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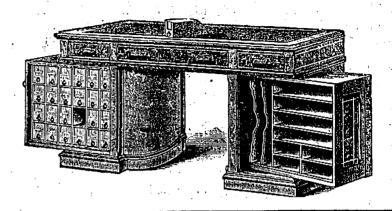
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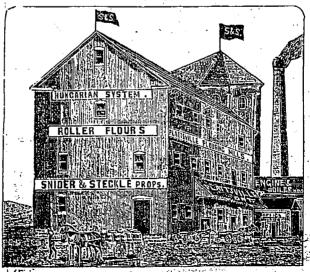
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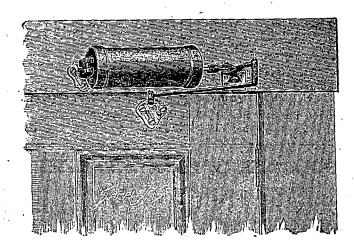
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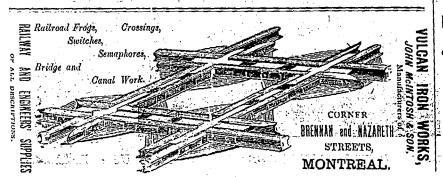


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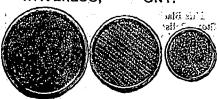




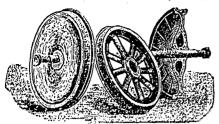
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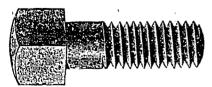
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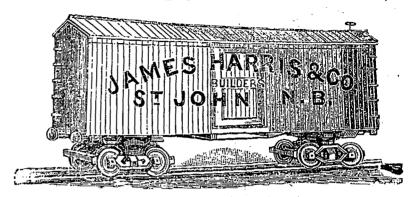
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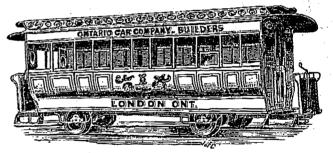
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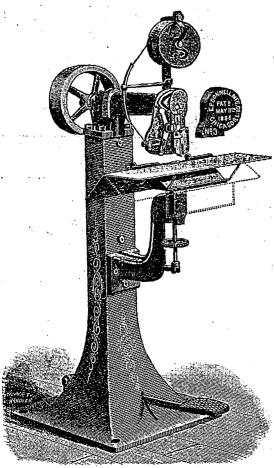


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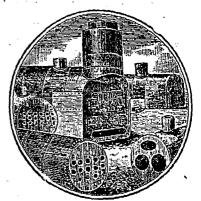
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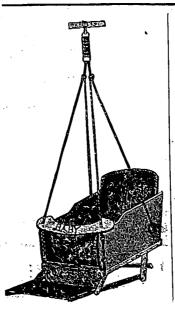
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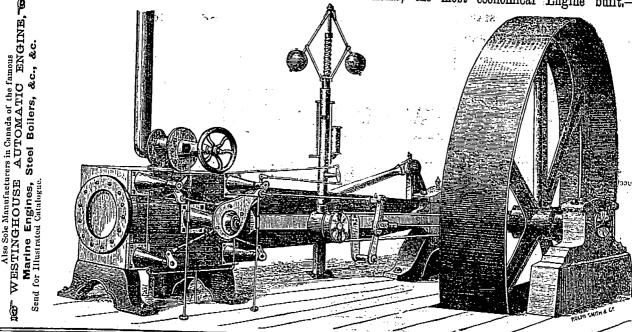
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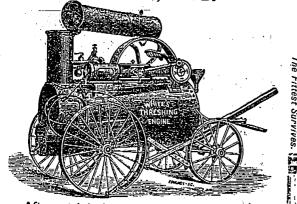


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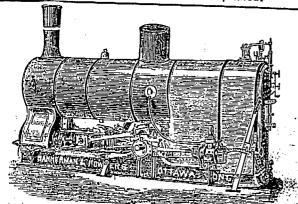
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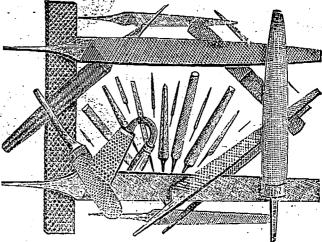
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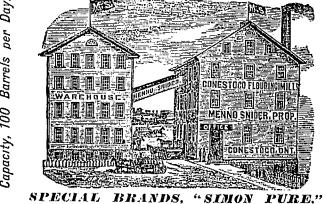
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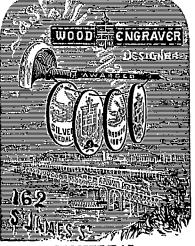
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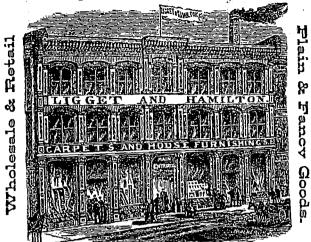
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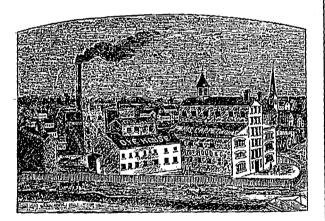
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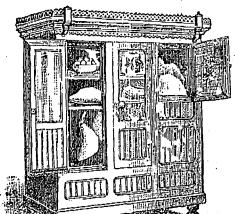
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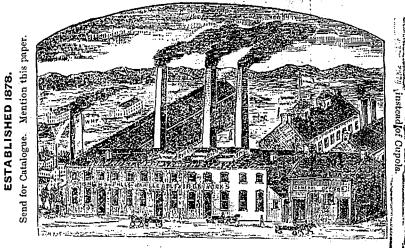
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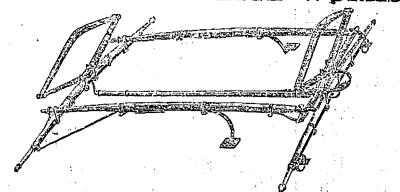
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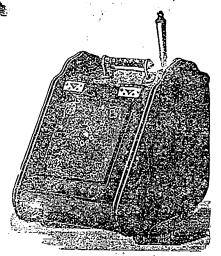
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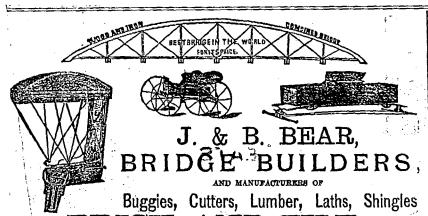
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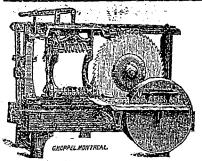
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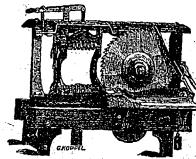


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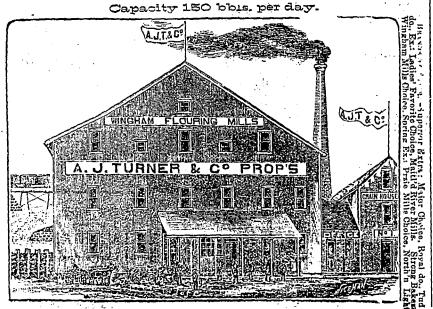
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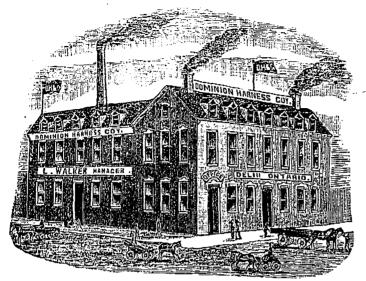
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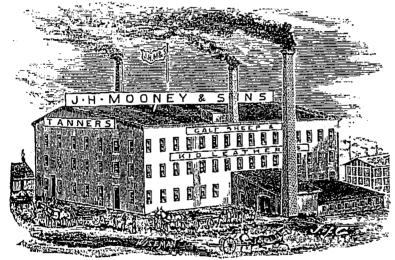
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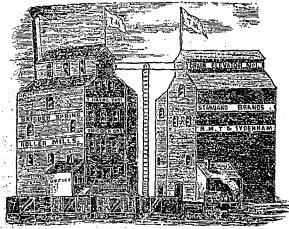
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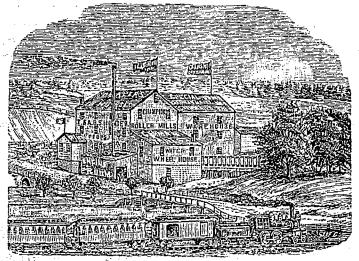
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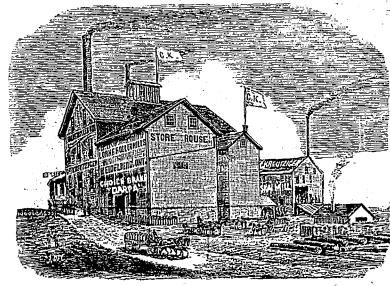
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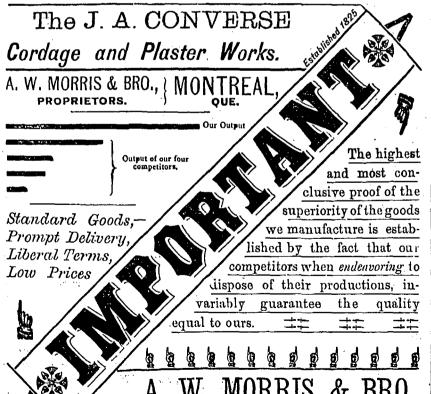
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The North American Telegraph Company is busy constructing lines through all leading points in Central Ontario.

A TENDER of 401 cents in the dollar has been accepted for the stock of Wm. Moody & Co., of Halifax. It is valued at \$20,000.

Joux Low, a boot and shoe dealer, of Toronto, has assigned with liabilities of \$4,000, and assets estimated at only half that sum.

MRS. E. HALLEY, a milliner of this city, has been in trouble all this year and now assigns with liabilities of about \$8,000. Her husband is a plasterer.

The Huronian gold and silver mine in the district west of Port Arthur has been sold to a strong English company for the handsome sum of \$300,000...

A MOVEMENT is on foot to establish a French-Canadian insurance company with headquarters at Montreal, the stock to consist of 100 shares of \$5,000 each.

THE new offices of the Northern Assurance Company in this city are in the British Empire Buildings on Notre Dame street, main floor, next the Quebco Bank.

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It is understood that the Dominion Government has renewed its contract with the British American Bank Note Company for the production of its revenue and postage stamps.

A PLATE glass insurance company is being organized in Woodstock, and a committee has been appointed to draft the necessary rules and conditions for governing its affairs.

N. O. Lebrus, a batter, of Sorel, Que., started in business this spring with no visible means. The business proved unsuccessful and he now assigns with liabilities of about \$4,000.

CABLE advices from London show that the attendance at the wool sales is lessening. The market is flat and without spirit, the bidding weak and lower, and the withdrawals heavy.

WM. Shaver, Jr., boot and shoe manufacturer, of Hamilton, is offering a composition of 45 cents in the dollar to his creditors. Liabilities are placed at \$17,000 and assets at \$10,000.

C. A. St. Pieure, grocer, of St. Germain de Rimouski, Que., has assigned. He failed in 1880 with liabilities of \$1,250 and assets of about \$950, and since then has been always hard up.

It is expected that another dividend of 15 cents will be shortly declared by the Exchange bank liquidators, which would make 75 cents altogether that the creditors will have received.

The Waterous Engine Works Co. have again commenced boring operations for natural gas at Brantford, the last they struck being but a temporary volume. The sinking is now 1,223 feet deep.

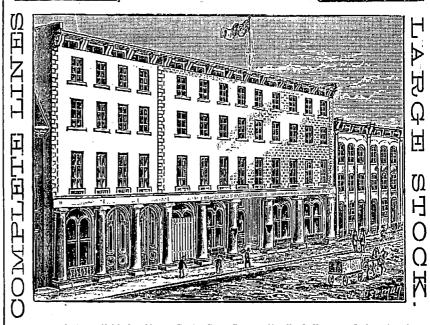
The sheriff is in possession of the stock of Mrs. A. J. Marks, the wife of a Toronto stonecutter, who has kept a small fancy store. She

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Notice is given of application to Parliament by the Northern, North Simcoe, Hamilton & Northwestern, and Northern Pacific Junction railways for power to consolidate the four companies into one.

The vote in Guelph on the by-law to grant a \$175,000 bonus to the Guelph Junction Railway, which will afford the Royal City competition in transport facilities, was carried by a vote of 745 to 144.

The trustees of the bondholders of the South Eastern railway company give notice of application to abolish said trust and to constitute the bondholders a corporation under the Railway act of 1879.

It is rumored that the Government have purchased the foundry and machine shops of Messrs. Carrier, Laine & Co., of Levis, with the intention of turning them into workshops for the Intercolonial railway.

The total valuation of Lachute is placed at \$514,500, the total annual value or rental at \$40,000 and total population at 1,532. This shows an increase over last year of \$58,850 of valuation and 221 in population.

The Washington treasury department has decided that the Canadian postal cards imported into the United States are dutiable at the rate of 25 per cent. ad valorem, as printed matter not specially provided for.

Joux C. Hentel, tailor, of Dutton, Ont., has

been in business three or four years, and was supposed to have fair prospects of success. He now assigns. — Jesse Hakin, a small dealer in shoes of Hensall, Ont., has assigned.

The creditors of the Joseph Hall Company, Oshawa, held a meeting at the Rossin House last week to receive the report of the assignee, which proved satisfactory. It was decided to call for tenders to purchase assets and property.

A BOARD OF TRADE is being formed at Moncton, N.B. The business men of that enterprising town held a meeting recently to organise a Chamber of Commerce to take care of the rising business and industrial interests of the place.

The steamer "Northern Light" is getting ready to resume the winter service between P. E. Island and the mainland. Commercial travellers will be glad when the proposed tunnel is constructed under the straits of Bellisle.

A LARGE force of men are now at work making excavations for a mammoth hotel to be erected by the Canadian Pacific railway at Spray Falls, Banff. The building will be completed by the spring, ready for summer business.

WM. BALLARD, shoedcaler, of Parkdale, Ont., sold out about a month ago, and now assigns. Liabilities are about \$600.——Samuel Balcow, storekeeper, of Salmon River, and A. & J. Marshall, jewellers, of Wolfville, N.S., have assigned.

