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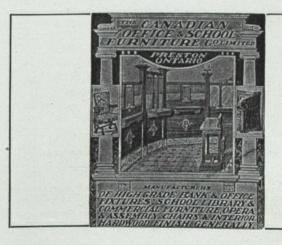
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War and the Cost of Living

REVIEW of the Prices Situation in Canada Since the Outbreak of the Struggle—How the Typical Weekly Expenditures for a Family of Five Have Changed in Recent Years—Some Interesting Statistics

EFORE the outbreak of war at the end of July, 1914, prices of commodities had been on high levels for some time in Canada as well as in other parts of the world. The further advance which immediately followed, particularly in foods, was all the more significant as foods had shown some of the greatest and most general advances, causing the high cost of living to become an acute problem. But the rise in prices before the war had occurred during a period of prosperity in trade and industry in which employment was abundant and advances in wages were possible in many instances. On the outbreak of war, however, Canada was passing through a reaction from the recent expansion, during which prices had risen steeply. Trade and industry had flourished from the beginning of the century except for a brief reaction in 1907-1908, following the financial panic in the United States, and recovery from this had been rapid. In 1910 prices had almost recovered from the drop in 1908 and further steep advances occurred in 1911 and 1912. In 1913 the steeply upward movement ceased, although some commodities still advanced. The crest of this wave of prosperity appeared toward the end of 1912, when something like a boom in real estate, stocks, and the markets for some commodities was felt.

The positive effects of this boom were experienced in Canada for some months in 1913, although the outbreak of the Balkan war in the fall of 1912 had led to some financial stringency in Europe which immediately affected financial conditions in United States as well and gradually exerted a strong depressing influence on commerce and industry. The Bank of England rate of discount remained at 5 per cent. during this time and it was only in January, 1914, that financial conditions improved sufficiently to cause a drop to 3 per cent. The effects on Canadian trade and industry, however, had been serious. The rapid development since 1900 with only a pause in 1907-1908, had involved a great increase in agricultural areas, in development of mines, forests, water-powers, etc., the construction of two transcontinental railways, many miles of additions to other railways, with terminals, rolling stock, etc., an increase in water traffic (lake and ocean), with harbor improvements, shipbuilding, etc., the building and equipment of factories, the growth of manufacturing and trading cities and of new towns in the newly opened areas, a great immigration including farmers from the United States as well as of laborers from Europe and

skilled workmen from Great Britain along with other classes, and also a considerable migration of population from eastern to western Canada and from rural districts to urban centres. Under such conditions all commodities found a ready market, the home demand for most commodities kept ahead of production, prices advanced and in turn made possible increased purchasing power among all classes of the people, and this in turn caused greater demand. Exports of cattle, butter, eggs, etc., declined and finally ceased, and meat and butter were imported into western Canada from New Zealand. The great and constantly increasing supply of imported capital, and the expansion of credit inevitable in such conditions, prevented the rising prices from checking the development of the country and the growth and expansion of trade. The several commodities reacted in price according to conditions affecting their own peculiar markets from time to time, but the net result of these conditions was a steeply upward movement. In 1911 a higher level was reached than that from which prices had receded in the crisis of 1907, in 1912 foods were on record levels throughout the world, chiefly as a result of drought and crop shortage in various countries in 1911, and materials also rose steeply under a remarkably good demand.

The tide began to turn early in 1913. The good crops throughout the world in 1912 had lowered food prices greatly by the end of the year and the financial stringency early in 1913 depressed the markets for materials. European financial conditions were depressed by the Balkan wars, while in the United States pending readjustments in trade and industry tended to quiet industry. In Canada the development continued in the way of completion of great undertakings in railway and other construction, but curtailment has already become necessary. Municipalities had difficulties in getting money for further improvements, the real estate boom collapsed, immigration slackened, the demand for many materials fell off and factory production began to decrease. Unemployment was felt, though chiefly from the fall in construction. The manufacturing of textiles, clothing, boots and household goods, as well as of construction materials, was seriously affected by the lack of demand. The markets for many foods were also affected. These depressing conditions prevailed chiefly in western Canada, but the reaction was also gradually felt in the eastern provinces. The difficulty in obtaining money in London tended to curtail

imports so that the increase over 1912 was only five per cent. Exports, on the other hand, increased by 22 per cent. The increase in agricultural areas, the extension of stock-raising in western Canada, the development of mining, lumbering and manufacturing were showing the results of the great expenditure in developing the country. Owing to the faith of English investors in the future of Canada and their recognition of the necessity for completing the equipment for transportation and distribution, imports of capital in 1913 greatly exceeded those in 1912, in spite of financial stringency and the higher rates of interest necessary to be paid. Trade therefore showed comparatively little contraction even during the latter part of the year, and though demand for some commodities fell off, markets were not seriously weakened and prices of materials did not fall materially.

Conditions at Beginning of Last Year.

The year 1914 therefore opened with some favorable features. Food prices had fallen from a high level in 1912 as a result of good crops in 1912 and 1913. Financial conditions were improving, the Bank of England rate was down. Though trade was slow in many lines, large stocks had not accumulated and markets had therefore not become demoralized and prices did not have to be seriously cut. Recovery, however, appeared to be slow, an important factor being indicated in the fact that large sums of money had been sunk in real estate during the boom, some of it overvalued and much of it not available for industrial, commercial or residential purposes for some time to come. Further, many purchasers had to keep up payments, and so funds were held from profitable or new investment. Signs of improvement increased, however, as favorable spring weather promised good harvests and the financial, commercial and industrial losses due to the reaction were gradually liquidated and capital began to accumulate. The trade and industry of the Dominion was settling down to the new conditions, and to the realization of the anticipated production from resources ready for development, with the feeling that rock bottom had been reached and the upward movement was beginning. The tariff revision in United States had opened markets to many Canadian products, notably cattle and hogs, wool, fish and lumber, and the effects of this had already been felt to some extent. Prices had shown considerable weakness from the first of the year, many foods declining as the season advanced. Sugar, flour, oatmeal, butter and vegetables were cheaper than for some time, meats were receding from the high levels reached in the autumn after removal of customs duties in United States, and good crop prospects weakened the grain markets. Some materials were declining, demand being light, but scarcity kept up others, such as hides, leather, wool, cotton and lumber.

Outbreak of War.

The outbreak of war at the beginning of August changed conditions in nearly all markets. Grain, flour, bread, oatmeal, tea and sugar immediately rose, meats began to advance, cotton slumped, and metal markets were greatly disturbed. Supply and demand in most lines were quite uncertain. Fears of a financial breakdown, of interruption to ocean shipping, and the demoralization of industry led to suspension of business in many lines. In Canada prolonged dry weather in the west at a critical period in the grain season seriously discounted the advantages of the high prices of grain. Many constructive operations were stopped or threatened to stop as a result

of financial difficulties. The loss of export markets caused some manufacturing industries to cease operations. The measures taken by the British, Canadian and other governments, however, eased the situation, while financial operations and ocean trade soon resumed and great activity soon appeared in many lines in connection with the operations of the war. The export demand for grain was strong and many foods suitable for army supplies advanced in price. Orders for military equipment caused activity in textile, boot and metal industries. Transportation of military supplies partially made up for the loss on regular trade. Prices advanced in some materials, which became scarce and difficult to obtain. On the whole, however, as conditions settled, readjustments were made on levels lower than the high point to which prices had risen in August. As the British and Canadian governments prepared for greater armies and for prolonged operations larger orders were obtained by Canadian manufacturers. The textile industry had difficulties in obtaining further supplies of wool and dyestuffs and prices advanced considerably. Hides and some grades of leather were scarce and rose steeply in price. The metal markets gradually recovered from the dullness which had prevailed as large orders were given for shells and guns, and for machines for making these, to be installed in new plants.

Trade and Industry Below Normal.

Trade and industry, however, were still far below normal. Although municipalities were able to obtain some money in the United States and to proceed with some undertakings, all building and construction was greatly curtailed. Unemployment became a serious problem in many localities. The lessened purchasing power of the public was felt in the markets for most goods and tended to lower the prices of many commodities. Meats soon receded and livestock declined. Export demand kept up the prices of cheese, butter and eggs until late in the spring of 1915 and tended to keep up meats. Flour rose to record prices in February and again in May, but then dropped considerably. Steep advances occurred in metals in February and continued from time to time afterwards, notably in zinc, antimony, quicksilver, lead, tin, copper and brass. Drugs and chemicals had risen steeply on the outbreak of war, some being in demand for explosives, some for hospital supplies, and others being difficult or expensive to import. Carbolic acid rose from 10 cents per pound in August to \$1.50 in February. Although, apart from commodities used in war or unobtainable on account of war, markets had steadied to a great extent by the approach of summer, price levels were considerably higher than before the war and indications were that as a result of losses during war and great consumption of supplies high levels should be expected for some time to come.

The effects of decreased purchasing power in households appeared in the markets for canned goods, meats, clothing materials, boots, etc., which had experienced such a demand up to 1913. Similar results appeared in the industrial demand for many commodities, particularly constructive and building materials. Government orders for military supplies, particularly food, clothing, guns, shells, etc., made up for the loss of normal demand only to some extent. Readjustments were necessary, and sometimes difficult, in factory equipment, processes and supply of materials, in order to change to manufacturing for military needs. Markets were therefore variously affected according to individual conditions. The result was that, apart from commodities used in war or unob-

tainable on account of war, the markets showed comparative steadiness by summer, but with a few exceptions price levels were considerably higher than before the war and indications were that as a result of losses due to war and great consumption of supplies, high levels were to be expected for some time to come. The additional taxation in nearly all countries in the world, directly or indirectly due to war conditions, becomes an important factor in raising prices whether levied directly on commodities as customs or excise duties or indirectly through taxes on property, income, expenditure, etc. Additional customs and excise duties imposed in Canada in August, 1914, and again in February, 1915, along with stamp and other special taxes, were followed by some advances in prices.

Price Fluctuations and Retail Figures.

The accompanying tables of index numbers of whole-sale prices show the main movements from July, 1914, to July, 1915, and enable comparison to be made in each group for each month of the first half of the current year and with the same month a year before.

The table of index numbers of wholesale food prices shows the change in foodstuffs in greater detail. Only foods available for use are included, that is wheat and livestock are omitted, while flour and meats are included. Fish, fruits and vegetables on the market only for a few months each year are also omitted. All groups rose immediately on the outbreak of war and remained on levels higher than a year before except meats, fish, fruits and vegetables. In these the supply was not reduced seriously by war conditions and demand was curtailed.

In retail prices the accompanying budget of weekly expenditures shows the changes in the staple foods and in fuel and also in rentals. The cost of a list of some thirty foodstuffs shows a rise from \$7.42 in July, 1914, to \$7.80 in July, 1915. The increase was due chiefly to the rise in flour, bread, rolled oats, sugar, tea and coffee, butter and cheese. The increase in the retail price of tea was probably greater than shown by the average prices quoted as the rise in price created a tendency to use cheaper qualities. Potatoes, however, were much cheaper, owing to a large crop. Meats rose in the autumn of 1914, but declined, rising, however, again in June, 1915. Coal, wood and coal oil show little change. Rentals show the greatest decline, more than offsetting the rise in food prices in the average for the Dominion. The decline in rents was greatest in western Canada. In many cities it was reported that some people out of employment were departing and others were doubling up in houses to curtail expenses. Other people were moving into cheaper houses. Landlords were lowering rents to keep tenants or obtain new ones.

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uel and Lighting		\$1.757	\$1.783	\$1.817	\$1.905	\$1.895	\$1.890	\$1.899	\$1.794	\$1.836
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Men of differing sympathies in this war and differing financial ideas approve heartily of this loan, as they appreciate the reasons why we should make it. On its face, it is a grant of credit to Europe. In reality it is a new use, compelled by circumstances, of the cash and the credit of this country to avert disaster from the most important industries and to promote our own prosperity. Its greatest benefits are

to come to the people of the United States.

Take the case of the United States wheat as an example. Reliable estimates of the wheat crop of the world and of the probable demand show that England will require about 240,-000,000 bushels for next year, France 85,000,000 and Italy 75,-000,000, a total of 400,000,000 bushels. The common assumption that they must come to us for this on our own terms betrays ignorance of the situation. The same estimates show that Canada will have a surplus for sale this season of 175,000,000 bushels, Argentina 130,000,000, Australia 60,000,ooo and India 50,000,000, or a total of 415,000,000 bushels. Their demand could be satisfied without taking a bushel

Part of Business Policy.

Exports are paid for on the basis of the pound sterling. With Canada, Australia and India, London exchange is at A pound will buy its face value of wheat. But when exchange went recently to \$4.50 for the pound, that meant a difference of over nine cents a bushel. If it should go to \$4, as it might if nothing is done to stabilize exchange, it would mean about 20 cents a bushel on wheat. Either the European buyer would have to pay that much more in the United States market by the depreciation of exchange, or the farmers would have to take that much less. Since Europe has opened the other sources of supply mentioned, it is not difficult to see that we should be left with the crop on our

The United States requires about 550,000,000 bushels for home consumption and seed. That would leave a surplus of nearly 450,000,000 bushels. The total world's demands outside of England, France and Germany is not to exceed 150,000,000 bushels. If it was all bought here, the United States should still have to carry over 300,000,000 bushels. Add that amount to next year's surplus, and even if we cut the wheat production in two it would require two or three years to work off the surplus. Meantime, such a condition would mean ruin to the United States. The price of this unsaleable surplus would fix the price of the whole crop. Wheat would be sold below the cost of production and the farm interest be involved in a disaster from which it could not recover for many years. And precisely the same is true, in different degrees, of the cotton, meat products and provisions generally.

One who looks only at the plain facts will see that the grant of this credit for the purpose stated, is far less an accommodation to the countries that ask it than an act of necessity for the United States. It is part of the most famil-

iar business policy.

Cladly Extends Credit.

When a merchant who has been buying for years for cash finds it necessary to ask for a line of credit, it is granted This done not as a personal favor, but as a matter of sound business policy. If it were not, mercantile business would pass through a perpetual crisis.

It is hard to understand the people who talk about "taking money out of the country." It is of the essence of the plan that the money shall stay in the United States. The goods will go out, the money will stay here and be used to pay for the goods in the localities where they were bought and where the money already is, and the only money that moves at all will come this way in the payment of interest and the eventual repayment of principal.

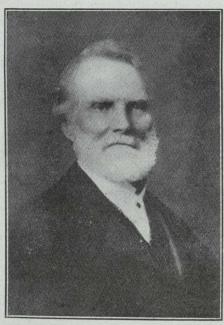
The loan cannot encroach upon the neutrality in either fact or feeling. Indeed, some of the great German financial houses in the United States are in favor of it, since they understand its terms and purpose. There are millions of persons of German stock on the farms of this country, and every one will share in the benefit of preserving and upholding the market for farm products that cannot be secured in any other

Only superficially is this credit for the advantage of other Primarily and with much more force it applies to the maintenance of the commerce of the United States, to the support of its own industry, to the prevention of disaster to agriculture, to the assurance of prosperity in the United States. It is far less a favor to others than a necessity for ourselves. It means more to us just now than armies and navies or anything else. It is a measure of financial and industrial self-preservation.

SUN LIFE LOSES PRESIDENT

Mr. Robertson Macaulay, president of the Sun Life Assurance Company, well known as the dean of life assurance in Canada, died at his residence, 4010 Avenue Road, Westmount, on Monday.

The late Mr. Macaulay was born at Fraserburgh, Buchan, Scotland, January, 1833. He came to Canada in



THE LATE MR. R. MACAULAY.

1854. For sixteen years he was accountant to the Canada Life Assurance Company, and then secretary of the Mutual Life Assurance Company at Hamilton, Ont. He secretary of the Sun Life Assurance Company in Montreal in 1874, manager in 1876, managing director in 1887, and president in 1889. He was succeeded as manager by his son, Mr. T. B. Macaulay, in 1906. When Mr. Macaulay became associated with the Sun Life Company it was in its fourth year and its agency staff comprised but four members, and its assets were \$130,000. Under his guidance the company had rapid development in the Dominion, where it now has assets totalling over \$70,000,000. Mr. Macaulay also reached outside of Canada for business, being the first Canadian life assurance man to do this, starting in 1879. In the foreign field he achieved splendid success, extending the operations of the company to many distant parts of the globe. and making it an important factor in the life assurance world. A writer recently said of Mr. Macaulay: "His career has been distinguished by earnestness of purpose, full realization of responsibility."

Mr. Albert Grigg, M.P.P. for Algoma, has been appointed deputy minister of mines of Ontario, succeeding the late Aubrey White.

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THE ALLIES' LOAN

Whenever a loan of consequence is made, the terms are criticized. The price of the Allies' accommodation of \$500,000,000 in the United States, 96 to the underwriters, 98 to the public, and interest at 5 per cent., is obviously substantial. But these are days of extraordinary events; times when it is impossible to do business in ordinary routine fashion or at everyday figures. Those who place the Anglo-French bonds in the United States will earn their commission. Great Britain and France will have the necessary credit at their disposal on this side of the Atlantic. Exchange conditions will be steadied; in other words, trading between these countries will be able to proceed without the hindrance of jack-in-the-box tricks of sterling exchange and its gamblers. In addition, this immense credit of \$500,000,000 ties up the sympathies of a goodly section of the United States with the business, the hopes, struggles and ambitions of the Allies. The terms of the credit, therefore, while substantial, are necessary. We may be sure that the distinguished and capable Anglo-French commissioners made the best possible arrangements on the best possible terms.

These details, however, in this particular instance, are comparatively unimportant. The outstanding fact is the strength of Anglo-French credit, British credit naturally being the real backbone of the transaction. No other warring nation could negotiate such a loan in the United States, no matter what terms were offered. Germany tried a small loan there of \$10,000,000 early in the year as a sort of "feeler." It was a sad fizzle and was finally taken up by hyphenated sympathizers. The Allies' loan in the United States, after making due allowance for French assistance, is another tribute to the substance of British credit. It has stood firm, like the Rock of Gibraltar, buffeted by the financial and economic winds and waves, in the most troublous seas of history. Nothing has shaken British credit. Nothing can shake it. That fact is known equally well by every Britisher, Yankee and German alike. The pound sterling can still hold up its

head and will be recorded in history as the most important monetary unit helping to fight the world's battle for honor, right and civilization.

Great Britain and France have not borrowed in the United States because they need money. They have effected this credit arrangement in order to stabilize exchange and allow the volume of trade across the Atlantic to proceed without disturbance. As James J. Hill said in a recent interview, the loan is of just as much importance to the United States as it is to the Allies. It is the medium, for buyers and sellers who wish to trade, to do business without obstacles. Great Britain's first foreign loan is another omen of British determination.

UNIFORM LEGISLATION

When provincial governments think less of provincial rights and more of the business welfare of the entire Dominion, an effort will be made to have more uniform legislation. The laws of nine provinces, conflicting in so many fields, are a curse to Canadian business. lack of uniformity in legislation costs Western Canada alone several millions of dollars annually. No matter what particular line one cites, there exists the same mixture of legislation. There is, for instance, considerable diversity in the laws of some of the provinces, relating to the position of beneficiaries of life insurance policies and the rights of the assured in disposing of the benefits of a life insurance contract. In some cases the legislation is quite incomplete. This frequently results in confusion, inconvenience and occasionally in litigation, making apparent the advantage that would accrue to the insuring public and the life insurance companies, were the laws of the several provinces in accord.

The government of Saskatchewan has recognized the value of uniform provincial laws bearing on the business of life insurance, as evidenced in the recent enactment of insurance laws that are practically identical with those

As a result of assiduous and careful attention to the legislative needs of the great and growing interests affected, Mr. Charles Ruby, secretary of the Mutual Life of Canada, pointed out in a recent address that Ontario may be said to have the most enlightened legislation dealing with the life insurance business or, at any rate, dealing with the subject of beneficiaries. Outside of the statutory provisions enacted in Ontario, legislation, bearing on the status of beneficiaries and the rights of the assured in disposing of the benefits of a policy of life insurance, appears to have followed the principle expressed by Bliss, at a time when the life insurance business was in its formative period: "We apprehend the general rule to be that a policy and the money to become due under it belong, the moment it is issued, to the person or persons named in it as beneficiary or beneficiaries, and that there is no power in the person procuring the insurance, by any act of his by deed or by will to transfer to any other person the interest of the person named. An irrevocable trust is created."

