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Mrs. R. D. Parener has just opened a funcy goods store at Guelph, and allhough some city people thought there were more than enonglt previously this laly is likely to shine in what has hitherto been a prosperous business.
W. H. Bynns, shoedealer, Egansville, Ont., whose falure was annomed in our issue of $21 s t$ March, has succeeded in getting his creditors to accept his offer of 50 cents on the dollar. He is another victim of the rage for speculation in real estate.
Nombimastanding dulliess in trade, there is a growing demand for dwelling-houses in Guelph, whilst every store of the better class is oceupied. Forlunately buiding operations have commenced on a scale that promises to relieve the pressure by the Fatl or sooner.
The failures in Conadn and the United Stales duting the past week show an increase of 2 over last week's returns. This lies with Camada this time, ns there is a decrease of 3 in the United States, while Cabada has an inerease of 5 . The figures are, Cunda 39, United Slates 175, total 214.
Tue Canadian Bauk of Commerce is finishing a very line building for their Guelph agency, which oceunies a prominent position, and will ald to the beanty of the city. The style is mixed Normun and Elizabethan, the material Guilph eilt stone, with tower, mansumd roof of slate, etc.

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Ancesanke scopr, late of Gormito, the well-known Anctionerr, will give his personal attention to the Anetioneur wingive hit

As the result of a chancery suit the inte firm of Rainer, Sweetnam \& Hazelton, of Guelph, will be dissolved, the senior partner leaving the ecucern, and the others continuing the business. It is well-known that the firm tum ont an excellent elass of instrmments, and, with good mangement there is no reason why the business should not be prosperous.
The new cotton mills at Memitton, Ont., recently completed, lave commenced operations. Last week $a$ number of the lending citizens of St. Gatharines paid a visit to the mills, and were shown over them by the manager, Mr. J. B. Dolan, who explaned the varions machines, and showed samples of the materials alrendy being manufactured. The visitors were very much pleased with what they saw and with the manner in which everything is mannged.

Geonon E. Catikis, commission agent, Kentville, N.S., who assigned to Mr. R. S. Masters, of the same place, on the 15 th March, seens to have had an unfortunate career in business. He was an insolvent under the old Act in 1869 and again in IST4, paying 25 cents in the dollar. This time his assets have been placed

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in the hands of his assignee, and the deblor will probably offer to compromise, possibly for 30 cents on the dollar.

A mecent addition to Canadian mercantile and scientilic interests is Mr. A. H. Mason, F.C.S., for many years with Evans, Sons \& Co., chemists, Liverpool, who has come out to the Canadian business of the same firm, $H$. Sugden Evans \& Co., Montreal and Toronto. Mr. Mason has hold high officinl positions in varions scientific societies, and is a Fellow of the Chemical Society of England and also of that of Berlin. The "Chemist and Druggist" and our namesake in Liverpool have very enlogistic notices of Mr. Mason.
A subsensben signing himself" Aster," Kingston, Ont., directs attention to the statement in the recent report of the Sun Mutunl Life Assurance Co. of this city, where " the Hm Institute of A ctuaries Table, and $4 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. interest." is suid to be tho strietest test in use in Cantia, nut: wills in question the correctness of the said statement. Mr. Macaulay, the manager, explains that what is meant is that it is the strictest test used by any Canadian company, and contends that this is the meming indicated by the words quioted.

Business in Guelph has been dull for some months, the factories generally rumning short time, and money being scarce. Last year's wheat crop generally failed and the batey market was dull. Tumips also missed on the strong lands, but where they were a sucecss did well for the grower; many farmers selling car loads at high prices for shipment to the American market, where they are largely used in the manifacture of frult jams, and whence Canadians will buy them back agan as such at high prices. This game beats the Connecticut basswood hams and wooden nutungs of the olden timo.

Jamas Somers, Gannooque, Ont., was a holelkeeper until nbout a year ago, when he charged his business and started in groceries and liquors, his capital being about $\$ 3,000$. He has not prospered in his new business, and on the 3rd of this month he found it necessary to assign in trust; be says that he was urged to this by some of his creditors suing him, so he tried to secure an equitable distribution for them all. His liabilities are $\$ 2,600$ and the assets about $\$ 2,400$, but he has, in addition, a bill of sale for $\$ 700$ on his household furniture, granted unly a few weeks ago.
Tre estate of Jackson Bros., dealers in sboe findings, Montrenl, whose failure was announced in our issue of lst February, is announced to be sold by tender. The stock is valued at $\$ 16,000$, machinery al $\mathbf{\$ i v}, 000$, and book debts at $\$ 10,000$, nakiug a total of $\$ 31,-$ 000 against linbilities of $\$ 37,000$, of which $\$ 19,000$ are due to the debtor's father. An offer was made to pay 50 cents on the dollar, which the Mootreal creditors agreed to accept, but which the western claimants refused. Meantime bad debts to the extent of $\$ 3,600$ were made; a second offer of 40 conis secured, in 3, 6 and 9 months followed, and, finally, a third offer of 35 cents cash. The western houses still held out, and now all the creditors must take their chance, and will probably not get more than 25 cents in the dollar. Much money had been lost by beginning to manufacture Jasts, pasteboard, in-soles, and uppers, in all of which there is claimed to be too keen a competition.

Tie Central Bank of Camada opened an agency in Gnelph at the beginning of this month, and is reported as being largely patron-ized-the manager, Mr. G. W. Savdilands, being an old bauker there and popular with the farming commnnity. Nearly $\$ 100,000$ of stock is held in Guelph and vicinity.

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Tuentr.-The premioms are said to amount 10 about 25 millions of dullars in the last fourteen years. -"Agent's Balances" are sometimes troublesome assets.
Wm. Joinson, wholesale paint manufacturer, this city, has effected a compromise with his creditors, of 35 cents in the dollar, cash. -The river in front of the city is quite clear of ice.
Geo. E. Julian, began as a dealer and worker in tins at Lamblon, Que., four years ago. He assigned to a neighbor a few days ago, showing liabilities of $\$ 325$ and assets of $\$ 215$.
M. Deblors, of Jaçues \& Deblois, bookbinders, Sorel, Que., referred to last week, is offering 50 cents in the doltar, bis own notes at 3 and 6 months secured, which creditors would be wise to accept under the circumstances.

Mr. R. Ryfkosie, of Parrsboro, N.S., has written to the Moncton (N.B.) Jimes denying that he Mr. R. had assigned in trust. He states that he never had " the remotest idea of doing so," and his friends sincerely hope thathe may never.

- Ma. J. Bunt practieally acknowledges his conviction that there is at mresent in Baylield; Ont., a sulticiency of barness deniers to supply all local wants, and that further competition on


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his part was useless.-Mchillan \& Whyte of Strathroy, grocers in a small way, have assigned.
Joun G. Bell began general store-keeping five years ago in Chesley; 0 nt . ; he failed last fall, and having arranged for a continuance, formed a co-partnership with Mrs. C. A. Shields, who was represented by her husband; who himself had had some former experience. Liabilities estimated at $\$ 5,000$ to $\$ 0,000$. The assignee is taking stock, preparatory to making a statement.
W. \& T. Richaroson, tuilers and clothiers, Chatham, Ont., having been pressed by the representative of a British firm lave assigned to E. R. G. Clarkson of Toconto. The firm have for years mantained a good business repmotation, and their prosent trouble is a local surprise.
M. Lanosw, general dealer, Frelighsburg, Que., assigned the 4 th inst. to M . O. Hart of Cuwansville, who has called a meeting for the 2und. Mr. Larose hus been many years in business, with varying results. In 1876 he failed and compromised at 65 cents in the dollar; in the summer of $1877^{\circ}$ he assigned, but managed to work clear. Last year he invested and lost some money in patent medicines to which his present difliculty is partly attributed,

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Olivirir Demeis, retail grocer, this city, has had a rather eventful experienco of late. He opened a branch at Côte St. Antoine a few years aqo, but was burnt out in January, 1883 , receiving some $\$ 000$ of insurance. He compromised in the summer of that year at 40 cents in the dollar of liabilities, amounting to about. $\$ 5000$, his assets bring some $\$ 3,200$. His prosent liabilities are $\$ 4,500$; assels about $\$ 3,000$. He has assigned to $G$. Lefnivre.

Jambi Ghas, gemerd store keeper, druggist, etc., Manila, Ont., bas assigned to W. E. Long of I'oronto.-John Nay is Co., grocers, St. Oathurines, Ont, are aguin obliged to seck the indulgence of their creditors. At a inceting held list week at Hamilton, they submitted a statement, and oflered 50 cents in the dollar sprend over a year, which a majority have signed, conditional on getting secumity for pryment. They assigned to Jno. R. Mumo of St. Gaharines.
E. Otatry, tailor, Ottawn, Ont., has aguin fomd it necessary 10 attempt a compromise with his creditors. He begran business in the fill of 1876, with a capital of \$400 or $\$ 300$. Abunt four years ago he compromised at 60 c on the doliar, which was paid. Now his liabilities are $\$ 5,000$ and the assets $\$ 3,000$. He is uffering a compromise of 45 c in the dollar,

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him for oblaining goods frandulently; be paid up and has since absconded.
H. J. Kerohes, formerly of Toronto, who started a grocery business in Lindsay in September of 1892, has assigned in trust. The liabilitios are estimated at $\$ 8,000$; the assels nomimally at nearly $\$ 0,000$, composed of slock, $\$ 5,100$, lixtures $\$ 875$, and book-debts of about $\$ 3,000$. Stuck is being taken preparatory to at meeting of creditors. Should he succeed in effecting $a$ compronise, his knowledge of that cliss of customers who are uswully the first to flock to the counter of a new-comer slowing a decided preference for his goods, should cuable lim to make britter headway. The assigmment is made to Wm. Bhin, accountant, Torontc.
Messrs Fodnnier \& Langlois, of Magog, Que., who began as general storekecpers in that village nearly thece years ago with little capital of their own, have assigned to Mí. S. C. Fall of this city. The estate shows liabilities of $\$ 4,700$ and assets of $\$ 2,200$. The business aplears to have been latterly dwindling away. -A. J. Dubuc; a general storekecper of lour