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Oven two thousand car loads of beef and cattle are awaiting shipment at various points in Colorado and Texas, the railway companies having no cars available for their transport. The stock men will lose heavily by the blockade.

THE Moncton cotton company are constructing a large warehouse for storing raw and manufactured cotton on their premises, and have orders ahead for some time. Their pay roll amounts to about three thousand dollars per month.

WM. Lewis & Son, wire rope manufacturers. of Kingston, Ont., are asking an extension from their creditors, the greater part of whom have agreed to give them four months. Liabilities will be about \$9,000, and assets nominally a little over.

RAWLING T. HAIGHT, formerly a traveller for Pavey & Co., wholesale clothiers, of London, Ont., was arrested in Toronto last week on the charge of fraudulently obtaining the endorsation of Hillyard & Co., of Port Perry, to a draft for \$100.

Sr. Joun, N. B., merchants are threatened with an increase in the rates of insurance owing to representations made to the head offices of the insurance companies as to the water supply of the city and the efficiency of the fire department.

A SAMPLE of iron ore from one of the mines back of Kingston attracted so much attention at the Colonial Exhibition that an order was

received last week at Kingston from a large firm in Wales for a ton of similar ore with which to experiment.

· Nova Scotia potatoes, which have been shipped in large quantities to the West Indies and United States, are reported as not being in good order, owing to a kind of dry rot. Still, it is believed this has only affected the crop in some localities.

Two by-laws, one for the C. P. R. right of way from Glenannan to Wingham and the other for the construction of a salt well, were carried in Wingham almost unanimously, only three votes being cast against the first and four against the second.

APPLICATION for letters patent of incorporation has been made by the Rocky Mountain Mining & Lumber Co. The capital stock is fixed at \$500,000. The Ontario & Qu'Appelle Land company apply to Parliament for an act to reduce their capital stock.

Miss Dalton, a Toronto milliner, who has been in business about four years, is endeavoring to effect a compromise with her creditors. Liabilities are \$2,000, while assets show a nominal surplus of \$1,000. She has been in poor health for some time past.

MR. HENRY PARKER, president of the Agricultural and Arts association of Ontario, died suddenly at Woodstock, on the 3rd ulto, after a very brief illness. He was mayor of the town of Woodstock many times and had been warden of the county of Oxford.

THERE is excitement at Bell river over oil prospects, and a new company has been organized. An oil expert from Pennsylvania claims that the indications are first-class, but does not expect to meet any oil before a depth of 2,500 to 2,800 feet has been reached.

THE Canada Permanent Loan and Savings company have made application for powers to carry on business in any part of the Dominion of Canada, and to open books for the registration and transfer of debentures and real estate in any part of the United Kingdom.

The temperature on Saturday last was about as low as it ever gets in Ontario. There are conflicting stories as to what the thermometer actually registered, but from sources which can be relied on, it is learned that the mercury went down to twenty-five below zero.

Romisson & Shaw, hardware dealers, of Almonte, Ont., are endeavoring to effect a compromise at 60 cents in the dollar. They were burnt out last May when they suffered considerable loss. Both came from Pembroke in 1884, where they had previously been

The captain and mate of the Quebec barque, "Ivey," have been arrested by the society for prevention of cruelty, at Halifax, charged with causing the death of a scaman named Pierce, whom, it is alleged, they ill-used and starved to death on a voyage from Java to Halifax.

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THE London Advertiser states that Robt. Eaton, formerly of Toronto, but latterly running a cheese factory at Harrington, which was lately burned down, together with its contents, has skipped out and left many debts behind, also his wife and family in very poor circum-

THE Antigonish, N. S., Echo says that the shore from Malignant Cove to Aristig is lined with squid, and the people are hauling them for manure. Herring were caught in Antigonish harbor last week, though they were never known there before at this time of the year.

Tus cotton manufacturing prospects in Lowell are brighter now than at the corresponding time last year. There is a more rapid movement in goods, and there is a little larger margin for profit. The sales for export'

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the marked increase is in the South American

Owing to the recent severe cold, the ferry steamers have ceased their trips and gone into winter quarters. Ice is already forming along the shores. The water is rapidly losing its latent heat, and it is expected that the ice bridge will soon form. Until then the habitants on the other side are practically cut off from the city.

The celebrated middlings purifier patent case of Smith vs. Grey, which has been going on at Toronto for several days, has been settled out of Court. In point of form, the judgment agreed upon is in favor of the plaintiff, defendants admitting the validity of the patent, but the real nature of the settlement has not transpired.

S. II. Shenwoodedealer in agricultural imoplements, of St. John, N.B., has assigned. He was formerly of the firm of Roberts & Sherwood, who dissolved in 1884. He had no ) - Line / comments fames tork

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even locally, and the severe competition of houses already established prevented his making any headway.

A PROMINENT fruit merchant has received the following cable from his London correspondents :-- "The arrival of American apples in Liverpool is very heavy; indeed large lots are being forwarded to London, which is driving down prices here. Our markets are very heavily stocked. Don't advise further shipments till we cable you."

Louis Witt, a shoedealer, of Millbank, Ont., has done a small custom business for the past ten years. He has now assigned .-- Omer Camerle, fancy goods dealer, of Ottawa, is in difficulties. He was formerly a peddler and opened a store in cheap dry goods in 1882, and then added fancy goods, but has never made anything out of it beyond a bare living.

F. X. BRAZEAU & Co., successors to the late F. X. Brazeau, have assigned. The firm was originally Brazeau & Demers, and started in are considerably larger than a year ago, and | capital when he started and but little credit, | June 1885, but dissolved in March 1886,

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Demers carrying on the Notre Dame street store while Mrs. Brazeau kept the one in St. Paul street, receiving \$800 as her share of the partnership. Since then she has been sued straight along and now assigns.

THE Exchange bank liquidators have sold the Corriveau silk mills to Mr. A. F. Gault, Mr. T. J. Claxion and other gentlemen, whose names are not at present made public, for \$30,000, and a joint stock company will be organized for the purpose of starting the mills again. Mr. Claxton has disposed of his interest in the Crompton Corset Co., and will devote his talents to this enterprise.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Windsor hotel company was held at the hotel this week, Mr. Andrew Allan, president, in the chair. A statement of the year's business was read and approved. After providing for extensive renewals and making a liberal allowance for wear and tear, a dividend of 31 per cent. had been declared, leaving a surplus of about \$10,000. The meeting was a harmonious one. A service of the service of

Tuz quarterly meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada was held in Toronto on the 4th ulto, when nominations were made of officers for the ensuing year. Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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Mr. J. C. Black was elected president by acclamation, and Mr. A. A. Allan, first vicepresident, Messrs H. A. Galbraith, J. Burns and C. C. Van Norman were nominated for second president. Mr. R. H. Gray was elected treasurer by acclamation.

THE annual meeting of the Bank of Ottawa shareholders was held on the 8th ulto. The twelfth annual report showed net profits for the year of \$141,804, of which \$70,000 was paid in dividends, \$50,000 carried to rest account, which now amounts to \$260,000. The amount carried forward at credit of profit and loss is \$38,440. The old board of directors was re-elected. They again chose Mr. Jas. McLaren president, and Mr. Chas. Magee vice-president.

A special general meeting of the stockholders of the Moncton Brass and Iron Manufacturing Co., was held last week. Statements submitted showed collections on stock amounting to about \$23,000; good notes on hand \$7,000; and about \$5,000 more probably collectable. The purchase money is \$45,000 and consequently it is necessary to raise about \$15,000. A resolution was passed empowering the directors to raise that amount by way of mortgage and to give a trust deed Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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D. & J. Maguine, the large ship owners of Quebec, are stated to be financially embarrassed, and a meeting of creditors has been called to discuss the situation. A rough statement of liabilities shows that they will reach \$400,000 at least, while the assets, which include a fleet of twenty-two sailing vessels, are not yet ascertained. The banks interested are the Bank of Montreal, Commerce and Banque du Peuple, and Mr. Mercdith, of the Bank of Montreal, and Mr. Perrin, representing the American branch of Baring Bros., have arrived in Quebec to look after the interests they represent. Various causes are assigned for their suspension, but the outbreak of cholera at Buenos Ayres, which has paralyzed business throughout the River Plate seems to be the immediate cause of the suspension.

TABLE showing the business and position of the

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1860	3,365,407	133,446	226,773	664,929
1870	6,404,437	273,728	680,154	1,090,098
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#### THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Those who expected some definite utterances from President Cleveland as to the future course of the United States Government in dealing with the fisheries question will be somewhat disappointed at the vagueness of that portion of his message. But doubtless the remembrance of the direct refusal of the majority of the Senate to endorse his sensible recommendation for the forming of a joint commission to adjust these differences, still rankled in his mind and drove him to take refuge in harmless statement that negotiations are still pending and that there is reasonable hope that before the close of the present session of Congress the announcement may be made that an acceptable conclusion has been reached. This studiously non-committal statement is obviously resorted to in order to avoid any loophole by which the bitter partisans of the Senate could repeat the insult offered to him last April.

That portion of his message which states that while he is desirous that mutually beneficial and friendly relations should exist between the two countries, he fears that the action of Canadian officials during the past season in dealing rigorously with American fishermen is likely to seriously threaten their continuance, is evidently inserted for political effect, and is designed to tie the hands of the New England politicians who might otherwise inveigh against the administration as Canadian sympathisers. It is a pity that political exigency should compel so sensible a man as Mr. Cleveland to make use of such nonsense in order to satisfy the bunkum spirit of Maine fishermen, for he as well as every business man in both countries, is perfectly well aware that no straining of relations has occurred on this account the two nations. In fact throughout the western portion of the United States this question is looked upon with indifference as a purely local affair in which they have no interest at stake and by which consequently no sentiment of animosity can be aroused. Propinquity, community of language, similarity of ideas and occupations, and social relations, are ties too strong to be broken by the petty malice or disappointed greed of a few Maine fishermen. Mr. Cleveland is perfectly aware of this and consequently it is a pity to see him catering to the morbid dislike of a small clique by utterances which he well knows are not warranted by the circumstances. Of course a certain amount of what is termed spread-eagleism is relished more or less all over the continent, but the natural acuteness and hardheaded common sense of the people soon discover it and consequently they know how to estimate such statements at their real value.

In his suggestions on the tariff question the President is far more happy because not trammelled to a similar extent by political exigencies; and the desirability of legislative action to relieve the community from the burden of taxation, now that it is no longer necessary, will be fully appreciated by that heavily weighted class. The income of the United States is now, fortunately, far beyond its necessities, and should this surplus be applied to the payment of such portion of the public debt, as is now subject to extinguishment, it would retire that class of indebtedness within twelve months. Then the continuation of

the present rate of taxation would simply result in the accumulation of a vast surplus composed of money withdrawn from the pockets of the people to be hoarded in the Trensury vaults, where it would be a constant temptation to a weak government to indulge in extravagant public expenditure for the purpose of securing popularity.

The President goes on to point out that the extortion of more of the people's substance in the form of taxation than is necessary to meet the just demands of the Government is a violation of the fundamental principles of free government and, since no revision of the existing protective tariff is deemed advisable, he recommends a revision of the revenue laws by which the receipts of the Government may be reduced to the amount necessary to meet the expenses of the present economical administration. It may also be added that it is unfair to saddle upon the present generation the whole burden of extinguishing the national debt. This debt was incurred, largely at all events, in public works for the benefit of generations yet to come and in the preservation of that method of government and bond of union which has rendered this surplus of wealth possible. As the coming generation will reap the benefit of these expenditures equally with the present one, it is only fair that it should also bear a proportion of the cost, and by so doing lighten the burden and increase the prosperity of the taxpayer of the present day. The sudden extinguishing of the existing debt is neither desirable from a commercial point point of view nor would it be of any benefit to the country, and consequently the suggestion of lessened taxation should be recognized and acted upon by the repreof the American people.

#### NOVEMBER FIRE LOSSES.

The month just past will enjoy the unenviable notoriety of furnishing a larger quota of losses by fire than any previous November during the past decade. Since the initiation of the systematic fire tables of the New York Chronicle in 1875, it has been possible to estimate, with more or less exactness, the total fire losses for the United States and Canada, although, owing to the method of construction employed, it is still impossible to give that proportion of it for which the Dominion'is responsible. Taking the whole figures, however, it is evident that, while the ordinary fire loss, taken on an average of the past twelve years, for the month of November, is about \$7,500,000, the aggregate fire waste for the same month of the present year is not less than ten millions of dollars, or thirty-three and a third per cent. higher than that of any previous November since 1875.

This statement, which is founded on statistics compiled by the New York Bulletin,

is serious enough to excite comment; and. as the methods of heating domestic houses and stores are, if properly attended to, accompanied by far less danger than heretofore, such an extraordinary increase. occurring, as it does, without any abnormal conflagration to swell the returns, points to considerable careleseness on the part of the sufferers from the devouring element. With such an increase of fire waste as this. it is difficult to see where the fire insurance companies can make their profits, and if the business of the past month does enable them to show gains, it will be only because the property destroyed has either not been insured, or else that it has been covered only to the extent of a fraction of its value. But this argument only shifts the burden of the loss from the shoulders of the insurance companies to those of the owners of the property. The loss exists just the same; someone must suffer, and consequently we must face the fact that during the past month two million and a half dollars worth more property has been swept out of existence than the average of the past decade has led us to expect.

Unless the fire waste during the present month show a considerable decrease, 1886 will be a black year for the companies. Up to the end of October, the estimated aggregate fire loss for the year had reached the uncomfortable figure of ninety-five millions of dollars, and, adding the loss of the past month, the total reaches one hundred and five millions of dollars for the eleven months of the present year. That is to say, through want of the exercise of honest caution on the part of the owners or occupiers of the doomed buildings (for fires arising from spontaneous causes are happily infrequent), over one hundred million dollars have been absolutely dissipated.

