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Nearly $\$ 6,000,000$ of the last United States bord call of $\$ 10,000,000$ which matured August 1st. has been redeemed.
The shareholders of the Molsons Bank have been notified that a dividend of four per cent. has been declared for the current half year.

Tes Hadson's Bay Company shipped, on the 6th inst., per Allan Line consigned to its office Londen, England, 232 bsles of raw furs, valued at $\$ 60,000$.
M. McIntyre, doing a amall grocery business in Cornwall, has been in hot water lately, being sued by his mother de. He has settled his difficulties by compromising at 40 cents on the dollar.
The well-known wholesale grocery firm of Sloan, Jardine, \& Mason has been dissolved by the retirement of Mr. Alex. Jardine. The remaining partners, Mesers. Sloan \& Mason, will continue the basiness under this style.
The Furness Line steamer Neweastle City, which sailed on Saturday for London G. B. from a $l c$ wer province port, took 47,030 cases and 104 half cases of canned goods, 172 head of cattle and a quantity of other goods. The total value of her cargo was $\$ 228,915$.
For a good many years Israel Lemay has been a well-to-du hotel keeper at Beauharnois; lately he moved to Valleyfield, where he has not been so successfal, having just aesigned. He ower $\$ 3,000$, which he wishes to compromise at the rate of 25 cents on the dollar.
Letrers patent have been issned incorporating "The Owen Sound Dredging, Towing, and Wreckink Company" with a capital of $\$ 40,000$. The Provisional Board of Directors consists of Mr. S J. Parker, President; Mr. D. A. Creasor, Vice-President; Mr. D. Morrison, Secretary; and Mr. Ed. Tudd, Treasurer.
The United States peanat crop, now approachiag maturity, will, it is said, be the largest ever gathered in that country. The general eatimate places the yield at $3,500,000$ bashels, while some dealers expect that it will not fail far ehort of $4,000,000$ bushele. The lurgest arop previouely grown was in 1881, when it reached 3,000,000 bushele.
Writing to us from Kingaton, under date of August 25 th, Mr. H. A. Harback, whose fuilure we noted in last issue, says. "Since your local correspondent has made the publio aware of my "moist" proalivitien, will you kindly insert the following : In my first failure one of the valuators of my etook, being a tenant of the Sheriff, beoame a purehaser, my creditore' lome in that affirir, was fully two-thirde."

A labge number of coal dealers was in session at Buffialo yeiterday. It was there rumoured that an immediate advance in the price of coal in to take place.
Ar a recent meeting of the oreditore of Bogre, Brault \& Co., wholesale dry goods, Montreal, the insolvents made an offer of 40 cents on the dollar. The liabilities are about $\$ 35,000$.

Tere Welland Canal is to be dredged to a uniform depth of fourteen feet. The work, which, we understand, is to be commenced at onoe, will be completed about the middle of 1886.

Tres cargoes of the three emuggling sehooners, Marquis of Lorne, Viking, and Ardora will be disposed of at auction in Quebeo to-morrow. The total value in in the neighborhood of $\$ 20,000$.

The Coal Shipments from the Port of Pictou for the week ending Augast 23, are an follows: Halifax Co. 8,061 tons, Interoolonial Oo. 2,286 tons, Acadia Co. 2,458 tons, Vale Co. 216 tons. The total for the week is 8.021 tonn, and total to date 96,130 tons.

A spictal general meeting of the uhareholder of the Canada Cotton Co., has been called for Sep. 10th, to authorise the issue of $\$ 250,000$ of debentures, necured by mortgage on the mill premises, and to provide for the redemption of existing debentares.
Tay direotorn and shareholders of the St. John Cotton Company met together on Monday of this week for the parpose of considering the best means for raising funds for the prosecution of the Company's business. A committoe was appointed to attend to the matter.

Madacie Julie Foubnier, trading at Ohambly, Que., under the name of J. A. Maurioe \& Co., 一 asaid Maurice being her husband-has assigned. Liabilities about $\$ 6,000$, assets about $\$ 5,000$. Maurice has been in businese for some twenty years, and has been markedly unfortunate, hay. ing failed at least twice before.

Ir is intended to increase the capital atook of the Black Diamond S. 8. Company of Montreal, to $\$ 500,000$, and a meeting of shareholders is called to sanction a by-law to this effect. The Company has two fine new ateamshipa running between Montreal and lower province ports, and is meeting with a considerable degree of anccens.

Port Prarx is mating laudable endeavors to office the ravages made by the late fire. The town's folk are rebrilding at a rapid rato, the oreotions being montly of brick and of a aubstan. tial oharacter. It is earnestly to be hoped that the authorities have learned a lemon from the recent disanter and will take immediate ateps to provide an efficient water service for the extin. gaishment of fires.

THis Northwestern Lumberman mays the prospeot is that there will be more railroads constructed in Dakota, Nebraska, Montana and Wyoming during the next two years than there ever were before. The Chicago \& Northwentern, the Chicago, Milwankee \& St Paul, the Chioago \& Rook Island, the Illinoin, and other companies have projects that will out Dakota and the other regiona named through and through with railroads.
The following are among the dissolutions of the week:-Edward Plant retires from the wholesale glass and oil firm of Parnons \& Co., Ottama, C. E. Parsons and R. O. Smith continue under old style. In Toronto Mr. E. 0. McClung has joined Messra Jan. Brayley \& Co's. millinery house ; the style will now be Brayley, MoClung \& Co. The firm of MoDonald, MoNally \& Co. hat been dissolved by the with. drawal of Mr. P. J. MoNally, Mr. MoDonald will continue alone.

What is desoribed by the Yarmoath Times, as being the finest steamer ever built in that country has just been launched by the BurrellJohnson Iron Company. The new vessel is owned by the Anglo.French Steamship Company and is to ply between Halifax and St. Pierre et Miquelon via Cape Breton ports. Her dimensions are 154 feet keel, 27 feet beam, 17 depth of hold and about 428 tons register. She will be classed a 1 for eleven years in English Lloyds.
Latest reports from two handred hop growing towns in New York, Maine, and Quebec indicate the crop at least one-fourth short, but this is believed to be an under estimate. The average for Maine is 78, Vermont 80, Quebec and New York 70. Buyers have been offering 25 to 30 cents per pound, but growers are confident of higher prices, and are disposed to hold for 350 . to 500., eapecially in New York, where 40c. and even 50c. has been offered in a few instancen for new hope. The new orop is anid to be of an ex. traordinarily fine quality.
As indicated by the following comparative atatement of importa and exports, Port Hawkebury (N.S.) appears to have been making oncouraging advancement during the lant eight yearn:

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Excerption is taken to a statement, which ap. peared in our isfue of the 15th, referring to the monetary affairy of Mr. John Canningham, Duart, Ont. His solicitor, while not denying that Mr. Ounningham speculated in grain in Chicago, assures us that he lost no money thereby. This we are glad to know, for the experience of most men, who are rash enough to dare the " aps" and "downs" of Chicago grain speculation, hae been unhappily, the very reverse. We regret that a wrong impression should have arisen from the paragraph in question.
Frow a maritime exchange we learn that since the suspension of Mesers. Parks \& Son's Uotton Factory and the atoppage of a large part of the maohinery in the St. John Cotton Company's mill, a great many of the English operatives, who were able to do so, have gone back to England. There is yet a number of theme people who want to return, bat not having the means to do so, are unable to go. The looal government has been asked to aid them. A Bedford, Mass., firm has offered employment to 60 of them provided they are competent hands.
This new O. P. R. elevator, which stands at the entrance to 0 wen Sound harbor, was completed a tew day! ago. The merchants of that town premented Mr. J. W. Ross, the gentleman who has had oharge of the construction, with a handsom gold watch as a token of their aatisfaction. The watch bore the following insoription, "Presented to W. J. Ross, by Owen Sound friends, on completion of C. P. R. Elevator, Auguat, 1884. The elevator is ranked as one of the first in the Dominion: it has the facilities for elevating grain at the rate of 8,000 bushela per hour.
AT the annual meeting of the St. Croix Cotton Mill Company, of St. Stephen, N. B., held on Wednesday last, the statement presented showed that the sales during the year had amounted to nearly $\$ 500,000$ and the output of some lines of goods had been found inadequate to the demand. Although the business of the year has not rewalted in any profit yet, the utockholders have confidence in the fature. The meeting confirm.
ed the action of the directors in iseaing $\$ 181,600$ worth of stock. The old board was re-elected.
Betwern Augant 12th and 16th the shipments of Sugar by the Monoton Refinery amounted to $1,700 \mathrm{bbls}$.
A commission agent in Halifax, W. D. Bently is reported to have left the oity owing sundry accounts, for which writs have been issued. The Sidney \& Lonisbarg Railway Co., is the largest creditor.—W. F. Shedd a lobster packer, in that city and Pictou, has asaigned.
Is the North West there are a few failurem to note this week. M. G. MoLean, general storekeeper in Calgary, assigned some ten days ago. He olaims to have a stcok of $\$ 6,000$ and book debts 32,000 with which to pay lisbilities of 87,000 . The creditors will probsbly wind ap the eatate. _G. O. Reid \& Co., general store-keepers, of Keewatin have also assigned with liabilities of $\$ 2,800$ and assets slightly in excess of this mum. -About a week ago we noted the embarrassment of T. H. Jones, a fish dealer in Winnipeg. He is now endeavoring to effeot a compromise.
Tur Oity of St. Thomas furniahes the principal failures this week, there boing no lems than three to record. Cham. C. Hackett, dealer in gent's furnishings, etc., who began business in March last, under the etyle of Hackett \& Co., has already assigned.-The hardware firm of F. C. Paulin \& Co., has asked an extonsion of one jear without intereat or mecurity. It is thought that this offer will be accepted.-G. L. Howell a grocer is the nert on the list. His statement of assets and liabilities has not been prepared but the failure, it is expected, will be a bad one. The trouble in this case seems to be due to an ambition to beoome an extensive landed proprietor. Mr. Howell is not the first trader to suffier loss from this oause.
A trade sele of 100,000 dozen pairs of hose and 50,000 dozen gloves was held in New York last week. The gloves did not bring as good prices as were hoped for. Ladies'Taffeta gloves, in navy and slate $\$ 2.40$ and $\$ 2.60$ a dozen, blaok of the same quality brought \$3.80. La Riatori silk gloves were not much sought after and commanded only $\$ 2.50$ per dozen. Full regular fancy lisle sold $\$ 3.50$ a dozen, while silk clooked goods from $\$ 3.40$ to $\$ 3.50$. Engliah Vigogn half hose $\$ 2$ and the better qualitien $\$ 3.30$ to \$3.60. Merincen were below these figures. Gentlemen's gloven were alow of cale at low prices. White Berlin campaign glovee went at 95 oents a dozen, and the same quality in blacks only 52 2 cents. Gentlemen's cashmeres from $\$ 2.85$ down. There were few bayers for wool cuffs and mafflers and the pricen paid decidedly low. Some ladies' cash. mere gloves brought from $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.70$. The low prices are attributed, it is said, to an overstooked market.
AT a meeting of the oreditors of the Ontario Car \& Foundry Oompany held in London on the 21st., it was moved and carried that the assignee olose up the affairs as soon as the orders on hand have been filled, or within six month in any event. The assignee and committee may, if they find it to the material benefit of the oredi. tors, close up the Company in less than the prescribed time. Mr. Muir has been asked to make a cash offer, or its equiralent, within alxty daya. The assignee's atatement shows liabilitien of \$294,781 composed as follow : Federal Bank over draft, \$17,432: Ontario Oar Co., paper, $\$ 100,000$; discounts, $\$ 122,595$; bill payable, \$35,342; open accounts, \$19,412; total, \$294,781. Aesets. open accoants, current and good, 814,638: open accounts doubtful and slow, \$53,303; dump cars (21) leased, $\$ 9,800$; atreet cars (10) in stock, 16,700 ; material on hand at car work and foundrien, $\$ 125,000$;
paper under discount，$\$ 122,595$ ；oapital paid up $\$ 201,600$ ；inverted in real estate，buildings， tools and machinery etc．，$\$ 150,000$ ；total assets， $\$ 482,036.00$ ．
Statistics of the foundry and engineering shops known under the name of Krupp＇s Works， at Essen，make known that in 1860 the foundry employed only 1,764 men ；in 1870 the number had increased to 7，084；to－day some 20,000 are employed．There are 29,000 souls who actually reside in dwellings attaohed to the works，while the number of furnaces in blast is 11 ，and of other manaller furnaces 1,542 ．There are 439 boilers， 82 steam hammers，and 450 steam ongines，representing a total of 185,000 horse power．At Essen alone there are nearly 37 miles of railway lines， 28 locomotives， 883 waggons， 69 horses， 191 carts， 40 miles of tele－ graph line， 35 stations，and 55 Morse instru－ ments．
Thiser is a well－known quotation from Tenny－ son＇s In Memoriam！
＂And thas he bore，without abase，
The grand old name of gentlemam．＂
which oertainly cannot be applied to the aathor of the following sourrilous letter：

