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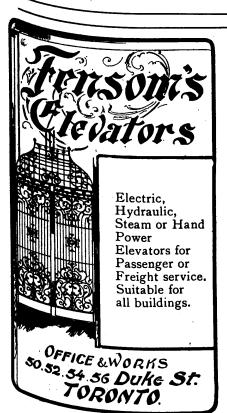
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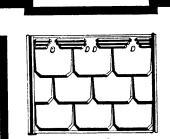
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Notice is hereby given that a dividend of three per cent, on the paid-up capital stock of this company for the six months ending 31st December, 1900, (being six per cent. for the year) has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable on the 1sth January next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 1st to the 14th January, 1901, both days inclusive.

PEOPLES BANK OF HALIFAX DIVIDEND NO. 78.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of three per cent. on the paid-up capital stock of this bank has been declared for the halt year terminating 31st inst., and that the same will be payable at any of the offices of the bank on and after Friday, the First Day of March next.

The transfer books will be closed from the 15th February to 1st March, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Bank will be held in the Banking House on Tuesday, the 5th day of March next at 11 o'clock a.m.

By order of the board. D. R. CLARKE, Cashier.

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Mercantile Summary

THE Virtue Mining Company, Montreal, has sold the Virtue mine to a western syndicate for \$250,000. It retains posession of the rich Cumberland mine.

THE list of business casualties in the province of Quebec, since last issue, is as follows: A. T. A. Bigonesse, dry goods merchant, recently assigned, is asking his creditors to accept 40 per cent. of their claims.---U. Blanchard, a contracting builder of St. Hyacinthe, has assigned on demand. He owes about \$10,000, and shows nominal assets of only \$3,000.—D. Lecker & Co., a small general store concern of recent establishment, at St. Cyrille de Wendover, has compromised liabilities of \$1,500 at 40 cents on the dollar.---Premont & Co., general dealers, of St. Felicite, who assigned several weeks ago, are offering 40 cents on the dollar. -Esdras Paradis, grocer and baker, and also a hackman, of Somerset, has assigned; liabilities, \$2,097, with assets about equal.--An assignment, on demand, has been made by Alfred Mercier, of Ste. Angele de Rimouski. He was formerly a cheesemaker, and began business two years ago, with little experience.-P. Denis, of St. Cesaire, is an old timer in business having been in trade some thirty years, with, however, but a poor measure of success. In 1885 he made a fire loss, which led to a compromise at 40 cents on the dollar. In 1894 he became involved through outside operations, in hay and cheese, and an effort then made to arrange a compromise was not successful, and he has since done business under cover of his wife's name. He is again reported as having assigned, but present liabilities are not yet ascertained.—A compromise arrangement has been effected by Gariepy & Panneton, dry goods dealers, Three Rivers. They first offered 50 cents, which was not accepted, and have now agreed to pay 65c. on the dollar.

STELLARTON BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual meeting of the Stellarton board of trade was held on the 21st ult., with President B. D. Rogers in the chair. Over sixty members are enrolled. After an interesting address by the president the following officers and council were elected for the current year: President, A. J. Mowatt; vice-president, Thomas J. Reid; secretary, Alex. Inglis; treasurer, W. H. McIntosh. Council: F. W. D. Harper, H. S. Cunningham, George Gray, W. G. Miller, J. J. Grant, R. Drummond, B. D. Rogers, John Fellows, W. H. McIntosh and A. H. McKay, and the above officers. The question of installing an electric light plant in the town was discussed, and the movement unanimously endorsed, and a committee appointed to further the project. Another committee was appointed to prepare and circulate petitions for a bridge across the East river at the south end. These and several other schemes will afford ample work for the Stellarton Managing Director. board of trade during the year.

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Mercantile Summary.

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THE Buffalo Courier, of a recent date, gives an account of the scheme of Mr. A. B. Colvin, president of the Niagara Falls, St. Catharines and Toronto Electric Railroad, to conecct Buffalo and Toronto by a cheap, direct and speedy trolley line by the time the Pan-American Exposition opens. The new road which is stocked at \$1,000,000, and bonded at \$500,000, is owned jointly by Gen. Colvin, his partner, James Powers, and a number of Toronto capitalists. It has purchased a line of steamers to connect with cars at Toronto and Port Dalhousie, running from the last-named place to St. Catharines, and from there to Arch Bridge. There the cars will run over the rails of the International Traction Company, through the streets of Buffalo, and direct to the grounds of the Pan-American Exposition. It will do both a freight and a passenger business.

ROSAIRE BOURBEAU, of Victoriaville, started business as general merchant, in 1897, with the assistance of his father, a well-to-do trader. The latter died last month, and Rosaire has now assigned. He is said to owe \$14,600, largely to his father's estate, and assets are estimated at about \$8,000.—After some years' occupation as a boot and shoe traveller, T. N. Gauthier began business in the general store line at Carillon, in 1898. He has now made a voluntary assignment, and would like creditors to give him a discharge on the payment of 50 cents in the dollar.-Napoleon Girard, a shoemaker, who moved from Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere to Fraserville, a year ago, is reported insolvent.—Previous to May, 1899, Joseph Cantin was clerking in a wholesale hat and fur house, in Montreal, which occupation he gave up to start business as a haberdasher, at Valleyfield. His voluntary assignment is now reported.—A. Boulanger, general dealer, Lamartine, has assigned. He had only been here a year or so, in a limited way, and came from Cap St. Ignace, where he had been in business for a short time, as one of the firm of Boulanger & Boulanger.

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THE presidency of the Consumers' Gas Company, vacant by the death of Sir Frank Smith, has been conferred upon Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn, and Mr. E. B. Osler has been elected to fill the vacant directorship.

AFTER having been a school-teacher for some years, L. D. Cormier, of Cocaigne, N.B., began storekeeping, in a small way, a few years ago. He has not met with much success, and is proposing to pay 25 cents, cash, or 35 cents on time.

FROM St. John, N.B., there is reported the embarrassment of two small grocers. Price & Powers, only in partnership since the spring of 1899, have suspended owing about \$2,000. G. E. Titus, is reported closed up, but liabilities are only about \$000.

J. W. WALLACE, dry goods retailer, Halifax, N.S., is reported to have stopped payment. He has been in business since 1885, and failed before in 1891, when he compromised at 33 1-3 cents on Present liabilities about the dollar. \$6,000.

THE assignment is noted of A. R. Mc-Leod, general store, Stellarton, N.S., and he is said to be offering creditors 50 cents on the dollar. He was formerly a conductor on the Intercolonial Railway, but lost his job through an accident to his train, and started storekeeping in the fall of 1898. Liabilities are \$2,160.

S. Turgeon, in business in Montreal since 1897, as a dealer in men's furnishings, has voluntarily assigned, owing about \$5,000, which he desires to compromise at 25 cents on the dollar .--Zoel Tardif, grocer, and F. X. Bertrand, diy goods retailer, both of the same city, have also assigned, owing respectively \$6,200 and \$3,000.

THE financial statement of the liquidators of the Kingston Locomotive Works Company was made known on Monday There are 126 creditors, whose claims total \$339,503.12. The Bank of Montreal is the heaviest creditor, its claim being \$172,583. F. Edgar, Montreal, has a claim for \$75,296. The heaviest Toronto creditor is the James Morrison Brass Manufacturing Company, whose claim is \$2,687.62. The assets will pay 50

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The annual meeting of the Lumbermen's Association of Ontario was held on Tuesday, 29th January, in Toronto. Mr. John Waldie, president, occupied the chair, and between twenty and thirty members were present. Much that was of interest to the trade was referred to in the address of the president, and we comment upon this editorially. The secretary, Mr. W. B. Tindall, presented his report, which gave the total production of white pine lumber in the mills in Northwestern Ontario, embracing all mills on the Georgian Bay, northern division of the Grand Trunk to Callendar, and C.P.R., North Bay to Rat Portage, as 476,000,000 feet, against 351,000,000 feet for the previous year. [This, it will be observed, does not include the Ottawa Vallev1.

The decrease in production of mills in Saginaw Valley and Lake Huron shore of Michigan, hitherto supplied by Canadian logs, was 92,282,000 feet, a net increase of 32.718,000 feet entering into the market usually supplied by these mills. The decrease in United States mills in the northwest district of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, which competes in the same market, for 1900 was 478,603,000 feet. The Canadian stock on hand, which was principally white pine lumber, on December 31, 1900, amounted to 216,349.000 feet, against 120,000,000 feet for the end of the previous year. There is thus an increase of 06.340,000 feet. Of the stock on hand on December 31, 1900, there was: Sold waiting delivery, 92,109,000 feet, and unsold, 124,240,000 feet; in the year 1896 the stock at mills in pile (exclusive of Rat Portage), was 406,000,000 feet.

The volume of the trade of 1901 in Canada is estimated at 501,900,000 feet, an increase of 25,900,000 feet over the estimated production of 1900. As regards the volume of trade in the United States, the highest year was 1892, the production being 8,594,222,000 feet. In 1900 the production was 5,485,261,000 feet, and the stocks on hand amounted to 2,839,705,000 feet, which are both less than in previous vears.

Those present at the meeting were: John Waldie, president, in the chair: John Bertram, Toronto; John Charlton, M.P., Lyndoch; Thomas Charlton, Tonawanda; C. Beck, Penetang; W. Laking, Hamilton; Robt. Watts, Wiarton; N. Dyment, Barrie; W. T. Toner, Collingwood; R. Cook, South River; Geo. Thomson, Goderich; A. A. Wright, Toronto; D. L. White, jun., Midland; Mossom Boyd. Bobcaygeon; R. Laidlaw, Toronto; W. A. Charlton, M.P.P., Toronto; J. L. Hotchkiss, Duluth; J. L. Conlon, Thorold; M. Brennan, Hamilton; W. B. Tindall, Toronto, secretary.

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MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade was held on Tuesday last in the council chamber of the city hall, which was offered by the Mayor, on the destruction of the Board's handsome building in the previous week's fire. There was a large attendance. Mr. Robert Mackay, the president, occupied the chair and delivered an address, concluding by moving the adoption of the report of the council, issued in the preceding week. This was seconded by Mr. Henry Miles, and passed, after some discussion. We are compelled to hold over some editorial comments upon the subjects of discussion.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. Harry Miles, by acclamation; first vice-president, Mr. Fred. W. Evans, by acclamation; second vicepresident, Mr. R. W. McDougall, by acclamation; treasurer, Mr. Arthur J. Hodg-

Members of the Council-Mr. George E. Drummond, Mr. W. I. Gear, Mr. A. Ellis, Mr. R. Wilson-Smith, Mr. Robert Munroe, Mr. Alex. McFee, Mr. Charles Chaput, Mr. Alex. McArthur, Mr. P. W. McLagan, Mr. Alfred B. Evans, Mr. W. H. Browne, Mr. J. C. Holden.

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DURING the past five years, J. G. Raymond has been tailoring in Woodstock under the style of Raymond & Co., but it is not thought that he ever made any money, and he now assigns. So does A. G. Hough, who keeps a small restaurant in this city.

At the recent annual meeting of shareholders of the Guarantee Company, of North America, the following directors were elected: E. S. Clouston, George Hague, John Cassils, Hartland S. Macdougall, H. W. Cannon, of New York; the Hon. E. C. Smith, Governor, State of Vermont; Edward Rawlings, William Wainwright and Robert Kerr. At a subsequent meeting of directors, Mr. Edward Rawlings was re-elected president and managing director, and Mr. Hartland S. Macdougall re-elected vice-president for the current year.

THE assets of Frank Card, hotelkeeper, Slocan City, B.C., have been sold by a bailiff.—One of the best known names in Vancouver is that of Oppenheimer. The two brothers were in partnership as a limited company since December, 1893, when they were incorporated with a capital of \$1,000,000, the greater portion being of real estate. For some time past this has been almost unsalable, which no doubt is the main cause of their assignment now. We have not yet been able to learn any particulars about their affairs.

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THE mortgagees have foreclosed on the general stock of Lewin & Co., at Moosomin, Assa., and it will be sold by tender. --It is about three years since Lewis Robinson left Stratford and went to Nanaimo, B.C., where he opened a clothing store; but not being satisfied with doing a nice quiet business, he opened two branch stores, one of which was in the same place. A short time ago, he was sued, and now assigns.—The sheriff is in possession of the general stock of W. H. Winning, Armstrong, B.C., and the business will be wound up.

THE mortgagees have closed the premises of Elizabeth Carey, dealer in dry goods and millinery, at Moosejaw, Assa., and the business will be wound up .assignment has been made by Alex. Paul, boot and shoe dealer, Winnipeg. Previous to starting this business, five years ago, with a capital of \$500, he was a stonemason.—In the same city, J. R. McNamara, who had been employed as a clerk, opened a grocery store in November, 1897, with \$400 cash. He never made much, if any progress, and finally was obliged to assign.

