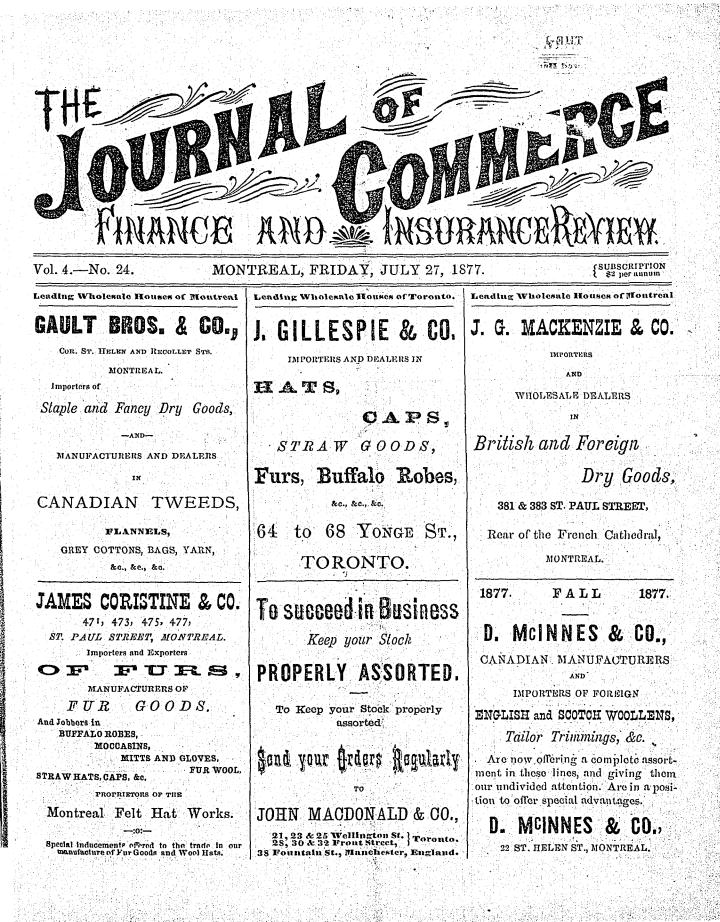
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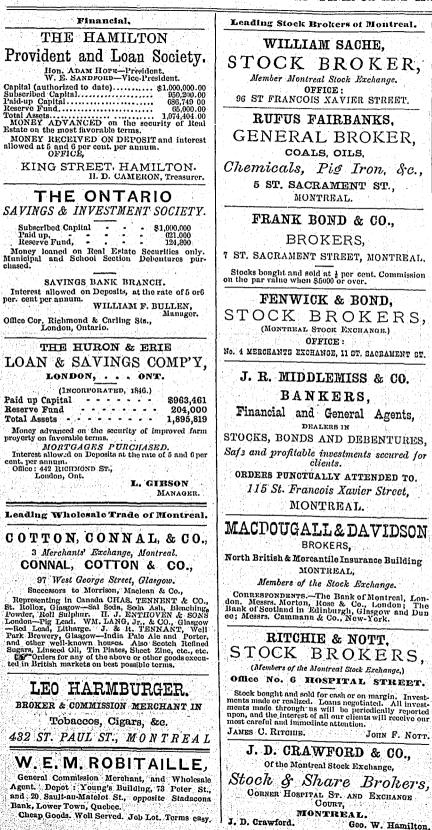
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- The Hamilton and North Western railway is expected to be open to Barrie by the end of October.

- Cayuga, Ont., lately almost destroyed by fire, is being rebuilt with good buildings of substantial brick, etc.

- The Township of Brant, Ont., last week purchased \$10,000 worth of St Thomas debentures at par.

- The Central Railroad of Iowa has been sold to the Farmers Loan and Trust Company, New York, for \$5,200,000.

- The Peoples Bank, Newport, Vermont, was robbed on Thursday of \$5,000 money, and \$15,000 in bonds.

-Judgment was rendered on Saturday at Chicago, in favor of the United States Government, for \$180,000, against certain specified pests known as "Crooked Whiskey" men.

- Two new iron bridges are about to be commenced at Paris; Ont., at cost in aggregate of \$24,000 the work to be completed in four months.

-350 men are actively employed on the Pembina branch railway between Selkirk and St. Boniface; and the work is progressing rapidly.

-Two hundred and twenty ounces of gold were brought to Halifax on Friday from Oldham, the result of the work of seventeen men for 20 days.

-It is estimated that twenty-three million tons of anthracite coal will be mined this senson at Bethlehem, U.S.; individual operators are suspending mining.

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-A new oil deposit has been discovered near Millerstown, Penrsylvania; one well the "Great Leather" spouts 240 barrels of oil per day, and its owners have been offered \$70,000 for it.

- The first instalment of 400 tons of iron for the M. & O. R. R. bridge over the Gatineau river arrived at Ottawa on Monday; the work of placing it in position will commence this week.

- The receipts of California wines at San Francisco for six months, from January 1, were 978,883 gallons, an increase of 171,162 over last year; receipts of brandies, 61,821 gallons, an increase of 25,041 gallons.

- Woods, Weeks & Co., proprietors of the Baltimoro sugar refinery, have made an assignment. The linbilities are \$755,000, and the assets are estimated by the creditors at \$264,-000-by Woods, Weeks & Co. at \$600,000.

- News from the Newfoundland shore fishing is of a gloomy character. No previous, year, for at least 15 seasons back, has shown so short a catch for quantity and quality of craft and fishermen employed.

—Secretary Evarts, of the United States Cabinet, has announced that he "hopes through trade conventions with foreign governments to further extend the markets," for the products of the United States.

- The cereal product of Europe is about five thousand millions. Of this, Russia grows 1,606,000,000; Germany, 743,000,000; France, 687,000,000; and the Austrian Empire, 550,-000,000.

-An Ancaster township, Ont., farmer has just harvested one of the finest fields of Clawson, wheat over grown in the county; it stood on

an average fully four feet, the heads were heavy, and the grain an excellent sample.

- American oil trade especially suffers by the present railroad strike in the United States, the blockade in many cases preventing the filling of engagements matured for European transportation, and such concomitant incidentals.

- All the townships of Carleton County, Ont., have appealed against the rate of assessment made by the Council, and as a result the County Judge has re-adjusted the assessment, making it larger in each instance, the increase altogether amounting to \$1,028,345.

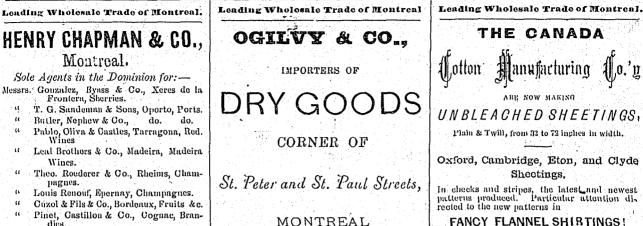
- Citizens, and all interested in insurance, will learn with pleasure that Mr. George Stephen, president of the Bank of Montreal, has been elected a member of the Canada Board of the Liverpool, London and Globe insurance Company.

Out of 376 fires occuring in New York up to quarter ending June 30th, ninety-nine were caused by carelessness with matches, lights, cigars, &c., ninetcen by children playing with matches, fifty-nine by foul chimneys and thirty-seven by kerosene lamps.

- Canary bird seed has doubled in price in this country since the Turco-Russian war, the provender, which is thereby cut off, growing chiefly in European Turkey. The warblers must have a change of diet pending a settlement of the Eastern question.

- Mr. T. D. Green, of Ashland, Wis, has a contract with McRae & Cockburn, of London, Ont., to furnish them upwards of 1,000,000 feet of waney timber during the present season; the initial cargo of 200,000 feet was shipped last week to Quebec, and is destined for the English market.

-Subscriptions for the St. John sufferers continue throughout the country. Huron country Ont., on Friday voted \$2,000; Yorkville, Toronto



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A. G. WATSON, Secretary. Cornwall, July 16th, 1877.

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- A high financial authority, discussing Mr. David A. Wells' theory that the remonetization of the silver dollar will restore it to par in gold, says that of the production of silver in this country for the last three years, ending July 1, \$115,000,000, only \$30,000,000 have been exported net, and about \$30,000,000 coined into subsidiary currency. The first year's coinage of silver dollars would scarcely exhaust the surplus stock in this country and the production for the current year.

- The Collector of Customs at Amherstburg, having recently collected duty on "Hominy" imported from the United States, objection was taken by the importers, who claimed that it was free, as corn was. An appeal was had to Ottawa, when the Commissioner decided that the Collector was right, and all collectors have been notified that it is liable to a 171 per cent. duty, as it is neither grain, nor flour, nor meal, but a prepara, tion or manufacture.

Montreal.

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- Pablo, Oliva & Castles, Tarragona, Red. "(\$ Wines
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voted \$300 during the week. The total subscriptions of Toronto to date foot up \$72,540-a noble contribution truly.

- A meeting of the Hamilton and Dundas Street Railway Company was held at the former city on Saturday when R. B. Osler, Q.C., was elected President. After the organization of the company, tenders were received and opened. The contract was let on Monday, and the coustruction of the road will proceed at once.

- J. & J. Dunlop, Government contractors, and Geo. E. Fell, Government inspector, J. W. Dominick, of Buffalo, clerk in the Engineer's office and A. Bartholomew were indicted at Erie, Pennsylvania, on Friday for defrauding the Government in the improvements of the Eric harbor. The amount of the steal is estimated at from \$100,000 to \$200,000.

-At a meeting of creditors of Thomas Griffith & Co. held in Toronto on Friday, the insolvent Thomas Griffith was severely critized, and a committee was appointed to report at a meeting to be held on July 31st. The liabilities were shewn to be \$23,299; assets about a quarter of that amount.

- Two orders of Montreal City Council this week touch local taxation interests but will doubtless receive their meed of public approval. The one offers a \$500 reward for the arrest of Hackett's murderer, the other directs the Treasurer to issue a temporary loan of \$57,000 to finish the new City Hall.

- Montreal Building Association announces a dividend of three per cent. on the paid-up capital stock for half year ending 30th June, payable on 1st August prox.

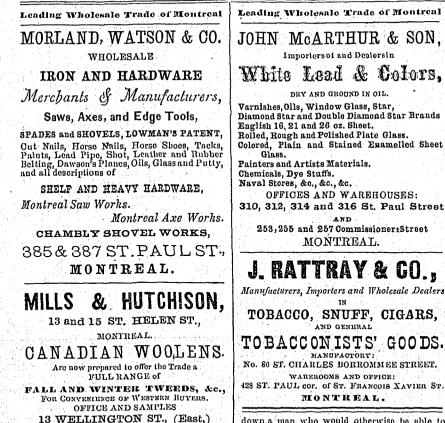
- The Quebec and Levis Boards of Trade

will, on 1st of August, elect new members to represent them on the Board of Harbour Commissioners.

-At a meeting last week of the firemen's relief committee, in aid of the families of men killed at the late St. Urbain street fire, the chairman reported a substantial sum in hand for the purposes named and steps were at once initiated to place the fund in such a shape as to do greatest amount of good to the parties concerned.

-The Post Office Department at Ottawa have just made an important move the effect of which is to arrange all accounts between the Maritime Provinces and Canada, with respect to money orders, as they may be found to have existed prior to, and at the period of, Confederation. A chief officiel from the money order branch of the Department left Ottawa on Saturday for Halifax to perfect the arrangements

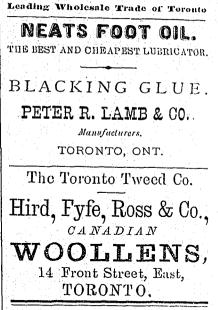
- Our paragraph in last issue regarding the St. Johns Stone Chinawara Co. is somewhat calculated to mislead. We have since learnt that the company has only shut down its works for the purpose of re-organizing upon a new basis, as well as to put in a new kiln and other improvements. The general liabilities of the Company are but small and will all be settled in full,



down a man who would otherwise be able to weather the storm. We do not suppose that these rumors are made wantonly, or from malicious motives, but they do much harm both to the individuals spoken of and the town generally and we hope that all good men will discountenance them."

— Says the United States *Economist*: — While the second quarter of 1877, like the first, shows a slight increase in the number of failures throughout the United States, it continues the decrease in the amounts failed for. In 1876, if the failures for the year had followed the ratio of the whole of 1875 to the first half of the last-named year, they would have aggregated \$283,000,000, while in fact they reached but S191,000,000—\$82,000,000 less. Should the second half of 1877 follow the ratio of 1876 the total for the year will be \$175,000,000-\$16,-000,000 less than in 1876.