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years' standing at Nicolet, Que., has assigned to Nessrs. Kent \& Turcotte. Six months ago he showed a surplus, but it appears to havo been of the character which men often make by themselves, for he now is reporled as showing a deficiency of about $\$ 2,500$ on liabilities of aboul $\$ 5,000$.
J. M. Durwall, a well-meaning but unfortunate manufacturer of marbleized slate and marble mantles, etc., Hamilton, Ont., has found it necessary to appeal to his creditors: Fout years ago he bought the stock and business of Mr. R. Hanger,-and he says .that the large sum he had to phy for the stock and having to keep possession of his predecessor's premises until last fall, lave been too heavy a drag on him, which, added to want of capitalinud. several bad debts, lave brought him to his present position. His assets, consisting of stock and fixtures, are put down at $\$ 500$. The liabilities are $\$ 2,395$, of which $\$ 1,000$ are due to Mr . Hinger, and $\$ 200$ to lis laudlord for rent, for which a scizure has been made. There is also a chattel mortgage on stock for $\$ 280$, but the mortgagee is williag to take 25 c in the dollar, if the other creditors will accept the debtor's offer of 150 on the dollar, payable in 6 and 12 months.
. Tre liabilities of the World Publishing Co. of Toronto, are estimated at $\$ 18,000$, a pretty large sum to get trusted for, even in the news-

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priper business. The assets, in the shape of plant and fixtures and good-will (the latter a rather doubtfin asset.) were recently offered for sale, and somebody bad the courage to offer $\$ 10$ over and above the mortgages. The sheriff is in possession for Miller \& Richard, type founders, Toronto, on a claim of $\$ 100$; for one Crompton, of Toronto, $\$ 200$; for Canada Paper Co., Montreal, $\$ 2,300$; and the landlord $\$ 150$. The concern was starled some tive years ago by the three brothers MeLear, of whem W. F. McLean appears to have been the only one fitted for the business. The World Go. was never in a position of independence, and the time of the only really capmble man in the establishment was so fully occupied in tavirg to make both ends meet that the editurial and reporting smacked rather of the by-ways of the city, and people who had axes and were no: particular about the edge, wese not unknown to the staft.
Tue failure of Mr. G. A. Smith, druggist, Toronto, was noted in our last issuc. It appears that the insolvent had a good business in Yorkville, and was doing well there, but about 4 years ago he moved into Toronto and opened at 279 Yonge st., where he carried on until the Ist of April, when he failed. Mr. Smith

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patity government:
The recent attempt to corrupt members of the Ontario Leigislature has been almost unanimously condemned, but there has been a very general concurrence of opinion on the part of those joumals which make no secret of their dissatis. faction with the constitution under which we live, that no such attempt would have been made but for the prevalence of party. We are told on the high authority of Bystander that the present system is "a ceaseless battle of organized factions for place," and that it is "dragging all free communities through discord and sorraption to their ruin." It is, at least, some consolation to those who are unable to discover the possibility of a free people governing themselves, except through the instrumentality of party, that the opponents of party admit that it prevails in "all free communities." Our own opinion, formed from a perusal of the evidence in the 'Coronto corruption case is that the conduct of the members who were approached, with a view to their corruption, affords evidence of their loyalty to their party, and that the result will probably be to render it improbable that similar attempts will be made to corrupt members of the Legislature.:

Our chief object in noticing the persistent attacks on party connection has been to ask a calm consideration of the views of a woll-known writer, who, we think, is failly entitled to be considered impartith. We refer to Sir 'T. Erskine May, the author of the Constitutional History of England, and we propose to give a few brief extracts from his chapter on Party Govemment:
"That a form of goverament so cm " posite and combining so many conflict"ing forces, has generally been main" tained in hamonisus action, is mainly "clue to the organization of parties. An "agency hardly recognized by the con"sitintion, yet inseparable from Parlia" mentary Gobirmment, and exercising
"the grentest influence for good or evil "upon the political destinies of the "country, Party has guided and con"trolled and often dominated over the "more ostensillle authorities of the State ; "it has supported the Crown and aristoc" racy against the people ; it has trampled "on public liberty; it has dethroned and "cnerced lings, overthrown Ministers and "Parliaments, humbled the nobles, and "established popular rights. But it has "protected the fabric of the Government "from shocks which threatened its very "foundations. Parties have risen and "fallen, but institutions have remained "unshalien." Such are a portion of the introductory remarks to a chapter containing over a hundred pages on the subject of party, and we shall add another extract from the concluding page:
"In the history of parties there is much "to deplore and condemn, but more to "approve and commend. We observe "the evil passions of our nature aroused"s envy, hatred, malice, and all unchari"tahleness.' We see the foremost of "our fellow-countrymen contending with "the bitterness of foreign enemies"reviling each other with cruel words"misjudging the couduct of eminent "statesmen and pursuing them with vin"dictive animosity. We see the whole "nation stirred with sentiments of anger "and hostility. We find factious violence "overcoming patriotism, and ambition "and self-interest prevailing over the "highest obligations to the State. We "reflect that party rule excludes one-half " of our statesmen from the service of their " country and condemns them-howerer "wise and capable-to. comparative ob"scurity and neglect." But, on the other side, we find that Government without porty "is absolutism, that rulers without " opposition may be despots. We acknow"ledge with gratitude that we owe to " party most of our rights and liberties.
"We recognize in the fierce contentions "of our ancestors the conflict of great "principles and the final triumph of free"dom * We admire the
"friendship, fidelity and self-sacrifice"akin to loyalty and patriolism-which " the honorable sentiments of party have "called forth. We perceive that an oppo"sition may often serve the country far "better than a ministry, and that where "its principles are right they will prevail. "We feel that party is essential to repre"sentative instilulions * * Who can fail "to recognize in party the very life-blood "of freedom." In a note is the following brief extract from Edmund Burke:"The best patriots in the greatest com"monwealths have always commended "and promoted such connections. 1 lem "sentire de republicâ was with them a "principal ground of friendship and at"tachment, nor do I know any other "capable of forming firmer, dearer, more "honorable and more virtuous habitudes." In his essay on the English Constitution and Government the late Earl Russell bore his testimony to the benefits derived by the nation from party Government, while almitting the many evils, which, even its most strenuous advocates must deplore.
It has long been apparent that those in Canarla who denounce party are advoeates for constitutional change of some kind-what, they themselves scarcely know. One fact is worth recording: there is a wide difference of opinion between Pro. fessor Goldwin Smith and the Bystander. In a speech recently delivered by the former in the State of New York, extracts from which were published in the Montreal Herald, it was suggested that Ontario might take a place in the American Union, sending two Senators and her proportion of representatives to Washington, and this expression of opinion elicited a cry " Let us drink to the State of Ontario." Now, Byslander has over and over again denounced what he has termed "the machine" of party in the United States, and certainly there is no free community where it is more rampant. In a late number of the Trerk the patent substitute for party has been supplied, it is satd, for the twentieth time. It clearly means a revolution, for there is to be an elective executive Council, which would necessarily cause the abrogation of the offices of Governor-General and Lieut.-Governors. We have frequently expressed an opinion, although we know it is deemed visionary by many, that there is no probability whatever of a peaceable revolution, by which we mean not merely a separation from Great Britain, but a sub-
stitution of republican for monarchical institutions. The experience of the world is that people do not make "des rerolutions avec de l'cun de rose." Waiv. ing, however, for the sake of argument, our settled conviction, let us examine the proposed substilute for our present sys. tem, which was thus described by Mr. Goldwin Smith, in his late speech : "Cana"da virtually has self-government. Eng"land sends her a Governor-General, but "he is only a figure-head, a mere puppet " (precisely as the Queen may be styled "a figure-head or a puppet!) Canada "conducts her own internal affairs, and "may almost be said to conduct her "own diplomatic affairs." It cannot be said, therefore, that Canada has any right to complain of England. The proposed system would be equally applicable to Great Britain, France or the United States. It is "the regular election of the "Executive Council by the Legislature for "a term certain, with such a rotation of "measures as may sultice to keep up the "general harmony between the two "bodies. Perhaps it might be also de-- sirable to have a minority clause as a "safeguard against sectionalism." We own that we fail to comprehend the precise mode of election which is not explained, and we are equally at fault as to the rotation of measures, while the constitution maker, by using the term "perhaps" admits that he has no very clear opinion as to the "Minority Clause" which is also as indefinite as the other provisions. It is, at least, satisfactory to. have even a vagre iden of what the most prominent revolutionist would substitute for our present institutions. We own that we are unable to criticise a scheme which we fail to comprehend, and which it would be well worth the while of the Weck to elucidate. At all events, it is not the system which the State of Ontario would be able to establish in the neighboring republic.

## CANADLAN FINANCE.

The London Economist has honored Canada with a notice of its financial policy, and, as might have been expected from such a pronounced free-trade journal, it is rather severe in its criticism of Sir Leonard Tilley's budget speech. It was hardly probable that the celebrated prophecy of seven years' prosperity would escape remark, and especially as the Minister was compelled to acknowledge that already industrial depression prevails, and that the revenue is flagging. The prosperity was, in the opinion of the Economist, mere inflation. The Economist refers to some
estimates -made by Sir Richard Cartwight, the object of which was to show that, whereas the taxation in, the United States had fallen since 1867, from about S10a head or: $\$ 50$ for a family, to $\$ 7$ or $\$ 35$ a family; it had increased in Canada from $\$ 4$ a head or 300 a family, to nearly $\$ 9$ a head or $\$ 45$ a family, being now higher than in the United States. We confess that we aro rather sceptical as to the correctness of these figures, but it is desirable that we shonda know the impression created in England by the budget debate. The expenditure has likewiso increased in about an equal proportion. The Bconomist calls attention to the fact that Cumala will soon have to place large loums on the Inglish money market estimated at about $210,000,000$ sterling, and issues a warning against the extravagant expenditure on which it has embarked. The article to which we have referred was of course wrilten before the announcement if the new subsidies which have lately been voted. It seems very desirable that some effort should be made to disabuse the English public of such impressions as the article in the Economisl is calculated to produce. It is genemally believed that the Minister of Finance conlemplates visiting England soon after the close of the session, and it is to be hoped that he will be able to give a much more satisfactory account of the state of the finances than that supplied by Sir Richard Cantwright. We are glad to find that no bad effect has yet been produced on the market value of our socurities, as Cmadian 4 per cent bonds are quoled at 3 to 4 premium.