WE learn from advance sheets of the Ontario Gazette that charters have been granted to the following: P. R. Corson Company, Limited, Toronto, capital, \$50,-000; to manufacture and deal in perfumery, flavoring extracts, confectioners' supplies, soaps, etc.; Saunders & Evans, Limited, Toronto, capital, \$25,000; who will carry on the business of manufacturers' agents; the Maclaughlin Automatic Air-Brake Company, Limited, Walkerville, capital, \$1,000,000; the Nipissing Lumber Company, Limited Hamilton, to acquire timber berths and carry on a lumbering business; the Gould Manufacturing Company, Limited, Smith's Falls, capital, \$100,000; to manufacture and sell stoves, agricultural implements, sewing machines, and do general job work; the Petrolea Combination-Rack Company, Petrolea, capital, \$20,000; to manufacture and deal in boxes, for wagons and hay, and stock racks; the Northern Hardware Company, Limited, Sault Ste. Marie, capital, \$10,-000; to carry on a general hardware business and deal in lumber, mining supplies and ship chandlery; the Golden Star Mining Company, Limited, Toronto; capital, \$1,500,000; to acquire the assets and rights of the Golden Star Mining and Exploration Company, of Ontario, Limited; the Canadian Oak Belting Company, Limited, Brockville; capital, \$50,000; with John McLaren, J. D. McArthur, and C. A. McNaughton as provisional directors; the Defiance Lantern and Stamping Company, Limited, Toronto; capital, \$60,000; to manufacture and sell lanterns, stamped tinware, sheet-steel ware, galvanized iron ware, etc.; the Armstrong Cartage and Warehouse Company, Limited, Hamilton; capital, \$25,000; and the Peter Hamilton Company, Limited, Peterborough, capital, \$250,000; to manufacture and deal in agricultural machinery, iron, steel and wood

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 T_{HE} strike of the Cuban cigarmakers at Vallens & Co.'s factory, in London, has been settled, both sides having made some concessions.

THE Montreal Street Railway Company has decided to install a direct-connected railway power generator of 1,200 horse power. The order has been placed with the Canadian General Electric Co.

THE death-rate in Montreal during the past year was, with one exception, viz., in the year 1885 when smallpox was rampant, the largest on record, the number of deaths being 7,351.

Some forty girl employees of the Dominion Suspender Company, Niagara Falls, have struck work, owing to the management having remodelled the Re schedule on what the former claim to be a reduced basis.

ABOUT five years ago, Arthur O'Parker bought the insolvent clothing stock of his mother at St. Catharines. He has always had plenty of strong competition, and an insufficiency of capital. His assignment is now announced.—Another assignment is that of Loyne & Co., confectioners, Fort William.—W. D. Haines, who kept a restaurant at Sault Ste. Marie, has had his effects mortgaged, and now he, too,

AFTER being in business in the drug and stationery business at Teeswater for nine years, H. B. O'Connor has assigned. Lately he has not given the business the attention it needed, and the result is as above stated.—During the past sixteen Jears, J. W. Gordon has been harnessmaking in Embro, but gave too much attention to public affairs, with the result that his own suffered. The end is an assignment.

KENTVILLE BOARD OF TRADE.

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The eighth annual meeting of the Kentwille board of trade was held on the 21st ult, with over 100 members in attendance. This is one of the most enterprising boards in the country. Owing to their initiative during Christmas week a merchants' Carnival was organized, and the town was crowded with buyers from all surrounding districts. They also distributed 20,000 booklets advertising the town. In his report the president showed that while general trade in their district had been good, yet, it had been adversely effects versely affected by the disastrous effects to farmers of the present apple shipping facilis: facilities, or lack thereof, the losses from which source probably having amounted to to \$100,000. A resolution was adopted to Petition the Government to appoint a commission to investigate into the cirstances connected with the transportation and marketing of the Annapolis Valley frait crop. The following gentlemen were elected officers for the present year: President dent, James Sealy; vice-president, W. P. Shaffner; secretary and treasurer, Geo. E. W. Rand. Calkin; assistant secretary, F. W. Rand.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL. MONTREAL, Jan. 30th, 1901.

				Clos Pri		same 900
Stocks.	Highest.	Lowest.	Total.	Sellers.	Buyers.	Average.same date 1900
Montreal	260	259	37	260	259	
Ontario	124	124	6		124	
Moisons	1911	1901	9	192	190	192
Toronto	236	236	3	245	230	
J. Cartier						
Merchants	1554	155	43	16)	153	160
Commerce	148	1474	86	149	146	
Union				108	106	
Hochelaga				136		
Nationale						
M. Γelegraph	174	174	38	175	173	171
R. & O. Nav	1091			1693	105	
Street Ry	269	266	1803	267	266	232
do N. Stock	2621	260	75	263	260	
Gas	225	218	4757	224	223	191
C. P. R	88	888	1430	ხ8 მ	88	942
Land Gt Bonds					109	
Mont. 4% Stock						
Bell Tele, Co	173	173	5	175	172	174
N. W. Land					··	

BRITISH MORTGAGE LOAN COM-PANY OF ONTARIO.

There was a large attendance at the annual general meeting of the share-holders of the above company on Thursday last, those present being Mrs. Robert Smith, Mrs. W. Helson, Hon. Thomas Ballantyne, Mayor Stamp, Messrs. J. Ballantyne, Mayor Stamp, Messrs. J. W. Scott, Wm. Maynard, Jas. Callin, Jno. McMillan, Joseph Baxter, H. M. Johnson, Dennis Clifford, Wm. Spence, James Trow, J. W. Brown, John Parker, Robert Morton, James Crerar, Geo. Innes, S. M. Loghrin, George Hamilton, G. G. McPherson, John Dempsey, John Mc-Intyre, M. C. Moderwell, W. Bucking-ham and F. Buckingham. A still greater number were represented by proxies.

Hon. Mr. Ballantyne was appointed

chairman, and Mr. W. Buckingham, sec-

Immediately after the organization of the meeting, the following resolution was adopted, on motion of vice-president Mc-Millan, seconded by the earliest director,

Mr. Scott:
"The shareholders of the company desire to avail themselves of this opportunity of unitedly giving expression to the sorrow which each of them personally feels at the death of their late beloved sovereign, the Queen, who devoted her henored life to the welfare of her people. They hope that the reign of her successor, her illustrious son, the King, may bring to the Empire a long continuance of her wise constitutional rule and governance, with the same full measure of national dignity, power and influence, and of individual happiness, contentment and prosperity."

The report of the directors, the financial statement, and the certificate of the auditors, were then read as follows:

REPORT.

The series of successful years which attended the business of the company to the close of the last century have paved the way to an auspicious opening of the new. We commence the new era with still increased assets, and with surplus profits which permit of something more than the usual additional \$10,000 to the reserve fund. The larger volume of business is on this occasion mainly attributable to the eagerness shown by the shareholders in making payments on their stock. The average of such payments for the previous ten years was less than \$1,500 annually, but in 1900 payments on stock amounted to more than \$68,000. We see in this further evidence of the confidence of those best able to judge of our posi-tion and standing. At the same time it widens the basis of the company's stability. Depositors and debenture holders have now to protect their well-invested funds on real estate securities aggregating nearly a million and a quarter of dollars. Of these investments the sum | The Monetary Times.

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an absurdity.

In each of the years 1898 and find there was actually no loss of any 1900; Practically the same may be said of loan, it is true that on a long-running which came then to be closed out, there was found to be a small deficiency in was found to be a small deficiency of \$131, but as there was a marketed gain was found to be a small deficiency of \$131, but as there was an unexpected \$3 of \$40 from another account, which was therefore, included in the assets of a previous year, the precise diminution \$91, a sum next to nothing on hundreds \$91, a sum next to nothing on hundreds of mortgages aggregation the large

of mortgages aggregating the large amount of \$1,187,939.

Deposits have somewhat decreased, with chiefly by reason of shareholders branch drawing moneys in the savings to get and applying them on stock, so as to get drawing moneys in the savings branch and applying them on stock, so as to get the higher rate of interest; debentures thave slightly increased. On the whole, have slightly increased. On the whole, there has been an augmentation of the there has been an augmentation of the there were marked features in the character of the loaning business, this part of the year brought in sufficient applications to absorb the capital, which applications to absorb the capital,

applications to absorb the capital, which in consequence, accumulated in the bank; in the latter month. in the latter months there were brisk die mands and stiffened rates, and these present promise of continuance. At the same time it is but right to reneat the same time it is but right to repeat that statement made in a previous report that as the older loans at better rates borne ually mature, the general average will by the entire volume of the courities will same time it is but right to repeat

ually mature, the general average borne ually mature, the general average borne by the entire volume of the securities fall for some time longer continue to the Had they been maintained even at standard of 1899, the company's earnings would in the past year have been greater by two thousand dollars.

Besides \$10,000 carried to the credit of fund, \$510.26 was added to the credit of the profit and loss account, and \$710 with the stage when the interest derived from the stage when the interest derived from the stage when the interest derived from the investment of the reserve fund more than suffices to pay the secretary lax on than suffices to pay the secretary secretary in the stage when the interest derived from the investment of the reserve fund more than suffices to pay the secretary lax of the secretary in the secretary lax of the the investment of the reserve fund more than suffices to pay the than suffices to pay the municipal tax on income, the provincial tax, and the entire expenses of management

With a remunerative and well-established business, and an ever-brightening prospect for its prospect for its extension, the directors feel they have abundant reason for coning their fellow should be hearty coning their fellow shareholders hearty congratulations on entering upon anoth upon another epoch in their history.

THOMAS BALLANTYNE, President

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ON-MORTGAGE LOAN COMPANY OF ON-TARIO FOR THE YEAR ENDED

DECEMBER 31ST, 1900. Cash Account.

Receipts.

Due company by Bank of Montreal, Dec. 31st, 1899. Repayments on loans, including interest .. Payments on capital stock... Deposits received Debenture moneys received . General interest

989 40 \$1,036.331 51

12,583 70

15,703 17

352.189 19 68.176 77 586,689 28

343.245 38 612.677 62 Disbursements. 612,677 Deposits withdrawn

Interest on deposits Debenture moneys paid Divides on debentures	18,463	26
Interest moneys paid	11,808	40
Interest on debentures Dividend No. 43 paid in Ian	2,783	
Dividend No. 43 paid in Jan Office and all other expenses	9,560	48
Office No. 44, paid in July	11,137	57
	5,937	75
Commission income and capital	387	45
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New to paid by com-	67	50
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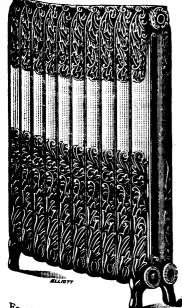
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Balance due company by Bank of Montreal, Dec. 31, 18,564 98 1900 \$1,036,331 51 ASSETS AND LIABILITIES. Assets. Cash value of securities.....\$1,187,939 00 6,000 00 Company's building 18,564 98 Cash in bank \$1,212,503 98 Liabilities. Paid on capital stock\$
Deposits and accrued interest 389,214 46 609,650 60 Debentures and accrued interest

Dividend No. 45, payable January 2, 1901

Reserve fund, Dec. 69,883 70 11,660 82

and Loss account 2,094 40 \$1,212,503 98 WM. BUCKINGHAM,
Manager.

31st, 1899\$120,000

Added for 1900..... 10,000 Balance to credit of Profit

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We certify that we have carefully audited the books of the British Mortgage Loan Company of Ontario, monthly, for the year 1900; that we have examined all youchers and find them to correspond with the entries therein; and that the foregoing statement indicates the financial position of the company on the 31st day position of the of December, 1900.

C. J. Macgregor, Davidson,

WM. DAVIDSON,

Auditors.

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Stratford, January 12, 1901. The president moved that the report be adopted in a speech of force and fulness of information, in which emphasis was laid on the good fortune of the company in again avoiding loss, and on its ability chiefly from that cause to maintain its high character as an institution of stability, and its standard of excellence in the way of earnings. The directors, at the request of the manager, who took them into his confidence in all matters, and did nothing of importance without their approval, had taken their usual course in closely scrutinizing each security, and were therefore able to assure the shareholders that the statement was an honest and truthful statement, and that the sums credited to the reserve and the profit and loss accounts as the surplus earnings, were in no sense fictitious, but were substantial and solid assets.

The vice-president confirmed

assurances from his own personal knowledge. The report, he said, set forth the actual facts, and those to whom he was known might rest satisfied that he would be no party to representations that he did not know to be correct.

Mr. Scott, another member of the executive committee, through whom the loans were made, spoke in the same strain, and after some congratulatory words from Mr. Maynard, the resolution was adopted.

The auditors having been re-appointed, in the persons of Mr. C. J. Macgregor, M.A., and Mr. W. Davidson, president of the Perth Mutual Fire Insurance Co. Messrs. Maynard and Brown, who acted as scrutineers, reported the unanimous election of the former directors, namely, Hon. T. Ballantyne, Messrs. J. McMillan, W. Scott, G. Innes, J. Parker, M. Macfarlane, H. M. Johnson and R. Morton.

The business closed with the customary grants to the president and vice-presidents and with resolutions of thanks to them and to the manager and the assistant manager.

The directors afterwards met and reappointed Hon. Mr. Ballantyne president, and Mr. McMillan vice-president.

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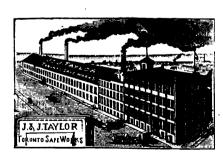
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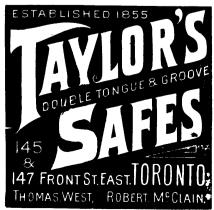
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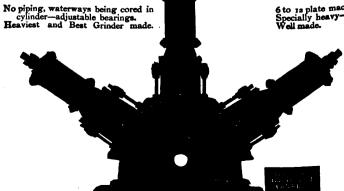
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TORONTO, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1901.