- The Chicago Tribune of Wednesday says : "The rise in grain freights is having the effect of stimulating vessel owners to get out laid up craft, and some of the schooners that have been out of commission the whole season are being put in ship-shape in anticipation of charters. A number of grain vessels lately in the lumber trade have gone back to their old business, and if the present rate is continued and the demand for vessels fair, others now carrying lumber, iron ore, etc., will follow. Vessel owners and masters are hopeful, and are gratified to know that a little relief has been experienced. A few are holding off in unticipation of still better rates, and it looks as if they would get them."



- The great American grasshopper has been having his own way for a very considerable space of time. After devastating the fields of his friends and countrymen to the best of his ability, he has now gone over to Europe where he has found a rival, and a formidable one, in the Australian bug. This bug is a white, fluffy looking insect about a third of an inch in length. His principal weakness is fruit trees, and his abilities in destroying the same are said to be unequalled. Potato bug, Australian bug, and American grasshopper in one grand alliance are sufficiently startling, and have already accomplished their share in depressing the commerce of both continents.

-The threatened strike on the Great Western Railway appears to have been settled by a compromise with the men. An incipient disruption has occurred among the Canada Southern Railway employees, and a strike on Wednesday seemed certain, later advices are, however, reassuring and say all remains quiet. The employees are organizing two committees to go to Buffalo to wait upon Mr. Tillinghast, the President of the road. Mr. W. K. Muir, General Manager, was expected to arrive home Thursday, and hopes were entertained that he would succeed in pacifying the men, and get everything running smoothly in a day or two; there are no indications of a strike on the Air Line, and it is now considered probable that they will not attempt to do so.

— Monday the Dominion arbitrators for the Lachine and Carillon canal improvements, or, more concisely, for the adjustment of damages to property-holders growing out of such improvements, held a preliminary sitting in Montreal. The Board consists of Messrs. James Cowan, Galt, Ont.; I. Hurteau, Longueuil Charles Taylor, Sarnia, Ont., and Henry Elliott, Halifax. Four cases were presented, three for the Lachine and one for the Carillon canal. In one case the land taken for canal purposes was 54,533 feet, for which Government had offered the claimant \$24,500, he, however,

-Pictou shipped last week 5,630 tons of coal.

TORONTO.

-Ottawa advices say the last rafts of the season passed Des Joachims Wednesday.

-Sixty miles of timber limits on the Kippewa, formerly known as "Barron's," were disposed of in Quebec on Wednesday for \$2,500

- Visitors to Toronto who have seen the recently issued pictorial representations of the Rossin House are not a little surprised when, after having crossed the street to observe the elegant "Mansard," that 'tis only " a castle in the air." It is to be hoped that the other improvements claimed by the latest lessee of this once popular hotel, have something more substantial and reliable than a mere existence on paper.

- A subscriber writes that he is the holder of \$4,500 Lawrence Townley Estate bonds, which he says he is very desirous of selling, and wishes to know what they are worth. After a series of inquiries, the best offer we beard of was on the part of a broker, who said he would give ten cents for a \$100 hond, just as a curiosity.

- Oshawa has been very unfortunate in the number of its business failures during the past two years. A local contemporary remarks—"It is to be regretted that the natural fear on the part of the public is increased by the rumors which are circulated respecting solvent business men. Reports of failures will sometimes bring

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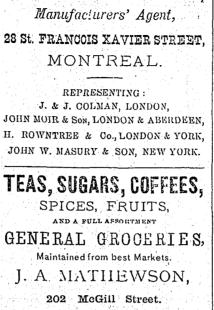
claims an additional \$16,000; the other claims are of similarly important amounts and the work of the arbitrators is likely to be protracted.

-H. B. Bigney & Co., publishers, whose suspension was noted in our last issue, have since obtained an extension of 3, 6, 9, 12 and 18 months, according to the terms offered in their circular.

- Robert Foster, the grocer who sold out to the now celebrated " Corn Doctor," and who, in consequence, suffered severely, called a meeting of his creditors for yesterday. Liabilities small.

- The assignment of Messrs. Robt. Dunn & Co. was to most people a somewhat unexpected event. At the time of the notorious II. Davis failure it was reported that they were involved through accommodation paper, but interested parties claimed they held security and would not suffer thereby ; it is, however, generally believed that the above failure has been the primary cause of the present troubles. Ever since then they have been receiving assistance from a prominent house, whose refusal latterly to renew for them has necessitated their stoppage. The amount of their liabilities has as yet not been ascertained. Estate is in the hands of Court & McIntosh.

- The vigilance exercised by Mercantile and Commercial Agencies in obtaining information as to the standing of country buyers is not unfrequently relaxed, especially when relating to remote localities. When the "agency" is not in possession of late information it is not unusual to dress up old reports, anything rather than confess ignorance, and in this way considerable mischief is produced. A wholesale firm of this city sent to one of the Agencies some months ago to ascertain the standing of a retailer in New Glasgow, N.S., whose order for spring goods their traveller had taken. The report stated among other details that the man was "sober, attentive and trustworthy ;" and, on the strength of the report, the



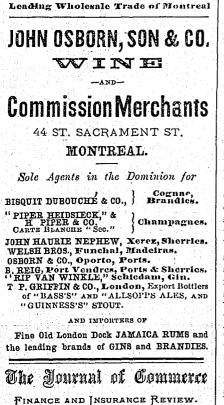
goods were duly shipped, and arrived in New Glasgow just as the man had got out of jail, where he had been confined for some considerable time for attempts not quite reconcilcable with commercial morality. The goods arrived as a timely gift from Fortune, and were soon disposed of in lots, at any obtainable price, with the proceeds of which he hastily departed for the Pacific Slope-a richer, if not an honester man. We mention this circumstance at this late hour as we are informed that recent issues of some " Agency " books still report the said retailer as doing business in New Glasgow and in fair credit. We doubt not the Agencies will take the hint, and render their reports more serviceable to their subscribers.

- Apropos of the approaching Paris exhibition, it is just announced that T. C. Keefer, C.E., Ottawa, has been appointed paid Commissioner thereto to represent Canada; there will be several Honorary Commissioners, one of whom will be Sir Jno. Rose. Already demands have been made for nearly 40,000 feet of space; preparations are being made for an exhibition of plans and models of our public works and buildings, and also maps of the country, to shew resources of the Dominion in lands, minerals, railways, canals, etc. Dr. May, of Toronto. will be engaged for services of a special nature, and altogether the most complete preparations, to ensure Canada the honorable place she has ever hitherto held in such exhibitions, are being rapidly perfected.

-A recent article in one of the most prominent New York dailies has fallen like a bomb-shell among the wholesale liquor importers of that city. The article alleges adulteration and swindling on a scale never before known, and formulates its charges categorically as follows :- I. That fully one half the "imported" liquors sold here are of American manu-



of the best credit and standing. III. That importers regularly adulterate their imported liquors, and sell them to the retailers as pure bonded liquors. IV. That the retailers then adulterate them a second time, and sell them thus doubly poisoned across the bar to deluded consumers. V. That in this imposition on the retailer, the importer has the aid or the keepers of the government bonded warehouses. The principal importers are, of course, angry at being classed among adulterators of liquor and have put in an emphatic denial. The retail dealers have held an indignation meeting at which loud protestations were indulged in. The meeting, however, seems not to have quito satisfied the press and public, inasmuch as its leading orators failed to explain how they were able to sell brandy and other liquors from 20 to 25 cents per gallon less than the cost of importation. Still later investigation proves that the charges of the journal alluded to are in the main, and with very slight qualification, true.



MONTREAL, JULY 27, 1877.

A DOMINION POLICE.

The calamitous results which have followed the late railway strike in the United States cannot fail to cause uneasiness to reflecting minds, and we earnestly hope that they will lead the Ministers of the Crown in the Dominion to consider seriously the best mode of securing the public peace. As to the strikes themselves, there can be no second opinion as to the guilt of the strikers. No one in the present day would wish to interfere with the right of employes of all classes to terminate existing ongagements at their pleasure, provided they act in accordance with law. It is, however, essentially necessary in the interests of society at large, including all classes of labourers or operatives that there should be free competition, and that those who choose to leave their employments shall not be permitted to resort to violence to prevent others from accepting work at rates which they decline taking. Strikes on railroads, as has been found by late bitter experience, both in the United States and Canada, are not confined to one or two localities, but are almost sure to occur simultaneously along the whole

line of one, or perhaps of two or three railroads, and, if the outside populace elect to side with the strikers, there is great danger of civil war : indeed, it would be hard to characterize the late disturbances in the United States which have occurred simultaneously in several States. as anything short of civil war. With regard to the loss of property it is to be hoped that the law will enable the railroad companies to recover, either from the cities or from the State, and, the more local the liability, the better. It is evident that there is great uncertainty in the United States, as there was in Canada on the occasion of the Grand Trunk strike, on the subject of the responsibility for affording protection. It seems to us clear that the protective force, whatever it may be, ought to be under the control of the supreme authority, and that it ought to be a thoroughly well-drilled and efficient force, equal to the line regiments in the service of the Crown, and supported both by cavalry and artillery. The problem to be solved is, to secure such a force for the Dominion without incurring the expense of a standing army and keeping a large number of men in comparative idleness. Fortunately there is no occasion to try experiments at the risk of failure. There is a force in existence which, with modifications suitable for our own wants, is precisely what would meet all the requirements of the case-we refer to the Irish constabulary. Nearly six months ago, after the Grand Trunk strike had demonstrated the inefficiency of the means at the disposal of the local authorities to suppress tumults, we pointed out the expediency of establishing a Dominion police. We are not aware that we have any new arguments to offer, and, as we are not in possession of the objections which may occur to others to the establishment of such a force, we should hardly have thought it worth while to revert to the subject, were it not that there is some chance that the apprehensions of the public may be a little roused by the recent tumults in the United States, and that there may be a disposition to throw off' that apathy which is the normal state of public opinion. Those, who advocate such a force, labour under a serious disadvantage, which indeed attends all proposals for important changes. If such a scheme should find favor with the government of the day, the press which ordinarily supports that government would no doubt be ready to recommend it to the public, but, as a rule, Ministerial papers are chary of committing themselves to projects which, if supported by them, might embarrass their friends in power unless

they decided on adopting them. On the other hand, an Opposition press is equally unwilling to commit itself on the subject of a measure not of a party character, when by so doing they might possibly be lending aid to the government. All these are difficulties in the way of bringing public opinion to bear on the government and parliament of the Dominion. We will venture under the circumstances, that we have stated, to repeat in substance the heads of the scheme that we suggested in February last. The Dominion Government has already a police force in its pay in the North-West, a portion of which is mounted. It has already artillery corps both at Kingston and Quebec, probably quite sufficient for that arm. We maintain that there should be a large Dominion constabulary or police force adequate to supply the requirements of all our large cities, towns and counties, and liable to serve at any point. We may remark here that, as it is desirable that as large a force as can be usefully employed should be maintained, the members of the constabulary might be entrusted with the performance of a great many duties such as the service of writs of processes, &c., which are now performed for pay without any public advantage. A considerable fee fund would accrue to the city, town or county, by performing such services through their constabulary. We may observe that we know, as a fact, that elsowhere such services have been performed with great success by police, and that a considerable revenue has been obtained thereby. To revert to the scheme: it would be essential that a reserve force should be maintained at a contral point such as Kingston, where all the machinery exists at this moment. The force should be so arranged that every member of it should spend a certain time in the year, say a month, at head-quarters, and be subjected to drill and other military instruction. There can be no doubt that, with the means of recruiting at all principal points of the Dominion, an ample supply of good mon could be obtained, on whom thorough reliance could be placed. In the event of internal tumult the force at head-quarters would be available, with our railway facilities, on very short notice, at any point; and, if it were found necessary to supplement it, the large cities would be able to send their force, or a considerable portion of it, and to employ temporarily oxtra mon. The cost would, in all such cases, fall as it does at present on the disturbed district. The permanent cost to the Dominion would only be the force, kept at head-quarters, which might be estimated at one-twelfth or, perhaps, onetenth of the whole force, not of course taking into account the North-west force, which might be kept separate or not as might be deemed expedient. Of course we have gone little into details, our object being merely to endeavor, as far as in our power, to suggest the expediency of establishing a Dominion police or constabulary.

OUR COMMERCIAL POLICY.

