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THE trouble about anti-combine litigation is that there is STANDARD OIL no finality about it. It is a JUDGMENT. characteristic of those who de-

light in this kind of war that they are never satisfied. If the judgment goes against them, they want it reversed or nullified by new legislation, and if it goes for them, they want more. The fact of the matter is that while fully recognizing the necessity for effective legal measures against combinations in restraint of trade and against public interest, we cannot ignore the fact that a large proportion of this kind of business is simply playing to the gallery for political ends. The judgment of the Supreme Court against the Standard Oil Company, sweeping as it is, was hardly delivered before the Washington statesmen were expressing profound misgivings as to the interpretation of the anti-trust law giving the courts the right to determine whether or not a monopoly is reasonable, and declaring a reasonable monopoly not to be a contravention of the statute. We cannot help thinking that an unwillingness to recognise a difference between what is reasonable and what is unreasonable is in itself in the highest degree unreasonable. Certainly, not every monopoly is unreasonable or detrimental to the public interests. There are some businesses which are natural monopolies and in which competition is an unmitigated public nuisance. For instance, the telephone, gas and electric light businesses. Once you begin to define conditions upon which competition is permissible in these businesses you are doing exactly what the Supreme Court has done-you are recognizing a distinction between reasonable and unreasonable combinations in restraint of trade.

People who expect that the long-suffering and much pitied consumer is going to get his coal oil at a lower price, or have half a pound of tea thrown in with every gallon as a bonus are very likely to be disappointed. The killing of the octopus (supposing the octopus to be dead, which we very much doubt) is not going to lower the price of coal oil materially, because as a matter of fact the octopus never raised the price of coal oil unduly. It would, we think, be found upon careful investigation, that the influence of the Standard Oil Company has had the effect of reducing the cost of coal oil to the consumer. Not perhaps out of pure benevolence or public spirit, perhaps rather as a matter of sound business policy. Where the monopoly has undoubtedly been oppressive is in its remorseless policy of crushing out all competition, even at the cost of ruining all would-be competitors.

In declaring the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey to be an illegal combination in restraint of trade, the Supreme Court has formed a valuable precedent, which may lead to the extinction of many holding companies, which are unquestionably devices for evading the law and which incidentally facilitate a good deal of stock watering and divert many streams of profit from the pockets to which they legitimately belong. All trade conbinations are apt to be judged by those, the influence of which is pernicious, and by the most notorious (which as a rule only means the most successful) of these. Combines at their worst are a curse; at their best they may serve many useful purposes. They may reduce the cost of production and especially of distribution to a minimum, and they may make it possible to raise wages to the maximum. There is a difference, and the Supreme Court with its usual practical common sense has recognized it.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

PAPER INDUSTRY IN THE enthusiasm of the United States press for the Reciprocity agreement, is explained very thoroughly upon the lines generally

anticipated by the Tariff Board's report upon its investigation into the cost of pulp and newspaper print paper in Canada and the United States respectively. A ton of news print can be made for \$5.35 less in Canada than in the United States. In Canada, the average cost is \$27.53, in the United States \$32.00. The duty at present is \$3.75. A ton of pulp wood costs twice as much in the States as in Canada, and some of the older American mills have much less modern equipment than the newer Canadian mills. The total average cost of a ton of ground wood pulp in bulk at a mill in the United States is \$14.59;

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many American industries as cheerfully as Artemus Ward offered to devote all his wife's relations to his country, by sending them to the war. The enthusiasm of some of our esteemed contemporaries is likely, however, to be considerably dampened if the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario adhere to their policy of conserving the forests in those provinces for the benefit of the people to whom they belong. In our judgment it would be nothing less than criminal to allow them to be exploited for the benefit of our esteemed neighbours. The policy of the Quebec and Ontario governments, one Liberal, one Conservative and both patriotic, has been abundantly justified by success. American capital is pouring into the two provinces to develop a Canadian paper manufacturing industry and will continue to do so as long as our present policy is maintained.

The Countess Szechenis, for-Noisy Street Cars. merly Miss Gladys Vanderbilt, was afraid that she would be

annoyed by the noise of the street cars on a projected new line in Budapest. The Count offered to give \$50,000 to the poor if the tracks were laid a few blocks distant and threatened to leave Budapest if the cars were allowed near his residence The city accepted the \$50,000. If the cars are as noisy in Budapest as they are in Montreal, it was worth \$50,000 for a rich man to get rid of them. But they manage these things better in New York. There, if the cars are too noisy the Public Services Commission orders them to be withdrawn from the streets until they are put in order. The same system would be quite feasible in Montreal. The cars of the Montreal & Southern Counties Railway which are tolerated in Montreal from the Victoria Jubilee Bridge to near the foot of McGill Street are almost inaudible. This is due to well constructed rolling stock, kept in first class repair, and well-laid tracks, the lightest rails of which are eighty pounders. The citizens should not be expected to purchase relief from a noisy infliction amounting to a public nuisance either in Budapest or in Montreal.

On Tuesday the Chancellor of Imperial Budget. the Exchequer, the Right Hon. David Lloyd George, presented his budget for the year 1911-12. He estimates the revenue at £181,716,000 and the expenditure at £181,284,000. In 1910-11 both revenue and expenditure were somewhat larger. The naval expenditure is estimated at £44,393,000 against £35,807,000 in 1909-10 and £31,170,000 in 1902-3. Old age pensions are estimated at £12,415,000, £275,000 more than in the previous fiscal year. No new taxes are to be levied and the duty stronger should be tried.

on cocoa is to be abolished, at a cost to the revenue of £45,000 a year. Members of the House of Commons are to be paid £400 a year, but no travelling expenses or pensions, and cabinet ministers in receipt of salaries will receive nothing additional as members. The total cost of members salaries is estimated at £750,000.

Population of Scotland.

The population of Scotland as shown by the census just taken is 4.759,521, an increase of only 287,-418 or 6.4 per cent in ten years.

This is the smallest increase shown since the census of 1861, when it was 6 per cent. In 1871 it was 9.72, in 1881 11.18, in 1891 7.77, and in 1901 11.09. The only part of the United Kingdom which has made a worse showing in this regard is Ireland which in the decade ending in 1907 increased only 5.23 per cent. In the same decade England increased 12.17 per cent. Emigration, of course, is chiefly responsible for the smallness of the increase in the population of Scotland and the later census returns will, no doubt, show that a large proportion of the Scottish emigrants have come to Canada. Dr. Johnson used to say that the royal road for a Scotchman was the road that led to England. If the interesting old cynic were living to-day he would probably say: "Sir, the royal road for a Scotchman is the road that leads to Canada."

The Murder of Explorers by

If the Turkish Government cannot inspire its fanatical subjects with some regard for the lives Turkish Subjects. and some respect for the rights of foreigners, in countries of

such world-wide interest as the Holy Land and others it is very likely to have the ungrateful task taken out of its hands. The murder of Decore, a member of an American archæological expedition subjects is an by semi-barbarian Turkish offence against the whole scientific world. It would be the easiest thing in the world for a few of the British troops in Egypt or the French troops in Tunis to cross the frontiers of one of those countries into Tripoli and teach both the fanatics and the Turkish Government a few much needed lessons. The ancient ruins in that country are of great interest to the whole civilised world and of no interest at all to the barbarous tribesmen who resent every attempt to explore them in the interests of science. Tripoli had the misfortune to come under direct Turkish control only in 1835 and the historic interest of its cities dates back to more than half a century B.C. The treatment of foreign explorers by Turkish subjects calls for a joint remonstrance from the great powers, and if this is not found effective something

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### THE GENERAL FINANCIAL SITUATION.

The amount of South African gold arriving in London on Monday was \$3,750,000. In the absence of any strong competition from outside, the bulk of the consignment passed into the possession of the Bank of England. Bank rate in London remains unchanged at 3 p.c.; but the market has grown easier in tone and a fractional recession in rates is to be noticed. Call money is 1½ to 1½; short bills, 2½; three months bills, 2 to 21-16. Rates on the continent are practically the same as last week—the Bank of France and the Imperial Bank of Germany adhering to the quotations hitherto published by them, 3 p.c. and 4 p.c. respectively, and the Paris and Berlin markets ruling

at 218 and 278 respectively. The Bank of Bombay's rate has been reduced from 7 p.c. to 6 p.c.

In New York the money situation has tended to work towards higher rates. Call loans are 2½; and time money is slightly harder in tone. Sixty day loans 2½ to 2¾; ninety days, 2¾ to 3; six months 3½. According to the press dispatches there has been an increased demand for funds and, as will be noticed, the quotations are fractionally higher for all maturities. The clearing house banks on Saturday reported an increase of surplus amounting to \$3,022,700. It came about as a result of a loan contraction of \$9,000,000, and a cash gain of \$660,000. After this addition the surplus stood at \$44,662,525, or more than double the surplus recorded at the same date in 1910 and 1909.

However, the statement of the trust companies and non-member state banks gives the reverse side of the week's operations. These institutions underwent a distinct loss of strength. Their loans increased \$19,662,000. And, as their cash holdings rose only to the extent of \$860,000, the net result was a fall in the proportion of reserve to liability from 17.7 p.c. to 17.6 p.c.

It has been generally understood for some time that the long continued dulness and inactivity of the Wall Street stock market was one of the reasons for the cheapness of money in New York. Of course, the non-existence of speculative interest in stocks was not the sole cause of the dull money market. The cotton trade, the iron and steel trade, the copper trade, and other departments of the commercial system have all been depressed and more or less stagnant. And their want of activity has reacted importantly upon the demand for money at the continental centre. But this present week has seen a marked revival of activity in Wall Street. The immediate occasion was the handing down by the United States Supreme Court of its decision in one of the important anti-trust cases which have been pending for many months. It is decreed by this tribunal that the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey is an illegal combination acting as an unreasonable constraint upon trade and the company is required to dissolve. Thus one of the long expected decisions goes against the corporations in this respect, but the Supreme Court intimated in the clearest manner, in handing down its verdict, that each case of combination brought before it will be tried on its merits and where there is no unreasonable restraint of trade proved in connection with the combination, it will not be declared illegal. This decision was handed out on Monday after the stock market had closed. In Monday's market the transactions were 164,974 shares and in the preceding Saturday they were 70,659 shares. On Tuesday there was a great in-

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Although money market conditions in Canada are practically unchanged-call loans being quoted as heretofore at 51/2 p.c.-it has been pointed out that the Canadian stock market borrowers have been in possession of a considerable amount of funds belonging to New York financial houses which desired to find temporory employment in the Dominion for balances which they had borrowed in New York at very low rates. It has been explained that these New York houses would likely withdraw the funds from borrowers in Montreal and Toronto just as soon as Wall Street resumed its activity and as soon as the opportunity presented itself to them of employing their money profitably at home. This week Wall Street became active and stock prices rose noticeably; and it will be interesting to see whether the circumstance affects our local conditions in the manner predicted So far as the Canadian markets are affected by local circumstances there does not appear to be much prospect of any material easing of money rates in the near future. Everything points to great activity, the whole community is brimful of confidence and enthusiasm, speculation is much in evidence. Such important events as have happened are of a kind to stimulate further activity and thus increase the demands upon the banks. The proposition by the Ottawa Government to guarantee the bonds of the Canadian Northern Railway at the rate of \$35,000 per mile is an event likely to have this effect.

### MONTREAL'S GROWTH.

The statistics regarding the progress of Montreal since 1868, which we publish on another page, and the paper by Mr. R. Wilson-Smith on the subject of the rise of Montreal, which will also be found in this issue, contain many facts of much interest to all who are concerned with Montreal at the present day. There has not previously been published, we believe, so complete a record of the rise of the city; the compilation is a unique one, and we are justified in saying will be found of considerable value by many of our readers for reference and other purposes.

The facts and figures therein contained may be allowed to speak for themselves, though they are in many respects, astonishing. Even those who in a general way are familiar with the great growth and expansion of the city during recent years will, we fancy, be surprised when they see the actual facts as set down in figures. The whole of the 43 year period since Confederation has been a time of great development in Montreal, but, perhaps, the

development has never been more marked than during recent years, say, the last decade And one has only to look at the great activity which now prevails at the port, the large schemes and farreaching plans of construction and re-construction which are being pursued in the business and financial districts, the extensions "uptown," and the rapidity with which other districts, not only of the city proper, but of the whole island are being built upon, to know that the progress of recent years is being continued, at, perhaps, a faster pace than has previously been known in our history.

