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$\therefore$ Dering 1886; 187,550 cars crossed tho Detroit-river at Windsor, enalbound, and 180;040, westbound, a daily average of 1,007.
Iue Atlas Assurance of London, Eng., makes its deposit: with the Government in Otiawa blis yeek, and will begin operations ims mediatély.
Tue shipments of oil from Petrolia, Ont., during the year just paist, nggregated 134,267 barrelk crude and 187,750 barrols refined -putroleǘn.
Tue traffic receipts of the Onnadini Pacific railway for the weck ending January 7 were $\$ 157,000$, an increase of $\$ 40,000$ compared with the cortesponding week lutt year.

- There has been talk for bomo days back of starting a new Gonservative paper in Toronto and rumor has it that a well known paper in another city will be transferred to Toronto,

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The depulation to secure in chmage in the routo of the Cape Broton railway presented their views at a Cubinct meeting on the 10th ulto, and were asmued lant the matter bhould bo fully considered.

Consemion between the bostal and the Camadian Pacific Telegraph systemb, giving direct telegraphic connection between Winnipug and Sun Francisco, is expected to be completed about February lst.
Tus stock of C. H. Proile, jeweller, of Chitham, Ont., whosu business troubles havo been alrendy noted in these columns, has leen sold at 10 cenits in the dollar.-W. J. Magee, a Porthad, N. B., coml denler, has assigned.

Ir is stated that the bituminous conl pool will take effect on $A$ pril 1. It is tho opinion of producers that the formation of this pool will insure an average advance of 00 cents per ton for their product during the onsuing year.
G. Cilampoux it Fils, general storekeepers of Sherbrooke, Que, lave nesigned. 'l'hey anly started in business last Maichand were

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burned out on the $27 t h$ December, their losses compelling them to take refuge in an issignment.
I'tus Windsor Flectric Raifway Company has resolved to give up, the struggle with the snow since winter ket in. The company now. hats omnibusses on rnmuers, which will take the plate of the electric car. until the snow melts.

Aucuste Guundien, the fashionable tailor, whose cfiorts to eflect a compromise with his creditors at is cents in the dollar have allready been chronicled iu these columns, has. failed to secure a settlement and is compelled to askign:

I're Canadian Workman is the title of a now. venture in journalism about to be made in' this city, under the editorial management of Mr. M. Charles Foley, of Mamilton, for some lime past connected with the Pralladium of that city.

Juntament his been given in the suit of the Axchange Bank liquidators against Mr. M. II. Gault, ex-president of the bank, declating Mr. Guuli not responsible for Thomas Craig's overdrawn nccount, and dismissing the ation with costs.

T'us. Waterloo is Magog milway company gives notice of application for amendment of its chartor so as to allow the company to alter the location of the railway, to take up the road where not needed, and to sell the railway if deemed uecessiry.

Joun Jawson, general storekeeper, of Forest, Ont., has assigned. He was formerly n commercial triveller and succeeded W. O. Dillon. in his present venturo just six months ago. Apparently he wis more successful selling for others than for hinself.

Mr. Jum Livinastone, trustec of the insolvent estato of the Joseph Eall Machine Works, of Oshawa, Ont, has issued a dividend shect for privileged und bypothecary creditors amounting to $\$ 4,388$, which , was open for objection until the 10 th ulto.
W. W. Monnow \& Co., general storekeepers, of Robinson, Que., have assigned. Morrow formerly kept a grocery here and afterwards went to British Columbia. He opened his present ṣtoro in August, 1883, but his prospects of success were always doubtful.

Tire Coal Trade Journal, of New York, reports that the production of anthracite for 1886 was, $32,426,722$ tons, against $31,893,190$ toos in-1885. The demand is unusually good. A meeting of sales agents will be held on the 15 th inst. to diseuss prices.

Tu: Mail says that in the caso of Mr. Hirschberg; the Toronto customs broker who was detected in attempting to pass a forged bill of liding, the Cusfoms Department have decided to prevent hin from doing any business with the custom house in future.

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'Tue frst locomotives of the consolidation cluss built in Canada-though not the first in use on Canadian ronds-have ween turned out of the Canadian Pacific shops at Montreal. Four of these engines have been built, laving 19 by 22 -inch cylinders and 51 -inch driving whecls.

A latrae number of counterfeit ten dollar bills on the Bink of Commerce are in circulation in Toronto. The issue is dated 1871. The counterfuit is almost perfect, but ono noticeable defect is that the bick of the bill is of a lighter shatle of green than in the genuine paper.

The shipments of flour from Toronto and other western points over the LI. O. R., within the pasit fow weeks, have been very heary, ituoming at times to 40 carlonds a daySince Christmas the guantity has legsened, but there are now about 30 carlonds in the yard at Halifix.
In St. John, N.B., sules were made of $\$ 4,400$ city water 6 per cert. bonds, due in 1895 , at 104 per cent premium; one $\$ 336$ city water 6 pratcont. bond, due as above, at 9 per cent. premilum, and one $\$ 500$ provincial 4 per cent. bond, 40 ycirsi to run, at $94 t$ per cent. Eighteen shares of Haritime Bank stock were offered at 98 ; but without takesr:
S. K. F.James, an old csiablished coal dealer, of St. John, N. B., has assignod. owing, it is said; to endorsing for friend to the extent of some $\$ 3,000$. He claims that his estate will make a good shewing and hopes to obtain a fuir settlement:- He las been in business. about ten years.

4 xew rubier manufactory is about to be organized in Montreal by men of capital and experience. Among the promoters is Mr. George W. Stephens and Mr. Samuel Woods; the latter a well known business man, and for - several years manager of the only oil cloth company in the city.

Apmication will be made to the Dominion Parliament at next session for an act to incorporate the Niagara is Woodstock railway, with branches to important traffic points along its route, and to cross that river by means of a ferry or bridge, also to construct telegraph lines nlong the said railway.

According to statistics there were 214 new yessels of 34,643 tons registered in the Jharitime provinces last year; while the loss was 290 vessuls of 72,346 tons; leaving the total number of vessels on the registry at the end of the year 4,183 of 865,484 tons-a net decrease of 76 vessels and 37,703 tons.

The anoual meeting of the Cumburland Railway s: Coal Company vill be held in Montreal on February 9 , and the Mnnitobia \& Northwestern Railway Company will hold a special goncral meeting in Winnipeg on the

10th February to authorize the issuo of bonds of the company for the Shell-River branch.;
The firm of Gillespie, Moffatt \& Co. has been dissolved by the retirement of Mr. Geo. Moffatt. -The business will be continued under the names of Gillespie \& Co, London, and Gillespie, Patcrson \& Co., Montrenl, with the following members: J. B. Greonshicids; A. T: Paterson, J. A. Gillespie and Jas. J: Greenshitelds.

Joun Read \& Son, a long established fim of woollen manufacturers, of Port Eigin; N. B., have nssigned with linbilities of $\$ 30,000$, in-: cluding $\$ 6,000$ of preferences, of which one Halifax bank is understood to hold $\$ 16,000$. Their property is large but somowhat fivolved, and it is doubtfill how the estate will turn out.:

Pictoo, N. S., imports and exports for $1880^{\circ}$ Were: Imports; $\$ 494,238$; increabe, $\$ 18,000$; exports, $\$ 125,500 ;$ decrease, $\$ 23,700$. The principal items of export were: tho minot $\$ 26,700$; the fisheries, $\$ 57,068$; the forest, $\$ 30,502$; animals and their produce, $\$ 3,820$. There are 93 vessels of 31,746 tons on the registry.

Lue stafiftics of ifontreal harbor for the year just closed show-increases over 1885 of $\$ 55,000$ in revenue and 125,000 tons in capacity of vessels arriviog The Aeat has Leen the most prosperous for yessel-owners for tho past six years, and the nutlook for 1887 is considered more fayorable than over Vofore at this seaspn.

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Thes Springhill conl mines are coming to the front; the December outpat renched 43,026 tone, the total for the ven being 468,000 tons, an incrense of 118,000 tons over 1885. These mines are at work day and night, and amploy a working force of between 1,100 and 1,200 miners.

Tha Canadian Pacific Railrond Company has locnted the rouse of the Sau!t Ste. Marie branch; from the Stintt to Agoma Mills, a distuince of 872 miles.'. Construction work has btun commenced,' and' will bo carried on as rupidy as possible. Nrmangementa aroin progress for bridging the rapids at the Sitult.
Tris announcement of the Northern Assuranco Do, under its new Canadian management; will be fomen $0 n_{3}$ page, 88 , oxtonded referouco is untwoidably postponed. to Mr. Tyre distop, bopougratulated on having secured the hanadsomo offices on tho bround floor of the

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## In 1886 Halifux imported 9,866 hhdes., 286

 tierces, 1,085 bbls., 225;748 bakkets, and 21,871 mats of sugar, of which some 127,149 puckayes Were re-exported to Now Brunswick and Montreal. Molnsses imports were 10,13 y hlide. 695 tierces and 1,200 barrels. The exports of fish to Soith America and the West Indies wero 200,486 quintels of dry had $41 ; 990$ of pickled.Tue sardine factory with what, beach and machinery, owned by Wolf \& Ressing, at 'st.

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Andrews, N.B., was sold at auction on Friday last. M. Wolfi hought the property. Sixty thousand dollars' ':worth of Maine sardines were used in Canada last year and; apparently, no difficulty should be experienced in establishing an extensive sardine industry at St. Andrewi.
A.\& W. Navers, groceries and fishermen's supplies, of Halifax, have assigned. The linbilities will be only about $\$ 6,000$ outside of the bank's claim of $\$ 19,000$. Owing to the unsuccessful fishery many of their customers could not pay them, and this, coupled with the loss of the brigantine Birdie, led them to call a meeting of creditors, which has culminnted in an assignment.
Sterime St. Denis, tiader and steamboat owner, of Lachine, P. Q., has assigned with liabilities of about $\$ 30,000$ and nssets estimated at only hinlf that gum. Ho has been in businese $n$ number of years and in 1879 was compelfed to effect a settlement at 25 centsin the dollar. Since 1882 he has been in constant

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trouble and consequently his assignment was a foregone conclusion.

Tus rumor current on the Stock Nxchainge to the effect thint a large Lower Province firm was in clifficulties doubtless is founded on the nmouncement that Messre. Daniel \& Boyd. the well known dry goods merchants of St. John, N.B., are endeavoring to secure a settleIunent with their creditors on the pasis of 75 ccents: in the dollare This firm obtained an exteusion some yqurs ngo.
'Ins exports from Toronto for December were $\$ 258 ; 177$, against $\$ 365,943$ for the corresponding month of 1880. The imports wore the largest of any corresponding month in the history of.'Ioronto's trade, being $\$ 1,431$,-: -877, ngainst. $\$ 1 ; 143,975$ in Decomber, 1885. the falling off in exponts is entirely in agrincultital products, chicfly barley, all other deapartnients showinganancrease.
Then were 13 filures in Canada reported to the agencies during the past week, against

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28 in the preceding week, and 12,15 and 17 in the corresponding weeks of 1886,11885 and 1884 respectively. In the United Stateo there were 291 failures roported during the weekas compared with 355 in the preceding week, and with $209,366^{\circ}$ and 282 rospectively in the correspoilling weeks of 1886, 1885 and 1884 :

SadNpERS \& Caugnell, druggists, of Ridgetown, Onf have assigned -afler being in business for about two years. It' is thought the assets will pay all lialilities in fuh. Some time ago they sent out circulars announcing a dissolution of partnership, Sáúnders assiming all liabilities and Qaugliell going Into a lumber firm at Detroit, but apparently cannot offect it without an nssignment:

Mas, p RoDicn, dry goods dealer of this city, doing busincss in the name of her husband, Pierre Rodier, a machinist residing in Detroit has assigned with labilities estimated at $\$ 4,500$ and assets of about $\$ 3,400$. The estate will probably pay 45 or 50 cents in the dollar Mrs. Rodier has been in business for some six years and for the first four years had amall store on st Catherine stret Where sie did tany well Tnan evilmoment She was tempted to take a larger store on St.