It is probable that but few people ever realize the amount of loss annually accruing from fire waste. Providing that the property be insured, they appear to take it for granted that no loss is incurred, and the statement that the loss is covered by insurance removes all idea that anyone has met with a serious calamity. But it must be remembered that it takes many premiums to cover the amount of one claim. that the expenses attendant on the securing of risks and the investigation of losses are very heavy, and that, consequently, the loss incurred by fire waste is a far more serious matter to the companies than most policy-holders appear to realize. Loss by fire is one of the most exasperating of all losses, because it is an absolute waste from which no one derives, except very indirectly, one iota of benefit. The old adage of "It's an ill wind that blows nobody good" loses its force in this case, for a fire is a calamity in which no mitigating element occurs. When it is considered that, in nine cases out of ten, the destruction is the result of ourclessness or over-confidence, the loss assumes a particularly aggravating form, and consequently we would once more reiterate the old worn-out warning to exercise more rigorous supervision over the causes which annually deprive this continent of property to the extent of more than a hundred millions. There are, to be sure, exceptions to this rule about the "ill-wind," the most familiar being the cases arising from a desire on the part of some over-stocked premises to sell out to the insurance companies.

Much has been written and said against the underground writing of the United States "mill mutuals" in Canada; but if these concerns succeed in inducing greater precaution on the part of the insured, the evil complained of will not be altogether unmixed.

#### FOOD ADULTERATION.

The question of food adulteration has a most important bearing on the public health, and its detection by analytical experts rightly forms one of the principal duties of the Government. When such analyses are made by competent, skilled chemists, provided with all the necessary reagents and apparatus, the result is in the highest sense satisfactory, but unfortunately these analyses are only too often made by an assistant, perhaps of only comparative competency, and usually so pressed for time as to render the examination necessarily of a cursory nature instead of the deliberate, painstaking character necessary for accurate determination of the results. Were these analyses all made by the skilled gentlemen forming the Government analytical staff considerably more reliance could be placed upon the accuracy of the results than under the present system (obtaining at all events in some of the larger cities), where the actual analysis is made by an assistant, who performs the work of a woll-paid official for a mere pittance.

Still the first annual report of the chief analyst of the Dominion is a fairly satisfactory one, and shows at all events that some steps have been taken towards the extirpation of glaring adulteration and towards the consequent improvement of the articles of diet in common use. But it is to be feared that many cases of minor adulteration may have escaped notice in the rush of business and indeed this is only too likely to be the case when a large number of samples are suddenly rushed on one overworked assistant, with instructions to have them finished at a certain time, often ludicrously short, in, comparison to the nature of the analysis to be made. Another point that militates strongly against the thorough reliability of the examination is

in the hurry of work to pass a difficult or doubtful sample as unadulterated than to slowly and patiently retrace the various steps of the analysis he has made, should some doubt exist in his mind as to the correctness of the results arrived at, so that it is more than probable that only the more crude and easily detected adulterations are discovered, and that the more skillful sophistications escape detection.

The method of milk inspection appears to be too limited and infrequent to give good results. Any system of milk inspection to be really efficient, must be a diurnal one, and as under the present system it is impossible for the Inland Revenue officers to devote so much valuable time to this one branch, as would render it really of service to the public, we must be satisfied with the results as we find them. Of one hundred and seventy-four samples of milk subjected to analysis during the year only twenty-three were found to be adulterated. and these only by the removal of cream or the addition of water. In the case of butter, 141 samples were submitted to the analysts, of which eighteen were found to be fraudulently manipulated-in seven cases with an excess of water, in three with water and salt, in two cases with foreign fats, and in four with an excess of caseine, due to imperfect or careless manipulation during the process of manufacture. Of cheese only nineteen samples have been taken, a ludicrously insufficient number considering the magnitude of the cheese industry in the Dominion, but all of this limited number are said to be genuine. a satisfactory showing, considering the low prices which have ruled for farm produce.

Turning to the grocery trade we find that eighteen samples of coffee were examined with the startling result that only five are reported genuine, and these, singularly enough, all from one district, and in this connection we may say that we have repeatedly directed attention to the anomaly of visiting the sins of the manufacturer or grinder upon some poor retailer, whose only fault is endeavoring to buy to the best advantage. In selecting the samples too it seems strange that no samples of this important adjunct to the breakfast table were taken either in Montreal, Toronto or Quebec, where the largest consumption and distribution takes place. Probably the revenue inspectors were aware of the high class of the groceries offered to the public in these large centres, but it might have been well to ascertain whether some black sheep do not exist in the grocery fold even here. In the case of tea seventyfive samples were examined, of which fifty-one were pure, ten adulterated with leaves of other plants, while two contained the fact that it is far easier for an assistant | no less than sixty per cent. of sand. Spices,

condiments and liquors, as might have been expected, furnish the largest proportion of adulterations, and drugs, particularly cream of tartar, are not so satisfactory as they ought to be. Apparently makers of cream of tartar consider gypsum, plaster of paris, alum and super-phosphate of lime valuable adjuncts to this drug, to judge from the amount of these adulterants discovered in some of the samples. Fortunately twenty out of forty-three samples were discovered to be pure, and it seems a pity that, in the interest of purchasers, the names of the honest manufacturers are not made public.

Taking the report as a whole, it is evident that within the short period of his appointment, Mr. Evans has initiated many reforms in this department, and that the efficiency of the system has been very much increased since he assumed control. For the lack of vigor in collection and the small number of samples presented for analysis, he is not to blame; that duty falls upon the Inland Revenue officials whose province it is. But, while much has undoubtedly been accomplished, far more remains to be done in the future if the system is to be rendered really valuable to the consumer, and consequently if the Act be vigorously enforced, we may expect a more satisfactory report for the present year. The number of samples adjudicated on in 1885 seems disproportioned to the size of the total of the estimated cost of analysis, and both are far too small to be of real value to the country. This may arise from parsimony on the part of the officials in charge, and, if so, steps should be taken to have the grant increased in order to render protection to the consumer certain. Pure food is a vital necessity, and any idea of curtailing the amount of money necessary to repress adulteration effectually should be rigidly frowned down as false economy. The Government analysts have an important duty to perform, and cannot be expected to fulfil that duty properly unless they receive the fullest support from the authorities, and consequently this support both moral and financial, should be freely forthcoming.

#### INSURANCE CANVASSERS.

'Of late, considerable attention has been directed to what may be considered the equivocal, if not exactly dishonorable, methods made use of by some canvassers. more especially those employed by life insurance companies, in their efforts to secure business for the institutions they represent. These zealots, not content with rehearsing the advantages offered by their policies, often think it necessary to improve their position and chances of success by insinuations against the standing of their rivals.

When the person to whom this is addressed is not already insured, this practice, although distinctly reprehensible, may be considered to a certain extent a venial offence, but when a canvasser endeavors to induce a man already insured to drop his policy by weakening his faith in the company in which he is insured in order to obtain his custom for his own concern, the act becomes distinctly dishonest. No agent who once lends himself to this practice can ever realize how far the evil effects of his insinuations may extend. In weakening the man's faith in the stability of the company whose policy he holds, he may also destroy his confidence in the whole system of life insurance, and consequently cause him to allow his policy to lapse, and to resolve in future to steer clear of insurance in any form. For one man whom an agent has succeeded in persuading to drop his existing policy and take one in the concern he himself represents, there are a dozen whom these tactics have simply caused to distrust the genuineness of life insurance in any form.

No doubt, if there be any company doing business in this Dominion, known or even suspected to be in a shaky financial condition, and it is known that there are some which are now working out their salvation, it would be the duty of every agent cognizant of the fact, as well as of the public press, to give full publicity to the statement. But this is a very different thing to the quiet-insinuations given under the seal of confidence which no company is able to refute in public. If the individual to whom these insinuations are addressed really feels doubtful of the solvency of his company or their willingness to pay his policy, and is skeptical of the statements given forth by the company itself, he need only peruse the reviews of the company's business in the Journal, or other reliable insurance paper, or address himself to the Dominion Superintendent of Insurance, to have his doubts set finally at rest. To allow himself to be influenced by the statements of an interested party given under equivocal conditions, is foolish in the extreme, and to relinquish a sterling advantage on such grounds gives evidence of a lack of stability.

Another and very favorite method of those agents who, while not going so far as the mysterious nods and inuendos that imply so much knowledge of the weak points in their rivals' armor, are still willing to avail themselves of any assistance in decrying their opponents, is the production of carefully compiled tables of comparison. The average policy-holder is not a skilled accountant, nor is he versed in the intricacies of life insurance accounts, and consequently cannot be expected to perceive that, while the figures are official and perfectly correct, their arrangement is misleading, and the whole table so doctored by the omission or rearrangement of

factors as to produce a result far different from the real state of the case. The policy-holder takes the table for granted in nine cases out of ten, and seeing that his company appears at a disadvantage becomes dissatisfied, and even if he does not drop his policy, it usually takes hours of the company's valuable time to convince him that he has been deceived, and that his policy really possesses all the advantages claimed for it.

Of course we do not mean for one instant to say that all or even the majority of life assurance canvassors resort to these discreditable methods of securing business. There is no doubt that the greater number of canvassers are above such practices, but there will always be a certain class of men. anxious to secure business at any cost. who will resort to any means to further their own ends, and it is to put the public on their guard against this class that this article is directed. It must be remembered that it is to the agents that the prosperity of any company is due; and that this is recognized by the most sagacious leaders of the insurance world it is only necessary to read the following extract from the address of a recently elected president of a large company to his agents, for which we are indebted to the N. Y. Bulletin. Remember, he says, that, after all, the success of the company does not depend so much upon the assets, surplus, officers or directors, as upon the honest, efficient efforts of its representatives in the field, and that in point of fact, the loyal, faithful and energetic agent is the great desideratum. The assets may be well invested, the surplus may be large in proportion to our liabilities, the officers may be honest and well informed upon all matters pertaining to their respective departments; the directors may be men of high standing in the community in which they reside, but unless the agents will utilize all the advantages the company possesses, and show unwavering devotion to its interests, working early and late, the sterling qualities of the company itself will count for nothing, except in the integrity of its purpose and the respect it is bound to command and win.

#### AT HOME AND ABROAD.

In Europe in spite of the refusal of Bulgaria to receive the Prince of Mingrelia as a candidate for the throne, the impression is gaining ground that the importance of the Bulgarian embroglio as a disturbing factor in the peace of that continent has been greatly diminished if not altogether eliminated. But the menancing attitude of Germany and the sinister statements that the death of the aged Kaiser will be the signal for a European war on a scale of magnitude unknown since the days of the first Napoleon, have produced an un-

is a distinct undercurrent of uncertainty and apprehension visible in the cable advices from the other side. Under these circumstances the steady fall in the value of silver, which is now quoted at 46 5-16d, is not to be wondered at, as any complication likely to affect the prosperity of the countries forming the Latin Monetary Union, is sure to react disastrously on that metal.

alir the States the stock market has been active but irregular, and the demand for railroad bonds fair, though at unsteady prices. The money market at Eastern centres is without material change, perhaps an easier feeling being apparent, with call loans on stock ruling at 5 per cent. and good mercantile paper at 51 to 61. In the West the market is steady, and perhaps rather firmer under a good demand from various sources. Bids of 7 per cent. for short date money on warehouse receipts have been refused, as most of the banks have sufficient demand from their customers to absorb all the funds they care to lead. There is still a demand for loans from merchants and speculators who are carrying wheat in country elevators, but Chicago bankers do not seem to have sufficient confidence in the future of wheat to be anxious to take that kind of risk. The country demand for currency is certainly smaller, but very little is returning to the financial centres or indeed is likely to during the present month.

In local financial circles loanable funds are plentiful, and the money market is easier in tone, with call loans at 4 to 41 per cent, and mercantile paper at 6 to 7 per cent. The stock market during the week. at all events so far as bank stocks are concerned, has exhibited considerable strength, and the rest of the active list was generally higher. During the last two days a reaction has set in, but still the undertone is strong and the "bear" interest have no important point to urge in furtherance of their views. Prices are certainly high, and no doubt there is a limit beyond which the market cannot go, but that limit has apparently not yet been reached, and in the face of the improvement in general trade and the increase in railroad earnings, there seems no reason why higher prices should not be reached. Bank of Montreal is very strong on good investment orders, and the faith evinced in the future of this institution will no doubt have a stimulating effect on the other bank stocks, even if it does not affect the miscellaneous list.

A general review of the business outlook of the continent seems to point to moderate gains in the movement of merchandise from the leading centres of trade, the lines showing most increase being dry and fancy goods and groceries, which are naturally stimulated by the retail demand easy feeling in financial circles, and there for the holiday season. It is encouraging to note that, in spite of the check to the movement of te tile fabrics from first hands, a widespread confidence is evinced in the future of general trade, and that on the whole the week has been marked by an increase of activity at all business centres. In another column we give a review of the wheat situation.

#### DRESS GOODS.

So far as can be judged from the stocks of the leading houses, French cashmere appears to be the favorite for house and working dresses. Large importations of black and other standard colors are offered, and, in addition to the already established favorites, a number of new tints are shown. The leading colors are belietrope, Persian mauve, pansy, sapphire blue, tan, dovegray, and almond, and with a moire or velvet trimming on collar and cuffs, they make into pretty, stylish, and comparatively inexpensive dresses. These goods are almost always made up with velvet, a surplice front and sash of this material making a very effective adjunct. As an example, one exhibition gown is made of Venetian-red cashmere, with sash and surplice folds of black watered silk, the front and sides draped with black Spanish lace, while another of Persian mauve has a milkmaid tunic turned up with a deep revers of violet velvet, and is furnished with a Fedora vest of mauve surah and a short Russian jacket of velvet.

The rough woollen stuff called sanglier cloth is still much in favor for walking dresses, and rough-looking camel's-hair materials, either plain or in Pekin stripes of two shades of color, are well called for by the trade. For the benefit of those of our readers who do not understand trade terms, it may be said that Pekin materials are those which have all the stripes of equal width, whether wide or narrow, in contradistinction to fancy striped materials in which the stripes are of various widths. The favorite colors for this class of dress goods are leather, dark brick, moss green, steel blue, dark purple and bright yellow. This last, of course, only appears in fine streaks or tiny brocaded patterns on dark but it appears to fill the place occupied by the vivid red shades which have ruled so continuously for the last few years, and as it harmonizes extremely well with either dark blue or dark purple, which are now much called for, it will doubtless hold its place in the popular esteem for some time to come.

