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CANADA-WEST INDIA TRADE. THE preferential trade agreement made between Canada and eight of the West Indian and South American colonies was made

public on Dominion Day. The southern colonies represented are Trinidad, British Guiana, Barbados, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Antigua, Dominica and Montserrat. A preference of not less than four-fifths of the duties levied by the southern colonies on a considerable schedule of imports is granted to Canada, including fish, meats, cereals, butter, cheese, lard, hay, animals, agricultural and some other machinery, rubber manufactures, paints, paper, vegetables, furniture, manufactured lumber, pianos, starch, trunks, cement, fresh fruits and condensed milk. There is also a considerable schedule of articles, including sugar, molasses and other West Indian products, transferred to the Canadian preferential tariff. The agreement is for ten years, and the Bahamas, Bermuda, British Honduras, Grenada, Jamaica and Newfoundland will share its benefits for a limited time. The Right Hon. Austen Charberlain, presiding at a luncheon to the Hon. George E. Foster in London, gave him and gave Canada great praise for being the first to inaugurate practically the principle of Imperial Preferential Trade. He predicted that at an early date Great Britain would have a Government favourable to the same principle. In this connection much credit is also due to the Canadian and West Indian League, of which Sir Thomas Shaughnessy is the honorary president, and who has declared that the preferential trade policy will soon be rounded off by lines of steamers between Canadian and West Indian ports.

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PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.

THE Democratic National Couvention at Baltimore after forty-six ballotings has nominated Governor Woodrow Wilson of New

Jersey, as the Democratic candidate for the Presidency of the United States. The proceedings at Baltimore were certainly more decorous than those of the Republican Convention at Chicago. Although it took forty-six ballotings to arrive at a nomination at Baltimore, a nomination was arrived at; it fell to a good man, who is free from the objections to which men like Champ Clark and Bryan are open, and it was made unanimous. The Republicans, after a protracted

and unseemly wrangle only succeeded in putting two candidates in the field (thus illustrating the fact that two are sometimes less than one) and covering both of them with considerable party odium. Personal ambitions and strenuosity have done their worst for the Republicans, and if Governor Wilson is elected, the Democrats will owe a deep debt of gratitude to Colonel Roosevelt.

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MOUNT ROYAL PARK.

T HE Montreal City Council has very properly turned down the proposition to grant a site for a public library on Fletcher's

Field. If there is one thing which Mount Royal Park needs less than another, it is a library. If there is one site in Montreal less suitable than almost any other for a public library it is Fletcher's Field. If the people of Montreal are wise, they will furiously conserve Mount Royal Park as a park and beware of "improvement" schemes. That much could be done to improve the park is true, but every proposition for its "improvement" seems a little worse than the one which preceded it. Every concession of sites for other than park purposes will be regarded as a justification for further demands and a precedent for further concessions.

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THE CYCLONE

AT REGINA.

THE chief consoling reflection in connection with the cyclone, which did such fearful damage in Regina on Sunday, is the rarity of

Regina on Sunday, is the rarity of storms of a cyclonic nature in Canada. So free has the Dominion been from this kind of trouble that we have come to look upon Canada as being exempt from an evil only too common in some of the western states. We have had one or two big cyclones within the last thirty years in the Province of Quebec, but fortunately their interest lay chiefly in illustrating the tremendous power of the wind, rather than in the extent of the damage done to life and property. This, of course, was due to the fact that there was little in the way of valuable property and few human beings in the direct paths of the storms. At least thirty lives were lost in Regina, and it will probably take some time to arrive at even an approximately correct estimate of the amount of the damage done.

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Prominent Topics.

The Investments of Canadian Life Companies.

The statistics and editorial article which we published last week on the subject of the investment of the Canadian life companies' assets

have attracted considerable attention on the part of life officers and others. We may now add that recent information indicates that at the present moment very large amounts are being invested by the life companies in Western Canada mortgages. Last year the net amount placed by the Canadian life companies in these mortgages was in round figures \$10,500,000. When the figures for the current year become available it will probably be found that the net increase in these western mortgages this year is equally large and possibly not much less than at the rate of a million dollars a month.

Bank Inspection Among our Neighbours.

The gentlemen who persistently claim that the Canadian banking system will not be able to approach perfection until it has tacked on to it a wonderfully

organised system of Government inspection are respectfully invited to peruse the following news paragraph which made its appearance this week:-

Mark M. Pomeroy, assistant cashier of the Citizens' National Bank of Port Allegany, Pa., was arrested at that place late to-day charged with embezzling between \$45,000 and \$50,000 of the bank's funds. The alleged peculations are said to cover a period of from six to The information against Pomeroy contains eight years. The information against Pomeroy co 21 counts. He will be tried at Erie, this summer.

Similar paragraphs make their appearance from time to time; they are by no means infrequent. It looks as if, after all, Government inspection is less infallible as a cure for all the ills that banking is heir to than some of its advocates are willing to believe.

The latest insurance novelty in England Insuring is the "Letters Patent Insurance Company, Limited." This organisation, with Patents. a capital of \$1,250,000, has been formed "particularly to undertake insurances to cover the liability of Patentees and others so far as the law

allows for the costs and expenses of prosecuting and defending actions in connection with letters patent, designs, trade marks, and other monopolies, including any damages awarded against defendants in such actions." Mr. William Schooling, the well known English insurance expert, has reported favorably on the scheme and good opinions have been given by many well-known scientific men including Sir William Ramsay and Sir Boverton Redwood. The company possesses, in addition to its board of directors, of which Mr. H. Symons, K.C., a director of the Union Life of Toronto, is a member, an advisory council composed of distinguished scientific men, and quite a formidable assemblage of "English

examiners and consulting engineers," while it is also stated that "several English and French Government Experts are also willing to act as examiners and consulting engineers, but owing to their official positions their names cannot appear on the prospectus." The company will re-insure a large proportion of its risks at Lloyds. Next-please!

This has been a tragic week for A Week of Aerial the aeronauts, both on account of the number of fatalities and Disaster. because of the distinction already

won by two of them in the art of flying. On Monday at Boston, Miss Harriet Quimby, who was the first woman to win an aviator's license in America, and who had won the distinction of being the first woman to cross the English Channel in an aeroplane, fell with her passenger, Mr. W. A. P. Willard, into five feet of water in Dorchester Bay, from a height of a thousand feet. Both were killed. They were using a Bleriot monoplane. On Tuesday, Mr. Vaniman was in command of the great airship Akron, which with a crew of four men was intended to cross the Atlantic. They were making the last trial trip at Atlantic City before attempting the transatlantic flight when an explosion occurred and the balloon fell from a height of five hundred feet into the water and Vaniman and his whole crew were killed. In neither disaster does anyone appear to have deserved any censure. The aviators were taking the ordinary and at present inevitable risks of the new and extraordinary line of scientific experiment. It is foolish to regard aviation at the present stage simply as a sport, or as destined to become chiefly a sport. It seems destined to play an important part in the wars of the future, and no doubt, also in the peaceful service of humanity. No nation of great standing can afford to be left behind in the science or in the art of aviation. With experience we may expect greater safety, and with the increase in the number of aviators a lower accidental death rate. At present the rate is undeniably high, as might naturally be expected in the attempt by man to conquer the air. The conquest of the water, yet incomplete, as we are reminded from time to time by exceptionally great marine disasters, was not won without prodigious sacrifice of human life. The evolutionary processes of nature, by which most forms of organic life attain to higher types, are only possible by means of relentless and constant sacrifice. In aviation, however, not only the most reckless and incapable are to be found among the victims. The bravest pay the penalty of their heroism and the cleverest find their limitations when they meet the fate they have defied. Miss Quimby's death will be much regretted by thousands who could but admire her absolute fearlessness, her splendid nerve and her great achievements as one of the pioneers in the exploration of the air.

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THE GENERAL FINANCIAL SITUATION.

The bulk of the new gold marketed in London on Monday-\$5,000,000-passed into the possession of the Bank of England. The big British central bank still quotes 3 p.c. as its official discount rate. In the London market discounts have been easy, but the tone of the market hardened later on appearance of an increased supply of American bills. Call money is now 134 to 2; short bills are 25/8; and three months bills, 211-16 to 3. Consols have been weak again, on account of a speech by the Chancellor of the Exchequer. It is quite plain that the city has but little love for Chancellor Lloyd George and his radical proclivities; and the financial interests would not apparently waste much time in repining if some important change in the political situation led to his retirement.

In the Paris market discounts are $2\frac{7}{8}$, while Bank of France rate is held at 3 p.c. In Berlin discounts are notably easier, being quoted at $3\frac{1}{4}$. The course of events since the end of June has apparently indicated that the recent lowering of the Reichsbank rate to $4\frac{1}{2}$ p.c. was justified. The gen-

eral opinion is that Berim has safely surmounted the difficulties incidental to the half yearly settlements.

At the present time there are some extraordinary currents visible in international finance. There is the movement of gold from New York to Paris which has reached respectable dimensions. It is not as yet quite clear whether this gold is intended ultimately for Berlin. Then there is the extension of the German loans from New York and Chicago bankers. Some say the total advances to the German great banks by the Americans were increased last month. On the other hand there are the increased borrowings by American financiers in London, which some suppose to be due to preparations by Wall Street magnates for a bullish demonstration as soon as the United States political situation clears up to a certain extent.

Another factor, recognized by the New Yorkers as important, is the increase, since January, of roundly \$35,000,000 in the Canadian bank call loans in New York and London. It is admitted in New York that developments in Canada may affect the Wall Street position importantly. It is altogether likely that the Dominion's active trade and the approach of the Western Canadian harvest will necessitate sooner or later a gold movement to Montreal from New York. And, of course, if Canada were to experience any serious financial accident the northerly gold movement might reach important dimensions. One well known American authority points out that if the Canadian bank funds in New York had not been largely increased the American bankers would not perhaps have been able to lend so freely to Berlin.

In New York call loans are 234 p.c.; sixty day loans, 3 to 31/4; ninety days, 31/4 to 31/2; and six months, 334 to 4 p.c. The Saturday statement of all clearing house institutions showed a heavy loss of reserves. Loans increased \$22,302,000; cash fell \$12,500,000; and the excess cash reserve decreased \$16,722,000-the item at the end of the week standing at \$12,545,850. The loss of reserves experienced by the banks alone was not quite so heavy. Their loans expanded \$22,300,000; cash decreased \$0,960,-000; and surplus fell \$12,853,700-to \$13,417,500. This loss of strength has been largely due, of course, to the preparations for financing the corporation payments of dividends and interest due 1st July. Those payments necessitated the extensive loan expansion. And the heavy loss of cash was due in large part to extraordinary payments of taxes to the Treasury and to the gold exports.