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Lawrence Main strect and purchase a much heavier stock: Since then she lias not paid expenses owing to the severa competition experienced in her new stand.
w A rew weeks age the blipment of lot of fine white clover honey from Montreal to Bristol, England, was reported. The result, however, was not encouraging for further shipments, as the 50 lb: tins sold at $4 d$ per lb. and the 101 lb . tins at bd per 1l. The ligney would have realjzed 9 c to 10 c per lb. in the home market, so . that the yenturo offers no inducement for pushing trade in that direction. Several lots of Ontario honey haye been forwarded from the West to Liverpool and London, but, wog have not heard how they turned out and Whether they have met with better succe日e than, the Bristol lot remaing to be seen. The quotations bent ovefroin Londonwere 8 to od per llo. so that the dfference betwecn those prices ofnd those reatized was doubtless owing enthert to quality or a decline in prices.

TABLE showing the business and position of the

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| 1850 | 814，902 | 27，838 | 1.200 | 41，873 |
| 1860 | 3，365，407 | 133，440 | 226，773 | 664，920 |
| 1870 | 0，404，437 | 273，728 | 680，154 | 1，090，099 |
| 1880 | $21,547,347$ | 835，856 | 1，845，862 | 4，297，852 |
| 1886 | 39，511，750 | 1，493，405 | 3，410，475 | 7，390，777 |

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MONTREAL；JANUAMY 14， 1887.
THE BOARD OF TRADE REPORIT．
The report of the proceedings of the Montreal Board of＇Trade for the year 1886， shows a goneral and steady improvemento in both trade and manufacture，while the returns show＇a very marked increase in the shipping and commerce of the portas The number of vessele arriving luring the year was 74 more than in 1885 while the increase in tonnage is even more satis－ factory，and shows a growth of $125 ; 845$
tons. The exports of-merchandize fromthe port show a gain of over $\$ 3, \$ 00,000$ over those of the previous year, the total value being higlier than any year since 1880. In imports a similar state of affuirs is shown, the increase over last year being $\$ 3,056,602$, a substantial gain, but still not equal to the average of the five years 1880 to 1884. The total amount of duty collected during 1886 also exceeds that of the preceding y oar by $\$ 1,689,647$.

These statistics prove the steady mareh towards prosperity that has already been heralded in these columns. The inclease in both exports and imports, the advance in customs duties collected, the fact that last year the total tonnage visiting our port was the largest ever known in its history, being 809,689 tons as against 683,584 tons, the largest previously recorded -quantity, are all important witnesses to to the quiet but continuous improvement in business, and are eloquent in their testimony to the fact that a new era of prosperity is slowly but surely dawning over this Dominion. It now remains with the business community' to see that this improvement be not discounted too soon, to use their efforts to keep this improvement within its present legitimate limits, and to prevent its degeneration into a speculative boom. So far the movement has been the honest and natural outcome of the increasing prosperity of Canada and, providing that ultra sanguine and reckless traders do not precipitate matters, there seems but little donbt but that each forward step will be consolidated as it is taken and will consequently form a secure stopping stone towards better days in the future.
The Portwardens repurt embodied -in the same return shows an equally cheering condition of affuirs. A comparison of the chief articles exported during the past two years is given at foot and shows a. substantial increase in every item except those of sawn lumber and apatite.

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\text { Exports. 1886.- } 1885
$$ Grain $\ldots . .114,236,977$ bush. $8,775,728$ bush. Flour \& Meal. 480,415 brls. - 239,640 brls. Phorphates.. 18,068 tons. 23,840 tons. Deuls.......... $45,594 \mathrm{ktd} . . . \quad 39,393$ std. Snwn Lumb'r. $88,912,376 \mathrm{ft} . \quad 37,162,100 \mathrm{ft}$. Cattle....... 63,400 hd. 62,359 hd, Sheep....... 92,346 37,i80

The report also deals with the question of the extension of the present period allowed by Lloyd's and other insurance clubs in England for the departure of transient vessels from the St. Lawrence, to the 31st October. The present limit of time, viz: the 3uth Soptember, is absurdly short, and was undoubtedly inaugurated at a time when the trade of Canada was carried on exclusively in wooden sailing vessels and When a few spar buoys formed all the safeguards of its intricate navigation. Now that Moutreal is taking her natural posi-
tion among the seaports of the world, and an extensive system of lighthouses, beacons, gas, and whistling buoys, as well as telegraphic and signal services, exists along the entire length of the river and gulf, the old restrictions as to the early departure of vessels fróm the St. Lawrence are manifestly ridiculous and unwarranted. Ship masters, pilots and other nautical experts all agree that under the present improved conditions, navigation, even for sailing vessels, is as safe throughout October'as through September, and consequently in the intarests of Camadian cummerce generally and of this port in particular, it would be well if this useless iimitation were finally abrogated and the justice of the demand for the granting of an extension of the time of underwriting on hulls engaged in the St. Lawrence trade to cover the month of October, were recognized by Lloyd's.
The remainder of the report calls for no particular comment. It is as perspicacious and comprehensive as usual and forms a valuable addition to the trade literature of the year. Its various suggestions are well worthy the attention of those immediately interested in them and coñey valuable ideas for the improrement of business facilities. Throughout the report an air of confidence is distinctly manifest and there is little doubt but that the relurns for 1887. will prove even more satisfaciory hán those for 1886 .

## FIRE WASTE.

An insurance expert, writing in the Now York Commercial Bullctin, takes the bold ground that, since the annual loss by fire in the United States and Cänada now amounts to-over one hundred millions of dollars, a sum far boyond what we might reasonably expect to be the result of ordinary causes, a considerable percentage of this loss arises from fraudulent fires, induced by the oase with which excessive insurance cañ be procured, and, consequently, that cleverly concealed arson is beroming more aid more prevalent.
'There can be no doubt, certainly, that an oxpected indemnity of far more than the value of the stock as it stands, though probably not more than it originally cost, must be a strong incentive to a weak or yicious man to destroy his property for the sake of the insurance, and it follows that, could the evil of over insurance be avoided, this class of crime would probably be much diminished. But a moment's thought will show that this, if not impossible, is at least extremely difficult. At the time when the insurance gwas taken out, the stock was no doubt the full value o the policy, but, in course of time, it deteriorates, as every"storekeeper well knows, and, consequently, even if constantly replenishod, is likely to fall so far below the amount
that would accrue on its destruction as to form a serious templation to an unbalanced mind, Mauy an unsaleablestock has been sold ont at prime value to the insurance company, 10 put it euphemistically, and there is no doubt that many sispicious cases fall under the notice of every insurance manager, but as absolute proof is usually impossible except in rare cases, no altoruative, save that of payment, is left to the company, no matter how keen their suspicions may be.
Under these circumstances, it is onlynatural that the attention of insurance men has been directed to the discovery of some means by which the amount to be paid to the owner of any property, in event of its desiruction by fire, may be kept within such bounds as to leave a sufficient amount of loss to be borne by himself to remove any temptation to either lose or destroy his property, and to cause him to take such personal interest in its preservation as would, were it universal, soon reduce the amount of fire' waste within reasonable limits, and for the attainment of this end several methods have been suggested. The most radical of these schemes suggests that in those cases where the fire originates on the premises, only balf the amount of the insurance should be paid-somewhat after the Parisian fashion-a drastic measure which, although it would doubtless put an end to incendiarism even if it did not remedy the inexcusable carelessness which now exists amongst many policy-holders, would bear far tooseverely on the innocent sufferer to be ever seriously considered. On the other hand, a milder, though still sufficiently stringent, suggestion is offered, that not more than three-fourths of the indemnity be paid in any. case where the destroyed property was insured for its full value. When the proviso that where only three-fourths of the original value of the slock is covered by the policy, the amount called for shall be paid in full, if property to that value is actually destroyed, is added, this seems fair and equitable enough. There is no doult that the time has come for some action of this kind, if arson is not to become a prevalent crime, and now that the boasted valued policy laws of our American neiyhbors have proved so lamentably inadequate to cope with the evil, any suggestions of a practical nature, looking to its abatement, would no doubt he eagerly ivelcomed. The evil and ils cure were treated at much length in the Jounnal of Commance, a year or two since, under the caption of "Co-Insurance."

Policy-holders do not appear to recognize how great a stake they have in the reduction of the fire waste. The present rates of fire insurance, although not oppressive; are far above what they would be, were the lose by fire reduced within reasonable limits. Any restrictions that would tend
to the furthering of this end by removing the inducements now existing for incondiarism or criminal carelessness, would have the direct eflect of lessening the burden that they are compelled to rarry for their own protection, and consequently they are fully as much interested in this movement as the underwriters. Until some reduction in ife lossas takes place, chander fire infurance is an impossibility, and unless some mesures, looking to the alloting of so much of the loss to the careless or criminal owner as shall form an incentive to incremsed care on his part, or to the prevention of his profling unduly by: the disuater, no sucli reduction is possible. It thereforo behooves the honest policy-holder to lend his moral, if not active, support to the companies in their eflorts to reduce the present excessive fire waste to within its natural limits, as in so doing ho will forward his own interests, mad those of the groat bulk of the business community, as well as of the public at large.

## THE YEAR'S FALLURES.

No retronpect of the steadily inereming curront of Cinadian commerce for, happast year would be cbmplete withont inclading an accome of the financial wreoks and casualties which have marked its progress. Thunks to the carefilly compilad requrts of those indispensable, though much abnsed eorparations, the mercantile agencies, it is possible to give in, a concise form the data of those failures which have been faithfulty chronided lrom week to wook in our columns. The ligures cannot be comsiderad allogether satisfactory, although the total liabilities are rather belor the average, the total for 1880 boing $\$ 10,386,-$ 804 as akainat Sll,454,76l the average for the six years just past. Still, ne the following table ahows, thare is a considerable increase in the arerage of liabilition per failure over thow of hast vear, while the total indicates, that the gross liabilities were a million and a half larger than in 1885.

|  | Number. | Tinbulities. |
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| 1886 | 1,252 | \$ $\$ 10,386,884$ |
| . 1886 | 1,260 | 8,801,109 |
| 1884 | 1,327 | 19,191,306 |
| 1883 | 1,384 | 15,940,361 |
| 1882 | 787 | 8,587,657 |
| 1881 | 035 | 5,751,207 |

This table shows that while the numher of failures decrensed from 1 , 256 to 1,252 the average of liabilities per failare increased from $\$ 7,055$ to 85,200 during the yoar jugt paisi. On tho ather hand, owing to the steadily inerousing nambers of the Came dian mercmatile community, only one in overy fifty-nino proved mosnecessfin last Year, grainst one in fify-six in 1885 and one iị thiry-three iif 1S7S.
Ontario mal Quelee ifre the provinces to Whicli this increase in habilities is principally due. Nova Scotia has certanly in-
creased her liabilities somewhat, but only to the anoum of $\$ 00,000$, while the nimber of failures is the smallest recorded for the past three years. The statistics are as follows :-

## Number. Liabilities.

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$\$ 675,400$ 615,400 2,068,780
Now Brunswick, also, makes a very favorable showing and the business of the past year has evidently been a prosperous one. 'I'he record stands:-

Number. Lialilities.
$1880 . . . . . . . . . . . . . .{ }^{54} .5324,152$
1884..... ................ ${ }^{73}$ 504,605 $1883 . \ldots \ldots . .$.
Manitoba and the Northiwest Territories also show remarkably amall lists of failures. The disusters of 1886 aggregated only 43 with liabilities of 5210,770 while in 1885 they reached 60 with liabilities of $\$ 701,998$.
The best evidence, perhaps, of the steady march of events is the constant augmentation of the vast army of traders whe conduct the business of the commiry, and its comparision with the number of those who are compelled, often through no fault of their own, to sink beneath the burden of their liabilities. In 18S4, the total number ongnyed in mercantile pmrisuts was 05,094 , in 1885 this number had grown to 70,045 , and in the year just past a furtherincrease to $72,6 \mathrm{~S} 0$ is reported, thas showing an increase of 2,635 recruits to the commercial ranks during the year and a total entargement of 29 ,per cent during the past eight years. Of this number only one in every fifty-nine proved msuccessful, as against one in every thirity-tl ree in 1875, and consequently although the liabilities are larger than in $188 \overline{0}$ when the proportion of failures was one in iffy-six, in reality far fewer mon are now unsuccesgfil than has been the case in former years and evidently not sulficient to in any way weaken The proposition that the past year was. marked by a stoady advance towards material prosperity. This advance still continnes and overy indication points to a stenty growth of prosperity in the future. We cmanot hope to have the failures of 1887 lessoned. beyond a certain point, becuuse a system of natural selection appears to prevail in trate as in other cases and the insolvent, tike the poor, is always with us, but with better times ahead and the bitter experience of the hard times just mas still fresh in our minds it is probable that more care in the dispensing of credit may prevail in the future than in the past and that, as a natural consequence, the coming year may be an improvement minacially upon the last.

