his assignment.

MR. G. A. IRWIN, assistant secretary of the Montreal Board of Trade, has been presented with a handsome gold watch by the members of the Corn Exchange on the occasion of his approaching marriage.

The scaling steamer Neptune has arrived at St. Johns, N.F., with a catch of 32,000 seals. She reports that ten other vessels have secured 159,000 seals. A number of vessels have not as yet been heard from.

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A MEETING of the creditors of the wholesale hardware firm of Piche, Tisdale & Painchaud, of this city, has been held at which a committee was formed to deal with the expected offer of a composition by the firm.

Over fifty cars of potatoes have been shipped from Winnipeg to Chicago and St. Louis during March. The price paid is 30 cents, which is a higher figure than was given before the Mc-Kinley bill came into effect.

Losses in hay are given as the cause of the failure of R. Larocque, general storekeeper of Upton. He owned two farms, and did a fair store business, but speculation in hay last year wiped him out completely, and we now hear of his assignment.

A. McKeller, general storekeeper, of Glencoe, lost his license last spring, and since then his business has been falling off. He secured an extension from his creditors, but found it hard work to meet his payments, and the next thing we hear of is an assign-

HERBERT C. CAPEWELL has been arrested in Toronto on the charge of obtaining goods from John C. Watson & Co., of this city to the value of \$2,913, on false pretences. Capewell failed some four years ago; his estate paying about 25 cents in the

S. M. Dunn, general storekeeper of Weldford, N.B., has assigned. He has been doing a little too much of late, considering the smallness of his capital. He bought a wharf property and secured an interest in a sawmill. The next thing was a crop of bills of sale, which has been followed by an assignment.

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A. Desjardins, with liabilities of \$750, and O. Lahaye, who owes \$940.

D. Gingras, general storekeeper of St. Angele de Monnoir, started in business for himself in the fall of 1889 on the strength of a short experience as a clerk. He then had a capital of about \$1,000, and as he now assigns with liabilities of \$4,600 and assets nominally worth \$3,800 only, he has evidently made good use of his time.

THERE seems to be very little money in the retail boot and shoe trade in this city, if we may judge from the number of failures in its ranks. The latest is Mr. J. C. Parker who has just succeeded in compromising with his creditors on the basis of 55 cents in the dollar, payable in 4 and 6 months on liabilities of \$8,000.

J. B. Allen & Co., hardware merchants, of Toronto, succeeded the firm of Ross & Allen in 1885. They have since been controlled by one wholesale house and consequently have been making very little headway. Now they are endeavoring to effect a settlement with their creditors on the basis of 75 cents in the dollar on liabilities of \$4,000.

G. A. Laroche & Co., general storekeepers, of St. Romnald, have assigned. Laroche is a hotel-man who lost his license about three years ago, and then started a small general store in his wife's name with about \$1,000 capital. Having no experience he has necessarily run along until his means became exhausted, and then has taken refuge in an assignment.

JAMES PARK & Son, provision dealers, of Toronto, have assigned, and although the statement will not be put before the creditors until the 31st, it is believed the estate will turn out better than was at first expected. Both are honorable and hardworking

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men, and their failure arose simply from the fact that their bankers grew timid and shut down on them.

W. C. Van Horne, R. B. Angus, John Cassils and Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick have projected a spring trip over the Canadian Pacific, leaving in a few days. The pioneers, old and new, along our Pacific slope will doubtless receive them with the welcome due their wealth and station. Mr. D. McIntyre has been visiting Kentucky lately with an eye to the purchase of some fine horses to add to his stud in Montreal.

J. T. Hulse was looked upon in London, Ont., as a close saving man who had amassed means. He did a business in saw sharpening and general repairs that was believed to be fairly lucrative. Unfortunately he bought a pottery at Ealing and put his son in to run it. The young man appears to have run it straight into the ground, for we now hear of the assignment of the firm of J. T. Hulse & Son.

James Tigh, the insolvent auctioneer of this city, and his wife Annie Holden, who is registered as the sole owner of the business which he ran under the name of James Tigh & Co., have both been arrested at the instance of the curator of the estate. It appears some of the goods have disappeared bodily, while others have been sold without any returns being made to the owners. Bail was accepted for both prisoners.

E. J. Skelly, of Elmvale, who has just assigned, seems to have been as unlucky in the way of fires as he is versatile in his manner of making a living. He formerly kept a livery stable, but when he was burnt out in 1885 he gave that up, and branched out in the drug business. He was again burned out last October, and as his business was only a small one, and he was mainly in the hands of one house, it is perhaps not to be wondered at that he has made an assignment.

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THE proximity of Detroit, and the fact that there were two of them to live out of the business, may be looked upon as the causes of the failure of Kanady & Beson, grocers of Windsor. Both were clerks, and started early in 1887 on a small capital. They have not succeeded, and their stock, valued at \$2,200, is now advertised for sale.

Ir is not very much wonder that John Ritchie, jr., described as a real estate dealer, of Toronto, is in difficulties. In fact he is so poor a man of business that he may be said to have never made a success of anything he has yet undertaken. By trade he is a plumber; but he speedily branched out into civic politics. He became more or less prominent in municipal circles, was once an alderman, and used is civic influence to secure contracts, etc., and yet, after all, we have to chronicle his assign

Mr. Gosonen has refused to allow any rebate on the income tax to English insurers in American companies. He admits that insurers in English companies have an advantage in the rebate of income tax on premiums, but then these companies are obliged to pay income tax on their investments. American

companies on the other hand invest their money elsewhere and pay no taxes, and therefore their policyholders are not entitled to any rebate whatever.

THE number of farmers who seek to achieve success in the business arena, and end by losing what ready money they can raise, seems inexhaustible. Joseph Hebert, dit Lecompte, of St. Monique, is one of these enterprising individuals. He struck out the idea of keeping a hotel as well as running his farm, and the net result is that he now has to assign with liabilities of \$11,. 000: fortunately nearly all secured by mortgage.

MACKAY BROS, wholesale dry goods merchants of this city, have had an unpleasant experience. The Customs authorities notified them that they were paying an unusual number of rebates to one of their clerks, and when enquiries were made it was discovered that he had defrauded them to a considerable extent. His father made good the amount of his defalcation by handing over to the firm the deeds of a property valued at \$3, 000, and the young man has gone to the States to carve out a new career.

THAT gigantic monopoly, the Standard Oil Company, has begun a war on its principal competitor, the Manhattan, because the latter has gone into the refining business. The Manhattan has a large trade with manufacturers in Chicago, St. Paul, Cincinnati, Cleveland and other cities for crude oil fuel, and the Standard has cut the price of fuel oil to 20 cents a barrel, delivered anywhere. As both companies pay 30 cents a barrel at the wells for this oil, the result of the war resolves itself into a question of endurance.

THE New York Court of Appeals has decided that the endowment of a deceased member of a benevolent organization must go to his family and cannot be seized by his creditors. In the case in question Leopold Hafteneggen, a member of the Order of United Friends, died without a will and without designating to whom the endowment should be paid. A creditor who administered the estate demanded the \$1,000 from the Order, but it refused to pay on the ground that the endowment was for the widow and children, and not for creditors. The Court of Appeals upholds the Order's contention.

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A. L. Dent, a grocer of Woodstock, got an extension of 21 months from his creditors on certain conditions. Later on, they found out that he was raising money surreptitiously on chattel mortgage, and he was promptly arrested and brought before the

L. Moquin, a general storekeeper of Lake Megantic, is endeavoring to effect a settlement with his creditors on the basis of 25 cents in the dollar, cash, on liabilities of \$3,000. The man is by trade a botel-keeper. He had no experience in a general store, and yet he started in last March with a wretchedly small stock in the vague hope that he might prove a success somehow. As a matter of course he has proved a failure, and his creditors may be glad to receive back even a quarter of their

JOSEPH JAMES, dealer in actinolite roofing, cement, etc., of Bridgewater, was a well-known figure in this city some seven or eight years ago. In 1885 he started his present business with one Taylor as James and Taylor. In 1888 Taylor went out and shortly afterwards he sued James for an accounting. James responded with a counter action, and since then has always been more or less involved in law. This caused him to make a number of enemies, and resulted in injuring his business so much that he has been compelled to make an assignment.

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THE failure of F. X. Letourneau, chronicled in our columns last week, was the forerunner of that of J. & W. Reid, paper manufacturers of Quebec. Not that it is the first time the Reids have gone through the mill. They failed as far back as 1861 when they settled at 33 cents in the dollar and again in 1880 when 50 cents was accepted by the creditors. Shortly after, James Reid became sole partner, but although he manufactured paper for the Witness, made carpet felt, sheathing, and carried on a junk business, he could not make both ends meet. His paper mill at Lorette was a drag upon the firm, and then he was too much inclined to dabble in outside speculations in which he almost invariably lost money. His last act was to go into a foundry business with F. X. Letourneau and A. Gagnon, under the title of A. Gagnon & Co., and on the failure of Letourneau he had no recourse but to make an assignment at once.

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### Commerce.

MONTREAL, MARCH 27TH, 1891.

#### THE BANK STATEMENTS.

The bank returns for February usually are of less interest than other months. This year they reflect the stagnation caused by a general election which excited far greater attention amongst men of business than they as a rule give to this event, owing to the issue being one of momentous consequence to the manufacturers and merchants. While revisions of, and

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minor changes in our fiscal system must be made at intervals, it would be a serious hindrance to the development of our commerce if our traders had reason to fear that every four or five years a radical revolution might occur that would endanger capital invested in credit, machinery, and stocks. Amid the tumult of party warfare one party more important to the country than any other is apt to be pushed aside, the party composed of those who desire to mind their business and by so doing best further the welfare of the country.

The most noticeable feature in the returns is the continued depletion of deposits on demand to which we drew attention in December. These deposits sank in February \$1,820,526, and touched a lower figure than they stood a year ago. Since November last they have decreased \$2,300,000. Some portion of these funds, about half a million, were placed to be payable after notice during February. Since November the whole amount of decrease in call deposits has gone to swell those payable after notice, the totals for these two classes of deposits being the same for November and February last, within a few dollars. This transference of funds in the winter months from one class of deposits to-another-has-too frequently happened to have any significance.

What however is notable is that during the past year the deposits after notice rose close upon ten millions in spite of the competition of building societies and other public borrowers. The increase of circulation last month by \$264,000, although discounts shrank \$524,000, is doubtless attributable to withdrawals for election purposes, which left a mark also upon other items, as they did probably in some ballot-boxes. The banks as a whole are in a much stronger position than they held a year ago. In February 1890 the propor tion of their available assets to the sum of circulation and deposits on demand was 45 per cent; this year at same date it stood 50 per cent. The change arises chiefly from their foreign credit balances baving increased two and a half millions and their stock of specie and Dominion notes having gone up one million while liabilities on note issues and call deposits only advanced a trifle over one million.

It is of interest and of some importance to note how varied are the policies of the banks in this matter of available assets. We give below the proportion of such assets held by the principal banks to the gross amount of their circulation and deposits on demand as per last return :-

Bank of Toronto ... 34 p.c. Bank of Commerce 45 p.c. Dominion Bank.... 55 Ontario Bank ..... 42 Standard Bank .... 50 " Imperial Bank..... 52 " ... Bank of Hamilton. 29 "Bank of B. N. A.... 68" Bank of Montreal.. 90 " Banque du Peuple. 28 " Merchants Bank.... 46 " Molsons Bank ..... 24 Quebec Bank...... 19 Union Bank...... 35

The question is a very vexed one no doubt, but the

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The indications for spring business are favorable, but until our export trade has adapted itself to new conditions, and the trade policy of the government is settled, there are elements of uncertainty that call for much caution in our financing.

The usual comparative tables will be found elsewhere in this issue.

#### THE BEHRING SEA DIFFICULTY.

Ex-Minister Phelps has just contributed a valuable paper on the Behring Sea seal question to a leading American magazine, and, although we cannot altogether agree with his deductions, there are certain points to which he gives prominence which are well worth discussion. Mr. Phelps does not trouble himself with international law upon the subject. He takes rather a sportman's view of the difficulty, and argues more upon the basis of the natural right of a nation, or individual, to prevent injury to its own interests or to those of the whole world, than upon the question of the three mile limit. Some of his precedents have certainly a strong bearing on the case. He quotes the action of England in prohibiting vessels of any nationality from hovering within 24 miles of the island of St. Helena during the captivity of Napoleon the Great, on the ground that his escape would be a public calamity, and that therefore the ordinary three mile limit law could be safely disregarded, and he points out the fact that, in order to suppress the slave trade, Great Britain assumed the right, on public grounds, of seizing and searching slavers on the high seas. The surveillance of the pearl fisheries in the Indian Ocean, is another instance of British protection to a valuable industry outside of the three mile limit, and on the strength of these precedents he takes the wider ground of the right of the United States to protect its own property, and the interests of the world, beyond the threemile limit, even if no treaties or hereditary titles could be urged in justification. "There are three modes," he says, "by which this question can be settled. First, by putting a stop, without further discussion, to the depredations upon the breeding seals. Second, by conceding the right of foreigners to destroy the seal fishery. Third, by continuing to discuss abstract questions with Great Britain until the seals are destroyed, and the need of further discussion thereby obviated."

