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- More than 17T.000 British and Irish emigrants went to the linited states and Collada durimg the last year.

The Cuimbature spinning Co.. of Calcutt:, India, are paying 20 per cent divi. devils. Hury up Mount Royal!
-The arerage figure at which Canadian home-made pianos are exported is \& 2.5 The average import price of for eign fianoy is \$209.
-Tapan exported 98.6fil bales of silk during the season of 1906.7. the largest on record. Of these the States took 71 ,200 bales and Europe 27,460 . There is a
rapid increase going on.

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It i- not generally known that to Cuba belongs the homor of heing the second country in America to build :a steam rail road. This was the line known as the Caminos de Hierro de fa: llaballa, "xtmoling from the capital to Guines, a distance of abont forty five miles. This road was open to traffic in 1837 and entirely completed in the following year, and was built foren yars hefore the first steam railroad was constructed in the mother country, spain. It is now a part of the system of thi Inited Railways of Havana. The second railroad on the island to be built was authorized at about the same time. but "as- not constructed until 18.51. this being the line from Suevitas to Puerta Principe. By 1862 the first sections of nearly all the principal trunk lines of Cuba had been constructed and outlete thus eetablished for the agri ultural districts to the most important ports of the island. At the cluse of the rear ls:gs the total mileage of the principal public railroads of Cubn ageregated $15: 0.37$ kilometer

The world production of pig irwn lat year. according to latest report, was $59.7+2.322$ tuns, an increase of $4, \overline{7} 4.3 .37$ In 1906 (190) and an increase of $13,515,501$ tons over 1904 increate on thas previons manufactured 25.307,191 tons. an increate on the previons year of $2.314,811$ trins and 8.810.5.5 thlos more than in 1904. Germany, with 12.422.17i tons, was thur seond largest producer last yar. with 1.434.554 tons more than in 1905 and $2.318,236$ tons above the output of 1904 Grat Rritain was the third largest maker, the total being $0.149,350$ toms. or $5.56,651$ tons more than in the previon Fiar, and an increase on 1904 of $1.586,730$ tons. France. last year, proluced 3.319,032 tons; Russia, 2.619.000 tons: Austria and Liugary. 1.596.342 uns, Belgium, 1.431.460 tons and othor Colntries turned nut $1,89-.322$ thas. In Gireat Britain, Cleve lam! was, as lamal, the largent maker, with 26319 i4 tons. or 132.248 tons wore than in 1905. Scotlomp produced 1,451.068 tons, an increase of $\mathfrak{i 2 . 6 7 \mathrm { T }}$ tons on the previous year.
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The upward tendency of raw silk, the most important single commodity exported from Japan. is very noticeable, the calue of experts having increased in five years from $\$ 38,429,739$ to $\$ 55,221.400$. The trade was, until a few years ago, entirely in the h:ands of foreign firms, but is now being wrested from them by the Japanese, owing partly. it is understood, to the financial facilities afforded them through arrangements by the Government with Japanese banks. The proportionate shipments by Japanese and foreign firms. respectively, in 1902 was 23.2 to 76.8 and in 190641.5 to 58.5 . In 1902, 28,787 bales were shipped to Europe and 46,467 bales to America, at an average value of $\$ 476$ per 133 prounds. In 1906 the shipments to Europe showed little increase, being 29.137 bales, while America took 73,050 bales. the average value per 133 pounds rising to \$.332. The Government encourages the industry in every branch by such grants as $\$ 40.000$ yearly for mulberry culture and $\$ 50.000$ to aid in the presention of disenses among silkworms.

The Indigo Industry.-An official report on the trade of Britinh India just issued says: The year 1906-7 has brought sume "nconragement to indigo planters. The results obtained from the lava catal seed have left no doubt as to its superio rity, and a larger area has been sown with it for the coming

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IS. Comsul II. H. Michame of calcutta, adrien that it has been decided by the British India Cowerment that from now on until the gold standard reserve reaches $\$ 100,100,000$ ome-half of the protits of coinage, topether with the intereat on sempities, will bee added to the reserve, the other half beeng wed to supplement the funds a a ailable for capital expendi ture on Indan railways. He adds: Some newspapers of India are protesting vehemently against this armament, charac terizing it as a "raill on the reserve." But the leading papere

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 (tor). It is believed by sood busimes men and dever financiors that the new arrangement will result in the rapid and increased extention and improvement of the railways of Thdiana constumation much to be de-ired: in fact, demanded ly the rapidly developing commerwial interesta of Imdia,

The plans of the Board of Food and Drug In-pection of the U S. concerning the investigation into the nse of sulphow in molanco and syrups are being made in a thorongh manner. It is the intention of the Department of Lgrientane to hire a sugar factory in some comenient Ionisiana beation and begin experimenting at the beqiming of the next sugar seacon. part of the penduct will he mannecetured with uee of the cus fomary amount of anphur. Part will be manufactured with nes of mo sulphur whatever and a part with the use of a smal quantity. for instance, alwout as much as decision No. it would permit. The govermont chemists will try to aseertain how far the claim is true that the mannfacturing of syrups and molaseses camot efferetively he carried on without use of sul, Thur. The effects of the proluct. having sulphur in various guantities, will be looked into. It is thee contention of the planters that the output is increased be the wee of sulphur through ventralization of inpurities. This the govermment
hemist- Ho not admit. There is mo doubt that the feeling of The government experts who have gone into the subject is that now sulphin at all were used the output would be as large amd the return nearly as great.
('nimflamable Paint Removers. (arbon tetrachloride frims :lll weellent medium for removing old paint, but is too watile to be used alome. On the other hand, it has the property of rendering inflammable lipuids safe when used in suitable proportion. Recently also it has been made miscible with water, since it forms with sulphonated oils, like Turke. red oil, a pelatinous soap which is perfectly homogeneons, and will mix with water in all proportions. Stuch a solution containing, for instance, 1 part of the said gelatinous soap and $1 / 2$ to 1 part of water. when stirred up with 1 to 2 parts of carbon tetrachloride and mixed with alkali and spirit, will form a sery good paint remover. Another suitable class of remover is obtained by dissolving canstic alkalies in spirit. For instance. a solution contriuing equal ports of alkali and water is warmed with sufficient soap to form a gelatinous mass, and diluted with strong alcolool. The soap acts on the varnish covering the paint, and expuises the latter to attack by the alkali. A rrench preparation for the same purpose consisto If alkali cellulose. which haw been converted into viscose by tratment with carbon disulphide, and dissolving the product in wat r . The viscose is mived with alkali, and in this condi fion will rapidly corrode even the oldest layers of paint, lay ing the underlying surface bare.-Farben Zeitung.

A new coaltar extract, known as "injectol", has been tosted in Belgium with satisfactory results, says the Paint, Oil and Drug Review. The experiments were principally de voted to the treatment of wooden poles and blocks used in street paving. The product is a liguid, of a dark-brown color rery thin, and of regular density. Its degree of viscosity changes very little with atmospherie variations. One of the principal alvantages is it penetration into certain woods "ithout any pressure. For the antiseptic treatment of compact whods, using the apparatus similar the "Breant" system. the time necessary for the pressure and soaking into of a given quantity of injectol is considerably less than for any other antis pti liquid, inc uding cre sote. As regurds it antiseptic qualities, the following expe:i ent; and ris $t$; obtained therefrom speak for themselves: It has been found that where creosoted poles in the grouml have only resisted recay for a few months, those treated with injectol remained mattarked after three years. Similar experiments were also made with railway sleepers; the latter were treated with different antisoptics. Some were soaked in a mixture of coal with ineosote and chloride of zinc, and tws were treated

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Thomas Martin, railway engineer; William Barmard, mechanic, and Wilson Mectue. of Smith's Falls, !ave discovered a valuable improvement in the anglecock used in the air brake service, wherely, when put into use by the railway com panies, will no doubt mean the saving of millions of dollars wortly of railway property and the lives of thonsands of peat plo traveling by train. Heretofore great loss of property and lives have been sacrificed through persons, tampering with a railway anglecock, by turning the hamle. e:th malicionsly or through curiosity, or by acrident in climbing between the cars thus producing the effect of cutting off the engineer's power over his air brakes, and, if through some noglect or oversight. is not discovered in time, may result most serious ly. The recent wreck at Zilda. where seventeen people lost their lives through some such cause, is a stirling example, and only one of hundreds occurring eve: $y$ little while. The device has been recently patented in Canada, the United States :md Great Britain, and is so cheap in construction and effective in result, as to make the most skilful air brake experts stand mazad. The objects are to improve the present form of anglecock ly providing means which will automaticaly throw the airbrake into operation, if the cock should be tampered with or moved from its open position in trainline -
-In replying to an inquiry as to crude Chinese camphor in the IIong Kong market. Consul-General Amos P. Wilder writes: This business is mainly in the hands of five German firms The canphor from Kwangsi Province is inferior, perhaps 20 per cent less as compared with Fukien Province camphor; in olor it is warkedly darker than the Fukien article, and the natives hove a way of mixing it with fish and other impurities It has become discredited, and the supply being comparatival small. apart from that consumed here or sent-to India Kwangsi camphor is not much in evidence in Hong Kong at present. The Fukien or Foochow camphor (Foochow being a central port for exportation) is also shipped from this port. In appearance it resembles the coarsest white sugar, though off ill color, with the strong camphor odor. The evaporation of (amphor is considerable, usually 5 and sometimes 10 per cent. and leads to disputes, making it a difficult article of commerce. Consignees claim underweight and lawsuits occur. In dia is a large consumer of South China camphor, Madras being a leading point; it is used in candles for illumination purposes, and the making of cordite, etc. Camphor for export is packed in tin or zinc-lined cases to avoid rust, 1 picul (133 1-3 pounds) to the case. and shipments of 500 and 1,000 cases are not unusual. Camphor is never shipped in the same Oriental cargo with tea.'

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Consul II: H. Michael, reporting from (alcutta, says that tho Indian cotton mill ownors are rejoi ing ofer what they seem to think is a permanent market for their varns in Europe. to which be adds: "The markets in the Far East had hecome congested and disorganized, which affe ted the Indian cotton yarn trade to such an extent that the xituation had become critical. While the Indian yarn spinners were looking about for a market for their varn, at least until the condi tions became more favorable in the farthest East, there came a sudden demand from England and the Continent for thair yarns that gave relief and also promises as good, if not bet Cer, permanent returns than the Far East. In referring to the situation an Indian spinner remarked that the 'high price of American cotton and the shortage of yarn in the Western world created a difficult, situation for the Lancashire mills, and the easiest way out of it was for them to buy yarn from the Indian mills. Thus their predicament was improved by relieving us from our embarrassment. We expect the demand for our yarns to be permanent unless the American prices for cotton come down so low as to put us out of the Lancashire market.' The fact is the Indian mills which are best suited for spinning yarn are finding a good market for their yarns in Turkey, to consumers on the Mediterranean coast east of Italy. and in England. The export of Indian made yarns in 1907, up to August 15, amounts to 26,390 bales, while about 40,000 more bales are booked for cuick delivery. What doubt existed in the minds of Indian spimers as to how their yarns would stand the test of European standards has been removed by the continued orders for the goods."

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At a time when delegates from the great pawers all along the northern hemisphere are assembled at a suburlan retreat near the eity of Hague (the hedge) in Holland "ith the dim idea of appealing to each and all in the interests of world-wide peace, it is not a little significant that the Imperial Government of Corea Which songht representation at the convention and appealed to all against the encroachment of Japan, has pelitically (eased tor exist. It recalls the absor, tion of Polamd, exeept that in this case Japan has gobbled it all. The passing away of the Land of the Morning Calm Was accompanied be that "strange touch of pathetic inconpetence" which seems ins"parable from all things Coreau. An instance is citel of the case of a number of students from the Hermit Kingdom (another of its titles) who, having been sent to be educated in Japan, found themselves at the end of their resources. They resolied to send a lettor to the Government of Seoul, the capital of Corea, but doubted whether mere words would move it from its wonted lethargy. To prove their dire necessity, each of the students cut off a finger and enclosed it with their honest petition. The Corean dynasty in its apreal to the Hague

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thowed an equally singular conception of method. They mistook the nature of civilization in its political aspect.