8t．Thomas，Ont．，Augast 23rd 1884.
To Cobban Manafacturing Co．，Toronto，Ont．
Yours of the 22nd．，with money returned to hand．I think to use a vulgar expression you are just a little fresh，I want you to destinctly anderstand that I am not by any means，in the family way to your house．You can make your terms anything you like，it makes no differance to me．I never requested your travler to call on me here are lots of othet houses in Cansid，that have always paid one hundred cents on the dollar， that are gentlemen to do business with and do not asume any cookey airs．It would be well for you to understand that people do not care a d－what your terms are all they want is to be treated white and as other people treat them． Enolosed please find the money returned with 240．extra and if you will keep your hand on your head untill I remitt you the 75 c ．Which I do not 0we it cortanley will be warm．

Yours respectfully，
N．Webb．
This man，we are told，has been in the habit of purchasing from the honse in question，small bills of goods，the aggregate of which would not exceed \＄40 per annum．He knew perfectly well the terms apon whioh the goods were sold－3 per cent．or 3 months－bat preferred，with the utmost sublimity of impadence to make it 5 per cent．and invariably settled on this basis．He had beon written and spoken to without avail， until patience ceasing to be virtue，his last remittance was returned with the requent that the proper aum be forwarded．His reply may be read above．The Company should make him a prement of one of its hand－mirrors in whioh he will nee，or then we are very much mistaken， not only a very fresh－to use his vernacular－ but a very vulgar fellow．

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－An Atlanta，Ga．，paper，epeculating upon the fact that the patent upon paper collars and shirt－bosoms has expired，is of the opinion that We may soon expect to see paper garments of every variety manufactured and sold．But it fears opposition to the general use of such material for clothing on the ground that no man would care to wear a suit of clothes liable at any moment to melt a way if he is caught in a shower， or to be torn into ehreds when he is passing a pionic a crowd．Nobody would risk going to a pionic in a paper suit，as the accident of a sud－ den ehower mizht leave him entirely anproteo－ ted，and compel him to take shelter in the woods．

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## CANADIiN CREDITS IN ENGLAND.

Commercial associations in England complain of the conditions of Canadian credit, as experionced in its influence on that country. They say English creditors do no: prac ically stand on the same footing as Canadian creditors; and they make urgent demands for the re enactment of a bankrupt law. On the 15 th inst., Sir Leonard Tilley, in the Exchange Building,, at Liverpool, received a depu:ation of Liverpool, Manchester and Bradford Exchanger, when the subject was brought forward, Mr. Richard Lowndes complained that, since the repeal of the Canadian bankiupt law, in 1879, it had become impossible for English creditors to ascertain their footing in relation to insolvent debtors. The best commercial lawyers found the conflicting laws of the several provinces too much for them. Creditors at a distance thought they fared worse than others, at the hands of dishocest debtors. The preferences which Cauadian creditors get, the president contended, ought to be rendered illegal ; and provision for the prompt avd equitable distribution of the assets of insolvent traders should be made. Sir John Macdonald, when in England, in 1881, had admitted the necessity of preventing preferences. But the Dominion Government was then looking to the result of the intended legislation, in England. The Ontario law for the prevention of preferences, Mr. Lowndes said, had been well received in England; but the state of the law in the Maritime Provinces was most unsatiofactory; under these laws occurrences took place which thriaten seriously to affect the trade between Great Britain and that part of Canada, by leading to the withdrawal of many from the trade and the discouragement of others. The deputation was of opinion that the proper remedy was to be found in a well considered bankrupt law.
The views of the president were enforced by other members of the deputation. Mr. Coke described as successful the experiment for which Sir John Macdonald bad been waiting. "They would all agree," he said, "that the new English Bankrupt Act was the most satisfactory one ret introduced." The complaints of its working, he said, " arose from the lawyers who did not get
have," and especially called upon Sir Leonard Tilley to bear this in mind, in any consideration he might give to the new English Act.
Sir Leonard Tilley reminded the deputation that the Canadian Bankrupt Act became so unpopular that both parties voted for its repeal, and he did not encouarge the expectation that the preseut parliament would consent to re-enact it, but he was ready to say, "that if it were in the power of the Dominion Parliament to propose a law for the distribution of assets, there would be a majority in favor of it." This implies a doubt about the right of Parliament to enact a law, merely dealing with the distribution of assets, though it has express power to pass a bankrupt law. Sir Leonard however, did not dwell upon this doubt ; he merely touched on it, in the slightest way. And he promised that, on his return to Canada, he would "bring before his colleagues the strong expression of opinion, both in London and Liverpool, in favor of the enactment of a Bankrupt Act, and the grounds upon which an appeal was made for such a measure." He went further, and expressed the hope " that they might see their way to enact such a law as would give protection to the creditors and an equal adjustment and distribntion of assets." This leaves Sir Leonard's opinions and intention somewhat doubtful. If Parliament is disposed only to ensct such a law as, in his opinion, it has not the power to enact, it is difficult to see how the remedy is to come, either the doubt about the competency of Parliament in the premises must be removed, or the Government must use its influence to secure the enactment of a bankrupt law, in contradistinctien to a law for the distribution of the assets of insolvent estates. In either case the subject is, from Sir Leonard's point of view, besst with difficulties, and the only hope is that some means may be found of causing the difficulties to vanish.
The deputation also took objection to the form in which many Canadian duties are levied. The president of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce took the ground that ad valorem duties enabled "dishonest traders to defeat the more serupulous by undervaluing their goods." The frauds were almost impossible of detection. A rise or fall of prices altered the proportion of the duty to the value; but this difficulty, he suggested, could be overcome by readjusting the duties from time to time. When Mr. Lowndes described that as the greatest
difficulty to difficulty to which specific duties give rise, his point of view was exclusively that of the trader. He overlooked the fact that the consumer, for whose convenience the trader exists, has his point of view too, and that it is one that concerns the equity of the incidence of the tax. The complaint that specific duties bear no fixed relation to the value of the articles on which the duty is put; that the consumer of low priced goods pays a greater tax in proportion to the value of what he buys, is well founded, and as the poor man buys the cheap article, the tax falls with greatest weight where the strength to bear it is least. The convenience of specifio duties is not denied, but it is balanced by their injustice. That injustice is inherent in this form of duty; but the frauds
perpetrated under the ad valorem form are incidents which are present honest trader presents a fraudulent' invoice. There are practical difficulties in both forms of duty. The Canadian tariff is not confined to either form but makes use of both. Sir Leonard Tilley thought the customs'department would not object to substitute specific for ad valorem duties. But specific duties, had, he thought, been carried as.: far as possible; for when there was a difference in the value of the articles, such as cottons, specific duties were unfair to the poor man. In the case of iron, the same objection, he said, would not lie ; though he must know that all kinds of iron are not of uniform value.
The interview of this influential deputation with the Canadian Minister of Finance may possibly bear fruit, in the shape of some legislation dealing with bankrupt eatates. Such legislation is not less called for by Canadian than by British creditors; a fact which would seem to show that the extent of the preferences given to Canadians is exaggerated. The difference between the Canadian and British creditors lies in the form of the law which they are severally desirous of seeing enacted. The Canadian Boards of Trade ask for a law for the equitable distribution of bankrupt estates merely. In asking for any law for equitable distribution they declare their willingness to be cut off from preferences of any kind. The British Chambers of Commerce desire to see a bankrupt law enacted, and so far as they have indicated any preference, it has been in favor of the present English law. It is certainly a remarkable circumstance, if Canadian creditors are getting undue preferences from Canadian debtors, that they should desire the enactment of a law that would render such preferences impossible. Either form of law would have this effect, the bankrupt Act whish English Chambers of Commerce prefer, or an aot for the distribution of insolvent estates without a discharge clause. Sir Leonard's promise, such as it is, seems to have reference to a bankrupt law, with the discharge clause, possibly on the assunuption that this is the only one Parliament is competent to enact.

TEXT OF THE BOUNDARY DECISION.
The judicial committee of the Privy Council, while hclding that the award of the arbitrators is not binding in the absence of the necessary legislation, finds "so much of the boundary linea laid down by that a ward as relates to the territory now in dispute between the province of Ontario and the province of Manitoba, to be substantially correct, and in accordance with the conclusions which their lordships have drawn from the evidence laid before them." A definition of the.western and something less than half the northern bourdary then follows :
"That apon the evidence their Lordehips and the true boundary between the western part of the Province of Ontario and the sooth-enstorn part of the Province of Manitoba to be mo muoh of a line drawn to the Lake-of-the. Woode, through the waters eastward of that and west of Long Lake which divide Britioh North America from the territory of the Onited States, and thenoe thrcugh the Leke-of-the-Woods to the
most North-western point of that lake an runs northward from the United Staten boundary, and from the most north-western point of Lake-pf-the-Woods a line drawn due north until it strikes the middle line of the course of the niver discharging the waters of the lake called Lake Seal or the Lonely Lake, whether above or below its confluenoe with the stream flowing from the Lake-of-the-Woods towards Lake Winnipeg, and their Lordships find the true boundary between the same two Provinces to the north of Ontario and to the sonth of Manitobs, proceed. ing eastward from the point at which the beforementioned line strikes the middle line of the course of the same river last aforessid to be along the middle line of the courss of the same river (whether called by the nsme of the English River or as to the part below the confluence by the name of the River Winnipeg) up to Lake Seul or the Loneiy Lake, and thence along the middle line of Lake Seal or the Lonely Lake, to the head of that lake, and thence by a atraight line to the nearest point of the middle line of the waters of Lake St. Joseph, and thence along that middle line antil it reaches the foot or outlet of that lake, and thence along the middle line of the river by which the waters of Lake St. Joneph disoharge themselves until it remohes a line due north from a line drawn due north from the confluence of the Rivers Mississippi and Ohio which forms the boundary eastward of the Province of Manitoba."

No opinion as to the necessity of con-current legislation by the Dominion of Canada and the provinces of Ontario and Manitoba, is expressed, but the passing of an act by the Imperial Parlimment to make the decision binding and effectual, is recommended. The Crown, acting on the advice of the Privy Council, approved their lordships' report.

The most north-wentern point of the Lake of the Woods is one which cannot be difficult to find; and that point once settled, the line is to be drawn due north until it strikes either English river or Winnipeg river, for it is not known, in the absence of a survey, where it will strike. The English river is an affluent of the Winnipeg, and the junction makes something like a right angle. But whether the line strike below or above the junction, it in to follow the middle of the stream to Lake Seul or Lonely Lake, through the middle of that lake to its head, when the height of land between the watercourses that discharge into Lake Winnipeg, and those which flow into James' Bay, is reached. Uver the portages to the middle of Lake Joseph, the line is to take the shortest course; the middle of Lake Joseph to the point of discharge into Albany river is to be followed; thence the line to be followed is the middle of Albany river " until it reaches a line due north from a line drawn due north from the confluence of the rivers Mississippi and Ohio, which forms the boundary eastward of the province of Manitoba." And there the delineation ends. So far the due north line of the Quebec Act is recognized ; bat it skips Ontario, and is only made to doiduty to the north of that Province, when it becomes the eastern boundary of Manitoba. Manitoba gets, in this way, an extension on the east, of some seven degrees of longitude. This due north line, if continued to Hudson's Bay, would strike that water some fifty miles east of the mouth of the Severn. Ontario gets substantially, all that was awarded to her in
the weat, and incidentally she geta a definition of something less than half the length of the northern boundary. The territory thus secured is not the widest part of that in dispute, but it is the best.
This country definitely becomes acknowledged as a part of Ontario just at a time when it is being made accessible by the construction through it of the Canadian Pacific railway. Branch lines will, in time, when the nature of the country and the progress of settlement warrant the outlay, be bailt in various directions. This extensive region contains innumerable lakes; the soil varies from good to muskeg, and the timber from good merchantable to poor and small ; there are many possibilities in the way of minerals. Many parts of this region are more than a thousand feet, some fourteen hundred feet, higher than the mouth of the Albany river; and the Arctic flora sometimes found to the north of Lake Superior, is due to the fact that every 300 or 400 feet of elevation is equal to one degree further north. We do not concur in the opinion that the country is worthless; but allowing that a good deal of it answers this description, there must be a large area capable of being put to economic uses, and ministering to the wants of man.

