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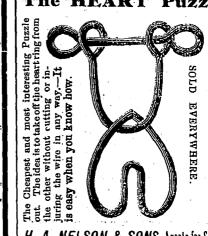
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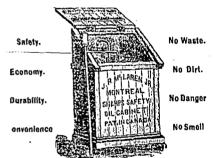
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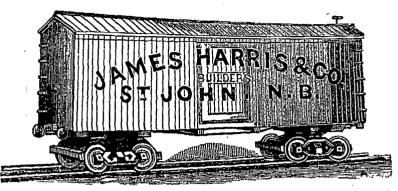
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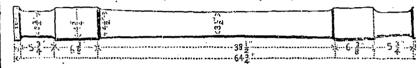


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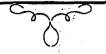
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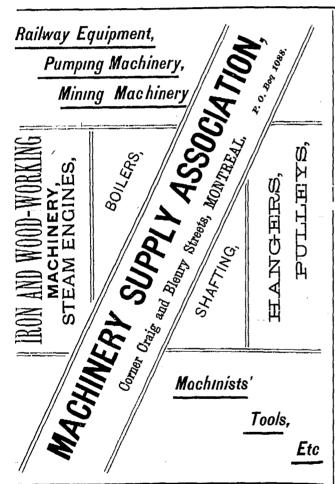
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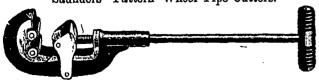
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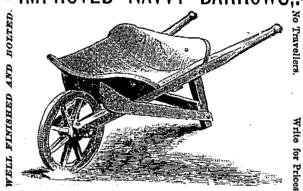


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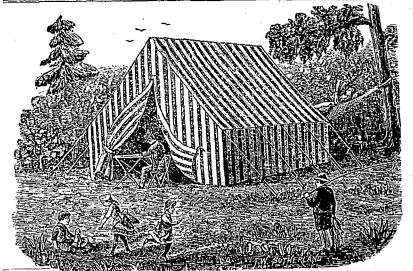
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LAST week over 5,000 tons of cargo were landed at the deep water terminus of Halifax. 1,550 was for that city, and the balance was forwarded by the Intercolonial and Grand Trunk Railways for the Upper Provinces.

HARDIE, the New York forger imprisoned at Halifax, is to be extradited, notwithstanding that his attorneys made a stout fight for him. The extradition papers are now waiting the signature of the Minister of Justice at Ottawa.

Moses C. Bechtel, baker and confectioner, of Port Elgin, Bruce Co., has assigned. He commenced in a small way about five months ago, but succeeded in leaving liabilities to about \$400, with assets barely sufficient to pay the assignce.

THE Portland Press is authority for the statement that the Grand Trunk Railway is contemplating the establishment of a line of vestibuled cars between Chicago and Portland, similar to those now between New York and Chicago and Florida.

THE Government of Newfoundland is endeavoring to induce the people of the Ancient Colony to pay more attention to agriculture, so that they may have something to fall back on when the fisheries fail, and to this end a model farm costing \$25,000 is to be established near St. Johns.

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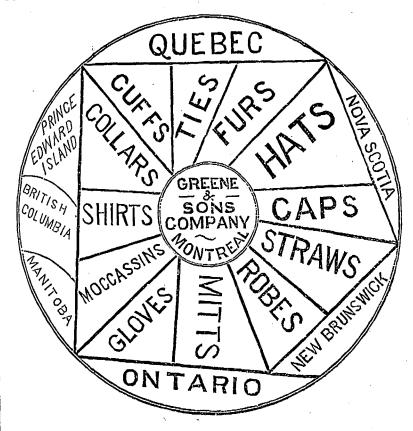
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In an action of trover tried in Prince Edward Island, the judge refused to take the evidence of two men who stated that they did not believe in God, or in the Bible, or in a future state of reward or punishment. In dismissing them the judge cheerfully added that they would doubtless have good reason to believe in a hell before the end of their existence

Notwithstanding the fears of the Nova Scotia coal owners of short sales to Quebec and Ontario, some considerable orders have already been placed in the Canadian west. The Caledonia mine has sold 30,000 tons to the C.P.R. and expect to sell a further quantity. The Gowrie, International and Reserve mines have chartered steamers for the summer's work and expect to push sales up the St. Lawrence river ports.

The Empire says: "Mr. Dobbie, of Marks & Dobbie, general morchants and lumbermen, Thessalon, is in the city to-day [the 5th] consulting informally some of his creditors. The firm is hard pressed at present, and it is expected will ask the indulgence of their creditors, which will probably take the form of a short extension. The firm is a very old one, and possesses the entire confidence of the creditors. The liabilities will reach \$75,000, and a substantial surplus is claimed."

The annual meeting of the Halifax Gas Light Company, which was held last week, resulted in the old board of directors being elected. The company showed gross earnings of \$100,180 and a net profit of \$28,054, out of which two dividends of three per cent. were paid, and \$4,054 added to the rest account. The assets of the com-

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The decrease in lumbering operations during the winter has operated disadvantageously on business in towns where camp supplies are usually purchased. The firm of Graham & Lee, of Lindsay, having sold some \$5,000 worth of goods in this way during the winter of 1887-8, prepared for an equal demand last fall. The greater portion of the purchases remained on their hands, and business in other respects being dull, they were obliged to consult their friends. A generous response was made by creditors. A dissolution has taken place, and Mr. W. H. Graham continues the business alone with fair prospects ahead.

Among the business troubles in the Province of Quebec during the week, we note the following: - I. Dufresne, tailor, of Three Rivers, has compromised at seventy-five cents in the dollar cash, on liabilities of \$1,100 and a surplus of about an equal amount, chiefly in book debts.-The estate of Cyrille Benoit, general dealer, of Vercheres, referred to last week, shows liabilities of about \$9,000. He has meantime assigned.-Eli Brodeur, grocer, of this city, also lately referred to, shows liabilities of \$1,800, or \$400 more than announced last week. He began business only about a year ago, and his want of success is attributed as much to his unfortunate demeanor as to lack of sufficient capital.-Leon Lahaie, general storekeeper of Batiscan, is offering 40 cents in the dollar spread over 9 months, secured. He owes \$2,700. Lahaie has been in business for some 6 or 7 years, and compromised two years ago at 60 cents in the dollar on time, on liabilities of \$3,000, and he now finds himself in a similar predicament.

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MR. WILLIAM DUFFUS, the well-known Halifax merchant, has been appointed agent of the Citizens' Insurance Company in that city, vice Mr. Benjamin Curran deceased -The firm of deall, Ross & Co. has dissolved. Mr. Ross will continue on his own account.

The question of absorbing interest at present among the advanced employes in the Post Office is who shall be chosen to succeed Mr. Emery as Assistant-Postmaster on his forthcoming retirement into the position of a pensioner after his long years of faithful service.

The new gas company bills before the Nova Scotia Legislature have been virtually killed by the striking out of the monopoly clauses which provided that no new company should be chartered for five years. It is charged by some newspapers that some of the honorable councillors who are large shareholders in the old gas company were the "sparrows who killed cock robin."

In the Supreme Court at Ottawa the appeal of Warner vs. Murray was argued last Monday. The respondent's husband assigned for the benefit of his creditors, and the wife made a claim on the estate for money she had lent him. The question raised is whether the money given to the husband was a gift from the wife or a loan, it not being disputed that the money was the wife's and put into the husband's business. The lower court gave judgment for the wife. The Court of Appeal of Ontario was equally divided. The Supreme Court sustained the judgment of the lower court.

THE Quebec Shoe Co., noted in the issue of the 29th ult, as having held a meeting of their creditors the previous day, have meantime assigned. The liabilities are nearly \$50,000 .- Isaac Huber, stationer, &c., at Bracebridge, Ont., has assigned to A. S. Irving of Toronto; debts about \$4,000; assets about \$3,000. The stock will be sold by tender. A. Morrell of Toronto, a small dry goods dealer, has been closed by the sheriff.-The following assignments are reported: Birtle, Man.-W. J. Richardson, general store. Winnipeg-John A. Moore & Co. crockery.

HE PAID UP Some three weeks ago W. H. Lyons & Co., of Burritts Rapids, Ont., sold their stock and business to their neighbor, Thos. Kidd, for \$3,000. About \$2,000 was paid over, with which Mr. W. H. Lyons, after paying off his indebtedness to a leading boot and shoe firm here, proceeded to Ogdensburg and put up at one of the

leading hotels of that bustling city. From this coign of vantage he surveyed in calm and ease the efforts of his creditors to share in the money obtained on account of the goods with which they had trust fully supplied him. He seemed to be distressed by the inability to meet his liabilities in full, and he concluded to cut the difficulty by remaining on the one side of the St. Lawrence and leaving his creditors on the other side. The simplicity of the plan was marred by an elastic clause of a New York statute which permits the arrest of absconders. Acting under this provision of the law in behalf of the creditors, Messrs. Macdonald & Macintosh, a firm of Cornwall lawyers, obtained the co-operation of the sheriff of Ogdensburg, who called upon Lyons at his hotel about ten o'clock last Monday night. The latter gentleman had retired for the night with his better half, but the stony-hearted efficial did not refrain from breaking in upon the domestic slumber, and Mr. Lyons was requested to get up and accompany the sheriff to the office of Mr. Kellogg, the district attorney Without further ado he disgorged the funds. It is to be feared that all the creditors did not fare as well as the clients of the Cornwall

By our correspondents in the Maritime Provinces we are advised of the following business changes: - John J. Noonan, a general storekeeper, of Chatham, N. B., assigns with liabilities of about \$3,000. He began business about a year ago with the assistance of an aunt? who lent him a little capital. This is supposed to have been re-paid meantime, and Mr. Noonan again finds himself high and dry.-J. L. Stevens, a confectioner in a small way at Moncton, N. B., was never in very good credit, and was obliged to compromise some small liabilities about three years ago. He now assigns in trust for the benefit of his creditors.-H. T. Gilroy & Co., general storekeepers, Oxford, N. S., whose preferences received some notice at a recent meeting in this city, are offering to compromise.-Chas. McManus, a hotel-keeper, of Buctouche, N.B. hus assigned in trust -Michael McPherson worked at the mines at Springhill, N.S. at one time and saved some money, but in an evil hour some three years ago was tempted to invest it and considerable more in a general stock of goods. He has been gradually falling behind for some time past and he now assigns, a wiser if not a richer man than when he started .-- Wm Wallace had a monopoly of the tailoring business in Wolfville, N. S.,

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and it was supposed that he should be able to make it pay, but he has been close run for some time and now assigns. Mr. Wallace's creditors were not unacquainted with the Maritime Province laws in connection with bills of sale.

BAY OF QUINTE NOTES .- Great quantities of freight are passing over the Bay of Quinte Railway .- The Kingston Whig states that about 200,000 ties will be brought over the Kingston & Pembroke Railway this year by the Rathbun Company for shipment to the United States.—The revenue received from liquor licenses in Prince Edward during 1888 was \$4,400.-Napanee is endeavouring to form a joint stock company to run Herring's agricultural works.-The farmers' syndicate in Prince Edward county has lost heavily by holding barley for higher prices .-- Hugh O'Rourke, Trenton, is building a large block on the cast side of the river. It will contain six stores and a hall 50x106 feet up stairs.—The debt of the city of Belleville is \$387,000. The Murray can'l may be completed yet before the close of the century .- Gananoque looks forward to the establishment of a first-class roller flour mill,-Belleville people are agitating for a first-class hotel in order to attract trade and visitors.-The new iron bridge at Colebrooke will be one of the most substantial structures in the province.-Belleville Council asks the Grand Trunk to operate the Madoc-Eldorado branch .- Bolloville people wiil be asked to vote \$50,-000 as a bonus to induce manufacturers to locate there. They have not yet discovered the proper cause of the decline of trade in that city ... It is said that a number of wealthy residents of Chicago will spend the summer about the Bay of Quinte. If proper hotel accommodation was provided and about a hundred cottages built along the beach this beautiful bay would become the summer resort of thousands -Operations are very brisk at the Descronto Car Works. About fifty cars will be turned out by May 1st .-- A new treasurer has been appointed for Prince Edward county. The late incumbent is said to have been upwards of \$1,000 short in his cash.