## MEAVY LOSSES IN WITEAT.

Our commercial exchanges take a very gloomy view of the losses sustained by the recent fall in wheat. The New York Financial Chromiele has made calculations based on the stock on hand and the fall in prices from the lst March up to last week, which show a result of no less than over twenty millions of dollars loss, and this without taking into account the outstauding contracts for futures, which are estimated as being several times the total crop of the year. The high prices which have been kept up in the United States narkets by speculators who had obtained complete control have had the eflect of forcing wheat out of all other producing countries, and the result has been that the holders have had at last to yield to the pressure, and to throw the large stock, which has been estimated at about 150 millions of bushels, on a glutted market. A fall of even a cent a bushel on such a
stock would amount to about 11 millions of dollars, and the actual fall has been fully thirteen cents, so that the probable loss has been estimated, as already stated, at about 20 millions. It is no wonder, under such circumstances, that there should have been failures.

The agricultural department of the United States in its 1st April report holds out promising expectations for winter wheat, and warnings are given in good time to take care llat speculators do not again succeed in preventing the crop from being marketed. It is held that wheat can be put down in Liverpool at a lower. price by the Americans than by other nations. India, however, will be a formidable rival, and there is reason to believe that we shall not soon see a relum to high prices of breadstuffis. The great wheat fields of the North West, both in the United States and Canadia, are subjected to the very serious drawbacks of being at a great distance from the seaboard, and having consequently to pay heavy charges for inland transportation. It is some consolation that the people at large will have the advantage of cheap food, and it is to be hoped that the farmers will be compensated by good crops. There has not been, so far as we can learn, any serious loss in Canada from speculation in breadstuffs. Owing, of course, to the short crop of last year, we have none to sell.

THE RIVERS AND SIREANS QUESTION.
It is very important that there should be no misunderstanding as to the effect of the recent decision of the Privy Council on a question of such great public interest as that which led to the action of McLaren and Calidwell. It is, however, hardly possible to discuss the merits of the case without having the text of the judgment before us. It is in the meantime sulticient to know that it must have been based on the state of the law when the original action was commenced, and which has not since been altered. The real question for consideration is as to what justice to the proprietors of land on the banks of rivers and streams demands from the Legislalure. It is alleged by the Toronto Mail that " the Mowat Government, "for purely political purposes, passed a - Bill declaing what the law was at that: "particular time, and what it had always "been, and giving Mr. Caldwell power to "use Mr. MrLaren's improvements on "payment of tolls to be fixed, practically, "by Mr. Caldwell himself. This was an "unwarrantable and :unconstitutional
"act." Such is the vindication of the repeated disallowances by the Dominion Government of an Act of a general character prescribing the terms on which similar improvements to those of Mr. McLaren could be used on all the streans in the Province.

It has been repeatedly urged by those who disapprove of the Act that, if Mr. Mcharen was simply exercising his legal rights, it was highly improper to interfere with them. Such a pretension might, we apprehend, be urged with quite as much force against all acts of expropriation. Lands and houses are constantly taken by authority of law by corporations and public companies, on the condition that fair remuneration shall be granted to the parties whose proprietors are expropriated in the general interests of the public. The Ontario Act was not confined to the Mississippi river, but it laid down the principle that in all streams where improvements such as those made by Mr. Mcharen were effected they should be subject to public use on the payment of fair tolls. Several years before Confederation an Act was passed by the Legislature of Canada authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the purpose of making similar improvements and levying tolls according to a system which was prescribed by the Act. We feel quite sure, after having referred to the Bill introduced in the Legislature of Ontario, that it is not correct to assert that the tolls were to be "fixed practically by Mr. Caldwell himself." There were, moreover, no special provisions applicable to the Mississippi river. The mode of fixing the tolls was established by the Bill fo wall the rivers and streams in the Province of Ontario and was equally applicable to the special case, the just decision of which led to the intruduction of the Bill.

We are not aware that Mr. Caldwell ever pretended to a right to use Mr. McLaren's improvements without payment of the customary tolls; on the contrary, it has always been alleged that Mr . McLaren insisted on his right to prevent the use of those improvements at his own pleasure. This was really the point at issue, and the Legislature of Ontario, believing that there was at least a doubt on the subject, justly determined to set the question at rest by requiring not Mr . McLaren alone, but all persons similarly situated, to allow their improvements to be used on payment of fair compensation. We have no desire to attribute motives of an improper kind to either of the parties to the controversy. Such motives are but too often attributed to the leaders of all
political parties. When the writer in the Mail alleges that the Mowat Government was actuated by "purely political pur. poses," he should have recollected that the charge could be urged with much greater plausibility against his own friends. The Act was general, while the disallowance was avowedly on personal grounds, and for the benelit of a political friend. Apart, allogether, from the Mc-Laren-Caldwell case, the decision of the Judge in favor of the pretension of a proprietor to prevent the use of his improvements, and thus to injure most deeply 'another proprietor, rendered legislation absolutely necessary, and it is by no means surprising that the particular case which led to it should have been provided for on conditions similar to those adopted for all future cases.
We cannot admit for a moment that "the Government had no right to inter"fere with exisling legislation, or that it "had no right to define what the law "had been, while the courts were actually "seeking out the law on the subject." We presmme that it was impossible for the Legistature to know that the case would be carried to the Privy Council, and we may here remark that but few persons would have been able to incur the enormous costs attendant on so many appeals. The subject was clearly one for Provincial legislation, and it should have been a very strong case indeed, to justily the disallowance of the Local Act. We are nowntold by the Muil that "the Streams "Bill js unnecessary, and ought not to be "allowed to disgrace the Statute: Book." On this question it may be well to suspend judgnent, until it shall be ascertained what the effect of the decision really is. It has been stated that, in order to protect Mr. McLaren and others similarly siluated, a Bill substantially the same as that which has been disallowed ought to be passed. It would be singular enough if the very parties who have been insisting on the right of riparian proprietors to close all streams of the character of the Mississippi to the proprietors of lands situated higher up the stream should now turn round and insist that the improvements should be used without any kind of compensation. The Mailactually recommend ${ }^{\text {B }}$ the disallowance of the Bill providing for fair compensation for improvements.

## THE INSPECTION OF FOOD.

The supplementary report of the Inland Revenue Department dealing with the inspection of food differs but little from its predecessors. The system of
pickingup samples from retailers is still pursued by the Dominion aualysts. Nothing can be more unjust than such a proceeding. To brand as dealing in adulterated alimentary substances a retailer to whom the contents of the canned goods he sells are as little known as they are to the purchaser, is preposterous, especially, when the name of the seller is given to the public eighteen months after the transaction. Why not give the name of the manufacturer of camed goots as well as the name of the spice mills, of which one-third only of the production can be pronounced genuine, iustead of the name of a retailer who camnot allord in his small business to increase profits by adulteration of his goods.

In his report, Mr. Miall, the commissioner of the Internal revenue on the inspection of food, alluding to a proposed amendment to the existing law, says that three specific aims have been kept in view : 1st. To distinguish between merely fraudulent and dangerous adulterations. 2nd. In defining adulteration, to lay down general principles of interpretation, equally applicable to all articles subject to the operation of the Act. 3rd. To invite local co-operation in the administration of the Act. The proposed amendment has not reached Parliament in time to be acted upon. This delay is the more to be regretted as the definition of adulteration would remove all intent to defraud the public from parties dealing in articles of food deficient in quality, owing to carelessness in manufacturing, or to the articles having become stale.

The number of samples analyzed by the Dominion oflicers is 1,243 , out of which 302 , or about 24 per cent, were adulterated, and 30 returned as loubtful. 79 samples of breadstuffs, including bread, biscuit, flour, meal and baking powder were pronounced pure, with the exception of two samples of baking powder containing 30 per cent of flour. One hundred and sixty samples of butter were analysed, 49 being reported as adulterated. The word adulteration applied to this class of - samples is not correct, as nowhere have the analysts recognized a mixture of foreign substances. The results of the analysis show an excess of salt or water and rancidity, which are the consequences of the want of knowledge how to make good butter. Butter becomes rancid when it contains too much caseine which the extraction of the buttermilk would have prevented. It is the same with milk; 157 samples have been analysed, twenty-nine were found adulterated by water, and fourteen classed as cloubtful. But none of the villainous compound
said to be sold as milk in European cities has found its way in this country. 95 samples of coffee have been analysed, with the following result; 42 adulterated, and 3 doubtful; 50 samples good. The commissioner, on this fraud upon the public being limited to 50 per cent only, congratulates the country as "this being "the highest percentage of purity reached since the Act has been in force." 134 samples of condiments analysed give only a percentage of 36 per cent as being pure; 64 per ceal containing foreign farinaceous substances to an extent varying from 20 to 50 per cent. If colfee is adulteraled with roasted chicory, pea meal and cereals, pepper, ginger, mustrade and other like condiments are in reality ground peas and flour in large proportion. The perpetrators of these frauds upon the consumer are the coffee roasters and the spice mills, as, out of 900 tons of spice and condiments entered annually for consumption in Canada, two-thirds are imported unground to be manipulated at the mills. The analysis'of tea presents nteresting returns. Of 74 samples examined, 26 were adulterated and 3 retumed as doubtful. The analysis of 74 ounces of tea out of an importation amounting to fifteen million pounds is scarcely a sufficient guaranty against. fraud and adulteration. The introduction of the American system of inspection by Government oflicers becomes imperative in presence of the noted increase of spurious teas in the market. The analysts of the Dominion have examined 1,243 samples at a cost of $\$ 7,216$ or $\$ 5.50$ per analysis, without bringing any abatement in the frauds.

## CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCLA. IION.

The report of this prosperous Canadian Life Assurance Company will be found elsewhere-in our columns, and is, as usual, most encouraging. The new insurances effected during the year are over 20 per cent on the aggregate, and the surplus is 140 per cent on the paid-up capital. The dividends to the stockholders were ten per cent, or $\$ \$, 000$, while the profits to the policyholders were over $\$ 20$,000. The rules of the Confederation Life are more stringent than those laid down by the Government, anticipating, to use the words of the report, a reduction in the rate of interest to 4 per cent. In seconding the report, Mr. Elliot drew attention to the advantage of insuring in home companies, as the assets, instead of being invested in foreign, are held in Canadian, securities. The President Hon.

Wm. Howhand paid a deserved compliment to the managing-director, Mr. J. K Macdonald, and proposed a testimonial to his efliciency in the form of a vote of $\$ 1,000$, which was cheerfully granted. We cannot conclude this brief notice without bearing our testimony to the unremitting attention of the Montreal Manager, Mi. M. J. Johnston, to the interests of the comprany.

TUE Clotilling men in councha
An arrangement has been perfected by the Wholesule clothing manafacturets of the Dominion which camol tat to be productive of much benefit to themselves fand to the retail deaters. 'Jhe prineipni ohjeet amed at was the regulation of travellers' trips, as, through the growing eompetition among the varivas houses, it was becoming a serious question as where the end was to be. Every season-or rather long before the season-travellers were sent ont cartier than before, until at last the evil was so thoroughly brought hous to the lesser and more impatient firms in this respect -for all could play at the game as well as two or three-that the present arangement was proposed, drafted, discussed and finally agreed 10. With the exception of a Halifix house alt the firms inve signcd an agreement not to semd travellers with fill samples to Manitoln, the North-West and British Columbia, tifl the lirst weck in May of each year, to the Maritime Provinces till the secomi week in May, and to Ontario and Quebee till the first week in July: The time for spring trips shath not be earlier than the first week in November lor Manitoba, the North-West and British Columbia, the second week in November for the Maritime Provinces, thad the second week in fanmary for Ontario and Ouebec, thms-in this later casearoiding the huliday time and the period of the municipal elections. Any violation of the Agreement-which is for three years-is punishnble ly a forfeit of $\underset{F}{ } 1600$. Shond n traveller, known to be on the rumb daring the forbidalen time, plead that his employers have no knowledge of the linet, they have the altermative of payiur the line indicated, ur of dismissing him, in which case no tirm of the combination will he at liberty $t 0$ employ him agrin. The cities where the respective lims are situated are excepted from the rule. Jhe limes or trityellers maty sell in hese places without restriction. The benetits to be derived from this ariangement are appurent. Apart from econnmy, it allows to mannfacturers the mon hlis of Aprit and Oetober in which to clear off the business of the respective sensons and to prepare for the new. Styles camol finil to benetit by the change. It should also tend to reguhate credits, especially as to the overlapping of accomits,-ile result of long credits and "dnting ahend "-which beare no lithe share in the misfortunes of the weaker chass of traders, the losses of the manufiturers themselves, and consequent interruptions to the legitimate business of the stronger deaters. गlite wholesale clothing tirms hive sel an example worligy the consideration of other dejartments.

## FURSALES.

Advices from London are just to hand with details of the sales of fire seals. The stock consisted of over 10,000 skins, divited as follows: Alaska 15,000; Copper lshand, 25,000; Robin Island 2,000 ; Japaiese, 4,$000 ;$ Capa Horn 3,000 ; Cape of' Hope 2,000. 'the Alaska collec.tion was 4,000 less than last jear's, which caus-
ed prices of larger skins to ad vance from 5 to $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent, while smatler ones declined from 6 to 12 per cent; they were purelined principally for England and France. The Copper Island ollering was one-third less than last year, and the advance in price, as compared with last Oetober, was umformily 30 to $3 \overline{5}$ jer cent. The few hindin latamd skitus ollered brought 30 per cont higher than last year. Cape /horn skinsowing to theic poor quality-were neglected and realized only a smatl adrance on last yeares low prices; hacy were bought principally for Russia. The dupenese collection was less that half that of last year, and as not desirablein quality, but brought about 25 per cent over last jenr's prices. b'are of hope skins were poor in quality and brouglit very low prices; they were bought to wash lior the Russian market. it may be as well to adi that all the skins particudarized above were sold in the brine, and have to pass through he hands of the dresser and dyer, who will mobably not make a delivery of the finished skins before next frll or even the commencement of winter. The high value of the raw skins, and the tedious and expensive process of dressing and dyeing them, combine to confine the latter in the hands of wealthy and relinhle tirms; conseguently there are only two tims of any importance, both of them in London, and in iteir hands lies almost the entire business of preparing the raw seatskins for use. The cost of dressing each skin is about $\$ 5$, and when this is added to the original value of the raw skin, which is very high, it is ersily understood how seal skins are so expensive. 'lhe next sale of raw sulted skius will not take place before October or No vember.

Breacher Cortons.-Lemding representatives of the three Ganadian mills in which bleached cotions are manufnctured met in this city last Tuesday to discuss the situation. The rate at, which these goods were being produced bade fair to demoratize the business, and it was resolvod that some means be devised for the purpse of regulating the ontput. After considerable discussion the conclasion was arrived at that 600 looms were sufficient to supply the prosjective demand for the near fuhury, and it was arreed that cach mill shall confine its operations duting six months to the propertion of these to be allolted it. Of these the Merehinats Mamufinturing (oo. is to have 300 ; the 11 umon 200, and the Yallegticld 100 loous, the two hatior mills being largely employed on other clitsses of goods. This agrement is not to be violated on any acconnt whatsoever; thre slatl be exchanges of mmbers rather than an increase of operations to till any inereased demard that may arise. The umbiner of looms, liceefore, operating on blenched cottons during the next six monthas will not equal the tutal worked by the Vallegfield mills a year or two sinee, when they were the only manumeturers of these goods and had sold away out of sight. 'f'his may be considered the key-note of the situation as regards the eotton trade. It is supposed thit three months' operitions at this rate of curtailment wilt sultice to restore the business to its normal condition.

Fisn Onis.-The withdiawal ef the compulsory chanse in the inspection of fish oils has given an impetus to a nearly extinet indnstry; preparations are being made for the adulteration of oils, and operations have already commenced on a small scale. In a short time, however, progress will have rapidly advanced, and buyers will have the satisfaction of procuring oils at far lower prices than they conld when the trade was hanipered by compulsory inspection. Whether it is better to pay a fill value for $\Omega$ pure artiede, or to give a lower price for one which is adulterated to an anknown extent, is perhaps a moot point, but the trade will probably have plenty of opportunity of judging of the latter phase of the question.

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## CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOClation

The twelfth annual meeting of this leading Life Assurance Company was held at heir ollice 'loronto-st., 'Toronto, on I'uesday, the 8 th inst. The President, Sir W. P. Howland, ocedpied the clanir, and the managing director, Mr. J. K. Macdomald, acted as secretary. The lullowing report was submitted:-
twelftil ansual repurt.
Your Directors experjence great satisfaction in meeting the policyholders and shateholders in the 'lwelfth Annand Meeting wilh a report which indicates so eutirely the continued suc: cess and progress of the Association, Nothing cond move thoroughly atlest the populatig with the insuriug public, and the contidence Which the Association enjoys, than the large share of new business secured during the year and the eminently satistactory state of the busihess at its close.
These facts will prove a source of gratification and pleasure to the shateholders and policyholders as well as to all the other friends of the Association.

During the year, 1,786 applications for assurance, anounting lo $\$ 2,776,163$, were received and considered; 1,609 for $\$ 2.540,103$ were approved, and 127 for $\$ 336,000$ were declined or withdrawn Including 13 revived cases, 1,672 policies tor $\$ 2,558,163$ of assurance were written; and the yenr closed with 7,392 policies. iusuring the $s \mathrm{~m}$ of $\$ 11,30-1,53$, on the Regisler.
Tbe death clams for the yen were 41 , citlling for $\$ 73,71275$ under 42 policics. Bonus additions had acerued moder three policies, making atutal of $\$ 73,41475$. This shows a very favorable death rate, which fact pays a litting tribute to the care exercised in the admission of persons iuto the Company, and to the wisdom of athering strictly to the rule to exclude all lives, Which, frum residence, ocenpmion, or habits, present an abnormal ur extra hazard.
The Financial Statements call for no explanation. It has been the constant aim of the Directors to thave them in such a shape that they will exhibit clearly and precisely the athines of the Association, and it is believed that hes will be tound to have placed it in the power ot each Policyhulder to see for himself what hat been done with his money, and what is the standing of the Association.
The Auditors lanve, as formerly, made theit audit monthy. The check made by these ofticers is a most thorough and complete one, ats their certiticate following the limancial state ments will indicate.
The Achary has made the vabiation of the policy and anmaity liabilaties in aceondance with tho severe rule of the Association, and while it maty be contended by some chat it wonld be sufficient to confurm to the requirements of the Guvernment stmmbard, inslead of assuming a liability in excess of what that standard calls for, it las to be borne in mind that our rule provides greater safely; and maticipates what most eventmally come, a reduction in the rate of in erest from four und a half per cent to four per cent.
The substantial increase to the surphus will be nuted with salisfaction, and will justify the anticipation of satislictory results to the Pulicyholders. Your Directors have a pleasing duty in testifying to the continned fitithfulness of the Olice, Agency, and Medical Stafi.
J. K. Macdonald. Huriand, President.
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|  | Insurance, Superintendence.................. |  |

## INYESTMENTS.

Norigages ...\$173,085 80
Real Estate. 24649

| Loans on |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Policics... | 11,948 |

$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Loans on } & \\ \text { Stocks.... } & 7,59126\end{array}$
Furniture... 1,15457
Deposit
Govern-
ment
Saring 5
$416 \quad 10$
By Sundry Advancea, etc. $\quad 2,91534$
"Cash on band, $\$ 44.40$;
" Banks, $\$ 54,885$ 12...
54,929 52
$\$ 467,46290$

## BALANCE SHEET,

## Assets.

Dec. 31st, 1883.
Debentures (market value, $\$ 93$,-
722 43) par..
$\$ 93,88400$
Mortgages. 817,608 68
Real estate
stock
Loans on stock..........................
Government 5 per cent. stock
and Savings Bank deposit........
Loans on Gompany's policies.......
Special luan
Sundry accounts..
Furniture, $\$ 2,47977$, less 10 per
cent written off for year............
Disbursements repayable by mortgagors