THE SITUATION.

Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany, being present in England in connection with the recent illness and death of Queen Victoria, has been invested with the ancient and most noble Order of the Garter, and the Emperor William has been created a Field Marshal of the British Army by King Edward VII. proceedings are watched with jealousy in some countries, being regarded as evidence of the existence of something

There being no like an alliance between the two nations. There being no state is authorized to state church in Canada, no archbishop is authorized to follow the example of the Archbishop of Canterbury in prepared to be used in the preparing a form of commemoration to be used in the churches on Saturday. In Ottawa there was some mis-Understanding as to a state function in the English Cathedral, but it has been dispelled. The only difference is that the service will be non-official. This, while it attests the equal freedom of all churches before the law, will not detract from the heartfelt sincerity of the solemn observances. The Presbyterian churches in the capital will unite in due commemoration of the sad event. The Domin: Dominion proclamation, issued at Ottawa, though following the word did not make the the words of the British proclamation, did not make the day a public holiday in a legal sense, but an Ottawa telegram of yesterday says a later proclamation will order a bank holiday.

Much time was spent last year by the International Commission, to which Canada was a party, in attempting to arrato arrange a system of reciprocity with the United States.

One of a system of reciprocity was to get our One of the principal objects of Canada was to get our lumber free into the Republic. Now the Lumbermen's Association of Ontario are favoring a duty on American One speaker, Mr. Laidlaw, at a meeting of the Association, opposed this on the ground that it would be a worker of Manitoba. Mr. Waldie Would be unjust to the settlers of Manitoba. Mr. Waldie stated at the settlers of Manitoba. Stated that "to-day Ontario imports lumber as extensively as the interest Mr. Laidas the west," so that to her building interest Mr. Laidlaw's objections would equally apply. The high price of building the provision for building materials is already checking the provision for necessary in Toronto is being necessary houses, of which the want in Toronto is being felt.

Negotiations are reported to be going on for the purchase of some 300 miles of the Northern Pacific Railway, in Manitoba, by the Government of the province. The price is said to have been agreed upon, and is thought to be in the neighborhood of \$12,000,000. As \$6,000,000 would be equal to \$20,000 a mile, some think the price named excessive. The price named is an inference from the alleged fact that the Government purposes to float that amount of bonds, on the credit of the province. A financial operation of this kind would probably not be difficult, if the bonds covered the property of the railway, supported by the general credit of the Government. The Manitoba section, which is the part of the Northern Pacific in question, is said in this connection, not to be able to do more, at present, than to make both ends meet. In the absence of certain facts there are surmises that the Government might lease the lines when the purchase was completed, as was long the custom of the Government of France with the state railways. It seems to be certain that both Mr. Mackenzie, of the Toronto Street Railway Company, and Mr. Shaughnessy, of the C.P.R., have been somehow connected with the negotiations. The Premier, Roblin, when asked if he had received a proposition, it is said did not deny it, and this silence is taken in some quarters as consent. A peculiar feature of the case is that all the members of the Government except two are ignorant of what was going on. Such a thing would scarcely have been a matter of surprise a century and a half ago, but as a rule we have outlived that sort of thing now.

Premier Bond of Newfoundland has been called to England to advise, as an expert, on the practical difficulties of what is known as the French Shore question. This disposes of a recent rumor, which we were unable to credit, that a final settlement had already been found. France is to be represented at the conference, which will take place with the Colonial Minister in London; and we hope that it may not only prove true that a final settlement is intended, but that this end may be attained. Meanwhile the modus vivendi is to be renewed for another

Mr. Clergue is credited with an intention to push on the construction of his railway with all speed till it reaches the shores of James' Bay. From one point of view it is not much to the credit of Canadians that they have permitted such extensive sources of wealth as Mr. Clergue controls in Ontario to have slipped from their fingers. But he commands an amount of wealth which neither Canadians nor British have shown a readiness to invest in similar ventures. There is no denying that he and his friends ran considerable risk in the outset of their investment, but by going on cautiously though boldly, they made a way lighted by science, and their boldness brought one success after another. We should have preferred to see these things done by ourselves, if that had been possible; and we cannot help regretting that British capitalists neglected great opportunities in Ontario, and even when they did make ventures, sometimes proceeded on a less scientific basis, and met with less success.

When municipalities give bonuses to railways it is desirable that they should distinctly understand that they must abide by the result of the venture, and not get into the habit of looking to Government for repayment. Contrary to this rule, Pembroke got a refund of a subsidy from the Dominion Government, under pressure during an election contest. This exceptional circumstance should

have prevented this act being quoted as a precedent; but Renfrew is now making a similar demand. Refund might fairly be bargained for; but the party to pay it should be the same that enjoyed the benefit of the money, not the Government, which can pay only in money taken from the pockets of the whole people.

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

We give below a condensation of the figures of the statement of Canadian banks for the month of December, 1900. It is compared with the bank statement for the previous month, and shows capital, reserve, assets and liabilities, average holdings of specie and Dominion notes, etc.:—

CANADIAN BANK STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.	_	
Comital authorized	Dec , 1930.	Nov , 1930.
Capital authorized	\$82,608,664	\$82,608,664
Capital paid up	67,087,111	66,674.653
Reserve Funds	34,50 1,349	34,154,043
Notes in circulation	\$50,758,246	\$51,947,269
Dominion and Provincial Government	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	#10 ±1,600
deposits	7,468,003	5,109,357
Public deposits on demand	109,436,035	107,935,633
Public deposits at notice	188,479,500	186,520,765
Deposits outside of Canada	20,442,385	21,222,627
Bank loans or deposits from other banks	-0, 112,000	-1,444,041
secured	1,642,187	1,565,586
Due to other Banks in Canada	2,823,710	3 012,579
Due to other banks in Great Britain	2,823,710 4,190,636	
Due to other banks in foreign countries		3,798,247
Other liabilities	526,104 6 383 600	• 938.396 7.075.605
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Total liabilities	\$392,150,481	\$390 10£ 122
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ASSETS.		
Specie	@11 779 000	Q11 000 000
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Denosits to secure note circulation	19,785,173	19,517,119
Deposits to secure note circulation	2,387,973	2,372,973
Notes and cheques on other banks	16,401,559	12,049,905
Loans to other banks, secured	1,607,186	1,509,389
Deposits with other banks in Canada	4,402,855	4,478,434
Due from banks in Great Britain	5,249,232	7,520,888
Due from other banks in foreign	11 0== 0:-	4
countries	11,677,099	10,241,361
Dominion or provincial Govt. debentures	40.00	
or stock	12,451,142	12,284,478
Other securities	37,798,826	37,689,287
Call loans on bonds and stocks in Canada	33,981,478	33,767,136
Call loans elsewhere	27,234, 789	30,536,502
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	\$184,750,648	\$ 183,340,333
Current loans in Canada	275,646,892	276,464,126
Current loans elsewhere	20,079,290	19,067,825
Loans to Dominion and Provincial		
Governments	3.137,924	2,483,795
Overdue debts	1,924,422	2,256,765
Real estate	1,145,701	1,158,727
Mortgages on real estate sold	568,733	586,469
Bank premises	6,496,104	6,478,965
Other assets	7,792,097	9,169,577
Total assets	\$501,342,015	\$500,006,770
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Average amount of specie held during		11 488 010
the month	11,706,040	11,475,216
Average Dominion notes held during the month	10 900 #0#	10 600 000
	19,390,585	18,629,893
Greatest amount notes in circulation during month		54 KEO 410
Loans to directors or their firms	54,460,813	54,558,416
	12,188,943	12, 808, 505
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The last statement of the Canadian banks for the year 1900 is quite as striking as any that have preceded it in giving evidence of continuing enlargement and expansion of trade. Deposits increased in December nearly \$5,000,000. They now, with the deposits of Government Savings Banks, Loan Companies, etc., have reached the enormous total of \$423,000,000. These figures afford a striking demonstration of the rapidly increasing productive yealth of the country, for it must be remembered that along with this enormous expansion of monetary savings there has been a very large expansion in the shape of fixed property of various kinds, respecting which it is impossible to obtain information. It would be quite easy for the

statistical department of the Dominion Government to require returns of all the moneys expended in new commercial buildings, factories, mines, mills, ships' and everything else representing the fixed capital of the country, and if such a statement were published once a quarter it would, with the increase of deposits, furnish a fairly approximate idea of the actual increase of the wealth of the country as a whole. For it need not be said that there are very many men of large wealth who are not large depositors in banks. If some enterprising and progressive member of Parliament or senator were to take this matter up he would be rendering valuable service to the country.

The activity of business during last year is well reflected in the increased amount of loans and discounts which have expanded from \$307,000,000 to \$352,000,000 during the year. Expansion of discounts is not always a healthy sign by any means, but if the whole position is taken together it is clearly evidenced that the increased volume of discounts is based on increased production and trade. The reserves of the banks are also very large. They are also in an exceptionally sound and strong position, it being evidenced that bankers are pursuing a conservative course and not employing their whole resources in mercantile discounts, endeavoring to make large profits at the expense of permanent safety.

The outlook for the present year is satisfactory on the whole. The only note of caution that needs to be sounded is that the period during which prosperity has lasted is now as long as is generally the case, and that before the present year is over there may be signs of a reaction and this will certainly be the case provided the harvest in Ontario and Manitoba is a poor one

ABSTRACT OF BANK RETURNS

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31st December, 1899.		[In t	housand	ls.]
	Banks	Banks	Banks in	Total.
Description	in	in On-	other	100
Description.	Quebec.	tario.	Prov's.	
			10,405	63,584
Capital paid up	34,805	18,873	10,400	4K 997
Circulation	22,785	15,874	7,340	003.00
Deposits	130,343	110,324	43,222	307,504
Loans, Discounts and Investments		117,736	48,266	3011
Cash, Foreign Balances (Net), and Call		,		930
		34,059	16.953	108,330 $17,910$
Loans	' - '		3,986	17,910
Legals	8,208		~ 007	
Specie				99.400
Call Loans	13,347		00	
Investments		20,165	5,526	
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	·		:0.011	67.087
Capital paid up	35,542	20,634	10,911	EN 700
Circulation	24.283	18,724	7,750	~~~ ***
Deposits			51,820	352,641
Loans, Discounts and Investments	160 666	135 694	56,210	100
Cash, Foreign Balances (Net), and Call	100,000	100,00	1	128,178 19,785
Loans		42,510	20,601	19,785
	65,083	42,010	4.320	. 4773
Legals	8,400			11,778
Specie			• # Q60	61,215
Call Loans	35,197	20,157	9,082	50,248
Investments	15,522	25,644	9,002	-
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Gold held, \$14,931 or 52per cent.

THE PINE LUMBER TRADE.

A very cheerful note was struck by the chairman of the Ontario Lumbermen's Association at its meeting the other day. He characterized 1899 as the banner year for lumbermen, its results leaving an encouraging balance of Profit for the operator. In 1900, wages of men in the lumber woods were higher and the prices of supplies had also advanced. However, the present outlook is, in his view, most reassuring, for no fear is now entertained of the loss of United States trade, and from the limited supply of sawn lumber now on hand there need be no drop in prices for six months at least.

While taking credit to the association for the adoption of the recent law that logs taken from lands under license from the Crown should be sawn in Canada, Mr. Waldie contended for still more stringent legislation, to "relieve the lumber industry from the unequal competition of lumber made and freighted under more favorable conditions," i.e., Southern pine and Oregon pine. He suggested, and the majority appeared to agree with him, that an import duty on Manitoba lumber was a proper thing under the circumstances. But this proposal was not permitted to go unchallenged, for Mr. Laidlaw expressed a decided opinion that such an impost would be unfair to Manitoba.

The scant supply of railway rolling stock for lumber transport has been throughout the past year a very real grievance of lumber dealers. And it is properly urged upon the authorities of our railways that their stock of large modern flat cars be increased. Freight rates by rail on lumber have been advanced unduly, too, and are reaching a point where they can no longer be borne. "We believe," said the address, "that this [a threatened outburst of Socialism] can be averted in Canada if our Dominion and Provincial Governments stop granting subsidies to promoters for the purpose of building railroads to open the country." The Monetary Times has often pressed this same contention. "Let the Governments build and own the roads," the address goes on, "as the municipalities do the highways."

A word of praise is given, and deservedly, to the Ontario Government for steps towards fire ranging and reforesting with a view to perpetuating the white pine lumber industry. The statistics of production and supply given in the secretary's report, reproduced in part elsewhere, will be found of interest. The volume of the trade for the current year is estimated at 501,900,000 feet, which is an increase of 25,900,000 feet over the estimated production of 1900.

WOOLLEN MANUFACTURERS AND PREFERENCE.