So far so good. We acknowledge that to shoot seals in the open sea where a large proportion of them sink and are lost, and where no discrimination can be exer-

cised in favor of females heavy with young, is both wasteful and indefensible. We can fairly go even beyond Mr. Phelps, and admit that seven out of ten socalled "Canadian poachers" are really American vessels flying the British flag from prudential motives, and that a schooner, owned in San Francisco, and carrying a mixed crew of Indians and Japanese, has really very little right to the protection of the Canadian ensign; but we cannot agree with his statement that a colony of seals making their home on American soil, and unable to exist without a home upon some soil, belong to the proprietors of the soil, and are a part of their property, and do not lose this quality by passing from one part of the territory to another, in a regular and periodical migration necessary to their life. even though in making it they pass temporarily through water that is more than three miles from land. is carrying the sportsman's argument a little too far. Suppose that we replied that, as wild duck make their home for breeding purposes principally on Canadian soil, that they belong to the proprietors of the soil, and ought not to be shot during their regular and periodical migrations to Southern waters? Or suppose the owners of the head waters and spawning beds of a salmon stream were to protest against the capture of salmon by the owners of the lower pools during the annual migration of the fish to and from the salt water? In each case they would have just as much right upon their side as the proprietors of the Prybilov Islands have to all the seals that resort to those beaches to rear their young.

It may be frankly admitted that the acts of the sealing schooners must be more or less injurious to the propagation of the fur seal; but whether the reduction in the number taken this year by the lessees is due to a fear of its extermination, or simply to a desire to corner the market and force up values, appears more doubtful. The employees of the fur-seal company The testimony of outsiders points assert the former. to the latter. The crew of the German sealing schooner Adele, who deliberately landed at the rookeries, and butchered what seals they required there, was to the effect that the number was greater than ever before, and that the barking of the male seals was absolutely deafening. None of the Canadian sealers ever did that. If they had, the cry of outraged America would have gone up to heaven. But the Adele was a German schooner, and the German vote is a factor to be reckoned with in the coming elections. Consequently there is not even a whisper about the German poacher, although the Canadian sealer who hunts seals on the high seas and never ventures within miles of the coast, comes in for the severest denunciation.

Were all American newspapers as calm and judicial in their tone as the Chicago Inter Ocean, we should have heard very little of the Behring Sea question. It is not a question of international right. It is simply a question of game preservation. Unless the present war on the fur seal be confined within proper limits this useless animal will soon be as extinct as the buffalo. But the proper way to attain this end is by an international agreement, and not by a deliberate violation of the law of nations. Seizures only bring about bad blood between the aggressor and those who are seized by force when in enjoyment of their legal rights; while an agreement as to the proper close time, or as to the number and character of the seals taken, would be cavilled at by no one. Let the three powers interested, England, Canada, and the United States, agree

upon a convention for the protection of the fur seal and we shall soon hear the last of the Behring Sea controversy. But if a policy of merciless seizure, and deliberate trampling upon Canadian rights, be inaugurated, possibly the results may be very different from those at present anticipated by the fur seal ring.

#### BEET SUGAR IN THE UNITED STATES.

The Chicago Inter-Ocean has been gathering information concerning the Beet Sugar industry. There are now three establishments manufacturing sugar from beet root in the United States, one in Nebraska, and the other two in California. The Inter-Ocean says it would require seven hundred factories equal to these to supply the home market with sugar. Each of the establishments cost at least half a million to put it in running order, and as each can conve t three hundred tons of beets daily at a cost of fifteen hundred dollars, and as the coal bill of each of them is about \$250 a day, and the daily wages with incidental expenses amount to about \$130 more, the possible magnitude of the beet sugar industry can, perhaps, be fairly well imagined. The United States purchase beet sugar from Germany to the extent of sixteen millions of dollars yearly. The German legislation in respect of the industry has contrasted favorably in the past with that of France; in the latter country the taxation tended to promote quantity of root, while in Germany it aimed at the largest possible production of saccharine matter. For many years the people of Germany consented to tax themselves to foster the growth of this great industry, which is now one of the most profitable in the In addition to the United States bounty of Empire. two cents, the States of Nebraska and Kansas offer bounties of from one to two cents per pound on all sugars raised within their limits. They are bidding evidently for a share of the profits that come from the sixteen million dollars worth of beet sugar imported annually from Germany.

### ILLEGITIMATE COMPETITION IN COUNTRY STORES.

It is unfortunate that the mutual dependence inseparable from commerce should cause the incompetence or speculative spirit of one man not only to injure his own chances of success but to militate seriously against the prosperity of the shrewdest and most conservative of his neighbors. Did the errors of a storekeeper simply jeopardize his own prosperity, his neighbors could regard his methods of doing business with comparative indifference; but, unhappily, as when a stone is flung into a pond, the wave of disturbance reaches in ever-widening circles to the limits not only of his own neighborhood but to the wholesale market whence he has drawn his supplies. All are more or less affected by his failure. In the locality, the dread of his bankrupt stock being suddenly sacrificed at below cost injures the prospects of others who strive to pay 100 cents in the dollar. In the supplying market, his failure weakens the resources of his wholesaler, injures the credit of his locality, and renders bank managers more chary of advances and induces them to scrutinize similar paper with greater severity.

Still worse is it if the business methods of the insolvent have been such, previous to his failure, as to injure directly the prospects of his immediate competitors. And, too often, this is the case. In his anxiety

to do business he may have cut prices so low that, in in order to secure custom, every other store in his locality may have been compelled to sell at prices which their own shrewd common-sense must have told them could not have been profitable. Yet they have no other course open to them. As the strength of a chain is that of its weakest link, so the ruling price of any locality is that fixed by the most reckless of its traders. Customers soon find out where they can get any one article at the lowest value, and to the consumer it matters little whether the price is one that must prove ruinous in the long run to the storekeeper, or not. All he wants is to get his goods in the cheapest The responsibility of fixing the price he market. leaves to the merchant. He is not to know what special advantages the latter may have. He may have secured the goods under unexceptionally favorable circumstances, or he may intend simply not to pay for them Either hypothesis will suffice. But to the trader who buys his goods at market value from a responsible house, and intends to pay every dollar of their cost, such competition as this is simply ruinous. He must, perforce, sell at the same price as his rivals, or lose his trade. It is useless for him to argue that the margin of profit thereby left is non existent. The customer replies that he can get the goods at such a price, and that he does not intend to pay any more, and consequently, unless the storekeeper will accept the same figure, he will deal elsewhere.

This is bad enough; but when, in addition, the reckless storekeeper proceeds to burn the candle at both ends by offering farmers higher prices for their produce than the market warrants, things become bad indeed. Farmers commence to quote his prices at once, and ask why it is that others cannot pay similar figures. They argue that he would not pay them if he was not making money. Perhaps he does a large, although unprofitable, business. His store may be crowded with customers seeking bargains, and farmers wanting outside figures for inferior produce. Everything looks bustling and business-like. He, himself, is perhaps a hustling, loud-talking, prosperous-appear ing merchant, who can give a glib reason for the manner in which he is doing business. He has exceptional advantages, both in buying and selling. He can afford to work on a closer margin than any of his neighbors, owing to the volume of his trade and the quickness of his overturn. Small profits, quick returns, and justice to the farmer, are his mottoes. He has contracts here, there, and everywhere. He is prominent in religious and social circles, and subscribes to everything from the organ fund to the missionary to Borriaboola-Gha. The other merchants wonder, helplessly, how he manages it. One day they know. Our enterprising hustling friend suddenly makes an assignment. shutters go up for a day, and then it is quietly announced that he has settled with his creditors at from 25 to  $40\,\mathrm{cents}$  in the dollar (spread over twelve months and unsecured) and that his whole stock is now offered for sale, at a corresponding reduction under cost price, to a confiding public.

The damage that a merchant of this class can do to his fellows in any locality can readily be estimated. How can an honest trader, buying his goods at market value and paying current prices for farm produce, compete with him on equal terms? It is impossible. The one intends to pay; the other does not. The one bases his calculations on the full cost of his goods; the

frightened into accepting. Can any fair competition exist between the two? Manifestly not. And yet the latter is the one who controls the trade situation. and the only salvation to the honest trader is the fact that it cannot last for long. Sooner or later the suppliers of the illegitimate trader awake to the fact that his account is going from bad to worse, and feel that the sooner his account is closed, no matter at what sacrifice, and the better it will be for them. But in the meantime the mischief has been done. People accustomed to cut prices growl at paying legitimate figures, and farmers who have been getting outside rates are reluctant to accept market value for their produce. They all sigh for the merchant who has been so generous at his creditors' expense, and cavil at the merchant who pays and charges only what he can afford. It is only human nature that they should; but, at the same time, it seems a pity that there should not be some legal recourse against such illegitimate competition and that the merchant who succeeds not only in causing severe loss to his creditors, but also to every other storekeeper in its vicinity, should not be amenable to the law. If he were, the weekly failure list would be a much smaller one than it is at present, and trade would be on a much sounder basis.

#### THE OCEAN CARRYING TRADE.

The outlook for the ocean steamship companies during the coming season cannot be deemed auspicious in any quarter of the globe, and Montreal is no exception to the general rule. Indeed, it looks as though the carrying capacity of the mercantile navies of the world were in excess of legitimate requirements; for thus only can we explain the existing keen competition and the consequent low level to which freights have fallen. If this be the real cause there can be no decided or lasting improvement until the laying-up of boats has become more extended, for although a number of the older boats have already been laid up in the various ports of the United Kingdom, many more must be taken out of commission before the evil is abated.

It is not only the "tramp" steamers and the smaller cargo lines that are suffering. The wealthiest and most powerful companies are also feeling the strain, as a glance at the standing of their shares in the stock list will prove. The shares of the Cunard Steamship Company are only quoted at 90, although that line has just declared a dividend of 4 per cent. The State Line has gone into liquidation. The National Line's shares are quoted at about 25, the Pacific Mail at 40, the New Zealand at 50, and the Royal Mail, African and General Steam Navigation at about 65. The Peninsular and Oriental forms an exception to the prevailing rule, but then they enjoy a monopoly of higher lucrative business and have large accumulated profits invested in tonnage. Most of the smaller lines also find their shares quoted under parl; for although there have been spurts of good business and improved earnings, on the whole the ocean carriers have made but little money for some years past.

In no line of business is the survival of the fittest so plainly marked as in the shipping trade. No matter how unprofitable the business, or how small the earnings, every one of the large lines must be continually adding new and more expensive vessels to their fleet or they will lose traffic. Passengers crowd the newer, swifter, and better appointed steamers (even at other intends to pay as little as his creditors can be higher prices) and neglect those very boats which but a year or two ago were, in their turn, popular favorites. A fast ocean steamer will carry out hundreds of passengers when a boat but a few hours slower on the trip can secure only tens. And then the demand for luxurious and novel features is every day increasing. The modern passenger looks for a floating palace hotel, and demands comforts and conveniences undreamt of a quarter of a century ago. This all calls for extra expense on the part of the owners, and, as the tendency of passage rates is generally downwards, it forms another source of loss to the shareholders.

This excessive multiplication of sea-going steamers of large size and great speed has increased the demand for stevedores and ship-laborers in order to load and unload them with sufficient swiftness to render them profitable, until the result has been a series of strikes which, although as yet only partially successful, have nevertheless caused serious loss and embarrassment to the owners. This spring another great struggle between the dock-laborers and the shipping federation is expected in England, and, whether the men prove successful or not, the loss to the steamship lines from delay and demurrage is certain to be large.

For the lines coming to this port the outlook this spring is not promising. It seems certain that freight will be scarce and that rates will rule low. The import orders for the heavy metals have been light, and there is likely to be little dead-weight offering, while, owing to cautious buying, the volume of measurement goods will be less than usual. For export the prospects are better, but still below a good average. The number of timber failures in England has checked the movement of deals, the charter market is lifeless, and the steamship companies will have to depend for their freight upon the railroad companies to a greater extent than for some years past.

#### A CELEBRATED CASE.

A case of great importance to the banking world has just been decided by the judicial committee of the House of Lords, who have reversed the decision of all the lower courts in the celebrated forgery case of Vagliano Brothers vs. the Bank of England, and decided that the bank is not liable in the premises.