Among the business changes in Ontario as reported by our correspondents are the following :- Geo. Harvey, a builder of Toronto, referred to in these columns some time ago as having obtained an extension of 6 and 12 months to enable him to finish some buildings in course of construction, now finds himself obliged to assign. His liabilities at the time of the extension in October last were some \$40,000, with a nominal surplus of \$10,000.-Adam Ballantine, the general storekeeper of Arthur referred to last week, was put down as owing but \$1,600 instead of \$16,000. The assets were also put down at \$2,000, in place of \$20,000. Mr. Ballantine has been in business for upwards of twenty five-years, but has been running behind for some time past, and now assigns .- A. E. Duncan, shoemaker, Millbrook, was not supposed to have had much property with which to make an assignment, but nevertheless has done so .- Alex. Laing, grocer, of Kirby, Durham County, succeeded his father in the grocery business some two years ago, and with some assistance from

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his father-in-law, was supposed to be in a fair way to succeed. His assignment is also announced.-W. L. Patterson, a jobber of boots and shoes in Toronto, was enabled by the generosity of his brother, a partner in one of our leading houses, to start business about two years ago in a line which has contributed its due share to the record of business casualties of late. As there was little prospect of eventual success, further assistance was not deemed advisable. Mr. Patterson carried a stock of about \$8,000 or \$10,000. He is now reported as having compromised at 45 cents in the dollar, and is going to wind up the business.-The bailiff is reported to be in possession of the grocery stock of Geo. Vancott, of Toronto.-The estate of Charlesworth & Co., boot and shoe jobbers, Toronto, whose troubles were recently referred to, will be liquidated -Mrs. Pittman and Mrs. Burke (J. Pittman & Co.), wife and mother-in-law of Pittman, the Yonge street tailor and mens' furnishings recently referred to, have made an assignment of the estate to R. T. Milne, of Donaldson, Milne & Co Toronto.-The case of ex-Ald. W. E. Brown, Ottawa, whose name has been so conspicuous in these colums of late, was called in Court in that city on last Saturday. The defendent failed to appear, and his bail bonds were declared forfeited .- Geo. Budd, a carriage-maker of Woodstock, is the victim of over-production. He manufactured last summer a large number of cutters for the winter trade, but as the winter was an exceptional one, there was but little demand for the vehicles, and he is now obliged to assign. Mr. Budd had only two years' experience in the business. Among the other assignments in Ontario are the following :- Porter and Porter & Sutherland (Sutherland late partner) agents for agricultural implements, at Chesley; Christian Huelhn, dealer in shoes at Elmwood; C. W. Bescoby; Georgetown; J. Wright, implement, agent, Greenock; J. Latimer, baker, Madoc; Tobias Culp, of Louth Township, Lincoln County, fruit-grower .- F. W. Radcliffe, referred to last week as offering 60 cents in the dollar, has not been able to procure the necessary security, and has assigned. The liabilities reach \$50,000 .- Thos. D. Gibson, carriage-maker, Kitley, has assigned.

A Newsyander in one of our St. Lawrence towns West, but whose name we do not find in any directory, is wasting his time in writing us letters remarkable neither for good manners nor grammar. We have our special traveller on the road, Mr. W. C. Archibald, a gentleman of integrity, and a large property owner apart from his handsome income from the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE; we, therefore, do not require to appoint local agents; and, furthermore, we will not be blackmailed into doing so. The newsvender referred to had better harness himself to a lighter load.

THE HURON AND MIDDLESEX.-The annual report of the Huron and Middlesex Mutual Fire Insurance Co., whose neadquarters are in London, Ont., will be found elsewhere. This report is a remarkably good one. It shows an increase of 584 policies over the business of the previous year, while the assets of the company have increased 46 per

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NEWFOUNDLAND has enacted that no person shall kill or pursue deer or caribou from 15th February till 15th September, and no person is allowed to kill over five animals in a season. Persons not residents must pay a license of \$50, and no antiers or hides can be exported without being cleared at the Custom House, and caribou meat cannot be exported at all. Setting of traps and snares are prohibited, and no hunting with dogs is permitted. All meat forfeited is to be used for the poor, and infringements of the law are punished with fine or imprisonment.

The Halifax City Council now proposes that posterity shall pay its share of the subsidies for the Halifax Graving Dock, and instead of assessing the annual subsidy of \$10,000 for 20 years, it is proposed to assess only one-fourth of the amount each year, and borrow the balance, or \$7,500 annually, on bonds. Corporations are generally too fond of handing down to posterity large amounts of debt, and we think it wiser to pay as you go, otherwise posterity will be apt to cherish other than kindly feelings to their ancestors.

MR. R. H. BARER of Descronto has all his storehouses filled with barley. There is still quite a quantity of barley held by farmers who hope for a rise, of which, however, there appears to be no immediate prospect. Prices fell in the United States during the past week. There appears to be a general opinion that Canadian barley will never again bring a price such as obtained a few years ago.

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THE CANADIAN MINT QUESTION.

Our correspondent, "Banker," whose second letter appears if this day's issue, has evidently not been converted to our views on the question of a Canadian Mint, or to speak more properly, on the question of a Canadian gold coinage, as whether the coins are struck in England or in Canada is simply a question of expense.

In order to understand the subject clearly, it is necessary to repeat what we said in introducing the subject, namely, that the object of the Government in passing the Legal Tender Act was to establish the Canadian standard of value, and not necessarily to supply either American or English exchange. Having no means of coining its own gold the framers of the Act made both United States and British gold a legal tender at their respective values, giving the banks (then the only parties required to keep reserves in coin) the option of paying the one or the other. So long as there was no Government issue of paper money no complaint was made by the banks on account of the double gold standard, which was really to their advantage. Now, however, that there is a large Government issue of legal tender notes and gold is no longer paid out by the banks either to the public or to each other, there is a constant demand upon the Treasury for gold, particularly when exchange on New York advances over par, or when sterling advances to the shipping point. So far, "Banker" will agree with us; but here we join issue. "Banker" claims, not as a right, but as a "panacea," that United States gold should be made the sole standard, in which case he states very correctly that New York exchange would "never advance above 1 and seldom above 3," while by a process of reasoning not clear to us

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he infers that this would leave the price of exchange to be governed by supply and demand. If to oblige the Government to supply United States gold at par, is not obliging it to supply New York exchange at one-eight premium, we do not know what an obligation means. It appears to us to be nothing more nor, less than a proposal to make Canada a mere financial appendage to New York City, and the Canadian Government the instrument of this financial union.

We now come to the points specially referred to by "Banker" in his letter of to-day. His objections to a Canadian Mint are, he says, simply its "expense" and "utter uselessness." The expense, as we have before remarked, is partly borne by the difference of the cost of the bullion and the legal value of the coin. "Banker" must be aware that a considerable toll is charged for coining United States gold, and when to this is added the cost of importing the coin and replenishing the Treasury, which is constantly drained whenever there is the slightest ripple in the exchange market, our statement that the adoption of United States gold alone as the sole standard of value would prove enormously expensive would, we believe, be fully verified.

"Banker" admits that British gold is practically treated as bullion, and while this is not always the case, it is so to a great extent, and, is therefore, in the absence of a Canadian coinage, the best suited to be our legal tender, it being in the interests of the country to prevent the exportation of its gold coin so long as this can be done without lowering the standard of value.

Referring to the millions of United States currency in circulation, "Banker" asks is it creditable to Canada that United States bank notes should be preferred throughout the Dominion to Canadian bank notes? Surely "Banker" can hardly be serious in asking this question. He must be aware that it is a universally accepted principle that an inferior currency will always drive out a superior. American bank notes are not as a rule taken in large quantities by the banks in Canada, and are in consequence kept in circulation, as was the case with the American silver currency twenty years ago. As to the case being different with a Government issue, does "Banker" ignore the fact that there is a large issue of small Dominion Government notes, which are constantly being sent in for redemption, and are not in higher esteem than Canadian bank notes. At the same time United States silver certificates of one dollar and upwards, and which are payable in silver coin and intrinsically worth about seventy-five cents on the dollar, circulate freely in Canada—not because they are better than our own currency but because they are not current at the banks.

We confess our inability to understand "Banker's" meaning when he says that it cannot matter to the treasurer what coins he pays out. If it cannot matter to the treasurer what coin he pays out, how can it matter to the banks or the public what coin they receive? So long as the influx of gold coin into the country was sufficient to fill the treasury, this would no doubt be the case; but when the government has to import its gold either directly or through the banks, the case is different.

"Banker" says in his concluding paragraph "New York is our exchange market." If he said that New York governs largely our exchange market, he would be quite correct; but our "exchange market" is surely where the great bulk of Canadian exchange is bought and sold, namely, in the financial centres of the Dominion.

In suggesting the establishing of a Canadian gold coinage, it does not necessarily follow that British and American coins should not remain a legal tender, and continue to be used to the extent that they flow into the country in the ordinary course of trade; but whenever the government requires to replenish the

treasury from outside sources, it would, we believe, be in the public interest either to cause a Canadian gold coinage to be struck at the Royal mint or to establish a mint of our own.

THE LESSON OF THE COPPER SYNDICATE.

The tragi-dramatic ending of the late copper syndicate in Paris can hardly fail to emphasize the lesson taught thereby, and the leading journals on both sides of the Atlantic are not neglecting the opportunity to do a little preaching on the subject while the incidents are yet fresh in the minds of the public. The origin of that wild scheme was doubtless derived from the examples of great wealth accumulated by bold speculators on this side of the Atlantic. It can hardly have been called a business operation, or founded upon true business principles, apart from any question of morality, although business must be defined, high or low, as proceeding upon a reasonable endeavor to make money for one's self-to the disadvantage of some others, occasionally, perhaps, but without robbing anybody and without violation of principles which must be observed if the whole system of trade is not to be invaded and thrown into confusion." From the man who is engaged in planting, let us say cotton or wheat, to the seller, the manufacturer and the distributor of the same in large and small quantities, down to the man who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before, all are engaged in performing some service to their fellowmen, at the same time that they are bettering themselves; but when it comes, as in the case of speculating upon margin, or establishing such a syndicate as that which ended recently with the suicide of the chief promoter in Paris, it is simply a question of robbing one set of people to enrich another, and it will barely escape being characterized as what has hitherto been rudely called a "swindle." There is no doubt, that the copper scheme proved profitable to some of the members of the ring, those who were behind the scenes, and sold out before the iliusion was about to dissolve.