Plain, rich velvets, of beautiful coloring, will be very largely used this winter, and will form a safe investment. Not only will it be a prominent material in millinery, wraps, and costumes, but it will also be used for tea-gowns, reception, evening, and dinner toilets, and will also be an important feature in wedding dresses. In millinery

it shares the leading place with plush and velours, a thick-ribbed goods like a very large-corded sicilienne. These new velvets and plushes are spotted, mottled and dotted with splashes like snow-flakes on their surface, and so great has been the demand, that, since the establishment of the machine flossing industry in this city, many pieces of plain plush and velvet have been spotted or dashed in contrasting colors to meet the growing call for these fabrics. In velvet ribbons a change in the fancy edge is coming to the front, and the picot ribbons seem to be discarded in favor of those having cord loops on the edges. Changeable ribbon velvet is a novelty especially suited to dress fabrics of mixed colors, and plush ribbons of solid color on one side and striped on the other in moire and gros grain are also favorites, those showing scalloped or tasseled edges being the most novel.

The newer models of tailor-made gowns show a gradual departure from the severely simple style in which they first made their appearance. New models are far less severe in their styles; they fit just as accurately as ever, but there is more ornamentation visible on all models except those devoted to the strictest utility purposes. In material, too, a steady change The heavy, cumbersome is apparent. cloths first employed have been superseded by light weight wools, such as the softly draping London diagonals, camel's-hair serges, some having threads of silk intermingled, and bourettes, armures, homespans, light Scotch tweeds, and other extra fine suitings. Braid, too, is coming in again, and many new lines are elaborately braided by machine, the flat braiding in many cases being preferred to the standing Russia, which has ruled now for so many seasons.

#### OSTRICH FEATHERS.

There is no doubt that the establishment of any new branch of manufacture in this country forms a distinct gain to the community at large, and it is well known that that the policy of the present government has been largely directed to the fostering, by all practicable means, of every new method of manufacture established in the Dominion, at all events so far as is consistent with the requirements of any conflicting branch already existing, more especially when there is no domestic commercial interest-that would suffer by such concessions.

Under these circumstances the introduction of a new industry, that of the manufacture of raw ostrich feathers into the finished product so highly valued by the fashionable world, surely deserves, if not encouragement, at all events the removal of the existing barriers to its successful acclumatization on these shores.

The admission of raw ostrich feathers either duty free, or with such a rebate as might be equivalent to the free entry of the raw material, could injure no existing Canadian industry and, as our climate does not admit of the production of ostrich feathers, no complaint of discrimination against Canadian products can be advanced.

From a financial point of view such a rebate might be a valuable one to the revenue of the country, the explanation of this seeming paradox being that the amount of rough feathers imported would probably increase five-fold were the feather manufacturers of Canada in a position to compete with their English rivals, while the advantages that would accrue from the employment of a large number of workmen in a new branch of industry could be readily appreciated. At present in addition to the duty already existing on the raw material the Canadian feather manufacturer has to contend with two serious obstacles. In the first place, until such times as Canadian employés can be trained to the business, skilled operatives must be obtained from Europe at high prices and often under restrictive contracts, and in the second place, the manufacturer has to face a much larger prime cost in the chemicals and dvestuffs used in his business, owing to the duty imposed on these materials in this country and to the increased cost of freight upon them. than is the case with his English competitor. Under these circumstances he is already sufficiently handicapped in his struggle with foreign competition without a duty on the raw material, and consequently if this new and promising industry is to be permanently located in the Dominion, some encouragement from the Government is imperatively necessary.

Rarely has any case more in accordance with the Government's well known policy of encouraging and fostering manufacture this country been brought before the commercial community, and consequently the hearty endorsement of the leading firms engaged in the handling of these feathers is only natural. No Canadian interest will be jeopardized by the admission of raw ostrich feathers to the free list, no existing interests will clash with the introduction of this branch of manufacture, and finally-the revenue derived from the present duty is only trifling and will be far more than compensated by the increased returns from a largely increased importation to fill the requirements of manufacturers. Every new branch of skilled labor established in this country means an increase to its resources, every day that we make one more article of our wants we render the Dominion more independent of her suppliers and consequently concentrate her wealth more within her own borders. The policy of the Government has always been in this direction and now that this anomaly has been brought to the notice of the Cabinet we may confidently look for some measures of relief that will give a new impetus to this already growing industry.

#### THE WHEAT SITUATION.

The wheat situation is now attracting great attention and Milmine, Bodman & Co., of Chicago, whose report is usually reliable, review it as follows :- " The advance in wheat values, which began last week, continues with increased vigor. It was stimulated greatly by the burning of two large elevators in Duluth, with a loss of \$750,900 bushels wheat. Added to this cables have reported advance in foreign markets almost daily. New York reports active and greatly increased export demand, which the large export clearances would seem in part to confirm. The visible supply showed only trifling increase. Receipts owing to unfavorable weather west and northwest, show a marked falling off. The shorts have bought heavily. The large operators in the Northwest, as well as the professionals here who have worked the 'short' side of the deal, changed front, and covered up and turned large buyers. Still, this change of front is most likely for the sake of helping the boom along, with a view of resuming their former tactics from a higher level. There seems to be a craze abroad in the land now, in all speculative commodities. We note that many of the non-dividend paying railroad stocks are selling above par, and many mining stocks equally worthless have advanced out of 'sight, and when we compare present values of wheat with such properties, it looks very cheap, and would to us if it was selling at a dollar a bushel. There was no trouble last year in getting these booms on wheat and holding our prices 5c above an export basis, which we did all through December, January, and February, but only to sell it at 10c@15c less money in April and May. The situation, however, is not exactly parallel, as the wants of importing countries are doubtless larger, and surplus of exporting countries - except our own - probably less. Last year speculation in this country was at a low ebb, and the feeling bearish on everything; now speculation is rampant, and the feeling very bullish. We have more confidence in this advance being sustained when values are controlled more by legitimate and less by speculative influences. This advance has been brought about by speculative influences chiefly, or rather, the better news from the other side has been exaggerated and played for much more than it was really worth. We hear a good many operators complaining that they are left. We tell them to dry up their tears, for this sixty million bushels of wheat will not be jerked right up to the top of the hill all at once, and that they will have plenty of chance to catch on when I

the present holders stop for fresh wind, which they are sure to do before long. This whole advance hinges on cables now, and the moment there is the least sign of weakness on the other side, the boom will collapse. The large shorts are doubtless well covered up now, and the crowd are 'long' all they can carry, so we cannot help thinking the market 'toppy,' and sharp reaction now in order at any moment. It will require good cables and large buying to carry the advance farther."

There is a serious grievance, says the Halifax Herald, of which the commercial men of this city have to complain in view of a misunderstanding which has arisen with the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Railway companies. Large quantities of breadstuffs and provisions, aggregating in value about \$2,000,000, are annually shipped from points west, particularly along the line of the Canada Southern, where large milling interests have developed, to this province. In August last an understanding was reached with the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk by which the tariff per barrel to Halifax was forty-two cents as compared with the tariff via the Michigan Central to Boston of thirty-three. By this arrangement Halifax merchants were able to transport their breadstuffs, etc., by the Canadian lines as cheaply as they could via the Michigan Central and Boston. More recently, however, the tariff to Boston has been raised to 36 cents, while by the Canadian lines the tariff is raised to 63 cents. This makes a discrimination of 18 cents per barrel in favor of Boston, and tends to throw almost the entire trade of Nova Scotia into the hands of Boston merchants to the injury of the Halifax trade. We trust that this matter will be brought in a most forcible manner to the notice of the railway management of the Canadian Pacific and the Grand Trunk, and that these unjust and disastrous discriminations may at once be removed.

The following is a statement of revenue and expenditure for the month of November and for the five months of the fiscal year:—

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Customs	\$1,518,614
Excise	<b>527,568</b>
Post office	160,593
Public works (including railways).	293,689
Miscellaneous	221,348
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Total......\$ 2,719,824 Revenue to 31st October, 1886.... 11,460,084

 Customs
 \$223,735

 Excise
 51,446

 Post office
 30,739

 Miscellaneous
 25,560

as follows:-

Public works (including railways) show a decrease of \$12,285. Taking the five months, the revenue shows an increase of \$1,726,834, of which \$1,692,285 is in customs and \$290,-334 in excise. The surplus of the five months is \$1,169,761 as compared with a deficit of \$358,688 at this time last year.

The Michigan Central Railway, it is said will build a gigantic ferry, intended to run across the Straits of Mackinac at all seasons It will be able to carry thirty cars, and will put that line in a position to compete to some extent for the eastern traffic from the great Northwest. The new ferry steamer will be of peculiar construction, designed especially to overcome the hitherto unsurmountable obstacles that have been encountered in the Straits ... of Mackinac in midwinter. The boat will be a large double-ender, with a screw wheel at each end, the stern wheel to have one-third greater-power than the bow wheel. When running through comparatively clear water or smooth ice, the bow wheel will pull and the stern wheel will push. Its crushing power will be immense, and its projectors say it will walk through ice two or two and a half feet thick with perfect ease. When it meets the great floes, it is expected that the front screw will drive the boat ahead. The greater strength of the rear screw will push the boat up against the floe, while the powerful currents from the front screw will wash a passage in the floe and allow the ferryboat to run through. It is estimated that under the most adverse circumstances the boat will be able to make the passage in one day, where a trip of nine days has been not uncommon in bad times heretofore.

It is reported on reliable authority that the funds necessary to extend the Midland system of the Grand Trunk through Algoma to Sault Ste. Marie will be forthcoming whenever required. The Grand Trunk has obtained permission from the United States Congress to build a bridge across the St. Mary river and the canal to connect with its American allies, and as Congress has refused to permit more than one railway bridge over this canal the Canadian Pacific are consequently debarred from building their bridge. It is understood, therefore that negotiations are in progress between the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific to the effect that either the Grand Trunk should purchase the Algoma branch of the Canadian Pacific railway and complete the extension to the Sault, giving the Canadian Pacific railway unrestricted running powers over the bridge and the new-line, or else that the Canadian Pacific should complete its Algoma line and give the Grand Trunk running powers over it to connect with its own system, say at an extension to somewhere about Sudbury in return for using the bridge.

The newly invented Barritt-Nelons telephone was subjected to a severe test in

Galveston, a conversation being held over a wire 830 miles long, the distance to New Orleans and return. Articulation was far more distinct and perfect than over the ordinary short circuits by the Bell telephone. The new invention differs from the Bell and all other telephones, inasmuch as it combines the effect of an induction coil and helix audiphone causing them to act simultaneously and in concert with each other, by winding coils in the same direction and using a carbon diaphram with three carbon contacts, enabling the use of a large amount of battery. The test was made with three cells. For a short distance no battery whatever is required, the automatic dynamo current being sufficient to articulate with great distinctness and steadiness. The inventors claim they can talk from New York to San Francisco with the same distinctness as in this test.

Two very important decisions with, regard to the liability of directors have been given in England. In the one case, the directors of the insolvent Oxford Building Company were declared liable to repay, with interest, dividends that they had, while in office, improperly paid out of capital; and in the other, the directors of the Charnwood Forest Railway Company were held liable for the full amount of an over issue of debenture shares. In both cases, the plea on behalf of the directors was, that they had erred inadvertently; but the judgment of the Court was to the effect that if they really did not know what was being done, it was their duty to have known, and if that duty was neglected they must suffer the consequences. And in the public interest, it is well that the directors should be thus forcibly reminded that while their position is one of profit, it has also serious responsibilities attached to it, which, if neglected, may entail heavy liabilities.

The statement that a heavy shrinkage had occurred in the shipments of Lower Province fish to the United States, in consequence of the restriction duty, is denied by the Halifax Herald. The following comparative statement of Canada's export of fish to the United States by months for the nine months, January to September, 1885 and 1886, shows that the shortage is only \$560,643 in 1886:—

	1885.	1886.
January	\$397,171	\$325,701
February	408,643	299,093
March	390,539	253,696
April	262,724	267,762
May	334,247	365,933
June	907,083	906,660
July	967,577	809,952
August	664,048	597,618
September	870,007	813,961

The United States Bureau of Labour Statistics is busy preparing its second report, which

will be ready early in January. It will contain the results of a complete investigation into the convict labour question, showing the effect of such competition upon free labour. It will show that certain lines of industry have been seriously injured by the employment of convict labour to the detriment of free labour. The present prison population of the United States 57,331. Of this number 52/738 are at work, 14,938 being under contract. The total number at work are engaged in fifteen industries, and the average contract price paid for work is from forty to fifty cents per day. The effect has been a serious depression in prices and wages in these industries, and on this subject the Burcau of Statistics will give definite information.

THE financial statement of the Mechanics' institute for the year ending October 31, 1886, just issued, shows the receipts to have been \$6,981.16, and the expenditures \$6,056.98, leaving a balance to be carried forward of \$924.18. From the stores was received \$3,800. from the hall, \$1,200; membership fees, \$1,015.50; the wages account was \$1,408.85; taxes, \$837.85; insurance, \$318.75; repairs: \$327.67, and paid out in interest the large sum of \$1,430. This statement shows that not much progress is being made, the institute not doing any more than holding its own. The president states that it must be remembered that the institute has never received any voluntary contributions or bequests. The question of establishing technical schools must, therefore, remain in abeyance till the question of selling the institute is decided.

The market for homlock bark, says the Waterleo Advertiser, is not very active and prices are nearly a dollar per cord lower than they were at this time last year. Shippers are not very eager buyers, and they claim that the condition of the American market does not warrant their loading up heavily. The strikes last summer locked out 3,000 tannery operatives and depressed the tanning industry. The strikers, however, are being replaced gradually with men from New Brunswick, but not much improvement is looked for in the demand for bark till after the New Year. Some 25,000 cords less of bark have entered into consumption this year than last, and there is quite a stock of old bark yet in New England.

The London sales opened on the 2nd and prices showed a reaction of 5@7½ per cent. from the advance made at the preceeding series. In this market there has been no apparent change and the usual average of business has progressed at steady prices. A cable from London says:—The final series of wool sales began to day, when 11,608 bales were offered from a total of 134,000 bales for sale. There was an unusually large attendance of English and Continental buyers, but the opening was disappointing owing to French dealers withholding support. Prices declined from 5@74

per cent generally. The better class of Australian declined \( \frac{1}{2} \) d, and Cape and lower classes of Australian, 1d. New clip was in special demand.