We copy elsewhere a circular letter from Alderman E. K. Greene, which deserves thoughtful attention. We have in our last two numbers quoted largely from an article of Mr. David A. Wells in the North American Review on the question, "How shall the nation regain prosperity ?" the nation being an adjoining country suffering as we are doing, from severe commercial depression. Mr. Wells appeals to the statesman, the legislator, the merchant, the press, and the ministers of religion, to devote their thoughts to this subject, and there are few, if any, more deserving of thoughtful attention. There can be no doubt that Mr. Greene is correct in attributing a great deal of our business prosperity to the operation of the reciprocity treaty and to the civil war in the United States, but there was, in addition, a very large expenditure on public works, which has not yet ceased, so far as regards Goyernment expenditure. We have some causes of satisfaction. Mr. Wells refers to the enormous destruction of capital among the nations of the world during the series of years commencing with 1860, which, according to his estimate, may be divided into three portions, each representing ten thousand millions of dollars. one portion being the increase of debt, chiefly for war purposes, a second the annual expenditure for similar purposes. and the last the expenditure on enterprises, industrial or productive in their inception, but now wholly unproductive. In the first two classes the United States and France alone have probably suffered to the extent of about one fifth each. Canada, fortunately, has had no loss of that character, and, although it has had its share of the unproductive works, yet a considerable amount of that expenditure has been incurred by people in England, while what has fallen on the Canadian people has been to a considerable extent repaid, indirectly, by reduced cost of transport, both of goods and passengers. That Canada is suffering is beyond a doubt, but most assuredly commercial depression at this time is far from being confined to any particular country. The United States is suffering in almost every branch of its industries, and it cannot be denied that

England is likewise suffering, the inference from which is, that neither a free trade policy nor a protective policy will afford any security against commercial depression. Mr. Greene writes in a calm. moderate tone, and his views are well worthy of the consideration of those who will have to deal with the subject. An opinion seems to prevail that the American Government is more inclined than it has been to re-consider its commercial policy, and, to use an expression of Mr. Secretary Evarts "to disenthrall the contracted sphere of American trade." The political journals are discussing the meaning of Mr. Evart's utterances, to which we must confess we do not attach a great deal of weight. If we can form any opinion from the proceedings on the occasion of our last negotiation on the subject of our commercial policy, the Secretary of State has very little influence indeed over the national policy. The fact is there is no Government in the United States for the discussion of practical questions of commercial policy. Canada must decide what is best for her own people. and we are inclined to think that, if there were no more unreasonable persons than Mr. Greene, it would be quite possible to arrange a treaty that would give generally satisfaction.

THE BANK STATEMENTS FOR JUNE.

There is no material difference in the aggregate Bank Statements for the month of June from that of May. Both the circulation and deposits have been reduced, but not to any extent calling for special notice. As compared with the corresponding month of 1876, there is a reduction of about seven millions in the assets, and something over three millions in the liabilities :—

	June, 1877.	June, 1876.
Capital authorized Capital paid up	67,966,667 59,480,819	68,966,067 61,596,758
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Circulation Government deposits. Public Deposits	16,486,701 8,462,552 58,444,534	18,067,100 8,898,600 59,515,940
Due Banks in Canada. Due Banks not in Ca-	1,400,511	1,837,979
nada Other liabilities	3,103,577 155,885	3,299,300 87,700
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Specie Dominion notes	6,034,399 7,735,203	6,341.500 8,097,760
Notes and cheques of other Banks	3,737,435	4,958,816
Due from Banks in Oanada	3,379,502	3,215,170
Due from Banks not in Canada	3,981,162	7,858,350
Available assets	\$24,867,761	\$30,471,590
Government Stocks Loans to Government.	3,210,957 159,295	1,162,260 124,250
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Bonds 6,842,239	7,826,100
Loans to Corporations 3,593,127	3,691,620
Discounts 112,082,085	114,260,050
Real Estate and Bank	
Premiums 4,058,459	3,871,460
Overdue Notes 5,771,624	5,938,070
Sundries 1, 710, 834	1,897,270
\$162,295,381	\$109,242,676

THE STADACONA INSURANCE CO.

However disheartening to the shareholders of the Stadacona Insurance Comust be the statement which it became the duty of the directors to submit to the. late meeting, there can be no doubt that the wisest policy is to face the difficulty with fortitude. The losses of the Company must be paid or in the event of its affairs going into liquidation there will be an additional amount of legal expenses, from which there can be no escape. The St. John fire has no doubt created a considerable panic, which may on the whole do good and lead to the adoption of a more conservative policy among the Insurance companies. The competition has been and continues to be vigorous and there cannot be the same co-operation when that competition is carried on between English, Canadian and American Companies each class under a different kind of contract. The report of the directors which was after some discussion adopted by the meeting is full, and does not seem to call for any particular course.

THE RAILWAY STRIKE IN THE STATES.

The great Railroad strike in the United States is the one theme of the week. The strike is certainly the most extensive that has ever occurred. on this continent, while the conrequences to trade and the general commerce of the country, formidable as they must be, remain yet to be estimated. Beginning on Monday, the 16th inst., on the Baltimore and Ohio road, it extended almost simultaneously to the Pennsylvania, the western section of the Erie, the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne, Chicago and other roads, the strikers stopping freight trains, but allowing mail and passenger cars to proceed. The conduct of the men throughout has been of the most determined kind, and the government authorities found it necessary to take action from the outset. Troops were called out by the Governors of four States-Maryland, West Virginia, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. At Baltimore, the Sixth Regiment, while marching to a railway station, was stoned and fired into by the crowd on the street. The soldiers thereupon fired on the crowd, killing nine persons and wounding twenty or more. This appears to have begotten a spirit of downright insurrection among the mob, which culminated in still greater loss of life, the triumph for a few hours of the strikers over the military, and the burning by the former of an immense amount of railroad property. At Pittsburgh 125 locomotives and 2,000 loaded cars were destroyed in

an incredibly short space of time. The cause of the strike is traceable to a reduction of pay made by several of the principal roads, which took effect on the 1st inst.' No resistance was made at the time, but the men have been preparing for action, and last week the work began. Other causes are assigned for it than the mere reduction of wages. It is said at Pittsburgh that the cause of the outbreak is the new order requiring a double train to be taken out with only one crew of men ; thus forcing more work upon the men for less pay. On the other hand the employers' story is that the strike arose because business has been dull, and a number of the men expected an early discharge. So far only firemen and brakemen have formally struck, but it is said that the engineers are backing them up by refusing to proceed with " green" hands on the trains. At Hornellsville, State of New York, on the Erie road, the demand of the strikers is for the reinstatement of all men discharged for going to New York as a deputation; S2 a day for brakemen and switchmen ; \$2.50 for head-switchmen ; \$1.50 for trackmen in yards; \$1.40 for trackmen on sections; firemen to be paid the same as before July 1st; monthly passes to be continued as before, and passes to brakemen and switchmen. At other points the men complain that they have been put upon starvation wages, and death by the bullet is better than by the slower and more degrading process which they allege looks them in the face.

In ascertaining the real cause of the strike, we are compelled involuntarily to lay stress on the latter complaint of the men-low wages. It opens and illustrates a chapter in American railroading long touched upon by onlookers in Canada, but at present a chapter more than ever, pertinent, especially to Canada. Railways in the United States are powerless at the freight rates which have for some years prevailed, to pay interest on their bonds and dividends to shareholders and companies, and are thus compelled to force wages down to the very lowest figure-to ray the men virtually starvation prices. And here the question arises, as to why American freight rates are so low, and why American railroad earnings are unable to pay dividends? The answer in large degree is, that they have entered upon the policy of attempting to compete with lake, canal, and river in cheapness of transport, an attempt which, specious enough at first, could not but, as it ever has done, fail ultimately. Another cause of the difficulty in meeting dividends, and the consequent forced reduction of expenses, is the immense amount of fictitious capital upon which interest and dividends are expected to be paid. It has been shewn that. by issues of watered stock and bonds, roads that never cost over \$60,000 per mile, have now capital accounts equal to \$120,000 per mile. It is easy to see, remarks a western contemporary, "that what might be a fair dividend on the smaller figure would be counted a very poor one on the larger; the difference has gone into the pockets of individuals and the companies, as such, have lost it." Such indeed is the truth and such the fact that, to a corrupt basis of railway foundation generally, and a short-sighted policy of reducing wages of employees to make up dividends, the greater portion of the present riot and bloodshed in the United States and disturbances of commerce throughout the whole country may be traced. One thing remains plain for American companies to remember, and it is meet that they should do so: they must give up the idea of getting dividends upon inflated capital out of the wages of their employees, and, like the merchant, the manufacturer and the property owner, they must be satisfied to acknowledge the shrinkage of the value of their property and regulate their dividends accordingly.

It is sincerely to be trusted that the present unhappy troubles may find speedy solution, and that trade, the present interruption of which, we in Canada, feel a by no means insignificant share, will, ere another week, have resumed its wonted quiet channel. Matters up to writing are practically unchanged. The New York Central, on which hopes have rested, is still true to the cause of law and order. Altogether rioting is less prevalent at the present. An alarming feature of the strike is the dangerous influence it is in many districts exercising over trades' unions, in all causing more or less enforced idleness to factories and business of all kinds. The following lines were added to the striking roads within a few hours: Michigan Central; Delaware, Lackawanna & Hudson Canal Co ; Toledo & Wabash; St. Louis & Iron Mountain; Northern Pennsylvania; Boston & Albany; Lehigh & Susquehanna ; Morris & Essex ; a blockade was established at Syracuse also, where some 6,000 freight cars are stopped by the men. The character of the latter strikers, however, is apparently better, and their demands accompanied by less violence and menace than were those of their accomplices elsewhere. Numbers of rioters were arrested yesterday, and the governor of Pennsylvania had authorized the formation of two additional regiments of State militia ; every effort is thus being put forth for the restoration of order, and doubtless a few days will see the much-desired consummation.

ONTARIO FARMS AND FARMERS.

A significant feature is the frequent transfer and sale of farming estate at the present time in Ontario, especially in the more Western and Northerly portions. It is observable that many farmers dispose of their property int end ing certainly, in some cases, to migrate to, and if possible better themselves in Manitoba and our other outstanding stations of farm enterprise, but the greater number only do so for the, in our opinion, far more regrettable purpose of abandoning the time-honored profession of husbandry and settling down in village trade, village speculation or, in too many instan es, what is still more pernicious, petty village indolence and semi-dissipated village retirement. Especially is this true of the younger generation who having inherited and not earned their farms, manifest a distaste for farm toil as beneath them. Our advice is,stick to the land. In it, though crops may fluctuate and prices come and go, there is no such thing as fail. "One generation cometh and another passeth away but the earth abideth

forever" was spoken by a very old book, and it is as true now as the day it was uttered. As regards the prices obtained for the farms alluded to, we from week to week have varied accounts, but we subjoin a few quotations taken at venture among many sales that appeared in our exchanges of last week. Our commercial readers in Montreal may especially find them serviceable in gaining an idea of the value of farm securities in some of the best sections of Ontario, for such the places named invariably are :- Thomas Jackson, of Southwold, purchased farm of 100 acres from Thos. Miller, of same township. The price paid was \$6,000 cash; Duncan McCray, lot 10, con. 1, Euphrasia, sold his farm, 100 acres, for \$5,000; Philip T. Rosser sold his 50 acres farm in Lobo to Mr. John T. O'Neil, price \$4,700; it is Mr. Rosser's intention to take up his residence at Brecon Station, L., H., & B. R.; farm of Thos. Beveridge, West Williams, which consisted of 130 acres, sold for \$4,700; Mr. Beveridge is going to Manitoba. James Iluron sold his farm, lot 3, con. 4. St Vincent, 100 acres, to James Johnson, for \$4,750," We might multiply to almost needless length, but desist with merely expressing the hope that our farmers will not break up their homesteads for a barren love of change which may in not a few cases prove anything but a "change for the better." The States certainly offer no field equal to our own country; at present Canada requires all the men she has, and in the words of the late Hon. Thos. D. Mcdee, "she wants men, and men, and then more men." Let our farmers remain with us and make the land as they hitherto have done the country's chief backbone and stay.

COUNTRY NOTES.

CONNWALL.—Trade very quiet; farmers generally busy with hay. Crops are looking excellent, and, if nothing interferes, will be the largest yield for years.

PRESCOTT.—Trade is very dull. Hay crop light, grain and potatoes extra good. Prospects of a good fall trade.

BROGAVILLE.—Trade here improved but little. Cheese, which is largely made around here, promises to bring a better price than last year, and, if it does, a better state of things may be fully expected. There have been abundant showers, and crops are looking well. Hay will be light.

ST. THÉRÈSE.—Trade almost inactive. No money in circulation but crops present a very satisfactory appearance.

GANANOQUE.—Grops throughout the townships of Leeds and Lambton are good, with the exception of hay, which is light; wheat, barley, oats, and rye are better than the average, the yield of potatoes will be large. In the township of Pittsburg the crops are the worst there have been for many years.

DUNHAM, QUE.—Trade very dull a general depression still exists. Hay crop is light, all others are good.

ST., EUSTACHE.-Trade is moving slowly. The crops have a fine appearance, and everything points to an abundant harvest.