## THE HARVEST.

For two or three weeks past, the satisfactory nature of the current harvest has been a topic of general remark. The yield of wheat, which is unusually good in Ontario, has, in the popular estimate, seemed to overshadow that of every other cereal. But there is no serious shortage any where, and the harvest may, it appears, be generally regarded as an abundant one. The Ontario Bureau of Industries has made a summary of the probable yield, and sends us a bulletin, dated the middle of August, from which we take the following:

The total yield of grain in Ontario for 1884, according to the conclusions of the Bureau, was 113,710,600 bushels, taken off 4,448,785 acres land, as compared with 108,043,977 bushels cut from 4,588,909 acrem in the previous year, a gain of $5,666,623$ bus. hels on an acreage 140,000 less. An average of 20 bushels of wheat per acre is gratifying, surpassing as it does the census year, and the estimated Ontario average drawn therefrom. The fall wheat, says the bureau, shows $21 \frac{1}{3}$ bushels to the acre and the spring wheat 18 s busbels, the total quantity of wheat exceeding 1883 in the proportion of $31,730,340$ bushels to 21,370 ,068 bushels. Barley, though sown somewhat less broadly, shows a rather better yield per acre, and nearly 18 millions of bushels are expected, against $18 \frac{1}{2}$ millions last year. The grain is heavy, but in certain districts nomewhat dark in color. Close upon fifty million bushels of oats are expected, as compared with fifty-four and a half millions in 1883. It is not unlikely, conaidering the good effect of late rains in July, that this crop may "better expectation." The acreage of rye is limited, aud the expected crop not much more than half that of 1883. Peas are a good crop, a "bountiful crop" says Mr. Blue, the pea bug having done much less harm this year than usual.

We append the table of probable yiold for the two gears.

|  | 1884 | 1883 |
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|  | Bunhels. | Bushels. |
| Wheat | 31,730,344 | 21,370,068 |
| Barley. | 17,860,777 | 18,414,337 |
| Oats. | 49,383,000 | 54,573,609 |
| Rye. | 1,630,417 | 3,012,240 |
| Peas | 13,106,062 | 10,673,723 | the frosts of the last week in May, and more seriously by the droaght of June. The yield is estimated at $3,044,912$ tons, or abont $1,000,000$ tons less than last year. The appearance of the corn crop is not promising, due partly to inferior seed, and partly to the low temperature prevailing throughout June and July. The fortune of the crop depends on the weather of August and September. The area planted is 174,834 acres. Beans have suffered from the drought and the cool weather, and thay will matare a week or ten days later than usual. The plants, however, are strong and healthy, and being well loaded a good crop is likely to be gathered-the estimate being 552,953 bushels from an area of 24,877 acres. The reports of the root orops are generally favorable. Potatoes are excellent, and mangolds and carrots are fairly good. Turnips made slow growth at first, owing to the dry weather, bat the recent rains have been very beneficial. The area in potatoes is 168,862 acres; in mangolds, 18,341 aores: in oarrots, 10,980 acres; and in turnips 104,108 acres. The total area in roots is 302,291 sores, or about 8,500 more than last year."

## NEWFOUNDLAND TRADE.

A good deal of attention bas lately been directed to Newfoundland in connection with the important railway enterprise recently projected there. The traffic upon that portion of the line already completed, both with respect to goods and passengers, exceeds, we are told, expectations ; and it is anticipated that the portion from St. John to Carbonear, 80 miles, will be finished this year. As to the population of the country to be served by this railway, we learn that while St. John's is close upon 30,000 , that of the districts and towns, which the road will put in connection with the capital exceeds 40,000 . It is English capital, it appears, which is building the line, and the statement is made that "the Newfoundland Railway has passed from the hands of the American syndicate, which obtained the charter, to thome of the Englinh bondholders."

While it is true that the exporte of New. foundland consist most largely of fishery products, it is also true that mining and agriculture are growing industries. Although it may be the case to-day, that, as in a previous century, Newfoundland is known to the average reader as
"Some place far abroad,
Where sailors gang to fish for cod." its capabilities of export include other things than fish and their products. A recent statoment of the outwards trade for the year ended with the 1st of July, 1883, given by a correspondent of the Montreal Gazette, shows that the policy of the present Government takes the direction of developing the other resources of the island, so as to provide for the increasing population. "The country is more prosperous than it has ever been previously, and the people, as a whole, are in more comfortable circumstances. Home industries have been fostered and are rapidly advancing; a railway, now in course of construction, will open up the fertile lands for settlement; the splendid dock, advanolng rapidly towards completion, will greatly promoto the intereats of the capital, and mining
induatries are extending." The latest annual statement, issued last month by the Chamber of Commerce at St. John's, gives the value of exports at $£ 1.997 .698$ 18s., equal to $\$ 7,996,795$, as compared with an average value of $\$ 7,661,000$ for the three years preceding. The items are as under: siports for ter ibar endina jolis 1bt, 1883. $1,232,822$ qtlls. dried oodfish 23s. $£ 1,417,745 \quad 60$

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102 "" whale oil, £33.."
3,489 "" cod oil, £34....
284 " refined ood-liver oil, $£ 64$.

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11 tans other oil, $£ 32 .$.
13 "" ood dregs, $£ 15 .$.
61 " cod blubber, $\mathbf{x 4}$
4,319 tres. pold. salmon, $£ 5$
23,000 lbs. do., in tine, 7d.
$257,600 \mathrm{lbs}$. frozen ditto, 6 d .
84,842 bls. p. herring, 17s. 6d.
13,150 bls. frozen ditto, 5 s .
1,576 " pickled troat, 40s.
627 " cod roes, 15s...
276 qtis. dried haddook 18
7,774 libs. whalebone, 78. 6d.
$862,528 \mathrm{lb}$. p. lobster, intins 6 d
12,855 tons copper ore, $£ 5$..
425 tons regulas, £12.. Unenumerated artiolen

The statistics before the meeting were very incomplete; but the general fact of overproduction was admitted by nearly every one. As to the extent of the sarplus, opinions were very divergent; some contending that it was not large, others arguing that it was sufficient to last a whole vear and more. It is evident that not only has there been overproduction, but that it will continue for some time. Canadian lumberers were not represented at this meeting, and nothing was said about the ratio between production and consumption, in this country. There can be no doubt, however, that a state of things similar to that existing in the Western States, would be found here. When production outruns demand, the true remedy is to slacken off till stocks are brought down to a manageable compass.
-As bearing on the sufficiency of the Government loan to enable the Pacific Railway Company to complete the work of construction, is the fact that Mr. Van Horne has seen occasion to revise the original estimates of the oost of the Rocky Mountain and Lake Superior sections. There is no doubt that the Ohief Engineer of the company, after recent examination, has come to the conclusion that the estimate of the original cost was put much to high. And Mr. Van Horne is not the only engineer by whom this opinion has been exprensed. The first entimates were made by the Government ; and whether it be that a private com. pany can do the work for less money than the Government, which may be taken as certain, or that there was an over-estimate at first, or both, the prenent announcement is a hopeful feature. First estimates fall short of the mark much oftener than they prove tno high ; and surprises like the present are rare. A like surprise did, however, come, when the Victoria bridge approached completion; a repetition of that piece of good fortune will be most weloome.
-Six hundred stalwart Canadian boatmen are wanted by the British Government, for the expedition which is to go to the relief of Gordon. During the Red River rebellion, General Wolseley learned the use of these men, in the kind of service now required in Egypt, and no doubt it is upon his advice that the demand is made. French Canadians, or Indians, were asked for ; and French Canadians will, for the most part, be sent. The number required can easily be obtained ; and no doubt they will render easential service to the expedition which they are required to join.
-The Qu'Appelle Valley Farming Co. is trying the experiment of farming on a large scale. The farm, which is best known after the name of its manager, Major Bell, as the Bell farm, has 5,000 acres of wheat under crop, 2,000 under oats, and 500 of flax. Altogether there are 7,500 acres under crop, and next year itis expected that there will be over 10,000 acres. On the farm is being built an elevator with a capacity of 50,000 bushels. This experiment of farming on a large ncale, and with the adrantage of all the appliancen which capital can give, wlll be watched with interent.
-Messers. D. Morrioe \& Co., have exported to order 500 bales of Oanadian cottons. The price obtained is said to be a little higher than the lowest received in Canada. This transaction, we fear, cannot be taken as evidence that Canada is in a position to meet the competition of the world in neutral markets. If this were the case, the surplus stocks could easily be disposed of ; protection would have done its work, and henceforth free trade in cotton goods would be possible. What is necessary to know, in connection with this transaction, is whether the price obtained is one for which ootton can be manufactured and a living profit made. If the sale is not made on a nacrifice market, this outlet might have been found before, and accumulation of atocks prevented; if it is, as it almost certainly is, the transaction may be a necemsity and a convenience, under the circumstances, but it is not one that can fairly be quoted as proof that Canada can meet the competition of the world in cotton goods.

Last year, the State of Oonnecticut tared 27 life insurance companies no lens than \$1,312,853. Three Connecticut companies, the Etna, the Connecticut Mutual and the Phoenix, have paid other State tares than thone of Connecticut since 1874, the onormous sum of $\$ 1,633,174$, which, added to what was paid to their own State, makes a total of $\$ 4,711,495$. The taxes paid by the 27 companies to their own State now average about 2 per cent.; the fluctuations being from less than 1 to 15 per cent. These taxes fall upon the companies as far as they affect contracts existing when the taxes were imposed, otherwine they fall upon the insured, and act as a discouragement to.thrift and foresight. The pernicious tendency to raise a large proportion of the revenue on commercial corporations, which exist in several States, shows that the State taxation too often takes the indirect form, doubtless because, in that form, revenue can be rained with the minimum of popular objection.
-The Monetary Times has already shown that the transcontinental railway which will get the cream of the through traffic between Europe and China and Japan must be prepared to do it on the best terms. It in now announced that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company will put itself in a position to become a formidable rival for this traffic; and with that view will put on steamers between the Pacific terminus of the road and China and Japan. This enterprise will contribute to success in this rivalry. The nature of British and American commercial treaties with China and Japan will have some bearing on the courne which the trade will take. It is not always advantageous for railway companies to own steamern-generally perhaps it is not-but the conditions of oompetition neem to favor that course, in the prement instance.
-That the Canadian Pacific Railway will be completed by the 1at January, 1886, continues to be confidently and authoritatively asserted. When that is done, it is not im. probable that the Sault Ste. Marie section, from Algoma Mills, will be added. An

American road is $n=m$ being pushed eastward to the Sault, an enterprise which would have no adequate object unless there were a prospect of the extension of the Sault branch of the Canadian Pacific. But this is something in the future. Interest centres in the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway proper ; what supplementary work may be done afterwards has little present interest for Canadians.