THE report of the Secretary of War of the United States has never been of late a very in ... teresting document, and that just issued is no exception to the rule. The sum total of the regular standing force is 26,000, of whom 2,103 are officers, and 23,946 privates, the twenty-five regiments of infantry comprising 11,557, ten regiments of cavalry 7,353, five regiments of artillery 2,745, Indian scouts 595, and general staff 1,785. The army expenditure in the last fiscal year was \$36,990,900, including \$6,294,000 for river and harbor improvements and public works. In the current year the army expenditure will reach \$46,-000,000, an additional ten millions having been appropriated for public works.

The season's cut of the six leading Chaudiere lumbermen amounts to a total of 200,000,000 feet. The season just closed has been a red letter period for the Ottawa lumber industry, and the prospects are equally bright for the coming year. One prominent lumberman claims that even this estimate is far too low, and gives figures to show that the cut has been about three hundred million feet. He claims the figures will not go twenty millions lower at all hazards. Advices from England are to the effect that stocks are light, and dealers are already asking an advance of five per cent, on deals. Sales at an advance of three per cent, have been noted.

The Rev. J. S. O'Leany, of Freelton, Ont., is endeavoring to establish a creamery in or near that village. Our reverend friend is of a practical turn of mind, and, while actively promoting temperance and culture among his congregation, as well as ministering to their spiritual welfare, he finds a pleasure also in fostering a spirit of self-reliance and practical economy among them. With the co-operation of his popular and wealthy neighbor, Dr. Metherell, there should be little further delay in forging that missing link of railway to connect the village and the surrounding fertile district with Dundas and Guelph.

Considerable speculation is a prominent feature of the tea market, and the purpose seems to be to control Amoy and Formosa Oolong, which are very cheap, and the stocks of which are small. The more active buying has been done by New York parties, who have bought up everything available, within a week taking 40,000 half chests. The advance in prices in these teas has been fully 1c per 1b, and the tendency is still upward. The market is strong and advancing in China. It is estimated that there will be received 1,500,000 lbs. less black teas than a year ago and considerable less also of green teas.

The report of the Chamber of Commerce for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1886, shows that the total foreign commerce of the port of New York had a value of \$802,535,015, against \$773,802,756 for the previous year. The total foreign commerce of all ports in the United States amounted to \$1,426,018,032, against \$1,405,190,932 for the previous year. The excess of foreign imports over domestic exports at this port was \$88,136,450, while if all ports of the country are considered, the excess of domestic imports over foreign exports at all ports was \$4,388,854.

The Manitoba railroad reports two hundred cars of wheat snow-bound at Willmars. Trains started for Minneapolis and Duluth loaded with wheat are compelled to keep dropping off cars at way stations until when arriving they have little more than a caboose left. The St. Louis road is greatly troubled for water, besides a difficulty with drifting snow. The Hastings and Dakota road is troubled for water, especially in the James river country, in some cases having to send engines fifty miles out of their regular destination and filling water cars and hauling them to points where needed.

GLOVES have had an excellent sale and manufacturers are very busy and full of orders. This is especially true as the holidays drawnigh, gloves having assumed great prominence of late as holiday goods. In colors browns and tans prevail, with heavy twists and Paris points in self colors. Castors also are popular in mushroom browns as well as in gray shades with self-stiching. Broad-cut English and French cape gloves sell well. Fine Angoras in browns and grays are very popular, and the same is true of Scotch kuit goods, among which is to be noted a mitten which is taking.

With reference to the recent resignation of Mr. John Porteous, from the position of General Freight Agent of the Grand Trunk railway, it was resolved, at a meeting of the Goin Exchange, that the secretary be instructed to inform the general manager that the members of the Corn. Exchange would learn with much pleasure that means had been devised whereby Mr. Porteous could be retained in the office he has filled with so much satisfaction to the mercantile community, and (it is believed) with so much advantage to the railroad.

The Customs receipts at the port of Montreal continue to augment from month to month. In November they reached \$528,-343.74, as against \$462,358.27 in the corresponding month last year, a gain of \$65,985.47, and in the five months of the current fiscal year ithis have elapsed the receipts have exceeded those of the like period in 1885 by \$728,102. This increase, which is general throughout the principal ports of entry, indicates the improvement in trade that has been

steadily growing, and the renewed confidence in its future stability and enlargement.

The record of failures in both the United States and Canada during the present year will compare favorably with that of any like period since 1882. The total number of business disasters in the neighboring republic for the eleven months elapsed has been 9,400 as against 10,253 in 1885, 10,059 in 1884 and 9,142 in 1883. Canada has had 1,079 failures to date as against 1,183 in the corresponding period last year, 1,297 in 1884, and 1,348 in 1883. The decrease in the United States this year is about 8, per cent, and in the Dominion 9 per cent.

A disparcy from Minneapolis received here on Saturday evening stated that the millers were still discussing the scheme to consolidate all the mills under one management. If the combination is formed, the company would have a capital of \$10,000,000. It would take in all the mills except the Washburn mills, which, under the will of the late Gov. Washburn, cannot become a party to such an organization. At a meeting of the millers, held several days ago, a committee was appointed to consider and report on a feasible plan for making the consolidation.

From all reports the carpet trade is on the eve of a material increase in the selling values of carpets. While business in this department has been of about the usual volume, stocks are in so excellent condition and the price of the raw material so strong and buoyant in tone that the conditions, outside of the necessities of the case, greatly favor an advance in prices, and a very material one at that. As it is, the spring price lists are now under close, attentive consideration.

A CABLEGRAM announces that a circular has been issued calling a conference to be held in London next spring to discuss the question of Imperial Federation, not as regards a political union, but for the establishment of a system of military defence throughout the Empire, and for an improvement in the postal and telegraph service. The conference will consist of the Agent-General and one public man from each colony, the Colonial Secretary presiding.

Those who are hunting for reasons why the stock market should advance need look no further than the earnings of the railroads for all the reason they want. The improvement in carnings both gross and net has been very large and almost universal. As an indication of this the gross earnings of the thirteen principal railroads of the States for the past three months show an increase of hearly \$5,525,000, every individual road showing increases ranging from \$50,000 to \$1,698,000.

throughout the principal ports of entry, indicates the improvement in trade that has been consulat Charlottetown is also marshal of the

vice-admiralty court at P. E. Island, and while he has been acting for the United States in the matter of the schooner "Highland Light," a fishing vessel in trouble for violation of the fishery laws, he has now the duty of condemnand selling the vessel as an officer of the P. E. Island courts. We read that "a man cannot serve two masters," and this case is an exemplification of the text.

According to the Petroleum Reporter, which is corroborated by the Russian press, the Standard Oil Company are engaged in negotiations with the firm of Nobel Brothers, of Baku, with a view to obtaining control of that great oil producing district. The St. Petersburg Borsen Zeitung says it is probable that the business of Noel Brothers will be transferred to the hands of American petroleum markets, which will give them control of the markets of the world.

Owing to the unsettled condition of affairs in Burmah cutch has continued in active demand, and prices have again been advanced. Forward shipments are unobtainable and firm bids of full figures for distant fail to bring sellers to the surface. It is said that, owing to the disturbed condition of the country, no crop has been gathered, and consequently the tendency of the market is strong and upward.

A MEMBER of the Geological Survey staff who has been engaged during the past season in the work of investigating the coal deposits of the Saskatchewan region states that the coal supply of the Northwest is absolutely inexhaustible, and that the whole district lying between Rocky Mountain House and Fort Pitt is one vast series of coal beds, both hard and soft, of the very best quality. This seems almost too good to be true.

For some time past the most fashionable wrapper for high priced, domestic cigars has been of Sumatra leaf. Fashion is now changing, and it looks as if the old Connecticut leaf would again be the favorite wrapper. Winconsin leaf for wrappers is now almost entirely dropped out, because the fashion has changed to a lighter leaf for wrappers. If Sumatra loses its hold, all dark tobacco for wrappers must give way.

Several farmers in the vicinity of the Northwest corner of the Turtle Mountains have been getting out coal lately. As they get down the coal improves in quality. Coal of a worse quality is being brought hundreds of miles from the west to Winnipeg, while within seven miles of the terminus of the M. S. W. railway is a coal measure of unknown extent and excellence.

Ax Anchor liner has left London for Halifax with a number of sixty-four pounders on board for the British cruiser stationed at Esquimalt. On arriving at Halifax the guns will be sent over the Canadian Pacific railway, reaching their destination within a month. This very satisfactorily demonstrates the advantage of the new route across Canadian territory.

APPLICATION is made on behalf of the South Qutario Pacific Railway company for leave to construct a line of railway from some point on Lake Erie to Ridgetown and from there through the counties of Kent, Middlesex, Lambton and Huron to some point on Lake Huron and to construct a branch line in Oil Springs in the county of Lambton

Advices from Minneapolis state that there are about 60,000,000 bushels of wheat in the visible supply, with the probability of its reaching 63,000,000 bushels by January. Then about thirty weeks will remain to another harvest, with a surplus of mere than 2,000,000 bushels a week that can be spared, and nearly one half the crop in the farmers' hands.

This year out of 136 men lost in and from Gloncester vessels, sixty-two were natives of the Maritime Provinces besides several from Newfoundland. Of eighteen hundred men drowned from the Gloncester fleet during the last fifteen years, over one thousand were natives of Eastern Canada. The American fisherman appears to be a thing of the past.

The roads interested in the passenger traffic of the Pacific coast have succeeded in forming a temporary pool on the business from the Pacific coast to through Eastern points. The new agreement is to go into effect December 6, and continue in force for four months. There is a proviso that any road can withdraw by giving thirty days' notice.

The steamer a Dannara," of the Furness line from Halifax to London, recently took 50,000 bushels grain, 5,000 burrels apples, 600 cases lobsters, and a large miscellaneous cargo. Shipments via Halifax are greatly increasing, and it is found not only possible but profitable for Ontario to ship over the Intercolonial railway.

The Canadian section of the Colonial Exhibition is dismantled, and many of the exhibits have been sold. A selection of agricultural produce has been sent to the Christmas show at Smithfield, and other exhibits have been forwarded to the Adelaide Exhibition. The residue will be returned to Canada.

The U.S. secretary of the treasury has sent to congress the estimates of appropriations required for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1888. The total amount estimated as required for all expenses of the government is \$325,185,794, which is \$14,483,759 less than the sum called for in the estimates submitted last year.

The Golden City & Kootenay Railway company give notice of application for an act of incorporation. The object of the company is to construct a line of railway from Golden City up to Columbia river to the head of Columbia lake, then down the Kootenay river to St. Marys and thence to Creanburgh.

APPLICATION will be made to incorporate a company to build and operate a line of railway from some convenient point at or near the City of New Westminster to a point at or near the 49th parallel of north latitude between Semiahmoo bay and township sixteen in the district of New Westminster, B. C.

The Government has remitted the price on the "Marion Grimes," the American schooner seized at Shelburne for infraction of customs laws, and also for pulling up the stars and stripes while the Queen's Broad Arrow was on the most of the schooner. The captain must be more careful next time.

The Department of Agriculture has sent out a circular letter to each exhibitor at the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, which states in effect that the permanent exhibition building will not be opened in London for three years, so that for the present the exhibits will have to be removed.

The pool sale of lake copper is now put-down at 8,000,000 pounds at 12c. The London market is weak, and in Norway the miners are shutting down, as the cost of transportation from the mines to the markets is so high that copper can be brought from England and undersell the native product.

The wine crop of California for the year is estimated at 19,000,000 gallons, one-seventh of which will be made into brandy. The season is regarded as unusually prosperous. The production of sweet wines has been restricted owing to low prices.

Annapolis has shipped 50,000 barrels of apples within two months to the United States, Britain and other provinces. Liverpool, N.S., has received and forwarded to market some 20,000 quintals of dry fish, mostly sent to the West Indies.

The Canadian Pacific Navigation company has ordered from the Union Car company of San Francisco a steel screw steamer of 1,000 tons, to be used as a feeder for the Canadian Pacific railroad. It will ply on Puget Sound. The price agreed upon is \$200,000.

Notice will be given of application to Parliament to incorporate the guarantee fund of the Dominion bank and also to incorporate the Pension Fund society of the Dominion bank, created to provide for the payment of pensions and annuities.

THE American fishing schooner, Moro Castle, was formally handed over to the American consul at Hawkesbury to-day. Three thousand dollars fines have been collected from the five vessels seized by Collector Bourinot this season.

It is stated that the Lake Superior copper companies have united in making a combination sale of from 8,000,000 to 10,000,000 pounds of copper, deliveries to be made during the next 60 days, at 12c per pound.

The traffic returns of the Grand Trunk Railway for the week ending 4th December, 1886, show an increase of \$16,363 over the corresponding period of 1885.

REPORTS from Cape Sable and other points to the eastward show an increase within the past fortnight in catches of cod, herring and mackerel. Men, whose experience in the business extends over a period of many years, are unable to recall a time when any of these branches of fishing could be prosecuted successfully so late in the season. Formerly the cod began to leave their inshore haunts for deeper water by the middle of November, and sometimes much earlier. There has always been hitherto a difficulty in procuring bait, for the fall run of mackerel generally gave these shores a wide berth, and herring were extremely uncertain in their movements. This fall, however, presents quite a contrast to those of previous years in that respect. Either the codfish have not yet begun their annual migrations or new schools are continually arriving on the grounds. Judging by the number taken and the size of the fish the latter would seem to be the case. Last week there were but two days available to the fleet of boats. both to the east and west of the cape, but the catches were something extraordinary. Tuesday many of the boats from South Side loaded twice with codfish taken close in to the shore. On Thursday the doings were still better, though the day was not favorable throughout. Such of the boats as could not make two trips on account of the distance from land resorted to a novel expedient to save the fish they caught after their load was completed. They strung the fish on lines and towed them ashore. The occasional rough weather does not appear to have driven the herring off shore or broken up the schools to any great extent. The catches in the most favorable localities average more than a barrel to each net. Good hanls of mackerel have been made within the past few days. A great many of these fish are large and fat, going number one easily. It is thought by some that the nets used are of too small a mesh, otherwise more of that grade would be taken.

At the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, in London, England, the furniture exhibit of Messrs. Owen McGarvey & Son, Montreal, recently elicited considerable praise, more especially in the line of chairs and tables, which are of a decidedly expert workmanship as regards the design. Messrs Tees & Co., also of

this city, exhibit office desks which are of a most unique mechanism. A London publication. The Cabinet Maker and Art Furnisher, says of this well-known firm: "Messrs. Tees & Co., of Montreal-who merely style themselves 'deskmakers'-have desks on view which practically turn inside out, containing within their ingenious interiors all lhe requirements of an ordinary English office. The art of 'business made easy' does not seem to be so enthusiastically cultivated on this side of the great pond; indeed, Britishers are so conservative in their ideas that they have not taken as kindly as they might to the clever American desks which have been in our midst for some time. If I may use an Americanism in describing them, these Canadian appliances seem to me to 'beat all creation.'"

