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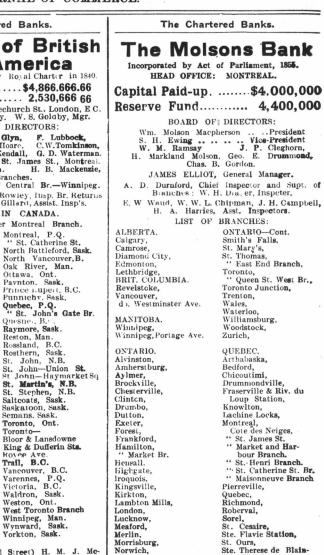
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-The quantity and value of crude alcohol produced in the United States during the years 1907, 1908 and 1909 were as follows:-During the year 1907, 7.742,000 gallons of wood alcohol were produced at a value of \$1,153,000. For 1908 the production amounted to 6.286,000 gallons, value \$1,804,000. For 1909 there were produced 8,468,000 gallons, value \$2,082,000.

-From a series of experiments recently made at the University of Kansas it is evident that the average person can taste the bitter of quinine when one part is dissolved in 152, 000 parts of water. Salt was detected in water when one part to 640 of the liquid was used. Sugar could be tasted in 228 parts of water and common soda in 48. In nearly all cases women could detect a smaller quantity than men.

A Honiton lace fan is to be presented to the Queen for use on Coronation Day. The Fanmakers' Company have accepted the design. The fan will be entirely British made. In the centre will be a leaf bearing the Royal Crown and cypher, with the arms of England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, with a filling of roses, shaurocks, and thistles. The stick will be of yellow tortoise-shell, bearing the Crown and cypher in gold.

-Admiral Robert Evans of the U.S. navy says of the use of oil fuel at sea: "I know whereof I speak, for I have the official figures on one ship which made a voyage from San Francisco to New York burning coal and, under the same conditions, made the return voyage burning oil and saved \$500 per day, or \$26,000 or the fifty-two day's trip. You can see for yourself the saving. All the large ships are coming to it. And the cities, too."

-The world's output of coal during 1908 is computed at 1.068,000 tons and its value is estimated at $\pm 4409,5000.00$. Of this arount nearly 266.000,000 tons were produced in the United Kingdom. America tops the list with 277,250,000 tons and Germany comes third with 215,286,000. But while the output of Great Britain is less than the United States, the value of America's coal is only £109.305,000, compared with £116,599,000 for the United Kingdom.

-Creditors of the Outario Bank may now rest in comfort with the assurance that their claims will be paid in full. To accomplish this it was necessary for the shareholders to put up \$800,000 under their double liability. To date they have exceeded this sum and have paid up \$810,000. The surplus will be distributed among the shareholders at the conclusion of the liquidation. A first dividend of 10 per cent will probably be paid to creditors some time this week.

--It may not be generally known that a good deal of Peruvian cotton is sold in England and the United States: in fact Liverpool is its chief market, though the cotton is bought also in Germany. France, and Japan. In 1999, the quantity of cotton exported was 47.641.776 pounds, which was valued at about £1.223.419. The raw material is of three classes: Rough Peruvian, American Upland (a short staple), and a long staple variety of Sea Island.

-British Board of Trade returns for October show a 40 per cent increase in the exports of cement over October, 1909. Brazil, British East Indies, British South Africa, and New Zealand are importing much more, and there are increases in nearly every other case. In value the increase is 43 per cent. It is reported that this is due to the development the whole world over of large schemes, such as docks, canals, harbours and other public works, all of which are great consumers of cement. -The figures just issued by the Agricultural Department in Queensland illustrate a wonderul increase in the weight of fleeces in the northern States, as well as in the number of sheep shorn. In 1907 there were 15,428,000 sheep shorn, while in 1909 the number shorn was 18,439,000. The wool in 1907 averaged 6.11 lb, per sheep; this increased to 6.59 lb, in 1908, and last year it-had increased to 6.68 lb, per sheep, an increase in two years of more than half a pound per fleece.

-It may excite interest in the subject of machine wool shearing of which we know nothing in Canada, to learn of a wonderful feat just performed by a New Zealander named Dan Cooper, who, at Bundoran, Lower Flinders, Queensland, put through 316 sheep in an ordinary working day. The feat seems to have been a genuine one, and to make it more meritorious it was performed with a narrow gauge machine, known as the Moffat-Virtue. With broad gauge machines the rate is much quicker, but the work is usually not done so well.

-Walter A. Hall, formerly a paying teller at the Herald Square branch of the Greenwich Bank, in New York, whose disappearance last summer disclosed a shortage in his accounts, surrendered himself to District-Attorney Whitman last week. Hall disappeared on July 3 taking with him \$44,000 of the bank's money, of which \$15,690 was returned by him this week; the rest, he stated, had been lost at the race tracks in Canada. He pleaded guilty to an indictment handed down on Sept. 28, charging grand larceny. Hall, who is but twenty-four years old, had been with the bank for nine years.

—In the course of an interview with the British S cretary for foreign affairs, Mr. Duncan G. Law, President of the Bradford Chamber of Commerce, gave examples of the way in which the new Japanese tariff will work. The duty on Army cloth, at present $3\frac{1}{2}d$, per yard, was to be raised to 13d. and 16d. Cotton yarn, which now paid $\frac{3}{4}d$, per yard, would have to pay $1\frac{1}{2}d$. The tax on serges would rise from 2 1-16d. to $13\frac{3}{8}d$; on blankets from $\frac{1}{2}d$. to $5\frac{3}{4}d$. In other words, the increases varied from 200 to 650 per cent, and we should suffer far more than anybody else, between 70 and 80 per cent of Japan's textile imports being British.

-The Dominion financial statement for November shows 4 total expenditure of consolidated account of \$6,430,737. a3 against \$5,559,430, in the corresponding month last year. The revenue was \$10,061,060, as against \$8,748,943, in November, 1909. For the eight months of the fiscal year the revenue totals \$75,875,446, as compared with \$64,656,509 in the same period last year. The consolidated account expenditure in this time was \$47,638,846, and capital expenditures \$19,123,-941. In the corresponding eight months of 1909 the amount spent on consolidated account was \$42,726,569, and on capital account \$20,646,866. The net debt on October 31st was \$328,299,977.

-The Tariff Commission of Great Britain has issued **a** memorandum showing the relative increase in the export trade of the U.S. Germany and the United Kingdom in leading manufactures. The annual average increases of exports of manufactures between 1883 and 1887 and 1903 and 1907 have been: U.S. \$439,310,000, or 294 per cent; Germany \$458,770,-000, or 102 per cent; United Kingdom, \$389,200,000 or 41 per cent. Taking the test of excess of export of manufactures over imports in the same period, the increases have been: ---Germany \$358,685,000, or 130 per cent; United Kingdom \$97,-550,000, or 15 per cent. In the case of the U.S. an import excess of \$150,815,000 has become an export excess of \$116,-760,000.

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—Plans of leading U. S. railroad's for a concerted attack upon the utility of the 2 cent fare law in Illinois and Iowa are nearing completion, and announcement of the line of assault is expected soon. Statistical expents have long been at work gathering data relative to railroad earnings and the return on invested capital, and as soon as their computations have been assembled a committee appointed some time ago to take charge of the matter will convene and map out a course of action. It was said that it is too early at present to forecast whether the Legislature will be asked to repeal the law, or an appeal be made to the courts. It is understood that the broad ground to be taken is that the the 2 cent rate is confiscatory.

-Employment throughout the United Kingdom was never more plentiful than it is at present, although, as frequently happens when labour is in keen demand, prosperity is interruted at certain points by strikes. Notwithstanding the bitterness of the political contest now being fought out at the polls, there has been a general agreement to minimize the disorganization of business. The voting has, of course, necessitated the withdrawal from the metropolis of most members of Parliament, yet the Christmas trade in London is reported to be very active. Britons contrive to carry out changes in the Imperial administration without that widespread and prolonged paralysis of industry which too often precedes Presidential elections in the United States.

--Advices from Berlin state the official Government figures regarding Germany's trade with Canada, for the eight months ending October 31 just issued, show some remarkable indreases over the figures for the same period of 1909. The largest growth is shown in the following exports, the figures representing douge hundredweights: -- Wrought iron, from 30,000 to 115,000; metal wire 27,000 to 47,000; steel rails and railway car wheels, 58,000 to 70,000; stockings, 1:200 to 2,500; woollen textiles, 461 to 543; gloves 229 to 374; embroidery 78 to 124; shoes 351 to 524; glass porcelain, 6.900 to 16,800; white and coloured porcelain 2,500 to 4,209. There is also a notable increase in the export to Canada of German toys, chemical products and women's and girl's clothing.

-As usual, the Christmas number of the Farmer's Advocate and Home Magazine brings a wealth of illustration, and of high class literary work. The coloured frontispiece is remarkable in its representation of an early autumn country scene, which is distinctly Canadian, while it dispels entirely the idea of rawness, and rough life, which is far too often associated with conceptions of farm life in the Dominion. All the pictures of highly bred cattle and horses carry the same impression. Articles upon agricultural and national subjects written by Professors and other experts, all exhibit the prevalent desire to place Canada at the head of the nations as an agricultural producer, which is inspired by the natural advantages of the country. We congratulate the Farmer's Advocate upon its well sustained high mental outlook and trust that its efforts will have full effect in the future.

-Patent Report:-Below will be found a list of Canadian patents recently secured through the agency of Marion and Marion, Patent Attorneys, Montreal, Canada, and Washington, D.C. Any information on the subject will be supplied free of charge by applying to the above-named firm. James Baker, Windsor, N.S., barrel head machine; Thomas P. Brennan, Montreal, Que., switch operating mechanism; Lorenzo E. Morel, St. Hyacinthe, Que., sostenuto attachment for electropneumatic instruments; Henry A. McFarlane, Cote S. Puul, Que., cloth board; John H. Tink, Mordiallac, Austria, device for joining the end of wires and for straing same; Egner and Holmstrom, Stockholm, Sweden, cooling device for telephone transmitter for strong current; Alphonse Baillot, Montreal, Que., lateral blast Bessemer converter; Dr. Fritz Blau, Berlin. Germany, metallic filaments for electric glow lamps and method of treating same.

-Changes in tariff and customs regulations are reported from Australia and Venezuela. The Australian report refers to trade description of medicines containing quantine, and is as follows :- According to a recent order of the Department of Trade and Customs of the Commonwealth of Australia, the presence of quinine in medicines and medicinal preparations imported into Australia need not be stated in the trade description required by the Trade Description Act, if the amount of quinine per dose does not exceed one grain. If the amount exceeds one grain per dose, it must be so stated in the trade description, but this will not be insisted upon by the customs authorities until after January 1, 1911.-From Caracas comes a report that by reason of a decree of the Venezuelan Government, sanitary plumbing apparatus and various appliances and materials for exterminating rats, mice and insects are declared admissible free of duty until further orders.

-The London Financial Times printed recently a long article chiefly composed of statistics showing the rapid progress made by the soap trade of the United Kingdom during the last half century. The development showed itself most definitely in 1872, when for the first time, the exports reached £300,000. The trade slump of the late '70's did not affect the soap trade, for in 1875 the exports rose to £311.000, and there followed increases for five years, so that in 1880 the exports reached £440,000. The advance has been fairly steady ever since, the exports attaining £503,000 in 18.9 £942000 in 1899 and the record figure of £1.536,000 in 1909. The excess of exports over imports increased from £785,000 in 1995, £1.084,000 in 1909. The excess in value of the soap exports from the United Kingdom over those from the United States also shows a steady increase from £158,000 in the five years 1855-1859 to £687 000 in 1900-1904, and £719.000 in the four years 1905-1908. The Board of Trade returns this year show that, for the nine months to September 30, imports have fallen in quantity and in value, so that the decline in imports which became evident after 1907 is still in progress; while the exports are considerably greater in weight and value than they were in the record year, 1909. Indeed, it now seems certain that the exports for 1910 will exceed £1.750.000

-Advices regarding the production of the soya bean in Manchuria has been received from the U.S. Consul at Harbin, who says regarding the bean crop and conditions of the market :-- While the bean harvest is over, only a small quantity has come on the market and none has yet been shipped for export. According to all reports the crop this year was excellent, largely on account of the abundant rains. The beans appear to be larger than usual, and in many places the pods contained three beans instead of two as last year. There was undoubtedly some increase in acreage also, though it is impossible to estimate the extent of this inc:ease. Most of the Russian dealers here estimate this year's crop as double that of last year, but the more conservative foreign observers incline to the belief that the increase will be 10 to 30 per cent. One of the lurgest firms, which has probably the best organization in the field, estimates the total crop in that part of Manchuria north of Changehun at 612 900 long tons, but states that on account of the conservative way in which the estimates were prepared it is possible that the actual figures may be about 700,000 long tons. In any case a very large proportion of the crop will be consumed locally, though the amount will vary according to the prices which rule, low prices leading to large local consumption. and high prices tending to increase exports at the expense of domestic consumption. The market is still weak, and it would serve no proper purpose to give quotations that do not represent actual transactions, merely speculations, which in the face of fluctuations based upon the condition of the European markets, as soon as regular buying begins, might prove worse than useless.

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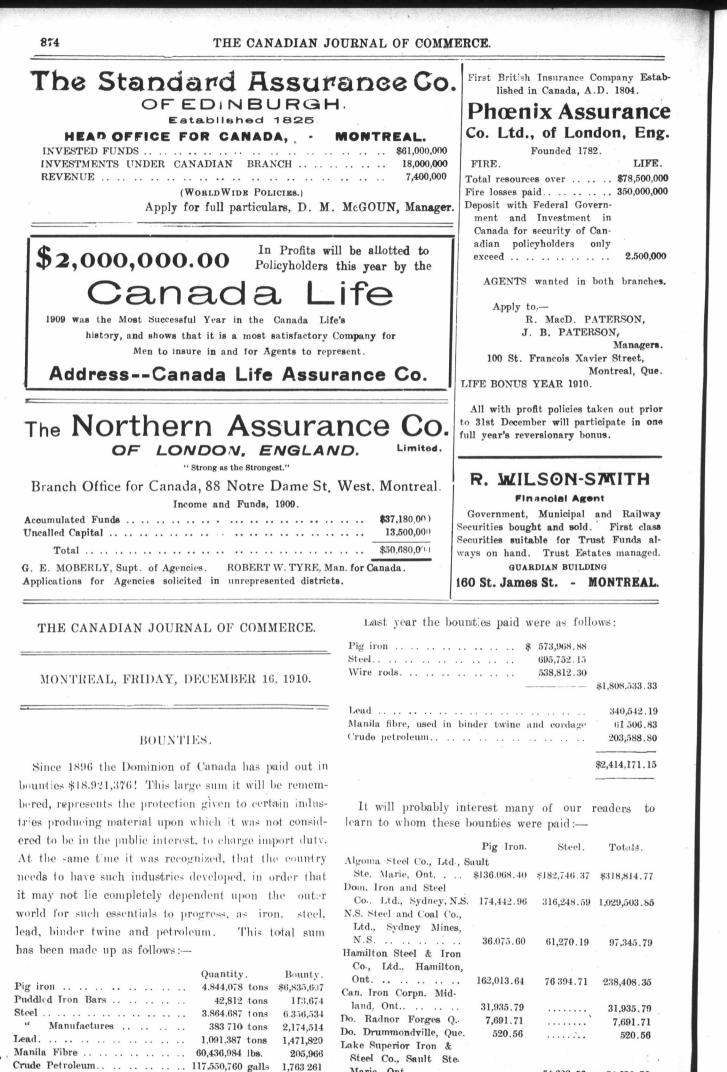
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guarded against such outside competition as would cause its downfall. To allow the United States free access to this particular trade would be unfair under present conditions of trade. The time for paying a bounty on lead has been extended to June 30, 1913.

The rates of bounties at present paid are as follows for the past three years:-

	1908.	1909.	1910.	
	Per ton.	Per ton. F	Per ton.	
Pig iron-Canadian	\$2.10	\$1.70	\$0.90	
Foreign	1.10	0.70	0.40	
Puddled bars	1.65	1.05	0.60	
Steel	1.65	1.05	0.60	
Manufactures of steel, viz.:				
Wire rods	6.00	6.00	6.00	
Electric process-				
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The Government has made no declaration of policy as yet in this important matter. Generally speaking, the public feeling is opposed to the payment of bounties, though not to the principle of protection. Owing to the demonstrations in the West last summer, Sir Wilfred Laurier may find it difficult to advise a direct duty upon iron and steel, and there will be a good deal of interest shown in his decision, as it need not be denied there is as well a certain amount of uneasiness regarding it already.