## SEDUCTION.

The proposal which has been so often discussed in the Dominion Parliament to make seduction under certain ciroumstances a oriminal offenoe has attracted considerable attention to the subject. Whether that course is the proper remedy is a mattor of doubt, but that some change in the law is neoessary, must be evident to everyone. Seduction, unless conpled with a promise of marriage, entitles the party really offended against to no redress whatever in the eye of the law. The actions for seduction, so frequently brought into our courts, are all instituted by the parent or other guardian of the unfortunate victim. Their right to recover is based upon the theory that by what has taken place they have been put to pecuniary loss by resson of the inability of the person seduced to do her acoustomed work - and perform her acoustomed service. True, the jary in award. ing damages is not bound to pay strict regard to the actual amount of loss thus sustained, and as a matter of faot takes the sentimental part of the oase largely into its consideration in eatimating the damages.
While this is true, the loss of service is the only legal foundation of the right of action, and if the circumstances are such that there could have been no such loss the action cannot be maintained. This point is exemplified in a reoent decision by the Common Pleas Division of the Ontario High Court of Justice where the plaintiff, whnsought redress in the girls intereat, was her grand-nncle. It appeared that her father and mother had died when she was about twelve years of age, when she went to live with the plaintiff, and that as soon as she was able to perform demestic service she went from there to various persons, and was at the time of the neduction at service, a situation which she had occapied for three years previously. At the time of the offence she was about nineteen years of age. After the seduction she left her situstion, went to Detroit for a couple of weeks, and then retarned to the plaintiff's home, where she resided antil her illnese, when she went to an hospital where the confinement took place. While with the plaintiff she worked as one of the household, did whatever was required of her and was treated as if she were at home with her guardian. Under these ciroumstances it was held that the plaintiff had no right of action whatever, and of course the girl herself had none. The right of action, if any existed, was said to be vested in the person who was her em. ployer when the offence was committed. A6suming that that person refused, as he might very properly, from his point of view, refuse, to become a party to such an action, it does seem that this is a clear case of wrong for which the law provides no redress.

Another olass of cases in which difficulties of the same kind have arisen, is where a girl marries and it is subsequently disoovered that she was seduced before marriage, in consequence of which the husband, very properly of course, refuses to continue the conjugal relation. It would seem to be very doubtful whether under these oircumstances the right of aotion againgt the wrong doer is vested in anyone, unless, parheps,
in the husband, who, in such a case, is not likely to seek pecuniary redress in the interest of one whom he has discarded. The simple remedy for this state of things woald appear to be, to endow the victim herself with the right of action. In the majority of cases, as they occur, it is true that it makes no practical difference, as the father or gaardian secures redress in his name; but this is no reason why that redress should be entirely denied in cases where it happens that there is no one who, in the eye of the law, is entitled to maintain a suit. The whole subject is a deplorable one, bat it is one with which every commanity must grapple in some shape, and there really appears to be no reason why the rules of the law, with reference to it, should not be based apon some rational principle.

## DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

The ordinary summer and autumn travel to Montreal has been, this year, supplemented, and the holiday sotivity of the city incressed, by the gathering in that oity, during the present week, of the British Aseociation for the Advanoement of Science, and the annual meeting of the Canada Medical Association. The last-named would, of itself, have attracted a considerable number of the medical profession from all parts of Canada, as is usual wherever its meetings are held. But the overshadowing attraction is the concourse of distinguıshed men, in all branches of science, wnich the yearly gathering of the former ensures. It is pleasing to know that the bold idea of having this year's gathering in Montreal instead of in some city of the United Kingdom, originated with a Canadian, the Lord Bishop of Ontario. The last president was a well-known mathematician, Professor Cayley, L.L.D., F.R.S. ; and the president-elect is the Right Hon. Lord Rayleigh, D.C.L., F.R.G.S., \&c., Professor of Experimental Physios at Cambridge, and known in former years as Mr. Strutt. The buildings and grounds of McGill College, the David Morrice Hall, and we believe also the handsome Presbyterian College, have all been allotted for the parposes of the meeting, which will include almost a thousand scientific mon, members or associates. The wives and daughters of many of these have accompsnied them across the Atlantic, and not a few American and British professors and doctors are in attendance as delegates at the various sections.
In the group of portraits of leading members published in Harper's Weekly we recognize the well-known features of two Canadian scientists, Dr. Dawson, of McGill College and Dr. T. Sterry Hunt, both vice-presidents, while the list of Sectional Officers inoludes Dr. Daniel Wilson, in Anthropology ; Prof. J. Clark Murray, in Eoonomio science and statistics; Dr. Bell and the Abbe Laflamme in 'geography ; Profs. Osler and Ramaay Wright in biology ; Prof. Selwyn in geology ; Prof. Pike and Mr. Thos. Macfarlane in chemistry; Prof. Cherriman and Mr. Chas. Carpmael in Mathematical and Physical science, names which will be readily recognized in Canadian scientific circles. The citizens of Montreal have made most hospitable arrangements for the entertainment of their distinguished guests. Exouraions, either free or at reduced rates, are arranged, in order to give opportunity for visiting Quebec, Ottawa, Toronto and Manitobs. The Government of Ontario, we understand, makes the members of the Association its guests for a visit to the Agricaltural College of Guelph during the coming week, and an excursion party, limited to 300 , is to be conveyed free over the Ontario and Quebec road to Toronto. Finally, acoording to the official excursion programme, 150 ladies and gentlemen,
members and associates, will be conveyed by train from Montreal to the Rocky Mountains, free of oharge ; and, so far has Canadian liberality been carrisd: "Trans-Atlantic members of the Association, who have not already visited the North-West, and who are not inoluded in the special excursion, may, if they so desire, obtain free passes to the summit of the Rooky Mountains by the Canadian Pacific Railway, enabling them to make the journey by regular trains."
If, therefore, the strangers do not "have a good time," the fanlt can hardly be eaid to be ours. The result of this great gathering cannot well be other than beneficial to Canada in affording so many able and prominent mon the opportunity of seeing for themselves what Canada is like.

## PREVENTABLE FIRES.

Mr. Edward Atkinson, President of the Boston Manufacturers' Matual Fire Insurance Company is among the visitors to the science meeting of the British Associstion in Montresl. To this gentleman's thorough and scientifio investigation into the causes and prevention of fires, is due the credit of the grest reductions effeoted in the rates of insurance on particalar mennfactaring risks, which under certain specified conditions his company insures. By patient and laborious work, he first tabulated the losses his company had sustained for a period of 28 years. He then claesified, with great care, the origin and canse, so far as known, of each fire, and found that nearly one-half of them was due to spontanecus combustion and the use of broken lanterns. He cffered prizes to the students in the Massachnsett's School of Teohnolegy, for investigation into the comparative danger arising from the different kinds of oils used in mille. Varions methods were resorted to in order to solve this interesting question. The most successful experiment was that of saturating pieces of cotton waste with the different kind of oils, enclosing each in a separate metallic case together with a thermometer. Some popalar oils were soon proved to be extremely bazardous, while others were found to be compsiratively safe-and a few quite safe. Mr. Atkinson took advantage of the knowledge thas obtained and insured such mills, only, as used the non ha zardons oil. Animal oils were fonnd to be the most dangerons and mineral oils the least.

An improved lantern was invented the ase of whioh greatly reduoed the number of fires; the old lanterns were at once abandoned. It appeared that many fires occurred during the night when one workman only was employed in making repairs. A rule was at once adopted requiring all repairs during night or day to be done by two workmen at least, on the ground that if there was only one, he oould not extingaish the fire and give the alarm at the same time, whereas in the other cesse, one could give the alarm, while the other attempted to extinguish the incipient fire. This was also found to work satisfaotorily in reducing fires. The rule is that one of the workmen mast be competent to etart the engine and pumps promptiy.
One thing was clearly made manifest, that fires were more frequent during the night, and when work was suspended than at other times. The 4th Jaly, thankegiving day, Christmas and other holidays, were foand to be notable for fires. Increased care and vigilance during such times were insisted upon by the mill mutuals. This eminent anderwriter recommends strongly the use of wooden doors sheathed with tin, to divide one part of a risk, in a large building, from another. These doors are looked upon as being much superior to those made of
iron, which are apt to warp with the heat from a large fire. The following is a summary of the rules which are the outcome of Mr. Atkinson's laboars.

1st. That the parts of a building should be each as independent as possible, so that fire may be restricted within manageable bounds, and prevented from commanication beyond such bounds.
2nd. That floor and roof timbers be solid, open and amooth, so as to burn slowly.
3rd. That floor and ceiling be one solid piece of wood, without concealed spaces where fire may course, or where rats and mice may build nests of oily rags.
4th. That all elevators, stairways and other openings from floor to floor. be cut off by hatches or doors, antomatic in their action if
possible. possible.

## INSORANCE NOTES.

The New England Insurance Exchange has declared war upon oil stoves. The use of gasoline stoves for heating or cooking is absolately prohibited, and special permits mast now be obtained for the use of kerosene oil stove burning in a gaseous form. The oil stoves burning by means of wicks are permitted, as heretofore. The action has been taken in view of the con. stantly increasing number of fires reported from oil and gasoline stoves. They are considered very hazardous, snd their use is not only pro-
hibited in houses bat for drying and heating hibited in houses bat for drying and heating
shops.
The General Manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, announces the amalgamation of that Company's Employees' Ineurance Fund with the
Great Western Railway Provident Soeiety to Great Western Railway Provident Society, to be known hereafter as the Grand Traink Railway
Insurance and Provident Socisty. The em. insurance and Provident Socisty. The employees of both roads who, on the lat of July,
1884, were contribators to either fund partioi 1884, were contribators to either fund participate in the privileges of the new society. The new society provides a bentfit of three dollars a. week whioh includes sickness as well as acci-
dent. The benefits payable in case of death range fram $\$ 250$ to $\$ 2,000$, divided into eix classes. The directors of the road aid the soci6ty to the amount of $\$ 10,000$ per annum, while in addition to this there is a balanoe on hand of $\$ 20,000$ to the credit of the old fand which will form a rest for the new organization.
The Hartford Courant tells this story: "A life insurance polioy holder who took out a twenty years endowment policy in 1864 had reoeived notice each year, of the time whon his annual payment was to be made, and had made nineteen payments. Expeeting to make another, he was aurprised not to receive a notice, and some of his neighbors told him there was something wrong, and made remarks unfriendly to life inearance generally. He came to Hartford the other day, in hot haete, to ree what sort of a swindle he was the vietim of. His surprise was very great indeed, when be was told that nineteen payments carriod his policy throagh, though by the terms of the contract, the twentieth payment could be collected, and, in view of this fact, no notioe was sent. He had paid up all that could be arked of him, and in December he will receive in cash the face of his policy. He went home very much delighted, and by this time has told his much concerned neighbors that he is only sorry be did not take out a larger policy in the company."

Under the new regulation for Government life insuranoe in England, a novel experiment is being tried. Insuranoes for sums not exceeding e25 are now granted at any post-office eavings bank without any medical examination. If,
however, the insured should die before th second annual premium beoomes payable, the amount of the first premium and no more, will be paid to his representative; should the insured die after the payment of the second, but before the third premiam becomes due, the representatives will be paid only half the amount of the policg. After the payment of the third preminm the polioy is entitled to fall benefit. It is nevertheless provided that in case of death within two years of an insured who has been medically examined, if it can be proved to the satisfaction of the Postmaster-General that the death was cansed by acoident, the full amount of
the policy will be paid. the policy will be paid.
At the twelfth annual Convention of the National Association of Fire Engineers and Heads of Fire Departments, to be held in Chicago on Sept. 9, the following are among the general topios to be discussed :
What are the advantages to a city of a paid fire department over that of a called and paid fire department combined?
Report a blank form for keeping a statistioal record of fires, slarms, losses, insurance; sleo remarks in regard to the canses of all fires, where known, and recommend legisiation on the subject.
As there are many towns without the leant aign of preparation for proteotion against fire, and groat dostraction is necessarily the result, report an economical plan for such; and should legislation be recommended on the subject?
On the importance of educated men being ap-
pointed to positions in paid fire departments ; report a plan for adoption.
Is it important that antomatic steam pipes should be introduoed into extra hazardous establishments, viz, lint rooms in cotton mills, cotton seed mills or drying houses?
What are the essential requirements to constitute an efficient officer in a fire department ? Commenting apon the eubject of fire protection the New York Bulletin says:-" Notorion ly, a majority of the smaller towns and villages of the United States" and these remarkn apply with equal force to Canada "are absolutely without any sdequate proteotion in this matter of fire service. And, just as notoriously, these same imperilled towns are always ready to vote down propositions for eitber fire servioe or water works, trusting as they do (rud have too mach reason to do) to thoughtless or friendly insurance managers who are ailly enough to insare communities so blind and reckless as to be under setving of insurance. As we have often had occasion to remark, this matter of providing precations against fire, or facilities for the extinetion of fires, does not come within the province of fire insuranoe companies. Their basiness is, first, to colleot preminms adequate to the risk they run, and then pay losses as thay ocour. It a commanity-large or small, city, town or village-provides no method, or no adequate method, of fire extinetion, it is for the underwriter to adjust his rate for insurance accordingly, and so on down to the oity which, at whatever needful expense, invests money in engines, fire-alarm telegraphs, firemen, ato., up to the full requirements of risk called for by population, area and peculiar manufacturing bazards. All the interest insurance ocmpanies can fairly the mean to have in the matter is to make the moan and reakless and improvident commanity pay the full price for the extra hazard they impose upon property thas foolishly exposed to destruction."
The annual session of the "National Insurance Convention of the United States " will be beld at the Grand Proific Hotel, Chicago, come
mencing on Wednesday, September the 24th, 1884, at 11 a.m.