## INSURANCE lROGRESS,

There are probably but few braches of commerce to which the dogna of natural.
selection can be so fittingly applied as to - insurance. A retrospect of the year indicates a species of survival of the fitest, inasmuch as out of a nimber of eowpanies, all apparently starting with equal adiantages as regards capital and opportutities, some have gone steadily on in the advance towards success while others remain stationary, and others ayain lag helplessly behind in the race for business.
For this diflerence in progrest many causes naturally can be given, "But it is probable that, in spite of the general impression to the contrary, want of publicity is one of the most vital. Ask any ordinary business man to give you the names of the various fire insurance compauies that occur to him, and in nine cases out of ten, he will give you only about halfa-dcren names, those of the companies who keep themselves mott prominently before the prithic, until their names are almost as faniliar as household words. The remainder of the conpanies, or those who neglect this cardinal point are absolately unknown to him in uost casee or are only present in his mind as mere abstract titles. Under these circimstances is it probable that they will ever secure any of his business? Is it not a certainty that such risks as he has to onfer he will naturally place with that company with whose mame and transactions he is inost familiar, simply because that company has steadily kept its name before him in every possible way for probably years past in the belief that it was a wise policy to do so?
The belief, far too prevalent among the older companies, that age or eminent respectability and sterling value are suflsient to secure business, is true only to a very limited extent. It is no doubt a powerfal assistauce, but only an assistance and not an essential one at that, The company that rivals it, even if not its equal in standing, if it does more to keep its namo and its business constanty fresh in the public mind until it becomes at last almost a familar acquantanee, will inevitably gather in the best of the business, while the one who thinks it can do betier by employing the funds necessity for this purpose in some olher manner, will gradually but steadily sink into the second place if it is not compelled to drop out of the race altoyether.

Once on the niphard road, the maxim that success brings success is never mora true than in its applicalion to insurance. Erery cambaser linows the fascination that big figures possess for the seneral publie. To the average insurer there is a species "of satisfactinin in "being a poliegholder in'a compaify thoce mane he sees constanily before him in the public press, and when the fact that he pays tio extra proniin" for this, that it costs no more to insare in
a large company than in a small one is taken into consideration，it is easy to pre－ dict which company will secure his busi－ ness，and conséquently it is not difficult to see why it should be so much more easy for a large，prominent，company to absorb new business than for a little－known or mediocre one．
The moral of this it is not difflcult to appreciqtenny No pusiness depends more vitally on what may fairly be termed constant and judicijus advertising than insurance．This does not mean simply the insertion of a stereotyped advertise－ ment in the advertising columns of an insurance journal，whose circulation is pro－ bably confined exclusively to the agents and shareholders of rival companies and which consequently never reaches the out－ side public on whom the company depends for new business，at＇all ；but the constant leeping of its name and business before the public in a good sound general com－ mercial paper．Such a paper reaches the most valuable class of insurers；it is not merely a local paper，its pages are scamned with closer atiention than those of a daily， because the latter is usually perused hastily in search of the more important telegraphic items，while at the same time its number of readers is often quite as extended since in the case of any standard commercial paper the extent of its circu－ lation no matier how large，is usually only one－fourth of the number who peruse its columns．Such a paper forms the most valuable velicle for insurance advertising and the company who uses its columns steadily，as a means of familiarizing the public with its name and its business，will find that the result will verify their judg－ ment．

## STOCK FLUCLUATIONS．

Statistics are proverbially dry reading and as such are often avoided，but in making an analysis of the progress of any branch of commeree，a line of figures is often more eloquent thinn a column of verbiage，and consequently，although figures，like facts，are capable of a certain degree of manipulation，it is only by a comparison of slatistics that correct con－ clusions can be drañin．

Fortunately the figures proving the im－ provement in business，indicaled by the advayce in price in most investment stocks，＂are so conclusive as to leave any manipulation altogether out of the question． Few indeed are the stocks which have remained stationary even，and with the exception of the Montreat Telegraph． which is just now the victim of a $\because$ bear＂ raid，and the North West Land Co．，none， ＂even of the miscellaneous list，show lower prices than at the commoncement of the year．

Taking first the bank stocks we find that Montreal，which sold here duriug the first week of last January at 204，and in Torouto at 205 ，brought 236 at the last sales in December，having reached as high as $241 \frac{1}{2}$ during the year．The following table gives the average price of the leading bank stocks，both in Montreal aild Toronto， during the first week in January，1886，and the corresponding price paid during the last week of December．In the case of Toronto，the price is the average of the month．

| Bankg． | Price <br> 1 st Januany． |  | Prios． 31gt Dec＇s． |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Montral | Toronto． | Montreal． | Toró |
| Commerce | －119 | 1204 | 1254 | 127 |
| Dominion |  | 204 雬 |  |  |
| East．Tow | 1082 |  | 118 |  |
| Federal ． | 102 | 1021 | 108 | 1091 |
| Hamilton |  |  |  | $134 \frac{1}{8}$ |
| Hochelaga | 791 |  | 101 | $\ldots$ |
| Imperial |  | 1331 |  | 1354 |
| Merchant | 1162 | 1188 | $128 \frac{1}{2}$ | 12812． |
| Molsons | 123 $\frac{1}{2}$ |  | $143 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
| Nationnle | 60 |  | 60 |  |
| Ontario | $108 \frac{1}{2}$ | 1098 | 114 | ．1143 |
| Peoples | $77 \frac{1}{2}$ |  | 98 | $\therefore$ |
| Quebec． | 1002？ |  | 104 | － 12.4 |
| Standa |  | 120冎 | ． | 126䂞 |
| Toront | 1861 | 1878 | 211 | $210^{\circ}$ |

These ligures are very sat：sfactory＇as， with only one trifling exception，they show an all round advance；thus testifyiag to the improvement in the value of the securities of every bank in the Dominion and consequently to the enhanced cost of all gond investment stock tur This is the best testimony probably that can be offered of the improvement of business geuerally．
Turning to the miscellancons list we find a similarly favorable condition of aflairs prevailing．The following table shows the average prices prevailing for the principal stocks during the first week of January and the last week of December； except in the case of the prices in Toronto which are the average of the menth re－ spèctively．


With but two exceptions the whole of the above stocks show a substantial increase in value．The steady advance in cotion stocks testifes to the increase in Canadian textile industries due partly to the in－ creased profit now obtainable，and partly to the formation of the much alused com． bination of cotton mill owners．An ad－？ vance in this variety of security is an honest indication of the improving con－ dition of affairs．$\therefore$ Increased intelligent próduction means an increased employ． ment of labor，and any addition to the number or earnings of the factory opera－ tives of the Dominion means an improved outlook for general trade．The advance has been a general one ；every branch of in vestment is ropresented，and the steady growth in value all round forms one of the most encouraging signs of the commercial barometer．It must be remembered that thése are by no means the highest prices of the year．Just before the close of the month；a slight reaction set in，as is often the case in holiday weeks，and consequent－ ly the prices are somewhat lower than those ruling a week or two previously． Under these circumstances，the increase shown derives a doublo significance，and enablés us to look forward with confidence to higher prices in the coming year．

## In NEW COSTUMES．

New Hitiporfations of sample toilets are still on view but，except in their combin－ ations，do not offer any startling novelties， ＇and the constant demand for something fresh and new in style is still．unfilled． Most new dresses prove that the reign of stripes is not only unchecked，but that it is becoming more imperative than ever， and those dresses exhibiting stripes in combination with plain materials attracted the most sittention．

One sample toilet of plain and striped brown cashmere was both useful and elegant．The underskirt was of a light striped material over which was the long full overskirt in a darker shade draped high on the right side and held with a tab． On the left side it was plaited and joined to the back drapery，the join covered with a straight plaitiog about six inches wide of the skirt material showing only the siripes at the top．The skirts of the basque were plaited at the back and in front it opened over a plastron of the striped ma． terial，closing on the left side with hooks and eyes．Another liad a skirt of gray blue satin delaine，bordered át the bottom with a fine plaiting over which was a bañd of Oriental cashmere：The skint plain in front and plaited at the back，the over－ skirt or scarf of the same fabric，but plaje and without dart，and forming a donibio point in the back．The two draperies were arraiged jike a searf，kiotted on the rgft in a double bow，the loops falling over the
skirt. The promenade jacket was of figured velvet trimmed with fur, open over a corsage and closed by three brandenbourge placed undor the fur. The cap to match was of velvet trimmed with fur and $\Omega$ wing.
In bridal outfits two woollen dresses are now considered necessary. The one is of striped cloth, usually made in the simplest tailor style for travelling wear, and should have a toque of the cloth or felt with it trimmed will fur or two rosettes of double velvet of a becoming slade. The other is a cloth costume of plum, navy blue, mul berry, haliotrone or dark green ladies cloth trimmed with braiding and white cloth revers, or with fur bands and fur covered buttons; chinchilla, blue fox and other grayish furs being preferred.
The curious fashion of veiling flowers in tulle has now spread to jewellery. Pearl and jewelled necklots are now worn under tho guimpes and chemisetles of highnecked dresses and when low bodices are worn the necklaces will also be veiled in tulle by finchion's votaries.
For those who can afford it, plush still continues the first choice for ehildren's frocks. A protty child's dress of warm stone coloured plush having the bodice and skirt eut in one, altracted much favorable comment. Six closio gatheringg kopt the fullness together at the back, the over jacket having loose fronts bordered with drops of chemille and beads. For a younger child a similar dress was made in silk with a jacket of fancy atriped plush, the sleevo to the elloof being made of plush. At the back the jackot was cut to represent the tails of a coat and benoath it tho dress was in box plaits.
All the curious mixtures of colorings which find fuvor with the fashionable world seem to be used also for childron's woar. The favorile perhaps is a beantiful shado of light reddish brown plush while darl red and dark blues aro also much affected. Among other new fabrice a new soft and durable silk called soie souple has beon introduced for uhildren's wear and appears to be exactly suited to thair requirements.

## AT HOME AND ABROAD.

The atronuous efforts of liusgian fiman ciers to obtain the lom necessary to support tho expocted war expenditure still contivuo. The latest protext is that thoy desire to conatruat a canal from the Back Sea to the Sea of Azov, and for this purpose thoy are ondeavoring to secure a loan of $75,100,000$ francs through the Horsents of Paris. Unfortunately for thom, however, French fimanciers fear that some, at all evonts, of the funds might be diverted from tho purpose for which it is to be borrowed, in case a war should spring up, and consequently, as yet, the offorts of the

Russian agents have not been crowned with success. France, ,too, while protesting her desire for peace, has increased her military credit by thiriy-six millions of francs, and Germany is straining every nerve to force the Army bill through the reluctant Reichatag. Under these circumstances a general feeling of unrest prevails on European exchanges, and all international securities are in a feverish and unsetulod state.
Ihe local money market remains practically unchanged. Call loans are still made al5 to, 6 per cent., with mercantile paper one per cent. higher. In Winnipeg a small discount business only is doing at the ordinary rate of from 8 to 9 per cent, for commercial paper. The gran movement has been only a small one, and has not produced any appreciable effect there ou the demand for funds. The mortgage businces is quiet, the half-yearly payments of interest have been well met, and are now commenced to fall off as is usual at this soason of the year. In the States there has been no perceptible change during the week. Bankers balances on call have avoraged from 4 to 6 per cent., with renewals at about 6 per cent. The usual January disbursements by the Treasury have been to a large extent anticipated, and therefore but a small supply of new money has as yot come from that source. Commorcial paper is increasing, and it is claimed that none is taken under 6 per cent, with a tendency towards a further stiffening. In London, after a slight easing ofl, the street rate is again firmer at 3 否 per cont, with the bank rate unchanged, and a gradual hardening in pprice is expected, not on account of any revival in trade, but in view of the small slock of bullion and the probable movement of gold. When tho fact is considered that the Bank of England proportion of reservo to liabilities is only 30 z per cent., the lowest since January, 1888, when it was 29 , tho canse for the firmer tondency of the market is easily visible.