The case was a complicated one. The firm in question, Vagliano Brothers, were foreign bankers who did a bills of exchange business of some \$15,000,000 yearly. A trusted clerk—one Antony Glika—who had lost heavily by speculation, conceived the idea of robbing the firm by inserting spurious bills of exchange among the genuine ones, and entering them in the advice sheets furnished to the bank and signed by Vagliano. He chose for this purpose the account of an old customer, George Vucina, of Odessa, and before discovery succeeded in imposing on the bank paper purporting to be signed by Vucina to the extent of \$357,500. Glika was discovered, tried, and sentenced to 10 years penal servitude.

Vagliano then sued the bank for the amount and the lower courts decided in his favor. This decision was upheld until the case reached the law lords, who reversed it by a vote of 6 to 2. The judgment of the Lord Chancellor was given on the broad ground of equity rather than law. He held that both parties had acted in perfect good faith, and that the bank had certainly paid out the money without Vagliano's being aware of it. But they had duly entered and debited the amounts in his passbook, and therefore were entitled to believe that he was aware of it, and, as each

was innocent of wilful default, the loss should fall on him rather than on the bank, because he had more means of protecting himself than the bank had, and it was more through his fault than the bank's that the forger got the money.

This decision practically reverses that given in the case of Robarts vs. Porter, on which Vagliano based his case. The law of Great Britain provides that cheques or bills payable to fictitious payees shall be held to be payable to bearer, which frees the bank from responsibility; but in this case the payees were persons having a real existence, and receiving money on genuine bills through the same firm, although they were not entitled to the proceeds of the forged bills and never, in fact, received them. On the strength of this the lower courts decided in favor of Vagliano, and the reversal of their verdicts by the law lords thus virtually includes a forged bill, having a genuine payee, in the same category as one in which the payee is fictitious.

#### OUR ARCHITECTS.

The collapse of the new building almost completed for the Young Men's Christian Association on Dominion Square has caused no little flutter among architects, coming at a time when considerable feeling has been aroused owing to the competition with their fellows in the United States in respect of the new Board of Trade building. The accident cannot fail to be made the most of by our own people, who, with more or less of justice on their side, feel they have not been awarded fair play in the matter all round. It is, to be sure, no uncommon thing in Montreal to find large buildings giving way shortly after completion. In most cases the blame is cast upon the character of the foundation. The handsome building on Victoria Square, at present occupied by the Association, is an instance, the rear wall of the structure being considerably sunk and bulged out of its place, and to such an evident extent that the efforts to dispose of the premises have been largely interfered with-because of this defect in the structure. The site is the course or bank of an old dried-up creek or stream, and it would be necessary to sink or dig foundations several yards through the detritus or humus before a solid foundation could be reached. It is surprising how any architect with the merest knowledge of his profession could recommend the foundations for so large a building to be placed upon "floats" only a few feet below the surface. It is not improbable that the collapse of the new building may have been caused also by the same false economy.

The terraces on which Montreal is built afford here and there rather unstable foundations for large residences or public buildings. A number of houses along Sherbrooke and other streets of the city, some of the warehouses on Victoria Square and in other places are examples of this defect, and our architects, although not exclusively blameless in the matter of late years, have surely had sufficient experience to guard against a recurrence of these accidents.

The American architects and contractors in charge of the new building of the Young Men's Christian Association have their own private views as to the cause of the collapse, but these are not likely to have any weight with owners or with the profession in Montreal. Some of the largest structures erected in the past, under the superintendence of American professionals are not over creditable in respect of interior arrangement or of lighting, and we venture to say that if the work

had to be done over, the owners or their representatives in this country would hesitate before they again invited competition from over the border. Some of the residences erected within the last few years, such as those on Drummond St., compare in point of beauty of architecture, interiorly as well as exteriorly, with the best to be seen in Boston, New York or Chicago, while some of the large public buildings also erected by native talent deserve equal praise. In dealing with foreign architects or contractors our people are often shamed out of their extreme notions of economy, and are more easily persuaded into expending a liberal amount on the structures proposed. On the other hand Montreal architects and contractors are too often beaten down in their prices through competition among themselves to a degree that leaves no alternative but to erect the cheapest possible class of building that will make a fair outward appearance.

Our native architects need however to bestir themselves. There is a poverty of invention or thought among the great majority of the members of the profession in this city, and while they may occasionally smile at the incongruous effects, resulting from the continual search for new ideas, observable in modern buildings in the United States, especially in residences, they should not forget that it is by this continual striving after variety that modern architecture in its composite character can be brought to that degree of perfection to which it is gradually developing and will doubtless in time reach. The old cigar-box style of dwelling is gradually dying out. Every man of taste who builds now-a-days wants some originality-something different from his neighbor-if he would rank above the intelligence or the instinct of the sparrow.

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Scottish-Leader, of Edinburgh, devotes a column in its issue of March 14th, to the remarkable progress of British Columbia under the influence of its railway and steamship facilities. There is nothing new to Canadians in what the Leader says, but we are so often blind to advantages which we possess near home that repetition may pass. It is only when a toreigner comes among us that we see, as it were, through his eyes, the great future in store for us. British Columbia has all the natural advantages of Great Britain. Her coal fields are extensive; some of her harbors compare with the best in the world, and others are being improved; her timber is unequalled; she possesses vast areas of mineral wealth, and her waters team with the most valuable fish; she holds the key of the Northern Pacific and must attract not only a large portion of Chinese and Australian transit trade but must secure a large proportion of the commerce of the Pacific Ocean.

The future of other extensive colonies has been largely dwelt upon, but their isolated position must tend to promote trade with a great continental country such as British Columbia can not fail to prove itself within the present generation. She possesses advantages also in respect of cheap labor, if she is wise enough to make proper use of it. A country like Japan with 250 people to the square mile cannot fail to send a large number of laborers where employment is obtainable in developing the rich resources of our Western Province. The area of the country is two and a half times that of Japan and she has practically a continent at her back. In either direction British Columbia lacks nothing in the way of communication. Through the Continent to the East she has the Canadian Pacific; and the Empress Line of the company is about to supersede the steamers at present running between Victoria and Japan and China. The first steamer of the new line, recently despatched from Liverpool via Suez, is a fine vessel of 5,700 tens to be followed shortly by two sister ships.

After referring to the encouragement given by the Dominion Government to the great highway, the Leader says:

Now that the Hartingtonian Syndicate is an accomplished fact, that will place upon the Atlantic a line of steamers running probably between Southampton or Liverpool and Halifax, N.S., there will be a service, practically one throughout, from these shores to Japan and China, across the American Continent; and direct communication to Australia via Vancouver is obviously only a matter of time. The coast service is supplied by the Union Steamship Company of British Columbia, who run in connection with the C.P.R. a regular line of boats from Nanaimo (the principal coaling port in Vancouver Island) to Portland (Oregon) and other adjacent ports and back to New Westminster on the Fraser River. In addition thereto the company's ferry boats ply to all important ports on Puget Sound—that is, between Vancouver Island and the mainland. It may not be irrelevant to mention that the promoter of this new company was the man who, when he went out to New Zealand seventeen years ago with a couple of small steamers, was asked what on earth he was going to do with them; and yet these craft were the nucleus of the fleet now owned by the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand—a fleet of 48 steamers, to which others are still being added.

#### THE SIX-MONTHS LOAN.

The more it is looked into, and the less favorably does the civic delegation's manipulation of the last temporary loan in England come out. It looks as if there was no necessity for their trip to London at all. The whole affair was really settled by the Montreal agents of Coates Son & Co., before one of the delegation ever put foot on a steamer, and therefore the cost of their jaunt, moderate as it was, was simply an extra charge upon the taxpayers. The cost of the temporary loan is now known to be nearer 5 per cent than 31 per cent, and business men marvel that the whole truth was not put before them at once instead of being allowed to leak out by degrees. It appears that all Messrs. Coates agreed to do was to obtain a loan of £340,000 for six months at 31 per cent, and one half per cent commission on condition of the city transferring to them the £478,350 of unsold stock, constituting them agents for the sale, and placing the £1,440,000 of the three per cent stock with the National Bank of Scotland. The conditions of the agreement for the sale of the stock were one per cent commission, provided no sale was made under 80, and one-third of all surplus obtained over that figure. All sales of stock during the currency of the loan to be credited in deduction thereof. with cessation of interest from the date of sale, and when a a brokerage has to be paid in order to secure a desirable sale, the city will have to pay it provided it does not exceed onequarter of one per cent. The Messrs. Coates further agree to advance proportionately on any further issue at one half per cent over the Bank of England rate at the time, and one-half per cent commission; provided the stock is placed in their hands for sale. These are not particularly flattering terms. In fact it looks as if this firm had the city by the neck and extorted from them just what terms they wished. What with paying 31 per cent for the loan itself, 1 per cent commission, 1 per cent charges, and 1 per cent more of the loan requires to be renewed (as it certainly will) the city might just as well have accepted the offer of the Bank of Montreal. In fact the delegation and the city have very little cause to congratulate themselves upon the completion of their labors and they might just as well have stayed at home and transacted their business on St. James Street.

#### SILVER COINAGE IN THE UNITED STATES.

The profit on American Silver Coinage under the Act of last summer is over two million dollars. About thirty-five millions of dollars was disbursed in Treasury notes for the purchase of bullion under that act, and two million ounces were coined monthly into silver dollars, as required by the third section. thereof. The coinage rate is four hundred and twelve and a half grains of silver, nine-tenths fine, the actual value of the coined dollar being only about seventy-five cents. It never rose higher than ninety-two or ninety-three cents since the passage of the act. Thus the government profit on each dollar coined is from 7 to 25 cents, the aggregate of these savings being over two mil-The monthly issue of silver certificates, under lions of dollars. the Bland act, was suspended with the suspension of the coinage under that act, but the certificates already outstanding amount to three hundred millions of dollars which will be kept in circulation and their value may be slightly increased by the

issue of certificates on the silver profit fund arising under the new law. This profit will be about five million dollars a year.

#### THE TEMPERANCE AND GENERAL.

The fifth annual report of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Company, which we reproduce in another column, shows a steady measure of progress. During the past year 1,168 applications for \$1,510,000 of insurance were received. Of the risks offered 1,073 for \$1,313,000 were accepted and policies issued. At the end of the year 1,047 of these policies for \$1,-277,000 were reported as taken and paid for, leaving as not completed 121 risks for \$233,000. In addition to this the report shows that the cash income of the company from premiums and interest has increased by \$14,000 over that of the preceding year; while the care with which the company's lives are selected is evidenced by the fact that the entire death losses of the year were only \$11,240. Considering that the company has only had really nine months of regular work, and that no special in. ducements were offered, and no extra expense incurred to increase its business, the advance in the amount of insurance taken and in the total of premiums received indicates that the enterprise and liberality of the management are fully appreciated by the insuring public. At all events they make an excellent showing, and it is evident that the Temperance and General has lost no ground during the past year.

A MERTING of the creditors of W. V. Gordon, grocer of this city, was held at the office of Messrs. Riddell & Common yesterday morning, as a result of which Mr. Gordon made a private assignment with liabilities of about \$25,000. He was formerly a member of the firm of Crawford & Gordon, who dissolved in 1884. At that time he is believed to have drawn only \$800 out of the firm and, although he claimed to have some \$1500 of his own, and to have friends who would back him for more, it is known that his means were very limited. Since his start his business has been almost purely a credit one, and, in spite of persistent efforts to collect, his book debts have piled up stead. ily. Most of his customers were long-winded, and although his clientele were most respectable they were an extremely difficult class to get money out of. As a result he has run steadily behind and his present step has long been discounted by the His account was principally in the hands of one wholesale house, and it is believed that they are interested for about two-thirds of the total liabilities. As a hardworking energetic man, who never spared himself, he is deserving of every sympathy; but it has been plain, for a long time past, that the load was greater than he could carry.

THE "LAST OF THE MOALLISTERS."-The wholesale dry goods stock of the insolvent estate of McLachlan Bros. & Co., of this city, was sold by auction en bloc to the highest bidder on Tuesday last, the purchaser being Mr. S. Coulson, a brother of the general manager of the Bank of Toronto. The stock inventoried about \$109,000, and was valued by an expert, a former whole sale merchant, at 66 cents in the dollar, which was only ? cent above the price realized. The staples were entered by one of the inspectors at about \$47,000, good general stock at \$25,000. indifferent general stock (men's wear and small wares) at \$25,-000, protty bad at \$5,000 and bad at about \$4,000, the balance being almost worthless. The sale was conducted by Messrs. Stewart & Co., and many present praised the manner in which Mr. F. J. Stewart acquitted himself throughout. Mr. Stewart is also engaged to conduct the sale of the insolvent woollens stock of R. Tyler, Son & Co., of this city next week. Mr. Coulson retains Mr. Lindsay of the late firm of Lindsay, Gilmour & Co., to assist him in disposing of the McLachlan stock.