## HALIFAX TRADE.

"There are two principal cansee for the prevailing dulness and depression is the trade of this City," said Mr. J. R. Lithgow to a Herald reporter: (1) The over production and consequent cheapness of sugar. (2) Steam by land and by eea, supplanting eailing vessels. The first of these is well-known, as is also its efleots upon our Weat. India and fish trade. Germany and France have been producing immense quantities of beet root sugar, which finds its way to England, United States and Canada, taking the place and bringing down the price of cane sugar. As a consequence the West India sugars are being
ruined, and the West Indies ruined, and the West Indies so impoverished that they oannot buy fieh and pay anything lite the prices they did a year or two ago. Then, again, although their sugars do not bring near the cost of producing them, they who buy them, our West India merchants among others, oannot sell them at a proft, cannot even make a freight on them for their vessel, hence the fish sent out not paying and the sugar trade leaving a loss, a very bad business is the result; and a place like Halifsx so much dependent on a profitable West India trade foels the effeets of the existing state of things. Hisd there been a good demand for Weat India angars at paying rates it would have made a vast difference to the trade of Halifax as well as to the West India planters. Halifax to-day feels the effects indir. ectly of an over production of beet root angar."
Referring to the second he said: "Nova Scotia trade used to be done by hyndreds of ocasters, carrying goods between its numerous ports and P. E. Island, United States, Newfoundland, etc. Nine-tenths of this is now done by railways, and a few steamers. Look at the coals brought to Halifax by rail, formerly freighted by dozens of vessels, many of whigh took back
return cargoes. A couple of steamers ranning return cargoes. A couple of steamers running coastwise now do the work that a lot of sailing
packets formerly did. So two or three steamers packets formerly did. So two or three steamers between Halifax and Boston and New York,
freight, what would employ a amall fleet of schconers. Then again, all the principal places in Nova Scotia have steam commanication by land or sea with the whole world, as much no, some of them as Halifax. They do their trade independently of Halifax, and we feel the effects
of this loss of basiness." of this loss of businers."

## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

F. \& C., Wellinaton; Will our correspondent please let us know what case he has reference to as having been before the Court of Chancery. We know of none of recent date.
-The conviction of the directors and managers of the Bank of Lyons, which failed nearly three years ago, shows that wrong doers, in that country, are not sheltered by their position from condign panishment. Savary, ex-deputy, and formerly Under-Seeretary of State, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment, to pay a fine of 20,0 CO franos, and to anffer ton years' suspension of oivil and politial rights. Ho han absconded. Zielenski, the manager, was rentenced to five months' imprisonment, and to a fine of 8,000 francs. Bellantan, the mab-manager, was sentenced to four monthe' imprisonment, and a fine of 5,000 franos. The reat were fined from one to ten thousand franos. In America, including Oanada, this form of arime unfortunately meets greater immunity. The French example is, however, worthy of imitation; for so long as wrong goes unpunished, it is sure to continue to be committed.
-The direotors of the Royal Insuranoe Co'y mot together in Liverpool, on the lat of Augast, to mentally digest the figures of the annual report for 1883. That the undertaking was a pleasant one no one who has perused the atatement of the fire branch will doubt. The not promiums received amount to $\mathbf{£ 9 8 2 , 7 3 7}$, whioh is a gratifying increase of $£ 38,472$, or a profit of $£ 100,000$. The losses amount to 61.4 of the premiams or $£ 603,432$, a less sum than was absorbed last year. The directors have orested what they call a "Conflagration Fund" and to which as a first instalment they place the sum of $£ 200,000$, being a part of the amount derived from the increased value of securitiee. The shareholders need not be sarprised if they do not find the next report to show such large gains. The Chairman, in his address, sp aks of the numeroas fires that took place in the early part of this year, many of them of very serious character." He takes anything bat a gloomy view of the matter, however, for we find him saying "whatever our losses may prove to be in one year, I am quite satisfied that they will be made up in subsequent years." The exhibit of the Life Dapartment is a good one. The premiams from $£ 403,384$ worth of new assurances reached £14,027, whioh, added to the revenue from policies previously in force, maker a total of $£ 252,879$. About $5 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of the premiams will provide for the expenses and the commissions absorb 4.4 per cent. The total funds of this successful Oompany now stand at $£ 5,245,105$ or something over $\$ 26,000,000$.
-The Wall Street bant was opend on Mondsy for the first time since its suspension. As soon as the court orders the resumption of payment, depositors will, they have been informed, receive a portion of their money. It is thought that depositors will eventually be paid in fail, while whareholders likely to bo partially reimbursed.
-Late dispatches from Vienna announce the failare of a large agar refiner, R. Weinrich, with liabilities of $\$ 4,000,000$. The failare is said to be the natural outcome of the overproduction of beet sugar in Europe.
-A half yearly dividend at the rate of ten per cent. per annum is annonnced by the London \& Canadian Loan and Agency Company.

## FIRE RECORD.

Ontazio.-Goderich, Aug. 24.-The arcade skating rink was totally destroyed by fire tonight. Los folly covered by insurance in the North Britioh and Mercantile. -London Tp., contents were destroyed by fire, and 1,000 bush. els of wheat, 400 of oats, 250 tons of hay, two
horses and four pigs were burned. Loss $\$ 8,000$ horses and four pigs were burned. Loss $\$ 8,000$
to $\$ 10,000$, partly covered in Grange Insurance to $\$ 10,000$, partly covered in Grange Insurance
Company. Toronto, Ang. 25. The olab chambers, a large wooden building on the island owned by George Jackson, and ocoupied by W. H. Cooper, was burned to the groand this morning. Luss on bailding and farniture about
$\$ 5,000$. Fully covered by insurance. Parkdale, 27 th. -The losses by late fire here are, Todd, $\$ 1,000$, no insurance ; R. R. Hayes. $\$ 1, \mathrm{con}$, Insured in Guardian; Edward's, $\$ 1,500$, insured; Jas. Hiokey, \$2,300 insured in Western. Gravenharst, Aug. 26.-A fire oompletely deLioss on MoBarney \& Co.'s milland lamber yard. ohinery $\$ 20,000$; insured sbout $\$ 35,000$. ma Hamilton, 27th. - Mrs. Jno. Ferries' residence and oontents destroyed. Loss abont $\$ 20,000$; insured in L. \& L. \& Globe $\$ 5,000$ and $\$ 2,000$ in oompany unknown. Esquesing Tp.,24.-Donglas' barn on lot 4 con. 8th atruck by lightning and burned with entire orop; Loss, $\$ 3,000$; The hardw o store of R. Kingan, Griffin's shoe ahop and f ory adjoining and Harris' pawnshop
burned. Mr. Kingan's loss covered by insurance in London and Lancashire, $\$ 2,000$ in Royal and $\$ 2,500$ in Fire Assarance Association ; Mr. Griffin, 82,000 in the City of London on stcek, but Mr. Harris' loss about $\$ 300$, no insuranoe. Jones, ir. lot 20 Tp., 24th-The barn of H . ground with 20, con. 5, was burned to the ance. -Aldborough Tp. 24 th outbuildings of David Widmer, lot 12, 6 con., totally consumed with season's crops, maohinery, wagons, etc. Loss about $\$ 3,500$; insured in London Matasi for $\$ 1,500$.-Osacs, 22nd.Elliott's grist mill and contents barned. Loss $\$ 10,000$ not insured.
Other Provinces.-Ellghouse, N. S., 24.The sswmill owned by T. Ellenskausen and operated by F. W. Beckman, on the St. Croix river, together with 200,000 fset of sawn lumber and \& large boarding house adjoining, was totally
destroyed by fire. Suspected incendiary. Quebec, Aug. 24.-Martinus 8sw Mill with con-
tents burned. Loss heavy. tents burned. Loss heavy.-Shediao, N.B., burned, the former was insured $\$ 800$.

## THE CATTLE EXPORT QUESTION.

In view of arguments recently employed to secure the shipment from Cansdian ports of
United States ostlle, an extraot from the High Commissioner's report to the Dominion Govern. ment (just printed by order of the Commone) will prove interesting reading. It exemplifies the difficulty that already exists in retaining for Canada her present excellent position as a country entirely free from cattle disesses. The Commissioner says:-
There have been one or two cases in which cattle have been reported as arriving from Canada infeoted with disease, but on examination the rumors turned out to bs withont fonndstion, and Cansda remains in the particularly fortunate position of being one of those fow conntries from whioh cattle are received
freely in Great Britain, and are allowed "to freely in Great Britain, and are allowed "to
move about with only the same restrictions that are imposed upon English stook.
In August last three cargoes of cattle arrived from Quebeo on board the steameships Oregon, Nepigon snd Anger Head, and were stopped at
Liverpool by the Inspeotor of the Liverpool by the Inspector of the Privy Conncil, as being infeoted, it is stated, in the first place,
with splenic fever, and sabsequentiy it with splenic fever, and sabsequentiy it was reported that Texas fever was the disease from Which they were suffering. Having learned that the Privy Council had sent an officer from London, who inad corroborated the report of the Inspector at Liverpool and that the Privy Conn-
cil had ordered the whole cargo of tho Nepigon oil had ordered the whole cargo of tho Nepigon
to be slaughtered on the spot, and knowing that Canada was within mesenreable distance of
Cond being sohednled, I proceeded at once to Liverpool, armed with a letter from the Secretary the veterinary surgeon who had been sent from London, and who was there instruoted to submit all the evidence for my inspection and farnish me with every facility to examine the whole case.
Under my direction, half a dozen animals were slanghtered in my presence, and I sucthat they were entirely free from disear Duquid
The cargoes of the two from disease.
similarly inspected and with the same resalt.
I requested Professor Duquid to send an amended report at onee to London, and having returned to London that night, I met the Secretary of the Privy Conncil early on the following morning, and after a full discassion of the whole question with him and several veterinary authorities of the Privy Council, an order
was sent, cancelling the previons Fas sent, esncelling the previons one and freeing all three oargoes from any restrictions.
Mr. Peel, the Secretary of the Privy Council, I had given to this important matter expressed himself as much gratified by the result. A case was also reported during the last year in which some cattle from Canada were stated to be infected with the toot-and. month disease at Bristol.
Enquiries, however, into this matter, elicited the faot that the snimals were passed as being
in good order at Liverpool, and that they were deposited, on arrival in Bristol, in a yard in which some beasts from Ireland had previously been placed, and it was in this way that the

It has been reported that Oanadian sheop affected by soab, have been found in some cargoes that have arrived. I believe, however, it is the faot that these were rejected and refused to be passed by the veterinary inspector at the port of Montresl. But it happened that there was no impediment to their being imported to the United States. They were, therefore, tent to Portland, and from that port shipped as Canadian sheep; the port of exportatian being, however, from the United States.
Considering the exceptional position in which Canada is placed at the present time, with regard to the exportation of animale of all kinds to Great Britain, it becomes a matter of national importance that every care should be taken both oy the farmers and shippers, to prevent any ani-
mals being shipped which may be infected with mals being shipped which may be infected with
disease or which may be, to any extent disease or which may be, to any extent, unhealthy, whether the ailment from which they are suffering is infections or not. It is gratilyng all the friends of Canada to see that such an important industry is growing, and when it is Bited that the imports of live cattle into Great Biitain, from all conntries, average 350,000 per annum, in addition to about $1,000,000$ sheep and 16,000 swine, it will be seen what an admirable and growing market is available for all kinds of stock that may be raised in Canads. The value of the imports of live eattle, in 1882, was over $£ 9,000,000$, in addition to dead meat of the value of $£ 6,000,000$, and other agricultural products valued at $\mathbf{£ 1 2 , 0 0 0 , 0 0 0}$.
As an inducement to the Gover. ment to consent to allow Wyoming and Montans cattle to be shipped from Canadian porta it is represented that a million of cattle a year will be transported over Canadian railways and ehipped from Montreal. The statemont is proposteroas, the figarem given by the High Commieaioner showing that the import of cattle into England and Scotland
from all conntries is only 350,000 per annum from all conntries is only 350,000 per annum. Bat even it the railways of Canada were to carry a million of United States cattle Canadian animals, being shipped from land as Canadian cattle, and would thua receive the benefit of the exceptional health pssition which Canada enjoys-thia would be poor compensation to Canada should this export of foreign cattle oventually cause her to lose her exceptional advantages. One result would certainly follow. All western and southern United States oattle would soon become Wyoming or Montans cattle, carrying disease with them. It is as much as we can do in Canada to keep our own herds free from disease; we cortainly oannot undertake to regulate all the United States as well. We know where we stand now ; bat if Mr. Frewer's visws were to prevail we might wake up some morning to find that our railways had lost the promised traffic and that Canad. had been placed on the list of "soheduled" oountries. In fact, we might parchase this railway traffic at far too dear a prioe.-Mon-
treal Herald.

