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AGENCIES: Edmundston, N.B. | Wolfville, N.S. | Woodstock, N.B. Lunenburg, N. S. | Shediac, N. B. BANKERS:

The Union Bank of London,
The Bank of New York,
New England National Bank
The Ontario Bank, - London, G.B. New York.
- Boston
Montreal.

LA BANQUE NATIONALE.

Capital Paid-up HEAD OFFICE, . . . QUEBEC.

A. GABOURY, Esq., Pres. F. KIROUAC, Vice-Prest. DIRECTORS.

Hon. I. Thibaudeau, T. LeDroit, Esq., E. W. Methot, Esq., A. Painchaud, Esq., Louis Bilodeau, Esq. P. LAFRANCE, -

- - Cashier. Branches. — Montreal, A. Brunet, Manager; Ottawa, P. I. Bazin, Esq., Manager; W. Gaboury, Acting Manager.

W. Gaboury, Acting Manager.

Agents—The National Bk. of Scotland, Ld., London;
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Pays-Bas, Paris; National Bank of the Republic, New
York; National Revere Bank, Boston; Commercial
Bank of Newfoundland; Bank of Toronto; Bank of
New Brunswick, Merchants Bank of Halifax, Bank of
Montreal; Manitoba—Union Bank of Canada.

THE UNION BANK OF HALIFAX.

(INCORPORATED 1856.) Capital Paid-up, - - - \$500,000

Board of Directors: Board of Directors:

W. J. STAIRS, ESQ. President.
HON, R. BERT BOAK, Vice-President.
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Wm. Roche, Esq., M.P.P. C. C. Blackadar, Esq.
William Twining, Esq.
E. L. THORNE, Cashier.
Agencies, Annapolis, - E. D. Arnaud, Agent.
New Glasgow, - C. N. S. STRECKLAND, Act'g. Agent.

BANKERS:

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The London & Westminster Bank, London, G. Brithe Commercial Bank of N'I'd., St. Johns, N'I'd.
The National Bank of Commerce, New York.
The Merchants National Bank, Boston.
The Bank of Toronto & Branches, Upper Canada.
The Bank of New Brunswick, St. John, N. B.
Collections solicited, and prompt returns made.
Current rate of Interest allowed on deposits. Bills of Evehange bought and sold, etc. BANKERS:

CANADA PERMANENT WESTERN Loan & Savings Company.

BSTABLISHED A.D. 1855.

The Thirty-fifth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, Toronto Street, Toronto, on

Wednesday, 19th Day of February.

At Twelve o'clock, noon.

When the usual Financial Statement will be submitted, and an Election of Directors will be held. By order,

J. HERBERT MASON, Managing Director.

THE FREEHOLD Loan and Savings Company,

CORNER CHURCH & COURT STREETS; TORONTO.

ESTABLISHED IN 1859.

 Subscribed Capital
 83,198,90

 Capital Paid-up
 1,301,38

 Reserve Fund
 631,05

President, - - - A. T. FULTON.

Manager, - - - Hon. S. C. Wood.

Inspectors, - John Leckie & T. Gibson.

Money advanced on easy terms for long periods epayment at borrower's option.

Deposits received on interest.

THE HAMILTON Provident and Loan Society.

Notice is hereby given that the Eighteenth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Society will be held at the Society's Offices, King Street, Hamilton, on

MONDAY, 3rd MARCH NEXT.

At Eleven o'clock, forenoon, precisely, for the purpose of Electing Directors, and for all other general purposes relating to the management of the Society. H. D. CAMERON,

Hamilton, Feb. 1st, 1890.

LONDON & CANADIAN Loan & Agency Co.

LIMITED).

DIVIDEND No. 33.

Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate Notice is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Eight per cent. per annum, on the Paid-up Capita. Stock of this Company, for the half-year ending 28th February, 1890, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable on 15th March next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from 1st to 7th March, both days inclusive. By order of the

J. F. KIRK, Toronto, 4th February, 189). Manager

THE DOMINION Savings & Investment Society

LONDON, ONT.

Subscribed Capitai......\$1,000,000 00 Paid-up 931,925 95 ROBERT REID, (Collector of Customs)

WILLIAM DUFFIELD, VICE-P VICE-PRESIDENT. THOMAS H. PURDOM, - INSPECTING DIRECTOR.

F. B. LEYS, Manager.

The Farmers' Loan and Savings Company. The National Investment Co. of Canada

)FFICE, No. 17 TORONTO ST., TOBONTO.

Money advanced on improved Real Estate at owest current rates.

Sterling and Currency Debentures issued.

Money received on deposit, and interest allowed payable half-yearly. By Vic. 42 Chap. 20, Statutes of Jutario, Executors and Administrators are authorsed to invest trust funds in Debentures of this Jompany.

WM. MULOCK, M.P., President, GEO. S. C. BETHUNE, Secretary-Tree

CANADA Loan & Savings Co.

Subscribed Capital Paid-up Capital Reserve Fund...

OFFICES, No. 76 CHURCH ST., TORONTO

Company's Buildings, stain St., Winnipeg. The Hon. G. W. Allan, Speaker of the Senata. George Gooderham, Eq. Vice-President,

Thomas H. Lee, Esq., Alfred Gooderham, Esq., Gao. W. Lewis, Esq., Sir D. L. Macpherson, K.U.M. WALTER S. LEE, Managing Director.

HURON AND ERIE Loan and Savings Company

LONDON, ONT.

Capital Subscribed Capital Paid-up Reserve Fund

Money advanced on the security of Real Estate on favorable terms.

Debentures issued in Currency or Sterling.
Executors and Trustees are authorized by Act of Parliament to invest in the Debentures of the Company.

Interest allowed on Deposits. J. W. LITTLE, President. G. A. SOMERVILLE,

THE HOME Savings and Loan Company.

OFFICE: No. 72 CHURCH ST., TOBONTO

Authorized Capital \$2,000,000 Subscribed Capital 1,500,000

Deposits received, and interest at current rates slowed.

Money loaned on Mortgage on Real Estate, or reasonable and convenient terms.

Advances on collateral security of Debentures, and other Stroke. Bank and other Stocks.

Hon. FRANK SMITH, President. JAMES MASON, Manager

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION.

DIRECTORS.

LARRATT W. SMITH, D.C.L., President.

JOHN KERR, Vice-President
Hon. Alex. McKenzie, M.P. G. R. R. Cockburn, M.L.
Geo. Murray

W. Mortimer Clark.

WALTER GILLERPIE

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OFFICE: COR. TORONTO AND COURT STS Money advanced on the security of city and farm property.

Mortgages and debentures purchased.

Interest allowed on deposits.

Registered Debentures of the Association obtained on application.

on application.

The London & Ontario Investment Co. LIMITED

OF TORONTO, ONT.

President, Hon. Frank Smith. Vice-President, William H. Bratt, Esq.

DIRECTORS.

Messrs. William Ramsay, Arthur B. Lee, W. B. Hamilton, Alexander Nairn, George Taylor, Henry Gooderham and Frederick Wyld.

Money advanced at current rates and on favorable

terms, on the security of productive farm, city and town property.

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Money received from investors and secured by the Company's debentures, which may be drawn payable either in Canada or Britain with interest half yearly a. M. COSBY, Manager. at current rates.

A. M. COSBY, Mana
84 King Street East Toronto.

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WILLIAM GALBRAITH, Esq., Vice-President
William Alexander, Esq. John Scott, Esq.
John Stuart, Esq. N. Silverthorn, Esq.
A. B. Creelman, Esq., Q.C. John Stark, Esq.
Frank Turner, Esq., C.E.
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JOEN L. BLAIKIE, Esq., - President.
THOMAS LAILEY, Esq., - Vice-President. · · Vice-Pres't. Subscribed Capital \$1,500,000
Paid-up Capital 664,000
Reserve Fund 166,000 OFFICE, 23 Toronto St., - TORONTO.

Money advanced on the security of city and farm property at lowest rates of interest, and on most lavorable terms as to repayment of principal. Mortgages purchased. Sterling and currency de-bentures issued.

The Ontario Loan & Savings Company OSHAWA, ONT.

Capital Subscribed \$300,00

Money loaned at low rates of interest on the security of Real Estate and Municipal Debentures Deposits received and interest allowed.

W. F. Cowan, President. W. F. ALLEN, Vice-President. T. H. McMILLAN, Sec-Trees.

THE ONTARIO Loan & Debenture Company

OF LONDON, CANADA.

 Capital Subscribed
 \$2,000,000

 Paid-up Capital
 1,200,000

 Reserve Fund
 340,000

 Total Assets
 3,606,782

 Total Liabilities
 2,024,438

Debentures issued for 3 or 5 years. Debentures and interest can be collected at any agency of Moisons Bank, without charge.

WILLIAM F. BULLEN.

London, Ontario, 1889.

The Ontario Industrial Loan and Investment Co., Lt 1.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Company's Offices, 32 Arcade, Victoria Street, Toronto, on

Thursday, 20th of February, 1890,

at Two o'clock in the afternoon,

To receive Statements, elect Directors for the ensuing year, and for the ordering of the affairs of the Company generally. By order,

EDMUND T. LIGHTBOURN,

Toronto, 29th Jan., 1890.

The Trust & Loan Company of Canada.

ESTABLISHED 1851.
 Subscribed Capital
 £1,500,000

 Paid-up Capital
 325,000

 Reserve Fund
 147,730
 HEAD OFFICE: 7 Great Winchester St., London, Eng.

OFFICES IN CANADA: TORONTO. St. James Street, MONTREAL. Main Street, WINNIPEG.

Money advanced at lowest current rates on the ecurity of improved farms and productive city WM. B. BRIDGEMAN-SIMPSON, Commissioners

CENTRAL CANADA LOAN & SAVINGS CO.

Omces 26 King St. East, Toronto. 347 George St., Peterboro.

 Capital Subscribed,
 \$2,000,000

 Capital Paid up,
 \$800,000

 Reserve Fund,
 140,000

 Invested Funds
 2,539,000

Money advanced on the security of real estate on easy terms of repayment and lowest current rate of interest. Debentures issued in currency or sterling. Executors and Trustes are authorized by Acts of Parliament to invest in the Debentures of this Company. Interest allowed on Deposits.

GEO. A. COX. F. G. COX. Manager.

GEO. A. COX,
President.

F. G. COX, Manager.
E. R. WOOD, Sec y.

The Loan Companies.

THE LANDED BANKING & LOAN CO'Y.

Notice is hereby given that the Thirteenth General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Company's Office, in Hamilton, on

Wednesday, the 19th February next,

At 12 O'clock moon, for the purpose of electing Directors, and for all other general purposes relating to the management of the Company.

By order, SAMUEL SLATER, Treasurer. Hamilton, Jan 20th, 1990.

Bankers and Brokers.

JOHN LOW.

(Member of the Stock Exchange),

Stock and Share Broker, 58 ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER STREET MONTREAL.

GARESCHE, GREEN & CO. BANKERS.

Victoria,

- - British Columbia.

A general banking business transacted. Telegraphic transfers and drafts on the Eastern Provinces, Grea Britain and the United States. COLLECTIONS PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO

ROBERT BEATY & CO.

Agents for - - - Wells, Fargo & Company

61 KING ST. EAST,

(Members of Toronto Stock Exchange), Bankers and Brokers,

Buy and sell Stocks, Bonds, &c., on Commission, for Cash or on Margin. American Currency and Exchange bought and sold.

GEO. T. ALEXANDER.

ALEXANDER & FERGUSSON,

Members Toronto Stock Exchange, INVESTMENT AGENTS.

OFFICES, BANK OF COMMERCE B'L'G, KING ST. W., TOBONTO.

Debentures Issued, - Estates Managed, - Rents Collected. -

JOHN STARK & CO.,

STOCK AND EXCHANGE BROKERS. (Members Toronto Stock Exchange.) REAL ESTATE AGENTS

Moneys invested on Mortgages, Debentures, &c. Estates carefully managed. Rents collected.

Telephone 880. 28 Toronto Street.

STRATHY BROTHERS.

INVESTMENT BROKERS. (MEMBERS MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE),

73 ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER ST., MONTREAL. Business strictly confined to commission. Coupons Cashed, and Dividends Collected and Remitted. Interest allowed on Deposits over one thousand dollars, remaining more than seven days, subject to draft at sight. Stocks, Bonds and Securities bought, and sold. Commission—One quarter of One per cent on par value. Special attention given to investments.

AGENTS: GOODBODY, GLYN & Dow, New York. BLAKE BROS. & Co., Boston.

Insurance Company.

HEAD OFFICE FOR CANADA

Glasgow and London Buildings, Montreal. H. L. HIME & CO.

JOINT MANAGERS:

J. T. VINCENT AND RICHARD FREYGANG. TORONTO BRANCH OFFICE, - - 34 Toronto Street. THOMAS McCRAKEN, Res. Secretary.

Trust and Guarantee Companies.

THE TRUSTS CORPORATION

OF ONTARIO.

CAPITAL, - - - - - \$1,000,000 SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, - - 600,000

Office & Vaults, 23 Toronto St., Toronto. PRESIDENT, HON. J. C. AIKINS
VICE-PRESIDENTS, HON. SIR ADAM WILSON KIT
HON. R. J. CARTWRIGHT, KCMG. MANAGER, - - -

This Company acts as Liquidator, Assignee or Trustee for benefit of Creditors, and generally in winding up estates. Also accepts office of Executor, Administrator, Receiver, Guardian, or Committee. The execution of all Trusts by appointment or substitution. Also acts as Financial Agent for Individuals and Corporations in all negotiations and business generally, including—the Issue and Countersigning of Bonds, Debentures &c. Investment of Money, Management of Estates, Collection of Rents, and all financial obligations.

THE GUARANTEE COMP'Y

OF NORTH AMERICA.

ESTABLISHED .

OF SURETYSHIP. BONDS

HEAD OFFICE, -MONTREAL.

E. RAWLINGS, Vice-Pres. & Man. Director. TOBONTO BRANCH:

MEDIAND & Jones, Agents. Mail Buildings.

Provident Savings Life Assurance Society OF NEW YORK.

SHEPPARD HOMANS,.... ...PRESIDENT WILLIAM E. STEVENS,.....VICE-PRESIDENT. Assets over \$280 to each \$100 of Liabilities.

Agents wanted in every City and Town in the Dominion of Canada. Apply to R. H. MATSON, General Manager, 37 Yonge Street, Toronto.

ATLAS ASSURANCE COY,

OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

FOUNDED - - - 1808.

CAPITAL, - - £1,200,000 Stg. Branch Manager for Canada: - LOUIS H. BOULT

Montreal. WOOD & MACDONALD,

Agents for Toronto, - 92 King Street East.

Agents required in unrepresented towns

NATIONAL ASSURANCE GO'Y OF IRELAND.

Incorporated

CAPITAL, - - £1,000,000 Stg. Chief Agent for Canada: - - LOUIS H. BOULT

Montreal.

WOOD & MACDONALD,

Agents for Toronto, - 92 King Street East. Agents required in unrepresented towns.

Bankers and Brokers.

Stock Brokers & Financial Agents. Mortgages bought and sold. Valuations and Investments carefully made. Estates managed. Arbitrations attended to

20 King Street, East,
TELEPHONE - 532 Toronto. - 53%.

Leading Bar	risters.
COATSWORTH, HODGI	
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Accumulated Funds.....

Jan. 1, 1887.

JAMES LOCKIE, - - Inspector.

ROBERT W. TYRE, MANAGEB FOR CANADA.
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EUROPEAN MARKETS.

LONDON, February 12th.

Beerbohm says: Floating cargoes—Wheat, and maize, nil. Cargoes on passage—Wheat, not much enquiry; maize, quiet but firm. Mark Lane—English wheat, few buyers in the market; American maize, quiet but steady; English flour, steady; American weaker. French country markets, firm.

LIVERPOOL, February 12th.