The principal causes of the collapse arose from the excessive cupidity of the promoters. Had they been content to raise the price, say 50 per cent instead of more than double, they might have succeeded in carrying out their ideal, and would probably have been rewarded with very great profits, and in all likelihood, very safe ones. It may have been desirable on the part of some actual dealers in the metal to cure the causes called glut, but it is a dubious proceeding to cure one kind of excess by another, or to believe that the value of excessively low prices can be cured by the introduction of excessively high ones, instead of being influenced by any notion of regulating the trade in the metal they attempted to monopolize. Their sole object was to make gigantic profits by the exaction of false prices, the higher and the more false the better. Although the scheme originated in France, it had its supporters in Great Britain and on this side of the Atlantic also. It would seem to be, as already stated at the beginning of this article, that some even of the best men of business-men already rich enough to be above all such temptations, one would think-have looked so long at the gigantic fortunes accumulated by ring-masters in the United States, that they became fascinated by the spectacle, and would fain partake of its glories. The older men look at these accumulations askance, but it may fairly be supposed, that the younger men have begun to ask themselves why they too should not be as amazing as any Vanderbilt and as glorious as Jay Gould, and in this inward questioning, doubtless, arose the recent ventures of a step or two towards the fulfillment of the If so, it may well be that the crash of the copper dream. scheme will serve to warn them against similar attempts for the future to their own good and the good of the whole com-

The London Spectator calls this condition "the drunkenness of speculation." There must be, it says, something of intoxication in exceeding large gains made with unusual rapidity; and it accounts in this way for the stupidity which men of undoubted ability sometimes exhibit when their speculations grow unwieldy. The condition in which the copper market rested during the last year or two could hardly fail to have attracted the attention of speculators, always on the watch for some commodity of commerce which has sunk below abnormal prices as offering better facilities for speculation, because of the greater possibilities of a rise. Company after company of copper manufacturers have during this time been reporting losses rather than gains, and it was natural to believe that that kind of thing could not last, although a glance further afield would have shown them that

more copper was being produced by the large mines, worked more cheaply and economically because of labor-saving machinery and by-products than in former years, and that the article, therefore, was greater than the world had any demand for, especially in view of the lessened demand for copper for various uses in which it was formerly employed, notably for the sheathing of wooden ships, which are being gradually replaced by those of iron and steel. The proper cure would have been to close up the small mines and drop the price of copper yielded by the great mines until a demand had arisen sufficient to eat up their supplies and by that means to raise prices again. Instead of this a group of unusually able and experienced Parisians with a command of resources large even for this era of corners and combines, had conceived the idea that if they could buy up the existing stocks of copper, and contract for a year or two for the products of the great mines, they might by developing the price of the metal secure an enormous profit, - thirty millions, perhaps, on an investment of thirty millions of dollars! As soon as they began buying, however, the prices which had remained low for so long a time began to rise. When the scheme was complete the syndicate found that they had made their coveted millions on paper, the price having been put up to more than double its previous figure. They felt, as the Spectator says, at once triumphant and perplexed. They had made their pile, but there was still a little flaw in their calculations. If the world wanted all their copper at that price, they were rich beyond the dreams of avarice; but then did the world want it?' It was the old puzzle of the eggs, by which the farmer calculated that if he could get 25c. profit on 50 eggs, he could get \$5 on a thousand eggs, and if he could rear millions of chickens and produce millions of eggs he could pay the national debt with his surplus receipts; but he forgot that a new world must be created to eat all the eggs. The whole affair proved as unprofitable as the new pig puzzle. Very few people comparatively were ready to buy copper at the new price, and of those few a majority were supplied in other ways. The smaller mines which were expecting liquidation, all postponed that process, collected funds by sending to market the stocks they had been holding back, and strained every nerve to increase their output, in a word to make hay while the sun shone. Three years of \$225 a ton would give them dividends and great reserve funds besides. As for working their men to death, miners and captains who expected dismissal were only too delighted.

There was another source of supply, also, which it is said the best man in the syndicate had totally forgotten. According to all past experience, this point always has been forgotten, and is forgotten now as shown by the wild talk about rubies in England. Whenever the next monopoly is started it will be forgotten again; the point is, that the world's stock of any article whatever, which is indestructible, or nearly so, and has been produced for hundreds of years, must always be enormous in proportion to the demand of any one year. Copper, it is true, is not an indestructible article. A good deal of it goes to the bottom of the sea every year, a great deal is worn away by attrition and use, and the surface of the metal decays up to a certain extent with exasperating rapidity. Nevertheless copper cannot exactly be classed among the perishable articles of commerce. The rusting process stops at a point. Tools of copper exist which are as old as Tubal Cain. The stock of old copper in the world must always be enormous, and under the temptation of the recent great prices, a good deal of it came forward. Every sleepy ship-yard in Europe and America turned out its old sheathing, so that the enormous profit made on paper by the syndicate was therefore not realizable, but was in fact a mere dream like the dream about the eggs. They had two alternatives before them, a stupid one and a wise one. The wise one was to accept a small yet substantial profit, say five millions on the adventure of thirty millions, and sell their copper at a small advance on the old price; - the stupid one was to venture more money, absorb more copper, make longer contracts and hold on till the world was compelled to take copper at their price, which was fixed, it is said, in their minds at a minimum of \$335 per ton. They choose the latter, with the results which ought to have been foreseen by their own clerks-that the stock of unsaleable copper grew larger month after month, that the loss of interest told on their expected profits like a wasting disease, and that with that huge avalanche of copper, 200,000 tons, a whole year's supply, certain to descend into the market some day. If only to avoid interest, nobody who could help it would buy one pound to keep in stock. Our contemporary ventures to predict, that

although it is said copper costs \$200 a ton to send to market, if anybody wants copper on the bulk scale, if he can wait a year or two for it, he will get it if he seizes his moment at \$150 a ton.

LIFE INSURANCE—ITS GENERAL PRINCIPLES AND SEVERAL SYSTEMS POPULARLY EXPLAINED.
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The natural premium plan is almost synonymous with renewable term insurance. It differs essentially from the assessment plan in the recognition of the impregnable, though oft assailed fact that the rate must increase correspondingly with the advance in age, and so far the system is admittedly sound in principle, but how far it may be expedient or practicable is a question requiring very careful consideration. Its advocates claim for it that it affords cheap insurance during the productive period of life and that after 60 years of age the necessity for life insurance ceases in the majority of cases. But is it not true rather, that not only the desire but likewise the necessity for insurance greatly increases after three score or more years have been reached and diminishing vitality gives unmistakable warning that death cannot be far distant. The rates up to 60 are moderate enough, but between 61 and 70 they more than double; they double again between 70 and 78, and yet again and again before the remaining survivors die out, thus in old age the burden becomes quite insupportable and the unfortunates who have adopted this system in early life for the sake of its cheapness find out at length that they have paid dear for their whistle and are reluctantly compelled when the last enemy is already on the threshold to abandon any further attempt at making a provision for the loved ones to be left behind.

An adjunct partaking to some extent of the Tontine element has been ingrafted by Mr. Sheppard Homans, a well known actuary of New York, upon this plan with a view to mitigating the increase of premiums in after years and the system as now adopted by a few companies is named after him the "Homans plan." Its leading feature is the addition of one-third extra to the natural premiums, deduced in the manner explained in preceding article, for the purpose of forming a "Guaranty fund" as a further protection to policyholders and to provide against any possible abnormality in the death rate. The joint rate thus obtained is termed the mortuary premium, seventy-five per cent. of which constitutes the fund out of which death claims are payable and twenty-five per cent. the special mortuary reserve or Guaranty fund. If the full seventy-five per cent should not be consumed in covering the death claims in any year the unconsumed proportion is credited to each member on payment of his renewal premium; on the other hand should a larger proportion be required to cover death claims the interest upon the Guaranty fund may be used to supplement it, and if this should still prove insufficient the Guaranty fund itself may be drawn upon for this purpose. The balance of the Guaranty fund is then invested with some trust company for a further protection to policyholders as aforesaid, and the portion thereof contributed by any one policyholder cannot be used by him for any purpose whatever until he has been insured ten consecutive years, after which he may use it in payment or reduction of future premiums or in the purchase of paid-up insurance, or he may draw it in cash. If his policy be discontinued for any reason before the expiration of the ten years, his portion is confiscated to the general fund and in this respect every policyholders' contribution to said Guaranty fund constitutes a Tontine element for a period of ten years. After the first ten jears the unconsumed proportion of each mortuary premium is returned on payment of the renewal premium for the succeeding year. It will be apparent that while the premiums for a few years after the first ten may be appreciably reduced, yet in the first place a material increase upon the actual cost has to be made during the first ten years, and the effect of the reduction (below tabular cost) will be entirely lost at advanced ages; in fact an increase on tabular cost for advanced ages is much more probable as hereafter shown. No cognizance has heretofore been taken of any allowance for working expenses, but it may be here remarked that in addition to the mortuary rates an initiation fee and medical examiner's fee are payable for first year, and an annual fee thereafter of \$3 for each \$1,000 of insurance to cover these.

The inevitable increase under ordinary circumstances with advancing age is not the only defect inherent to this system. It has been the uniform experience of all companies which have gone in extensively for anything of the nature of "Term" or "Renewable Term" insurance, that the rate of mortality under

this class is much heavier than under the ordinary life and endowment plans, and the reason is not far to seek, for in the first place, persons conscious of any latent physical weakness, quite imperceptible perhaps to the medical examiner, select the plans yielding the greatest amount of protection for the least present outlay, and this leads to the admission of inferior lives under the least profitable class of insurance; and, in the second place, since there is nothing to bind the membership together, for the stake in the "Guaranty fund" is too insignificant for this purpose, the young and healthy lives rapidly drop out whenever the rates begin to increase materially, leaving an impaired class behind, which as a matter of course leads to a very much higher death rate than provided for by the ordinary tables of mortality. There is no lack of evidence to e tablish these statements, but there is no need for taxing the patience of our readers with statistical details since the Government Insurance returns will afford ample corroboration to any who may wish to investigate the subject further. The same inherent defect applies of course to the assessment plan.

The special feature which seems to commend the system to the public is that it affords temporary insurance at a cheap rate, but for persons desirous of making a provision for wife and family it will be found that other plans which are not liable to fail them in their time of greatest need are much preferable.

THE ECONOMY OF CREDIT.

Much has been said and written for some time past in favor of a general insolvency law for Canada, but apparently with little or no effect. One would suppose as a consequence of the want of such a law that greater care would be exercised in the granting of credit-one of the arguments against such a law in high places being that it tends to render credit too easy-and that if a wholesaler sees before him, in case of insolvency, little or no prospect of an equitable distribution of the estate, he is likely to be more circumspect in the choice of those to whom he entrusts his goods. A cursory examination of the thirty or forty failures reported weekly for some months past in these columns, cannot fail generally to disprove any such theory. The anxiety to excel in the race, the necessity of making a large yearly turnover in order to reap any profit in these days of slight margins and heavy expenses, and the tremendous will-power being exercised all over the country by the immense army of travelling salesmen, all tend to produce over-selling and excessive credit. For what is thus often pressed upon the retailer he feels a lessened responsibility, and if business turns out slow with him, will not hesitate to write sharp letters describing how the goods had been forced upon him-that he did not want them, refused to take them for a long time, and more to the same purpose.

On the whole, it is believed that the increase in competition has more than offset any effect that the repeal of the late Insolvent Act may have had towards inducing greater caution in the choice of customers, or in limiting the amount of sales upon credit to individuals. The valued and capable salesman has doubtless no little influence upon the chiefs of his firm at headquarters. His opinion as to the standing and character of a dealer from whom, after much trouble and persistency, he has taken a good large order, will usually count for as much as that which they receive from the "Mercantile Agency," too little regard being had to the respective positions of the parties, the one, despite of his loyalty to his omployers, being influenced by his commission and the desire to exhibit a prosperous trip, while the other is rather inclined to keep on the safer side. It is probably within the mark to say that of the upwards of four hundred casualties which occurred during the months of January, February and March, fully ninety-five per cent. were reported with cautionary signals, and yet all of these weak and doubtful traders seem to have been credited with more goods than their circumstances warranted and with the usual results.

In the absence of any general insolvency law, it is within the bounds of prudence that the loophole for fraud be kept within the narrowest possible limits. Among the evils to dealers arising from changes in the circumstances of their customers, there is one calling for a reform to which neither the merchant nor the granger can have any objection, and that is the giving of timely notice of intended dissolution of partnership. There are but very few wholesale dealers unable from their own experience to say something on this head. The manner in which a partner may drop out of a firm, taking with him much of the strength that warranted the credit obtained by them, occasionally leaving

a man of straw to meet the demands upon the house, can have no pretext or defence; and the legislator who frames and fosters some provision for the purpose of reforming the abuse will go far to show that he does not look upon his position exclusively from the too general standpoint of self-aggrandizement, but rather as enabling him to contribute a due share towards promoting the public welfare and the interests of commercial morality. Every creditor for \$100 or over should be notified in writing by any firm purposing a dissolution of partnership, say at least thirty days prior to the change.

PATHS IN LIFE-THE BAR.

The choice of a path in life for one's sons is a matter of grave consideration to our mercantile community, and in this issue we would desire to say a word on one of the learned professions, viewed from this standpoint—the bar.

We think the country has now reached such a point of material prosperity that at least there is in very many cases no longer the stern necessity of curtailing the education of the sons so that they must find their way into the counting-house or place of business of the father at an age when they should be attending to their studies.