## THE DARKNESS BEFORE DAWN.

The conditions of the times is not promotive of cheerfulness. The process of liquidation in volves a continual diminution of the estimated values of property, so that everybody feels comparatively poor, and a good many people are apprehensive of becoming positively so. It seems an intermin able while since things first began to settle down to hard bottom. The business inflation of 1879 did'nt fairly break out till towards the end of the year; it reached its height and began to subside within six months thereafter, and it ended abruptly on the day of the great national tragedy of July 2,1881 . The interval of more than three years has been marked by a dull, wearisome decadence, relieved by occasional sparts of artificial activity, brief of duration and fruitless of benefits. During the greater part of the time we have been on the
down grade. Commodities of all kinds down grade. Commodities of all kinds have been falling in price and increasing in quantity. the moment call to mind a single one, except cotton-that has not gone down very much below its average value, and some things are cheaper than they ever were before. The mechanical industries of the country are unprofitable, and a considerable number of ablebodied men have been thrown out of employment. These are the discouraging features of the situation, and it is not at all surprising that they have impaired confidence to such a degree that a great many business men have lost
heart and hope. The spirit of enterprise is com-
pletely chilled. Prudent men are intent upon trying to save what they have left. They are afraid to venture apon any undertakings which Capitalists hoard their money ; they haven't the courage to lend it. The principal depositories are full to overflow, and securities that have hitherto been regarded as perfectly safe are of fered at rates which assure tempting returns of interest to investors and few of them can be marketed. The volume of currency is no greater than it was five years ago, when the population was 15 per cent. smaller than it is now, and yet
there is a larger amount of funds lying idle than there ever was before. The condition of affairs is, in some respect, anomalous. It seems like famine in the midst of plenty, scarcity in the midst of abundance. $A$ sort of paralysis has seized the whole commercial system, which has resulted in a stupor which is destructive of the capacity for vigorous exertion and hardy activity.
The rigid and severe adjustment of values, Thich has been going on so so long, will be pro-
ductive of result so ben ductive of results so beneficial that ultimately nobody who had powers of endurance enough to bear the sifting will regret that it took place. It has been thorough and searching. Few persons, we imagine, realized how complete the
work of renovation would be. Depreciation of values seems calamitous. It does wear severely,
slike on the alike on the patience and the purse, to be
obliged to sell property at less than obliged to sell property at less than cosst. St Still,
if it can be replaced if it can be replaced on correspondingly advan.
tageous terms, the evils of the transition be apparent rather than real. the transition will by the decline of prices of merchandise are legitimate risks of business. They may bear hard on individuals, but they do not decrease the general wealth. All that goes out of the pocketg of producers in that way goes into the pockets of consumers. There is no aggregate loss.
We reasoned that
We reasoned that leather must appreciate twelve months, as there now has been ber for for
no teen, a continuous and very considerable curtailment of production. We assumed, moreover. that consumption must increase relatively with population, which is at the rate of about three per cent. annually. Our premises were correct: our conclusions were erroneous, because we did not make allowance enough for the effect of the
general depression on the distribution, if not upon the use, of leather fabrics.
Howerer that
However that may be, we do not see anything to
mourn over in the present condition on mourn over in the present condition of the trade. they have in the vats if prices remain as they are, but they can replenish at much lower figures materials fall proportionately. The shoe it manufacturers can make as many goods as they have orders for, and it isn't necessary
speculate in they should speculate in futures by maling any more. Low
prices, when we get settled down to prices, when we get settled down to them, will
be best for the people and safest for the merchants. The poopt important object is to to have theo equal, if shoes are cheap, the material to make them of shoull be cheap; if leather is oheap, hides must be bought cheap, if all branches
of the trade are to flourish. It of the trade are to flourish. It may be that
labor will be low also it looks very Way now. But if the worldy man can buy all the necessaries of life at figures which will more than
make up for the disparity between his make up for the disparity between his old wages and the new, he can have no fault to find. Ag
soon as these all phases of the situation are recog. soon as these all phases of the situation are recog-
nized and understood there ought to be an end of strikes, and perhaps even the croakers will feel inclined to hide themselves from the public gaze.

- Shoe and Leather Reporter -Shoe and Leather Reporter.


## PUBLIC CONFIDENCE.

Commeroial men talk and write glibly concorning "pablic confidence," and its presence, ites absence, or its retarn, are continually apoken of as an essential feature of the business situa. tion, bat it is a question worthy of thoughtfal consideration, in view of the recklessness with which this essential and fandamental element of trade operations has so often been abused, Whether the true signifioance of the influence has boen really and rightly appreeiatod by those
whom it most concerns. Money is said "to Whom it most concerns. Money is said "to
make the mare go ${ }^{\text {" }}$ it is called, with respest to all businese enterprises, the "sinews of war;" but, after all, is not publio confidenoe the indeed, a difficult thing to desocribe or define, but yet its potenoy as an important factor in bueiness is well known and reognized. Its strangth is
undeniable, for it links together in an endless
ohain of matual dependance vast intereats, and it is so fragile that a breath of nuepicion bat jet up and magnified and maltiplied, may eaght hastior it. It is susooptible of quiok deastruction and recovers slowly, and should never be needensly assailed. How important a part it plays in oommercial affairs of every day has been amply demonstrated by the occurrenoes that precipitated the Wall street flurry in May last
Primarily the scarcity of available monay Primarily the searcity of available money was at
the root of the diffonlty, he root of the diffioulty, but money was soarce
becanase confidence was to believe that the difficulty has boen that there was not money enough in existence, and hence, that relief was to be obtained by the Government putting out a few more millions of greenbacks. Daring the panio a great deal was attempted to
be made of the fact that the Treasary had the fact that the Seoretary of the tant relief was expeeted to bond call, and in cement, but subsequent events have proved that there was no laok of actual money, but that a violent shock to public confidenoe had cansed it to ir to places of absolute esafety, and so long as from its intronch no offer of interest could coas it from its intrenchment. If there had been ten times the amount of money in existence the experience would have been the same. It was not an actual scarcity of money that was the matter but the want of confidence in men as well as in values, and until this had become in some manner restored, the timid representatived of
value kept to its value kept to its hiding place. Since then the situation has improved, confidence has been slowly returning, and, as a consequence, money has again been seeking the channels of trade. above suspicion, for this is the normal condition of its existence, and with it oredit may be exor its exisionoe, and with it oredit may be ox-
panded within healthy limits, bat once Etartled or abased by a breath of uncertainty and it con. tracts with a हuddenness that threatens destrustion to the whole structure that it so subtily yet
so firmly binds together.-N. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Y }\end{aligned}$ Shiping

## SOLICITING TRADE.

The practice of soliciting trade through the agenoy of travelling salesmen has beoome so firmly established that it seems almest quixotic to entertain the idea that it oan be interrapted or checked. It has become a part of the commarcial system ; it applies to all olasses and country haverohandise; the tradesmen of the samplea brought to them that they no longer hinin it neesessary to go atter them. We cannot relinquish the belief that the plan has many ob jeotionable featares ; there can be no doubt that
it is exceedingly erpensive it is exoeedingly expensive; it adde greatly to
the coat of doing businesp; the cost of doing business; we are of opinion, more heavily on producers than consumera Nevertheless those who objeot to the oustom mant atrongly have been compelled to adopt it, for, if the majority will fall in with it, the min.
ority must. There were evils abon ority must. There were evils abont it when it Irst oame in vogue that time will ameliorate. In the earlier stages of the innovation the natar-
al inference of buyers, when goods were pressed upon them, must have been that such eagerneess hensions of superabyne been prompted by apprehensions of superabundant and deolining prices.
They couldn't readily understand Masesachnsotts readily understand why a man in thessachasetts should send a representative all plea nnless he had a strong motive for getting rid of his wares nith as little delay as possible.
Consegnently the bargain an th they wre sure to drive as seen a we presume, in any quarter, that the deonied, trade have been whittled down that the profts of thls method of disposing of goode vee orinines resorted to. It may bo taken for granted that fontances of delinquency in payments are not matter, then the were before. To sum up the aystom are at least threetold. Firat laraveling incurral is required; second, greater expense is obvious objections will oconr realized. Other such as that it is not sa decur to overy reader, customer through an geat ga it to deal with a ectly, and that in case of disagreements abont terms of sale or quality of goods, the parties friffl make the oontracts are not the ones who that the syatem is it seems to be a settled thing that the system is to prevail, and in the course of time its defeots may be partially remedied, if not wholly eradioated. It has soarcely padied,
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trade, and it would be singular if the pioneers in the experiment did not encounter some mis. Shoe and It whe growing into universal ase.Shoe and Leather Reporter.

## $\triangle$ SHORT HISTORY OF TWO PER CENT.

Seldom, if ever, in the whole history of banking has money been so cheap as this week. A quarter of 1 per cent per annum (1)d. a day
interest on $£ 1000$, or only 13 s 8 d , a day for intereet on $£ 1000$, or only 138 8d. a day for the loan of $£ 100,000$ ) is so strange-we had written impossible-a condition of affairs, that it will send the sooner to work its own cure. Country bankers cannot afford to have balances eating their heads off in London at even $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. and heir London agents who receive money on snch terms, and relend at 7 , or in dofault of a bettor
price, let the money lie idle, are equally desirong priee, let the money liei idle, are equally desirous of being rid of it. That the "official minimum" is not now below 2 per cent. is owing to the circumstanoe that the Bank of England never has pablighed a quotation below that figure; but ander present oonditions they must accommodate their private onstomers below that rate, or practioally, for the time, sarrender their discount breiness. No other State Bank, except the Bank of France, has ever lowered its rate to 2 per cent. level, and the periods during which that rate has lasted, carry a moral which may with advantage be pointed out juat now. The following, tharefore, are the dates and daration of a 2 per cent. rate at the Bank of England:-
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210 Temo per oent. not only means that the demand for money is small, that prioes are low. and that speocilation is at a standatill; it means ers have for the time many securities which bankas, for instance, they have now done against, American and Canadian railways.-Economist,
July 26th. July $26 t h$.