Spring wheat, 7s. 3½d.; red winter, 6s. 11½d.; No. 1 Cal., 7s. 3d.; corn, 3s. 9½d.; peas, 5s. 8½d.; pork, 54s. 6d.; lard, 31s. 9d.; bacon, long clear, heavy, 28s. 6d.; light, 29s. 0d.; short clear, 28s. 6d.; tallow, 23s. 6d.; cheese, white and colored, 50s. 6d. Wheat, quiet, demand poor; holders offer moderately. Corn, weak; demand poor; holders offer moderately.

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LONDON, Feb. 12th.

Consols, 97 3-16 for money, 97, 9-16 for account; U. S. 4's, 125\(\vec{t}\); do. 4\(\vec{t}\)s, 106\(\vec{t}\); Eric, 27\(\vec{t}\); do. 2nds, 104; Canadian Pacific, 77\(\vec{t}\); New York Central, 109; Illinois Central, 121\(\vec{t}\). Bank of England rate, 6 per cent.

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Hay, Loose, Timothy	111	00	13	00
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February 13th, 1890.

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Lard	31	3
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Mercantile Summary.

SIR DONALD SMITH, Mr. A. F. Gault, Hon. J. J. C. Abbott, Mr. Hugh McLennan, and Mr. Andrew Allan were chosen, last week, directors of the Globe Woollen Mills Co.

THE bankrupt stock of A. P. Casgrain & Co., Windsor, valued at \$3,978.32, was sold at 63 to. on the dollar, and those of Hall & Co., of Chatham, and H. W. Eagle's, Delhi, at 60c. on the dollar each.

Four big boilers have been built at the Polson Iron Works in Toronto for the new C.P.R. car ferry. They are 13 ft. 3 in. diameter and 14 feet long; shell eleven-sixteenths thick, Scotch-rolled. The 4-inch tubes are of German make, 148 in each boiler.

A RETURN of the liabilities and assets of the Montreal City and District Savings Bank on the last day of January shows liabilities of \$8,347,514, and assets of \$9,323,588. On the same date the liabilities of the Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame de Quebec were \$3,066,-448, and assets, \$3,419,549.

THE Kingston and Smith's Falls Railway is to be built. Arrangements for the necessary capital have been made. Already twenty miles have been subsidized, and municipality bonuses to the amount of \$25,000 provided. The Dominion Government will be asked to provide a subsidy for the entire line at \$3,200

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A PARAGRAPH sent last week to the press about a new concern in Windsor says, "not much malleable iron is made in Canada; nearly half of all used comes from the States, and pays 35 per cent. duty." Perhaps the writer of the item does not know of the Oshawa Malleable Iron Works, and that malleable iron is made in Brockville, in Montreal, in Hamilton, and other places.

At the meeting of the Temperance Colonization Society held here on the 5th instant, it was reported that a railway has been built from Regina into the colony. The board was re-elected with one exception. J. C. White is president, J. S. Hatton vice-president, and W. C. Powell manager. The president, manager, Wm. Anderson, and R. H. Gray are the executive committee.

THERE is a petition before Parliament from the Brantford, Waterloo, & Lake Erie Railway Co., which wants power to build from Hamilton to some point in Brant, to increase its capital to half a million, and to issue bonds to the extent of \$40,000 per mile, The City Treasurer of Brantford has paid over to this company \$25,000 for stock in the railway, being the second \$25,000 granted in aid of the road. "This completes satisfactorily the fulfilment of the conditions under which the aid was granted."

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THE Montreal Rolling Mills Company bei the annual meeting recently, when a d was declared making the total dividend 8 per cent. for the year 1889. Mr. Andrew Allan president; Mr. Hugh McLennan, victors dent; Mr. Wm. McMaster, managing director the remaining directors are Hon. G. A. Drun mond, E. S. Clouston, H. Montagu Alla Chas. S. Watson.

A NUMBER of New York oil refiners, name Messrs. J. Bushnell, F. Q. Barstow, Ho A. Hutchins, and A. M. McGregor, toget with Chas. C. Campbell and Clavering Pers ley, of Montreal, apply to be made a comp with headquarters in Montreal, to deal crude and refined petroleum. Capital, \$100 000. Name, the Bushnell Company, limits They propose to refine at or near London.

THE steel bridge of the Canada Atlanti Railway across the St. Lawrence River Coteau Landing, begun in April last, is almos completed. Trains are to run over it this week. There are seventeen fixed spans. Or is 139 feet, two are 175 feet each, ten are 117 feet each, and four are 223 feet each, while the swing bridge covers 355 feet and the main channel. The islands that intersect the bridge are Giroux Island, 905 ft., and Round land 1,220 feet. The total length is a mile and three-quarters.

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THREE Winnipeg coal dealers have been detected in giving short weight.

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It is proposed to form a joint stock company to operate the oil finds of the Kootenay district, B.C.

THE Drury Cove Lime Co., at Drury Cove, N.B., expects to manufacture about 75,000 barrels of lime this year.

HAMACHER & NAFE have purchased the property of the Preston Carriage Co. for 55c. on the dollar. They will continue the business

"POSTABLE" is a word lately devised in England to denote any airy trifle weighing less than four pounds, and therefore capable of being sent by post.

A VANCOUVER paper says that passengers from the upper country report that the snow is beginning to go slowly but surely, and that an early spring is looked forward to.

IT appears to the St. John, N.B., Globe as if the herring fishery this year will be a total failure. Not one has yet "struck in." Lobsters, however, are reported plentiful, and are said to be very fat.

J. B. MoxLEY was a farmers' implement dealer at Escott, Ont., who began a general store, three years ago. His success has always been regarded as problematical. Recently judgments began to be recorded against him, and he is now in the assignee's hands.

In Vancouver potatoes are worth \$40 a ton wholesale, and are retailed at \$3 per sack in some instances. "There is a dearth of this commodity," says the World, "not only in this province, but on the Sound, where they are in great demand at figures in excess of those paid here."

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MESSRS. MURPHY, GATES & Co. will erect a saw mill immediately south of the shipyard in Owen Sound. It will have a capacity of 30,000 feet per day, and will, says the Times, be one of the best mills in that section of the province.

C. J. McGrail, a young man who came in from the country last spring and started a grocery business in Montreal, has failed with small liabilities. Query, will he go back to the country for his own and the country's

TRANGUILLE & Co., general dealers at Saint Louis de Gonzague, Que., have sold out, but finding themselves unable to pay in full, have handed over \$19,000 in cash received for stock and book debts of \$1,300 to creditors, who hope to realize about 80 cents where they credited 100.

JOHN LESLIE, general dealer at Alexandria, is offering 60 cents on the dollar, payments spread over twelve months. He owes \$6,000. and shows a nominal surplus of about \$500. He opened at Alexandria about two years ago, having previously failed at Maxville, and has always been considered a very weak mark.

TWENTY thousand dollars worth of sound seed wheat is, it is said, to be distributed gratuitously by the Government among the farmers who failed to get a fair start in the North-West last year. The distributing centre will likely be Brandon, Man., but none of the new cereal will be needed outside of the Territories.

V. TRUDEL was a farmer in fair circumstances, who only a few months ago bought a large hotel at West Farnham, Que., paying down \$4,000 cash on account of purchase. Today he is offering 50 per cent. on liabilities of \$23,140, and shows a deficiency of \$2,600. A lesson, to him and to others, that it is not every man who can keep a hotel successfully.

THE annual meeting of the North-West Navigation Company was held in Winnipeg on the 5th. The following officers were elected: -President, Andrew Allan; vice-president, C. S. Drummond; manager, We Robinson; secretary-treasurer, F. A. Drummond; directors, A. Allan, C. S. Drummond, W. Robinson, E. H. Taylor, F. H. Matthewson, L. M. Lewis, and W. R. Allan.

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FARMERS tell the Winnipeg Free Press that there is more snow on the ground than any year since 1882, and, what has not happened H. Montagu Allan, J. B. Learmont, P. for a long time, the snow is lying on the ploughed land in place of drifting against the fences. The melting of the snow will be sufficient to fill the sloughs and swell the rivers to a point they have not reached for years. All these indications point to a season with plenty of moisture and consequently good crops.

At the annual general meeting of the William Johnson Company, makers of paints and colors in Montreal, Messrs. William Johnson, Colin McArthur, Hugh McLennan, James Robertson, T. H. Balfour, F. W. Evans, A. Dunbar Taylor were elected directors." Mr. Robertson was chosen president, Mr. Evans vice-president; Mr. Johnson is managing director, and Mr. T. Patterson secre-

A. E. DESOUTEL, who has been doing a small store business at St. Pie, Que., for the last two years, has assigned owing about \$2,400. -M. Guillet, dry goods dealer at Three Rivers, has been served with a demand to assign by Messrs. Thibaudeau Brothers & Co. He began business only in May of last year. Blumenthal & Rosenthal, whose names indicate their nationality, went to St. Hyacinthe last spring from Montreal and started a clothing business. In the latter city they had been in the second-hand trade. They have just failed.

THERE are two or three shoe dealers who are involved, according to this week's advices. They are J. Stapleton, who has been many years in Brantford, and Frank O'Neil, Hensall, whose creditors held a meeting at Goderich on Wednesday last. - Luke Switzer, dealer in boots and shoes at Sunderland, has also assigned with liabilities of \$1,200. His nominal assets are less than half this sum. There are also two tailors who have assigned. They are T. J. McGarritty. Alliston, and K. P. Shea, Toronto.

THE annual meeting of that old and successful concern, the Canadian Rubber Company, was held last week in Montreal. The secretary, Mr. Gravel, read a report on the financial state of the company, which was shown to be very satisfactory, and was unanimously adopted. A vote of thanks was passed to the officers and secretary for the manner in which the company's affairs had been conducted during the past year. The election of officers resulted as follows: Presi

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D. McCrimmon, has assigned, owing about \$7,000. He has been complained of as slow for some time past. W. G. Young, in bus ness for about two years at Ottawa, has take stock, and finds he is unable to pay in full He owes about \$6,000, and has assets apper ent of \$5,700. Labonte & Frere, who he a small general business at St. Therese à Blainville several years ago, are reported failed, owing \$2,800, assets: \$1,000 less. The business has never been sufficient to support two partners.

From Manitoba we have a few paragraph respecting traders in difficulty :- Ste Farquhar began the planing mill business in Winnipeg, but have not succeeded. They have assigned .- In Calgary, G. C. King & Co., dealers in boots and shoes, have assigned -James Stewart, Pilot Mound; carries builder, was burnt out in 1888, when he lost nearly \$4,000. At length he has found it necessary to assign .- In Virden, J. W. Hetherington, shoe dealer, has made an assign ment, with liabilities of \$2,300, and not assets of \$300 less. Poor crops, he says, is the cause of his trouble.

MESSRS. Ross & CEPERLEY, insurance and financial agents and dealers in real estate in Vancouver, B. C., will please accept our thanks for a copy of the Christmas Number of the News-Advertiser of that city. It is a 64page quarto, filled with illustrations of Vancouver and New Westminster, as well as of the Fraser River, and the canneries thereon, the Selkirk Mountains, etc., etc. If one has not time to read the statistical descriptions of the growth of the places named he cannot fail to be delighted with many of the illustrations of the C. P. R. route. Unfortunately several of the "Scenes in the Rockies" are marred in the reproduction.

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W. S. Armstrone, dealer in hats, caps, etc., at St. Catharines, has been for some time anxious to dispose of his stock. Now he has assigned. - We have not heard what success R. R. Goulding, Stratford, dealer in hardware, has had in inducing his creditors to accept 45 per cent. of their claims in full settlement of account.—Last week we noted that Hubbell got an extension in 1883, and again in 1887, & English, general dealers at Marmora, were in trouble. They have since assigned.

Among the small traders whose assignment is announced are : Peter Miller, Chatham ; Jessie Morris, North Bay; Mrs. Mary Porter, Hastings; Alex. Ferguson, West Toronto Junction; F. Licht, carriage-maker, Roseville; Atkinson & Co., dealers in crockery, &c., Toronto; Forsythe Bros., dealers in tinware at Fordwich .- In Gravenhurst, E. Cooper, dealer in liquors, etc., has assigned to the sheriff.-In Allison, Miller & Fridd have been making pottery more than two years, but without progress, and have assigned .-E. P. Kesse, dealer in cigars, also has assigned.

WE note the following failures in the Montreal retail dry goods trade :- M. Laurier, who has been in trade a dozen years in a moderate way, and was supposed doing fairly, has ass igned on demand of J. Johnston & Co. Liabilities, \$15,397. - Masse & Mathieu, who began only in the spring of 1889, buying a bankrupt stock on favorable terms, have called a meeting of creditors .- Marson, Gendron & Co. are liquidating. They owe

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about \$20,000, and their estate is expected to to be commended for stopping while he can realize about 50 per cent. Marson failed prea very active, cheap trade for some years past, is trying to compromise liabilities of \$80,000 to \$90,000, at 70 cents in the hundred. He claiming on the latter occasion a nominal surplus of \$70,000.

F. S. RUTLEDGE, grocer at Fort William, has assigned with liabilities of \$4,500 and nominal assets of \$2,500.-In 1887, Cole & Burke began business as grocers in Colborne. While there it was thought that they had improved their position, but we hear of their assignment.-J. J. Turcotte, a liquor dealer in Chapleau, has also assigned.—The creditors of J. H. Vernon, general storekeeper at Orillia, met yesterday, when a statement was presented showing liabilities and assets nearly equal at \$15,000 .- Danford Roche & Co., dry goods, Newmarket, have assigned.

A GROUP of dry goods dealers in Ontario, whose names we give below, are in financial trouble: In London, Robert Kingsmill has become discouraged. He sees no prospect of making money out of dry goods and therefore has decided to go into liquidation. He has a stock of \$12,000, and owes \$9,000 on the same. The estate ought to be a good one, and he is

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pay creditors .- H. H. Penney, another viously in 1888, and compromised at 55 cents | London dry goods man, is offering to comproin the dollar. A. Valiquette, who has done mise liabilities of \$3,200 at 50 per cent. Small as the offer is he claims a surplus .man Bros., Stratford, who we reported as in trouble, have assigned. - C. W. Jones, at Port Perry, has made a settlement with creditors on liabilities of \$22,500 at 60 per cent. secured. He has nominal assets of \$18.500.

> THE wholesale firm of John Macdonald & Co., Toronto, since the death of Senator Macdonald, is continued under the same style, the partners being Messrs. John Kidston Macdonald, Paul Campbell, and Jamos Fraser Macdonald. The two former were made partners some time ago, the last named is now admitted. We understand that the capital of the late John Macdonald remaining in the business amounts to \$850,000, and that of this sum, \$100,000 is given by his will to his sons, in the proportion of \$75,000 to the elder, and \$25,000 to the younger. The remainder, \$750,000, remains at the risk of the business on low interest for a term of ten years. There is thus ample means at the disposal of the house, and its management being practically, in the same hands that have conducted its affairs for some time past, its high standard will doubt. less be maintained. The sons of the late senior have already shown themselves no dilettanti students of business, but active practical workers, and the extensive business will, we think, lose nothing in energy or extent.

> A Government inspector seized upwards of 500,000 shingles and some lumber in Minnedosa recently. They had been manufactured without the manufacturers first interviewing the Government.

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THE SITUATION.

Tariff legislation is again promised or threatened at Ottawa. Objecting to piece meal attacks on the trade policy of the Government, when a proposal was made for a rebate of duty on Indian corn used by farmers, the First Minister announced that "the Government intends to bring down a tariff measure, during the present session, of considerable importance, affecting considerable interests." Such a statement was likely to create some alarm, and in answer to objections to perpetual tinkering of the tariff, the Minister of Finance found it necessary to moderate the effect of the broad but vague announcement of the Premier by denying that it was intended to make "sweeping and radical changes;" those to be made are warranted not to create alarm. Changes may be in either direction may either raise or lower duties or remove some wholly or in part, but as the Premier said the policy of the Government is well known, that is it is protectionist, the chances of reduction or abolition are poor. At the same time, it is not impossible that the farmer may be allowed a rebate on the Indian corn which he imports for seed or feed. This was the question that had been started, and Sir John objected to its being discussed alone. The political view is likely to prevail. At the last general election, the anti-tariff phalanx broke front and went back on its record, thus confirming the Government in the course it had taken. The chances are that the changes will cover some articles not now under the special protection of exceptional duties.