20,988 19
7,89126
4,616 16
29,357 00
40003
$1,819.40$
2,231 80
44607
Oash on hand.
4440
Oasb in banks.
Premiums in course of collection (reserve thereon included in 1iabilities), of this the sum of $\$ 35,634.95$ is covered by short date notes 54,885 12

Quarterly and balf-yearly prem-
jums on existing policies due, subsequent to Dec. 31st, 1882 (reserve thereon included in liabilities)...... ...... .......... ...... Interest due and accrued

## Liabilities.

Dec. 31st, 1883.
Assurance fund (in-
cluding bonus
ndditions)......... $\$ 905,62349$
Annuity Funds......... $9,171.72$
$\$ 914,80021$
Less for policies re-
assured ............ 15,15144
$\$ 898,618$. 77
For temporary reductions............ 32,91517
Lapsed policies, value on surrender 4,782 10
S935,346 04
Loss by death, not due (since paid excepting \$1,857 50 waiting completion of papers)...........
Premiums paid in adrance.............
8,83525
Profits to policyholders
14574
All other accounts, including medical fees, directors' fees,
etc....................................
1,52995

4,753 40
bentures..............................
46271
Surrendered policy waiting major-
ity of beneficinry ................ 18795
ity of beneficinyry ...................
80,00000
Held to cover cost of collecting premiums outstanding and
deferred on Dec. 31st, $1883 .$. .
8,13945
Sưrplus............. ......................... 112,322 80
\$1,152,728 38
J. K. MacDonald, Managing Director.

We have made the usual thorough andit of The Books of the Association for the year ending 3lst December, 1883, and have examined the vouchers in connection there with, and have compared the abore statment and Balance Shcet with the same, and found the whole correct.
We hare also examined each of the securitics represented in the Assets; which are safely contained in the vaults of the Association (excepting the secarities beld by the Dominion Gorernment amounting to $\$ 83,77000$ par value), and found them in good order.

## $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Jons Lasgron. } \\ \text { John M. Martin. }\end{array}\right\}$ Auditors. <br> Toronto, 7th April, 1884. <br> AOTOARY'S REPORT.

I hereby certify that, having computed the value of the risks of the Confederation Life Association, as submitted to me and stated below, unon the basis of the Institute of Actuaries Life Tables, and interest at the rate of four and one-half per cent per annum, taking account of the net premiums only, and adding (as in preFious years) ten per cent to the value of all paid-up Life Policies, and a corresponding smount in the case of those in course of becoming paid up, I find the liability thereunder as follows, as at date of 31st December, 1883 :-

Present value or Reserve.
Nu mber of policies valued, 7,202,
insuring an amount of $\$ 11,204$ -
534 .
...: ...........................
Of these 48 policies for an amount of $\$ 185,909$ were re-insured......... $16 \quad 151 \quad 44$

Leaving a net linbility of............ \$889,477 05
And unclaimed surrender values to an amount of

4,782 10
And the present value of seven an-
nuities for an amount of $\$ 1,392$ -
30 per annum
9,171 72
To this must be added liability for
temporary reductions
32,915 17
Making the total net liability .... $\$ 93634604$
OHARLES CARPMAEL, Actuary.
Toronto, April 4th, I884.

In moving the adoption of the Report, the President said:-The statement, geatlemen, which we have the pleasure of submitting to you, affords satisfactory evidence to every one that our progress is still onward, and that, too notwithstanding the fact chat the past year has not been a very favourable one for any branch of business in this country. Notwithstanding that, gentlemen, and notwithstanding increased competition, and that, too, to an extent we have never experienced before, we linve succeeded in attaining the results that we now place before you, which show a steady progress on the part of the Compray. "Our cash premium receipts, for instance, have increased 30 ,835.27 ; the interest receipts $\$ 0,346.61$. The surplus has increased $\$ 49,424$. The assets bave increased 8185,78959 and have reached the large sum of $\$ 1,152,728.38$. The new business also shows a gratitying increase, and the statemeat before youshows that the jusurance in force at the end of the yenr wns $\$ 11,204,534_{1}$ an increase over the previous year of $s 1,295$, 288. These are all points, gentlemen, that mark the steady progress of the Company; and afturd, I think, satistactory evidence of a proper administration of its affilis, and of the exertion and effective labor that has been performed by all parties connected with the Company. If theie is any matter connected with the accounts that any gentleman would desire any further information or explanation about we Wrould be most happy to afford it."

The President then moved the adoption of the Report, as follows:-
"That the Report of the Directors, the financial statements, the report of the nuditors; the Actuary's Report, and the Report of the Trustees for Government Savings Bank Policies be adopted."

In seconding the resolution Mr. Wilminu Elliot, V. P., said:-"Mr. Chairman, gentle-men,-There are resolutions which gentlemen are called upon to second in meetings of this kind which me purely complimentary; others which are merely formal, but in regard to this one I may say, that I second it with a great deal of pleasure, and I think Imay say with pardonabl pride. As you know, sir, I have been connected with this Association from the beginning with yourself, and therefore feel and take a great intcrest in it. I am an old citizen of this country now, having been more than fifty-five Jears in Canada and I feel proud of this institution as a real Oanadian institution. You referred sirt, to the popularity of this Company-I think most will igree with me, who know about the working of the institution, that it is a popularity earued in a perfectly legitimate and natural way by upright, straightforward, and honorable dealing. I think I may challenge any one to say that any one transaction of this Company has been otherwise than what bas been honest, straightforward, and honourable. I am happy to say, sir, that we have now, as we have had through mosi of our career, a number of most industrious; persevering, and respectable agents, through whose exertions a large amount of new business has been secured during the past year. And then again, sir, I notice one other matter, and that is that during the past year, $\$ 74,000-1$ am speaking in round numbers, was distributed to the frmilies of the respresentatives of those who died. This is a large sum, but it is not too large, and it does not come up to the "expectation. That is in consequence of the lives insured haring been good lives, and though we have paid so much it has been less than might have been expected, on the regular mortality tables. I would also refer to the bencfit which the country derives from our people insuring in our home companies. Had the insurance carried by this Association been made with American Companies, the large amount of capital represented by the assets would have been invested in American securities, from which this country would derive no benefit. I have very much pleasure and pardonable pride in seconding your motion, sir, for the adoption of the Report." The motion was then put and carried unanimously.

Voles of lhanks were passed to the divectors and to the provincial boneds; also to the actwary; the offiee and agency sluff, the medieal examiners and solicitors. The anditors, Messes. John Langton and Jolin M. Martin, were thanked and reappointed.
After the appointment of scrutineers the Hon. Jumes Young was moved into the chair, when a special vote of thanks with the usual honorarium was passed to the President, the VicePresidents, and the Chairman of the Insirance Committec, which was acknowledged in a few appropriate remarks by ench of the gentlemen present, Mr. Elliot speaking for the Hon. Wm. Mchaster, absent in Otlawa.

Sir. W. P. Howland then rose and addressed the meting, saying :-Before you leave the chair, now that I am merely a shareholder, with my dutics as an officer of the Company at an end, 1 feel at libecty to bring to the attention of this meeting a proposal which I would not make had I not the strongest possible conviction that it is one hat will accord with the views and feelings of not only every gentleman here, but almost overgono conneeted with this Company, I am sure, of everyone, who has ray knowledge of its workings and the mauner in which it is conducted. I am certain also that the gentlemen present would not be sutisfied to separate: without there being some expression on the part of this meeting of the appreciation of the services of the Managing virector. Fur my own part laviag opjortunitits, of couse, greater than any other person present, und leing intimately comnected with him in the management and business of the Gompany for sucli a long period of time, in all my esperience, which has not been a very limited one, ] have nover met with any jerson who has shown such devotion in the performsuce of his dutes, nut such sulappreciation of what was incumbent upon him, as has been dont by our mamger. He not only, gentlemen, performs the duties liat woud properly obtan to an olficer in lis position, but in never stops as long as there is any thing to do, or any thing to think of, or any work to be done which will forward the interests of the Compuny. It is no matier to him whether it is in the ordinary hours of business or ont of thom, Whether it iequites bim to go from home, or to stay at home. There is not one thing he ever omitted, to my linowledye, that could be done by him, that was necessary for the protection and forwarding of the interests of tiois Associatiou. Under these circinistances, Iam sure there is not a gentleman present who would desire that this meeting should separate, without expression being given to its apprecimion of the manner in which he has performed his duties, and I feel mso, as a shareholder, and from the expression of feeling that I have had from those interested in the Company, that it would be a gratification to them to have an opporlunity of offering evidence of twe feeling that they lave in in tangible manuer. 1 propose for the consideration of this meeting the follorving resolution :-
"That with in view to afford ovidence of the appreciation that we bave of the services of our manager, thas company place to his eredit the sum of one thousand dollars as'a testimonial to that eflect."
Mr. Samuel Trees said-Irm sure I can only endurse what has been said by Sir Wm. Howland in regard to our manages. "After nill, though the directors may advise and supervise, it is the manager of a company who does the real hard work. I am sure the cenfidence we repose in our manger is well merited. This is evident from the exprescions of good-will we have all heard, and from the testimony of the batance sheet io-day presented to us. I for oue, as a policy-holder fally endorse the remarks that have been made, and therefore have the grentest pleasure in seconding the resolution.

Mr. Young put the resulntion, which was carried anid loud cheers, wid then tendered the thanks of the meeting to Mr. Macdonald, the managing director, in lerns of the resolution.