This states the position of beneficiaries in common law and while the principle may wisely be applied to the immediate dependents of the assured it will probably be conceded that, outside such special (or "preferred") class of beneficiaries and beneficiaries for value, the assured is justly entitled to unrestricted action in dealing with a benefit that is created and sustained by himself. latter, Mr. Ruby says, is unquestionably the view of the

great body of those who contract for life insurance and is the view that has been embodied in the provisions of the Ontario insurance act. This legislation meets the present-day needs of the business and it is hoped that when the legislators of the other provinces next deal with their insurance laws the desirability of uniformity of legislation, especially in connection with the matter of beneficiaries, will lead them to bring their laws into harmony with those of the premier province.

CALL LOANS ABROAD

The call loans abroad, and chiefly in New York, of the Canadian banks have fluctuated considerably during the past year. Just before the outbreak of war, the Canadian banks had over \$137,000,000 of foreign call loans. The Dominion was still undergoing a process of liquidation and there was a comparatively small demand for bank credit at home. In July a year ago, foreign loans stood at \$125,000,000. War between Great Britain and Germany commenced on August 4th and at the end of August, Canadian banks had withdrawn \$29,000,000 of their loans from abroad, despite the fact that critics were positive that the banks could not recall these loans in a hurry during the crisis. The following table gives a record of the foreign call loans during the past fifteen months:—

	Canadian call
	loans abroad.
1914—June	\$137,120,167
July	
August	96,495,473
September	
October	
November	74,459,643
December	
1915—January	
February	89,890,982
March	101,938,685
April	121,522,971
May	136,098,835
June	124,604,875
July	117,821,674
August	

Between June and November, 1914, the Canadian banks withdrew loans, made in New York largely, amounting to \$63,000,000. Since last fall until May this year, there has been a gradual increase in these loans until they reached \$136,000,000, a total within a million dollars of the high mark in June last year. Since May to the end of July, loans were called to the extent of about \$19,000,000. Last month's return showed an increase of \$3,000,000.

An examination of the monthly statements to the Dominion government of the chartered banks, shows that the increases in foreign call loans during recent months were largely the result of operations by the Bank of Montreal. This institution is financing the loan operations of the Dominion government and several other large Canadian borrowers. Financial arrangements made by the Canadian government with the British authorities have also been transacted through the Bank of Montreal, which has found it necessary to keep large reserves in New York. This bank's call loans abroad in November

last were \$36,000,000 and by the end of May had risen to \$89,500,000, an increase for the six months of \$53,000,000, an average of about \$9,000,000 a month.

There is invariably criticism by certain sections of the public regarding Canadian bank loans in New York. The usual complaint is that Canadian banks are loaning their funds in New York to the detriment of the business community in Canada. As Mr. Alexander Laird, former general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, once put it: "Notwithstanding all that financial critics have written about the Canadian banks sending to New York moneys needed in Canada, in order to take advantage of the high rates occasionally prevailing there, such a thing as a bank curtailing its commercial loans in Canada for a purpose of this kind is absurdly improbable." The above figures are a substantial reply to the critics who stated that these loans could not be withdrawn from the New York market at short notice.

This particular business between Canadian banks and New York has been going on for half a century. The results have been satisfactory to Canada because they have yielded a steady profit to the banks, have strengthened their position and have enabled them to lend to their Canadian customers on more favorable terms than perhaps would have been possible otherwise. The larger portion of these loans are carried in New York at 24 hours' call and are practically as readily available as cash. Except on rare occasions, New York call loans bear a lower rate of interest than Canadian mercantile loans. Therefore, the Canadian banks aim to carry such an amount on call in New York as will constitute, with the cash carried in Canada, a reasonable reserve of cash and immediately realizable funds.

Only occasionally during the past 20 years have excessive rates for call money prevailed in New York for more than a few days in a year. Obviously, a Canadian banker would not sacrifice prominent business connections in Canada for such a temporary advantage. Selfish reasons alone would be sufficient to prevent the banks from lending Canadian funds outside of the Dominion except to the extent that is necessary for the purposes of their cash reserve.

AN ADMITTED REBATE

The correspondence relating to a rebate case, which occurred in life insurance work in Hamilton, Ontario, last spring, was read to the Dominion Life Underwriters' convention at Toronto the other week. Here are the facts as set forth in the correspondence: An agent had been canvassing a prospect for over twelve months. Then he received a letter from his prospect thanking him for sending certain insurance literature, and adding: "Some time ago we were discussing the matter of my taking out an insurance policy with your company, but since that time, one of our chief agents persuaded me to take out a policy with another company, and he has allowed me the commission on this business. It was, of course, to my advantage to take hold of this opportunity. I trust this explanation will meet with your approval."

The original canvasser contended that he was robbed of his justly earned commission on a \$2,000 policy. The case was discussed by the Hamilton Life Underwriters' Association, by a vice-president of the Dominion Life Underwriters' Association, by its president, by its

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By Order of the Board,

E. HAY,

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grievance committee, and finally found its way to the Dominion insurance department at Ottawa. This is what the department said:—

"The company does not dispute the fact that a rebate of premium equivalent to the agent's commission has been given by ______ to _____. They do claim, however, that the rebate was given without knowledge, that it constituted a violation of the act. . . . and he accepted the rebate of the agent's commission in good faith. I may say that I feel quite sure that both parties were unaware that they were violating the insurance act."

The insurance department pointed out to the company, however, that since the discrimination was made at the time of the issue of the policy, it should be remedied, and asked the company to obtain from the man receiving it, the amount of the rebate. This was done. The company, at the suggestion of the department of insurance, also adopted a plan by which their agent's confidential report on every prospect should contain a declaration that he is not allowing any rebate of premium on the policies.

Correspondence which follows, seems to have impressed one or two members of the Dominion Life Underwriters' Association, and also the insurance department, that this feeble action on the part of the department, would prove salutary; which is not the point. Those who seemed satisfied with the department's unsatisfactory action had not then heard the discussion at the Life Underwriters' convention, and the strong feeling in evidence there of practically the entire assembly, and particularly the Hamilton association's delegates, regarding the principles involved.

Every field man knows that rebating is practised clandestinely, and that ninety-nine times out of a hundred, proof of the rebate is impossible. Here is the one-hundredth case, in which the rebate is admitted. The case is taken to the insurance department at Ottawa. Imagine the arguments used by the insurance department being used by a judge or magistrate! "As these insurance men did not know they were violating insurance law, the case is dismissed"; that is the argument in effect.

It can be stated with some degree of certainty that the majority of field men in the life insurance business in Canada are strongly of opinion that the insurance department should bring this case to its only logical conclusion. Otherwise it makes the Canadian insurance law against rebating a common joke. The insurance department might easily have cancelled the policy in question. The contention was raised by someone at the convention that as the rights of the provincial and Dominion insurance laws are being contested in the courts, nothing could be done. That seems to be incorrect. We are living under the jurisdiction of the Dominion insurance law until someone proves otherwise. Even if the offender had an Ontario license, its cancellation would not be sufficient punishment, as was suggested by one delegate at the convention.

The Monetary Times agrees with the Hamilton Life Underwriters' Association, and with the majority of the members of the Dominion Association, that this is a case where the department of insurance should show that the insurance law has backbone. It is a case, too, where the Dominion Life Underwriters' Association has an opportunity to do some practical work. If it fails it can safely count in a decrease of interest in and membership of the Association. The field men want practice as well as preaching. We believe, too, that the companies involved have every desire that the matter should be cleared up to the satisfaction of the Canadian life insurance profession.

LIFE INSURANCE AND BLOOD PRESSURE

Discussing at the recent Life Underwriters' Convention at Toronto, the question of blood pressure readings, Doctor T. F. McMahon stated that probably the greatest advance in medical selection in life insurance of recent years is connected with the subject of blood pressure. The pioneer worker in this relation is Dr. J. W. Fisher, of Milwaukee, and to him we owe most of our knowledge of the subject. The average readings are as follows: Age, 15 to 20, 119.85 mm.; 26 to 30, 123.65 mm.; 41 to 45, 128.56 mm.; 51 to 55, 132.13 mm; 56 to 60, 134.78 mm.

In the years 1907-1910, Dr. Fisher's company, the North Western Mutual Life, accepted 2,661 risks ages 40 to 60 with an average systolic pressure of 142.45. This group showed a mortality of about the same as the general average mortality of the company. During the same period they accepted 525 applicants of all ages with an average systolic pressure 152.58. This group showed a mortality of over 30 per cent. over the general average of the company.

Another group of 1,970 lives of all ages with an average systolic pressure of 161.44 were all rejected. They were carefully investigated and showed a mortality almost two and a half times greater than the company's average mortality. Even in those cases where no other impairment was recorded, the mortality was more than twice as great as the company's general mortality for the same period. These figures emphasize the importance of blood pressure readings, and show how essential it is that every examiner shall provide himself with a good instrument and study carefully the method of taking accurate readings.

MANITOBA'S NEW SYSTEM

The new government of Manitoba has put into force a financial system which should do much to prevent any such financial crimes as were perpetrated in the Manitoba parliament buildings in the past. A capable and wellqualified man has been appointed as comptroller-general of the province, by a bill in the house. He cannot be dismissed except by a two-thirds vote of the house thus, to that extent, being independent of the prevailing government. Before money can be expended by the province, the comptroller must be approached for approval. He has to satisfy himself that the proposed expenditures are legal and the prices quoted fair. If regular, the matter then goes back to the government department having the particular expenditures in hand. Later, the vouchers come to the comptroller for payment so that he has a check upon the expenditures of all the departments at various times, and what is most important, before the proposed expenditures are made. Under his jurisdiction are auditors of receipts, expenditures and purchases. As a further check, a quarterly audit of the accounts of the comptroller-general will be held by outside, independent auditors. The province will issue a statement of its purchases and expenditures every month.

This is a brief outline of some of the safeguards which have been adopted by the new government of a province which is shaking itself of an unsavory reputation gathered by its predecessors. It is a real beginning and will do much to help restore the good name of Manitoba's

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J. Greig, clerk.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—The tax rate has been fixed at 22½ mills, the net estimated expenditure being \$538,620.

Wingham, Ont.—Tenders close for an issue of \$21,600 6 per cent. bonds on October 8th. J. S. Groves, clerk.

Markham, Ont.—The waterworks by-law, involving an expenditure of \$20,000, has been carried by the taxpayers.

Port Colborne, Ont.—An electric light by-law has been carried authorizing an agreement with the hydro-electric commission.

Fergus, Ont.—A loan by-law to grant accommodation to the extent of \$25,000 for 20-years at 6 per cent., to Messrs. J. Wilson and Sons, has been carried.

Alberta.—The following school districts are empowered to borrow money: The Calgary R.C.S., \$50,000; Acme village S.D., \$1,800; Choice S.D., \$1,200; and the Black Diamond S.D., \$1,200.

Victoria, B.C.—Treasury bills of the amount of \$500,000 are to be renewed in London, England, the beginning of October. These form part of \$700,000, which were placed in the spring. The renewal has been arranged on a basis of 5¾ per cent. discount.

Toronto, Ont.—The industrial school board passed a bylaw to issue debentures amounting to not more than \$40,000. The debentures are needed to retire a mortgage of \$35,000 made 20 years ago in favor of the city of Toronto, when debentures of that amount were issued and guaranteed by the corporation of the city of Toronto.

Cobalt, Ont.—The report of Messrs. C. E. Hammond and Company, auditors, shows the town has assets amounting to \$304,559, and the liabilities at December 31st were: Current—Canadian Bank of Commerce, re loans, \$42,091; Coniagas Mines, re 4 in. water main, \$1,000; separate school for levy, \$1,636; Mining Corporation of Canada, \$11,540; bond interest due and unpaid, \$5,129; outstanding accounts, covered by notes, \$3,158; reserve for unpaid accounts, \$4,000; payment due under by-law No. 113, \$1,479; sinking fund payment, by-law No. 53, 6,246; bonds, \$51,261; less sinking fund and bond payments due, shown under current liabilities, \$7,726. General—Suspense, 97; unclaimed cheques, \$173; general fund (surplus), \$184,470.

Saskatchewan.—A report of the Saskatchewan department of municipal affairs gives some interesting statistics relating to the growth of the province. The following comparative statement taken from the report, demonstrates the growth in the municipalities of the province since the latter was created:—

					Sen	1905. tember	914. ril 30,
Number	of	cities				3	7
Number	of	towns				. 16	71
Number	OI	Villag	es			63	288
Number	of	rural	munic	cipalities		2	205
Number	of	school	distri	cts		806	352

The following is a list of debenture applications granted by the local government board:—

School Districts.—Ellastone, \$1,600. F. B. Gurney, Richard; South Slope, \$1,200. C. S. Hogg, Divide; Highland View, \$1,600. E. S. Durrant, Overland; Lewvan, \$1,600. H. W. Winder, Lewvan; Stelcam, \$1,600. W. H. Craddock, Stelcam; Killean, \$1,600. J. E. Adam, Tallmadge. South Fork, \$1,800. O. P. Cole, South Fork.

Rural Telephone Companies.—Oake Hill, \$14,000. B. P. Smith, Otthon; Gladstone, \$5,000. A. Pell, Bethune; Kent, \$2,500. A. Heinrich, Davidson; View Grand, \$2,200. A. H. O'Brien, Frobisher.

Rural Municipalities.—Glenside, \$6,000. L. V. Locker, Willowfield.

Villages.—Foam Lake, \$5,000. W. J. McDonald, Foam Lake; Birch Hills, \$2,000. A. B. Graham, Birch Hills; Glenavon, \$2,100. S. J. George, Glenavon.

Port Arthur, Ont.—Having disposed of a number of the city's bonds earlier in the year, the financial position of Port Arthur is not so bad as it might have been, intimated Mr. W. J. Gurney, city treasurer, to The Monetary Times. The floating debt at present is under \$30,000, and sufficient money is expected to be realized on the second instalment of taxes, due December 1st, to meet liabilities, including also coupon interest payable in January, 1916, amounting to approximately \$110,000. In the meantime all expenditures not absolutely necessary have been cut out. The movement of the western crop is making itself felt, whilst the encampment here of 2,000 troops means a revenue of several thousand dollars monthly. The levy of the city's various departments amounted to \$218,375, of which \$101,327 has been expended during the first six months of this year. For schools, hospitals, library and parks, the levy for the year was \$133,520, and the half-year's expenditure, \$66,294.

INVESTMENTS AND THE MARKET

News and Notes of Active Companies—Their Financing, Operations, Developments. Extensions, Dividends and Future Plans

Pacific-Burt Company.—At a meeting of the directors of the Pacific-Burt Company, the regular dividend of 13/4 per cent. was declared on the preferred stock.

F. N. Burt Company.—Directors of the F. N. Burt Company declared the regular dividend of 134 per cent. on the preferred stock and a dividend of 1 per cent. on the common stock, to shareholders on record, September 28.

National Brick Company.—At a meeting of directors, it was decided, in view of existing conditions, that it was prudent and in the interest of the holders of the company's securities, that payment of the coupons due on October 1st next, should be deferred and arranged for. A detailed statement is being prepared and will be sent to the bondholders with a proposition for their approval as to how it is best to preserve the interests of the company and its financial position.

Public Service Corporation of Quebec.—The first meeting of the directors of the Public Service Corporation of Quebec, subsequent to the organization meetings, has been held at Montreal. The board of directors is composed as follows: President, J. C. Smith; vice-president, Howard Murray; treasurer, W. S. Hart; directors, Messrs. John T. Ross, Thomas McDougall, Dr. Milton, L. Hersey, Chas. H. Branchaud, Georges Parent, G. Emile Tanguay. Mr. James Wilson is secretary of the company.

Dominion Steel Corporation.—At a meeting of directors held at Montreal, provision for the payment of the \$1,500,000 notes, due November 1st, was made. Sir Henry Pellatt stated that the corporation's bank loan had been reduced to about \$1,800,000, and that the earnings by November 1st would justify the redemption of the short-term notes. By the end of the fiscal year the directors would be in a position to consider the redemption of dividends on the preferred stock. The earnings of the company justified this payment, but it is the intention to further improve the financial position of the company before deciding on dividends.

CORPORATION FINANCE AT McCILL

At McGill University, Montreal, a special course of lectures on higher accountancy and corporation finance has been arranged. Mr. D. S. Kerr, C.A., a well-known authority, is the lecturer. The course is open to the public, and should be valuable to students preparing for the final examination of the Accountants' Association and others.

The Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada has issued an interesting pamphlet on "Life Assurance for the Women of Canada."

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G. P. SCHOLFIELD, General Manager.

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TRUST AND LOAN COMPANIES' RETURNS

Fifteen Million Dollars Placed By Fourteen Companies-Assets and Liabilities

The valuation of the assets of the 14 loan companies reporting to the minister of finance, amounts to \$70,588,019. The companies reporting are: Canada Landed and National Investment Company, Limited, Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation, Canadian Mortgage Investment Company, Central Canada Loam and Savings Company, Colonial Investment and Loan Company, Dyment Securities Loan and Savings Company, Eastern Canada Savings and Loan Company, Great West Permanent Loan Company, Hudson Roy Mortgage Company, Hudson Bay Mortgage Corporation, Mortgage Corporation of Nova Scotia, Northern Mortgage Company of Canada, Port Arthur and Fort William Mortgage Company, Limited, Real Estate Loan Company of Canada, Limited, Societe de Prets et Placements de Quebec.

These assets consist of real estate for companies' use, \$1,763,892; loans on mortgages and hypotheques, \$53,710,-084; loamed on and invested in municipal and other securi-\$1,162,442; on stocks, \$7,659,052; and on bank stocks, \$1,069,317; cash, \$3,220,803; interest due, \$591,443; office furniture, \$54,576; other property, \$580,699.

The companies' liabilities to stockholders consist of paid-up capital, \$19,238,512; reserve fund, \$9,374,363; dividends unpaid, \$328,437; unappropriated profits, \$434,377. The liabilities to the public are as follows: Debentures payable in Canada, \$6,688,124; debentures payable elsewhere, \$22,745,770; debenture stock issued, \$1,296,480; deposits payable on demand, \$5,611,174; deposits payable after notice, \$2,492,898; interest due, \$318,504; miscellaneous, \$13,766; owing banks, \$298,902; other liabilities, \$1,746,784.

Loaned Fifteen Million.

The loan companies declared dividends which average 7½ per cent., the total being \$1,514,674. During the year the sum of \$15,290,344 was loaned by these corporations. From borrowers the companies received \$16,835,753, from their depositors they received the sum of \$29,365,460, and repaid \$30,258,615.

The average rate of interest paid for borrowed money was 4.66. The average rate of interest on mortgages, 7.76, and the average rate of interest on other securities, The aggregate amount realized from compulsory proceedings taken was \$632,567. The value of mortgaged property held for sale was \$106,851, and \$112,946 was chargeable against mortgaged property held for sale. Three companies borrowed sums totalling \$1,049,480 for investment.

Trust Companies' Figures.

Thirteen trust companies reported last year to the department of finance. Their aggregate assets amount to \$10,-740,640. The companies are as follow: Canada Permanent Trust Company, Canada Trust Company, Capital Trust Corporation poration, Limited, Eastern Trust Company, Financial Trust Company, Limited, Imperial Trusts Company of Canada, Marcil Trust Company, Limited, Mercantile Trust Company of Canada, Limited, Mutual Trust Company, Limited, Prudential Trust Company, Limited, Sterling Trusts Corporation, Title and Trust Company, Western Trust Company.

Loans on real estate are the trust companies largest

asset, totalling \$5,189,797, the others being office premises, \$261,416; loans, \$113,095; government and municipal securities, \$787,400; loans on municipal securities, \$787,400; loans on municipal securities, \$4,358; loans on bank stocks, \$17,540; loans on company stocks, \$303,939; loans on securities, \$253,686; cash, \$179,928; interest due, \$168,444; office furniture, \$34,435; unpaid fees, \$81,934; other property, \$2,465,629.

The market value of real estate, government securities, etc., over book value, is shown as \$879,039.

The liabilities to shareholders are: Capital stock, paid up, \$6,061,146; reserve, \$2,541,413; unpaid dividends, \$53,-236; unappropriated profits, \$149,191; other liabilities, due for interest, \$15,130; for salaries, etc., \$27,992; borrowed on credit of company, \$510,635; all other liabilities, \$1,394,657, making a total of \$10,743.400. The total liabilities to the public amount to \$38,392,811, consisting of money in trust for investment, \$2,562,455; trust funds for investment, guaranteed, \$5,998,013; estate trusts and agencies under administration, \$29,832,343. These investments on trust account consist of first mortgages on property in Canada, \$13,238,-642; on property outside of Canada, \$20,000; government securities in Canada, \$205,500; government securities outside Canada, \$32,700; loans on government securities, \$381,591; municipal securities, \$2,182,345; loans on municipal securities, \$94,019; school district bonds, \$122,601; loans on school district bonds, \$26,784; securities authorized by terms of trust, \$6,344,875; investments other than the foregoing, \$6,214,177; holdings, which the companies as trustees kept uninvested, cash, \$870,994; uninvested and unrealized trust or agency assets, \$8,658,583.