Alderman Hallam has addressed a letter to Mr. Mowat suggesting that personal property and income cease to be made liable for municipal taxes. Confined to muni-

burthens on themselves in the rural dischange could only be made, if at all, by confining it to cities and towns; and there is no conclusive evidence that even they are in favor of it. Mr. Hallam says that the assessment of personal property in Toronto " is notoriously below its real value." No doubt; the mistake is in assuming as many do that the assessment is a measure of the value. The reason why it is not a measure of the value is that it represents only one side of the account, call it the credit side, and that on the debtor side a large deduction is made from the total value. There are no doubt evasions of the law, but we cannot be sure that they exceed in amount the debts which citizens are permitted to deduct from the amount their income and total value of their personal property. Alderman Hallam thinks that a tax on land would "bear on all classes equally." On the contrary, it would be confined entirely to a single class, the owners of real estate. All the great political economists, he will remember, English and French, hold the view that no part of the tax paid on land rent could be recovered.

If it be true that Mr. Foster wants to increase the amount of legal tenders which the banks are obliged to hold, we trust the demand will not be insisted on. Considered as a means of making the general public a sharer in the profits of the note circulation, it is one of the most objectionable means of doing so that could be devised. The legal tenders which the banks are obliged to hold are put on the footing of gold, though they are only promises to pay gold. The promise of the Government, it is often said, pledges all the property of every individual in the country for payment; and the form of promise in question has a strange fascination for some minds. Nevertheless the instances are numerous in which government paper money, when excessive in amount, has fallen far below par, and has in some cases become worthless. The great thing is to guard against excess in this particular. If the blunder of an excessive issue should be committed, that would be no reason for compelling the banks to take inordinate responsibility in connection with it. It would be far better that the banks should be allowed even to commute the present disability which the requirements to hold Government notes puts them under than that it should be continued. To extend it by adding to the amount would be, from every point of view, unjustifiable.

The young German Emperor has startled the world by proposing an international arrangement of a socialistic character. cipal taxes, the proposal is one in favor of Possibly he intends the suggested Internawhich much can be said, but the Henry tional as a counterpoise to the old Internaremembered that the farmers would regard those of the English, and his pay is less. as throwing the whole weight of municipal Germany at a relative disadvantage com- done only on the responsibility of the mill

pared with her present position as a comtricts, and they are not likely to declare petitor for foreign trade. It is uncertain their readiness to accept the load. The whether other European nations would respond to the invitation of Germany for an international conference if it were made. The general opinion is that the Emperor's suggestion will come to nothing. The Bourbons in France toyed with the democracy before their fall; it remains to be seen what will be the outcome of the German Emperor's coquetting with Socialism. The Socialists will take whatever he offers them, complaining meanwhile that they are not allowed to help themselves. When a young sovereign without experience rejects the advice of the wise head of Bismarck, and enters on an adverse course of his own, he makes a perilous venture, the end of which cannot be foreseen.

> At the time of the expiry of the modus vivendi, by which United States fishermen obtained access to our eastern fisheries, efforts are said to be making for a similar arrangement as a temporary expedient for tiding over the Behring Sea seal fishery. Secretary Blaine and the British Minister are reported to be hopeful of success. A treaty is not at once looked for, but only some means of accommodation for a season or two, to give time for a permanent settlement. Perhaps the two fishery questions may be bracketed together and dealt with at the same time. It is always difficult to learn what the New England fishermen really desire, the wants, wishes, and opinions attributed to them often taking a political tinge, which prevents the real truth being got at. But we know, as a matter of fact, that many of them saw their interest in taking out licenses, and it is certain that they would do so again if the opportunity offered. Public opinion in the Republic does not sustain the pretension that the Behring Sea is a closed sea. That extreme view is confined chiefly to the Alaska Fur Company, and to a few individuals here and there. It is liable to be put forward for political reasons on emergency. Under the late Administration the Treasury and the State Departments held different views; and if Mr. Blaine is favorable to some mode of accommodation, there is no certainty that the Treasury Department will concur with him.

An important decision has been given by the Privy Council on the sawdust nuisance. Antoine Ratte, a boat-builder, sued some lumbermen for damages done to his property by sawdust thrown into the Ottawa River. The case was carried through the courts here and to the Privy Council in England, and the decision means nothing less than that those who throw sawdust into our rivers are liable to private individuals for all the injury they thereby do. Unless this view had been sustained there would have been a wrong George cranks by asking that all taxes be tional. But whatever his motive, he has without a remedy. Before this decision raised from land have probably made the set Europe to asking whether minimum was known the Government had resolved change advocated by Mr. Hallam impossi- wages and diminished hours of labor can to procure legislation to abate the nuisance. ble. Between his proposal and theirs the be guaranteed to workmen. The German At present, under executive regulations widest distinction exists. It must be workman's hours are much longer than sawdust may be thrown into certain streams, but it is pretty clear, in view of the abolition of income and property taxes Any change in this respect would place the present decision, that this could be

owners. However this may be, this exceptional privilege is now to be withdrawn. It did not make any explanation at the time, is much to be desired that some means of but will probably do so when the return utilizing this by-product should be found, for which Mr. Edgar moved comes down. so that what is at present an embarrass ment should be converted into wealth. We are probably very near such a discovery. It has been repeatedly rumored that the problem of utilizing the sawdust had been solved: one time it was to be converted into methol alcohol, another into paper. Who will set to work to perfect a very necessary invention?

THE BANKING BILL.

When the Banking bill comes up for discussion, Senator Boulton will ask that authority be given to make loans on the security of real personal property. To take pledges of personal property would convert them into pawnbrokers. There can be no doubt that farmers are often greatly inconvenienced by being unable to secure temporary loans of small amounts. If they go to a loan society for a sum which they want only for a few months, they complain that they interest for three years. Compliance is serious, refusal perhaps equally so; they are between two fires, and may be scorched on either side. This is what they allege by way of complaint, and if the statement farmer in such a strait goes to a private stand a good chance of being squeezed The difficulty can be easily understood; the remedy is not so easy. Some bankers are in favor of that part of the change proposed by Senator Boulton, which relates to real estate, and think that small loans made to farmers on the security of land would be perfectly safe. The danger is, of course, of a lock up. Farmers are not punctual in making payment, and many of them can in fact only pay when they have sold off their produce. It is possible that small country banks might meet this want, or the present banks through their agencies might do so. The experiment would have to be made with caution.

Some well-informed members of Parliament express the opinion that the Government's banking measure will not be put through this session, but that after having been introduced and debated either more or less fully, it will be allowed to stand for a year, in order that public opinion concerning it may be fully expressed. Nobody pretends to have any authoritative information as to the nature of the measure. The Government seems to be guarding its On Wednesday last, Mr. Edgar moved for copies of the charters of the Bank of British North America and into as many portions, and an equal number the Bank of British Columbia, explaining of commissioners were appointed to spend that these institutions were chartered by it, at a salary of five shillings a day and letters patent issued in England. He two and a half per cent. on the expendispoke at some length to show that the ture. The member who promised most, Bank of British North America was exempt and backed his promise by the best past from some of the provisions of the Banking performance, was the most acceptable to Act, and that there was nothing in the the constituents.

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BETTER TERMS" DEMANDS LOOMING UP.

There are indications that several of the provinces may prefer a demand on the Federal Government for an increase of the subsidies they receive. Quebec is in financial straits, and it is reported will, at the end of the local session, attempt a new raid on the Dominion treasury. In this enterprise it is not improbable that it will be joined or followed, if not preceded, by Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. From Manitoba hints now and then come that an equivalent for the public lands of the province will be sought by the Local Government.

The financial problem has always been one of difficulty in Canada under every form of government. All the remedies for political jobbing which have been propose 1, and some of which promised fair, have in turn failed. If we go back to the system are asked to burthen themselves with in force under the constitution of 1791, we shall find that a state of things existed which was as bad if not worse than any thing that followed either under the Union or under Confederation. Lord Durham attributed the evil to the absence of munibe correct they deserve sympathy. If a cipal institutions, and there was some force in the remark, To this day we banker or other money lender, he will find that in the provinces where the municipal system is most imperfect or non-existent there is the greatest tendency to make demands on the general funds of the Dominion. In some of the provinces it is as true now as it was then that the making of roads and bridges is a concern of the legislatures, and if any purely local local expenditure can be thrown on the Federal treasury, the achievement is regarded as a master stroke by which so much has been saved to the province. The real struggle, as Lord Durham pointed out, was so to contrive that the largest possible proportion of the public revenue might "be left to be divided among the constituent bodies." In those days the greatest abuses arose from the fact that it was not necessary to obtain the previous assent of the Crown to any expenditure that might be proposed; the whole of the public revenue could be squandered through the initiative of individual members. The science of log-rolling was carried to perfection; "and," in the words of Lord Durham, "at the close of the Parliament, the member who has succeeded in securing the largest prize for his constituents renders an easy account of his stewardship, with confident assurance of re-election." One year a sum of £10,000 was divided

ham in the administration of the Govern. ment of Canada, soon came to the conclusion that "no colonial legislature will divest itself of the great power it now possesses of parcelling out sums of money for every petty local job." In this he was right. He ventured the prediction that when the initiation of money votes would require the recommendation of the Crown the task would become impossible, and the Government would have to leave the details of local expenditures to the members. He saw clearly that there was only one remedy, and that was that "all purely local expenses be borne by the localities them selves, and that only great works be paid for out of the provincial funds." For the purely local expenditure, he proposed that municipal councils should be established. We have got the municipal councils, in Ontario at last, and the requirement of Gor. ernment initiative for money votes has been erected into a rule. But the jobber has not ceased. The evil is less where municipal institutions are most fully developed than where they are very imper fect or non-existent.

With the introduction of railways came a new element. But there are local railways and railways which are of general benefit. Until recently no attempt has been made to draw a proper line of dis tinction between them; at last Ontane has laid down the principle, or at least tried to act upon it, that only railways which afford colonization facilities deserve provincial subsidies. There is, of course, greater reason why the Dominion refuse aid to local railways, which at best are of provincial concern; but it continues to be lavish in grants of this kind.

Will any rational being tell us when the present financial system if persevered in will land us? We have seen the state of things which existed in the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, when they had separate governments, and it is not greatly improved under confederation.

Under the union that followed, the late Mr. George Brown used to say that Upper Canada paid by far the larger part of the taxes, and that Lower Canada got the lion's share of them when they came to be distributed. Mr. Brown was among those who fancied that Confederation would put an end to this injustice, as he believed it to be. But there were others who foresaw what has happened: that instead of being the milch cow for one province, Upper Canada would become the milch cow for several. This was the opinion of the late Senator McMaster, though he did not go out of his way to give it expression. What has happened? When the financial basis of Confederation was settled, many of us deceived ourselves into the belief that the compact was indissoluble, that we knew exactly what had to be paid in provincial subsidies out of the Federal treasury, and that the amount payable to each pro did not admit of increase. The amount has been increased from first to last between thirty and forty millions of dollars. And where is all this to end?

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the public chest of the Local Government ought to be free. The vicious system of Government grants for parish purposes in most of the provinces is still almost as deeply rooted as it was in the time of Lord Sydenham. Speaking of political parties in the provinces, that statesman said it was admitted that "they could not of themselves change the system." What they could not do for themselves, he proposed should be done for them by providing in the Union Act for the establishment of municipal institutions in the provinces. This provision Lord John Russell was forced by opposition in the Imperial Parliament to excise, with the result that the old vicious habit of making legislative appropriations for parish improvements continues. When the Local Governments make appropriations for this purpose, several of them find themselves short of funds for objects which lie in their legitimate sphere, and they have no compunction about calling on the federal authority to make good the deficiency. Ontario, with her excellent municipal system, is an exception to the rule, and she suffers accord-

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DRY GOODS DELIBERATIONS.

The discussion of trade topics which we mentioned a few weeks ago as likely to take place early this mon h was held on Monday afternoon last by the Dry Goods Section of the Toronto Board of Trade. It was a very full meeting, nearly every dry goods house in the city was represented, and so far from any acrimonious discussion the general tone was one of agreement that the various matters described as business evils should be rectified.

Expression of opinion was particularly strong against the prevalent custom of dating invoices forward. While it cannot be said that agreement was reached on the vexed question of ter us, there seems reason to conclude that the dry goods trade of Canada is becoming more and more convinced, that present terms of credit, whether given "straight out," or as renewals, or secured by subterfuges such as forward dating, are too long.

Our readers are aware that a circular was issued by the section last year to the retail trade last year in regard to the returning of goods to wholesale houses. It appears from the accord of the opinions now expressed that the circular had done a very great deal of good, and we are assured that fewer goods were returned last year than ever before. The members of the section expressed the hope that in time the evil practice of returning goods without adequate reason would be entirely done away with.

A good deal of discussion arose upon the question of the disposal of bankrupt stocks. The present method, of selling them en bloc, was generally condemned, as tending either of the whole stock irrespective of The English Court of Appeal acquiesced in admiral and a right honorable; on the Caua-

character of goods or separating dry goods from hardware, groceries, crockery, &c .and selling each line by itself.

As to the subject of duty on the making up charges of goods, the section was unanimously of opinion, that while merchants should pay duty upon cartoons and things that form a legitimate part of value of goods, all charges for "making up, cutting, and examining textile fabrics" being charged or examined, which are intended for the proper carrying on of business, should not be subject to duty, and they propose memorializing the Minister Customs in accordance with this view.

A committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Caldecott, Anderson, and G. B. Smith to give it careful consideration and report to a future meeting. The executive met before the regular meeting and selected Mr. S. Caldecott chairman, Mr. T. O. Anderson deputy chairman, and also elected Mr. Alexander Boyd on the executive, in place of the late Hon. John Macdonald.

COMBINATION AT COMMON LAW.

A decision of importance in these days of association for commercial purposes has just been rendered in England at common law. The case was that of the Mogul Steamship Company versus McGregor. It was therein determined that X., Y., and Z., independent ship-owners, may lawfully form a combination, called a conference, to gain for themselves a monopoly of the tea trade at Hankow, and to drive away all competition from that port. It is further decided that, for the purpose of obtaining this monopoly, the members of the conference may agree, among other things, to grant a rebate to persons employing exclusively the ships of the conference whilst refusing it to any one who employs a nonconference ship, and in case any nonconference steamer should attempt to land cargoes at Hankow, then to send as many conference ships as may be needed to underbid the independent steamer, without any regard to profit. The decision rests on the broad principle that "competition, however severe and egotistical, if unattended by circumstances of dishonesty, intimidation, molestation, or other distinct illegalities, gives rise to no cause of action at Common Law."

The action in question was brought to recover damages on the grounds that the McGregor Steamship Company, who were ship-owners, engaged in the China trade. had combined together with a view to keeping up the monopoly of the trade from a certain Chinese port, and that it had offered to merchants and shippers in China, who shipped their goods exclusively in vessels belonging to the McGregor Company, a rebate of five per cent. on all freights paid by them, and the McGregor stocks into parcels—the subdivision may be exclusion claimed to have suffered damage.

the judgment of Lord Coleridge, dismissing the action on the ground that the association, having been formed for keeping the trade in their own hands, and not from any personal malice or ill will, was not unlawful.

THE GRAND TRUNK IN THE MARI-TIME PROVINCES.

At a meeting on the 5th instant of the Halifax Chamber of Commerce, which is soon to be amalgamated with the Board of Trade of that city, the extension of the Grand Trunk Railway into Halifax was discussed, and counsel for the railway explained the project to be to connect the Temiscouata Railway with the Intercolonial so as to bring the Grand Trunk into Halifax. The president, Mr. Silver, stated that while Halifax was at present 850 miles from Montreal, it would by the new route be 100 miles nearer. The following resolution, moved by J. E. Dewolfe, seconded by J. A. Chipman, was unanimously car-

Whereas, We learn that the Grand Trunk Railway is desirous to reach Halfax as an eastern terminus, using a proposed new route from Edmunston to Moncton and thus over the L. C. R. to Halifax. Therefore resolved, That this chamber approve of the proposed connection, and that we urge the Government to assist in every way the Grand Trunk Railway to attain their desired object.