With the nomination of Governor Wilson at Baltimore this week as Democratic candidate for president, the political struggle passes definitely into a new stage. While the stock market professed to fear his nomination, and certain financial interests in the Democratic party opposed it to the end, it is

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difficult to see in what manner the developments at Baltimore are a menace to the securities market. Many well informed independent newspapers have expressed the opinion that with a candidate of Wilson's calibre the Democrats are reasonably certain to elect the president on November 4th, no matter whether Taft or Roosevelt were nominated by the Republicans. And if Colonel Roosevelt actually does launch his third party it would see n that the success of the Democrats would be prac-, tically assured. The developments at Baltimore make it reasonably sure that the big protected industries in the United States will shortly have to fight hard for the protection enjoyed by then. For the Canadian industries the prospect of lower duties on imports of Canadian goods into the United States should not be unpleasing.

The money markets in Canada have retained the sense of easiness noted a week ago. Call loans in Montreal and Toronto are 5 p.c. Apparently the danger of a squeeze between now and fall is remote. But it should be remembered that in New York the indications now are for a gradual hardening of the money market. Industry and trade are absorbing an increasing amount of the liquid resources; and it is quite possible that when the presidential election is out of the way a pronounced upward swing in business will be seen.

Reports from Western Canada are to the effect that weather conditions are now very favorable and the wheat crop is making good progress. So far as the home stock markets are concerned they promise to furnish a considerable demand for credits. And the continued heavy demand emanating from industrial and commercial concerns and also from the municipalities would naturally point to great stringency in the Canadian money centres towards fall. But fortunately the influx of new capital from abroad proceeds on an enormous scale. Many millions of new money come into the country without appearing at all in the official records. This extraordinary movement of funds into the Dominion has been the principal factor in keeping our money rates at a reasonably low level.

The immigration branch of the Department of the Interior has issued a statement of immigration for the last fifteen years. During the last eleven and three-quarter years, 2,118,712 immigrants have come to Canada, apportioned as follows: Maritime provinces, 89.474; Quebec, 309.422; Ontario, 504.126, Manitoba, 353,100; Alberta and Saskatchewan, 608,-965; British Columbia, 240,414; not shown, 13,211. Of these 823,188 were British, 752,126 were from the United States, and 543,404 from Continental countries. During the fiscal year which ended March 31

last, the immigration was 354,237, of which 138,121 was British, 133,710 from the United States and 82,-406 from other countries.

BANK BRANCHES OPENED IN 1912.

In the month of May the banks displayed quite extraordinary activity in opening new branches. In fact, we understand that the net gain in May in number of offices stands as a record. The net addition to the number of banking offices effected in May was more than double the average monthly addition for the five months of the present year as the follow-

1912. Ol ened	20	Feb. 16 3	March 38 6	Apr. 24	May 50 6	Total. 143 28
	15	13	32	16	4.4	120

In view of this extraordinary movement it will be interesting to dissect the figures with the object of discovering which banks have been most active in this movement and which provinces they have favored in selecting the points to be occupied by them. First of all it is desirable to compare the progress made in 1912 so far with that made in 1911 and 1010. According to the tables published by the Monetary Times, the banks' branches in Canada and elsewhere numbered at the end of 1900, 2,178; at the end of 1910, 2,379; and at the end of 1911, 2,621. The increase in 1910 was apparently 201 offices and in 1911 it was 242. Therefore, as the increase for tle first five months of 1912 amounts to 120 offices, it is fully up to the record of either of the two years immediately preceding. The increase of 120 offices in 1912 is divided as follows: Eastern Provinces, 66 offices; Western Provinces, 49 offices; elsewhere than Canada, 5 offices. Studying the increases we may see that five banks got into double figures. The Union has been most active, showing a net gain of 16. The Royal is close behind with a gain of 15; the Merchants is next with 11; and the Commerce and the Quebec show a gain of 10. The Nationale shows a gain of 9, the Internationale 8, the Bank of Montreal 6, the Imperial, Dominion, Toronto and Northern Crown 5 each, the Ottawa, Hochelaga and Provinciale 4 each. In the following table the number of offices opened and closed, by months, is given:

BRANCHES OPENED, 1912.

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New Brunswick.	1			* *	1.5	10		10
Quebec			4	4	1	117		3
Nova Scotia				2	1	3		- 13
British.			2			2		-
Toronto.		1	4.7	2	3	- 6	1	0
Molsons.			1			1	1	
Nationale	1	2	1	2	4	10	1	
Merchants.			1		10	11		11
	1		2	1		4		4
Provinciale	è	1	3	2	4	18	2	16
Union			6	1	4	11	1	10
Commerce.		5	2	6	4	18	3	15
Royal	-		9	1	2	7	2	5
Dominion			1			1	2	* 1
Hamilton					3	4	1	3
Standard		1		1	1	4		4
Hochelaga		1	1	î	2	5	1	4
Ottawa		* *			4	6	1	5
Imperial	. 1		1		,	1	4	* 3
Traders			1		1	9		2
Metropolitan		1			1	1		1
Home			1			- 5		5
Northern Crown.			~5				2	0
Sterling		1	1	2.5				8
Internationale.	. 1	3	1	1	2	,		
Eastern Town-							5	*5
ships							1.7	.,
anilya						1.10	28	120
	20	16	3.8	24	50	148	25	1.20
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•Decrease.

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The LIFE AGENTS' MANUAL, \$3.00 THE CHRONICLE

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TORONTO, CAN.

By provinces the showing is as follows:

Provinces the showing	opened.	Closed.	Net Gain
	50	12	38
Ontario	31	4	27
Quebec		o o	9
Nova Scotia	2		*1
New Brunswick	1	2	7
New Brunswick.	0	0	0
Prince Edward Island	6	1	5
Manitoba		ô	21
Saskatchewan	23		15
Alberta	17	2	15
British Columbia	13	5	8
	143	28	115
Canada	5	0	5
Elsewhere	3		
	148	28	120

*Decrease. The Union Bank gave much of its attention to the Province of Ontario. It opened 8 branches there, 3 in Alberta, 3 in British Columbia, 2 in Manitoba, and in New Brunswick and Saskatchewan one each. One branch was closed in Alberta and one in British Columbia. The Royal favored Saskatchewan more than any other province, opening 6 branches there, 4 in Alberta, 3 in British Columbia, one in Quebec, and 4 outside Canada-in Cuba and the Dominican Republic. Two branches were closed in Ontario and one in New Brunswick. The Merchants, like the Union, favored Ontario, opening 7 branches in that province. The other four established by this bank were in Western Canada: two in Alberta, one in Saskatchewan and one in Manitoba. The Quebec Bank has been very busy establishing itself in the West. Of its ten new branches, seven were in Saskatchewan, one was in Alberta, and one in British Columbia. Also the Quebec established one new office in Quebec Province. The Commerce favored Ontario to the extent of 6 new offices, planting as well two in Alberta, one in Saskatchewan and one in British Columbia. One office was opened in Quebec and one-the Eastern Townships branch in Victoria Square, Montreal, was closed. The Nationale confined itself altogether to Quebec, opening 10 offices and closing one in the province. The Internationale, too, naturally favored Quebec, opening 7 branches

there in addition to the branch in Paris, France. It is interesting next to take note of the character and size of the places favored by the banks most active in opening new branches. The Union's new branches were mostly in the samller towns and villages. There were, however, four in the central cities, and four in smaller cities and larger towns. The Royal also established the most of its new offices in comparatively small places. The Merchants and the Ouebec followed the same policy. The Commerce placed 4 branches in the small towns, 4 in the lesser cities, and 3 in central cities. The Nationale selected small French-Canadian communities in which to place its new offices, while the Internationale increased its representation in Montreal to the extent of 3 offices, and opened 2 in the lesser cities and 2 in small places.

THE EXPERIENCE OF BRITISH FIRE COMPANIES IN 1911.

The appended table showing the general experience during 1911, of British fire companies who are licensed to transact business in Canada is compiled from a larger return of the business of the British and Irish Companies published by the London Post Magazine. As is known, last year was a poor one from the point of view of the fire underwriter. It was not that 1911 was marked by spectacular losses in some gigantic conflagration—there was, happily, nothing of the kind during the year-but losses of moderate amount were vastly numerous and in the aggregate piled up to an amount which makes the general run of percentages of losses to premiums considerably higher than in 1910. In point of fact only one of the companies included in the subjoined statistics shows a lower percentage of losses last year than in 1910. As to the causes for the exceptionally large number of claims in 1911, some interesting remarks are made by the London Economist, which suggests that in part they may be due to the labour unrest. "Strikes mean dislocation of trade," observes

GENERAL EXPERIENCE IN 1911 OF BRITISH FIRE OFFICES, WHICH TRANSACT BUSINESS IN CANADA.

GENERAL DIST	IN CANA	DA.		Percentage t	o Premiums
	Premiums Net	Losses Net	Commission and other Expenses	Of Losses	Of Expenses
Alliance Atlas British Crown (†) Saledonian Commercial Union General Accident Fire and Life Guardian Law Union and Rock Liverpool and London and Globe London Assurance London and Lancashire Fire North British and Mercantile Northern Norwich Union Fire Phoenix of London Provincial Royal Royal Scottish Union and National Sun Yorkshire	1,324,224 1,041,165 146,820 438,146 3,182,871 125,653 594,114 233,716 2,839,672 661,171 1,607,108 2,379,040 1,242,975 1,118,529 1,398,456 21,670 3,953,479 708,221 707,990 1,485,245 319,446	£13,311 556,855 109,861 233,608 1,771,597 100,518 354,049 119,478 1,586,041 336,299 756,844 1,349,312 668,207 616,384 769,131 9,812 2,104,156 445,264 410,261 789,620 165,247	£ 500.265 394,991 63.471 165.273 1,127.760 43.419 217.430 86.922 1,013.639 254.678 564.037 887,917 460,206 414.000 538.311 9,506 1,434.295 300.202 257,296 563.389 116,887	46.3 53.5 74.8 53.3 55.7 80.0 59.6 51.1 55.8 50.9 47.1 56.7 53.7 55.1 55.0 45.3 53.2 55.8 58.0 53.2 51.7	37.8 37.9 43.2 37.7 35.4 34.5 36.6 37.2 35.7 38.5 37.0 38.5 43.9 36.3 37.6 36.3 37.9 36.3

^(†) Includes accident, etc. figures.

NOTE: Some British companies transacting business in Canada are omitted from this list, their figures not being a vailable.

Guardian Assurance Company

Limited, of London, England

Subscribed Capital, \$10,000,000

Paid-up Capital, \$5,000,000

Total Assets, over \$33,000,000

Deposited with Dominion Government, over \$600,000

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the Economist, "and dislocation of trade leads almost inevitably to a slackening in the precautions against fire. When the men are out on strike or working in a dissatisfied spirit, the moral hazard must deterjorate, and in fire insurance the moral hazard may very often make the difference between a good year and a bad.....There is no doubt that in times of unrest and bad trade fires take place which would never occur under more peaceful and prosperous conditions. Quite apart from deliberate arson, owners of houses and factories look after their works better, and expend money more freely when they are making good profits than they can when trade is difficult and profits hard to earn. Trade last year was, of course, very good, but the disturbance caused by strikes was a serious strain on everybody in the industrial world, and it is fairly clear that insurers, either knowingly or unknowingly, suffered from it over a long period."