London letters say that in spite of the distrust in financial circles in that city a considerable number of new companies are coming out, though it is believed that the public are not subscribing liberally. Some of the European governments, too, are preparing to continue conversions of their debts. Next week it is expected that one of the Turkish loans, secured upon the Egyptian Tribute, will be converted. The conversion of the Russian debt will also be continued, and negotiations are going on for giving assistance to Italy, Spain and Portugal. The conversion of the Cuban debt is soon to be taken in hand.

THE bitter attacks of Sir Charles Tupper upon the Grand Trunk Railway, at Amherst, N.S., certainly do not display that statesman's powers in their usual favorable light. From his own statements Sir Charles seems to have gone to Mr. Seargeant, cap in hand, just before the elections, in the hopes of inducing him to issue orders to his officers to vote for the government under pain of dismissal, as Mr. Van Horne seems to have consented to do. Mr. Seargeant, although personally a Conservative in politics. could not, and would not, bind himself to coerce the opinions of any of his employes; and told Sir Charles so, plain. ly. The result is that, a few days after the elections, Sir Charles delivers a bitter invective upon the Grand Trunk before a Nova Scotian audience on the ground that the employes of that road. having the freedom of the ballot allowed them, ventured to vote how they liked, instead of being driven to the polls to vote like sheep as their employers directed them. This does not seem just or right.

Latest advices from the English lumber centers report trade in a most demoralized condition. Besides the heavy failures reported a few days ago the following additional failures have been advised from London: Evershed & Co., with liabilities of \$65,.000; E. Collard & Co., \$38,000; Lucas & Co., \$50,000; Brown & Kruse, \$150,000. As a result of the many failures that have taken place of late on the other side, the opinion here is that owing to the continual decline of values, both shippers and receivers must have been pretty well cleaned out of all profits made previously. Holders of deals in this market are not attempting to make sales, for the reason that no one wants to buy. In charters no further business is reported for spring shipmen!; asking rates being 42s 6d Montreal, and 40s Quebec and below.

The news that a very heavy purchase of distillery cattle on American account had been made at 5\frac{3}{4} cents per lb., and that the entire stock of these cattle in Ontario had already been secured by a syndicate, may be taken with a large grain of salt. Prominent railroad men deny the accuracy of the statement, and it will be well to await further developments before crediting it in its entirely. At the same time local cattlemen assert that the deal is a fact, that the price paid was 5\frac{3}{4} cents, and 4\frac{1}{4} cents for bulls, and that the cattle will be delivered on the 1st May next. The syndicate is composed of O. W. Goldsmith and N. Morris of Chlc1go, and R. Bickerdike of this city; the latter being credited with a one-tenth interest in the supposed deal.

One of the largest manufacturing firms in New York has introduced the profit sharing system in its establishment, but the plan applies only to those employees who have proved themselves most serviceable. These get interest at the annual rate of 6 per cent on one or more of the shares of the corporation, and if they remain with the firm ten years they become the owners of these shares. There are now 48 profit sharing firms in Great Britain, most of whom have become such during the past two years.

CUBAN customs officials have seized several tons of tobacco which was being smuggled into Havana. At first sight the news of smuggling tobacco to Havana sounds like the tale of bringing coals to Newcastle. And yet it is not an unlikely occurrence since the Havana wrappers have turned out so poorly in last year's crop. Many a manufacturer in Cuba would more than willingly pay the price for Sumatra, with a \$2 duty added, if he could get it on the sly and work it off as the native product.

THE United States government created quite a little diversion on the 20th instant in New York, by presenting a cheque in favor of Governor Hill, of New York, for 2½ million dollars for the purpose of refunding the direct tax, according to the law passed the previous session. This, with some heavy pension payments, made the Sub-Treasury a debtor at the clearing house to the amount of over three million of dollars.

The report of the Provincial Treasurer of Ontario must make pleasant reading for the taxpayers, because it shows the handsome surplus of \$5,810,000. The expenditure for the past year was certainly more than the receipts, but the outlook for the present year is more favorable, and it is evident that the finances of the province are being carefully and economically handled.

THE firm of McKeen, Moore & Co., hardware merchants, North Sydney, Nova Scotia, are in difficulties, and have made an offer of 25 cents cash and 10 cents on time secured. Montreal firms are in to the amount of about \$17,000. There is said to be a deficiency of \$10,000 between the assets and liabilities.

Owing to pressure on our space we are compelled to hold over the extended tables of the bank statements for February until our next issue. The comparative tables will be found in their usual position in these columns.

Ir is now understood that the whole of the fire insurance of the Canadian Pacific Railway system has again been secured by the Home Fire Insurance Company of New York. The premiums amount to about \$100,000.

The total number of licenses for salmon fishing on the Fraser River for 1891 is limited to 500, and of this number 350 are allotted among the canneries.

The judicial committee of the Privy Council have confirmed the right of the Australian colonies to prohibit the landing of Chinese within their borders.

The insurance committee of the Massachusetts Legislature have reported it to be inexpedient to forbid fraternal benefit associations to establish branches.

THE master builders of St. John, N.B., and Moncton have sent a delegation to Fredericton to agitate for a builder's lien law based upon that of Ontario.

The differences between the American Cotton Oil Co., and Armour & Co., have been settled, it is said, by the payment in full of the claim against the latter firm.

The charter for the proposed burglary insurance company which was to have been started at Hartford, Conn., has expired by limitation and will be allowed to lapse.

It is stated that by lining telephone boxes with felt, so as to leave a small space under the diaphragms, the disagreeable crackling noise can be entirely avoided.

The Great Northwestern Telegraph Company flashed the news of the Oxford and Cambridge boat-race from London to Montreal in one minute. This beats the record.

At a special meeting of the Vancouver City Council, \$500 was donated to the widows and orphans of the miners who lost their lives by the disaster at the springhill mines.

The French government have imposed a heavy duty on submarine cables in consequence of the large shipments from the United States to Paris during the past few months.

A cenius has been victimizing the western farmers by guaranteeing to send them 100 articles of household use for 30 cents. On receipt of the money he sends them half a paper of pins.

SEVERAL provision houses have advices from Chicago to the effect that the "grip" epidemic there has assumed such dimensions as to become a seriously disturbing element in business.

The month is closing anyway but favorably for the fire insurance companies. Four one million dollar fires in succession, with many others almost as large, will make February's fire loss unpleasantly conspicuous.

A BILL has been introduced in the Legislature of Illinois to compel the stamping or marking of all goods manufactured in the penitentiary of that State. Should it become law the people will know what they are buying.

THE Grand Trunk Railway will shortly commence work on their new rolling mill plant at Point St. Charles. They expect to turn out 4000 tone yearly and to effect a saving by using up their own scrap of at least \$30,000 a year.

The cotton receipts for this season at Savannah, Georgia, reached 1,000,000 bales on the 20th inst., the largest receipts for one season in its history as a cotton port. The receipt of 1,000,000 bales will be celebrated by a banquet.

THE exports of canned salmon from this continent during January last were 2,990,620 lbs. For the seven months ending on first of February the movement was only 18,082,858 lbs. against 24,323,552 during the corresponding period of 1890.

It is stated that the Chicago Gas Trust will contribute heavily to the campaign fund of each of the candidates for mayor of that city, with the understanding that the new administration will agree to compromise litigation against the trust.

THE City council of St. Hyacinthe has decided to grant a free site and a bonus of \$50,000 to a Belgian syndicate which has offered to establish a bridge factory in that town. The ratepayers will be asked to approve the by-law on the 10th prox.

The Canadian Pacific are sending emigration agents into Dakota to secure settlers for their lands. They offer 160 acres of land, free transportation for families and turniture, and to advance the first year's expenses at 7 per cent interest.

THERE is a coal famine in Chili owing to the insurrection. The price of coal in Valparaiso is \$55 per ton and the supply is almost exhausted. Unless the blockade can be raised the railways will shortly suspend operations for lack of fuel.

ENGLISH labor circles are unusually quiet. The dock laborers', seamen and firemen's unions are said to be losing men by desertion at a rate which, if maintained, will effectually cripple them in the coming fight with the Shipping Federation.

A LARGE firm of Scotch gingham manufacturers have established a branch factory in Philadelphia. They will make their samples abroad and manufacture their American orders at the branch in Pennsylvania; thus evading the prohibitory tariff.

Mr. Drolet, of the retail dry goods firm of Jolicoeur and Drolet, who was accused of purchasing a case of dry goods from two thieves knowing it to be stolen, has been acquitted by the jury, who held that his good faith had been proved abundantly.

The Bay of Quinte bridge connecting Belleville with Prince Edward was opened for traffic on Saturday last. The structure, which is of steel, and about 1,900 feet long with a northern approach of 800 feet, has occupied about two years in building and will cost \$100,500.

The Argentine government have notified the Barings that they will be unable to remit the sums necessary to pay the coupons of the Provincial six per cent loans of 1882 and 1888. The result is a fall of one per cent in Argentine securities in the London market.

W. A. Douglass,—We discuss the labor problem from its practical point of view, not in its abstract relation to land and capital. The question of unearned increment is very fully and clearly discussed by John Stuart Mill in his celebrated work on Political Economy.

Ir cost the country just \$21,057 to take the 200 members of the House of Commons to Ottawa and back last session. The British Columbia members drew from \$572 to \$586 apiece for mileage, and Major General Laurie claimed \$631 for coming from England to sit in his chair.

At the meeting of the coal agents it was decided to reduce stove coal 40 cents per ton, egg 30 cents, and chestnut 25 cents. The new prices go into effect April 1 and are 55 to 60 cents below those in effect last year. The agents also resolved to restrict production for April to 2,000,000 tons.

The projected "corner" in hard coal has apparently fallen through. Coxe Brothers have notified the Lehigh Valley Co., that they will not observe any request to restrict the output of coal and will insist that the company, as a common carrier, furnishes them with cars to carry their freight. The company has yielded the point and ordered a fair number of cars sent to the Coxe colleries.

Cotton Movements.—The aggregate amount of the cotton crop brought to sight for the season so far, according to the returns of the New Orleans Exchange, is 7,700,000 bales as against 6,890,000 in 1890. Up to this date last year 941 per cent of the cotton crop had been marketed. The total takings of American mills, North and South, and Canada thus far for the season have been 2,073,214 against 2,049,566 last year. These include 1,677,476 by Northern spinners and Canada, against 1,653,828, an increase in the latter of 23,648. Including stocks left over the supply is 7,753,921, against 6,952,092 for the same period last year.

The telegrams in the daily papers chronicling the heavy winnings of a supposed English syndicate at Monte Carlo only gave the first half of the story. It is true that the bank was broken half a dozen times, but it still remains a big winner. The Earl of Rosslyn, who won 165,000 francs at trente-et quarante, came back to London several thousand pounds to the bad. Lewis who won over 200,000 francs at one sitting, lost that and enough more to build a new Casino. Henry Rosenfeld of Chicago, a youth of 25 years, who won 375,000 francs on an almost unprecedented event of a run of 17, four times in succession, in each of which instances he played the bank's maximum, came back to London £6,000 out of pocket. Other big players were Prince Hatzfeld, who married the daughter of C. P. Huntington; the Duc D'Uzes, and Baron Schneider, the Berlin banker, all of whom left part of their money at Monte Carlo when they came away.