To reach St. John, the Grand Trunk proposes to make connection with the New Brunswick Central at or near the head of Grand Lake, using the Central and the Intercolonial Railways to reach St. John. The Council of the St. John Board of Trade discussed the proposal on this day week and approved a resolution, which was confirmed on the same day by a meeting of the full board, and on motion of George Robertson, seconded by W. M. Jarvis, was carried:

Resolved, That this board is favorable to the proposed connection, on condition that satisfactory arrangements are made to secure the building of the connection with the Central Railway, or some equally direct route, at the same time or as early as the connection with Monoton, and that arrangements are also made to secure the running of regular through trains to St. John, and this board would approve of the Dominion Government assisting the said Grand Trunk Railway Company to obtain their desired objects, subject to the conditions aforesaid.

The New Brunswick Legislature has incorporated the St. Lawrence and Maritime Provinces Railway Co., and the Grand Trunk is understood to be behind it. They have at all events had a survey made from Edmunston, N.B., at the junction with the Temiscouata Railway, to Berry's Mills on the I. C. R. near Moncton.

THE "CANADIAN DIRECT MEAT COMPANY."

A subscriber asks our opinion as to the bona fides and prospects of success of the Company offered to furnish steamers, when Canadian (Direct) Meat Company, limited, to affect injuriously the business and profits necessary, to underbid any competing ves- with temporary offices at 144 Leadenhall of every trader in a town or village with sels which should come into the port in street, London, Eng., and encloses a copy whose wares such bankrupt stocks came question. The Mogul Company, who were of the prospectus. From this precious into competition. There is much, it appears rival ship-owners, were excluded from document we gather that the authorized to us; to be said in favor of dividing such association, and in consequence of said capital is £350,000 sterling, present issue £300,000. Among the directors are an

dian board of management are Sir Hector Langevin and the mayor of Three Rivers: and it has an array of bankers, solicitors, brokers, auditors, and all the machinery that looks well on paper in such a case.

In the estimate of working we find it proposed to handle, say, 50,000 cattle at 21d. and 200,000 sheep at 2d. per pound live weight. The hides, skins, and offal from these is placed at 35s. per head for the cattle and 5s. per head for the sheep, making the estimated receipts in all £844,-583. The price set down as likely to be received in England is 4d. per pound for both cattle and sheep, and the total receipts say £987,500. Thus a working profit of 141 per cent. is figured out. But through "concessions" from the city of Three Rivers, where abattoirs, etc., are to be built, and through "advantages" either mentioned or hinted at, much larger profits to the shareholders may be inferred. The feeling produced when one first reads such a prospectus as this is one of wonderment at the gullibility of English gentlemen or bankers and of investors who would put their money into a scheme whose prospectus contains such extravagant statements. Surprise is increased upon finding Sir Hector Langevin's name associated with it. On the third page occurs this statement: "From the district east of Quebec, large quantities [of cattle] are sent to Chicago, where they are slaughtered, and the produce sent back another 900 miles for export to Europe via New York." Such transparent nonsense bught to be enough to kill any concern that utters it. While it may be true that breeders of high-class cattle in the Province of Quebec have sold bulls or heifers at high prices to stock farmers in the Western States, we can find no one who believes such a yarn as that quoted as either possible or likely.

The engineer and promoter of this enterprise, M. Eugene Prosper Bender, C.E., of Montmagny, Que., is a clever statistician, judging from the voluminous, not to say marvellous, figures with which he has loaded the prospectus. But he or some one else has called on the imagination to assist the "facts" set forth. Canadian enterprises in Britain are much more likely to be prejudiced than assisted by such wild and visionary schemes as this of the Canadian Direct Meat Company, Limited.

THE LONDON (ENG.) FIRE BRIGADE.

From the report for 1889 of Capt. Shaw. chief of the London fire brigade, which is an octavo pamphlet of some fifty pages, we obtain the following information with respect to the operations of that important body of men: The brigade responded to 3,131 calls during the year, of which 153 were for fires resulting in serious, and 2,185 in slight damages. There was an increase of 350 alarms as compared with the previous year, or 267 more than the average for the past ten years. The percentage of serious fires out of the total number of alarms has stood at 7 per cent., in round numbers, for the past five years. Life was endangered in more than a hundred instances during the year, 140 persons being saved and 44 losing their lives. The A

total distance run by the engines of the brigade was 68,060 miles.

In the extinguishing of fires twenty million gallons, or about 93,000 tons of water was used. There were employed 707 firemen of all ranks, aided by 131 horses, and supplied with 48 steam and 95 hand engines, with 311 miles of hose. These were supported by numerous wagons, floating fire engines, and apparatus of all kinds. The active force was increased by 113 men during the year, (Capt. Shaw says he finds sailors make the best firemen, as a rule), and though attending an average of thirteen fires per diem, only two firemen were killed and 104 injured in the twelve months. The greatest number of fires occurred between the hours of six and eleven p.m. Christmas week was the most prolific of alarms of any in the year, 97 calls being received during that period. These brought up the average of December to 312, the highest for any single month.

Of the ascertained causes of fire, the most frequent were : lights thrown down. 186; lamps upset, 150; candles, 136; sparks from grates, 130; and there were two fires traced to over-heated electric wires. There has been a steady rise in the number of fires within the Metropolitan Fire Brigade district during the last 20 years. In 1869 the total number of fires was 1,572, in the year 1879 they had risen to 1,718; while last year they had still further increased to 2.338.

TORONTO TRADE FIGURES.

There is but little difference in aggregate of imports between January, 1890, and the same month of 1889, though dry goods were \$150,000 less last month, but there was a decided decline of exports, e.g., \$86,000 in value of barley, \$30,000 of seeds, and \$16,000 of wool. The total of inwards and outwards trade for last month was \$1. 721,695, consisting of \$1,537,119 imports and \$184,846 exports. Against this the figures of January, 1889, were, imports, \$1,582,964; exports, \$320,121; total, \$1,903,085. Free goods imported were, last month, \$267,340, as compared with \$209,476 in January, 1889. The principal items, as taken from the Board of Trade returns, are:

	Cotton goods\$229,509	\$314,290
	Fancy goods 49.333	55,850
	Hats and bonnets 40,214	29,860
	Silk goods 84,792	80,087
	Woollen goods 224,712	293,113
	Total dry goods\$628,560	\$773,200
	Books and pamphlets 30.255	33,361
	Coal, bituminous 39.548	34,940
	Drugs and medicines 14.209	10,200
1	Earthen and china ware. 5.156	11,209
	Fruit, green and dried 19,498	36,688
1	Glass and glassware 12.053	19,118
1	Iron and steel 90,551	84,413
1	Jewellery and watches 21,836	18,597
ĺ	Leather goods 16,261	19,051
l	Musical instruments 15,738	19,369
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ĺ	Spirits and wines 8,277	7,192

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POINTS ON COUNTRY TRADE.

Said a retail merchant from Grey Co when asked for his experience of the effect of the present mild winter on business: "Well it's a tough time for the country storel no doubt about that. He has lots to him just now-but as for me, I do just the best I can and don't worry. You see the road bad, mighty bad. There is no snow, and you may have noticed, Mr. Editor, that there is no snow, the average farmer claim this as an excuse for everything. If you drive round and ask him to pay up his acc he will say: 'Bless you, I haven't been to get around; we have no sleighing and can't market my grain ; and the wife she can't sell her turkeys and chickens, and you can't haul hogs to town when you ain't snow,' and so on. But the worst of it is there is next to nothing doing in the store. I don't hanker after credit sales, and there are might slender cash sales these days. There thing comforts us, and that is this: while th farmer is making a poor mouth over prices, and pretending to be poorer than be really is, the merchant, if he keeps him posted, finds out that his stock is good valuefirm markets in the Old Country for most of his stuff-and that helps us to keep a stiff upper lip. If your city merchants could keep these infernal bankrupt stocks away from we could worry along, and pay a hundred cents."

An observant commercial traveller visiti the west of this province, and a wholesale dealer who has just returned from the east of it, give somewhat different versions of the existing conditions. The former declares that one might fire a gun down the main street of several places he visited within the fortnight, and not hit any country customers, but he might hit from two to six commercial travellers anywhere. "There is no snap in any thing or anybody. I did not unpack my samples for days together. 'La Grippe,' the lack of snow, and the wretched roads seem to have killed trade." The latter tells a better tale of the east. He found in the back of Peterboro and Hastings counties plenty of frost, and took some good orders. In the Ottawa district things were found relatively better than west of the Northern Railway, and while trade could not be called brisk payments were relatively better in the east and trade perhaps not so much cut up.

One thing appears evident from the sta ments of United States bank clearings for th month of January, says the Financial Chron cle, of New York, this week, and also from the returns of railroad earnings for the sai month, namely, that the volume of trade still continues on a large and increasing scal "Our total of bank clearings indicates a gain over January, 1889, of 399 million dollars, of 8.3 per cent. This would perhaps not be so very remarkable in itself, except that it follows a gain of no less than 780 million dollars, or over 19 per cent, in the same month of the year preceding. It may be claimed that the mild weather prevailing has been a promit influence in this special improvement. open winter certainly does offer some advantages. But on the other hand it must be remembered that bered that certain drawbacks follow from the same circumstances. Thus the demand to go ods adapted to winter use is diminished, the consumption of coal falls off."

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Canada Life\$1	,425,301	2,393	\$5,733,000	date. 24,441	\$49,514,321	237	\$494,325	\$489,288	\$79,060	None.	31 Dec., '8
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onfederation	544,743	1,679	2,527,795	11,600	17.786,834	75	126,290	129,052	15,708	None.	do.
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Above will be found a reproduction of the preliminary abstract of the business done by Canadian life insurance companies in the calendar year 1889, issued by the Superintendent of Insurance in advance of his report. The risks in force with home companies now reach the large total of \$125,875,000, as compared with \$116,372,000 in the year 1888. The new business of 1889 was \$24,736,000, under 22,535 policies. There were thus nearly 1,000 more policies issued than in the year before, but their aggregate was less by \$356,000. However, twenty-four millions and three-quarters is a pretty handsome new business. Lapses amounted to say \$13,900,000 last year, as compared with \$11,600,000 in the year 1888. But if we allow for the Dominion Safety Fund's absent figures the lapses are about the

The premium income of the year for all the home companies, eleven in number, reached \$3.616.857, an increase over 1888 being shown by every company but one. The names of the different companies are the Canada, the Citizens', the Confederation, the Dominion, the Federal, the London, the Manufacturers', the North American, the Ontario Mutual, the Sun, the Temperance and General. It is to be remarked here, lest similarity of name may mislead, that the list is not the same as it was a year ago : the name of the Dominion Safety Fund Life, of St. John, does not appear, although the name of that association is continued in the list of companies licensed to do business as at 31st January last. The reason of the temporary withdrawal of the license of this company arose, as we have already explained, from the failure of the Maritime Bank, in which the bulk of the deposit to secure license was made. We may remark that the Dominion Company named in the list is that of which Mr. Trow is president and Mr. Hilliard managing director.

As to death claims, there is only one company, the Temperance and General, that shows

lighter losses than in 1888. The total of claims against the companies last year was \$1,127,305, or 31·16 per cent. of the premiums taken. In the previous year it was \$929,707, or 28·26 per cent. of the premiums. The average claim is about the same as last year, and not as heavy by \$200 as that of 1887. Upon the whole, when the less favorable commercial conditions of the year as compared with 1888 are considered, the volume of business shown by the above table is very encouraging to Canadian life underwriters. The return includes some business done outside the Dominion by the Canada, the Sun, and Citizens companies.

INSURANCE NOTES.

In consequence of the attitude of Mr. Merrill, the Insurance Commissioner for the State of Massachusetts, concerning the "Ordinary Life Distribution" policies issued by the New York Life Insurance Company, that company, according to a despatch from Boston, has withdrawn from Massachusetts. In 1888 the New York Life issued 893 policies in that State, insuring \$2,980,333, and on January 1, 1889, had in force 4,971 policies, insuring \$16,341,599.

The officers of the New York Insurance Department have been for several days officially investigating the affairs of the Guaranty Mutual Accident Association, the Security Mutual Benefit Society, and the Mercantile Mutual Accident Society, all of New York. Policy-holders are likely to be treated to some startling information as to the condition of the associations in the official report. The effects of the Guaranty Mutual Accident Association have been sold out by the sheriff, the total result of the sale amounting to less than \$200, and its liabilities for unpaid losses and other claims amount to about \$50,000. This is a disgraceful state of affairs, says the Bulletin, and it is to be hoped that those responsible will receive their reward.

We observe with interest the formation of the United States Guarantee Company, with headquarters in Broadway, New York, under the presidency of Mr. Edward Rawlings, who has been prominently known in connection with like companies in Canada for many years. This company is organized in conformity with the laws of New York, for the purpose of providing bonds of suretyship for employees in fiduciary positions, and \$100,000 have been deposited by it with the Insurance Department of that State. In these days, when so many defalcations are heard of in the United States, such an association offers desirable security to merchants, bankers, and others entrusting large responsibilities to certain hands. It has a very desirable and influential directorate, the two vice-presidents, Messrs. L. C. Murray and H. W. Cannon, being presidents of National Banks, and others members of the board being Russell Sage, of New York, Senator Brice, of Ohio, Philip D. Armour, of Chicago, William Butler Duncan, New York. There is a further strong advantage in the fact that this company and the Guarantee Co. of N. A., Montreal, will work in intimate association, each having access to the records and avenues of information possessed by the other, thereby insuring exceptional protection to patrons in that important respect.

Attention is much directed just now to the danger of large floor areas in stores. The fire of Thanksgiving probably obtained its great headway mostly from this cause, and it was stopped at last because it had reached a point where stores were divided into the size of those in the old-fashioned blocks. Run up a substantial brick wall between all the stores in the city, and make them of the size that used to be common, say, at the time State street block was erected, and fires would be much less likely to be threatening than they now are. We could not have several big stores which are the wonder, and sometimes the pride, of our modern business; but we should have a safer city. Such places need to be watched.—Boston Herald.

WINNIPEG BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual meeting of this board was held on the 4th inst., with the Hon. D. H. McMillan, vice-president, in the chair, and a large number of members in attendance. In the exhaustive report presented reference is made to the efforts of the board to secure the improvement of Red River navigation; the reduction of canal rates; the conference of members of Manitoba and North-West boards of trade in reference to changes in the general Inspection Act; the appointment of grain inspector; grain inspection at Duluth: arbitration between inspectors; flour and meal examiners' report; inspection of hides; daily weather reports; mail service in Manitoba; the new extradition bill; the appointment of local immigration agents by the Government; trade terms; Assiniboine water power; amendments to by-laws; flour duties; the transfer railway; new boards of trade; petroleum inspection; provincial exhibition; the distribution of literature regarding Winnipeg and the province; the board library; farmers' excursions from the east; freight rates, etc., etc.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :- President, R. J. Whitla : vicepresident, Stephen Nairn; treasurer, W. J. Akin; secretary, C. N. Bell. Council-G. F. Galt, J. H. Ashdown, J. H. Housser, Jas. Redmond, Donald Fraser, G. F. Stephens, E. L. Drewry, G. R. Crowe, A. Macdonald, J. E. Steen, L. M. Lewis, W. D. Pettigrew. Board of arbitrators, re-elected as follows: A. Macdonald, K. Mackenzie, E. L. Drewry, G. F. Galt, G. J. Maulson, S. A. D. Bertrand, J. H. Brock, R. T. Riley, S. Spink, John Galt, Wm. Hespler, J. E. Steen.

LONDON BOARD OF TRADE.