In wheat circles the past week has had a damponing effect on the spirits of the bull party, who had been educated to look for a decided business boom with the incoming year. At the outset the outlook was bright, but soon a general decline set in. One cause of the oarly firmness was the fact that the Jiverpool stocks at first cabled were considerably under the oflicial figures which came later. On the other hand the bear feature of the markot was the increase in the visible supply statement, whon a decrease had, by the majority of traders, been expected. Cables, two, became decidedly tame, and at times weak as the week advanced. On the other hand, the bulls take comfort from the letter of a London house, which says that the Indian ports ne so bare of whent that
an unprecedented amount of tonnage is lying idle at both Calcutta and Bombay in spite of low freights, while so far as South Russian wheat is concerned, some of the ports in the Mediterranean are paying 5 s per quarter more than is offered by English buyers. The result is there is not a bushel of wheat at this moment known to be on passage to the Unitcd Kingdom from Russia, while during the past eleven months only about $0,500,000$, bushels have been imjorted, against over $20,000,000$ bushels in the corresponding period last year. Stocks of wheat too in the South Russian ports are not one balf of what they have been in some previous years, owing to the shortage in the last two crops. The official figures of the Russian wheat crop are: Winter wheat, 4,536,000 quarters; spring wheat, $19,440,090$ quarters; total, $21,976,000$ quarters, against a total of 21, 464,000 quarters in 1885, which was also a very short crop.

The Caledonias.-The old established Montreal firm of 'Taylor Bros., commission agents and brokera, whose name has been honorably associated with the business of fire insurance in Cauadn during the last quarter of a century, publish a card-to be found in the firm's usual space on page 125 of the present issuewhich at this juncture possesses some interest for insurers as well as insurance men. The Caledonian is the oldest of the Scotch offices, having been founded in 1805, when George III was ling and Genern Wollesley was bringing home his Indin laurels. The Firo Reserve of the Company is equal to three anmual promium receipts, in this respect being excecded ooly in one case, that of the old "Union," of London, whose oporations are limited to the grent metropolis. The business of the Caledonian has heretofore been limited to Scotland and Eugland and the agency in Canadn. The card speaks for itself -with the business tact and the alility to any the right thing well; which have always characterized the manager of the firm's insurance department.

## The Latest seizure.

The seizure of the schooner, B. R. Stevensou, in St. Andrew's, by the Dominion cutter, Gen. Middleton, is the first step toward breaking up the systematic evasion of fishery regulations which has been going on in that locality for a loug time. When the fighery treaty was abrognted, the owners of the sardine industries in Enstport had to deviso some method of getting Canadian fish free of duty, since their own fisherics would not supply what thoy manted. If they wore compelled to pay duty the result would be that gardine industrics would spring up on the Canadian side, where fish could bo obtained in any quantity desired wilhout payment of duty. A large part of the population at Eastport is
dependent upon those industries for support, and when these facts were laid before the custome authorities of that place, they saw fit to wink at the proposed evasion of their custom laws. Accordingly a number of Americans' procured mortgages on British vessels registered in the port of St. Andrews, and placing American masters and crews nboard; engaged them in carrying fish from Canadian waters to Eastport. The master, crew and outit being American, the customs authorities at Eastport would wink at them smuggling the fish, knowing that it was good for Eanstport factories. In order to obtain a monopoly, Grand Manan, Campobello, Indian Isle and Deer Island fishermen began to complain about St. George and St, Andrew's fishermen and vice versa. Again, the fish smokers on the Canadian side wanted a monopoly and began to howl because Esstport officials allowed the fish in duty free, thus giving their factories there a chance to compete with them. The schooners engaged in this carrying trade were not fishing schooners and could thus ovade the fishing treaty and buy at the weirs; so the only mothod of getting at them was struck by Capt. McLean, who seized one of them, the Stevenson, for having an American master and crew in a British bottom. He has received instructions from Ottawa to dismantle her, and put her in charge of Collector Cove of St. Andrew's, to be delivered to the owner unon payment of a fine of $\$ 400$. So long as East-port-officials were willing to defraud the American customs revenue for the sake of the town, Canadinn fishermen reaped a rich harvest, but by their jealousy of one another, they have cut off their sales, so to speak, in that quarter. Another feature of this ovesion is that the American master of the vessel would take oath before a Canadian magistrate that he was a British subject, and claim the Canadian bounty ; and directly afterward go to the other side of the line and reap the advantages there of his American citizenship.

## THE EMBARGO ON HORSES.

Probably the civic health officer was not aware of the serious responsibility he undertook when on the strength of the statement of two veterinary surgeons, whose name he withholds, he stated officially that contagious glanders. was prevalent in this city. The direct consequence of this ill-advised and, as it turns out, totully unfounded allegation, is that an embargo on shipments of horses to the United States has been announced by the U. S. government; a step which has already causel serious injury to one of the important export trades of tie country and a loss of many thousauds of dollare to horse dealers. The most searching enquiry fails to establish a single case of glanders in Moutreul; Dr. Laberge admits that perbonally be knows of noue; and consequently, if he has been so busty, to spenk mildy, as to thoughtlessly exaggerate the situation, he Lad better say so candidly, or at all events, divulge the names
of, the veterinary surgeons who lie says informed him.

Tee loss by fires in Onnada and the United States during the year 1886, is given as fol-lows:-

|  | Fires of $\$ 10,000$ and over. | Aggrégato estimuted Joss. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January | 208 | \$19,000,000 |
| February. | 171 | 6,500,000 |
| March | 173 | 10,650,000 |
| April | 145 | 8,000,000 |
| May. | 148 | 7,000,000 |
| June | 154 | 0,700,000 |
| July | 175 | 10,000,000 |
| Augu | 160 | 13,000,000 |
| Septembe | 129 | 6,500,000 |
| October | 166 | 12,000,000 |
| Nover | 160 | . 10,000,000 |
| December | 220 | 11,200,000 |
| Totals.. | . 2,009 | \$116,600,000 |

The loss during December was three millions over the average for thatmonth for years past. The Gazette agrees with our previously expressed opinion that there seems to be a stcady growth in the amount of property that annually falls a prey to the flames in this country, out of proportion even to the increase in value due to the development of the various mercautile and otiner intereats. nud, though 1886 in this., respect shows a smaller total than 1884, it is in excess of any other year since the great Boston fire. It goes on to say that a large proportion of this loss is in towns and cities, and is due in some degree, in many instances, to the inadequate facilitics provided by the local authorities for extinguishing fires. There are many towns in every province of Canada so sltuated that a conflagration breaking out would almost inevitably, under certain conditions of weather, sweep them half out of existence. But tho lesson that comes to their neighbors is seldom heeded, and for the sake of the interest on a few thotisaind dollars a hundred times the amount is.allowed to remain in jeopardy. It is the kuowledge of such facts as these, and the memory of the extraordinary amounts they have been and may be again called upon to pay, that compels insurance companies to exact-rates that; in some places at least, need not $ษ \dot{\text { a }}$ paid wero those responsible to go to a less expense in the direction of providing fire subduing facilities.

At the annual meeting of the Commercial Traỳllers' Association, held in troronto, Mr: J. O. Black was elected president, Mr. A:'A. Allen first vice-president, and Mr. John Burns second viec-president. The Tpro nto board of directors are A. S. Hart, T. P. Hayes, Thos. Smith, R. J. Orr, Hector Morrison, Wm. Ince, jr, Geo. West, John Walker and Thos. Blake. The Hamilton board of directors are G. E. Hamilton, Fashbaugh, J. H. Herring, H. G. Wright, R. MćCullough and Wm. Braid. The annual report showed a profitable year's business. The surplus amounted to $\$ 110,368,97$, the nett gain being $\$ 19,889.52$. The membership was placed at 2510 , being 227 more than
last year, The receipts were as follows:Ordinary certificates, $\$ 24,790$; honorary certificales, $\$ 370$; duplicates, $\$ 64$; interest; $\$ 5,-$. 524.07; total, $\$ 30,748.07$. The expenditure amounted to $\$ 10,858.55$, lenvidg a balance of $\$ 10,889.52$. A number of proposed additions and amendments to by-laws were adopted: The trensurer's report showed the total assets over liabilities to be $\$ 19,368.97$. The report of the sick benefit fund slowed receipts of $\$ 81,675$ and disbursements, $\$ 70,520$, leaving: a balanco of $\$ 0,125$. The president announced that the railway companies had renewed the travelling privileges to the association; and $a$. vote of thanks was passed to these companies: and the stenmship companies. President Bain, after paying a high compliment to Presidentelect Black, vacated the clair, and Mr. Black took possession of the gavel, at the same time thanking the mombers for the honor conferred upon him. The conversazione in the Pavillion Music Hall was a most brilliant and successful: affair.

Tris statement of revenue and expendifure for the monith of December and for tho first six months of the fiscal year continues to. show a most gratifying increase in the former. and decrease of the latter. The revenue receiptrifor the month are: Customs, $\$, 1,766$, . 946 ; excise, $\$ 567,130$; other sources, $\$ 523$, 914 ; total, $\$ 2,847,990$, as compared with $\$ 2,-$ 302,630 for the Bame month in 1885, showing an increasc of $\$ 545,360$, of which $\$ 448,044$ is in customs, $\$ 41,916$ in excise, and the remainder in post office, public works, etc. The expenditure for the month was $\$ 2,297,168$, being $\$ 548,924$ less than for December, 1885 . For the firit six months of the fifcal ycar the result has been as follows:- Revenue, $\$ 17$, 027,808 ; expenditure, $\$ 15,380,315$ \$surplus, $\$ 1,647,583$. For the same period last year the figures were :-Revenue, $\$ 14,705,705$; expen ditures $\$ 17,571,054$; deficit, $\$ 2,815,349$. 0 or to put it another way, the revenue has increased about two millions and a quarter and the expenditure decreased more than two mil: lions. A deficit of o yer two and three-quarter millions has been converted into a surplus of mearly onc million and three-quartors, The greatest increase has been in customs, $\$ 1,617,5$ 337 , and excise, $\$ 332,248$, but post office and public works, including railways, show conbiderable increases. Thaten altogother, the result of the first six monthe is highly satiofactory, and indicates that, after making al. lowance for the half-yearly subsidies to the provinces, which were paid in advance on the first of this month, a very handsome surplita is likely to accrue before the olose of the fiscal year.

Work on the St. Clair tunnol is procecding with the greatest despatch. Already the shafts which will lead down to the tumnol on both sides of the river are excuvated to the depth of about 25 or 30 feet; and will oxtend to the proposed level of the tunnel at those points, 80 feet below the burface.' The Bhafth
will be 10 by 8 feet in size, and after curbing with 12 in square pine timber, will be 6 by 14. All the necessary nppliances for successfully coping with muny waforseen and unavoidable obstacles that will doubtless present thembelves, ar the work of construction progresses, are on the ground on both sides of the river, ineladng huge air pumps, at complete Edison electric light plant, stenm pumps with a capacily of lifting to the surface an amount of water equal to an inflow of two five-inch streanes, also sufficient boiler capacity to oporate all neceksary machinery. The contractors also control the phtent process of frecking the ground hefore excavating, and thus quicksands and loose earth, which have heretofore given tamel builders a vast amount of trouble and expense, will be takening in congealed form, and the work will proceed with but alight delay. About the only obsstacle that is likely to present iself that cannot very easily be overcome is the tapping of a very large strean or fissure of water from the river, letting in more water than the pumpa can lift out.

A neving of the Lower I'rovince trate for the past yeur shows that business is generally in a healliy condition. It was expecied 'that thore would be a large falling off in 'exports owing to the higher duties on fish in American markets, but, from returns received, exports to the States aggregute as much this year ab list, white the whole value of exportstisis fully equal to last year. There is a miniled falling on' in imports, which indicates that Ontidio and Quebec are capturing the builk of the trade with the mnritime provinces. All points report an almost total coseation of imports of American flowr and the substitution of the Camadian article, which is chemper than orer before, so thint while the Canadian producer has secured tho Caundinn market, he has not increased tho price to the consumer an eighth of a cent in barrel. The imports nud exports of Hallifis nggregate $\$ 10,000,000$. The fish exports rench two and in lialf millions. The aggregate value of the fisheries of tha three phovinces will exceed those of ary previous 'yeur. I'hero were only 156 fuilures with linbllities of $\$ 1,000,000$ in the three provinees this year, of which ninuty-six, with lintilities of $\$ 076,100$ were in Nowa Scotin, fifty-four, with linhilities of pa22,000 in New Brunawick, nud six, with liabilities of $\$ 53,000$, in Prince Jdwarl lshand. This is indisputable evidence of a generally safe and heatithy condition of business.