Thi Erie Rold's Condition.-Mr. Powell rays: "The statement that the Erie Company ought to have $84,000,000$ to $85,000,000$ of funded oapital to pay flosting debt and make its panaces comfortable is correct. The nonparment of the Jane ooupon is now justified for the rates have been so low and the trade of
the trunt lines is eo dall thot the of the lines is so dull that the net earnings of the carrent financial year will ehow the seoond mortgage intereas fally earned. If you ask an to the conpon for the fature, the payment must depend on the fature net earnings. Primself. In reappeat which ench must do for himself. In respeat of future earnings, howver, it must be borne in mind that they may perchanoe have to be availed of to some extent or the fature equipment trast instalments, if not otherwise provided for. We have at prosent to deal with the facts of the present, and the ing debt caused by three is that there is a floasing debt caused by three or four prinoipal items: advancee to the Chicago and $\Delta$ tlantic Road, advanoes for coal mines and coal railroads in the Bradford Dietrict, advances for improvements on the Hudson River at Weehawken, and equipment truat instalments, for none of which have any sufficient permanently funded ways
and means been provided and means been provided; so the company was
oaught by the May panio, and the tronle canght by the May panio, and the troable was
accontuated and aggravated by the Ward diod and aggravated by the Grant \& Ward disaster. It is now olear enough that the owners of the rond, not only shareholders, bat ought to consolidated mortgage bondholders, manent funds for disemabarrasaing the company. The melhod in dotail of fanding the floating debt ought to be framed in New York, and it is oar desire that it ahould be devieed here; it in altogether most fitting that it should be wo. The Erie line is a great Now York property, very important to this wealthy eity, and New York should not think of playing neocond fiddle when it ought for all reasons to insist on playing first. As to the condition of the Erie, I have boen over the road, and I found it in good running order-immeasarably better than when I
want over it in 1877."

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## BRITISH MARKETS.

## London, Aug. 27th 1884.

Beerbohm's report. Floating cargoes-Wheat inaotive; maize, none offering. Cargoes on passage-Wheat, heavy ; maize, dull. Mark Lane-Wheat and maize, very slow; good cargoes red winter wheat, off coast, 35 s . to 35 s . 6 d . was 35s. 1d. to 36s. ; good cargoes No. 1 California wheat, off coast, 35s. 6 d. ., was 36 s .; good cargoes No. 2 spring wheat, off coast, 34s., was 34s. 6d. No. 2 red winter, shipment during pre sent and following month, 34s. 3d., was 34s 6d.; do. prompt shipment, 34s. 3d., was 34s. 6d. 6d.; do. prompt shipment, 348. 3d., was 34s.
English and French country markets heavy.

Liverpool, Aug. 27 th. 1884
Breadstuffs, firmer, but not quotably higher Flour, 10s. to 11s. 6d.; spring wheat, 6p. 11d. to Flour, 10 s . to 11 s .6 d. ; spring wheat, 6f. 11 d. to
7 s .1 d. ; red winter. 7s. 0d. to 7s. 3d.; No. 1 7s. 1d. ; red winter. 7s. Od. to 7s. 3d.; No. 1
Cal. 7s. 4d. to 7s. 9 d. ; No. 2 Cal., 7s. 0d. to 7s.
 peas, 6s. 8d.; pork, 77s. 6d. ; lard, 40 s . 0d. bacon, 50s. 0d. to 51s. 6d.; tallow, 36s. 0d. cheose, 50s. 6d.

## AMERICAN MARKETS.

New Yobk. Aug. 27th 1884.
Cotton, firm; uplands, 10 13/16c. Orleans, $111 / 16$. Flour, firm. Rye flour and cornmeal, steady and unchanged. Weeas, No. Chicago, steady and nucharged. Wneas, No. Chicago,
$86 \frac{1}{20}$; ; No. 2 red, 869 to $90 \frac{9}{4} 0 . ;$ No. 1 red and white State. $\$ 1.01$; No. 2 red for September,
 unchanged. Barley, ateady. Malt, inactive. Corn, firm ; No. 2, nominal; for September, 61 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 61 tc . : for October, 601 to 61 c . Oats, higher ; mixed, 34 to 350 . ; white, 36 to 42 c . ; No. 2 for Angust, 321 to $32 \frac{3}{2}$. Tsillow, unchanged. Pork, unsettied; new meas, $\$ 18.50$. Lard, firm at $\$ 7.90$ to 80 . Butter, firm, at 16 to $16 \frac{1}{2}$ o. Cheere, quiet and unchanged.

Chicago, Aug. 27th 1884.
Flour, quiet; Wheat, stronger; Aug. 783. to 7910. ; September, $79 \frac{1}{8}$ to 800 . ; October, $80 \frac{7}{8}$ to $81 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{e}$; No. 2 Chioago, epring, 788 to 7910. ; No. 2 red, 824 o . Corn, unsettled; 523 to 53 ze. Augast, 52最 to 534c.; September. 52 to 527 zo . Oats, active, $25 \frac{1}{4}$ to 25 sic . ; Angust, 35 to 35 g g. . September, $25 \frac{1}{8}$ to $25 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. Rye, firm, 560. Barley, firm, 62 to 62 fz c. Pork, dull, $\$ 18.50$ to $\$ 19$. August. \$27.50; Saptember, \$19. Lard, irregu. lar, $\$ 7.50$ to 7.55 ; September, $\$ 7.42 \frac{1}{2}$ to $\$ 7.55$.
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## MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Aug. 27, 1884.
Trade is quiet. Dry goods travellers are al ${ }^{1}$ hcme, and the warehouses show no signs of bustle, most of the first fall orders being filled. In groceries there is still a very fair movement and in pig iron there is an improvement, but other lines are unmarked, by any amount of activity. Payments are on the dull side, but this is not anasual to the season. Failures are singularly few, and of an animportant character of late. The drought complained of last week, has been relieved to some extent by showers, but frost has been experienced in some sections. Stock are duller than a week ago, and prices weaker, the rise then notioed having had apparently no real foundation. Latest sales are Montreal at 191 $\frac{1}{2}$; Merchants, $112 \frac{1}{\text {; }}$; Commerce, 1218 ; Ontario, 112 ; Richelien, 59 to 60 . The money market is unchanged.
Asbrs.- Since last writing the market has ruled rather dull and depressed, with few trans. cotions of any importance; No. 1 pots are quoted at about $\$ 3.75$; seconds $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.60$. Salos of pearls were reported a day or two ago on private terms at something under \$4.50, bat the nominal figare is $\$ 4.50$ to $\mathbf{4 . 7 5}$.

Cameris.-Portland Cement:continues ateady at $\$ 3.25$ per brl.; round lots, $\$ 2.90$ to $\$ 3$; Roman, $\$ 2.75$; Canadian, $\$ 1.75$; Fireclay, $\$ 2$ per bag ; Firebricks, $\$ 20$ to $\$ 30$ as to brand.

Drogs and Chemicals.- Business in these lines is only moderate at the moment, and a good many travellers are home; remittances are
is atill very much demoralized, and weaker if anything, prices being altogether nominal, other lines show no marked ohange. We quote Sal Soda $\$ 1.10$ per 100 lbs.; Bi. Carb. Soda, $\$ 240$ to 2.50 ; Soda $4 s h$ \$1.65 to $\$ 1.75$; Bichromate of Potash, per 100 lbs., 88.50 to $\$ 10$; Borax refined, 11 to $12 \frac{1 \mathrm{do} .}{}$; Cream Tartar orgstals, 30 to 31c.: do ground 34e. to 37, Tartaric Acid, 54 to 580 . per lb.; Caustic Soda White, $\$ 2.40$ to 2.60 ; Sugar of Lead, 9 to 1110. Bleaching Powder, $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 4.00$; Alum $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.90_{;}$Copperas, per 100 ibs., $\$ 1.00$. Ground Sulphur, $\$ 2.75$ to 83.00 ; Flowers Sul. phur, sublim per 100 lbs., $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.25$; Roll Sulphur, $\$ 2.40$ to $\$ 2.60$; Sulphate of Copper Sulphur, $\$ 2.40$ to 82.60 ; Sulphate of Copper,
$\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 6.50$; Epsom Salts, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.40$; Salt$\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 6.50$; Epsom Salts, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.40$; Salt-
petre, 89.00 to $\$ 9.50$; German Quinine, $\$ 000$ petre, $\$ 9.00$ to $\$ 9.50$; German Quinine, $\$ 000$ ard, 000 ; Opium, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5.00$; Morphia, $\$ 2.20$ to $\$ 2.30$; Gum Arabic, sort, 28 to 33 . White, 40 to 55c ; Hellebore, 20 to 240 ; Carbolic acid, 60 to $\% 0$.
Dry Goods.-In dry goods circles the preeent is a very quiet time, and the week. since last writing, has been devoid of interest. Travellers are all home and letter orders are few. The exhibition, will, it is hoped attract a certain number of buyers to town, and some western men sre expeoted on the chesp exoursion which takes place the firat week in Sfptember, but antil travellera get oat on the sorting trip aboat the begining of Ootobsr, there will nct probably be any degree of activity. City retail trade is also quiet, and remitianoes rather sluggish.
Flocr.- The market aontinues to rule dall With fow transactions reported "on change." We quote: Yuperior Extra, $\$ 460$ to $\$ 4.65$; Extra Superfine, $\$ 440$ to $\$ 4.50$; Fancy, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 0.00$; Spring Extra, $\$ 4.10$ to 84.15 ; Superfine, 83.25 to $\$ 3$ 35; Canadian Strong Bakers' $\$ 45$ io $\$ 5$. American do., $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.60$.
Fieh.-New Dry Cod is dropping in slowly, and is a ahade easier being quoted at $\$ 4.50$ to 34.75; thers is little doubt that the oatch will be below the average. New Cape Breton Her. rings are beginning to arrive in fair aupply, avd are being sold at $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.25$. Now North
Shore Salmon, $\$ 18$ for No. $1, \$ 17$ for No. 2 ; Shore Salmon, $\$ 18$ for No. 1, $\$ 17$ for No. 2 ; British Columbia, \$15.
Grockaizs - The volume of businese is being fairly maintained and moat houses report satis factorily as to the amount of orders coming in payments too are on the whole encoureging. In Teas there is an active demand fur Japans bringing aboat 20 cents, which are not obtainable, and better grades are somewhat neglected, though relatively cheaper than the commoner grades. Advices from Yokohama, Hiogo and Nagasaki all apeak of ths soarcity of cheaper lines, and monounce an advance of from $\$ 2$ to $\$ 3$ a picul in low priced goods. The firat cargo of new blacks is roported in New York. In Sugars prices still rule low, 65 $\frac{5}{3}$ s. being yefinery prices for granulated, yellows too are beginning to accuma ate, and prices are easier if anything. In grocery rawe we do not hear of anythi: $g$ doing. There is atill a very marked difference in the deas of holders and bayers of Molasses, and here is little doing in this line. Rice continues in demand and the mill has not yet overtaken he demand, price as before. Currants are very carce, stocks ordered some time ago not havicg yet arrived. Estimstes of the new orop place the yield at about same figares as last year, but first ehipments will likely be a fortnight earliar than last season. Filberts, sesrce, a ehipment of 100 bags received by a house here this week were exhausted in one day. Lobsters scarce and firm in price ; Sardines dearer, and will cost 10 to 101 c .
Leather - Trade ia assuming a quiet aspeot, and outside a fair euqniry for aplits, and No. 2 Spanish, there is not much bueiness to report There is atill a coneiderable export of solits going on, and stocks are light, bat all other lines are in fair sapply. Trade is likely to remain quiet until shoe travellers get on their sorting trip, which it is to be hoped will prove a vary fair one. We quote: Hemlock Spanish Sole B. A. 25 to 280. ; ditto, No. 2 B. A. 22 to 25 c ; No. 1, Ordinary Spanish, 240. to 25 te ; No. 2 ditto 22c. to 280 : No. 1 China 230. No. 3 210. ditto Buffalo Sole No. 1 , 21 to 22c. ditto No. 2, 191 to 210. Hemloch Slaughter, No. 1, 28 to 27 tho ; Waxed Upper, 33 lo and medium, 83 to 38 c ; ditto ditto heary, 33 to 360.1 Grained, 84 to 880 . Splits, large, 22 to 30 o .; ditto small, 16 to 34 c . Calf.splits 29 to 320 . Calf-Akins ( 35 to 46 lbs.) 70 to 800 ; ditto ( 25 to 84 lbs.) 60 to 70.; Imitation French Calfakins. 80