MONTERAL CLEARING HOUSE.—Clearings and balances week ending 26th March, 1891:—

|            | va 4 i                                  | Clearings.  | Balances    |
|------------|---|-------------|-------------|
| 20th March | 1891                                    | \$1,078,778 | \$156.928   |
| 21th "     |   | 1,449,971   | 248,152     |
| 23th "     | 1891                                    | 1,181,994   | 202.290     |
| 24th "     |   | 1,509,109   | 239,861     |
| 25th "     | 1891                                    | 1,183,584   | 141,084     |
| 26th "-    | 1891                                    | 1,238,990   | 242,314     |
| Total      | • | \$7,690,526 | \$1,230,129 |
| Last week  |   | \$8.631,160 | \$1,228,165 |
|            |   | \$7,115,934 | \$1,421,337 |
|            |   |             |             |

| BANK STATEMENTS.                           |                           |                         |                                 |                            |  |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
|  | Jan. 1891.                | Feb. 1891.              | Rob., 1890.                     | Feb. 1881.                 |  |
| Capital authorized                         |                           | \$75,008,665            | Fob., 1890.<br>\$76,029,999     | \$66.966.666               |  |
| Capital subscribed                         | 61,254,732                | 61,254,732              | 62,378,499                      | \$66,266,666<br>61,872,333 |  |
| Capital paid up                            | 60,084,280                | 60,111,028              | 60,196 603                      | 59,574,259                 |  |
| Reserve fund [Rest]                        | 22.005.904                | 22,036,322              | 20,559,333                      | 03,011,203                 |  |
| Wasaile I find [West]                      |                           |                         | 20,000,000                      |                            |  |
|  | LIABILIT                  | LES.                    |                                 |                            |  |
| Dom. Goyt. deposits on dem'd               | \$31,662,099<br>8,40,,007 | \$31,925,749            | \$30,627,074                    | \$26,091,593               |  |
| Dom. Govt. denosits on dem'd               | 8,40,,007                 | 2.781.042               | 2,936,783                       |                            |  |
| after notice                               | ********                  | *******                 |                                 |                            |  |
| Deposits for contracts and                 | •••••                     |                         |                                 | 10,659,884                 |  |
| inguina and                                | 100,078                   | 100,078                 | 259,202                         | 20,000,002                 |  |
| Prov. Govt. deposits on dem'd              | 651,338                   | 890,061                 | 1,074,569                       |                            |  |
| Prov. Gove, deposits on dem a              | 2,211,111                 | 2,187,615               | 2,491,514                       | 1,126,077                  |  |
|  | Z,Z11,111                 |                         | 50,922,513                      | 40,443,296                 |  |
| Other deposits on demand pay'e aft. notice | 52,668,864                | 50,848,338              | 70 470 015                      |                            |  |
| pay o art. notice                          | 81,763,206                | 82,800,754              | 72,470,215                      | 88,456 385                 |  |
| Loans from or dep'ts by other              | 401.000                   | 101 000                 | 1 FR HAT                        |                            |  |
| banks in Canada secured                    | 194,000                   | 194,000                 | 157,761                         |                            |  |
| do. unsecured                              | 1,478,209                 |                         | 1,809,248                       | 1.604,361                  |  |
| Due Banks in Canada                        | 771,207                   | 744,580                 | 722,502                         | 1,024,080                  |  |
| do Foreign Countries                       | 117,425                   | 160,148                 | 125,720                         | 209,293                    |  |
| do. the Uni. Kingdom                       | 1,836,316                 | 1,926,353               | 722,502<br>125,720<br>2,072,184 | 338,628                    |  |
| Other liabilities                          | 240,560                   | 207,266                 | 251,830                         | 184,508                    |  |
| Other Helphitolog                          |                           |                         |                                 |                            |  |
| Total liabilities                          | 2177 914 4944             | 176 021 783             | \$165,926 824 S                 | k120.138.113               |  |
| TOURI HADIHLION                            |                           |                         | DIODIGEORGE .                   | 12012001210                |  |
|  | ASSETS                    |                         |                                 | A                          |  |
| Specie                                     | \$6,439,126               | \$6,530,485             | \$6,242.310                     | \$5,884,596                |  |
| Dominion notes                             | 10,191,153<br>6,131,532   | 10,962,050              | 9,676 894<br>5,274,635          | 10,439,059                 |  |
| Notes and cheq's on other bks              | 6.131.532                 | 0.222.000               | 5,274,635                       | 4,930,850                  |  |
| Due from banks in Canada                   | 3,148,955                 | 3,217,424<br>12,159,268 | 2.712.864                       | 2,513,992                  |  |
| Due from For'n Agen. or bks.               | 11,201,587                | 12.159.268              | 11,023,058                      | 1                          |  |
| do. in the Unit'd King.                    | 3,697,667                 | 3,563,835               | 2,262,339                       | 30,105,291                 |  |
| do. fit the oute a reme.                   | 0,001,1001                | 510001000               |                                 |                            |  |
| Available Assets                           | \$40,860 320              | \$41,055,728            | \$37,192,700                    | \$53,873,788               |  |
|  |                           |                         |                                 |                            |  |
| Govt. Debentures or Stock                  | \$2,462,371               | \$2,462,371             | \$2,654,903                     | \$1,100,309                |  |
| Loans to Dominion Govt                     | 1.041,740                 | 626,535                 | 705,460                         | 864,812                    |  |
| " to Provincial Govt                       | 1,340,657                 | 1,455,272               | 293,708                         | )                          |  |
| Securities other than Canad'n              | 6,145,589                 | 6,179,210               | 5,516,230                       | 1,618,C46                  |  |
| Loans on stocks, bonds, deb.               | 13.248.635                | 13,081,052              | 12,135,076                      | 8,613,349                  |  |
| Loans to Municipal Corpor's.               | 2,615,479                 | 8,056,393               | 1.859 799                       |                            |  |
| other Corporations.                        | 27,554,225                | 26,534,814              | 23,850,180                      | 5,227,615                  |  |
| Loan to or deposits in other               | 2, 100 2 1245             |                         | 20,000,000                      | •                          |  |
| banks secured                              | 441.184                   | 549,904                 | 297,005                         |                            |  |
|  | 119,600                   | 314,208                 | 258,965                         | 718,603                    |  |
|  | 151,096,690               | 150,572,488             | 149,601,334                     | 107,259,744                |  |
| Discounts                                  | 101,050,050               | 1 050 507               | 1 20 001 201                    | 101,000,111                |  |
| Notes overdue not s. cured                 | 1,737,861                 | 1,852,537               | 1,200,582<br>1,705,429          | 4,919,749                  |  |
| Overdue notes, secured                     | 1,301,259                 | 1,307,887               | 1,700,429                       | 1 00/ 910                  |  |
| Real estate                                | 1,0 7,948                 | 1,044,073               | 1,097,547                       | 1,994,312                  |  |
| Mort. on R.E. sold by banks                | 760,937                   | 760,522                 | 786,020                         | 3,557,070                  |  |
| Bank promises                              | 4,212,364                 | 4,254,781               | 3,942,596                       | )                          |  |
| Other assets                               | 2,434,061                 | 2,873,055               | 3,242,218                       | 2,278,653                  |  |
|  |                           |                         |                                 |                            |  |
| Total Assets                               | \$253,410,930             | \$257,480,841           | \$246.289,761                   | \$192,026,071              |  |
|  |                           | \$7,394,964             |                                 | *********                  |  |
| Director's liabilities                     | \$7,397,368<br>6,475 241  | \$1,004,00£             | 6,165,794                       | *********                  |  |
| Ave. specie for month                      | 0,475 241                 | 6,498,478               | 0,100,794                       | ••••••                     |  |
| Ave. Dom. notes for month                  | 10,019,749                | 10,081,451              | 9,401.273                       |                            |  |
|  |                           |                         |                                 |                            |  |
|  |                           |                         |                                 | :                          |  |
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### Meetings, Reports, &c.

#### TEMPERANCE AND GENERAL LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

The fifth annual meeting of the Temperance and General Life The fifth annual meeting of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Company was held at the company's offices, in Toronto, on Wednesday, the 11th of March, 1891. There was a large attendance of guarantors, policy-holders, and agents. The president, the Hon. G. W. Ross, was called to the chair, and read the following report:—Your directors have pleasure in presenting their report and financial statement at this time, as they feel that the general improvement

which has been made during the past year in every important feature of the company's business must afford satisfaction to both guaranters and policy holders. During the past year 1,168 applications for \$1,-510,000 of insurance were received. Of the risks offered 1,073 for \$1,313,000 were accepted and policies issued. At the end of the year ,047 of these policies for \$1,277,000 were reported as taken and paid for, leaving as declined, not completed, and not taken up, 121 risks for \$233,000. Our insurance in force at the end of the year was \$3,484,003 under 2,445 policies upon 2,276 lives, being an increase of \$443,031 of insurance, 488 policies, and 499 lives during the year.

The business in force is divided as follows:—In the Temperance

The business in force is divided as follows:—In the Temperance section there are 1,812 policies for \$2,283,956. In the general section there are 633 policies for \$1,200,047. Our cash income from premiums and interest for the year was \$82,836.36, being an increase of \$14,800.12 over that of the previous year, while our entire death losses were enly \$11,240 on seven lives, \$7,000 of the amount being for re-insurances on two lives. Our assets for the protection of policy-holders were \$155,493.01 and our liabilities \$78,592.09, as shown by last year's report, while these items in our prosent financial statement are placed at, assets \$195,212.86 and liabilities \$112,661.10, giving us an increase of surplus on policy-holders' account to \$5,650. Our mortality has continued to be very low, indicating a careful selection of risks in the past, and it has been and is the desire and effort of the medical referee and manager, by careful study and close inspection of all risks, to still past, and it has been and is the desire and effort of the medical referee and manager, by careful study and close inspection of all risks, to still further improve our selection of risks. We must, however, look for some, if not a considerable, increase in our ratio of mortality in the future as the age and magnitude of our company increases, as it has been very much below that of other companies. Our plans of insurance, policies and equipment have all been revised and materially improved, as well as our organization for both office and field work, and we are now doing more effective work at a less ratio of expense than formerly. Your directors have great pleasure in bearing testimony to the faithful and efficient work that has been done by the company's sgents and other officers. A careful and most complete audit of the books and accounts and detailed investigation of all securities and papers in connection therewith, except such as are vouched for by the insurance department, was made independently and reported upon by both your auditor and the auditing committee of the board. Both reports express satisfaction, and will be found appended to the financial statement. By section 9 of the Act of Incorporation to the financial statement. By section 9 of the Act of Incorporation all the directors retire, but are eligible for re-election.

GEO. W. Ross, President.

After reading the report the Hon. G. W. Ross, president of the

company, in moving its adoption, called attention to the very satisfactory progress of the company during the year, pointing out the fact that in every important feature denoting progress large gains had been made.

Mr. B. McLean, vice-president of the company, seconded the adop-

|     | tion of the report, which was carried unanimousl                               | y.           |                |                  |      |
|-----|--|--------------|----------------|------------------|------|
|     | FINANCIAL STATEMENT,   |              |                |                  |      |
|     | Receipts.  |              |                |                  |      |
|     | Cash on hand and in banks 31st December  |              | œ              | 10 107           | 17   |
|     | Government deposits withdrawn to purchase                                      |              | Ψ              | 10,127           |      |
|     | Premium account\$78,695 32   |              |                | 20,000           | 00   |
|     | Less paid for re-assurance 905 30  |              |                |                  |      |
|     |  | 7,790        |                |                  |      |
|     |  | 4,143        |                |                  |      |
|     |  | 1,763<br>409 | 91             |                  |      |
|     | Bills receivable Empire Loan Company   | 48           |                |                  |      |
|     | Debenture premium account  | 63           |                |                  |      |
|     |  |              | _              | 84,218           | 91   |
|     |  |              |                |                  | _    |
|     | Total  | • • • • •    | \$             | 14,346           | 88   |
|     | Investment Account   |              |                |                  |      |
|     |  | 8,719        |                |                  |      |
|     |  | 3,800        |                |                  |      |
|     | Loaned on company's policies   | 1,088        |                |                  |      |
|     | <del>-</del>   |              | \$             | 53,607           | 24   |
|     | Expense Account,   |              |                |                  |      |
|     | Commissions and salaries to officers and                                       |              |                |                  |      |
|     |  | 3,307        | 64             |                  |      |
|     | Taxes and license fees   | 71           |                |                  |      |
|     |  | 4,149        | 00             |                  |      |
|     | Advertising, printing and stationery   | 3,878        | 39             |                  |      |
|     | Postage, expressage, telegrams, exchange, etc                                  | 851          |                |                  |      |
|     | Agents' travelling expenses  | 932          | 51             |                  |      |
| l   | Rents, care of office, legal expenses, audit,                                  |              |                |                  |      |
| l   | gas, etc   | 2,273        |                |                  |      |
| ı   | ~  |              | <del></del> \$ | 35,463           | 42   |
| ŀ   | Sundries.  |              | ••             |                  |      |
| l   | Death claims paid  | 8,240        |                |                  |      |
| ١   |  | 2,267        |                |                  |      |
| l   | Office furniture   |              | 45             |                  |      |
| ١   | Advances to agents   | 1,312        | 10.            |                  |      |
| ١   | Suspense account, amount transferred   | 51           |                | 11,903           | K 77 |
| I   | Cash on hand and in bank   |              | φ              | 13,372           |      |
| ì   |  |              | _              |                  |      |
|     | Total  | ····         | \$             | 114,346          | 88   |
| l   | Special deposit in Imperial bank   |              | •              | 10,000           | AA.  |
| l   | Debentures, St. Catharines, Brampton, Whit-                                    |              | φ              | 10,000           | vu   |
| ł   | by St Mary's, Welland, Port Arthur,  |              |                |                  |      |
| l   | by, St Mary's, Welland, Port Arthur,<br>Township York, Napanee, Toronto, (mar- |              |                |                  |      |
| l   | ket value)   |              |                | 73,456           | 06   |
| ١   | Mortgage loans   |              |                | 26,950           |      |
| ł   | Policy loans.  |              |                | 2,395            |      |
| ١   | Bills receivable   |              |                | 614              |      |
| ı   | Agents' ledger balances  |              |                | 4,411            | 31   |
| l   | Office furniture and fixtures  |              |                | 1,222            | 60   |
| ł   | Interest due and accrued   |              |                | 1,922            |      |
| ł   | Rents due (since paid)   |              |                | 500              | 00   |
| ı   |  | 22,630       |                |                  |      |
| l   | Less 10 per cent for collection  | 2,263        |                | 00.00            |      |
| ١   | Palance of ancelled executes fund  |              | \$             |                  |      |
| ł   | Balance of uncalled guarantee fund   | •            |                | 40,000<br>13,372 |      |
| l   | Cash on hand and in bank Dec. 51st, 1080                                       |              |                | 10,014           |      |
| ١   | Total  |              | 5              | 5195,212         | 86   |
| 1   | Liabilities.   |              |                |                  |      |
| ١   | Re-insurance reserve H. M. 41 per cent\$1                                      | 07,576       | 55             |                  |      |
| 1   | Less value of re-insurance   | 127          | 83             |                  | p.o. |
| ١   | Due on Joseph shakers were directed that a                                     |              | \$             | 107,448          | 72   |
| ١   | Due on death claims unadjusted but not re-                                     |              |                | 9 000            | ۸۸   |
|     | sisted   |              |                | 3,000            |      |
|     | Surrender value (since paid)   |              |                | K20              | 00   |
|     | Solicitors' charges (since paid)   |              |                |                  | 00   |
|     | Rent (since paid)  |              |                |                  | 00   |
|     | Medical fees   |              |                |                  | 00   |
|     | Premiums paid in advance   |              |                |                  | 38   |
| - 1 |  |              |                |                  |      |