To whom did the Government of Corea imagine they were appealing? Was it to England which holds by conquest, and rules by benevolent despot's'n far more famous empires of the East, far greater and more numerous peoples? To France which has extinguished all rival anthority in the Indo-Chinese peninsula? To the Tnited states which is in possesion of t'e Phi'ippines? To Germany, Russia, or Austriu who hold dismembered Poland? Or to Holland which rule: with a competent but masterful hand three times as many Asiatics as are contained in the Hermit Kingdom? The simple-minded, hapless Coreans dir not monderstand that at Seoul as elsewhere, Tapan is merely following a series of Western precedents, and that not one of the considerable powers as-embled at the Hague is entitled to lift a hand against her. The emperor Hi Hyeung was, therefore, obliged to abdicate on the 20th July last in the 55th year of his age and the 44th of his reign. The concluding words of the farewe proclamation were pathetic and dignified: "We have suffered numerous disappointments; we have not accomplished our desires." Some feeble rioting was quickly sup-

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pressed, and Marquis Ito remains Resident General, free from local obstruction and foreign interference.
France wants Morocco in order to extend her Algerian railway on to Fez , the capital, and to the Atlantic coast, while Germany wants right of rail-way through some of the most interesting remanis of imperial antiguity on to the Persian Gulf, almost adjoining our own imperial Indian possessions.

The next great success at the Hague has been scored by the United States, acting in concert with the South American countries. The Drago doctrine provides that no armed force can ever again compel defaulting south Americar States to pay their fore gn creditors, which the Fortnightly terms the Monroe loctrine of the money-market. Investors in the foreign securities concerned have henceforth the ordinary rights of individuals, but no pecial claim as nationals. This ingentaus provision is iue to Senor Calvo who repres nted Argentina in European capitals for some years and died last year in Paris. His treatise on international law lays down the broad proposition that "Strangers who "established themselves in a country have the same " right to protection as nationals, but they should not "pretend to a protection more extended." European goveraments do not go to war with one another in the interests of bondholders. and they ought to follow the same rule in dealing with South American nations. He argued that to stop forcible recovery cannot render the investments valueless. "The State continues in it: capacity as such, and sooner or later, the gloomy situations are cleared up, resources are incre sed, common aspirations of justice and equity prevail and the most neglected promises are kept." He spoke of his own now liighly prosperous country, Argentira, which has furnished a brilliant vindication of these views. Venezuela and San D mingo have refuted them. The Drago doctrine was finally adopted by the Hague conference, and we shall hear nothing more of German-Veneznelan incidents.

## WATER AS AN ADULTERANT.

The philosopher who defined Dirt as "Matter in the wrong place," might, had he lived in these days, have declared further that it was quite possible for water to be out of place, also. The Providence which, according to Wesley, loves cleanliness next to godliness, has made
the cleansing material, to be the commonest and cheapest thing in the world. There is little room for wonder, therefore, if water is made use of as an adulterant. It is cheap, it is not harmful to physical health, it evaporates, and it is heavy. This last is one of its most important qualities to the adulterator. If the laker can add from four to six ounces of superfluous water to a four-pound loaf of hread, he has made a clear though diishonourable gain of six to nine per cent over and above his legitimate profit. A husiness yiclding, nine per cent, net, might well be considered to be fairly lucrative, and a little consideration of the relative pries of flour and bread will show that what may here le called the legitimate profits are not small either. It would be well if the vigilance of housekeepers should compel hakers to be content with honest gain.' The d'fference in weight between the fresh and the stale loaf will furnish the only test necessary. In passing, it may be remarked that very few outside of the-trade know how wonderfully the processes of leavening and baking add to the weight of the flour. In the interests of the honest bakers, and also of the bread buyers, the proper percentage of moisture in the loaf should lee scientifically and by legislative action definitely fixed and the punishment should not be light for the man who sells water at the same price as the staff of life.

Govermment action has already determined the propurtion of moisture, which may honestly be contained in a pound of butter. Anything wer nineteen per cent of water is out of place and the maker or rendor may be punished by law. Only analysts know how liberal the given margin is. And yet at the present time there s something of an agitation in the neighbouring republic in farour \& $f$ increasing the amount of water which may be car ried in butter. 'There have been discoveries of over weighted butter there, and in the warehou-es of representatives abroad, and dishonest makers are coolly endeavouring to extend the law so that it may cover their fraudulencies. There is some suspicion, both here and in England, that Canadian butter is not properly inspected for an orer allowance of water, which it would be well to overcome promptly and effectually. The Canadian government has spent so much mony in developing the dairy industries that it is to be presumed officials are not neglecting $t_{0}$ see to it that factorymen do not unwittingly, and shall not deliberately, endanger the success of our export hotter trade. Only honesty prelails in the long iun. Steampower has so wonderfully drawn the eals of the werld together, that neither Enyla"d, nor any other country is compelled to take cur butter, " hether the "ill or 1 ot. The older countries are not so inexperie ced as to go on pavirg 20 to 30 cents a pound for our water. Just at present New Zealand has the reputation of producing the finest butter in the world, and the percentage of water is seldom over 12 per cent. As a consequence the southern islands are always certain of a ready market, at top prices, while other countries have to be content with second or third places. There are no natural reasons why New Zealand should be able to run ahead of Canada in the British market, and this matter of adulterating our butter with water ought to be sternly inquired into.

It may not occur to everyone that the shipment of over green cheese from the Dominion, which has been so often protested against, is a most nefarious abuse of water-or moisture, if the term be preferred. No one who knows anything of the trade can be ignorant of the trouble and difficulty caused by this practice. These cheeses are shipped soon after they are made without the preliminary daily turning over in the curing room for a few weeks, that fermentation may be perfected, and the excess of water evaporaterl. The cheese maker, and some member of his committee of management representing the patrons, weigh and ship the cheese to the merchant, whose representative has bit it in at the board meting. But when the returns come in to the factory there is a heavy cut in value, and the factory people are indignant at the "dishonesty," and wonder what the Government weigher can be about. As a matter of fact transportation, and a day or two in a city warehouse, have dried the checse somewhat. The box has absorbed and given off some of the moisture. One ounce per pound of a shrinkage soon runs un into high figures in dealing with fifty or a hundred 60-1b cheeses.

The factory managers can blame 110 one but themselves for their loss, which would give probably a good income for the days the cheese should have remained mader proper treatment in the curing room. Linfortunately the trouble has not ended there. The Montreal merchant, though innocent enough, is the next to suffer. He also has a cut in value facing him when returns come in. Refrigerafor temperature, which most large steamers furnish for dairy procluce, may be, perhaps is, very dry, and cheese will not absorb, but, if immature owing to the process callecl "curing," which is still going on, will give out moisture.

And with this "cut" comes generally abuse to the Montecal metchant for shipping cheese unfit for immediate use. We have the very highest author-ity- for sayins? that our inmense cheese export trade is in joppardy, and that this matter of shipping it, When it contains too much water, is the cause of the danger. The hame $i_{n}$ this case is all with the farmers connected with the cheese factories, who are simply' by their action "killing the goose that laid the golden exge." For their own sake, and for the sake of the trate of the country, this practice of shipping cheese from the makers, which contains over a safe perccintage of water should be made to cease at once.
The cheese factories are, as a rule, very skilful, in the use of their scientific instruments which detect an overplus of water in the milk. It is pretty safe to say that, excepting in very "new" localities, no pat ron llowadays dare to add a drop of water to his milk. lint that does not mean that his milk is therefore not adulterated with water. It is the city milknen, we have mairly to consider when we come to talk of watered milk. We need not accuse them of making too much use of the "cow with the iron tail." Lactometers are too plentiful for that to be a very saff practice. But there are many ways of getting water into the milk. It must be remembered that however much you may increase a
cow's flow of milk, you cannot increase her cream producing power beyond a certain point. Probably no milkman would keep a cow which yielded less than twelve or fifteen quarts a day of good legitimate milk. If by the use of brewer's grains, rape, green clover, roots, or by "slopping," he can make his cows yield fifteen to eighteen quarts per diem, hee has simply added so much water and very little clse to the milk. There will be just the same amount of cream for the larger, as there was for the smaller quantity of milk. He has increased his income by about 25 per cent., at the rate of increase we have suggested, which is very much below what adroit management can add to a cow's daily yield of milk.
"En passant," it may be noted that milkmen lisually keep their milkers for one season only, as the forcing system soon destroys their usefulness as producers. That the milk is degenerate because carrying too much water for its fats, is evident. And though "pater familias" may growl at the watery contents of the milk jug, and indulge in forcible or sarcastic language about the milkman's honesty, he knows not the worst of it. The little children whose chief, if not, sole nutriment it is, or those a little older, whose bowl of bread and milk should contain a perfect ration, these and invalids on milk diet-these are the real sufferers. God forgive the scheming milk adulterators, for here at its very worst is ivater most decidedly out of place. It should. one might suppose, be made a criminal offence to sell milh. which has been adulterated, either before or after it was taken from the cow.

It would make an interesting showing. no doubt, if we could produce figures from dairy produce dealers, wheat kilns, and finit men, showing exactly low much water is freighted by rail and sea. The total would certainly be astonishing.

Let it not be understood that it would be wise to dispense with the moisture contained, say in such $f_{1}$ uit as apples, simply because we have a trade in dried fruit. All kinds of experiments have been made. but no one has yet shown us how to evaporate the water from a choice fameuse apple, and yet leave the whole full flavour in the fruit. The same is true of all dried fruit from the little black grapes of Corinth, known as currants, up to the peaches and apricots which come to us in leathery particles anclosed in choice cartons. There is always a demand for dried fruit, which is an article of diet, "sui generis." It never can, and it never will take the place of the natural fruit. We must be content to ship apples. peats, grapes and vegetables " au nathrel," even though they do contain an intolerable amotint of water,-from 65 to 85 per cent. of itsome of them.

Tasmania has discovered how to ship delicious apples fresh from the trees to England, through the late winter and spring months. And it is not impossible that before very long commerce will so arrange matters, as that we shall have fresh fruits and vegetables all the year round. The seasons are being eliminated to a certain extent. The world is fast becoming the servile slave of humanity. But
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## EASTERN ASIA AND WESTERN AMERICA.

The recent labour troubles in British Columbia, following closely on the riots in the neighbouring State, have created no little concern in the minds of statesmen at Ottawa. Our treaty of a couple of years ago with Japan had for its chief object to obtain tariff privileges favouring an export trade in our staples to that country. Whether the game was worth the candle may, perhaps, be questioned. The total of all exports from Canada to Japan is insignificant, as may be seen by the Tables of Trade and Navigation; and as cotton fabrics were supposed to contribute a considerable portion, the recent efforts of the Japanese to erect their own factories are likely to operate against our pretensions. Those who read the prices at which cotton goods are sold in the land of the Rising Sun, as given in these pages on September 6th, will wonder how we can compete with those energetic and enterprising islanders.

The problem in British Columbia is one most difficult of solution. The causes of the trouble on the one hand lie near to the present as bearing upon the rate of wages and the scale of living generally. Employers of labour from the farmer and the skilled mechanic, or the artisan who keeps house, up to the fruit and fish exporter, the miner and the manufacturer, find themselves more or less handicapped for want of help, and as there is not a sufficiency of white men procurable in the Province they are driven to employ such help as they can get. Readers will recall a review of the situation printed in these columns last year. The Japanese are jostling the shopkeepers of Victoria out of the field, and theymakeanimitation of leading brands of Scotch whiskey, the label slightly altered. One of the incidents recited is the case of a large fruit dealer who had bought the product of several orchards on the trees, but on trying to procure hands to pick them was at length obliged to abandon them to the elements. The difficulties which all classes of the community have been experiencing for some time, not only in British Columbia, but in the older Provinces, tend to make house-keeping almost unendurable, and all kinds of industry more or less precarious. The Springhill difficulty is a case in point -where hundreds of coal miners cite some grievances that have maintained them in idleness during the last two months crippling not only the industry itself but seriously affecting all the business $e_{3}$ tablishments in the place and vicinity.
Contrary to what we find in some of our exchanges in the United Kingdom, one of the most serious problems in Canadian life to-day is to procure domestic help, good, bad or indifferent. The young woman in Canada is usually better educated than her forbears. She reads much about high life and brilliant marriages in the novels of the period,
whose reprint cheapness and the libraries place them withis the reach of all; she becomes a hospital nurse, and meets the budding physician or surgeon or the innumerable visiting governors; or better still-she takes a course of Shorthand for a few months and emerges from the study far better equipped to battle with the World, the flesh and the Devil than her sister who, with more commendable motives, has chosen the bedside of pain and a uniform which the fashionable amanuensis could not be made to adopt. These and the opportunities ever offering in Departmental shops and other stores and in the various manufactories have been making rapid inroads upon the sources of supply formerly available, until the family of the citizen, east and west, and even the bachelor doctor, are compelled to accept the services of the primitive girl of "away back," who can fry pork, boil potatoes and bake soggy bread, or the farmer's daughter who wants to come to town after the harvest for the double purpose of studying the fashions and earning from $\$ 12$ to $\$ 20$ a month to enable her to buy her a fit out for the Spring or a trousseau'for her
wedding. wedding.
With all these difficulties, and many more, in the way, it is not surprising that people should turn to the Mongolian as the only alternative, and many of them find places all over our cities at as much a month as they could doubtless earn in 12 months in their native land. It is a mistake, however, to suppose that the Le Chang or Sat-su-me, or Gunga Dass will hire cut at equally cheap wages in Canada. He knows too much for that. Some of those employed in Montreal get as high as $\$ 30$ a month, but they work early and late, and do not ask for "nights out" or "Sundays off" or for even receptions. The matter is but little apprehended among our people for many ladies not to the manner, or manor, born prefer doing their own household duties unknown to Mrs. Grundy, and whose appearance in the parlour or drawing-room reception days, betrays none of the drudgery of other days of the week.