Montreal, as we firmly believe, is destined naturally to find a place in the future among the great cities of the world. Its strategic position as the natural gateway from the sea, on each side of which are grouped the nations which have reached the highest state of development, to a country that will inevitably become the home of a great and powerful nation, secures that destiny for the city.

### THE BANK OF MONTREAL.

The half-yearly report published on another page, of the Bank of Montreal, for the six months ending April 20 last, suggests that the Canadian banks are continuing to enjoy an expansion of profits in the present activity such as that which marked their operations during 1910. The Bank of Montreal's profit figures for the half-year, arrived at, as usual, after deducting charges of management and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, were \$828,946. This compares with \$797,765 in the corresponding six months of 1910. With a balance of \$961,789 brought forward from the previous half-year the amount now available on this account is \$1,790,735 against \$1,401,561 in 1910. The two quarterly dividends, as last year, absorb \$720,000, leaving a balance on profit and loss account to be now carried forward of \$1,070,735 against \$681,561 last year.

The following are the leading figures of the Bank's present half-yearly balance sheet and that issued a year ago:

issued a year ago.	1910.
Profits	
Balance forward 1.040	684 11,959,522
Circulation	
Notice deposits	366 6,832,723
Coin	
Foreign call and short loans 10.13.	3,185 103,581,333
Total assets	0,674 234,438,319 2,624 129,810,006
Ouick assets	11

These figures, as usual, form practically an index to the trend of the Canadian banking situation. The most marked change is found in the great decline, amounting to over \$33,000,000, in the call loans in Great Britain and the United States, so that these are now something under \$47,000,000 compared with practically \$80,000,000 a year ago. In this respect, there is a vast difference between 1910-11 and 1909-10 for whereas from April to



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THE CHRONICLE, Montreal.

April in the former years there has been this vast change in foreign call loans, from April to April, 1909-10 this item fluctuated only by a few hundred thousands and then in an upward direction.

Current loans, including those both in Canada and abroad, have upon the twelve months risen by over \$8,000,000 to \$111,863,185. There is a drop in the demand deposits of \$19,000,000. Notice deposits are at practically the same level as a year ago, but it is interesting to note that six months ago they were upwards of \$154,000,000. The falling-off is doubtless to be accounted for by the withdrawal of large special deposits into active employment in development or industry.

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The year 1910 was one of exceptional importance in the history of the London and Lancashire Life and General Assurance Association, marked as it was by numerous developments of a far-reaching character. It will be within the recollection of our readers that during last year the name of the Company was changed to its present title, authority was obtained to carry on every description of insurance business other than marine, and new capital was issued. Following this, fire, accident, employers' liability and general departments were started in September last. While in Canada, the Association continues to transact life business only, it will be agreed by those who are familiar with insurance conditions in Great Britain, that those responsible for the direction and management of the London and Lancashire Life have done wisely in broadening the basis of its operations. The tendency which has been evident of recent years in Great Britain of transacting many kinds of insurance with the same organization places at a disadvantage those offices which confine their attention to life business only, while, at the same time, the excellence of the London & Lancashire's home organization places it in a favorable position for the securing of business in its new departments. Very wisely, the directors and management have decided to proceed with the new phases of business upon conservative lines. A low claim ratio is preferred to a large premium income. In the interest of its new departments, the London and Lancashire Life has made arrangements to acquire the Welsh Insurance Corporation, formed in March, 1909, whose business, it is believed, will be of considerable value to the older Company.

In Canada, the London and Lancashire Life is known in connection with its life business fully as well as in Great Britain, since it entered the Canadian field in 1863, when it had only been

established a single year, and it has since occupied a prominent position among life companies, operating in the Dominion. Mr. Alex. Bissett, who assumed the Canadian management last year, has been for over a quarter of a century associated with the Company, and under his efficient direction and with the excellent organization of the Association throughout Canada, the London and Lancashire Life will continue to occupy a prominent position in the Dominion, and largely increase its operations. The London and Lancashire Life's Canadian interests are on a very large scale. At December 31 last, its assets in Canada totalled \$4,739,759, which has all been invested in sound Canadian securities.

Regarding the Association's life business during 1910, new business amounted to \$3,284,305, and there was a total new premium income of \$146,576 against \$128,880 in 1909. The total net life premium income was \$1,591,788, also an increase over that for 1909. Claims by death, with bonus additions, amounted to \$796,323, and were well within the expectancy; while matured endowments with bonus additions were \$372,497. After payment of all outgoings, the life and annuity fund showed an increase of \$483,573, thus raising it to an aggregate of \$12,956,312. The total assets of the Company now reach \$13,794,221, compared with \$12,709,631 at the close of 1909, the increase during the year thus being the satisfactory one of \$1,084,500.

The report shows clearly the excellent work which has been done by Mr. W. Æneas Mackay, the skilful general manager and secretary, who is well known in Canadian insurance circles, since his appointment two years ago and the outlook is propitious for continued steady advancement upon conservative lines. We are informed by Mr. Bissett, secretary for Canada, that the Canadian business during the current year to date shows a considerable increase over the corresponding period of 1908, 1909 and 1910.

## DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

Montreal was favoured this week with a visit from the Premier of Western Australia, the Hon. Frank Wilson, who was accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, Miss Wilson and Miss Summers. His party also included Sir Edward H. Wittenoom, K.C.M.G., a distinguished member of the Legislative Council of Western Australia, and formerly Agent General in London for several years. The party are en route to London to be present at the Coronation ceremonies. Sir Edward Wittenoom is chairman of the Western Australian branch of the Commercial Union Assurance Company and is also a director of the Bank of Western Australia. While in Montreal the party were entertained to luncheon at the St. James Club and met several prominent Montrealers.

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# THE CITY OF MONTREAL

# ITS RISE FROM BARBARISM TO CIVILISATION AND WEALTH

An Address delivered by Mr. R. Wilson-Smith before St. George's Young Men's Association, May 9th, 1911.

One of the marvels of history is the outburst of a spirit of maritime adventure during the 15th and 16th centuries. In the ten years from 1492 to 1502 the East and West Indies, the American Continent, Newfoundland, the Cape of Good Hope, Brazil, the St. Lawrence, St. Helena, Ceylon and other Eastern Lands were first discovered

In the year 1534, Jacques Cartier discovered the Eastern Coast of Canada, and on October 2nd, 1535, he landed at Hochelaga, where now stands Montreal, the name which he gave to the mountain being Mont Royal. It is perhaps interesting to note that the year Canada was discovered was the same year in which the Papal Supremacy was destroyed in England. This event had a most important bearing on the history of Canada, as from it arose much of the trouble between France and England, which ended in the conquest of Canada by the military genius of Wolfe and the bravery of his troops in 1750.

The history of Montreal may be divided into three main periods:—

1st. The Indian occupation. 2nd. The French regime. 3rd. The British period.

Montreal was an important commercial centre—as times then were—when first visited by Jacques Cartier. The earliest historians say: "Hochelaga was then the capital of a great extent of country." The implements in use prove that the Indians got supplies of copper from the Lake Superior region, which they brought down by much the same route as vessels follow now in bringing grain from the North-west to this port, but more nearly parallel to the Canadian Pacific Railway.

At the identical spot where those vast ocean steamers are now moored, hundreds of canoes were lashed to the shore in Jacques Cartier's day, laden with furs and other products. As late as 1722 we have descriptions of an annual trade fair at Monttreal, carried on by the Indians, who every year brought some two hundred canoes with goods for exchange. The scenes at such fairs are terrible to think of, as the favourite diversion was fighting with tomahawks and other deadly weapons. They are a grim reminder of Donnybrook fair.

Time prevents me from entering into details of Indian life and history, when Montreal was literally in the power of savages, as the early settlers learned to their cost. On one occasion 1,000 Iroquois swept down on Montreal Island and committed fearful slaughter and destruction. The settlers were constantly in terror lest, when off their guard, their skulls should be split by an Indian hatchet. The brave noble heroines who were conducting the Hospital, the original of the Hotel-

Dieu, were at times driven out of the garden by an Indian who was after their scalps. Savages prowled around under the hospital windows, often fighting in sight of the nuns.

Through all the terrible years when this Island was being constantly ravaged by savages, the French Government left Montreal practically without any protection or means for the preservation of order. It was not until 1642 that Montreal was formally recognized as a City under the name of "Ville Marie," Monsieur De Maisonneuve in that year, coming out to establish some form of local Government. Under his command a small force was organized, but little more was effected than to save the colonists from utter destruction. For years at this period bloodshed and havoc extended all the way down from Montreal to Quebec and up the Ottawa.

In 1663 Canada, as then known, was made a Crown Colony of France, and Montreal, for the first time, had the benefit of a Court for the administration of justice, and the general regulation of its affairs. Furs were the only exports and skins the only currency. In 1669 French coins were brought to Montreal in order to facilitate exchange of goods.

In 1717 the French King graciously gave the traders in Montreal his permission to meet together—a step which was the forerunner of the present Chambre de Commerce and Board of Trade. Timber and wheat now began to be exported. In spite of local authorities, whose forces were totally inadequate, there were hundreds of armed savages in attendance at the annual fair, who came down the Ottawa, the Richelieu, and the St. Lawrence, in canoes. As brandy was obtainable, the scenes of drunkenness and slaughter every year were appalling.

Time forbids further reference to this closing period of the French regime in this City, which, though marked by deeds of heroism not excelled in history, and by the devotion of Christian Missionaries of unparalleled bravery, was one long story of neglect and commercial oppression by the rulers of France. They never realized the possibilities of Canada; it was only "a few acres of snow" as one King said. Consequently no great efforts were made to enlarge the population by immigration, nor to protect the settlers from Indians, nor to establish local forms of Civic Government, nor to develop the commerce of the country

On several occasions English seamen seized important places in Canada, and for some scores of years threatened to wrest them from France. The French military force stationed here was not adequate to keep the country from being seized by England.

### THE CITY OF MONTREAL-Continued.

#### ENGLISH PERIOD

In 1763, after Wolfe had seized Quebec, an English force reached Montreal from the West, and planted the Union Jack on the fortifications which then ran around the City. In 1764 the laws of England were established. In a few years the civic boundaries were formally established, running up McGill, along Fortification Lane to Dalhousie Square, and so on to the river. There was no dwelling house in 1792 north of Craig Street. A regular Government was established, military it is true, but effective in protecting the inhabitants.

#### CANADIAN PATRIOTISM.

In 1798 the House of Assembly, established in 1792, on the breaking out of war between England and France, proposed to raise \$80,000 as a gift to King George towards the war.

In 1806 a stone church was commenced in Montreal for English services. It was not finished for ten years for lack of money. The Rector of Montreal, says one historian, had a stipend in 1806 of £280 a year.

In 1802 the total exports via the St Lawrence were £1,200,000.

In 1800 the first steamer on the St. Lawrence, built by Mr. John Molson, left Montreal for Quebec, with ten passengers and took 36 hours for the trip. The fare for the return voyage was \$17. (One writer gives the date as 1810). About this time a police and nightwatch force was organized.

In 1811 the McGill University was founded.

The American War of 1812, though it put Monttreal in peril of being taken by Americans, helped the City by the large expenditures for Army purposes.

In 1813 a second steamer was launched here.

In 1815 the Parliament of Lower Canada granted £25,000 towards building a canal to Lachine. It is interesting, in view of what is being projected, to recall that the present canal system was vigorously opposed by a writer who advocated a water route from the Upper Lakes that would have sidetracked Montreal. From this period the expansion of the City was rapid, though some very primitive conditions still existed.

In 1817 the Bank of Montreal was founded, the office being in what was then a fashionable residential quarter, around the Church of Notre Dame. St. Francois Xavier Street was to Montreal then what Sherbrooke Street is to-day.

In 1819 the City was still supplied with water by barrels hauled around in carts.

In 1822 the General Hospital, and a Committee or Board of Trade were established

In 1825 a vessel passed through the Lachine Canal-a very important event.

In 1830 the Harbour Board was established.