We think it will be admitted by those who have carefully observed that there is not one case in one hundred where a defective early education is thoroughly remedied by study in after life when the want of such early training makes itself apparent. Much can doubtless be done; but there is a time for sowing and a time for harvest as well in the educational as in the agricultural world.

Our country is now in a transition state between a colonial dependency and a nation, and education, with its attendant superior intelligence, is more and more required to develop its resources. We would therefore say to our merchants who have been successful in business. Do not hurry into life your sons : send them through the faculty of arts in one of our colleges. There it is that the stamp is put on youth. The professional faculties are special in their training; the faculty of arts is general, and there the foundation for a broader education is laid. We have heard it urged on the other hand that the time thus spent unfits a young man for business. We think not. He can have his degree at eighteen, and if he do not direct his steps towards a profession, he will return to his father's counting-house with a wider intelligence, which will stand him in good stead through his whole after life, and he will not be one whit a worse business man. We do not give this advice to those who cannot afford this education to their sons; but we affirm, without fear of contradiction, that these advantages could in a country like ours, where rapid progress is made towards a competence, be much more frequently bestowed on the youth than is now the case. should the learned professions absorb all the education? cannot absorb all the intelligence. But why should not this intelligence be fairly treated and developed? We do not, perhaps, wish to return to the happy days when lawyers were excluded from Parliament, though some may perhaps think that this exclusion had its advantages; but our readers will agree with us in thinking there are now too many wearers of the long robe on the floors of our legislative halls. This is largely due to the fact that our merchants and agriculturalists, through defective early education, are not so adapted to legislation and public speaking as the devotee of Themis. This should not be and would not be the case if the advice we give above were followed. Make your cities and your country strong in educated men, and then those who know best what the mercantile and agricultural classes want by daily experience, would be found personally advocating these wants in Parliament instead of doing it vicariously through their solicitors, as their law cases are also done.

There are most erroneous ideas current as to the incomes members of the bar, especially in this Province, can make—and these may perhaps influence parents in the choice of this profession for a son. The lawyer has to appear as a gentleman—to dress well, and maintain a better position, so to speak, than a brother in business of the same age. He has to purchase expensive books for his daily use, as books of the limited circulation legal text books command, must always be expensive. In most cases he never makes a large income, supposing him to combine ability with industry, and no one, unless intimately acquainted with members of the bar, realizes the hard-plodding work necessary to legal success. Practices are not transmitted with us from father to son, as is the case in England. Here there are no large hereditary estates to be managed; few who

wish not to be burdened with more knowledge of their affairs than is required in expending their incomes, and legal business changes with each succeeding generation. When the expenses of living and the office are taken from the legal income, the margin, if it exists at all, is a slender one. The first ten years of a lawyer's life are the most difficult; it is not unlike a recruit in a lancer regiment trying his hand at tent-pegging—before his seat is secure in his saddle. He has to apply his principles and learn his practice before either is firmly implanted. In Ontario, on the other hand, the sums made by the leading members of the bar, is much larger than in this Province. This is due, not to the greater ability of the western brother, but rather to the system, which centres in Toronto, and is more after the model of England.

On the other hand, he has his satisfaction in the political arena. If the lawyer cannot rival the mercantile competitor in the race for fortune, he can generally outstrip him and pluck before him the civic wreaths. But, as a contrast to this, how many disappointed politicians have we known. The bar contains many honorable counsellors and sound jurists, and the bench is graced by worthy and upright magistrates; but do not let our readers imagine that by sending their sons to the bar they will be either finding for them a life of ease or enabling them to leave a fortune.

THE WHEAT OUTLOOK.

The wheat markets of this continent and, in fact, of the world, have for many months past attracted the close attention of capitalists, both great and small, and the speculative movements have been rapid and important. Prices of late have been depressed owing to the "bull" clique in Chicago closing out their deal in May wheat. Another cause was the selling of wheat for "long" Continental account because of the financial troubles resulting from the collapse, first, of the Panama Canal, and, lastly, of the copper syndicate in Paris, which affected all Continental contres. Believers in higher prices in the United States claim that the export demand for the United Kingdom and the Continent is now more general and natural and promises to improve as financial troubles on the other side disappear. It is noticeable that July wheat presents a strong appearance, and it is given out that this is due to dry weather in the West, where only light rains have fallen at a few points, but there is no doubt that this option has been seized upon for manipulation.

The early spring has been favorable for ploughing and seeding operations both in our own North-West and at various points of the American Union, and if there is an absence of late frosts and we enjoy a fairly favorable season the result should be most satisfactory and encouraging. It is certainly improbable that we should experience another disastrous year like that of 1888. Those who predicted famine prices because of the damaged crops of America and the chief countries of Europe have happily been deceived so far, owing to good crops in more distant countries, and the improved facilities of transportation, and also by the marketing of old stocks of wheat and other grain. The opening of the water routes and the improvement of the country roads as the season advances will cause freer offerings at a'l grain centres, still there are few operators who do not think that wheat will rule higher before the new crop is on the market. California crop prospects are good, agricultural operations being well advanced. There have been heavy rains but they seem to have given over, and the weather as a rule has been fine-the best possible for growing crops. Experts predict sixty million bushels of wheat and twenty to twenty-five million bushels of barley. The yield of fruit in the Golden State will be enormous.

The crop report of the United States Department of Agriculure contains the following estimate of the world's wheat production for the year 1888, stated in Winchester bushels of sixty pounds:—

Country.	Bushels.
North America : United States	415,868,000 32,000,000
South America: Argentine Republic and Chili	28,375,000
Eorors: Austria Hungary Bolgium Doumark Franco. Gormany	51,075,000 131,746,879 14,876,130 4,823,750 273,620,125 105,000,000

Great Britain and Ireland	76,760,671
Greece	4,823,750
Italy	106,079,370
Netherlands	4,256,250
Portugal	7,093,750
Roumania	51,075,000
Russia (exclusive of Poland)	254,619,000
Servia	4,540,000
Spain	101.156.875
Sweden	4,256,250
Norway	312,125
Switzerland	1,702,500
	42,562,500
Turkey	42,002,000
ASIA:	
India	266,882,112
Asia Minor	38,306,250
Persia	22,700,000
Syria	14,187,500
Southeast Asia	8,512,500
Africa:	• •
Cape of Good Hope	3,819,686
Algeria	19,862,500
Egypt	14,187,500
Australasia,,,,,	47,588,161
Total	2,152,669,134

In reference to the wheat crop of the United States, the following table is given of the amount of wheat, in bushels, in farmers' hancs on the 1st of March in each of nine years, and the percentage of the entire crop:—

Year.	Bushels.	Per cent.
1889	112,000,000	26.9
1888		28.9
1887	122,000,000	26.7
1886	107,000,000	30 · 1
1885		33.0
1884		28.3
1893	143,000,000	28.4
1882	98,000,000	25.6
1881		29.1

With regard to the prospects for the coming crop, English advices state that the changeable weather has, in some directions, interrupted field work and little progress has been made; but in others, spring sowing has been proceeded with fairly well. The outlook altogether is rather uneven, and more settled weather with a warmer temperature would be beneficial. Trade Las been quiet. The Australian wheat crop has fallen far short of the estimates, and large orders have been placed in San Francisco for California wheat. Reports from South Australia state that last month's estimate of four bushels to the acre has been reduced to three and one-tenth bushels, against ten bushels in the previous season. The prospects for winter wheat on this continent are good, as so far it has held its own in nearly every State in the winter wheat belt. If there has been any falling off in condition, it is in Michigan and in some portions of Northern Ohio and Indiana. Reports of winter-killing and of wheat being ploughed up are few. In the northern portion of the belt the weather has continued dry. In the southern portion, north of the Ohio River, comprising the area of Southern Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, the conditions have been fairly nominal. In Missouri and Kansas, copious rains. In Tennessee, Kentucky and Texas the crop is growing rapidly. Three-quarters of the spring wheat is now in the ground in Southern Minnesota and Southern Dakota. The ground is in fine condition, except that it is too dry. Some farmers in Dakota are delaying to seed from this cause and look for an uneven stand. In fact, they do not think the grain will sprout at all until rain comes. There is an increase of acreage over last year in spring wheat. We learn from the London Free Press that the prospects for the fall wheat in the chief districts of Ontario are premising. It has wintered well, as the depth of snow has been even and just sufficient to prevent any damaging effects from upheaver by the frost. There was a large acreage sown last fall, and as a general thing the crop was put in either on summer fallow, on clover sod, or rich pea stubble. Farmers have found out that continual cropping wheat after wheat without any rotation will not do, and such is suicidal policy.

At this time of the year, concludes our contemporary, there was never a better outlook for an abundant fall wheat harvest in Ontario. This will be cheering news to many who have been fearing disaster on account of the comparatively light snow fall. This has gone rapidly of late, and it may still leave the crop exposed to the late frosts, but we trust that the best hopes will be fully realized.

MAGOG PRINT WORKS.

When in reviewing the Tables of Trade and Navigation some few months ago we directed attention to the slight influence of the 321/2 per cent. duty on the quantity of print goods imported to Canada, we were not altogether ignorant of the condition of the Magog Textile & Print Works, but we could not believe that the end was so close at hand. The enterprise known by this name was incorporated in 1884. The promoters secured a favorable site for the factory, erected fine buildings, including cottages for hands, put in the best machinery, and began operations with some little eclat. The company's troubles began soon after. The wholesale houses were not favorably impressed by the first samples of prints produced, but these were shortly improved upon and the strength of the new goods was a point in their favor; but the demand fell far short of what had been expected; foreign goods continued to be imported and the two or three men of wealth among the directors were obliged to come to the rescue. Bonds were issued and the debt of the directors paid. The duty was advanced by the government, and it was hoped that all would go well for the future. These hopes we regret to say have large proportion of their print goods from Great Britain, urging that they found it necessary to have a greater variety of goods than the Magog works were in a position to supply, that their travellers on the road found it necessary to have something differing in pattern from what their competitors were selling that where all were selling similar patterns and qualities, the retailer had the salesmen at a disadvantage, and could make them cut on each others prices. Buying in the English market, the wholesale dealers generally stipulate that many of the patterns purchased by them shall not be sold to any other house in.Canada.

The Magog Mills were equipped in the best possible manner, but they claim that the machinery, and plant when laid down here cost them 50 per cent. more than it would for a similar factory in Great Britain. They had the good fortune, however, to buy their copper rollers from a wealthy firm of manufacturers just retiring from business and at a price very much lower than they otherwise would have cost. The value of these rollers alones is estimated at \$25,000. The dyes and colors were also subject to a considerable duty; but the chief difficulty was in respect of the skilled labor employed. In countries like England, where a number of such factories exist, the competition among skilled artisans and operators keeps the price of labor at a minimum, and if it be found necessary to discharge an'employee, his place can be immediately filled up with another. The Magog Works labored under a disadvantage in this respect. They were obliged to pay the highest wages, the superintendent getting as high as \$38.00 a week and other hands almost in proportion, so that the supposed advantage of what was generally termed a "monopoly" operated rather in the other direction. Again, the general disposition in all factories, under similar circomstances, to keep their machinery in motion in order to hold their skilled labor, led to a gradual over-production of goods, and to the extent that large quantities were known to the wholesale trade to be warehoused in Montreal waiting for a market. This knowledge led to more or less bargaining as to prices, and wholesale men naturally were not slow to avail themselves of the opportunity to get their goods at a considerable reduction from the established price. At the present moment, for example, there are upwards of \$175,000 worth of prints stored in Montreal. Another of the unconsidered disadvantages under which the company labored was the lack of long runs, a result of the limited market at their command. It is a matter of great importance to printers of textiles as well as other materials, to have as long runs as possible upon one pattern. The time consumed in changing from one pattern to another and getting ready for the next, interferes largely with profits. Another, and perhaps no less serious obstacle to economy was the heavy cost of fuel. Coal was brought from Nova Scotia by rail, and they consumed about 15 tons a day, steam being required not only for motive power, but for the various processes of manufacture.