CANADIAN OYSTERS.

There is a classical reference to the size and fatness of Canadian oysters in the biography of Dickens, who, when in this country; was, of course, invited to partake of our lucious Malpeque's. "I feel as though I had swallowed a baby," said the illustrious writer, after he had successfully tackled one of our giants. It will cause general regret when it is learned that our famous beds in the St. Lawrence, and off Prince Edward Island, have been so depleted as to be threatened with extinction altogether. "In fact, if the proper spirit were to be aroused over this matter, we question whether the Dominion Government, and especially the Department of Marine and Fisheries, should not be held to strict account for not having long ago taken effective steps for the proper protection of such an important natural production.

It is true that much may still be done to lay down oyster culture beds, and to instruct oystermen in their proper farming. But this system of cultivation has been in vogue in European waters for many years, and the country had a right to expect that the Department paid to undertake the oversight of our fisheries would inform itself of what was being done elsewhere.

Even the United States Department has done infinitely better than our own, and off the New England Coast as well as in Louisiana waters has multiplied the oyster products, instead of allowing them to be fished out, as has been the case on our side the boundary. Some ten years ago Connecticut fishermen were, to the personal knowledge of the writer deriving oyster spawn from Prince Edward Island fishermen, and planting the beds which should furnish the oysters to be sold in Carada, when our own beds had been destroyed, as is the case at present.

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In the House of Commons last week Mr. Warburton, M.P. for Queens, P.E.I., brought the subject to the attention of the House of Commons in a carefully prepared speech, replete with information, and bearing the strongest kind of a plea for better protection for the oyster beds, and for a proper planting of new cultures under experienced supervision. Credit was given to the Government for its tardy action in the matter, and praise was accorded to Mr. Kemp, the English expert at present in charge of this branch of the work. Mr. Warburton was careful not to dwell too much upon the evil done in the past, though his figures are certainly telling, and damaging. He says, for instance:—

"I see by the report of the Department of Marine ant Fisheries-fisheries branch-placed upon the table of the House the other day, that the returns have been brought down to the last season. I have not taken these figures in. But, taking, for instance, the year 1882, I find that the quantity of oysters taken in Prince Edward Island was 57,042 barrels. I am only taking Prince Edward Island as an illustration. I might also take New Brunswick. In New Brunswick, for that same year, there was a catch of 5,859 barrels; in 1887 there were caught in New Brunswick 23,196 barrels, and in Prince Edward Island 36,448 barrels. In 1892, five years later, New Brunswick, 17.840 barrels; Prince Edward Island 32,937 barrels. In 1897, five years later again, there were eaught in New Brunswick 19.835 barrels, and in Prince Edward Island 20,-915. In 1902 there were caught in New Brunswick 12,795 barrels; in Prince Edward Island, 20,334 barrels, and in 1907, 15,435 barrels in New Brunswick, and in Prince Edward Island 9,672 barrels. The total catch up to the year 1907-8 in the whole Dominion was us follows:--n 1

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In 1896 there were 4.200 barrels credited to Malpeane: 1901, 2.000 barrels; 1906, 2.450 barrels: 1907, 400 barrels. Then, we have Richmond Bay. I may say that the Richmond Bay oyster is commonly shipped under the name of Malpeque. It is just about the same kind of oyster. In 1896 there were 6,000 barrels shipped; 1901, 4,050: 1906, 2,155; 1907, 700."

The reason for this sad falling off is, of course the depletion of the beds and he goes on to say that:— "Over-fishing is the cause of the depletion of our ovster-beds and it produces its damaging effect in several ways:--1. It removes the adult oysters, which are either spawning or are capable of spawning, and thereby reduces the reproductive power of the bed as a whole. 2. It removes the shells, and therefore decreases the available points of attachment of the spawn. When th oysters are not culled on the beds this effect is aggravated by the removal of the dead shells. 2. That any young oysters attached to the shells of the adults are removed from the beds, and as it is impracticable in many cases to detach them, they are of necessity dedotted. 4. The quantity of oysters taken and destroved from the several causes mentioned is greater than that which is permitted to annually grow up to take their places."

Mr. Warburton ba: observed several things in his native island which are of value and of interest in this respect. For instance, he says :--- "Now as a rule of the department you are not allowed to have any oysters singler than a certain size. That is an excellent rule, but the trouble is that we have along our shores hundreds of bushels and hundreds of barrels of little oysters which go ashore in the spring and grow upon a hard rock, and in low tide you can pick them up by the basketful, little oystens ranging from the size of a ten cent piece to that of a fifty cent piece. These are all killed in winter by the ice. Two or three years ago you were not allowed to pick them up, but you may do so now. Last year Mr. Venning took the trouble to have these picked up. There is no reason why they should not be picked up and transplanted."

But it is the artificial propagation of the oysters that he is at present most concerned with. We feel that no apology is necessary for quoting Mr. Warburton rather fully on this subject:—

"The oyster," he remarks, "is a fish that lives almost entirely upon a small primary vegetable organism known as a diatom. About 95 per cent of the oyster feed consists of this organism. It is almost infinitesimal in size, is supplied in the water and is sucked in by the water in enormous quantities. The oyster will also take other matters, even animal substances, but the quantity is so small that it need not be taken into consideration. The members from the maritime provinces will know that our bays and many of our rivers are separted from the sea by a series of sand hills which are marked by channels here and there through which the ocean water ebbs and flows. For miles and miles along our northern shore there are almost landlocked bays with narrows inside, and on the south shore, which, does not require so much protection, is indented by bays through which also the sea water ebbs and flows. The rise and fall of the tide on the north side of the island is about four feet while on the southern coast it is six or seven feet and at times eight feet. Now, as brackish water is absolutely necessary to the existence of the ovster, the salt water is provided from the sea while the small streams of fresh water pouring into these bays and narrows and mixing with the salt water gives you the required salinity for ovster culture, which taking the water at one, ranges from 1.0007 to 1.025. It is probable that the oyster cannot live in water saltier or fresher than within this range. Then, the fresh water streams which flow into these

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Regarding the time required to produce a crop of oysters, we are told :--- "It is commercially valuable at three years of age, but its best commercial value is They four years. That is in the northern water. grow faster in the warmer water of the south. Then. again, in taking up the question of oysters, you have to consider that the oyster will not live in brackish water. He has to have a certain temperature and salinity. He must have water of a moderate temperature, a fairly warm temperature, before he can come into existence, but when he comes into existence, and comes to his swimming days, and when he gets over the swimming stage and settles down he can stand anything above freezing water."

One illustration of the success which attends oyster cultivation must suffice, for our space is limited. The "production of oysters in Louisiana in recent years has been :---

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1897					9								959,190		
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1903													1,534,000	28	
1904									1				1,620,576	6	
1905													2.187,000	35	
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In the five years preceding the enactment of the first oyster law the increase in the production, which was mainly from the natural beds, was 20 per cent, while in the first five years following the passage of the Act, and after it had been improved and amended, the increase was 154 per cent."

Hon. Mr. Brodeur, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, in replying, bore witness to the depletion in the oyster fisheries of the Maritime Provinces during the last 20 years in the following terms :-- "In the year 1899 no less than 61,549 barrels of ovsters were taken, whereas in the last fiscal year the quantity had decreased to 34,599 barrels. In the province of New Brunswick there were in 1886, 28,083 barrels taken, while last year there were only 19,340 barrels. In Prince Edward Island, in 1877 there were 20.850 barrels, in 1889, the quantity increased to 41.257 barrels, and last year it was less than in 1877, 13,519 barrels. In Nova Scotia the oyster fisheries are not very extensive. We find that in 1880 in that province 1,861 barrels were taken, in 1890, 3,013 barrels, in 1900, 1,855 and in 1910, 1,716."

The Minister also remarked :-- "We have to-day about ten thousand acres of living beds, and they might be very largely extended. The beds we have to-day are being depleted, as I mentioned a few moments ago. We have also very extensive barren beds which might easily be cultivated, indeed I might go farther and say I am positive they could be easily cultivated. Beds which formerly contained oysters have been for a certain period of time barren, and now they are without cultivation. I am sure that if these beds were leased to persons who would place oysters upon them and give them proper cultivation they would become more productive than some of the live beds that we have in some parts of the country. While we have to-day 10,-550 acres of land which are natural beds of oysters, I am sure that by leasing those barren beds we can increase immensely the quantity of oysters which will be produced."

He also glanced at the state of affairs on the Pacific "Some references have been made to British Columbia. I may say that the results in British Columbia are very satisfactory. There the cultivation of oyster beds has taken place and the results have been such that the industry is quite flourishing to-day. It is expected that when the question is decided definitely we will probably have on the British Columbia coast a very large number of oyster beds. I may say that the question of jurisdiction has already been submitted to the Supreme Court by a reference which has been made by this government of certain stated questions. Those questions were the result of an understanding between the government of British Columbia and this government, and one of the questions which will be decided is as to whether the bed of the three mile limit is under the absolute control or jurisdiction of the provinces or of the Dominion, and whether we shall have the right, not of regulation, because the question of regulation is not in dispute at all, but to give leases within that three mile limit. This question was called at the last sitting of the Supreme Court, but it was adjourned to be considered later on."

No doubt the general opinion will be that if these things were known at Ottawa a remedy for the depletion of the present beds and a plan for planting others should have been set afoot long before the production had sunken to its present level. Canada cannot afford to lose her reputation for producing the finest oysters in the world, nor the immense revenue which might be produced by them.

-Federal charters have been granted to the Central Canada Power Co. of Toronto, capitalized at ten million dollars; the Dominion Carlite Explosive Co. of Wallaceburg, capitalized at one hundred thousand dollars; and Mount Royal Realties, Ltd., of Montreal, capitalized at one million dollars.

-Continental United States has a population of 91402,151, or an increase of 15,977,691 over the population of 1900. Including Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico, military and naval persons at home and abroad, the population of the United States is 93,402,151.

-Mr. Lewis, M.P., has brought up his daylight saving bill again in the House of Commons.

THE EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BANK.

As usual the 51st annual report of the Eastern Townships Bank, and the accompanying presidential statement, are models of lucidity and frankness. There have been suspicions of resources, full knowledge of which has been kept even from part of the directorate, not contained amongst the published accounts of some of the banks of the world. The Eastern Townships has the reputation of being desirous to put its affairs fully and exhaustively before its owners, and to attempt no gloss upon the prospects of the future. From the full report to be found upon another page of this issue of the "Journal of Commerce," it will be noted that allowances are made for a partial crop-failure in certain portions of the North-West, and that the hope is expressed that in the dairying industry, there will be "a return to the conditions previously prevailing, and the manufacture of butter and cheese within our own territory."

The practical men directing the Bank are evidently fully aware of the importance of the dairying industry, and regret the export of the raw material which should be manufactured by our own people. Cream export may be more lucrative than butter making at the moment, but it is selling capital in reality. and depriving the country of a good trade with its wages and by-products.

As an example of fair sequential argument, the following paragraph from the President's remarks is also well worth quoting:—"In view of the remarkable growth of the country it is evident that increased banking facilities will be required, and, as this can be met more readily and economically by the present organizations increasing their Capital—which several have already done—the Directors have decided to recommend that a Resolution be passed at this meeting for authority to increase the Capital of the Bank in the sum of \$2,000,000,—this increase to be issued from time to time in such amounts and at such rate of premium as the Directors may determine."

The profits for the past year have amounted to \$410,-696, upon a paid-up capital of \$3,000,000. As announced previously, this Bank now pays 9 per cent per annum in dividends, and its stock is held at 166, a low price, which would doubtless mount up, if it were not that it is generally firmly kept for investment purposes, and hardly ever offered on 'Change. \$150,000 was added to the Reserve Fund, which is now \$2,-250.000, or up to 75 per cent of the paid-up capital. A bonus of \$15,000 was voted to the officers of the bank, presumably to mark the jubilee year. There was a remaining sum of \$145,038, from the year's operations, enough to more than pay six months' dividends, which was carried on to the credit of Profit and LOSS

The following condensed statement will be of interest to our readers, as marking the progress and present condition of the Bank:—

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	1860.	1909.	1910.	
	Capital	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	
	Reserve	2,100,000	2,250,000	
			410 693	
ć.	Profits. Dividend, per cent	8	8 & 9	
	Circulation	2 724.766	2,896,335	
	Deposits 6.548	15,427,584	16,892,012	

Discounts, etc	179,006 15,736,591 17	148,990
Quick Assets	107,263 6,729,410 (1,794,477

Bank premises are valued in the report at \$1,077,-442, which considering the property owned in this city and elsewhere is certainly an economical showing.

The Manager, Mr. James Mackinnon, evidently merits all the congratulation this excellent statement will bring upon him, and the Bank is exceedingly fortunate in being enabled to pass its jubilee milestone at such a satisfactory pace.

The Directors were re-elected, Prof. C. W. Colby, M.D., replacing Mr. Frank Grundy, whose death during the year was deeply regretted by those in attendance at the meeting, viz.: Messrs. William Farwell, President; S. H. C. Miner, Vice-President; G. Stevens, C. H. Kathan, J. S. Mitchell, A. C. Flumerfelt, O. A. Robertson, G. G. Foster, K.C., F. N. McCrae, B. C. Howard, and Charles W. Colby, M.D., Montreal.

OUR NEW TRANSCONTINENTAL.

Our London contemporary, the Economist, has set out in grim earnest to "bear" all Canadian securities, especially railway stocks and bonds. It had what purported to be a corresponded article upon the Canadian Pacific, already noticed in our columns, which exposed it to the ridicule of all who knew the facts of the case. This has been followed by two long articles upon the Grand Trunk Pacific and Transcontinental railways, which are most unfair, as well as untruthful. The evident object all through is to counteract the tremendous interest in things Canadian, and especially in Canadian investments which has greatly increased during the term of office of the present Government, which receives the support of the Economist.

The grudging way in which the prospects of the new railway are referred to all through may be illustrated by the following extracts:—

"Construction on the uncompleted portion is now proceeding simultaneously east of Prince Rupert and west of Edmonton, but is making poor progress on account of labour troubles. The distance from Edmonton to Prince Rupert is 964 miles, of which only about 215 miles in the aggregate have so far been completed. It is therefore unlikely that the Western Division will be completed for some years, unless labour conditions improve. The main object of the entire Transcontinental is to open up the country on behalf of the Dominion Government."

"Of course, the supporters of the scheme declare that the Mountain section will work wonders. It will certainly traverse a less mountainous district than the Canadian Pacific, and it is confidently asserted by many travellers that it will traverse a fine agricultural country. If this be so, the Western Division may be able to meet its fixed charges. But it is unlikely to make much out of its through traffic from coast to coast, nor is the anticipated trade with China and Japan in any way assured. It is stated that both the latter nations will consume the wheat grown on the prairies .but as they have both been rice consumers for many thousands of years, such a contingency is very remote. And even if either of these nations were to

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become consumers of wheat, it is more probable that they would consume the wheat grown on the plains of Siberia."

"It is claimed that all the Eastern Division will be completed by the summer of 1912, with the exception of the big bridge over the St. Lawrence above Quebec. Perhaps it will. Time will show. As regards the greater part of the country traversed by the projected Eastern Division, one hears the usual stories of a country 'rich in agricultural and mineral resources, as well as timber.' Few travellers have ever penetrated these desolate regions, so those who have, or who pretend they have, can talk it up, or 'boost' it—as they say in Canada—without fear of contradiction. There are travellers, however, who declare that a great part of it consists of a country of Arctic moss on a superstructure of rock, and that even in midsummer the moss never quite thaws as far down as the rock."

"Further, it would be well for its security-holders to bear in mind that though Canadian labour is apt to be inefficient, this does not prevent agitations for higher wages."

"If the line were to prove still unremunerative after the first ten years, it would surely be abandoned by both the parent and the daughter company, for it would be in nobody's interest to continue to operate it. There is, therefore, no reason why any more branches should be constructed at all, unless it is certain that they will prove remunerative. As they are most unlikely to be remunerative, the Government itself will probably have to construct them, if it wants them."