The expenses of the companies do not largely vary from 1911; several of the companies show fractional increases and others about the same proportionate decreases. The figures suggest that any cut in expenses is, under present conditions, somewhat difficult

of accomplishment.

LIFE INSURANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE.

There has been no more notable development in life insurance in recent years than the realisation of its capabilities for social service; the setting-up of a new standard of rivalry among the companies, not as formerly, as to which shall be the biggest but as to which shall give the greatest benefits to its policyholders.

It is the industrial field which naturally offers the widest opportunities for service of this kind and it is among the great industrial companies that this service has so far been most developed. There lies before us at the moment a new publication issued by the Metropolitan Life of New York, an attractive booklet with the title of "The Child" and underneath the title "Printed and distributed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company for the benefit of its policy-This booklet contains a mass of information regarding the rearing of children, the treatment of their simple ailments and the like, which, we imagine, will be widely appreciated in the homes which it will enter. Attractively printed and illustrated, excellently arranged, and the whole of the information given in the simplest fashion, it is the very thing for its purpose. And one can be certain of its utility. For instance, here in Montreal, we have the unenviable distinction of an infantile death rate far above the average of great cities. How much of this is due to the sheer want of knowledge on the part of parents it is impossible to say. But that a very considerable proportion of it is due to this cause, there can be little doubt. In these circumstances, any effort which will help to break down the wall of ignorance and save the children's lives can be very cordially welcomed. We bespeak for "The Child" a large circulation in Montreal.

It is said that this and similar efforts in the direction of social service which are being made by various companies are organised in self-defence; that they are being carried on merely to head off the activity of the state in the insurance field, which has become of recent years so pronounced a feature in

European insurance. Even were this the case, it would not detract from the excellence of the work which is now being carried on. But it is nearer the truth, we believe, to say that this social service is a normal development of life insurance, as much a normal development as the placing of life insurance itself upon a scientific basis a century and a half ago, the rise of the endowment policy or the growth in its manifold branches of casualty and other insurance. It would be foolish to assert that, even from the strictly business point of view, insurance is reaching or has reached the maximum of its possible development. There can be no doubt that the coming years will see new developments to keep pace with or to anticipate the requirements of a civilisation that as it grows more complex, requires increasingly the protection which only insurance can afford. Similarly, the movement towards social service in life insurance is merely a quite normal development of the latent possibilities of life insurance. That what has already been done in this connection is merely a beginning is certain. Quite lately, the Canadian companies, acting collectively, have decided to assist in the movement towards the prevention of tuberculosis. It is likely enough that the not distant future will see a very large extension of their activities in this and other directions of social service. The fact that Mr. Haley Fiske will address the Life Underwriters of Canada at their forthcoming convention at Montreal on this subject is a sign of the

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How they can Co-operate—Work of Fire Underwriters in Improving Risks—Where Joint Action is Desirable.

FIRE COMPANIES AND THE PUBLIC.

(Henry W. Eaton, U. S. Manager, Liverpool & London & Globe.)

The fire hazard cannot in this day be really ascertained, nor can elaborate fire statistics and recorded experience of offices enable us to accurately adjust rates; moreover, in the case of manufacturing risks especially, the very change in processes from year to year would render comparatively useless statistics of any but recent periods. The losses affecting particular hazards, due to fires beginning in hazards of a different class, furnish a difficulty in loss classification not yet adequately dealt with by the fire underwriter. And this difficulty is intensified—as you can well understand—in the case of conflagrations, which are utterly disturbing to loss classifications. Could we disregard calamities of the kind as something exceptional, our task would be made easier, but we know from painful object lessons that every rate must be loaded with some fraction designed to provide accumulations in favorable years, and so gradually form a safety fund for emergencies of the kind. Were the companies merely to build up a rate designed to cover the losses to be expected in ordinary years, in addition to justifiable expenses, and a modest profit, then in the hour of danger, when the insured property owner called for a protection so plainly promised in his policy of insurance, we would surely be denounced-and justly-as traitors to our trust. And yet, such an addition to the rate as I have indicated as so needful for the protection of the insured is, and has for years been denounced as

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Capital Paid Up	1,475,000
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Total Assets exceed	115,000,000
Total Fire Losses Paid	147,603,475
Deposit with Dominion Govern-	
ment	1,269,327

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Assets	\$4,000,000
Deposit with Dominion Gov'nt	\$105,666

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an act of extortion to be penalized in various ways by acts of the legislatures rendering less possible, or impossible, organization of companies for this and other purposes which it can be demonstrated has benefited, and is benefiting, the interests of the in-

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For selected risks of various classes, the underwriter has fixed rates deemed for the time being adequate to the hazard, rejecting those deemed either uninsurable or undesirable at rates the assured has shown a willingness to pay. The rates named by underwriters upon approved risks of a general class have sometimes been uniform, and whilst many hazards embraced in such a class have occasionally really differed from one another in some degree, the underwriter has not always found it practicable to recognize the distinction. This has brought upon underwriters the charge of discrimination. For this we have had to answer, and, in the general impossibility of measuring hazards of continually varying quantity, the underwriters are likely to have to answer to the ignorant for ages to come.

IMPROVEMENT OF RISKS BY UNDERWRITERS.

In the earlier days of fire insurance the underwriter was prepared with rates for risks as they stood, without suggestion to the assured of improvements by which such rates could be reduced. As time proceeded, the fire underwriter was no longer willing to take each risk as he found it, and to fix a rate deemed to be adequate. He was concerned to suggest to the property owner methods by which, in the case of buildings about to be erected, changes in the plans could be made in character of building materials, in separation of processes, in use of fire protection devices, in protection of window and other openings, in limitation of areas, and in isolation of buildings, whereby the risk of fire occurring could be diminished and chances of extension reduced. And, in like manner, the underwriter became willing to investigate-often at considerable expense-the character and lay-out of buildings already in existence, and to show in what manner alterations could be made to diminish the fire hazard. In the case of every improvement so made, the underwriter was willing, and indeed anxious, to make allowances in rate designed to encourage the changes recommended. In the year 1890, in order to satisfy the particular desires of a number of manufacturers who preferred the stock to the mutual principle of insurance, the Factory Insurance Association was formed, and has carried on, with high marks of appreciation on the part of its customers, a system of insurance relating to standard risks of high character, associated with a periodical and efficient inspection, whereby rates have been brought down to a very low level of cost. And in this, as well as in all other methods of rating adopted in recent years, evidence is surely found, not of a disposition on the part of the insurance companies to afflict the insuring public with extravagant and unjustifiable rates, but of an earnest disposition to save policyholders all that is possible with the aid of trained service in matters of fire prevention and extinguishment.

THE ELEMENTS OF CO-OPERATION.

To accomplish such results, and to do our full duty to the insuring public, co-operation on the part of the companies is desirable and, indeed, indispensable. We will sum up the elements of co-operation:

1. The establishment and maintenance of systems of inspection against dangerous conditions, such as the inspection of premises by experts for the purpose of discovery and correction of ill-constructed flues, bad systems of electrical and gas installation, use of improper receptacles for ashes, accumulation of rubbish and the dangerous storage of oils and combustibles.

2. The proper maintenance of fire protection devices of various kinds, such as automatic sprinklers, fire alarm telegraphs and hand fire extinguishers and the continued efficiency of fire doors and shutters.

3. The elaborate and systematic examination of buildings and processes carried on therein, with particulars of adjoining hazards, to the end that information may be obtained by which one risk can be measured with another and difference be justified.

4. The establishment of some system by which rates once made may be varied from time to time by reason of changes in hazard, and that such variations may be uniform and be justified, and that, concession having been made in rates as the price of heavy outlay for extinguishing appliances and other expenditures on the part of the insured, the latter may have reasonable guarantees that such concessions may be continued for at least the full term to be expected by the nature of such expenditure.

5. The premium to be paid by the assured being based on the loss cost and a reasonable charge for expenses, that co-operation may be secured by which such expenses, including rates of brokerage and com-

mission, may be kept within proper bounds.

6. That changes in the organization and equipment of fire departments may be recommended, and, as far as possible, enforced; that improved water supplies and methods of distribution may be encouraged; that better building laws may be brought about, including prohibitions of shingle roofs in new construction, and provisions against maintenance where existing; that municipal regulations may be made or improved regarding the storage of combustibles; that merchandise in public storage stores may be kept separated, such as fibre from non-fibre, and generally that municipal authorities be stimulated to make changes designed to reduce the fire waste and risk on conflagration.

7. That organized systems of protection to property from damage at fires may be established and maintained, by which such property may be either removed or protected from damage by water.

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THE BEGINNINGS OF SCIENTIFIC LIFE ASSURANCE.

How the "Old Equitable" of London Started 150 Years Ago-Pioneers' Work in the Life Field.

This year the Equitable Life Assurance Society, of London, England, the first life assurance society run on scientific principles, has reached its 150th anniversary. The "old Equitable," as it is popularly known, was established in 1762, and at the recent annual meeting the Chairman made interesting reference to the circumstances of its establishment.

It has often been said, he remarked, that the history of the Equitable is the history of life assurance in this country; and at the least we may claim that in celebrating the foundation of the society, now nearly one hundred and fifty years ago, we are celebrating also the birth of life assur-ance on scientific principles. When the formation of the society was first projected, such life assurances as were then granted were either for small and fluctuating amounts, on a kind of sharing-out plan-rather mutual benevolence than life assurance, as we now understand it-or else were short-period risks, effected generally for a year, or less, though sometimes renewed from year to year. Such policies were granted partly by private underwriters and partly by the old chartered corporations, which originally were formed principally for marine underwriting, and it is not surprising to find, therefore, that such life assurances as were taken out were dealt with very much on the same lines The same rate of premium-viz., 5 per as marine risks. cent .- was charged for lives of all ages between twelve and forty-five, and lives of over forty-five were not accepted at On such terms, and with such restrictions, life assurance was not likely to prove attractive, and there is no doubt that the insurance of a fixed sum payable at death was, at the time we are referring to a contract very rarely entered on. The need for life assurance of a more permanent and satisfactory nature was, however, widely felt. and it fortunately happened that as the want was growing the means of supplying it was being gradually developed. At the close of the seventeenth century, i.e., in 1693, the eminent astronomer Halley had computed the first mortality table in anything like modern form. and fifty years later, in 1742, i.e., twenty years before the establishment of the Equitable, a further advance was made by Thomas Simpson, a well-known mathematician, who developed Halley's plan into a complete treatise on annuities and assurances, in which he laid the foundation of modern actuarial science, and he advocated the formation of a society which should grant assurances on proper principles, charging premiums according to age. James Dodson, a mathematical master at the Bluecoat School, took up Simpson's ideas and delivered lectures on the subject, and he actually went so far as to compute a table of premiums for different ages. Dodson wished to take out a policy on his own life; but was unable to do so because 'he was over forty-five years oldthen the usual limit of age-and he, therefore set him self to form asociety which would work on broader lines With about fifty associates-one of them was Edward was so prominent-Rowe Mores, who afterwards connected with the society-he raised a fund with the view of obtaining a charter, which was at that time regarded as essential. In April, 1757, petition was accordingly presented to the Crown, with a view to securing the establishment of the Equitable as a chartered society.