Now let us see what the company had to base their prospects of success upon. The plain cotton cloth they were enabled to purchase at 4½ cents per yard. This cloth entered the mill 32 inches wide, but in the process of printing it was narrowed to 28 inches. As it increased proportionally in length, however, the company had a considerable advantage in measurement. The price of the printed cloth to the wholesale dealers was normally of cents per yard, and under ordinary circumstances there was

here, apart from the considerable stretching of the material, a very good margin of profit. But the company had been working at another disadvantage for some time owing to the inability to procure broad goods for selicias, for linings, etc., and also a class of fabrics employed for shoe drills and similar goods. This difficulty was overcome a short time since, but too late to. arrest the downward tendency of the enterprise. With the facilities at their command the company should have manufactured not less than 7½ million yards per annum, but the actualoutput did not average half that amount. The value of the high-: est output in any one year since they began printing, about four years ago, was about \$360,000. During the past summer and winter it was begun to be felt by the directors that the prospect: of converting the enterprise into an ultimate success was not very bright, and after much deliberation they at length resolved to make earnest endeavors to dispose of the property, or go into liquidation. Creditors were pressing for their claims, and those who had before come to the rescue felt that they had rather sacrifice what they had already lost than make any further investment. At the annual meeting held early this week, it was stated that the Hochelaga Cotton Co., had made an offer for the property of something like \$870,000, or a fraction over 61 cents in the dollar of the estimated value. The terms of the sale are \$100,000 cash, 500 paid up shares of the Hochelaga Cotton Co., now quoted at over 140 per cent, and the balance of the amount in company's paper at six months. They are also to pay cash for all the materials in process of manufacture, including the dyestuffs, &c., which amount to about \$50,000 more. The prints warehoused in Montreal, and all the goods finished and remaining in the factory are retained as the property of the shareholders. It is estimated that this will enable the liquidators to pay off the whole of the liabilities of the concern, and leave a small margin, estimated from 121 to 25 per cent, for the shareholders. There can be little doubt that with such a fine property, so well equipped, with all the improvements that have been added during the few years the Works have been in operation, and with better facilities for placing the goods upon the market, the Hochelaga Company under its excellent management and directorate should be able to open up before long a new career of prosperity for this very important addition to our manufacturing industries.

BUSINESS AND PRICES.

It is customary at this season to investigate the existing state of affairs and keenly scrutinize all the conditions governing the active period in trade, industry and commerce about to commence. The past winter has given cause for anxiety in every branch of trade. The reason for this was not due alone to the disastrous crop year of '88 and the comparatively poor yield in '87. but because it was known there were too many in trade and that business was crowded and overdone. So far we can congratulate ourselves that the early part of April has come and gone under more favorable circumstances than could reasonably have been expected. It is true that many weak firms have been wiped out, some of them with large liabilities, but beyond a disturbance of importance in the leather trade and a ruftle on the surface in dry goods there has been no general and wide reaching disaster to record-no money stringency, no financial panic and no black Friday either on the Stock Exchange or among our wholesale houses.

While it cannot be denied that there have been certain unsettling and depressing influences at work which are by no means obliterated at the present time, we therefore think that the other side of the question should not be neglected, especially at this season, when operations of more or less magnitude are discussed and inaugurated. We believe we can safely say with a valued New York contemporary, that "the financial requirements peculiar to the season have been met, there has been an early development of spring trade, transportation movements are large, agricultural operations are unusually well advanced, and there is every indication of a steady expansion of trade to meet the demands of immediate consumption." Excessive competition and the small margins allowed for profit are the chief causes of disturbance in Canada, as only in few branches has there been any perceptible falling off in the demand for goods and this we believe is only temporary and caused by bad transportation facilities in the interior. In the United States, overproduction has had a pronounced and serious effect on the metal, coal, dry goods, clothing and some other trades. It should also be mentioned that the mild winter has left on the hands of dealers, stocks of goods which would have been readily sold if the season had been more severe.

No one in business can afford to ignore the fact that close competition and an ever increasing production of saleable goods is a prominent feature of the age in which we live, and this is even more pronounced in Europe than on this continent. Not only have prices being carried downwards, but margins of profit have been permanently reduced. Instead of fretting and complaining, the energetic and skilful will accept the change from the old order of things with the best grace possible. It is the inevitable result of increased capital and competition, the improvement of machinery and the cheapening of production and transportation.

The effect of natural causes, as opposed to artificial manipulation, has recently been seen in the collapse of the copper ring in France and the wheat corner in Chicago. Prices found their level in both commodities chiefly from improved and cheapened transport facilities and the opening up of new sources of supply. Capital will not array itself alone on the side of the manipulator. It is a sword which cuts both ways. On the one hand it kept up the price of copper and wheat, on the other it opened up new mines, extended railways to foreign wheat sources and cheapened the cost of transportation.

THE DOUBLE IMPOST AND AN EXAMPLE.

The Council of the Board of Trade is still working on the question of charging duty on inland carriage. The contention appears to be that, inasmuch as Great Britain and Ireland cannot be continued on the same footing as years gone by, that the objectionable 61 clause should be entirely abrogated, and that we should go back to the custom prior to 1879, i.e., duty to be paid, whether specific or ad valorem, or both, on the fair market value of the goods in the chief markets of the world for such goods. As a matter of fact, under the law as it was and as some hope it will be in the future, a merchant in Canada, for example, buys, say in the City of New York, 100 pieces of table cilcloth for export to Canada at \$1.50 apiece, the price in New York for New York traders being \$2.80. He has to pay duty on \$2.80 because it is the fair market value of the goods in the market in which they are bought. Rather than submit to the imposition of a duty on inland carriage and shipping charges, we believe we are safe in saying that many traders would prefer to pay an increase of duty on the goods. The question is one which presents several sides, and will no doubt meet with a satisfactory solution at Ottawa.

The following private cable report of the Hudson Bay Company's fur sales ending March 28 has been received in this city. The advances appear large on account of last year's prices being abnormally

Otter	Advanced	25	per cent	over	March, 18t8
Fisher	t i	70		tt	u
Fox, silver	44	50	46	**	. "
Fox, cross	4.6	50	"	"	tf
Fox, red	и.	25	44	**	14
Fox, white	46	50	tt	44-	**
Lynx	16	100	16	"	′ u
Skunk	£ £	20	"	44	и
Wolf	"	121	46	44	"
Wolverine	Declined	10	per cent	from	last March
Sable	Advanced	50	to 90 p.e	, over	March, 1888
Marten	Advanced	50	per cent	over	March, 1888
Mink	"	125	**	\$\$, u
Bear, black	"	50	"	**	"
Bear, brown	"	10	44	**	(1
Benr, grizzly	"	15	"	"	11
Muskrats	44	10	ii	44	Jan., 1887
Beaver	Same as	iu Je	muary, 1	887.	•

Deputations from the Montreal and Toronto Boards of Trade waited upon the Minister of Customs on the 10th inst, According to the Gazette, Hon. Mr. Bowell in reply said that the deputation had by their explanations thrown a flood of new light on the matter, and presented features of the case that never had occurred to him. He would carefully consider the matter, and gave the deputation reason to believe that changes would be made in the bill to remove the objections missed by the different trade interests.

MONTREAL CLEARING HOUSE.

Clearing and balances for week ending 11th April, 1889 :--

	Clearings.	Balances.
April 5	\$1,430,687	\$ 239,001
April 6	1,498,638	229,595
April 8	1,344,369	409,431
April 9	1,521,469	211,485
April10	1,343,776	150,469
April11	1,309,373	214,379
TotalLast week		\$1,454,360 \$1,083,989
W. E 14th March, 1889		\$1,650,931

A More Hoperul Outlook.—There is a marked falling off in the number of failures this week. The early opening of spring and the bright warm weather prevailing for weeks past, have had a beneficial effect upon the winter wheat fields, which, in all sections where sown, give early assurance of an abundant yield. All farm products are more or less benefitted by the early awakening of the season. Butter, cheese, eggs and garden stuff come forward earlier; the work on the farm, the plowing, the sowing and the planting, are more advanced, and cattle must fatten proportionately early for market. All this, following closely on a remarkably clean thinning out of small weak concerns all over the Dominion, cannot fail to improve the general outlook and cheer on to renewed efforts those whose balances during the winter were threatening to cross over to the other page of the

THE CLEARING HOUSE EXHIBIT.

The following table shows the gross exchanges in the cities named for the week ending March 30, 1889, with rates per cent, of increase, or decrease, as compared with the amounts for the corresponding week in 1888 :-

	Inc.	Dec.
New York\$642,426,286	$22 \cdot 4$	`
Boston 89,493,706	$27 \cdot 7$	
Philadelphia 67,772,777	$59 \cdot 2$	
Chicago 53,659,000	14.9	
St. Louis	14.5	
San Francisco 15,631,412	5.9	
Baltimore 10,922,435	16.9	
Cincinnati	$6 \cdot 9$	
New Orleans 9,055,716	39.8	
Pittsburg 12,745,879	57-9	
Kansas City 8,323,476	22.8	
Louisville 5,665,230	$21 \cdot 4$	• • • •
Providence 4,278,800	1.8	
Milwaukee 4,574,000	$21 \cdot 5$	
St. Paul 2,790,383	34.5	
Omaha 3,122,829	25.6	
Minneapolis 2,846,969	$39 \cdot 7$	
Denver 3,055,642	$62 \cdot 9$	
Galveston	36.8	
Detroit 4,137,511	7 • 9	
Cleveland 3,887,030	67 · G	
Richmond 1,719,336	$24 \cdot 3$	
Indianapolis	9.4	
Memphis 2,337,891	29.5	
Columbus 2,105,100	21 • 4	• • • • .
Los Angeles 592,000		50.6
Hartford 1,443,275	19.6	
Hew Haven 918,192	6.9	
Wichita 673,807	4 · 2	
Norfolk		11.2
Peoria 1,425,542	15.9	
Portland 950,279	45.5	
Springfield 962,770	10.6	
St. Joseph 1,077,300	• • • • •	8 · 1
Worcester 979,699	9 · 2	
Lowell 526,176	8.8	
Syracuse 537,263	12.9	
Grand Rapids 697,027	48.5	
Duluth	83.2	
Topeka 362,255	53.5	• • • •
*Sioux City 410,603		
*Tacoma 265,396	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
*Montreal	· · · · ·	
		
Total\$991,934,807		
Outside New York 349,508,52	27.3	

*Not included in totals; no clearing house at this time last year.

WHAT BECOMES OF OLD CLOTHES.

"The lady's maid of to day is not so lucky as she used to be," said a fashionable woman recently. "More is asked of her, she has to know all sorts of things, her salary has not increased—it is still from

know all sorts of things, her ealary has not increased—it is still from \$25 to \$50 a month—and her perquisites have declined."

"It is no longer the thing in New York to give your maid your old clothes. What do we do with them? Why, sell them, to be sure.

"You are astonished, I see, but I assure you the swellest sort of women make no great secret of the fact that they sell their clothes. They are bought up by Jewesses, who visit the houses of the fair dames they deal with, and transact affairs with great discretion. They are pledged not to resell the dresses here, but to take them out West, to the other side, Kamschatka, Patagonia, anywhere where the friends of the original owners are not likely to be confronted with them, for in that case embarrassing complications would be imminent. them, for in that case embarrassing complications would be imminent.

"Sometimes another arrangement is made and the dressmaker

takes gowns back, but this can only be done when they have been worn very little. A party dress, for instance, cannot properly be worn more than twice; well, if your dressmaker has a large clientele in different circles of society, she can easily take your dress back, renovate it a little and place it elsewhere.

"With women who wear a vast variety of gowns the thing can be managed with others than those for evening wear. In fact, their vast variety, for instance, is often explainable on the ground that they are working this little scheme, as you men say

"Mrs Moses Fraley for instance, that St. Louis woman who makes

such a sensation with her enormous wardrobe at Saratoga, returns her dresses to her dressmaker as a regular thing. That is, in fact, she hires her clothes. She wears so many no one can keep up with her, and then more than that, lots of women hunt up her dressmaker for hires her clothes. She wears so many no one can keep up with her, and then more than that, lots of women hunt up her dressmaker for the particular purpose of begging her to reproduce for them this or that one of Mrs. Fraley's frocks. The dressmaker reluctantly consents to do so, as nearly as she can, and then sells them the identical thing. They go away much pleased, and blissfully unconscious that they are wearing that famous lady's old clothes.

wearing that famous lady's old clothes.