I have made a careful audit of the books and accounts of the Temperance and General Life Assurance Company for the year ending 31st December 1890, and heroby certify that the accounts as set forth above are true exhibits of the books of the company at that date. Toronto, February 16th, 1891. B. H. Tomlinson, Auditor.

Surplus security to policy-holders .....

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We have made an independent audit of the receipts and disbursements for the year A.D. 1890, also of the assets and liabilities of the company, and have examined the securities, and find them correct as company, and have examined set forth in the above statement.

(Signed) ROBERT MOLBAN, Auditing Committee.

The directors were unanimously re-elected for the ensuing year, and at a subsequent meeting the president, vice-presidents, and officers were also unanimously re-elected.

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THE traffic returns of the Grand Trunk Railway for the week ending Mch, 21st, 1891, show a decrease of \$20,297 over the corresponding week of 1890.

THE British Board of Trade returns for last month are not satisfactory, for although the imports show an increase the exports show a reduction. The imports amounted to £33,-311,000, an increase of £2,293,000, or about 7] per cent, and the exports to £20,471,000, a decrease of £614,000, or about 3 per cent. In the case of the imports the increased value is largely due to cereals and raw cotton, the arrivals of the latter being 2,043,000 cwt, against 1,486 000 cwt. in February, 1890. Of wheat the total was 3,261,000 cwt., against 2,527,000 cwt., a considerable portion of the additional quantity being due to landings from India. A larger amount of flour than last year came from the United States. The dutiable articles of food and drink show decreases, as a rule, but their total shows an increase, owing to the large amount of wine landed. It is satisfactory to see that the withdrawels of roost of those articles from hand drawals of most of these articles from bond for home consumption continue to show increases, those in tea, cocoa and unmanufac-tured tobacco being especially marked. In the exports the chief feature is the falling off in metals, especially pig iron and railroad materials. Tin plates, however, again show a large increase, shipments being pressed for-ward in order to take advantage of the period of low duties in the United States, which expires in a few months. Textile goods show fair increases in most cases, the only material reductions being in cotton yarn and worsted

THE San Francisco Herald of Trade says: "It is no secret that eight of the leading canneries in Alaska have made a combination for the coming season. These are the Karluk canneries. They make an average of fifty per cent of the Alatka pack, and it is plain that if they should decide to pool the product of the season (although they now disclaim any such intention) they will be in position to fix the future of salmon for the coming season. It does not seem reasonable to think that they will miss such an opportunity as will be presented to make the full profit promised in the peculiar strength of the situation.
this, the Frazer River canneries have gone into a combination, and professedly to make a favorable disposition of their packs. On the Columbia river there is no talk of a combin-

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ation, but it is not absolutely necessary that there should be any there, for the Alaska canners, many of them, are among the largest packers on the Columbia, and their packs there will not be allowed to conflict with any arrangements that may be made as to the marketing of the Alaska product. This is all on the hypothesis that the combination is a on the hypothesis that the combination is a combination to carry the salmon pack to a favorable market; but if the combination is simply a union of interests to prevail only during packing season, there will of course be the usual open market for the pack of '91. Whatever may be the intentions of the packers, it is certain that a very strong feeling has been created, and it would take a great deal of argument to convince dealers that they will not find the packer with the situation in will not find the packer with the situation in full command at the opening of the season. If the combination can be carried through to the final disposition of the pack, there will be an end to the occasional depression in the industry, and cheap salmon will be a thing of the past."

#### NEW CUSTOMS DUTIES.

The following decisions have been made by the Board of Customs since the revision of the tariff by Parliament, in force on and after 28th March, 1890:-

| moon merch, toos.  | • •                |
|--|--------------------|
|  | Rate of duty       |
| Autioles.  | payable.           |
| Artists' color boxes, japanned.                            | 35 p c.            |
| Apricots, green  |                    |
| Bone dice  | 20 p c             |
| Bone counters  | 20 p c.            |
| Birch extract  | . \$2 gal & 30 pc. |
| Bonnet shapes, untrimm'd, duti                             | -                  |
| able according to material.                                |                    |
| Beads, composition and veget                               |                    |
| able ivery, in bulk  |                    |
| Roxwood rules  | 35 р с.            |
| Brass hair pins  | 30 p c.            |
| Blotters, printed but not illu                             |                    |
| strated  | 35 p c.            |
| Buttons, collar and sleeve                                 | ,<br>              |
| made of rubber   | oc gross & 20 bc.  |
| Buttons, collar, gold, gold plate<br>brass, pearl and bone | 05                 |
| Buttons, cuff, gold and gold                               | , 40 p c.          |
| plate  | 25 n.c             |
| Buttons, shoe, made of papie                               | . 20 p c.          |
| mache or composition                                       | ho gross & 20 no   |
| Bead necklets, gold and silver                             | r. 35 n.c.         |
| Beads, prayer, strung perman                               | -                  |
| ently on wire, etc   |                    |
| Beads, necklets, glass                                     | . 35 р с.          |
| Beads and shell bracelets com                              |                    |
| bined  | -35 p.c.           |
|  |                    |

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|  |
| frame or stand of wood 35 p c.   |
| Bone and meat fertilizer 20 pc.  |
| Brass tubes, tinned 30 p c.  |
| Curd knives 35 p c.  |
| Carpenters' rules 35 p c.  |
| Cartile com in color not non   |
| Castile soap in cakes, not per-  |
| fumed 2c lb.   |
| Oanvas shoes 25 p c.   |
| Cinchona bark, powdered 20 p c.  |
| Extract of hemlock bark 20 p c.  |
| Theretalles if not small of  |
| Electrollers, if not capable of  |
| being used for any other pur-  |
| pose than electric lights 25 p c.  |
| Electric meters 25 p c.  |
|  |
|  |
| Gun tools, such as reloading   |
| sets, etc 35 p.c.  |
| Gum, chicle or sappato gum. 20 p c.  |
| Green baise 20c lb & 20 p c.   |
|  |
| Galvanized from sinks 35 p c.  |
| Galvanized boilers 35 p c.   |
| Hay knives, unfinished \$2 doz & 20 p c.   |
| Iron shelf brackets 30 p c.  |
| Iron drums, containing caustic   |
| 1 . 1 / FR (M 4 T)   |
| soda (sec. Tarin Act) 20 p c   |
| Insurance blanks, circulars,   |
| etc., not illustrated 35 p.c.  |
| Insurance blanks, circulars,   |
| etc., if illustrated 6c lb & 20 p c.   |
| etc., if illustrated 6c lb & 20 p c.   |
| India rubber water beds 35 p c.  |
| Machine bits, when imported  |
| separately from machine 35 p c.  |
| Mince meat 11c lb & 35 pc.   |
| Mushroom spawn 20 p.c.   |
| Mushroom spawn 20 p.c.   |
| Middlings, a low grade flour 750 bbl.  |
| Nubian enamel or baking  |
| Japan varnish 20c gal & 25 p c   |
| Nectarines, green 20 p c.  |
| Potted and specially prepared  |
| 1 t  |
| meats 3c lb.   |
| Pick eyes and moulds 11c lb, but not   |
| less than 35 pc.   |
| Platinum primers or electric   |
| fuges of dicounty  |
| fuses  |
| Photographic dry plate emul-   |
| Blon 20 p c.   |
| Rubber balls, ornamented 25 p c.   |
| Rhubarb roots, powdered 20 p c.  |
|  |
| Sheet rubber, soft 25 p c.   |
| Scythe stones 30 p c.  |
| Transfer pictures or ornaments 6c lb & 20 p c,   |
| Toilet paper   |
| Tallow stearine 3c lb.   |
| Turmeric ground 600  |
| Turmeric, ground free  |
| Vises 35 p c.  |
| Wooden maliets 35 p c.   |
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Montheal, Thursday Evening, 26th March, 1891.

The money market rules easy, with call loans at 4 per cent and the street rate at 41 to 5 per cent. Mercantile paper unchanged at from 6 per cent, upwards, according to name and date. In London the street rate is 2% per cent, with the bank rate at 3. In New York money is dearer at 31 per cent. The refusal of the Treasury to issue gold bars for export. has stiffened the sterling exchange market. Sixties are at 91765-16 between banks and 94 @1 over the counter. Demand bills 9 13-16. @ and 10@ . Cables 101. Posted rates in New York are 4.87 and 4.891. Actual rates are 4.851@1 and 4.881@1. Cables 4.891. Commercial exchange is quoted at 4 841, with documentary bills at 4,84. The local stock exchange has been flat, stale, and unprofitable during the week. Little is doing, and what there is, is between brokers. The fluctuations

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have been unimportant, and it looks as if what speculation is doing is mostly in wheat and pork. The sales and comparative prices are as follows:—

| Banks.              | No.<br>Вћагев. | Highest<br>price. | Lowest<br>price. | this weel last year |
|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Hochelaga           | 60             | 105               | 105              | 100                 |
| Merchants           | 11             | 143}              | 143              | 1414                |
| Montreal            | 74             | 225               | 224              | 2243                |
| Peoples             | 5              | 97                | 95}              | 100                 |
| Toronto             | 18             | 216               | 216              | ••••                |
| Miscellancous.      |                |                   |                  |                     |
| Bell Telephone      | 25             | 1093              | 1097             |                     |
| do Bonds            |                | . 100 .           | 100              |                     |
| Gas                 | 185            | 213               | $212\frac{1}{2}$ | 210                 |
| Do (new stock).     | 25.            | 200               | 200              |                     |
| Land Grant Bonds.   | 200            | 1097              | 1097             |                     |
| Mont, Cot'n Bds.\$1 |                | 102               | 102              |                     |
| North West Land.    | 100            | 76}               | 761              | 82 <del>]</del>     |
| Pacific             | 1,230          | 77 <del>\</del>   | 76}              | 72}                 |
| Richelieu           | 765            | 61                | 57 <del>§</del>  | 60₹                 |
| Street Railway      | 150            | 189}              | 189              | 197                 |
| Telegraph           | 433            | 1064              | 1053             | ••••                |
|                     |                |                   |                  |                     |

#### MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

MONTBEAL, THURSDAY EVENING, March 26th, 1891.

With the advent of spring there is a better disposition to trade even on the part of the more conservative, but the movement is still a moderate one and payments show little or no improvement. There are more changes in prices recorded this week han for some time past. Anticipations of an early opening of navigation on the St. Lawrence do not appear likely to be realized, but the preparations of shipping agents are well advanced and it is possible that the project for a new fast mail line between this port and Europe will be

consummated in the near future. The approach of Easter has caused renewed life in several lines notatly in fancy dry goods and groceries. Flour is again firmer on the week and wheat, cats and peas are higher. There has been rather more doing in teas. Sugars are nominally steady but yellows can be bought at 5½c from first hands. Oils have met with a better enquiry and have advanced. Butter and cheese firm especially for finest. In provisions pork has made a sharp advance and eggs have been selling freely at good prices.