500 ; Harness, 24 to 330; Buffed Cow, por ft., 14 to 160. Eramelled Cono 15 to 160 Patent Cow, 15 to 16 c . Pebbled Covo, 11 to 1520. Rough, 23 to 280. Russet \& Bridle 45 to 55 c .
Metals and Hardware.-Shortly after writing last report, advices from the home pig iron market announced an advanoe of two ahillings $a$ ton in favorite brands, for the American market, which is still maintained. The American martet is also reported stronger, probably due b) a proposed general anepension of preduction there. Business localiy is rather more active sales of some considerable lots were reported last week, and there is an improved enquiry. Stocks hera are not at all large, and now that

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suminor has turned the middle, those intending to buy will likely make up their minds as to their orders, before long. Warrants continue to be cabled at 41/6d. Bar iron remains in statu quo. There is a good deal doing in Canada plates at quotations, though we hear of some cutting; tin plates are in only fair demand. Pig lead has advanoed slightly at home, tin and copper rather easier. We quote : Gartsherrie and Summerlee, $\$ 18.50$ to 1900 ; Langloan, $\$ 19$ to19.50; Coltness, 819.50 ; Eglinton, 816.50 to 817 ; Dalmellington, $\$ 17.00$ to 817.50 ; Cal der, $\$ 18$ to 19 ; Hematite, $\$ 20$ to 22.50 , depending on brand; Siemens, $\$ 18.50$ to $\$ 19.00$; depending on brand; Siemens, $\$ 18.50$ to $\$ 19.60$;
Bar Iron ktill $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.80$ Canada Bar Iron still $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.80$; Canada
Plates $\$ 2.85$ to $\$ 3.00$ as to lot and brand; Tin Plates Bradley Charooal, $\$ 5.85$ to 6.00 ; Chareoal I C $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 4.90$ as to brand ; do. I. $\dot{X}$ $\$ 6.25$ to 6.50 ; Coke I O., $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.40$, Galvanized Sheets, No.' 28,6 to 70 . according to brand; Tinned Shects, coke, Nos. 24 to 26, 6a to 7 ; $\mathbf{2}$; Hoops and Bands per 100 lbs., $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.30$; Sheets, Boiler. Plate per 100 lbs. Staffordshire, $\$ 2.45$ to \$2.55; Steel Boiler Plate $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 0.00$; heads $\$ 4.50$; Ruasian Sheet Iron, $10 \frac{1}{2}$ to 110. Lead per 100 lbs. :-Pig, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.00$; Sheet ; $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.00$; Shot, $\$ 6$ to $\$ 6.50$; best cast Steel, $11 \frac{1}{2}$ to 121.0., frm ; Spring, $\$ 3.50$, firm; Tire, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.50$, firm Sleigh \$hoe, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.50$. Round Machinery Steel, 33 to 4 c . per lb. Ingot Tin, 21 to 22120. Bar Tin, 24c.; Ingot Copper, 16 c . Sheet Zinc, $\$ 4.50$ to 85.00 ; Spelter, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 5.50$ Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to $6, \$ 2.75$ per
100 lbs. 100 lbs.
Paints and Oils.-A well-defined advance in leads has taken place in Britain, equal to about ten shillings a ton, bat our quotations as given still hold here. The paint and color trade is quiet, and remittances only middling good. In oils too, there is comparativelyllittle doing, and the tone of the market is weaker. Linseed remsins at 54 to 55c. for raw; Steam Refined
 58 to 60 c . for Gaspe, in lots; Cod Liver, $\$ 1.25$ to \$1.30; Turpentine as before. We quote: White Lead, (genuine and first-- lass brands only) $\$ 6.25$ to 6.75 ; No. $1 \$ 5.50$ to 6.00 ; No. $2, \$ 5$ to 5.50 ; No. 3, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 4.75$. Dry White Lead 6 to 64 c . ; Red do. 5 to $5 \frac{1 \mathrm{c}}{} \mathrm{c}$. These prices for round lots. London Washed Whiting 55 to to 60 c . ; Paris White $\$ 1.25$ to 1.50 ; Cookson's Venetian Red $\$ 2.00$ to 2.25 ; Yellow Ochre, $\$ 1.50$ to 1.75 .
Provisions.-In butter there is not a great deal doing as exporters do not see their way to buy for the European market. For choice and fancy there is a good demand for loosal consumption. We quote Creamery 20 to 21 to. ; Townships 18 to 200. ; Morrisburg 16 to 180 .; Western 14 to 17 c . as to quality, cheese is dull and weaker, shipments show a considerable falling off, 9 to 9 ar c . is quoted for fine to finest. Pork is steady at $\$ 21$ to 21.50 for Canadian mess; Western $\$ 20$ to 20.50 ; hame 14 to 15 c . ; lard $10 \frac{1}{2}$ to 114 c . ; Eggs about 17 c . for really good.

Salt.-There is no change whatever in either Elevens or amount of basiness doing. Coarse Elevens remain at 40 to 42 cents, and are the only kind being dealt in. Factory Filled, $\$ 1.10$ to \$1.20. No Turks Island in the market.
Wool.-The latter part of last week devaloped some fair sales, but this week so far, trade has been quieter, and no partionlar activity is looked for just now. A cargo of Cape wool is expeoted here next week. We still quote Cape, $16 \frac{1}{2}$ to 180.; Australian, 19 to 26 c .; Canadian 4 . Super, 26 to 28c. ; B. ditto, 22 to 24 c.

## TORONTO MAREETS.

Tononto, Aug. 21st 1884.
During the week the stook markst has bern quite sensitive. There were rapid fluctuations, alternately indicating weakness and strength, resulting in a slight improvement in quotations though prices generally are about two pointe lower than the highest reaohed a couple of weeks since. Large operators are endeavoring to ateady the market to enable them to unload the blocks of atock bought daring the recent advance. Federal Bank has been an exception, and has been strong throughout, bayers offering $56 \frac{1}{2}$ to-day, against $50 \frac{1}{2}$ last week, and aellers aeking $58 \frac{1}{2}$ as compared with 51. The announcement of the disposal of the large olaim on a
lumber account in Michigan having effected quite a "boom." The terms have not been made public, though it is understood that the payments will be slow. Miscellaneous and loan socisties stocks have participated in the general inactivity, prioss, however, being fairly well maintained.
Воots and Shors.-There are not many buyers coming to town these days bat travellers report that the prospect for a good season's trade is encouraging; stocks on conntry shelves Mane being worked down to a satisfactory degree. Mannfacturers are now running full time and are kept very active in filling fall orders.

Grain.-Wheat-Businese continues to be of the same dull and uninteresting character. There have been very few, if any, sales recorded. We repeat previous prices. We quote: Fall wheat, No. 2, 85 to 90 c .; fall wheac, No. 3,75 to 80 c .; spring wheat, No. 2,90 to 95 c . ; ditto No 3, 80 to 85 c . ; oats, 40 to 41 c 95 c . ; ditto corn, 58 to 590 .; timothy seed, per bush., $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.92$; cluver seed, yer bush., $\$ 6.50$ to $\$ 6.75$; flaq, screened, 100 lbs., $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.50$.
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Ang. 25, Aug. 18, Ang. 27, $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Fall wheat, bush.... } & \text { 180,58. } & 1884 . & 1883 . \\ \text { 40.541 } & 73,462\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Spring wheat, bush.. } & 50,125 & \mathbf{4 0 . 5 4 1} & \mathbf{7 3 , 4 6 2} \\ \text { Osta } & \mathbf{4 2 , 7 6 6} & \end{array}$

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well occupied and prices ramain unohanged． Ingot tin keops very firm at the reoent advance， and pig iron warrants are looking up．Remit－ tances are reported as being better than the average．
Hides axd Senvs．－A good enquiry exista for hides ；stooks are light and prices firm．Sheep－ skins have deolined，60c．is now being paid． Tallow is in fair demand and steady．We quote： Steers， 60 to 90 pounds， 80 ．；cows， 70 ．；oured and inspected， $8 \frac{1}{2}$ to 910 o． ；oalfskins，green， 11 to 130．；cared， 13 to 15 c ．；sheepskins， 600 ．； tallow，rough， 34 c ．，rendered， $6 \frac{1}{d}$ to 70 ．
Pbovisions－Batter has been in good demand and choice could be readily pleced at 160 ．The reoeipts have been rather light and more could be used．Oheese is somewhat easier，to－day＇s cable quotes 50 s ．though factory men in the west atill hold Anguat make at 110．Comment－ ing on tne cheese market the New York Bulletin says：＂The status of this produot in this market within the past few days has undorgone some important and noteworthy changes．It is but about ten days ago that attention was called to the feverish，unoertain state of the trade，and the perplexities with which a large number of operators were beset；but the barriers now appear to be generalis broken down，and to reveal an outlook prosenting many promising features for the baying interest．During the upward florry a good deal of oapital was mado out of drouth reports from the central portion of New York；yet we find even as late ae as last week our Ution correspondent expressing surprise over the liberality of the offering in that section，in the face of repested representations of a shrinksge；while from every other portions of the State and from Canada the evidence point to a fall，if not really liberal production past，present，and prospeotive．Of the amounts that have passed from the receivers＇hands also we commence to see slightly ominous accumala－ tions－not very large here as yet，bat com－ menaing under the temptation of refrigerator facilities，while Montreal is reported to be carry－ ing at least 100,000 boxes，and the landing and afloat supplise for Europe are finding no compensa－ ting outlet，many important lots having failed to draw a bid．＂Trade in hog products continue very dull，stooks are muoh reduced and we have only a jobbing trade to report．Eggs are rather easier，1510．is now the outside quotation． There is nothing doing in dried fraits．

Drdas and Chemicals．－＂To over－produc－ tion＂remarks the N．Y．Shipping List，＂may be attributed the present unfavorable condition of the Shellac market．The stock here to－day is about 16,000 cases all grades，while in London the quantity held approaches closely 50,000 oases．In view of this excessive quantity the price has steadily declined during the past year，until now the lowest rates in the history of the artiole pre－ vail．At Oalcutta，manufacturers have repeat－ edly amserted their inability to produce at the prices prevailing，and have often threatened to olose their works．This depression in basiness is confined to no one quarter，bat the entire world appears in sympathy．A reduction in the atock is necesary before the market can rise to a point of stability，and it is nseless to expeot any permanent change in the position of the article while the storehouses of the world are filled to repletion．
WooL．－The demand from factorien is slightly improved，but the orders yet are principally small．Fleeoe is unchanged；oombing ordinary $15 \frac{1}{2}$ to 190. ；ditto，Southdown， 20 to 220. pulled combing， 17 to 18c．；ditto．，super， 20 to 210．；extra， 27 to 29.
Leateri．－This market seems to be in about the same position as when we last wrote and previous figures still rule．Spanish sole，No．1， 29 to 30 c ．，ditto No．2， 27 to 28 c ．；slanghter， heavy， 28 to 30 c．；ditto light 25 to 28 c ．；buffilo， 21 to 220．；harness，heavy， 30 to 33c．；ditto light， 25 to 28c．；upper，No． 1 heary 35 to 370．；ditto light and mediam， 37 to 40c．；kip skins，French 85c．to $\$ 1.05$ ；ditto English， 70 to 750 ．；ditto domestic， 60 to 65 c ．；ditto veals， 70 to 75 c ．；hem－ look calf，（ 25 to 30 ） 60 to 60 c .136 to 44 ibs．， 75 to 900 ．；French oall， 81.10 to $\$ 1.40$ ；splits，large， per 1 lb ．， 25 to 300 ．；ditto small， 21 to 25 c ．；enam－ elled Cow，per ft．， 17 to 190．；patent， 17 to 200. ． pebble grain， 14 to $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ；buff， 14 to $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ ．；russets， light， 40 to 50 c．；gambier， $6 \frac{4}{4}$ to $7 \frac{1}{2} 0$ ；；вumac， $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to 6to．；degran， $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to 7 c ．

Floje and meal．－There has been no businese reported upon which to base prioes and the fol－ lowing quotations are parely nominal．We quote ： Saperior extra，$\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 4.60$ ；extra，$\$ 4.30$ to \＄4．40；spring wheat，extra \＄4．20 to \＄4．25；oat－ meal，$\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.40$ ；cornmeal，$\$ 3.50$ ；bran， per ton，$\$ 12.00$ to $\$ 12.25$ ．

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