The woollen manufacturers of Canada, it is no longer a secret, intend to use efforts to induce the Government to reduce the tariff preference in favor of the British manutacturers, or, in other words, to increase the preference Which they themselves enjoy over the British. What chance of success they are likely to have, the presentation of some known facts, in connection with British preference, may aid in the formation of an opinion. The question was fought out at the late election and decided in the negative. The leaders of the Protectionist party proper, at the head of whom was Sir Charles Tupper, attacked the preference Policy of the Government, during the campaign, making the increase of the amount last session one of the principal charges against the policy of the Government. The lead of Sir Charles Tupper, in this respect, was followed by several others whom the electors rejected along with their

policy, at the polls. The manufacturers themselves did not appear prominent in this opposition to the second phase of the policy of preference; but it is natural to suppose that, in this particular, many of them desired the success of the crusade against it.

After the elections Sir Wilfred Laurier, on two or three occasions, seized the opportunity of saying, in words as emphatic as he could command, that the policy of British Preference, as it then stood, would This was notice to all who not be departed from. might be disposed to attempt to bring about a different result, that it was useless to waste their strength in that direction. The Premier has sometimes been stigmatized as an Opportunist; and it cannot be denied that, on the attainment of power, his administration had virtually to confess that when out of office, they had given rise to expectations greater than they could carry out when they became responsible for the administration of the Government, and the maintainence, reversal or modification of the tariff policy of their predecessors. It is not too much to say that, as a party, the Liberals, from the days of Baldwin and Hincks, had always leaned to free trade. Under the circumstances in which manufacturers existed in 1896, the Government apparently believed, and acted accordingly, that to reverse the whole policy of protection, at a single stroke, would give rise to great loss among the protected class, and that some indulgence to them was in order under the peculiar circumstances. But in according that indulgence, they armed themselves with a check which a preference in favor of British, as against foreign goods, afforded. Last session this policy was emphasized by an addition to the amount of the preference. Now one class of manufacturers is inclined to seek the modification of that policy in their own favor.

Such is the attitude of two parties comprising one section of the manufacturers enjoying protection to the admitted extent of 17 per cent., and the men in whose hands the full political power of the country has been committed. The majority at the back of the Government renders them absolutely supreme; the Opposition not having the least prospect of being able to overcome that supremacy. We prefer to let the facts speak for themselves, without offering any opinion as to how the appeal of the woollen manufacturers will be met. It may be taken for granted that if the woollen men could succeed their course would be followed by many other interests.

RAILWAY FREIGHTS AND OTHER MATTERS.

The address of Mr. Kemp as retiring president of the Toronto Board of Trade goes over much ground, and emphasizes one or two points on which commercial opinion has pretty well crystallized. Radial railways, the new market, beet sugar making in Ontario, the James' Bay road, discrimination by Germany, Imperial trade, the Australian commonwealth, were all touched upon, and a forcible paragraph devoted to the rascals who rob or try to rob the country by undervaluation at the Custom House. But the subjects most dwelt upon were municipal taxation and the inequality of railway freight rates, both of which merit all the attention they received.

The rigorous and arbitrary policy of Canadian railways in respect of rates of freight, shown in various ways in recent years, has occasioned much complaint among merchants and manufacturers. Indeed the feeling justifies the strong terms used by Mr. Kemp, when he says that "Their strict adherence to the most severe interpretation of every rule jointly framed by the railways, not leaving opportunities for special treatment when the occasion war-

rants, (which would exist if only one road were interested), has a tendency to cultivate a spirit of restless antipathy against the railways, which is a natural result in a democratic country like this." A railway commission is a likelier thing to-day than ever, thanks to this feeling. We know of course that the railways scout the notion of a commission, and virtually say that no such a piece of machinery can discipline them. But however much these powerful corporations may belittle the possible action of a commission, they connot afford to be disdainful of a bitter and resentful feeling generated in the minds of business men, their customers, by what they conceive to be despotic and needless regulations on the part of the roads. The railway policy as to freight on manufactured goods for foreign export, too, certainly needs to be modified.

In dealing with the vexed question of municipal taxation, and referring to the Ontario Assessment commission, the address expressed the hope that Toronto might be put on a parity with its competitors in the matter of levying business taxes, and that this unfortunate law, which he asserts has hung like a cloud over the commercial interests of this city, may be soon amended. "If a law as fair as that which exists in Montreal is adopted," said Mr. Kemp, "I am confident that capital will more readily seek investment in productive enterprises, and the opportunities will be increased for the employment of the working classes, and through this the city will assume new life." One thing he condemned vigorously and quite properly: the procedure hitherto in vogue where a manufacturer wishing to locate in Toronto was supposed to go to certain city authorities and receive assurances and arrange conditions, get a reduction of taxation, or perhaps its total repeal, regardless of wrong to competitors. Such things should not be a matter of arrangement in any holeand-corner way. Nor are any "inducements" given to an outsider, to help the city's progress by locating his factory here, defensible if they cause injustice to those who are already ratepayers in the city.

THE MONTREAL FIRE.

It is, perhaps, premature to pronounce upon the condition of the fire brigade of Montreal, as shown at the serious fire last week, since there are marked differences of opinion upon the work of fire-fighting it was able to do on that occasion. Indeed, a meeting of the citizens was held at the city hall on Tuesday to confer with the municipal authorities on the state of the brigade and its appliances and the improvement of the same. Meanwhile it is a stern fact that the rates of fire insurance in the commercial district of the city have been raised 50 per cent., with an additional 25 cents for conflagration hazard. This may be taken to mark the underwriters' view of the situation.

Observers, who are not insurance men, tell us that it was painfully evident that the brigade was unable to fight the fire systematically, or even intelligently. They cite the delay in getting the water-tower to work, and the failure to save the Board of Trade building, which was surely worth a special effort, and a lack of water pressure is asserted. On the other hand, the body was practically headless by reason of the illness of its chief, and there were many members of the force helpless in the grasp of La Grippe. And again, the swift sweep of the flames, the intense heat, and the entanglement of wires and posts in narrow streets were trying surroundings for any body of fire-fighters. Still, these conditions must have been foreseen. It is of little avail to provide up-to-date fire appliances if the city authorities do not at the same time see

that they are made workable in an emergency. And if there is no second-in-command in the Montreal fire brigade competent to handle the body in the absence of the chief, it is high time that one was provided. Here is what our correspondent has to say about the aspect of the fire:

You may well say last week's fire was a dreadful one. I certainly never saw anything like it, either in extent, or in the almost lightning like swiftness with which the flames spread and licked up everything they touched, like so much tinder. In less than half an hour Nelson's warehouse on St. Peter street was a perfect ruin, and with its immense stock of woodenware, toys, brooms, etc, created a tremendous heat, which made the work of the firemen almost impossible, while the handsome Board of Trade building was completely gutted, from end to end, within two hours. Its western walls are so badly damaged that the building inspector has ordered their demolition. From Nelson's to Board and Company son's to Beardmore's, Coristine's factory, and thence through across St. Paul street to Commissioner street the flames swept unchecked, though strangely enough the stores on the corners of the block in the lower side of St. Paul, bounded by St. Peter and St. Nicholas streets were left standing. It was truly providential that there was no high wind; but even as it was, burning embers as big as your hand were carried west across McGill street, creating a stampede of guests and others from the Albion hotel, whose proprietor, it is said, had no insurance. These threatening embers caused the removal of valuable stock and books of account, from many warehouses. Halfburned leaves from ledgers, letters, receipts, bills of lading and all sorts of documents were found all over the city the next morning, some of them as far north as the foot of the mountain, a mile and a half away. Many of the important firms, including Gault Bros., Brophy & Cains, H. Shorey & Co., H. Vineberg & Co., W. R. Brock & Co., and others some of animal and animal a others, some at quite a distance from the scene of the fire, kept a force of men on warehouse roofs, with hand hose and pails of water, all night, and indeed such precautions were very necessary, owing to the flying embers as above mentioned.

Costly fires in Montreal, like that in Thos. May's warehouse and in the cheese stores on William street, succeeded by this dreadful conflagration, may well startle others than fire insurance managers. Owners of buildings and owners of merchandise, upon whom falls the weight of increased insurance premiums caused by these disasters, will not tamely submit to the burden, we may be sure. Therefore we look to see scrutiny into the policy of the city council with respect to fire protection, and into the actual condition of the brigade, succeeded by definite action. An awakening should come, and if as we assume, the brigade and the fire committee need reformation the reform should be swift and thorough.

HALIFAX AND STEEL SHIPBUILDING.

The question of a steel shipbuilding plant for Halifax continues to be discussed in that city, and well it may, for nothing more important has been presented to the consideration of Haligonians for many a day. Last week there was another meeting at the city hall of the joint committee of the Board of Trade and City Council in connection with the matter. Those present of the committee were Mayor Hamilton, Alds. Faulkner, Musgrave, Rogers, Mosher and Hubley, and Messrs. J. E. DeWolf, Geo. Mitchell, James Morrow, W. J. Clayton, George S. Campbell.

Ald, Musgrave read a lengthy resolution, which recommended that legislation be obtained to enable the city to bornow money enough to subsidize such an industry by \$100,000 on the completion of the yards, and \$25,000 on the erection of machine shops, or in the alternative an annual subvention of \$7,500 on the yard and \$2,500 on the machine shops for a period of twenty years, the interests of the city being safeguarded. Alderman Faulkner thought they should even go further than proposed in the resolution if the success of the enterprise depended upon the action of the city, but Mr. George Mitchell did not think the city should run any risk whatever in the matter, and agreed with Mr. Campbell that if any bonus was given it should only be on the results.

The mayor expressed the opinion that while they would give liberal assistance to the industry, the city could not do anything without first having complete information on the

Subject. One of the aldermen, Mr. Hubley, opposed the resolution. While the city would deal liberally with any company that might come forward, he entirely disapproved of a flat bonus. Mr. DeWolf was opposed to giving more than 10 per cent of the cost of establishing a thoroughly equipped yard. Finally it was moved and seconded that a committee of five be appointed—two from the City Council, two from the Board of Trade, and the Mayor, to gather data and report back to the committee. This being carried, the Mayor, Aldermen Musgrave and Faulkner and Messrs. Morrow and Campbell were named the committee. While our friends in the East are gathering information as to what is being done elsewhere, they should not overlook the fact that we have in this city a large shipyard, far away from either coal or iron mines, that has never enjoyed the luxury of a bonus of any kind. If this can be done so successfully here, surely Halifax with so many natural advantages and with the aid of a bonus should find no difficulty in the matter.

BRITISH MORTGAGE LOAN COMPANY.

The report of this company on the business of the year lately closed contains some points which we may notice. An unusual amount has been paid in on shares subscribed, and the paid capital of the company is \$389,000, where a year before it was \$321,000. Deposits with the company have decreased by \$25,000, former depositors having become ibvestors to that amount, and more. Another thing; the report says that in 1898 and in 1899 there was no loss on investments, and "practically the same thing may be said of 1900." This is worth noticinf, in the case of a concern with loans of more than a million. The amount at credit of reserve fund is now \$130,000. Assets amount to \$1,212,503. The addresses of the president and vice-president were mainly devoted to showing how successful the company had been in the securing of good investments, with a minimum of loss. both assured the shareholders of the thoroughness of the directors' examination of the company's affairs.

CENTRAL CANADA LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY.

It is interesting to look at the figures of the comparative statement of this company's affairs since the year 1884, when it was founded. In its first year, with a capital of \$250,000, its total assets were \$526,000. In 1892 the capital was million, the reserve a quarter-million, the total assets over four millions. To-day, the assets are \$6,187,412; the paid-up capital, \$1,250,000; the reserve fund, \$450,000. This is unusual growth, and must be largely the result of enter-Prise and skill on the part of the management. This company's business differs from some of the other loan and savings companies in the fact that it is less one of lending on mortgage security than of buying and selling bonds and stocks or making loans on bonds and stocks. Indeed, the proportion of mortgages among its assets is but as one to The compared with other securities owned or loaned upon. The latter, of course, are more readily realized than mort-Reges. The year's profits were \$129,632, to be added to \$31,445 brought forward. Out of this total of \$161,078, there has been paid six per ecnt. dividend; \$4,500 written off furnit. furniture account, \$65,000 added to reserve, and \$16,678 carried forward. Both the directors' report and the president's speech make reference to the active and remunerative character. acter of the year's business.

PARTNERSHIP INSURANCE.

Life insurance is always flowing on into new channels, at the same time that it deepens in the old. Protection remains as ever the broad current of the business, but in a hundred life, and proved itself adaptable to many circumstances, and a convenience in many directions never imagined a few years factor of much importance in the distinctly business world as removed from its merely personal or domestic purpose. It a common thing at present to hear of members of a firm

insuring their lives for the benefit of their firm, and contractors undertaking large contracts taking insurance for the benefit of their bondsmen, or in favor of the firm supplying them with the capital necessary for the carrying out of contracts. The Travellers' Record shows forth the advantages of this method in the following manner:

In a firm in which there are two or three partners, as in the case of a family, a matured policy takes the place temperarily, and perpetuates for a time at least the earning ability of the deceased member. It cannot, of course, compensate the firm for the loss of his ability, or his knowledge of certain features of the business, any more than it can compensate the family for the loss of the husband or father, but it serves to discount in a great measure the chances of financial loss which often occurs through the derangements and confusion of plans into which the firm is often thrown by the death of an active partner, the increase of resources by fifty or a hundred thousand dollars which the insurance affords in such cases often preventing serious embarrassment and loss, and even ruin to the business.