— Apropos of a paragraph in our recent issue stating that a Mortgage Association the debentures of which the local and Dominion Governments would be solicited to endorse, was about to be s'arted in St John and by which money would be raised to rebuild the city a leading Journal there abouts says :—

"It is absurd to ask even the Dominion "Government to endorse the debentures of a "Mortgage Association to rebuild this city. "We presume that the Provincial Government "will not do it, and the idea is, no doubt, to "soften their refusal by first getting the refusal "of the Government at Ottawa. In all our "trouble and disaster we must not forget that "the Government of Canada has great res-"ponsibilities. We ought not to add to that "responsibilities. We ought not to add to that "towns and cities. Let the Government go to "work and put up its own destroyed property, "and it will about do its share".

-July returns of the condition of cotton as received at the Department of Agriculture, Washington, cover the entire area of 361 counties, producing six-tenths of the cotton of the United States. Seventy-three counties of Georgia are represented. The average condition of the whole area, 92.4, is 4 per cent. less than the July average last year. It is less by 7 per cent. than the average for 1876, but better than the condition for 1874 or 1873. Only Louisiana gives a higher average than in July last year. The State averages were as follows: North Carolina, 88; South Carolina, 87; Georgia, 90 ; Florida, 95 ; Alabama, 94 ; Mississippi, 93; Louisiana, 102; Texas, 94; Arkansas, 94; Tennessee, 96. The crop is from one to two weeks late. An overflow of the Arkanses river has "drowned out" 60,000 acres of cotton. Low lands in Tennessee have been destructively. inundated. Insects have as yet done little damage. The cutworm is reported troublesome in Florida. Lice are abundant wherever the plant has become unthrifty from cold nights and excessive moisture. Labor is gradually becoming more efficient. A great improvement in morale and efficiency is reported in Louisiana.

- The establishment of steam barge transportation between Buffalo and Chicago has for some time been, as many of our readers, especially in Western Ontario, are aware, a highly important desideratum. A recent trial trip places the practicability of the scheme beyond doubt, while the profits render its carrying out at once desirable. A contemporary gives the following figures:

"The trip between the two points was made in twenty-one days, and a net profit of \$75.17realized on the steamer alone. The steamer took out a load of coal, and in return brought a load of cora. These steam barges generally have a consort, and propel two boats with one set of machinery at very little more expense for fuel than is required for a single craft. Steam barge receipts - Received freight, 1,102 tons corn at 14c., \$661,20; do. do. 41,120 bushels corn at 14c., \$719,60; do. for towing barge onethird of her. freight, \$1,880-\$62,67; gross earnings, \$2,007.47. Expenses—Fuel, 140 tons coal, at \$2.75, \$385: warges and provisions, 23 days, at \$21 for day, \$483; trimming and shovelling in Chicago, \$41.12; elevating at Buffalo, at $\frac{1}{3}c$. per bushel; \$51.33; shovelling at Buffalo, at \$3.50 per thousand, \$143.73; 53 bushels corn short, \$28.12-\$1,132.30; profits of the round trip, \$375.17. Consert receipts-Received freight; 1,440 tons coal, at 60c., \$864; do. do. 58,056 44 bushels corn, at 14c., \$1,1016; gross centuings, \$1,880. Expenses-Paid onethird of freight for towing, \$626.67; wages and provisions, 23 days, at \$10 per day, \$230; towing at Chicago, \$40.60; trimming and shovelling in Chicago, \$58; towing at Buffalo, \$61.75; elevating at Buffalo, at \$2 per hushel, \$72.53; shovelling at Buffalo, at \$2 per hushel, \$72.73; profits, round trip, \$692.63. The number of wen needed to operate the

The number of men needed to operate the vessel is only five, while if navigated separately they would have eight at least. Moreover, the combined cargoes, and consequently the receipts, are greater than any two independent steamboats could report. Hence the advantage is two-fold. The carnings are larger and the expenditures smaller than by the ordinary method.

UPS AND DOWNS .- A New York correspondent of a Boston paper says : One of our heaviest rest estate men has been under the harrow for some months. He has at last abandoned the fight, and given up everything to his creditors. He was a very successful cotton-broker. All the money he made he put into real estate. His revenues were very large. His income was \$800,000 a year. One building near Trinity Church yielded him a rental of \$90,000 per annum. Everything he touched turned to gold. He was loaded down with cotton. One day a merchant handed him a check for \$300. 000 to cancel a contract. He took it. Within ten days cotton surged up and he made a fortune. He owned an elegant house on Fifth avenue. He crowded it with paintings, statuary, and other works of art. Not content with this, he was induced by a speculator to take hold of a railroad. He bought bonds at 60. Soon after they went down to 40, and the gentleman bought all he could lay his hands on. He took the road. He proposed to run it. He found it unfinished. He equipped it; spent \$300,000 in locomotives and rollingtock. Ruin came to him as it comes to everyone who dabbles in outside matters. The panic completed his demoralization. His fine New York property was mortgaged for more then it was worth. To-day he has ceased to struggle. Few men will be warned and few men will be wiser for all this. Here is a man who a few months ago had a royal income of \$\$00,-600 a year. He wanted to make it a million To-day he is hopelessly bankrupt.

A practical physician—Dr. J. W. Davenport, of Dallas, Tex.—has obtained a patent which promises to be of great usefulness. It is simply a fluid for keeping all kinds of fruits, vegetables, and meats, fresh and sweet. The aim of the chemist has been to discover the ingredients of a pickle which would arrest the process of decomposition and extinguish the germ of decay of all animal and vegetable substances, without impairing their flavor or imparting to the many injurious effect. It is simply a pickle of the most inexpensive sort, costing less than brine or vinegar, in which any meat or vegetable may be kept in open vessels, submerged for months, and, when taken out, will be found as pure and fresh as when the vegetables came from the garden or the meat from the butcher's stall. This pickle may be furnished and prepared at a cost of four cents per barrel. The pickle is so nearly tasteless and palatable as to demonstrate its inocuousness, and yet, from the specimen we saw yesterday, green corn which had been immersed in it for twelve months, when boiled, could not be distinguished from the corn which had been gathered that morning. Mutton and pork chops, and even fat pababottes, placed in this pickle weeks ago, when subjected to heat, had preserved all their original freshness and flavor.

The London Stock Exchange has expelled one of its members for deceiving a broker who had for sale some stock that was valuable but did not happen to be currently dealt in London, and has censured the broker for not making such inquiries that he could not be deceived

The case has attracted a good deal of attention in England, and is held to have happened opportunely, in view of the approaching examination of the London Stock Exchange by a Parliamentary committee? The *Financier* of London describes the case in detail:

It appears that a broker, being authorized by a client to sell some Irish railway stock, applied: in the usual way to a member, who appears to have been a "jobbing broker," but who, for the purpose of this transaction, is held to have assumed the definite position of a "jobber" or dealer. Upon his statement as to the current price, the broker sold the stock to him for $\pounds 6,000$. The stock it further appears, was one which has little market in London, but is currently dealt in Ireland. Upon the client' expressing dissatisfaction at the price agreed upon, and inquiry being raised, the "jobber," it is stated, offered to refund upwards of $\pounds 2,000$, from which an idea may be formed of the amount of profit which would have accrued to him had the transaction been left unchallenged.

— The returns for the first quarter of the British financial year show an unexpected and welcome surplus. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, in his budget, calculated upon an annual increase of £155,000 only, whereas the increase for the first quarter is \$519,456. The principal figures are as follows:---

The customs receipts, which were expected to show a decrease of £72,000 on the year, exhibit an increase of £60,000 on the quarter. The excise, which was estimated to decline to the extent of nearly a quarter of a million on the year shows an increase on the quarter of £164,000. The stamps, which were expected to give an increase of £30,000 on the year, have returned an increase of £46,000 on the quarter. The return from the land tax was expected to be £28,000 more for the year, and has proved to be £74,000 more for the quarter. An increase of £260,000 was expected in the income tax on the year due to the increase of 1d. in the pound which was made in the budget of 1876; but the quarter alone exhibits an improvement of no less than £333,000. The Post Office, from which the returns where to have improved during the year by £100,000, has already afforded an increase of 134,000 ; the Telegraphs, on which a slight decrease of £5,000 was apprehended, show a quarter's increase of £15,-000.

STANDARD BANK OF CANADA.

The second annual meeting of the sharehold-ers of this bank was held in its office, Toronto, on Wednesday, the 11th instant. On motion, the Hon, T. N. Gibbs, M.P., President, took the chair, and read the following

REPORT.

The Directors beg to submit to the shareholders the following statements of the business of the bank for the year ending 30th June, 1877, and they believe that, considering the prevalent commercial depression, they will be deemed satisfactory :

It was found necessary, on account of the small dividends received from some of the old insolvent accounts, to make use of the amount (\$20,000) which was placed to contigent account last year to provide against probable, where the time account is barried barried. but at that time unascertained, losses.

The Board, however, are pleased to state that, out of the year's profits, they have been able, after paying all expenses, interest, etc., to declare two dividends amounting to six per cent., and to carry forward the sum of \$10,156.-76 at the credit of profit and loss account, with which they expect to be able to begin a Reserve Fund next year. The Directors have continued their conserva-

tive policy in the management of the bank, and since last annual meeting have satisfactorily closed two more of the bank's agencies, viz., Wingham and Oshawa, which they had not funds enough to work at a profit. The various agencies of the bank have been carefully inspected, and found to be in good

order; and the Board has pleasure in stating that the officers of the bank bave discharged their duties to their satifaction. THOS N. GIBBS.

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STANDARD BANK OF CANADA, JUN Profit and Loss Account	e 30, 1877.
Balance of profit and loss account carried forward from last year. Profits for year ending 30th June, 1877, after deducting expenses.	\$647 74
interest, etc	41,259 13
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Dividend No. 2, paid Jan. 2, 1877 Dividend No. 3, payable July 2,	15,037 50
1877 Reduction (10 per cent.) on office	15,232 50
safes and furniture account	1,480 11
Balance carried forward	10,156 76
	\$41,906 87

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Liabilities.

Notes of the bank in circulation.	\$ 237,211 00
Deposits bearing interest	320,385 25
Deposits not bearing interest	187,795 14
Balances due to other banks in	
Canada	· 8,939 61
Reserve for interest due to depos-	0,000 01
itors	E 911 07
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Total liabilities to the public	759,642 07
Capital paid up	507,750 06
Dividends unclaimed	208 50
Dividend No. 3, payable July 2,	
1877	15,232 50
Balance of profit and loss account	
carried forward	10,156 76
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America	1,292,989 83
Assets.	F 00 00 01
Specie	\$ 39,420 91
Dominion notes, legal tenders Notes of and cheques on other banks	68,402 00
Notes of and cheques on other	
banks	33,325 55
Balances due from other banks	
in Canada	27,625 47
Balances due from foreign agents	5,766 56
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Assets immediately available	174,570 49
	114,010 49
Loans, discounts, or advances to	
corporations	38,300 00

Real estate (other than bank pre- mises)	13,925 23
Notes and bills discounted and current	1,033,510 15 14,682 50
Notes and bills overdue (consid- ered good) Office safes and furniture	4,503 47 13,500 00

\$1,292,989 83

J. L. BRODIE, Cashier.

After some observations by the President on the business and prospects of the Bank, the following resolutions were put and carried unanimously :

Moved, seconded by Mr. W. F. Cowan, Vice-President, That the report and statements new read be adopted and printed for distribution among the shareholders.

Moved by Hun, W. Gayley and seconded by S. Trees, Esq., That the thanks of the share-holders are hereby tendered to the President, Vice-President, and Directors of the Bank, fo the able manner in which they have conducted

its affairs during the past year. Moved by Mr. Adam Spears, seconded by Mr. John Koch, That the thanks of the share-Adders be given to the Cashier, Inspector, Agents, and other officers for their zenlous attention to the interests of the Bank.

Moved by Mr. Frederick Wyld, seconded by Robt. N. Taylor, That the ballot hox be now opened, and remain open till two o'clock this day, for the receipt of ballot lickets for the election of Directors, the poll to close as soon as five minutes shall have elapsed without a vote being tendered, and that Messrs. Henry Pellatt and John Stark do act as scrutineers.

The scrutineers presented the following report :

Standard Bank

Toronto, 11th July, 1877.

J. L. BRODIE, ESQ., Cashier:

We, the undersigned Scrutineers, an-Sin : pointed at the general meeting of the sharehold-ers of the Standard Bank of Ganada, held this ers of the Standard Bank of Gunada, acid this day, do hereby declare the following gentlement duly elected directors for the ensuing year: Hon. T. N. Gibbs, M.P.; Messrs. W. F. Cowan, A. T. Todd, W. F. Allen, G. D. Morton, M.D., D. G. Leither, Facharick W.13 R. C. Jamieson, Frederick Wyld.

H. PELLAT, JOHN STARK,

Serutineers

At a subsequent meeting of the newly-elected Board, the Hon. T. N. Gibbs, M.P., was re-elect-ed president, and Mr. W. F. Cowan, vicepresident, by a unanimous vote. J. L. BRODIE, Cashier.