ASUSS — Receipts have been ample. Market for pot is weak at \$4 90 for first sort and \$3 80 for second. Pearls nominal at \$6.25 for firsts. Receipts since 1st January 548 bris Pot; 11 bris Pearls. Deliveries do 528 bris Pors; 6 bris Pearls. Stock in store 25th March, at noon, 99 bris Pot; 20 bris Pearls.

BUTTER AND CHEESE,-There has been considerable shopping around for desirable butter for the Easter trade and city grocers have not readily found what they wanted. It goes without saying that some pretty good prices have been paid this week and poorer grades have felt the benefit. There has also been some enquiry from States buyers but little business resulted. They are reported to have shipped over a thousand packages held in store here on account of previous purchases. Poor and medium is still reported plentiful enough for all possible requirements. Finest creamery is quoted at 23c@25c and fine to choice dairy at 20c@22c. Western dairy can be bought at 14c@15c and old stock at 6c@8c. On the retail market prices are: choice print 30c@35c creamery 25c@28c and good dairy 20c@23c. In cheese only a retail sort of trade can be reported as only a few wholesale lots remain, which are held, at, prices not enticing to huyers. These lots may be broken up for local use if nothing better offers. Liver-

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pool cable 56s. Nominal quotation here 11c for finest and from that down to 9½c for medium. Retail price 12c@14c. Exports of cheese last week by way of States ports 9,049 boxes, of which 5,869 went from this city. Shipments since the close of navigation 246.870 boxes, an increase of 25,526 boxes. The Western dairymen will establish a new dairy school at Tavistock, Ont., where cheese makers and farmers will be instructed.

Oanner Goods.—The market has ruled firm with a good demand at higher prices for peas, tomatoes and corn. No large lots are mentioned but in a jobbing way more has been done. Jobbers are asking \$1.45 for peas, \$1.35 for tomatoes and \$1.25 for corn.

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Day Goods.—Remittances are the subject of almost bitter complaint in the trade, and the apparent gain of last week has been lost thus. The fine weather of Holy Week has stimulated eity trade and our local retailers do not grumble; but travellers on the road say that their customers are only cautious buyers, and that it is next to impossible to place a large order. Everybody seems to be waiting to see what will turn up, and in the meantime wholesalers can do nothing beyond a jobbing trade for immediate requirements.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—Flour is again higher on the week and closes firm. Business has been chiefly in jobbing lots. In grain oats have sold more freely than anything else but wheat and peas are higher. No. 2 hard Manitoba wheat is worth \$1.12@\$1.14 and No. 3 98c@\$1 01. No. 2 Northern \$1.03@\$1.05; feed 63c@65c. Peas have advanced to 85c per 66 lbs in store. Manitoba oats have risen to 56c and Ontario to 58c/260c per 34 lbs. Corn remains steady at 80c duty paid and rye at 70c/275c. Feed barley 52c/254c and good malting ditto 60c@65c. In Chicago wheat has been irregular but in the main strong. Fluctations of late have been wide between \$1.037,0\$1,061 for May and \$1.017,081.047 for July. Corn fluctuated between 674c@ 701c May and 66c@684 July. A great deal of the buying was to cover shorts, but the advance was also due to some extent to foreign news and conditions. Strong cables came from England and the continent in spite of unusually large exports from New York last week. There is a confirmation of the damage to the French crop and an increased estimate to the French crop and an increased estimate is given of the quantity it will be necessary for France to import this year. Stocks in England are low and a great deal will yet have to be imported. There is little doubt that America will have a good market for all the wheat it can spare, as the Russian out-look is not favorable to free shipments and only a moderate supply is promised from India. No doubt there will be frequent breaks in the market but there is every indication of higher figures being reached. Corn and oats are so high that there is little trading in them. The quantity of wheat aff at to Europe is 32,780,000 bushels, compared with 30,328,000 a week ago, 18,562,000 a fortnight ago and 25,808,-000 last year. Corn 3,896,000 bushels, against 8,736.000 last year. English cables reported wheat cargoes off coast stronger; corn none.

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Green Fruits, Etc.—The demand for these goods has been gradually improving of late. Florida vegetables and early fruits were received to a moderate extent for the better class of trade. Strawberries sold at 50c@75c per quart as to quality and condition. Oranges have advanced and lemons are firmer. Lemons, \$3.25@\$4. Messiñas and Palermos; oranges, Valencias, \$5\%\\$5.50 case; Floridas, \$4\%\\$5 according to sizes and quality; Messinas, boxes, \$3.50 box; cranberries, \$11 \%\\$13 for good common. Coccanuts, \$4.50\%\\$5 per 100. Apples, firsts \$5\%\\$7, 2nds \$3.50\%\\$4; common \$2.50\%\\$3; pineapples, small, \$2.50 \%\\$3 dozen; large, \$3.50\%\\$4; crates, \$1 per crate of 50 lbs; figs, boxes, 10c; layers, 12c\%\\$15c; bags, 5c\%6c; dates, 5\cdot\\$6c; Grenoble walnuts, 15c\%\\$16c; Marbots, 11c\%\\$13c; Bordeaux, 10c\%\\$1c; peanuts, roasted, 11c\%\\$2\cdot\\$c; raw, 10c\%\\$10\cdot\\$c; almonds, soft shell, 14c\%\\$15c; Filberts, Sicily, 9\cdot\\$0.0nions, \$3.50 per brl.

Grockers — There has been little done in a large way and jobbers state that business has been moderate and payments with them can scarcely be written fair. Slightly more demand was caused by the late thaw in anticipation of the roads breaking up In teas low grade blacks are scarce and Japans firm. One jobber reported no cheap Young Hysons and Gunpowders in the market. An importer said he had some to offer but could not get his prices which he admitted were rather high. Considering the prevailing dullness a good few teas have passed into other hands, presumably for consumption, this week. There were at least eleven to twelve hundred packages of Japans at about 14c and a number of odd sales here and there. Although there are reports of a scarcity of tea on this market it is believed that quite enough to go round is held at prices slightly above the views of obuyers. A New York tea man was in Montreal this week and his mission is believed to be to sell rather than to buy. Recent foreign letters have contained no news as to the new

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crop of teas but in the absonce of advices the crop is supposed to be coming on all right There is certain to be a good demand for new teas here this season the statistical position being favorable. Refined augar has ruled quiet and yellows can be bought from 5½c up at first hands. Granulated is unchanged at 6½c. Barbadoes melasses apparently unchanged at the islands at 20c as no recent cables reporting a change have been received. Local trade in them unchanged and dull as dealers will not buy in the present unsettled condition of affairs caused by the McKinley bill. Cuban molasses have sold at low prices in Philadelphia and the Montreal market is probably as high as any on the continent at present. Barbadoes here are nominally worth 33c which is asked for both small and large lots. It was said to-day that the same stock would scarcely bring more than 28c or 29c in the States.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—No changes can be noted in prices and the demand is small as buyors resist the advance and only purchase for immediate wants. Tanners have again had to pay \$7 for No, 1 Montreal hides. Tallow about steady.

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IRON AND HARDWARE.—Trade is still duil in the heavy metals and outside of a few sales of Eglinton at \$21.50 there is very little doing. No import orders are chronicled and the condition of the market can be judged from the fact that steamers are eagerly accepting 2s per ton freight from Glasgow to New York. So poor are things in England that the Cleveland iron masters insist that the state of the trade makes it necessary to reduce the wages of their furnace men 12½ per cent while the men themselves are willing to accept a cut of 5 per cent. Tinplates are becoming scarce. All the common qualities are gone and some houses have none left under \$5, while others are still running out their stocks at \$4.75. Considering that most of this tin was bought at \$3.25\$\$\mathbb{G}\$\$\mathbb{S}\$\_3.30, it is easy to see that holders have made money. Bar iron is quiet and although the price is nominally \$2.20 it is an open secret that a large order could be placed under \$2. In fact it is said that \$1 95 has been accepted for round lots. Canadas are firm. Sales have been at \$3, and \$3.10 has been asked by some firms. Closing prices in London were Scotch warrants 43s 7d, No. 3 Middlesboro 39s, tin, spot, £90 2s 6d, futures,

£90 1s, G.M.B. Copper £53 17s 6d and £53. Soft \*panish lead £12 12s 6d.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—The close of the month and the approaching holidays have caused a dull tone. Our prices will be found slig'itly revised and the market is nominally steady at quotations. Recent shipments of sole leather via Portland and Boston are said to probably reach 100,000 pounds. As hides rule about as before there has been nothing to cause disturbance and the outlook is fairly good. Local sales have only included moderate sized lots of leather. The boot and shoe factories are well employed. They are getting out fall samples and working on spriog goods. Shipments have been made more freely of late and there will probably be larger shipments after the 4th prox. This will be the last of three important payment dates and the way paper is met will be an indicator of the future.

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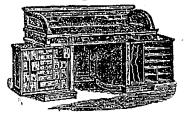
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PROVISIONS AND EGGS.—Pork has advanced here fully 50c@\$1 per barrel and looks as if it must go higher owing to the upward spurt in Ohicago prices. The market up west has not been so excited for some time. The bulls' have run up prices on the advance in corn and the alleged poor condition of hogs now

arriving. They have also made the best of the rumor that France and Germany are likely to remove the embargo against American hog products. Out meats and lard are in fair de-mand at steady prices. Eggs have been un-settled but a good trade has been done. Re-ceipts are increasing and after selling higher business is reported at 22@23c for fresh stock.

#### TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE, (Revised by Telegraph.)

TORONTO, March 26th, 1891.

There is a moderate volume of trade reported for the week, but the movement in some lines is said to be comparatively slow. In dry goods and millinery a fair business has been done. Stocks here are large and well assorted. Prices generally denote firmness The money market is easy, with call loans

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quoted at 5@51 per cent, and discounts 61@ 7 per cent. The stock market continues quiet with the bulk of trading in Northwest Land, Western assurance and London and Canadian Loan. Bank stocks dull but steady. Following are the closing bids as compared with last

Thursday :--

| Books.   | Bid.<br>Mar.<br>26.                              | Bid<br>Mar.<br>19.                                | Loan Cos. | Bid<br>Mar.<br>26.                            | Bid<br>Mar.<br>19.                                   |
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| Montreal Ontario Toronto Morchants. Commerce Imperial. Dominion Standard. Hamilton | 114<br>215<br>1421<br>1281<br>160<br>2331<br>147 | 114i<br>216<br>142<br>128i<br>157<br>231!<br>146i | Can Per   | 136<br>133<br>110<br>124<br>122<br>123<br>125 | 136<br>133<br>110<br>124<br>122<br>122<br>123<br>178 |

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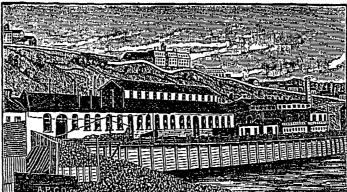
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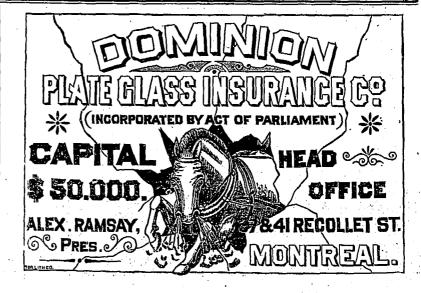
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DESSED Hoss.—There are a good many light ones offering, and prices are weak at \$4 50@\$5. Choice heavy are quoted at \$5.25 @\$5.50.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The flour trade is dull, with buyers and sellers apart. Higher prices are quoted, viz, \$4.75 for straight rollers \$4.35 \$4.40 for extras, Patents rule at \$4.80@\$5.50 according to quality. Wheat in good demand and higher. Sales of 60-lbs white outside on G.T.B. at \$1.03 and here at \$1.08@\$1.10. No. 2 spring sold at 99c@\$1.00 on the Midland and at 95c@970 on the Northern, No

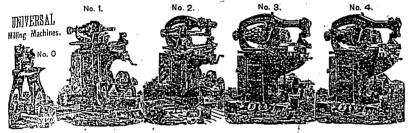


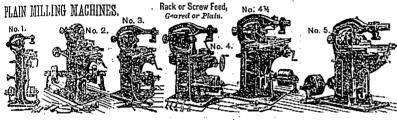
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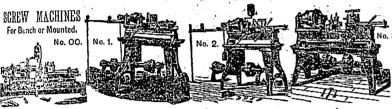
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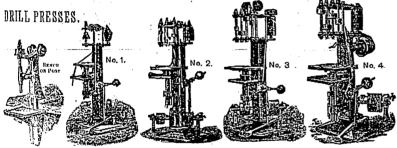
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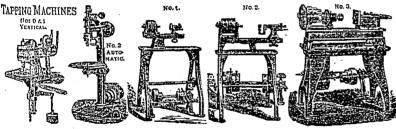
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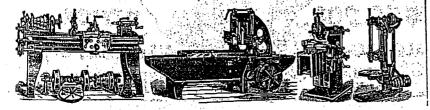
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1 Manitoba hard sold at \$1.20 and No. 2 at \$1.13@\$1.14 No. 3 hard sold at \$1.03@\$1.04 and No. 2 Northern at \$1.10. No 1 frosted at 92c and No. 2 frosted at 82c. Barley is more active No. 3 extra sold at 56c f.o.b. and at 53c outside. No 3 sold at 50c outside. Oats are in demand and higher; mixed sold at 56c@57c and white at 57½c, on track. Peas firm with sales ontside orth at 72@74c and on the Midland at 75c. Bye sold at 76c outside and corn 73c Oatmeal quiet and higher; car lots are quoted at \$5.90@\$6.09 for ordinary grades and granulated. Bran sold at \$16.00 outside weet, and is worth about \$17.00 here. Middlings \$17@\$20.