"The people who buy up fresh and fashionable clothes here are also in league with dressmakers elsewhere and the best of their stock is resold to fashionable people as perfectly new. This is the part of the trade in which most money is cleared, for the last purchaser pays the full market price for a very high class of goods and the first sales to the Jews are at absurdly low figures. The things they cannot pass off as perfectly new are much less profitable, for conscious purchasers of second-hand things expect to get them very cheap. People who would and could pay very big sums rather than have such a fact known are among their purchasers. Some are the ordinary respectables of no special notability, but most are either ladies who make no pretensions to respectability, actresses, artists or managers. managers.

"There is a place on Broome street in this city where patrons of all these classes slip early and often into a quiet little door, unorma-mented by any sign or calculated in any way to rouse suspicion, that

it is an abode of trade

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"Of course the big managers don't have anything to do with such arrangements, but the big managers' lesser actresses sometimes do, and the little managers find it a very convenient resort when they happen to be extuming some spectacle or American comic opera. Even when they only buy things to cut up they get the material much cheaper than they would otherwise. Artists are always longing for costumes of all sorts, and a place like this is a boon to them.

"Everybody is so sly, though, about letting anybody else know that he knows of the existence of such a place, that often an artist will not know anything about it, even when he is rainting dresses from there. His model, having found that a wardrobe of picturesque costumes is a sure guarantee of plenty of engagements, has been patron-

tumes is a sure guarantee of plenty of engagements, has been patronizing these particularly select and recherche old clothes dealers, and has set herself up in business."—N. Y. Graphic.

SMUGGLING BY WHOLESALE.

The higher the duties, the greater the temptation and the larger the rewards of success. The latest case of heavy smuggling, brought to light not by the activity of the revenue officials but by the betrayal of an employe, is that of the firm of Allard & Sons, importers of furniture, in New York In importing articles of luxury for their wealthy customers this firm availed themselves of the opportunity to smuggle on an extensive scale. In the stuffing of costly lounges and chairs they-hid-laces, watches, jewelry and portable works of art of every description. They imported between the double facings of doors valuable paintings, upon which they evaded duties amounting to many description. They imported between the double facings of doors valuable paintings, upon which they evaded duties amounting to many thousands of dollars. There is scarcely a limit to the range of this sort of smuggling so long as it escapes the vigilance of the customhouse officials; and in the instance of Allard & Sons this seems to have been the case for a considerable number of years. The loss to the public revenues by the transactions of Allard & Sons is believed by the custom-house authorities to exceed \$250,000; but this is a small matter compared with the injury which this species of fraud inflicts upon legitimate trade. While the Government, with its excessive income, can easily stand the loss, honest dealers cannot compete with the smugglers. As an inevitable consequence of the existing system merchants who would scorn to resort to such arts will be driven from business, and a large portion of the import trade of the country will fall into the hands of unscrupulous adventurers who readily take all the risks of detection for the sake of the enormous profits. While detection has at last overtaken this firm after many profits. While detection has at last overtaken this firm after many years of success, how much of this class of snuggling goes undetected! The lawless practices of Allard & Sons, who are by all accounts a very "reputable firm," having only the wealthy people of New York for their customers, differ only in degree from those that are employed by passengers upon every incoming steamer. Fine ladies, who artfully conceal contraband wares in their bustles and other mysterious recesses of their toilets, defy the sharpest vigilance of the female detectives who are set on the watch for them. When the smugglers are caught at their game they pay up; that is all. When their ventures prove successful, which is oftener the case, they are richly rewarded for the risks they incur. So obvious is the moral that he who runs may read .- Philadelphia Record.

THE MANUFACTURER'S LIFE AND SIR ALEX. CAMPBELL.

In the House of Commons last Monday, Sir John A. Macdonald said "he desired to make explanations with regard to statements recently made in the House by the member for West Lambton (Mr. Lister), that untrue returns had been made with respect to the Manua letter which appeared in a Toronto paper signed by Sir Alexander Camphell's solicitor. The whole thing was due to a misapprehension. The company was organized in Toronto by the formation of a provisional board of directors, who subscrited the amount of stock necessary to establish the company. visional point of directors, who subscrited the amount of stock necessary to establish the company. At that time Sir Alexander Campbell was in England. He (Sir John) was asked and he consented to become president. Sir Alexander Campbell left the management of his affairs in the hands of Mr. Barwick, barrister, of Toronto, and on Mr. Barwick writing to him informing him that he (Sir John) had taken the presidency he consented to become vice-president and take the necessary amount of stock, and informed Mr. Barwick so by cablegram. The company was then advertised, with himself as president and Sir Alexander Campbell as vice-president. On Sir Alexander's

return to Canada, however, he changed his mind after further consideration, and so his stock was cancelled and was taken up by others. Public attention was called by the press to the fact of Sir Alexander Campbell's name still continuing on the directorate after it was understood that he had withdrawn, and to set the matter right Sir Alexander Campbell eventually felt obliged to have his solicitor deny through the press that he had any present connection with the company. The Mail's Ottawa correspondent twits Sir Alexander and says: "It would appear from this explanation that the report that he was a shareholder at one time was correct, and that the inference that he was not connected with the company later on was also within the mark."

Correspondence.

A CANADIAN MINT.

the Editor of the Journal of Commerce :-

Sin,—I regret to find from the article in: your issue of 5th that in my last letter I was not sufficiently explicit—my objections to a Canadian Mint being simply on account of the expense attending and utter uselessness.

The exchange market will, I take it, as in the past, be governed by supply and demand—a Dominion Mint to the contrary notwith-

by supply and definance of supplying banks with foreign coin, as you state the case, but simply one of redeeming Government issues in a manner most advantageous to the community, and this I take to be in American gold, British gold practically not being used, except in bullion, on this side of the Atlantic.

As to the question of the cheapest or dearest coins to the treasury

this does not arise—to the treasurer it cannot matter what coin ho disburses—with coins having a fixed value in Canada.

It may be the idea prevails that by giving the less valuable coin to the experier a check to the withdrawal of gold will be imposed, but this I take to be beyond argument.

As regards the millions of dollars of United States' currency afloat in the Dominon, these, of course, when the treasurer pays out sovereigns only, are in demand at a premium, but is it creditable that American bank-notes should throughout the Dominion be everywhere preferred to the notes of Canadian banks? With a Government issue

Will you kindly explain in what manner requiring the Government to redeem its issues in a foreign coin (i.e., American gold) will entail an enormous expense upon the public exchequer? I fail to see where the expense would come in.

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New York is our exchange marke, and will continue to be such until the commercial position of Canada become as superior to that of the United States as the latter's is to that of Canada.

As well say that Canada or the United States could create a grain market independent of that of Great Britain, whose grain market

governs those of the world.

Yours,

BANKER.

Montreal, 5th April, 1889.

SHOWY CUSTOMERS.

To the Editor of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE :-

Sir,-You write under the above heading as though the class of people referred to had no existence in Canada outside of Montreal. I can assure you that they are not by any means unknown in Toronto. I have several of them on my tooks of over a year's standing, young and old swells, whose sole study would appear to be how to buy on credit from some poor shopkeeper who may look upon their custom in the light of a compliment or favor. Their names are sure to appear in the list of those who figure at receptions at Government House. They are among the best, not the most showly dressed promenders on King street when they choose the mare that all may ride, but it is, unfortunately, at our expense, and all our efforts in the way of "black lists," "tailors' exchange," etc, do not appear to wholly eradicate the evil. Articles like that in the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE are much needed.

> Yours, etc., ROLIAT.

Toronto, April 6th, 1889.

SHOWY CTSTOMERS.

To the Editor of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE :-

DEAR SIR.—I like to see a man have the courage of his convictions, and the Journal of Commerce certainly shows that it is not affaild to say a word in favor of the retailer suffering from the care-lessness of his "showy customer." Your article under this head last week hit the nail on the head exactly. I wish I could feel at liberty to show my books of accounts to the public. They would see there, Mr. Editor, the names of a good many citizens where wheels and the heels of their horses splash me with slush or mud as they drive by me in the street or set me flying across the corners to escape being run over by them—all the time that the horses and saddles and vehicles are noted for with the request due me for goods hought's me mantle. over by them—all the time time that the horses and saddless and the months are paid for with the money due me for goods bought of me months and even years ago. But as I cannot do this, I hope the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE will rake these hollow pretenders as they deserve.

Yours truly,

CONSTANT READER.

Montreal, 8th April, 1889.

Meetings, &c.

HURON & MIDDLESEX MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

INSURANCE GO.

The Tenth Annual meeting of the Huron & Middlesex Mutual Fire Insurance Company was held at the offices of the Company, Dundas street, London, Tuesday, Feb. 12. The following gentlemen were present:—L. G. Leonard, R. S. Murray, George Samwell, W. W. Fitzgerald, J. B. Smyth, John Stephenson, John Harris, Henry Johnston, W. S. Jackson, Richard Shoultz, Richard Southam, James McKenzie, John Williams, William Spittal, J. I. Walker, D. M. Cameron and others. The President, Mr. L. C. Leonard, occupied the chair.

Mr. John Stephenson, Manager, then read

Mr. John Stephenson, Manager, then read the Annual Report for the year ending De-cember 31, 1888, as follows:—

To the Members of the Huron & Middlesex Mutual Fire Insurance Co., London:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Directors have pleasure in presenting their report to the members at this their Tenth Annual Meeting on the business for the year ending 31st December, 1888, together with a summary of the transactions for the year, a Statement of Receipts and Dishursements, Assets and Liabilities, and the Auditors' Report thereon.

During the year 1,813 Policies were issued, insuring property to the amount of \$1,476,019. The total number of Policies in force is 3,366, covering property to the amount of \$2,518,061, showing an average on each Policy of \$745. this their Tenth Annual Meeting on the busi-

showing an average on each Policies over pre-ceding year is 584.

Classification of Risks-

Non-hazardous Risks\$1,	239,346	00
Mercantile Risks	802,323	00
Manufacturing Risks	476,392	00

Total.....\$2,518,061 00

The assets of the Company have increased The assets of the Company have increased from \$72,269.24 in 1887 to \$106,524.53 in 1888, being an advance of \$34,255.29, or over 47 per cent. Our total assets over all liabilities are \$96,994.35. The amount paid out for losses during the past year was \$16,860.53, being an increase of \$3,814.81 as compared with 1887. The Directors offer you their congratulations on the eminently good position the Company has attained during the ten years it has been in existence. ten years it has been in existence.

Auditors' Report.

During that time we have been able to give our members insurance at a saving of 20 to 25 per cent. as compared with stock companies' rates. This fact should confirm the opinion of those who maintain that "mutuality" is of those who maintain that "mutuality" is the true principal of insurance, and that it only requires to be carried out with wisdom and integrity to be proved such. As a Mutual Company we discourage the system of cach insurance, and conduct the business purely on the mutual plan, believing that this is our legitimate business and the chief source of the Company's strength. Your Directors wish again to record their appreciation of the energy displayed and the attention given to the affairs of the Company by its efficers and agents generally. You will be called upon to elect three Directors in place of those whose terms of office now expire. on those whose terms of office now expire. They are Messrs, George Samwell, Heary Johnston and James McKenzie, who are eligible for re-election. All of which is respectfully submitted.
L. C. LKONARD, President.

JOHN STEPHENSON, Manager.

Mr. Leonard made a speech regarding the satisfactory showing made, and moved the adoption of the Report.

Mr. R. S. Murray seconded the adoption, congratulating the Policyholders on the eminently successful year which had closed. The Report was unanimously adopted.

The election of Directors was then proceeded with, and those retiring were reelected.

elected.

On motion of Mr. James McKenzie, seconded by Mr. Richard Southam, the thanks of the Company were tendered to the agents for their

efforts during the year.

A vote of thanks to the officers of the Company was moved by Mr. R. S. Murray, seconded by Mr. Richard Southam.