THE EQUITABLE'S EARLY DAYS.

Before the petition was heard Mr. Dodson died, and Mr. Mores afterwards took his place as leader of the movement, and he took a very prominent part in the affairs of the society. The petition was referred to the law officers of the Crown, but it was unsuccessful, and a second hearing in 1759 met with the same result. Nothing daunted. Mr. Mores made a third attempt, and for the third and last time was defeated. The law officers made a lengthy report against the granting of the charter. Their report contained various reasons, some of which appear mutually destructive, but it is possible that some weight was given to the fact that the two principal chartered companies then in existence had each paid the Crown £150,000 for the grant

of their charter, while no such payment was proposed by the Equitable. The law officers of the Crown threw out the suggestion that, if the petitioners were so sure of success, there was an easy method of making the experiment by entering into a voluntary partnership. This suggestion—probably made in a taunting spirit—was taken up seriously by the subscribers, and they resolved on founding a society by a deed of settlement. New subscribers were obtained and, finally, after these difficulties and delays, a deed of settlement was executed, and the society founded on September 7, 1762. That date marks the beginning of true life assurance on sound and equitable principles and it is a red-letter day in the history of assurance.

Suffice it to say the society met with remarkable success, while it has never departed from its original principles, which it has since seen universally adopted. For a century and a half it has continued to grant mutual life assurances with most beneficial results to its members. During that period it has received about £30,000,000 in premiums, and has paid to its members or their representatives about £44,000,000 in sums assured and bonus additions.

As is well known the "old Equitable" has consistently adhered to its plan of employing no agents and paying no commission. In consequence its operations are on a comparatively restricted scale. Last year, the new sums assured amounted to £344,003. The premium income showed a considerable increase, the net amount received during the year being £211,-343, as compared with just under £200,000 in the previous year. Funds at the close of the year amounted to \$5,241,949.

THE GOVERNMENT'S SURPLUS.

Final figures of the revenue and expenditure of the Dominion for the last fiscal year have now been issued by the Finance Department. They show a surplus of \$37.934.548 in total revenue over all expenditure on consolidated fund account.

The surplus comes within one million dollars of paying every item of expenditure on capital account, including nearly twenty-five millions spent during the year on the construction of the National Transcontinental Railway.

The balance sheet of assets and liabilities shows an actual decrease of \$159,255 in the net debt of the Dominion as compared with the close of the preceding fiscal year. The whole showing is the most satisfactory annual statement of financial administration in the history of Canada.

The total revenue for the year was \$136,130,857, an increase of over eighteen and one half millions as compared with the preceding twelve months. The total expenditure on consolidated fund account was \$98,196,309, and on capital account \$38,931,748. The principal items of revenue were: customs, \$86,586,142 and excise \$19,261,661. Additionally the Post Office contributed \$10,492,394, public works, \$11,689,831, and miscellaneous receipts The surplus is nearly two ran to \$8,100,828. millions more than the Finance Minister, Hon. W. T. White, estimated in his budget statement of last February. The total net debt of the Dominion on March 31st last was \$339,882,797. Liabilities of the Dominion payable in England total \$282,024,279.

Returns of revenue for the first two months of the current fiscal year show an increase of a little over five million dollars as compared with April and May of last year. The revenue for the two months was \$24,656,163, with Customs and Excise again contributing the most of the total increase.



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THE ROYAL-TRADERS' BANK MERGER. SCHEME PASSED BY SHAREHOLDERS OF BOTH BANKS.

Meetings of the shareholders of the Royal Bank of Canada and the Traders' Bank of Canada held this week in Montreal and Toronto respectively have ratified the proposals to merge the two institutions. At neither meeting did opposition to the scheme develop. The basis upon which the merger will be made will be the giving of three Royal Bank shares for four Traders Bank shares, or in the case of larger holdings, seventy-five Royal Bank shares for one hundred Traders Bank shares. The only step now to be taken before the scheme goes through is to obtain its ratification by the Governor-General in Council. It is anticipated that the amalgamation will take effect at the beginning of September. Mr. Edson L. Pease will remain general manager of the combined banks, while Mr. Stuart Strathy, general manager of the Traders Bank, will continue to hold office, in the capacity of Superintendent of Ontario branches.

At the Royal Bank meeting on Wednesday, the shareholders gave their approval to a proposal to authorise an application to the Treasury Board to increase the authorized capital of the bank to \$25,-000,000. A by-law increasing the number of directors from 12 to 16 was passed unanimously. The vacancies will be filled when the assets of the Traders Bank are transferred to the Royal Bank.

In his speech to the shareholders, Mr. H. S. Holt, president of the Royal Bank defended the principle of banking amalgamations. "It is well known," he said, "that bank amalgamations are widely favored in England and Scotland, where the resources of powerful banks have been considerably built up through this generally approved medium."

Mr. E. L. Pease, the general manager, remarked that the purchase of the assets of the Traders Bank of Canada possessed valuable features for the Royal Bank of Canada. He pointed out that the Traders Bank has 112 branches and 15 sub-branches; that the two banks are duplicated at fifteen points, and when the offices of the Traders Bank at these points are closed, there will remain 81 branches located in Ontario, 11 in Alberta, 4 in Saskatchewan and 1 in British Columbia, from which it will be observed that the bank is essentially an Ontario bank. He also stated that the bulk of its assets and interests are centred in that province-the most prosperous and stable in the Dominion, in which district, as it happens, the Royal Bank of Canada is weakly represented. He remarked that the great growth in the business of the Royal Bank is a matter of recent history, that they are strongly entrenched in the Maritime Provinces and British Columbia, and well represented in the Middle West, but, prior to 1906, had only 4 offices in Ontario, and while the number is 30 to-day they by no means cover the field; that it has been found costly and difficult to secure profitable openings, because the ground was fully occupied by long established branches of other banks; that numerous branches in that province are a necesary adjunct to the proper conduct of the bank's rapidly expanding business; and that at present they are operating at a disadvantage in comparison with other leading banks in respect to their facilities there.

Following are the leading figures of the two banks as at May 31: Royal

as at may 5	Royal	Traders.
Garden		\$ 4,454,500
Paid up Capital	8,607,166	2,540,000
Reserve		3,758,932
Circulation	89,813,766	41,364,704
Total deposits	. 65,616,745	608,009
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		36,847,496
Current Loans	. 02,011,100	53,728,234
Total Assets	.116,411,781	
Total Assets		ill be \$11

The capital of the combined banks will be \$11,-560,000 and reserve approximately \$13,000,000 at September 1, said Mr. Peck.

Insurance in the United States.

(Exclusive Correspondence of The Chronicle.)

The Fire Insurance Situation: Small Companies going to the Wall-Growth of Burglary Business -Personal and Company Notes.

The fire insurance situation in New York and, in fact, all over the United States, is very peculiar. It is admitted that according to present prospects there will be no fire underwriting profit this year, especially if the losses keep up at the same ratio at which they have begun. Nevertheless, insurance superintendents are clamoring for lower rates, and while it is evident that in many localities rates should be increased, it does not seem that the great companies are making very decided efforts for their advancement. In our own opinion, the tendency at the present time is towards centralization, that is, towards the greater growth of the large companies and the weeding out of the smaller and weaker ones, and the great institutions are looking on at the process complacently. It does not follow that this condition will always prevail, for fire insurance history repeats itself in the following well-known circle: Heavy losses, fewer companies, larger profits, more companies, reduction of rates, smaller profits, heavy losses, fewer companies, etc., ad infinitum. There are a number of struggling concerns which are rapidly being burned up and which will either retire outright or be reinsured by the great corporations. While the large companies from the other side are for the most part holding their own, it must not be understood, as is sometimes thought and charged, that they are the leaders in this process of elimination. It must be remembered that New York has several great companies, Hartford a half dozen, Philadelphia two or three, and that these are all watching with hungry eyes for any business which may result from the destruction of the smaller companies.

DEVELOPMENT OF BURGLARY BUSINESS.

The subject of burglary insurance is attracting more and more attention as time goes on. A few years ago only two or three companies were writing this class of business and the one which wrote it exclusively was ruined by its experience, viz., the New England Burglary Insurance Company, while those which remained to do the business only did it in connection with other lines of insurance. The trouble was that the moral hazard was great, that there were no data to go by, and that the companies in doing this business were practically like a ship without a compass. At the present time no fewer than fortyfive companies are doing burglary insurance business, ASSETS OVER \$44,257,341

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Notes.

Col. A. H. Wray, United States manager of the Commercial Union, has returned from his European trip. The company's building is now practically taken up by the great banking firm of Harris & Forbes, and the company itself will doubtless soon remove altogether to other quarters.

Assistant United States Manager Holman, of the Commercial Union, sailed for Europe on the 22nd instant.

General Manager Buchenberger, of the Hamburg-Bremen Fire Insurance Company, who has been spending some time in this country, has just sailed for home.

Joint Manager John A. Kelly, of the General Accident, of Perth, Scotland, has returned from Europe, and his associate, Mr. Claude Norie-Miller, will sail for England on the 9th instant.

The chief accountants of the great foreign corporations are, as is well known, very prominent in the management of the companies. Several of them have recently delivered important addresses before the Fire Insurance Society of this city.

Hon. Darwin P. Kingsley, president of the New York Life Insurance Company, who is in a condition of nervous breakdown, expects to leave shortly for a lengthy vacation.

President John R. Hegeman, of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, is so far restored in health that he has turned his steps westward and may be expected in America before very long.

It is now expected that quite a number of the actuaries of the United States and Canada will be present at the International Congress of Actuaries, to be held in September at Amsterdam.

United States Manager Samuel Appleton, of the Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, who has been abroad for some time, is expected to return to the United States headquarters of the company, at Boston, in a day or two.

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New York City, July 3.

LIFE UNDERWRITERS OF CANADA.

Preliminary Programme of the Montreal Convention.