There is not a word of real encouragement for the G.T.R. shareholders. No mention of the important discoveries of coal on its line in the Rocky Mountain section. No hint of the iron deposits located along-side the right of way by Pittsburg, U.S., iron masters. Not a mention of the great metallic discoveries North of New Ontario. No knowledge is betrayed of the forests of pulpwood in the eastern section already located by manufacturers. Nor does the writer affect to know anything of the numerous water privileges, fish and game possibilities, or grain growing ability of the northern clay belt. The old moth-eaten cold and frost bugbear, is set up instead, quite in the serious fashion of Sir John Mandeville or Harkluyt.

Canadians are dubious about the prospects of portions of the line, but not for the reasons assigned by the Economist. They are doubtful of the policy of running a third line east of Quebec, and of the cconomy of building a Government line. A good many people think we are unduly hastening to build transportation facilities for western grain. Accurate exploration surveys have been made of the country all along the new line, and no newspaper in Canada woull care to receive "copy" which professed ignorance of the "desolate" regions through which the line is being built.

By what earthly or heavenly right the Economist dubs Caradian labour "inefficient," no man can say. The general opinion of the world at large is, that no more capable or versatile workman exists anywhere. But he is seldom found working upon the new railways. That menial, and sadly mechanical, work is almost invariably a monopoly of the poverty-stricken Europeans imported for the purpose.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

The repeal of the surtax duty upon German imports to Canada does not appear to have any marked effect upon the prices of goods from that country hitherward. Economy in manufacture, as already explained in these columns, enabled Germany to surmount the surtax, on goods shipped to this country. It is not surprising, therefore, that attention has been directed latterly to the reciprocal business relations between Great Britain and the Vaterland.

It is regretted that hitherto so little attention has been paid to the relative progress of Germany and England in the various markets of the world. Those whose political aims would seem best served by decrying their own country have for years past diligently dilated on the superior progress made by Germany in foreign trade, while those whose business it should have been to correct these jeremiads have neglected to show as fully as they might have done the causes of Germany's superior progress. It is true that the excellencies of the German educational system and the admirable organization of German industry have been duly pointed out, but little has been said of the enormous advantage which Germany derives from her situation in Gentral Europe. Yet Germany has the same advantage over us as regards the European markets that the United States has over us in the Canadian market. She has the most important markets of the European continent right at her doors, and can get her goods into those markets generally at the cost of one "handling" and one train journey at cheap rates. The United Kingdom, on the other hand, have in most cases to entrain her goods there, re-handle them at the port of shipment, and again handle them at the port of discharge, where they are often entrained a second time before reaching their destination. It is manifest that under such conditions as these Germany has a marked advantage, and as regards some of the European markets the advantage has proved to be quite overwhelming. Thus, taking the twenty years from 1889 to 1908, the exports from Germany and England to Russia, Switzerland and Austria-Hungary have been as follows :-

Average Exports of Domestic Produce for 20 years.

То						From 1889-93.	Germany. 1904-08.	
Russia				 	·	\$38,790 000	\$108,375,000	
Switzerland				 		43,255,000	93,405,000	
Austria-Hunga	ry	••	•••	 ••		80,715,000	159,185,000	
						From	England.	
То				and the		1889-93.	1904-08.	
Russia				 		\$28,200 000	\$49,000,000	
Switzerland				 		7,000,000	9,400,000	
Austria-Hunga						5,790,000	15,120,000	

Now in this period of twenty years the total German domestic exports increased from an average of \$770,-000,000 in 1889-93 to \$1,500,000,000 in 1904-8—an increase of \$730,150 000. In the same periods the total British exports of domestic produce averaged \$1,207,-000,000 and \$1,809,848,000 respectively—an increase of \$600,813,000. In the twenty years Germany's progress was \$128,618 000 hetter than England's, but this superior progress was more than accounted for by the

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three European countries dealt with in the above table. For we have seen that England's increased business with Russia, Switzerland and Austria-Hungary was only \$30,531,000, while German's was \$200,645.000, or \$165,114,000 greater than England's.

From these facts it is clear that the better progress of Germany has been mainly due to the overwhelming advantage she enjoys in relation to a large proportion of the trade of continental Europe and we may now go on to see how far this advantage has operated in her favour during the past ten years. The figures for Germany will be taken from the Statistical Abstract for Foreign Countries, and those for England from the last issue of the Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom. The German exports to the Hanse towns --which have disappeared from the records since 1906, when the trade of these towns was included in the records of the German Customs Union-will be equally divided between European and non-European countries, since it is estimated that the Hanse towns' reexports were, roughly, so distributed. To take first, then, the European countries, we have the following table :--

The Average Exports of Domestic Produce to European Countries are:---

1	From G	ermany.	From 1	ingland.
То	1899-03.	1904-8	1899-03	1904.8.
Ru-sia	16,983	$21,\!675$	9,829	9,810
Norway	3,287	3,859	3.089	3,723
Sweden	6,204	8,258	4.675	5,746
Denmark	6,315	9 191	3,936	4,630
Holland	18.347	21,554	9,317	10,998
Belgium.	12.043	15845	9,195	11,046
United Kingdom	44,354	$50\ 670$		
France	12,453	18,063	$16,\!624$	19.532
Switzerland	13.725	18,681	·	
Portugal	1.021	1.551	2,437	2.645
Spain	2 579	2.934	5,668	5,671
Italy	6,043	11.308	7.716	11 518
Austria-Hungary	23,415	31.837	2.074	3,024
Greece	324	505	1.434	1,548
Bulgaria	293	704	253	571
Servia	320	494	16	115
Roumania	1,604	2,839	985	1.597
Turkey	1.945	3.546	5,808	7.469
Hanse Towns	2,029	766		
Germany			24,794	32.625
	$173\ 284$	224,280	107,850	132,268

The first country in this list, Russia, shows an increase of \$23,400,000 in German trade as compared with an actual fall of nearly \$100.000 in English trade. The next striking feature is the improvement of Germany's trade with Austria-Hungary by \$12,000,000 as against England's own improvement of only \$4.700,000. Moreover, it will be noted that in the cases of all the other countries immediately surrounding the borders of the German Empire her competitors have made nearly double the progress that England has done. Indeed, there are only two countries in the list where the U.K. has advanced more rapidly than the Germans-Turkey and Norway, both of them countries furthest removed from the borders of the German Em-As regards the trade between the competitors pire. themselves, it will be seen that U.K. shipments to Germany have grown by \$39,000,000, while her shipments to the U.K. (taken, be it remembered, from the German returns), have grown by \$31,000,000. The net result of the trade with all European countries is an increase of \$122,000,000 in U.K. trade, and an increase more than double as large (\$250,000,000) in German trade. As regards European trade, then, Germany has made \$133.5000,000 better progress than England has.

(To be concluded.)

CANADA, YESTERDAY AND TO-DAY.

It was not to be expected that one who had given so much of his thoughts to the present and future of the great country where he spent several years of his ripe mathool at Governor-General, should be content to remain inert after his return to his native land whose people contributed so a ach to its prosperity. Every Canadian who its had an opportunity of reading over the Duke of Argyle's volume, entitled "Yesterday and To-day in Canada," will be highly edified with the latest work of one who had for many years devoted so much of his attention to a country to which he **de** voted so much of his time while performing his duties as Governor-General of a Colony which owes so much of its advancement and prosperity among those portions of the Empire which have meantime contributed so much toward its welfare among the nations of the world.

The London "Spectator," in reviewing the latest work from the pen of his Grace, considerately remarks that to "condense into some four hundred pages a sketch of Canadian history and a description of the Dominion as it now is, without omitting anything of real importance, is no small achievement. Where the author has not been able to use his own eyes-there was little that he did not see during h's four years of office-he has availed himself of trustworthy substitutes. And what is the general conclusion? We see it in the cheerful optimism which is the dominant note in these pages. The Duke has visited all the Provinces, and knows their possibilities; in clear language he puts before his readers geographical position, climatic conditions, and chief pursuits, industrial or agricultural. He has a good word for every Province, but we may specially note the particularly happy and graceful words in which he commends Nova Scotia to the emigrant from the Old Country and his en hisia m for British Columbia. 'I used to ay.' he writes Tthat it was a mixture of Scotland and Heaven; and I have seen nothing since 1883 to make me modify this description.' Nothing in the way of valid testimony which may support this encouraging estimate has been omitted; such documents, for instance, as reports of crops and returns of railway takings. A peculiarly interesting item is the adaptation of cereals to new conditions of climate. This is a veritable triumth of scientific agriculture. The drought of Southern Alberta has been overcome by the introduction of the 'Red Alberta' winter wheat; the danger of early frost in Northern Alb rta is banished by planting the 'Red spring wheat.'"

-The production of wood turpentine in the United States for 1907 was 655.000 gallons, which was valued at \$305,000. For 1908 the production was 506,000 gallons, value \$166,000. For 1909 there was produced 683,000 gallons, value \$243,000.

-It is announced that the Hueville woollen mills at Brigue, Newfoundland, which have been standing idle for some years, are to be reopened in March next by a syndicate that has just been formed at Sydney, Cape Briton.

-Grand Trunk Ry. traffic earnings from Dec. 1, to 7. 1910, \$838.345; 1909, \$798,837; increase \$39,508.-Canadian Pacific Railway return of traffic earnings from Dec. 1 to 7, 1910, \$1,-973.000; 1909 \$1 905,000; increase, \$65,000.

-The net earnings of the Bank of Ottawa for the year were \$523,353, compared with \$421,065 last year.

-The Canadian Bank of Commerce has opened a branch at Stowe, Sask.

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Mr. Miller's Act respecting the payment of mortgages is again before the House of Commons, and is of the utmost interest to financiers, as we showed when it was considered last year. It was explained when coming up for its second reading by its author, as follows:---

'This Bill is almost exactly similar to the Bill I introduced last year and which passed its second reading and the committee stage, and stood for third reading, but was not reached. It permits the mortgagor to pay off an overdue mortgage by giving one month's notice of his intention to do so, or by paying one month's extra interest by way of bonus. It applies only to an overdue mortgage; it is not retroactive, but only refers to mortgages made or renewed after this date. The Bill met with the favour of the House last session. It seems to me that a man should have the same right to pay off an overdue mortgage that he has to pay off an overdue note. Last session Mr. Osler, one of the members for Toronto, who has a good deal to do with financial and money lending companies, stated that he could see no wrong in the Bill, and other leading financial men in Toronto have spoken to me in a similar manner. Last session the Minister of Public Works thought that perhaps the Bill might imply that no mortgagor, no matter what was or was not in his contract, could pay off an overdue mortgage unless by giving notice or paying the bonus referred to in this Act. Subsection 2 of the Bill removes that difficulty. Mr. Osler, among others, thought that the mortgagor ought not to be able to give notice repeatedly and, failing to carry out his express intention, Subsection 3 provides cause annoyance to the mortgagee. that if the mortgagor gives notice and does not avail himself of it, that he should have no further privilege in that regard.

Mr. Schaffner: I would like to see that Bill go turther than it does, and I would like to know what the hon. member (Mr. Miller) means exactly by paying off an overdue mortgage.

Mr. Miller: Mortgages are usually made for a term of five years and when the mortgagor has had the money for five years the term of the mortgage expires, and no matter what provision may be in his mortgage that may bind him to give three months' notice or pay three months's interest before he has the privilege of paying off the mortgage, the mortgage having expired he will have the right to pay off this mortgage by giving one month's notice of his intention or paying one month's interest in lieu of notice.

Mr. Schaffner: As a matter of fact, almost all mortgages are drawn so that they may be paid off when they become due.

Mr. Miller: Oh, no.

M. Schaffner: I think most of the mortgages in our country are drawn in that way. What I would like to see is permission under certain conditions to pay a mortgage before it becomes due. By way of illustration, I will state what cecurred in my own case, last year. I bought some land on which a mortgage had been put the year before by the previous owner at a very high rate of interest, 8 per cent. When I bought the land I did not wish to pay 8 per cent interest. I wanted to pay off the mortgage, so that I might, if I wished, put on another at a lower rate of interest; but I was unable to do so. The consequence is that I have to continue paying 8 per cent on that mortgage for 5 years.

Mr. Carvell: I would advise my hon. friend not to buy the land under those circumstances.

Mr. Schaffner: The hon. gentleman does not quite understand the situation. The mortgage was not equal to the value of the land, and I may have made a very profitable .nvestment. even with that mortgage on it. If such a provision as I suggest is not p into this B^{ill} I intend to bring a Bill into the House to admit of mortgages under certain conditions being paid off before they become due.

Mr. Miller: Loan companies, life insurance companies and other companies lending money on land mortgages have done and are doing a great deal to assist in opening up the western country, and it would be grossiz unfair to them to enact the provision which the hon. member suggests, for this reason. Suppose the prevailing rate of interest in the West to day is 7 per cent, and a man borrows money at that rate on a five years' mortgage. That is the best bargain he can make at the time. If money goes up to 8 per cent, the lender cannot, under any provision of the mortgage, demand from the borrower an additional one per cent; but if the prevailing rate of interest fell to 6 per cent during the currency of the mortgage, the consequence of such a law as my hon. friend suggests would be that every borrower would pay off his mortgage, and the mortgagee would have their vaults full of money, with no opportunity to lend it. The privilege would be altogether one-sided.

IRISH MOSS.

It is instructive to be told by the Textile Mercury that the pleasant flavoured semi-medicinal sea moss is used in the textile trade. Says our valued contemporary:—"The scaweed lke substance known as 'Irish moss'—under which general term are included Iceland and carragheen moss—is used largely in the sizing and the finishing of cotton goods, not only as an adhesive, but also for imparting a certain fulness of feel, and it is used in calico printing as a thickening medium.

Irish moss is composed in reality of dried fronds of seaweed of the species 'Chrondrus crispus.' The weed is gathered on the sea coasts of Europe, from Gibraltar as far as the North Cape: but the bulk of the supplies comes from the Irish coasts. The dried product, which is tasteless and odourless, distolves readily in boiling water, leaving undissolved only small portions of fibrous and mineral matters. On cooling, the solution sets to a jelly, of a consistency depending upon the concentration of the liquor at the outset. On evapor ting there is obtained a dry mass of a firm character but with some degree of elasticity. This property recommends its use for sying and finishing purposes, and enables decoctions of Irish moss to give a firm and full 'feel' to cloths-an effect which they retain owing to the presence of saline substances natural to the weeds. There seems to be no reason why Irish moss, with its many excellent properties (chief among the e being its comparative cheapness), should not find even further applications among sizers and finishers. For many purposts in finishing processes, wherein starches are used, Irish moss might well replace them more or less partially with 'he advantage of economy."

U.S. NEW ISSUES.

Since January 1st last the aggregate of bonds, notes and stocks floated by U.S. corporations has reached \$1,401,645,639, against \$1306,751,480 during the first 11 months of 1909, an increase of \$4,894,159.

The railroad output, totalling \$8:4.95,339, an increase of \$63.2.3.859 in contrast with a discrease by the industrial corporations of \$58,369,700 their offerings having amounted to \$557,150,300.

The record of new flotations for the current year is as follows:--

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Meetings, Reports, &c.

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BANK.

The 51st annual meeting of the Eastern Townships Bank was held in the Board Room of the Bank, at Sherbrooke, at 2 o'clock on Wednesday, December 7. There were present :---Messrs. Thomas Ward, Frank Spaulding, William Farwell, S. H. C. Miner, W. E. Lebaron, L. P. Jenne, Frank Sherman, Charles, Ward, Gardner Stevens, Charles H. Kathan, James S. Mitchell, Marcus, G. Crombie, George G. Foster, K.C., B. C. Howard, O.A. Robertson, A. C. Flumerfelt, Frank N. McCrea, Col. H. R. Fraser, Capt. F. Bennetts, etc. President William Farwell occupied the chair. General Manager J. Mackinnon acted as secretary and Col. Harry F. Fraser and Mr. M. G. Crombie, were appointed scrutineers.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual report was as follows:-

The Directors have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for year ending 15th November past.

The net Profits for the year amount to \$410,696.90, which with the balance brought forward from last year gives the sum of \$559.538.33 available.

Out of this the regular quarterly Dividends have been provided for-that payable on the first of January proximo being at the rate of nine per cent per annum; \$150,000 has been added to the Reserve Fund, bringing that account up to \$2,-250,000; \$15,000 set aside for Bonus to employees, \$2 000 transferred to Officers' Guarantee Fund, and a balance of \$145,038.-33 carried forward.

In view of the Reservo Fund having reached 75 per cent of the Paid-up Capital, the Directors feel justified in increasing the Dividend to nine per cent, and are confident their action will be approved.