In 1832 the City was incorporated, and work was begun on the docks and waterworks.

In 1837 gas works were commenced on a small scale. In the same year grave troubles arose from a rebellion, five rebels being hanged in the city.

#### RAILWAYS.

In 1836 the line from Laprairie to St. Johns was opened. There were wooden rails with iron on top.

In 1855 the Grand Trunk Railway operated from Montreal to Brockville; in 1856 from Montreal to Toronto.

In 1860 the Victoria Bridge was opened by the Prince of Wales.

In 1861 a Street Railway was started.

#### NAVIGATION.

Up to 100 years ago Montreal was far behind Quebec in its shipping, and early statistics are not to be had as to the vessels which visited this port, the entries being made at Quebec and Customs duties all collected there.

#### POPULATION STATISTICS.

In 1535 Jacques Cartier found fifty huts at Hochelaga and 1,200 inhabitants, all Indians.

In 1659 there were forty houses and 160 white men, 50 of whom had families.

In 1667 the population was 766. In 1722 the population was 3,000.

In 1760 the population was 5,000. At that time, there were only 19 Protestants in 110 rural settlements in Canada.

The population in

1800	was			9,000	1852	was			. 57,700
1816	**			16,000	1858	**	1		. 80.170
1825	**			22,000	1861	"			. 91.200
1831	**			27,300	1900	**			.262.260
1844	"			44,100	1905	**			.291,092

In 1906 after the annexation of St. Henri, St. Cunegonde and Villeray it was 337,496, and in 1908, 352,500. The present population of Montreal and its suburbs is probably about half a million (500,000).

#### AREA.

The area of the City in 1883 was 4,624 acres. The area of the City in 1900 was 5,972 1/2 acres (about 91/2 miles).

The area of the City in 1910 was about 25,747 acres (about 40 miles).

Miles of Streets in 1883-116

do 1900—180 do 1910—500

Length of Streets paved in 1883 was ½ of a mile. Length of Streets paved in 1900 was 28 miles. Length of Streets paved in 1910 was about 76

miles.

Length of sewers in 1883 was 86 miles.

Length of sewers in 1900 was 174 miles.

Length of sewers in 1910 was about 246 miles.

The value of the taxable real estate was in

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l	1888					89,63	34,093	1	1908			:		234.822.751
l	1898	,	٠			142,23	23,500	1	1910			٠,	٠.	319,341,616

The value of the property exempt from taxation increased from \$6,017,800 in 1868, to \$109,192,499 in 1910.

The civic net debt was in

1868				\$4,787,461	1906	27	940			. \$31,200,437
1888	×			11,270,101	1908	Ċ		Ċ	Ċ	.*34,412,227
1898				25,856,653	1910					. †45,810,000

\* 14.7 p. c. of taxable property. † 14.3 p.c. of taxable property.

Assets, consisting of waterworks, markets, parks, real estate, etc., amount to \$27,556,385.

In

### THE CITY OF MONTREAL-Continued.

### REVENUE.

The	ne	et	ar	m	al revenue	was	in					\$4,541,056
1868 .												5,258,244
1888 .	÷					1908		•	•	•		
1898 .					3,078,839	1910	•	٠	•	•	•	6,615,701

#### SCHOOLS.

The amounts	paid	for	school	rates	in	1901	were
as follows: -				ø		0.04	

llows:— Protestant	\$142,170,04
Catholic	145.803.67
Neutral	46,612.39
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	\$334,587.00
1910, the amounts were: -	•
Protestant	.\$430,411.10
Catholic	340,173.34
Neutral	277,641.14

\$1,048,255.58

To avoid misconception, I may say here, that the amount received from the "Neutral" panel, is not expended on schools that are neither Protestant nor Catholic, but is divided between the two in proportion to population and is received from corporations which, having no souls to be saved, are assumed to have no religion.

### CHURCHES.

To an audience like this, it is needless to dwell upon the Church history of Montreal. I would, however, relate an anecdote of Canon Ellegood. When the esteemed, I may say revered, rector of St. James the Apostle was in charge of St. Stephen's Church in this City, many years ago, a flood suddenly swept its way around the wall of the edifice. The evening service was being conducted, and the congregation was unable to leave. Mr. Ellegood is recorded to have waded through four feet of water to reach St. Antoine Street to procure boats and assistance in rescuing the congregation, who did not reach their homes until midnight.

Now having gone rapidly over some of the past history of our City, a few words may not be inappropriate as to the prospects of the future. The growth and expansion of Montreal from that of an Indian settlement to being the richest, most populous and most enterprising of Canadian cities, has arisen, chiefly, I think, from its remarkable

natural advantages as a National port.

### DEVELOPMENT OF THE PORT.

The development of the business of the Port of Montreal has been as remarkable as that of the City. It was only last year that we modestly celebrated the centennial of steam navigation between Montreal and Quebec. A hundred years ago, from the third of last November, the S. S. Accommodation, with a 75 foot keel and drawing 6 feet of water made her first trip from Montreal to Quebec, accomplishing the voyage in 36 hours. The SS. Laurentic (15,000 tons), of the White Star-Dominion Line, drawing 29 feet six inches, made the trip in less than ten hours. The ship captains say that the St. Lawrence is to-day the best lighted

and best buoyed channel in the world. Improvements of one kind and another in the last few years have added sixty days to the season of navigation. The depth of the channel varies from 38 feet 101/2 inches in May, to 30 feet 21/2 inches in November. During the first half of last season there was always over 36 feet of water, which would have allowed the "Maurentania" to come to Montreal.

Last year 11,661 vessels with a tonnage of 5,057,907 came to Montreal, of which 371 with 1,436,963 tonnage were transatlantic ships, 299 came from the Maritime Provinces and 10,991 were

inland vessels.

That Montreal always was, and always will be the National port, there can be no doubt. Montreal has grown up, so to say, with the country, and as the Dominion develops, so will this city, but whether its growth will be equal to its opportunities, will depend on the wisdom, energy and ability, with which those opportunities are utilized and realized.

### CIVIC ADMINISTRATION.

The development of the City as a great business and railway centre and of the port, as the head of ocean navigation and the junction with inland navigation, must necessarily go hand in hand. This involves the speedy annexation of the suburban municipalities, and I have been one of those who have persistently advocated the annexation as rapidly as possible of all the municipalities on the Island of Montreal.

Some years ago I also urged the entrusting of the administration of civic affairs to a small body of paid commissioners; leaving the City Council to transact the purely legislative work of the city. This has been done recently and although not exactly upon the lines I suggested and would have preferred, with advantage to the City and with sufficient success to justify the general principle of civic government by commission

But we must always remember that a city is largely what its citizens make it. It is not entirely a matter of area, population, wealth or methods of administration. The strength of a city lies largely in the character of its citizens, and I might add to a very considerable degree in their sense of responsibility for the honor, the well being and progress

of their city.

There has been a very remarkable movement in the United Kingdom in recent years, for the improvement and uplifting of municipal institutions. Among the most prominent men in the Parliament of the nation, you will find men of good family, education, and wealth, who have served their apprenticeship to public life in the service of one or other of the great cities. After all it is the municipal institutions which most nearly and appreciably affect the health, wealth and comfort of the individual. As Horace Greely used to say "The near facts are the great ones." National highways and waterways, tariffs and great public works, all affect us all, from time to time, more or less seriously. But questions of good roads and sidewalks, of drainage and street car service, of lighting and police, are with us all the time. There is great scope in this connection for the energies

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of the rising generation. Everyone of us can do something to make Montreal a little better place to live in. Some of us can do a great deal, and in doing, may develop our abilities and our personal influence for service in the greater field of Canadian National life. Let me commend the idea to the young men of St. Georges.

#### COMPREHENSIVE PLANS NEEDED.

Montreal has now reached the stage when it is essentially necessary to lay out its plans in a comprehensive manner on broad lines, looking to the great growth which is in evidence on every hand.

This makes it necessary to secure the services of an expert of experience in connection with large cities. The days of doing things by piecemeal in Montreal no longer exist. To illustrate, before paying a street it should be seen that the drains, watermains, gas, etc., are all in order, and not first do the paving and then tear it up for repairing any of the services mentioned. Take for example, Sherbrooke Street. This street has practically been blocked for a couple of years in connection with the building of a drain the full length of the street, say six or seven miles, at an enormous cost, One would naturally suppose that the other services would receive attention when this work was being done, and that, probably, provision might be made at a little extra cost for putting those unsightly wires underground. My reason for mentioning this particular street is in order to illustrate my point.

#### STREET RAILWAY.

The Street Railway is a most important factor in connection with the growth of the City, and it will have to do a considerable amount of financing in order to keep up with the necessities of the service. To enable it to finance, a reasonably long franchise is necessary. At the same time the City should see to it that it gets a fair and reasonable return for the very valuable franchise which it gives.

#### CONDUITS.

These are a live question which has to be faced, and I am glad to observe that experts have been appointed to make a report on this important question. Probably a solution, to a certain extent, may be found a little later on when an underground railway may be built.

#### STREET PAVING.

There is a good deal of agitation at present regarding the paving of streets in consequence of the new law which places the entire cost of the paving on the proprietors on each side of the street, the City in the meantime doing the financing and spreading the cost to the proprietors in the shape of a tax over a number of years. Heretofore, the City has paid the entire cost of these pavements and a large number of streets have already been paved. Consequently, no doubt, those who are now called upon to pay the entire cost, think that

the City should bear part. In the majority of cities where this local improvement tax exists, the City, as a rule, contributes one-third and the proprietors two-thirds of the cost, which seems reasonable. Then it seems to me that in the case of a public thorough fare, such, for instance, as Craig Street, or St. James Street, the City should consider whether it would not contribute a larger proportion of the cost, and it certainly should pay for the cost of the intersections. I am afraid this matter did not receive the careful attention to which it was entitled before legislation was put through.

#### WATERWORKS.

We are very fortunate in having an abundant supply of water passing our doors, having the River St. Lawrence flowing right by the City. A filtration plant should be installed as soon as possible. That, I believe, will be all that is requisite to give pure water to the citizens.

#### GARBAGE.

It is surprising that in these enlightened days, garbage and ashes should be allowed to accumulate in a large number of the lanes during the winter months, and that those unsightly open barrels, which are seen from time to time should meet one on the curbs and also that some system of carting away the garbage should not be inaugurated, such as by means of covered vehicles. The Health Officers should also insist on having covered receptacles for the garbage. You will find it difficult to find a system more lax than that carried on in this City.

#### CHARTER TINKERING.

The time is now ripe when a comprehensive charter should be prepared for the City. It must be degrading to our representatives, as well as to our citizens, to have to go to Quebec, year after year for changes in the charter. This charter tinkering gives an opportunity to those who have axes to grind, to bring them forward. It would be well, I think, to spend a few thousand dollars in the preparation of a charter which might be called the consolidated charter of the City, and brought down to date giving the City such powers as it is entitled to.

#### GROWTH.

The future growth of the City is unquestionable. Its situation is almost unique. It has in its immediate vicinity great water powers. It is at the head of navigation, and as the Dominion progresses, Montreal is bound to progress. Values are increasing on every hand, and I venture to predict that within ten years the City of Montreal will have a population of a million. There are those who assert that it will reach a million in much less time, and if the citizens of Montreal will arise to the proper sense of their duty and take a greater interest in civic affairs, then this City will grow and prosper and become one of the greatest on the continent.

# CITY OF MONTREAL STATISTICS.

(Compiled exclusively by The Chronicle)

Table showing the Assessed Value of City Property, Exemptions, the Net Debt, Revenue, Population, and Assets for the Forty-three Years, 1868 to 1910.