If the insurance be in the form of an endowment policy in favor of the firm, and the partners all survive to the end of the endowment period, the reinforcement to the resources of the firm by the addition of a large sum of ready cash is of great advantage. It is a large surplus in itself made up of small sums.

Partnership insurance, however, does not confine its advantages only to the direct increase of resources or as a compensation for the loss of services of a partner, but it has a substantial advantage by its material strengthening of the firm's credit. The knowledge that behind a firm stands the strong reserve of a hundred thousand dollars or more of life insurance is in itself a valuable factor in securing loans, or undertaking contracts.

Recently in New York the immense insurance of a million dollars was placed upon the life of a man under contract to carry out a great public work. This insurance was taken out in favor of the moneyed interests who were furnishing capital for the carrying out of the undertaking. It is evident that his death would interfere, perhaps seriously, with the progress of the work or its completion, according to the terms of the contract, and the insurance is consequently a monetary protection against the possibilities of loss.

CANADIAN TRADE OPPORTUNITIES.

The following were among the enquiries relating to Canadian trade received at the High Commissioner's Office in London, during the week ending January 18th, 1901: The names of the principal paper and wood pulp makers in Canada are asked for by a North of England firm. The proprietors of a saddle soap, for cleaning saddles, harness, military accoutrements, and brown leather goods generally, desire to place their Canadian agency in the hands of a responsible firm willing to take up the article. A Staffordshire firm of sanitary pottery manufacturers make enquiry respecting the opening in Canada for such goods as they turn outporcelain basins, lavatories, wash-up sinks, enamelled fireclay baths, fire-clay sinks for hospitals, etc. A stationery firm manufacturing albums, scrap books, and fancy leather goods, enquire as to the prospect of doing business in Canada, and are open to appoint agents to represent them. A London firm, who have a branch in Sydney, N.S.W., are anxious to get into touch with Canadian manufacturers of boots and shoes, rubber goods, etc., with a view to representing them in Australia.

The following enquiries were made to the Curator, Canadian section, Imperial Institute, London: A Leeds house wishes to secure the services of a responsible Canadian agent to attend to the purchase and shipment of apples on their behalf. First-class references required. A London firm dealing in oils, wax, honey, minerals, drugs, gums; etc.; would be pleased to hear from Canadian shippers of their lines. A company using considerable quantities of asbestos is prepared to hear from Canadian owners of developed deposits of asbestos of good quality. A Glasgow house seeks supplies of chrome ore not under 50 per cent. and over preferred.

THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE.

A round among the prominent shoe manufacturers is suggestive of hopeful feelings for the trade. All speak encouragingly of their prospects, also of the way in which payments are being made. Not very much sorting up trade is being done. But shipments of goods for the spring season, dated April and May, are being prepared in earnest. With regard to the retail trade, complaints are heard in some quarters of the slowness with which rubbers and the heavier grades of boots are selling, owing to the continued absence of snow. Still, on the whole, there is not so much ground for complaint even in Ontario, where these unwintry conditions most prevail.

With regard to Manitoba, however, Ontario shoe shippers tell a different tale. The conditions in the former province are far from being satisfactory. In the first place, orders from that part have been from the first very few. Worse than that, however, is the frequency with which manufacturers are being asked to hold orders back or indeed to cancel them altogether. This is a bad sign, and has never happened before—at any rate to such an extent, though of course, considering the poor crops during the past season, and the curtailment of the purchasing power of the vast majority of the people of that province, this is by no means a surprising thing.

A good demand for Toronto-made shoes is reported from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. In Quebec the conditions are very fair, though, so far as Ontario manufacturers are concerned, this does not affect them much, as the demands of the people would appear to be met almost entirely by their home factories. We understand, however, that some prominent manufacturers of this province are contemplating reaching out for a share of this trade.

Not many important changes are probable in the near future, so far as styles are concerned. A large demand is anticipated next summer for spiked tan oxfords, for golf and wheeling. A red oxford golfing shoe has made its appearance and looks very pretty. Quite a demand exists for slippers and shoes with velvet tops in different colors. They are very pleasing to the eye, at any rate so long as they continue fairly new; they soon lose their fresh appearance however.

In the States the trade continues on the whole in a fairly satisfactory condition, some manufacturers, notably in Boston and Rochester—reporting more good business than has come in for some years past. In New York, however, warm unseasonable weather has had an adverse effect, while in Chicago orders are infrequent, purchasers apparently wishing to defer them as long as possible.

WINNIPEG'S FIRE BRIGADE.

The annual report of the chief of the Winnipeg fiire brigade was presented before the Fire, Water and Light Committee of the City Council a few days ago. From a perusal of this we gather that during the year just past, the calls numbered 385; the real fires, 194; insurance, \$847,157; values, \$1,375,846; loss, \$179,961; saved, \$1,195,884. The chief claimed that during the year his department had worked at some very serious fires, and that certain improvements in the equipment were still called for, though the value of the brigade had been enhanced by the purchase of two hose wagons, by the inauguration of a new hydrant system, and other improvements.

The department at present is composed of 40 men, all told; 22 horses, 3 hose wagons, 4 steam engines (1 being spare), 3 spare hose reels and 1-65 Hayes aerial ladder truck, 2 double chemical and 1 single chemical. With a view towards a still further improvement in the service, the chief made the following suggestions:

- I. The great need of more ladders on account of the many large buildings which have been crected during the last two years. What is needed is an up-to-date city truck with all modern improvements to answemall calls on first alarm.
- 2. There should be a salvage corps in connection with the department for the protection of stocks, and a great saving would thereby be effected, as the first duty of a fireman is to extinguish fires.

- 3. As the hydrants contracted for are nearly all placed in position, tenders for a new supply should be called for.
- 4. The chemical engines having been in service for the last 18 years and having done a great deal of service, should be replaced with more modern apparatus.
- 5. The growth of the city has made necessary a large increase in the number of fire alarm boxes. Some localities are in danger of serious conflagrations getting well under way before the department could know anything about their existence.

FARMERS' AND DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association was held at Fredericton last week, the president A. G. Dickson, of Chatham, in the chair. Among those present were: Lieut.-Governor McClellan, Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture; Hon. L. P. Farris, provisional commissioner of agriculture, and Mr. R. Robertson, manager of the Experimental Farm at Nappan, N.S. The president in his annual address made reference to the sad calamity which had befallen the nation in the death of Queen Victoria. He referred in high terms of commendation to the work of the farmers' institutes, and made a plea for better work on the part of the agricultural societies. Hon. L. P. Farris showed that there had been an increase of 75,000 pounds in the output of the cheese factories last year. Reports from county vice-presidents showed that while average crops last year were not up to previous years increased prices made the year a prosperous one for the farmer. F. W. Hodson, live stock commissioner, of Ottawa, gave statistics showing the wonderful increase in the amount of pork put up and exported in Canada.

HALIFAX BANKING CO.

Another satisfactory year's business is exhibited by this bank. It will be remembered that its capital stock had been increased during the year from \$500,000 to \$600,000 by the issue of new shares, a step which, together with the enlarged deposits resulted in a larger business. The net earnings were \$62,388, which added to the balance forward from 1899 enabled the usual dividend to be paid, and addition to Rest of \$25,000. There was added, besides, to Rest \$50,000 premium on new stock, and that fund is now \$475,000, more than 79 per cent. of the paid capital, a condition of things that ought to be gratifying to the proprietors. The Halifax Banking Company has been established for seventy-five years, and its total assets exceed five and a quarter millions.

TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual general meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade was held at the Board rooms on Tuesday last, 20th January. A good number of members were present. The retiring president, Mr. A. E. Kemp, occupied the chair and delivered an address on the events of the year, to some points of which we refer elsewhere. He then introduced his successor in the presidency, Mr. A. E. Ames, who briefly congratulated his fellow-members on the large gathering. He said he liked to see "new blood" on the committees, as well as some old members retained, for in that way an ideal committee was attained. Mr. W. E. H. Massey, the first vice-president, made his acknowledgment of the benefit he had received from association with the Board.

Officers for the year 1901 are as follows: President, A. E. Ames; first vice-president, W. E. H. Massey; second vice-president, J. F. Ellis; treasurer, J. L. Spink; representatives on the Industrial Exhibition, S. E. Briggs, R. Y. Ellis, George Edwards, John Carrick, R. W. Elliot (the latter two being provisional representatives); representatives on Harbor Commisson, Capt. J. T. Mathews, W. A. Geddes; council, A. E. Kemp, M.P.; J. F. Michie, Edward Gurney, Robert J. Christie, W. J. Gage, James D. Allan, Walter D. Beardmore, Peleg Howland, W. F. Cockshutt (Brantford); Noel Marshall, Elias Rogers, H. H. Fudger, J. W. Woods, H. N. Baird, William Ince, Jr.; Board of Arbitration, A.

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FOR DRY GOODS DEALERS.

The Canada Woolen Mills Co., Limited, whose works at Lambton Mills were recently burned down, have decided not to rebuild there, but probably at Hespeler.

The highest price reached by January cotton within the memory of this generation was on the 28th ult., when it rose \$10 per bale within an hour and finally reached the price of 1234c. per pound, partly as the result of a quickly directed "corner," it is said.

Manufacturers and wholesalers of colored fabrics, ribbons, etc., in Great Britain looked forward to such heavy losses, owing to the general adoption of mourning garments, that the Drapers' Guild felt induced to appeal to the King's kindness to limit the period of mourning to some definite date. This has since been done, though the losses to manufacturers will prove enormous in any case.

It was stated the other day by Mr. A. F. Gault, of Montreal, that machinery has been purchased during his recent sojourn in England for the new Gault mill, at Valleyfield, belonging to the Montreal Cotton Co. This machinery, which cost about a quarter of a million dollars, is to be installed during the present year. The Gault mill will have about 900 looms, and thus give employment to a thousand additional hands. The output of the new mill will consist of fine cottons for ladies' wear and mercerized goods. Mr. Gault claims that the manufacture of so many different kinds of cottons has saved the Canadian trade, for when the output was confined to grey and white cottons, the supply was greater than the demand, and had this policy been continued general depression would have been the result.

INSURANCE MATTERS.

The Inglis woolen mills, near Owen Sound, owned by David Graham & Sons, were on the 28th ult. destroyed by fire, which originated in the picker room. Loss, \$10,000; Partially insured.

The Duncan Lithographing Company's establishment, in Hamilton, was burned down last week with a loss of some \$20,000, mostly insured. About 55 hands are thrown out of employment.

A disastrous fire, which started in J. Fennell & Co.'s hardware establishment in Berlin, last week, completely gutted the Economical block, at a loss of \$15,000; Messrs. Fennell's lcss, in addition, being about \$20,000; mostly insured.

A serious fire, culminating in an explosion, which caused the death of two men and the injury of several others, took place at the Walkerville match factory on the 25th inst. The loss amounts to about \$80,000, with insurance of about half.

The third disastrous fire in Montreal took place last Friday in the Montreal Cold Storage Co.'s building, occupied by Messrs. D. A. McPherson, Hodgson Bros., W. A. Johnson and Nicholas Pitt, all butter and cheese exporters. Loss. about \$300,000; covered by insurance.

Word comes from Fredericton, N.B., that the Central Fire Insurance Co., of New Brunswick, with the head office in that city, has decided to wind up its business, and has reinsured risks in the British America Company. The company has been in business since the year 1836.

A year's business which the company may well take some Pride in is that of the Provident Savings Life Assurance Society for 1900. Its total assets are swelled to \$4,025,335, an increase of \$724,000, and the surplus to policy-holders is \$607,599. Premium income shows a gain of about \$312,000, and there is a distinct reduction in management expenses.

—The Guarantee Company, of North America, held its annual meeting at the head office, in Montreal, on January 24th, the president, Mr. E. Rawlings, in the chair. The utility of this company to financial corporations is shown by the statement that during its existence it has paid out and provided for indemnity to employers to the amount of \$1,584,499, no trifling sum. The company has over \$42,000,000 of bonds in force in the United States and Canada. Its gross revenue last year was \$247,000, and shareholders received eight per cent. Mr. Edward Rawlings has been re-elected president, and Mr. Hartland S. MacDougall, vice-president. The other directors are E. S. Clouston, George Hague, Jno. Cassils, H. W. Cannon, of New York; Hon. E. C. Smith, Governor of the State of Vermont, St. Alban's, Vt.; Wm. Wainwright and Robert Kerr.

—The annual meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Mutual Benefit Society was held in Toronto on Saturday night, with President W. J. Hopwood in the chair. After submitting the annual report, which showed that the society opened the twentieth century in a flourishing condition, the fcllowing officers were elected: President, W. B. Dack (by acclamation); vice-president, Dan. A. Rose; treasurer, John A. Ross; trustees, for Toronto, to fill vacancies on the Board, Messrs. John Brasier, George McQuillan, W. R. Madill, J. M. Woodland; trustees for Hamilton, John Hooper and E. A. Dalley; auditors, Messrs. Henry Barber and H. J. M. Bryant.

—The statement for 1900 of the Merchants' Bank of Prince Edward Island has been issued. It shows good earnings, at the rate, indeed, of three per cent upon the total discounts of \$1,205,000. The bank's capital is \$200,020; its rest, \$100,000; circulation, \$180,373; deposits, \$854,087. Profit and Loss account for the twelve months shows net earnings to have been at the rate of 12.17 per cent. on capital and rest combined. The rate of dividend paid was eight per cent., and \$20,000 was carried to reserve. We notice that the bank has a branch at Sydney, C.B., in addition to four on Prince Edward Island.