An average rate of dividend of 6.4 was paid by the trust companies to their shareholders, which absorbed \$319,885. The average rate per cent. earned upon the trust companies' own investments was 6.75, upon trustee investments in mortgages, etc., 7.04, upon government securities, 5.29, upon municipal and school securities, 6.06, while the rate earned

on other investments was 5.6.

MONEY MARKETS

Messrs. Glazebrook and Cronyn, exchange and bond brokers, Toronto, report exchange rates as follows:-

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BANK CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS

The following are the bank clearing house returns for weeks ended September 23rd, 1915, and September 24th, 1914, with changes:-

		Week ended		
	Sept. 23, '15	. Sept. 24, '14.		Changes.
Montreal	\$ 49,619,515	\$ 50,083,676	_	\$ 464,161
Toronto	32,265,267	33,081,262	_	815,995
Winnipeg	26,159,401	33,071,813	_	6,912,412
Vancouver	5,729,039		_	1,730,247
Ottawa	3,621,212	3,795,279		174,067
Calgary	2,846,622	3,519,001	22	672,469
Quebec	3,142,236	3,882,342	_	740,106
Edmonton	1,649,900	2,365,854	_	715,954
Hamilton	2,995,927		+	389,294
Victoria	1,171,506	1,966,638	_	795,042
Halifax	2,030,819	1,043,213	+	87,606
Regina	1,525,188	2,319,210	_	794,022
London	1,622,500		+	113,731
St. John	1,442,852	1,623,367	_	180,515
Saskatoon	1,033,276	1,041,148	_	7,872
Moose Jaw	732,079	909,013	224	176,934
Fort William	451,502	846,337	_	394,835
Brantford	467,674		+	38,136
Brandon	492,300	518,383	_	26,083
Lethbridge	200,021	375,139		76,118
New Westminster	267,300	347,715		80,406
Medicine Hat	223,265	386,060	_	163,695
Peterboro	346,401	440,821		
	340,401	440,021		94,420
Totals	\$140,134,901	\$154,527,487	_	\$14,392,586

The second annual convention of the Farm Mortgage Bankers' Association is to be held at St. Louis, Missouri, on October 7th and 8th. The officers of the association are: President, F. W. Thompson, the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company. Chicago; vice-presidents, Messrs. Kingman N. Robins, Associated Mortgage Investors, Rochester. New York; O. M. Corwin, Wells and Dickey Company, Minneapolis; J. E. Maxwell, Maxwell Investment Company, Kangoo City, socretary trassurer, H. M. Hanson, Chicago sas City; secretary-treasurer, H. M. Hanson, Chicago.

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"If an applicant is otherwise a first-class life insurance risk, of mature age, of normal weight and with healthy environment, we can safely neglect a case or two of tuberculosis in his family, if there has been no recent exposure to infection," said Dr. McMahon. But this does not hold if he is markedly underweight. It is then necessary to impose a lien to protect the company during the early years.

Dr. McMahon said that it was necessary to look upon cases of cured tuberculosis with grave suspicion. A man who has had tuberculosis even though many years ago, is not a safe risk and few could be accepted without loading only under very special conditions. Tuberculosis of gland and bone within ten years of date of application for life insurance makes a substantial loading for extra mortality necessary.

Investigation, however, tends to show that if many years have elapsed and the applicant is of normal weight and otherwise a first-class risk, he may be insurable on endowment plans without loading. Whilst this may be true of hip joint disease and tuberculosis of the glands, Dr. McMahon doubted if it applied to tubercular disease of the spine. He continued :-

What Medical Investigation Shows.

Where there is a history of blood spitting, it has been customary to reject the risk. The medico-actuarial investigation tends to show that certain cases are insurable on some plan. Where there was a history of one attack within five years the mortality was 15 per cent. When the attack was between five and ten years previous it was 131 per cent. When the attacks were more than ten years prior to the application the mortality was only 102 per cent. It follows that the latter class may be insured if normal in all other respects and of mature age.

The investigation shows that where there has been one attack of pleurisy within five years of application the death rate is 146 per cent., between five and ten years 113 per cent., and over ten years 92 per cent.

It must be remembered that the best authorities state that from 70 to 90 per cent. of all pleurisies are tubercular. It follows that a definite attack of pleurisy within ten years makes the risk extra hazardous. The hazard is lessened by normal or overweight and increased by underweight and a bad family history and bad environment. In my opinion the companies have in the past treated these cases with too much leniency. Only the very best of them ought to be accepted as standard lives.

There has been a very rigorous selection in cases where sugar in the urine has been found on examination or when there is a history of sugar. The surprisingly good results in this group would not have been obtained if there had not been a super-selection. The death rate from diabetes in the class was six times the normal, but the super-selection kept down the death rate from other conditions. In my opinion the companies must exercise the same vigorous

selection they did in the past and not be led astray by the practically normal results obtained in a specially selected

The class in which albumen in the urine was found on examination or within two years showed only a moderately increased mortality, 116 per cent. The super-selection in this class as in the sugar class must be allowed for. In my company, the rule is that if albumen is found, three further examinations for albumen are made as well as a microscopic examination for casts by an expert. If those are favorable, the risk is accepted, if the applicant is young.

No case in which albumen and casts are found, is considered insurable without heavy loading. Every experienced examiner, however, is familiar with the fact that albumen is not uncommonly found in traces in a young subject, especially after violent exertion (lacrosse, football, etc.), and that further repeated examination-chemical and microscopicfails to show any indication of permanent damage to the kidney.

Overweight and Underweight,

The results of the investigation in the main tend to show that underweight increases the mortality at the younger ages of entry very decidedly, and that the mortality progressively declines at older ages at entry. Thus an underweight of from 25 to 30 pounds, shows a mortality of 127 per cent. at the ages 20 to 24, whilst at the age entry 35 to 39 the mortality percentage becomes practically normal, 101 per cent. Indeed the table seems to show that the mortality among old underweights, 45 to 62, is better than among those of average weight.

The opposite of this is true with regard to overweights. Young overweights show fairly good results, whilst at the older ages the results are surprisingly bad. Thus at the age entry 40 to 44 overweights, 35 to 45 lbs., show a mortality of 141 per cent., whilst at the age of entry, 20 to 24, such overweights show a mortality of but 104 per cent. It must be kept in mind that many overweights at the early ages of entry have disappeared by lapse or maturity of policy, before the damgerous age is reached. Were it not for this, it is almost certain that they would not show such good results. There can be little doubt, however, that the companies have been too lax in their treatment of overweights, especially after the ages of 30 to 35, and that it will be found necessary to accept such only on plans maturing at a comparatively early age and usually with loading.

Call and Kidney Stones.

A history of gall stones (bilious colic) produced a mortality of about 130 per cent., irrespective of the time that elapsed since the attack. It is therefore necessary to make provision for a considerably increased mortality in all cases with a history of gall stones.

The rigid selection that the companies have always exercised in this impairment has kept the mortality unexpectedly low—from 123 per cent. down. The number of cases is not sufficiently large to draw safe conclusion therefrom, and in my opinion it will still be necessary for the companies to accept them only for policies maturing at an early age and usually with loading.

The results seem to justify in the case of asthma, the provision for an increased mortality of about 30 per cent., when there have been two or more attacks within five years of application.

Irregular or Intermittent Pulse.

In the class where an irregular pulse was found at examination the results were surprisingly good-95 per cent. It is probably that in many of these cases repeated examinations were made, for the companies have always looked with suspicion on such applicants. If an irregular pulse is found at only one of several examinations, it is probably that the applicant may be accepted at the standard rates. Persistent irregular pulse cannot be treated in the same way.

It is somewhat surprising that intermittent pulse did not show such good results, the mortality being 13 per cent. in excess of normal. There is a vast difference between a persistently irregular or intermittent pulse and one found only rarely or occasionally. Persistent irregularity or intermit-tence always calls for a heavy loading.

The investigation showed rapid pulse to be a very serious impairment. Applicants with a pulse rate of 90 to 100 showed a mortality of 172 per cent. Such cases can be accepted only after repeated examinations to show whether the rapid pulse is a temporary or persistent condition. If

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persistent, a pulse rate of 90 calls for provision for an extra mortality of 50 per cent., and a pulse of 100, an extra mor-

tality of 85 per cent. or more.

Where there was a definite history of syphilis, the mortality was 179 per cent., where suspicious, but doubtful, it was 138 per cent. It must therefore be considered a very grave impairment and treated accordingly by granting only short-term endowments with loading.

SEED CRAIN LOANS

A Winnipeg correspondent writes The Monetary Times: "We have been deeply disappointed by the action of the Dominion government in yielding to the clamour of country storekeepers and the newspaper press, and agreeing to postpone payment of a portion of the seed grain indebtedness.

As a result very little will be collected this year, notwithstanding the fact that the farmer this year has got very close to two years' crop in one. It is simply dishonest to close to two years' crop in one. It is simply dishonest to allow the lien, which is prior to our securities, to remain undischarged. If the government wishes to make a good fellow of itself by giving an extension of time, the lien ought certainly to be removed."

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ALLIES' HALF BILLION LOAN ARRANGED

United States in Reality is Extending Credit to Good Customers—Bonds Are Direct Obligations

The discussions between the Anglo-French financial commission and the American bankers have resulted in the formation of a definite plan for a loan to the British and French governments, to be issued in the United States on a broad and popular basis.

"The proceeds of the loan will be employed exclusively in America for the purpose of making the rate of exchange more stable, thereby helping to maintain the volume of American exports," was the statement of Sir Henry Babington Smith, a member of the Anglo-French loan commission in New York. Lord Reading, chairman of the commission, made a similar statement in Chicago.

In explanation, the commissioner said: "The plan contemplates the issue of \$500,000,000 5 per cent. 5-year bonds, constituting a direct joint and several obligation of the British and French governments, as regards both capital and interest. No other external loan has been issued by either of these governments apart from notes of the French treasury to a limited amount, maturing in the next six months. The bonds will be repayable at the end of five years, or convertible, at the option of the holder, into 41/2 per cent. bonds of the two governments, repayable not earlier than 15 years and not later than 25 years from the present time by the two governments jointly and severally.

"The bonds will be issued to the public at 98, yielding approximately 5½ per cent. to the investor. The work of offering this loan will be carried out by a syndicate which Messrs. J. P. Morgan and Company and a large group of American bankers and financial houses will at once set about to form. Such group will include representatives throughout the country, and all members of the syndicate will be on precisely the same footing. This syndicate, whose business it will be to arrange that every investor shall have an opportunity to subscribe to the issue, will contract to purchase the loan from the two governments at 96."

Mr. H. P. Davison, of the firm of Messrs. J. P. Morgan and Company, issued this statement, on behalf of his firm:-

"The commission has made plain, by its statement, that it has determined at the outset to recognize investment conditions in the United States. It proposes to meet these conditions by issuing an obligation which is without precedent—namely, the joint and several promise to pay of Great Britain and France. To this it has attached terms which mean a yield to the investor of about 5½ per cent. per amnum, and carry with them a conversion privilege calculated, upon the return of normal conditions, to prove of distinct value to the holder of this bond.

"The interests of the small investor are also consulted in the decision which the commissioners have arrived at to issue the bonds in denominations as low as \$100, and to allow subscribers to make instalment payments for the loan. It is to be noted that, as the commission has stated, this is an external loan, free from all present or future British and French taxes.

"It is proposed by the commission that the proceeds of the loan be handled so as in no way to disturb our own money markets, and to that end the general plan will be to leave the cash realized from the bonds on deposit with banking institutions which become members of the syndicate throughout the United States. This proposed loan may, in fact, be considered as an arrangement made by United States commercial and agricultural interests with their regular customers to accept deferred payments covering commodities purchased.

"The agricultural, manufacturing and financial interests of this country should welcome the opportunity to extend credit to any solvent customer where the extension of such credit furthers United States trade. The normal export trade of this country to Great Britain and France runs into many hundreds of millions of dollars annually. To preserve such trade under the existing abnormal conditions we believe the proposed arrangement to be imperative, and, accordingly, we and the many banking institutions and financial houses that will be associated with us, will act as managers without compensation."

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Banking Figures for War Year

A UGUST Bank Statement indicates Changes that have Occurred in Canadian Financial and Commercial Fields during past Twelve Months — Deposits Abroad Show Large Increase.

Deposits on demand	August, 1915. . \$334,022,174
Deposits after notice	
Current loans in Canada	. 758,342,735
Current loans elsewhere	. 44 968,445
Loans to municipalities	. 46,020,730
Call loans in Canada	. 71,855,565
Call loans elsewhere	. 120,607,677
Circulation	. 99,610,962

The above are the principal changes during August in the statement of the chartered banks of Canada. Among the noticeable changes are the following.—

Demand or business deposits show a decrease of about \$7,000,000, after notice deposits were increased by less than one million, while deposits elsewhere were up by twenty-nine millions during the month. Current loans in Canada were at a standstill. Loans to municipalities were larger by \$2,000,000 and call loans in Canada showed a small growth. Call loans abroad rose about \$3,000,000. Circulation was \$99,000.

The following table shows the trend of the Canadian loans account for the past thirteen months and is an index to the volume of trade during a year of war:—

	Current in	Call in
Loans.	Canada.	Canada.
1914—August	. \$836,574,099	\$69,229,045
September	. 826,514,621	70,063,414
October	. 816,623,852	70,201,939
November	. 794,269,220	69,394,407
December	. 786,034,378	68,511,653
1915—January	770,118,911	66,154,891
February	. 771,635,208	67,591,769
March	. 760,138,883	68,245,261
April	. 762,931,851	68,599,095
May	. 760,631,113	71,516,953
June	759,934,154	73,628,187
July	. 758,349,517	71,168,233
August		71,855,565

A contraction of \$78,000,000 is thus shown in comparison with the August, 1914, return of current loans in Canada. Call loans in Canada stand at the second highest figure for the thirteen months under comparison.

The following table shows the course of call loans abroad since July, 1914:-

IOI4—August	Call loans abroad.
1914—August	\$ 96,495,473
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September	89,521,589
October	81,201,671
November	74,459,643
December	85 012.004
1915—January	85,796,641
February	20 200 082
March	89,890,982
	101,938,685
	121,522,971
May	136,098,835
June	124 604 875
July	117,821,174
August	120,607,677
	120,007,077

An upward tendency is shown in call loans after a two months' shrinkage.

The following table shows the fluctuations of loans at home and abroad during the past five years:—

August.	Current loans in Canada. \$734,683,962 852,045,624		s Call loans in Canada. \$65,106,110 75,194,735	Call loans elsewhere. \$101,713,820
1913	0 - 0 - 1	46,339,928	67,233,983	90,041,292
1914		47,314,832 44,968,445	69,229,045	96,495,473
1915	758,342,735	44,900,443	1-,-33,303	120,007,077

		Year's	Month's	
July, 1915.	August, 1914.	inc. or dec.	inc. or dec.	
\$340,950,215	\$338,984,418	- 1.1	— 1.7	
691,731,719	659,399,151	+ 5.007	+ .14	
758,349,517	836,238,633	- 8.1	0008	
41,784,633	47,314,832	— 6.3	+ 7.3	
44,029,446	. 39 664,534	+ 17.9	+ 4.5	
71,168,233	69,229,045	+ 2.8	+ .96	
117,821,174	96,495,473	+ 25	+ 2.5	
100,412,424	114,551,525	— 13.1	— .7.	

Current loans in Canada are below the average for the month of August. Current loans elsewhere, call loans in Canada and elsewhere are all three above the average for the month shown.

The following table shows the course of domestic deposit accounts for the past thirteen months:—

	On demand.	After notice.
1914—August	\$338,984,418	\$659,399,151
September	0 0 /	658,401,501
October	348,732,830	659,806,682
November	350,884,153	665,994,852
December	349,909,953	662,830,037
1915—January	329,916,730	666,960,482
February		671,088,613
March	339,514,286	676,875,790
April	347,325,937	686,075,124
May	347,346,869	691,891,287
June	349,057,351	683,761,432
July	340,950,215	691,731,719
August	334,022,174	692,580,626

Demand or business deposits showed a decrease of about eight millions in July, and are further reduced in August by \$7,000,000. After notice deposits continue to increase, though by a smaller amount this month. Deposits elsewhere grew by over \$29,000,000.

The deposits record for the past five years for the month of August is given in the following table, compiled by The Monetary Times:—

Augus	t.	On demand.	After notice.	Total.
1011		\$311,111,668	\$575,740,956	\$ 886,852,624
1912		360,575,425	643,663,596	1,004,239,021
1913		0	619,032,847	977,354,772
1914		338,984,418	659,399,151	998,383,569
1915		334,022,174	692,580,626	1,026,602,800

Including the sum of \$128,109,996 deposited abroad, Canada's banks' deposits aggregate \$1,154,712,796. Without foreign deposits, however, the August total is the largest on record for that month.

MANITOBA FINANCES

When the present government assumed power in Manitoba, there were unpaid accounts of \$1,096,000. Hon. Edward Brown, the new provincial treasurer, in an interview with *The Monetary Times* last week, explained that to meet these accounts, \$1,000,000 had been borrowed from the provincial telephone commission. From the commission's replacement fund, \$725,000 had been taken, and \$275,000 idle capital, making up the million. The commission had been receiving a lower rate of interest, but with the provincial government bonds, they were now getting an additional revenue of \$15,000 a year.