GROOMBIES.—A quiet trade is reported for the week. The country roads are bad but the feeling hopeful. Sugars are unchanged, with granulated at 7c@7½c, and yellows at 5½c@6½c, according to quality. Coffees firm with Rios at 22½@23c. Dried fruits dull. Syrups firm at 52@68c. Teas in good demand at firm prices.

HARDWARE.—Trade is quiet this week, with prices somewhat unsettled owing to weak cables. Tin and lead are the firmest of the metals. Payments are rather disappointing.

HIDES AND SEINS.—There is a quiet business reported and prices generally unchanged. Cured hides sell at 64c. Dealers are paying 5c for No. 1, 4c for No. 2, and 3c for No. 3. Sheepskins bring \$1.25@\$1.40 according to quality. Calfekins unchanged at 6c@8c the latter for No. 1.

LIVE STOCK.—Receipts smaller than last week, but little change in prices. The best but-chers sell at 4c@4\forall c, medium at 3\forall c@3\forall c, and inferior at 3c. Sheep are dull at \$500 \$6.50 a head, and lambs bring \$4.500\$\$6.

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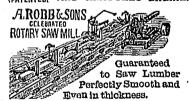
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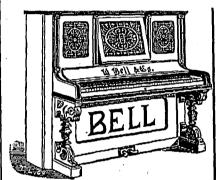
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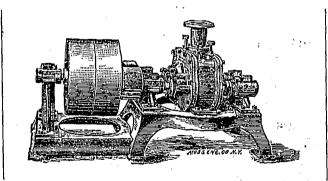
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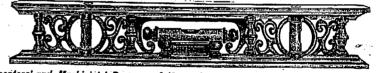
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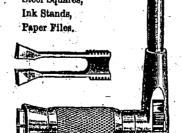


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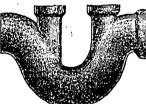
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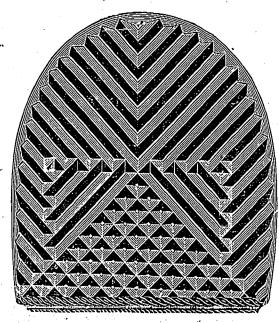
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| Cobourgs   | \$0.80 1.05 \$0.75 \$0.85 \$0<br>0.95 1.20 0.85 0.90 0   | Youths.<br>70 \$0 80<br>75 0 80<br>75 0 80  | Roast chicken, 1-lb tins<br>Roast turkey, 1-lb tins  | \$ c. \$ c.<br>0 00 2 80<br>0 00 2 40  | Soda Ash,  | 1 124 1 25  |
| Kip Buff " Galf Buff Congress. Calf Split boots. Kip Galf Felt boots half fox " full "   | 1 25 1 60 1 10 1 50 0<br>2 00 8 00 0 00 0 00 0<br>1 25 4 60 1 10 1 50 0<br>1 90 3 40 0 00 0 00 0<br>1 35 2 10 1 25 1 60 0<br>2 00 8 90 1 50 1 70 1 | 80 1 00<br>90 1 15<br>00 0 00<br>00 0 00<br>00 0 00<br>95 1 15<br>95 1 40<br>00 0 00<br>00 0 00<br>00 0 00<br>00 0 00 | Corn Brooms.  No. 1 Gem 4 strings, hard wood handle.  No. 2 do 3 strings.  No. 3 do 2 strings.  No. 4 do 2 strings.  No. 0 Hurl 4 strings.  No. 1 do 3 strings.  No. 2 do 3 strings. | 3 35 0 00<br>2 75 0 00<br>2 15 0 00<br>1 95 0 00<br>2 85 0 00<br>2 45 0 00<br>2 10 0 00              | Dyestuffs. Archil, con   | 0 08 0 08 0 15 0 10 0 15 1 90 2 25 1 50 1 75 0 70 1 00 0 06 0 07 0 11 0 11          |
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| Macking Sewad. Peppled Button Glazed Buff Button Goat Polish Calf. French Kid  | 1 00   20   0 85   0 90   0 8  | 50 0 70<br>50 0 70<br>80 1 35<br>90 1 35<br>40 1 75   | Acid Carbolic Cryst Medi<br>Aloes, Cape  | 0 15 0 16<br>1 75 2 00<br>0 09 0 11<br>0 55 0 60<br>0 75 0 00  | Mackerel, No 1, kitts  Green Cod, Large  No. 1  Draft  Dry   | 2 121 0 CO<br>10 00 0 00<br>0 00 0 00<br>0 00 0 00<br>0 00 0 00                     |
| Name of Article. Wholesale.  Canned Goods. Lobsters, per case, new . 7 50 8 00 8 of 10 10 00 Mackerel  | Peas, Mar., 2-lb tins 1 Boston baked beans, p ds 1 Corned Beef, 1-lb 1 Corned beef, 2-lbs 2  """ 6-lbs 4   | 60 0 00<br>60 0 00<br>90 5 10   | Citrie Acid Copperas, per 100 lbs Cream Tartar Epsom Salts Glycorine Gum Arabic per lb Trag Morphia  | 0 70 0 00<br>0 60 0 65<br>1 00 2 00<br>0 30 0 35<br>1 50 1 75<br>0 55 1 26<br>0 55 1 26<br>0 55 1 26 | Salmon No. 1 bris  Salmon, No. 1 (tierces) 2, large Brit. Col bris Cod                               | 15 50 16 00<br>15 00 0 00<br>0 00 22 00<br>00 00 21 00<br>00 00 18 00<br>12 50 0 00 |
| Salmon, per dos  | " 14-lbs   | 50 17 00<br>00 0 00<br>15 5 25<br>80 0 09<br>00 1 70  | Opium Oralic Acid Phosphorus. Potash Bichromate. Potash Icidide. Quinine. Stryohnine Tartaric Acid Tin Grystals.   | 0 11 0 15<br>0 75 0 80<br>0 79 0 11<br>3 75 4 00<br>0 50 0 60<br>1 10 1 25<br>0 50 0 55              | Flour.  Patent, winter. Patent, spring. Straight roller Extra. Superfine Fine. Superfine Bags.       | 5 80 0 0 0<br>4 90 5 0<br>4 40 4 60<br>4 0 4 25<br>3 75 0 00                        |
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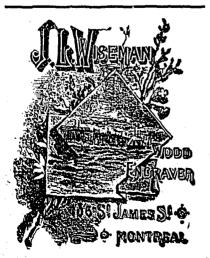
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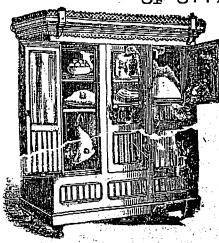
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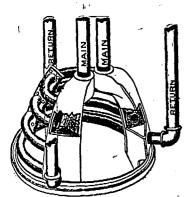
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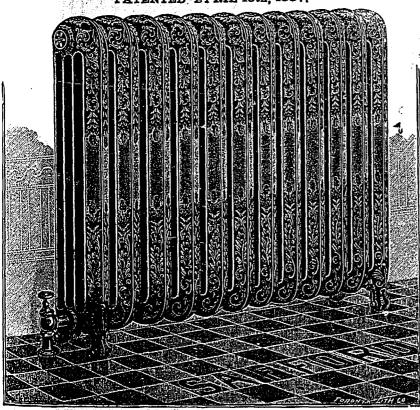
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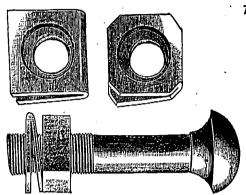
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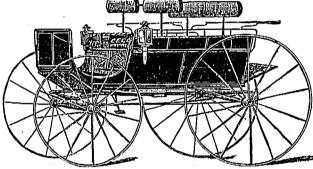
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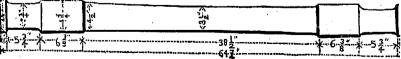
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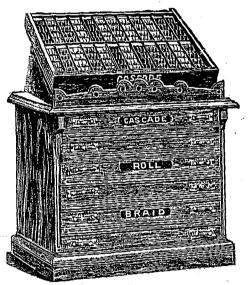
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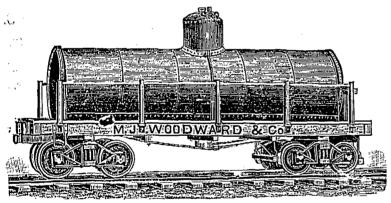
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|                   | 1877  | 120         | 125                      |
| Can               | ids, 4 p. c. loan, 1860   | 109         | 111                      |
|                   | 8 p. c. loan, 1888  | 941         | 961                      |
|                   | Debs. 1884, 31 p. c   | 102         | 104                      |
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| _                 | New Brupswick 6 p. c. 1937  | 100         | 103                      |
|                   | Quebec Province. 5 p.c. 1874  Do do 1876 5 p.c  Do do 1880 4 p.c  Lo do 1880 5 p.c  | 166         | 108<br>108<br>105<br>113 |
|                   | Do do 1883 5 p.c  | 103         | 105<br>113               |
| 100               | Atlantic & Nth Western 5 p.c. Gua.  let M. Eds  Buffalo and Lake Huron £10 sh  Do 5 p c. let Mort  Can. Central 5 p. c. let M. Eds Int. | 115         | 117                      |
| 10<br>100         | Buffalo and Lake Huron £10 sh<br>Do 51 p c. 1st Mort  | 121<br>131  | 138<br>133               |
| 300               | Do 2nd. Mort  | išī         | 133                      |
|                   | guar. By Gov  | 106         | 108                      |
|                   | Canadian Pacific \$100  | 783         | 78]                      |
| 100               | Grand Trunk, Georg Bay, &c.   | 102         | 104                      |
| 100               | Grand Trunk of Canada Ord. stock  | 91          | . 91                     |
| 100<br>100<br>100 | 2nd. equir. mtg. bds,6 pc<br>lst. pref. stock.<br>2nd. pref. stock  | 614         | 129 <sup>-</sup><br>611  |
| 100<br>100        | SPd neaf, stock   | 214         | 40<br>22                 |
| 100<br>100        | 5 p. c. perp. deb. stock.   | 125<br>974  | 127<br>951               |
|                   |   | 1 1         | 938                      |
| 100<br>100        | Great Western shares, 5 p.c   | 122         | 124                      |
| 100               | Hamilton and N. W., 6 p.c.  | 107         | 109                      |
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|                   | Northern Extension, 6 p. c. prof  | 106<br>101  | 1(8                      |
| 00                | T. G. & B. 4 p. c. bonds let Mort.  | 26<br>19    | 29<br>101                |
| 00                | Ist mtg. bds  | 98          | 100                      |
| 00                | St. Law. and Ott. 6 p. c. Bds   | 183         | 100                      |
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| 100               | Bank of British Columbia<br>Bank of British North America   | . <u>37</u> | 28<br>78                 |
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|                   | 5 p.o. gen. con. deb., 1879   | 119         | 124                      |
|                   |   |             | 103                      |
| 00                | City of Winnipeg, deb., 1884 5 p.c.<br>deb. scrip. 1883 6 p.c.  | 112         | 110                      |
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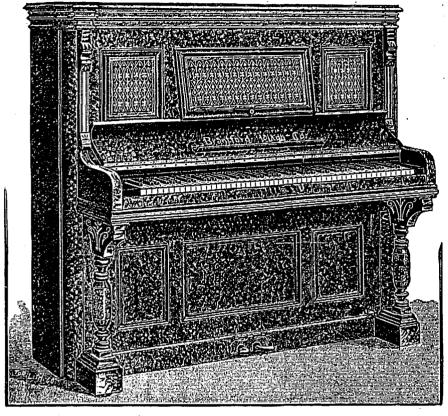
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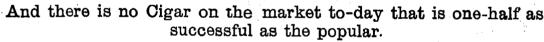
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