Natural Gas, if the supply were unfailing, would undoubtedly bo the ideal fuel both. for houschohd and for manufncturing purposes. But tiero is reason to believe that the supply will provo exlaustible if the gas bo drawn uijon faster"than it slinl acoumulate in the Bibiteratienen depths from which it is obthifed. The proof of exhanstion is the gradually decreasiag preseure of tho escaping gas at
the wells through which it forces itself to the surface. It may be assumed when the pressure shall no longer decrease that the supply will keep up with the output. But the history of all the wells in the gat-producing territory is a history of gradually continuiag exhaustion which gives no promise of an enduring supply. It is probable that natural gas will be exhausted, precisely as oil has been exhausted in various parts of Western Pennsylvania, and for like rensons. But, whether the gas supply be permanent or not the advantages of its use are so great that manufuctured gns for heating parposes in the near future is destincd to take the place of conl and other solid fuels, at least for the uso of dwellers in towns and cities.

Tur following is a sumpary of the statement of the moveazent of grain and produce in Montreal duving 1886 as compared with those of 1885, for which we are indebted to the Gazelte :-
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Whe $1886 . \quad 1885$.
Coin,
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { 'Pens, bubh................., } 2,800,812 & 2,562,329\end{array}$
Outs; bush. .v:............2,037,054 1,469,016
Burley, bush.............. - 14,581 79,767
Kys, bush................... 19,226. 37,669
Blour, brls.............. 736,968 679,426
Outmeal, bris............. $\quad 73,030$ 108,687
Ashos, brls.............. . 4,058 4,874
Butter, plgy................ 87, 8 1068 107,281
Checse, bxs............. 1,106,541 1,215,113
A rew comaterfeit ten dollar bills of the Camedina Bank of Commerce; are in circulation througla the city. The following are some of the points of difference between them and the genuine:- Tho green of the counterfuit is of a yellowish tint, giving the bill a pale appearance. Under the words "ten dollars" the hinir lines in the gemane are distinct and elear, and only four in number, while in the connterfeit they aro blarred and indistinct, nud there are five of them. The eyis in the fion lave a staring appearance in the counterfeit. In the genuine outside the letters in tho words, "Tho Cumdian," there are eight hair lines, which are left out in the counterfeit. ' The numbering in the counterfeit is not an distinct as that of the genuine, and the figures are Inrger. The counterfuit is aloout an cighth of an inch shortor and about one sixteath broader than the genuine. The lathe work on the front of the counterfeit is almost perfect, but on the back of the bill it is not so good. The signature forged is that of W. Cooke.

Tiene has been a notable incrense in the number of immigrants arriving at the ports of the United States for the month of November and for the other preceding ten monthe of the year. In November, the increase over the bame month last ycar, was more than, 5R per cent; and for the eleven months of this year the increase over the corresponding period for 1885 , was more than 16 per cent. The United Kingdom has contributed more to this in crease than any other antion, though the greatest percentage of increase is observed in Italina immigration, which for this year, up to November 30, amounted to 27,631 persuns. Qerman inmigrants furnish the only example in the less number coming to this country, with an insignificant exception of those coming from Switzerland. The German immigration dropped off more than 22 per cent., though for November there was ablight increaso. Nearly 55 per cent of the immigrants were English and German speaking people.

Fnom tables prepared by the American Grocer it appears that the wholesale cost of staple articles of food this year were, with one or two exceptions, lower than in 1885. Higher prices have ruled for some of the luxuries, such as coflee and canned goods; but as the advance was made mostly during the last quarter of the year, it has not, to any appreciable extent, influenced the cost of living. There is no cause for grievance so far as the food supply is concerned. Sugar has declined le per lb; rice, 1 ळlic; tea, 2œ3c; butter has averaged 4 11-16 ©2ace per 1 b higher ; cheese, 1 d ch higher on medium and lower grades; egge, lif per dozen lower; pork, $\$ 1: 50$ per bbl. lower; hard, the per Ib lower ; flonr lus areraged $\$ 4.43$ per bbl. for straight winter whent-being the lowest average price on record. Wheat sold at an average of $1 \times 2 \mathrm{c}$ per bublel above the cost for two preceding years. Canned goods range from 10 to 20 per cent higher for most sorts.

The shipments of petroleum from Phildelphin for the year 1886 exceeded the year previous by a very small nmount, the total ca ports being $152,641,044$ gallons, while in 1885 they amounted to $151,756,812$ gallons. The Germans have been the principal consumers of the product, while there has been a general decrense in that part of Europe contiguous to the Russinu oil-fields. The denand in Java, Sumatra, China and Japma has, however, incretsed to mamazing extent, principally for the refined article. This has more than mada up for the losses by Russian competition. The French have become large purchasers of the crude article, the refiners in France using all the by-products, cyeu making excellent aniline colors from the higher gases, which are allowed to oscape in this country. The exports for the past week were $1,520,563$ gallons, Thile at the , game time in 1886 they were $2,-$ 864,085 gallons.
Tus annunl statement of the Hochelaga Bank, which has just been issued, shows the
net profit of the yenr ending December 31; 1880, to linve been $\$ 71,498.24$, after deducting expenses of mangement, interest on deposits, and providing for had and doublfal debts, which together with \$,161.26 carried forward at AEdit of prolit and loss from the preceeding year, gave an available balance of $\$ 70,659.50$. Out of this umount two half-yenrly dividends of 3 per cent, each, aggregating $\$ 42,006$, were paid, $\$ 30,000$ :was added to the reserve fund, and $\$ 4$ fox 8.50 citiried forward nt credit of profit anf lots.wn The net profits of the year slightiy exceeded 10 per cent. of the paid up capital, which is $\$ 710,100$, and the reserve fund now amounts to $\$ 100,000$. 'Ihe circulation outstanding is $\$ 581,981$, the public deposits $\$ 808,352$, and the current disconnts $\$ 1,609$,849. The bank appears to be enjoying a prosperous. business.

Messns. R. P. Flowen \& Co. have just gold to a London syndicate $10,0 \mathrm{O} 0$ shares of the Kingeton \& Pembroke, Ont., Railway; and the stock will be listed on the Stock Exchange here. The rónd is bonded for $\$ 5,000$ per mile, with incomes of $\$ 7,000$ per mile and stock for $\$ 3,000,000$. It is 112 miles long, running from Kingston to Reufrew, where it connects with the Canadian Pacific. At Kingaton it connects by ferry with the Rome, Watertown \& Ogdensburg, and thereby with the New York Central, forming a route from New York to Wiunipeg nearly 200 miles shorter than any how existing. Iron ore is found ulong the lino. Chicago, and Canadian capitalists are interested in developing these resources, and we hinderstand that this year the extension of facilities will result-in opening a litge and valuable ore-carrying trobic for the road.

A areming of the ehareholders of the Richilieu \& Ontario Nitvigntion Co. was hold this week when a statement of the Company's adiairs, dated-31st Dec, 1886, was read, showing a credit side of $\$ 1,852,400$, and debit of $\$ 1,742,500$, leaving a balmace of $\$ 109,000$. The prosident stated there was a lonting debt of $\$ 315,000$, nearly all of which was incurred for the purchase of the new lines. These had been paying 10 per cent." Mr. Senecal then nddreseed the mecting saying greater economy would be praotised the coming year, and conciuded his remurks by asking the shareholders to give the directors the power to issue \$250,000 of new stock, to be hesed as they saw fit. After furiher discussion a motion to authorize the directors to issue $\$ 250,000$ of new stock was carried: On the fluating debt, interest varyiug from 6 to 7 per cent- is being paid.

The mackerel flect of Portiand numbers 150 vessels, and, now that the season is over, it is fumd that owing to the activity of the Canadian cruisers, the majority of the wessels hime lost mones, in some instances ms much as $\$ 500$, white the remainder have barely paid expenses. The total catch is only 10,000 barrels, ngainst 80,000 last year, and $112,000 \mathrm{in}$

1884, and consequently the market to day is practically cleaned out, not a thousand barrels. probally remaining of the immense stocks stored during the past year. Although the fisherics have proved a failure, yet otherwise the year has been favorable, as no lives have been lost and but two of the flect. While large fares of cod have been taken, the stocks on hand, owing no doubt, in a measire; to the high price of mackerel, are light.

IT is understood that the C. P. R. have abandoned the idea of buildiug a spur line across the Spray River at the falls to reach Banff. They intend putting up a magnificent hotel at Banff, one of the finest of that class in America, and they will offor all possible convenience for the conveyance of passengers to the lot, springs at Banff, and also extra inducements in the shape of low passenger rates, but they will not build the spur line in the meantime. The hotel they will erect next summer, and it will be offered for sale as, soun as the resort warrants that it will do a good businese. This is in deference to the fears of other parties at Banff, who were afraid that, the C.P. R. intended to create a monopoly at that place.

Amebican exporters are growing alarmed at the rapid increase in the East India markot of Bombay cotton fubrics, and the remaribably successful manner in which they havo,beaten ont the once popular American sheetings, and are uow gradually, but by no means slowly, taking the place of the produce of Lancashire looms. What has already taken place in China and the far East is being done in East and Central Africa. The.smaller cost of labor; the proximity of the field of production of the ruw material, and perhaps neloser ftudy of the wants and tastes of the natives, through agents who sesido upon the cosst, and know thoroughly their requiremente, have enabled Bombay mill owners to compete successfully with those of Manchester and Lowell.

The customs receipts for the half fiscal year, July to Decimber, 1886, for the three principal ports were as follows:-
1885.

Montreal
. $\$ 3,516,507$
1886.

T'oruite $\qquad$ 1,610,625
Hamilton 316,013
\$4,520,110
1,076,295
371,462
For the month of December, just past, the figures stand:-


The receipts in this city of inland revenue amounted to $\$ 187,876$ for Decomber, 1886, against $\$ 184,903$ in 1085 , and for the half fiscal ycar the figures are $\$ 025_{2} 20$, against $\$ 842,826$ for the same period last year.

As ingenious gentleman of Evanstoñ, Ill., has succeded in applying the principle of the
injector to a grain elevator. The gran is run from the car to a revolving lopper, through an aperture in the bottom of which is forced a powerful blast of air, which carics the grain a certain distance up a borizontal tube. At intervals in this tube are bends or horl-: zoutsl curves forming reluys. These relays: act as nuxiilary hoppers, a fresi blast of air. boing admitted at each one, which carries the grain to the next higher relay.- In this way: the grain may be mised to any desirable. height. A modification of this device is arranged to raise grain from the bold of a ship or boat.

Tre ; proprietors of the Boston IFerald announced on the 1st to their cmployees a prospesition to give to them for the current year a portion of the net protits of the business after reserving the interesten the value of tho property. The employees ne to share in proportion to the wages received during the ijcar. They also suggest to the employees the formation of a mutual bencfit society, promising to contribute an nmonnt equal to the aggregate contributions of the cmployees. The proprietors sny in their ciroular announcing the proposition: "Wo lope this experimont may be so successful that profit sharing may be adopted by us as a permanent policy".

Thar N. Y. Bulletin says the marvollous progress of the Western cities could not bo more strikingly exemplified than in the rapid multiplication of thair building enterprises: Think of St Paul, Mina., for example, spend ing $\$ 10,000,000$ last year in that way, and its nent-by sister, Minneapolis, it would appear is not far behind. .. Big as these figures are, however, they are a mere bagatelle compared with the expenditures of New York in similar enterprises during the twelvemonth; whiere the whole number of new buildinge erected - was upwards of 4,000 sufficient of itself 10 make a respectable city), at a total cost,ol $.558,479,653$.

