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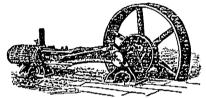
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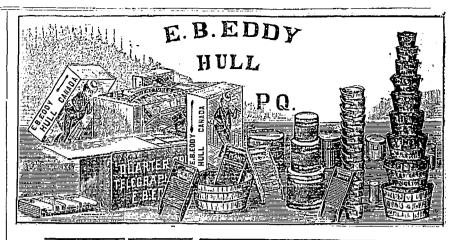
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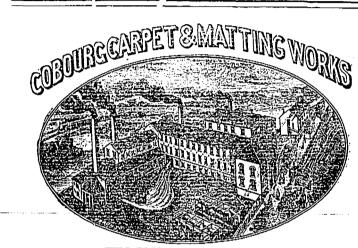
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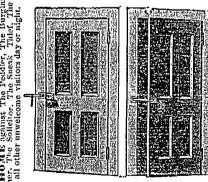


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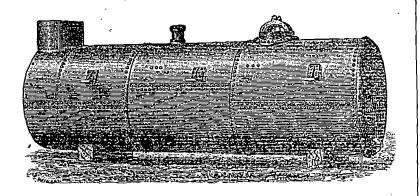
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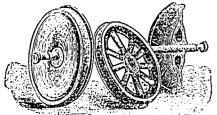
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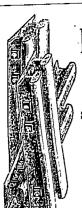
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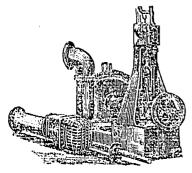
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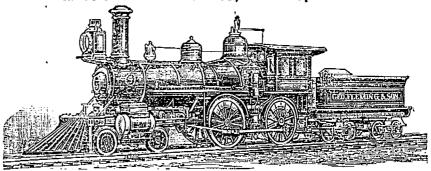
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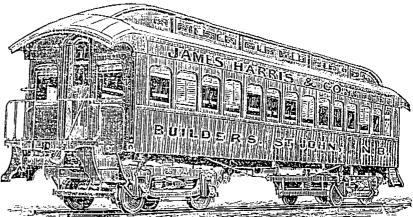
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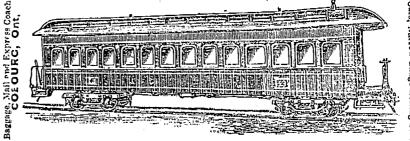
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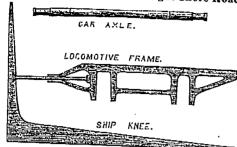
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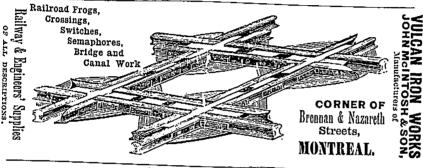


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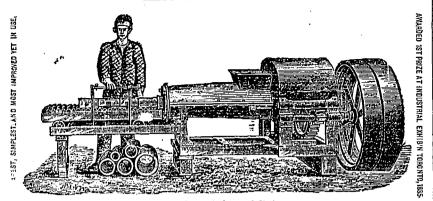
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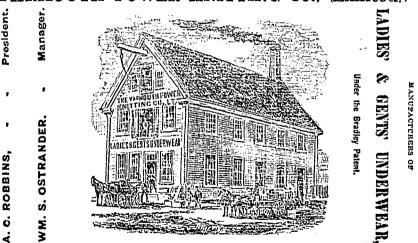
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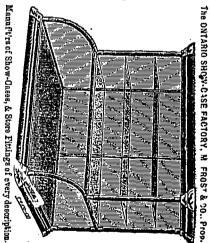
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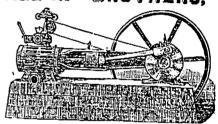
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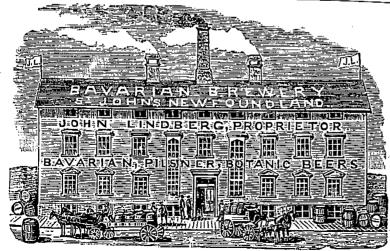
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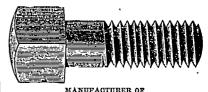
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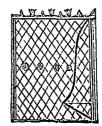
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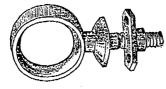
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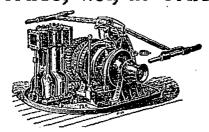