We are tempted to pursue the subject further by placing before our readers the opinions, more or less, formed by our contemporaries in the Motherland, more specially those given in the London "Economist." Referring to the deplorable riots in Washington State and at Vancouver, as possibly having been arranged by United States labour lea iers, and the design at Vancouver to impress the eminent Japanese official at present in British Co!umbia with the popular feeling against Asiatic competition; oun contemporary says there is no doubt that the feeling is real, and is both racial and economic. The labouring classes in new as well as in old countries are naturally jealous of foreign immigrants who compete with them in their own employments, and whose standard of living seems to enable them to undercut the existing wage. When the alien is of a different colour, the prejudice is intensified. The Labour leaders work to maintain the rate of wages by the crude and obvious means of restricting the supply, and racial prejudice tends either to keep out coloured labour altogether, or,
when that is impossible, to withdraw the white man from working on an equality with the coloured mates. In Natal, as Charles Pearson's famous book wrote 14 years ago, the. latter solution has been practically reached; in Australia, the tropical North is left to develop slowly and imperfectly, for fear that yellow labour, if introduced to develop it, would find its way to compete with the white workman in the temperate provinces of the South. From British Columbia, which stands almost equally in need of labour for its development, the Chinese have been kept out since 1903 by a heavy poll tax, though there were 9,000 of them settled in the country as long ago as 18! 1.
The agitation agrainst Japanese immigration is said to have begun some years ago, but the influx was kept down mutil 1906, when Canada granted the rights of entry and settlement accorded in the British Empire, outside India and the self-governing colonies, to Japanese by the treaty with Great Britann of 1891 . Doubtless, the Japanese are likely to be of use in somre employments throughout the D Jminion, and in some trades like market gardening and the keeping of restantants, in which they enjoy a reputation all along the Pacific Coast. But they appear to go into the staple industries of Britis! Columbia, especially into the salmon-canning industry, which probably does not require very highly skilled labour; and there is ground for belief that the immigration is not altogether spontaneous, but is promotel by capitalist enterprise. As shopkeepers, too, they are keen traders who cut profits; and the uneducate British mind habitually lumps together all coloured races as "niggers." The fomenters of riot lately had, therefore, only too easy a task.

It is suggeste! that the immigration from Japan direct to British Columbia may be limited by mutual agreement to 500 , or thereabouts, in the year; and so the Japanese Government will have done its best to meet popular prejudice. Whether this will at once reduce the influx is doubtful, for it is even harder to protect the labour market against immigrants than against goods. Just as German goods, if an attempt were made to exclude them by retaliatory duties, would still come into Great Britain through Holland and Belgium, so Chinese and Japanese immigrants are smuggled into the United States through Mexico, and will come openly into British Columbia by way of Honolulu. There, indeed, there is a large Japanese population, and the conditions of labour, already bad, have recently been made worse by the importation of some thousands of practically destitute immigrants from Spain These Japanese from Honolulu can claim their treaty rights of entry into the Dominion, and they have passed out of the control of their ow: Government, which must, nevertheless, uphold their claim.

Under these conditions, the immigration and the agitation against it are not likely down at once. Possibly a more effective check than riots or restrictions may be provided by the lack of work alleged to exist for the incoming Japanese and Hindoos, lately arrived in Vancouver. But this check
can only be temporary; and it is clear that laboūr is badly needed all along the Pacific slope. British Columbia has vast undeveloped resources. The province contains about 30,000 inhabitants. The country is rich in minerals, in timber, in fisheries; and its agriculture is undeveloped. For nearly 50 years it has been calling for British immigrants, but with only a scanty response. It is hardly wonderful that in their absence Asiatic labour should be welcomed by the employers. The Japanese have made the fruit industry of California possible ; they adapt themselves readily to certain kinds of subsidiary industry which would hardly exist otherwis ?, and in an almost empty country they are almost certain, by increasing its prosperity, to raise rather than depress the wages of white men. If the aggregate production of the country is increased, it may be fairly argued, there must in the long run be more wealth to distribute, and it is absurd to sur?pose that the capitalists can pocket the whole increase. The United States, for more than 60 year;, has been the great dumping ground of cheap labour, first, from Great Britain and Ireland and Germany, since 1880 front all Eastern and Southern Eurno 2. Yet wages and the general standard of living have steadily risen. One reason, no doubt, is, that until within the last few years, the average rate has been largely determined by the rivalry of the attractions of farming life, owing to the ease with which land could be taken up; but that still holds good in Canada. The competition of immigrant labour in the United States, again, has to a great extent taken the form of specialisation. Native Americans leave domestic service to Irish, English, Germans, and Swedes; the Italians have made railroads in Southern swamps, Lithuanians and i'jes take 11 , the less skilled employments in the meatpacking houses of Chicago, the Czechs and Slovaks, clothing, hats and furs and coal mining, while the natives have gone to more attractive callings. Moreover, according tc testimony of Dr. Commons in inis remarkable book on these immigrants are eager to be assimilated. They come readily into the labour unions, and adopt the language as soon as they can. If the Pacific coast workers could be sure that the Asiatics were not bent on undercutting their wages, the economic prejudice against their importation would disappear. The race-prejudice, no doubt, would remain; but there are excellent reasons why it should be less strong against the Japanese than against the negroes and the Chinese. The main objection to the negroes is the difficulty that a white man must find in living or working among them; to the Chinese, that they come, except to the British West Indies, under conditions that are socially unhealthy, and bring their vices with them to infect the European population. These objectons may not hold good against immigrants from Japan. Meantime, it may fairly be remembered that Japanese immigration can never, like Chinese, be torren-
tial. There are only some forty-eight million Japtial. There are only some forty-eight million Japanese altogether and they have promising fields of labour, not only in their own country under its present industrial development, but (putting aside Formosa and the Philippines) in parts of South

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## A CAPTAIN OF INDUSTRY.

In the "Journal of Commerce" of June 15th, $190 i$, eference was made to the remarkable mercantile progress made by Richard W. Sears from his position in 1895 as a telegraph operator at a small "jerkwater" railway station "away up" north-west, where he had worked for eleven years without promotion. A tied-up commercial traveller explained to him one afternoon while Sears was waiting for signals all about the trade in watches as demanded by the masses. The difference between the wholesale and retail prices staggered him. After 4 years trial he was able to leave his ticker; he started in with some $\$ 8,000$ after discharging in full one or two old accounts for which he felt and made himself answerable. Two years later he and his partner, A. II. Roebuck, who had put $\$ 10,000$ into the business, found themselves with a surplus of $\$ 150,000$. They moved to Chicago, and in 1901 they incorporated the business at 5 millions of dollars.

The earnings of Sears, Roebuck \& Co. for the year ended June 30, 190) , according to the statement presented at the annual meeting, equal to $8.4 \hat{\imath}$ per cent on the $\$ 30,000,000$ of common stock, after paying $\hat{\imath}$ per cent on the preferred issue. Total profits on the preferred stock were $\$ 3,238,501$, or 33.2 per cent on the present amount of preferred stock outstanding.
The annual meeting of the company was held in New York. The directors reelected the retiring officers, with R. W. Sears as president. The profit and loss account and balance sheet for the fiscal year were as st:bjoined:

## PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT JUNE 30, 1907

| By gross sales during year. . . ....... $\$ 53,285,792$ <br> Less goods returned and allowances. . 2,562,952-\$50,722,839 <br> By dividends on investments . . .. .. .. .. ...... 70,804 |  |
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| Sundry persons .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 1, 383,833 |  |  |
| Due from customers.. .. .. .. .. .. 204,166 |  |  |
| Due from railroads, express companies and common carriers for goods in transit, claims, etc. $\qquad$$434,268-\$ 2,162,037$ |  |  |
| Insurance and interest paid in advance. |  | . 46,606 |
| Cash at banks and in hand.. |  | 1,072,215 |
|  |  | \$49,707,376 |

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$\$ 100$ each. . .. .... . $\$ 10,000,000$
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Bills payable
. $1,075,000$
Due to officials of the company for loans by them.

2,226,989
Sundry tradesmen for merchandise. .. 1,336.717
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l'reterred stockholders for dividend,
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170,625
surplus or undivided profits-profits
for year to date.. .. .. .. . . . . . $\$ 3,238,501$
Deduct dividend on pfd. stock at 7 per
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$695,602 — \$ 2,542,899$
$\$ 49,707,376$
As a curiosity in "merchandising" the statement is without parallel for its years, which are yet scarcely in the teens. Although Canada may boast those among its multimillionaires who began their careers as telegraphers, many of them were rather lucky in their investments; thre are but a very few who deserve to have the title at the head of this article applied to them. Mr. Sears is about 43 years of age. and enjoys his success so much that he has no wish to retire.

## TRAMWAY PROFITS IN CHICAGO.

Chicago's share in the net profits for the half-year ended July 31 st amounted to $\$ 278,220$. The total net profits for the period are 4503.550 and the company's share is $\$ 225350$. These figures are based on the eity's getting 55 cent and the company 45 per cent of the net profits, as provided in th, ordinance. During the political canvass prior to the election of April 3 $l$ st, at whi h the tract'on settlement ordinances were indorsed, the story was heard that "net profits" under the ordinance would be "nit profits"-that the companies would see to it that no profits were shown. An estimate shows that the net profits to the city from the operation of the City Railway ordinance alone will be nearly $\$ 600,000$. With the Itnion traction lines, yet to be brought into the accounting system, it is estimated that the city will have some $\$ 1,300.000$ a year as its share from the net profit division.

Owing to breakdown in machinery the Journal of Commerce is a day late in reaching subscribers this week.

## THE CANADIAN JQURNAL OF COMMERCE.

CONDITIONS IN THE RURAL DISTRICTS.
The season soon about to close has not been very satisfactory to the farmers of this Province. The spring plowing was greatly delayed by the backward weather, and a smaller acreage was broken up and cropped than usual. It has been customary of late years to speak slightingly of the grain crops of Esstern Canada, since so much wheat and oats are imported from the North Western Provinces; and no doubt the contention is well founded of those who claim that the Province of (Quebec is dowered i,y nature with upland pasturages and clear rivulets of spring watar so as to make her what she must ultimately become, the great dairying district of the Dominion. It is unlikely, however, that her farmers will give up the raising of grain completely, no matter what the future may have in store regarding specialization, and differentiation in the raising productions of localities.
At the present time at any rate, the immense lumbering trade would be badly hampered if the agents could not pur chase near ly at least part of the grain used in the teamstens' thanties. There is more coarse grain grown in the Northern parts of the Province than many people are aware of. And for this the farmers find a home cash market, always ready to pay a good price for oats and barley. This season's crop ismost of it atill in the fiekls, though usually it has lwen stored, threshed, and logged-if not sold-before the twentieth. Much of it has been cut and stooked but a good many fields are still standing. Nearly all of it has suffered in some degree by frost, which came at the usual time between the fifth and the fifteenth. That means light grain, either unsaleable or cheaprened greatly. The better class of farmers will not sell at all, preferring to keep over half fattened, grass-fed stock to eat up the grain in the straw. Steers and heifers are firmly held in conserpuence, and the live stock market will feel the effect of it.
Cattle shipping stations on the railways are not sending in the usual requisitions for rars, on account of the local demand. There will not be the fall glut of the live meat market, but the berves will come in when, perhaps, more needed, same as (ibristmas the rest as spring stall-fed beef. No doubt the formers' land will benefit ultimately, but the wives may find the purse strings tightened, when it becomes time to purchase supplies of clothing and other things for this winter.
Country merchants especially will note the difference. They look to the proceeds of the grain crop for their autume payments, and it need not oceasion surprise if traders in the morth country are found asking for some extension of time. It must not he forgotten that their customers are sure to pay up when they cain. Thuir requests fur money this year at the usual time are very likely to be met with the farmers' commom "hurl times" allswer "You can't get blood out of a tamip." and storekeepere will fimd they have to wait till the money combes in. Immediate wants will be met in many casos. by sacrificing siwine. which should in all economy he held over. Many a promising hrook sow, or likely, "shoot," or runt wil! go to the luyer, though it means a serious shortage of pigs for next apring. 'inthreshed grain is by mo means profitable hog food, lout it is always possille to winter a pen of pigs on most farme. The farmers should certainly be encouraged to hold orer their swine until they have lemught them to a profitable condition of mathity, though the storekerper has to meet his payments somehow of course.
It wan pmergencies of this wort which cansed the agitations for famere lanks in many parts of the world a few years ago. Many such bamks have been established, and are acknowledged to le remarkalbly safe and exceedingly useful so long as they contine themselves ton country work and keep out of land or other speculations. But those which are succesisful generally. cease to le famers banks after a time. This is not simply because the lmsiness is slow and tedious, and profits are sure rather 'han large. The diftionlty is that the farmers' business runs into the regular city husiness, through the dairy produce factories. the cattle hiyers. and country storekeeping interests. The banks find it necessary to have a city branch, or perhaps loranches. Naturally, financial gravitation makes this the inportant office. and soon head offices are moved to $t$ wn, and the lank finds place for its capital elsewhere than among the firmers.