Tue company of Canadian and English capitalists Intely formed for the purpose of constructing a line of cable between Vancoli. ver, 13. O., and Australia, are vigorously pushing on the work. Mr: Satford Fleming, the original promoter of the scheme, stated that the company has been thoroughly organized, Application has been made to the Imparial Government for vessels to conduct the soundings and other work from the const of Ause - Tralia to the coast of Sritith Columbia; and the matler is now under consideration. Mr Flaning thinks there will be no dificultyin getting the Imperial Government to either conduct the preliminary sounding or supply the vessels necessary for the work.

Mn, Whaliss Ronentson, Camidian manager; und Dir. Joln Ogilv, diructor, or the London and Lancashire Lifé Assurance Vo, Blgned cheques for $\$ 10,000$ and $\$ 1,100$, on Wedneg day last, in favor of the heirs of the late John
S. McLachlan, merely requiring a bond in case of discovery alive, similar to that exacted by the Bum. Although the had offices of the London und Lancishire ars in England, the company is close on the heels of the Montreal concern, of which deceased was a director, in the payment of the claim. In neither of these compmies no dirjute could arise. The payment of $\$ 10,000$ whs on a ten year cadowment of which frull years had run; that of $\$ 1,100$ was on a lifa policy.

Theme is unusual activity in grain shipments from- Halifax. Over half a million Bushels of Ontario grain has already been slipped to Halifax this year, and three humdred thousand buhbels now await the arrival of steamers to load.- It is proluble the grain shipments this winter will exceed all the previous shipments from this port put together. The Nova Seotin Sugar Refinery is shipping a train loud of sugar a day to the upper provinces, and sixteen thonsand bags of raw sugar, discharging here, await shipment to Montreal refincries. Very large quantities of flour and other freight are coming over the Intercolonial Railwny.

On the 1st of Junuary 332 blast furnaces wore in blast in the United Streter, producing 127,600 tons of pir-iron weekly. Or theso 140 were biluminous, producing 80,132 tons weekly; 126 were anthracite, producing 53,633 tons weekly. 'l'bu estimuted increase in 1886 over 1885 was $1,500,538$ tons, or about 30 per cent. About two-thirds of this inerease was at bitumigous furmaces. Nentral mill jron advanced from sio to $\$ 2025$ por ton at littsburg during the year; No. 1 futudry, frum $\$ 17.25$ to $\$ 21.50$ per ton ; bar iron, from 1.70 to 2 cents per pownl; steel mils, from $\$ 35.50$ to $\$ 36.50$ per ton, und old rails, from $\$ 24.55$ to $\$ 28$ per ton.

Ture people of Princo Edward Island, says the (datette, have enjoyed a very considerable mensure of prosperity in recent years if we may judge from the condition of the Governmout savings banks. The deposits in the agency at Charlotletown, which on January 1, 1883, wete $\$ 1,062,218$ are now $\$ 1,780,578$, nu increase of more than $\$ 700,000$ in fuur years, while the agency at Summerside opened in 1884 with duposits of $\$ 30,470$, hat now $\$ 250$,014. In round numbers, therefore, the deposits of the one humbred and tweaty odd thousund people in Prince Ledward Island have increased a million dollars since 1883, a most gratifying exhilit.
'lus output of the springhill collieries for Decenber reached-the unprecedented figures of 43,026 tons, which closes the year with a total of 168,000 tons, an increase of 118,000 tons over 1885. The collieries are kept busy at their utmost enpacity mad give employment to between eleven and twelvo humdred men ind boys. The south slope is being opened out and about 200 tons of coal hoisted and
shipped daily. Other preparations are being made for a further increase of business this yenr. Shipment of coal by water from Parrsboro in 1886 were 40,508 tons, agrainst 26,215 in 1885.

Noea Scotia shipping has declined the past year by 59 vessels of 13,818 tons, 103 vessels laving been struck off the registers as ngainst 134 new ones built. The vessels now being built are of a larger size than those witten off. Underwriters report a profitless year, but are hopeful of 1887 enabling them to recover lost ground. Our Maritime province friends are essentially a commercial people and occupy a very forcmost place among the shipowning communities of the world. Nova Scotia now owns 2,913 vessels of 527,037 tons, a pretty respectable strowing.

Ar a public meeting held at Hamilton, Ont., muder the maspices of the Board of Trade, the question of a winter carnival to be held there was discussed. All the merchants present were greally in favor of the project. The mayor said the council would grant a reasonable amount of money, andit was unanimously decided to go on with the selieme. A large general committec was at once formed, and from the enthusiam displayed it is certain the carnival will be carried out. Montrealers muy well hold that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

This British American Assurance Company, of Toronto, conducted its entire business during 1886 at an expense of 28 per cent on preminm income, and comes into the new year with not an adjusted loss unpaid. The net surplus of the company has been increased S10,000, and the gross assets will show an increase of about 550,000 as compared with the last ammal statement." Two dividends were paid during 1886, as usual, and the company will courageously push for business in future with its usual vigor.

The Bank of New Brunswick has declared a semi-amual dividend of six per cent on its reduced capital of $\$ 500,000$, and carries $\$ 50,000$ to Rest account, which is now $\$ 350,000$ : Three and one-half per cent has been declared by the Bank of Nova Scotia, and three per cent by the Merchants Bank of Halifax for the half year ending 31st December. The shareholders of the Bauk of Yarmouth .heid their aunual general mecting on 12 th inst, and the sharehofders of the Pictou lank met on the 26th to formally vote for winding up.

The Acadia and the Halifax Fire Insurance Compunies have declared dividends of 72 per cent for the half year ending 31st December, making $12 \pm$ per cent for 1886 . Bolh of these little companies have had almost total immunity from losses for months past, and we notica they totally eseaped contributiag to the loss at the recent fire in the shops and stocks of Baldwin \& Co.'s. (crockery) und Heibler.

Bros. (hats and furs), in Granville strect. The loss of over $\$ 20,000$ falls almost entirely on forcign companies.
'The wheat crop of California is placed'at 34,000,000 bushels. The old crop on hand on July 1 amounted to $2,600,000$ bushels, which, with the present season's crop of $34,000,000$, makes a total of $30,600,000$. Deduct shipments to Europe and other countries belween July 1 and December 15, 14,000,000 Lushels; quantity that will be shipped between December 15 and $31,1,500,000$; required for home consumption, seed and to carry over, $11,500,000$; balance available for slipment; $9,600,000$ bushels.

Tue general impression in regard to the iron trade, that prices are going higher, becomes stronger every day, so that manufacturers are afraid to make quotations, except for very limited quautities. The volume of business is gradually expanding, and during 1887 will undoubtedly reach proportions never attained lefore on this continent. Predictions in regard to prices cannot.be made with much exactncss, although, as we liave already intimated, the tendency is steadily upward.

Tae Manitoba Railroad Company is delivering at Moose River, M.T., the wiuter terminus of the line, steel rails and other building matorial to cover 350 miles of track. It is reported that track laying will begin and proceed from both directions next spring, with the intention of completing not less than 150 miles from Helena. Arrangements are in pro-* gress for delivering engines, cars and material in Hulcna as soon as possible so as to push work during the winter.

During the yeir 1882 the number of miles of now rond built in the North-West was 2,400 , agninst 2,000 in 1881. In 1883 there were 1,033 miles; in 1885, 1,002 miles, and in 1886, 2,262 miles built. There has been not only a marked increase in mileage during the past year, but the cost of construction his averaged nearly $\$ 2,000$ per mile, or a total cest of $\$ 37,-$ 000,000 . In the United States there have been built 8,010 miles of new main line track, at a cost of $\$ 160,000,000$.

Tan Minneapolis Sauit Ste. Marie e Atlantic Railroad Company has built its line from Turtle Luke, Wis, west to the Wisconsin river, a distance of 134 miles. During the ensuing year the seventy three milos of track between 'Turtle Lake and Minneapolis will be laid. 'The terminus is to be in Montreal, and the distnuce between Minneapolis and Montreal will be about 1,100 miles, or 400 milos shorter than any other route.

Tuere huve been ofy miles of now railroad constructed in Dadsota this year, and in addition to this $3+1$ miles have been graded. of the total new construction the St. Paul roadbuilt 200 miles, the Manitolas 230 miles, andthe Northwestern 97 miles. The Manitobs
has graded 200 miles. : The total amount of mileage in Dakota is 3,491 , and it is predicted that to this amount nearly 1,000 miles will be added next year.

IT is repiorted that most of the whent crop is out of the farmers' hauds. The wheat crop of Minnerota and Dakota aggregated about $93,000,000$ bushels, a little more than first estimated. If the demand keeps up the Minneapolis mille will gridd between now and September 1st about $24,000,000$ bushels ${ }^{\circ}$ of wheat, and the teountry mills about $5,000,000$ busheis.

Tue New York Central Railrond Company proposes to build a line of road from Utica or Syracuse north to the St. Laurence river. It is reported that the plan will be set on foot in the spring and an effort made to liave the Southern terminal of the road at Syracuse. The New York Central is said to be anxious for the trade of Northern New York and Canada.

Mr. J. H. Tond, president of the Board of Trade of Viotoria, B.C., and senior partner of the firm of J. H. Todd \& Son of that city, writes as follows:-"Enclosed please find our renewal subscription for your very valuable and welcowe paper, which, wo are pleased to see, fully maintuins its record of being the leading commercial paper of the Dominion:"

Tue Eastern Townships Bank has sold the properity known as the Capelton Mincs, belonging to a Scottish company, for $\$ 50,000$, to C. H. Nicholls \& Co., of New York. It is said they will expend on new machinery and other improvements $\$ 100,000$ during the coming year, thus adding largely to the prosperity of the place.

The number of patents granted last month were 220. The revenue shows a satisfnctory increase over the corresponding period last year. The total number of patents granted during the past year was 2,611 , as compared with 2,233 in the previons twelve monthis. The increase in revenue from the same source is equally satisfactory.

But three anyivals are reported at St. John, N.B., during the week, nad matters are quiet in shipping circles. The only cogagement heard of is the barque Seringapatam, for Liverpool, deals, 42 s 6d, timber, 20s. Vessels in port unclenred numbur four barques of 2,704 tong, three brigantines, of 532 tons, and 78 schooners.

The quaulity of conl brought into London by sen at different periods amount to from seventy-five thousand to one hundred and ten thousand tons weckly. In the height of the season coal is passing into London on about five railway lines at the rate of about nine hundred tons per hour day and night.

The Optario immigration agent in Toronto gives the total number of immigrants arrived
in the province during 1886 at 66,800 , compared with 40,069 in 1885. Of the arrivals this year there went to the States 46,522 , to Quebec 6, to Manitolba 4,439, and there remnined in the province 14,633 .

Auyices have reached here that the ship Frieda Grampl; from Japan, with 8,700 packages of tea for the Cariadian and United States markets, arrived at Port Dloody yesterday, being the seventh ship to bring teas for the Canadian Pacific route.

IT is said that the West Ontario Pacific railway between Woodstock and Detroit will not be open for traffic to London till some time in May. The length of the section from Woodstock to London is twenty-six and ahalf miles.

Tus fisheries of P. F. Island, last year, were valued at $\$ 1,142,000$ a decrease of $\$ 150,000$ from 1885. . There was an increase of 5,000 barrels in the catch of mackerel, but a large decrease in the catch of codfish and lobsters.

Oven 6,000 immigrants landed in Halifax in 1886. This was an increase of nearly 1,300 over the arrivals in 1885. Of the 6,000 landed here, 1,000 settled in Nova Scotin, and were an unusually valuable class of settiers.

Tue traffic returns of the Grand Trunk Ranilwny for the week ending 8th January, 1887 , show an increase of $\$ 37,867$ over the corresponding week in 1886.

Ofenclal statistics give the stock of wheat on hand in California on January 1 as 400,000 tons. This will leave $8,000,000$ bushels for export to Europe.

## THE CASH BAKERY.

A special meeting of the sharcholders of the Montrenl Cash Dakery, limited, was held in the Mechanics' Hall building last Monday, with Mr. Bickerstaff in the chair and Mr. Scott, of the Dominion Type Foundry, as socretary, Mr. Pole, the chief promoter, described to the meeting the difficulties he lad met- with in organizing and keeping tho business agoing, having been obliged to uso his own money for various purchases on account of outfit, wages, etc., owing to the tardiness of payment on the part of shareholders. 'He had received only about $\$ 1,800$, including his own contribution, of $\$ 500$ and the company now owed him about $\$ 300$ for outlay. He would like to seli out (!) to the company. A shareholder asked if a balance sheet or statement were prepared showing the progress of the business, the various amounts expended, the stock of flour, etc., on hand and the number of tickets. sold. Mr. Pole directed the secretary to read a astatement which provid, when read, to be a - list of expenses, for all of which he raid he could furnish vouchers.