INSURANCE QUESTION - Continued.

The fact that the contract of Life Insurance has commonly been so drawn as to make such forfeitures possible at the option of the company, whenever the insured is unable to pay a premium, has been the cause of endless reproaches and misunderstandings. It is not just in itself that the security given by the pleage of the insurance should be more than is adequate to cover the debt. And even though it were true without exception that the practice of the companies is more liberal than the letter of the contract, and that they always allow to the withdrawing member any surplus value of his relinquished insurance above their lost annuity, it would still be improper and impolitic to draw the contract in such a form that it shall be optional with them to do right or wrong, and that an act of mere justice shall be granted as a favor. In the early days of the business the error was natural, since no proper remedy for it was known. The companies were con-scious that the layses of policies are, on the whole a serious injury to those and the self. whole, a serious injury to them, and the only obvious method of securing themselves was by the condition of forfeiture. It was generally adopted, but rapidly led, on the part of the

companies, to various devices and methods for alleviating its hardships, in cases of injustice; and on the part of the public to misunderstand-ings which have proved to be the most serious difficulty the business has met. Indeed, the very devices adopted as remedies have, on the whole, aggravated the evil.

For the system of annual premiums, in its nature a more contrivance for extending credit to purchasers of insurance, was permitted to control the theory of the subject, as if it were its essence and sum. We have seen that this theory is complete, when the insurance contract is regarded as a single and final purchase and sale, by which the relations of the parties are irrevocably determined from the first. But the theory commonly taught and received of late years in America is very different. It begins by assuming that the insurance contract is renewed from year to year; that the annual premium is to be regarded as composed of dis-tinct parts, one part paying for the insurance of the year, and another part deposited with the company, to be held and accumulated in trust should the insured survive the year, towards the payment of his claim whenever it shall fail due From this view, two inferences are natural and easy : 1. That the company must always have in reserve at the end of the year, against each continuing policy, a sum equal to the second continuing policy, a sum equal to the second part of the premium, or the deposit; and that the possession of this sum is the test of the sol-vency of the company. 2. That the deposits in question, thus held in reserve against any particular policy; is the "reserve" belonging to that policy; is, in some sense, the proper-ty, not of the company, but of the policy-holder; and that it can never justly be appropriated, without his consent, to any purpose but the payment of his claim. This theory forms a consistent and beautiful system of thought. The assumptions on which it rests are easily consistent and beautiful system of though. The assumptions on which it rests are easily comprehended; the calculations which it re-quires to determine the values of insurances are such as any boy of fourteen, with a turn for figures, can thoroughly learn in a few weeks; and he who has tearned them almost inovitably persurdes himself that he is a com-plete master of the science. The fuscinations of this theory have been strong even for actuaries of this theory have been strong even for actuaries of high rank; it is not surprising, therefore, that for a whole tribe of amateur actuarlings and sciolists they have been irresistible. These gentry have re-echoed and exaggerated the cautions and tentative approval given to the system by certain eminent writers, until it has become the popular form of conceiving the subject, has found recognition in the laws of most of our States, and has been generally adopted as the test of the business by nearly all the criticism of it which claims to be intelligent. It has been extensively countenanced by the comparise themselves, under the guidance of an able school of actuaries; and to this day many of their most successful officers, while well aware that it leads to countless in-consistencies and wills in practice, are so fully possessed of their belief in it as to be ready to throw all blame rather on the facts than on the theory.

That it has, as a theory, its uses as well as its beauties, can not be denied. But as it is curbeauties, data and applied in practice, it is mis-leading, dangerous, and destructive. The two inferences from it, which are mentioned above, are in practice false, and have been the sources of most of the difficulties with which Life Insurance now struggles. In the first place, the use of net valuations of reserve as a test of solrency, though not positively enjoined by the statute law of New York, has become the uni-form practice of the State authorities here as in most of the States. It is rather worse for this purpose than no test at all. A company may be, many companies have been for every com-mercial purpose, as far removed from dauger of insolvency as the Bank of England, when a net insolvency as the bank of English, when a her valuation of reserves, by the legal standard would show a vast deficiency. A company may be some have been, hopelessly bankrupt by a fair, commercial standard, when such a valua-tion, faithfully made and given to the world by authority of the State, invited public confi-dence. For the ability of a company to meet its insurance contracts depends upon a variety is manage contracts depends upon a variety of circumstances, of which this valuation re-gards but one, rot always the most important. This is particularly and notoriously the case with a company which consists entirely or largely of paid-up insurances; for two reasons: first, because the system makes no allowance whatever for expenses on this class of busi-ness, but assumes that the entire work of the company will be conducted gratis-an assumption not justified by experience in human company is never brought into this condition company is never brought into this condition except by wholesale lapses among the sound lives paying premiums, so that its mortality is sure largely to exceed the estimates. Never-theless, it is a general truth, that if a com-pany's lives are fuirly selected and widely dis-lives at if its human many sources and widely distributed, if its business management is free from extravagance and dishonesty, if its contracts with agents and other assistants are prudently made, and if its investments are safe and productive, then there is no danger that it will be found waiting by such a valuation, unless it is selling its insurance too cheap, either by pre-miums too small, or by dividends too large. In this case the valuation becomes a wholesome check; the necessity of meeting it compels the management to refrain in competition from lowering its prices too far. The supervision which carefully insists upon all the other con-ditions of solvency named may reasonably find an ally in this. But in practice our State supervision has concentrated all its attention on this point, and disregarded the others. It has magnified this into exclusive importance, and taught or compelled the companies to sacrifice every thing else to the apparent attainment of this standard. It has educated the public to trust this test alone, and to regard the published reports of the departments as disclosing an order of merit in the companies, founded solely on the strength of the nominal reserve. A few facts, casily understood, will make the errors of this course obvious.

To be Continued.

PROTECTION CIRCULAR.

MONTREAL, July 10, 1877

DEAR Sin,—The unfavorable changes which have taken place in the trade of this country during the past three years call for a careful consideration of its present position, whether we are likely, again to return to a prosperous condition of aflairs, or not.

That evil times have befallen the country we think no one will deny; that we have enjoyed many years of growth and prosperity in the past is equally evident. The question which naturally arises and which we propose briefly to consider, is: Whether the prosperity of the past twenty years has been the result of the wisdom of Canadian legislation, or of exceptional circumstances which have passed away and are not likely again to return.

In looking back over the Commercial history of the country since 1854, we think, its wonderful growth and prosperity are traceable chiefly to two causes.

1st.—The operation of the Reciprocity Treaty. 2nd. -The American Civil War.

The beneficial effects of the former continued until its abrogation in 1866 and the latter till the panie in the United States in 1873, Since then the *Commercial* and *Industrial* interests of this country have been rapidly declining.

Referring to the statistics of the trade of the country previous to the Reciprecity Treaty, say from 1849 to 1854, they exhibit a very small volume compared with their growth after the Treaty went into operation.

The total exports of all the British N. A Provinces to the United States in 1849 only amounted to about two millions of dollars.

The country was at this time in a chronic state of discontent, there being but few manufactures in the Provinces, the farmers were consequently without a home market for their produce, which was chiefly shipped to England, as the United States markets were closed against us by high duties.

A writer in Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine thus forcibly describes the condition of this country at that period :--

Extracts from Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine

" CIVIL REVOLUTION IN THE CANADAS. Not "that the panic in the Colonics arises from the "people not having plenity to eat, they have "plenty, thank God, and to spare, but they "have nothing in their pockets! And what is worse, we are afraid that if they go on "much longer as they are now doing, they will "soon be without pockets too. Factory Cot-"ton may be but four pence a yard, but if "they haven't the four pence a yard, but if "they haven't the four pence a yard, but if "they haven't the four pence a yard, but if "they haven't the four pence a yard, but if "they haven't the four pence a yard, but if "they haven't the Golonies into marts for ber manu-"factures. The United States meanwhile "pursued an entirely different system; they "rightly adhered to the system of forming "maanfacturing interests of their own, and of "fostering and encouraging them by every "means in their power. While the Colonies "therefore bought with the produce of their "country, broad cloths, cottons, silks, blank-"ets, scythes, hardware and crockery, which "were manufactured in England, they saw all "the profit of their manufacture, their sale, "and their carringe go to another country to "be spent among another people. The Ameri-"cans, on the other hand, who bonght with "the produce of their manufactures "of their own country, saw the profits of those "manufactures applied to the building up of "factories, villages, and towns, which brought "together a useful population.

"The advantages of the one system over the "other, however, did not stop here. The ne-"essities and the advantages of manufactures, "which first dictated the making and im-"proving of a common road, next conceived "the benefit of a railroad and canal, and the "profits of manufacturing were stratightway "applied to their construction." The United States farmer, therefore, imperceptibly, to "himself, was placed within a few hours of the "best markets on", the continent, found his pro-"duce carried to them for a trifle in comparison "with what it used to cost him, and found "withal the process which made its o, bringing "thousands of people into the country to de-"velop its riches, to increase the price of its "lands and to contribute to its civilization and "commerce, from the establishment of a col-"lege down to the building of a blacksmith's "shop. The colonial farmer who bought the "goods of an English or Scotch manufacturers" "cluidren to schools, to give them a profession "or leave them a fortune."

This was the condition of Canada previous to the Reciprocity Treaty in 1849, as described by this writer, and the truth of his statements is fully confirmed by those who were engaged in the commercial and agricultural pursuits of the country at that time. We have said that the total exports from all the B N. A. Provinces to the United States in 1849 were about two millions of dollars. The Reciprocity Treaty which went into force in 1854 swelled those exports to nine millions, and in 1866, the last year of the Treaty, they reached the enormous sum of for y-eight millions.

It must be borne in mind that during the existence of the Treaty Canada enjoyed all the advantages of the American Markets *free of duly*, and obtained *war prices* for her products during a considerable number of years.

Another element of prosperity was the increase of the tariff in 1859 from fifteen per cent. to twenty per cent., which continued

until the confederation of the Provinces in 1866. It was during this period that the manufactures of boots and shoes, hats, cotton goods, clothing, agricultural implements, sewing machines, and other industries sprung up in various parts of the country. The wealth thus created by those industries was spent in the country instead of being rent abroad. The high prices also of all kinds of goods in the United States in consequence of the late civil war, had the practical effect of a high protective tariff to Canadian industries, which greatly of the Dominon.

This prosperous condition of affairs continued until the failure in the United States of the Bauking House of Jay Cooke & Co., in 1873, and the collapse of several other American enterprises born of the war. The United States since this period have been gradually settling down to their normal condition as it existed previous to the war, with, however, this radical difference in their relations to Canada, namely, that, through the operations of the United States protective tariff they have become one of the great manufacturing nations of the world, and in addition to supplying their own wants, they are throwing their surplus manufactures all over the Dominion, prostrating our industries and seriously threatening their annihilation, besides draining the country of both men and money.

We think, therefore, it is clearly apparent that the prosperity of the country during the past twenty years is traceable mainly to the effects of the *Reciprocity Treaty* and the var, rather tuan to the wisdom of our legislation, which we believe will be confirmed by any one who will carefully examine into the subject.

The question of the day to be determined is : What measures will be best to restore prosperity to the Dominion as a whole, and meet our changed condition.

Without entering into an elaborate argument upon the subject, which this circular will not admit, we think the remedy is within ourselves, and is comprised in a very few words:— The foundation of our National Wealth must come from the internal development by labor of our agriculture, mines and manufactures. From the products of these we supply our own veants and yay for our foreign imports. The ability of the country to pay for these imports is measured by its internal creation of wealth from the labor of the people.

Whether Ganada will ever attain that growth and wealth to which her great natural resources justly entile her, will depend, in a great measure, upon whether our legislation is directed to the development of our industries or not; whether we will legislate to employ the labor of our own people and retain the product of that labor to be spent among oursleves, or employ the labor of other countries and send our wealth to be expended in those countries.

The following extract of the principles announced by Sir A. T. Galt, in a recent letter, we think suggests the true remedy for the restoration of the country to prosperity upon a sound basis. The ulterances of so able and experienced a statesman are worthy of the fullest consideration. He says:

" In the adjustment of a progressive scale of duties, the general principle should be held "in view, that the rate of duty should have a "certain relation to the outlay of labor and "capital upon the raw material of which any "article is composed; for example, pig iron " should not pay as high a duty as a pen knife."

This is the declaration of an important principle. Its intelligent adoption will again set in motion the sluggish wheels of industry within the country, and bring from the bowels of the earth the rich ores and minerals now lying valueless, and convert them into wares and merchandize for the use of our people, the labor of whose hands will thus constantly contribute to the wealth and progress of the country.

If this is ever to be accomplished, it will only come through an intelligent revision of the Customs Tariff, based upon the principle of the promotion of our own industries, which is rendered the more necessary from our changed relations towards the United States.