Those banks which cultivate country trade seem to find it rrefitable, if one may judge from the frequent announcements of the opening of new branches. But, after all, in very many instances the country storekeeper is the small farmer's banker. When he is in need the storekeeper sympathises and carries his account. If he is unable to come up to time with his payment at the end of the extended term the storekeeper may even lend him further assistance, but under the protection of hypothecation. Security is generally ample and there is not much risk, provided the country dealer is himself a customer of wholesale firms of high financial standing, who will take pains to understand his position. and judge when it is wise to
allow him a further extension of time.

## AUSTRALIA'S WOOL CLIP

Although we are constantly enlarging the area from whence our wool is to be derived, and draw largely upon China and other portions of the Orient for it, Australia yet maintains a pre-eminence in the trade. The following notes upon this season's clip will be read with interest by those having any connection with the woollen trade. Last year the increase in the Australian wool clip amounted to 208,000 bales, nearly all of merino quality, and this enormous quantity was easily tb sorbed at high prices. At the present moment fine wools are in active call and are readily sold at top market prices, and many authorities predict that present high levels will be maintained for some months to come. Despite adverse influences, such as an unsettled money market and dear credit. the demand for the Anstralian clip was very keen and the year's wool placed $\ddagger 30,000,000$ to the credit of the industry.
Aconrding to the latest information the pastoral outlook remains good, and in some states conditions could not be improved. In New Sonth Wales abundant rains have fallen recently to offset the drouth earlier in the season. Advices from various sources are to the effect that the percentage of lambs will vary from 50 to 85 per cent, which, when all things are considered, must be regarded as satisfactory. There is every probalinity that the shortcomings in the lambing in New South Wales will be fully compensated for by the good results in the remaining States of the commonweath. Various are the opinions regarding the size of the increase of the clip. Because of the delay in the shearing; last year some of the sheep carried as much as 14 months' growth of wool, which made an ahormally large total. This year the amount sheared is not expected to exceed last year's by more than 100,000 bales, or about half that for the season $1906-7$.
It appears. however, that the number of sheep to be shorn this year will be much greater, and the improvement in breed chould compensate for the disadvantage in some cases of only ten or eleven months' growth since last shearing. Of connse. many things may happen between now and June 30 next, but many well informed men see no reason why last year's increase of 208,000 bales should not he attained. Prices are considerably above the average, and with supplies the largest on record consumers are not likely to hold large stocks or to depart from the conservative buying policy they hate adhered to for some time past.
The action of speculators who rushed int:, the market and mid prices which they were not able to obtain afterwards shauld act as a warning and a repetition of this poliey is unlooked for. Large quantities of the raw material are still in the hands of the growers, who refuse to part with their clips because prices this year have been about 4 cents below last year, and perhaps the bottom has not been reached. The trenit downward is not likely to be checked until present stocks are much reduced.

- A despatch from Camphelltown, N.B., says that a large amount of lumber will be held over this season, and operators will not cut more than half of the usual amount. There is more lumber for sale in England to-day than there has been for years, and the English dealers are aware of the fact that large quantities are held here. There is no general depression in Great Britain, but the lumber trade is overdone.

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## THE FORMOSAN CAMPHOR INDUSTRY

## NEW POSTAL REGULATIONS.

Some of the most important camphor woods in the world are in the fertile and in many respects beautiful island of Formosa. The following from Mr. George Braithwaite's transla. tion of "Japanese Rule in Formosa," by Yosaburo Takekoshi shows the difficulty under which the trade is prosecuted owing to the unsettled conditions prevailing there. It may reasonably be expected that now, under Japanese rule, there will be improvement in the government of the people, so that the gum may not exact the awful toll of human life it does at present.
"As the camphor laurel grows wild in the mountainous districts of Formosa, many people naturally conclude that these trees could easily be chopped up and distilled, but such is not the case. The trees which contain most camphor seem to grow best at elevations not exceeling 4,070 feet, and they flourish best upon the borders of the savage territory, especially in those regions which happen to be inhabited by the fiercest savages.
Valuable presents are at times made to these savages, but, nevertheless, the camphor workers must always be prepared to defend themselves from sudden attacks. In 1898 the savages attacked the camphor men and others over 300 times, killing or wounding 635 persons. These attacks were most frequent in Scptember, 45 having occurred in that one month. In truth, the camphor industry has cost an almost incalculable amount of human blood. With the enforcement of the monopoly the Formosan Government, following the example of the Chinese, took measures to place guards along the savage border. in order to protect the camphor workers in the forests. Some 1.500 armed natives are now employed as guards. and are clas. sified in three divisions-Aiyu, Keitei and Sotei. These are assisted by 50 Japanese police sergeants and constables. The annual expenditure for this purpose amounts to over 24.000 yen. There is also a private defense force of volunteers called Aitei.
The camphor workers are, as stated above exposed to constant danger, but their profits are large. The Japanese laborers who are employed by these manufacturers usually receive 14 yen for every picul of camphor produced, and seven yen per picul for the camphor oil. Their average earnings are between 25 and 30 yen a month, but some specially successful distillers make as much as 40 yen. The Chinese are employed on a totally different basis. Money is advanced to them by the manufacturers for the construction of stoves. Their earnings are slightly less than those of the Japanese workers.
A certain writer told the truth when he said that a few pounds of eamphor, which looks so like fresh-fallen snow, represents many drops of human blood. It ought not to be for gotten that the production of camphor requires more labor and canses a larger effusion of blood than any other of the many Formosan staples,
When I asked one of the officials at the camphor refinery whether the forests were not likely to become exhansted by the continual felling of camphor trees at the rate of 10,000 a vear, ho said with a surile that surveys were not sufficiently compiete to afford exact information. but that it was known that the camphor trees covered an area of about 1.500 square miles. Supposing that the depletion of the forests continues at the same rate as at present, the supply of camphor trees in Formosa will be sufficient to supply the world's requirements for another hundred years to come."
Owing to the greatly increased use of celluloid in the mambfacture of which camphor is an important constituent, the subject is important to many branches of trade. Attempts are being wade just now to produce the camphora officinarum, or camphor laurel in the United States, and with some measure of success. But for the most valuable grade of the gum. the world will probably always look to Bornen. and for the greater bulk of ordinary supplies to the Japanese, who sinee their acquisition of Formosa, may be said to control the output.
-An evidence of the continued existence of good times is supplied by the increase in the price of whiskey. which in Chicago, has reached the unprecedented figure of $\$ 1.34$ per gallon.

The new postal laws were issued by the Government last week as we were going to press. They concern the imperial penny postage scheme which went into operation on October 1, in accordance with the resolutions adopted by the postal convention at the Universal Postal Union Congress held in Rome last year. Among the changes are:-The postage on letters to Great Britain, Egypt and all parts of the British Empire (except Australia. and Rhodesia), which has hitherto been two cents per one-half ounce or fraction thereof, will be two cents per ounce or fraction thereof. Since Australia and Rhodesia have not yet signified their adhesion to this change in the unit of weight, tha rate on letters to those colonies will be as hitherto, two cents per one-half ounce or fraction thereof. The postage on letters to all Postal Union countries, with the exception of Great Britain and the British colonies mentioned above ard of the United States, Mexico and Egypt, will be five cent, for each letter weighing one ounc or las. On letters we ghing more than an ounce the postage will be five cents for the first ounce, and three cents for each subsequent ounce or fration of an ounce.
The postal rate on post cards remains unchanged. but the following changes have been made in the regulations concern ing post cards circulating within the thrritory of the Postal Union:-
The heading "post card" or its equivalent. is no longer compulsory for single (that is, not reply-paid) post carils of priate manufacture.
Minimum dimensions are four inches and two and threequarter inches. The maximum dimensions are unchanged. Cards must be made of card boant or paper sufficiently stout not to hinder their manipulation.
The right hand half of the fase is reserved for the postal directions and address The left hand is available for the purposes of the sender, subject to restrictions as to attaching articles, which are noted in paragraphs hereunder.
In addition to the staups for pre-payment. pest cards may bear small labels (not exceeding thre--quarter-inch and two inches) showing the name and adress of the sender and the addressee.
Engravings and photographs in very thin paper way be affixed to the back and left hand half of the address side, provided that they adhore completely to the card
Another advantage of the new postal scheme is the adoption of a syatem of coupons that mav be exchanged in most for eign countries for stamps to be placed on letters intended for delivery in the Dominion. These coupons will shortly be issued by the Post Office Depurtment, with the requisite in structions to postmasters. The value of the coupons is to cover return postage. A Cundian crres "nlent writ, $g$ to Paris; for example, instead of enclosing a Freach five-cent stamp for reply, may now en $\cdot$ lose insterd a dis-cent coupon, the latter leing exchange ble in Paris for a five-cent stamp.

## fire insurance reseryes.

The annual statement of Insurance Commissioner Cutting, of Massachusetts, contains some well-put comments on the eternal subject of fire insurance reserves. The fraternity and those of the public who have property, big or little, to insure will appreciate the remarks:
"There has been an attenpt to show that the present reserve required is a menace to the solvency of companies in case of great conflagrations. The logic of the position seems to be that the more assets a company has the more likely it is to fail! The general belief is that the contrary is true. Let us look at the facts. Whatever the standard fixed by law for the reserve, whether it be 50 per cent or 35 per cent, all that a company can pay out for losses without becoming impaired is its surplus on the day of the disaster plus the reserve on the policies which mature by reason of that disaster.
"The company that maintains a surplus of half a million would have the same loss paying power before becoming impaired, whatever the basis of reserve. In order for the company to have a greater loss paying power without impairing
the funds it must hold, it must maintain a larger surplus. If the reserve were reduced, is there any probability that the companies which need larger amounts in the surplus funds would accumulate them? It would require a high degree of opt:mism to believe that of some of them. It is much nearer the probability to hold that the companies which are the most reckless and, consefluently, need the largest surplus for the protection of their policyholders would be the very first to take advantage of any diminution allowed by law in respect to reserve to increase stockholders' dividends and make a high er bid for business which the intrinnic merit of the company would not attract.

The hest solution of the difficulty. if it is one that requires sclution. would seem to be. not to weaken the companies by reflucing the amount of ressme they must carry, but, rather. to provide in the law that they may have a reasomabe time to make good any impairment which resulto from abnormal losses by reation of a conflagration, instead of the present statute, which it is conceivable might terminate a company's existence before it had had an opportunity to recover from the shock of the calamity. This period need not cover more than one year, as it has been proved that that period is ample. by the reeruperation of many companies which suffered beyond the point of solvenly for the time leing from the san Francizeo disaster,"

## rHINA'S ADVANCE.

It must not be anposed that the Japanese are alone, among the great nationalities of the East in the advance towards making full usw of the developments of the Western world. There has come all arakening to the whele of the Orient. In India it is crusing an awakening amongst all the various populations which make up the Empire. No wonder need be exprosed if there in an efferwernep and an overflowing of natonal geal which kicks aqainst the exist ng govermment just now. Matt"rs will right themselves no doult when the natives of India come to realize that they can find immense development. and room for sitisfying national aspirations under reeponsible govermunt hig Anglo-savons. (hina is a wakeming alson. She hat heard the cry "respondete natalibus," and is rising to the lovel of her privileges in a dignified mannar in Banch:ria and in her older porinces. The model, upon which her progress is being formed is largely british, and numbers of English trained men have been employed in varions advisory capacitos. It is surprising to see the incerase in true practical education whech has ocenred within the past two years. Recently a prominent merchant of shanghai. bey name liu Ting Sfeng was ypeaking of this lately. He remarked:
"There is any mumber of colleges in Shanghai where Englith is tanght, and this is also true of four unisersities in and around the same dity. The people of me land and more patticularly the students, are anxious to learn the languge and are taking 断, the work all over the country. In addition to the colloges and minivesitios, there are hundrede of missions where heys and girls are talloght to talk as you do in this com try. Even the coolies, the laburing men aromid the hotels and pulife stations, who come in contact with the travelling tomer ists, have picked up pirt- of the language, and one would be surprised how well they an get along in Shanghai although they may not be :hlle to speak your tomgue perfectly."
It has been the greatest surprise possille to the diphomat ic world to see how perfectly (hina has reestablished herself in the proviners Russia coveted and partly exploited, and how slie has taken advantage of every trade outlet for her own people.