Business throughout the country has been satisfactory and the outlook encouraging, although expectations of six months ago have fallen short of fulfilment as a result of partial failure of the grain crop in important sections of the North West Provinces. Nevertheless, harvest results throughout the Dominion as a whole, have been sufficient to maintain trade and manufacturing at a high level.

Collections are fair, and the number and importance of insolvencies normal. The export trade in lumber and pulpwood is still lagging, though tending towards improvement.

The dairy industry continues to be in a very satisfactory condition, and while along the southern border an important change has taken place, cream being shipped in large quanti ties to factories and others in the large cities of the United States, it is to be hoped that impending changes in the U.S. Tariff may lead to a resumption in the localities referred to and of a return to the condition previously prevailing and the manufacture of butter and cheese within our own territory.

It is very gratifying to notice that the tide of immigration continues to flow into the country from both England and the United States. The country is growing fast, and much money and credit are needed to finance its development. Our moneyed institutions will be expected to provide increasing facilities so long as rapid development continues.

As the larger proporton of immigrants are settling in the North-West, it means a great increase in the territory to come under culivation, and proportionately the grain supply available for export.

Our manufacturing establishments are prosperous and are increasing in number because of important industries in the U.S. opening branches here in order to share in Canada's prosperity. Paper and Pulp industries are the most active in consequence of new regulations affecting export of pulpwood. It is to be hoped that the necessity of safeguarding our manufacturing industries will be kent in view in any n gotiations looking towards reciproral trade relations with our neighbours to the South.

In view of the remarkable growth of the country it is evi-

dent that increased banking facilities will be required, and is this can be met more readily and economically by the present organizations increasing their Capital-which several have already done-the Directors have decided to recommend that a Resolution be passed at this meeting for authority to increase the Capital of the Bank in the sum of \$2,000,000-this increase to be issued from time to time in such amounts and at such rates of premium as the Directors may determine.

During the year five new offices of the Bank have been opened as well as several sub-agencies, all of which are showing satisfactory results.

New office buildings have been erected at Knowlton, Megantic and Grand Forks, and three others are now under construction, viz : Winnipeg, Montreal West and Sutton.

We have also moved into commodious new premises at Vancouver in a building specially built for our use which we occupy under lease for a long term of years.

With deep regret we have to record the death of Mr. Frank Grundy, one of our Board, who passed away on the 14th November, 1910. Mr. Grundy was a man of wide experience and good business ability and was an active and very useful member of the Board. His death is a great loss to the Bank and and the community generally

All the offices of the Bank have had the usual thorough inspections.

In conclusion, the Directors have much pleasure in testifying to the faithful and painstaking service of the General Manager, Managers and other officers of the Bank.

Respectfully submitted.

WM.	FARWELL.
	President.

\$ 559,538,33

Sherbrooke, Que. 7th December, 1910.

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the year ended 15th November, 1910.

Balance at credit of Profit and Loss brought for-	
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ward from November 15th, 1909	\$ 148,841.43
Profit of Head Office and Branches, after de-	
ducting charges of Management, Interest due	
depositors, and provision for Losses	410.696.90

Appropriated as follows :---

Dividend of 2 per cent, paid	
April 1st, 1910 \$ 60,000.00	
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The President moved, seconded by the Vice-President, Mr. S. H. C. Miner, the adoption of the report, which was car ried unanimously. Gratification was expressed by Shareholders present at the decision of the Board to increase the dividend to nine per cent. The Directors were authorized to apply to the Treasury Board of Canada for its approval of an increase of capital stock of \$2,000,000, raising it to \$5,000,000; new shares to be issued and allotted in such manner and proportion and at such time as the Directors of the Bank may deem proper.

A vote of thanks was given to the President and Directors and to the General Manager, Managers and Staff for their services during the past year.

Following were elected Directors :- William Farwell, S. H. C. Miner, G. Stevens, C. H. Kathan, J. S. Mitchell, A. C. Flumerfelt, O. A. Robertson, G. G. Foster, K.C., F. N. Me-Crae, B. C. Howard and Charles W. Colby.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, immediately held. Mr. William Farwell was re-elected President, and Mr. S. H. C. Miner, Vice-President.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Eastern Townships Bank, held at Sherbrooke, December 7, a resolution was passed expressing the gratitude of the Board to Mr. A. P. Willis. of the Willis Piano Company, for his courtesy to the Bank in allowing them, without compensation, the use of part of the

ground floor in his store on St. Catherine Street, Montreal, the morning after the fire on the 13th October, which enabled them to conduct the business of the Bank without interruption or inconvenience to their customers.

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

Last week's failures in Canada are reported to have numbered 23 against 38 the preceding week and 31 in the corresponding week last year. In the United States there were 287 failures against 275 the week before and 254 the same week last year.

The following assignments have been announced during the current week :-

In Ontario:-J. S. Forsythe, merchant, Cochrane; Wade and Stevens, grocer, Fort William; Rosa and Chas. Amber, merchants, Pembroke, to W. A. Cole; American Floral Perfume Co., Ltd., Toronto, assigned to E. R. C. Clarkson; A. J. H. Phasey, grocer. Toronto; Gordon Bros., butchers, Hamilton, to W. F. McGivern; W. G. King, manufacturer of mattress, Hamilton, to J. T. Middleton; Graham Bros. and Co., lumber merchants, Kinmount, to Geo. A. Jordan; A. Auber and Co., clothing merchants, Pembroke to W. A. Cole, meeting of creditors; J. R. Giles, drugs, Elk Lake; C. Benfield, merchant, Cobalt.

The Austen-Graham Co., Ltd., merchant tailors at 451 Yonge Street, Toronto. have assigned in trust to E. R. C. Clarkson. The liabilities are \$11,000 and the nominal assets about \$10,000. The company started business on Jan. 10, of the present year, after forming a joint stock company, with an authorized capital of \$40,000, to take over the business formerly carried on by Austen and Graham.

In Quebec:-A. Le Brum, grocer, St. Leon de Grand (voluntary); W. S. McBride, tinsmith, Lachute; B. Barakatt, merchant, Three Rivers; Narcisse Breton, plumber, Montreal, meeting of creditors 15th insta; Standard Cloak and Skirt Manfg. Co., Montreal meeting of creditors, 21st. A demand for assignment has been made upon C. Castelletti, restaurant, Montreal. Alfred Chartre, plumber, Montreal, has filed consent to assign. Pierre Garneau, contractor, Quebec, has made a judicial assignment, and a meeting of creditors is called for the 19th. M. Sussman, clothing, St. Theresa de Blainville, has assigned, and meeting of creditors has been announced for 29th.

assigned to J. P. Lyle.

Alberta:-The Central Canadian Packing Co., Medicine Hat, has gone into liquidation voluntarily. W. F. Kirkland, dry goods, Calgary, assigned to H. Madill; J. M. Wilson, grocer, Strathmore to Financial Guarantee Co., Calgary

Manitoba -- Canadian Western Electric Co., Winnipeg, has assigned.

In New Brunswick:-J. E. Hawker, drugs, Centreville, has assigned to S. H. Hawker.

From Newfoundland, we hear of the assignment of E. J. Duder. merchant, St. John's, to W. R. Brooks.

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THE BANK OF TORONTO.

For its fiscal year end ng November 30, the Bank of Toronto has a capital report to present at its annual meeting next month. The Profits were \$789,657, upon a paid-up capital of \$4,000.000, which works out at between 14 and 15 per cent. It has paid its dividends of 10 per cent, written off \$48,7.1 from its Bank premises, and carried on \$194,777 to the rext year. As this remainder will about pay six months' dividends, and the Rest already amounts to \$4,7.0,000, the share holders have at least no reason to dread the outcome of the meeting. Like the other banks, the Toronto took advantage of the temporary circulation plan of the government. When the books closed, over five million dollars' worth of Dominion notes were being carried. Its any strangers and to wait all

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INSURANCE NOTES.

-The Phoenix Mutual announces the appointment of Orra S. Rogers as general agent in New York City in succession to William C. Johnson, who becomes vice-president of the Columbian National on January 1.

-The Prudential claims to have behind it the record of having paid out in death claims (exclusive of matured endowments, Annuities, etc.) since its organization, the grand total of over 166 millions of dollars, the disbursements for the year 1910 so far being (up to and including November 26th) over 16 millions of dollars (to be exact, \$16,070,696), including mortuary dividends.

-There is another kind of insurgency in New York over the fact that the fire companies collect from the Metropolitan district in premiums over \$25,000,000 per annum, while they pay about \$10,000,000 in fire losses. New Yorkers have no desire to bear other people's insurance burdens, though they possibly forget how quickly a big conflagration, which is always possible, would make a hole in even twenty-five millions.

-The total loss on the brick warehouse of A. R. Mac-Donald and Co., wholesale grocers in Winnipeg, Man., with \$220,000 of fire insurance, is held by the city building inspector to have been due to the collapse of the floors before the fire. He had previously complained that they were overloaded. The provincial fire commissioner. however, holds that the fire started before the collapse of the floors. The matter will hardly be settled without litigation.

-During 1909 there were 219,529 new life insurance policies issued by the 43 native companies doing business in Germany, with an insurel value of \$269,653,168. During the same year 96 801 policies expired, 27,296 with an insured value of \$30,726,569 through death of the insured, and 12.187 of the value of \$16,316,982, by falling due. The total life insurance policies in the hands of German companies at the end of 1909 numbered 2,177,889, with an insured value of \$2,582.180.839.

-There is a call to all life agents in the remarks of E. A. Woods of Pittsburg, at the Chicago meeting of Insurance Company Presidents last week. He said inter alia:--"This nation is just now beginning to realive that the chief wealth of a country is not its property or natural resources, but the lives and health of its people. If it is true that the lives of a nation are worth three times its property, the \$25,000,000, 000 of life in-urance is not enough for the lives of American people worth over \$350,000,000,000. If the property of the country is ins red for \$45,000,000,000, half that amount of 1 fe insurance is not enough, particularly, when it furnishes not only protection, but saving."

-E. G. Colvin, an agent of the Metropolitan in Al xandr'a, Va., was knocked in the head and robbed of \$80 by two negroes several nights ago. The assault and robbery took place in the section of the city little frequented at night. Mr. Colvin had been to a number of houses to collect payments, when he was approached by one of the negroes, who asked him if he was a "straight life" man. Replying in the affirmative he was in mediately struck with a large rock on the forchead, over the left eye by one of the negroes, who held the rock in his hand. The blow sent Mr. Colvin to the ground, stunning him. Without further partcying the negroes took his money and fled. Of course, being an insurace man, he was financially protected against robbery, burglarly and such accidents as "rocks!"

-We learn that after over thirty years' litigation the Mutual Life Insurance Co. lost a suit on a life policy in the Supreme Court in Newark, N.J., lately. The policy on which the original suit was brought insured Oscar Adder, a glove manufactur r of Newark, who died in 1876. The company refused payment on the ground that the assured had committed suicide. After two dismissals, the beneficiaries obtained a new third trial, and on this trial the Mutual Life lost. It appealed in its turn, and again the case was sent back for retrial, resulting in the present verdict against the company, it being ordered to pay \$15,050, more than three times the amount of the original insurance. With costs added this will furnish another proof of the glorious certainty of the law to make somebody pay the piper. -We notice that no developments with regard to the future of the Equitable Life Assurance Society resulted at last week's annual meeting, the only announcement following the session being that no plan had yet been devised for the disposition of the stock acquired by J. P. Morgan a year ago, and that the company would continue without change for the present. The holdings bought by Mr. Morgan, it will be remembered, were formerly owned by Thomas F. Ryan, and the purchase was subject to the trust under which Morgan J. O'Brien, George Westinghouse and the late Grover Cleveland were made voting trustees for the benefit of the policyholders. Although the trust agreement expired in June, the formal transfer of the stock has not yet taken place, and the surviving trustees still exercise the right to vote.

. —The U.S. Insurance companies have intervened in the dispute between the railroads and the Railroad Commission, through G. E. Ide, who pleads in this way:—"As nearly as I can learn, of the entire bond issues of the steam railroads of this country amounting to \$0,118,000,000, the life insurance companies doing business in the State of New York hold \$1. 139,000 000, or one-eighth of the entire railroad bond issues of the country. There are about 20,000,000 policyholders in these life insurance companies, and they are all collectively and individually interested in the integrity of this investment. Any move which even sentimentally affects unfavourably the railroads of the land will strike a blow at three shour tess which will affect this vast army of thrifty citizens. It is not necessary to reduce railroads to a condition of bankrupty before the value of the underlying securities is affected."

-We cull the following statement showing the importance of some foreign fire insurance companies in the United States from the Weekly Underwriter:--

		First Year	1909.	
	Entry.	Premiums, P	remiums.	
Cologne Reinsurance		\$ 459,044 \$	\$1,202.167	
First Russian	1906	609.129	806 159	
Jakor	1907	158,296	2,110,912	
Moscow	1899	696.031	1,924,492	
Munich Reinsurance	1897	46 634	5,507,812	
Rossia	1903	1 018,666	4,846,342	
Russ'a Reinsurance	1906	611,834	1,209.812	
Salamandra	1899	660.156	3,391,345	
Skandia	1899	443 931	1,380.107	

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-The Insurance Press announces :- It has taken the insurance mon of the United States a long time to see the value of the systematic instruction which has been open to the insurance officers and clerks of Great Britain and Capada, but the details of a plan has now been worked out, so far as fire and casualty insurance are concerned. In the course of a year or two life and marine insurance will be taken up, 1ut for the present all the studying will have to be done in the two branches named. The average insurance clerk h's a number of spare hours at his disposal, and once he gets into the habit of using them to advantage it may be expected that he will really take an interest is furthering his a quaintance with the duties which fall to is employment. Certainly a high order of insurance clerks has been developed at Montreal and Toronto, and we may now hope that the charge laid against the Americas clerk that he is a one-sided man will disappear. A little mental stimulus will not come amiss to the best informed of men. The hope of an increased salary should not be the only incentive.

FIRE RECORD.

Fire Dec. 7: did \$15,000 damage to the stock of toys and Christmas novelties of Granger Freres, Ltd., St. Paul Street. Covered by insurance.

The flat occupied by Edward W. Owens, a pad manufacturer, at 64 Colborne Street. Toronto, was partially destroyed by fire Dec. 7, entailing a loss of \$3,000 to the contents and \$500 to the building.

Belec's shoe repairing store 753 Mary Anne Street, West, was damaged by fire Dec. 9 to extent of \$400. Cronkrite a by fire Dec. Rimouski and Fire was die

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Scarcely a rip by President Ta thing interestin As the business alone to work able. The rai Cronkrite and Brickman's livery, Belleville, was damaged by fire Dec. 7, to extent of \$300, covered by insurance in the Rimouski and Queen.

Fire was discovered Dec. 7 on the second floor of the Lister block, 13 King William Street, Hamilton. Damage to the extent of nearly \$5,000 was done by fire and water. The stock in J. J. McQuarrie's grocery store on the first floor suffered considerable damage.

The residence of L. G. Lewis of Sidney Townships, just west of Belleville, was destroyed by fire Dec. 8. The building and contents were insured for \$4,000, and the loss will probably equal that amount.

The store building on Fourth Street, Rainy River, Ont., known as Huggin's block, was gutted by fire Dec. 7, and is practically a total loss. Part of the building was occuped by R. Boehm, a shoemaker, and Chas. Hamilton, a painter. Mr. Boehm and family occupied the room above the store, but the greater part of the building was unoccupied. Loss \$2,-000.

Fire Sunday did \$2,000 damage to E. W. King Electric Co., Chenneville Street.

The unoccupied double house at Fairview, N.B., owned by J. Gough was badly gutted by fire Dec. 6. Loss \$1,000, with \$500 insurance.

The compressor house at No. 1 colliery. Sydney Mines, N.S., was damaged by fire Saturday. Loss \$7,000.

The Me chants Hotel, Portage la Princie, Man., was gutted by fre last week. Loss \$18,000, insured.

A d'sastrous fire broke out at Dauphin. Man., Sunday in the hardware store of A. R. MacPherson, and before extinguished, three wooden blocks were destroyed. Loss \$25,000, with incurance of about 80 per cent.

The house of L. Bayord, 3221 De Gaspe Street, was damaged by fire Monday.

The residence of J. W. Leonard, 420 Cote St. Antoine Road. Westmount, was badly damaged by fire Tuesday. Loss \$4,000, covered by insurance.

The dwelling of J. Kilpatrick, Belleville, was destroyed by fire Monday. Loss partly insured.