Some thirty members of the London Board of Trade met on the 5th instant in the new and cheerful rooms of the board over the offices of the Canadian Loan Society. The president, Mr. T. H. Marsh, was in the chair. For the committee appointed to promote a summer carnival and societies' demonstration, Mr. James Cowan reported. It was expected that receipts from all sources would be for this purpose \$9,000, including subscriptions, and a \$2,000 grant from the Council. Toronto, he understood, was contemplating one as well, and care would have to be taken to prevent the dates from clashing. The Board of Trade was invited to have a representation of onehalf on the committee. Mr. Marsh explained that it was intended to have a trades and labor demonstration at the same time. On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the old committee was ppointed to act with a joint committee from he other corporations interested.

Three gentlemen were elected members of the Board, and seven more proposed.

ST. CATHARINES BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The merchants of St. Catharines, or at least a good number of them, resolved some weeks ago to form an association with the idea of comparing ideas and methods and of taking 374c. each, now they are 37c. That's 1 off as action in concert where their rights were invaded or their interests jeopardized. Accordingly their Business Men's Association was formed, and held its first annual meeting on better shown than by giving the changes that this day week; thirty-five members were have occurred in the market value of the present and eight new members were elected. stocks between the dates January, 1889, and The organization dates from Dec. 9th, 1889, 1890. The list is as follows:

and at this date, 8th Feb., comprises a membership of 125.

The president presented a very interesting report, and the auditors reported the finances

The election of officers resulted in the choice of the preliminary meeting on the 9th December, of which we have already given particulars, being confirmed. The gentlemen elected are: President, John Marshall; vicepresident, M. Y. Keating; secretary, W. Thomson ; treasurer, C. A. Case.

Those on the Executive Board are : Geo. C. Carlisle, M. Kane, N. M. Black, A. Riddell, W. W. Greenwood.

The principal objects of this association are described to be:

To encourage well-directed enterprises : to promote the growth of the city, and the progress, extension, and increase of its trade.

To increase acquaintanceship and foster the highest commercial integrity among merchants.

To take concerted action in matters pertaining to the general good of business men where individual effort is powerless; such as securing needed concessions in freight, express and insurance rates, banking facilities, observance of national holidays, short hours in But not only was the demand vigorous but business, immunity from inferior and adulterated goods, short weights and measures, and unjust values or discriminations by any class or corporation.

To compel the peddler to assume a portion of the burdens borne by the merchant.

We observe that the association has a delinquent list, in other words a black list, to which By-law No. 5 is devoted. While we have demand at 10c. nothing but contempt for the "dead beats," who have no intention of paying their bills, and the would be swells, who think such persons as "tradesmen" created on purpose to give credit to "gentlemen" so-called, we must warn the association that too great care cannot be used in the handling of this black list. Actions for libel have been found to lie where the truth was told about delinquents, even mean ones, in too public a manner.

OF INTEREST TO DRY GOODS DEALERS.

The operatives of the Courtney Bay cotton mill are out on strike. Mr. Parks says that the company will not suffer any loss through the closing of the mill, as they have all the manufactured goods they require at present.

The first consignment of Australian wool ever brought to British Columbia arrived at Victoria for the, New Westminster woollen mills recently. This is a sample order, and if the material proves satisfactory and produces the class of goods required, large and regular shipments will, it is said, be ordered.

Samples are now being shown in New York of a textile known as vegetable flannel. It is a product of German ingenuity, and is made from pine leaves reduced to fibre, and spun, knitted, and woven into undergarments.

Customer-"You advertise these gloves, former price 75c. per pair, now one-half off, and yet you are charging 74c, per pair. How is that?" Polite shopkeeper-"They were advertised."—Clothier and Furnisher.

The Boston Advertiser says that the general prosperity of Lowell cotton mills cannot be

Merrimack8	Par. 1,000	188°. \$1,180	190
Hamilton	1,000	900	\$1,330
Appleton	.000	700	975
Lawrence	,000	1,525	650
Boott	,000	1,335	1,520
Massachusetts	1,000	1,150	1,335
Tremont & Suffolk	100	128	1,050
Lowell	690	590	138
Middlesex	100	150	660
or the past ten years		average	159

has been over 8 per cent., and this while the plants have been maintained and improved In past years the dividends have been as for lows: Merrimack, two of 4 per cent. each Hamilton, two of 3 per cent. each; Lawrence two of 5 per cent. each; Boott, two of 4 per cent. each; Massachusetts, one of 5 m another of 3 per cent. ; Tremont and Suffoli two of 3 per cent. each ; Lowell, one of \$15; Middlesex, one of 5 and another of 4 pe

At an important sale of velvet ribbons held in New York on the 6th, 4,000 cartons of los. grade colored, cotton-backed, woven-edged good were sold. For several years past, says the Bulletin, goods of this class have languished in the background, but yesterday's demand places the stamp of trade approval upon then in a most emphatic and unmistakable was prices displayed a degree of strength really surprising. Approximately speaking, 200 per cent. will be found not far out of the way on the final calculation. At points throughout the sale a spring of 300 per cent. was make above old figures. Ribbons which were readily distributed at 50c. found few takers ash sime ago at 15c., and still earlier were in little

To Wash Windows .- Choose a dull day or at least a time when the sun is not shining on the window, for when the sun shines on the window it causes it to be streaked, no matter how much it is rubbed. Take a painter's brush and dust the windows inside and out, washing all the woodwork inside before touch ing the glass. The latter must be washed simply in warm water and diluted amme -do not use soap. Take a small cloth with a pointed stick to get the dust out of the corners; wipe dry with a soft piece of cotton cloth-do not use linen, as it makes the glass linty when dry. Polish with tissue paper or old newspaper. This can be done in half the time taken where soap is used.

A COLUMN FOR GROCERS.

A manufacturer of bogus coffee has been discovered in Philadelphia. An analysis discloses the fact that it is composed principally of a paste made of cracker dust; chicory, and molasses. Pressure in a mould gives it the form of the coffee bean. The State chemis regards it as one of the biggest swindles record. He says it is a splendid imitation and it is only by breaking that the imposition can be detected. It had been sold to grocers at 17 cents per pound.

In answer to a correspondent who asks the meaning of the term "cost and freight" as applied to the price of raw sugar, that is, how to ascertain the laying down cost in New York, the Shipping List says:-The term cost and freight" implies that the seller pays the freight, that is, that the price includes the first cost of the goods as well as their transportation to the port of destination The additional items of cost to the buyer are -first, insurance; second, duty; third, discount. Take, for example, a cargo of centrifugal sugar sold at 3% cents cost and freight

for 96 test. The bu eargo, would have t duty, 2.24 cents; the sales of duty four months' time. cost and freight price of the above Again, take a carg at 2.87 cents for 8 insurance, 21 per cents duty, the lon

Boxes of prunes should be covered the dust out, and tent with feasting stomachs. Jellies should be kept cov counters should b instead of dusting which only scatter There is no busine and attention in t sell are mostly t them free from ol the aim of all gro of people who trace

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Great efforts to improve the cold chambers f When the New reached the ad butter is lande will be, in fine Review, of Ma appreciate the they will have matter of time large quantitie They have deter rather than in count of the sp

A Bright Cl little Mollie loss the grocery. M happen to my l for that; ain't couldn't lose r send any mone writes it down for 96 test. The buyer, apon the arrival of the eargo, would have to pay insurance, 1 per cent.; duty, 2.24 cents; and 21 per cent. discount, the sales of duty paid being always made on four months' time. Adding these items to the cost and freight price would give the long price of the above purchase as 5.52 cents; Again, take a cargo of Muscovado sugar, sold at 2.87 cents for 89 test. Adding 1 per cent. insurance, 21 per cent. discount, and 1.96 cents duty, the long price is 4.98 cents.

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Boxes of prunes and raising exposed to view should be covered with glass. This will keep the dust out, and sampiers will have to be content with feasting their eyes instead of their stomachs. Jellies and fruit butters in pails should be kept covered. Goods on shelves and counters should be wiped with a damp cloth, instead of dusting them with a feather duster, which only scatters the dust on other goods. There is no business which requires more care and attention in this respect. The goods you sell are mostly to be eaten, and to deliver them free from objectionable matter should be the aim of all grocers who value the patronage of people who trade with them.

According to the London Grocer, another tea-producing district is the greatest novelty in the tea trade. Lately it was tea from Fiji, now it is the growth of Perak, situate in the Straits Settlements of the East Indies. The first consignment to the London market has just taken place, and has consisted of an invoice of seventy eight half chests. By expert valuers in "The Lane," the quality is favorably spoken of, and on its being offered in public sale it found ready buyers at full rates viz., broken pekoe, at 1s. ad., pekoe at 11ad., pekoe souchong at 91d., souchong (a single package) at the same price, and dust at 63d. per lb. Should the tea production of Perak materially increase it will doubtless come into competition with India and Ceylon, and in the course of time add to the general supplies for this country, and afford a wider and more desirable assortment for the trade to choose from throughout the year.

Short weight in barrelled herring received from Newfoundland latterly has, says the N. Y. Bulletin, been more conspicuous than usual, and for their own as well as their customers' protection, the jobbing trade should "sit down" heavily upon this growing evil. Receivers have had to make short weights good on some stock sold, but it is stated that they now insist that fish shall be taken as received for full weight, whether 200 pounds to the barrel or 40 to 50 pounds short.

Great efforts are being made in New Zealand to improve the system of packing butter in cold chambers for transport to Great Britain. When the New Zealand butter system has reached the advanced stage, and when the butter is landed in England, as it probably will be, in fine condition, says the Grocer's Review, of Manchester, farmers will more appreciate the new competitor with whom they will have to deal, for it will be only a matter of time for New Zealand to place very large quantities of butter in this market. They have determined to pack in square boxes rather than in tubs, more especially on account of the space which the latter occupy.

A Bright Child .- Just think, Mrs. B., my little Mollie lost a dollar bill on her way to writes it down in a book, and when he wants Already 5,000,000 spindles near Bolton are The men employed in the shop sent word on

any money from is he has to come five or six times.—Texas Siftings.

Customer "I say, uncle, how long have you had these new laid eggs in stock?"

Rastus-"I dunno ezackly, boss. You see See only been wu'kin' heah a month."-American Grocer.

Fresh eggs are selling at forty cents a dozen in Winnipeg.

According to the Free Press the amount of fish exported to the United States from Manitoba during 1889 was 1,781,587 pounds, valued at \$75,465. This includes seven varieties of fish. Shipments were made to New York Chicago, Minneapolis, Detroit, Buffal Helena, Butte City, Fargo, and Grand Forks. Last year's exports show a decrease compared with those of the previous year.

FACTORY NOTES.

A SPECIAL committee of shareholders in the Chatham (Ont.) Manufacturing Co. was appointed to investigate the management of that company's affairs. It reported to a special meeting held last week, suggesting some radical changes looking towards economy in working expenses while maintaining the quality of the output. There are now orders on hand for 1,600 or 1,700 of the "Chatham Wagons," and it is proposed to increase the staff so as to turn out twelve wagons per day. Messrs. D. R. Van Allen, S. Barfoot, W. Ball, H. A. Patteson, and S. Stephenson are reelected directors. A proposition of a practical kind was made by Mr. Wm. Milner, superintendent, and a committee, composed of S. Barfoot and St Stephenson, directors, H. Malcolmson and W. E. Rispin, stockholders, was appointed to look into the proposal and report as soon as possible.

By an ingenious and novel application of electricity, every man can have his own fire alarm, without the services of a watchman. At the rooms in this city of the Dominion Electrical Manufacturing Co., which has been established to make electric appliances of various kinds, may be seen Cortland's Automatic Fire Alarm. This consists of a system of wires and magnets, distributed through every flat of a house, which gives security that no fire can break out which will raise the temperature above the normal but it will be reported by the loud ringing of bells. Not only this, but the locality of the fire, in basement or attic, is shown upon an indicator, and a signal may at the same moment be sent to the fire department. The system is patented in Canada by Mr. H. Cortland, whose idea is the use of thermostats, delicately adjusted to respond to changes of temperature, not mercury, not fusible metal, but a vulcanized rubber, whose trustworthiness has been tested. It is in use on the premises of Messrs. Christie, Brown & Co., at the Arlington Hotel, at the Massey Manufacturing Works, and at Firstbook Bros., who are loud in its praise. Underwriters, as well as manufacturers and merchants, are interested in such an automatic alarm. Mr. Kelso will be pleased to exhibit the mechanism and give a practical test to any business man who chooses to call at 66 Adelaide street east.

Over 300,000 cotton spindles have the grocery. Mrs. B. (proudly)—That couldn't added to the manufacturing capacity of Bolduct his business as he thinks best, or whether happen to my little Fanny. She is too smart ton neighborhood, England. This means so his employes shall dictate its management. for that; ain't you Fanny? Fanny—Guess I many more spindles on fine numbers of yarn Messrs. King & Co., it appears, promoted a couldn't lose my dollar bill when you never for which the long staple cotton of Egypt, send any money to the grocer's. He always Peru, and America is specially required. machine and put a lad of sixteen in his place.

running on fine numbers, principally .- Boston Journal of Commerce.

As a matter of record we repeat that during the year 1889 seventy-two wool dealers and woollen manufacturers in the United States failed, with liabilities amounting to \$10 442,-000, and assets amounting to \$7,032,000 .-American Wool Reporter.

MONTREAL CLEARING HOUSE.

Clearings and Balances for the week ending 13th February, 1890:

Fl. b			Clearings. 1,636,732	8 207,501
February	8		1,337,126	242,934
44	10		1,242,412	286,933
**	11		1,518,338	282,559
44	12		1,258,698	254,697
	13		1,337,276	142,571
Total		8	8,380,582	\$1,367,195
	k	8	7,718,534	\$1,150,420 1,166,368
Cor. we	ek last year		7,533,361	1,400,000

LONDON MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. -The report of this company congratulates its members on "keeping the lead" still in the insuring of farm and residence property in Ontario. It has 7,663 policies on the premiumnote system and 6,063 on the cash plan, covering risks to the amount of \$45,729,000. Its receipts during the year from assessments were \$89,644 and from agents (cash system, we presume) \$44,982, while interest and other earnings were some \$3,000. The losses, which were less than in the previous year, amounted to \$92,387; while working expenses and commissions to agents show a reduction compared with 1888, except in the item of loss and agency inspection, the increased payment for which is probably money well laid out. Some agents were dismissed for carelessness. The company's inspector examined 348 claims, and there were eleven of them rejected, amounting to more than the extra cost of his department. This official says some strong things, well worth pondering, about overinsurance, incendiarism, and "unknown causes " of fires.

CIEY MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE Co company has increased its business by \$300,-000 during 1889, and now has at risk in Ontario, \$1,513,000. The losses of the year were between \$16,000 and \$17,000. It shows \$39,-981 available on premium notes, and a total balance of assets equal to \$44,197, less the reinsurance reserve, which is not shown

Dominion Telegraph Co .- The special inspection of its claims ordered a year ago by the directors of this company has been begun, and so far as proceeded with it ascertains them to be in satisfactory condition. The report announces the regular payment by the essees of the rental and interest on bonds at the stipulated periods. The directors were unanimously re-elected.

The difficulty which has arisen between the boot and shoe hands of J. D. King & Co., in this city, and their employers brings up the question whether a manufacturer shall con-

Wednesday last, at noon, that this boy must a success of what I started with little experieither be paid man's wages or be dismissed, Mr. King, "if you feel that way you had better strike to day, no need to wait till tomorrow." And when, after several conferences, they came back to the shop next day they found themselves locked out. Such action on the part of a body of men appears to us arbitrary and uncalled for by the circumstances; it is not likely to command the sympathy of intelligent men.