Messra. Leonard and Stephenson made short speeches in acknowledgment of the compliment.

At a subsequent meeting of Directors the following officers were elected:—Mr. L. C. Leonard was re-elected President; Mr. D. M. Cameron, of Strathroy, was re-elected Vice-President.

RECEIPTS.

To Balance, Bills Receivable Dec		
31st, 1887	\$1,867	51
To Balance, Agents' Accounts	860	06
To Balance, Cash in hand and in	1	
Bank		42
-	\$3,005	99
Receipts for 1888 as follows:	• •	
Premiums	\$20,587	19
Assessments	9,538	02
Interest	146	00
Transfers	71	26
Rent	48	00
Surveys	87	56
Extra Premiums	146	21
Other sources	1,648	
	\$32,273	01

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$35,279 00

Fire Claims	\$16,860	53
Salaries (including Auditors' and	•	
Directors' Fees	2,352	88
Re-insurance	126	38
Return premiums	1,196	66
Travelling Expenses	815	38
Postage and Telegrams	272	19
Commissions	5,245	21
Interest and Bank Commissions	443	10
Investigating Claims	271	77
Rent	204	00
Fuel and Light	17	40
Incidentals	78	45
Law Costs	156	17
Div. Court Charges	321	69
Government License	53	65
Printing	558	90
Dun, Wiman & Co	60	00
Balance of Bills Receivable	2,420	13
Cash on hand and in Bank of B. N		
America	2,171	92
Cash (Agents' hands)	1,653	19
· - · ·	\$18,418	47
-	\$35,279	
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\$3,848 25 Claims .. Bills Payablo 4,800 00 881 93

Balance due Agents and Officials. \$9,530 18 96,994 35 Balance of Assets over Liabilities. \$106,524 53

ASSKTS. Bills Receivable..... \$2,420 13

\$106,524 53

Assessments in course of col-3,185 15 2,171 92 Cash in Agents' hands......
Premium Notes..... 1,653 19 97,094 14

To the President, Directors and Members of the Huron & Middlesex Mutual Fire Insur-

ance Company :-Gentlemen,—We beg to report that we have carefully examined the Books and Accounts representing the Revenue and Expenditure of your Company for the year ending 31st December, 1888, and hereby certify that they are correctly shown in the statement submitted herewith. Our thanks are due to the Officers of the Company for their uniform courtesy and assistance during our audit.

John Harris, John B. Smyth, Auditors. London, Ont., 2nd February, 1889.

Financial.

MONTREAL, Thursday Evening, April 11th, 1889.

The stock market has not presented any important feature since our last issue Trading has been confined within very narrow limits, and particularly to the miscellaneous list, Bank stocks have been very dull and buyers and sellers appear to be waiting for some-

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thing new to turn up. The cotton stocks have shown more life during the past week both Canada and Hochelaga on a few scattered orders advancing from 5@10 per cent., the latter on Canada cotton. The stock at the close showed a disposition to sell off the last sale being a decline of 21 per cent. from the highest point, while buyers have reduced their limits to the neighborhood of 40. Hochelaga sold as high as 145, but later sales exhibit a decline of nearly 5 per cent. There are a good many points around to buy these stocks, but speculators are rather shy

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about doing so as they have been pretty well about doing so as they have been pretty well caught on cottons during the past few years. The interest centres more in Bank of Montreal and whether it will pay a bonus to the shareholders. The argument of the "bulls" is based on the last December statement, which showed carnings of \$660,000, and which they claim is indicative of their ability to pay 1 per cent. without infringing on their profit and loss account. On the other hand the feeling among conservative houses is decidedly against any departure from the present colledly against any departure from the present dividend of 10 per cent, per annum. They base_their calculations on the fact that the banks and mercantile houses both complain that failures are numerous, payments are bad and business not at all promising, and that the coming year will require great caution on the part of banks and the wholesale people who are forced to carry a good many weak houses. A leading banker is quoted as saying that affairs are particularly bad in the West, and although no great failures are coming before the public, yet there are more in the inner circles than bankers care to see. At to-day's market a good deal of interest developed in Montreal Telegraph stock and the sales were very large, in the neighborhood of 1,500 shares having been sold at the morning session of the board.
Opinions regarding this stock are pretty well divided, and some parties claim that the next cividend will not be paid on the 3rd of May next. This and the law suit soon to come before the courts, are the arguments used to try and break this stock. It is also stated that investment stock is coming out. On the other hand, it is alleged that the stock is better held than for some years, and that this accounts for the steadiness of the stock in face of the legal fight. Some houses who claim to be posted, express great confidence that the outcome will be satisfactory to the shareholders and urge them not to sell. They hold out the prospect that the contending parties will come t some arrangement, as some of the larger shareholders are not adverse to a compromise on the 7 per cent basis. It is probable the next two weeks will define the position in its worst or best light. The composition in its worst or best light. The company is doing a good business, and the winter has not resulted in much damage from wind and snowstorms. The selling to-day was reported to be for a large Quebec holder. The stock would certainly advance considerably on a good settlement. The shipment of gold to New York continues, but in greatly reduced quantity. During the past week the shipments amounted to \$250,000. The local money market is unchanged at 3@4 per cent. Sterling is dull, with no disposition to trade; 60-day bills about 9½, and demand 10@10½. New York funds are weaker at 1-16@½ and the week's local was a leader to draw custom. Epsom salts are considerably dearer, as makers in England are in combination. Castor oil has advanced. Caustic soda and sal-soda are weaker.

Day Goods.—Speaking generally, trade has been quiet, no very flattering reports being received from any quarter. Travellers are not all out on the sorting trip, as the season is not far enough advanced yet. Stocks in the

business in stocks, prepared by L. J. Forget & Co., explains itself:—

Banks	No. Shares.	Highest price.	Lowest price.	Ауспиде Ваше wee 1888.
Commerce	279	1203	1193	117+
Merchants	55	140)	139	132]
Montreal	199	229^{-}	228	2194
Peoples	35	102	102	103
Toronto	4	218}	218]	$202\frac{3}{4}$
Outario				121
Molsons				140}
Hochelaga				95
Miscellaneous.				
Can. Pacific	200	51	501	59]
Gas	497	199	1974	2111
Hoch. Cot. Co	200	145	140 <u>‡</u>	127
N. W. Land	400	70	69 }	513
Richelieu	459	58	573	50}
Telegraph	2138	90	89 -	93]
Street Railway	3	206	206	223

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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS. MONTREAL, Thursday Evg., April 11, 1889.

The condition of business affairs in this city identically the same as outlined a week ago, with scarcely a new feature of any kind. Merchandise continues to move more freely as a result of the reduction in the railway freight a result of the reduction in the railway freight tariffs. If anything there is a more hopful expression of feeling The country trade is waking up and remittances have not been quite so slow and disappointing, although, of course, there is plenty of room for improvement. Stocks in storekeepers' hands in the interior are being broken into more than they have been for some time in consequence of the fine weather. What is needed is a continu-ance of good weather conditions and summer roads, vehicular traffic in the country being now a tedious and painful experience. The prospects for a speedy opening of navigation are good, as ice shoves have taken place opposite this city, and the port of Quebec has been open for some little time to the sea.

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country have not been broken to any great extent. The country roads are extremely difficult to travel over, but are expected to get difficult to travel over, but are expected to get into shape much scoper this year than usual. Money is not coming in freely enough to give any kind of satisfaction, still there has been a slight change for the better. One leading house reports that 55 per cent. of its due notes were paid in each on the fourth instant. March trade with some houses was fully equal March trade with some houses was fully equal to that of last year in volume, and some exceeded the record of 1888. More extensive shipments to China direct, to the Central American States, to Africa, and to England for trans-shipment elsewhere, combine to make up for more or less falling off in the movement of American cotton goods to other movement of American cotton goods to other foreign countries, and bring the aggregate exports for February about 1,018,000 yards in excess of those for the corresponding period last year. The increase was wholly in uncolored fabrics, of which 8,708,399 yards were exported in February, 1889, and 7,650,163 in February, 1888. The exports of colored goods



TENDERS.

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Department of Indian Affairs,

Ottawa, April, 1889

were 3,314,475 yards and 3,353,967 yards rewore 3,314,470 yards and 3,353,967 yards respectivey. There was some increase in the movement to Brazil and to the United States of Culombia, but nearly 1,000,000 yards decrease is noted in the shipments to other South America ports, and 638,000 yards in the quantity sent to the West Indies.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS .- Offerings of butter continuo light and there is a good local consumptive demand. For jobbing lots of selected as high as 28c has been paid. A few small lots have been pick up for shipment below, but old stocks are light. Cheese ment below, but old stocks are ngnt. Check has been shipped out to some extent of late and there is not much left here. The cable quotes 53s. The opening meeting of the heard will be on the 22nd inst. Several factories started from the 22nd inst. Several factories started from the 20th to the 25th of March and these will all have cheese ready to March and these will all have cheese ready to go forward. In provisions, we note a decline in wostern pork, short cut being now quoted here at \$15.75 and mess at \$15.25. Demand slow and little business. There was a good enquiry for lard at steady prices. Eggs were in brisk demand and the price closes steady at 12c@12½c for fresh, and 10c@11c for ordinary. Manle syrm quiet at 50c@75c as to ary. Maple syrup quiet at 50c@75c as to quality. Maple sugar steady at 6c@8c per lb. In Chicago provisions have been heavy. Traders are bearish, and outside orders being scarce, their influence is felt. Pork fell to \$11.65 May, \$11.76 June, \$11.85 July. Lard easier at \$6.85 May, \$6.90 June, \$6.95 July.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.- The flour market has been depressed owing to large supplies and weakness in the West and prices are lower. Even at the decline the demand is very limited. Strong bakers has been an exception and rules fairly steady. It is probable there will be no improvement until navigation opens. Oatmeal is lower and we quote \$1.90 for standard and \$2 for granulated. The local for standard and \$2 for granulated. The local grain market is dull, but prices are steady. There is not much wheat offering. Onts were enquired for and sold in car lots at 31½c@32c. Other coarse grains very quiet. The quantity of wheat in sight and affect is 46,350,000 bushels, a decrease of 1,065,000 with a week ago, and of 7,895,000 with a year ago. An English cable quotes Canadian peas at 55 6d, and places recent Indian shipments of wheat to England at 52,500 are, and to the continent. to England at 52,500 qrs. and to the continent at 10,000 qrs. The amount of wheat and flour, reduced to wheat affoat to Europe from all quarters shows a decrease of 424,000 bushels with a week ago, and of 3,112,000 with a year ago. The Chicago wheat market has re-acted upwards to some extent. Hutch-

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inson was a free buyer of May, causing that delivery to advance 21c. The dry weather in the north-west was a factor in the situation. Corn was lower on prospect of increased receipts. In England the deliveries of English wheat have been of inferior quality and weight. Prices have declined on the average 1s 7d. The sales of English wheat for the week were 50,417 qrs. at 30s 1d per qr. against 41,596 at 30s 2d last year. Late English cables report dull and easy markets for breadstuffs. Wheat in Chicago, 87c May, 86% of the control of the contro June, 863c June, 838c July.