The public works department, said Mr. Brown, between now and November 30th, 1916, will require \$1,000,000. The provincial treasurer has arranged with one of the banks for an overdraft for this amount at the rate of 5 per cent. on the

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NAME OF BANK	Capital Authorized	Capital Subscribed	Capital Paid Up	Amount of rest or reserve fund	Rate per cent. of last dividend declared	Notes in circulation	to Dom. Gov. after deducting advances for credits, pay-lists, etc.	Balances due to Provincial Govern- ments	Deposits by the public, payable on demand in Canada	Deposits by the public payable after notic or on a fixed day in Canada
	\$	8	8	s		l ·s	8	8	8	8
1 Bank of Montreal	25,000,000	16,000,000	16,000,000	16,000,000	10	15,206,917	7,271,008	2,521,213	65,473.527	110,067,068
2 Quebec Bank		2,734,700	2,734,620	1,308,655	7	1,619,128	54,312	412,085	3,327,143	9,485,423
3 Bank of Nova Scotia	10,000,000	6,500,000	6,500,000	12,000,000	14	7,172,900	391,766	130,431	22,611,528	38,091,82
4 Bank of British North America		4,866,666	4,866,666	3,017,333	8	3,507,005	70,657	1,273,096	10,803,560	24,634,64
5 Bank of Toronto		5,000,000	5,000,000	6,000,000	11	3,814,117	88,429	39,939	16,083,215	28,700,90
6 Molsons Bank		4,000,000	4,000,000	4,800,000	11	3,520,075	90,583	291,463	9,113,090	28,149,926
7 Banque Nationale	5,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,800,000	8	3,526,715	51,422	172,748	3,302,197	14.819,867
8 Merchants Bank of Canada	10,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	10	6,336,725	467,261	697,829	16,599,507	43,350,437
9 Banque Provinciale du Canada 0 Union Bank of Canada	2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	650,000	7	1.143,253	27,552	169,368	1,824,730	6,640,610
O Union Bank of Canada	8,000,000	5,000,000	5.000,000	3,400,000	8	4,812,179	695,204	9,505,074	19,561,435	31,390,53
1 Canadian Bank of Commerce		15,000,000	15,000,000	13,500,000	10	12,380,467	2,369,813	3,843,925	62,890,096	88,972,44
2 Royal Bank of Canada		11,560,000	11,560,000	12,560,000	12	12,230,011	364,008	677,419	30,361,717	80,105,08
3 Dominion Bank		6,000,000	6,000,000	7,000,000	12	3,754,460	87,052	136,513	15,599,922	39,790,32
4 Bank of Hamilton		3,000,000	3,000,000	3,600,000	12	2,662,975	81,161	1,553,472	9,127,372	23,960.46
5 Standard Bank of Canada	5,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	4,000,000	13	2,717,728	36,438	817,117	10,268.888	25,380,77
6 Banque d'Hochelaga	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	3,700,000	9	3,049,197	40,376	109,288	4.316,997	16,788.05
7 Bank of Ottawa	5,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,750,000	12	3,344,335	111,866	754,055	8,220,076	29,576,92
8 Imperial Bank of Canada	10,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	12	4,872,892	768,324	1,992,346	17,476,933	34,668,54
9 Home Bank of Canada	5,000,000	2,000,000	1,945,465	400,000	5	1,155,445	320,075	665,407	1,863,958	6,724,03
Northern Crown Bank	6,000,000	2,862,400	2,858,689	150,000	6	1,623,991	48,991	813,300	3,216,777	6,299,10
Sterling Bank of Canada	3,000,000	1,266,600	1,203,207	300,000	6	1,000,785		61,957	1,635,843	4,534,97
Weyburn Security Bank	1,000,000	632,200	316,100	125,000	5	159,662	*		343,663	448,64
Total	188,866,666	114,422,566	113,984,747	113,060,988		99,610,962	13,436,298	26,638,045	334,022,174	692,580,62

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		t Gold and		Don	ninion No	otes	Minister security	ral gold			er bks. in ed, inclu- iscounted	Dep'sits made with	Due from banks	Due from bks. and
NAME OF BANK	In Canada	Else- where	Total	In Canada	Else- where	Total	Deposit with Mini of Finance for secu of note circulati Deposit in central	Notes of other banks	Cheques on other banks	Loans to other Canada, secured ding bills redisc	and bal. due from other banks in Canada	pond'ts in the United King.	banking corres- pond'nts else- where than in Canada and U.K.	
	8	8	9	\$	8	9	8	8	\$	8	\$	\$	8	8
1 Bank of Montreal	12,140,081	3,215,797	15,355,879	26,191,253	1,292	26,192,545	790,000	500,000	1,430,406	4.176.585	300,000			20,917,599
2 Quebec Bank	357,087		357.087	774,961		774.961	102,000		133,337	625,135			357,499	337,493
Bank of Nova Scotia	2,802,100		4,764,505	12,427,395	3,420	12,430,815	345.136	1,750,000	761,427	2,916,403		20	963,226	
4 Bank of Brit. North America	1,836,289	177,235	2,013,524	2,824,222	96	2,824,318	1,424,581		343,069	1,485,273		4,755	505,963	
5 Bank of Toronto	927,088		927,088	7,476,263		7,476,263	247,217		319,574 348,609	2,155,301 1,322,098		615	209,421	2,101,772
6 Molsons Bank	1,058,313	0.040	1.058.313	3.049.601		3,049,601	190,000	1,500,000	267,380	873,729		14,718 3,455	929,772	
7 Banque Nationale	189,467	9 846	199,313	1,146,875		1,146,875	100.000	1,000,000	582,865	2,061,687	.,	3,122	2,064,821	534,900 1,368,926
8 Merchants Bank of Canada	2,549,272	1,955	2,551,227	7,541,863		7,541,863	345,000	1,000,000	342,597	704,146		651,209	27,418	
9 Banque Provinciale du Canada	81,509	100 700	81,509	98,272		98,272	60,100		582,158	1,985,465		49,762	10,380	
Union Bank of Canada	974,707	109,520	1,084,227	4,740,110	135	4,740,245	260,000		1,557,732	4,779,770		1,082	978,727	
1 Canadian Bank of Commerce	4,913,118	9,663,076	14,576,195	10,372,125	9,730	10,381,855	783,460 578,000	1,500.000	2.718,919	4,425,406		2,317	1,271,021	2,905,103
2 Royal Bank of Canada 3 Dominion Bank	5,138,788 1,639,297	0,512,907	11,651,756	17,100,569	411	17,100,980	260,000	140001000	628,647	1,583,830		44	719,669	
Bank of Hamilton	666,861		1,640,012	9,346,188		9,346,188 3,502,009	155,000	100,000	264,240	1,198,355		220,177	646,006	
5 Standard Bank of Canada	785,814		666,861 785,814	3,502,009 3,292,422		3,292,422	150 000	200,000	249,738	1.175,352			731,836	
6 Banque d'Hochelaga	371,222		371,222	2,546,920		2 546,920	166,473		487,278	931,234		170,256	54,355	
7 Bank of Ottawa	1,063,556	250,000	1,313,556	3,978,992		3,978,992	206,000		333,705	1,025,211		2,747,021	405.673	
8 Imperial Bank of Canada	1,668,953	200,000	1,668,953	11,255,065		11,255,055	330,000		597,446	1,796,204		512,427	359,241	
9 Home Bank of Canada	118,674		118,674	793,335		793,335	89,600		118,053	239,182		254,825	19,688	213,509
Northern Crown Bank	309,908		309,908	588,236		588,236	109,492		145,076			92,487	20,724	
Sterling Bank of Canada	44,151		44,151	582,328		582,328	56,900		91,737			10,000	24,281	
Weyburn Security Bank	14,733		14,733	71,877		71,877	13.790		11,600	4.302		51,838		54,311
Total	39,650,988	21,903,516	61,554,507	129,700,871	15,084	129,715,955	6,762,749	6,550,000	12,315,593	36,215,352	300,000	4,790,130	23,964,024	49,990,466

Of the deposit in Central Gold Reserves \$3,500,000 is in gold coin; the balance is in Dominion Notes.

ITALY PLACES ORDERS

The Monetary Times recently stated that a purchasing representative of the Italian government was in Canada to place orders. A contract for 100,000 pairs of blankets and 600,000 woolen shirts has been placed with Canadian mills by the Italian Government Commission in London. The Dominion department of trade and commerce has assumed responsibility for the inspection of the goods. Representatives of Canadian firms sent to London secured the orders, which approximate \$1,000,000.

Progress is being made in Saskatchewan and Manitoba in the licensing of insurance agents. Lists of agents have been issued by Superintendents Fisher and Ham, who add that further certificates are being granted daily.

COBALT ORE SHIPMENTS

The following are the shipments of ore, in pounds, from

Cobalt Station for the week ended September 24th, 1915:—
Penn-Canadian Mines, 56,680; La Rose Mines, 87,285;
Dominion Reduction Company, 88,000; Mining Corporation of Canada (Cobalt Lake Mine), 85,800; Mining Corporation of Canada, 69,144; Buffalo Mines, 113,015. Total, 500,124 Pounds, or 50, 124; Buffalo Mines, 113,015.

124 pounds, or 250 tons.

The total shipments since January 1st, 1915, are now 22,589,324 pounds, or 11,294.6 tons.

A pamphlet, "How to Finish British Columbia Wood," showing the possibilities of the various native woods when used as interior finish, can be obtained free from the forest branch, Victoria, B.C.

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						LIABIL	ITIES						
Deposits elsewhere than in Canada	Loans from other banks in Canada secured, including bills re- discounted	Deposits made by and balan- ces due to other banks in Canada	ents in the United	Due to banks and banking correspond- ents else- where than in Canada or the U.K.	Bills payable	Accept- ances under letters of credit	Liabilities not included under foregoing heads	Total Liabilities	Aggregate amount of loans to directors, and firms of which they are partners	Average amount of current gold and subsidiary coin held during the month	Average amount of Dominion Notes held during the month	Greatest amount of notes in circulation at any time during the month	
\$	8	9	8	9	8	8	8	s	8	8	8	8	
55,418,656	Φ	4.232,738	8,737	341,277	2,470,609	3,572,252	780,848	267,364,854	683,832	15,483,137	21,975,818	15,908,087	1
33,416,000		253,328	339,921	4,349		53,440	198,730	15,747,863	373,915	353,047	828,653	1,691,148	2
11,687,128		6,528	27,698	741,766		78,858	1,715	80,942,147	475,690	4,659,489	13,649,897	7,279,497	3
		4,057	10,419	281,962	2,674,387	1,446,894	41,743	48,255,162	65,070	2,032,265	3,084,284	3,737,273	4
0,000,111		82,222		178,277		243,171	137,904	49,368,182	123,701	923,425	7,991,553	3,980,500	5
		164,832	78.097	93,807		164,923	107,507	41,774,306	576,152	1,056,996	2,861,819	3,717,480	6
926,203		2,791	125,373	2,972		1,475	233,261	23,165,029	292,726	200,130	1,159,480	3,562,820	7
271,497		1,058,320	2,132	390,359		704,192	5,622	69,883,885	850,844	3,549,232	8,470,591	6,467.905	8
		1,478	1,313,999				9,122	11,130,121		79,102	106,835	1,239,963	10
720,566		11,649	345,786	1,129,232	341,007	334,408	104,749	68,951,829	742,037	1,118,626	4,209.649	4,876.929	11
20,241,065		475,126	4,896,635	3,319,170	81.719	2,257,281	377,663	202,105,411	925,381	12,483,000	10,739,000	12,444,000	12
34,430,004		286,785	60,853	3,079,441	406,598	273,653	351,709	162.627,291	716,471	11,891.876	17,176,719	12,579,235	13
908,136		173,461	1,092	428,775	217,704	1,602,186	86,768	62,786,396	975.927	1,628,709	9,349,419	3,933,260	
		109,452		145,738		63,153		37,703,795	210,508	654,416	2,427,796	2.808,035	14
		258,353				14,161		39,493,463	23.464	784,251	3,963,752	2,739,633	16
		214,197	58,874	178,702		86,510		24,842,196	257,093	355,026	2,329.870	3,117,562	
		15,311	12,135	153,529		4,367	56,151	42,248,755	106,660	1,308,543	4,067,481	3,421,380	17
		20,500	1,504	93,407		22,949		59,917,400	322,392	1,657,672	12,739.918	5,164,180	
		490		16,839				10,746,253	89,132	118,660	1,150,500	1,245,800	19
	300,000	2,738		271,406		5,586	48,983	12,630,882	260,978	326,489	669,903	1,680,260	
		139,663	48,117	,,,,,,		684	4,623	7,426,649	217,074	41,127	580,343	1,089,410	
							37,769	989,739	10,546	14,735	68,638	182,317	2
128,109,996	300,000	7,514,019	7,331,372	10,851,008	6,192,024	10,930,143	2,584,867	1,340,101,608	8,299,593	60,719,953	129,601,918	102,866,674	

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Domin'n Govern- ment and Pro- vincial Govern- ment securi- ties	Can. municipal securi- ties, and Brit., foreign and colonial public se- curit's other than Can.	Railway and other	Call and short loans in Canada on st'cks debent- ures and bonds (not ex- ceeding 30 days)	Call and short loans else- where than in Canada (not ex- ceeding 30 days)	Other current loans and discounts in Canada	Other current loans and disco'nts elsewhere than in Canada	Loans to the Govern- ment of Canada	Govern- ments	Loans to cities, towns, muni- cipalities and school districts	Over- due debts	Real estate other than bank pre- mises	Mort- gages on real estate sold by the bank	Bank premises at not more than cost, less amounts (if any) written off	Liabilities of customers under letters of credit as per contra	Other assets not included under the fore- going heads	Total Assets
8	8	8	\$	8	8	. 8	8	9		8	8	8	8	S	8	9
464,091		15,221,028		74,778,668	94.817.033	5,308,339			9.746,733	537,768	749	176,186	4,000,000	3,572,252	3,110,779	303,206,194
95,590	345,258	1,760,508	2.930,726	14,770,000	9,745.156	3,000,000		1,240,000	188,627	275,325	53,550	11,360	1,613,171	53,440	146,386	19,906,616
1,666,712		4.958.789	6,737,285	6,305,540	41,006,898	5,585,547			284,251	281,183	316,425	3,662	2,410,954	78,858	88,690	100,260,965
1,000,712	3,023,286	125,174	2,137,297	3,795,566	22,230,355	6,595,715		3,274	4,637,292	310,661	18,221	13,187	2,220,745	1,446,894	267,558	58,364,580
434,939	944,341	1,097,526	2,363,490	0,730,000	37,442,262	0,000,710			1.924.842	219,483			3,273,222	243,171		61.380,534
452,517	1,503,426	1,495,866			30,294,413				1,597,356	246,647	90,305	5,070	1,990,783	164,923	187,672	51,151,267
	1,165,033	1,019,428	2,395,425		16,197,376				570,393	28,664	165,739	101,364	954,093	1,475	13 001	27,237,650
695,076	1.406,544	4,968,584	4,096,174	611,975	48,117,582	122,763			1,320,355	274,843	122,837	15,201	4,273,620	704,192	177,287	84,426,553
	1,383,624	1,610,966			5,545,637	122,700			420,517	118,557	43,298	33,397	53,500		144,154	12,871,318
570,707	409,610	3,434,139		4,311,564	43,970,208	588.016		2,926,717		347,806	237,220	110,467	1,066,726	334,408	1,826	78,248,769
2,283,257		16,897,137	7,974,218	17,104,875	124,289,560	8,209,453				1,119,542	1,162,102	367,001	4,730,302	2,257,281	63,909	232,490,001
1,362.479	3,170,876	13,630,749	8,708,165	10,363,809		18,410,282		44,146		659,821	1,026,208		5,305,610	273,653	121,687	188,483,784
547,692	1,073,255	4,504,542		3,331,680	36,432,675	115.617		**,140	506,278	471,579	20,331	14,220	5,541,750	1,602,186		76,426,447
276,614	2,994,401	591,785			26,393,869			44,003		156,949	346,653	80,679	2,080,361	63,153	282,331	44,859,636
604,431	1.387,275	653,903			30,615,129			*******	999,383	452.523	20,000	1,300	1,163,309	14,161	34,211	46,747,387
759,579	1,787,650	309.529	520,240		21,172,410				893.840	764,316	64,133	56,534	1,394,508	86,510	25,478	33,091,923
1,170,537		706,624	598,918		28,644,758				2,932,111	89,456	134,948	97,936	1,760,082	4,367	99,456	51,768,597
2,653,227	1,057,155	931,842		4.000	36,508,373				6,350,756	135,642	181,293	447,938	2,540,413	22,940	64,291	75,116,083
	32,110	267,558			7,597,823				138,356	71,199	20,585	67,759	651,501		9,413	13.114,589
62,325	155,963	1,522,289	55,165		10,384,572				436,175	559,157	48,781	97,134	376,002	5,586	69,107	15,740,872
	626,593	445,254	582,658		5,686,251				164,672	15,653		13,000		684	54,450	9.013,626
	9,314				923,839				27,564	49,388	3,712	2,655	145,800		46,111	1,430,839
14.099,773	34,955,836	76.153,820	71,855,565	120,607,677	758,342,725	44,968,445	5 000 000	4.436.568	46.020.730	7,186,162	4.077.090	1.716.050	47.820.895	10 930 143	5 007 797	1,585,338,230

T. C. BOVILLE, Deputy Minister of Finance,

WHAT FRANCE IS SPENDING

The war is now costing France \$13,800,000 a day, according to an official report made recently by the chairman of the budget commission.

The report estimates that up to January 1st, 1916, France will have spent \$6,100,000,000, of which amount \$4,400,000,000 is attributed to the present year. The monthly average expenditure, which at the beginning was \$260,000,000, now exceeds \$414,000,000. Britain's daily expenditure, as shown on another page, is \$22,500,000.

The September bond circular of Messrs. Sidney Spitzer and Company, 115 Broadway, New York, contains, among other municipal bond offerings, issues of Edmonton, Alta., schools and Swift Current, Sask.

Men are resorting to life insurance for the protection of their homes as never before in the history of the world, and the life insurance companies of America take the lead imboth the volume of business written and in force. The mutual companies are vying with each other to reduce the cost by the allowance of annual dividends, and companies writing mon-participating policies fix the premiums at the lowest rates consistent with security. Although the good work accomplished through life insurance in enabling many thousands to maintain their homes who otherwise would have been in financial distress, is beyond any mere money calculation, its sphere of usefulness would be greatly enlarged if the different commonwealths would co-operate by lessening the burden of taxation and otherwise encourage the work of helpful legislation.—James M. Craig, president the Actuarial Society of America.

SINKING FUND OR INSTALMENTS?

Which is the Better Municipal Finance?—Interest in Mr. Thomas Bradshaw's Paper

In The Monetary Times of September 17th and 24th was printed an interesting analysis of municipal finance methods by Mr. Thomas Bradshaw, F.I.A., Toronto. This discussion has aroused considerable interest, especially among civic officials who are by no means in agreement on the subject.

Mr . H. L. Corbett, city treasurer, Ottawa, is unusually interested in the articles, especially as he had a great deal to do with putting through the first issue of instalment debentures made by the city of Ottawa, and which met with a favorable reception.

"Under section 288, subsection 4, of the Municipal Act," says Mr. Corbett, "there seems to be two ways of issuing equal annual instalment debentures. The first method provides that the interest and principal shall be combined. is the method usually employed by small municipalities, where the interest and principal is put on the face of each debenture, and under these circumstances one party must purchase or hold the lot and consequently has a tendency to limit the market and lower the yield to the seller, as against sinking fund debentures. The second method provides that, without combining the principal and interest, the instalments of principal shall be of such amounts that, with the interest in respect of the debt, payable annually or semi-annually, the aggregate amount payable for principal and interest in each year shall be, as nearly as possible, the same, in other words, the annuity calculation is made for the issue, the same as the first method, but by having annual or semi-annual coupons attached for interest, the debentures can be made in round sums of not less than \$100 for the principal, having coupons attached for the several years of the whole, so that when the different purchasers send in their semi-annual coupons, just one-half of that year's interest under the annuity plan would be paid, and when the other half-year's coupons were sent in, the holders of debentures due that year would be paid off, the debenture holders each year dropping out as their holdings matured until the last year of issue is paid.

Preserves all Good Features.

"This preserves all the good features of sinking fund debentures, and consequently widens the field for purchasers, giving the large investors a chance as well as the small, besides it does away with the investment of sinking funds and makes the annual charge against the ratepayer much less. The Municipal Act of Ontario, at present, does not provide for the issue of serial instalment debentures, this method being greatly in vogue in the United States. It has the advantage of issuing in rounded sums, thus doing away with many odd debentures, as under the annual instalment plan mentioned in the municipal act; but on the other hand, owing to the reducing payments annually, the amounts put on the rolls are changing amnually, but this should be no drawback to their issue, as a schedule of the annual payments for the issue could be prepared, and this would be a guide for the person putting the annual charges on the roll.

Where Serial Plan Would be a Boon.

"There is one other place where the serial plan would be a boom to accountants, and that is in the matter of depreciation on plant and machinery. In depreciation there is generally four methods employed: The straight line or percentage method, the reducing balance method, the sinking fund method and the annuity method. Why not the serial method, which would write off depreciation in round numbers? And this plan fits in well with the theory, that, in the earlier years of a property, when repairs and renewals are least, the larger amounts are being written off annually, thus equalizing the annual charge for the life of the property."

Does not Agree.

Mr. W. D. L. Hardie, city clerk, Lethbridge, Alta., writing *The Monetary Times* in regard to the articles in question, says: "Why you or Mr. Bradshaw should jump on the redemption fund bond and condemn it by placing the returns on sinking fund moneys at 3 per cent., is inexplicable, when

cool reason is applied to the comparison between the two forms of bonds—the sinking fund bond and the equal annual instalment bond.

"In the consideration of an equal annual instalment bond, the first assumption is that a sinking fund is considered as part of the bond itself and is assumed at the same rate of interest as the bond carries on its face. This being the fact, which is often overlooked, then to compare it, as you have, with a sinking fund bond, allowing only 3 per cent. earning power of the sinking fund, is unfair. If this test is applied and a fair comparison is made the pseudo-reasoning that has lately become fashionable in favor of the equal annual instalment bond, is at once exploded.

Citing an Example.

"Take the case of a \$5,000 15-years, 5 per cent. bond and we have: In the equal annual instalment bond a total of \$2,225.665 interest and \$5,000 principal, making a total of \$7,225.661/2.

"In the case of the sinking fund bond we have: The sinking fund cost, at 5 per cent. earning power, the equiva-lent of .046342 cost of redemption, plus .05, the interest, making the total percentage 9.6342 per cent., or .096342, which multiplied by \$5,000, and 15-years, gives \$7,225.65, or in other words the sinking fund to redeem the bond will cost \$3,475.65, and the interest on the bond will amount to \$3,750, making a total of \$7,225.65, which is in exact agreement with the total cost of the equal annual instalment bond.

"You are quite right when you say that the town or city which will not analyse the merits of alternative financing plans is in the wrong position, and the one who will not duly weigh the advantages of the redemption fund bond is certainly in a wrong position.