In reply, Mr. Mncdonald said-I cannot sufficiently express my thanks to you for this very pleasant surprise which you have given me this afternoon. I happered to be out of the room part of the time, so that I did not hear all the kind remarks which I am sure the President marle-l judge they were kind, for those he made after I came in again were exceedingly so, and made with the smme good feeling that has so often supported me in $m y$ ainxiefies in connection with the business of this Company. I would also thank my good friend Mr. Trees, one of the largest policyholders of the 0 0mpany, for his remarks. It is, I may say, a matter of great gratification to me personally that my efforts in conneclion with this Company have been so far successful, and I can assure you that, asile from the remuneration, I have had a very large mensure of gratification in the fact that, whatever some few persuns. may say against me in connection with ths Company, those who know me and my work give me their full confidence and appreciation of my efforts, and I cannot sufficiently thank you, Mr. Ohairman and gentlewen, for this kindness, and for the very substantial way in which these expressions have been backed up. I can only offer you my best thanks, and any that so long as my life is spared and my services are found of a bature to be worth retaining, these services will be given to the Confederation Life Association.

The report of the scrutineers was then presented, showing the old Board to have been rc-elected as follows:- Hon. Sir W. P. Howlam, Hom. Wm. MeMaster, Wm. Elliot, Esq. ; Hon. Chief Justice Nacdonald, Hon. Isatac Burpe. W. H. Beatly, Bsq. ; Edward Hooper, Esq. ; J. Herbert Mison, Esq. ; Hon. James Young, F. A. Ball, Fsq.; M, P. Ryan, Esy. ; S. Nordheimer, Fsq.; W. H. Gibbs, Waq. ; A. McLetun Howard, Esq. ; J. D. Bugar, Esq. ; J. K. Matelouald, Disq.
At a mecting of the Directors held after the anmul mectiug: Sir W. P. Howhand was reelected President, and the Hon. Wm. MoMaster and IVen. Elliol, Esq., Vice-Presidents.

The Ootron Trade.-Things are not looking over bright, so fire as manufacturing is concerned, nor is there very much hope of a really grood and profitable business, unless great changes are made in some direction or other. The exceedingly high rate of profit which obtained in the enrly history of the industry here was too tempting to be left to the few who started the new business; everyone wanled to share in such prufitable undertakings, and bonuses were offered by certain towns to sceura the privilege of having a mill built in or near then, which was expected to be a perfect mine of wealth, finding employment at good wages for plenty of workers, and paying a higl! dividend to those who were lucky enough to be shareholders. The result of all this was just what has occurred often before. Capital was invested and mills were built until the evil of "overproduction" had attained large proportion, then dividends decreased along with the market prices of the goods produced, and shares are now much below par which could only have been bought at a very bigh premium a short time ago. Shares in oue limited company, for instance, of in hominal value of $\$ 100$ have been up about $\$: 00$, and can now be bought somewhere about half their original value, or at about one-fifth or one-sixth of their highest price. Itis reported that a mill which cost some $\$ 60,000$ or $\$ 70,000$ could readily be hought fur about oue-quarter of that amount. The evil of "over-production" "unfortunately, still exists ; the production of cotlon goods is considarrbis in excess of the amount. of consumption, while that of shirls and hosiery is still grenter.

## FIRE RECORD.

Ontarto.-Beeton, April 3-Messrs. Pepwell, Lowery \& Cook's grain warehouse and contents destroyed. Loss $\$ 12,000$; insured in Western for $\$ 8,510$. Woodstock, April 1-W. McKay, d Sons' wax and candle works destroyed. -Losa $\$ 8,000$; no insurance. Comber, A pril 4Messrs. Ludlam \& Jones' sash and door factory destroyed.' Loss $\$ 1000$; no insurance. Bath Seland, A pril 4-The Niagara Falls paper mill partly burnt. Loss $\$ 2,500$. Onondaga. April 6-J. Hamilton's barns and outbuildings destroyed, with contents. Loss $\$ 7,000$. Norwood A pril 9 --Thos. Outhbertson's baras and stable: Fith contents destroyed. Luas heary. Listowel, April 6-Messrs Zum \& Rolph's tannery deatroyed. - Loss $\$ 5,000$; insured for $\$ 1,000$ on coutente, and -500 on building and machinery. Toronto, April 7-Corhill's dry dock damaged to the extent of $\$ 4,000$; insured for $\$ 2,000$ in Guardian. April 8-A stable owned by one Robertson destroyed. Loss $\$ 500$. Meadowville, April 7-F. McQuaid Derry's barns and contents destroyed. Loss $\$ 4,000$; insurance $\$ 1,850$. Southampton, April 8-A. Spence's dwelling house destroyed. Loss $\$ 800$; insured for $\$ 500$. Glenvale, April 13-I'he outbuildings of J. Tangwith, destroyed, with contents. Insured in Agricullural Co. of Watertown, for $\$ 850$. Dunville, April 16-J. A. McIndoe's bake honse and the grocery next dorr, đ̂lso Mr. Stone and A. W. Thewlin's grocery store burnt. The building was owned by Reere Montague, and his loss will be $\$ 2,000$. J. MeIndoe's loss on stock is 51,500 ; W. Stone loges $\$ 500$, and $A$. W. Thewlin's loss is $\$ 500$; all fully insured.

Pringe Edward Ishand.--Line V'alley, April 11-The geneml store of J. A. Cole \& Bro., also the store of M. MeIntyre, destroyed. Loss is heavy. Cole \& Brother had 84,000 insurance in the Queen.

Quebse.-Montreal, April 5-The building owned by the estate late Judge Smith, and occupied by Hessrs W. B. Chapman \& Co., and Bell \& Co., damaged to the extent of $\$ 500$. April 9.-W. Olendinneng's foundry damaged to the extent of $\$ 1,000$; fully insured.
Nsw BuUnswick.--Moncton, April l-Building belonging to Dunlop estate, and occupied by $R$. Tombs and R. Devere, party burnt. R. Tombs had $\$ 600$ insurance on his stock.

## JOSEPH E. SEAGRAM,

DISTILLER, WATERLOO, ONTARIO. Alcohol, 65 O.P. Pure Spirits, 65 O.P. Pure Spirits, 50 O.P.

Pure Spirite, 25 U.P.

## Old Rye, Malt and Family Proof Whiskies.

Sole manufacturer of the celebrated

## WHITE WHEAT WHISKEY.

## MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS:

## Thorsday, April 10th, 1884.

Business of all kinds bas been quiet doing the past reek, and there seems to be a stagnition in nlmost every line which the recent bolidays have slighly inerensed. Three oldestablished tirms in different lines report businoss as quicter than it has been for the past thirty yenrs; on the other hand it is snid that business is not unlike what it atfrays is at this
season, nd that the outcry about bad trade is clronic with some people. The approach of spring and the favorable reports of the fall wheat crop, in the North-west produce a hopeful feeling that increased activity will be seen very shortly. The slare mïrket was closed from Thursday evening until Tuesday toraing, but the business done during the rest of the week is very much less proportionately than it was last week. Less than 600 bank shares and abont 1,300 miscellaneous ones have been sold against 2,600 and 5,500 respectively for the previous week. Prices, with one exception, have all declined; the heaviest fall being in Montreal Bank and Gas, which are down about $53_{4}$; Toronto has also fallen $4 \frac{1}{2}$. Wolsons alone has risen in price, standing at 116 ngainst 113 last week. This afternoon no great change is visible, thulugh the feeling is a little stronger, and. some stocks have adranced $\&$ to 1 per cent. and appearances look like a temporary rise. There is, however, an absence of orders, and it is quite a broker's market; nothing exciting will occur until dividends are dechared. It is said that a leading bank lats reducedits mate of interest on large deposits, and is now even refusing to acceptany heavy amounts. Sterling Exchange for 6 -dny bills is at $9 \frac{3}{3}$; demand bills from 10 t to $103-8$. New York drafts are from $1-8$ to $\frac{1}{1}$ premium. Call loans from 4 to 5 per cent. Good commercial paper is discounted.at 7 per cent. Below is a statement of transactions in shares during the week:

| Banks. | Shares sold. | Highest price. | Lowest price. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Federal, ............. | 50 | 1831 | 1331 |
| Merchants...... ...... | 232 | 1122 | 112 |
| Molsons............... | 50 | 116 | 116 |
| Montrenl...... ....... | 314 | 192 | 181 |
| Toronto .............. | 56 | 178 | 1772 |
| Peoples............... | 45 | 63 | $63^{\circ}$ |
| Miscellaneous. |  |  |  |
| Gas...................$~$ | 475 | 180 | 1783 |
| Passenger ........... | 1033 | 122 | 119 |
| Mont. Tel. Co..... | 414 | $11{ }^{2}$ | 112 |
| Richelieu \& Ont... | 50 | 64 | 633 |
| Nor. West Lad. Co. | 175 | 53 | $\therefore 53$ |

Ashes.-Receipts continue light; sales have ranged from $\$ 4.20$ to $\$ 4.30$ for firsi sort, a few seconds eold at $\$ 3.60$ to $\$ 3.65$. No Thirds ofering. Pearls are neglected, nominal at $\$ 6.00$, the businees passing in England in this article is now insignificant Receipts from. Ist January i, 589 brls Pots, 146 brls Pearls. Deliveries, 1,220 brls, Pols, 106 brls Pearls. Stock in store at 6 $0^{\prime}$ clock on 16 th A pril 1,686 brls Pots, 190 brls Pearls.
Boots and Shoes.-Business still continues very quiet; the price list is but little changed.

Cattle, etc-The English markets have ruled about the same as a wrek ngo. Dressed beef in Liverpool is quoted 5 gh, rind mutton is steady at 5t d, Live cattle in Liverpool, London, and Glasgow is unchanged at 7itd. The offerings of butchers' calle at the local markets last Monday were limited to nbout 30 head, which appeared ample for the demand. Sules of best I to were made at be to 6 de; medium to finir grades 5te to 53 c , and lean and corise grades 4 c to 4 d c. Only a few sheep and calves were on the market. Live hogs were steady at 7c per lb:

Dairy Prodvee.-In Old Butter there is little doing, oring to the scarcity of desirable quality, and strile poor grades find no demand; prices may be quoted at from 14 c to 17 c , all round, according to the many grades and qualitics of ench; the absolute want of business makes it impossible to give any narcower limits; one large:firm says that business has not been so quiet for the past 30 years. New Butter is beginniug to come forward pretty freely, and, if quality is pleasing, sells promptly at 22 c to 24 c and 25 c . Wholesalers are nsking 25 cents for finest new arrivals of Eastern Townships. This time last year the price was 27 e to 30c. Mixed white and irregular lots are slow of sale at 18c to 20 c . Fresh Roll, when quality is fine, sells well at 20 c to 25 c . City grocers still say they are paying 28c to wholesalers for extra choice creamery, coutract price. In Cheese, offerings are light, and sales are only made to city grocery and jobbing trade at 13 c to 14 c for tinest. We notice first arrivals of new cheese, which is offering at 130 to $13 \frac{1}{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{c}$, but no snles have transpired.