A restaurant at 27 East Vitre Street, was damaged by fire Tuesday to extent of \$500.

The model school at Matane, Que., was destroyed by fire Wednesday.

A building partly occupied by Bourse du Travail on St. Valier Street, Quebec, was damaged by fire Wednesday to extent of \$4.000.

The fire loss of the United States and Canada for the month of November as compiled by our New York namesake, shows a total of \$16,407,000. The following table shows the relative losses of November, 1910, and those of the same month in 1908 and 1909, together with the losses of the other months of those three years:--

months of mose three year	1908.	1909.	1919.
Jamary	\$29.582 000	\$22 735,000	\$15,175.400
February	18,489.700	16,131,000	15,489,250
March	16.723 300	13 795.400	18.465,550
Apr'l	26,009.000	19 345 300	18,091,800
May	15,181,150	17,369 400	18.823.200
June	19.512 000	14,435,900	13,183,600
July.	15 323 750	15.830,900	26,847,900
August	23,123,000	16,423.000	21,570,550
September.	21,431,400	15,043.000	11 700.000
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FINANCIAL REVIEW.

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Montreal, Thursday Afternoon, December 15, 1910.

Scarcely a ripple on the deep waters of finance was caused by President Taft's message. Under his predicessor, something interesting always followed his bludgeon-like essays. As the business world wants nothing so much as to be let alone to work things out at present, the change is acceptable. The railways and metals are unsetting features. though there is an underlying impression that published reports are more pessimistic than is necessary. Corn and cotton are going to bring large amounts of found money into the ecuatry, manufacturing is improving, mining is progressing, and unless some undiscernible rottenness underlies the trade, the depressing talk regarding the future, which is fashionable just now, would appear to be premature. Bank statements are certainly poor, and foreigners suspect new bond issues, and probably these facts influence the stock market, which absolutely refuses to be galvanized into activity. Perhaps, though it is hard on Wall Street, it is as well that money should be invested directly in industries, real estate, and development of resources.

The leader on the local market this week was Detroit Street railways. This has always been a favourite stock in dull times, since it easily lends itself to manipulation, and on very slight grounds it recovered from 54 to 67. Something overhangs Montreal Street, and it would almost appear that powerful interests desired to get it down to a quotation small enough to make a good swallowing. Montreal Power is unsteady at between 135 and 140. Another big merger may make it pick up at any moment. Steel Corporation holds up well about the 60 point, in confidence in itself, regardless of what politics may bring about. Quebec Railway is not so busy, and possibly profit-takers have seen their best day for a time. Ogilvie and Lake of the Woods have been rather more busy, but it is doubtful if any combine will be carried through, though it would be popular if comprehensive. Cement has weakened slightly perhaps, owing to the season.

Banks are slightly more active at generally better prices, and there is some demand.

Bonds have come on for realization, and find buyers ready for them in most cases, at fractional inducements.

The London Stock Exchange has listed Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) $\pm 2,054,800$ fives.

It is expected that the production of gold in the Transvaal for the current year will be over \$7,500,000 ounces. Last year's yield was 7 280,000. Up to November 30, the act at output was 7,300,000 ounces.

A true bill has been found by an Ontario County Court Grand Jury against Messrs. A. B. McGill, J. J. Flury, and J. L. Coulter, on the ground of unlawful conspiracy to withdraw funds from the Farmers' Bank, and deposit them elsewhere.

We are told that deposits in U.S. Savings Banks increased by \$357,000,000 in the year ending June 30, the total deposits aggregating \$4,000,000,000.

The Bankers Magazine says that gold to the value of \$35, 000.000 is withdrawn from monetary purposes and used in arts each year in the United States. How much is buried in filled teeth in the cemeteries has not yet been even estimated. The St., Louis and South-Western has decided to reduce its dividend from 5 to 4 per cent, because of increased operating expenses.

Although several savings banks in New York have decided to cut their interest rates from 4 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, some of the larger institutions refuse to be guided by Wall Street's moanings of distress. The Leaman's Emigrants', Maiden Lane, Broadway, Brooklyn and Williamsburg Banks have all decided to pay the old rate.

Secretary MacVeagh's suggestion that the new U.S. Panama 3 per cent bonds should be issued without their present advantage of circulating as cash, reminds us that French 3 per cents rentes sell at about 98. German Imperials 3 per cents at only 83. British Consols 21/2 per cents at 79. New York city 4 per cents bring only 99, and its 31/2 per cents worse than 87. The old plan would pay better for the present.

The Bank of France on Dec. 8 reported only a nominal decrease in its stock of gold, while it reduced discounts by \$37,560,000 and note circulation by \$18,070,000; bills are now negotiable there at 25% per cent, occasionally a fraction lawer. No doubt the Pank of England had good reason for maintaining its 41½ per cent discount rate in a 31½ per cent money market.

It is no secret that London has been making large shipments of gold to Turkey.

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New York bankers thought better of bidding for the new gold in London on Monday, which would have been absolutely profitless at present rate.

Europe bought what gold the Bank of England did not want this week, at a fractional advance of apparently an eighth.

Stelling exchange is running a curious course this month, but is generally firmer than might have been looked for.

Evidently the settlement of the cotton bills dispute had been well discounted. There was no palpable movement in consequence of it, anywhere.

Money is dull at all U.S. centres, and quotations will probably fall after the new year.

. Berlin has fallen to the basis of 43% per cent for spot bills and 45% per cent for bills to arrive, notwith tanding the loss of \$1,998,000 gold reported last week by the Imperial Bank of Germany.

Great Britain's trade is not suffering from the political unsettlement, judging from the official returns for November. The imports reached the huge figure of 320,425,000 and the exports 184,485,000, the balance of imports being, therefore, 135,940,000, and the total foreign trade 504,910,000. As compared with November last year, the increase in imports was 12,399,500 and the gain in exports 17,879,500 while there were increases of 27,029,500 and 18,802,000 in October. The November receipts of merchand se included unusually large amounts of cotton, the increase from America amounting to about $7,500\,000$ and from Egypt 88,750,000.

There has been a notable decline at Brussels, to 33% per cent; as contrasted with a Bank rate of 5 per cent, a disparity that should mean an early reduction by the Bank. In Amsterdam, also, money is plentiful, the charge there being only 31% per cent.

In London there has been, last week end, a break in Consols to the lowest level $(78\frac{1}{2})$ in two generations, concurrently with a marked decline in discount rates.

The National Bank of Scotland have declared a dividend of 15 per cent and a bonus of 5 per cent out of the profiles for the year ended Nov. 1.

At Toronto, bank quotations: Traders, 143; Im erial, 2201/4; Dominion, 2341/2; Commerce 2121/2.

In New York:—Money on call 3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Time loans, very dull; 60 and 90 days, 4 to $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent; 6 months' 4 to $4\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 5 to $5\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Sterling exchange 4.82.10 to 4.82.25 for 60 day bills and at 4.85.40 for demand. Commercial bills $4.81\frac{1}{2}$ to $4.81\frac{3}{4}$. Bar silver $54\frac{1}{2}$. Mexican dollars 45. U.S. Steel. com., $73\frac{1}{4}$; pfd. 116 $\frac{3}{4}$; Amal. Copper 64; N.Y.C. & H.R.R. 111 $\frac{7}{4}$. —In London: Bar silver 25 3-16d. Money $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Discounts: Short bills $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent; 3 months', $3\frac{3}{4}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Gold premiums: Nadrid 7.25; Lisbon 8.50. Paris exchange on London 25 frances 27 centimes. Berlin exc., 20 marks $4\frac{3\frac{1}{2}}{2}$ pfennigs.

The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending Dec. 15, 1910, as compiled by Messrs. C. Meredith and Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

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	High-	Low-	Last	Year
Sales.	est.	est.	Sale.	ago.
36	2113/4	210	$211\frac{3}{4}$	193
2	$168\frac{1}{2}$	$168\frac{1}{2}$	$168\frac{1}{2}$	
51	1541/2	$153\frac{1}{2}$	$154\frac{1}{2}$	
342	187	180	187	170
90	209	2061/4	$206\frac{1}{4}$	
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Miscellaneous:

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Bell Telep. Co	154	143	143	143	1463/4
Packers, com	100	32	30	30	
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Crown Res	2.70	2.67 2	2.69	
Detroit 12,680	67	54	67	3760 1.1.5 million
Dom. Coal, pfd 5	111	110	111	116
Dom. Iron & Steel, pref. 184	1031/4	1023_{4}	103	1361/2
E. Can. & P.P 350	32	32	32	
Textile	601/4	601/4	601/4	711/2
Do. Pref 14	100	100	100	103
Halifax Elec. Ry 182	132	131	131	122
Lake of Woods 1417	1361/4	131	1361/4	134
Laurentide Paper 125	170	170	170	
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Mexican 60	87	85%	85 1/8	
Mont. Light, H. & Power 1436	$139\frac{1}{2}$	135	137	1305/8
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Ogilvie	127	126	127	1381/2
Do. Pref 31	127	126	127	126
Ottawa L. & P 15	128	128	128	
Penman's Ltd 60	60	58	60	59
Do. Pref 120	84	84	84	
Quebec Ry 715	59	58	581/4	$65\frac{3}{4}$
Rich. & Ont. Nav. Co. 273	91	80	91	891/2
Shawinigan	109	1067/8	109	100
Soo, com 400	$1291/_{4}$	128	1291/4	
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Bonds:				
Black Lake Asbestos 1000	77	77	77	
Cement 12,600	98	971/2	973/4	
Can. Car Fdy 2000	1041/2	104	1041/2	
Can. Rubber 4500	97	963/4	97	99
Dominion Coal 5000	97	961/2	97	
Dom. Cotton 5500	101	1001/2	101	
Dom. Iron & Steel 16,000	95 %	95	951/8	951/2
Lake of Woods 1000	110	110	110	
Mont. St. Ry 700	101	100	100	
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--Montreal bank clearings for week ending Dec. 15, 1910, \$40,930.984; 1909 \$48,993,841; 1909 \$33,325,810.-Toronto clearings for week ending Dec. 15, 1910, \$35,860.528.



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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, Thursday, December 15th, 1910.

Seasonable weather, the closing of a good year's trade, and favourable prospects for the future, give a vim to the Christmas business, which promises to be brisk. Of course, just at present the retailers have things their own way. Wholesale houses have filled winter orders, and in many cases completed stock taking. Travellers are sending in orders now for the Spring trade, and report a good deal of cautious buying. Evidently next summer is not being drawn upon freely. Collectons are on the whole fair, though it is suspected that if banks were easier, there would be improvement. A good deal of money is tied up in local enterprises or speculations. Mills are busily employed, and farm products are moving, though rather slowly, to markets. Railway freight rates, which went up the end of November as usual, have had little effect on shipments this year. Woollens are not selling as freely as might be, perhaps because prices are high, but it is thought they will prevail over cottons and mixed yarns, which are also dear. Groceries are inclining upwards in most lines excepting sugar, which is still unsettled and weak. Heavy metals are quiet and prices firm, with excellent prospects. Leather promises improvement, as there are no stocks in the manufactured goods market. In provisions, and dairy produce. we may expect some declines, prices are evidently weakening. All grains are cheaper, and wheat, which is varying with reports of foreign crop guesses, is being held for better terms in many quarters, which may not be as wise a policy as some think.

BEANS.—Prices have weakened slightly market is quiet. In a jobbing way 3-pound pickers sold at \$1.75 to \$1.80 per bushel. New crop beans in car lots are offering to arrive at \$1:65 to \$1.70 per bushel, ex-track.

BRAN AND FEED GRAIN.—There is a strong demand for bran and cattle feed throughout the whole country. Prices are:—Ontario bran \$18.50 to \$19; do. middling \$22.00 to \$22.50; Manitoba shorts \$21.00 to \$22.00; Manitoba bran \$18.00 to \$20.00; pure grain moullie \$31.00 to \$32.00; mixed moullie \$25.00 to \$28.00.

BUTTER.—A fair business is passing at slightly strengthening prices and supplies are only fair. The receipts for the season were 418,263, aganst 376,302 packages last year. Choicest quoted at 251/2 to 26c and seconds at 24c to 251/2 c.

CHEESE.—Trade is dull, owing to season, but prices are firm as follows:—Western quoted at $11\frac{3}{4}$ to $11\frac{7}{8}c$, and easterns at $11\frac{1}{4}$ to $11\frac{1}{2}c$.

—The receipts for the season show a slight improvement for this year, being since May 1st 1.975,426 boxes, against 1,953,789 in 1909.

-Our London advice says: The market for cheese is firm; Canadian is quoted at 55s to 59s.

COOKED MEATS.—Trade is increasing greatly, and prices are firm. Boiled ham, skinned boneless, per lb., 24c; New England pressed ham, lb., 14c; head cheese, per lb., 10c; English brawn, per lb., 121/2c; cooked pickled pigs feet, in vinegar, kits, 20 lbs., per lb., 9c.

DRY GOODS.—The large wholesale houses have been busy with their preliminary stocktaking. Travellers' orders have been fair and the men are now all out on their spring order ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.

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trips. Owing to uncertainty about raw cotton, because of the U.S. government's unsettling census return, prices are strengthening in some lines, and mills are disinclined to manufacture for storage. Some few advances are reported already. Wholesale houses say that both orders and payments are very good. New York quotes:—Cotton, mid uplands, spot, N.Y., 15.05c; print cloths, 28-inch, 64x64s, 334c; print cloths, 28-inch, 64x60s, 3% to 3 11-16e; Gray goods, 384/2 inch standard, 51% to 51% c; gray goods, 39-inch, 68x72s 55% to 5% c; brown sheetings, south., stand., 81% c; brown sheetings,

4-yard, 56x60, 61_4 c; brown sheetings, 3-yard, $7\frac{1}{2}$ c; den.m., 9 ounces, $14\frac{1}{2}$ c to $17\frac{1}{2}$ c; tickings, 8 ounces, $13\frac{1}{2}$ c; Standard prints, $5\frac{1}{2}$ c; standard staple ginghams, 7c; dress ginghams, $7\frac{1}{2}$ c to $9\frac{3}{4}$ c; Kid-finished cambrics 4c to $4\frac{1}{4}$ c; brown drills, standard, $8\frac{1}{4}$ c.

-Manchester advises that linen goods are not to move. with with any freedom, and makers find difficulty in booking fresh orders. The American trade continues very slow, and home demand usually falls off at the near end of the year. The Government continues to place considerable orders for heavy cloth, and these keep certain manufacturers busy.

-From Dundee, we learn that jute prices have been ensier, and the Calcutta and London markets are firmer. The business done is limited. Quotations are £19 5s to £19 10s for first marks, £18 for Daisee 2, and £17 for Daisee 3. The better class of jute is rather scarce and prices firm.

-All woollens are strongly held owing to the tone of the raw wools market, and the excellent demand reported from the West Riding.

EGGS.—Receipts continue light with demand small. Newly laid are quoted at 46c to 48c doz., and selects 20c to 30c doz. No. 1 stock at 25c to 26c, and No. 2 at 19c to 20c. —The receipts from May 1st were 185 324 cases, against 189,379 for the same period a year ago.

Activitiers are getting 50c to 60c new laid; seconds, 38c to

FISH Prices are well sustained, and demand is! large! Oysters' will probably be dearer soon. Fancy Malpeque oysters are quoted at \$10 to \$13 per brl. Fresh:— Market cod 4c; haddock 5c; sea trout 14c; dressed perch and bullheads 10c; steak cod 6c.—Frozen: New mackerel, 12c; B. C. salmon $8\frac{1}{2}$ c to 9c; halibut, 8c to $8\frac{1}{2}$ c; smelts, 10c to 15c lb.—Smoked: New fillets, 15 lb. boxes. 10c; new haddies, 15 lb. boxes, 7c; new kippers, half boxes, \$1.25; new bloaters 80 in box, per box \$1.25; boneless smoked herring 10 lb. boxes, per box, \$1.20. New smoked herring, per box, \$1.20.—Salted and pickled: New Labrador herring, brls., \$5.50; half barrels. \$3.00. B. C. salmon, \$7.00 per half barrel; Labrador salmon, \$16.00 per barrei, Large salt eels, per lb., $7\frac{1}{2}$ c.—Oysters: Sealshipt selects, per gall., \$2.00; do. Standards, per gall, \$1.85; bulk oysters, selects. per gall, \$1.60; do. Standards, per gall, \$1.40; live lobsters. per lb., 30c.