The continued depression affecting all classes is a matter of serious moment, and its ameliora-tion is worthy of the consideration of all who are engaged in the commerce of the country. he comme. Yours truly, E. K. GREENE.

ROYAL CANADIAN INSURANCE COMPANY.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the A special meeting of the shareholders of the Royal Canadian Insurance Company was held at noon yesterday, at the ollices of the Company in this city. Among the shareholders present we noticed the following gentlemen: Messrs. John Ostell, J. R. Thibandeau, Andrew Robert-son, Hugh Mackay, M. C. Mullarky, A. W. Ogilvic, G. H. Dunnesnil, E. K. Greene, F. B. McNamee, F. E. Gilman, James B. Duffus, T. R. Wood, Hon. Peter Mitchell ; Mr.Ritchie, Halifax ; Messrs.A. A. St. Denis, John Pomsoll, McKenzie, J. McCarthy Russell Exums, J. C. Watson, Geo Messrs.A. A. St. Denis, John Pousoll, McKenzie, J. McGarthy, Russell, Evans, J. C. Watson, Geo, W. Moss, R. Robertson, E. Ford, Lacerte. Levis; Wm. O'Brien, O. F. Sise, of Boston; Robert, Archer, C. Beausoleil, Labine, H. R. Turgeon, Wm. McNaughton, Dr. Robillard, D. J. Rees, Lucien Huot, Joseph D'Aigle, M. P. P., Robt. Brown. Alfred Brunet, R. Dugal, W. V. B. Hall, Hon. J. G. Laviolette, of Napierville C. H. Waterous, of Branifort, and many others Mr. John Ostell, President of the Company having taken the chair, called upon the Sceretary, Mr. A. Gagnon, to rend the notice convening the meeting, in which it was stated that it was "for the purpose of effecting a reduc-tion of the portion of the capital stock of the

tion of the portion of the capital stock of the said Company, which was paid on the 12th of February, 1377, to such extent, not exceeding one balf thereof, as the said shareholders may determine; and also for the purpose of authorizing the Directors to make a special assessment on each share of the said capital stock, under the Dominion Act, 40th Victoria, Chap. 70, by converting the call of five per cent. payable on the 23rd of August uext, into such

Buy and on the zord of August as a second as seesment. The President—Gentlemen, you have heard the notice calling the meeting, and it may per-haps, be well that I should add some explaina-tion of the circumstances under which you have the destination of the circumstances and the second second second the destination of the circumstances and the second second second the destination of the circumstances and the second second second the destination of the second secon been called together. The fearful calamity which has befallen the city of St. John, in the sisster Province of New Brunswick, forced your Directors to consider the position of the Company, and to see how we could meet our losses by that After careful consideration it was deterfire. mined to make a call upon the shareholders, mined to minke a can upon the sintenoiders, payable the ensuing month is as to be in a position to meet our liabilities in a fair and honorable manner, and to pay off all the losses which have been incurred. This, of course, has given the Board a considerable amount, of trouble and anxiety; but this anxiety was augmented in a vast degree in the week following the fire by the appearance in this city of the New York Superintendent of Insurance and his deputy. The fire occurred on a Wednesday, and on the Thusday following, the Superin-tendent for New York State was in Montreal and commenced his investigation. It occupied him two or three days. He then returned to Albany and revoked the license under which the Company was doing business in the State of New York. This was a far more serious blow to us than the St. John fire, or any loss that had happened to us. It stopped our business in the United States, which was in a flourishing condition, and making us a good return. We felt, it the more because the assets of the Company in the United States were \$321,800 over and above all the requirements for re-insurance, &c., and this money was so placed that it was beyond all control of the Board of the Company so long as there might be any losses unsettled in the United States. So much, therefore, was the hardship of the action of the New York

Superintendent increased. We might go further and say that so much of your money was lodged in the United States, and an embargo was put upon it so that it could not be made available for the purposes for which it was there, viz., the payment of losses. I refrain from giving mere impressions with regard to the action of the Commissioner. He has the power to pursue a certain course, and he has exercised it. I may say, however, that the matter was pretty well ventilated in the States beforehand, and it was well understood among those who had antagonistic interests that the Royal Canadian was to be gone for. Since then the Directors have been occupied night and day in obtaining a modification of the order revoking our license, and they have brought matters into such a position that they will be enabled to effect their object, that is to suy, by the Direc-tors assuming a large responsibility they have succeeded in satisfying the New York Superintendent of the solvency of the Company. We trust you will feel the importance of standing by your Company and letting it be seen that a Canadian institution is not to be crushed out at the instance of any party who may choose to take action against it. (Applause) We feel satisfied that by the united action of the Shareholders co-operating with the Directors, we shall be reinstated in a short time in New York, and the other States that followed the York, and the other States that followed the suit of New York will, no doubt, follow the example of New York in restoring the Com-pany's license. In fact, we have information from San Francisco this morning that the Commissioner, after suspending the license, had re-issued it to our agent there upon the explanations and statements sent down from this Board. One of the resolutions about to be submitted to you will be for the reduction of the paid-up capital about half viz:--a reduction of \$299,590, leaving it at \$300,000. The fact that this will not make any difference in the assets of the Company, must be patent to every one. It is simply stating that it shall be called \$300,000, and the resolution in no way affects the profits which may be made, or the dividends paid. Had this action been taken previously we should have been able to contest to this extent with the Commissioner of New Vork the action which he has taken with reference to the *status* of the Company. You will also be asked to make the call payable next month a special assessment. Your own laws do not consider your capital as a liability. But the American law is different, or at least it has been read in such a way that whatever money you have paid in to carry on your business is treated as a liability to be charged against you. The third resolution that will be submitted to you to day will be to authorize the Directors to offer their personal responsibility to guarantee the impairment of the capital, in order to satisfy the New York Commissioner. If these resolutions receive your approval, we trust that, we shall be able your approval, we trust that we shall be able to meet you again after a short time in a far different position. Our position during the last few weeks has been one of much anxiety, and the Directors look to the shareholders to selet them in convenient the worther them. assist them in carrying the matter through. That assistance can be best extended by the That assistance can be best extended by the shareholders paying up the calls at once, including the one payable in August. We shall thus be placed immediately in a position to maintain our position in the United States and to do justice to the Company. (Applause.) Mr. James B. Duffus, of Halifax, N. S.—A. resolution has been placed in my hands, to be submitted to your and L double hour that here once, We

submitted to you, and I don't know that I can schlain it any more than has already been done by the President. The necessity for it is quite apparent to everybody. It is called for by the extraordinary law that governs insurance in the State of New York. It is no injury to us to make the proposed reduction of capital, and it might be as well to do it whether the law of New York necessitated it or not, because it will The resolution is in these terms :----

.... That the portion of the capital stock of this Company which was paid on the twelfth

day of February, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven be, and the same is hereby, reduced to the sum of three hundred thousand dollars, being a reduction of two hundred and ninety-nine thousand five hundred and ninety dollars on the portion of said stock so paid." Mr. Wood, of Toronto-Mr. President and

Shareholders, I have great pleasure in seconding It does not in any way impair the funds of the Company. We have just the same amount of money, and if we do a successful year's busi-ness, we can make it up again. I have great pride in this Company. I became a sharehol-der about a year ago, and as a Canadian I felt that the attack made upon us in New York was very harsh indeed, and my feelings revolted at it. We have got to pay these losses as honorable men, and we may as well pay them pleasantly. It is unusual in Canada to propose a reduction of capital, but in the States it is the common way to call a meeting of the shareholders and just reduce the capital until the Company can make up the loss again, either by over the business of the Uompany, and found it perfectly satisfactory. The points at which we have lost this money are in this Province and in New Brunswick. It has gone among our own people. The Company is a Canadian one, and we should have pride in it. We have other financial institutions that are a pride to us all. We have the Bank of Montreal, and only second to the Bank of England in the British Empire, and it is a mitter of pride when we go away from home to be able to point to institution like these in Canada. I would like the action of the shareholders to-day in passing these resolutions to be quite unanimous. Let it go forth that we are fully prepared to put our hands in our are fully prepared to put our hands in our pockets and pay this loss without impairing our capital. It will be a good advertisement to us and will return us, perhaps, in the form of increased business, half of what we have to pay. In answer to a shareholder, Mr. Thibaudeau stated that the Board of Directors held six thousand shares of the Com-news's stole.

pany's stock.

Mr. F. B. McNamee-It is not for the nurpose of offering the slightest opposition to the resolu-tion that I rise. I am in favor of the Company going on and paying these debts. But we are told that the Directors have six thousand shares. Will the chairman state if the calls have been paid on this stock in cash? Another question wish to ask is whether a list of the regular stockholders is published every year ?

The President-I am able to state most une-The President—1 am able to state most ano-quivocally that the calls on the stock held by the Directors have all been paid in cash to the last cent—(applause)—and that on the fourth call, payable next month, the larger portion has been already paid. (Renewed applause.) So far as the list of sharehelders is concerned, I can only say that we are obliged to make return under oath to the Government annually of our ishareholders, and that list is printed and pub-lished by the Government. It is issued in their blae-book. We do not issue it in separate form because it is expensive, but it is competent for any shareholder to come here and look at it. The resolution was then carried unanimously.

Mr. G. H. Dumesnil-I beg, Mr. Chairman,

they are hereby, authorized to make a special assessment on each share of the capital stock of the Company, under the Dominion Act 40th Victoria, chapter 70, by converting the call of fire per cent. on each subscribed share, which is payable on the twenty-third day of August next, into such special assessment."

It is unnecessary, after the remarks already made, to insist further on the necessity or advan-tage of the course proposed in the resolution. will therefore, simply move the resolution. Mr. Laviolette having seconded the resolu-

tion, it was carried unanimously.

Mr. F. E. Gilman-I hold in my hand a reso-Intion which I have no doubt we shall all agree in carrying. It is as follows :-

"Inasmuch as the Insurance Superintendent of the State of New York has demanded as a condition to the re-issue of a certificate to this Com-pany that the Directors shall personally guarantee any amount of impairment now existing of the capital of the Company, that the said Directors be, and they are hereby, authorized so to guarantee such impairment, and to apply all monies which may be collected under any of the calls special assessments which have been made up to this date in payment of such impair-ment."

The question is simply this: The Superin-dent of Insurance for the State of New York has demanded that he shall have so much money in order to repair the losses made in St John. N B. The Directors have made a call upon us as shareholders to repair this loss, but in the meantime they do not wish to have their certificate suspended and their business in the Uni-ted States interrupted. The resolution provides for meeting this difficulty, and I have much pleasure in moving it.

Mr. A. W. Ogilvie-I second the resolution Alt. A. W. Ognvie-1 second the resonation with pleasure, and in addition to winth Mr. Gil-man has so clearly and lucidly placed before you, there is only one thing I wish to remark. I think the Directors deserve the generous thanks of the shareholders for the way in which they have undertaken this work. (Appl.)

Hon. Peter Mitchell—Now that these three resolutions have been carried, Mr. Ohairman, and we have heard very full explanations from yourself and other gentlemen present, I think it is due to the Company itself, and it is due to the Directors, that the shareholders, after the explanations given, should express their thanks to the Directors for the manner in which the business of the Company has been conducted during the trying ordeal which it has undergone. I have not been asked to move such a resolution, but the suggestion of Mr. Ogilvic will be heartily responded to by everyone, and I have pre-pared a resolution in that sense. I trust that every gentleman present will feel that he is serving his own interests when he gives the en-dorsement which this resolution will give to the Directorate. The Company is a Canadian Com-pany, and although it has been somewhat unfortunate it has met its misfortunes in a manner which characterizes the gentlemen on the Board as men of business habits and men of business ability .-- I beg to move.

"That this meeting desire to express their entire confidence in the Board of the Royal Canadian Insurance Company, and are well satisfied with the policy and prompt action which has characterized their administration of the affairs of the Company in the very trying exigency through which they are now passing." Mr. E. K. Greene - I have much pleasure in seconding it. I think Mr. Mitchell has covered

the whole ground. I think the Royal Canadian will stand yet as high as any in the world. It reflects credit upon Canadian enterprise.

The resolution was carried by acclamation. The President—I can only say, gentlemen, on bahalf of my fellow-Directors, that we have en-deavored to fulfil our duties to the best of our ability. We have had a very hard task since the fire, and some of our Directors have been continually on the road between this city and New York, and from New York to Albany, en-deavoring to secure the interest of the Company. The resolution you have just passed gives us satisfaction, showing that our exertions have been appreciated. Messrs. Wood, McNamee, Andrew, Robertson and Lise, followed in some remarks, the latter read the following circular.

In accordance with the provisions of its charter, the shareholders of the Royal Canadian Insurance Company liave, by an assessment of 5 per cent. on its subscribed capital, provided for its losses by the recent conflagration at St.