Suvtral slareholders expressed a debire for further information before procecding to trëat With Mr. Role; others contended that thie business belonged to the compony, that the tickets were issued by and in the name of the " Montreal Cásh Bakery, limited," büt thounht it was only fair that Mr. Pole should be rêinbursed and paid for his trouble, Mr. Pole"ad-
hered to his views concerning the purchase from lim. He could sell it at any moment to a party in the city at a good profit on the outlay: A shareholder here testified to the excellent quality of the bread and to Mr. Pole's untiring industry and energy in establishing the business.

The sense of the mecting being in favor of the presentment of further details, it was moved by Dr. Girdwood, and seconded by Dr. Trenholme, that a committee be appointed to examine into the business and report ata continued meeting to be held next Monday in the same pláce. Mr. Scott claimed it would take several weeks to examine the books and prepare a bolence sheet. Mr. Foley thought it could be done in a week. The appointed committee consisted of Messrs. Scott, Foley, Sears and Campboll. It was decided to postpone the election of directors until Monday next.

Mr. Scott here read the by-laws, which, he said, had been considerately prepared ifor nothing" by the legal gentleman who had been entrusted with the procuring of the charter. A shaveholder thought the chartercost four times too much for a company with àn nuthorized capital of only $\$ 5,000$. It was not too much, he thought, to allow the general manager, Mr. Pole, or whoever he might be, $\$ 75$ a month and rent free, as provided by the by-laws, After some further discussion, the meeting resolved to adjourn. It had partly left the room, when somebody recollected that the commitiee had not settled upon any hour or place for meuting to examine the books. Mr. Pole entrgetically interposed that ho would "allow no man to examine his private caslu-book,"

It unfortunately appenrs that Mr. Pole kept- no books of account exclusively for the bakery, and naturally hesitates to allow any oxamination of his own entries or accounts. We learn that when one of the gentlemen deputed to assist in preparing the proposed statement appicared at the place of business of the "Montreal Cash Bakery, limited" at the hour appointed, he was informed by Mr. Pole that there would be no meeting of the committee, and that, as ho had already told one of them, he would not allow any examination of his cash or other account books. It remains to be seen whataction the sharcholders chooso to take in the matter. They naturally want to know exactly how the business stands, before entering into terms with the manager, whatever his practical ability in the business, and before paying any or further calls; and it is to bosincerely hoped that Mr. Pole will be rendy with a complete statement to place before them next Monday.

An example in the problem of production, consumption and cost of distribution of all our products, manufactured and agricultural, is offered by statistics which show that the mechanical industries of the, United States are carried on by steam and water power representing in round numbers $3,400,000$ horsepower, each horse-power equaling the muscular Iabor of six men; that is to say; if men were employed to furnish the power to carry on the industries of this country, it would require $21,000,000$, and this number of men represents a population, according to tho ratio of the census of 1880 , of $105,000,000$. The industrieg are now carried on by $4,000,000$ persons, in round numbers ropresenting a population of $20,000,000$ only. To do this work, then, accomplished by power and jower machinery in our mechanical industries and
upon our railtonds would require mon repre－ senting a population of $175,500,000$ in addi－ tion to the present population of the country of $55,000,000$ ，or $a$ total population，with hand processes and with hoticerpower，of $227,500, \ldots$ 000 ，which mopulation would le obliged to present means．In an economic point of view the cont would be enormons．The present cost of operating the ruilrouds of tho country with recmen power is in round numbers $\$ 502$ ，－ ． 000,000 per ammm；but to carry on the same amount of work witli men and horses would cont the condity $\$ 1,308,500,000$ ．These illustrations，of course，show the extreme straits to wlith a country would be brought if it undertook to perform its work in the old way．
masmon niendily changes in regurd to pipes as wall as other matters．We do not now hent so muela nbout－or see so often－the large and expensive meerselnums which were so dear to the heart of a cerinin class of smokers，and to possens which was the noble aimbilion of youlhful minds．The meerschann pipe has now modoubtally lost much of its popmarity．It still makes a brave show in tho tobucconist＇s window，and it certainly stops there longer－fower being sold－than was the case nome years ago，when to＂color a meerschamm＂was one of the first duties of existence．Well，we lave nothing to say agninst the anciont adomation of the meer＊ schaum ；indeed，many fond regrets，many plensment momories and sweet fancies still cling around that constant，woll－tried source of pence and folicity，But fimes chamge and public daste changes with fiem．The demand now tuns on cheap pipes made of briar，myall， cherry，and olive wood，ecte．，and the mana－ ficturer of these articles supply wonderfully good value for money，The tobacconists Hhops ate now filled with this chass，excellent in workmanship，artistic in design，solid in quality，and marvellously cheap．Prices range from ten cents upwarls，mad by the expendi－ ture of suy a quarter，the purchaser may now secure a pipe which will hasi for an umost indefinite period，and will nlways afford a cool nifl plemant smoke This we consider a great boon for all who nee the fragrant weed，and the pipe－makers deserve high comimendation for the ulvanco they have mado of Inte years with regaval to the sityle and variety of their productions．It is also satinfactory that nearly all toluceonists now make quiten special show of pipes，and those who fail to do this should at once amend their ways．

It is said，remarks a well－known mercantile whiter，that not more than four in every hun－ dred engrged in business are eventually suc－ cessful．This，tombless，is unter instead of being above the mark．According to the ex－ perience of many old merchands，abont 15 per cent．of those who retnil gotts succed in making sufticient to ennble then to quit business by tho time they are afty years of ago；that 25 per cent．moro continue on suc－ cessfally，making a living and always jony their debts to the ond of their lives；and that the remminit：g 60 jer cent，either entirely fini nud go out of business or mate some compro－ miso with their creditors nud continne on with varying buceess afterwards，But oven this proportion of failures is enormous when compared wiih the results in other pursuits． And yel have wo any renson to wouder st it，
when men engage in the business so ill－pre－ pared for its risks and disasters？Hardly any sane man would undertake the practice of law without monthe at least of previous atudy，or angage in the manufacture of any article without some experience in its details．The art of buying and selling goods at retail re－ quires as much study as either of them．

Tue following statisties，given in one of the New York daily papers，show a very prosper－ ous condition of affairs among the working chasses of the Eastern Siates：－In Bix New Enghand States the estimated amount．of the surplus carnings of workingnon and women now on deposit in the savings banks of those states in one thousand millio 1 of dollars．The amount shown by the last annual reports made to the state nuthorities by the city and state savings banks of New York，is five hundred and thirty－four milions of dollars， owned by one million two hundred and cight thousand individual dejositors．Ninety．per cent．of the depositors are said to be ware－ workers，so that there are throughout this state one million eighty－seven thousand two hundred wage workers，with surplus curniugs in savings banks amounting to four hundred and eighty millions six hundred housmad dol－ lars．The total ngerregate in the six New Einghand States and the State of Now York is $\$ 1,480,000,000$ of surplus capital beaxing in－ terest belonging to the wage－workers in but seven states of the Union．

The Queen Insurance Co．hing issued an ex－ ceedingly handsome cule adar；appropriately containing a yortrait of Her Majerty，which for artistic finish compares with the best pro－ ductions in this form of souvenir．Morton， Phillipa \＆Co．，stationors，cte，have issued a neat minialue colendar in addition to the large one alrendy noticen，probnbly intended for the pocket；the Northern Assurance Co＇s． colondur is use ful as well as beatiful；to is that sent us by Patterson，Kissock it Co．

## Ơnaucial．

＇Tuunsday Ey＇g，Jim．13， 1887.
The strect rate in Jondon continues at 3 籴 in spite of prognostications that a further advance is to be expected．The Bank rate is mohanged at 5 per cent．Sterling 60 －day sight closed at $813-16$ fol6－16 between banks and 9 counter ；demand 9 直厷13－16 and $9 \frac{7}{8}$ counter ；cobles 10ヶ010t．Posted in Now York 4.83 and 4．87．Actual 4．82ł＠1 and

 stock market has beon weak and iaregular all week but closes strong and higher，with a marked＂bull＂feeling．Julegraph lus been the dominant stock and las swayed the others with it in its fall and subsequent re－ covery．Starting al 96 ，it fell to 021 on Tuceday but renched par again to－day with a strong market，the rise being due to－the change in the directornte and the impression that the dividend will soon be forthcoming． The following are the transactions and highest and lowest prioes during the week compared with those of 1886.


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 close exhilited signs of recovery. Pork opened seak and declined 172 c e o 20 c from yesterday's close, but later rallied 12 dom atinc, closing at \$11.67及 February, $\$ 11.80$ March, $\$ 1202 \mathrm{~d}$ Miy. Lard was ensicr, but recovered 2 jc of
 March, \$6.55 May. Mentis declined 10c. The hog market was weak and fell eff $10 \mathrm{c} \sqrt{a} 15 \mathrm{c}$. The closing quotations were:--Light grader, $\$ 3.75$ o $\$ 4.40$; mixed packing, $\$ 4$ ra $\$ 4.30$; heavy shipping, \$4.35. © $\$ 40$. The estimated receipts were 31,000 , agninst yesterday's oficinl 21,049, with shipments of 7,262 . There wore left over from yesterday about 14,900. The catlle market was steady. Receipts 11,500 head.. Thero was no change in the condition of the provision market, which ruled quiet and steady. Sales of short cut pork have veen made at $\$ 15$, with some lots of western lard at 9fa. The healthy tone of the butter market has been well preserved under light offerings, and $a$ continued fair enquiry both on forcign and dumestic acconint. The generalopinion is that stocks here and in the cointry are light. Dealers who have recently returned from the townships repart that the quantity of butter avaibule there is light, and it seems that the only districts where the stack remehes nny. quantity ure Murristurg and Breck ville An impression prevails that eremmery will rench higher prices before the close of the seanon, and should the New York market keep up; it is expected that Bhipments will bemade thence, as some of the goods here are of very fine quality. There has; been business in straight townshijs nt 200. Finest Brockville have been taken at 19 c , and a lot of western sold to day at 17 c . Some holders of yesternare asking 18c. Local
trade bas been fair, and has absorbed a good amount of stock, selections of tornsbips going as hilgh as 23c.

Dry Goods.-musiness is reported as being, on the whole, in a satisfactory state. Tlie travellers are now wall out on their regular spring trip and the orders so far transmitted by them are considered satisfactory; as rethilers have furdly yet got over the Christmas holiday trade. Stocks of imported grods are beginming to come to hand in fạir quanlities mad Cumadian manufacturers aire making deliveries. If' $a$ judgement can be based upon observations mude during a tour of the trade the delivery Q goods to the retailers throughout thic country is well under way. Remittances are dekcribed as being noting to brag nbout as they have bece during the week harilly up to expectations. in some quarters. This is not considered in any way as an indication of any serious difficulty in the trude but is ruther to be aseribed to the system of date purchases and the general necumujation of notes falling due ufon the fourth of the quaters These obligatione, as remarked liist week, were met all right but us is the nomal case the second week's remittimess suffer. The prospects of a good spring trade are considured satisfactory.
Fisil and Olls.-There has been but little movement either in the fish or oil markets: There has been a little mote enquiry for berrings and cod but the transaitions have been few and prices are sio firmer. Oil prices are steady and they are believed to have
reached a point below which they will not fall. Sem oil stocks are light; but there is a fair stock of cod oils.