Consul" General T. .J. Jerome for Great Britain in Mexico, in his report on mining in Mexico, presents some interesting farts: "Mining must be considered the premier industry of the country. It is extellisely carried on all over Mexico. There is hardly a State which has not mines of softe kind or other and whose promperity is not largely affected by the state of the metal market. Many mining camps have had a revival of their pristine glory, such as Guanajuato, Pachuca and Real del Monte, while others, like Cananea in Sonora have sprung suddenly in to existence."

## FELDSPAR.

This useful mineral occurs frequently in Canada, and is rne of those treasures of the mine which form part of the country's best assets for the future. It is not so largely mined at Fresent as might be expected from over growing pottery inirterests and is not largely exported. For the four months ending July, 1907, 6.648 tons were shipped, the value of which was set at $\$ 19,702$. For last year the export was 12,516 tons at a value of $\$ 37,615$. According to the last report of the U.S. (ieological Survey a new value is to be given to the stone, and our deposits may become more valuable. The report says:
In addition to the large use of feldspar in the pottery industry, consderable quantities are now being used in the manufacture of opalescent glass and in the proluction of soaps and metal polishes slightly lessi abrasive than those in which ground quartz is used.

Much interest has recently been aroused in the use of potash felds|ar fer fertilizing purposes. Potash is an important plant foon which in the fertilizers has usually been applied in the form of wood ashes or of easily soluble potwh salts (sulphate, cartonate or chloride) imported from (iermany. The Department of Agriculture has recently concluded preliminary experiments to determine the arailability of finely ground po$\mathrm{t}_{\text {ush }}$ felldspar as a substitute for the more soluble potash salts. The following statement is quoted from the report on these tests:
"The evidence so far obtained appears to indicate that under ecitain conditions and with certain crops feldspar cat be made isseful if it is ground snfficiently fine. On the other hand. it is highly probable that under other conditions the addition of pround feldspar to the land would be a useless waste of money. At the present stage of the investigation it would be extremely unwise for any one to attempt to use ground rock except on an "xperimental scale that would not entail great financial loss."
If further experinentation shows that ground feldspar has a wide efficiency a fertilizer it will undoubtedly lead to a utilization of many of the pregmatite deposits which, because of insulficient coarseness, too large a percentage of quartz or toogreat an abundance of iron-bearing minerals, are not valuable as a source of pottery material.

## HIG: PRICES OF SHELLAC.

Consumers of shellac have for some time past been feeling the inconvenience of high prices, says the Manchester (iuard ian. The two principal varieties, ${ }^{*}$ button" and "orange" lac. are both used in large quantities by hat manufacturers in Denton, Stockpont, Hyde, and other places round Manchester. Button lac is made in flat cakes, more or less circular in form, and, except to the expert, is a a aterial whose exact value it is extremely difficult to gange. Its appearance, its smell, the sound it makes when briskly broken, the feel of it, and even the taste of it are considered carefully by the trained buyer
Orange lac is also used extensively in the manufacture of rarnish. It is usually met with in thin shivery flakes, and is much easier to judge than the other. It is only three or four rears since the price of shellac was just one-third of what it is today; and no one appears to know the real cause of the advance. It has been attributed to the growing demand of the clectrical trade, and to the increasing ise of high-grade varnishes. but it is doubtful whether either or both of these explanations is adequate. It is true that the demand in creases rapilly every- year, but it is equally true that the supply seens to increase pro rata. Probably the truth is that the standard of purity in the supplies is lower than formerly. India may ship larger quantities of shellac, but this season almost every quality has been inordinately adulterated with resin and other gums. It has been suggesteil al:o that the high fries have in 'ue d carlos gath ring, in h wi'l prove injurious to future crops. But official interest has been turned lately to the cultivation and harvesting of shellac with a view to maintaining the quality of the crops, and it is hoped that this may result in the maintenance or irp ovement of the standard.

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## UNLIMITED GOLD.

Modern discovery is greatly helping the world's production of gold. Reefs, gravels and dejesits which a few years ago were not considered to be sufficiently rich to pay for mining are now made to yield good returns. In fact, it may be said that the time has come when gold is an article of manufacture. There are practically exhaustless tract of rock and soil in which gold is being produced in enormous quantities with absolute elimination of risk of loss.
In 1884 the discovery of the greatest deposits of gold in all history was made known. This was in the witwatersrand district of the Transvaal of South Africa. Compared with it, the famous Comstock mines were nothing. Not until reernt years has it been possible to go ahead in the extraction of the billions in gold which are seattered through the rocis and soil of the Witwatersrand. It required new processes, bait scionce and invention supplied them. Here is a gold-bearing reef, forty miles in length, twenty miles in width and in which borings to a depth of 3,500 feet show gold in undiminished quantities! How much gold is there in the Witwatersrand? Hundreds, probably thousands of billions of dollars of it!
The Witwaterstand conglomerate carries only the insignificant amount of ten pennyweights of gold to the ton. but it runs uniform, therefore it is only a question of machinery and labor to determine the yield. Money supplies the machinery and China the labor. The annual production of the Transvalal gold factories now exceeds $\$ 100,000,000$, and the record is lroken every month.- If labor can be had. there is no reason why the output should not reach half a billion a year. and the rock can be worked for centuries without making a Serious impression on its vast extent.
In this connection many of our readers will doubtless recall Laing's comment on John Stuart Mill's treatment of the subject. to which a friend directs our attention: "When it was once clearly understood that gold and silver are not wealth; but merely the representatives of wealth; when men began to see that wealth itself solely consists of the value, which skill and labor can add to the raw material, and that money is of no pussible use to a nation except to measure and circulate their riches; when these great truths are recognized, all the old notions respecting the balance of trade and the supreme importance of the precious metal, at once fall to the ground."

## WOOD Asbestos.

An interesting electrical insulator sold under this name, and made by compressing asbestor waste, is thus described in Technical Literature (New York, July) :
"Asbestos is a fibre which is of a refractory nature, is an excellent electrical insulator, and is not affected chemically $\mathrm{l}_{\mathrm{y}}$ most of the active chemical agents likely to attack insulating materials. In quarrying asbestos, the thick reins containing the long fibres are broken out with hammers, and the masses are then shrelded, combed, carled, and spun int., yarn and cloth. The waste from these operations and the remaining short-fibred rock are used in the manufacture of asbestos wood. This insilator has the appearance of soapstone. but is much harder and lighter. It is aboout 60 per cent. heavier than oak, and its strength is about three-quarters that of white pine. Asbestos wood is more porous than slate or marble, and it is frequently necessary to impregnate it in order to render it impervious to moisture. When so impregnated, it has about the same insulating qualities as marble, and when dry, but not treated. it compares favorably with slate. It is not nearly so brittle as either of the above-mentioned praterials, lecomes but slightly distorted by heating. and an are on its surface confines its action to the point where it strikes and causes no cracking. It can be worked with ordinary tools used on hardwoid. and at about the same speed. It takes paint and varnish well, and is less sensitive to atmospheric changes than ordinary wood. It is non-inflammable and should find use in such places as those where fire-proofed wood and metal covered wood are now employed."

HUMANITARIANISM AND BUSINESS.
In spite of the increase in mechanical invention, the human element is st:ll of prime importance in manufacturing industries. Probably it has become, in some cases, of greater value because of the training required to become a good machine tender. At any rate, it is but poor business to allow the human portion of a business enterprise to become useless, or worn out if it can be presented, as it would be to allow the mechanical part to get out of repair. It is cheering to note that factory managers are beginning to recognize this fact, both from a business and from a humanitarian point of view. The following extract from "Industrial Canada" marks the awakening of Rhode Island consciousness:
"A large number of the most prominent manufacturers of Rhode Island, including the heads of the largest machine shops. woollen mills and cotton factories, have banded together in a united effort to prevent the spread of consumption among their operatives. Rhode Istand is a great manufacturing State. and its important cities and towns contain a closelycrowded population. The result, as shown by the latest fig. ures, is that consumption carries off more than twice as many victims as all other preventable and communicable diseases combined. The newly formed league of millmen employs sanitary engineers and physicians who make constant inspections. and watch each employee for signs of tuberculosis. Assistance and proper attention are provided for those who have the disease, and a campaign of education is conducted among all the r-peratives:- House-to-house inspection of tenement district; careful records of the removal and whereabouts of families in which the disease is present or has appeared, and the formation of a committee on legislation. are other steps which the millmen have taken. They are mentioned here because they are within the capacity of large employers of labor everywhere, and are not only humane but 'good business.'"

## the a. h. Dewdney troubles.

As a sequel to the collaps of the $j$ wel'ery firm (f A. H. Dewdney \& Bros., Tor nto. described at some lingth in the Journal of Commerce on the leth Ju'y lost, comes the a monucement of the arrest of A. H. D winnoy. which trok place in Hamilton, at the rac-emurse, on the esth It. The 'harg. wis for oltini $g$ \&2, 00 by fraud from S lomon Lorie, of sau:ders \& Lorie, wholesale jewellers, Toronto. When the Dewdney assigmment trok place last July, the lithil:ties were estimated at about $\$ 100,000$. an evidence of the extraordinary cre'it they must have en oyed.
It is alleged that Dewdney exploted stock of the Commerrial Binder Twine Co.. supmosed to be operating in New York, and sold a large number of thares, of which Mr. Lorie bought \$2. (:00 worth. It is stated ly the police authorities that Dowdney received $\$ 60,000$ in the ame way. The Commercial Binder Twine Co., the authonities alloged, never came into existence, and the dividends whi h were re tiel by th ose who had purchasod stork were wil by Drwdn'y out of the (apital he olle ted. Mr. Lorie recciva rne divi'e d. and as no others were fortheoming he investigated, and in Friday placed the aff ir in the hands of Walter Duncin, inspactor of detectives. Mr. Buncan learned that D"winer h"d ben 'ivi $g$ in $H \times m i-$ ton for a week and sent word there, with the risult that he was arrested. Dewdey is an Enolishman nd wav in the wholecal" jewellery business in Toronto for nearly twenty years, residing at Eginton. He was con-idered to te in $g$ od fenanci,l standing and his ass'gnment in July, with lialifiti's of over $\$ 100,000$, caused a great surprise. It is wolable that other charges will be lail against Dewdney, and $t$ is alleged that he is aloo watel in New rk. N.J.. by Dr. W C wf, of that city in a dunte involving 42,000 . Fr. 'owf s the inventor of the marhine which the Commercial Binder Twine Co. was to use. "nd Dewdney secured the money 'y stat'ng that it was neede 1 to handle the firm's growing Canadian lusine=s. Dr. Cowf wrs in Torcnto 1 st week, but $h_{1 s}$ retursell to New. York. Dewdney is 48 years old and gives Eglinton as his address.