John. "Although this assessment is not due until August 23rd, the shareholders have voluntarily paid in advance a sufficient amount to enable

the Company to continue its business without an impairment of its capital. " Having thus verified its statements that the subscribed capital was an 'element of stability, giving a relative value to its policies; being ready and able at once to settle all outstanding chang, and note at once to settle an outstanding chang, calling attention also to the fact, that its assets in the United Sintes have not and cannot be disturbed, the Royal Canadian Insu-rance Company ask a continuance of the patronage so liberally accorded in the past.

"Agents will, at once, forward for settlement all adjusted and approved claims." I think this blow is the best thing that ever

happened to the Company. You have reduced your expenses; you have curtailed your territo-ry, and at the end of the year you will have more money.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

ASSIGNMENTS IN PROVINCE OF QUEDEC DURING PAST WEEK.

H. P. Sturges, silk merchant, Montreal.

McLean, trader, St. Alexis

Dame G. Tremblay, trader, Pointe a Pic.-Ed. Burns, Quebec.

WRITS OF ATTACHMENT ISSUED VS. Converse, Putney & Co., general store, Stan-

stead. M. Jeannotte dit Lachapelle, hotelkeeper, Montreal

D. Lafebvre, trader, Iberville. P. Dagennis, contractor, Montreal. F. Farwell, carriage builder, Compton. ASSIGNMENTS IN NEW BRUSSWICK DURING PAST

WEEK. John L. Pye, trader, Hopewell.

WRITS OF ATTACHMENT ISSUED VS.

Robert Haines, jun., trader, Fredericton. Crosby & Campbell, builders, Fredericton.

ASSIGNMENTS IN ONTARIO DURING PAST WEEK.

Thos. Griffith & Co., grocers, Toronto. A. Dunlop, general store, Penetanguishene. P. H. Clark, boots and shoes, Dresden.

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D. A. McLeod, boots and shoes, Stratford.
F. T. Rice, undertaker, Windsor.
Wm. Hallett, Whitby.
O. C. Fish, trader, Woodstock.
T. King, Goderich.
E. K. Böyd, jeweller, Windsor.
G. Furniss, D'Origanl.
D. H. Abel, trader, Windsor. WRITS OF ATTCAHMENT ISSUED VS.

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FIRE RECORD.

South Oshnwa, Ont., July 23.—Small house owned by Robert Powers was discovered on fire, but was soon extinguished. Loss slight. Montreal, July 24.—The large stone factory, No. 572 William street, owned by Messrs. John Ugilvie and H. McLennan, and occupied by Mr. J. Howley as a manufactory for woodwork, and Wm. Cooper, furniture manufacturer, was al-most destroyed by fire. It was at first thought that the whole of the contents had been destroyed, but it has since been ascertained that there was a considerable part of them saved, owing to the great strength of the building. Mr. Howley estimates his loss at about \$2,000, and Mr. Tooper's loss will be about \$1,500. Neither Mr. Howley nor Mr. Cooper are insured. The building was insured in the North, British and Mercantile for \$5,000. The fire is supposed to have originated from sparks from the moulding shop.

Levis, July 24.—New wooden house belong-ing to Mr. Pelletier totally destroyed by fire. Insured in Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Co. for \$250

for \$250. Lindsay, Ont., July 22.—House belonging to Mr. John Pierce, and occupied by Mr. Jus. Bell, totally destroyed by fire. Inmates barely escap-ing from upper story. Furniture in lower story saved. Insurance on building \$400; none on furniture

Montreal, July 25.—Small fire occurred in H. Simms & Co's shirt manufactory, but was easily extinguished.

Kingston, July 24.—Stable and outbuildings belonging to a carter named Nicholson totally destroyed, together with a hack and two sleighs. Loss about \$1000.

Loss about \$1000. Seaforth, Ont., July 25.—P. Volmais' stave factory, together with valuable machinery, totally destroyed by fire. Loss \$2000; partly insured. Mr. Henderson's barn on lluron road, with all this year's crop and some implements, totally destroyed. totally destroyed.

Commercial.

MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, July 26th, 1877.

Fall trade prospects are opening full of promise, and quite in contrast with the ontlook the hopes for a good harvest were abandoned. The full wheat harvesting in the West has been favored with fine weather, and farmers expect a greater number of bushels per acre than for preater number of busies per acte that for many years past. The grain is unusually plump. Spring wheat in a few localities has suffered from want of rain, but in the Western peninsula promises extraordinarily well. Pasture is entirely dried up in many places, and as the hay crop has been light there is likely to be a scarcity of fodder the ceming winter. Fires a scherte by engine sparks, along the lines of the G. W. R. have done much damage, especially between Toronto and Hamilton. Travellers out taking orders for fall dry goods, report a good feeling pervading all classes of traders. Stocks remain low and money market unchanged.

changed. ASHES.—Receipts of Pot, good and of Pearl very heavy. First Pots sold during the week from \$4.05 to 4.10, and one or two lots at 4.124. Seconds, \$3.30. Thirds, \$2.80. *Pearls* have sold freely at \$5.05 down to \$4.00, about 100 brls having changed hands. Market for Pearls closes quict. The receipts since 1st January between \$515 brds. Pearls wild 13 by Bonder. have been 8,518 bris. Pots and 613 bris. Pearls; the deliveries, 7,630 brls. Pots and 660 brls. Pearls; and the stock in store at six o'clock Thursday evening was 3,503 brls. Pots and 725 brls. Pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—As regards prices, there is no change in this branch of industry since our last. Factories are working actively on Fall orders. August is expected to be busy, a large number of orders from Outario, the Mari-time Provinces and British Columbia having been placed for shipping in that month.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—We have very little to note by way of change in this department of to note by way of change in this department of trade. There is very little doing, and prices are nominal. Oils—Are moving off pretty freely in the leading lines, without material alteration in prices, although there is a finer tone in Olive and Linseed. Naval Stores—are in fair request and prices are unchanged. Paints.—In fair

request and prices unchanged. Day Goops.—Stocks generally are now about complete in this market and we are told that orders through travellers are coming forward fully up to the most sanguine expectations of our wholesale friends. Crops are now said to be pretty well in and reports from our several agents now in the West fully confirm the good news of a bountiful yield safely harvested. Money does not, however, come forward any more freely and no improvment can be expected until the crops are realized upon. Our city retail people have been well engaged this week with strangers, of whom the city has been quite full latel.

FARMENS MARKET.—There were not many farmers at the markets on Tuesday except those who were selling rapperries; this fruit was exceedingly abundant. Market gardeners were very numerous. Very little grain of any kind was offered, and outs were rather dearer; new pointoes were very plentiful and cheap; a few old potatoes are still being brought to market, and higher prices are asked for them than the new.

The following were the prices on Tuesday— Oats, \$1.05 to 1.10 per bag; uo peas or buckwheat offered; new polatoes, 40c to 55c per bushel; for old potatoes 75c per bag was asked; cabbages, 50c to \$1 per dozen heads; oauliflowers, \$2 do.; celery, 60c to 75c do; vegetable marrows, \$1.30 per doz; cacumbers, 20c to 30c per dozen; musk melons, 40c to \$1 each; tomatoes, \$2.50 per bushel; apples, \$4.50 to 5.00 per barrel; blueberries, \$1 to 1.25 per box, containing from three to four gallons; red currants, 40c to 50c per gallon; black currants, 35c to 40c do; raspberries, 40c to 60c per pail, containing about two gallons; bartlett pears from Galifornia, \$5.59 per box; bell pears, \$12 per barrel; choke cherries, 30c per pail containing two gallons, half of it leaves; green corn, 25c to 35c per dozen ears; fowls, 55c to 65c per pair; spring abickens, 25c to 40c do; young ducks, 45c to 55c do, tub butter, 16c to 20c per lb.; common print butter, 10c to 23c do: superior do, 25c to 30c do.; packed eggs, 14c to 16c per dozen; fresh laid eggs, 18c to 25c do: maple sugar, 8c to 10c per lb ib noner 13c do: flour, \$3.75 per 100 lbs; oatmenl, \$3.25 do; Ladian meal, \$1.50 do; moalie, \$1.10 do, grue, 90e do, bran, 80c do; pot barter, \$3 do.

Bur, Obe do, bran, Soc do ; not barley, 53 do. Fisit-Business very quiet. New herrings are selling at 54 for No. 1; Dry Ood Gaspé 54.50.

FLOUR.—The market has ruled dull throughout the week, and buyers have succeeded in forcing a reduction of twenty to thirty cents perbarrel. The supply of fresh-ground is light, and all there is here will, no doubt, be wanted before flour from new wheat arrives in quantify. Till the probable abundance of the crop has the effect of depressing the market, on account of present range of prices being above the average.

the average. Funs AND SENS.—Anybody would infer from the quiet inactivity in this department that all fur-bearing animals were on the strike for higher prices for their pelts. Certain is it that Raw skins are not coming forward, but their scarcity is not felt, owing to the total absence of any demand for them. We quote nominally:—Rat, Spring, 21.c.; Rat, Fall, 10c. to 14c.; Do. Winter, 12c. to 16c.; Ooon, 25c. to 60c.; Fox, Red, 75c. to 51.25; Fox, Cross, 52,00 to S3.00; Marten, Pale, 75c. to S1.00; Mink, Western Canada, good colors, S1.30 to S2.00; Mink, Eastern Canada, prime large S1.50 to S2.00; Mink, Eastern Canada, prime, S5.00 to S7.00; Fisher, Dark, prime, S5.00 to S7.00; S1.50; 51.50 to S1.73; Bear, large prime, S3.00 to S1.60; Guockey MARKET, WHOLESALE.—Sugars.— Yellow Refined stendy it about last weeks prices, 93c to 104c; Granulated is stronger to-day, after a reduction during the week; prices, 93c to 104c; Granulated is stronger to-day, after a reduction during the week; prices weep low for almost all kinds with no variation in prices worth notice. Fine Y. Hysons firm—Tens arriving of this seasons import do not in U. S. markets promise cost to importer on the average. The quality is not considered generally as extra. Black tens of this seasons import, now arriving in England

do not give desired satisfaction. Handwane.—There is n.) change this week ; the trade in haying and harvest tools noted in our last has dropped and nothing is expected to be done in this or, indeed any of the several lines till after harvest when there will be an improvement in trade generally. Nails remain unchanged. The prices of cut nails as shown in our prices current are explained as follows : Cut nails under 500 kegs, 5 per cent off quoted price, 600 kegs and over an additional 5 per cent off, and for 1000 kegs and over an extra 5 per cent. Only 5 per cent discount is allowed till lots are quite completed.

LIVE STOCK .-- The arrivals at Point St. Live Stock.— The arrivals at rome on Charles hast week were 34 carlon is of eattle, 831 hogs of which latter about 400 were Chandian and the balance, Chicago. Of the cattle, 21 carloads were shipped to Britai on the S3. Manitoban and Laks Changlain. Monday, 13 carloads more cattle arrived from Chicago and were shipped to Glusgow on S5. Canadian, which sailed on Taesday. Although the supply for the whole week has only been about fifteen carloads, and a number of these were bought for shipment to Europe, yet the demand for city consumption is so light that prices have scarcely advanced ray. The price of grass-fed cattle ranges from 53 to 55, per 100 lbs.: good second-class grass-fed stoers averaging about \$4.25 per 100 lbs. A few head of distillery-fed cattle sold at \$5.74 per 100 lbs The price of Catadán-fed Logs was from \$5.50 to (5.75 per 100 lb), A number of drovers had cattle 0.7 the market Monday. One dealer h of 73 head of cattle held over from list week. The Chicago hogs that arrived all belonged to city butchers. 103 hogs sold at \$5.50 per 100 lbs., ten steers for shipment to Britain at \$5 per 100 lbs., with one dollar per head over; also a steer and a ball for \$75. A dealer bought a carload of cattle at \$52,50 ench, and a carload at \$34 each; five steers sold at \$35 each. A dealer sold his hogs at \$550 per 100 lbs, and several lots (53 hogs) at 55.75 per 100 bbs, and several bits (55 hogs) at 55.75 per 100 bbs. A city exporter shipped 140 cattle on S.5. *Hemphis*, Thursday, and another ships 200 sheep by the same vessel. At the Viger cattle market Tuesday the attend mee was much smaller than usual. There were only about half a dozen good mitch cows offered, most of these having been held over from last week. Several grass-fed cattle were sold at from S10 to 15.00 each; two steers and a heifer were sold for \$50 each; one pretty a heiter were sold for 550 each; one pretty good steer for \$28, and two smaller ones for \$36. Calves were few in number, of inferior quality, and very few of them were sold. Lambs were pretty numerous, but of inferior quality. They were slow of sale, the prices paid were from \$1.50 to 2.20 each, the general price being S2 each. Monday some good lambs were bought at the market boats for \$3 each; Hogs were scarce, but there appeared to be chough to meet the demand : one old lean hog was sold for \$4.50, while young pigs were offered at from \$1 to 1:25 each. Hides declined No. 1 inspected being \$7; No. 2 \$6 and No. 3, \$5 per 100 lbs. Caliskins are 12c per 1b; sheep-skins, 35c to 40c each; lambskins, 40c to 50c each; tallow, rough, 5c to 54c each. LUMBER.—Timber and Deals consumption in