A preliminary programme of the sixth annual convention of the Life Underwriters' Association of Canada, to be held at Montreal from August 21 to 24, has now been issued. The convention will open on Wednesday evening August 21, with a social and reception by members of the Montreal Association. Addresses of welcome will be given by Mayor Lavallée, of Montreal, Mr. Arthur B. Wood, actuary of the Sun Life of Canada, Mr. H. H. Kay, presi-

dent of the Montreal Association, and Mr. J. C. Tory, M.P.P., president, Chartered Life Underwriters of the Province of Quebec. Replies on behalf of the visiting delegates will be made by Mr. H. C. Cox, chairman Executive Committee, Life Underwriters' Association of Canada, and by Mr. L. Brackett Bishop, president of the National Association of Life Underwriters, Chicago.

The arrangements so far made for the two following days are as follows:-

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND.

9.00 a.m.-Assembling of members and signing of register.

9.30 a.m.—Opening of Convention: Prayer, Roll Call. President's Address, Secretary's Report, Treasurer's Report, Report of Executive Committee, Report of Special Committees (Finance Committee, Advisory Committee, Transportation Committee, Committee to act in conjunction with Committee from Life Officers' Association, Committee to revise Constitution and By-Laws, Committee on Publi-

11.30 a.m.—Address, L. Brackett Bishop of Chicago, President National Association of Life Underwriters. THURSDAY AFTERNOON

2.30 p.m.-Appointment of Nomination Committee, Reading of letters of regret, etc.

Five minute discussion on "Is a pension for long service

desirable?"
"What are the best means of retaining agents with the Company?" (In charge W. G. Keddie, Ottawa.)
4,00 p.m.—Address: "Life Insurance and Social Welfare,"
Mr. Haley Fiske, New York.

Award of prize offered by Mr. Geo. H. Allen and reading of Essay. Subject "Building an Agency."

THURSDAY EVENING.

Banquet.-Windsor Hotel. Speakers: Sir Wilfrid Laurier; Hon. W. T. White, Vice-Pres. Life Officers' Association; Hon. Geo. P. Graham; Mr. S. P. Stearns.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23RD.

9.30 a.m.—Discussion on Executive Committee's Report. Discussion on Report of Committee to Revise Constitu-

New Business.

11.00 a.m.—Five minute topic in charge of E. R. Machum, St. John, N.B. Subject: "Insurance Literature and Advertising":—(a) To what extent should circulars be used in canvassing?; (b) Newspaper Advertising; (c) How can local Associations best interest the Press in Insurance information?; Presentation of Association cup and reading of prize essay. Subject: "A practical plan of co-operative public-

FRIDAY AFTERNOON..

2.30 p.m.—Five minute topic in charge of E. W. Owen. Calgary. Subject: "How best to increase our business by adopting new forms":—(a) Partnership or corporation insurance; (b) Income Insurance

4.00 p.m.—Report of Nominating Committee.

Election of Officers.

Selection of next place of meeting.

Award of cup offered by J. R. Reid for Association showing the largest per cent. of increase in membership.

Award of gold fob presented to the member proposing the largest number of new members, by Mr. Vipond. Award of cup offered by Mr. R. J. Stuart, of Toronto, for prize essay. Subject: "The service rendered by the

L. U. A. to the public and its members. On Friday evening there will be a trip to Dominion Park, where the pleasures of that summer resort will be indulged in. On Saturday morning there will be a drive around the city and up to Mount Royal. Macdonald College, at Ste. Anne-de-Bellevue, will be visited on Saturday afternoon. After lunchon at the college and inspection of the institution, the steamer will be taken for a trip down Lake St. Louis, terminating with the run down the Lachine Rapids.

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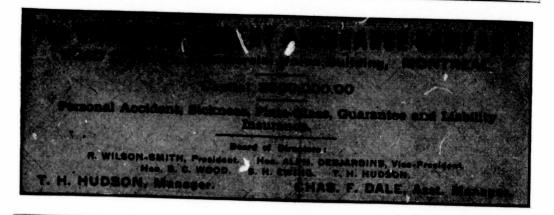
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QUEBEC WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

Before the Court of King's Bench (Appeal Side) at Montreal, a decision has been given in the case of the Grand Trunk Railway Company vs. Mc-Donnell, an action taken under the provisions of the Quebec Workmen's Compensation Act. The plaintiff was injured in the course of his duty and his right arm was amputated. His earning capacity was diminished, it was held, by three-quarters, or by the sum of \$420 a year. He claimed and was awarded as compensation an annual "rent" of \$210, and his right to receive this was upheld, though the employing company offered to retain him in its service at his old rate of pay. It was laid down as a rule in connection with this phase of the case that an employer cannot substitute for the payment provided for in the law any other that he may suggest, even if it should be more favorable to the victim of the mishap. The law was further interpreted in favor of the workman in a matter in which two clauses appeared to be in conflict. The "rent" of \$210 a year, it was claimed, was more than could be given under another clause which says that the capital of the "rent" shall not in any case exceed \$2,000. Such a sum at 5 per cent., which is the legal rate of interest, would only provide \$100 a year. The court again upheld the workman's claim, putting it that the amount of the annual "rent" or indemnity, as fixed in one section of the law, cannot be affected by the amount of capital that would be required to produce it. The limitation as regards the capital was held to apply only to cases in which the workman claimant, of his own motion and for his own protection, takes advantage of the law and requires the employer, instead of making the payments himself, to substitute an approved insurance company which will take over the responsibility to the extent that \$2,000 paid to it will warrant.

Insurance Briefs.

A remarkable currency of a life policy and increase in its benefits is being notified by the "old Equitable" of London. The policy in question for £4,000 was taken out in 1835, and the claim paid in 1910, so that the policy had a currency of 75 years. The premiums paid by the assured were £3,040; the amount paid by the Society was £17,978.

Agents who devote only part or their time to soliciting life business are receiving letters from William T. Emmet, superintendent of the New York insurance department, to the effect that their state licenses may not be renewed. The policy of the department toward part-time men is outlined in the following letter:

"This department realizes that the ranks of life insurance solicitors must, from time to time, be recruited from men who have previously been otherwise engaged, and that it is sometimes impracticable to sever the earlier business connections until it has been ascertained whether the occupation of a life insurance solicitor can be exclusively embarked on.

"In the cases of men who can establish a strong prima facie case, as aforesaid, we shall be disposed, by the issuance of an experimental license for one year, to give the applicant every opportunity to make his choice definitely. In all such cases, however, it must be borne constantly in mind that the business of soliciting life insurance is one which calls for a high degree of professional efficiency and training, and that in the long run it can only be conducted properly by those who devote their entire time to it."

An interesting development is reported as the result of the going into law of the new Massachusetts Workmen's Compansation Act. A bureau has been organised by companies writing business in the State by which it is hoped to overcome the serious situation in which a single company would be placed in the event of a heavy disaster. The plans decided upon call for the establishment of the headquarters in New York, and that the subscribing companies contribute ten per cent. of the Massachusetts business to a fund in the hands of a board of trustees, which will be held to meet the loss to any one member in excess of \$25,000.

Thirteen companies signed the agreement, which becomes effective at the same time the compensation law goes into effect in Massachusetts, and it is understod that several other companies will be included as members. The total capital of the thirteen concerns amounts to \$11,200,000, and the aggregate assets are \$52,511,000. Officers have been elected as follows: Chairman of board of governors, Theodore E. Gaty, secretary of the Fidelity and Casualty; secretary, Charles H. Holland, vice-president and general manager of the Royal Indemnity. The trustees are: Charles H. Franklin, United States manager of the Frankfort General Insurance Company; Edson S. Lott, president of the United States Casualty Company, and A. Duncan Reid, secretary and general manager of the Globe Indemnity Company.

The plan further proposes that each year's payments are to be retained until the fund in the hands of the trustees reaches \$1,000,000 and that thereafter contributions are to be paid back in the shape of dividends in proportion to their payment in the year the dividend is paid, but no refund is to be made until the expiration of three years from the time of the establishment of the fund. If the fund is at any time inadequate to meet a disaster, the deficiency shall be supplied by assessments on the companies proportionate to their respective contributions in the year in which the insurance became effective. The only membership requirements is that the applicant is a stock liability company. Various classes of hazardous risks are excluded, from the range of operations of the bureau.

THE CHEAPENING OF LIFE INSURANCE.

The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York is giving its policyholders, from time to time, a bit of its early history. Here is an extract relating to the cost of life insurance:

In the fourth annual report of the company we find the noteworthy statement that its premium rates for participating policies were as low as those of any American company, and lower than those of any English companies having agencies in New York. In view of the frequent inquiries in this day as to why premium rates should not be greatly reduced,

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it is significant that the premium for an ordinary life policy of \$1,000 at age 35 was \$27.50 in 1847, while to-day the gross rate is only 61 cents larger for a similar policy (\$28.11), and this rate is reduced in the first year to \$22.54 by a refund (dividend) of \$5.57. Cash dividends were not paid in the earlier years of this company, but in 1848, at the end of the first five years, a deferred dividend of 52 per cent. of premiums paid during the period was allowed in the form of paid-up additional insurance. Under this plain policies which had terminated in the meantime received no dividend. The annual dividends allowed by the company to-day may be taken yearly in the form of additional paidup insurance, thus increasing from the very first year the amount of protection afforded by the policy, and, on the basis of the present dividend scale, the paidup additions to an ordinary life policy, age 35, would, by the end of the first five years amount to 49 per cent. of all premiums paid up to that time or but little less than the five-year deferred dividend of 64 years ago. Consider now that in the case of a policy issued to-day there is no forfeiture of surplus in the event of death or lapse, and that the insured enjoys increasing protection during the five years, and it will probably be conceded that a paid-up-addition dividend of 49 per cent. is relatively better than one of 52 per cent. in the case of the earlier policy.

Consider further that interest rates now are little more than half those that could be realized 64 years ago, and that the compensation of employees and the outlay on account of other expenses incident to the proper conduct, not only of a life insurance office, but of every other line of business, has more than doubled, and it will be seen that the cost of life insurance now is relatively much less than in the early days. Add to all this the further fact that the policies of 64 years ago were far less liberal than those of to-day, containing many restrictions as to residence, travel, occupation, etc., that have been eliminated in present-day contracts, and that numberless death claims are paid now under non-forfeiture provisions that would not have been considered formerly, and it will be apparent that life insurance protection is one commodity which is provided in modern times at relatively far less cost than 60 years ago or earlier.

THE PRUDENTIAL'S GREAT GROWTH.

An interesting and lengthy article, by Forrest F. Dryden, president of the Prudential Insurance Company of America, appeared in a recent issue of The Sunday Call, of Newark, N.J. Some interesting facts were brought out by the article, but perhaps the most illuminating of them all are contained in the following table of the Prudential's growth since 1875:

	1875.	1912.	
Total home office force	3	3,200	
Total home office and field force.	5	28,000	
Home office One	basen	ent. Four buildir	ıgs
Total floor area, home office.	2,200 s	sq. ft. 700,000 sq	. ft
Total policies in force, about	250	10,000,000	
Resources, less than	0,000	\$259,000,000	
Total insurance in force, over.		\$2 ,000,000,000	
		1911.	
Claims and benefits paid	0	\$27,000,000	
Total fund to credit of deferred			
dividend policies	0	\$29,000,000	
Number of claims paid per day.	. 0	400	
Amount paid in claims per day	. 0	\$90,000	
Total amount paid to policy			
holders		\$2 33,000,000	

Personals.