"The fad of damning the sinking fund bond is largely due to the poorly managed affairs of the metropolitan debts of Boston and vicinity.

"If the equal annual instalment bond had been as grossly handled there, as the redemption fund bond, it can be easily imagined that the final result would have been no better. can imagine it much worse."

SASKATCHEWAN INSURANCE RETURNS

During 1914, 175 insurance companies operated in Saskatchewan, according to Superintendent Fisher's report, classified as follows: Fire insurance, 86; life insurance, 35; hail insurance, 6; plate glass insurance, 3; accident insurance, 29; mutual fire insurance, 9; fraternal societies, 7. Of this number 145 were Dominion licensees and 32 provincial licensees. In many cases companies have taken supplementary licenses.

During the year 1914 and up to July 2nd, the following companies formerly operating in the province have with-drawn: Canadian Phœnix Insurance Company, in liquidation; reinsured with the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Central Canada Insurance Company, in liquidation; reinsured with the British Colonial Fire Insurance Ridgeford Mutual Fire Insurance Company, in Company. liquidation; reinsured with the Saskatoon Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Western Hospital and Accident Insurance Company, in liquidation; reinsured with the Merchants Casualty Company, Western Life Assurance Company, license cancelled on account of failure to make deposits required by the act. Lumber Insurance Company, withdrawn. Canadian Millers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, withdrawn

The following companies applied for the release of their deposits: Canadian Phoenix Insurance Company, to be re-leased September 2, 1915; Central Canada Insurance Com-pany, to be released July 29, 1915. The Canadian Railway pany, to be released July 29, 1915. The Canadian Railway Accident Insurance Company has changed its name to the Globe Indemnity Company of Canada. The results of the companies' operations in Saskatchewan are shown in the following table:

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	Ne	t premiums.	Claims paid.
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Fire		2,428,480	1,177,817
Guarantee and accident			154,733
Hail		747,838	173,443
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Its Scope and Influence—Value of a Policy—Keeping the Home Intact

The scope and influence of life insurance in the world to-day was the subject of a prize essay competition conducted by the Dominion Life Underwriters' Association. The first prize went to Mr. J. B. Morissette, of Quebec, a past president of the Association, which recently held its annual convention. Mr. Morissette is associated with the North American Life Insurance Company at Quebec. Here are his ideas as to the scope and influence of life insurance:—

To define the real and genuine influence of life insurance, it would be necessary to open a daily diary and enter therein, from day to day, the numerous and beneficial blessings resulting therefrom, and even then its true value and unsurpassed worth would be only half understood, for, although life insurance is to-day a product of an advanced civilization, there is not, I believe, any other subject of such vital importance to the people and to the future of our country, regarding which there is so much popular ignorance. Whether such ignorance is due to the fact that life insurance has never been put before the public in a plain and easily understood way, either by its representatives or by advertising, is hard to say; nevertheless, its true advantages are certainly frequently, if not altogether, overlooked. Anyone who turns away a man who comes to talk of life insurance is not to be understood: it is ignorance—it is a lack of love and home—nay, we must say it is no more nor no less than an expression of bad will to protect those who need and have a right to our protection.

What Life Insurance Is.

Happily, the insurance business is growing better each year, and the world also is growing wiser and better each year that we live. In the development of life insurance we behold the beginning of a new tendency or force which destines ultimately to supply man's material needs on a rational and sure basis of mutual co-operation, thereby liberating his energies for the development of his higher which higher and better nature always impels man to seek for his happiness not in self-indulgence, nor in the heaping up of material things, but in unselfish service to mankind. When taken in this light, life insurance becomes a great spiritual force, instead of being merely a potent economic factor; viewed again in the same light, it can easily be seen that life insurance promises to do more for the real advancement of our race than any experiment, whether political, social or religious, of which history has left a record. Even at the present day, when the constantly increasing cost of living yields little hope to the man of ordinary income to create an estate for his loved ones, life insurance comes in with its life-filling mission; people in every walk of life are striving to live decently and acquire a competence for old age; the great, big majority of men, young middle-aged and old, have someone depending ound them who will suffer in body, mind and spirit; and sound life insurance is one for the great state. life insurance is one of the greatest, if not the greatest, aid to the end at which they are aiming.

To Keep Home Intact.

Life insurance in its proper application is one of the triumphs of modern civilization. It is so general and broad in its uses and advantages that it rightfully takes its place in the fundamental progress of society. It is again owing to the salutary influence of life insurance, very often indeed, that a man is enabled to keep intact the home, the sweetest place on earth; through the beneficial aid of life insurance he has been enabled to perpetuate that one spot which is supreme; that one spot where whatever a man does he is seen at his best; that one spot where a man's fame is always secure, where his efforts are understood and appreciated. Look around you, men of to-day—and you also, rising men of the present generation—and just stop to consider for one moment that if, unfortunately, the wheel of good luck, which has always favored you, should suddenly reverse its course, whither would you look for assistance? Among the many friends whom you count in time of prosperity, few, if any, would be in a position to tender you a helping hand—the majority need help themselves. Life insurance again comes in with its powerful influence. A good, sound policy of life insurance is a factor in itself—its never failing supremacy

is only surpassed by its well-tested and appreciated discretion. Look at it the way you want to, the human side of life insurance is the tremendous factor in it. Insurance is one of the greatest humanizing forces in the world, yet it has not yet used the forces of life. Life insurance is not a luxury—it is a necessity and should be treated as such. "Man," as remarked by a well-known insurance man, "has two sides, the human, personal side, which his relatives and friends love, and the purely commercial and money-earning side." This latter side is all that life insurance now considers. He is an interest earner. He is a money-making machine, and insurance is principally what makes the man's worth to-day. Unfortunately, a great many policyholders do not appreciate the true value of the policy they have.

TEACHING LIFE INSURANCE

Life Underwriters Should Have Libraries—Lectures to Universities

Mr. C. H. Emerson, of the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company, Brantford, at the recent Life Underwriters' Convention, discussed the advisability of lectures on life insurance in secondary and commercial schools and universities. Such a course, said Mr. Emerson, first, would produce a vast number of insurants who would regard insurance as one of the normal and indispensable things of life. Second, it would create a safe and influential body of public opinion which would tend to discourage freakist and unjust legislation.

"Admitting the desirability of such instruction," said Mr. Emerson, "we have to meet the practical question, how can this best be brought about? Public opinion would not sanction the use of public funds for giving it. Educational authorities will not voluntarily change the present curricula to include insurance as a subject of study. For the present, it would appear that whatever is done must be done by the underwriters and companies themselves. The most that can be expected from our boards of education is passive assistance.

What Insurance Men Can Do.

"It does not appear to be impossible that an arrangement might be made between the local life underwriters' associations and the boards of education in our cities to provide for a series of lectures to be given in secondary schools. The association would undertake to provide the lecturer, while the board would give the necessary authority and provide a place on the time table for the course.

"Most of the commercial schools in Ontario and probably

Most of the commercial schools in Ontario and probably in most parts of Canada, are owned by individuals or corporations and all arrangements could be made direct with the proprietors. It is possible that a man could be found in each of our cities who could lecture on some other subjects as well as insurance and thus make the course remunerative to the lecturer, and subject to examination on part of the student.

the student.

"In this connection every life underwriters' association should have a library and a librarian. Standard works on insurance, together with reports of all legal decisions and all other matters of interest would then be available to all underwriters at a minimum of expense. The library would be of immense advantage if a local lectureship were established.

Lectures to Universities.

"By the extension of these lectures to the universities of Canada the greatest gain to the business can accrue. I would suggest that a lectureship, to be known as the Life Underwriters' Foundation, be established in every provincial university in Canada. We could safely model our course after such lectureships as the Gifford and Hibbert Foundations of Britain. The lecturer would be appointed yearly and be chosen from among the outstanding men of the profession, the cost to be borne by the life underwriters' associations and the companies. Sufficient funds should be raised to provide for the remuneration of the lecturer and also for the publication of his lectures where such was deemed desirable. The lectures should be given in the general course, and attendance made compulsory. At the outset we should provide for three years, then if experience warrants it, the foundation should be endowed and perpetuated."

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Some Economic Changes Produced By War in Europe— Indebtedness and Loans

British investments abroad of \$17,500,000,000, French foreign investments of \$6,500,000,000 and Germany's \$2,500,000,000 to \$5,000,000,000 invested abroad was suggested as the basis for their commanding influence in the world's commerce by Dr. E. E. Pratt, chief of the United States bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, at the Investment Bankers' Convention. English money, he said, just before the war was going into foreign and colonial investments to the extent of a billion dollars annually and French capital about one-fourth that amount, while Holland

and Belgium also contributed freely.

"As a result of the great European war we face a series of changes and new facts in the economic and financial world. We observe the increasing importance and independence of the United States as an industrial nation, exporting its products to all parts of the world. We observe that the United States has suddenly attained a favorable balance of trade and credit and has converted her position as a borrower in the world's markets into that of a lender. We observe the increasing importance and independence of New York as a financial centre. We observe the increasing use of the dollar as a medium of international payment. lenders, therefore, in the international market it behoves the United States to study the offerings of foreign invest-

"In spite of the fact that during August, September and October the United States foreign trade almost utterly languished, the excess of exports over imports for the last fiscal year was greater by \$1,094,419,600 than ever before. For the last six months of the fiscal year 1915 the excess of exports accrued at the yearly rate of \$1,940,000,000. If we can accept the meagre figures of July and August as a criterion, and if the average of these months is maintained throughout the year, the excess of exports over imports will amount to not less than \$1,464,000,000 for the fiscal year 1915-16.

Balance of Trade.

"But this is not the true balance of trade or the true credit balance. Subtract such items as interest charges payable abroad, the expenditures of United States tourists, Subtract such items as interest charges the remittances of money sent abroad to friends and relatives, the freights paid to ocean steamships owned by other countries, and the relief sent abroad for the stricken countries of Europe. These payments, even at present, reduced as some of them are, amount to not less than \$500,000,000 per annum. The total excess of exports over imports as estimated on the basis of the last few months indicate a total for the fiscal year 1915-16 as \$1,400,000,000. These figures indicate created assets abroad amounting to \$900,000,000, and it may be argued that the United States must invest that amount abroad if it is to keep the exchange rates anywhere near normal. Only the slightest tax on domestic profits will be necessary in order to considerably enlarge the amount of exports of capital.

"It is proper to consider at this point whether or not this is a purely temporary situation, and also whether or not we are likely to be able to continue our volume of foreign trade and the large favorable balances, which will furnish the wherewithal for investment. The essential question involved is whether we will be able to handle the foreign markets which are being obtained. United States progress has been noteworthy, especially in South America, where trade has greatly increased in the last three months.

"The whole problem rests squarely on the costs of production, whether the United States will be more or less able to meet European costs after the war. It is important in discussing this point to consider such important facts as mterest, wages and taxes. It can scarcely be argued that taxes will be less in Europe after the war. It is evident that taxes will be less in Europe after the war. the tremendous debts that are being piled up will not be paid off within the next 50 to 100 years. Labor, at any rate, able-bodied, efficient labor, is likely to be scarce at the end of the war, because the best mechanics of Europe are now in the front ranks of the fighting armies. It has been the universal experience that following the great wars of the last century that interest rates have been higher, and it seems logical that from the vast destruction of capital which

is going on in Europe and the diversion of capital from productive uses, it will be scarce in quantity and great

in demand at the close of hostilities.

"The best available statistics seem to indicate that the sum total of the indebtedness of the United States to European countries amounts to \$6,500,000,000. It is said that probably holdings on foreign securities amount to not less This would leave the United States' than \$1,500,000,000. net indebtedness to the rest of the world at something like \$5,000,000,000. Recent inquiries seem to indicate that this figure, which has been commonly accepted, is too large, that the actual amount may be less by one or two billion dollars. The exact sum is unimportant, but its distribution is important. Sir George Paish estimated the distribution to be as follows:-

Paish's Estimate (about 1910).

Great Britain	\$3,500,000,000
Germany	1,000,000,000
Holland	750,000,000
France	620,000,000
Belgium, Switzerland and other Euro-	
pean countries	130,000,000
Total	\$6,000,000,000

"Mr C. K. Hobson, however, in his recent work on the subject of export capital, estimates the amounts to be:-

Hobson Estimate (1899).

England	\$2,500,000,000
Holland	240,000,000
Germany	200,000,000
Switzerland	75,000,000
France	
Other European countries	35,000,000
Total	\$3,100,000,000

Foreign Loans Made.

"The United States has become a capitalist nation, not only theoretically but practically. Since the outbreak of the great European war the United States has made formal loans to foreign countries to the amount of \$257,090,000.

Loans Raised in New York from July 1st, 1914, to September 15th, 1915.

Summary.

Canada .		 	 \$131,090,000
Latin Ame	erica	 	
Europe .		 	 82,000,000
То	tal		\$257,000,000

"This large figure does not, however, express the sum total of all loans to foreign countries during the last few months. The rapidity and volume of recent European purchases in this country have not permitted the floating of formal loans. Instead, credits have been organized here on behalf of foreign purchases and payments for merchandise have been made against these credits, many of which have been bank credits. The total amount of such credits cannot, of course, be given with accuracy, but it is likely that they exceed \$250,000,000.

"Up to the present year, New York and the United States have been only on the outer fringe of the world of international finance. There have been a few foreign loans floated in New York—a few loans to Canada, Mexico, Central and South America and Japan."

Quebec's civic finance committee has decided to renew the insurance on the soldiers from that city. The number of men on the list totals 264. Nineteen claims, amounting to \$13,500, on which the city paid \$604 premiums, have been settled.

Out of 48,000 male native students enrolled in Germany's 22 universities at the outbreak of the war, 43,000 have volunteered and gone into service. In addition about four-fifths of the students in technical schools are at the front or have been killed or wounded in action. The most patriotic university is Tubingen, with 85 per cent. of its students in arms. Berlin University still has 2,800 students in attendance.

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Problem of Transportation and Keeping Grain Moving is Greater Than That of Financing

The financing of grain has been carried on in about the usual way, excepting that in some cases where grain was bought by the agents of the allied governments, payment has been made at the seaboard at the time of loading, Mr. S. T. Smith, retiring president of the Winnipeg grain exchange, told the members in his address. The British government, in order to facilitate the movement of grain, has been carrying all war risks and insurance on cargoes to the United Kingdom. The arranging of sterling and New York exchange has been at times a difficult matter, and large premiums have been paid in some instances by grain shippers for transferring funds.

Mr. Smith said several special features enter into the

marketing of the present crop.

The facilities for handling and financing the grain as it is delivered into the elevators throughout the country, this being the first stage in the operation of marketing the crop. I do not see any great difficulty in this connection, as there have been extensive additions made to the elevator storage capacity through the building of many elevators at various points by private companies, and by the Dominion government having erected and put into operation three large interior storage elevators. While it is certain that all available elevator capacity and storage room will be needed, there ought not to be any particular congestion so long as the railways can get the crop forward to the head of the lakes. It is quite likely that the financing of the grain at this stage will present no difficulties, as the banks have large amounts of money on hand and are preparing to place funds at the disposal of the grain trade in such amounts as may be necessary from time to time to handle the crop. The transporting of the grain from the head of the lakes to the seaboard is a much greater problem and in my opinion will be a much more difficult matter than in former years.

Handling of Createst Crop.

2. We are commencing to handle the largest crop that this country has ever harvested and will, therefore, need a greater amount of vessel tonnage this season than ever before. The facts are, however, that a number of vessels have during the past year been taken out of the Great Lakes trade and put into ocean carrying trade and are chartered in most cases until November. From 30 to 40 boats formerly operating on the Great Lakes, that were small enough to be sent through the canals to Montreal, have been chartered for this ocean trade, and this, of course, cuts down to that extent the available tonnage from Fort William and Port Arthur to Canadian ports. It is now considered that with all the available Canadian lake vessels working to their full capacity from the present time until the close of navigation, there can be moved about 35,000,000 to 40,000,000 bushels of grain to the Canadian lower lake ports and Montreal. Under normal conditions there will be considerably over 100,000,000 bushels of grain arriving at the head of the lakes before the close of navigation, so it will be seen that a large proportion of Canadian grain will have to go in American bottoms via Buffalo and on through United States seaboard ports. United States boats at the present time are employed in moving ore, and it is expected that this movement will keep up until the close of navigation, and will, therefore, engage a great deal of space that would otherwise be available for the movement of grain. During the fall of 1913 until the close of navigation, there was moved a total of 126,000,000 bushels of all kinds of Canadian grain from the head of the lakes. Of this amount, about 56,000,000 went in Canadian bottoms to Canadian lower lake ports, thus leaving about 70,000,000 to go through Buffalo and other United States ports. 1914, during the same period, a total of 66,000,000 bushels were shipped, of which 48,000,000 went in Canadian bottoms to Canadian ports, and only about 18,000,000 to Buffalo and other United States ports.

As western Canada develops and crops increase, it will be to the best interests of Canada that the largest possible proportion of our grain finds its way to the seaboard through all-Canadian channels instead of going partly via the United States ports. There has been a large amount of ocean-going tonnage taken out of the regular trade for the carrying of troops and munitions, and there is, therefore, a considerable

cutting down in the available space for shipping grain from the seaboard. It will be a difficult matter to keep the crop moving if at any time the eastern terminals get blocked through a shortage of ships to carry the grain out of the country. Any blockade at the seaboard will, of course, rapidly cause congestion everywhere. The United States winter wheat harvest has been delayed by rainy weather, and it now seems as if the whole bulk of the United States winter wheat, spring wheat and Canadian wheat will be going forward at the same time. As many of the regular lines of steamers out of Montreal have been taken over by the government for carrying war supplies, every effort should be made to encourage tramp steamers to come into Montreal, and in that way endeavor to relieve the elevators at that port and make room for the oncoming stream of boats from the head of the lakes.

CONDITIONS AT FORT WILLIAM

Discussing with *The Monetary Times* conditions at Fort William, Ont., Mr. S. C. Young, mayor, says that matters are much improved in that district as compared with a year ago. Surplus labor has been taken up with the exception of a few Chinese, who were engaged in the laundry business heretofore, and it has been found difficult to get suitable employment for them in other lines.

The 1915 wheat crop is moving eastward. Transportation companies are busy handling the crop. Wholesale and retail business shows a marked improvement, and should show a greater improvement towards the end of the year, as the purchasing power of the people becomes greater.

RAILROAD EARNINGS

The following are the railroad earnings for the first three weeks of September:—

Canadian Pacific Railway.

			1915.	1914.	Inc.	or dec.
September	7	\$:	2,002,000	\$2,110,000	-\$	108,000
September	14		2,214,000	2,496,000	- :	282,000
September	21		2,408,000	2,578,000	-	170,000
		Grand	Trunk R	ailway.		
September	7	\$	1,091,711	\$1,095,669	+ \$	3,958
September	14		1,044,808	1,096,932	_	52,124
September	21		1,051,589	1,082,811	_	31,222
		Canadian	Northern	Railway.		
September	7	\$	283,300	\$ 320,000	-\$	36,700
September	14		417,700	458,700	_	41,000
September	21		481,400	566,700	-	85,300

The Canadian Northern Railway's August figures are:-

Gross earnings	1915. \$1,192,800	1914. \$1,367,700	Increase or decrease. — \$174,900
Expenses		1,123,000	- 160,000
Net earnings		244,700	- 5,900
Mileage in operation	4,965	4,670	+ 295

The Canadian Patriotic Fund is assisting 20,000 families of men who have enlisted for overseas service. The drain upon the fund is assuming large proportions, and to meet the needs of July and August \$700,000 was expended. The reserves are being materially decreased and the mational executive committee is making a further appeal to the Canadian public.

The members of the Life Assurance Association of Quebec, at their annual meeting, elected their officers as follows: President, J. T. Chenard; first vice-president, M. Monast; second vice-president, A. Lesage; secretary, Victor Lemieux. The association has approached the provincial government in connection with the matter of licensing agents, and it is understood to have the promise of the provincial treasurer, Hon. Mr. Mitchell, that a law will be passed at the next session of the legislature.

NEW INCORPORATIONS

Large Steamship Company—Export Association Gets Charter

Canada's new companies incorporated recently number The head offices of these companies are located in six provinces. The total capitalization amounts to \$7,528,900.