THE stupendous scheme to consolidate all the mills of Minnenpolis now under consideration by the millers would form a monopoly that would absolutely control the wheat and flour trade. Such a combination would make as much or as little flour as desired, and it would control such products as it placed upon the market. Its effect on trade would be enormous, and it would be an institution as powerful as the Standard Oil Company. There are, however, many difficulties to overcome in forming the company, among which are arriving at a proper valuation of each piece of property, the value of brands, trades, etc. If the combination was formed the company would have a capital of \$10,000,000. It would take in all the mills except Washburn mills, which under the will of the late Gov. Washburn cannot become a party to such an organization. At a meeting of millers held several days ago a committee was appointed to consider and report on a feasible plan for making consolidation.

Dissolved .- A dissolution has taken place in the extensive and old-established firm of McKechnie & Bertram, of Dundas, Ont., proprictors of the Canada Tool Works, by the retirement of Mr. McKechnic. The new firm will be known as John Bertram & Sons. who have been connected with the mechanical; management of the establishment for the last twenty-three years. The Messrs, Bertram are thus thoroughly conversant with the details of a class of machine tools and wood-working machinery that has obtained an extensively favorable celebrity throughout Canada, and are also in a position to improve the already high standard of the productions of that well-known establishment for the requirements of locomotive and car shops, or the endlessly various demands of the shop, and the agricultural implement and sash factory.

A very appropriate compliment was recently tendered Mr. William H. Beers, president of the New York Life Insurance Company, by the Canadian agency in this city, in the form of \$4,000,000 worth of insurance in honor of the first anniversary of that gentleman's accession to the presidency of this widely established company. Mr. Beers, in replying to Mr. David Burke, of this city, general manager for Canada, says: "The spirit in which I am assured the business was procured and tendered is to me more gratifying than the receipt of the business itself. Its

present results would, but a few years since, have been considered unattainable, and it indicates future possibilities almost without limit. Again thanking you for your courtesy, and trusting that the New York may never lack such efficient service. I remain, yours truly (signed), WM. II. BEERS."

The Star, with characteristic enterprise, has issued a holiday number which, for execution and taste, will favorably compare with the efforts of the great illustrated London papers. The two accompanying pictures, "Young Sweethearts" and "Miss Canada," are worth more than double the price of the paper, while the copy of Sir Donald Smith's great picture, purchased by him about two year's ago for \$40,000, will possess great interest for all Canadians. The paper is well printed, and contains a score of other meritorious engravings. The whole cost is only 25c.

What They All Say.—Mr. A. Foster, tanner and dealer in leather, boots and shoes, etc., Pembroke, Ont., writes under date December 7th, 1886: "M. S. Foley, Journal of Commerce, Montreal. Dear Sir,—Herewith find two dollars subscription for your journal for a year, which please forward to my address, Pembroke, Ont. I have been an old subscriber for your paper and dropped it a year ago, and I must say I lost the information it used to give to a great extent."

The Halifax Critic tells the truth when it says: "If the people of Halifax could infuse a little of the political life, of which they have enough to supply the whole Dominion, into their business, their city would become a great entrepot of trade. If Montreal or Toronto gave as much time to political discussions as the people of Halifax do, those cities would not be a whit more enterprising than the "winter port of Canada."

## Financial.

THURSDAY Ev'G, Dec. 9, 1886.

The street rate for money in London still continues at 3 per cent., with the bank rate unchanged at 4 per cent. Sterling, 60 days sight, closed at 81 @ 11-16 between banks, and 8 11-16 @ 3 counter; demand 91 @ 7-16 and 91 @ f counter; cables 93 @ 10. New York funds & to 1 and &. Posted in New York 4.80) and 4.84; actual 4.80] @ 1 and 4.83) @ 4. Cables 4.84 @ 1. The local stock market has ruled strong all week, although the volume of sales has not been a large one. Within the last two days a reaction has set in to a certain extent, the large failure in Quebec having given the bear element a chance at all events so far as the banks are concerned. But as, until authentic figures can be given, the responsibility and amount of loss of the various banks interested can only be a matter of conjecture, no material change can be expected to follow. Curiously enough, Montreal, which was known to be interested, maintained its position owing to the steady demand of investment purchasers but Peoples shows a decline of nearly

a point. Richelieu appears to have been the principal object of the "bear" attack, and has been persistently hammered down all week, opening at 66 and closing weak at 61, with the feeling that the end is by no means yet. City Passenger has been neglected, only 375 shares being sold, the feeling being that the present figure is too high to enable the stock to be handled with safety. Plenty of speculators are ready to sell short, but buyers are wanting, as is only natural, when the abnormal figure quoted is taken into consideration. Gas is another stock which has declined during the week in spite of one or two spurts. Opening at 2224 it closes in a depressed state at 2193. On the other hand cotton stocks. with the exception of Merchants, are all stronger. Hochelaga is 2 points better; Canada has risen from 923 to 95; Montreal has gained half a point, and Dundas is steady former figures. Canadian Pacific has a been comparatively neglected, and the fluctuations have been limited to a fraction of a point. It is evident that despite the temporary set-back the feeling at present is decidedly "bullish." There is a strong undertone to the market, and those engaged on the "bear" interest do not regard their position as secure, and with general trade prospects as good as they are and railroad earnings on the increase, there is no reason to suppose that the limit has been reached.

Banks.	No. Shares.	Highst price.		Average same week 1885.
Commerce	2711	1314	1261	121
Hochelaga	33		99	78
Merchants	974		129	114
Molsons	67	145	143	1221
Montreal	3223	2411	2378	2017
Ontario	278	116	114	1043
Peoples	50	100	993	775
Toronto	221	214	210	184 <del>]</del>
Miscellaneous.				
Bell Telephone.			117	773
Can. Cotton Co.			923	
Can. Pacific	350			561
Can. Paper Co;.			130	120
City Passenger.		1	243	
Dundas Cot. Co			75	68
Gas	5188			
Hoch. Cot'n Co.			140	
Loan & Morig'go			112	73
Merchts. Cot.Co.		1	78	
Mont. Cot. Co			123	
Richelieu	264		61	56}
Telegraph	386	1 120	118	121

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

THURSDAY EVG., DEC. 9, 1886.

Speaking generally, the volume of business transacted during the past week has been moderate. In many trades December is the month for stock-taking and balancing accounts and there is a disposition to ease off a little until this is over. With some, however

this annual event is already a thing of the past and fresh business in different quarters is coming forward quite as well as anticipated. The state of the weather is hence forward calculated to have a marked effect on the trade movement and as might have been expected dry goods houses speak of a decided change for the better as a result of the recent cold snap. The snow roads in the country are still bare in places but in the city there is excellent, sleighing.

CANNED GOODS.—The market is quiet and prices are nominal. Salmon, \$1.52\cap \( \text{\$\sigma} \) \$1.55\; mackerel, \$4.10\; lobsters, \$5.30\( \text{\$\sigma} \) \$5.50\; sardines, \$0.6010\cap \( \text{\$\sigma} \) for tin. Corn, \$1.40\( \text{\$\sigma} \) \$1.50\; peas, \$1.60.

Coal and Wood.—Business has been fairly brisk, but there has been no change in anthracite coal this week. Scotch steam scarce with sellers asking as high as \$6 at yard. Stove, \$6.50; chestnut, \$6.25; egg, \$6; grate, \$6; Smiths, \$6.656.50. The cordwood market has been quiet. We quote good long maple at \$6.50, birch at \$6, beech at \$5.50, and tamarac at \$5, delivered ex-yard.

Day Goods.—Remittances this week appear to be more satisfactory to the wholesale trade, the atmospheric changes of late have been beneficial. Travellers are experiencing a good general demand and in addition more letter orders have been received, so that the tone throughout is more buoyant in this branch of business. Stocks of staples for the ensuing spring trade are beginning to come forward from the mills. It may be stated that stock-taking in many of our large warehouses is already over, so that they are in a position to prepare for next year's trade. Stocks of such goods are held firmly and are considered good property. Our city retail trade report a very good business for the pust week and this applies both to the city proper and the outlying districts.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS .- There has been but little stir in butter, and creamery would probably be shaded by factorymen who are still holders. In a jobbing way fine dairy butter continues to bring full prices and there is a fair call from the city trade. Mail advices dated November 22 quote first Corks 1s lower at 106s, seconds unchanged at 94s, thirds 2s lower at 85s, fourths at 76s, and superfine mild cured firkins 3s higher at 117s. Cheese has kept firm and extreme prices have been asked although the demand is not brisk. Offerings are light and sellers make a show of indifference. The cable quotation was 63s. Provisions.—The weakness in grain had an adverse effect on provisions in Chicago. Pork ruled weaker after opening stronger and de-clined 25c@274c from the highest, closing 15c below yesterday at \$11.02\frac{1}{2} January, \$11.12\frac{1}{2} February, \$11.42\frac{1}{2} May. Lard was weaker and fell back 22c@72c, closing at \$6.17\(\frac{1}{2}\) January, \$6.27\(\frac{1}{2}\) February, \$6.50 May. Meats declined 5c. Provisions in this market were steady and unchanged. There was a moderate demand for pork at \$14 for small lots, while the sale of a car was mentioned at -\$13.75. Lard was quiet and unchanged. In hogs a good business was done at steadyprices. We quote \$5.75@\$5.80 per 100 lbs. in car lots, but jobbing lots sell up to \$6 per 100 lbs. The egg market was steady under a fair demand. We quote limed 17c@19c, held stock 18c@19c, and new laid at 22c@25c per dozen. Canadian limed in New York are at

17c@17lc. There was a good demand for poultry. Turkeys were firmer and sold at 8c @10c. Chickens brought 6c@7c, ducks 8c@9c per lb. Game was in good demand and higher partridges sold at 55c@60c per brace. Venison was more plentiful and lower at 6c@7c for carcases, and 9c@10c for saddles per lb. and goese at 6c@7lc per lb.

FISH AND OILS.—Business has ruled quiet since the wharves have been cleared for the winter. Prices ex-store are steady to firm at qu. tations. Only a moderate movement is looked for until after New Year's.

ELOUR AND GRAIN.-The price of wheat has advanced, and sales of red winter are reported at our present quotations. Coarse grains are steady and unchanged on spot, but Canadian peas are higher in Liverpool. Strong grades of flour have met with improved enquiry, and the whole list is steady at last week's prices. There was some export demand, but it did not lead to business. Recent sales of flour include nine cars Manitoba strong bakers at \$4.30, one car Hungarian patent at \$4.75, and two cars bran at \$12.50. A recent Chicago letter said: "The advance in wheat values, which began last week, continues with increased vigor. It was stimulated greatly by the burning of two large elevators in Duluth, with a loss of 750,000 bushels wheat. Added to this, cables have reported advance in foreign markets almost daily. New York reports active and greatly increased export demand, which the large export clearances would seem in part to confirm. The visible supply showed only trifling increase. Receipts, owing to unfavorable weather west and northwest, show marked falling off." Since then lower prices have prevailed in the west, owing to heavy bear pressure. The undertone is said to be strong, and the bears are believed to be laying the foundation for another upward spurt. Canadian peas in Liverpool advanced another 1d per cental to 58 5d. Wheat was steady to firm, but the Liverpool market was reported inactive by Beerbohm. Wheat cargoes off coast were quiet but firm, and there was hardly any demand for cargoes on passage or for shipment. California wheat off coast was quoted 3d higher at 36s 6d, and No. 2 spring for prompt shipment 6d higher at 34s. Mixed maize for prompt shipment was higher at 21s 6d. The weather was reported colder. The receipts of wheat at Liverpool during the past three days were 110,000 centals, of which 109,000 were from America.

Green Fruits, Etc.—Apples are firm and unchanged. We quote ex-store \$2.50@\$3. Oranges, Jamaica, in cases, \$4.00@\$4.50; Brazils, \$4.00, case; new Valencias, \$5.50; Florida, \$4.25@\$5.00, box; Jamaicas, brls., \$7.50@\$8. Lamons, \$3@\$4.50, box; \$8 case. Oranberries, \$7@\$8 brl. Sweet potatoes, \$3 brl. Almeria grapes, \$3.50@\$4.50 keg; Catawbas, 8e@9e; Canadian, 5e@7c. Cocoanuts, \$6.50 per 100. Onions, native, \$2.50@\$2.75 brl.; Spanish, \$3.50 case. Figs, in 1 lb. and 13 lb. boxes, 10]c@12]c. A Glasgow cable says:—Market opened firm and closed 1s @1s 6d higher. We quote, including Scandinavian: Boston Baldwins, 10s 6d @12s 6d; greenings, 9s 6d @10s 6d; russets, 10s 6d @12s 6d; greenings, 9s 6d @10s 6d; russets, 10s 6d @12s 6d. Shipments this week are light. We remind shippers that in Glasgow sales continue up to the end of the year.

GROCERIES.—A good, steady, distributive trade is reported, but, for the season, business

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The fact that our retail trade has kept the

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is slightly disappointing. The holiday trade has not opened with any spirit as yet, and in only a few lines can any indications of increased activity be detected. There have been a few supply orders for raisins, and selected Valencias in layers sold at 73c@73c. Ordinary fruit has been selling at lower prices. Valencias, for example, have been placed at 53c@53c, currants in bls.; Provincial, at 51c, half bls. and cases, 53c. Ordinary Sultanas have changed hands at 61cmege. Eleme figs in 20 lb boxes, layers, brought as high as 12c; 10 lb boxes, 10c@10&c; 1 lb boxes, 10c per Some of these have been sold under weight at 10c per box. Ordinary figs at lower prices. We quote natural pulled figs at 5½c for 28 lb @ 30 lb boxes, and bags 5½c. There has been a fair call for peel, and we note sales of citron at 251c@26c, orange at 161c@17c, and lemon at 151c@16c. Jamaica coffee is scarce and sellers are asking 12c@13c for ordinary grade. Rio, none offering. Mocha, 22c @231c. In teas there is not much doing, but they are reported stronger in New York. It is stated that some American houses who have had tens for sale here are withdrawing them. A letter received by last mail from London, said: "Green teas still keep advancing here." The demand for sugars has been moderate, but there is a better tone to foreign markets, and yellows in this city are &c higher. Granulated is unchanged at 6c for round lots, add 6fc for jobbing lots. Syrups have met with good enquiry at quotations. Nuts continue firm. Turkey filberts, 90@91 for new, 81c old; Sicily filberts, 101c; Tarragona almonds, 151c@16; Grenoble, 16e; Carthagena almonds, 142c; mixed 102c; pecans, 10c; peanuts, 71 c.