FLOUR.—Demand for spring wheat flour is fairly good, but there is little movement in winter wheat; we quove: Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.60; do. seconds, \$5.10; winter wheat patents, \$4.75 to \$5.00; Manitoba strong bakers. \$4.90; straight rollers \$4.35 to \$4.50; straight rollers. in bags, \$2.00 to \$2.05; extras \$1.65 to \$1.75.

GRAIN.—Wheat is advancing on account of poor condition of crops. Net gain reaching $\frac{3}{8}c$. Corn declined about the same, and oats down $\frac{1}{2}c$. We quote prices in car lots, ex-store, as follows: Corn, American No. 3 yellow $57\frac{1}{2}$ to 58c; oats, No. 2 Canadian western $39\frac{1}{4}$ to $39\frac{1}{2}c$; oats, No. 3 Canadian western $38\frac{1}{4}c$ to $38\frac{1}{2}c$; oats, No. 2 local white, $37\frac{1}{2}c$; oats, No. 3 local white $36\frac{1}{2}c$; Man. barley No. 4. 48c to $48\frac{1}{2}c$; Manitoba feed barley 47 to $47\frac{1}{2}c$.

-Winnipeg reports Cash Wheat: Wheat No. 1 northern. 89%c; No. 2 86%c; No. 3 83%c; No. 4 79%c; rejected 1. No. 1 northern, 83c; rejected 1. No. 2 northern, 80%c; rejected 2 No. 1 northern 80%c; rejected No. 2 northern 78%c; rejected No. 1 for seed 82%c; rejected No. 2 northern 78%c; rejected No. 1 for seed 82%c; rejected No. 2 northern for seed, 80%c. Oats: No. 2 white, 32%c. Barley, No. 3, 47c. Flax, No. 1, NW., \$2.05; No. 1 Man., \$2.03.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—A good trade is expected from now on. Cranberries will remain at the \$10.00 mark for a few days yet, after which there might be a reduction. Oranges are higher. Valencia's 420's at \$4 per dozen, and 714's at \$4.50. California navels, all sizes, sell at \$3.50, and Floridas at \$3.75. Grapefruit remains high, heavy weights \$6 per keg and medium \$5.

GROCERIES.-Business has passed over into retailers hands, and wholesal is report things very duli. Orders are not coming in freely, and payments are only fair. Money is evidently not plentiful in the trade. The sugar market is slightly unsettled, but the tendency is undoubledly higher, local prices being about \$4.65 to \$4.70 granulated. P.i es in New York are: Raw sugar, firm; Muscovado, 89 test, 3.55c; centrifugal, 96 test 4.05c; molasses sugar, 89 test, 3.30c Rofined, steady; cut loaf. \$5.60; crushed \$5.50; mould "A" \$5.15; cules, \$5.05; powdered \$4.95, powdered \$4.90; granulated \$4.80; d'amond "A" \$4.80; confectioners' "A" \$4.60; No. 1 \$4.55; No. 2, \$4.50; No. 3 \$4.45; No. 14, \$3.95. Molasses New Orleans, open kettle 30c to 45c. In London, raw sugar. centrifugal, 10s; Muscovado, 9s. Beet sugar, December, $9s~^{3\prime}_{4}d.$ In canned goods the shortage in tomators and peak is strengthening holders in their ideas of advancing prices. The corn pack is larger than usual but there was no carry over, and demand is good at higher rates. Raisins have advanced 1/2 f.o.b. coast. Though European fruit shows little improvement. Currants are stronger, owing to a short crop in Greece, amounting to only 32 000 tons. Dates also are firm, of excellent quality, and in fair demand. Figs are steady, but demand is hardly up to the average. Candied peals run from 71/2 to 111/2e for lemon and orange, and 121/2 to 131/2 for eitren.

-Coffee is still on the up grade, and has advanced from 5 to 20 points. Dec. selling up to 11.051/c. though liable to change as we write. Brazilian cables declare Rio firmer yesterday. Santos slightly quieter.

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-Exports of tea from Japan for Canada so far this year amount to 3,126,675 lbs. against 3,130,140 same time last year.

HAMS AND BACON.—Press are inclining downward. We quote: Extra large sizes 28 to 40 lbs., $12\frac{1}{2}c$; large sizes, 20 to 28 lbs., $14\frac{1}{2}c$; medium sizes, selected weights, 15 to 19 lbs., $15\frac{1}{2}c$; extra small sizes, 12 to 14 lbs., $15\frac{1}{2}c$; hams, bone out, rolled, large, 16 to 25 lbs., 16c; hams, bone out, rolled, small, 9 to 12 lbs., 17c; breakfast bacon, English boneless (selected), 15c; brown brand English breakfast bacon (boneless, thick), $14\frac{1}{2}c$; Windsor bacon skinned (backs). $15\frac{1}{2}c$; spiced roll bacon, boneless, short, 14c; p cnic hams, 7 to 10 lbs., 14c; Wiltshire bacon (50 lbs. side), 16c; cottage rolls, 18c.

-Liverpool: The market for Canadian bacon is dull and the feeling is weaker, and prices lower at 56s to 59s.

HAY.—Country hay is coming in freely and is in good demand, the quality being excellent this season. Quotations: \$11 to \$11.50 per ton for No. 1; \$10 to \$10.50 for No. 2 extra; \$9 to \$9.50 for No. 2; \$7.50 to \$8 for clover mixed, and \$7 to \$7.50 for clover.

—The shipments of hay from this port for the season of 1910 is 717,715 bales, as against 448.662 bales for 1909, and 225,748 for 1908.

HIDES.—The demand has not improved at all, and prices remain firm. Prices: Sc per lb. for uninspected; Sc for No. 3, and 9c for No. 2, and 10c for No. 1. and for calf skins they pay 10c for No. 2 and 12c for No. 1. and sell at $\frac{1}{2}$ c per lb. advance. Sheep skins 50c to 55c each. Lamb skins are 40c and 45c each, and horse hides \$1.75 for No. ?, and \$2.50 for No. 1. Tallow, $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 4c for rough; and $\frac{6}{2}$ c to 7c for refined.

HONEY.—Trade is quiet, with little doing. Prices quoted are:—Clover, white honey, l4e to $14\frac{1}{2}c$; dark grades, $12\frac{1}{2}c$ to 13c; white extracted 7c to 8c; buckwheat 6c to 7c.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—Fears are expressed lest the stocks of pig iron prove too heavy for the company's resisting price reductions. U.S. steel declare prices are not to be cut, and sheet iron men make similar announcement. Trade in railroad material is dull. Structural steel is Lusier in Canada, though dull in the United States. U.S. Steel is operating 54 per cent of its furnace capacity only.—Copper is slightly firmer because of decrease shown in last monthly statement in stocks on hand. Lake is non 13 to 131/4c; electrolytic 133/8 to 13c. The surpresingly firm, considering the trade position, and stands at 38 1-3c to 58.40c. Lead continues quiet at the late advance, ranging down from 4.55. Spelter steady 5.80 to 5.90. Producers claim that prices must advance again.

--November statistics show a decrease in blast furnace producing of 175.894 tons, compared with previous menth, a total of 1.910.311 tons of pig iron. 12 stacks went out of blast in the month.

-According to Judge Gary, U.S. Steel is shipping 60 per cent of capacity and producing about 10 per cent-

-Net earnings for the fourth quarter of U.S. Steel are likely to show less than \$20,000.000, against \$40.982,746 in corresponding quarter of 1909.

LEATHER.—Business in hides is very light and quiet. Leather is selling in hand to mouth quantities only to local factorics. The export trade has been fair. The prices are as follows:—No. 1 25c; No. 2 24c; jobbing leather No. 1 27c; No. 2 $25\frac{1}{2}e$. Oak, from 30 to 35c, according to quality.

LIVE STOCK.—Prices of live stock are advancing in this market. This week's quotation running up $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ c per lb. Although as much as $6\frac{1}{2}$ to $7\frac{1}{4}$ c was paid for extra choice fancy, the regular prices were: Choice steers sold at 6e to $6\frac{1}{4}$ c good at $5\frac{1}{2}$ c to $5\frac{3}{4}$ c, fairly good at 5e to $5\frac{1}{4}$ c, fair at $4\frac{1}{2}$ e to $4\frac{3}{4}$ c, comomn at 4e to $4\frac{1}{4}$ c, and cows and bulls from 3c to 4e per lb. As anticipated, hogs, declined from 53 STOCKS

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Bell Telephone Co	5	\$ 3,368,000	1st Oct.—1st Apl.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. April 1st, 1925				
Can. Con. Rubber Co	6	2,600,000	1st Apl1st Oct.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. Oct. 1, 1946	97	964	Redeemable at 110 after Oct 1, 1911.	
Can. Cement Co	6	5,000,000	1st Apl 1st Oct.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. Oct. 21st 1929	.98	971	Redeemable at 110.	
Can. Coloured Cotton Co	6	2,000,000	2nd Apl2nd Oct.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. April 2nd, 1912		991		
Dominion Coal Co	5	6,175,000	1st May-1st Nov.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. April 1st, 1940	97	96 <u>1</u>	Redeemable at 105 & Int. after May 1st, 1910.	
Dominion Iron & Steel Co	5	7,674,000	1st Jan1st July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. July 1st, 1929	957	951		
" 2nd Mortg. Bds	6	1,968,000	1st Apl1st Oct.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.				\$250,000 Redeemable.	
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Do. "B."	6	1,162,000	1st Mch1st Sep.	Royal Trust Co., Montreal	. March 1st, 1925		100	Redeem. at par after 5 yrs	
Do. "C."	6	1,000,000	1st Mch1st Sep.	Royal Trust Co., Montreal .	. March 1st, 1925	96	95	Redeemable at 105 & Int.	
Do. "D."		450,000	1st Mch1st Sep.	Royal Trust Co., Montreal .	. March 1st, 1925		95	Redeemable at 105 & Int.	
Halifax Tram	5	600,000	1st Jan1st July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	- Jan. 1st, 1916		100		
Havana Elec. Railway	5	8,311,531	1st Feb1st Aug.	52 Broadway, N.Y	. Feb. 1st, 1952			Redeemable at 105.	
Keewatin Mill Co	6	750,000	1st Mch,-1st Sep.	Royal Trust Co., Montreal	. Sept. 1st, 1916		102	Redeemable at 110.	
Lake of Woods Mill. Co	6	1,000,000	1st June-1st Dec.	Merchants Bank of Can. Mt	i. June 1st, 1923	111	110		
Laurentide Paper Co	6	- 1,0 36,000	2nd Jan 2nd July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. Jan. 2nd, 1920		108		
Magdalen Island	6	2 67,00 0	30th June-30th De	··· ·· ·· ·· ·· ·· ·· ·· ··			••••		
Mexican Elec. L. Co	5	6,000,000	1st Jan.—1st July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. July, 1st, 1935	87	84		
Mex. L't & Power Co	5	12,000,000	1st Feb.—1st Aug.		. Feb. 1st, 1933	38	86		
Montreal L. & Power Co	41/2	5,476,000	1st Jan.—1st July	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. Jan. 1st, 1932	100	991	Redeemable at 105 & Int. after 1912.	
Montreal St. Ry. Co	41/2	1,500,00)	1st May-1st Nov.		. May 1st, 1922	101	••••		
N.S. Steel & Coal Co	6	2,282,000	1st Jan.—1st July	U.B. of Halifax or B. of N.S. Montreal or Toronto				Receemable at 110 & Int.	
N.S. Steel Consolidated	6	1,470,000	1st Jan.—1st July	do. do.	July 1st, 1981	•••••		Redeemable at 115 & Int. after 1912.	
Ogilvie Milling Co	6	1,000,000	1st June-1st Dec.	Bank of Montreal, Montreal.	. July 1st, 1932	1154		Redeemable at 105 & Int.	
Price Bros	6	1,000,000	1st June-1st Dec.		.June 1st, 1925	:04	102		
Quebec Ry., L. & P. Co	5	4,945,000	1st June-1st Dec.		. June 1st, 1929	85	84 f		
Rich. & Ontario	5	323,146	1st Mch.—1st Sep.						
Rio Janeiro	5	23,284,000	1st Jan.—1st July		Jan. 1st, 1935	98	95		
Sao Paulo	5	6,000,000	1st June-1st Dec.	C.B. of C., London Nat. Trust Co., Toronto	. June 1st, 1929	101	98		
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Winnipeg Electric	5	1,000,000							

to 15c, though there was a fair demand from all the packers and sales of selected lots were made at \$7 to \$7.10 per 100 lbs, weighed off cars.

--Chicago: Cattle receipts, 41,000. Market slow and weak; beeves, \$4.35 to \$7.20; Texas steers \$4.00 to \$5.25; western steers, \$4.00 to \$6.10; stockers and feeders \$3.50 to \$5.60; cows and heifers \$2.25 to \$6; calves \$7 to \$9. Hogs: receipts, 42 000. Market 5c higher; light, \$7:65 to \$8.05; mixed \$7.60 to \$8.10; heavy \$7.55 to \$8.00; pigs \$7.00 to Sheep: Receipts, 40,000. Market steady; native \$7.80. \$2.50 to \$4.50; western \$2.75 to \$4.50; yearlings. \$4.50 to \$5.75; lambs, native, \$4.50 to \$6.80; western \$5.00 to \$6.70. -Sheep and lambs prices have scored a further advance of 50c and 25c to 40c per 100 lbs. Sales of sheep were made at 434c to 5c, and lambs at 61/2c to 634c per lb. The market for calves is strong and prices are steadily advancing. Sales of choice stock were made at 7c to 71/2c, and good at 6c to 61/2c per lb.

--Messrs. Price and Coughlan's cables from Liverpool and London reported the markets quiet and easy at 11c to $121/_4$ c for Canadian cattle and at 10c to 11c for Northwest ranchers per lb.

MAPLE PRODUCTS.—There has been some slight trading at unchanged prices. Syrup in wood 6c per lb. in tins $6\frac{1}{2}c$. Maple sugar 9c to 10c per lb.

NUTS.—There seems to be no diminution in the demand for nuts, which are very high this year, especially shelled walnuts, which are quoted at 37c per pound. Following are next week's quotations on other nuts:—Peanuts, bon ton, roasted, 12c; French 9c; shelled almonds 32c; Tarra 16c; new walnuts 16c; filberts 12c; Brazils, 17c, and pecans 16c.

OILS, TURPENTINE, ETC. -- Naturally linseed oil is slightly dull, but prices are sustained, beng \$1.10 to \$1.15 for boiled. and raw oil ranging 3 cents less. In London, Calcutta linseed, April-June, 588 4½d. Linseed oil 398 3d. Sperm oil £34. Petroleum, American refined, 5½d; do. spirits, 6¾d. Turpentine, spirits, 538 6d. Rosin, American strained, 148 7½d; do. fine, 178 1½d. In New York, rosin steady; strained common to good \$6. Turpentine, steady; machine barrels, 78c to 78½c.

POTATOES.—The demand has been good, though the weather has affected traders somewhat. Car lots of Green Mountain sold at 85c. Jobbers from \$1.00 to \$1.05 per bag.

POULTRY.—Approaching holidays have stiffened prics and advances are certain, receipts being light. The retailers margin appears to be anything from 3c up. We quote: Turkeys 18 to 201/2c per lb; geese, per lb., 12c to 14c; ch ckens, per lb., 12e to 15c; fowls, per lb., 10 to 12c; due's 16c to 18c.