- Fhoun and Gral.-There was some improvement in the grain markets in Chicago, which was evidenced in generally bigher prices. At the opening wheat looked weak and fell off a fraction, but the later dealings were made on a strong market, which advanced 3 fole from the lowert. The close was firm and 4 c ( $a \frac{3}{2} \mathrm{c}$ above yesterdiny at 781 c February, 791 March, 85 ge May. The corn market was better and improved ace closing at 362 c Februmy, 36zo March, 42 c May. Onts were firmer, closing at $26 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{C}$ February, 203 c Narch, $30 \frac{3}{6} \mathrm{c}$ - May. T'o-day's inspection was 19 cars winter ẅhent, 55 spring, 240 com nnd 87 onts. At the seabord whent was stronger and ad-

 Corn moved up drode. closing at 472 c January, 48 a Febrtary, 50 青c May. Onts closed at 35ide Jnnuary: 35 fe licbrumry, 36 e March, 30fu. Mny. Ocenn freights to Liverpool by stemin were easier" at 4 ddait 4 gd per bushel. The tolid quantity of whent in sight nad nfiuat to Europe is $88,665,000$ bushels, an incrense of $2,490,000$ bushels comparel with a week ago, ar jncrease of $3,924,000$ with two weeks.ngo, in increase of $8,926,000$ with thre Wecks aso, an increase of $10,380,000$ with four wecks ago, and an incrense of 14;885,000 with a fen aro. There is no change in the mirket heric, but in the comutry, vusiness ha bien done in wheat and peat ht aliove what could be made here.- Quotations are nominal.


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Gumn Fhums, Bro.-Trado at present is rather slack, flll the transactions trauspiring boing of small amounts. There has been a fuir moveraent in oranges. Valencias are as foretold, a little easier wit $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50$. There aro no Jamaica or brazil oranges in casas on the markot just now, bit wo continuo to quote at unchanged prices. Apples are somewhent in domund, and prices have stifiened, the ruling rates now being $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$. There have luen some trmatactions in crmberries, and in sympathy with the Nuw York and Boston markots prices have advanced $\$ 2$, and aro quoted at $\$ 10.50$ to $\$ 11$, with the prospect of prices going higher. Sweet potatoes havo risen in juice. 'There new now nowe but the best kiln dried on the market, and they realizo from $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50$. Onions are higher, boing held for from $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$. There are no more Spanish orions on this muket. lyurkish fige in bags have been recolved, and aro sulling at 60be. We quoto apples ex-store $\$ 3.00$ © $\$ 3.50$. Örani;es, Jamaica, in cuses, $\$ 4.25$ Kis $\$ .60$; Jallas from Palestine, $\$ 5.00$ per box ; Brazils, \$4; case; nuw Valencias, \$5. 00 $爪 \$ 6.50$; lloridh, S450@ 85, box; Jmmaicas, brls, $\$ 8.00$. Lemmons, $\$ 3 / 284.50$, box; $\$ 5 / 650$ case. Crmberries, $\$ 10.50 \% \$ 11$ but, Sweet jotatoes, $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 5.50 \mathrm{brl}$. Almeriag grapes, $\$ 4.50 \mathrm{keg}$; Oatawbra, 8c @ 9 c . Vocoanuts, $\$ 6,50$ per $100 .^{*}$ Onions, nutive, $\$ 3.00$ ro $\$ 3.50$ brl. lrigs, in 1 lb . and 13 lb . boxes, 10 de foo 12 dc . Turkibh figs 60 de yer bag.

Quoombes-D'lhe after holiday staguation lans not yot passed over and very littlo movement or change in priees is noted: Peenn nuts have advanced mother cont and mo now. quoted at 110 . The rise is ascribed to the fact that a Nev York house lought up all the
stock on the 'St. Louis markets on tho gth inst. There is no change in teas, the market not being responsive and buyers holding off. Merchants are just now engaged in stoolktaking and this passivencss is ascribed to their wish to show as small surplus stocks as possible. There has been some enquiry for camed goods; but tho business transacted has been of a jobling nature. Prices remain firm and unchanged. In fruit there is practically nothing doing here, and ins a similar innctivity appens to prevail abroad there is no change and there appears no prospect of there being amy. In sugars and syrups there is a pretty fair amount of business doing at quotations. The principal enquiry is for yellow refined at $43 \mathrm{c} \pi 5 \mathrm{~s} \mathrm{c}$ with a margin of $\frac{1}{6}$ of $n$ cent either way.
Hides and Talion.-In forcign hides there has been a fair weok's business, with nothing very startling reported. Among the anles reported are three carloads of dry Nor'West on private terms, understood to be at quotations. In local hides there has been considerable movement, hut, if anything, there is an easier tendeney, the general run of prices for the respective grades being $\$ 8$, $\$ 7$ and $\$ 6$. The supply of country hides, which had been very considerable, is falling of somewhat, but that of city slaughter lides is correspondingly in. creasing. Thero is quite a nice little business doing in city hides. Tallow continues to rulo at low prices, te to te.
Iron and Handware. - Although a little activity has deyeloped itself in this trade, prices romain unclanged and very littlo change of any lind is reported. The iron trade reports the receipt of a good mamber of orders; while the general hardwaro trado is also reported as beginining to boom gently with a free dolivery of orders. There nppears to be a prevalent feeling that with prosent prices, stendily leld as they are, there is no risk in buying and the prospect is that the trade is going to get the bencfit of the late advatico in prices by the placiug of orders enily. No further clange in prices is mentioned; but the advance is woll maintained. A. firmer feeling is manifested in tin plates, due, it is said, to an agreoment arrived at by importers to stop tho outting of prices, which luve resulted in tin plates being placed on the market at less than cost of purchase, trans: portation and delivery, Many of the factories have started, and the remainder will be in operation next wcek.

Lieathen and Poots and Shoes.-There are signs of incrased activity in these trades. There has been a movement in leather but there has not been so much buying as might have been expected in fact the sales have not been sufficient to afford a standard as to pricea and we quote them unchanged. In boots and shoes a fair weck's business is reported, but the effect of the holiday season has not yet completely passed and a really satisfactory amount of business is not expected before the first weeks in February. Travellers are now out, but-orders aro not couming in from Ontario in great number, owing probnbly to the late local clections having paralysed trade. Remittances are considered fairly satisfactory. The manufacturers have scarcely got over the usual Christmas demoralization. Most of them. however, resumed operations on Monday.

Raw Funs-There is no change in values in this market; business is quiet. Receipts from the back districts continue to improve. Following arequotations for prime skins: henver, per lb., \$\$ $\$ \$ 4.50$; bear, per skin, \$i0@\$12; bear cub, $\$ 500 \lessdot \$ 6.00$; fisher, $\$ 3.00 @ \$ 4.00$; fox, red, $90 \mathrm{c} O \$ 1.10 ;$ fox, cross, $\$ 2.00 \ldots \$ 2.50$ lynx, $\$ 2.50 \curvearrowleft \$ 3$; marten, $90 \mathrm{c} \omega \$ 1.10 ;$ mink, $\$ 1 ;$ muskme, 8c $\omega$ loc; otter; $\$ 8.00 ळ$ $\$ 10.00$; racoon, $400 @ \overline{60 c}$, and skunk, 25c बo 50e and 75 c per skin.

Woon--There is nothing doing in this marliet except a little sorting up trade. Prices are quoted unchanged not only here but abrond.

## TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

$\cdots$ (Revised by Telegraph.)
Tononto; Jan. 13, 1887.
Tho heavy anow storms have interfored somewhat with the movement of merchandise. Transactions in wholesale dopartments wero restricted to sorting-up orders by mail, but merchants secm to anticipate botter times Travelices are starting out on thair usual trips, and there is every indication of a satisfactory trade. Dry goods contiuue firm for most lines. Teas are also flrm, but prices, are still relatively lory. There is a quiet trade in hardware. The money market is quiet. Call loans on stocks rule at $\overline{5}$ to 52 per cent, and time loabs at 6. Prime commercial paper is
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discounted at $6 \propto 6 \frac{1}{2}$ ，and the general run at 7 per cent．Sterling exchange is higher at 1084 $\AA 1087$ for 60 day bills between banks， nad at 1001＠109\％for demand bills．The stock market has been quiet this week，with bank shares as a rule strong，and local banks higher．Dominion sold up to 219 蛋，Standard to 12 2d，Federal to 109．Loan Company shares steady，with very little doing．Following are the closing bids as compared with a week ago ：－

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Butter．－The market has been firm this week with a limited amount of business．， Stocks are generally light，and the demand good for choice at 18 a 19 c ．Medium tub jobs at $14 \propto 15 \mathrm{c}$ and good large rolls at $15 \mathrm{c} \not 017 \mathrm{c}$ ． Infer．qualitios art quoted at 10＠12c－Eggs are rather firmer，with sales of pickled 17 c and freshat 20 ．Chese continues steady，there being a small business at $12 \frac{1}{2}$ to $12 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$ ．

Hoos．－The receipts have been light this week and prices firm．Car lots would bo taken at $\$ 5.90$ ．，but they are bid at $\$ 6 @ \$ 6.10$ ．

Jnuos．－Business has been fuir during the week and prices generally steady：Opium firm at $\$ 3.25 \ldots \$ 3.50$ ．Castor oil at $921011 c$ ；oil of lemon，$\$ 2.75 \% \$ 2.90$ ；iodine firmer at $\$ 4.60$ for ordinary；resublimated，$\$ 4.75$ ；morphine， of $15 \omega \$ 2$ ；potase iodide，$\$ 4.30 \times 4.60$ ；cream of tartar， $35 \% 40 c$ ；turpentine，60٪62c．

Flodr and Grain－The trade in flour is re－ stricted．The demand is inactive and millers


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bay that prices are proportionately lower thàn wheat．There was a sale of superior extras the Iatter part of last week at $\$ 3.50$ but very little can be had at that figure．－Eixtras are quoted $\$ 3.40 \ldots \$ 3.45$ ，and patents sold at $\$ 3.80$ a $\$ 4.25$ necording to quality．Wheat has been dull．．During the first part of the week No．I Manitoba sold at 05c，No． 2 fpring at 84 c ，and No． 2 full at 82d c a83c．Yesterday＂No 2 choice spring offered at 86 c ，with 84 e bid； No． 2 fall quoted at 82c．The closing is firm． The stock in store is 139,387 bushels，as against 276,929 for the corresponding period of last year and 173,654 bushels in 1885. Barley is quiet and firmer，with sales of No． 1 nt $601 \mathrm{c}=\bar{a} 57 \mathrm{c}$, No： 2 at 51 c 052 c ，No． 3 extrn at 47 c ，and No． 3 at 42c．Oatssteady，there being a number of sales of car lois at 31 c on track．Peas are also quiet and stendy，with sales of No． 2 at $632 \mathrm{c} .(254 \mathrm{c}$ ：Rye is purely nominal in absence of transactions．Oalmeal firm at $\$ 3.76 f$ or car jots of ordinary brands， and $\$ 4 / 04.25$ for small lots Bran continucs scarce und prices firm at $\$ 13$ on track．

Gnooeries－Business this wook has been quiet and prices generally unchanged．Teas are rather firmer in sympathy with vutside markets．Fruit steady；London layers，$\$ 2.70$ た $\$ 2.90$ ；Sultanas， 6 a c to $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ ；Valenelis， $6 \mathrm{c} / \mathrm{C}$ 7pe according to quality；Eleme raisins，old，4c
 Rio， $15 \mathrm{c} \not \omega 16 \mathrm{c}$ ．Sugars unchanged att $6 \mathrm{c} \circledast 6 \mathrm{l} \mathrm{c}$ for granulated；and 47 c （abse for Canadian re－ fined．Payments fair．

Handivare．－The volume of business is limited and prices generally unchanged．Th： outlook in considered satisfactory，and the


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 Sheepstins continue in good demand＇and prices firm，the best being $\$ 1.10$ ，and good country lote 850 to $\$ 1.00$ ．Calfskins are nomi－ mal．Tallow unchanged at $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ to 5 c for rondered，and 2 c for rough．
Luve Stook．－The market is a trifle firmer， and offerings the past few days of a better quality．The demand from butchers is better， and receipts sufficient for requiremente．Ex－ port catilo are nominal at 44 c to $4 \frac{2}{\mathrm{c}}$ ．Feeders stendy，with a few－bales avernging 1,000 to 1,200 lbs at 3 c to 3 fc c per lb ．Butchers ${ }^{*}$ cattle． sold at 34 c to 4 c for the best，and at 2 x c to 3 c for iuferior．Sheep unchanged at 3c $\sigma$ 3 c per Ib ．，and butchers $\$ 4 . \sqrt{6} \$ 5$ a hend．－Lambs firm at $\$ 4.00 \sqrt{6} \$ 5.50$ a head．，Hogs frm at 4 c a $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{cper} \mathrm{lb}$ ．

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