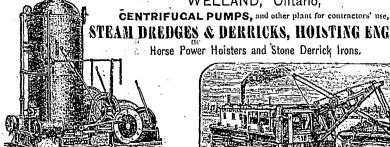
HAY, STRAW AND FEED .-- The receipts of hay were fair and the market was steady under a fair demand for choice while inferior, which was in good supply, was slow of sale. We quote choice timothy at \$12, and inferior \$7.50 per 100 bundles. The demand for pressed hay is slow, but prices are steady at \$12 for No. 1, \$11 for No. 2, and \$10 for No. 3 per ton in large quantities. The offerings of straw were large and met with a good demand at \$4.00\text{\$6} per 100 bundles, as to quality.

Mouillie was quiet at \$22 per ton, bran at \$12.50 per ton, and shorts at \$14.50 per ton.

HIDES AND TALLOW .- The Western markets have been on the weak side since our last. Prices are not quiet so firm here but there is no quotable reduction. Dry Northwest have sold at 162c@162c. The quality of hides coming in continues good but next month we may expect to see lower prices and poorer hides. Tallows quiet and unchanged.

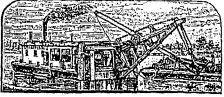
IRON AND HARDWARE.-There is absolutely nothing to report in the local market. The amount of business which has been done in pig iron has been very limited, as is usually expected at this season of the year. Prices in the British market are unchanged, and the same may be said of our local quotations. As regards bar iron Montreal merchants have combined to advance the price to a figure more in accordance with English prices. The lowest price is now \$1.65, and this will doubtless continue to be the figure charged from stock during the winter season. The other departments of the metal trade continue unchanged, and our quotations represent the prices being asked. Advices have been received of arrangements made among manufacturers of tubing in England, Scotland and Antwerp, fixing the prices for all descriptions and making quotations f. o. b., Liverpool. Glasgow and Antwerp respectively. This





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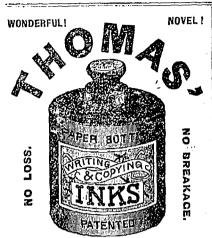
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has been brought about by the very keen competition that has been ruling during the past two years. In fact so low did prices run that some of the largest and oldest established manufacturers gave up making, or shut down work in this branch. The prices fixed on are still low, as it was not thought advisable to put them too high at first. In the local trade higher prices are looked for in tubing of all kinds, as there is every probability of the present arrangement between makers continuing. No changes have yet been made in prices of stocks here, but holders are desirous of advancing values, and will do so if the proposed agreement among holders of bar iron is maintained. In nails, horse-shoes, etc., of local manufacture, there is little new. Manufacturers are getting ready for the annual stock taking. Stocks of manufactured articles are low. There can be no doubt of the improvement in the old country, but despite this, holders of some lines of goods here appeared to be afraid to ask the advance, and actually sold balance of stock at old prices. It may be said, however, that certain messages over the cable will work the necessary cure. In one instance wher: a tirm cabled for 1,000 boxes of tinplates, the order was refused for the whole amount, but 500 boxes were offered at an advance on the cable offer. Warrants in Glasgow are cabled at 42s 2d. No. 3 foundry in Middlesborough is at 32s 3d. Londop, December 3.—Tin, spot, £101 10s; three months' futures, £102 5s. Market firm. G. O. B. Chili bars, £39 2s 6d; soft Spanish lead, £12 17s 6d; best selected copper, £15; soft English lead, £12 17s 6d; Silesian spelter, £14 tos; Hallett's antimony, £29 10s; tinplates, 12s 9d.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—Manufacturers of boots and shoes who generally take stock at this season are about through with this tedious but necessary proceeding. This has quickened the demand for leather as makers are now buying more freely; many of them are fairly busy on spring goods and the trade is opening up well. Stocks of leather do not increase and prices remain steady without change. Shipments made to English markets have been cleared out in a fairly satisfactory manner and further shipment are asked for of splits and buff. Best makes of Spanish sole continue in limited supply and in good demand in this market.

LIVE STOCK .- At the shipping yards the offerings were light, consequently business was dull in export stock, and we hear of no sales. In butchers' cattle a fair business was done at about steady prices, sales being made at from 2c@3le per lb. live weight. For sheep there was a fair demand, the offered being of good quality and, values were unchanged at 31c@3c per lb. live weight. There was a good demand for lambs, and mostly all the offerings were bought up at from \$270 \$4.50 each as to quality. Live hogs were steady and met with a good demand at 41c@ 12c per lb. Calves were in light supply and higher at \$5,0512 each as to size. The improvement in the English cattle trade, lately reported has been of short duration, and values have dropped back to the ten cent level for prime beasts in consequence of more liberal supplies. The last shipments from this side, therefore, have found the market at



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its lowest A London message reports the trade there much worse, while in Liverpool demand is steady at the decline. Receipts from Ganada and the United States have been heavy, which, with fair supplies from elsewhere, kept prices down.

PAINTS AND OILS.—Trade quiet with stock taking in progress. The year's business has been satisfactory in volume. Spirits of turpentine about steady at 56c. Linseed oil, 60c for raw and 63c for boiled. Quotations have been received from English corroders asking an advance in prices of dry white lead for shipment in the spring. From present appearances future prices will be higher than those ruling during the past season.

RAW Furs.—The market is unchanged and will probably be quiet and without feature until the January sales commence. The following are the quotations for prime skins: beaver, per lb., \$4.00@\$4.50; bear, per skin, \$10.00@\$12.00; bear cub, \$5.00@\$6.00; fisher, \$3.00@41.00; fox, red, 90e @\$1.10; fox, cross, \$2.00@\$2.50; lynx, \$2.50@\$3; marten, 90c @1.10; mink, \$1; muskrat, 8c@10e; otter, \$8.00@\$10.00; racoon, 40c@60e, and skunk, 25c@50c and 75e per skin.

Wook—A number of the manufacturers are practically out of the market as they are sufficiently stocked for all present requirements. Prices about hold their own and domestics continue good property. Business is usually quiet prior to the close of the year. A London cable of recent date, says: The attendance at the wool sales is lessening. The tone was flat, the bidding was weak, and the withdrawals were heavy.

## TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS. (Revised by Telegraph.)

Токохто, Dec. 9, 1886.

General trade is rather quiet. Country roads are said to be in bad condition, and travellers are returning from their trips.



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Stock-taking has commenced and the wholesale business is likely to be quiet until after the holidays. Prices in all departments rule very firm, and the prospect is cheering for a large spring trade. Remittances are fairly satisfactory. There is a moderate demand for money, without change in rates. Prime commercial paper is discounted at 6@61, and the general run at 7 per cent. Call loans on stocks are quoted at 5@51 per cent. Sterling exchange is weaker; 60-day bills between banks are 108f and demand bills 1091@1098. The stock market has been quiet; there is an advance in bank shares, but a reaction set in yesterday. Following are the closing bids as compared with last Thursday:

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BUTTER.—There is a moderate demand for butter, and choice qualities rule firm. The best tub lots sell at 18c@19c, and medium 14c@15c; choice rolls are firm at 15c@16c, and inferior dull at 10c@12c. Eggs are in fair supply and prices firm; round lots have changed hands during the week at 18c@19c per dozen. Cheese remains very firm, the best makes jobbing at 121@129c.

Daues.—Trade is less active this week, there being a falling off in the number of orders from the country. Prices generally steady. Opium is quoted at \$3.25 @ \$3.50. Quinine unchanged. Morphia firm at \$1.50 @ \$1.75. Tartaric acid 60c@65c. Turpentine, 88c@61c. Linseed oil, 60c for raw and 63c for boiled.



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Hoss.—The receipts are moderate and prices have ruled firm throughout the week. Sales of car lots are reported at \$5.65@\$5.75, and small lots at \$5.75 @ \$5.85, according to quality.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.-The flour market has been dull the past week, and the feeling somewhat firmer owing to firmer prices for wheat. Sales of superior extra are reported ontside at equal to \$3.45 here, and of extras at equal to \$3.35. Patents sold at \$3.65@ \$4.20 according to quality. Wheat has ruled quiet, with prices irregular the past week. There were sales the latter part of the week of No. 1 spring at 82c, and No. 2 spring at 79c. On Monday No. 2 spring sold at 80c and it closed easier yesterday at 79c, No. 2 fall sold on Monday at 79c, and yesterday at 78c. The stock in store is 90,197 as compared with 184,700 bushels at the corresponding period of last year. Barley is dull and lower; No. 1 is quoted at 55c, No. 2 sold at 51c and 50c, and No. 3 extra at 45c, No. 3 is nominal at 40c. Oats are easier with sales a week ago at 32c on track, and yesterday at 311c. Peas in fair demand and firm, there being sales of No. 2 at equal to 52c and 524c here. Rye is dull and purely nominal in price. Bran firm; car lots on track are quoted at \$10.50 @ \$11.00. Oatmeal steady, car lots are nominal at \$3.65 for ordinary and \$3.90@\$4 for granulated

GROCERIES.—Business is quiet with but little change in prices. As a rule prices are firm. Fruit steady: London layers, \$2.75 and. \$2.90; Sultanas, 7c to 7½c; Valencia, fine, new, 6¾c to 7c; ordinary, 6¼c to 6½c; Eleme figs, old, 4c to 5c; currants, new, 5¾c to 6¼c. Coffee firm; Rio, 13c to 15c. Sugars unchanged at 6½c to 6¼c for granulated, and 4½c to 5¾c for Canadian refined. Payments fuir.

HARDWARE.—There is a fairly satisfactory trade, and prices rule firm. Ordinary bar iron firm at \$1.65 @ \$1.70. Canada plates rule at \$2.45 @ \$2.65. Manilla rope, 101c @ 13c.

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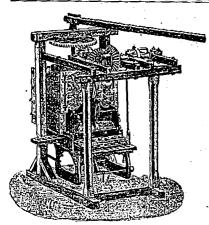
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LEATHER -- Trade is less active, but the feeling better. Generally speaking, stocks are light and prices firm.

HIDES AND SKINS .- The market is quiet and prices easy, with sales of cured at 91c. Green is unchanged at 81c for No. 1, and 71c for No. 2. Sheepskins in good demand and prices firm, the best now being \$1, and good country lots 80c @ 90c. Calfskins are nominally unchanged. Tallow is steady at 41c @ 5c for rendered and 2c for rough.

LIVE STOCK .- The market has ruled quiet, there being a limited demand, which is confined to choice stock. There is nothing doing in shippers, and prices are nominal at 4c @ 44c. Feeders 3c @ 34c and stockers are sold at 2c@21c. Butchers' cattle sold at 21c@33c per lb., the latter for choice weighing 1,000 to 1,200 lbs. Sheep are unchanged, exporters paying 3c @ 31c per lb., and butchers \$3.50@ S4 a head. Lambs firmer at \$3\overline{a} 4.50 a head. Hogs steady at 33c @ 41c per lb.

Provisions.-Trade is dull and prices unchanged. Long Clear Bacon is quoted at 8c to

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Wook.-There is a good demand, and prices are firm. Sales of selected fleece are reported at 25c; dealers give 21c to 24c; southdown 26c to 28c. Pulled wools firm, supers being quoted at 24e to 25c, and extras at 28c to 30c.

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Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the name, style and firm of McKECH-NIE & BERTRAM. Manufacturers of Machine Tools and Wood-Working Machinery, at the Canada Tool Works, in the Town of Dundas, in the Dominion of Canada, was, on the first day of the present month of November, dissolved by mutual agreement. All debts due to the late firm are to be paid to Mr. John Bertram, who is to pay all debts and liabilities of the same, and to perform all contracts entered into and fill all orders heretofore received by the said firm.

Dated at Dundas, Ontario, this 24th day of November, A. D. 1886.

R. MCKECHNIE JOHN BELTRAM.

Witness-

H. H. Robertson, as to signature of R. McKechnie.

J. V. Teetzel, as to signature of John Bertram.

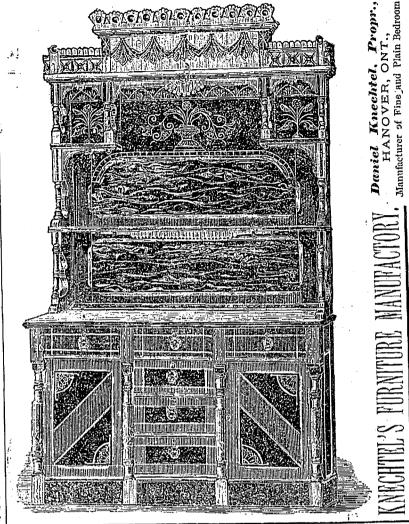
With reference to the above, we, the undersigned, beg to notify the numerous patrons of the late firm of McKechnie & Bertram, and the public generally, that we have entered into copatnership under the name and firm of John Bertram & Sons, for the purpose of continuing the business of the late firm, at the premises heretofore occupied by them at the town of Dandas, and are prepared to fill orders on shortest notice for all kinds of Machane Tools and Wood-Working Machinery.