## THE CANADIAN JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.

## THE MOUNT ROYAL SPINNING COMPANY, LIMITED.

Perhaps nothing more clearly indicates the progress of the Dominion, and the rapidity of the increase in its population, than the growth of the cotton industry, whose product is a first necessity of every immigrant, and is used arike by many of the new industries for which these immigrants help to furnish th labor, and in the implements with which they till the soil.
And thus, notwithstanding the importation of steadily in creasing quantities of English and foreign cottons, the existirg mills are taxed to the utmost, and are still unable to supply the demand.
A new mill, The Mount Royal Spinning Company, lecated at the Montreal suburb of Cote St. Paul, is rapidly approaching completion, and will soon be in a position to substantiate its claim to being the most modern, and best equipped mill in Canada. This is the enterprise to wh:ch reference has already been made in these columns. (Vide Journalof Commerce, Mch. 22, 1907, Mch. 29, 1907 and Apl. 12. 19:7).
The site, consisting of 14 acres, seems to have been admirably chosen, fronting as it does on the Lachine Canal, with tle C. P. R'y and (s. T. R'y, running into its yards, and with the largest settlement of textile operatives in (anada at its doors to draw from. at the same time offering these opratives, from its suburban position, advantages as to homez, , te., not enjoyed by most other mills.
The buildings comprise the mill proper, about $360 \times 130$ fet; storehouse, with office adjoining; boiler. engine anl pump houses; and plans are now being drawn for the most modern and upto-date bleaching and printing plant in the 1Jominion or even on the Continent,- the large area of the prol erty en abling the buildings to be planned for the handling of the pro duct in the most economical manner
These buildings. which are all of brick with concrete foundation, were designed by C. R. Makepeace \& Co., of Providence R.I., and are leing erected by D. (i. Loomis \& Sons, Montreal. under the supervision of well-known local architec s
The goods this comprany purposes putting on the market will he grey cloths. shetings, white cottons, and also dyed and printed gord
The carding and spinni ? machinery is being furnished by Platt Bros.. of Oldham, who are among the best makers of co:ton mill machinery in the world; the looms are being supplied by the Whitin Machine Worke
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Its directorate comprises men who are amon: the most cap able and rnergetic business men in the city the pre-ident 1 e ing William ('. McIntyre, James W: Pyke, vierpresident, and Win. T. Whitelead, wanaging director:

## Fire record

The ste:mer "Pistion." owned by the Richelien \& Outario. was bally damaged hy fire Sept. 21. While moored to the wharf at Toromts. The steamer was valued at $\$ 80,900$ and insured for $\$ 60,000$. Her cargo was valued at about $\$ 130,000$, covered by insurance
The saw mill. dry thed. carpenter shop and carriage shop owned by. G. B. Dumn, of Houlton. Me., and situated at Grand Bay. near st. John. N.B., were destroyed by fire Sept. 21. The mill was the sulyjection of action in the courts. and had not been in operition for some time. although equipped for work. Loss, $w 2.50(0)$ with $\$ 11,000$ insurance.
The Allert Mills, at Parachois, were burnt Sept. 18, as well as the wharf and all the buildings eonnected with the mills and about five million feet of humber. These mills were owned by the Messrs. Calhoum, of Calhom, N.B. The loss will be heavy. party incured.

The planing mill of W. M. Drader, Chatham, was burnt Sept. 20. Loss, $\$ 10,000$, covered by insurance and also damag ing Christ Church, Glassford \& Bedford's stables, the Ark, Gieorge Stephens Co., Bragg Bros., Wm. Gray \& Sons, Taylor's Woollen Mills and other buildings.
R. J. Burn's livery stable, Mount Forest, was destroyed by fire Sept. 20.
Fire destroyed the Waldorf Hotel, Winnipeg Beach, Sept. 18. Loss, over $\$ 20,000$.
> -Cotton growing experiments are being conducted in Corea. The result of cultivation of some 175 acres near Mokpo was a crop of 100 bales, or 50,000 pounds, of an excellent grade. The growers anticipate 1,000 bales for 1907 and 10,000 for 1908. Estimates allow 175,000 acres in Corea suitable for cotton growing, averaging 100,000 bales. The Coreans themselves expend the least possible exertion in agricultural pursuits. but if the cultivation is carried on carefully and the results of extension correspond to the present yield. half the present consump tion of American cotton in Japanese mills will soon be grown in Corea. The imports of raw cotton in 1906 were about 25 per cent less than those of 190.5

- A radical change as regards fuel for the navy has been decided upon by the British government. Hereafter oil is to be substituted for coal at the various naval bases. Heavy purchases of petroleum already have been made in Texas, California and Roumania, and it is stated the purpose of the government is to utilize the entire output of Nigeria, where drilling parties under control of the admiralty have been employed for some time, and where the oil deposit; are said to be very extensive. After protracted investigation the naval authorities informed the government not only that oil is the chaper fuel, but that it can be trans-shipped at sea more
easily than coal.
-The Sambas Rubber and Gutta-Percha Company, Limited, is the name of a company formed to purchase and work the leases of rubber and gutta-percha estates in the Sultanate of Saubas, Dutch West Bomeo. The purchase price is $\$ 400,000$ of which $\$ 100,000$ is to be in cash. The revenue is estimated to a wount to $\$ 92,500$ in 1908 , and to be revenue is estimated to Tho estimate $\$ 92,000$ in 108 , and to be progresive thereafter The estimate may or may not be realized, and it is impossible to say whether a venture of this kind will be successful or not.
If it should be. it will probaby give a very hig return; but only those investors should emlark in such speculative enterprises "ho are prepared to risk the loss of the money.

The Anstin (Texas) "State Topico" newspaper is one of Those who hold to the saying that "Tis an ill bird that fouls its own nest." The editi $r$ must have been i:a a happy mood whel, under the heading, " The ferfect Ci $y$." he pen ed the th. Press now superior, the City tin Pl Paso has no -uperior, hut few eromals in the the (ity Admintration :o s pmim and lut few eromals in the state, in El Paso "shy-ter" lawy rs are like angels' visits; the press is clean, hon'st and upright; such Thing as official greft is unknow . Happy El Paso! May she Gintinue to grow and flourish. the Pride of the Border-the Wueen (ity of the West.-Hooray!"-Nex:
-Interest in the Messina essences centers in the amnounce8,000,0co francs $3,000,000$ francs ( $\$ 600.000$ ), which will bring under one control about 50 per cent of the production of lemon, bergamot and crange. to be marketed through a well-known French house. It is stated that values will be regulated entirely by natural marinsure conditions, as there will be enough independent distillers to insure the usual effect of competition but, nevertheless, this combination must not be understood to be actuated solely by
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## -Adviess from Paris report that the inhabitants of Saintes,

 in Charente-Inferieure, have declared a lockout against the local gas company as a consequence of the numerous grievances which the company has refused to remedy. Public meetings were held, at which a resolution was passed to bring the com pany to terms by elosing all the gas meters. Since May 1 all cafes, ships, houses and hotels have been lighted by petroleum lamps. The agitation is spreading to other cities supplicd by the same company.-The revenue of the Dominion for the six months ending with september is the greatest on record. It is $\$ 50441,2 / 8$, or just thirteen million dollars more than for the whole fiscal year 1897, ten years ago. The current fiscal year wlll see the revenue reach the one hundred million mark. The collections from custrms alone for the six months was $\$ 31,412,735$, or over six million dollars more than for the same time last year. The total increase over the same period of last year is about ten million dollars.

One of the liggest lumber deals in the history of New Brun*wick was consummated Friday last when Sumner \& Co. sold their entire property in Gloucester County to American capitalists. The property sold includes a large sawmill and general store at Bathurst. and extensive timber areas throvghout the county. The price paid is said to be in the mighbourhood of $\$ 250.000$. The company will carry on business on a larger scale than heretofore.

A bull:tin, issued by the Department of Inland Revenue, shows that of 244 samples of maple syrup from various parts of canada examined, seventy-seven per cent were genuine, eight per cent were adulterated and the balance were mixtures or donhtful. The last examination made in May, 1906, showed only fifty-one per cent of samples genuine. Of the 257 samples of maple sugar examined 185 were found to be genuine, fifty seven adulterated and ten doubtful.

Fireproofing Wood.-The woid is soaked with a mixture of ammonium sulphate and ammonium borate. When the wrod is heated these gases develop ammonia, a gas in which ordinaly combistion is impossible. The effect is improved by the boric acid set free from the ammonuim borate fusing and coating the fibre with a glass which secures the wood from any possible access of oxygen.

- A cable dispatch from Vienna tells of a conspiracy between a countess, her lover and a Noscow lawyer to defraud life insurance companies by murdering Count Komarowsky. The woman in the case is the Countess Tarnowsky, and Count Komarowsy was her fiance. The count was killed according to programme, but the confession of the countess has spoiled the scheme of fraud.
-Consumption of alcoholice is falling off to a remarkable degree in Great Britain, a nation of heavy drinkers, according to official advices. Consul Mahin. of Nottingham, citing the figures of the last report of the British inland revenue eommissioners, says the decrease is not due to lack of purchasing power, hecanse the recent period has been most pooperous.
-The Dominion immigration agent, Dr. Monree, has notified :all steamship and transportation companies carrying Japanese to Vancouver that no Japanese will be admitted to Canada unless they carry passports made out sperifically to Canada. This stops the dumping of Japs in British Columbia from the Hawaiian Islands.
-Five carloads of silver concentrates valued at $\$ 40,000$ have been shipped to the smelters' at Omaha by the Hanson Consolidated Mines at Port Arthur. During August this company milled an average of 50 tons of ore a day, the total heing 1,500 tons for the month.
-The Associated Chambers of Commerce at Liverpool have passed a resolution favoring the importation of Canadian cattle. A resolution favoring tariff reform and an amendment thereto were withdrawn on the suggestion of Lord Brassey, after a long discussion.
-At a recent meeting of implement and vehicle manufacturers in the United States, a decision was reached that, for 1908 deliveries, prices would be advanced from ten to fifteen per cent, because of heavy increases in wages and raw materials.
-There are only two more stations to be installed to complete the system of marine telephones between Quebec and Montreal, which is greatly needed by shipping men.
-Canadian Pacific Railway Company traffic earnings from Sept. 14th to Sept. 21st, 1907, $\$ 1.426 .000$; corresponding week last year, $\$ 1,369.000$. Increase, $\$ 57,000$.
--Grand Trunk Railway System traffic earnings from Sept. 15th to 21 st, 1907, $\$ 954,311$; corresponding week last year, $\$ 906$ 060. Increase, $\$ 48,251$.
-It is, proposed in Vancouver to submit to the popular rote a proposal to lorrow a million dollara to build or enlarge several necessary bridges.
-A new line of railway has been projected in the far north to connect Dawson with Edmonton an approximate distance of 1.400 miles.
-An I'nited States harvester company is talking of setting up a branch factory which is to be capitalized at $\$ 125,000$ at Guelph. Ont.
-Acording to reports from Ottawa. the Dominion P'arlament is to he summoned for despatch of business on Thursday,
Nov. 21. Nov. 21.

Announcement is made of the issue of $\$ 1.000,000$ stock by the Toronto Electric Light Co., which was ratified some time
ago. ago.
-The stocks of the Canadian chartered banks in the recent market decline have shown a market depreciation of $\$ 17.670$, 1 n 0.
-Toronto has carried its by-law to provide $\$ 780.171$ for waterworks extension by a majority of 804 municipal voters.

Ottawa (learing I'ous"-Total for week ending sept. 26ith, 1907. 43,081, (6ifin.s9; crmesponding week last year, *2,368.733.96.

The announcement is made from London of a new Brazilian loan of $\$ 15,000,000$ to be issued shortly.

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## FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Montreal, Friday, Oct. 4th, 1907.
Transactions on the Stock Exchange are very limited, as may be seen by the table below. The principal sales were Power, s 92 shares at 93 to $913 / 4$; Mont. Street, 512 sheres at 190 to 18:33/4; ('P.R., 1,765 shares at 169 to $1: 88$; Dom. Iron, 2.781 shares :t $201 / 2$ 10 $19 ;$ Dom. Coral, 545 shares at $471 / 2$ to 45.
In Toronto a few shares of Dominion Bank sold at $2331 / 2$; Standard at 216; Tradens at 129 to 130; Canada Perm. 118. The Bank of England has declared, the u-ual half-yerrly dividend, interest and profits. of $41 / 2$ per cent tax free. The net profits for the priod (t) lag. 31) were $\$ 3,285.000$; the Rest

The following is a comparative table of stock prices for the week ending Oct. 4th, 1907, as compiled by Messis, Meredith and Co., stock Brokers. Montreal:-


## Miscellaneous

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## montreal wholesale markets.

Montreal. Thurstay, Oct. 3. 1907.
The bower terp perature has helped the sales ef fall mer chandiee in all depar ments and lusin. s is se momably ative While money remittances are coming is a* promptly as wis generally experted. Dry good travellers ane on the rad and are doing well. New from t'e Northwest s winflicting as to frost damage on wheat, but the crop of coars gernwill bee brge and prifitable. Theshing operations are giving exellent realis. wheat grading leeng far higher than was thought pmsible. Manafacturing plants are geneally employed for sereral montlis ahead and strkes and scarcity of labour have kept production wall within bounds. Railway traffic continus large and complaints of car shotage are not so fre went is in recent years. "Retail business in the large centres appears to be fully equal to last year.