T 08.	Value of tax- able property (not including non-taxable or exempted property.)	Total Indebtedness.	Cash in Banks and amount due by Proprietors, etc.	Net Debt.	Ratio of Debt to valua- tion of taxable prop ty.	Population.	Value of Property per capita on total Valua- tion.	Net Debt per Capita.	Net Annual Revenue.	Exempted Property.	Asso
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69	40,913,650	5,166,530	251,176	4,915,454	12.0	103,840	454	47.33	783,644 805,656	6,279,700 7,062,200	
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74.		9,763,031	2,064,384	7,698,648	11.6	121,620	575	63.30	1,107,392	11,555,500	Parks.
75.	79,253,565	10,285,548	1,241,728	9,043,820	11.4	126,430 131,230	718 716	71.52	1,313,414 1,550,042	12,743,800	1 2
76.		11,658,798	1.494,192	10,164,606	12.5	136,030	669	78.41	1,563,388	12,578,200	
77.	. 78,401,131	11,751,476	1,084,643	10,666,833	13.6	130,030	003	10.41	1,000,000		Markets,
378.	. 71,302,394	11,598,744	1,190,660	10,408,084	14.6	140,830	610	73.19	1,533,078	14,657,500	3
79.		11,692,492	1,397,426	10,295,066	15.7	145,630	516	70.80	1,503,537	13,964,050	1
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83.	. 69,800,013	11,734,017	1,804,008	9,929,919	14.2	167,520	502	59.39	1,670,280	14,359,000	
84.		11,855,108	1,995,149	9,859,959	13.5	173,660	508	56.77	1,732,820	15,324,084	
385.		11,534,807	2,339,383	10,195,530	13.7	179,800	500	57.20	1,746,020	15,568,816	1
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888.	89,634,093	13,067,956	1,797,855	11,270,101	12.6	198,230	548	56.08	2,095,411	19,131,420	
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898 899				26,113,41			720	101.41	3,004,728	36,218,620	6
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				34,412,2	27 14.	7 352,500	849	97.62	5,258,244	64,387,51	
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Note:—Cote St Louis was annexed in 1891, St. Henri, Ste. Cunegonde, Villeray were annexed in 1906. In 1909 DeLorimier was annexed. In 1910 the following Municipalites were annexed: St. Louis, Notre Dame de Grace, St. Paul, Abuntsic, Town of Emard, Longue Pointe, Beaurivage, Tetraultville, Bordeaux, Part of St. Laurent Parish, Cote des Neiges and Rosemount.

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### UNLICENSED FIRE INSURANCE IN CANADA.

A new table in the preliminary annual report of the Dominion Superintendent of Insurance refers to the fire insurance carried on property in Canada by fire insurance companies, associations or underwriters, unlicensed to transact business in the Dominion. This return is made under the provisions of section 139 of the Insurance Act of 1910. By this section, it will be within recollection, it is provided that "any person may insure any property situated in Canada with any British or foreign unlicensed company or underwriters and may also insure with persons who reciprocally insure for protection only and not for profit; and any property insured or to be insured under the provisions of this section may be inspected and any loss incurred in respect thereof adjusted: provided such insurance is effected outside of Canada and without any solicitation whatever directly or indirectly on the part of such company, underwriters or persons, by which or whom the insurance is made."

The present table published by the Superintendent of Insurance is compiled from returns made by people who thus insure their property. These returns are required to include the location and a brief description of the property insured, the amount of the insurance, and with what class of insurers the business is done. That under this section 139, which was strongly protested against by licensed underwriters at the time of the passing of the Act, a considerable business is done is evidenced by the figures of the table below. amount of insurance of this kind in force in Canada, was at December 31, 1910, \$179,860,576, or approximately, one-eleventh of the amount which the licensed companies reporting to the Dominion Government had in force on the same date. The three tables below give a very fair idea of the location of this insurance and by whom it is placed.

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\*The greater portion of this amount represents floating insurance on stock, railway equipment, etc., distributed throughout Canada.

#### NATURE OF PROPERTY INSURED.

Lumber and lumber mills Other industrial plants and me	reantile es	\$ 10,662,711
tablishments		143,054,395
Stock and merchandise		21,678,666 4,461,304
Miscellaneous		3,500
Not specified		\$179,860,576

### NATURE OF INSURERS.

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### Notes on Business.

The annual report of the Imperial Imperial Bank Bank of Canada has been issued, for the year ending at the close of April. Net profits for the twelve months, irrespective of the premium received on new capital stock, were \$130,000 in excess of the profits for the previous twelve months. Dividends paid were \$75,000 larger than in the previous year; the bank premises account has been reduced by \$72,000 and the balance carried forward is \$137,000 larger than in 1910. The following are leading items of the balance sheet: -

		1911.	1910.
Paid-up Capital	:	\$ 5,769,559	\$ 5,000,000 5,000,000
Reserve		5,769,559 4,420,715	3,772,949
Circulation		8,769,869	6,998,194
Demand deposits		37,734,623	34,401,695
Canadian call loans		3,576,126	2,514,092 2,404,417
Foreign call loans		1,502,885 $33,571,232$	31,368,499
Current loans Total Assets			56,239,000
Liabilities to public		51,052,453	45,302,618
Quick Assets		28,315,850	23,256,097

We are informed by the North American Life Assurance Com-Life Insurance pany, with reference to the table in Canada, 1910. of life insurance in Canada in

1010, which appeared on page 721 of our issue of May 5, being a reprint of a table in the preliminary report of the Dominion Superintendent of Insurance that is subject to correction, that the amount of the Company's policies new and taken up in Canada during 1910, was \$3,916,749 and that the total amount, home and foreign, of policies new and taken up during 1910 was \$4,530,827. The figures are given wrongly in the preliminary report.

The seeding and growing season

# Crops.

Condition of the for the whole of Canada, says the census office at Ottawa, in a report now published, has opened been marked by hard frosts; but May has been favorable to cultivation of the land, and this rainfall has been sufficient for healthy vegetation. Fall wheat, which is grown chiefly in Ontario and Alberta, showed an average condition of 82 per cent. at the end of April, being 80 p.c. in Alberta and 81 p.c. in Ontario. In Ontario, however, the April frosts were destructive in some regions; and from 12 to 34 p.c. of the area sown has been re-ported as winter-killed. The central counties, north of Lake Ontario, suffered worst, the average loss, as reported, being 34 p.c. In the western counties 27 p.c. of the area in crop has been destroyed. In the southern counties, north of Lake Erie, the loss is 10 per cent.; in the northern counties and districts, 12.6 p.c.; and in the eastern counties, between the St. Lawrence and Ottawa rivers, 15 p.c. For the whole of Canada the area winterkilled is reported to be 21 p.c., and the per cent. condition of the growing crop is 82. About 1212 p.c. of the clover was heaved out by the spring frosts, and the average condition of hay and clover at the end of April was 89 per cent. Alberta shows better than any other part of Canada, its average

late this year, and the month of April has being 94½ p.c. Nova Scotia comes next with 93.75; and in Quebec, British Columbia and Sas-



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katchewan the condition is over 90. In Ontario it is 86 and in Manitoba 85 p.c.

The percentage of total seeding com-Seeding and pleted at the end of April was 21.35 Live Stock. in Quebec, 44 in Ontario, 47 in Manitoba, 47.30 in Saskatchewan, 66.81

in Alberta and 76.90 in British Columbia. Manitoba and Saskatchewan had 70 p.c. of the prepared area of spring wheat sown at the end of April, and Alberta and British Columbia 80 p.c. The Maritime Provinces had scarcely made a beginning of seeding operations at the end of April, and in Quebec barely one-fourth of the spring wheat, oats and barley were sown. In Ontario 51 p.c. of the spring wheat was in the ground, 44 p.c. of the oats, and 42½ per cent. of the barley. The report on the condition of live stock is good for all the provinces, being 95 for horses, 9243 for milch cows, 90.56 for other cattle, 93.32 for sheep and 94.51 for swine. Alberta is below 90 for horses, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta for milch cows, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia for other cattle, and Alberta and British Columbia for sheep; but generally the condition ranges about 90 per cent.

Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation.

The Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, which last year entered the fire field in Canada under the management of Mr. Arthur Barry, of Montreal, is

now extending its business here, and will shortly write both accident and employers liability risks.

The annual statement of this bank Sterling Bank now published shows profits for the year ending April 29 last, of \$96,825, making with \$35,445 brought forward from the previous year a total available of \$132,-270. Of this amount the 5 p.c. dividend absorbs \$47,025, leaving a carry-forward of \$85,245. Leading items of the general statement are as follows: 281,617 817,955 4,950,047 ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, Deposits ... 951,093 3.909.762 Current loans in Canada ..... 5,877,896 Total liabilities to public .. .. .. .. ..

At the annual meeting held this week Mr. G. T. Somers (president), pointed out that-the percentage of earnings to capital, 10.25 p.c. was the highest yet touched. While it would have been possible to have given increased recognition to the shareholders, still the directors had felt that in conformity with the conservative policy of the bank, greater good would accrue to the bank and the shareholders by building up very substantial reserves. The Bank has over 45 branches, and Mr. Somers in-timated that if the management were to be in a position to take advantage of opportunities offering the board of directors would, in the near future, find it advisable to consider the question of adding to the capital of the bank.

The license of the Canadian Canadian Guardian Life Insurance Company, of Toronto, has been withdrawn by the Superintendent of Insurance. This follows an investigation

made by Messrs. Clerkson & Cross, chartered accountants, whose report was summarised in our issue of February 17. The investigation extended from the date of the Company's last report to the Insurance Department of the Ontario Government (December 31, 1904) to November 30 last—a period of 71 months. The accountants submitted as a fair summary of the Company's operations for this period, the following statement, any adjustments that may be found necessary not being likely to vary the result materially:-Premiums received from policyholders .. .. \$85,166.33

Deduct therefrom: Paid Commission to Agents ..... \$ 9,444.18 

\$50.642.62 

pany to existing policyholders (the amount of the legal reserve not

This \$61,223.26 has been made up entirely by past shareholders as follows:-

Shares as per list, cancelled for non-payment, \$253,800 upon which has been paid .....

A Total of ..... \$62,756.00 The dividend declared in 1910, the accountants

stated, was also contributed by the specific surrender of three shareholders who were also directors, of \$15,000 of share subscriptions upon which \$1,500 had been paid.

With a view to enable the Company to procure a surrender of its outstanding policies, or a re-insurance of them in some Company licensed in Canada, the Company is permitted to collect premiums due upon outstanding policies, and to pay claims, etc., but must transact no new business.

The following is a summary of April's Revenue. the Dominion's revenue for the month of April, 1911, in com-

parison with April, 1910: -April, 1911. April, 1910. \$642.671.11 \$576,857.79 215,415.30 Customs .. .. .. .. .. .. 278,842.54 263,443.13 211,677.65 464,595.47 346,660.83 Public works ..... 560,668,40 380,675.61 Miscellaneous .....

\$1,731.287.18 \$2,210,220.65

Expenditure on revenue account is placed at \$6,029,865.33 against \$4,802,136.78 in April last year. Capital expenditure for the month was \$1,882,82261 against \$1,914,768.66 in April, 1910.

A startling illustration of the How Taxes Drive effect of penalising taxes upon the location of capital is con-Away Capital. tained in a memorandum recent-

ly issued by the New York Merchants' Association on the subject of the New York inheritance tax, which came into force last year. This tax, says the Association, was imposed as the readiest means of promptly raising several additional millions of dollars, and, incidentally, of reducing "swollen fortunes" by escheating a goodly portion of them to the State. The former law gave liberal

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exemption from the tax to the immediate kin of a decedent, imposed a tax of I per cent. upon amounts above the exemptions, and imposed a tax of 5 p.c. upon that part of an estate which passed to persons not the immediate kin of the decedent. The new law greatly decreased the exemptions, closely restricted the immediate kin, imposed upon inheritances by the immediate kin in excess of the small exemptions a graded tax ranging from I to 5 p.c., and upon that portion of the estate passing to persons not of immediate kin imposed the following graded taxes:

\$100 to \$25,000. 5 per cent.
25,000 to 100,000. 10 per cent.
100,000 to 500,000. 15 per cent.
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1,000,000 or more. 25 per cent.

Immediately upon the passage of the amend-ments noted above, says the Merchants' Associa-tion, the exodus of capital began. Huge sums were withdrawn from trust companies, safety deposit companies and banks, securities were liquidated, tangible property and evidences of ownership were removed, and legal domiciles were established in other States to escape the heavy exaction placed upon the estates of decedents in New York State. There is no means of learning the full amount of capital which has left the State within the ten months during which this drastic law has been in operation, but it is definitely known that at least \$400,000,000 of investment funds and securities have been withdrawn from trust and safety deposit companies and taken to other States. The capital available for business enterprises has been correspondingly reduced, and the revenue of the State instead of increasing has suffered an actual decline. Consequently, Governor Dix in a special message has recommended the repeal of the objectionable provisions, the abolition of the heavy gradation and the return to the former basis of 1 p.c. on direct inheritances and 5 p.c. on collateral inheritances or bequests. A bill embodying these changes is now pending.

### YORKSHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The directors of the Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited (Live Stock department), entertained a number of gentlemen to luncheon at the St. James Club on the 13th instant. A considerable proportion of those present were visitors to the Montreal Horse Show, several being large exhibitors, and policyholders of the Yorkshire (Live Stock Department). The Hon. G. J. Doherty, K.C., M.P., chairman of the Canadian Board of Directors, presided on the occasion, other directors present being Mr. G. M. Bosworth and Mr. Alphonse Racine. Mr. P. M. Wickham, Canadian manager; Mr. E. S. Carman (inspector), and Mr. J. S. Withell (secretary), were also present. The following gentlemen received invitations:—

Messrs. Robt. Graham, Bedford Park, Ont.; Senator Beith, Bowmanville, Ont.; A. Yeager, Simcoe, Ont.; G. Pepper, Toronto; Hon. Clifford Sifton, Ottawa; T. W. Sifton, Ottawa; Lieut. W. Sifton, Ottawa; Joseph Kilgour, Toronto; W. Wilson, Toronto; W. T. Langton, Toronto; Dr. D. McEachran, Ormstown, Ont., Dr. C. McEachran, Montreal; C. J. Alloway, Montreal; Hon. J. R. Stratton, Peterboro, Ont.; N. Macfarlane, Montreal; R. Ness, Howick, P.Q.; Dr. Piche, Montreal; Dr. Ettienne, Montreal; Aemelius Jarvis, Toronto; W. C. Fraser, Toronto; J. F.

Ryan, Montreal; D. Sprague, Winnipeg; T. B. Macaulay, Montreal; E. Shepherd, Montreal; John Stewart, Montreal; Dr. F. C. Grenside, Guelph, Ont.; Dr. J. G. Rutherford, Ottawa; Rodolphe Forget, Montreal; Fred Smith, Montreal; Dr. Harris, Ottawa; E. D. Warren, Toronto; F. Haney, Montreal; Dr. R. E. Webster, Ottawa; W. B. Smith, Montreal; W. J. Stark, Toronto; W. H. Moore, Toronto; J. Brant, Ottawa; H. C. Cox, Toronto.

The business of the Live Stock department of the Yorkshire, is now well organized throughout Canada and its income for 1910 was more than double that of the previous year, which is an indication that owners of valuable horses realize the importance of insurance and are taking advantage of the facilities offered by the Yorkshire, which is one of the oldest and wealthiest Live Stock companies in the world.

## Affairs in London

(Exclusive Correspondence of The Chronicle).

Is the Pace of Canadian Issues too Hot?—Canadian Provincial Stocks: An Interesting Legal Decision—President Hays and the Grand Trunk Pacific's Steamer Connections—Investigation of Grain-Handling Methods.

A strange condition of apathy has lately stolen over the markets, and it is difficult to fully understand the causes which have led to the sudden quietude. It is true that there has been a big bull account in some markets, notably that of home railways, and this may have led to some staleness generally. I referred to the rush of Canadian new issues last week and ventured upon offering a mild warning at the pace, and I am not surprised to find several expressions of opinion being offered in financial circles that Canadian issuing houses would do well to call a halt. Investors are only human, and they can easily be surfeited with good things. The British Canadian & General Investment Company is the latest issue with a capital of half a million sterling, of which £350,000 is offered to the public. Lord Desborough is the chairman.

Do "COLONIAL STOCKS" INCLUDE PROVINCIAL STOCKS?

Is a trustee who is authorised to invest in the stocks of a British Colony justified in investing money in the bonds of Canadian provinces? was the point which Mr. Justice Eve had to decide in the courts this week, in connection with a summons taken out by the trustees under the will of Sir Spencer Maryon Wilson, who were also trustees for the purposes of the Settled Land Acts. Mr. Justice Eve, in giving judgment, said that there being now capital moneys for investment under the will, the tenant for life desired that they should be invested in stocks of some of the provinces of Canada, and the trustees were willing to accede to the wishes of the tenant for life if they had power to do so. Were the bonds or stocks issued by the provinces of the Dominion of Canada "securities of a British colony or dependency"? For the purpose of the Colonial Stocks Acts it was clear that each of those provinces was a colony; but, on the other hand, it by no means followed that such was the proper interpretation to put upon the will. The expression British colony or deESTABLISHED 1825.

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that colony or dependency meant the aggregation of provinces, and could not, under the will, be extended so as to mean the individual provinces. The trustees were right in urging that under the will there was no power to invest in provincial bonds. Further, he could not authorise investment upon the bonds of the City of Montreal, referred to in the summons.

### PRESIDENT HAYS IN ENGLAND.

Mr. Charles M. Hays, the President of the Grand Trunk, who has arrived in England, has accorded an interview to a newspaper representative regarding Canadian conditions. Referring to the new steamers for the Pacific, Mr. Hays said: "We are nearing the time when we shall have to consider the question of a steamship service across the Pacific Ocean from our western terminus, Prince Rupert, though the transcontinental line may not be completed before 1914. We are going to have ships of our own on the Pacific, and they will be 'the last word' in steamship construction. As for the Transatlantic service we have nothing in view, our relations with the White Star and Cunard lines being of the happiest sort."

### OMNIUM INSURANCE.

This is one of the new insurance companies which was floated with a flourish of trumpets in 1909 with a share capital of £1,000,000. The results achieved are so unfortunate that considerable consternation, not to say alarm, has been caused among the shareholders. It appears that over £46,000 was expended in starting the Company, and £99,000 has been spent in securing an income of £122,000.

# THE TRANS-SHIPMENT OF GRAIN IN CANADA AND ARGENTINA.

It may interest your readers to know that Mr. R. de Candolle, who for two and a half years has held the position of assistant general manager of the Buenos Ayres Great Southern Railway was recently deputed by the Company to visit the United States and Canada for the purpose of investigating the enthe system of handling grain in those countries from the moment it leaves the farm until it is placed on board ship for oversea transport. Mr. de Candolle's report has not yet been presented, but it is expected that the Company will derive considerable benefit from his investigations in Canada.

LONDONER.

London, E.C., May 6, 1911.

### From Western Fields.

### Crops get good start—British views of British Columbia—Railway progress in the Pacific province— New Hudson Bay Building at Winnipeg.

Heavy rains last week throughout Manitoba, the greater part of Saskatchewan and parts of Alberta have given crops an excellent start. Not since 1906, it is stated, has rain fallen in the West with such timely abundance. Seeding is practically completed, and the crop everywhere has got a good send-off.

With regard to the year's acreage under grain, the Winnipeg correspondent of the Toronto Globe calls attention to the fact that in Manitoba very little new land has been taken up this year, and it is not reasonable to suppose that in that province there will be a large relative increase in the acreages to be devoted to the various grains. "If there is any gain over last year," the correspondent continues, "it will have to do with the portions of the Province lying along new lines of railway. In the older sections the farmers have brought under cultivation practically all the land they can manage. Until there is an increase in the number of farmers or in the facilities which they possess the acreage, especially in the case of wheat, is likely to hover around the old levels. The Manitoba farmers managed to seed down more than 3,100,000 acres to wheat a year ago, and if they do as much this year they will have cause for satisfaction."

"In Saskatchewan and Alberta," the correspondent proceeds, "there is a certainty that big increases will be shown, and in the former Province alone the wheat acreage may run up to 5,500,000. This will mean an increase of nearly 20 p.c., as the area last year was 4,642,000. In Alberta the winter wheat acreage has already been estimated by the Department of Agriculture at over 200,000, and spring wheat will likely occupy more than 550,000, as compared with 450,000 last year. Indeed there are those who believe that the wheat area of the "sunny Province" will be nearly 1,000,-000 acres this year, and the estimate is by no means extravagant, considering the amount of new land that has been broken and cultivated there. Placing the wheat acreage in Manitoba at the same figure as that of last year, and allowing for increases of 20 per cent. in the new Provinces, the total area for 1911 may be roughly calculated at 9,400,000. It is not likely to go below 0,000,000, and it may run as high as 10,000,000. No serious obstacles have intervened to prevent the farmers from sowing to wheat the maximum area of land available, and their enthusiasm for the 'king of cereals' has certainly not diminished during the past twelve months.

### BRITISH VIEWS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Mr. A. D. McRae, of Vancouver, who is associated in numerous enterprises with Messrs, Mackenzie & Mann, has recently returned from a three months' visit to Great Britain and Europe. It is understood that while there he participated in several important financial deals relating to British Columbia. Interviewed on his return, Mr. Mc-Rae was enthusiastic in regard to the prospects of British Columbian enterprises in the London market.

"Canadian investments." he is reported as saying, "were never regarded more favorably in England than they are at present. If I were to specify I should say that British Columbia propositions come first with issues from other western provinces next in public regard. British Columbia with its exceptionally rich and varied resources is probably better known over there at present than even the older provinces. This fact is probably due to its exceptionally mild climate—reminding one so much of England—as well as to the lucky circumstance that influential old country people on their western tour usually rush through the prairie country and devote a fortnight or so to the Pacific coast. The result is that they are so impressed with our resources, climate and prosperity that they return home enthusiasts. Let me cite the one recent instance of the pro-

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### BRITISH COLUMBIA RAILWAY DEVELOPMENTS.

Mr. William Whyte has lately been in Vancouver for discussion of the various projects of improvement and extension which the C.P.R. has under way locally. Mr. Whyte stated that the Company has in view very large improvements in Vancouver, but has not yet reached a final decision as to the best methods to be adopted. Extensive work is to be undertaken at Coquitlam, including the laying down of many tracks parallel with the main line, the building of shops and industrial site development along the Fraser River. Mr. White further announced that a series of tests will be made with a view to adopting oil as fuel for engines between Vancouver and Kamloops. It is expected that the new fuel will remove the danger of starting forest fires.

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Mr. J. G. Holt, executive agent at Vancouver of the Canadian Northern, also indicates that the year will be a busy one in railway construction. Mr. Holt intimates that there will be no delay in awarding contracts for the building of the 163-mile stretch of main line from Hope to the crossing of the North Thompson near Kamloops. The work will be awarded in four sections and in round figures probably represents a prospective expenditure of \$15,000,000. It will also include the driving of two and three-quarter miles of tunnels along the Fraser River and the north side of Kamloops Lake.

# HUDSON BAY COMPANY'S NEW WINNIPEG BUILDING.

Mr. H. E. Burbidge, stores commissioner of the Hudson Bay Company, announces the purchase of a block on Portage Avenue, Winnipeg, at a cost of slightly under \$1,000,000, on which will be erected at an early date a modern departmental store, of six stories to begin with. The site purchased comprises approximately seven acres of ground.

### C. P. R.'s LARGE NEW DAM.

The new dam which is being built by the C.P.R. at Bassano, 83 miles east of Calgary, in connection with the C.P.R.'s irrigation system is stated to be one of the largest engineering works ever undertaken on this continent. The dam is to be a composite structure, consisting of a long, high earthen embankment on the south side of the river, and a reinforced concrete spillway in the existing river channel, connecting at the northerly end with the canal headgates. The earth embankment will have a maximum height of 45 feet, a total length of about 7,000 feet, and at its highest point will be 350 feet in width at the base. It will contain about one million cubic yards of earth. The spillway will be a reinforced concrete structure 720 feet long and with a maximum height of 40 feet to the overflow crest. It will contain 40,000 cubic yards of concrete, and 21/3 million pounds of reinforced steel.

Mr. Whyte recently made interesting remarks apropos of the read-made farms in this district. "We cannot supply," he said, "the demand for the so-called 'ready-made' farms in the irrigated belt east of Calgary. This style of farming appeals to

old countrymen, especially tenant farmers, who have been accustomed to social comforts at home. The railway company supplies a house and barn and breaks up the soil, and, if necessary, plants his first crop. Some of the newcomers if put on raw land would be failures. Under different conditions they invariably prosper."

# Public Companies.

THE CANADIAN NAAS AND PEACE RIVER LANDS AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, has been formed at Toronto under Dominion law. The capital is £1,000,000 sterling (\$4,866,666).