—Many of the physicians and surgeons throughout Ontario met a few days ago in Toronto and decided to form a joint stock company with a capital stock of \$100,000 for the purpose of opening a drug depot in this city where supplies of guaranteed purity could be obtained at moderate prices. As reasons for this step, they claim that they have to pay retail prices for drugs, and also that owing to the keen competition at present existing, there is a great temptation among druggists to adulterate the goods they sell.

—At a meeting of directors on Monday last, Mr. Edmund B. Osler, M.P.; of the firm of Osler & Hammond, was chosen to the presidency of the Dominion Bank, in succession to the late Hon. Sir Frank Smith. Mr. W. D. Matthews is vice-president, Mr. John Foy is elected a director.

CLEARING HOUSE FIGURES.

The following are the figures of Canadian clearing houses for the week ended with Thursday, January 31st, 1901, compared with those of the previous week:

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Montreal	\$12,813,220	\$15,266,859
Toronto	9,267,407	10,758,732
Winnipeg	1,702,898	1,882,598
Halifax	2,326,894	1,582,470
Hamilton	678,138	693,126
St. John	617,546	641,216
Vancouver	699,783	693,207
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Aggregate balances, this week, \$4,167,508; last week, \$4,881,252

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NOTES TO THE BANK STATEMENT.

Return of Canadian Bank of Commerce. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads," contains bullion purchased at Dawson City and also \$162,000 deposit with the Receiver General re Bank of British Columbia Note Circulation. No. 8 Assets consists of balances due by other banks only.

Return of Bank of British North America. Amount under heading "Other assets not included under foregoing heads," contains buillion purchased at Dawson City. The figures for the Atlin and Dawson City Branches are taken from the last returns received, viz.: Atlin 21st Dec. and Dawson City 8th Dec.

Eastern Townships Bank bonus of one per cent. equal in all to a dividend of 8 per cent. per annum.

Molsons Bank bonus of one per cent. equal in all to a dividend of 9 per cent. per annum.

CANADIAN CULTURE.

Sir John Bourinot,, speaking recently before the Canadian Club, Toronto, on the progress of culture in Canada, stated that he saw good reason for satisfaction with the present and hopefulness for the iuture. The Canadian people of both French and English races are displaying an intellectual activity commensurate with the expansion of their territory and their acquisition of wealth. The attention that is now devoted to the writing and reading of Canadian history proves clearly the national, or thoroughly Canadian, spirit that is already animating the cultured class of the people. The artistic finish and originality of the conception of the best productions of Canadian poets entitle them fairly to a foremost place alongside American poets of the present Canadians are now the authors of novels and romances which find numerous readers and eulogists in English-speaking countries. The scientific work of Canadians is most meritorious, and can be studied chiefly in the proceedings of English, American and Canadian societies, especially of late years in the excep-tionally handsome transactions of the Royal Society of Canada. On the whole, the tone of the most ably conducted journals is quite on a level with the style of debate in legislative halls, where of late years there has been manifest a tendency to impair the dignity, and lower the tone of discussion. Art is making progress, though the public encouragement of native artists is still very inadequate, when we consider the excellence already attained under great difficulties in a relatively new country, where the mass of people has yet to be educated to true percepion of the advantages of high artistic effort. Canadian sculptors have given to the Dominion admirable busts and statues of eminent men for the adornment of public buildings and squares. While public buildings and squares. Canadian architecture has hitherto been generally wanting in originality of conception, the principal edifices of the pro-vinces afford many good examples of effective adaptation of the best art of Europe and America.

—One at least of our Antipodean colonies is indisposed to allow its exertions on behalf of the Empire to remain fruitless. The strife of arms, in its case at least, is to pave the way for the arts of peace. New Zealand is now planning the establishment of a direct steamer service between its leading ports and those of South Africa, to prosecute that increased trade which the experience of the war has shown to be possible. According to the Hon. J. C. Ward, Minister for Railways and Commerce, tenders are about to be invited by the Government of New Zealand for a direct steamship service between five New Zealand and at least three South African ports. The former will include Auckland, Wellington, Lyttelton, Dunedin and Bruce, and the latter, Cape-

town, Durban, and Port Elizabeth, and probably East London or Beira. Without doubt, direct steamship communication will have an important effect in increasing the nascent trade interchange between the two countries, and the action of New Zealand is to be highly commended. The example set will doubtless be stimulative to Canada and other British colonies to realize similar schemes already seriously mooted.—British & South African Export Gazette.

CENTRAL CANADA LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY.

The seventeenth annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Central Canada Loan and Savings Company was held at the company's offices in the City of Toronto, on Wednesday, the 23rd day of January, 1901, at 20'clock p.m.

The President, Hon. Geo. A. Cox, having taken the chair, Mr. E. R. Wood, Managing Director, was requested to act as Secretary to the meeting.

After reading the notice convening the meeting, the Secretary read the seventeenth annual report and the accompanying financial statement as follows:

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders their seventeenth annual report, including statement of assets and liabili-ties as at 31st December, 1900, as well as profit and loss account for the year 1900.

The business of the company has been more satisfactory than in any former year, and has resulted in a net profit of \$129.632.32. This amount added to \$31,445 91, being the balance transferred from contingent account, makes a total sum of \$161,078.23 for distribution, which has been appropriated as follows:

- (a) To pay four quarterly dividends of 11/2 per cent. each, equal to 6 per cent. for the year and amounting to \$75,000.
- (b) To close out office furniture account, \$4,400.
 - (c) To increase reserve fund, \$65,000.
- (d) To carry forward to open profit and loss account, \$16,678.23.

The assets have been carefully investigated detail, as usual, and the condition is as follows

- (a) The loans on real estate are well secured.(b) The loans on bonds and stocks are fully
- margined. (c) The securities owned are under their

market values.

The books have been duly audited at Head Office and Branches, and the usual audit certificates are appended.

Respectfully submitted, GEO. A. Cox, President.

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GENERAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DEC., 1900.

	Assets.	\$1.111,788 5°)
	Loans secured by first mortgages on real estate		
	Bonds and stocks owned	210,7/0	3,322,983 61
			\$6,187.412 71
	Deposits *	1.712,021 3.	,
	Capital (subscribed, \$2,500,000)		0
	Profit and Loss	16,678 2	3
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	Appropriated as follows:— Quarterly dividends, Nos. 44, 45, 46 and 47, being at the rate of 6 per cent, per annum. Office furniture, account written off		65 000 23
•	Reserve Fund. Balance at credit, 31st December, 1899		\$385,000 00 65,000 00

Balance carried forward.....

The Company's Seventeenth Annual Report, the adoption of which I now have the pleasure to move, is one that I believe will satisfy every shareholder, depositor and debenture holder.

The shareholders have, I think, good reason to be gratified with net earnings of \$129.632.32, equal to 10.38 per cent. on their paid-up capital of \$1.250,000, while an addition of \$65,000 to the reserve fund, increasing same to \$450 000, still further strengthens the already ample security of those entrusting their money to the Company's care.

The net earnings demonstrate the activity and satisfactory character of the Company's business during the year. There has been no difficulty in securing good loans at remunerative

There has been no difficulty in securing good loans at remunerative department covering purchase business during the year. There has been no difficulty in securing good loans at remunerations, while the securities department covering purchase and sale of high-grade Government, Municipal and Corporation Bonds, has been exceptionally successful.

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Prior to the close of the accounts on the 31st December, 1900, the Company's Assets, including Real Estate Mortgage Loans, Bond and Stock Loans, as well as securities owned, were as usual subjected to a careful investigation, which showed, as your Directors' Report states, that the investments are in a healthy condition. The liquid character of the assets might also be referred to, as the strength of a Financial Corporation's Balance Sheet with large obligations to the public is dependent to a very considerable extent upon the nature of its investments and their convertibility into cash. In this regard I am safe in saying that the Balance Sheet is a strong one.

The Inspection Committee have made the customary examination in detail of the securities, their certificate is appended

and their certificate is appended.

The usual audit of the books has been made and the correctness of the accountancy.

sufficiency of vouchers, etc., etc., is duly vouched for over the Auditors' signatures.

The Company's General Agents in Great Britain, Messrs. Finlayson & Auld of Glasgown

are still loyally and successfully representing it in that field.

The Officers of the Company have used foresight and diligence in the discharge of duties, and are deserving of your thanks.

The motion for the adoption of the report was then made by the President, Hon. Geo. A. Cox, seconded by the Vice-President, Mr. E. R. Wood, and carried unanimously.

The following gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:—

PRESIDENT

HON. GEORGE A. Cox, President Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto.

VICE-PRESIDENTS

FRED. G. Cox, Managing Director Imperial Life Assurance Company, Toronto.

E. R. Wood (Managing Director), Toronto.

J. W. Flavelle, Managing Director The Wm. Davies Company, Limited; President National Trust Company, Toronto.

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Sir Thomas W. Taylor, Toronto.
Richard Hall (Messrs. Richard Hall & Son, Peterborough.)
Robert Jaffray, President The Globe Printing Company; Director Imperial Bank, Toronto, William Mackenzie, President Toronto Railway Co., Toronto.
Chester D. Massey, Treasurer Massey Harris Co., Toronto.
J. J. Kenny, Vice-President Western and British America Assurance Companies, Toronto.
Rev. John Potts, D.D., Treasurer Victoria University, Toronto,
A. A Cox. Vice-President Toronto Savings & Loan Co., Peterborough.
Frederick C. Taylor, Lindsay.
J. H. Housser, Secretary Massey-Harris Company, Toronto.
The following figures illustrating the progress made by the Company since its inception were submitted:—

were submitted :-

	YEAR.	PAID-UP CAPITAL.	R*serve Fund.	TOTAL ASSETS	Dividend Paid.
-	1884	\$ 250 tot 96	1	\$ 526,080 38	6
-	185	420,000 (0	\$ 38,000 00	826,101 23	6
	1886	500,000 co	60 000 00	1,395,345 58	6
	1887	500,000 co	70,000 00	1,310,223 69	6
	1888	500,000 co	80,000 00	1,232,428 50	6
	1889	800,000 00	180 000 00	2,641 810 86	6
	1890	800,000 0	192,000 00	3,003,696 14	6
	1891	800.000 00	200 000 00	3,163,873 37	6
	1892	1,000,000 00	250,000 00	4,186,673,66	6
	1893	1,200,000 00	300,000 00	5,035,688 09	6
	1894	1,200,000 00	315,000 00	5,200,830 09	6
	1895	1,250,000 00	325,000 00	5,454,720 34	6
	1896	1.250,000 00	335 000 00	5,464,944 35	6
	1897	1,250,000 00	345.000 00	5,377.593 04	6
	1898	1,250,000 00	360,000 00	5.902,187 41	6
	1899	1,250,000 00	385,000 00	6,256,074 58	6
	1900	1,250,000,00	450,000 00	6,187,412 71	6

Commercial.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 31st, 1901. DRUGS, CHEMICALS, ETC.—Business is going on with fair activity, without any special feature having presented itself.
The proposed combination of physicians for the proposed combination of physicians for the purpose of establishing a drug supply depot in this city at moderate prices creates little comment among the trade. In New York a pretty good job-bing trade is reported. Quite a large business in the comment among the comment among the trade is reported. business is being done in quinine. Opium has a strong downward tendency, as have also the alkaline hypophosphites.

DRY Goods.—No new feature has developed in the dry goods market, excepting that the dry goods market, excepting that the dry goods market, excepting that the dry goods market has demand for ing that the extraordinary demand for black goods has created something of a famine. The prices for nearly all staple articles continue very firm. Travellers through throughout the country almost univer-sally report fair orders, with a prospect for a continuance of similar conditions.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The flour market remains unchanged at fairly steady prices. Bran, shorts and oatmeal are all somewith somewhat quiet, with no noteworthy feature.

GRAIN.—Wheat, both Ontario and Manitoba, is up about a cent, having recovered, is up about a cent, having recovered that week and ered from the decline of last week, and there is a good demand for export at the advance. Oats also have gone up ic., and remain remain steady at present quotation.
Barley continues firm and unchanged. In Tye, corn and buckwheat nothing is doing, and prices remain nominally the same. Receipts in the country are light, probable. probably owing to the uncovered state of the roads.

GREEN FRUIT.—Imports of oranges and lemons are about average, and very fair prices are being obtained, though there ons. ons, new Messina, fancy, \$2.50 per box; ons, new Messina, fancy, \$2.50 pc.
choice, \$2; California, fancy, \$3.50.
Oranges, Jamaica, \$2.50; Mexican, \$2 to
\$2.25; California navels, \$3.00 to \$3.35;
Florida, \$3.25 to \$3.50; Valencia, \$4.25;
Bananas, fancy, \$1.50 to \$1.75; Almeria
onions, \$6 to \$6.50 per keg; Canadian
to \$3 per bbl.
GROCEPTES—Business has scarcely been

GROCERIES.—Business has scarcely been equal in volume this week compared with last, orders having been merely of a sorting up nature. A good deal of enquiry is development. developing, however, for canned goods, and considerable cutting in off-brands has been observed on the part of one house.
Sugars are moving out steadily in fair
quantities have been orders are scarce, quantities, but car-load orders are scarce, the trade evidently having little faith in the stability of the market at present lon and Indian pekoes, medium grades has been noted this week Raisins and cur-

tants are in moderate demand at the quo-HARDWARE.—We have nothing to add to what was said last week about the state of the shelf goods trade. Business continues continues very fair, with frequent orders coming in. The general metal trade is distinctly social and the season of distinctly satisfactory for this season of the year. A very good season is exfor future delivery. Prices in several lines have declined accompleted as for example, have declined somewhat, as, for example, tin ingots, hoop steel, iron hoops and galvanized iron, but this probably shows nothing more than that they are reaching a settled to a settled basis.