The largest companies are:-

France and Canada Steamship Company, Limited \$1,000,000 Gould Allied Mines, Limited 2,000,000
Munroe Consolidated Gold Mines, Limited 1,000,000 The Russel Natural Gas and Oil Company, Limited 1,000,000

Grouping the new concerns according to provinces in which the head offices are situated, we have the following results :-

	No. of	
Province.	companies.	Capitalization.
Ontario		\$4,650,000
Quebec	17	1,737,900
Alberta		1,060,000
Manitoba	2	40,000
British Columbia	4	40,000
New Brunswick	I	1,000
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	48	\$7,528,900

The following is a list of charters granted during this week in Canada. The head office of the company is situated in the town or city mentioned at the beginning of each paragraph. The persons named are provisional directors:-

Medicine Hat, Alta.—Red Deer Ranch, Limited, \$60,000. Round Hill, Alta.—The Goss Collieries, Limited, \$100,000. Victoria, B.C .- D. L. Gillespie and Company, Limited, \$10,000.

Lethbridge, Alta.-London-Alberta Petroleum, Limited, \$ 500,000.

Bazanson, Alta.-McDonald Land and Trading Company, Limited, \$20,000.

Prince Rupert, B.C.-McCaffery, Gibbons and Doyle, Limited, \$10,000.

Mont-Joli, Que.—Rouleau, Limitée, \$40,000. J. O. Rouleau, N. H. Girard, J. A. Claveau.

Brandon, Man.—P. J. Harwood, Limited, \$20,000. P. J. Harwood, O. L. Harwood, E. P. Garland.

St. Thomas, Ont.-Moody and Clark, Limited, \$40,000. W. G. Richardson, W. A. Fenn, T. Bryant.

Beauharnois, Que.-Guimond and Carignan, Limited,

\$30,000. G. Carignan, E. Marchand, J. C. Trudeau.

Winnipeg, Man.—Purity Puffed Products, Limited, \$20,000. J. I. Murray, J. W. Stainton, J. R. Eastwood.

Quebec, Que.—La Compagnie Electrique d'Armagh, \$140,000. C. E. Gauvin, J. Leclerc, C. M. McKenzie. Orillia, Ont .- Orillia Molybdenum Company, Limited,

\$200,000. R. C. Dunbar, J. E. Tudhope, J. F. Tudhope. St. John, N.B.-Schooner Viola Pearl Company, Limited,

\$1,000. D. McClelland, J. G. Armstrong, H. McCavour. Bowmanville, Ont .- The Darlington Gravel Company,

Limited, \$40,000. L. W. Reade, C. R. Stein, J. B. Mitchel.

Bracebridge, Ont .- The A. R. Wattie Cold Storage Company, Limited, \$40,000. J. E. Wattie, M. L. Watt, E. Green.

Sorel, Que.-The Sorel Steel Foundries Company, Limited, \$100,000. L. P. Tremblay, N. Latraverse, J. A. Barrette.

Vancouver, B.C.—The Northwestern Hotel Company, Limited, \$10,000; British Columbia Pharmacal Company, Limited, \$10,000.

Calgary, Alta.—United Cattle Company, Limited, \$20,-000; Hub Cigar Store, Limited, \$50,000. B. B. Sand and Gravel Company, Limited, \$20,000.

Sherbrooke, Que.-Canadian Box and Shook Mills, Limited, \$49,900. H. R. Fraser, F. S. Rugg, Cora M. Coombs; Electro Zinc Company, \$24,000. L. D. Adams, J. P. Wells, C. D. White.

Edmonton, Alta.—Sturgeon Consolidated Collieries, Limited, \$200,000; Eezee Paints, Limited, \$20,000; People's

Loan and Mortgage Company, Limited, \$25,000; the Smoky and Peace River Boat Company, Limited, \$25,000; Shaw's, Limited, \$20,000.

Ottawa, Ont.-Specialty Paper Bag Company, Limited, \$100,000. I. W. Smith, G. M. Malone, A. Mearns; the Russel Natural Gas and Oil Company, Limited, \$1,000,000. J. G. Hackland, A. A. Pinard, D. L. Beaudet; Gould Allied Mines, Limited, \$2,000,000. J. K. Paisley, C. W. Mitchell, H. H. Short.

Toronto, Ont.—Lindsay Factories, Limited, \$50,000. G. E. Lindsay, S. W. Burns, T. W. Horn; International Supply Company, Limited, \$40,000. A. W. Holmested, H. C. Draper, Edith M. Carruthers; Globe Securities, Limited, \$40,000. A. Cohen, E. Marks, L. A. Davenport; Munroe Consolidated Gold Mines, Limited, \$1,000,000. R. McKay, D. I. Grant, G. Grant; Canadian Cartridge Company, Limited, \$400,000. W. S. Morlock, B. V. McCrimmon, R. B. Whitehead.

Montreal, Que.—Eugene Des Ormeaux, Limitée, \$20,000. J. R. E. Des Ormeaux, G. Normandin, J. Brousseau;
Cafe Nice, Limitée, \$20,000. J. Gravel, C. A. Mitchell, J.
Gravel, Jr.; the Wilson Hotel, Limited, \$20,000. J. A. Wilson, O. Robert, G. Saint Pierre; Mount Royal Canadian
Club, Limited, \$10,000. A. Sauvage, E. Corbeil, J. B. Corbeil; La Compagnie de Bois de Sciage de Rosemont, Limitée beil; La Compagnie de Bois de Sciage de Rosemont, Limitée, \$20,000. P. J. Perrin, A. Cava, E. Desmarais; Maison Villeneuve Incorporated, \$20,000. J. D. Lauzon, J. F. Villeneuve, F. Lauzon; France and Canada Steamship Company, Limited, \$1,000,000; Harris Heating and Engineering Company, Limited, \$25,000. J. A. Harris, E. Desy, L. A. Desy; Castings Company of Canada, Limited, \$49,000. H. Cohen, A. Ellison, S. G. Metcalfe; the Export Association of Canada, Limited, \$100,000. W. R. L. Shanks, D. P. Gillmor, G. R. Drennam; A. J. Alexandor, Limited, \$50,000. J. E. C. Elliott, L. E. A. D'Argy Mailhiot, S. H. Read.

PERSONAL NOTES

Mr. F. H. Russell, manager for Canada of the Railway Passengers Assurance Company, is now on a business trip to the Pacific Coast.

Mr. J. F. Weston, managing director of the Imperial Life Assurance Company, and Mr. H. T. Roesler, supervisor of investment, are visiting the western offices of the

Mr. A. R. Doble, Montreal, who has recently returned from England, will act as the Canadian representative of the Colonial Bank, and as a result will retire from the Royal Securities Corporation, of which he has been vice-president for the past three years.

Mr. J. Scott, of Messrs. John Scott and Company, chartered accountants, Winnipeg, has been appointed auditor of the accounts of the provincial comptroller-general. Mr. Scott is also the auditor of the Great-West Life, the Standard Trusts, and other large corporations.

Mr. T. H. Purdom, K.C., president of the Northern Life Assurance Company, is visiting Western Canada. Accompanying him are Messrs. R. C. McKnight, manager of investments, and G. M. Thomas, inspector. At Saskatoon, Mr. Purdom, in discussing the company's Saskatchewan investments, said: "We find the loans are in a very satisfactory condition."

Mr. O. J. Godfrey, of Indian Head, Sask., has been elected president of the Dominion Association of Chartered Accountants, to succeed Mr. Alfred Shaw, of Vancouver; Mr. C. L. Richardson, of Edmonton, vice-president, succeeding Mr. Godfrey; Mr. Thomas Grant, Regina, secretary, succeeding Mr. G. E. Winter, Vancouver, secretary-treasurer. Regina has been chosen for the next annual convention vention.

Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance, discussing the Allies' loan, said: "New York is Canada's international exchange centre, and any improvement in sterling exchange rates will be for our benefit as well as for that of the United States. The export movement of our crop, food products and manufactures, is financed by the sale of sterling bills in New York, and the price obtained for them has an important bearing upon the price obtained by our producers and manufacturers."

RECENT FIRES

The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Aultsville, Ont.—September 24—Mr. C. Hollister's residence. Loss and cause not stated. Three deaths.

Bathurst, N.B.—September 22—Bathurst Lumber Com-

pany. Loss, \$150,000. Cause, spark from open burner.

Belleville, Ont.—September 22—Mr. J. J. Flint's residence. Loss, \$1,000. Cause unknown.

Charlottetown, P.E.I.—September 19—Schooner "Vera B. Roberts," owned by Mr. M. Benjamin, Parrsboro, N.S. Loss and cause not stated.

Ellice, Ont.—September 23—Mr. J. Taylor's barn. Loss, \$4,000. Insured with Elma Mutual. Cause unknown.

Hamilton, Ont.—September 18—Royal Hamilton Yacht Club's building. Loss, \$20,000. Insured. Cause not stated.

Montreal, Que.—September 23—Princess Theatre. Loss, \$40,000. Insurance, \$115,000 Commercial Union, \$5,000 Travellers Indemnity, \$1,200 Maryland Casualty. Cause not

September 26-Benoit and Sons, sash and door factory. Loss, \$20,000. Cause, sparks from machine. Three deaths.

North Walsingham Township, Ont.—September 24-Mr. W. Hosner's residence. Loss and cause not stated. Two deaths.

Ottawa, Ont.—September 23—Collegiate Institute. Loss, \$40,000. Insurance totals \$305,000, divided as follows:

Caledonian, \$5.00; Sun, \$5,000; London Assurance Com-, \$7,500; Mercantile, \$10,000; Alliance, \$10,000; London and Lancashire, \$10,000; Canadian, \$5,000; German-American, \$5,000; Atlas, \$5,000; Fidelity-Phenix, \$5,000; British America, \$10,000; British Colonial, \$5,000; Liverpool Manitoba, \$5,000; Queen, \$5,000; North America, \$10,000; Western, \$5,000; Equitable, \$5,000; Ætna, \$5,000; Hartford, \$5,000; Scottish Union and National, \$5,000; Northern, \$10,-\$15,000; Commercial Union, \$5,000; Normern, \$10,000; Royal, \$20,000; Phemix of London, \$15,000; Yorkshire, \$15,000; Union, \$15,000; Liverpool and London and Globe, \$15,000; Commercial Union, \$5,000; Norwich Union, \$10,000; Law, Union and Rock, \$7,500; St. Paul, \$10,000; New York Underwriters, \$5,000; Phemix of Hartford, \$5,000; Home, \$15,000; North British and Mercantile, \$20,000; Globe and Rutgers, \$10,000.

Port Hope, Ont.—September 21-Mr. G. Smith's dwell-

ing. Loss and cause not stated.

Rodney, Ont.—September 28—Mr. J. McArthur's barns
Lacuscope \$2,600. Cause and stables. Loss, \$5,000. Insurance, \$3,600.

Rossland, B.C.—September 19—Mr. T. Davidson's residence, Cook Avenue and Spokane Street. Loss, \$800. Cause

Salem, Ont.—September 5—Tannery. Loss, \$3,000. Insurance, building, \$1,000. Origin unknown.

Sidney, Ont.—September 22—Mrs. M. Terril's residence.

Loss and cause not stated.

Sydney, N.S.—September 19—Mr. Drake's residence, Lover's Lane.

Thorold, Ont.—September 21—Mr. D. Jackson's residence, Queen Street. Loss, \$1,500, partially insured.

Toronto Ont.—September 21—Chi (Smith), report shows

Toronto, Ont.—Acting Fire Chief Smith's report shows

the following losses :-

September 16—Store and dwelling of Sing Lee, 72 Edward Street, owned by Harton Walker. Cause, overheated ward Street, owned by Harton Walker. Cause, overheated flat iron. Loss, contents, \$150; building, \$300; store and dwelling of Onofil Giovannelli, 74 Edward Street, owned by Harton Walker. Loss, contents, \$10; building, \$10; dwelling of Mrs. M. Bush, 70 Edward Street, owned by Harton Walker. Loss, building, \$25; building of J. Clarke, 152 Bedford Park Avenue, owned by M. Madden. Cause, defective stove pipes. Loss, building, \$100.

September 17-Dwelling of K. Sherman, 106 D'Arcy Street, owned by D. Rotstein. Cause, overheated gas stove.

Loss, contents, \$25; building, \$25.

September 21—Dwelling of Jos. Sacks, 39 Bellevue Place. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$25; building, \$25.

Winnipeg, Man.—September 25—Pulford Block, Donald Street. Loss, R. I. Boyd's bookbindery, \$700; the Saratoga Poolroom and Bowling Alley, \$300; Olympia Cafe, \$180. All losses covered by insurance.

BRITAIN CAN BEAR THE BURDEN

It Had Worse Financial Burdens, Relatively, To Face a Century Ago, Says Sir George Paish

In measuring the financial strength of nations a great many factors have to be weighed and given their due importance. An old country with an established population, enjoying a great fund of wealth accumulated through the centuries, and possessing a complete system of roads and railways, must be measured by standards that do not apply to young countries with their populations liable to fluctuate widely in numbers, with their newly acquired wealth susceptible of sudden contraction, with incomes subject to heavy reduction from time to time, and with roads, railways, and houses at all times insufficient for their needs. Thus says Sir George Paish in an article in the London Statist, an advance proof of which he has sent to *The Monetary Times*. An old country, he continues, owing nothing to other lands runs little or no financial danger, however great may be its national debt; whereas a young country possessing only a relatively small national debt may experience difficulty in meeting its obligations if its income is suddenly reduced by any one of several causes. In the case of an old country with an established income the debt is merely due from the nation as a whole to individuals within the nation, and the interest it pays comes back to its government in taxation, either directly or indirectly. But a young country usually incurs debt to a foreign nation, and then the interest paid on the debt does not come back to its government in

Britain's Debt a Century Back.

THE MONETARY TIMES

How large an indebtedness an old nation can incur without serious strain and without much discomfort is shown by the experience of Great Britain in the Napoleonic wars of a century ago. In 1816, after these wars were over, Great Britain's population was about 20,000,000, her accumulated wealth was no more than £2,500,000,000, and her income did not exceed £300,000,000, yet she incurred a debt of £895,000,000 with an annual interest charge of £33,000,000. It is true that at that time the taxation of the poor was heavy, but, on the other hand, the taxation of the rich was light, and no one ever doubted the country's power to meet a debt charge which called for 11 per cent. of the nation's annual income, or to carry a debt that was equal to over one-third of the nation's total wealth and to three times the nation's annual income. Such a debt charge would, however, severely strain the powers of a young country, as the latter would probably owe abroad the greater part of the sum borrowed.

One is now discussing war debts-not debts incurred to increase production. Money raised for the latter purpose. if not expended too rapidly or too unwisely, should bring about a great expansion of income, and enable the borrowing country easily to meet any interest it has to pay. The British obligation of nearly £900,000,000 in 1816 was debt incurred for purely unproductive purposes, and the interest upon it had to come out of an income not appreciably increased by the creation of the debt.

Experienced no Difficulty.

And the British people experienced no difficulty in meeting this great burden of interest, which was equal to 11 per cent. of their total income. Moreover, in 1816 the total annual expenditure of the government reached £65,000,000a sum equal to over 25 per cent, of the nation's entire income.

Great as may be the debt incurred in the present gigantic war, and great as may be the governmental expenditure thereafter, the burden of the interest and expenditure will be nothing like as great as was the burden of interest and expenditure in 1816 and in succeeding years in relation to the power of the country to bear it, says Sir George.

The burden of taxation in England has thus been growing smaller from decade to decade over the last century until it has become quite unimportant in comparison with the national income available for paying it.

In no country in the world, with the exception of the United States, has the burden of taxation been as light as it has been in Great Britain in proportion to the national income.

NOTICES

LIQUIDATOR'S SALE OF THE ASSETS OF C. W. SHERWOOD COMPANY, LIMITED

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon, standard time, on the 11th day of October, 1915, for the purchase of the entire assets, except book accounts, belonging to C. W. Sherwood Company, Limited, or for the purchase of any one of the following portions of the said assets:-

I. Building.

The Purchaser of the Building must assume the mortgage thereon, of approximately \$240,000.00, including interest to date.

The building is situate on lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, in Block 372 in the City of Regina, with a frontage of 125 feet on Albert Street and 162 feet on Victoria Avenue. It is a three-story and basement brick, structural steel, stone faced building encased in concrete, with felt and gravel roofing. The Building is fitted with a Linde Canadian Refrigeration plant, a complete Sprinkler System, Vacuum Cleaning Plant, double electric passenger elevators, two freight elevators and storage rooms on the fourth floor. The building and site cost the company \$500,000.00.

2. Stock-in-trade.

A stock of merchandise consisting of a complete Departmental Store stock at a cost valuation of approximately \$200,000.00.

3. Fixtures.

The fixtures and equipment consists of show cases, counters, furniture, cash registers, pneumatic cash system, office machines, wagons, horses, delivery auto and various other fixtures and equipment usual to a large Departmental Store. The fixtures have a book valuation of approximately \$60,000.00.

The stock records and further details may be seen at the premises—corner of Albert Street and Victoria Avenue, Regina, Saskatchewan-on application to the liquidator; or full information may be had by applying at the offices of Messrs. Gordon, Mackay and Company, Wholesale Mer-

chants, at the City of Toronto, Ont.

Terms of Sale: Twenty per cent. cash, including the ten per cent. marked cheque hereinafter mentioned, on acceptance of a tender, and the balance payable in thirty days, with interest at 6 per cent., and to be secured to the satisfaction of the Liquidator and Inspectors.

Tenders must be addressed to W. L. Lofft, Liquidator of C. W. Sherwood Company, Limited, Regina, Saskatchewan, and be accompanied by a marked cheque payable to the order of the liquidator for ten per cent, of the amount of the tender, which will be returned if the tender is not accepted. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

> W. L. LOFFT. Regina, Sask., Liquidator of C. W. Sherwood Company, Limited.

CITY OF SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN

DEBENTURE INTEREST DUE OCTOBER 1st, 1915.

Holders of City of Saskatoon Debentures, payable at the Union Bank of Canada in Toronto and Montreal, are requested to present their Interest Coupons, due October 1st, 1915, for payment at the Bank of Montreal, in either of the above-mentioned cities.

ANDREW LESLIE, City Clerk.

Saskatoon, Sask., September 20th, 1915.

The Dominion Stamping Company. Limited, with Ontario charter, has changed its name to Dominion Forge and Stamping Company, Limited.

NOTICES



SPECIAL NOTICE CONCERNING PASSPORTS

The attention of intending applicants is directed to the fact that the regulations governing the issue of passports are on the eve of amendment in the direction of increased stringency, and that it will no longer be possible to receive

a passport while one waits, or by return of post.

Every application must be accompanied by two unmounted photographs of each person to be mentioned in the passport, one photograph to be certified by the person vouching for the applicant as being the latter's photograph.

Passports cannot be issued to persons already abroad. Such persons should apply to the nearest British Mission or Consulate.

Passports cannot be sent by mail to persons abroad, and in this category are included residents of Canada taking steamer at New York or any other port beyond the bounds of the Dominion.

> JOSEPH POPE, Under Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, 31st August, 1915.

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements under this heading are accepted at the following rates:
"Positions Wanted" advts. one cent per word each insertion; "Positions Vacant," "Agents or Agencies Wanted" advts. two cents per word each insertion; all other condensed advertisements, three cents per word each insertion. A minimum charge of 50 cents per insertion will be made in each case. All condensed advts. are payable in advance; 50% extra if charged.

AN ESTABLISHED INSURANCE office at Halifax, Nova Scotia, requires the General Agency for Nova Scotia of a good Fire Insurance Company in order to take care of a rapidlygrowing business. This is an exceptional opportunity to place your Company in a good position with a live, progressive, business-getting insurance office, backed up by 20 years' experience in this field, who can give the right Company a large volume of good business. Address "Halifax," c/o The Monetary Times, Toronto, Ont.

INSPECTOR - A tariff fire insurance company will shortly require an Inspector for Ontario. Applicants to state age, experience and qualifications to Inspector, care of Monetary Times, Toronto.

WANTED .- A young man with banking experience and a little money to associate himself with a legitimate and safe enterprise, which he could manage. Address, Box 425 The Monetary Times, Toronto.

The Ontario Commission on Unemployment

The Ontario Commission on Unemployment invite any person or body of persons interested in special phases of unemployment to submit their views and information in a memorandum. In the case of memoranda which disclose the need of further evidence, hearings of witnesses can be arranged. Persons submitting statistics bearing on the problem are requested to give such an account of them as will satisfy the Commission of their substantial accuracy, and of the method of compilation which has been adopted.