-We are not believers in bonuses, as our readers know. But if a municipality pays to a railway or other corporation a certain bonus on certain conditions, these conditions should be exacted or, as the Barrie Advance puts the matter, the bonus thus improperly obtained should be returned. Suit was brought by the County of Halton against the Hamilton and North-Western Railway for non-fulfilment of conditions of a bonus given. It was decided the other day in favor of Halton. The County of Simcoe also gave a bonus of \$300,000 to the same road. The purpose for which the bonus was granted was nullified when the amalgamation with the Northern Railway took place, Hence, it is contended, the bonus should be

-The imports of colonial woods into Great Britain for 1889 are given as follows in Messrs. Robert Coltart & Co.'s Liverpool wood circular. They were:-4,162,000 cubic feet of timber, and 21,842,000 cubic feet of deals, making a total of 26,004,000 for the year, against 18,232,000 in the previous year. The consumption of colonial woods was 3,519,000 cubic feet of timber, and 19,215,000 of deals, making a total of 22,734,000 cubic feet, against 29,316,000 in 1888. The stock of colonial timber amounted at 1st January last to 1,391,-000 cubic feet, and 4,839,000 cubic feet of deals. making a total of 6,230,000 cubic feet, against 2,960,000 at beginning of the year just past.

-As dividend payers the Granite mills and the Troy Cotton and Woollen Manufacturing Company stand at the head of the mills in Fall River, Mass., the amount of dividends in each case being 24 per cent. of the capital invested. According to the American Wool Reporter, the Flint mills declared 14 per cent .; the Laurel Lake mills, 12 per cent; the Sagamore Manufacturing Company, 101 per cent.; the Seaconnet mills, 17 per cent.; the Tecumseh mills, 10 per cent.; the Wampanoag mills, 17 per cent.; and the Weetamoe mills, 6 per cent.

-The Banking and Commercial Committee met on Tuesday, and passed the bills extending the charters of the Bank of New Brunswick and St. Stephen's Bank for a year. Mr. Wood (Westmoreland) was elected chairman in place of Mr. R. N. Hall, who has gone to England.

MR. D. GIROUARD, M.P., Q.C., has made the required deposit in the Court of Appeals for the appeal to that court from the judgment of Mr. Justice Wurtele in the case of the Great North-Western graph Company.

Mr. Saunders writes us from Paisley, Ont.,

ence, and have accomplished what I underelse they would strike next day. "Well," said took by close attention, lending at moderate rates, and keeping clear of losses, never losing sight of what is an undeniable fact, that high rates mean bad security and trouble in the

Meetings.

DOMINION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

The twenty-first annual general meeting of the shareholders of this company was held at the head office, 28 Toronto street, Toronto, on Wednesday, February 12, 1890. Mr. Thomas Swinyard, the president of the company, hav-ing been called to the chair, and Mr. F. Roper appointed secretary, the notice calling the meeting was read. The minutes of the last annual general meeting were then confirmed, and the following report of the directors for the year 1889 was read:

REPORT.

1. The directors have pleasure in reporting that the affairs of the company continue in the same satisfactory condition as they have been during the past eleven years. The usual quarterly dividends, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, guaranteed by the lessees, the Western Union Telegraph Company, have been duly paid, and distributed amongst the shareholders; as well as the interest, semiannually of six per cent. per annum upon £60,000 sterling bonds of the company, gedeemable by the lessees in 1896.

2. In compliance with the wishes of the shareholders, a general inspection of the company's lines has been entered upon, and will be completed as soon as practicable. A por-tion of the lines in the Province of Quebec and the lines in the Provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia have been carefully examined, and found to be in excellent condition. Some changes have been made by the requirements of municipal authorities and by the exigencies of the service, but the general maintenance has been sustained in a very satisfactory and efficient manner.

3. The following statement shows the general financial position of the company as at December 31, 1889:

Liabilities.

Capital stock paid up......\$1,000,000 00 Mortgage bonds, £60,000 sterling to be redeemed by the lessees in 1896) 292,000 00 Dividends unclaimed... 1,386 39 Dividend No. 54, payable January 15, 1890..... 15,000, 00

\$1,308,386 39 Balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account..... 3,393 70

\$1,311,780 09 Assets

Capital expenditure.\$1,281,819 47 Toronto, Grey, and Bruce Rail-way Co. 1983 bonds, and interest thereon ..

1,596 24 Cash in bank and on hand..... 28,364 38 \$1,311,780 09

Respectfully submitted.

F. ROPER, THOMAS SWINYARD, Secretary President. Toronto, February 11, 1890.

Mr. Swinyard, on rising to move the adop-tion of the report, remarked that his duty today was a light one, inasmuch as the report itself covered all the points of interest to the shareholders, but probably those present would like to hear from him a little more in detail regarding the inspection of the lines of the company referred to in the report. He had himself made that inspection, and it had been very gratifying to him to find that the lines of their company in the Maritin inces, which had been built some twelve years ago under his own personal supervision, were in a good state of preservation, and that the general maintenance of them by the Western Union Company had been efficient. He trusted that the other portions of the company's lines in Quebec and Ontario, and in that he is retiring from private banking at that place, which he commenced in Feby.,

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an equally good report. It was also n to him to be able to state that i holders generally had again shown the fidence in the directors' administra their affairs by the proxics they had to ed to him for use at this meeting,

He then moved the adoption of the which was carried unanimously; after a resolution was moved by Mr. Ger Lewis, and seconded by Mr. Henry expressing the cordial thanks of i holders to the president and direct company for their services during the year, which was duly acknowled Swinyard.

Mr. Henry Pellatt and Mr. George D. Pe were then appointed scrutineers to co election of directors for the ensu which resulted in the unanimous re the following gentlemen :- Thomas Hon. Wm. Cayley, H. S. Northrop, Gen. To T. Eckert, Hon. Frank Smith, East Wiman, Alex. T. Fulton, Charles A. Tinks and A. G. Ramsay.

At a subsequent meeting of the newly board Mr. Swinyard was re-appointed pr and Mr. Cayley vice-president of the cor

LONDON MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The annual meeting of the London Mutal Fire Insurance Company was held in the board-rooms, in the company's new b on Richmond street, London, Ont., on the afternoon of Wednesday, February 5th.

The president, Mr. James Grant, pre and among those present were Messra Sheri Brown, St. Thomas, Wm. Stanley and Char Hodgins, Lucan; Geo. Grant, Lucknow; J. B. Thornton, Beachville; Jas. James and T. C. Hewitt, London; D. S. Butterfield, No. wich; J. A. Leitch, Brantford; H. O. Written, John Rooney, and Frank Folden, Ingend B. Thornton, Sweaburg, and others.

The following report was then submitted;

REPORT.

Your directors have the honor of la before you the thirtieth annual report, a doing so must congratulate the m that, notwithstanding the keen and not at all times scrupulous competition for I the old London Mutual takes the lead, which it has long attained in the insuring of fam and residence property in Ontario, over al other companies.
POLICIES.—The number of policies is

during the year has been, on the premium note system, 7,663, and on the cash system 6,063, covering property to the amount \$45,729,450.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.-Appended will be found a statement of receipts and disb ments, as also a summary of the assets, showing that the amount available has been increased over last year; not a great amount truly, but gratifying under all the circumstances, and especially taking into con tion the fact that "the times" have not been so good as might reasonably have been expected, and for which all have so fondly hoped.

-The losses paid have amounted to \$92,387 under 315 claims. Of these 74 were for losses that had occurred previous to last year, but which, either through not having notified or too late for inspection, were held over. A table showing the names of claim and causes of fire, so far as the same could be ascertained, is appended hereto, which, with the fire inspector's report, will be found inter esting to all who have the company's intere at heart. The losses, although not so large in amount as in some former years, are still too great, and it has been the aim of your d tors to take every legitimate means to the fire waste; there are, of course, cases the no human forethought can effectually against-such as incendiarism and the lil but as far as lays in their power, your have done their utmost. It occurred to them, and much to their regret, that were occasioned through over-valuation, and on the appointment of Mr. Leitch as insp

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en so flagrant that their removal from the ompany's employ was recommended, and oted upon by your board. In a great number of cases reductions in the amount of insurance was made, and as we intend to continue the same style of inspection it is hoped that after a time all objectionable risks will be weeded from our books, and in this way a reduction in the number of losses may reasonably be looked for. Farm insurance at one time was supposed to be the most profitable that any company could engage in, and the success of the "London Mutual" in the past apcess of the "London Mutual" in the past appeared to dazzle the managers of several of our leading stock companies. They went into the business in a hap-hazard way, and to a certain extent demoralized the business. Having had their wings scorched by experience, the most conservative of these companies have either withdrawn from the business, or made radical withdrawn from the business, or made radical changes for the better, which will, no doubt, have a good result. The losses from steam threshers are still heavy, and we fear must be on the increase unless legislative action is on the increase diless legislative action is taken to enforce more care on the part of those using the machines. "The Mutual Fire Un-derwriters' Association" have taken the matter in hand, and have petitioned the Legisla-ture at it present sittings, and it is hoped our wise legislators will do something in this respect at least of a practical nature. Of one fact, at all events, we are quite well assured, every assistance will be afforded by J. Howard Hunter, Esq, the Inspector of Insurance. Other matters of importance might be touched upon, but as they will, no doubt, be presented at your meeting to day, no further reference to them will here be made.

New Offices.—You meet to-day in your new building, ordered to be erected at your annual meeting two years ago, and although, as you see, provided with massive vaults for the protection of the company's securities and every facility for carrying on your business, pronounced by officials of other companies who have visited them as the most complete in the province, have been erected at very small cost, as the financial statement shows.

We cannot close our report, however, with out making, reference to the removal by death of two gentlemen who were for years inticonnected with the company as members of the board: —John Hodgson, Esq., of Tilsonburg, passed away in the early part of the year, and recently Jas. Armstrong, Esq., of Yarmouth, was called to the Great Beyond. The latter's genial face, which was seen at every annual meeting for the last quarter of a

every annual meeting for the last quarter of a century, will be seen amongst you no more. Three directors now retire by rotation. They are James Armstrong, Esq., M.P., of Westminster; T. E. Robson, Esq., reeve of London township; Thomas C. Hewitt, Esq., of London, but who are eligible for re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted. D. C. MACDONALD, Secretary. President.

CASH ACCOUNT.

	Receipts.		
To	balance from 1888 \$	20,721	73
	Received from agents	44,982	39
	Assessments	89,644	
66	Bills payable	40,000	00
64	Interest	2,379	10
66,	Transfer fees	370	86
4.6	Extra premiums	129	8
44	Policies cancelled before as-		1
	sessed	168	1
44	Steam thresher licences	26	0
##	Assessments in advance	505	7
	Mortgages		0(
66	Rent	21	0

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,	Disbursements.		- 1
B	y losses\$	92,387	80
4	Bank commission		78
	Loss and agency inspection	3,989	95
6	Commission to agents	20,325	94
4	' Salaries, officials, auditors, and		- 1
	clerks	8,549	83
	Directors' fees	1,376	75
	Postage	1,286	19
	Printing, advertising, and sta-		
	tionery	1,393	27
	"Solicitor's fees and law ex-	1	- 1
	penses	492	65
	" Sending annual reports and as-	5 .	- 1
	sessments	244	83
	" Re-insurance	515	42
	Meturned premiums	324	78
	" Rent and taxes	1.190	64

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" Rewards and gratuities	45	50
" Discount on moneys, stamps	121	96
sold, final letters, etc	121	00
" Petty expenses, telegrams, gas, water, care of office, etc	428	96
" Expenses of legislation	166	
" Government inspection	150	92
" Paid agents in settlement of		
accounts	2,220	03
" Interest	875	42
" Bills payable	40,000	00
" Office furniture		00
" Building account	8,998	37
Cash balance in Molsons Bank		
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J. HAMILTON, JOHN OVERELL, Auditors. CAPITAL ACCOUNT. *

Amount available on premium Amount due on assessment No. 28 19,401 02 Balances due by agents, secured by agents' bonds and members' due 1,023 95 100 00 Mortgages Office furniture..... Municipal debentures deposited with Receiver General for secur-

ity of policy-holders : City of Hamilton, par value, \$10,920; market value, \$12,558. City of St. Thomas, par value, \$22,600; market value, \$24,860. Town of Tilsonburg, par value, \$6,500; 44,893 00 market value, \$7,475..... 9,998 37 7,000 00 ceiver-General Cash in Molsons Bank, current 12,713 51

1,198 32 stamps) Gross assets\$384,814 64 Liabilities. Losses adjusted in 1889, not falling

due until 1890 \$ 6,387 36 Net surplus assets.....\$378,427 28 Audited, compared with books, and found

correct, as set forth above. J. Hamilton, John Overell, Auditors.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

The inspector's report was presented as follows :-

GENTLEMEN, -Your inspectors beg to report that during the past year they have inspected and reported on 348 claims against the comand reported on 348 claims against the company, aggregating in amount \$102,033.39. Eleven of the above claims, amounting to \$3,855.32, have, for what the board deemed good cause, been rejected, leaving \$98,170.07 for adjustment, which, owing to overcharges, here been reduced by the care of \$12,417.00. has been reduced by the sum of \$13,417.80, leaving as adjusted claims for the year ending December 31st, 1889, \$84,760.27—thus showing a falling off, as compared with 1888, of \$16,686.73.

I find since my appointment as inspector that in order to secure the success of the company everyone connected with it, both officials and agents, must use the utmost diligence in preventing the fire waste. I regret to record so many losses from "unknown causes," and agree with the remarks made by our manager some years ago, that too often they must be regarded as incendiary. The Act providing for investigating before a Justice of the Peace I regard as most salutary, and has already been taken advantage of to the good of the public, and of course of the company. The petition to the Legislature by the Underwriters' Association for the appointment of the public and of course of the company. The petition to the Legislature by the Underwriters' Association for the appointment of the product of the produc fire wardens in different sections of the province meets our warmest approval, and we trust will become law.

On account of heavy losses from coal oil lanterns we would recommend our members to exercise greater care while using them; candles in lanterns are far safer about barns.

Also that stovepipes should be renewed oftener, many in use being old and full of holes, and that where stovepipes go through roofs in summer kitchens, a space at least six inches from pipe to wood be left, and a metal collar be put on and the pipe well stayed. I made a personal inspection of several agencies, and had to reduce a number of insurances, a great many being over-insured, a practice our board has always cautioned our agents against, and I am glad to say a great many of them are careful. The dangerous tin thimble and closed up fireplaces are responsible for their share of losses as usual.

The President announced that Messrs. Jas. Armstrong, M.P., T. E. Robson, and T. C. Hewitt were the retiring directors, and were all eligible for re-election.

Messrs. Cameron, Leitch, and Whetter were appointed scrutineers, and the president called

for nominations.

Mr. Campbell moved the re-election of Messrs. Armstrong, Robson, and T. C. Hewitt.

After waiting a few minutes the retiring directors were declared re-elected.

Messrs. Hewitt and Robson made short

speeches, thanking the members for the renewal of their confidence.

Mr. Robson moved a hearty vote of thanks to the agents for the careful and energetic manner in which they performed their duties during the year 1889.

Messrs. J. A. Leitch, of Brantford, D. S.

Messrs. J. A. Leitch, of Brantford, D. S. Butterfield, Norwich, John Burnett, Robson, and several other agents, briefly returned their thanks for the expression of the meeting.

Mr. Leitch spoke feelingly of the death of one of the honorary directors, Dr. W. L. Smith, of Glanford, and suggested that Mr. W. M. Calder, ex-reeve of Glanford, be appointed in his place.

pointed in his place.

The suggestion was adopted.

Two or three disputed claims were adjusted in an amicable way, after which the meeting adjourned.

CITY MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The third annual meeting of the City Mutual Fire Insurance Company was held last week in the offices, on Richmond street, London, Ont., a large number of members being present.

Mr. James Cowan was appointed chairman, and called upon the manager to read the

The board of directors beg leave to submit the third annual report of the business of the company (with financial statements attached thereto), and would remark that, although the loss sheet exhibits a larger total than your directors would desire, yet from the fact that the general fire waste has been, if anything, larger than in any previous year, as the records of all insurance companies show, your company, has not suffered beyond the average quota, and, however paradoxical it may appear, your board are pleased to say that the excess of loss has occurred in the safest class of property, the results of pure accidents thereto), and would remark that, although the of property, the results of pure accidents, beyond the pale of evil-doing—legitimate losses, as opposed to those of a suspicious character, the terror of underwriters, and against which it is impossible, or almost impossible to provide impossible, to provide.