MEXICAN LIGHT & POWER COMPANY'S gross earnings for four months to end of April, were \$2,710,-255, an increase of \$616,100 and net earnings, \$1,753,650, an increase of \$161,956 (Mexican currency).

THE COCKSHUTT PLOW COMPANY, LIMITED, of Brantford, Ont., has been incorporated with a capital of \$15,000,000. It will take over the business of the Company of the same name, and will make shortly a stock issue in London.

COMPANIES which are credited with the intention to locate at Port Mann, the Canadian Northern British Columbian terminus, are the British Columbia Steel Corporation, the American Car & Found-dry Company and the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company.

BRITISH AND COLONIAL LAND AND SECURITIES CORPORATION.—Announcement is made of the formation of this Company at Toronto. The capital stock is \$1,000,000, all of which has been subscribed in cash. The object of the Company is to offer safe and remunerative investment for English capital in Canadian and other securities. The existing directorate is Sir Henry M. Pellatt, president; Hon. J. M. Gibson, vice-president; Col. James Mason, Mr. H. S. Strathy, Mr. H. H. Macrae, Mr. S. D. Lauder, Col. H. Mackie, and Mr. G. H. Smithers.

MURRAY-KAY, LIMITED.—The first annual statement of Murray-Kay, Limited, of Toronto, shows sales of \$555,975, while total operating expenses including writing off bad debts, interest and depreciation amounted to \$387,644. The profits were increased by \$27,711, in cash discounts and \$30,555, undivided profits, of the Kay Company, so that after the payment of the dividend on preferred stock, \$181,711 was carried forward, which is equal to over eight per cent. on the outstanding common stock.

STEEL & RADIATION, LIMITED.—An issue of \$750,000 6 p.c. first mortgage gold bonds is announced on behalf of this Company, at par with a bonus of 60 p.c. of common stock. This Company consolidates the business of the King Radiation Company and the Expanded Metal & Fire-proofing Company, both of Toronto. The issue of \$750,000 of bonds is for the purpose of the extension of the business, the erection of a new plant at St. Catharines, Ont., and the purchase of other plants in kindred lines of business which the Company is now arranging to acquire.

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CARTER-CRUME MERGER.—A meeting of the Carter-Crume shareholders will be held on June 1, to vote on an agreement between their Company, the American Sales Book Company, of Elmira, N.Y., and the Eastern Sales Book Company, of Glendale, L.I., providing for transfer of the business of all three concerns to a new Company to be incorporated. The new Company will be capitalised at \$10,000,000, half in 7 per cent, accumulative preference stock and half in common stock. Of the total \$6,146,600 stock will be issued to purchase the three companies merging, the Carter-Crume Company's share being \$3,395,000, divided equally between preferred and common.

### Insurance Items.

INSURANCE SOCIETY OF NEW YORK.—The decennial of this society will be celebrated by a dinner and reception at the Hotel Astor, New York, on Tuesday, May 23 when delegates attending the annual meeting of the National Fire Protection Association will be entertained.

LIFE UNDERWRITERS' ASSOCIATION.—A new branch of the Life Underwriters' Association has been formed at New Glasgow, N.S. The following are the officers:—President, Mr. J. L. McDuff, Canada Life; vice-president, Mr. E. J. Treen, Great West, secretary-treasurer, Mr. J. M. Baillie, M.P.P., National; executive committee, Messrs. D. S. Gass, Metropolitan, J. Chisholm, Excelsior, Fred. Pettis, Mutual of Canada.

NEW INSURANCE LICENSES.—The following new licenses have been issued by the Dominion Superintendent of Insurance:—to the International Casualty Company, for the transaction in British Columbia of accident insurance, sickness insurance and antomobile insurance; to the Queen Insurance Company, authorising the transaction of automobile and inland transportation insurance in addition to fire insurance for which it is already licensed; to the Maryland Casualty Company, for the transaction of steam boiler insurance in addition to accident, sickness, burglary, guarantee and plate glass insurance for which it is already licensed; to the Security Life Insurance Company of Canada, of Montreal, authorizing the transaction of life insurance.

Association of Life Insurance Presidents.—
Judge William A. Day, president of the Equitable
Life Assurance Society, has been elected a member
of the Executive Committee of the Association of
Life Insurance Presidents, in succession to the late
Mr. Paul Morton. At a recent meeting of the com-

mittee, it was reported that the Howard bill in the Pennsylvania Legislature, which sought to increase the annual tax on life insurance premiums from two to three per cent. had been defeated. The present law in Pennsylvania taxes life insurance above the average rate and this bill would have imposed a rate higher than that of any other state in the Union. Pennsylvania stands second in the amount of insurance in force and if the bill had been enacted into law the additional tax on foreign companies would have amounted to more than \$500,000 annually, of which sum \$350,000 would have been assessed to members of the Association. The policyholders, officers and agents of the domestic companies cordially co-operated with the policyholders, officers and agents of the foreign companies in protesting against the injustice of the measure.

TRADE AND INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS.—The following is a statement of accidents during March, 1911, by industries and trades:

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Trade or Industry. Killed.	Injured.	Total
Agriculture 17	18	35
Fishing and hunting		2
Fishing and numering	17	27
Lumbering	19	30
Mining	15	20
Building trades		61
Metal trades 8	53	
Woodworking trades	13	13
Printing trades	1	1
Clothing trades	1	1
Textile trades	2	3
	3	4
Food and tobacco preparation 1	9	2
Leather trades	26	44
Railway service	20	8
Navigation	1	
General transport 4	11	15
Civic employees 2	16	18
Miscellaneous	7	12
	13	26
Unskilled labour 13	10	-
Total	218	322

Insurance Conditions in Ontario.—The special committee of the Ontario legislature, which is considering Col. Hugh Clerk's bill to amend the Ontario Insurance Act, has decided to recommend to the legislature that when applications for insurance are made out by a Company's agent he shall be deemed to be the agent of the Company. In all cases at present, it is stated, agents are considered to be agents of the assured. Regarding the placing of additional insurance on property without notifying the Company or companies already carrying risks on the property, Col. Clark's proposal was that persons should be able to collect 75 p.c. of the value of the property in case of loss. To this the insurance men demurred. It would be an incentive to dishonest fires, they said, and people who wanted to make money out of fires could put on as much insurance as they liked, and could collect 75 p.c. of the value of the property from each Company in which they were insured. It was finally decided, in order to protect the man who innocently failed to give notification of additional insurance, that the amount be fixed at 60 p.c. of the loss or damage caused by the fire. The committee decided that it would be a great convenience both to the public and to the companies if there was one standard fire insurance policy, and a recommendation to this effect was sent on to the Status Revision Commission, which has the bill under consideration.

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Dec.		Premium and Interest Income	Total Assets	Rate of Interest	Assurance
1897	\$	37,416.09	\$ 336,247.89		\$ 1,185,725
1901 1905		360,180.95 800,034.84	1,344,126.61 2,840,725.23	5.40% 5.52%	10,524,731 19,672,664
1910	1	.370,550.38	6.147.329.99	6.52%	20.455.859

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### Financial and General.

THE UNION BANK OF CANADA has opened a new branch in the King's Hall building, St. Catherine Street West, Montreal

THE WINNIPEG RAILWAY COMPANY has raised its dividend from 10 to 12 p.c. per annum, the directors having declared 3 p.c. for the quarter, payable July 1, to shareholders of record June 19.

La Banque Nationale.—La Banque Nationale has issued its annual report for the year ended April 30, 1911. The profits were \$262,513, compared with \$266,661 in 1910. The sum of \$100,000 is added to reserve bringing that account up to \$1,300,000.

CIVIC TENDERS.—The Montreal City Council has instructed the Board of Control to call for tenders involving on expenditure of \$2,500,000. Of this amount \$500,000 is for sidewalks, \$720,000 for public improvements in the new wards, \$677,000 for water mains and \$616,000 for sewers.

MR. FIELDING'S BILL extending the charters of the banks one year has been given third reading this week in the House of Commons. The charter of the Farmers Bank is extended with the others to expedite winding up proceedings. Thus the banks' powers are extended to July 1, 1912, and discussion of the Bank Act in Parliament is post-poned until next autumn or winter.

MONTREAL'S DRY DOCK.—The contract for Montreal's dry dock has now been awarded to Messrs. Vickers, Sons & Maxim. It will be of the floating type and have a lifting capacity of 25,000 tons. The subsidy to be paid to Messrs. Vickers is at the rate of 3½ pc. for 38 years on a capital outlay of \$3,500,000.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.—The gross income of this road during the year ended March 31 last, was \$9,863,783. In addition to the ordinary general and operating expenses of the railway, a large amount was paid out on equipment account, \$76,000 to meet losses by fire at Campbellton, N.B., and \$5,000 a month for a new fire protection system. After making these expenditures there remained a surplus of \$272,712. In 1910, the surplus was \$623,164.

BANK DIVIDENDS.—The following additional June bank dividends have been declared:—

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Ottawa	ι.			,											,					2	2	34	p.c.	
Toront	o																				2	3/4	p.c.	
Union																								

The Bank of Toronto, in addition to its 234 p.c. dividend for the current quarter declares an additional amount of one-quarter of one p.c. for the half-year ending May 31.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT is inviting popular subscriptions to a \$50,000,000 issue of Government bonds to reimburse the treasury general fund for expenditures on account of the Panama

Canal. These bonds will not be available to national banks as the basis of circulation, and the intention is to give preference to smaller bidders. They will bear 3 p.c. interest, be tree from all national, state or municipal taxation, and be in denominations of \$100, \$500 and \$1,000. They have a 50-year currency.

FOREIGN BANKS IN NEW YORK STATE.—It is stated by Mr. Alexander Laird, general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, in an interview with the Toronto Globe, that a bill now being drafted by the New State Legislature at Albany to prevent foreign banks from operating in that state, especially in New York city, is not aimed at the Canadian banks, but at small European banks, most of them private banks, which are now doing an extensive business in New York city. Although in its present form there is no provision in the bill exempting Canadian banks from the inhibition, Mr. Laird says that before the bill has passed its committee stage any omission in this regard will be corrected.

THE FARMERS BANK.—The list of contributories to the Farmers Bank contains \$52 names. All will be required to show cause why they should not be called upon to pay the double liability on their stock and also the amount of dividends received. The latter, it is claimed, were paid out of capital and are, therefore, illegal. The largest claim for contribution is against M. D. Chapman, of New York as trustee, who is put down on the preliminary list at over \$1,000,000. Shareholders, it appears, intend to fight this payment of double liability. A number of them, it is stated, have secured an opinion on the matter from Sir Robert Finlay, the well-known English jurist, and this will be used when the matter comes before the courts.

# Personals

MR JOHN AIRD has been presented by his fellow bank managers at Winnipeg with a heavy silver tray, handsomely chased and engraved

THE HON. N. PERODEAU has been elected a director of the Montreal Light, Heat & Power Company, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Forget.

Mr. Harry Hobman, an employee of Messrs. Dale & Co., insurance brokers, Montreal, was killed by a train at Valois station, on Wednesday. Deceased, who was an Englishman by birth, was 28 years of age.

THE HON. A. W. ATWATER, K.C., consulting attorney for the City of Montreal, returned from London on the 18th inst., where he appeared before the Privy Council on behalf of the members of the Finance Committee, who had been disqualified on technical points of administration. It is expected that the Privy Council's decision will be given shortly. It is an important case and the decision will be awaited with considerable interest.

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### LIFE BRANCH.

Extract from the Forty-eighth Annual Report, Year ending 31st December, 1910.

NEW POLICIES issued during the year were 1,367 for INCOME: Premiums and Interest 2,134,861.00 PAYMENTS: Claims by death with Bonus additions 796,323.00

under matured Endowments with Bonus additions.
Surrenders, Annuities, Etc

Management and other Expenditure

372,497.00

116,420.00 322,716.00

TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS, \$13,550,328.