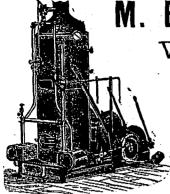
FISH AND OILS.—The demand for fish is now very limited and prices are nominally unchanged. There is not much doing in cod oil or scal oil. The catch of scals this year is or sent off. The catch of seats this year is large, but traders are paying 23s per cwt. for the fat, against 18s@19s last year. This is because the price of seal oil is higher in Eugland. Buyers in this market are talking 40c for fresh oil, but sellers want a great deal more, and about 46c to arrive, in lots, will probably have to be paid.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC .- Business has been active and steadily improving. Cash is also coming in more readily. No change in que-

GROCERIES .- Trade has been gradually improving with the fine weather, and expressions are more hopeful. Traders have been able to drum up more money, and at any rate have paid better, but this may be because they want to order a larger bill of goods. The absorbing feature has again been sweet stuffs. In raw sugars there has been no real re-action. There was some talk that we would see temporary lower prices, and there was a lull for a day or two, but the market jumped up again in Lon-don with a further advance of about 6d on beet and 3d on cano. The prediction that beet would rise to 20s was laughed at some time ago, but it has now reached 188 41d. The refined market is strong and seems likely to advance again, but the demand is quiet just now as large supply orders have only recently been filled. Molasses is quoted at 17c in Barbeen first. Includes a fight this year. It cannot, however, be really bought at that price, and 18c would have to be paid to scoure any quantity. Boiling molasses this time last year sold at 20c@201c for 50 test, now it is 251c. A great deal of molasses is being consumed this year in the States in the manufac-ture of sugar, and as refiners are gotting high prices for their sugars they can afford to pay a good figure for molasses. At 18c it is stated that molasses are going to cost 39½c to 40c laid down here. Teas have been moving off better this week, but we notice a duliness in blacks. The demand ran on Japans of all grades. The worket for sugar in New York The market for sugar in New York is described as follows:—There does not appear to be any noticeable change of sentiment among operators in the market for raw sugars. Possibly the excellent and to many the unexpected gains made this spring would have a tendency to now induce a more con-servative policy among importers had they an ordinary market to deal upon governed by natural laws of open competitive demand, but memories of the grind to which sellers were subjected for so many months, and the were subjected for so many months, and the sugars that have absolutely been driven from this country through the refusal of producers to place their goods at the mercy of the Trust, are by means effaced, and it is only natural to expect that all further advantages possible will be sought as opportunities arise. Indeed, a further slight gain has been shown on quite a bunch of muscavado, which has been scooped in hy outside refugers at equal to 1.15 advances. in by outside refiners at equal to 1-16 advance over the close of last week, while the com-bine were fooling around endeavoring to force a concession, and this in conjunction with favorable accounts from primary sources closes the market in very stiff position with closes the market in very suit position with local buyers more anxious though endeavoring to carry out the indifferent pose. The opening sale was a bunch of miscellaneons lots of English Island muscavado, amounting to about 2,000 tons in all, at 5½, basis 87 test, ex-wharf and ex-ship, followed by two cargoes, 12,500 bags Relia Ele basis 84 ex stage and 12,500 bags Bahin, 5½c, basis 84, ex-store, and one cargo, 6,000 bags do, same basis, at 5 1-16c ex-sbip, and besides this we have information that a considerable move has been made in cen rifugal to be shipped at 4½c, basis 96, cost and freight, the latter fully as high as anything yet paid c. and f, though a fuller figure has been quoted on a nominal basis.

Hides, Wood, l'Allow .-- In hides, there are no local sales worth mentioning and business is quiet and unchanged. The Chicago market is dull and supplies are large. hides are coming to market in improved condition earlier than usual. Supplies of wool kept light and the market is fairly steady with a good demand. Tallow in moderate enquiry and unchanged.

IRON AND HARDWARE.-The market for pigiron has continued firm in England since our last report and prices of warrants have ruled last report and prices of warrants have ruled at about 45s. Makers' brands have been strong and in some instances an advance has been established. In the local market, stock lots have been selling fairly well at about \$22@\$22.50 for No. 1 brands. Considerable business has also been done for spring delivery at from \$21@\$22, according to brand. The other departments of the metal trade are about as before and reports from England point to high prices for some articles, such as point to high prices for some articles, such as bars, sheets and hoops, for months to come. Canada plates are now restricted to a few makers on the other side with the result that the unprofitable prices which have been ruining that trade for the past few years no longer continue. This plates we have the past few years no longer continue. continue. Tin-plates are keeping up in price on account of the rise in the prices of steel continue.



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bars out of which they are now almost all made. The copper market has remained unchanged during the past week and it seems as it bottom figures had at length been reached. G. M. B., copper has been sold in London at £39 10s@£40, with the best selected ingots at £47. London, April 8—Spot tin, £94; tin, three months, £94 15s; market weak; Chili bars, spot, £40; do. futures, £39 15s; market steady; soft Spanish lead, £12 12s 6d. Warrants in Glasgow were cabled at 44s 11d. No. 3 iron in Middlesborough is at 39s.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—Although prices are nominally unchanged splits are being sold at cut prices, probably 1c@2c below the regular range. The same thing may be said about buff. Pebble has been sold as low as 9c. The bulk of the spring orders are cut and shoemen are not wanting much stock. Travellers are sorting up but this trade does not amount to much. Some factories are already getting out tall amples and the larger houses have been buying stock but not being pressed they have generally contended themselves with picking up cheap lots of leather on which prices have been crowded away down. The position is a little more settled here but at Quebec it is un-



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certain. Most of those in the trade, who have have failed, have not got a settlement and it is being said that some of them probably never will.

London Wool Sales.—A cable dated the 6th inst, says:—There was a thinner attend ance at the wool sales to-day. The competition was animated. This was the best sale of the series thus far. There was a fine selection of wools on sale. There were offered 13,823 bales. Two I undred bales were withdrawn. Home operators were the largest buyers of cross-breds, continental buyers taking merinoes. There are available 249,434 bales. London, April 8.—There was an average attendance at the wool sales to-day. The competition was active for all kinds. There were offered 14,989 bales, the New South Wales, Victoria and Cape of Good Hope and Natal staples prodominating, the latter including 300 bales of snow whites, which sold at fully ½d above January prices. The others were unchanged. The total withdrawals to date are about 2,000 bales.

Raw Funs—The results of the London March sales have been cabled and prices are higher. Mail advices are awaited and in the meantime local houses are not quoting and prices are merely nominal.

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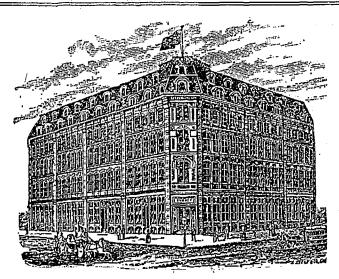
TORONTO, April 11, 1889.

A fairly active business is reported for the past week. The weather has been favorable, and the feeling hopeful. In some lines the movement is reported as ahead of that of last year, and prices are firm generally. Payments fairly satisfactory. The money market is quiet and rates easy Prime commercial paper discounted at 53@6c per cent, and the general run at 7 per cent. The stock market has been dull the past week, but quotations generally are firm, and in some instances higher:

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Eggs continue steady at 113c@12c. Cheese unchanged, with sales of small lots at 11c@ 11 lc.

DRESSED Hogs, - The market is dull and prices about steady. There is but a limited demand; butchers pay \$6.75@\$7.00 for nice light ones, and heavy packing lots quoted at \$6.50.

Daugs. - A fair business is reported this woek at steady prices. Oil of peppermint, \$3.50\(\alpha \) \$4.00; Howard's quinine, 45c\(\alpha \) 50c; turpentine easier at 75c\(\alpha \) 7c.

FLOUR AND GRAIN,-The demand for flour is almost nil, and the tendency is downwards. No sales have been reported for some days, but holders would probably take \$4.750 \$4.80 for straight rollers and \$4.50\$\$4.55 for extras. Patents are quoted at \$4.85\$\$5.50, according to quality. Wheat dull and easier; No. 2 spring sold at \$1.06 up the line, and

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GROCERIES .- Trade quiet and prices generally steady. Sugars are unchanged, and the ally steady. Sugars are unchanged, and the movement only fair; granulated quoted at 8c@8½c, and Canadian refined at 6½c@6½c. Coffees steady at 21c@22c for Rios, Fruit unchanged and fish dull Teas are firm. Payments fairly satisfactory.

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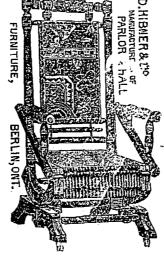
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HIDES AND SKINS .- Cured hides sold at 54c; green unchanged at 4\frac{4}{2}c for No. 1, 3\frac{4}{2}c for No. 2 and 2\frac{4}{2}c for No. 3. Sheepskins quoted at \$1.35\mathscr{a}\frac{5}{2}\limins. A few lambskins sold at 15c@20c.

LIVE STOOK.—Receipts have been large and prices well maintained. The quality of the offerings show improvement. A few choice Easter cattle sold at 4½c. Shippers nominal per lb, and inferior at 2½c. Shippers nominal at 4c.64\forall c. Good butchers sell at 3\forall c. Good butchers sell at 3\forall c. Good butchers sell at 3\forall c. Good per lb, and inferior at 2\forall c. Sheep are firm at \$6.00.6\$7.50 a head. Spring lambs bring \$2.50.6\$5 a head. Hogs firm at 5c.65\forall c.

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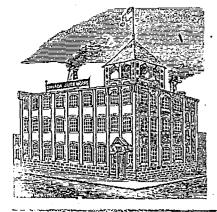
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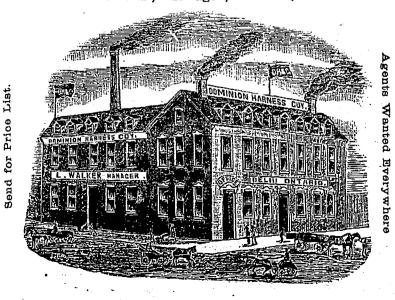
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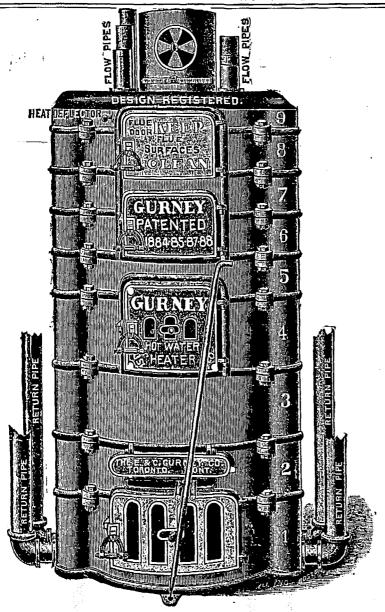
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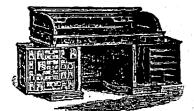
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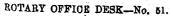
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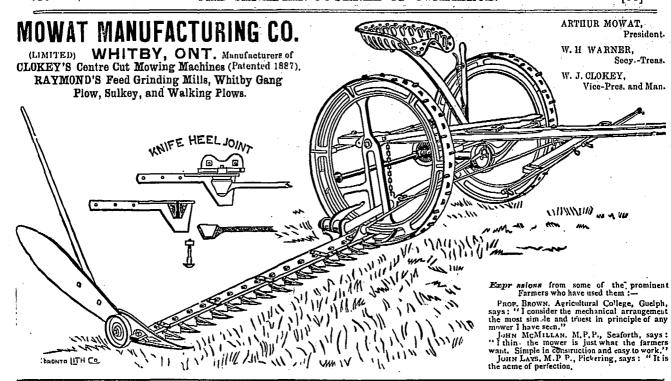
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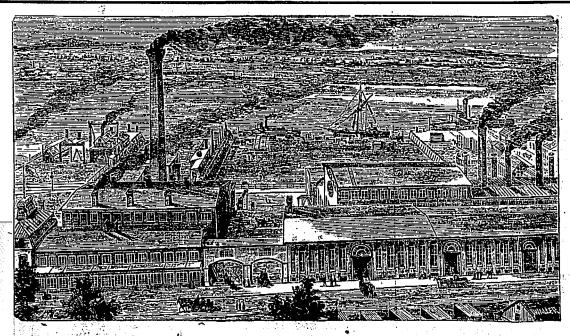
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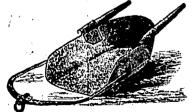
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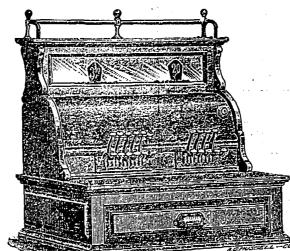


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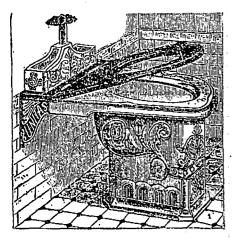
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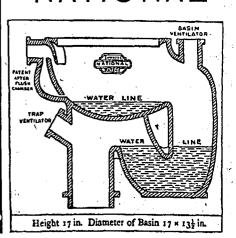
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