Dhugs and Chemicals.-Though orders con. tinue light, business is pretty fair, and payments on the whole are good. Several nlterations have been made in our price list and some additions made to the list. Boma, castor oil, canstic soda, sul sola and bichromate of potash will all be found at lower ligures, while logwood extract and madder have extra quotations for lower qualities.
Fisu--Market continues very quiet, and prices unchanged from last week's quotations.

Salr.-There is nothing toing to test prices, which remain stationary at last week's quota. tions.
Floun and Grais.-In Flour there has been little doing; buyers are still holding ofe till navigation opens, and the harvest prospects are better defined. Prices for Superior Exira and Spring Exira are quoted 5 c to 10 c lower than last week. Grain also has been rery quiet; in most kinds there has been absolutely no business; C'hicago $\Lambda^{\prime} o .2$ Spring and Ifilwaulece No. 2 Spring are both down ec from the highest figure; prices are otbervise unchanged and merely nominal.

Fruis, $\mathcal{E c}$.-In Liverpool Oranges have adranced two shillings, and prices are expected to rise here in consequence, over last week's prices, which were $\$ 6.50$ to $\$ 7$ per case. The receipts of Red Bananas brye been very heavy, and they are now at $\$ 2$ to $\$ 3$ per bunch; Yellow are unchanged at $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$. Strawberries, wholesale, are 40c. per quart. Bermu ta Onions range from $\$ 2.50$ per crate, holding about a bushel or 60 lbs . The following are unchanged from last week's quotations:-Lemons, frum $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 0.50$ per case, or about $\$ 3$ per box ; Apples, from $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5.50$ per bbl; Cocoanut from $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5$ per sack of 100 , $D \vec{a}$ es, in boxes, $6 \frac{1}{2}$ c. ; in skins, 6c per lb. Pineapples, from $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$ per doz.

General Provisions.-Business in hog products is in an attitude of waiting, and prices are nominally unchanged, except Western Mess Pork, which is down 50c. Eggs have declined to 16 c to 162 c , at which they are seliing to-dry. The demand all week has been light and the offerings large; prices are still weakening as the fine weather advances, they are now just 2e luwer than on this day last year ; the demand during week before Easter is reported as less than half what it was lastyear. In Maple Syrup recepts keep light and insulficient for the waits of the trade; stocks ure well sold out, and wices are firm at 85c to 97 c per gallon, Large arrivals of Maple Siggar have had a de. pressing tendency on the malket, and mices arlower; at 9 c to 10 c . Makers should devote
themselves more to syrup, but this offers less facilities for adnlteration, if brown sugar mixture can be called by that name.

Groceriss.-Suyars-The lowest grades of Yellow Relined Sugars are slightly higher, say $\frac{1}{8}$ th cent or so. The demand is active for most grades, stimulated by the vien of unusually low prices current. Granulated is about to lower for the woek, - say 7 to to 8 d From New Yotk the report comes of diminished production of Refined Sugurs and an adrance of d o ohtained, the market closing easier Teas. -Stendin'ss for desirable grades of Japans contimes here, but operations are only moderate. In China Teas, Black and Green, tho business doing is not large, but at about previous values. The New York murket is dull. Coffees.-The toine is not quite as firm as it wag alhough the fitling off is but slight. Fiffort. should be made to press genuine coffees intoactual consumption. Rice- iy ndvices from Britgin of 3rd inst., is reported as further advanced. With us there is no change. Stocks. offering at the mompnt are not heavt--Spiees. -Pepper remains nominally as last noted, with not much roing. The speculators appear still to try to hold wilh firmness, and possibly they may do so until they get their fingers burnt. this article being almost the only thing held above reasonable vilue at this time. Nutmegs, Gingry, Dloves, Pimento and Cassia nure dull. Fruits.-Choice Valencias are in light supply, and firm, at to 7 ; inferior to choicest as to quality mid lot. Loose Muscatela, No. 1 , are pleniful, but the demand is limited. Ohoice Malaga Raisims are little enquired for. Ourrants dull and easier. Prumes, Dates, Sultanas are also dull. In Fitberts, Wulnuts and Almonds there is not much trade going on, but what little there is doing is at about values for some time prevailing.

Hides and Skivs.-The number coming into the market is so very small and stocks are so light, that prices are hardly tested, and Easter week has added its influence in keeping business very quiet.

Hor's.-Business is very quiet, and prices do not vary much, even when any orlers aro secured. From the time that the crop was gathered prices have remained pretty even, just the reverse of Inst yenr's experience, when the price rose from 30 c to S 1.10 in less then foutr months and after remaining about the latter figure fell fister than they had risen till they bad renched 20 c .

Iron and Hardware.-In Iron business is very quict, pending the opening of navigation. Ordinary and best refined Bar is about 5 c. lower, and travellers are snid to drop even a trife more. The quotation in the price list for Shect Lertd is reduced 25c. An advance is cabled of $£ 15 \mathrm{~s}$ to $£ 1$ 10s on B. S. Ingot Copper. In Mardware some honses report a fair business, but the general opinion is that it inclines to dullness. Phiments are coming in very fairly, but an idea that stocks are too heavy makes buyers very cautious.
Leather.-The market continues quiet in all lines, and very little business is being done. The somewhat limited manufacture of boots during the winter has affected the leather busipess, and no great change can be expected till the fall manuffeture begins, as it will shortly. $\because$

Lumber.-Very little change from last report. Buyers' demands are very light, the only encouraging thing is, that winter roads have broken up, and with approaching fine weather and opening of navigation trode will nasume its ordmary course. Roals have been literally. impassible in town and cointry for weeks. The price of good humber keeps up, especially clear pine, and the upler grades of Wal.

## cavadian twebds,

 COATINGS,
\&c., \&cc., \&c.
nut lumber. Common and conise is a drug, and can be bought chenp. Building was expected to be brisk this summer, owing to the extra demand for houses and stores, and rents have advanced-but the building trade lias been checked by the extra high price of brick, -which is scarce-the supply is not equal to the demand; also to the ruling of ravious trade unions amongst bricklayers, masons aud plasterers, who dictate what wages are to be, and the consequence is that these men are comparatively idle the majority of their time, owing to their keeping up wages to their standard, instend of suiting them to supply and demand. Were it not for these restrictions considerable more work would be in progress: as it is threefourths of the work offered has been withdrawn -owing to the high cost-and at the same time nearly half the workmen are idle,

Nayal Stores.-Ererything is so very quiet that business can lardly be said to exist at all, even the near appronch of narigation does not put any life into the magket. Prices are nominally unchanged from last week, and are repented below. As noted last week there is an attempt to increase the price of Turpentine, the great forest fires being giren as a reason, but it is hardly likely that any but a very buort-lived rise can lake place. Rosin, E. No. $2, \$ 2.35$ to $\$ 2.45$; $G$. low No. $1,52.50$ to $\$ 2.60$. Pine tar $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.50$. Pine pitch, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3$. Oakum, 6 c to 10 c , according to quality; for spun ditio, $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ higher.

Ons.--Business in this department is improving somewhat, orders now coming in for shipment by first boats. In prices we have no change to note except in turpentine which is Weaker, and is now being sold 53 e to 55 c .

Pants.-Are in fair demand, and yrices remain without change.

Seeds.--The market for clover continues firm with fuir demand and reduced stocks, we quote it at 12 c to 12 dc per pound in small lots. The market is fairly supplied with Timothy. We continue our quotations of last week's prices remaning unchanged at $\$ 1.55$ to $\$ 2.00$ per bushel.
Varkisues.-Business is about as brisk as it usually is at this time of the year;-Prices remain unchangad at last week's quotations, which are as follows:-Body Coach Varnish $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.80$ per gal. ; Carriage, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2.50$; Furniture, 90 c to $\$ 1.25 ; \mathrm{Japan}, 90 \mathrm{c}$ to $\$ 1.25$.

Wool.-- Cittle or no business doing and prices are nominally unchanged from last week.

## ENGLISH MARKETS.

## Liverpool, April 17, 1884.

(Beerboinm's Advices.) Oargoes off ConstWheat, quiet but steady; Uorn, nolling ollering. Gargoes on passage-Wheat, quict; Corm, firm. No. 2 Spring whent, prompt shipment, 35s.; Dlixed Americm Mai\%e, 22s 6d. Quantity wheat on passnge for Contiment 410,000 grs 65,000 girs. Qumbity Maize on pasenge for U. $K$. Maize, 130,000 qis. ; Wheat and Plour 2,200,000 ars. Liverpool Wheat on spot steady, with a fitir demand. Liverpool Corn on spot firmer.

## AMERIOAN MARKETS.

Boston, April 17.-Flour, market unimproved, trade purcliasing in small lots. Sales of Superfine at $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.25$; Extras, from $\$ 3.25$ to S4, including choice Bakers, fron $\$ 4,25$ to $\$ 0.35$, Patent Spring range from $\$ 0$ 10 $\$ 0.75$ and Patent Winter from $\$ 6$ to $\$ 6.25$. Sales of Cornmeal at \$2.60. Oalmeal selling at $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5$ for ground, and $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6$ for cut. Hay, firmer feeling for choice, and sales at $\$ 16$ to $\$ 16.50$. Market well supplied with lower grades; sales $\$ 12$ to $\$ 15$. Butter, market quiet, prices settling down. Choice grades disposed of as fast as received. Sales of fine at 32 c to 33 e ; good and choice from 27 c to 30 c . Cheese, quiet, and continues in moderate demand; prices are steady. Eygs arriving more freely, and prices have ensed off, sales of the diflerent kinds at 15 c to 16 c . Ohoice Canada Peas quoted at $\$ 1.05$ to $\$ 1.10$ and common 80 c to 90 c . Potatoes in large supply, prices continue low; sales from 35 c to 40 c .