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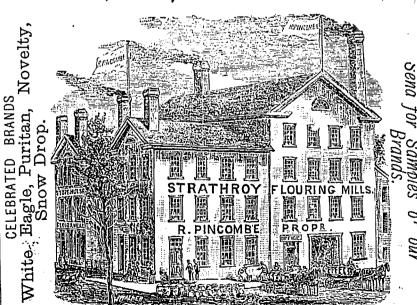
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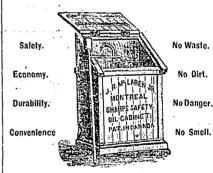
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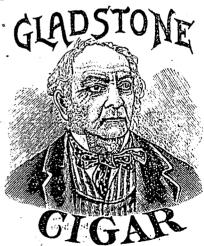
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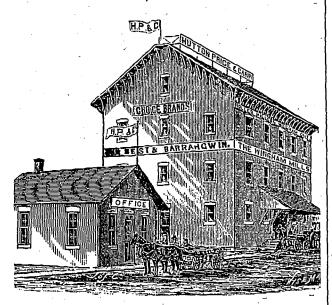
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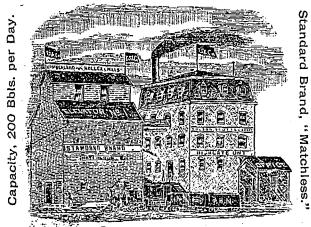
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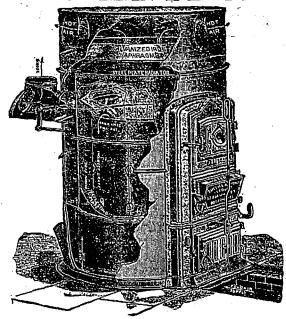
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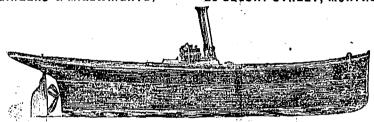
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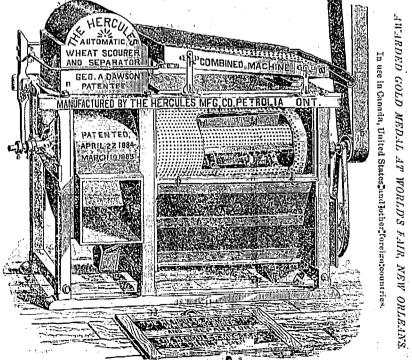


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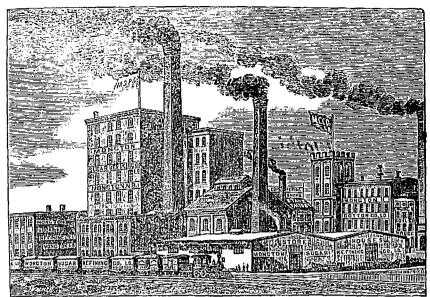


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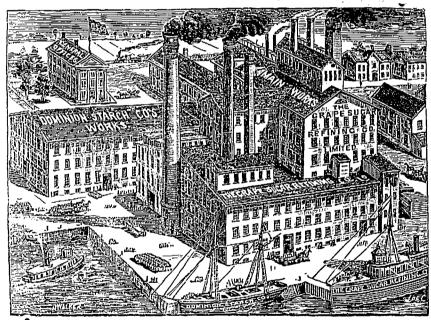
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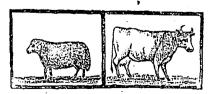
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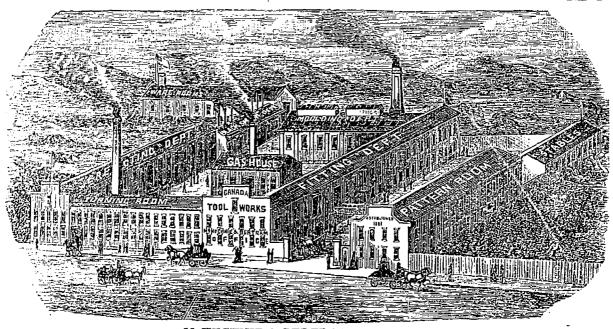
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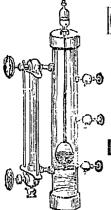


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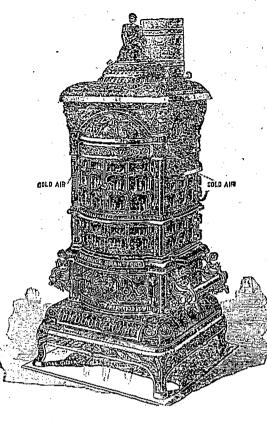
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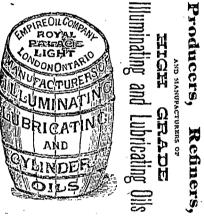
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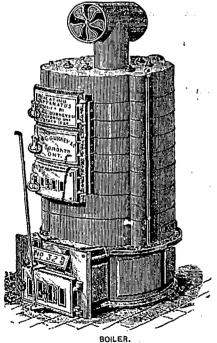
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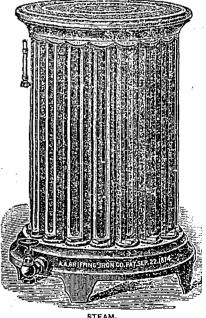
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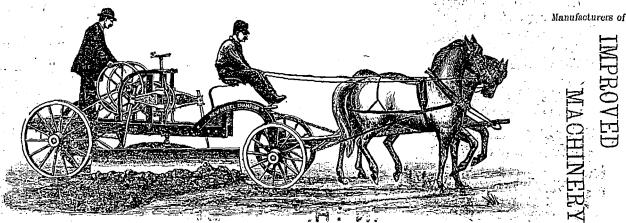
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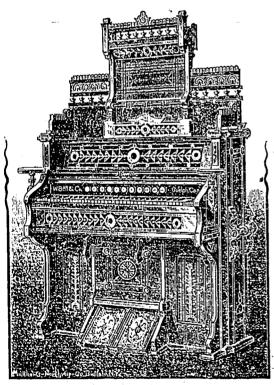


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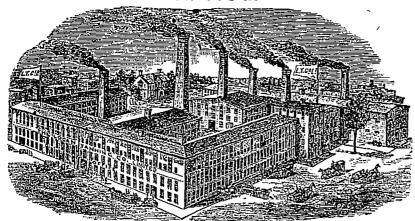
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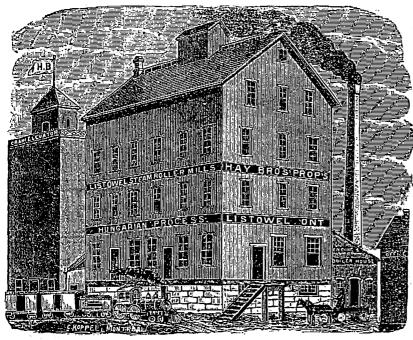
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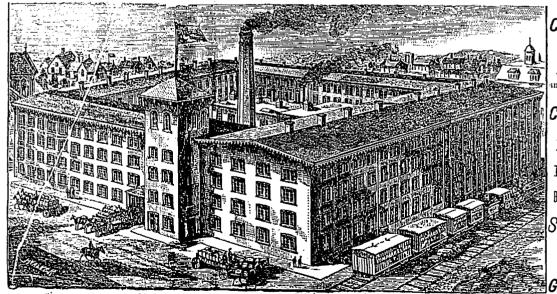
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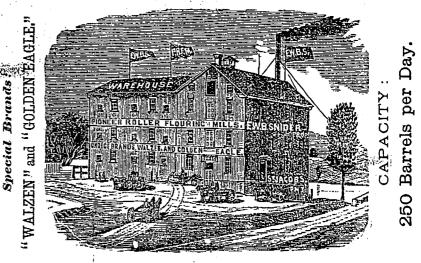
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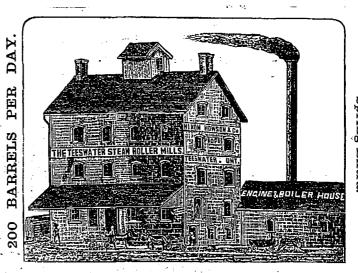
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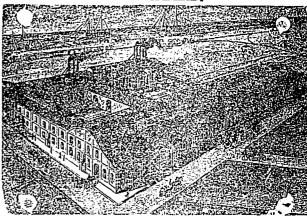
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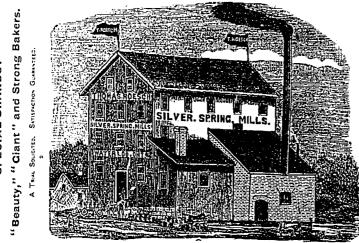
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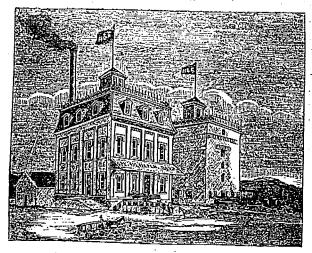
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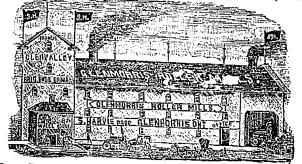
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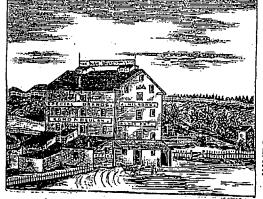
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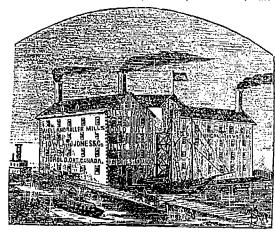
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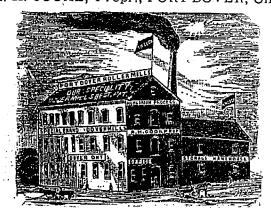
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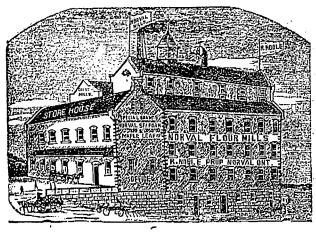
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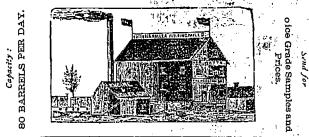


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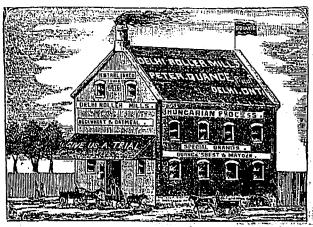
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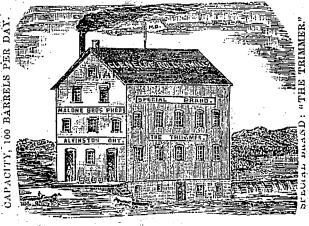
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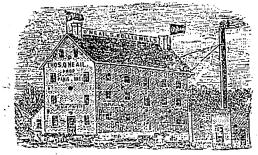
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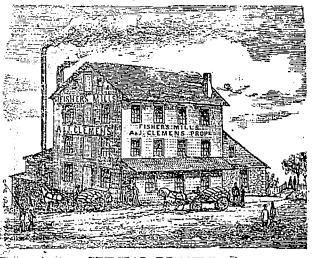


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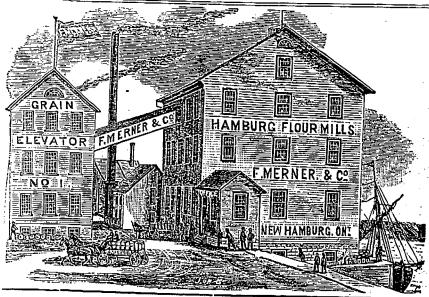
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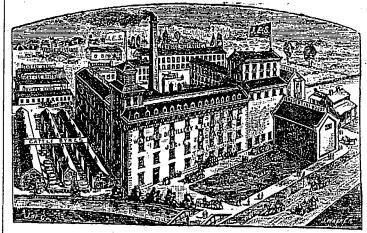
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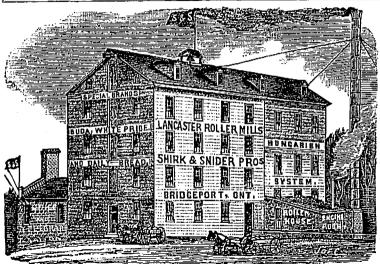
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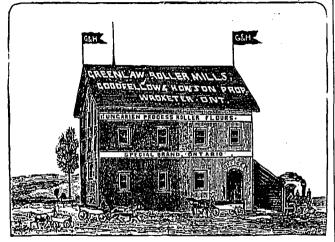






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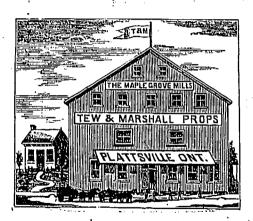
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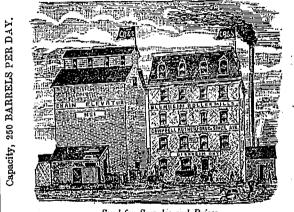
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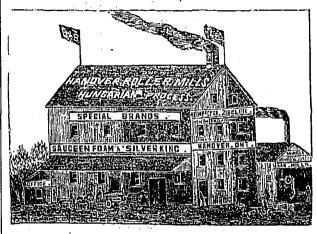


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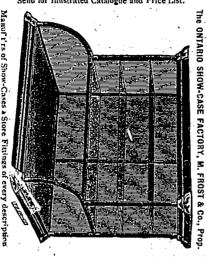
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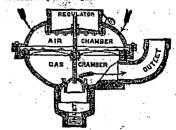
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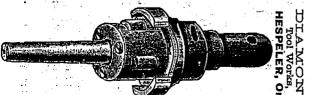
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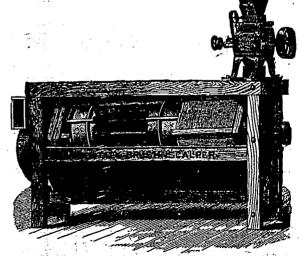
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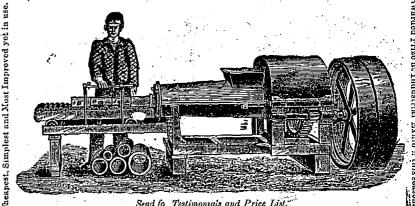
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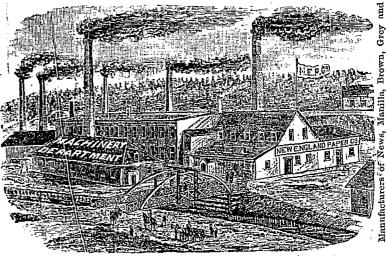
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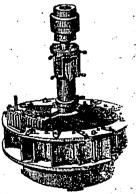
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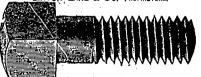
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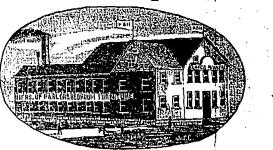
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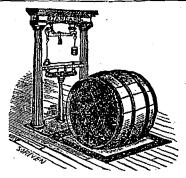
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