#### LIABILITIES.

Capital, including Reserve Funds	\$ 523,381.00
Life Assurance Fund	12,956,312.00
Claims admitted but not paid	214,826.00
Funds—Other Sections	70,631.00
Sundries	29,071.00

\$13,794,221.00

#### ASSETS.

Mortgages, etc	\$1.857,442.00
Loans on Company's Policies	1,208,514.00
British and Colonial Debentures and	
Stocks	3,668,645.00
Railway Debentures, Stocks and Shares	5,344.322.00
Foreign Government Securities	530,190.00
Other Investments (Ground Rents, etc.) Cash	1,014,016.00
	171,092.00

\$13,794,221.00

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THE CHRONICLE - MONTREAL.

### The Canadian Fire Record.

(Exclusive Correspondence of The Chronicle.)

LAVANT, ONT.—Bush fires were raging in this district, May 12.

SILLERY, QUE.—Two houses at Falardeau's cove

destroyed, May 13.

MEGANTIC, QUE.—Several square miles of forest burned over in Woburn district, May 12.

St. Elmo, Ont.—Gordon church, damaged. Origin, supposed dropping of lighted match.

THORNBURY, ONT.—Hartman's hardware store, a brick building, damaged, May 14. Loss heavy. PARRSBORO, N.S.—Large tract of timber burned

PARRSBORO, N.S.—Large tract of timber burned over, May 17. Supposed origin, spark from locomotive.

SWAN RIVER, MAN.—Prairie fire destroyed C. N. R. bridge on Woody river, and farmer's house and stable, May 6.

LANARK, ONT.—Hardware stores of Taylor Bros., destroyed, May 13. Loss placed at \$5,000. Origin, unknown

igin, unknown.

SELKIRK, ONT.—Union Hotel destroyed, May 8.
Incendiarism suspected. Loss about \$5,000; insurance, \$4,000.

MAHONE BAY, N.S.—Forest fires have done damage at Martin's River and the Narrows to the extent of about \$10,000.

RICHMOND, QUE.—Grand Trunk Railway station partially destroyed, May 11. Origin, unknown; damage about \$5,000.

damage about \$5,000.

PERTH, ONT.—Bush fires in Bathurst township, started from farm of E. Hunter, who was engaged in burning brush, May 12.

LAKE SERGEANT, QUE.—Large forest fires are reported from this and other points on the line of the Lake St. John Railway.

BALA, ONT.—A fire started by W. Carr to clear the corner of a chopping got beyond control, May 12, and spread towards Bala.

LONGFORD, ONT.—Fire in Standard Chemical Works, May 12, destroyed a building and 200 cords of wood. Loss \$2,000.

VILLE MARIE, QUE.—Home of R. Larouche, burned in parents absence. Three children dead Origin, playing with matches.

WINNIPEG.—Central garage destroyed, May 17, with 1,400 gallons of gasoline, 40 automobiles and a team of horses. Loss very heavy.

KEENE, ONT.—G. T. Gall's general store, owned by F. English, of Ottawa, destroyed May 15. Loss placed at \$7,000; insurance, \$2,500.

MAYNOOTH, ONT.—Hamlet of Lake St. Peter, destroyed, May 13. with exception of three houses. Loss includes plant of Rathbun Company.

GUELPH, ONT.-G. Foot's barn in Erin township,

destroyed with contents, including 500 bushels of oats and farming implements. Origin, lightning.

KINISTINO, SASK.—Prairie fire destroyed several buildings north of the town, property of J. Martin, J. G. McRobie, P. McDermott, and Mrs. J. S. McClure.

WELLAND, ONT.—E. L. Haun's barn at Wainfleet, destroyed, with 4 horses, several pigs, a number of chickens, grain and farm implements, May 10. Supposed to have been caused by tramp.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—Forest fires destroyed residences of engineers of I. C. R., a short distance east of Superior Junction, and Messrs. Fortin and Moffatt lost their entire outfit of horses.

LONDON, ONT.—Strain's hotel at Hyde Park destroyed, May 17, with W. Rantledge's frame house and a barn. Damage placed at about \$5,000, partially covered by insurance. Origin, unknown.

DAUPHIN, MAN.—Recent forest fires have burned much timber, destroyed buildings of a party of homesteaders between Dauphin and Ochre River, with contents, and barn of F. Cooper, Fork River, with contents.

BOISSEVAN, MAN.—Stone and frame barns of A. W. J. Armstrong, destroyed, May 6, with 17 horses, 5 cattle, large quantity of hay and over 1,000 bushels of oats and barley. Loss placed at \$8,000; insurance, \$2,000

insurance, \$3,000.

AMHERST, N.S.—Mill owned by Rhodes-Curry Company, at Little Forks, destroyed, May 16 Building comprised under same roof planing mill,

(Continued on page 742.)

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# THE BANK OF MONTREAL.

### Statement of the Result of the Business of the Bank for the Half-Year ended 29th April, 1911.

(With figures of the like six months of 1910).

1910. Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1910...... \$961,789.11 \$603,796.30 Profits for the half year ended 29th April, 1911, after deducting charges of management, and making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts 828.945.95 797.765.14 \$1,790,735.06 \$1,401,561.44 Quarterly Dividend 21/2 per cent., paid 1st March, 1911.........\$360,000.00 \$360,000,00 \$360,000.00

Quarterly Dividend 21/2 per cent., payable 1st June, 1911. . . . . . . 360,000.00

\$720,000,00

\$681,561.44

1910

### CENERAL STATEMENT, 29th APRIL, 1911.

#### LIABILITIES.

\$12,000,000.00 Rest. \$12,000,000.00
Balance of Profits carried forward . 1,070,735.06 681.561.44 \$13,070,735,06 \$12,681,561.44 Unclaimed Dividends. . . 1.570.51 360,000,00 13,432,298,07 - 13,043,131.95 \$27,443,131.95 Notes of the Bank in circulation......\$12,903,684.00 \$11,959,522,00 Deposits not bearing interest. 37,933,857,18
Deposits bearing interest. 138,365,217,67
Balances due to other Banks in Canada. 124,617,46 56,856,997.62 138,085,373,59

189,327,376.31

93,293.83 -206,995,187.04

8217,159,674,38

\$234,438,318,99

**\$720,000,00** 

Gold and silver coin current.... \$ 8,998,366.01 Government demand notes. . . . . 11.178,569.00 

\$ 6,832,723.41 15,338,229.75

600,000,00

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osit with Dominion Government required act of Parliament for security of general \$\int\_{600,000.00}\$ Due by agencies of this bank and

other banks in Great Britain \$ 9,813,888.06

\$ 3,643,253,45

Due by agencies of this bank and other banks in foreign coun-4,301,629.07

Call and short loans in Great Britain and United States. . . 46,732,106.00 6.614.806.34

-60,847,623.13 Dominion and Provincial Government Securities 936,717.80 Railway and other Bonds, Deben79,957,585,00 - 90.215.644.79

tures and Stocks.... Notes and Cheques of other Banks.... 4.543,590.36 12,070,145.31

Bank Premises at Montreal and Branches.....

3,764,316.14 104 243,624,40

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Current Loans and discounts in Canada and elsewhere (rebate interest reserved) and other

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188,540.46 -104.028,313.25

8217,159,674.38

\$234,438,318.99

### Stock Exchange Notes

Thursday, May 18, 1911.

Dominion Steel Corporation had a good recovery from the break of last week, when it sold down to  $52\frac{1}{2}$ , and advanced to 56. While the gain has not been held the price is firm and there seems to be good buying on the reactions. The general meetings of Dominion Coal, Dominion Iron & Steel and Dominion Steel Corporation will be held tomorrow and are being looked forward to with considerable interest. The Winnipeg Electric Company have advanced their dividend rate from 10 to 12 per cent. the first quarterly dividend of 3 per cent, having been declared this week. Considerable trading in the Cement issues was in evidence this week and, despite the developments in the Parliamentary discussion of the application for power to issue 5 per cent, debenture stock to replace the present 7 per cent, preferred issue, the price of the securities has held fairly well. Richelieu and Ontario, now selling exdividend and ex-rights to the new issue, is weaker in price on comparatively small trading. Detroit Railway has been a strong feature and closed firm. It is now selling exdividend of 11/4 per cent.

Cement Common and Preferred, Dominion Steel Corporation and Detroit Railway were the active issues. The Bank of England rate is unchanged.

### MONEY AND EXCHANGE RATES.

Call money in Montreal  " in Toronto  " in New York  " in London  Bank of England rate  Consols  Demand Sterling  Sixty days' sight Sterling	21% 11-11% 3% 81 %	Last week.  5-5½%  5-5½%  14 - 1½%  3 %  81½  97a  8½	A Year Ago 5 % 5 % 4 % 81 ¼ 9 ° ° ° ° 8 87 8

### QUOTATIONS AT CONTINENTAL POINTS.

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	Market	Bank	Market	Bank	Market	
Paris	21	3	21	3	31	3 4
Berlin	27	3	3	31	43	5
Amsterdam	3	4	31	4	31	31
Vienna Brussels	2 3	31	2 }	$3\frac{1}{2}$	31	44

### SUMMARY OF WEEE'S SALES AND QUOTATIONS.

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Illinois Preferred 85	91	91	- :	1
Montreal Street 225	2 2 5	224	- 1,	1
O has De	641	64%	+ 1	1
Paranto Railway 1,010	134	1334		1
Twin City 412	108	1104	+ 2	A
Richelieu & Ontario 1,790	1198	112x.D.X.		1
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### Bank Statements. BANK OF ENGLAND.

	Yesterday	May 11, 1911	May 19, 1910
Coin & Bultion	£37,504,00 )	£ 37,000,643	£37,841,802
Reserve	28,273,000	27,291,000	28,325,927
Res. to liab	51,27 p.c.	501 p.c.	531, p. 6
Circulation	27,872,000	28,158,000	27,945,875
Public Dep	13,954,000	14,002,000	17,190,333
Other Dep	44,177,900	39,806,000	35,871,009
Gov. securs	14,974,000	14,971,000	13,819,132
Other securs	29,635,000	29,354,000	28,677,551

### NEW YORK ASSOCIATED BANKS.

	May 13, 1911	May 6, 1911	May 7, 1910
Loans. Deposits Circulation Specie Legal Tenders	\$1,331,917,100	\$1,351,953,500	\$1,176,050,100
	1,385,799,100	1,405,877,100	1,161,143,700
	46,130,100	45,972,200	47,725,800
	317,331,900	315,363,200	245,61,200
	73,780,400	74,913,900	66,752,000
Total Reserves	\$391,112,300	\$390,277,100	\$312,113,200
Reserves Req'd	346,449,775	351,468,025	290,285,925
Surplus	\$44,662,525	\$38,8: 9,075	\$21,827,275
Katio of R'serv's	28.2	27.8	26.1

Note.—Actual amount of povernment deposits reported was \$1,513,8:0, against \$1,531,800 last week.

### CANADIAN BANK CLEAPINGS.

	CANADIAN	BANK	Tr. sel.co.	
	Week ending May 18, 1911	Week ending May 11, 1911	Week ending May 19, 1910	Week ending May 20, 1909
Montreal Toronto	\$46,864,171 36,091,626 4,191,292	\$46,458,066 37,915,961 4,312,922	\$39,318,545 28,811,575 4,589,051	\$34,733,845 21,720,349

### Traffic Returns.

### CANADIAN PAGIFIC RAILWAY.

Year to date. April 30 Week ending. May 7 14	1909. 1909. 1,329,000 1,373,000	1,855,000 1,794,000	1911 1,957,000 1,989,000	102,000
	GRAND	TRUNK RAIL	WAY.	