After three years of experience your directors are happy to announce that, notwithstanding the drawbacks incidental to all new companies—leavy loss years of 1888 and 1889—they have been fully able to demonstrate the fact that insurance can be afforded for a reasonable price, and now agencies have been placed at all the principal points in the province where it is advisable to do business.

Your directors hope that by the system they have inaugurated of inspecting risks they can so discriminate in improvement of the hazards that, for the time to come a considerable reduction may be looked for.

operated against them, and many of our heavy insurers have been obliged for this reason to place their risks elsewhere. This difficulty, place their risks elsewhere. This difficulty, it is to be hoped, will be shortly overcome, as negotiations are now taking place with two of our best and oldest mutuals on a plan of re-insurance whereby we will be enabled to greatly extend our lines and meet the requirements of the larger class of mercantile and manufacturing insurance. Your directors therefore appeal with confidence to the public for their continued and further support, feeling satisfied by past experience that the "City Mutual" will fully attain the objects of its promoters by giving full and complete indemnity at the lowest possible rates. nity at the lowest possible rates.

Your board have great regret in recording the death of A. J. B. Macdonald, Esq., the solicitor and one of the earliest promoters of the company, and have already expressed to Mrs. Macdonald and other relatives of the deceased their heartfelt sympathy.

Three directors now retire by rotation; they are James Cowan, C. F. Colwell, and James Cameron, Esqs., all of whom are eligible for re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted. JAMES COWAN, J. B. VINING President.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The financial statement of the company for the year, which was read as follows, proved very satisfactory:

Cash Receipts.		
Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1888	\$ 1,110	61
Received for premiums	93 192	62
Transfer fees	29	91
Bills payable	2,500	00
Reimbursements of losses	809	
Interest	434	42
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Total	\$28,008	24
Cash Disbursements.	/// .	1
Losses	19	27
Loss and agency inspection.		
Salaries, directors' and auditors'		
fees	3,036	
Returned premiums	258	41
Law expenses	101	73
Postage	117	23
Printing, advertising and stationery	362	37
Rent	95	00
raid agents in settlement of ac-		-
counts	31	11
Re-insurance	1,577	88
Interest	365	ne l
Dills payable	9.500	00
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Interest	365	0
Dills payable	9 500	0
Goad s plans	100	6
Sundry expenses	200	7
Balance on hand	356	9
Total	-	-
	\$28,008	2
Assets.	-	
Amount available on premium notes	\$39,981	4
Agents Dalances	9.140	
Goad s plans	199	6
Opice turniture	43	8
Cash in Molsons Bank-Provincial		
Secretary	10,000	0
Cash in Molsons Bank-current		
account	354	0
Cash in treasurer's hands	2	99
Accrued interest	342	30
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Cash in treasurer's hands	342	
Total	\$52,996	4
Liabilities. Losses adjusted but not due (since		
paid) Special account, Molsons Bank	\$ 2,799 6,000	

There were 1,516 policies in force Dec. 31, insuring property to the amount of \$1,513,393

Audited, compared with books and vouchers. and found correct, as set forth in the above statement.

> JAMES GRANT, A. M. FREDERICK, Auditors.

On motion of Mr. James Cowan, seconded by Mr. P. Mulkern, the annual report was unanimously adopted.

The election of three directors to take the place of those retiring was then proceeded with, and resulted in the election of James Cowan, London, James Cameron, Strathroy, and D. C. Macdonald, London.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors Mr. James Cowan was chosen president, Mr. T. C. Hewitt vice-president, Jas. Grant and A. M. Frederick auditors.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL

MONTREAL, Feb. 12th, 1889.

STOCES.	Highest.	Lowest.	Total.	Sellers.	Buyers.	Average. 1869
Montreal.	231	2.8	- 83	231	228	221
Ontario	130	115	18	130	128	129
People's	105	1.3	60	1044	103	108
Molsons	1624	156		162	156	1674
Toronto						
J. Cartier	100	91		,	91	98
Merchants'	145	1424	2	145	1423	1391
Commerce	124	123	142	1232	1231	120
Union	97	94				
Mon. Telegraph	$97\frac{7}{8}$	95	876	974	'96	914
Rich. & Ont	60 <u>4</u>	56	50	609	581	564
City Pass	199	195		/199	195	200
Gas	209	2021	1039	209	208	203
C. Pac x div'd.	75g	741	2250	758	751	523
N. W. Land	84,	80 /	********	821	80	66
Peoples Bk xd.	101	991	25	101	991	
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MANITOBA HIDES.

In presenting his report at the annual meeting of the Winnipeg Board of Trade, the Hide Inspector calls attention to the increase of No. Inspector calls attention to the uncrease of No. 1 hides over all previous ones; the total number for the year 1888 was 16,576, graded as follows: No. 1, 8,105; No. 2, 7,478; No. 3, 993; while the number for the year 1889 was 18,599, graded as follows: No. 1, 10,352; No. 2, 7,562; No. 3, 694; an increase of 2,303; and 18,599, graded as follows: No. 1, 10,352; No. 2, 7,563; No. 3, 684; an increase of 2,023, and all included in the highest grade. The Inspector regards this as a great improvement in one year, and is of opinion that the time is coming when all sales will be made on inspection. He earnestly desires that all persons shall avail themselves of the benefit of the Inspection Act, and reap the reward of the carefulness bestowed on green and cured hides which they require.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

A mc 4 suggestive incident, says the To-ento Week, is that of the six Toronto boys who tried the other day to qualify themselves, by means of a petty theft, for a place in the Reformatory, in order that they might learn a trade. A lady who was visiting some destitute families during the recent Christmastide, and aboritable thoughts intent returned on aboritable thoughts intent returned on tute families during the recent Christmastide, on charitable thoughts intent, returned, on each occasion strongly, impressed with the conviction that the one great need of the children growing up so plentifully in such families is industrial education. Even were it necessary to choose between a system which children growing up so plentifully in such families is industrial education. Even were it necessary to choose between a system which should teach such boys the use of their hands, by way of preparation for some useful trade, and such girls to cook and sew, and in other ways to keep a house in a cleanly, tidy, an economical fashion, and the public school system as it at present exists, few thoughtful persons could doubt that the former training would be preferable to the latter, as much more closely related to the health, happiness, respectability, and morality of the future lives of those receiving it. But, happily, there is no necessity for any such choice. The one kind of education need by no means exclude the other. The training of hands and brains may be carried on pari passu with mutual advantage. Every intelligent teacher must admit that in the schools, as at present constituted, there is, in spite of all excellences of system and mode, an enormous waste of time sind energy. The brains of boys and girls, even in their teens, cannot profitably be kept on the stretch for so many hours as make up the school day. A change of head work for hand work for one-third or even one-half the time would be really beneficial to study by the rest and relaxation it would afford. Moreover, hand work for one-third or even one-half the time would be really beneficial to study by the rest and relaxation it would afford. Moreover, the training of the hands would involve also the training of the eye, and through it of the faculties of perception, reason, and indement, and so would afford in itself an invaluable mental discipline. This is especially true where reference is constantly had to simple scientific principles within the range of a child's comprehension. Thus everything points to the necessity for a radical change in our ideas and methods of elementary education. Something is being done, through the agency of private philanthropists, to meet the crying demand for industrial training, but such efforts are necessarily limited in scope, and

are apt to be more or less spas modic and mittent. What is needed is an indu mittent. What is needed is an industry system on a national scale, at least for two and cities. The tendency is now clearly in that direction, but why should the process of slow? Who can doubt that complish education, of the kind and in the direction indicated, of all the boys and girls of the whose manual and industrial training is subsing wholly neglected, would work and revolution in the course of a few years at completely change, to the great advantage of themselves and of the community, future course of thousands who are now it training for lives of hopeless wretchednes and in too many cases of positive views of crime? If this is not a legitimate field is strong legislation and liberal expenditure the State, it would be hard to find one.

—After the "gravitation" lesson. Visite. "Now, James, what makes the apple fall his the tree?" James—"Worms."—Time.

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MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Feb. 12th, 1890. Ashes.—Receipts are still light, though somewhat better than in January. Shipmen have been freer, one dealer having sent about 125 brls. to England, and values show so hardening; first pots may be quoted at \$3.50 to 3.55, seconds about \$3.10. Of pearls there have been shipments of 25 or 30 bris., and values are better, though it is hard to establish a quotation. We hear of sales of one or two brls. in a retail way at \$6.25, but this is no

basis for a regular quotation. Boots, Shoes; and Leather.—Boot and shoe manufacturers are still buying leather very manufacturers are still buying leather very sparingly, and some of them report the receipt of quite a few "cancels." The English leather market seems improving. Account sales just to hand show very fair returns, in some cases better than could be got here, and some very fair shipments of buff and splits are being made this week. Stocks of leather are not unduly large here, and quotations not are not unduly large here, and quotations not subject to change, but there is no question but that buyers of fair lots could secure concessions.

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DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—There is no wholesale movement of any consequence, but a
moderate sorting business of an ordinary
character prevails. A very great firmness is
reported in sal and bicarb. soda in England,
due, as manufacturers state, to advanced cost of
coal, &c.; opium, morphia, and camphor are also
firmer. We quote:—Sal soda, \$1 to 1.15; bicarb soda, \$1.90 to 2.00; soda ash, per 100 lbs.,
\$1.70; bichromate of potash, per 100 lbs.,
\$11.00 \$\(\) o 13.00; borax, refined, 9 to 10c.;
cream tartar crystals, 30 to 31c.; do.
ground, 31 to 35c.; tartaric acid, crystal, 48 to
50c.; do. powder, 50 to 53c.; citric acid, 60 to
65c., caustic soda, white, \$2.35 to 2.50; sugar
of lead, 10 to 12c.; bleaching powder, \$2.75 to
3.00; alum, \$1.50 to 1.60; copperas, per 100 of lead, 10 to 12c.; bleaching powder, \$2.75 to 3.00; alum, \$1.50 to 1.60; copperas, per 100 lbs., 90c. to \$1.00; flowers sulphur, per 100 lbs., \$2.25 to 2.40; roll sulphur, \$2.10 to 2.25; sulphate of copper, \$6.00 to 6.50; epsome salts, \$1.75 to 1.90; saltpetre, \$8.25 to 8.75; American quinine, 50 to 55c.; German quinine, 50 to 55c.; Howard's quinine, 60 to 65c.; opium, \$4.75 to 5.00; morphia, \$1.90 to 2.10; gum arabic, sorts, 80 to 90c.; white, \$1.00 to 1.25; carbolic acid, 55 to 65c.; iodide potassium, \$4.00 to 4.25 per lb.; iodine, re-sublimed, \$5.00 to 5.25; commercial do., \$4.25 to 4.75; iodoform, \$6.50 to 7.00. Prices for essential oils are:—Oil lemon, \$1.75 to 2.25; oil bergamot, \$3.00 to 3.50; orange, \$2.90 to 3.10; oil peppermint, \$3.75 to 5.00, glycerine, 25 to 28c.; senna, 15 to 25c. for ordinary. English camphor, 70 to 75c.; American do., 70c.; insect powder, 45 to 50c. powder, 45 to 50c.

DRY GOODS.—The great paucity of collections is still the subject of much complaint in all quarters of the city, and many retailers are leaning pretty heavily upon their suppliers. We report the failure of several additional city retailers in our summary columns. Some fair orders are reported from the Townships, and the district between Kingston and Toronto; but general trade is poor, and some houses report the cancellation of quite a few orders already received. Letters

country must be lowered, and the sooner the better. The London sales of the Hudson Bay Co. and Lampson & Co. begin on March 17th, and last to the 31st. We quote for 17th, and last to the 31st. We quote for average prime skins:—Beaver, \$3,50 to 4.00; bear, \$12 to 15; cub, \$5 to 6; fisher, \$4 to 6; red fox, \$1.20 to 1.40; cross ditto, \$2 to 4.00; lynx, \$3 to 4; marten, 80c. to \$1; mink, 75c. to 1.00; muskrat, fall, 10c.; winter ditto, 13 to 15c.; otter, \$8 to 10.00; coon, 50 to 60c.; skank, 35 to 50c., average about 40c.

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Groceries.—From what we can glean among the trade, there would seem to be a little better demand from the country, and it is hoped that the late bountiful snowfall may help matters still further in this direction; there is plenty of room for improvement. Sugars are about as they were; granulated is 6§c. per lb. at refinery some low grade yellows are obtainable at 45c. ranging up to 5¾c. Molasses not moving very freely, and values still rather unsettled; the sale of 1,400 puncheons to be held on the 6th inst. did not eventuate, the differences between the holders having been adjusted, but values may be called easier than a fortnight ago; large lots of Barbadoes could probably be bought at 40c., and in a jobbing way at 45c. per gal.; syrups, 55 to 65c. Teas present no new or noteworthy features; for coffees there is rather a firmer market. Dried fruits are slow of sale, but Valencia raisins are steady at 6¾c., while for layer Valencias 8¼ to 9c. per lb. is asked; currants 5½ to 6c., nothing in Sultanas under 10¼c.; common prunes. 5c.; evaporated apples, 10 to 11c.; dried ditto, 6½ to 7c. Canned goods are slow of sale; a local packer tells us he has not sold a car lot of tomatoes since last November; \$1.10 to 1.15; as asked for tomatoes in a jobbing way, but \$1.07½ would buy round lots; corn, \$1.10 to 1.20; no lobsters here; salmon as before. In spices, rice, tobaccos, etc., no change.

Hides.—No activity in this line yet, or improvement in values. Green hides are being GROCERIES.-From what we can glean among

HIDES.—No activity in this line yet, or improvement in values. Green hides are being bought moderately by dealers at 4 cents per lb. for No. 1; Toronto and Hamilton No. 1, inspected, are quoted at 5½ to 5½c.; heavy steers and dry hides, 9 to 10c.; calfskins, 5¢.; lambskins, 90 cents to \$1.00 each.

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Lumber.—Matters in this line are still very dull, there being very little doing. As the spring advances prices will probably be subject to some revision, but at the moment there are no changes to be made. We quote: #Pine first quality, \$2.00 to 25.00; ditto, shipping culls, \$14.00 to 16.00: ditto, 4th quality deals, \$10.00 to 12.00: ditto, mill culls, \$8.00 to 10.00; spruce, \$9.00 to 12.00; hemlock, \$9.00 to 10; ash, \$13.00 to 18.00; bass, \$14.00 to 20.00; oak, dimension, \$60 00 to 90.00; oak, plank, \$20.00 to 60.00; walnut, \$60.00 to 100; cherry, \$60.00 to 80.00; butternut, \$25.00 to 40.00; birch, \$18.00 to 25.00; maple, hard, \$18.00 to 25.00; laths, \$1.45 to 1.60; shingles, \$1.50 to 300; ditto, cedar, \$2.00 to 3.00.

Metals and Hardware.—There has been

METALS AND HARDWARE.—There has been further decline in the Scotch iron market, warrants being cabled at 51/8, over two shillings of decline since last writing, and nearly fourteen shillings from recent highest point. Makers' prices have not declined in proportion; Coltness and Langloan are a shilling lower, Gartsherrie 2/6, Eglinton a shilling; Glengarnock 1/6, and Hematites 5/- lower, while Summerlee is sixpence higher. Locally there have been no changes in prices, as no one is buying or wants to buy, though there is Kingston and Toronto; but general trade is poor, and some houses report the cancellation of quite a few orders already received. Letters from the Ottawa district express fears for the spring shanty trade, as from the scarcity of snow, and the ravages of La Grippe, the shantymen will have comparatively little money to spend on coming oft of the woods. In prices there is little new to note, beyond the fact that manufacturers of checked cotton shirtings have given notice that they decline to receive any further orders at old prices.