APPIES, -Businews has been fair. "ith demand both from the United States and from Europe. Good export stock ranges from $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$ per brl. Exports for the past week were: Liverpool, 23291 lorls.; Glasgow, 12,954; London, 138; Bristol, 460 ; South Africa, 326; tot,l fir se:son, 55.167; 1 st year, 6e,205
oris. The first arrival of Nova Scotia apples at London were small sized and although many were clean, cthers were badly spotted. Prices are: Gravensteins, 13 s to 17 s ; No. 2, 11 s to 138; Ribston, 20s to 23 s .

BEANS - Fair jobbing demand at higher prices. We quote $\$ 1.571 / 2$ to $\$ 1.6 \overline{5}$ for small lots.

BL TTER - The tone is firm and prices continue to creep up wads. Cables from London quoted 110 s to 116 s per ewt, against loss to lles a week ago. At the country boards bet ter figures were made by sellers. One factory sold at Cowansville for $25 \pi / 8 \mathrm{c}$, but others asked $2.53 / 4 \mathrm{C}$. In St. Hyacinthe, buwiness was done at $2.51 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ and $2.53 / \mathrm{s}^{\mathrm{c}}$. Locilly, fine fresh yrades were strongly held, the quotation for fnest towns'ips being $251 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 26 c . Receipts for the week, 11.428 pkgg , against 20,609 last year. Total receipts since May $1,327,510$ pkgs., against 511.046 last year. Exports of butter for the week were 494 pkgs.. as against 2,579 p'gs. for the previ us week and $23,626 \mathrm{p}$ pg. for the corresponding week of last year.
 $\mathrm{p}^{\mathrm{kg}} \mathrm{G}$. for the correspend ng period of liest year.

CANADA BALSAM.-The market for ('anada fir balsam at Newi Sork shows mere strength owing to the cont:nued and increasing scarcity of supplies. It the close, $\$ 3.30$ appeared to lue an inside quotation, an there were some hollers "ho refused to quote below $\$ 3.50$

CHEFS:-A strong market developed at country points, the ruling price being $12 \%$ c, against $121 / 4$ a we:k a to. Th? top price was 12 9-16c, whici whe pail a. Win hester. At liroct ville, $123 / \mathrm{cc}$ was made for white and $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for edored. On this market prices were steady to firm and we quote fine. $t$ western at $121 / 2{ }^{c}$ to $125 / \mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{c}}$; townships, $123 / \mathrm{se}^{\mathrm{e}}$ to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}^{\mathrm{e}}$; Que. ber. $121 / 4^{6}$ to $120 / 4 \mathrm{ce}$ and lower grades, $115 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ to $113 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Receipts for: the week. $74,492 \mathrm{~b}$ x s : ince May 1 , 1, ,i39.043 10 ces, gainst 1.807 .941 last year. Finest white at Liverpool, fins; colored, 61 s . Expor of of cheese last week amounted to 74,438 boxes, as aganst 59.520 boxes for the previous week and 119, 678 boves for the corresponding week of last year. Total shiprents from Montreal since May 1. 1.447.808 boxes. as against 1,6is1,402 boxes for the correspomint period of last year

COAL.-Bus ness fair at the late advance. Grate is quoted by den!ers at $\$ 7.00$ net and egg. stove and chestnut at $\$ 7.25$, less $2 \overline{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{c}$ dis ount. Best American steam coal, $\$ 4.75$ gross, duty paid on track

DRY (iOODS.--Business has been fir with prices in :ll lines steady to firm. In New York, spot cotton elosed quiet, 5 points lower; middling uplands, 11.80 c : do., gulf, 12.05 e . Yales, 1.5 bales. Fine cottons are easier in the C.s. market and at the mills, but current prices are still far above the values at which many large con'ricts are coming forward. The floating supplies of heavy cottons are being influenced by the day to day movement of cotton prices. Cotton yarns "present a class standing alone in the meastre of values for the time leing. Linens are holding steady, as a rule, especially on the finer l'nes. Burlps show strength. The spring at cumulations of ferey silks we being aferel th icblers fom the mills and the latter are anticipating going into next -pring's work on at leas: the current price level. The higher lines of staple worsteds and woollens are in god condition, while many fancies and low lines are herituting. The trend of the raw wool market offers cloth buyers little encouragement in the immediate fu'ure. Cotton. mid, uplands, spot X.Y, 11.8 .5 e print cleths. 28 -inch, standard, $51 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; gray goods,
 $73 / 40$ to se; brown sheetings. 3 -yards, $71 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $71 / \mathrm{c}$; denims, 9 ounces. 1 fic to $161 / \frac{2}{2}$ e: tickings, 8 ounces. $141 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; standard prints, ic; standard staple ginghams. ie to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

Erigs.-A brisk demand and prices firm. Receipts for the week, 4,231 caves, against 7,399 last year; si ice May 1, 141,841 cases. compared with 150,567 last year. Sales of selected at 23 c to 24 c ; No. 1.19 c to 20 c ; seeonds, 16 e to $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; st aight gathered, 18 c to $181 / 2$ c.

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FISH.-The sto dock and cod. $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; market cod fish, loc; lake tr bluefish, 18c; loh Gaspe salmon, 18 c haddies, 15 to $30-$ in small loxes, 12 "Favorite" brand, boxes, $2-\mathrm{ll}$. bricks shredded cod. halt \$1 80; skinless co Labrudor herrings, herring, half brls., sea trout, in $100-11$ \$10.50; No. 1 gre \$5.75; large green salmon, in bris., ne in tierces, $\$ 17.50$.

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FLOUR.-Business fairly active and prices firm at the recent advance. Choice spring wheat patents, $\$ 5.90$; seconds, $\$ 5.30$; winter wheat patents, $\$ 5.25$ te $\$ 5.35$; straight rollere, $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 4.90$; do., in bags, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.35$; extras, $\$ 2$.

FISH.-The stormy weather has restricted supplies of haddock and cod. Halibut, express, per lb., loc; haddock, do., $51 / 2$ e; market cod, express, per lb., $\mathfrak{c}$; flounders, 10c; weakfish, loc; lake trout, 10c; whitefish, 10c; brook trout, 22c; bluefish, 18c; lohsters, 30c; pickerel or dore, 12c; pike, sc; Ga-pe Salmon, 18c. New kippered herri gs, per box, $\$ 1$; new haddies, 15 to $30-\mathrm{lb}$. hoxes, per lb., 8c; smok d herring, n w, in small boxes, 12 c ; boneless cod, 1 to 2 -lb. 1 ricks, assorted "Favorite" brand, $20-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes, per 1 lb ., 7 c ; buneless fish, $20-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes, 2-llb. bricks, 6c; boncless fish, $25-\mathrm{h}$. boves, lorse, ic: shredded cod. half -1 b . cartows, 2 dozen c +rtons in box, per box, $\$ 180$; skinless cod, 100-1b. cases, $\$ 5.50$. Pickled fish-No. 1 Labludor herrings, in brls., $\$$; ; half brls., $\$ 2 \pi$; No. 1 N.s. herring, half brls., $\$ 2.50$; No. 1 mackeral, in pails, $\$ 2$; No. 1 Sea trout, in $100-\mathrm{lb}$. kegs, $\$ 5.75$; No. 1 sea trout, $2 \%-\mathrm{ll}$. brls., $\$ 10.50$; No. 1 green cod, per $209 \mathrm{lbs.} \$$,7 ; small green cod, $\$ 5.75$; large green cod, $\$ \$$; No. 1 green huddock, $\$ 6$; Labrador salmon, in brls., new. $\$ 13$; do, h lf brls., $\$ 7$; Labrador salmon, in tierces, $\$ 17.50$.

GRAIN.-The tone of the wheat market in Chicago ans Wimipeg was heary owing to large realizing sales. It is probable that the decline is only temporary as the Europan demand for wheat and flour shows little sign of abatement. Threshing returns in the Canadian west are said to show gratifying results, much better than was hoped for. Wheat and flour exports from the United States and Canada this week were the second heariest of tho year, showi g a gain over last week of 932,000 bushels, and over this week last year of 698,000 bu-hels. Corn exponts were $9+, 000$ bushels above last week. and 737.000 bushels above a year aro. At Chicago, quotations closed: Wheat, September, 9 xe; December, ${ }^{0} 91 / 212 \mathrm{c}$; Corn, September, $623 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 63 c ; December, 58 c to $581 / \mathrm{c}$. Oats, September, 54 c ; December, 52c. Timothy seed, Octoher, $\$ 4.10$. Clover seed, October, $\$ 16.75$. A Toronto despatch quoted: Whe it, No. 2. white, sold at $\$ 1$ outside, Octobe: shipment; No. 2, mixed, *1 asked, 97e bd; M'anitoba. No. 2, northern, $\$ 1.11$ asked on track at lake ports; No. 1 northern, \$1.13; No. 2. \$1.10, lake ports. Barley-No. 2, f5c 1 id outside. Oats-No. 2, white, 49c bid outside. Corn-No. 2, yellow, American, 73 c, Toronto freights; No. 2, yellow, $721^{2 \prime}$; mixed, $711 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. A fair bu-iness was done in Manitrba sp ing wheat in this market. Oats have an upward tendency, owing to the further strength displayed in the Winnipeg market, prices advancing $11 / \mathrm{se}$ per hushel to $507 / \mathrm{se}$ for the October uption. There was no change in values on spot, lut holders in some cases are asking much higher figures, while others still continue to quote 57e for Manitoba No. 2 white and 56 c to $56 \%$ for No. 3 per bushel, ex-store.

CREEN FRUTITS.-Business is fair and prices are higher than usual at this season. California peachos. Sulwars, $\$ 1.50$; plums, Italian and (iross, $\$ 125$ to $\$ 175$; Yartlett pears, loxes, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.75$ : grapes, Tokays, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.25$. Oranges, 126 size, $\$ 5.75$ per box; Jamaica, fin stock, $\$ 7 \mathrm{p}$ r b bl. Temons, Veirdellis, fancy stock, 300 size. $\$ 4.50$. A $A_{I}$ ples, Duchess, St. Lawrence, Wealthys, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 350$ per bll; Culverts, Jennettings, etc., $\$ 2.55$ to $\$ 3.25$ rer bbl. B nanas, Jamai $\cdot a$, fine fru t , $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.75$.
(:ROCERIES-Business is opening up well for the fall trade. Valencia layer raisins have heen clesely clard up at New York. A cargo of 30,000 boxes is due but it has been sold to arrive. Recent cables make no mention of damage in Spain from the heavy storms. Currants are in active demand for present and future delivery. California prunez a:e firm. The inside quotation is $41 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$ f. o. b. bag basis for Suisun frut, while 5 c f. o. b. is the basis generally quoted on Santa Clara, 5 es to 90 s , with half a cent premium on 40 s and lc on 30 s . Peaches are quiet but steady. Old Persian dates ave reported to be meeting with a good demand at $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for Hillowees, $23 / 4 \mathrm{c}$
for Khadrawees, and 2c for Sairs. The demand for new crop figs is still slow, but arrivals so far have been smaller than at the same time last year, and shipments for the season are expected to be cosididably less than $n$ 1906. Cit on is ace ive and firm, as are also lemon and orange peel. Canned tomatoes, corn and peas are in good demand both here and in the United states. The trade is awaiting the of ening rrices for gallo: appes. In New York small lots of spot r d la ka salmon are changing hands at $\$ 1.271 / 2$ to $\$ 1.30$. Supplies of sardines small and market strong. The first shipment of new crop *icily fil' erts is expected the latter part of October and stock is quoted in quantity at loc. It is reported that the souring of the Californisa fig crop his occurel only in suts. Teas are firm wi.h low grades in best request but ther are sarace. spices active with an iwprovement in :\%ll sorts. Pickle manufacturers and jobbers are expressing very ploomy opinions of the out'ook for this 'a'l's pack. Aready peckles a e $q$ ' ot dat something like ! to 12 per cent higher than list year and the reports from the growing sections are disco traging. Raw sugar in New York was steady; fair refining, 3.4̄̄c; cent, ifugal, 96 test, $3.95 \bar{c}$; molasses sugar, $\$ 3.10$. Refined, steady; No. $6, \$ 4.60$; No. $7, \$ 4.55$; No. 8, $\$ 4.50$; No. $9, \$ 4.45$; No. 10 , $\$ 4.35$; No. 11. $\$ 4.30$; No. 12 , $\$ 4.25$; No. 13, $\$ 4.20$; No. 14 , $\$ 415$; confectioners' " $A$ "" $\$ 4.90$; mould "A." $\$ 5.35$; cut loaf. $\$ 5.70$; cru hed, $\$ 5.70$; powdered, $\$ 5.15$; granul ted, $\$ 7$; cubes, \$5.25. New York-Molasses, quiot; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 37 e to 48 e . The New York m : rket for coffee futures was steady at an advance of 5 to 10 points on buying by European houses and stealy Fu opan malk t. Trading was not active, but offerings were comparatively light, and the market held steady. A runor that a San os firm had failed while short of the market at fantos and Havre, was not confirmed. Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Santos, No. 4. Sc; mild, quiet; Cordova, 9o to $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$. Peanats-Bnn-Ton, oasted, $141 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Coon brand, roasted. $91 / \mathrm{c}$. Dates-Perian, 1 ib . packages, 30 packages to box, per pkg., ic. Extra fancy evaporated, $30-40$ prunes, $25-\mathrm{lb}$. hoxes, per 1b., 10c; do., $40-50$. 9 c ; de., $50-60,81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Almonds, Tarragon, soft shell, per lb ., 15c; walnuts, 14c; Brazils, 16 c ; pecans, Junbos, 22 c ; filberts, Sicily, 12c; shelled almonds, 31e; shelled walnuts, 22e.