	1909.	1910.	1911. 14,141,429	Incres: e 662,084
April 30 \$11 Week ending. May 7	1909. 714,028 742,672	822 937	1911. 848,571 877,194	25,634 27,458

### CANADIAN NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Week ending.		295,400	\$4,241,700 1911. 373,200	Increase +663,4±0 Increase 77,8±0
May 7	175,500	$2 \le 3,600$		

### TWIN CITY RAPID TRANSIT COMPANY.

Year to date. April 30\$3 Week ending. May 7	190 <b>9.</b> 2,067,683 1909. 123,399	\$2,279,490 1910 138,346	\$2,407,967 1911. 144,931	\$128,477 Increase 6,585

### DETROIT UNITED RAILWAY.

	DETROIT U	NITED ILLIE		
Week ending. April 7	1909. 130,742 137,148 134,046	1910, 158,629 161,144 155,046	1911. 164,601 172,407 181,787	5,972 11,263 26,741

### HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY COMPANY.

	Railway	Receints.		
Week ending. May 7	1909. 3,363 3,261	1910. 3,521 3,499	1°11. 3,813 3,802	In Tease 292 303

### HAVANA ELECTRIC BAILWAY C .

Week enting May 7	1910.	1-11	1ucrease
	44,457	41,882	425
	49,134	45,201	6,067
14			

### DULUTH SUPERIOR TRACTION.

1		1909.	1910.	1911.	Increase 993
M	ay 7	17,603 17,567	$19,839 \\ 20,073$	20,832 $20,255$	182

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REPORTED FOR THE C	uno mor		CORRECT	ED TO	HURSDAY	. MAY 18	8th, 1911		
BANK STOCKS.	Closing prices or Last sale.	D	Return per cent. on investment at present prices.	Rate of	Capital	Capital paid up	Rest Fund	Per cent'ge of Rest to paid up Capital	When Dividend
	Asked Bid		Per Cent.	Per cent	\$ 4,866,666	\$ 4.866,660	\$ 2,652,38	\$ 54.50	April, October.
ritish North AmericaXB anadian Bank of CommerceXB	22) 218	243 50	4 67	10	10,000,000 4,000,000	10,000.00	8,000,00	0 80.00	March, June, Sept. Dec. Jan., April, July, Octobe
ominion.	173 170	100	5 20	12	3,000,000	3,000,00	0 2,250,00	75.00	Jan., April, July, Octobe
stern Townships		100		11	2,745.900 2,500.000	2,738,90 2,500,00	0 3,060,1 0 2,500,0		March, June, Sept., Dec. March, June, Sept., Dec. March, June Sept., Dec.
amilton XI ochelaga XI ome Bank of Canada		100 100		6	1,345,400	1,244,15	7 375,0	00 30.14	March, June Sept., Dec. Feb., May, August, Nov.
nnerial		100		12	5,912,700 6,000, <b>0</b> 00		4.900.0	00 81,66	March, June, Sept., Dec.
erchants Bank of Canada X		100	4 73 5 27	10	1,000,000	1,000,00	0 1,250,0	00 125.00	Jan., April, July, Octob Jan., April, July, Octob
olsons	2083 208	100	5 27 4 00	11	14,400,000	14,400,00	00 12,000,0	00 83.33	March, June, Sept., Dec. Feb., May, August, Nov.
ew Brunswick X	R 272 270	100	4 77	13	2,000,000 845,000	2.000,0	00 1,499,6	66 179.91	Jan., April, July, Octob
ew Brunswick		100		5	2,207,500		43 150,0 00 6,104,1	00 6.79 04 186.65	January, July. Jan., April, July, Octob
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Hebec.				12	6,200,00		00 7,000, 00 2,500,	000 111.29 125.00	Jan., April, July, Octob Feb., May, Aug. November., May, August, Nov
toyal standard sterling		4.050		12	2,000.00 973.30	0 914,6	32 281,	516 23,81	Feb., May, August, Nov. March, June, Sept., Dec
Toronto		100		11	4,000,00	1			Jan., April, July, Octo
Traders Union Bank of Canada	14			8 8	4,367,50 4,593,3	0 4,468,	260 2,400,	000 53.71	March, June, Sept., De
Vanagurar		100				368, 301,	300		
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.					. 8,125,0	9,125,			Jan., April, July, Octo
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Bell Telephone Black Lake Asb. Com do Pref	134	2 10	0	7	2,999,4 1,000 0	00 2,999	000		
do Pref	·			7	635.6	635	000		Cumulative.
B. C. Packers Assn "A" pref. ".	B	10	9	7	635, 1,511,	635	100		March, June, Sept., De
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Dominion Textile Co. Com	69	68;	00 7 24		5.000		0,000 8,113		Jan., April. July, Oc
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Daluth Superior Traction	149		100 4 8	,	1 400	000 1.40	0,0 <b>0</b> 0 33,763		Initial Div.
Havana Electric Ry Com do Preferred			100			0,000 5,00	00,000		Jan., April, July, Oc. Jan., April, July, Oc.
Illinois Trac. Pfd	93		100 6 4				00 000		Feb., May, August
Laurentide Paper Com	95	219	100 3 1		7 1.60	0.000 1.0	00,000		Jan., April, July, O
Lake of the Woods Mill Co. Com		135	100 5 8	is	8 2.10	0,000 2.1	00,000		Apr.,Oct.(\$10 B'nust March, June, Sept., Jan., April, July, O
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Mexican Light & Power Co	85	81)	100		7 2.46	0,000 2,	000,000		May, November. April, October.
do Pfd	139	1371	100 5		7 10.4	6,000 8,	000 001		April, October.
Montreal Cotton Co	102	149	100 5				000,000		Feb., May, August,
Montreal Light, Ht. & Pwr. Co Montreal Steel Works, Com	150	150	100	33	10 7	00.000	700,000		January, July, Jan., April, July, C
do do Pfd Montres. Street Railway		2254		39	10 10,0	00,000 10,	000,000		Jan., April, July,
Montreal Telegraph	153	119		22					March, June, Sept.
Northern Ohio Traction Co N. Scotia Steel & Coal Co. Com.	43 97		100- 4	59 97	4 6.0	00,000 6.	000,000		Jan., April, July,
Ogilvie Flour Mills Com	125			40	8 2.	200,000	,500,000		March, September.
do Pid	•• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •								Feb. May, August,
Penman's Ltd. Com do Pref	******	84		14	6 1.	075,000	.075,000 .500,000		Feb. May, August,
Quebec Ry. L. & P	60	64		42	5 3.	132,000	,132,000		Waren, Dune, cope
Rio de Janiero.	109	1084	100	66	4 31,	250,000 31 000,000 7			Jan., April, July,
Shawinighan Water & Power Co. Sao Paulo T.L. & P				71	10 10	000,000	.000,00		Jan., April, July,
Toledo Rys & Light Co			100	1	7 8	000,000	8.000,00		Jan., April, July,
			100	5 43	6 2	100,000 2	0,100,00		
Twin City Rapid Transit Co West India Electric	11				6	800,000	800,000 1,000.000		Jan., April, July, May, November Jan., April, July,
Windsor Hotel							6,000,000		Jan., april, July,

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#### THE CANADIAN FIRE RECORD.

(Continued from page 737.)

lath room and boiler room. Fire started near boiler

room. Loss placed at \$25,000.

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONT.-Fire at charcoal plant of Standard Chemical Iron & Lumber Company, at Steelton, May 13, destroyed retort plant, which had lately been improved and remodelled. Originated in loading sheds. Loss very heavy, covered by insurance

PETEWAWA, ONT.—Fire at military camp, May 11, destroyed ordnance stores building, Army Service Corps building and house of caretaker, with blankets, Ross rifles, and several sub-target guns and transport wagons. Loss \$15,000. Origin, lightning.

PARRY SOUND, ONT. House occupied by two families named Laflamme, destroyed, with most of contents, May 15. Boarding house of C. Labrash and large store and dwelling of Amien Haddad, an Assyrian, slightly damaged. Owner of house is Mr. J. Everingham, Toronto.

LONGUE POINTE, QUE - Supposed origin of fire, destroying six houses, May 9, is that old man snoking had dropped hot ashes or a match in place where coal oil was kept. We are informed that Mr. Renaud, on whose premises the fire started, has \$3,000 insurance with the Dominion Fire of Tor-

NORTH GOWER, ONT.—Farm buildings of Mrs. E. Brownlee, destroyed, May 11. Sparks set fire to outbuildings of W. Cowell, which were burned with nine calves and a lot of fowls and outbuildings of N. W. Graten, which were destroyed with a pile of lumber. One subsequent death. All buildings insured. Origin, spark from fire used

for outdoor soapmaking.

PEEL, N.B. - Fire on May 16, thought to have originated from burning flue, caught on roof of house owned by H. Clark, and occupied by himself and H. Boyd, destroyed this and buildings adjoining and following premises: -W. W. Melville's

barn with its contents; H. Carr's building and its contents; M. Clark's large barn with its contents, and house damaged; A Hatfield's house with its contents; John Thomas' house; T. McRae's farm buildings including house, two sheds, three barns, machinery and furniture; 500,000 laths belonging to Clarke Craig, stored at C.P.R. tracks, also destroyed. Loss heavy. Insurance generally appears to be in relatively small amounts.

MONTREAL. - Insurance on Allis-Chalmers-Bullock works, damaged on May 6, is \$900,000 with New England Mutuals and \$100,000 with following companies: -

Guardian . . . \$15,000 L. L. & G. . . 15,000 Manitoba . . . 10,000 Royal . . . \$30,000 Phœnix of L . . 15,000 Queen . . . . 15,000 Royal . .

Loss is 10 to 121/2 p.c. of schedule. Vacant house, 823 Aylwin Street, damaged, May 16, and house adjoining damaged by water. Origin, supposed incendiarism. Loss, about \$2,000, covered by in-

BUCKINGHAM, QUE.-Large section of business centre destroyed, May 8. Buildings burned and estimates of loss are:—Cosgrove Block, loss on building \$10,000, insurance, \$4,000; occupants, E. Johnson, jeweller, loss \$1,000, insurance \$275; E. Pommier, jeweller, loss \$3,000; insured for \$1,700; J. E. Gagnon, restaurant, loss \$1,000, insurance \$600; E. Fournier, barber, loss \$600; Mrs. L. O'David, dressmaker, \$500; McCullum & Lahaie's three-storey brick block, loss on building and general mercantile stock \$75,000, insurance \$34,000; also occupied by Bank of Ottawa, loss \$1,000, insured; Grenier's livery barns, loss \$1,000, no insurance; J. D. Lefebvre's implement store, loss \$1,000, no insurance. Fire started in restaurant



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Волия	Asked	Bid.	num.					
Sell Telephone Co	1021	102 1043	5 6	3,500,000	ist June 1st Dec.	Bk. of Montreal, Mtl		Red, at 110 aft. Nov.'19 or in pt. aft. Nov.'11
an. Converters an. Con. Rubber Co	90 98½	88 98	6,	490,000 2,541,300	lst June 1st Dec 1st Apl. 1st Oct	····· <b>""··</b> ····	Dec. 1st, 1926 Oct. 1st, 1946	Redeemable at 110 after Oct. 1st, 1911.
Can. Coloured Cotton Co.	1001 100	991 99	6 64	5,000,000	2nd Apl. 2nd Oct 1st Apl. 1st Oct		April 2nd, 1912 Oct. 21st, 1929 April 1st, 1940	Redeemable at 110. Redeemable at 105 and
Dominion Coal Co		96%	5		let May let Nov.	Di of Montreal Mtl.	July 1st, 1929	Int.after May 1st, 1910
Dom. Iron & Steel Co Dom. Tex Sers. "A"	941	931	6	7,414,000	1 March 1 Sept	Royal Trust Co., M.	March 1st, 1925	Redeemable at 110 and Interest. Redeemable at par
" "B"		162	6	1,000,000				after 5 years. Redeemable at 105 and
" "C"	95	94	6	1,000,000				Interest.
Havana Electric Railway	95	94	5	450,000 7,824,73	that Wab lat And	52 Broadway, N.Y.	Feb. 1st, 1952 Jan. 1st, 1916	
Halifax Tram		100	6	750,00	0 lst March 1 Sept	Bk. of Montreal, Mtl. Royal Trust, Mtl	. Sept. 1st, 1916	Redeemable at 110
Lake of the Woods MillC						Canada, Montreal.		
Laurentide Paper Co	. 111	110	6	978,96	5 2 Jan. 2 July	Bk. of Montreal, Mtl	. Jan. 2nd, 1920	
Mexican Electric L. Co.	. 87		5	3,929,60	1 st Jan. 1st Jul	y. " "	July 1st, 1935 Feb. 1st, 1935	3
Mex. L't & Power Co Montreal L. & Pow. Co.	. 90			5,476,00	0 lst Jan. lst Jul	у.	Jan. 1st, 1933	Int. after 1912.
Montreal Street Ry. Co Ogilvie Flour Mills Co.	. 100			1,000,00		c. Bk. of montreal, me		Redeemable at 105 a.
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