All communications should be sent to the Commission at

103 BAY STREET, TORONTO

The Godbout Lumber Company has been authorized to do business in Quebec, with head office at Quebec city, and chief agent being Mr. Joseph Sirois, of the same city.

The following companies have been registered to do business in Alberta: McCabe Brothers Company, Duluth, Minn., \$50,000; La Compagnie des Industries Warwick, Que., \$90,500.

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DOMINION SAVINGS BANKS

BANK	for Aug., 1915	Total Deposits	Withdraw- als for Aug., 1915	Balance on 31st Aug., 1915.	
	12.4				
	s cts.	& cts.	& cts.	\$ cts.	
Winnipeg	5,835.00	569,944.56	2,569.77	567,374.79	
British Columbia:— Victoria	21,785.92	1,186,375.04	24,854.71	1,161,520.33	
Prince Edward Island: Charlottetown	21.043.00	1,953,314.79	29,133.93	1,924,180.86	
Vew Brunswick:	4.407.00				
Newcastle St. John	1,495.00 63.897.33	280,701,95 5,629,084.26	1,738.01 96,612,76	278,963.94 5,532,471.50	
Yova Scotia :-					
Acadia Mines	4,231.76	380,755.97	7,944.83	372,811,14	
ArichatBarrington	1.065.00	155,031,59	30.00	155,001.59	
Guysboro'	457.00	121,068,52	620.00	120,448.52	
Halifax	24,936.49	2.541,287.16	31,593 61	2.509,693.55	
Kentville	3,052 00	243,408.31	7.849.95		
Lunenburg	1,374.00	414.128.17	2,129.02	411,999.15	
Port Hood	275.00				
Shelburne	The state of the s	98,489.73	2,430.50	96,059.23	
Sherbrooke	1,625.92	224,425.93	2,282.80	222,143.13	
Wallace	1,286.00 2,763.00	102,163.77 136,131,36	1,966.92 797.00	100,196.88 135,334.36	
Totals	155,125.42	14,036.311.11	212,553 81	13.823,757.30	

POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANKS

DR.	JULY, 1915	CR.	
	\$ cts.		\$ cts
Balance in hands of the Minister of Finance on 30th June, 1915	39,230,867.88	WITHDRAWALS during the month	795,444.43
DEPOSITS in the Post Office Savings Bank during month	708,038.68	*	
Transfers from Dominion Gov- ernment Savings Bank during month:—			
PRINCIPAL INTEREST accrued from 1st April to date of transfer			
DEPOSITS transferred from the Post Office Savings Bank of the United Kingdom to the Post Office Savings Bank of Canada			£
INTEREST accrued on Depositors accounts and made principal on 31st March, 1915 (estimate)			
INTEREST allowed to Depositors on accounts closed during month	3,506,52	BALANCE at the credit of Depositors' ac- counts on 31st July, 1915	
	39,944,359.84		39,941,359,84

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

PUBLIC DEBT	1915	Land St. Company	1915	REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ON	Total to 31ct	Bypenning on Commit	Total 31st
Payable in Canada	\$ cts.	ASSETS- Investments-Sinking Fds.	\$ cts. 11,371,375 68	ACCOUNT OF CONSOLIDATED FD.			Aug. 1915
Payable in England	362,703,312 40	Other Investments	107,642,759 43				
Bank Circul'n Redemp. Fd.		Province Accounts Miscel- and Bkg. Accounts	2,296,327 90 179,445,063 79			Public Works, Railways	\$ cts. 13.330.670 41
Dominion Notes	152,065,684 91 52,827,186 50		300,755,524 80	Post Office	8,417,074 67 6,599,779 65	Datter Catalities	567,989 14
Trust Punds	10,223,958 21			Pbc. Works, R'Iways & Canals	6,013,863 63		
Province Accounts		Total Net Debt 31st Aug. Total Net Debt 31st July			3,488,293 76		
				Total	60,089,196 44		
Debt	773,164,410 04	Increase of Debt	8,663,792 69	EXPENDITURE	38,870,712 12	Total	13,898,659 55

CHARTERED BANKS' LATEST STATEMENT, AUGUST, 1915

ASSETS	1	Liability of Customers	
Current Coin elsewhere	\$39,650,988	Other Assets	5,007,797
		Total Assets \$1,585,338,230	
Dominion Notes in Canada. Dominion Notes eleawhere	129,700,871	LIADULTOR	
	15.084	LIABILITIES	
	O WOO WIO	Capital Authorized	\$188,866.666
Deposits Central Gold Reserve	6,550,000	Capital Subscribed	114,422,566
Notes of other Banks Cheques on other Banks	12,315,593	Capital Paid Up	113,984,747
Cheques on other Banks		Reserve Fund	113,060,988
Loans to other Banks in Canada	300,000	Notes in Circulation	99,610,962
Balance due from other Banks in Canada	4,790,130	Balance due Dominion Government	13.436,298
Balance due from Banks in United Kingdom	23,964,024	Balance due Provincial Governments	26,638.045
Due from elsewhere. Dominion & Provincial Government Securities.	49,990,466	Deposits on Demand	334.022,174
Canadian Municipal Security.	14,099,773	Deposits after Notice	692,580,626
	34,955,836	Deposits elsewhere	128,109,996
Call and Short Loans in Canada	76.153,820	Loans from other Banks in Canada	360,000
Call and Short Loans, elsewhere	71,855,565	Balance due Banks in Canada	7,514,019
Current Loans in Canada	120,607,677	Balance due Banks in United Kingdom. Balance due Banks elsewhere.	7,331,372
Current Loans elsewhere.	758,342,735 44,968,445	Rills payable	10,851,008
Loans to the Government of Canada	5,000,000	Bills payable. Acceptance under Letters of Credit.	6,192,024
Loans to Provincial Governments	4.436,5+8	Other Liabilities.	10,930,143
Loans to Municipalities	46,020,730	Total Liabilities	2,584.867
Overdue Debts	7.186.162	Loans to Directors	0.000 ***
Real Estate other than Bank Premises	4.077.090		8,299,593
Mortgages on Real Estate	1,716,050		60,719,953
Bank Premises	47.820.895	Greatest Amount in Circulation	129,601,918
			102,866,674

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE—UNLISTED SECURITIES

WEEK ENDED SEPT. 29TH	Latest Price	-	WEEK ENDED SEPT. 29TH	Latest Price	Sales	WEEK ENDED SEPT. 29TH	Latest Price	Sales	WEEK ENDED SEPT. 29TH	Latest	Sales
Abitibi Pulp Ames Holden	20 15½ 56 4 10 4¾ 32 99½ 85¼ 93½	4000	C.P.R. notes Dome Dome Ex. Dome Foundry Dome Rights. Dome Lake Dome Tex. pref. Gould Great Nor. Home Bank Imp. Porcupine	103½ 16¾ 27½ 33 65 23¾ 102¾ 1¼ 2½ 78% 7		Jupiter Kerr Lake Loews Laurentide MacDonald McIntyre McKinley Mining Corporation Nat S. Car Nat S. Car Pearl Lake	12 33 42 1694 12 482 274 105 40	1000	Peterson Lake Plenarum Por, Crown. Preston East Dome. Right of Way Smelters Teck Temiskaming. Vipond. West Dome.	23 72 70 5 6 119½ 7½ 39½	1500 1000 564 1700 299

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CANADIAN SECURITIES IN LONDON London Stock Exchange Prices Week Ended September 16th

Dominion

Dominion

Canada, 1909-34, 3½%, 88½

Do., 1938, 3%, 83*

Do., 1947, 2½%, 70*

Do., Can. Pac. L.G. stock, 3½%, 85½*

Do., 1930-50 stock, 3½%, 82½, 4

Do., 1914-19, 3½%, 95, 5

Do., 1940-60, 4%, 92, ½, ½, ½

Do., 1920-5, 4½%, 98, 7½, 8½, ½

Provincial

Provincia

Alberta, 1938, 4%, 834*
Do., 1922, 4%, 904*
Do., 1943, 4½%, 91½
Do., 1941, 4½%, 91½
Do., 1941, 4½%, 93½
British Columbia, 1941, 3%, 76*
Do., 1941, 4½%, 99½
Manitoba, 1923, 5%, 982*
Do., 1924, 4%, 87½
Do., 1949, 4%, 90*
Do. 1953, 4½%, 95½
Do., 1949, 4%, 90*
Do. 1953, 4½%, 95½
Nova Scotia, 1942, 34%, 79½
Do., 1954, 3½%, 78½*
Do., 1954, 3½%, 78½*
Do., 1954, 3½%, 78½*
Do., 1949, 4%, 89²
Do., 1949, 4%, 89²
Do., 1949, 4%, 89²
Do., 1947, 4%, 89²
Do., 1953, 4%, 99½*
Do., 1954, 4½%, 93²
Saskatchewan, 1949, 4%, 83*
Do., 1919, 4½%, 95½
Do., 1919, 4½%, 95½
Do., 1919, 4½%, 95½
Do., 1951, 5tock, 4%, 83½*
Do., 1951, 5tock, 4%, 83½*
Do., 1951, 5tock, 4%, 83½*
Do., 1954, 4½%, 91;
Bunicipal

Municipal Calgary, 1930-42, 4½, 871*
Do., 1933-44, 5%, 921*
Bdmonton, 1915-48, 5%, 941*
Do., 1933-34, 5%, 921*
Do., 1923-33, 5%, 95
Do., 1953, 5%, 922
Do., 1953, 5%, 922
Do., 1953, 5%, 924
Maisonneuve, 1952-3, 5%, 95*
Moncton, 1925, 4%, 901*
Montreal, 3%, 69*
Montreal, 3%, 69*
Do., 1953, 5%, 94*
Montreal, 3%, 69*
Do., 1942, 3½%, 781*
Do., 1942, 3½%, 781*
Do., 1948-50, 4%, 87*
Do., 1951-2 3 4½%, 97*
Mose Jaw, 1950-51, 4½%, 81*
Do., 1951-3, 5%, 89½*
New Westminster, 1931-62, 4½%, 86½*
Do., 1943-63, 5%, 90*
North Vancouver, 1963, 5%, 86½*
Dot, 1924-64, 4%, 85½*
Do., 1924-64, 4%, 85½*
Do., 1925-43, 5%, 92*
Prince Albert, 1933-41, 4½%, 85*
Do., 1962-43, 5%, 92*
Prince Albert, 1933-41, 4½%, 85*
Do., 1962, 3½%, 79½*
Do., 1963, 4½%, 89½*
Po., 1961, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1963, 4½%, 85½*
Do., 1961, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1964, 51, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1964, 51, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1965, 4%, 85½
Do., 1961, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1964, 51, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1965, 4%, 85½
Do., 1964, 54%, 85½
Do., 1964, 51, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1962-28, 4%, 89½*
Do., 1964, 51, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1964, 51, 4%, 86‡
Do., 1964, 4%, 85½
Do

CANADIAN BANKS Bank of British North America, $60\frac{1}{8}$, $\frac{7}{32}$, $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ Canadian Bank of Commerce, £37 $\frac{1}{8}$ per \$100* Alberta & Gt. Waterways, 5% 1st mort., 99*
Algoma Cent., 5% bonds, 65*
Algoma Cent. Terminals. 5% bonds, 50*
Algoma Eastern, 5% bonds, 75*
Atlantic & North-West, 5% bonds, 99½*
Atlantic & St. Lawrence, 6% shares, 112½*
Buffalo & Lake Huron, 1st mort. 5½% bonds, 114½*
Do., 2nd mort. 5½% bonds 113½*
Do., 2nd mort. 5½% bonds 113½*
Do., 2nd mort. 5½% bonds, 68*
Canada Atlantic, 4% gold bonds, 68*
Canadian Northern, 4% (Man.) guar. bonds, 80*
Do., 4% (Ontario Division) 1st mort. bonds, 80*
Do., 4% (Ontario Division) 1st mort. bonds, 80*
Do., 4% (Donaino) guar. stock, 64
Do., 4% (Donaino) guar. stock, 64
Do., 4% (Donaino) guar. stock, 64
Do., 4% Land Grant bonds, 9½½*
Do., 5% Land mort. debs, 74½, 4, 5
Do., 5% shackhewan, 4% deb, stock, 82*
Do., 5% income deb, stock, 45½, 6, 7, 9, 8
Do., Manitoba, 4% deb, stock, 89½*
Do., 5% income deb, 50ck, 89½*
Do., 5% income deb, 50ck, 89½*
Do., 5% deb, 50ck, 70*
Do., 4% deb, stock, 70*
Do., 4% deb, stock, 1961, 78½*
Canadian Northern Ontario, 3½% deb, stock, 1938, 79
Do., 4% deb, stock, 1961, 78½*
Canadian Northern Pucific, 4% stock, 85½*
Do., 4% deb, stock, 85½, 4½, 7, 6}
Do., 4% deb, stock, 85½, 4½, 7, 8)
Canadian Northern Quebec, 4% deb, stock, 87*
Canadian Northern Guebec, 4% deb, stock, 87*
Canadian Northern Quebec, 4% deb, stock, 87*
Canadian Northern Quebec, 4% deb, stock, 87*
Do., 4% ontes, 10%, 9½, 7½, 8½, 1½
Do., 6% notes, 10%, 9½, 7½, 8½, 1½
Do., 6% notes, 10%, 9½, 7½, 8½, 9½
Do., 10%, 10%, 9½, 7½, 9½
Do., 10%, 10%, 9½
Do., 10%, 10%, 9½
Do., 10%, 10%, 9½
Do., 9½
D

LOAN COMPANIES

British Empire Trust, pref. ord., 10s.*
Do., 5% cum. pref., 14s. 3d.*
Investment Corporation of Canada, 99½*
Do., 4½% deb. stock, 84½*
Trust and Loan of Canada (£5 paid), 95s. 7½d.
Do. (£3 paid), 56s. 3d.*
Do. (£1 paid), 20s. 6d.*
Do., 4% stock, 90*
Western Canada Mortgage, 5% bonds, 63*

LAND COMPANIES

LAND COMPANIES (Continued)

LAND COMPANIES (Continued)
Canada Company, 151*
Canada North-West Land, 50*
Canadian Northern Prairie Lands, 30s.*
Canadian Wheat Lands, 9d.*
Hudson's Bay, 51\(\frac{3}{2}\), 6\(\frac{3}{8}\), \(\frac{3}{2}\)
Do., 5\(\frac{5}{9}\) pref., 92s., 93. 9d., 5s., 3s. 9d.
North of Scotland Canadian Mortgage, 5\(\frac{1}{2}\)*
Scottish Manitoba, 15s.*
Southern Alberta Land, 11\(\frac{1}{2}\)d.*
Do., 5\(\frac{5}{8}\) deb. stock, 15\(\frac{1}{2}\)*
Western Canada Land, 11\(\frac{1}{2}\)d., 11d., 1s., 1s. 1d.
Do., 5\(\frac{5}{8}\) deb. stock, 3\(\frac{1}{2}\)*
Western Canada Land, 11\(\frac{1}{2}\)d., 11d., 1s., 1s. 1d.

MISCELLANEOUS

Acadia Sugar, pref., 19s. 6d.*
Ames-Holden-NcCready, 8% bonds, 98*
Asbestos Corporation, 5% gold bonds, 60*
Do., pref., 20*
Do., shares, 5*
Bell Telephone, 5% bonds, 104*
British Columbia Breweries, 6% bonds, 55*
British Columbia Blectric Railway, 44% perp. con.
deb. stock, 59*
Do., 5% pref. ord, stock, 30*
Do., 46*, 5ref. ord, stock, 30*
Do., 46*, 6rd, stock, 30*
Do., 46*, deb., 94*
Do., 5% pref. stock, 59*
British Columbia Telegraph, 6% pref., 100*
Do., 47% stock, 59*
Do., 5% pref. stock, 59*
British Columbia Telegraph, 6% pref., 100*
Do., 47% stock, 59*
Camp Bird, 4s, 9d.
Canada Cement, ord., 25*
Do., 7% pref. stock, 85*
Do., 6% lst mort. bonds, 94*
Canadian Car and Foundry, 110*, 9\frac{1}{2}, 9, 12
Do., 7% pref. stock, 124*, 19*, 244*, 2*
Do., 6% debs., 102*, 3\frac{1}{2}, 2\$*, 2*
Canadian Cotton, 5% bonds, 70*
Do., pref., 72*
Canadian General Electric, ord., 107\frac{1}{2}*
Do., 7* pref. stock, 108\frac{1}{2}*
Canadian General Electric, ord., 107\frac{1}{2}*
Canadian Steamship, 5% deb. stock, 71\frac{1}{2}*
Canadian Steamship, 5% deb. stock, 40*
Casey Cobalt, 6s, 4\frac{1}{4}\$. 6d.
Cedar Rapids, 5% bonds, 87
Do., ord., 64\frac{1}{2}*
Casey Cobalt, 6s, 4\frac{1}{4}\$. 6d.
Cedar Rapids, 5% bonds, 87
Do., ord., 64\frac{1}{2}*
Cockshutt Plow, 7% pref., 69
Columbia Western Lumber, 6\frac{1}{2}\$ pref., 12s, 6d.*
Dominion Canners, 6% bonds, 92*
Dominion Canners, 6% bonds, 92*
Dominion Ton & Steel, 5% cons. bonds, 76*
Dominion Ton & Steel, 5% cons. bonds, 78*
Dominion Glass, 7, 5 pref., 81\frac{1}{2}\$
Dominion Glass, 7, 5 pref., 81\frac{1}{2}\$
Dominion Glass, 7, 5 pref., 81\frac{1}{2}\$
Dominion Class, 7, 5 pref., 81\frac{1}{2}\$
Dominion Class, 7, 5 pref., 81\frac{1}{2}\$
Dominion Steel, ordinary, 43*
Do., 6% pref., 73, 4
Do., 6% pref., 73, 4
Do., 6% notes, 93*
Electrical Development of Ontario, 5% deb., 89\frac{1}{2}*
Do., 5% old bonds, 88*
Price Bros, 5% bonds, 89\frac{1}{2}\$
Do., 6% bonds, 89\frac{1}{2}\$
Do., 6% deb. stock

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(DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR FIGURES)	JULY 1915	JULY 1914	DECREASE
Navi Carmin			
Nova Scotia: Sydney Halifax	\$ 73,867 128,817	28,170 175,025	\$ 45,697* 46,208
New Brunswick:			
St. John	23,800 34,350	110,400 110,100	86,600 75,750
QUEBEC:			
Quebec. Three Rivers Maisonneuve Montreal. Westmount Lachine Outremount Long euil	203,923 88,100 5,000 432,490 52,650 12,030 17,380 1,300	277,761 15,250 273,500 2,521,520 111,910 30,770 77,700 13,900	73,838 72,850 ⁴ 268,500 2,089,030 59,260 18,740 60,320 12,600
INTARIO:			200 400
Ottawa Smith's Falls Kingston Belleville Peterborough Toronto St. Catharines Niagara Falls Welland Hamilton Brantford Paris Galt Guelph Berlin Woodstock Stratford London St. Thomas Chatham Windsor Owen Sound Cobalt Haileybury Sudbury Port Arthur Fort William MANITOBA:	48,650 Nil 12,428 5,350 7,060 580,068 48,874 28,320 22,910 68,925 14,785 6,375 6,375 6,375 28,150 266,185 13,050 40,650 53,575 52,170 14,000 27,300 27,300 27,300 27,300 34,750	299,100 45,250 5×,103 1,470 60,555 2,320,910 83,033 120,570 51,815 284,900 79,635 5,290 28,750 341,405 5,290 4,100 213,700 2	250,450 45,250 45,780 3,884 53,495 1,740,842 34,159 92,180 28,905 64,850 1,365 38,115 5,475* 600,000 75,220 46,920 23,778* 17(,375 14,110* 4,650* 3,800 16,850 211,444 178,725
WinnipegBrandon	189,200 3,000	1,895,750	1,706,550 12,250
SASKATCHEWAN:			
Regina Swift Current North Battleford Yorkton Weyburn Estevan	31,175 4,400 150 Nil 2,900 850	258,780 19,470 15,400 25,050 34,250 3,650	227,605 15,070 15,250 20,050 31,350 2,800
LBERTA:			002.15
Edmonton. Medicine Hat Lethbridge Red Deer	42,200 3,000 2,025 14,060	733,630 88,414 23,320 6,900	691,430 85,414 21,295 7,1604
BRITISH COLUMBIA:			
Vernon Kelowna New Westminster Vancouver Point Grey North Vancouver South Vancouver Victoria Oak Bay	775 Nil 27,800 171.064 2,445 2,794 10,596 8,900 Nil	1,650 6,355 15,515 134,001 86,135 16,810 34,654 92,560 69,590	875 6,355 12,285* 32,064* 83,690 14,016 24,058 83,660 69,590

^{*} Increase.