Mr. F. F. Archbald of Oswald Bros., has returned to Montreal after a three months' trip abroad.

The death is announced of Mr. John Stark, head of the Toronto brokerage firm of John Stark & Co., president of the Toronto Stock Exchange in 1894, and also subsequently.

The sympathy of all insurance men in Canada will go out to Mr. William Fitzgerald, Dominion superintendent of Insurance, in the sorrow which has come upon him by the death of Mrs. Fitzgerald, after an illness of many months.

DEATH OF MR. A. D. DURNFORD.

Bankers throughout Canada will learn with regret of the sudden death on Sunday evening at Cacouna, P.Q., of Mr. Augustus Decimus Durnford, superintendent of branches of the Molsons Bank. The sad event came quite unexpectedly, as Mr. Durnford had left Montreal on Friday evening apparently in excellent health with the intention of seeing his family settled at Cacouna for the summer months, and of returning to the city on Tuesday morning.

Mr. A. D. Durnford was born a little over sixty years ago at Cote St. Antoine, now Westmount, the seventh and youngest son of the late Captain Durnford. He was grandson of the late Lieut.-General Durnford, Royal Engineers, who built the Citadel at Quebec, where he was stationed between 1816 and

Mr. Durnford received his early education in Montreal and later at Tours, France. Returning to Canada he entered the Quebec Bank and in 1871 joined the staff of the Molsons Bank. His period of service with that institution covered 41 years and was only terminated by his death. Starting at the bottom of the ladder the late Mr. Durnford quickly gained the confidence of his superiors. One of his earliest appointments was that of manager of the Sorel branch of the bank. Later he was appointed travelling inspector of branches, and fifteen years ago was advanced to the important position of superintendent of branches, with headquarters in Montreal.

In February, 1896, Mr. Durnford married Miss Mary Oneida, daughter of the late Sir A. T. Galt, who survives him, together with three sons, Messrs. Philip, Galt, and Elliott Durnford. He is also survived by two brothers. Mr. George Durnford, of Montreal, and Mr. Edward C. Durnford, of St. John, N.B., and two sisters, Miss Sophia M. Durnford and Miss Maria Durnford, both of this city.

Mr. Durnford was a member of the Montreal Board of Trade, a governor of the Montreal General Hospital, and among other things was much interested in the objects of the Parks and Playgrounds Association. Popular among a very wide circle of friends, to all those who knew him, whether officially or in private life, Mr. Durnford's sudden death has come as a great shock, and is sincerely regretted. The deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved widow and family.

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HARROW, ONT.—Bakery of M. G. Hope destroyed, June 26. Loss, \$1,500.

CLINTON, ONT.—Hotel Normandy, owned by S. S. Cooper, damaged, June 28.

Wiarton, Ont.—Sinclair foundry damaged, June 24. Loss and origin unknown.

OSHAWA, ONT.—Fire in lumber yard of W. J. Trick did \$1,000 damage, July 10.

WOODBRIDGE, ONT.—Telephone exchange destroyed, June 26. Loss and origin unknown.

HARTLAND, N.B.—Commercial Hotel destroyed July 1. Loss \$10,000 covered by insurance.

SANDWICH, ONT.—"The Nunnery," owned by the Girardot Wine Company destroyed. June 29. Origin, lightning.

PORT STANLEY, ONT.—Barn and stables of Franklin House destroyed, July 1. Supposed origin, careless smokers.

SASKATOON, SASK.—J. F. Cairns department store burned, July 1. Origin, defective electric wiring. Loss \$300,000.

Kenora, Ont.—Rat Portage Company's saw mill destroyed, June 30. Loss very heavy; insurance in Lloyds, London.

HALIBURTON, ONT.—William Laking lumber mill burned, July 1. Loss about \$20,000 with partial insurance. Origin, unknown.

HARTSMERE, ONT.—Storehouse and dwelling owned by W. H. Hannah, Hartsmere, destroyed, June 26. Loss, \$2,400; small insurance.

THORNLOE, ONT.—Blaze in Neely's mill, June 30, destroyed 550,000 feet of lumber and 30,000 feet of saw logs. Loss, \$15,000. Origin, unknown,

LONDON, ONT.—Buildings on farm of Mrs. W. Dawson, Oxford street east, destroyed, July 1, with many fancy chickens. Origin, children playing with matches.

LACHINE, P.Q.—Two tenements in St. Louis street occupied by J. Rodrique and A. Nash, damaged, and four sheds destroyed, July 3. Loss, \$2,000. Origin, boys playing with matches.

SARNIA, ONT.—Power plant of the Sarnia Gas & Electric Company destroyed, June 27. Loss, \$150,-000. Imperial Oil Refinery's gasoline container de-

stroyed, June 23. Origin, unknown.
OTTAWA, ONT.—R. E. Powell's store destroyed,
June 24. Loss \$3,500. Origin, unknown. The A.
H. Coplan Company's brass foundry damaged, June
29. Loss \$3,000, covered by insurance. Origin, unknown.

FILLMORE, SASK.—C. Spurrier's harness store and R. J. Pollock's blacksmith's shop, destroyed, June 23. Loss, R. J. Pollock's blacksmith shop and stock \$3,500, insurance \$1,000; C. Spurrier on stock and buildings \$4,000, two-thirds insurance. Origin, gasoline lamp.

EDOM, SASK.—Following business places burned, June 20:—Arizona Hotel, Lindgrin's Hall, poolroom and bakeshop, Steeve's general store, Galvin-Walston Lumber Co., Naden's general store, post office, two pool rooms, three livery barns, Pioneer Lumber Co., and many others. Origin, explosion of gasoline.

CHELMSFORD, ONT.—Fire originating from an explosion of gasoline in a store, June 21, destroyed stores of B. Cayan, J. B. Charlevoix, J. Poulin and A. Krotz, Harmoreus' Bakery and Viancouncourt's

carriage shop and dwelling. The residence of V. Bouyeous was burned, with several others. Most of the fire sufferers carried insurance.

Winnipeg.—New apartment block, on point of completion and owned by M. T. McKettrick, destroyed, June 24. Loss about \$55,000 with \$20,000 insurance. Origin, nuknown. Fire in empty house, 827½ William avenue, owned by Joseph Favery, spread to residence of D. J. Jonason adjoining, June 25. Jonason's loss, \$500; other house, \$1,000, not insured.

Teulon, Man.—Fire, which originated in a load of hay in W. Campbell's stable, destroyed following buildings:—Cook's general store, McKinnell's real estate office, Galbraith's confectionery store, post office building, Mrs. Martin's house, Vernor Little's real estate office, a barber shop and pool room, Massey-Harris implement warehouse, Chatfield's bakery, home and stable. Practically everything was lost with the exception of the mail. Loss placed at \$50,000. Part covered by insurance.

Montreal.—Premises of Oriental Silk Company, Nazareth street, damaged, June 29. Stable of Å. Dulude, 93 lberville street, damaged, July 2. Fire in goods on wharves of R. & O. Navigation Company, did several hundred dollars damage, June 29. Lumber in yard of Morin & Frere, St. Lawrence and Chenier streets, damaged, July 3. Kilns of Starke Cooperage Co., King street, destroyed, July 3. Loss \$10,000 to \$15,000, covered by insurance. Ceiling of ground floor on premises of Seale & Son, funeral directors, Beaver Hall Hill, slightly damaged, July 3. Origin, cigarette stub. Fifty houses burned at Pointe-aux-Trembles, June 28. Mostly wooden buildings.

ings.
TORONTO.—Fire at John Taylor's cigar factory, 107
Richmond Street East, June 22, did several thousand
dollars damage to stock. Origin, unknown. Antiseptic Bedding Company's premises, rear of 391
Queen street west damaged, June 22. Fire spread
to rear of 399 Queen street west, occupied by Frederick Cole. Nathan Rottenberg and Joseph Goodman,
the joint owners of the Bedding Company, sustained
a loss of \$7,000, and Cole \$300. Total loss covered
by insurance. Premises of Colonial Vanish Company, 69 Jarvis street, partly destroyed, June 23.
Loss \$500. Origin, defective electric wiring. Premises of Kwong Lin Chung Co., 95 Queen street west
damaged, June 23. Supposed origin, dropping of
lighted match into pot of paint.

THE CHICOUTIMI FIRE.

Following is a corrected list of the insurance affected by the fire at Chicoutimi, P.Q., on Monday, June 24:—

24:	
Atlas \$11,00	0 La Fabrique \$52,000
British America . 4,50	0 Anglo American . 1,000
Caledonian 2,00	0 Dominion 8,200
Com. Union 23,30	0 London Mutual 3,000
Fidelity-Phenix . 17,50	0 Mount Royal 1,000
Guardian 43,00	0 Ontario 6,000
Liv. & Lon. & Globe 58,00	
Manitoba 33,00	0 Rimouski 29,000
Ins. Co. of N. A 18,00	0 Strathcona 5,000
North British 1,20	0 Stirling 1,000
Northern 18,00	0 Richmond & Drum-
Norwich Union 12,50	0 mond 3,200
Phoenix of L 27,00	0 Stanstead & Sher-
Queen 9,50	0 brooke 3,000
Royal 46,50	0 Mutual de St. Hya-
Sun 11,00	o cinthe 10,000
Union of London. 10,00	0 La Protection 1,500
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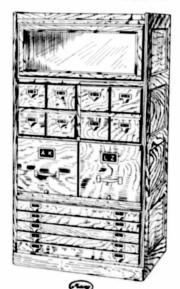
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Market and Financial Briefs

Mr. _____, an esteemed contemporary informs us "was born in the Eastern Townships Bank." Obviously, a child of fortune.

Bank clearings in Montreal on Wednesday created a new record of \$15,380,211, the largest total for one day in the history of the clearing house.

It is stated that Canadian Car is likely to arrange additional financing some time in the near future. The common stock has lately had a great advance.

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The following changes in the Union Bank's directorate are announced:—Hon. John Sharples, of Quebec, president, becomes honorary president; John Galt, of Winnipeg, succeeds Hon. John Sharples in the presidency; William Price, of Quebec, and R. T. Riley, of Winnipeg, became vice-presidents; Col. E. J. Carson, of Montreal is elected a director to replace the late E. C. Hale, of Quebec.