HAY.-Fair demand at steady prices; new cop, $\$ 14$ to $\$ 14.50$ for No. 1 timothy; $\$ 13$ to $\$ 13.50$ for No. 2, and $\$ 12$ to $\$ 12.50$ for clover; mixed clover. $\$ 11.50$ to $\$ 12$ per ton, in car Iot:

HIDES AND TALLOW.--Business vnchanged and values ste dy. No. 1 hides, 9c; No. 2 hides, 8 c ; No. 3 hid s. 7 c ; No. 1 calfskins, per lb., $10 \mathrm{c} ;$ No. 2 culfskins, per lb, 8 c ; lambskins, 60 c to 70 c ; No. 1 horsehides. each $\$ 2$; No. 2 horsehides, each \$1.50; tallow. rendered. pr $\mathrm{lb} . .51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; tal'ow, rough, per lb ., $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ to 3 c .

HONEY.-Market dull and prices firm. White clover, comb, 12c to 13 c ; buck wheat, $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 10 c and extracted, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $91 / 2^{\mathrm{c}}$; extracted white clover comb, 10c to lle per lb.

IRON AND HARDWARE,-A fair business has been done in general hardware and heavy metals. Pig iron has been steady in price. Most of th: business that h s b en trimsacted in the New York market during the week has been in special and off grates; that is, for high silicon, low phosphorns and high phosphorus, malleable and off basce. There have also been further sales of Chinese basic to Camadian plants and the same ints rests have lo ght wire f ee'y if Pritish ir n. Now York-Pig inon, steady; northern. $* 8.50$ :o 220 ; s) tiern, nominal. Copper, weak; lake. $\$ 14.75$ to $\$ 15$. Lead, quiet; *4.60 to $\$ 4.75$. Tin, weak; Straits, $\$ 35121 / 2$ to $* 35.50$; lates, veak. Spelter, firm; domestic, \$.3.30 to \$5.40. Bar iron has been dull, with small inquiries, and the market is barely steady. with holders asking 1.60 e base Pitts' urg. or $1 .-61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ tidewater, lase half extras. The jobbing trade is quiet at 2 c base full extras from store. The one bright son' $n$ the steel situation is in the agricultural districts where the buying of wire products is artive and implement manufacturers are spe cifying on merchant bar contracts heavily, as well as placing new orders. It is estimated that consumption of steel by
agricultural interests is from 25 to 30 per cent greater than a yeal tg , which is all the more remarkable when, as now, the gelieral industry shows a contraction in all semi-finished and firished material of about 30 per cent. It is noted that the denand for nails is especially heavy in the West, and that orders for fencing are large in the Central West, while the buying of barbed wire is unusually heavy for this season of the year. British "ables: Standard copper, spot, closed $£ 65$; 3 mos.. 465 Lead-Soft spanish advanced 10 nẹt durng the week, closing at $£ 2010$, again t £ $£ 20$ on the preceding Friday and aginst tis 129 6d at the corresponiling time last year. Ritined apelter-London has been higher lut reacted. (i. M. B. closed at © C21, th. same as on the preceding Friday and aqainst $\mathfrak{L}^{2} 2 \mathrm{I}$ I2, 6id on the corresponding day lust year. Antimony has adranerd shuply under stronger advices from ahmad and a. better domestic demand. Special brands are held at $101 / 2 e^{-}$and 11 and orrinary brands at $101 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to $103 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Singlish for "portation is prictalle at $10 \%$ c. Ni kel is quiet at 40 10 47 e for round lota down to a ton OC to bine for smaller quatitis. Aluninum in ingots for remelting is nominal and prices inegular. The largest produ ers of ote rom 4:c in ton lots. Tin, spot. $\mathfrak{E l 6 1} 10 \mathrm{~s}$; futures, £159 $1.5 \%$. At New York

IJF NTOK Liverpool cables note a decline of $1 / 2 \mathrm{e}$ in Camatian caltile with sales at $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; ranch cattle, Jose thi $101 / 2 \mathrm{cc}$. Shipments from the Norilhert will be much lew than lit your. owing th the unfarurble lat spring and the fact that fewer cattle were fed for export than a year aso. Eyouts from this port for sopterber were 11,852 cattle and 410 -hurp. whi h how al decrese of $8,8.51$ cattle and 598 *herp as compared with the same month last year. The total exper - for the seato: wer, 71.9 al cattle anl 4 , 9.5 s'e $p$.
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ME.LL. Steadr trade expecially in relled oats at $\$ 2.75$ per bag. (iormmeal. \$1.70 to \$1.80.

MILL FEED.-Trade active at the late adrance. Manitoba

 lie. $\$ 2{ }^{-}$th $*: 30$ per ton ; straight grain. $\$ 34$ to $\$ 35$.
XIIAL STORES - Business good at firm prices. Pine pitch. $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$ brl.; pine tar $\$ 9$ to $\$ 9.50$; oakum. 4e to ie lb.; coal tar, $\$ 4$ brl.; rooling pitch. $\$ 1$ per 100 lbs ; cotton waste, coloured, 5 c to 7 c per 1 lb ; white, 8 c to 11 c ; rope: Sisal $7-16$ and and upwards. $101 / 2 c ; 3 / 8,11 \mathrm{c} ; 3-16$, $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Manilla, $7-16$ and harger, $1.5 \mathrm{c} ; 3,151 / 2 \mathrm{c} ; 1 / 4$ and $\overline{\mathrm{S}}-16$. 16c ; Laid yarn, 10 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{e}$.
OHAS DRI (iS, ETM-Business yond, with prives gollerally firm. C'amplow is in demand at $\$ 1.60$ to $\$ 1.80$. Cocaine, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.51$ Gil of perpermint. $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$. Potash iddide, $\$ 2.75$ to \$3.25. Minine 20. to :30c. Livelpon-Turpentine, spirits, yriet, 33* bid. Xien lonk-liowin. stealy; strained, common to gond, st.40. Tupentine. steady, 55: S.avannah-Turpentine, tirm, $713 \%$ e to $.2 ;$; sales, 444 ; receipts, 662; shipments,
295. Rosin, firm: siles 1947 , 295. Rosin, firm: sales. 1.947; receipts, 2317 ; shipments, 1,295 ; stucks. 8.5 .393 . Quote ABC, $\$ 3.8 .5$; D, $\$ 3.95 ; \mathrm{E}, \$ 4.20$ to $\$ 4.2 \frac{1}{2} ;$ F, $\$ .40$ to $\$ 4.45$; G, $\$ 4.49$ to $\$ 4.471 / 2 ;$ H, $\$ 4.50 ; \mathrm{I}$,

OYNTERS.-Fine oysters in the shell have beeen held at $\$$ ' per brl. Standards. bulk, per gallon, \$1.50; do., balk, qt. tin, sealed, 40 c ; paper pails, per 100 , pt. size, $\$ 1$; paper pails, per
$1(9)$ qt. si\%e. $\$ 1.2 .5$.

POTATOES:-Business fair, but more rain would hurt the crop. Prices are steady at 75 c per bag.

PROVISIONS.-A good business at former values. Abattoir fresh killed hogs, $\$ 9$ to 9.25 . Heavy Canada short cut mess pork in tierces, $\$ 33.50$ to $\$ 34$; barrels, $\$ 22.50$ to $\$ 23$. Compound lard in tierces, $375 \mathrm{lbs} ., 91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to $93 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; boxes, 50 lbs ., parchment lined, $93 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 10 c ; pure lard, tierces, $113 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ to 12 c ; tins, 3 to 10 lb . cases, 12 c to $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. Hams, extra large sizes, 25 lbs. and upward, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; large sizes, 18 to $25 \mathrm{lbs} ., 131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 14 c ; medium sizes, selected weights, 12 to $18 \mathrm{lbs}, 141 / \mathrm{c}_{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{c}$ to 15 c ; extra small sizes, 8 to $12 \mathrm{lbs}$. , 15 c to $15 \frac{1}{2}$ c ; English boneless breakfast bacon, 14 e to lö̆; Windsor bacon, bicks, 15 c ; $\mathrm{s}_{\mathrm{s}}$ siced rolled bacon, boneless, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Wiltshire lacon, 5 ) lb sidt $\mathbf{s}, 15 \mathrm{c}$.
TLRPDCNTNE-There was an advance in turpentine at New York to 55 e, as Savannah was sold at $511 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, and report had it that practically all offers were taken. The stocks in New Lork are light.

WOOL,-Business moderate. Canada fleece tub washed, 26c to 28c; Canada fleece, in the grease, 18 c to 20 c ; Canada pulled, brushed. 30c; Canada, pulled, unbrushed. 27 c to 29 c ; pulled lambs hushed, :Ce to 32 c ; puiled lambs, unbrushed, 30 c ; N. W. merinos, 18 c to 20 c . At the London sales last week competition was spirited. Most of the offerings were crossbreds, which were taken by home buyers at full rates. Fine greasy lalfine ds were a shide dearer. The few merinos offered were In active request. Fine scoured combings and fleace hoggets sold readily to the Con:inent. New South Wales, scoured, is $1 d$ and $2 \mathrm{~s} 11 / 2 d$; greasy, $61 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ and is 2 d . Queensland, scoured, 1s $2 d$ and 1 s 3d. New Zealand, scoured, 1 s 3 d and 2 s 1 d ; greasy, $01 / 2 d$ and $1 s 21 / 2 d$. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, scoured. 1s 4d and 1s 10d; greasy, 8 d and $1 \mathrm{~s} 1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. Punta Aro nas. greasy, $71 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ and 8 d .

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That any person or company violat ing the provisions of section 400 , sub-section 1, of the Railway Act, shall, in addition to the regular toll, be liable to pay the company a further toll not exceeding fifty per centum of the regular charge."

For the information and guidance of our readers we publish the following letter of instructions, sent to their inspectors by the Canadian Freight Association. Your attention is called to Rule 17 of the Canadian Classification No. 13, effective lst September. reading as follows:
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(b) If upon inspection it is ascertained that the articles shipped are not those described in the bill of lading, the charges nust be paid upon the articles actually shipped, and at the rates and under the rules provided for by this classification and subject to the provisions of sub- sec tion " $c$ " of this rule
(c) If any person or company shall knowingly (r wilfully by false classification. false weight, false representation of the contents of any package, or false report of weight, or by any other device or means, whether with or without the consent or connivance of any agent or agents of the transportation company. with the intention of obtaining transportation for goods at less than the regular tolls then authorized and in force. such person or company shall, in addition to the regular tolls then aיn. thorized or in force, le liable to pay to the transportation company a further toll of fifty per cent of tho regul $r$ charge.
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| Lard 0il .. .. .. .. .. .. | 06009 |
| Linseed, raw, | ${ }^{0} 60062$ |
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In the Progres Medical Dr. J. Noir deals in an interesting manner with the origin of drugs. He points out that modern medicine owes much to the empiricism, the folklore, the superstition, and even to the prejudices of past ages. It is obvious that in early times it was impossible for the physivians of the day to try all known plants for all known diseases. Some basis of selection being required, it occurred to these early phy- sicians, deeply imbued as they were with religious and mystical idens, that the (reator hadnod only endowed men with maladies, but had also put within their reach appropriate remedies. They thought, indeed, that the Creator had indicated which remedies were to be used in special cases by causing plants to bear physical resemblances to the maladies for the cure of which they were intended. This theory dates back to a remote anquity, and it was generally entertained during the liddle Ages. Though fantastie and now diseled ted, it seried, howwer, a useful pur; ose, since it brought to light many remedies that otherwiso woald probably never have been known. Dr. Noir mentions saveral interesting examples of the empirical origin of drugs The color and shape of the chestnut were nce considered to indicate its usefulness in the treatment of haemorrhoids. The narcotic properties of opium a:e considered first to have been known through the recognition of a faint resemblance


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