London, according to Simpson and Mison's Wood Circular of July 5th, had continued up to that date on the same increased scale as pre-viously noted; the deliveries from the docks, both of Timber and Deals, being largely in excess, prices were maintained generally. The total arrival of wood cargoes to present time showed a considerable fall off as compared with last year. In north of Europe Fir Timber some forced siles of Dantzic had been mide below previous quotations, but these exceptional transactions cannot be taken as representing the market. Referring to British North American timber, the Circular says :- "There has been some enquiry for Quebec Yellow Pine, but a very small supply suffices for this market. In Red Pine Timber only small quantities of Spar Timber will find buyers. In Quebee Oak Timber there is very little doing, the market not inving recovered from the effect of late forced sales. In Quebec Elm there have been no arri-vals yet. The recert sales "without reserve," have much depressed the market, but good shipments of fresh. Timber will only be influenced in a slight degree by the low prices accepted at these sales. In Quebec Ash the market con-tinues very dull, and the stock remaining in docks is large. In Quebec and Lower Port Birch two parcels of small average Timber (one from St. John's and the other Halifas) have been forced at auction at very low prices. Good fresh Timber of large average will sell. In Pine Deals, &c., business done during the month is not large. The stock is still very heavy, and in excess of former years. In Spruce Deals, &c., stock is rather less than la a year; there is no change in prices since our la t issue. United States .- Of Pitch Pine Timber the stock is about 8,000 loads less than last year, but, owing to the continued pressure of cales "without to the continued pressure of tales "without reserve," the price is lower than last month, some parcels of Pitch Pine Masts having been sold for burely the freight. Until the houses engaged in this trade give up the constant foreing at auction on an overloaded market, there ing it include on an overlotten market, mere is no probability of any fair profit on the import. American Pitch Pine Planks, &c., have con-tinued to be sold at very low figures. Of East India Teak, one cargo has arrived during the mouth of the generative shows that but a small month. The stock shows that but a small business has been done during the month. prices are not, however, likely to go lower; a parcel of about 500 loads (old stock) was brought forward attauction, but little or nothing sold. In Staves the Baltic stock still consists principally of small-sized staves, and the consumption during the wonth has been very limited. Quebec Standard shew no transactions during the month ; Puncheon Staves will sell on arrival, as the market is quite cleared. In United States the stock is more moderate than for some time past, and fresh arrivals of Hogshead s 11 at quotations; little or no demand for Pipe. Bosnia Staves.—No sales are report-No change in the local market.

Provisions. - Butter. -- nder more favorable advices from the English markets, there is a slightly better to be to the market. Transactions on the spot are few, but all interior markets are active, and we shall soon have free receipts. Chaese. -- The advance noted last week has been sustained. The stocks are light at the Freetories, and no stock here. It looks as if present prices would be sustained for next week. Railway strikes have seriously affected the market. At the Ingersoll market, for the week ending July 24, 8 factories registered 2140 boxes. No sales reported. Railway strikes make it very uncertain as to shipment, same as at Little Falls market for the week ending July 13, no business, in consequence of Railway Strike; 102c. offered if factorymen guarantee delivery in New York City. Utica, July 16, the same as Little Falls.

SALT.—There is a fair demand. Factory filled is easier and offering at 90c. Sales at 85c. Coarse in better demand, and firm at 85c.

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LEATHER.—This week has been very quiet in this department, with no alterations in prices; light Buffalois scarce, and would sell readily at quotations; Upper Leather is neglected. In harness leather there are no sales to note; prices are low and favor buyers. Best quality of Buff is scarce. Measured leather is moving, but at inside figures.

WINES AND SPIRITS.—There is no change worthy of special mention in this department. A fair, business continues at our quotations.

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RAILWAY RETURNS.

RAILWAY RETURNS. GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.—Return of traffic for week ending July 14th, 1877, and the corres-ponding week, 1876. 1877.—Passengers, Mails, and Express Freight, \$62,312; Merchandise, \$105,049; Total, \$168,261. Corresponding week, 1876, \$70,375; \$90,830; Total \$167205. In-crease, 1877, \$1,056. Muband RaiLway of CANADA.—Port Hope, July 20th, 1877. Statement of traffic receipts for week, from 7th to 14th July, 1877, in com-parison with same period last year:—Passen-gers, \$2,869.19; Freight, \$4,305.58; Mails and Express, \$228.32; Total, \$7,403.00. Same week last year, \$6,097.64. Increase, \$1,305.46. Total traffic to date, \$126,354.01; do., year previous, \$136,700.44. Decrease, \$10,435.53. Northern RaiLway of Canada.—Traffic re-ceipts for week ending 15th June, 1877.—Pas-sengers, \$4,807.35; Freight, \$8,076.68; Mails and Sundries, \$1,122.54; Total Receipts for current week 1876, \$14,26.77. Decrease, \$720.30; Total Traffic to date, 1876, \$423,531.58. Decrease, \$52,460.80.

IMPORTS.

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REMARKS. Ashes.— Exports for the week, 472 brls. Pot, 55 brls. Pearl. Increase, 1,710 brls. Butter.—Exports, 4,432 brls. Increase, 1873 rls. Barley.-Exports, 30,286 bush. Increase. 26,533 bush. Bacon.-Exports, 162 boxes. Decrease, 8,003 oxes. Corn.-Exports, 207,701 bush. Increase, 815,-756 bush. Cheese .- Exports, 40,325 boxes. Increase, 2,851 boxes. Flour.-Exports, 2,661 brls. Decrease, 117,-62 brls. Lard.-Exports, - brls. Decrease, 4,110 orls. Oats .-- Exports, 18,420 bush. Decrease, 1,-523,429 bush. Peas.-Exports, 23,269 bush. Decrease, 448,-302 bush. Pork .- Exports, 359 brls. Increase, 7,636 orla Wheat .- Exports, 42,555 bush. Decrease 2,536,215 bush. Carsley's Column. CARSLEY'S S. SPECIAL PRICE LIST. Ladios' Twilled Umbrellas, with Chains and Gilt Rib Cups, only 38c each, or \$2.25 for six. Men's Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, for winter wear, 37a each. Men's Summer Undershirts, a very fuir quality, only 25c, or \$2.75 per dozen. Mon's and Boy's Silk Bows, 25c per dozen, or six for Mon's and Boy's Silk Bows, 25c per dozen, or six for 15c.
Mon's and Boy's Silk Bows, 25c per dozen, or six for 15c.
Men's Silk made-up-Scarfs, renlly good quality, only 15c each, or \$1.50 per dozen.
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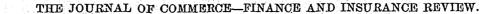
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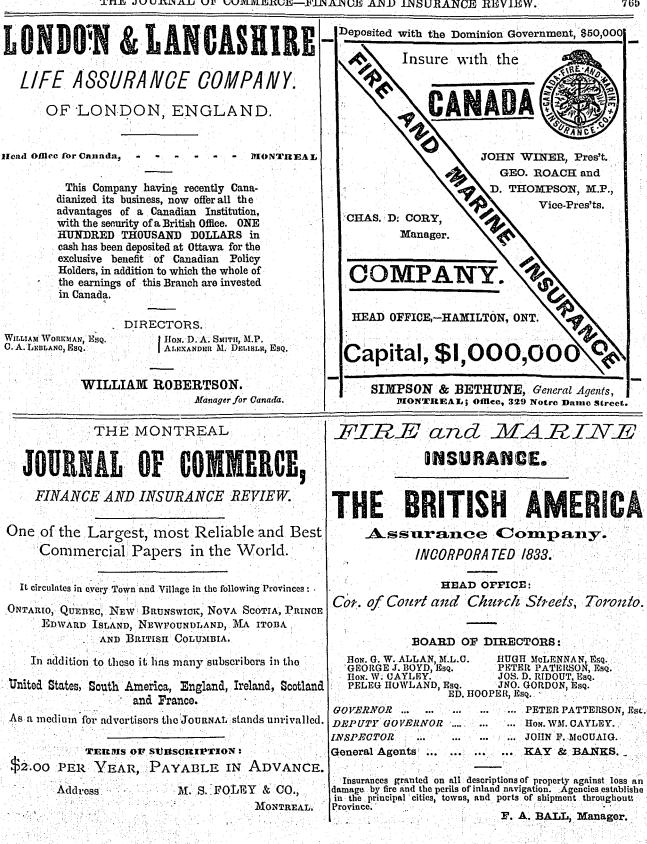
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25 Montreal Warehousing Company's Mortgage Bonds	Agents' Balances-U. S., (Marine) 3,716 35
£5,000 Sterling Exchange at 94 per cent 24,333 33	Sundry Debtors for Salvages, outstanding Premiums due
Mortgages on Real Estate	Home Office, Commissions and other claims
Loans on Collateral	due the Company-Fire and Marine 58,546 31
100,000 of United States Bonds, 5's, May, 1881 111.875 00	Cash in Company's hands, and on deposit in Banks in Canada
100,000 " " 6's, July, 1881 113,750 00	and United States 106,641 55
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50,060 " " 6's, Currency, 1895 60,875 00	Unpaid Losses and all other Liabilities 183,339 69
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STOCKS AND BONDS.

	SI	subscribed.	paid-up.		6 Months.	July 26th
Canadian Bank of Commerce	\$50	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	1,900,000	Apet.	214 2141
/ Consolidated Bank of Canada	100	4,000,000	3,477,950	230,000	3	831 841
Dominion Bank	50	970,250	970,250	270,000	4	125 -
Du Peuple Eastern Townships	50 50	1,600,000 1,272,359	1,600,000 1,302,507	275,000	3	56 8885
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000	300,000 75,000	3	102 76 53
Federal Bank.		800,000	800,000	40,000	ı s	576 - 53 99 - 100 j
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Imperial Bank	100	- 910,000	\$32,000	25,000	4	106
Jacques Cartier Mechanics' Bank	. 50 50	2,000,000 500,000	1,850,375 456,510	•••••	. 0	· 60 ·
Merchants' Bank of Canada	100	8,697,200	\$,125,526	••••••		671 671
(Metropolitan	50	1,000,000	697,400		0	$\begin{array}{c} 671 \\ 17 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 671 \\ 21 \end{array}$
Molsons Bank	50	2,000,000	1,993,990	540,000	4	1084 1101
Montreal	200	12,000,000	11,998,400	5,500,000	6	1564 157
Maritime	100	1,000,000	489,640 2,000,000	20,600 400,000	3	701 73
Ontario Bank,	40	3,000,000	2,950,272	400,000	4	971 987
Ouebee Bank	100	2,500,000	2,499,920	475,000	31	012 003
Standard	50	840,100	628,633	•••••	6	73 75
Toronto	100	2,000,000	2,000,000	1,000,000	4	151 154
Union Bank	100	2,000,000	1,959,986 722,225	200,000	3	65 69
Ville Marie * British North America	£50	4.866,666	4.866.006	i.170.000	21	66 70
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	750,000	66,000	4	120
Canada Landed Credit Co	50	1,000,000	500,000	40,000	4	130
Canada Perm. Lonn and Savings Co	50	1,750,000	1,750,000	580,000	6	1711 1721
Dominion Savings & Investment Socs.	50	800,000 600,000	350,500	69,000	5 3	120 122
Dominion Telegraph Co Farmors' Loan and Savings Co	50	400,000	600,000 400,000	17,000	4	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Freehold Loan & Investment Co	100	600,000	600,000	180,000	5	140
Hamilton Provident & Loan	100	950,000	6S6,749	63,000	4	120
Huron & Erie Sav. & Loan Soc	50	1,000,000	963,461	201,000	5	120 xd
Imperial Building and Savings Society London & Can. Lonn & Agoncy Co	50 50	600,000 2,000,000	600,000 200,000	25,000 20,000		1061 1071
Montreal Telegraph Co	40	2,000,000	2,000,000	20,000	5 31	$135 \\ 1107 \\ 1111$
Montreal City Gas Co	40	2,000,000	1,860,000		5 1	1401 146
Montreal City Passenger Ry Co	50	600,000	600,000		Ō	64 67
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Montreal Loan & Mortgage S'y	50 50	500,000 1.000,000	525,000	75,000 135,000	5	$122 \\ 128 139$
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	Paid-up Capital -	220,000
	Fire Premium Revenu	ıe, 1875 183,000
	Fire Premium Revenu	ue, 1876 201.000
	Losses paid -	248,000
	Government Deposit	117,000
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