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HIDES AND SKINS.—As may be expected at this time of the year, the condi-tion of offerings is not up to average, and the demand is also with fair receipts. the demand is slow, with fair receipts.
Tallow is fairly steady.

Provisions.—The market for butter is easier, the demand, which has not been large for some time past, having fallen off again. Large rolls fetch 17c. to 18c.; choice tub, 18c. to 19c. Cheese is dull and easy. The market for hog products is firm at unchanged prices. Dressed hogs have been easier this week, but receipts are not large, and it is generally admitted that the crop is considerably short of last year. Eggs, new laid, are selling at 20c. to 21c., while held fetch 14c. to 16c., and pickled 14c. to 15c.

Wool.-No improvement is visible in this market, and such is hardly probable for the next month or so. Holders of last season's clips are asking for offers, but the views of buyers are so very divergent from theirs that no business is possible. There is no demand whatever from across the line, and until one springs up, prospects must continue in the present discouraging state.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal. Jan. 30th, 1901.

Ashes.—The market continues lifeless and easy, and quotations for No. 1 pots are more or less nominal at about seconds, about \$4.60. There has not been a transaction in pearls for some time past.

CEMENTS AND FIREBRICKS .- Little improvement in the demand can be noted as We quote: et, but prices rule steady. yet, but prices rule steady. We quote. Belgian cement, \$2 to \$2.20; English, \$2.40 to \$2.50; German, \$2.55 to \$2.65; firebricks, \$18 to \$2 per thousand.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—For butter there is good jobbing demand, with light supplies, and values rule very firm. Choice creamery brings 23 cents; seconds, 22 to 22½c., and roll dairy, 20½ to 21c. Cheese prices are, if anything, firmer, and very few goods can be obtained under 10c., while for really choice the figure reaches to 111/4c.

DRY GOODS.—The wholesale warehouses all display much activity in the shipping cut of spring stuff. With city retailers business is on the slow side with clearing sales all the vogue. Stocks of cheap black stuffs, both wholesale and retail, are well cleared out, owing to the demand for draping purposes, and owing to the reported scarcity of black dress goods in England, it is said that a leading retail concern here has shipped some 5,000 yards of black cashmeres to London, which is a reversal of the usual order Remittances are reported as of things. fair, but hardly as active as they were a fortnight ago, there being apparently a husbanding of resources for the 4th of February, which is a heavy day for pay-

Furs.—Full telegraphic reports of last week's London sales are now to hand, and a decline is shown in all lines except mink, otter, coon, and black bear. The percentage of decline, as compared with figures of last March, is as follows: Skunk, 20; civet, 10; possum, 25; RusFOUNDED 1825.

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Breadstuffs.		Groceries.—Con. Syrups: Com. to fine,	\$ c. \$ c. 0 02§ 0 32§	Hardware.—Con.	\$ c. \$ c	Canned Fruits. PINE APPLE— Extra Standard doz. \$ 2 50 2 50
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Bacon, long clear "Breakt'st smok'd Hams	0 09½ 0 00 0 12 0 12½ 0 00 0 12½ 0 10½ 0 60 0 10 0 10½ 0 00 0 10 0 20 0 21	Gunpowder, Moyune- Gunpowder, Pingsuey, Ceylon, Broken Orange, Pekoes	0 18 0 65 0 15 0 30 0 35 0 45 0 35 0 45 0 32 0 30 0 34 0 32 0 19 0 33	TIN PLATES IC	4 00 0 00 4 35 0 00 4 75 0 00	CHICKEN—Boneless, Aylmer, 1's
Leather. Spanish Sole, No. 1 " No. 9 Slaughter, heavy " No. 1 light	0 26 0 27 0 25 0 26 0 27 0 29	Souchongs	0 18 0 90 0 99 0 55 0 98 0 35 0 98 0 35 0 18 0 99 0 16 0 90 0 16 0 17	51 to 60 61 to 70 ROPE: Manilla basis Sisal,	5 00 0 00 5 35 0 00 0 12½ 0 13 0 00 0 09 6 00 0 08	Oxfore Clark s. 14 s
Harness, heavy	0 00 0 25 0 27 0 30 0 26 0 28 0 39 0 38 0 39 0 40 0 75 0 90 0 50 0 60	Southong	0 90 0 35 0 35 0 65 0 63 0 07 0 82 0 00 0 39 0 00	Axes: Single Bits Double " Oils. Cod Oil, Imp. gal. Palm, # lb.	6 75 50 11 00 1 00 0 48 0 50 0 062 0 00 0 60 0 70	FISH—Medium soaled Herring 0 95 1 W KIPPERED HERRING—Domestic
Heml'k Caf (95 to 80) French Calf Splits, \$\pi\$ lb Enamelled Cow, \$\psi\$ tt. Patent Pebble Grain, upper	0 18 0 99	Empire, 3½'s, 5's, 10's Bobs, 5's, 10's McAlpine Tobacco Co Beaver, 9's British Navy, 6's, 15oz "10's Macdonald's	0 39 0 00 0 36 0 00 0 73 0 00 0 39 0 00 0 40 0 00	Ordinary Linseed, boiled Linseed, raw Spirits Tyrpentine Olive, # Imp. gal Seal, straw " pale S.R.	0 50 0 60 0 87 0 89 0 84 0 86 0 71 0 73 1 30 1 40 0 49 0 50 0 54 0 55	Solubility and Fineness)
Buff Russets, light, bl Gambier Sumac Degras Hides & Skins.	0 13 0 16 0 40 0 45 0 04 0 05 0 02 0 06 0 04 0 05 Per lb.	Prince of W., 8's, 16's. Napoleon, 8's Brier, 9's G. E. Tuckett & Son Co. Mahogany, 9's Myrtle Navy, 4's Cut Myrtle, 1-10	0 65 0 00 0 57 0 00 0 63 0 00 0 62 0 00 0 70 0 00 0 84 0 00	Petroleum. F.O.B., Toronto Canadian, 5 to 10 bris Can. Water White American Water White	Imp. gal. 0 00 0 134 0 00 0 15 0 00 0 164	CAR OR CARGO LOTS AT MILE In pine No. 1. out up and better
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Fleece, combing ord clothing Pulled, combing super extra	0 15 0 16 0 17 0 00 0 16 0 00 0 18 0 19 0 21 0 22	Rye Whiskey, 4 y old 7 y, old G. and W. 1888 1891 Special Hardware. Tin:	0 85 2 60 1 15 2 90 3 75 7 20 3 00 6 45 5 25 7 50	Varrish, No. 1 furn	0 90 1 00 1 50 1 75 0 60 0 90 0 60 0 70 2 10 9 30	Treesed and Better
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Tarragona Almonds. Peanuts, green " roasted Grenoble Walnuts Filberts, Sicily Brazils Pecans Shelled Walnuts	9 15 0 16 0 081 0 09 0 091 0 10 0 121 0 13 0 00 0 12 0 15 0 16	Russia Sheet, per lb Russia Sheet, per lb 'Imitation Galvanized Iron: Gauge 16	4 50 5 00 0 10h 0 11 0 06 0 06h 4 95 0 00 4 25 0 00 4 50 5 10	Potass Iodide	0 45 0 ff 0 07 0 08 0 94 0 96 0 95 0 96 0 09 0 04 0 09 0 03	Ash white, 1st and 9nd—1 to 9 iii
" Almonds	'0 40 0 43)	Case lots less 10c 10c lbs	31	Citrio Acid	. 0 60 0 69	Whitewood 1 " 9"



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sian sable, 10; silver fox, 40; blue fox, 60; white fox, 50; red fox, 55; grizzly and Russian bear, 15; wolf, 50; lynx, 40; and wild cat, 75. Muskrat sold same as Co. of New York. last March; eastern mink, 15 per cent. higher; northern, ditto, 10 per cent. higher; otter, 12½ per cent. higher; and black bear, 10 per cent. higher. Local black bear, 10 per cent. higher. quotations of red fox are reduced to from \$1 to \$2.

MONTREAL STOCKS IN STORE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.
	Jan. 21.	Jan. 28.
Wheat	39,335	93,855
Corn	15,773	15,544
Oats	88,042	92,392
Rye	8,695	8,695
Peas	32,592	31,313
Barley	41,737	41,737
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Total grain		283,536
Oatmeal	439	429
Flour	16,680	

9,937

10,213

Buckwheat

shows GROCERIES.—The week few changes. The large French-Canadian houses are preparing for stock-taking, and some of the English houses are similarly employed, but travellers who are on the road report fair demand. There is a rather better enquiry for teas, and all grades of Japans are very firmly held. There is reported to be some expectation in the United States of a reduction in the duty on tea, resulting, it is said, in some enquiries from that direction. Some 1,500 packages, largely Japans, which were smoked damaged at the recent fire, have been surrendered to the insurance companies, and will be put up at auction next week. Refiners report rather a quiet demand for sugars, but quotations are without further change, the factory price for granulated being \$4.65, and for yellows, from \$3.95 to \$4.55. Molasses is quiet, but stocks are very light.

LEATHER.—The late big fire cleaned out some considerable stocks of sole, ordinary black and fancy leather, five firms having been sufferers. Buying on the part of shoe manufacturers continues, it is said somewhat light. We quote: Spanish sole, B.A., No. We quote: Spanish sole, B.A., No. I. 24½ to 25½c.; No. 2. B.A., 23 to 24c.; No. 3, B.A., 22c.; No. 1, ordinary, Spanish, 24c.; No. 2, 22½ to 23c.; No. 1 slaughter, 27c.; No. 2, ditto, 25c.; common, 22 to 24c.; Union crop, 29 to 30c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; ditto, heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; Western splits, 18 to 21c.; Ouehee ditto vertex medium. Quebec. ditto. 15 to 17c.; juniors, 15 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 26c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.: colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskins linings, 30 to 40c.; colored sheepskins, 6½ to 7½c.: black, ditto, 6 to 6½c.; black Indias, 7 to 8c.; harness, 31 to 33c.; buffed cow, 11 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebble cow, 11 to 13c.; glove-grain, 11½ to 13c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE. - Hardware orders for spring delivery are reported as coming in well; in heavy metals the demand is still on the quiet side, but improvement is looked for next month. As regards prices, there is hardly a change to noted, except that lead is said be a little easier in England. be a We quote: Summerlee pig iron. \$24 to \$25; Hamilton, No. 1, \$19 to \$19.50; Ferrona, No. 1, \$19 to \$19.50; Midland. \$19 to \$19.50; machinery scrap, \$18.00; common ditto, \$13.00 to \$14.00; has iron Canadian \$1.50 to \$1.60; \$18.00; common ditto, \$13.00 to \$14.00; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.50 to \$1.60; Hoops, \$1.85; bands, \$3.10; Canada plates—Pontypool, or equal, fifty-two sheets to the box. \$2.80 to \$2.00; 60 sheets, \$2.95; 75 sheets. \$3; all polished Canadas, 3.60 to \$3.75; Galvanized Canada Deposit made with the Domithe protection of policyholders.

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Our Annual Report for 1899 shows as the result of year's operations the following Substantial in-ases in the important items shown below:

GROSS ASSETS, \$626,469 92

Premium income	12,434 07 328,205 99	An increase of \$ 18.358.48 3,361.64 44.783.33 50,558.56
Insurance in force 3	373.414 MU 3,656,913 15	50,558 56 472,953 00

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STOCK AND BOND REPORT.