INDEX NUMBERS OF COMMODITIES

(DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR	of	INDEX NUMBERS			
FIGURES)	No. of Commod- ities	July 1915	June 1915	July 1914	
I. Grains and Fodders: Grains, Ontario "Western Fodder	5	200.7 183.7 187.0	198.0 172.8 184.6	147. 136. 164.	
All II. Anitals and Meats: Cattle and beef. Hogs and hog products. Sheep and mutton Poultry. All III. Dairy Products.	15	191.5	188.1	150.	
	6	222.1	219.0	228.	
	6	173.6	173.2	165.	
	3	188.2	186.9	175.	
	2	161.6	176.2	216.	
	17	191.9	193.8	195.	
	9	142.2	142.2	131.	
IV. Pish: Prepared fish Presh fish	6	143.6 137.9 141.7	144.6 145.0 144.8	149.1 147.1 148.1	
V. OTHER FOODS: (A) Fruits and vegetables Presh fruits, native. Presh fruits, foreign. Dried fruits. Fresh vegetables Canned vegetables. All	3	b102.4	a127.5	b109.4	
	3	100.9	97.5	87.5	
	4	127.5	127.5	121.7	
	3	141.8	134.4	243.6	
	6	78.4	101.2	97.7	
	17	114.7	118.1	131.5	
(B) Miscellaneous groceries and provisions Breadstuffs. Tea, coffee, etc. Sugar, etc. Condiments. All	10	154.8	166.1	125.:	
	4	121.5	121.5	105.:	
	6	129.2	130.8	102.:	
	5	121.7	121.7	104.:	
	25	136.7	141.6	112.:	
VI. TEXTILES: Woollens. Cottons Silks Jutes Flax products Oilcloths. All	5	178.6	150.3	144.6	
	3	128.3	125.5	145.6	
	3	85.9	85.6	93.4	
	2	245.8	224.0	212.1	
	4	163.5	163.5	111.6	
	2	107.0	107.0	102.3	
	20	151.2	141.3	132.4	
VII. Hides, Leather, Boots and Shors: Hides and tallow Leather	4	188.8	192.1	2-19.1	
	4	175.3	173.5	151.4	
	3	158.3	158.3	155.2	
	11	175.6	176.1	173.6	
VIII. METALS AND IMPLEMENTS: Iron and steel Other metals Implements All	11	107.8	105.3	101.8	
	13	c216.4	c203.0	115.4	
	10	113.0	111.2	166.6	
	34	150.8	145.3	108.4	
IX. FURL AND LIGHTING: Fuel Lighting	6	117.5	115.9	121.1	
	4	90.0	90.0	90.9	
	10	106.5	105.6	169.0	
X. BUILDING MATERIALS: Lumber Miscellaneous materials Paints, oils and glass. All	14	175.0	176.1	183.5	
	20	120.6	114.0	110.8	
	14	153.0	153.5	140.6	
	48	145.6	143.6	140.7	
XI. HOUSE FURNISHINGS: Furniture Crockery and glassware. Table cutlery Kitchen furnishings. All XII. DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.	6	146.0	146.0	146.6	
	4	160.8	160.8	133.9	
	2	80.2	80.2	72.4	
	4	125.5	125.5	125.9	
	16	136.3	136.3	128.8	
	16	159.5	159.5	111.6	
KIII. Miscellaneous; Furs. Liquors and tobacco. Sundries. All	4	144.0	142.0	235.0	
	6	135.0	135.0	128.3	
	7	116.0	117.2	106.2	
	17	129.9	129.3	144.3	
All commodities	265*	c147.1	c147.3	134.6	

^{*} Seven commodities off the market. fruits, vegetables. etc. a. Strawberries only. b. Strawberries cherries and raspberries. c. Including abnormal rises in the price of spelter and zinc the index numbers for June and July would be 149.5 and 149.7 respectively and for the sub-group Other Metals, 250.8 and 269.4

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE—UNLISTED SECURITIES

WEEK ENDED SEPTEMBER 29TH

Mines	Par Value	Sellers	Buyers	Sales	Miscellaneous (Continued)	Par Value	Sellers	Buyers	Sales
	\$					8			
Porcupine Crown Mines, Ltd	1	71	70	100	Dominion Glass Co., Ltd	100	30		
Miscellaneous					" " pref.	100	88		
Miscenaneous					bonds	100			
					Frontenac Breweries Co	100			
Asbestos Corp. of Canada	100				"pref.	100			
" " pref. bonds	100 500		60		Morian Nathan Dame	100 100			
British Can. Canners, Ltd	100				Mexican Northern Powerbonds	100	****		
British Can. Camers, Bearing bonds	500				Mexican Mahogany & Rubber Corp	100		0.000	
Can. Feltcom.	100				mexican manogany & Rubber Corp bonds	100		***	
pref.	100				Mont. Tramway & Power Co	100	40		
Can. Light & Power	100				National Brickcom.	100	42		
" bonds	100	60			"bonds	100	72		
Can, Coal & Cokecom.	100				Peter Lyall Constructionpref.	100			
bonds	100				Sherbrooke Railway & Power Co	100	18		
Canadian Pacific Notes	20		1011	3100	"bonds	500			
Carriage Factories, Ltd	100				Western Can. Power	100	25		
" pref.	100 500				Wayagamack Pulp & Paper Cobonds	100	27	26	85
bonds	100	681	68	1105	bonds		1,		1600
Cedars Rapids Mfg. & Power Cobonds	100	85	08	4455 29300					

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QUBEN VICTORIA ... 789 865 ...
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and at 31st DBCEMBER, 1914 ... 7,489,145 ... 19,064,425

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TRADE OF CANADA BY COUNTRIES (Figures of the Department of Trade and Commerce, Ottawa.)

Commence			OF APRIL			TWELVE MONT	THE ENDING M	ARCH
COUNTRIES.		1914		1915		1914		1915
Dellist Butter	Imports	Exports	Imports.	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports	Export
United Kingdom	6,718.774	7,041,356	4.829.105	18.234.808	131,942,763	222.322,766	90,085,840	211,758,86
Australia Bermuda	52,242	396,939	106,864	399,536	713,111	4,705,666	412,205	5.551.68
Bermuda	. 1,148	17,786	1,718	30,185	7,539	405,109	23,923	368,26
East	2,313	3,898		. 12,035	15 075	E7 100	20 510	50.00
South	17 808	371,652	11,255	62,969	15.975 477,823	57.128 3,834 592	23,516 314 887	59.83 4,645 58
West British East Indies "Guiana.		3,344		632	29,118	39,011		. 40.92
Guiana Guiana	. 527,421 200,517	70,078 24,059	392,106	58,801 35,391	7 218.987	688,779	6,547,548	686,04
Honduras	47.384	4,0 '9	147,175 17,401	452	3,178 462 155,396	652,730 9.358	2,993,534 491,786	678,79 9,45
West Indies	244,000	39 4,822	235,570	186,595	4,347,310	4,489,869	6,162,338	4.366.79
Gibraltar	. 46,000	6,773		. 31,116	240,719	118,729	1,780,363	112.67
Fiji. Gibraltar Hong Kong Malta	80,367	35,812	67,376	19,679	1,0.0,521	38.004 1,882.281	1,248,575	1,436,31 655,09
Malta	182	6	144	250	2,741	108,389	949	66,08
Newfoundland New Zealand	20,355 306,761	139,037	8.703	73,794 129,198	1,841 351	4,770.200	1,245,160	4,481,17
Other British Empire	3,059	186,371	366,350	3,186	3,192,900 25,145	1,935,876 3,507	3,903,616 27,392	2,623.85
Totals, British Empire	8,268,451	8.701,220	6,183,797	19,277,627	154.399.881	246.061,994	THE RESERVE TO SHARE THE PARTY OF THE PARTY	-
Foreign Countries			0,100,101	20,017,021	101,000,001	237,001,994	115,272,787	237,558,70
Argentine Republic	97,533	27.037	397,643	31,496	2,603,128	2,135,273	3,364,787	639,46
Austria-Hungary Azores and Madeira Is.	95,539	19,528	381		1,773,021	378 824	642,182	279,78
Belgium	185,058	51,645	8,692		5,282	33,988 4,819,843	1,865	6.27
Brazil	02 709	54,155	73 570	34,262	1,163,785	767,858	1,149,551	3,259,35 542,51
Central American States	14,569	4,507	8,016	2,544	163 483	114,114	118,017	72.81
Central American States China Chile Colombia	31,691	15,257 3,260	32,319	. 165 3,432	913 262 767,289	473,189	1,042,383	339,03
	8,818	5.541	11,782	2,410	150.545	134,478 25,686	190	55,34
Dogga	60,340	104,360	152,972	60,455	3,952,887	1,828,521	1,617,291	24,11 1,479,35
DenmarkDan, W. Indies	2,708	22,401	1,105	60	112.629	637,893	44,344	717,23
Denmark Dan, W. Indies Dutch E. Indies Dutch sulana Beuador	41,799	831 2.978	618	6.0	259,368 976 090	15.876 20,366	115,469	16,25
Butch sulana		3,559		2,414	216,126	46.749	197,742 186,376	25,927 40,948
Egypt	13,103	387			2,657	19,145	1,155	8,646
France	837.213	4,555 229,928	379.074	390 1,005,674	49.064 14.276.378	62,677 3 810.562	30,482 8,449,186	26,48
	651	390	3)	1,000,074	41.505	57,105	8,361	14,595,708
French West Indies Germany	772,598	4,722		4,310		20,862		32.546
	13,155	198,423	9,839 12,685		14.586 223 445.036	4,433,736	5.083,986	2,162,010
lawan	5,121	4,090	2,031	2,762	61,365	35,413	417,911 32,655	87,4% 71,423
laytitalv	97.948	590		857	106	37,783		4,163
apan	153,928	9,070 83,536	56,203 159,111	47.144 37,719	2,090,387 2,604,216	655,256	1,472,799	1,840,910
taly. Japan Corea			100,111	37,718	2,001,210	1,589,067 12,880	2,783,465	1,037,001
Mexico Miquelon and St. Pierre	101,498	882	57,997	5,220	1,471,182	56,594	1,229,977	18,551
Vetherlands	192,510	6,621 95,854	105 82,466	3,401	6,168	118,236	4,244	155,332
vorway	64,010	43.127	16,612	1,171 2,732	3,015,456 486,379	5,508,806 845,384	1,764,256 385,647	5.254.829 1,000.790
anama		9,418		7,173		2/3,694	330,011	129,036
Philippine Islands	30,401 168	336 5.712	57	1,837	718,546	11,817	1,494.046	13,141
Peru. Philippine Islands Porto Rico.		18,176	91	23,124	5,715 1,613	60,806 543,286	6.204	41,574
ortugal	11,839	1,122	7 809	296	277,381	55,481	215,608	468,698 788,485
ortugese Africa	644	1,957		6,454		91,296		79.611
ussia	5,445	3,120 28,072	102	212,725	4,5-6	69.800	7,145	3,150
an Domingo	212,645	1,164	348,171	522	2,942 333	1,431.580 59,721	105,455 3,193,796	1,331,191 3,938
iam pain	44.197	8		1,342	80. '81	3,171	12,672	16,322
weden	51.360	7,152 10,769	21,592	5,058	1,352,133	63,999	12,672 977,418	489,680
Witzerland	286,067	1,464	21,757 275,564	6.800 3.468	6 3 40 t 4,314,805	177.492 46 715	545,835 3,979 256	173,296
arkey nited States laska	21,708	1,865	4,880		494,981	469,378	323,227	16,445 5,961
	25,422,4°9 2,951	9,853,345 1,418	20.63 .194	15,456 247	410,786,091	200,459,373	428,616,927	215,409,326
ruguay		.,,110	75	834	79,170 55,726	186,668 90,615	41,841	323,877
	3,216	9,335	574	5,234	133,243	139,264	12,781 209,626	52,820 56,196
ther foreign countries	20,166	5,842	5.875	48	117.468	43,630	139,268	47,285
Totals, foreign countries	29,002,936	10,156,647	22,779,959	16,979,648	479,164,298	232,935,934	472,091,576	253,250,173
Grand Totals	37,271.387	19,617,86	28,963,756	36,257.275	633.5-4.179	478,997,928	587,364,363	490,808,877
	\$56,929		_	21,031				

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT OF THE TRADE OF CANADA FOR JULY

		Month of July		Twelve Months ended July			
	1913	1914	1915	1913	1914	1915	
Dutiable Goods. Free Goods	\$ 39,394,223 19,532,009	26,424,970 16.539,497	\$ 20.765.166 15,857,024	\$ 452,734,348 233,914,897	\$ 366,858,417 196,320,267	\$ 251,076,453 168,294,383	
Total imports (mdse.) Coin and bullion	58,926,232 119 067	42,964,467 233,899	36,62?,190 744,119	686,549,245 5.782,039	563,178,684 14,757,635	419,370,836 133,113,099	
Total imports	59,045,296	43,198,366	37.366,309	692.331.284	577,936,319	552,483,935	
Duty Collected	10,077,223	6,988,918	7,431.158	117,580.866	97.094,410	78.784,427	
Canadian Produce—The mine The fisheries. The forest. Animal produce Agricultural produce Manufactures Miscellaneous	5,485,713 1,813,405 4,938,716 5,412,347 11,497,954 4,507,322 5,269	5 905,988 1,677,592 5,097,065 7,391,397 15,846,177 5,857,996 31,433	5,904.544 2.166 857 5.876,784 10.943,628 7.676,404 12,441,428 580,393	58,038,912 17,620,538 43,972,612 44,247,313 154,546,076 47,085,494 115,711	58,480,152 20,037,030 43,400,015 57,548,982 189,212,934 63,071,050 223,838	53,525,158 \$20,113,533 44,068,654 82,659,949 133,442,130 115,401,389 1,809,728	
Total Canadian produce	33.660,716 4,373.610	41,807,648 8,507,322	45,590,038 2,916,682	365,626.656 24,018,592	431.974.001 29,841,099	451,020,541 48,851,781	
Total exports (mdse)	38,034,326 2,900,201	50,314.970 286,646	48.506,720 13,127,009	389,645,248 16,152,829	461,815,100 21,614,085	499,872,322 90,555,512	
Total exports	40,931,527	50,601,616	61,633,729	405,798,077	483,429.185	590,427,834	
AGGREGATE TRADE. Dein and bullion	96,960,538 3,019,268	93,279.437 520.545	85,128,910 13,871,128	1,075,194,493 21,934.868	1,024,993,784 36,371.720	919,243,158 223,668,611	
Total trade	90,979,826	93.799.982	99.000,038	1,098,129,361	1.061,365,504	1,142,911,769	

^{*}Note—It will be noted that the figures relating to the imports and exports of coin and bullion for the twelve months ending July, 1915, were: imports. 1915, \$133,113,099; 1914, \$14,757,635, and exports, 1915, \$90,555.512; 1914, \$21,614,085. Although it has been customary to include these figures in Trade returns, the total trade figures are seriously disturbed by them in this instance and they should not be taken as an indication of the trade of Canada.

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BANK BRANCHES OPENED AND CLOSED

During August there were nine branches of chartered banks opened and six closed, according to Houston's Bank Directory :-

Branches Opened-9

Cabano, Que	Banque d' Hochelaga.
Lomond, Alta,	Standard Bank of Canada.
Montreal, Que. (Rosemont)	Banque d' Hochelaga.
*Riviere Quelle, Que	La Banque Nationale.
*Rougemont Station, Que	La Banque Nationale.
St. Ferdinand d' Halifax, Que.	
*St. Hermas, Que	La Banque Nationale.
*St. Louise, Que	
Varennes, Que	Banque d' Hochelaga.

Branches	Closed—6
*Albertine, N.B	Banque Provinciale du Can-
Grouard, Alta	merce.
Lethbridge, Alta	Imperial Bank of Canada.
St.)	
Paincourt, Ont	ada.
Yorkton, Sask	Northern Crown Bank.

^{*} Sub-branches.

The following companies have increased their capital stock: The Western Horse Ranches, Limited, with Alberta charter, from \$200,000 to \$300,000; Southern Alberta Oil Company, Limited, with Alberta charter, from \$100,000 to \$130,000; the Westbourne Land Company, Limited, with Dominion charter, from \$150,000 to \$220,000; Dome Lake Mining and Milling Company, with Ontario charter, from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000; Canada Malleable and Steel Range Manufacturing Company, Limited, with Ontario charter, from \$250,000 to \$350,000.

Montreal and Toronto Stock Transactions

(WEEK ENDED. SEPTEMBER 29TH)

	Montreal Stocks	Min.price		l pu	Calaa
	Ames-Holdencom.		Asked 16	Bid 154	Sales 2953
	Bell Telephonepref.	55 140	55 144	143	60 86
	Brazilian	54 105	54		35
	Canada Carcompref.	50	108	107	1395
	Canada Cement	98 28	120	28	2900
	Canadian Converterspref.	$\frac{90\frac{1}{2}}{34}$	901		95
	Canada Cottonspref.	25 71	28	714	125
	Canadian General Electric. Canadian Locomotive pref.	91 30	51	508	142
	Canadian Pacine Railway	78	163	1614	65
	Canada Steamship Lines	59	59		294
	Carriage Factories (Voting Trust)		7 41	6 38	200
	Crown Reservepref.	70	75 39	381	1500
	Detroit Railway.	62 72	62		5 72
	Dominion Canners	107 31	1441 31	144	405
	Dominion Steel Corporationpref.	98	98 47	461	6634
	Dominion Textile	64	75 101	741	535
	Hillcrest	70	26 70		
	Hollinger Gold Mines. Illinois Traction. Interest Woods William pref.	177	91		210
		91 129	140	136	19 80
	Laurentide Co. Lyall Con. Co. Mandonald	120 160	183	120 1817	155
	Macuonaid			$33\frac{1}{2}$	388 100
	Mackay Companies. Mackay Companies. pref.	593 65	791	66	
	Montreal Light, Heat and Power	211	223½ 51	2221	1496
	Montreal Langer of the contract of the contrac	99 165	100		
	Montreal Loan & Mortgage Montreal Telegraph. Montreal Tramways Montreal Tramways Montreal Tramways Autional Breweries deb.	126 220	140 220	7	25
		811	81½ 49½		
	Nipissingpref.	95	95	71	175
	Nova Scotia Steel	45% 110	883	883	2265
	OBTIVE Flour Mills	107	1363	$\frac{136\frac{1}{2}}{115}$	410 51
	ontario steel Products		20	13 72½	20 423
77	Ottawa Light, Heat and Power Penmans Penmans	120 49	120	51	225
1	Rich. & Ont pref.	82 75			10
	Quebec Railway, Light, Heat & Power Shawinigan Water and Power	tió	133	135 1301	3140 4690
	niawrights			,	135
		55	55 99		
	Soo	20	30		
	Spanish River. com. Steel Co. of Canada. com.		6 35	5 341	30 1262
7	Coronto Railwaypref.	69	881 111	853	135 26
	Pucketts com.	16 29	16		
,	West India. pref.	90 75	90		
,	West India pref. Windsor Hotel Winnipeg Railway. Fwin City	100	100		3
59.	Bank of British North	981 145	145		
28)	Rook of Mand	203 234	203 234		21
i	Bank of Montreal Bank of Ottawa Bank of Toronto Bank of Hochelaga Bank of Nova Scotia	207 211	211		
1	Bank of Nova Scotia	149 261	119 261		
î	Molson's Posts	180	180		
1	Royal Bank	119	119 2211		4
	Montreal Ronds		140		
1	Bell Telephone	96½ 100	961		15000
		92 78	931	93	9000
i	Ominion Coal	88 95	88 95		
L	Dominion Cotton	98	991		2000
D	Cominion Iron and Steel	85 97	98		3000
D	ominion Textile	97 97			
D	ominion Textile Cominion Textile Deminion Textile Demands Mill.	97			
L	ake of the Woods Milling Co	400		100	
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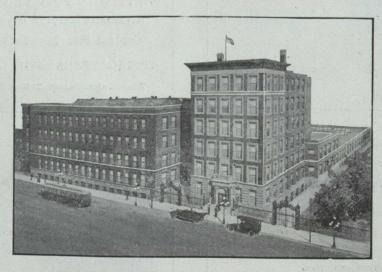
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