Bank clearings in Montreal for the first six months of 1912 are as follows:—

January \$207 216 549 February 189,650 913 March 195,780 541 April 222,790 189 May 218 675,889	1911. \$174 630,018 162,174,125 194,742 816 176,450,366 209,494,401 204,131,000
June	204,131,000
Totals\$1,309,341,121	\$1,121.622,726

The Canadian Pacific's statement of earnings and expenses for May, is as follows:

May 1912. Gross earn\$11,360,420.81 Work exp 7,679,905.58	July 1st to May 31, 1912. \$112,008,144.03 72,556,503.89
Net profits \$3,680,515.23	\$39,451,640.14

In May, 1911, the net profits were \$2.944,084.76, and from July 1st to May 31st, 1911, there was a net profit of \$33.675,159.52. The gain in net profits over the same period last year is therefore, for May, \$736.430.47; and from July 1st to May 31st, \$5.776,480.62.

Announcement is made of the organization of the "Grand Trunk Terminals Warehouse Company, Limited," which will establish a claim of terminal warehouses from Montreal to the Pacific Coast in connection with the Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific railway system. The railway companies will turn over to the new company all their warehousing business at the various points for a period of 30 years. The capital of the company will be

\$10,000,000 bonds, of which \$5,000,000 will be issued at the present time, and \$0,500,000 common stock. Three prominent officials of the railways will be directors of the company, which will take over the property of the Montreal Warehousing Company on Commissioners street, and largely extend its capacity.

The Northern Crown Bank has issued a statement for the five months ending May 31 last, showing profits for the period of \$119,862 equal to 13 p.c. per annum on the capital. The bank is changing its fiscal year to close on November 30, instead of December 31, hence the five months' statement. Last year for the full half year ending June 30, the earnings of the bank amounted to \$116,000, or at the rate of slightly less than 11 per cent, on the capital, The earnings for the half year just closed together with the sum of \$214.932 brought forward from last year make a total of \$334.795 for appropriation. Of this sum \$55.187 was paid to shareholders at the rate of 3 per cent. for the half-year, and the balance of \$279,608 carried forward. The reserve of the bank and the balance at the credit of profit and loss now total \$529,608, or practically 25 per cent. of the paid-up capital. At the end of May last the deposits of the bank aggregated \$12,197,000. Total assets are \$19,059,572.

A branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce has been opened at St. John's, Newfoundland, under the management of Mr. F. E. Dench, formerly of Charlottetown, P.E.I.

The Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company's output for the month of June was 71,000 tons of coal, 7,074 tons of pig iron and 7,450 tons of steel ingots, which in each case constitutes the largest output for any one month of the present year.

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But the Railroad is, generally speaking, able to place its loan when conditions are favorable and is, moreover, on account of the volume of its borrowings able to secure funds in that part of the world where money is, to some extent, a drug on the market, while the individual borrower on first mortgages on real estate requires comparatively small amounts and pays prevailing Vancouver bank rates.

We further pointed out that while money rates throughout the world have a tendency to increase, yet this tendency is greater in Vancouver than other places on account of the increasing demand for money to develop the natural resources of the Province.

The prevailing Bank or Mortgage rate in Vancouver a few years ago was about 6 per cent. while to-day it is 7 per cent. to 8 per cent.

Another point favorable to Vancouver first mortgages as compared with Bonds is the question of duration.

Bonds generally have long term maturities while first mortgages usually mature in 3 years.

Many shrewd financial men claim that the increase in the gold supply is due to improved methods of extraction of gold from ore-

That being true, it would seem likely that the increase in gold will continue, thus tending to further increase money rates. Consequently it would seem wise to loan on short terms rather than on long terms, thus permitting the reinvesting of funds at stated limited periods, whereby the maximum of earning power may be maintained.

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Stock Exchange Notes.

Thursday, July 4, 1912.

Monday being Dominion Day there was no session of the Montreal Stock Exchange, the trading week being comprised in five active days. But a good turn-over of securities took place, and the buoyant tendency continues

Rio Power had a good recovery after its reaction from the big advance, and closed within a few points of the high record. The better feeling in the London market regarding the new holding company was evidently reflected here. Canada Car, after declining to 85, resumed its upper movement and closed strong. Richelieu & Ontario has improved, and shows an inclination to advance. This stock has been slow and disappointing, but with the setting in of fine weather, a good season's traffic should commence to be discounted in a higher quotation for the security. At present it seems low for an 8 per cent. stock, and there is room for a material advance. Toronto Railway was another strong spot, and Dominion Steel Common figured prominently in the week's business. At the meeting of the trustees of the MacKay Companies held this week there was no action looking towards an increase in the common dividend, although reports of the earnings seem to forecast a higher rate later on.

Canadian Pacific shared largely in the general improvement in prices after the weak spell, and held its gain. The earnings for the four weekly reports for the month of June show increases running from \$445,000 to \$468,000. The total increase in earnings for the month of June amounted to \$1,808,000. In the unlisted department there was a good turn over in which the majority of the securities had a share. Western Canada Power, Mexican Northern Power, and National Brick were prominent, while Tramways Common, which although a non-dividend payer has been consistently advancing week by week, sold over par, with little stock coming out.

Laurentide after its spectacular rise to 204 reacted to the 190 point, and was heavily traded on at the decline. There seems to be a well defined feeling that even at its enhanced level, prospects for profit remain good. Crown Reserve, now selling ex-dividend of the monthly 5 per cent., holds well, and any aggressive buying would likely jump the price sharply. The reports of this Company's Porcupine holdings continue to encourage the shareholders.

Money conditions still favor the bull side, with supplies ample and rates ruling around 4 1-2 to 5 per cent., the greater part of the new loans being placed at the lower figure. The Bank of England rate remains at the same level, 3 per cent.

... WEER'S SALES AND QUOTATIONS

SUMMARY OF WEEK	's SALE	S AND QUO	TATIONS.		
Bundant of			Bid To day.	Net	
Security.		ne 27, 1912 264 x.D	2664 x.I		23
Canadian Pacific	732	264 X.D	1441		-1
" Soo" Common	40		67	1	î
Detroit United	130	663	151	4-	
Halifax Tram	45	X. D.	91		i
Illinois Preferred	28	92 x.D	30		•
Quebec Ry	30	142	143 X.D	. +	ī
Toronto Railway	1,617	143 x.D			8
Twin City	810	108 x D	233	4	21
Winnipeg Ry	419	230½ X.D	118	T	12
Richelien & Ontario	1,459	117 871	-88	1	- 4
Can. Car. Com	1,695	274	271	4	. *
Can Cement Com	5'		89		i
Can. Cement Pfd	320	90	643		1
Dom. Can. Com	108	65	104		•
Dom. Iron Preferred	114	65 x.D	64 2		
Dom. Steel Corpn	2,203	65 X.D	134		. 8
Lake of the Woods Com	51	961			•
Mexican Power	25		2151	1	
Montreal Power	2,717	214	92 x.1	, —	i
Nova Scotia Steel Com	32	94	127	, .	. 2
Ogilvie Com	• ::	127 x.D	154		
Ottowa Power	. 30		153	-4-	3
Rio Light and Power	5,019	150	140	1	.,,
Shawinigan	1,239		110	-1	•
Smart Bag Com			60		i
Spanish River Com	. 436		29		9
Steel Co. of Can Com	. 00		451		
Can Converters	. 570		671	-	
Dom Textile Com			100	-	1
Dom. Textile Preferred	. 23				4
Crown Reserve	. 835	3.34	3.25	D	

Traffic Returns.

(ANADIAN P.	ACIFIC RAILY	VAY.	Increase
Year to date.	1910.	1911.		0,447,000
Year to date.	5,532,000 \$3	38,647,001 \$4		
Week ending	1910.	1911.		Increase
June 7	1,841,000	2,071,000	2.920,000	449,000
	1,902,000	2,057,000	2,525,000	468,000
14	1,926,000	2,068,000	2 510,000	445,000
	2,735,000	2.847.000	3,293,000	446,000
" 30	GRAND TR	UNK RAILWA	Y	
	1910.	1911.	1912	Increase
Year to date.		18,083,584	19,202,035	1,118,451
May 31 \$	1910.	1911.	1912.	Increasa
Week ending	791,351	873,582	983,931	110,349
June 7	891,252	952,264	1.050,171	97,967
" 14		982,414	1,066,726	84,312
" 21	931,844	902,414 PAL		
	NADIAN NO	RTHERN RAI 1911.	1912.	Increase
Year to date.	1910.	5.687,300	7,434,400	1,747,100
May 31	\$4,803,200		1912.	Increase
Week ending	1910.	1911.	403,000	82,100
June 7	266,200	320,900	375,100	61,900
" 14	290,400	313,200	411,700	50,200
21	299,600	361,500	579,700	110,000
30	372,400	469,700		110,000
Twi	N CITY RAP		COMPANY.	Increase
Year to date.	1910.	1911.	1912.	134,963
May 31	\$2,901,646	3,060,155	3,195,118	Increase
Week ending.	1910.	1911.	1912	105
June 7	141,946	155,000	155,165	5.660
" 14	153 000	255,071	160,761	Pec. 5,268
" 21	159,381	161,732	156,464	1 ec. 0,403
HALL	FAX ELECTI		COMPANY.	
	Raily	av Receipts		
Week ending.	1910.	1911	1912.	Increase 754
	1 0 0 0	4,165	4,919	
June 7		4,263	4.576	313
		4,759		310
" 21	II Fr	ECTRIC RAIL	WAY CO.	
	HAVANA EL	1911.	1712.	Increase
Week ending		46,349	48,096	1.747
June 2		45,491	40,085	Dec. 5,406
" 9		40,990		6,050
" 16		45,823		2,251
" 23		46,679		508
" 30	D Co.	PERIOR TRAC	TION CO.	
	DELUTH SU	1911		Increase
	1910.			799
June 7				426
" 14				
· 21	. 22,836	20,21		
1 40	NEY AND	EXCHANG	BE RATES.	

Call money in Montreal in Toronto in New York.	To-day 5% 5% 11-2%	Last week. 5% 5% 21%	A Year Ago 51%, 51%, 21%
in London Bank of England rate Consols. Demand Sterling Sixty days' sight Sterling	21 % 3 % 761 9 ° a 9 a 4	21-24% 3% 764 91 91-	3% 78 ‡ 9 ₁ %

CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS. west ending

	Week ending July 4, 1912	Week ending June 27, 1912	July 6, 1911	July 7, 1911
dontreal	\$56,844,562 46,471,634 4,473,367	\$59,996,701 49,597,335 4,570,229	\$18,542,646 38,5 8 444 4,653,955	\$43,169,622 34,688 582 4,051,109
ntawa	1,110,001		nondin	o weeks.

NOTE .- Five days only this and corresponding weeks.

BANK OF ENGLAND'S STATEMENT

Yesterday's weekly Bank of England Statement showed a proportion of reserve to liability of 41.39 p.c. This compares with 45.42 p.c. last week.

DOMINION CIRCULATION AND SPECIE.