1			1		Divi	CLC	SING I	Cash val.
BANKS	Share	Capital Sub- soribed.	Capital Paid-up	Rest	dend last 6 Months.	*3.0	JFAX. 28, 1901	per share
								309.83
British North America	8943	24.866.666	\$ 4,866,666	1,531,000	3%	1273	1313	30.75
Commercial Bank, Windsor, N.S	40	500,000	350,000	90,000	3		105 1574	90.75
Halifax Banking Co.	90	586,000	581,760	440,901	31 31	1533	180	175.00 300.00
Royal Bank of Canada	100 100	2,000,000 500,000	9,000,000 500,000	1.700,000 700,000	39 :	175 300	301	377.00
Nova Sootia	100	1,860,000	1,860,000	2,281,942	44	227	230	23.50
People's Bank of Halifax People's Bank of N.B	90	700,000	700,000	240,000	3	117	153	*****
People's Bank of N.B	150	180,000	180,000	150,000	4			97.87
Union Bank, Halifax	100 50	200,000 783,400		45,000 391,630	31	155	160	69.00
Yarmouth	75	300,000		30.000	3 j 2 j	92	96	
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Eastern Townships	50	1,500,000	1,500,000	900,000	34	156		
Hochelaga	100	1.5 0.0C0		683,000	34 34		136	- A
Provincial Bank of Canada	95	821,787			3		110	28.50 153.00
La Banque Nationale	30 100	1,200,000		2 10,000 2,600,000	3	95 15 3	160	518 (P
Montreal	200	12,000,000	12,000,000	7,000,000	. 5 5	259	260	o.≰#⊞
Molsons	50	2,500,000	2,500,000	,050,013	41	140	1914	1 13.00
Quebec	100	2,500,000	4,500,000	700,000	3	123	108	106.00
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British Columbia	100	9,919,990		486,666		:::::	1481	73 63 119 37
Canadian Bank of Commerce	50	8,000,000		2,00,000 1,900,000		147± 238±	239	102 00
Dominion	50 100	2,098,400 1.738,000		1,234,000		193		
Imperial	100			1,700,600	41	2194	2:24	
Ontario	100	1,113 300	1,191,930	200,000	24	124	125	200 00 114.75
Ottawa	100	1,363,800	1,732,000	1,493,000 7,50,000	41	533 1 501		
Standard Toronto	50 100	9,000.000		1,930,000		2382	240	109.75
Traders	100	1.000,000	1,000,000	150,000	3	:092	113	
Western	100			138,000	39			
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ada Mortgage Corporation	10	6,000,000	6,000.000	1,500,00.	3	1103		
UNDER BUILDING SOCIETIES ACT, 1859		1					410	58.50 38.00
Agricultural Savings & Loan Co	50	630,200		180,000	3	117	119 77	56.50
Toronto Mortgage Co	50	1,120,860		350,000		76 113	119	
Canadian Savings & Loan Co	50 50	150,000	750,000 934,200	237,500 20,000		110	75	85.0C
Dominion Sav. & Inv. Society	50	3,000,000				170		110.00 110.00
riaminon Provident & Loan Sog	100	1,500,000	1,100,000	300,000	3	110		
Landed Banking & Loan Co.	100 50	700,000	700,000	170,000 85,500	3	110 113		AD.UU
London Loan Co. of Canada	50 50	679,700 2,000,000	679,700	515,000		120		*****
Ontario Loan & Savings Co., Oshawa	50	300,000		75,000			35	
People & Loan & Deposit Co	50	600,000		40,000		•••	33	
Under Private Acts.		į						96.00
Brit. Can. L & Inv. Co. Ld., (Dom. Par.)	100	2,000,000	398,481	190,000		80		
Central Can. Loan and Savings Co	100			385,000	13*	134	70	51.00 50.00
London & Can. Ln. & Agy. Co. Ltd. do. Man. & North-West. L. Co. (Dom. Par.)	50	5,006,000	700,000	210,000	3	60 50		Ju
	100	1.500,000	375.000	51.000	••	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		- 00
"THE COMPANIES' ACT," 1877-1889.								65.00 70.35
Imperial Loan & Investment Co. Ltd	100			177,000		65 793		96.80
Can. Landed & National Inv't Co., Ltd. Real Estate Loan Co	100 40			350,000 50,000		67		1
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ONT. JT. STR. LETT. PAT. ACT, 1874.				45		l	*****	
British Mortgage Loan Co.	100		391,037	120,000	. 3			128.00
Ontario Industrial Loan & Inv. Co Toronto Savings and Loan Co	100 100			120.000	3	128		
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No. Shares or amt. Stock.	Yearly Divi- dend.	NAME OF COMPANY	Share par	Amount paid.	La Sal Ja	le
	76					
950,000	8 ps	Alliance	20	91-5	97	10
50,000	35	C. Union F. L. & M.	50	5	131	14
200,000	84	Guardian F.&L	10	5	91	9
60,000	25	Imperial Lim	20	5	24	25
136,493	5	Lancashire F. & L	90	2	21	3
35,862		London Ass. Corp	25	194	50	51
10,000	174	London & Lan. L	10	8	7	7
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INSURANCE COMPANIES ENGLISH (Quotations on London Market)

110,000 53,776 195,934 50,000 10,000 940,000	30 p s 35 63 g 8/6 ps	North British & Mer Phœnix Royal Insurance Scottish Imp. F. & L. Standard Life Sun Fire	95 50 90 10 50	61 5 3 1 19 10	36 18)	381 37 491 11
15,000 9,500 10,000 7,000 5,000 9,000 50,000	8 15 15 5 10	Canada Life Confederation Life Sun Life Ass. Co	\$50 400 100 100 100 50 40	\$50 50 10 15 65 95	525 270	108 600 299 41J

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SECURITIES.	

Dominion 5% stock, 1903, of Ry. loan do. 4% do. 1904, 5, 6, 8	100 1:0 104 1:9 109 104 109 106 106 1:6 106 1:6 107 109 118 108 104 106 104 111
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plates, \$4.60 per box of 52 sheets; Terne plates, \$4.00 per box of 52 sheets; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$8.25; Black sheet iron, No 28, \$2.85 to 2.90; No. 26, \$2.85 No 24, \$2.80; I.C., cokes, \$4.10 to \$4.20; charcoal, do., \$4.60; I.X., cokes, \$5; do., charcoal, \$5.35; galvanized sheets, No. 28, Queen's Head, \$4.00; No. 26, \$4.40; No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, \$4.25, in case lots; tinned sheets, no. 25, the sheets coke, No. 26, \$4.40; No. 26, sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½ to 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Steel boiler plate, one-quarter inch, \$2.10; tank steel, \$2.10 for ¼-inch; three-sixteenths, \$2.20; heads, seven-sixteenths. and upwards, \$2.50; Russian sheet iron 10 to 10½c.; lead, per 100 pounds, \$4.20 to \$4.30; sheet, \$4.75 to \$5.00; best cast-steel. 8c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring. \$3.10; sleigh shoe, \$2.00; tire, \$2.10; round machinery steel, \$3.25; ingot tin, 31½c. for L. & F.; Straits, 30½c. bar tin, 33c.; ingot copper, 1734 to 18c.; sheet-zinc, 6c.; Silesian spelter, \$4.85 to \$5.00; Veille Montagne spelter. \$5.25; American spelter, \$4.85 to \$5; antimony. 93/4 to 10c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—Travellers generally are doing well, but as regards values not an item of news is reported. values not an item of news is reported. The quotations are: Single barrels. raw, and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 80 and 83c. per gallon, for one to four barrel lots; 5 to 9 barrels. 79 and 82c; net, 30 days or 3 per cent. for four months' terms. Turpentine, one barrel, 59c.; two to four barrels, 58c.; net 30 days. Olive oil, machinery, 90c; Cod oil, 35 to 37½c. per gall.; steam refined seal, 55 to 57½c. per gallon: Castor oil, 9 to 9½c., in quantity; tins, 10 to 10½c.: machinery castor oil, 8½ to 9c.; Leads, 9 to 9½c., in quantity; tins, 10 to 10½c.; machinery castor oil, 8½ to 9c.; Leads. (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$6.75; No. 1, \$6.37½; No. 2, \$6; No. 3, \$5.75; No. 4, \$5.25; dry white, lead, 5½ to 6c. for pure; No. 1, do., 5c.; genuine red, ditto, 5c.; No. 1, red lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; Putty, in bulk, bbls., \$2; bladder putty, in bbls., \$2.20; do., in kegs, or boxes, \$2.35; 25-lb. tins, \$2.45; 12½-lb. tins, \$2.75. London washed whiting.40 to 45c.; Paris white,75 to 80c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to \$1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to \$1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to \$2; Window glass, \$2 per 50 feet for first break; \$2.10 for second break. break; \$2.10 for second break.

AN UP-TO-DATE CIRCULAR.

A Toronto banker hands us a circular of January 12th, from a Russian bank in Genoa, Italy, the Banca Russa, which is interesting not only from its entertaining diction, but from the somewhat novel and what one might call sociable features by virtue of which it commends itself to possible customers. We omit some paragraphs devoted to terms of exchange, etc.:

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PROVINCIAL BANK.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Provincial Bank of Canada was held at their banking house, in Place d'Armes Square, Montreal, on Wednesday, 23rd January. The president occupied the chair. The general manager of the bank is Mr. Tancrede Bienvenue, and Mr. A. S. Hamelin is appointed auditor.

The board, composed of the following directors, were re-elected: Messrs. G. W. Ducharme, G. B. Burland, Hon. Louis Beaubien, Ald. H. Laporte, and Hon. Senator Paquet, of Quebec; Tancrede Bienvenue, general manager; A. S. Hamelin, auditor.

To fill the vacancy made in the board of commissioner censors by the death of Mr. D. O. Bouchear, Dr. E. P. Lachapelle was chosen, and this board now consists of the following gentlemen: Sir Alex. Lacoste, president; Hon. J. G. Laviolette, vice-president; Hon. N. C. Cormier. Rev. Father Quinlivan, Dr. E. P. Lachapelle, Messrs. Albert Lussier, and A. S. Hamelin. By-laws of the highest importance to the bank were passed and more specially restricting the loans guaranteed by stocks and debentures, all deposits at interest, reserving for com-mercial purposes only the capital, circulation and commercial deposits of the

NATURAL GAS IN THE UNITED STATES.

'Natural gas in the United States," according to the last annual report of the United States Geological Survey, "has sunk to about one-third, in its fuel value, of what it was a few years ago," says Cassier's Magazine. "In 1899 the production of natural gas equalled in consumption the heating capaity of 5,400,000 tons of coal. Ten years ago, when this industry was at its height, the equivalent of the heating output of natural gas was equal to about 15,000,000 tons of coal. Both the great gas-producing fields are reaching extinction. The Ohio division, which once had 480 pounds to the square inch. has now no rock pressure whatever. The original rock pressure in Indiana, once 325 pounds, averages now 165 pounds, showing that two-thirds of the product has been taken out and consumed. Over a very considerable area of Indiana, covering an area of about 1,500 square miles, industries which were using natural gas are either discontinued, working at a disadvantage, or substituting coal. The

effect of this is plain in various directions, particularly in reduced business and opportunities for labor in part of the State. The account of the gas State. The aggregate value of the gas produced in 1899 was \$20,024,864, a gain of \$4,730,051 over 1898. This is in part due to a slight increase in the cost, but still more to an increased demand. still more to an increased demand.

BANK CLEARINGS.

The activity of trade is well illustrated by the extent of transactions at the bank clearing houses and clearing houses of the United States and Canada. Bradstreet's says: The bank clearings at the principal cities in the United States for the week ended January 24th, show a total of \$2,194,111,035, an increase of 260 cm are increase of 36.3 per cent., as compared with the same week last year. Outside of New York, the total was 2500 202 605, an New York, the total was \$689,033,695, an increase of increase of 10.9 per cent. For the Dominion of Canada, the following are the totals at the principal cities: Montreal, \$15,266.850 \$15,266,859, 13.5 per cent. increase; ronto, \$10,758,732, 23.4 per cent. increase; Winnipeg. \$1.882.508 ronto, \$10,758,732, 23.4 per cent. increase, Winnipeg, \$1,882,508, 3.5 per cent. crease; Halifax, \$1,582,470, 31.5 per cent. increase; Hamilton, \$693,126, 14.1 per cent. decrease; St. John, N.B., \$641,216, per cent. increase; Vancouver, \$693,207, 12.6 per cent. increase; Victoria, \$679,320, 18.0 per cent. increase. Totals, \$32,197,528, 11.9 per cent. increase. 197,528, 11.9 per cent. increase.

—About 98 per cent. of the retail druggists in Greater New York have entered into a combination of the retail druggists on the state of into a combination to uphold prices on proprietary medicinal preparations. The departmental stores refuse to co-operate with them, however. with them, however. Their new schedule of prices was to take effect yesterday, and it is stated that if these large stores continue to sell below the new minimum price list neither the list neither the manufacturers nor wholesale houses will supply them with goods. In other words the drug firms will boy cott them, though so far this threat does not seem to be the country and alarm. not seem to be the cause of much alarm. They expect to be able in some way to replenish their stocks. Should they succeed, the war on prices will become interesting and the stocks. esting and the general public will not be disinterested spectators.

-The London Cheque Bank has ceased to exist, the management having found that, owing to the ease with which cheques were said to the them. cheques were cashed, and the large rise, ber of forgeries to which this gave rise, it was impossible ber of forgeries to which this gave rise, it was impossible to carry on a profit able business. One gang of swindlers recently travelled with books of forged cheques round the continent, and cashed them at the bank's numerous agents for different toward at the same time. different towns at the same time. geries were also perpetrated in England, geries were also perpetrated in England, Scotland, and Ireland, and the result has been that banks whom it took years and a large expenditure of capital to get to act as cashing acres to act as cashing acres to act. act as cashing agents declined to do so act as many as 264 towns. The directors have delined to pay or to accept any reasonable responsibility. sonable responsibility for the forged cheques, and consequently they lost many customers. and are nearly they lost many the customers. customers, and are now being sued in the law courts in connection with forged cheques cheques.

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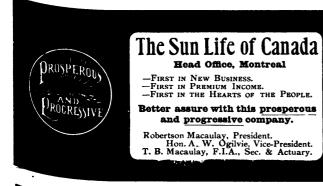
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