Fish.—The near approach of Ash Wednesday has induced a considerable briskness of demand, and stocks in first hands are pretty well down. Green cod has developed further marked advances. We quote:
—Labrador herring, \$3.75 to 4.00; Cape Bretons, \$5.00; dry cod, \$4.75; green cod, No. 1, \$5.75 to \$6.00; No. 1 large, \$6.50 to 7.25; N. S. salmon, \$14.50 to 15.00; B. C. ditto, \$12.00; finnan haddies, 7 to 7\frac{1}{2}C.

FURS.—There is little new since this day week. Values tend to further easiness, and the relatively high prices being paid in the one is buying or wants to buy, though there is no question but that some holders would like

figures for round lots. Canada Plates-Blaina, figures for round lots. Canada Plates—Blaina, \$3.15 to 3.25. Tern roofing plate, 20x28, \$8.00 to 8.50. Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$3.50. Tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$7 to 7.25; charcoal I.C., \$4.50 to 4.75; do. I.X., \$5.75 to 6.00; coke I.C., \$4.25; coke wasters, \$4.00; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 6c.; Morewood, 7c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6½c.; No. 26, 7c.; they usual extra feedbase. No.26, 7c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs. \$3.00; Staffordshire boiler plate, \$3.25 to 3.50; common sheet iron, \$3.25 to 3.50; steel boiler plate, \$3.75; heads, \$4.50; Russian sheet iron, 101c.; lead per 100 105, pig, \$3.85 to 4.00; sheet, \$4.50; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 11 to 12c.; springs \$2.50; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.50 to 3.00; round machinery steel, \$3.00 to 3.25; ingot tin, 24c.; bar tin, 26c.; ingot copper 141 to 144c.; sheet give \$6.50; greater per, 14½ to 14½c.; sheet zinc, \$6.50; spelter, \$6.25; antimony, 00 to 20c.; bright iron wire, Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.75 per 100 bls.; annealed do.,

NOTICE. **Queen City Fire Insurance Co'y.**

The Annual General Meeting of this Company will be held pursuant to the Act of Incorporation on Saturday, 22nd Day of Feb. inst.,

at 12 o'Clo k Noon, at the Company's Offices, 32 Church Street, Toronto. By order.

THOMAS WALMSLEY.

Toronto, Feb. 5th, 1890.

NOTICE.

Millers' & Manufacturers' Ins. Co.,

The Fifth General Meeting of the Members and Shareholders of this Company will be held on Friday. 28th of February, 1890.

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OIDS, PAINTS, AND GLASS.—Business in these lines has not yet assumed any active phase, but values all show steadiness, and in some Linseed oil has advanced cases stiffness. considerably in England, and has been advanced to 65c. per gal. for raw and 68c. for boiled in small lots, round lots one to two cents less; turpentine, 66 to 67c. Glass steady at last noted advance; the Glass Association in the United States met last week, and advanced prices 5 per cent., and it is stated a further advance of 10 per cent. is probable. Whiting very scarce and firm at 55c; gum shellac has advanced 1½ cents in New York. We quote: Leads (chemically pure and first class brands only) \$6.25 to 6.50. No and first class brands only), \$6.25 to 6 50; No. 1, \$5.50, No. 2, \$4.75, No. 3, \$4.50; dry white lead, 5½ to 6c.; red do., 4½c.; London washed whiting, 55c.; Paris white,

NOTICE. The Fire Insurance Exchange. Hand-in-Hand Insurance Company MUTUAL AND GUARANTEE.

The General Annual Meeting of the members and shareholders of this Company will be held on

Monday, 24th day of Feb. inst.,

at their offices, 32 Church street, Toront, at the hour of 3.30 p.m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of other business relating to the management of the Company. By order.

Toronto, Feb. 5th, 1890.

HUGH SCOTT,

\$1; Cookson's Venetian red, \$1.60 to 1.73 other brands of Venetian red, \$1.40 to 1.00 yellow ochre, \$1.50°, spruce ochre, \$2.00 b 2.50. Window glass, \$1.65 per 50 feet for fin break, \$1.75 for second break.

Woon.—But a moderate demand is report at the moment from millmen, but values have lost nothing in strength. Cape is firmly half at 21 to 22c., Canadian scarce and held full prices.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Токонто, Feb. 13, 1890 DRY Goods.—Business in the whole houses continues very dull, the more sear able weather having come too late to have an very beneficial effect. Travellers report the country retail trade unusually quiet, and that

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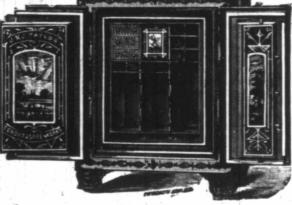
The General Annual Meeting of the members and shareholders of this Company will be held on

Tuesday, 25th of February, 1890,

at Two o'clock p.m., at their office, 32 Church street. Toronto, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of other business relating to the management of the Company. By order.

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merchants are now depending entirely upon a more successful spring trade to help them through. A few orders are being received for small parcels, but tradesmen are very careful in the extent of their purchases. Some goods are being sent out to the country for the spring demand, but the movement in the city is very slow. The only fact of note this week is an advance equivalent to about one-half cent. per advance equivalent to about one-hair cent. per yard in English prints, and prices generally are unchanged but firm. One effect of the better payments on the 4th instant than expected is, that a more hopeful feeling and a healthier tone pervades the trade. There will not be much done for the next fortnight, as country dealers are just now working to make the best financial show possible on 4th March, and this will in many cases require all their

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore existing between us, the undersigned, as
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dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to
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In reference to the above, the said Banking Business will be continued under the name and style of R. PORTEOUS, Banker.

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DIVIDEND NOTICE.

A half-yearly dividend upon the Capital Stock of this Company, at the rate of Five per Cent. per annum, will be paid on February 17th next, to Shareholders of record on that date. Of this dividend One and One-half per Cent. is from the annulty provided for by a deposit with the Canadian Gövernment, and One per Cent is from the surplus earnings of the Company. It is the intention of the Directors to continue this rate of payment during the remaining period of the annuity expiring in August, 1893, should the earnings of the Company permit, and to accumulate all further surplus revenue as a Dividend Reserve Fund.

WARRANTS for this Dividend payable at the Agency of the Fank of Montreal, 59 Wa 1 Street, New York, will be delivered on and after FEB-RUARY 17th at that Agency, to Shareholders on the New York register.

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WARRANTS of European Shareholders on the London Register will be payable in Sterling, at the rate of four shillings and one penny half-penny, (4s 1½d) per dollar, less income tax, at the Bank of Montreal, 22 Abchurch Lane, London, and will be delivered on or about the same date at the Office of the Company, 8s Cannon Street, London, Eng.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be cosed in London at Three o'clock p.m., on Saturday, January 11th, and in Montreal and New York at the same hour on Saturday, January 29th, and will be re-opened at ten o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, the 18th February next.

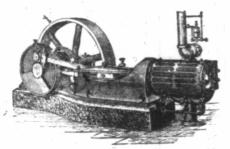
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FLOUR AND MEAL.—Exceedingly dull all over. Flour has shown no improvement; no move-ment quoted and sellers say no bids are to be had; prices nominal at about \$3.80 to 3.85 per bbl. for straight rollers, and about \$3.50 to 3.55 for extras, holders to all appearance being more inclined to wait for a turn than to force sales. Bran is quiet but steady; car lots on the track would probably have found buyers at \$11.00, had they been forthcoming. Oatmeal—A few sales of small lots at \$3.75 for standard, and at \$4.00 for granulated, comprise the whole business of the week.

Grain.-Quiet, with neither much offered or much wanted. Wheat—Sales small and prices easy. No. 2 fall lying on the Northern sold last week and on Monday and Tuesday at 79c.; No. 2 spring on the spot brought 83c. on Saturday. Manitoba hard wanted only for the supply of immediate wants, with No. 1 sold on Saturday at equal to \$1.04 here. The feeling at the close was dull, but sales were feeling at the close was dull, but sales were

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made of No. 2 fall on the Northern at 79c., and of No. 2 spring on the same line at 78c., with more sold on the Midland on p.t., and No. 1 hard offered at equal to \$1.04 here with \$1.03 bid. Oats—Offered rather less freely on the spot. White sold late last week at 29c. on track, and at 25c. outside; and mixed brought 29 and 28 c. on track on Monday and yester-day, when white lying outside was offered at 27c. with 25 c. bid. The feeling in barley unsettled. Some round lots lying outside sold late last week at 38c. for extra No. 3, and at 35c. for No. 3, being equal to 2½ to 3c. more in Toronto; on Monday No. 2 on the spot sold at 46c. f.o.c., and outside at 43c., being equal to 46c. here, with 38c. paid for extra No. 3 outside, or equal to 41c. here. At the close yesterday, a lot of 16,000 bushels of extra No. 3 lying outside sold at 37c., and all else seemed to be inactive. Peas-Have continued in demand at fairly steady prices; cars lying outside sold on Monday at 54c., on Tuesday at 54 and 54c., and at the close yesterday at 54c. Rye. sold at the close yesterday at 45c. outside.

GROCERIES.—A satisfactory amount of business being done, especially in yellow sugars,

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which, having advanced to per pound in all the outside markets, have been in demand here at the present prices, which are regarded as being as low as it is reasonable to expect. Canned goods are quiet but steady in value. Coffee in very light demand. In dried fruits there has been during the week a lively movement, especially in the leading lines. Rice has also been selling well. In syrups and molasses, while the quotations are maintained there has not been much enging. there has not been much enquiry. Tea is active and selling well; good medium qualities are scarce and wanted. Tobaccos unchanged. Payments are a shade better, but still not satisfactory.

Hardware.—The business condition is practically unaltered. Trade is fair, but by no means active, though prices are being steadily held up, and the outlook for an early brisk demand is regarded as very satisfactory. Prices here are unchanged from last week. Stocks generally are reported to be low.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Generally quiet. Green hides are abundant and taken as before; cured in rather better demaud with sales of car-lots at 43c. Calfskins nominally unchanged. Sheeptkins.—Offerings small but fully sufficient, as one house has withdrawn from buying in consequence of prices having reached



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last week's figures of \$1.40 to 1.50 for the best green and down to \$1.00 for average to common. Tallow.-Rough unchanged; rendered, easy; still taken at 5 to 51c., offered at 51c.

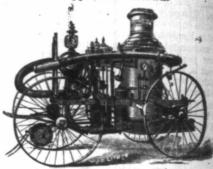
Hops.-Sales few and small; choice new have sold in very small lots, usually in single bales at 15 to 16c., and some few good yearlings have changed hands at 10c.; some more new might have found a sale had holders been inclined to accept 13½ to 14½c. for lots, as one small lot of seven bales sold at the inside

LEATHER.—A change for the better is evident since our last report. Some considerable deals have been effected during the past few days, though the complaint as to the smallness of orders is very general; but still the aggregate is comparatively good. Prices are steady, but concessions are being made to encourage larger purchasing. Payments are coming in very slowly. We have no change in the general trade position of any consequence to report.

LIVE STOCK. - There has been a slight increase in the values of the best kinds of cattle, but for medium and poor descriptions there is no improvement and but little demand. Sheep and lambs continue to fetch only moderate prices. Hogs are wanted at a trifle better values; \$4.25 to 4.50 for light fat and stores, and \$4.121 per cwt. for heavy are the figures at which a very large supply of hogs

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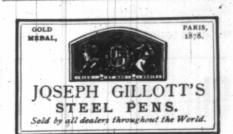
PAINTS AND OILS.—Southern advices quote a considerable advance in turpentine, and while it has not changed with us as yet, an early increase may naturally be expected, as we are told that all the available stock in the primary markets has been bought up, and that in the yards at Savannah quotations have gone from 38 to 41c. per gallon. Receipts will be light for some time, and though just now the enquiry is easy, prices are tolerably certain to advance. Locally trade is quiet.

Provisions.—Trade generally has been quiet but steady. Receipts of butter have fallen off, and those of choice have been insufficient; selections have consequently sold readily at 16 to 17c. per lb., but stocks of medium and common sufficed for the demand; medium has sold very slowly, but some demand for trade lots of common has been heard and sales

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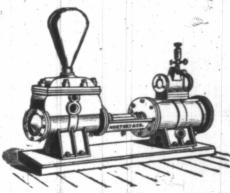
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can change hands at the Western cattle yards, have been made at 10c., and in one case at 8c., with more wanted at the latter price. Box lots of rolls offered slowly, and the best selling at 14 to 15c., with some pushed off at 12 to 12½c. Cheese—Some summer-make has sold in trade lots at 8 to 8½c., with choice very quiet at 10½ to 11c. for small lots. Offerings of eggs fully sufficient, some consisting of imports; prices of fresh have stood at 15 to 16c. per doz., with pickled offered at 13 to 14c. but not taken. Mess pork is unchanged at \$13.50 to 14.00 per bbl. for small lots. Bacon has sold quietly, but has been held steadily; one lot of 60 sides of long clear sold at about one lot of 60 sides of long-clear sold at about 7c., but tons and cases have continued to bring 7½ to 7½c., Cumberland offered at 7½c. but not taken; smoked meats have sold quietly at 8½c. for rolls, at 10½c. for backs, and at 11c. for bellies. Sales of hams small and quiet and nearly always at 11c. for smoked. Lard inactive, with holders dis-satisfied with present prices, but consmoked. Lard inactive, with holders dis-satisfied with present prices, but con-tinuing usually to sell at 8½ to 9c for tubs and pails of local make with imported offered at 8c. Hogs.—Rail-lots scarce and generally thought to be nearly finished; any offered have been readly taken at \$5.50 to 5.60. Dried apples are lvery quiet; the best bid for trade-lots 5c., which was refused; dealers selling at 51 to 53c. evaporated still more quiet at 9c. for $5_{\frac{1}{2}}$ to $5_{\frac{3}{2}}$ c.; evaporated still more quiet at 9c. for trade-lots, at $9_{\frac{1}{2}}$ to 10c. for dealers' lots. White beans seem easier at \$1.40 for trade-lots and \$1.50 to 1.60 for dealers' lots of handpicked. Poultry.-Receipts of box-lots of any sort nil, and thought to be finished.

Salt.—Liverpool nominally unchanged. Canadian has sold fairly well but rather unsettled; cars have changed hands at \$1.40 for barrelled; at \$1.18 for dairy, and at 70c. for coarse in sacks, with small lots going at 85c. for sacks, at \$1.45 for barrels, and at 45c. for quarter-sacks of dairy.

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BRITISH MARKETS.

The Tea Letter of J. Lewenz & Hauser Brothers, dated London, 25th January, says: "The renewed large offerings of Indian teas at auction could not this week be disposed of at lately ruling firm prices, and most of the teas had to be quitted at rates which were certainly in buyers' favor. The unsatisfactory January business generally is held responsible for this weakness, though the latter did not so much affect Ceylon teas, and much less Javas, which remained in good request at full prices. China Congous, with few exceptions, sold badly on Tuesday, but showed more steadiness in Wednesday's sale. Very little Redleaf being printed, these sorts marked some slight improvement. New make Congous went very much as before, except that a few rather attractive fourth crop teas met with more competition, and sold at full prices, viz., up to 11\frac{3}{4}d. Scented teas showed no change, but Greens which consisted chiefly of Pingsuey & Fychow sorts were easier all round, only a few particular makes, such as Pealeafs in the Pingsuey invoices, maintaining previous values."

The monthly export iron and metal circular of Messrs. Henderson & Glass, Liverpool, received by last mail, says: Iron—There is no falling off in demand. Works continue full of orders and prices are very strong. The drop in Scotch warrants is about 1/6 per ton on the week, which is accounted for by the continued realization of holders. Tin—Weaker. Tinplates—There is not much fresh business. Prices are unchanged, makers declaring they cannot afford to reduce quotations owing to the increased cost of production. Zinc sheets strong and advanced. Copper has improved 20/per ton in value. The demand is good. Pig lead unchanged. Linseed oil steady. Freights—The rate from Liverpool to Montreal via Portland is 25/per ton and 10% per ton; and to Toronto, Hamilton, and London, 25/per ton and 10% primage, according to classification. Tin and Canada plates from South Wales 2/6 and 10% more. To Halifax, N.S.—On ordinary weight 15/per ton. From South Wales 2/6 and 10% more.

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