Mar. 21 1912 . \$113.114.914	November 30, 1911 \$115,786,286
1 30 113 169 122	October 31
March 31, 113,443,000	September 30 102,403,523
January 31 113,188,880 December 31, 1911 115,149,749	August 31 102,559,990

Specie held by Receiver-General and his assistants :-

Specie nerd by Access 160	96 1912 499 587.787
A meil 30 30,010,000	February 29, 1912\$99,587,787 January 31 \$8,693,907
March 31 98,892,395	

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CORRECTED TO THURSDAY, July 4th. 1912

BANK STOCKS.	Closing prices or Last sale,	Par value of one share,	Return per cent. on investment at present prices.		Capital subscribed	Capital paid up	Rest Fund	Per cent'ge of Rest to paid up Capital	When Dividend payable.
British North America	Asked. Bid.	\$ 243 50	Per Cent.	10	4.866,667 15,000,000 4,975,700	\$ 4,866,667 15,000,000 4,901,593	2,774.000 12,500,000 5,901,593	83.33	April, October. March, June, Sept., Dec. Jan., April, July, Octobe
Dominton		100		11	2,973,900	2,971,200	3,401,80 2,650,00		March, June, Sept., Dec. March, June, Sept., Dec.
Hamilton Hochelaga Home Bank of Canada Imperial			::::	9 7 12	2,991,100 1,370,000 6,700,000	1,286,050 6 000,000	450,00 6,000,00	0 34.99	March, June, Sept., Dec. Feb., May, August, Nov.
Marchants Bank of Canada	1934 192	1	5 18	10 10	6,710,400 1,000,000	6.591,774 1,000,000	5,400,00 1,250,00	0 125.00	March, June. Sept., Dec. Jan., April, July, October Jan., April, July, October
Metropolitan Bank Molsons. Montreal Nationale.	250 249 140 13	100 100 100	4 40 5 00 5 13	*10 *10 7	4,000,000 16,000,000 2,000,000 1,000,000	15,981,520 2,000,000	1,400,00	100,00 70.00	March, June, Sept., Dec. Feb., May, August, Nov. Jan., April, July, October
Northern Crown Bank	276 27	100	5 07	6 14 12	2,207,50 4,000,00 3,500,00	0 2.207,500 0 4,000,000 0 3,500,00	250,00 7,100,00 4,000,0	00 187.50 00 114.28	January, July. Jan., April, July, October March, June, Sept., Dec.
Ottawa Provincial Bank of Canada		100	5 05	6 7	1,000,00 2,500,00	1,000,00	500,0 0 1,250,0	50.00 50.00	Jan., April, July, October March, June, Sept., Dec. Jan., April, July, October
Royal Standard X	R 229½ 22	100		12 13 5	8,027,50 2,0 0 0.00 1,062,40 5,000,00	2.000,00 994,42	2,600.0 8 300,0	00 130.00 90 30.17	Jan., April, July, October Feb., May, Aug. November Feb., May, August, Nov. March, June, Sept., Dec.
Traders		100	0	8	4,480,0	4,480,00	0 2.552.7	50 56,98 85 62,12	Jan., April, July, October March, June, Sept., Dec.
Union Bank of Canada Vancouver Weyburn Security	1004 1	59 10 10	0	5	4,953,6 1,169,9 608,0	00 819,4	15		
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.	D 1	64 10 10	0 4 87	1 p.c.	12,500,0 635,0	00 635.0	001		Cumulative.
B. C. Packers Assn "A" pref. do "B" Com Canadian Pacific		10 10 10	00	6	1,511,4 + 3 180,000,0	1,511,4	00	**	March, June, Sept., Dec.
Canadian Car Com	88i	88½ 10	00	·····	3,500, 5,000,	000 5.000 0	066		Jan., April, July, October
Canadian General Electric	271	89	7 79		13,500,	000 10,500,0	36 500 500 140		Jan. April, July, October
Can. Con. Rubber Com do Pref		45	00 4 45	7	1,972,	860 1,972,	860		Jan., April, July, Cetaber
Canadian Converters Crown Reserve Detroit United Ry	XD 3.35 67‡	67	00 7 45	60	1,999	957 1,999, 000 12,500,	000		February, August.
Dominion Coal Preferred Dominion Textile Co. Com	68	671	00 7 35 00 6 93		5 000	,000 6.000	030		
do Pfd Dom. Iron & Steel Pfd Dominion Steel Corpn	105	104	100 6 60	3	7 5,000 4 34,598	000 5,000 ,600 34,598	600		Jan., April, July, October
Duluth Superior Traction Halitax Tramway Co Hayana Electric Ry Com			100 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		4 3 500 8 1,400 4 7,463	1,400 1,703 7,463	,000 ,000 ,763 ,000		Initial Div.
Havana Electric Ry Com	95	90	100 6 3	i	6 5,000 6 5,300	1,600 5,304	,600		Feb., May, August, Nov
Kaministiquia Power	198	195j 134j	100 100 100	5	6 2,70 8 2,10	0,000 2,100	,000		February, August.
Maskey Companies Com		86	100		5 41,38	0,400 41,380	0,000		Jan., April, July, October
do Pfd	971	97	100 100 100		4 13,56 7 2,40	15,000 18.56 10,000 2,40	0.000		May, November
Minn. St. Paul & S.S.M. Com do Pfd	1444		100		7 10,41	6,000 8,40	0,000 0,000		Ameil October
Montreal Light, Ht. & Pwr. Co.	215)		100 8	72	8 17,00	00.000 17,00	0,000		
Montreal Street Railway Montreal Telegraph		::::	40		8 2,0	00,000 2,00	0,000		March, June, Sept., Dec.
Northern Ohio Traction Co	XD 94	92	100	38	6 6,0 8 1,0	00,000 6.00 30,600 1.03 00,000 2,50	00,000 00,000		Jan., April, July, October March, September.
Ogilvie Flour Mills Com			100		7 2,0		50,600		Feb. May, August, Nov.
Penman's Ltd. Com				84	6 1,0	75,000 1,0 500,000 9,5	75,000 00,000		March June, Sept., Dec.
Richelleu & Ont. Nav. Co Rio de Janiero	153	1177	100 2	77 60	8 37,6	32,000 3,1 325,000 37,6	32,000 25,000 00,000		Jan., April, July, Octobe
shawinighan Water & Power Co.	141	140	100 4	25 12	10 10.0	000,000 10,0	00,000		Jan., April, July, Octobe
Sao Paulo T.L. & P	242		100		8 13,	000,000 8.0	00,000		Jan., April, July, Octobe Jan., April, July, Octobe Feb., May. August, Nov.
Toronto Street Railway Tri-City Pfd Twin City Rapid Transit Co			100	5.55	6 20,	100.000 20,1			Jan., April, July, October May, November
. WILL CALL DADIG FRANCE CO							000,000		Jan., April, July

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BONDS	Clos		per	Amount outstanding.	When Interest	Where Interest payable	Date of Maturity	REMARKS
	Aske !	Bid	num					
Bell Telephone Co	107	106	5	\$3,649,000 3,500.000	lst Oct. 1st Apl 1st June 1st Dec.	Bk. of Montreal, Mtl.	April 1st, 1925 Dec. 1st, 1939	Red at 110 aft. Nov.'19 or in pt.aft.Nov.'11
Can. Converters Can. Con. Rubber Co		97	6 63	474,000 2,579,600	lst June 1st Dec. 1st Apl. 1st Oct.			after Oct. 1st, 1911
Can. Colored Cotton Co Can. Cement Co D. minion Coal Co	100	99		5,000,000	2nd Apl. 2nd Oct. 1st Apl. 1st Oct. 1st May 1st Nov.		April 2nd, 1912 Oct. 21st, 1929 April 1st, 1940	Redeemable at 110 Redeemable at 105and Int.after May 1st,1910
Dom. Iron & Steel Co Dom. Tex, Sers, "A"	94	94		7,332,000 758,50	0 lst Jan. 1st July 0 l March 1 Sept		July 1st, 1929 March 1st, 192	
" "В"		100	6	1,000,00	e		16	after 5 years
" " C " …		98	6	1,000,00		" "	"	Redeemable at 105 and Interest
"D" Havana Electric Railwa Halifax Tram Keewatin Mill Co	y	1:	5 5	600.00	Milet Jan 1st Jul	52 Broadway, N.Y. y Bk. of Montreal, Mt t. Royal Trust, Mtl.	Feb. 1st, 191	2 Redeemable at 105 6 Redeemable at 110
Lake of the Woods Mill C		ì				c. Merchants Bank Canada, Montreal y Bk. of Montreal, Mo	. othe red to	12 20
Mexican Electric L. Co Mex. L't & Power Co. Montreal L. & Pow. Co		. 8	9 5	11.72-5	00 lst Jan. 1st Ju 00 lst Feb. 1st Au 00 lst Jan. 1st. Ju	g.		33 Redeemable at 105 an Int. after 1912
Montreal Street Ry. Co.	10	91 10		1,750,0	1st May 1st No 1st June 1st De	ec. Bk. of Montreal, M	May 1st, 19: July 1st, 19:	32 Redeemable at 105 at
Penmans						Bk. of M., Mtl. & L		
Price Bros	7	i	70	5 4 ,866,6 5 2 5,000,	666 lst June 1st De 600 l Jan. – l Ju	c. B. of C. London	Jan. 1st, 19	035
Sao Paulo Toronto & York Radia	1			5 1,620.	000 l July 1st J	Nat. Trust Co. T an. B. of M., Tor. & N Oct. Bk. of Montreal, M	Itl Jan. 1-t. 1 Jan. 1st. 1	927 935
Winnipeg Electric			•••	5 \ 4,000, 600.	000 lst Jan. lst J	uly		929

Montreal Tramways Company SUMMER SERVICE TIME TABLE

Lachine:

From Post Office: 20 min. service from 5.40 a.m. to midnight.

Lachine 20 5.30 a.m. to 12.50 midnight.

Sault au Recollet and St. Vincent de Paul :

From	St.	Denis		_			4	0.00.0.00	
	15	min.	service	from	5.15	a.m.	to	9.00 a.m.	
	20	**	**	**	9.00	a.m.	ιo	4.00 p.m.	
	15	**	**	**	4.00	p.m.	to	7.00 p.m.	
	20	**	**	**	7 00	D. III.	to	10.00 p.m.	
	30	**	**	**	10.00	p.m.	to	12.00 midr	night.
From		Vince	nt					0.00	
1 1011	1.5		service	from	5.45	a.m.	to	9.30 a.m.	
	20	**	**	**	9.30	a.m.	to	4.30 p.m.	
	15	**	**	**	4.30	p.m.	to	7.30 p.m.	
	20	**	**	**	7.30	p.m.	to	10.30 p.m.	
	30	**	**	4.6	10.30	p.m.	to	12.30 mid:	night.
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