PROVISIONS .- Reductions are expected in all pork products, but demand is fair at present at following prices. Liverpool reports extra India mess beef 135s; pork, prime, mess Western 127s 6d. Abattoir fresh-killed dressed hogs, in a jobbing way, are selling at \$9.50 to \$9.75, and country dressed at \$8.75 to \$9 per 100 pounds. We quote prices as follows:-Pork: Canada Heavy short cut mess pork, 35 to 45 pieces, brls., \$25.00; half barrels, Canada short cut mess pork, \$12.75; Canada short cut back pork, 45 to 55 pieces, brls., \$25.00; heavy, boneless pork (all fat), brls., 24 to 35 pieces, \$27.00; heavy clear fat backs, brls., 40 to 50 pieces, \$28.00 .- Beef: Extra Plate beef, half brls., 100 lbs., \$8.75; brls., 200 lbs., \$17; tierces, 300 lbs., \$25. -Lard, compound: Tierces, 375 lbs., 103/4c; boxes 50 lbs. net (parchment lined), 10%c; tubs. 50 lbs., net, grained (2 handles) 11c; pails, wood, 20 lbs., net, 1114c; tin pails, 20 lbs. gross, 101/2c; 10 lbs. tins, 60 lbs., in case 111/4c; brick com-

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Amal Asbestos, com	. 8,124,500	8,124,500			100	10 00	••		14	10
Amal. Asbestos, pfd		1,875,000	•••••	•••••	100		1%*	Jan. April July Oct.	50	
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Can. Cement, com		10,500,000					••		224	22
Can. Cement, pfd	18,500,000	13,500,000		•••••			••		86	851
Can. Col. Cotton Mills Co	. 2,700,0.0	2,700,000			100		1*	Mar. June Sept. Dec.	••••	
Can. Con. Rubber com	. 3,000,000	2,805,000			100	94 00	1*	Jan. April July Oct.		94
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Canadian Converters		1,733,000	•••••	•••••	100	39 50		The second Train Oat	41	391
Can. Gen. Electric, com	4,700,00	4.700,000		••••	100	••••••	1%*	Jan. April July Oct.		••••
Can. Gen. Electric, pfd		1,452,385	•••••		100		31/2	April Oct.		
Canadian Pacific Ry		146,016,000	•••••		100	193 00	3x1⁄2	April Oct.	194	193
Crown Reserve		1,999,957 12,500,000	•••••	•••••	100	$\begin{array}{c}2 & 67\\66 & 00\end{array}$	••		2.70	2.67 66
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Duluth S.S. and Atlantic		12,000,000			100					
Duluth S.S. and Atlantic, pld.		10,000,000			100	·				
Halifax Tramway Co		1,350,000		*****	100	131 00	1½*	Jan. April July Oct.	1314	131
Havana Electric Ry., com		7,500,000			100	92 00	1	Initial Div.	941	92
Havana Electric Ry., pfd		5,000,000		•••••	100	· · · · · · · ·	1½*	Jan. April July Oct.		
Illinois Trac., pfd	5,000.000	4,575,000			100	90 50	11/2*	Jan. April July Oct.		90]
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Laurentide Paper, com		1,600,000	•••••		100	165 00	31/2	Feb. Aug.	170	165
Laurentide Paper, pfd		1,200,000	•••••		100	165 00	1%_*	Jan. April July Oct.	675	165
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Montreal Telegraph	2,000,000	2,000,000			40	143 00	2*	Jan. April July Oct.	146	143
Northern Ohio Track Co	7,900, 000	7,900,000			100	39 00	1/2*	Mch. June Sept. Dec.	42	39
N. Scotia Steel & Coal Co. com.		4,987,600			100	85 25			851	854
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Ogilvie Flour Mills, com		2,500,000		· ····	100	126 00	31/2	Mch. Sept.	127	126
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Tri. City Ry. Co., pfd		2,600,000			100	4	11/2*		e .	
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Twin City Rapid Transit Co		20,100,000			100	107 00	11/4*	Feb. May Aug. Nov.	110	107
Twin City Rapid Transit, pfd	3,000,000	3,000,000			100		1%*	Jan. April July Oct.	••••	
West India Electric	800,000	800,000	*		100	· • • • • • • • • •	11/4*	Jan. April July Oct.	100	••••
Windsor Hotel	1,000,000	1,000,000			100	115 00	5	May Nov.		115
Winnipeg Electric Ry. Co	6,002,000	6,000,000			100		21/2*	Jan. April July Oct.	190	

pound lard, 1-1b packets, 60 lbs. in case, 12c.—Extra pure: Tierces, 375 lbs., 14c; boxes, 50 lbs., net (parchment lined), 141/sc; tubs, 50 lbs. net, grained (2 handles), 141/sc; pails wood, 20 lbs., net (parchment Fined) 141/sc; tin pails, 20 lbs., gross, 133/sc; cases, 10 lbs, tins, 60 lbs. in case, 141/sc; brick lard, 1 lb. packets, 60 lbs. in case, 143/sc. WOOL.—The absence of the U.S. buyers has been compensated for in the raw wool market by the activity of the French, German and Russian buyers, and by greater British needs. High prices, ranging from 10d to 14d, have been paid for the best. Greasies and badly sorted have been bringing only 6d to 7d. SIZES OF

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THE MONTREAL CITY & DISTRICT SAVINGS BANK.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Ten Dollars per Share on the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared, and will be payable at its Banking House, in this city, on and after Tuesday, the thind day of January next, to Shareholders of record, at the close of business on the 15th December next. By order of the Board,

A. P. LESPERANCE,

Manager.

Montreal, November 30th, 1910.

BUILDING STATISTICS.

It is quite evident from the extent of operations that are now being carried on that the lateness of the season has had but little effect on building activities as far as Canada is concerned. While the total investment possibly does not equal that attained in certain of the spring and summer months, no similar period in the past has witnessed in general a more marked and consistent development.

In the eighteen cities reporting to "Construction" for October, the total aggregate for permits issued amounted to \$8,638,269 as compared with \$4.570,-506 in the same month of last year. But three decreases in all are noted, and in two of these cases the loss (less than one per cent) is so infinitely smill as to be hardly worth while taking into consideration. On the whole, the country marched forward at a most substantial clip. Toronto's total in itself, which approximates the three million mark, and is the grand individual monthly total for the year, reflects an expansion that is little short of marvellous; but at that, considering the size of the two cities, it is hardly more remarkable than the showing made at Vancouver, where work amounting to \$1 286,955 was undertaken as against \$507,615 in the month of October, 1909.

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which in itself, considering the comparative amounts, is not of very serious proportions, all points in Ontario progressed in the most gratifying manner. Ottawa reversed the less favourable condition existing in the two previous months by recording an investment of \$438,925, equivalent to a gain of 28 per cent; while Hamilton, with a like increase, issued permits aggregating in value to \$318 330. Fort William also topped its corresponding figures by an advancement of 8 per cent, and Kingston, which does not submit comparative figures, reports activities to the extent of \$23,317. Port Arthur, which was practically domant during this month last year, registers an increase of 731 per cent, the largest proportionate gain in the list. Other gains noted are: Windsor 82 per cent; Berlin 43 per cent; and London, 2 per cent.

In the western section of the Dominion, the strides made exceeded all ex-pectations. Although Winnipeg failed by a fraction of equalling her previous figures for the month, permits were issued to the extent of \$530150, which is an excellent showing in view of the heavy months immediately preceding. Calgary experienced a marked state of activity as is evidenced by her total of \$568,290, which 'represents a gain of 40 per cent, while Victoria and Regina are ahead by 18 and 376 per cent respectively, the figures in the latter cases am ounting to \$247,975, as against \$52,080 last year.

Montreal's great total of \$1.907,44) is the second largest amount noted, and represents an investment of \$1.278.795 more than was made on the same month last year. These figures reflect a tremendous growth, and especially so when one takes into account that at this season of the year considerable work is abandoned owing to uncertain! weather conditions. St. John also records an advance, a gain of 149 per cent; although Sydney, in the same section. is a trifle behind her corresponding am un.

Reports from various other points throughout the country indicate an activity equally as pronounced as that shown by the cities included in the list. but in the other cases the respective totals for the month are not available.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

CANADIAN GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a quarterly dividend of 1³/₄ per cent for the three months ending the Thirty-First of December, 1910, being at the rate of 7 per cent per annum, has been declared on the Common Stock of the Company. The above dividend is payable on the First day of January, 1911. The transfer books of the Company will be closed from the Sixteenth to the Thirty-First

day of December, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

J. J. ASHWORTH,

Secretary.

Toronto, December 9th, 1910.

The prospects in every respect are anything but discouraging, and it looks very much as though the building fraternity in general will find much to do during the winter season.

	Permits for Oct. 1910.	Permits for Oct. 1909.	
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Hamilton, Ont	318,330	247,350	
Kingston, Ont	23,317		
London, Ont	30 493	29,880	
Montreal	1,907,440	628,645	
Ottawa, Önt	438,925	341,150	
Peterborough, Ont.	14.700	16 691	
Pt. Arthur. Ont	29,090	3,500	
Regina, Sask	247,975	52,080	
St. John, N.B	59,600	23,900	
Sydney, N.S	21,836	22,050	
Foronto	2,914 980	1,540,355	
Vancouver, B.C.	1,286,995	507,615	
Victoria, B.C	124,375	104,840	
Vindsor, Ont	35,635	19 500	
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Sterling Exchange

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LIVE STOCK STATISTICS.

of November, issued by the Census Office, Ottawa, gives statistics showing for the provinces the per cent number compared with a year ago, and their condition as compared with a standard condition. For the whole of Canada there is an increase of 3.31 per cent in the number of horses, of 1.13 in the number of milch cows, of 2.11 in the number of swine, and of 8.02 in the number of poultry. The number of sheep has de-

milch cows by 2.20 per cent. The provinces which show the largest gain per The report on live stock for the end cent in numbers are Saska chewan and Alberta. Saskatchowan has made a gain of 12.53 per cent in horses, of 4.09 in milch cows, of 6.03 in other horned cattle. of 4.26 in sheep, and of 21.38 in poultry; but the number of swine has fallen off by 5.39 per cent. In Alberta the gain has been 18.59 per cent in horses, of 1.05 in milch cows. of 13.10 in sheep, of 6.64 in swine and of 22.70 in poultry; while the number of horned cattle other than milch cows has creased by 1.55 per cent in the year, and decreased by 6.12 per cont. Princ: Edthe number of live stock other than ward Island reports small gains for all

classes of farm animals,-the largest being 4.41 per cent in the number of swine and 3.17 in poultry. Nova Sco ia indicates small decreases for horses and swine and small increases for milch cows and other horned cattle, and a decrease of 3.30 per cent in the number of sheep. In New Brunswick there is a decrease of 2.88 per cent in the number of sheep and small increases in horses, milch cows and swine. The number of poultry increased in the year by 2.32 per cent, and other horned cattle than mil h cows by 4.20 per cent. Quebec presents small increases for horses, mil.h cows and other horned cattle, and a slight decrease

Sterling Exchange.

Tables for Computing Currency into Sterling Money at the Par of Exchange (91/2 per cent Premium).

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TABLE OF DAYS FOR COMPUTING INTEREST

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N.B.-In leap year, if the last day of February comes beween, add one day to the number in the table.

EXAMPLE:-How many days from May 10th to Sept. 13th? From the above table we get 123; add 3 for difference between 10 and 13, and we get 126. the number of days required.

in the per cent number of sheep; but the increase in the number of poultry is 3.80 per cent and of swine 4.10 per cent. In Ontario there are decreases in the number of all farm animals during the y ar excepting swine, where there is an increase of 6.20 per cent. and poult: y, where it is 2.26 per cent. The dec ease in horses is 0.45 per cent, in milch cows 0.42, in other horned cattle 12.3, and in sheep 5.02 per cent. Manitoba shows the gain in the number of horned cattle other than cows to be 5.80 per cent, but all other animals are less than a year ago,-ranging from 0.45 for poultry to 1.83 for milch cows. British Colum-

for swine and horned cattle other than milch cows, and of 5 per cent for sheep, and increases of 2.96 per cent for horses, 3.78 for milch cows and 15.56 for poultry.

By the standard condition of live stock is meant a healthy and thif y state; and taking this condition as r presented by 100, it is this year a fraction over for horses. milch cows anl poultry and a little under for s'esp, swine and horned cattle other than cow . In Ontario the condition of all animals exceeded the standard except for sheep, which are 0.05 per cent below; and in Manitoba where it falls below by 4.36 bia shows decreases of about 10 per cant per cent for milch cows, by 13.20 for

other horned cattle and by 8.36 for swine

On the question whether the supplies of fodder for live stock will suffice for the winter, 88 per cent of the correspondents give an affirmative answer for hay, 94 per cent for straw, 53 per cent for ensilage, 84 per cent for grain and 6i per cent for roots; but in the case of ensilage and roots, they are not widely grown in some of the provinces.

-Paris has 115 inhabitants to the acre, while London has only 51.

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WHOLESALE PRICES	CI	JRRE	NT.
Name of Article.		Whole	esale.
DRUGS & CHEMICALS-		¥ C.	\$ c,
Acid, Carbolic. Cryst. medi		0 30	0 35
Aloes, Cape		9 16	0 18
Alum	••	1 50	1 75
Borax, xtls		0 04	0 06
Brom. Potass		0 35	0 45
Camphor, Ref. Rings		0 80	09
Camphor, Ref. oz. ck		0 90	0 95
Citric Acid		0 37	0 45
Citrate Magnesia, lb		0 25	
Cocaine Hyd. oz		3 00	0 44
Copperas, per 100 lbs		0 75	8 50
Cream Tartar		0 22	0 80
Epsom Salts		1 25	0 25
Glycerine		0 00	1 75
Gum Arabic, per lb		0 15	0 25
	•••	0 50	0 40
Gum Trag	•••		1 00
Insect Powder, per keg. lb	•••	0 35	0 40
Menthol, lb		0 24	0 30
		8 50	4 00
Morphia	••	2 75	3 00
Oil Peppermint, lb	••	8 10	8 90
Oil, Lemon	••	0 00	2 00
Opium	••	6 00	6 50
Oxalic Acid	••	0 08	0 11
Potash Bichromate	••	0 10	0 14
Potash, Iodide	••	2 75	8 20
Quinine	••	0 25	0 26
Straychnine	••	0 70	0 78
Tartaric Acid	••	0 28	0 80
Licorice			

Stick, 4, 6, 8, 12 & 16 to lb., 5 lb. Acme Licorice Pellets, case Licorice Lozenges, 1 and 5 lb. cans.

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For Sale at Vaudreull

Formerly known as Lothbiniere Point.

On the line of the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific; fronting on the St. Lawrence; clear stream on one side with shelter for Boats above and below the Falls. Also one island adjoining. Area in all soont 44 acres.

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ASBESTOS.

In a bulletin issued by the United States Geological Survey on the production of asbestos, being an advance chipter from Mineral Resources of the United States, appear some details as to prices and conditions of the trade, and the value of both manufactured and unmanufactured asbestos in the United States at the close of the year 1909. The report states that Canada continues to be so greatly the most important source of the raw asbestos used in the United States as to render the other possible sources of small consequences.

Raw asbestos is imported free of duty. on manufactured asbestos there are duties of 25 and 40 per cent. Canada exported asbestos during the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1909, to the value of \$1-729,856. The total value of the raw asbestos imported into the United States for the same year was \$993.278, and it is doubtful if 5 per cent of it was derived from any other source than Canada. The following statement by countris of the value of unmanufactured asbestos imported into the United States for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1908 and 19 9 throws light on the matter:-

Value of imports of unmanufactured asbestos into the United States for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1908 and 1909, by countries :---

Country.	1908.	1009.
Germany	\$1 036	\$11 031
Italy	982	56
Russia in Europe	 .	9,774
United Kingdom .	48,038	20,623
Total for Europe .		
Canada	1,065,744	979,905
Grand totals	\$1,115,800	\$1 021 39)
The total value of asbestos imported of		

	PRICES	C	URRE	ENT.
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al. Soda	··· ·· ·· ··		1 75	2 20 0 85
	ted	••	1 50	2 00
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ndigo (Bengal)			1 50	1 75
ambier		••	0 00	0 00
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FISH-		•••	0 30	0 52
ew Haddies, boxes, abrador Herrings abrador Herrings, ackerel, No. 1 pail reen Cod, No. 1 reen Cod, small limon, half brls limon, bris, Lab. limon, British Colu inneless Fish oneless Cod tinless Cod tinless Cod	per lb	::	0 00	0 07
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noice Spring Wheat conds			25 00 2	28 00
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WHOLES

Raising-

Kaisina-Sultanas.... Layers, London Con. Cluster ... Extra Desert . Royal Buckingh Valencia, Layer Currants Pilatras Prunes, Califor Prunes, Califor Prunes, Califor Prunes, French Bosnia Prunes ...

Rice-

Standard B. ... Grade C. ... Patna, per 100 II Pot Barley, peg Tapicca, pearl, Seed Tapicca.. Corn, 2 lb tins

Corn, 2 lb tins Peas, 2 lb. tins Salmon, 4 dozen

String Beans

Windsor 1 lb., 1 Windsor 3 lb. 10 Windsor 5 lb. 60 Windsor 7 lb. 42 Windsor 200 lb.

Coarse delivered Coarse delivered

Butter Salt, bag, Butter Salt, bris. Cheese Salt, bag Cheese Salt, bris

Seal brand, 2 lb 1 lb. Old Government—

Pure Mocho Pure Maracaibo . Pure Jamaica ..