Chicago, 3 p.m:-Wheat, May, $85_{4}^{1} \mathrm{c} ;$ Junc, 87, c ; July, s8 wc. Oorn, May, $50 \frac{1}{8} c$; June, $51 \frac{7}{8} \mathrm{c}$; July, 53 c. Oats, May, 321 l c: June, $32 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$; July, $321 \mathrm{c}: ~ P o r k, ~ M a y, ~ \$ 16.60 ; ~ J u n e, ~ § 16.75 ; ~ J u l y, ~$ \$16.S5. Lard, May, $\$ 8.27 \frac{1}{2} ;$, June, $\$ 8.37 \frac{1}{2}$; July; $\$ 8.472$.

New York, 2 p.m.-Wheat, May, $\$ 1.018$; June, $\$ 1.033$; July, $\$ 1.04 \frac{5}{3} ;$ Aug, $\$ 1: 05 \frac{1}{4} . \quad$ Oats, April, $36 \mathrm{~g}^{4} \mathrm{c}$ May, 3 Ga c c. June, 37 c . Corn May;


Milwaukee, 2.30 p.m.-Wheat, April, 873 c ; May, 88c ; June, 89复c.

## TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS. <br> (Revised By Telegraph.)

 TonoNто, April 17, 1884.There is a growing dend weight on all prospects of trading in the continued depression on the Corn Exclinage. There has not been anything to equal it in dullness for twenty-fire years. There is also said to have been very little restored confidence in the Manitoba trede, as transactions with the North-west are limited. Retail trade in the city is very quiet, excent for Spring dress goods and millinery, in which sales have been pretty large. Trading in the country has been improved to the extent reached by a movement of butter and egess, which will amount to something in the aggregate. A feature in nearly all branches of trade is the weakening of values, which is owing greatly to limited demand. The opening of narigation has been looked forward to with expectations of improvement which have not been realized. But, while business is quiet, dealers generally are safe with light stocks. The money market is unchanged, money is abundant, and rates of discount ensy to good customers. The rate on call loans on bonds and debentures is about 5 per cent, and on stocks $5 \frac{2}{2}$, and bank shares 6 per cent. Oommercial paper is discounted at $6 \frac{1}{2}$ for first-class paper and slow at 7 and $7 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent for less desirable. The banks do not complain about payments. Sterling Exclange is very quiet and unchanged. New York drafts negotiated at $\frac{1}{a}$ premium to customers. The Stock Exchange has been irregularand a weakening has been reported in several shares. Federal has been prominent for a falling off. Loan Companies and miscellancous shares have been quiet. Following are the prices fo-dry compared with those of last Thursday :-

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| Merchants | 113 | 112 | Bldg. \& Loan . 105 | 1043 |
| Commerce | 1231 |  | Trarmers' Loan. 1251 | ${ }^{1251}$ |
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| Stand'd. | 115 | 115 t | Dom.' Savinga . 115 | 115 |
| Federal. | 132 | 132: | Ontario Lonn ... ${ }^{\text {1tid }}$ | 124 |
| Imper'l. | 1372 | 138 | Hamilton Prov. | 122 |
| Molsong. | $116^{\prime}$ | 114 | Imperial Savin's,110 | 110 |

Boots and Shoes.-Trade is as quiet as hitherto, but the situation is not difticull. There are some houses here whare stocks have been beaped up to an extent that make them hemy to carry, but for some time past this is being mended. Nowhere is full lime worked, and while goods are necessamily moving the sitnation is being improved by reducing stoeks or distributing the burten among conntry dealers. Stoeks have nlso been kent down anong the retail merchants. In some of its features the boot and shoe trade is better than most others.

Coma Ohi, - The trade has been less satisfactory to wholesate men this spring than it was last year, owing to the competition that spurng ug. Prices bave been cut down so as to lenve no protit to the wholesale deater. Petrolea prices have been stealy at 10.2 to $11 t c$, and prices here hive reached to 120 and 12defor refined. Gabbon safety, being a special manufacture, is stealy at 17 c . Anerictur refined is unchtuged.

Crockmy.-This branch of trade has been excecdingly dull for monuls past, especially has this been the case with conrse wares, where the profits are cut down to the lowest figures

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possible. The trade has been invariably diflicult, to avoid miscalculations as 10 extent of stocks required and to contend with an active competition. This relates to the lines of common wares. In the finer wares profits were bigher, and stoeks have been easier carried. At the prosent time busimess, eren in the finer qualities of ware, is very quiet.

Dar: Goons.-A lealing opinion on the subjeet of trade deseribes the business as execerlingly unsatislinetory. -The diffenlty concerning the customs duties on the deseriptions of cotton goods las not caused any embarmasment to The traders: as priees will le satisfactory to the wholesale trate in any event. But general trate is kepping so chose that the year's protits will be easily hirured up. Jrices are sleady, but not henvy on the retail trodes. Reports from the combtry ate to the elfeet flat business is dragging, and money very have to collect. Setilements from the country are made by renewals magring from 30 to 50 per cent of amonnts and batance caslo. 'The acconnts with the bunks are carried generally satisfictoridy.

Flour and Mbal,-m'the bueadstuff markets remain as chall as at any time reported. There is nothing doing in flour beyond the necessary

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Grain-Ifhed is entirely mohangrd. There have been some inregularties in the Amerienn markets, but they had no effect on this market. The millers are the only buyers, and they are so crowded with American flow hat they are not working full time. The morement from farmers' hands is small also at presamt. Prices are muchanged biot bot strong. No. 1 Fall is not on the market, No. 2 is quoted at $\$ 1.07$, and No. 3 at $\$ 1.04$; No. I Spring at $\$ 1.09$

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（indemums．－Busiaess is vimionsly reported by difterent honses，hol nowinere is it deserthed as good．Prices ate noblatured；sugats are slitl very low．It was reported that a lot of granulated land been sold at 7 foc，and it is

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Hatbwath．－Thade is still very quiet．Deakers in heay hardware have been making stales to the Cammat Pacitic Railway for work on the North Shore of Lake Superior ；but ordinary hardware is still wery gitict for this season of the year．Kuquiry lemts to the information that orders for the Northwest will be sparingly filked．Prices are stendy，with no prospect of alvance．Nails are again 5 conts lower per keg than last weolis quotations．

Hades．－Thure is uo change in the market． Where western hides have come in there has been an athompt to advance prices，bat witl the prices of dianadith hites unchanged there
A New Smpring Vexpume－An important shipging nat commercind venture is being flonted in Grenock，Scotland，for the propose of aerpuiriug and sailing a namber of woonten vessels in the Quebee timber trade．The ctpital，which has been fixed at ．E：0，000 in 300 shares of 土hm ench，has benn，we believe， pretty nemry subseribed，althongh in the mean－ time il is not intended to call up more than $x^{\prime} 75$ or $\operatorname{ESO}$ per shate．The name of the com－ many is＂The Clyde and St．Lawrence Shipping CO．＂$^{\prime}$＂limited，and one of the main features of the company will be that，as atrate，iusurance with undewwiters will not be effected uno its ships，but the company will hay aside ite own insurance finuls．It only rematins to be athed that the promoters of the company are long established dlyde ship owners，and have hat ： lengthened experince in the management of ships in the lumber trule．－hiocriool Journal of Gommerce．

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has been nothing effected beyond a hardening of terms．Butcher＇s stock is bought 7 c for cows and 8 c for steers；imported No．1，cured hides steady at 8e to 8de．Calfskins unchanged． Sheepskins bring \＄i to $\$ 1.20$ ，the general figares bejug \＄1 to \＄1．15．
Lave Srock－－The supply of catule is equal to requirements of the market．Choice cattle have been high，selling at 8 c to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$ per lb ，live weight．Good butchers＇cattle at 5．je and ordinary at $4 \frac{1}{2} c$ ．Sheep and lambs selling at $4 \underline{c}$ to 5je per lb．Calves sell at 9 c to 10 c diessed weight．Hogs，tew offuring，at sis per 100 lus，live weight．

Provisions，arc．－－The market continues very quict．Prices are genemally molonnged．Buron． is a shade ensier，long chear selling at 10 ef for box lois，and C．C．at 9？c．Lard quiet and unchathged，at $12,2 \mathrm{c}$ to 13 c ．，according to size of

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package．Pork nominal at $\$ 20$ ．Butter is in good demand for choice descriptions and 20 c to 21 c is paid rendily tor first class．Large rolls are offering at 16 c to 18 c ；and inferior is quoted at 12 c ．Egys are abundant，and case lots selling at lac to loc per dus．Cheese firm，at Itc to 15 c ．Dried Apples quiet and unchanged．／lops very quied and easy at 2 le for orminaty and 25 c for tine simples．Polutoes easy，at GSe to 70e per bing in car lots．Sell quiet and prices un－ changed．Fallow quiet，small lots of rendered quted at gle to 7 c ，and rongh at $3 . \mathrm{e}$ e．

Seeds．－Receipts of clover are light for some days past，and prices are firm．Jobbing lots a e selling lure at $\$ 6.90$ to $\$ 7.05$ tor red cluver， and hsike is very sleady with a fair demand at tis to 50 per bushel of 60 ll s ．T＇mothy is quiet at $\$ 1$ T5 to $\$ 1.00$ per bushel of 48 lis．

Wool．－－Trade is very guiet，and prices wholly nuchanged．The demand for chothing wools is less than it was threc or four weeks ago．There is no prospect of improvement for the market fit present．

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The mumber of accidents so frequently re－ corden，owing to the explosive character of the inferior lighting oils in the market，should in－ duce greater cantion in purchasing．In this respect dealers should try the＂Home Light （vil，＂made at Green Point，Long island，for which Str．Jos．Martin of this city is agent，as may he seen by his annonnerment elsewhere．
Messes．I：Heary Holland o Uo．，the well－ known ronolesale dealers in fancy goals and smatl wares，this city，are removing tomband 268 St．Panl strect，the premises hitherto occupied by Messrs．Amable Prevost \＆Co．， The increased business operations of the firm have for some time pist rendered heir removal to larger premises a mater of absolute ne－ cessily．

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