Pure Santos ... Fancy Rio Pure Rio

Young Hysons, cc Young Hysons, b

Japans

Antimony Tin, Block, L. an Tin, Block, Strait: Tin, Strips, per l Copper, Ingot, pe

Cut Nail Schedu Cut Nall scneou Base price, per ka 40d, 50d, 60d an Extras—over and a Coil Chain—No. 6 No. 5

Coil Chain No

Galvanized Staple 100 lb. box, 1½ to Bright, 1½ to 1% Galvanized Iron-Queen's Head, or e Comet, do., 28 ga

Comet, do., 28 ga Iron Horse Shoes-No. 2 and larger. No. 1 and smaller Bar Iron per 100 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 Am. Sheet Steel, 6 Boller plates, iron, Hoop Iron, base for Band Canadian 1 to base of Band iron,

No. 4 No. 3 1/4 inc 5-16 i % inc

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No. ½ 9-16 % ... % and

HARDWARE-

Ceylon Indian

Antin

Teas-

Coffees-

Salt-

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Name of Article.	Wholesale			
Raisine		8 0 8		
Sultanas	••	0 08 0 11 0 09 0 10 0 00 2 20		
Loose Musc	••	0 00 2 05		
Con. Cluster	••	2 90		
Royal Buckingham Valencia, Selected Valencia, Layers		0 (51 0 06		
Filatras		0 061 0 07 0 00 0 07 0 08		
Patras	••	0 08		
Prunes, California	•••	0 06 0 09 0 08 0 10 0 05 0 06		
Figs, in bags Figs, new layers		0 05 0 06 0 07 0 11		
Bosnia Prunes	••	0 07		
Rice-	۳			
Standard B	•••	2 6 7 2 82 2 57 2 77		
Patna, per 100 lbs	••	8 95 4 05 2 00 2 25		
Pearl Barley, per lb	•••	2 00 2 25 0 031 0 04 0 06		
Seed Tapioca	•••	0 05 0 06 0 80 1 00		
Peas, 2 lb. tins	•••	0 95 1 45 0 95 2 05		
Standard B		0 00 1 40 0 80 0 85		
Salt-				
Windsor 1 lb., bags gross		1 5L 8 00		
Windsor 3 lb. 100 bags in brl Windsor 5 lb. 60 bags		8 00 2 90		
Windsor 7 lb. 42 bags		8 00 2 90 2 80 1 15 0 60		
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Coffees-				
		θ 82		
Seal brand, 2 lb. cans 1 lb. cans Old Government—Java		0 33 0 31		
Pure Mocho		0 24 0 18		
Pure Jamaica		θ 82 0 33 0 31 0 24 0 18 0 17 0 17 0 16		
Fancy Rio	••	0 16		
Teas-	v			
Young Hysons, common Young Hysons, best grade	••	0 18 0 25 0 32 0 35		
Japans	••	0 35 0 40		
Congou	::	0 21 0 45 0 22 0 35		
Indian	••	0 22 0 35		
HARDWARE-		0 10		
Fin, Block, L. and E. per lb Fin, Block, Straits, per lb		0 82 0 88		
		0 18 0 21		
Cut Nail Schedule-		8 40 P		
Cut Nail Schedule— Base price, per keg 40d, 50d, 60d and 70d, Nails Extras—over and above 80d Coil Chain—No. 6 No. 5 No. 4 No. 3 44 inch	::	2 40 Base		
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9·16		8 20 2 15		
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Galvanized Staples 00 lb. box, 1½ to 1½ Bright, 1½ to 1¼		2 85		
Galvanized Iron- Queen's Head, or equal gauge 28		4 10 4 85 3 85 4 10		
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period was \$376,107, of which only \$228 was from Canada. Prices f. o. b. at Canadian mines in the calendar years 1908 and 1909, as reported by the Canadian Bureau of Mines, as shown in the preliminary 18port in the mineral production of Canada for last year, purchased by the mines branch at Ottawa, 1910, are as follows :---1908. 1909. Grade. Crude asbestos No. 1 \$300.59 \$270.37 Crude asbestos No. 2 165.38 152.11 80.54 Mill stock asbes. No. 1 53.18 Mill stock asbes. No. 2 29.3324.70 Mill stock asbes. No. 3 9.29 9.37 Asbestic..... .74 .72 BRITISH CHEMICALS. A recent circular from S. W. Royse, of Manchester, says :- The better feeling all round which we mentioned in our report a month ago has been continued throughout November. For chem cals generally there has been a good, sleady

demand, and with the better outlook at home and abroad buyers have felt themselves encouraged to cover their wants freely for next year, which has given a firmer tone to values.' Sulphate of copper is slightly dearer, a large business has been done and the market is firm. Green copperas has some enquiry for next year, but there is no disposition to pay more than a small premium on present low spot prices. In acetates of lime there has been more business. Values are firm and makers do not care to sell far ahead. Miscible naphtha is just teady, and prices are about the same for prompt delivery or ever next year. Acetate of soda is more plen iful and is easier. Brown acetate of lead continues scarce and dear. Foreign white acetate is bringing somewhat better prices. Nitrate of lead is firm, and has been selling well for next year. Carbonate of potash has been receiving more attention. French and German makers maintain their quotations on account of scarcity of raw material, and the Russian article has been advanced in price. In white powdered arsenic some fair siles have recently been made, but at low figures. Tartaric acid and cream of tartar have advanced further. The market is very strong, makers not caring to quote, and higher prices are confidently expected. For prussiate of sola there has been more enquiry, and the market is firm. Prussiate of potash is s'endy, but rather slow. In tar products there has recently been only a moderate trade. In pitch there is not much business passing, makers not being disposed to entertain the prices that are being suggested by consumers. Creosate is quiet, and any business passing is at reduced prices. Solvent naphtha also is dull. consume-3 in general having their wants well cov ered for some time forward. Benzol

	PRICES	COR	RENT.
Name of A	Article.	Wh	olesale
Canada Plates—		1	
Full polish Ordinary, 52 sheets		1	\$ 60- 2 50
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	sh	••	9 80
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teel, marrow roots .	• •• •• ••	••	- 00
Tin Plates-	J _	4.1	
C Coke, 14 x 20 C Charcoal, 14 x 20		••	4 00 4 25
X Charcoal	28		5 00
ussian Sheet Iron		0	6 90 0 0 10
2 and 24-gauge , case	lots	••	7 85
6 gauge			7 85.
heet			6 50
C Charcoal, 14 x 20 X Charcoal	s zo per cen	7c	0 00 per 1b. as 25 p.c.
Zinc-			Pro.
pelter, per 100 lbs. heet zinc			6 00 061 0 061
Black Sheet Iron, p		-	
8 to 16 gauge		•• 2	9E 0 00
8 to 20 gauge		2	
2 to 24 gauge 6 gauge			10 0 00
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Wire-			
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do do No.10 do do No. 11			
do do No. 12			2 80 2 85
do do No. 14 do do No. 14 do do No. 14 do do No. 16 arbed Wire, Montrea pring Wire, per 100, Not ertes			2 45
do do No. 11		••	3 15
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ron and Steel Wire, p	lain, 6 to 9		85 base
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WIRE NAILS-			
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6d and 7d extra	• •• •• ••	•	0 00
Dd and 12d extra			0 00
d and 60d extra	:		0 00 0
3d extra		2	80 Base
BUILDING PAPER-			
arred Sheeting, roll	•••••		30 40
HIDES- Montreal Green His	des—		
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WHOLESALE PRICES	CURRENT.	90 per cent has more demand, and high- er prices are paid for forward delivery.
Name of Article.	Wholesale.	Crude carbolic is selling better at ad- vanced figures. Crystals also are sell-
LEATHER— No. 1 B. A. Sole Slaughter, No. 1 Light, medium and heavy Light, No. 2 Harness Upper, heavy Grained Upper Scotch Grain Kip Skins, French	0 26 0 28 0 26 0 27 0 30 0 31 0 25 0 26 0 03 0 31 0 25 0 26 0 03 0 34 0 38 0 40 0 38 0 40 0 38 0 46 0 38 0 46 0 36 0 38	ing firmer, and liquid carbolic is dearcr. Sulphate of ammonia has given way somewhat, and business can only be done at reduced prices. In heavy alka- lies there is nothing new; values are steady, and demand is good both home and export.
English Canada Kid Hemlock Calf Hemlock Calf French Calf. Splits, light and medium Splits, light and medium Splits, small Leather Board, Canada Enamelled Cow, per ft. Pebble Grain Glove Grain Box Calf Brush (Cow) Kid Buff Russetts, light Russetts, heavy Russetts, heavy Russetts, heavy Russetts, heavy Russetts, No. 2 Russetts, dalfers, dozen Imt. French Calf English Oak, lb. Dongola, extra	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Advertise in the "Journal of Commerce" It reaches every
Dongola, No. 1 Dongola, ordinary	·· 0 14 0 16	class of Trade,
LUMBER 3 inch Pine (Face Measure) 3 Inch Spruce (Board Measure) 1 Inch Pine (Board Measure)	·· 50 00 ·· 16 00 ·· 18 00	
1 Inch Spruce (Board Measure) 1 Inch Spruce (T. and G.) 2x3, 3x3 and 3x4 Spruce (B.M.) 2x3, 3x3 and 3x4 Pine (B.M.) 1¼ Spruce, Roofing (B.M.) 1¼ Spruce, Flooring (B.M.) 1½ Spruce (T. and G.) 1½ Spruce (T. and G.) 1 Pine (L. and G.) (V.I.B.) Laths (per 1,000)	18 00 22 00 25 00 24 00 30 00 18 00 18 00	SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH- WEST. HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.
MATCHES- Telegraph, case Tiger, case King Edward Head Light Eagle Parlor 200's Silent, 200's Little Comet	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Any even-numbered section of Domin- ion Lands in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta, excepting 8 and 26, not re- served, may be homesteaded by any per- son who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the ex- tent of one-quarter section of 160 acres
OII.S- Cod Oil	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	more or less. Application for entry must be made in person by the applicant at a Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-agency for the dis- trict in which the land is situate. En- try by proxy may, however, be made at any Agency, on certain conditions by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of an intending homesteader. DUTIES:(1) At least six months'
PETROLEUM— Acme Prime White, per gal Acme Water White, per gal Astral, per gal Benzine, per gal Gasoline, per gal	0 17 0 184 0 21	residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year for three years. (2) A homesteader may, if he so de- sires, perform the required residence du-
Second Break, 100 feet Third Break Fourth Break	1 50 1 60 2 75 2 95	ties by living on farming land owned solely by him, not less than eighty (80) acres in extent, in the vicinity of his homestead. He may also do so by liv- ing with father or mother, on certain conditions. Joint ownership in land will
Do. No. 8	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	not meet this requirement. (3) A homesteader intending to per- form his residence duties in accordance with th above while living with parents or on farming land owned by himself must notify the Agent for the district of such intention. W. W. CORY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
Fire Bricks, per 1,000 Fire Clay, 200 lb. pkgs Rosin 280 lbs., gross	1 00 21 00 75 1 25 6 00 9 00	N.B. — Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

WHOLESALE PRICES	C	URE	RE	NT.
Name of Article.	-	Wh	ole	sa'e.
Glu e —			с.	F 0
opers' Glue	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		09 16 19 04 12 85 75 85 80 00 10 10 10	0 15 0 10 14 0 00 0 20 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 90 0 80 0 90 0 85 2 20 2 25 2 40 1 42 1 67 0 11
aris Green, f.o.b. Montreal- Brls. 600 lbs 100 lb. lots Drums, 50 lbs 100 lb. lots Pkgs., 1 lb 100 lb. lots. Tins, 1 lb Arsenic, kegs (300 lbs)	•••			0 174 0 19 0 21 0 22 0 18
anadian Washed Fleece			00 25 00 18	0 21 0 00 0 40 0 20 0 20 0 00
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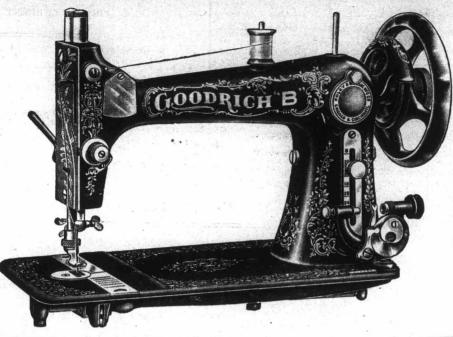
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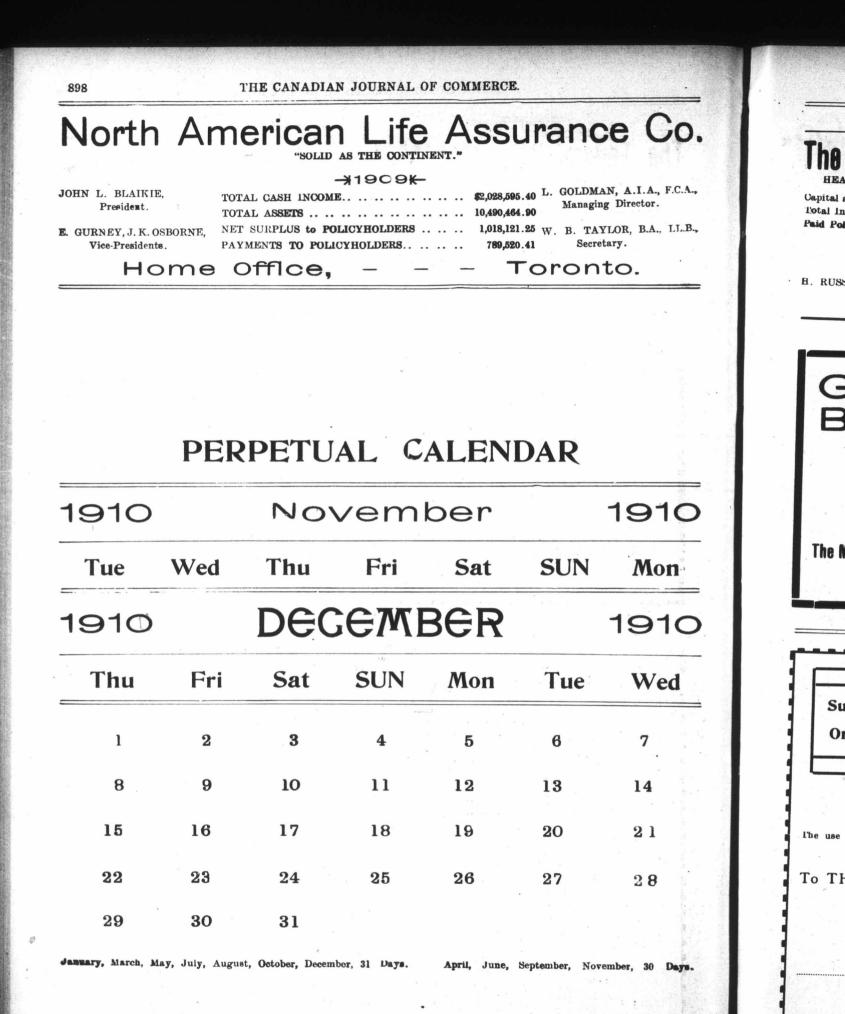
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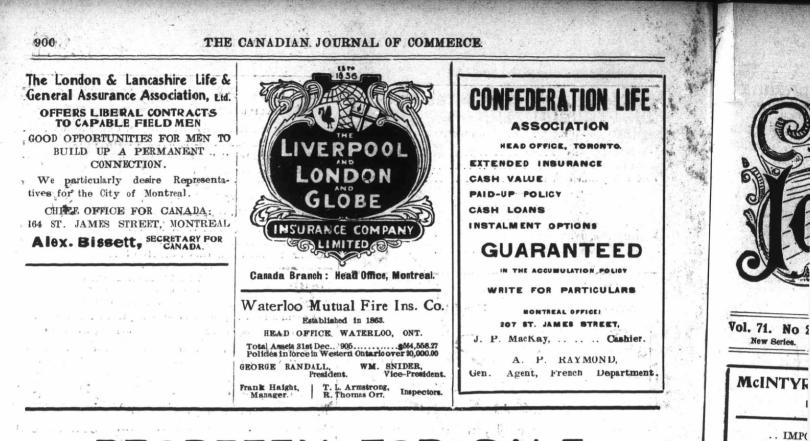
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