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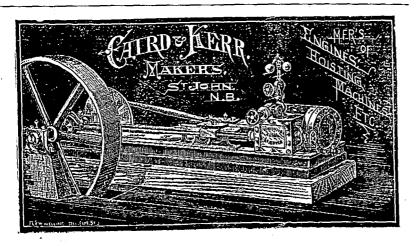
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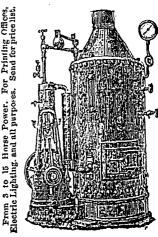
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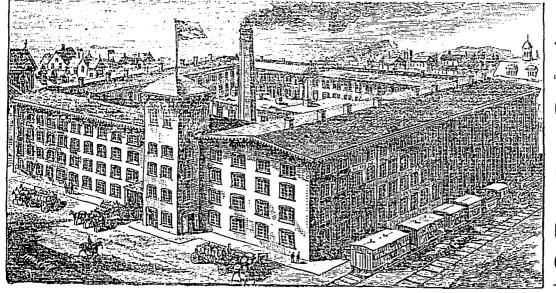
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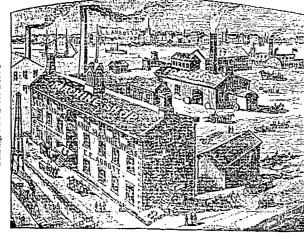
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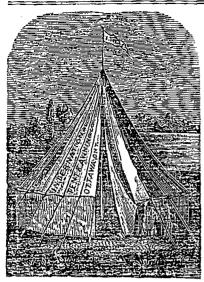
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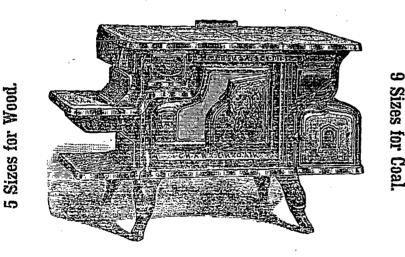
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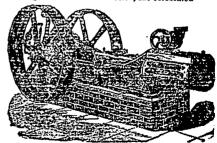
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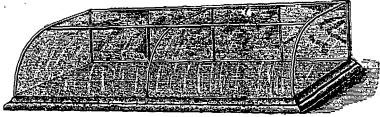


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THE stock of Kennedy & Girard, general storekeepers, of Sherbrooke, is offered for sale by public auction. It is valued at \$4,400.

STRONG & DONNELL, dry goods merchants, of Barrie, Ont., have effected a compromise with their creditors at 60 cents in the dollar.

DONALD MORRISON, general trader, of Newcastle, N.B., is endeavoring to effect a compromise with his creditors at 50 cents in the dollar.

D. C. CLARK, general storekeeper, of Madoc, Ont., has made an assignment. He has been in business since 1880 and was supposed to be doing fairly.

H. C. Ross, general dealer, Rapid city, Man., has assigned. A few months ago he claimed a surplus of about \$3,000 over liabilities of \$4,000, the stock being \$5,000.

MAGLOIRE GASCON, general storekeeper, of St. Jerome, has assigned. Liabilities are under \$2,000, divided among a large number of creditors. Assets are not yet ascertained. but will show a small deficit.

S.W. McMurray, dry goods merchant, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., has assigned, and is now endeavoring to affect a compromise with his creditors. He has been slow in his payments for some time.

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FRED. W. ANDERSON, the defaulting cashier of the Dominion Transport Company, who on the 12th ulto. plended guilty to embezzling \$1,700, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the Central prison.

PETER RYAN, of Toronto, whole failure was noticed at length in these columns, has effected a settlement with his creditors at 30 cents in the dollar, one-third cash, the balance in three and six months, unsecured.

THE stock of Alex. Webster, of Cookstown, Ont., amounting to \$5,000 was purchased by Gray Bros., of Schomberg, for 661 cents, and that of Wm. B. Hymes, Toronto, by William Martin for sixty-four cents in the dollar.

E. Wilson, boot and shoe dealer, of Carle ton Place, has sold out his stock to T. W. Mc-Dermott of Almonte. It is said some of Wilson's creditors are dissatisfied at the turn of affairs and are endeavoring to seize the goods.

WATT & Fleming, relatives, general storekeepers, Woodbridge, Ont., successors to John Watt, jr., who bought out one Mackie, on the failure of the latter about 18 months ago, are now in trouble themselves and have assigned.

John HERMAN, hotelkeeper, Clifford, Out., owes his present trouble chiefly to the change from the old house into the more expensive new one last fall, and to liabilities incurred in fitting it up. He recently assigned.

GEORGE K. BERTON, of St. John, N.B., commission merchant, assigned on the 11th inst., under circumstances which lead him to hope for a settlement.-Daniel Grey, of Elgin, N.B., trader, has also assigned for the benefit of his creditors.

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GEO. WILLIAMS, dry goods dealer, Sarnia, Ont., formerly Williams & Taunton, who dissolved in Feb., 1885, has surprised some of his friends by his recent assignment.-Hoffman Bros, of Seaforth, carrying on a small dry goods store, has also assigned.

HARDY & MOFFAT began the grocery business in Winnipeg about two years ago with a capital of barely \$1,000. They formerly hailed from London, Ont., and Hardy travelled for a Winnipeg house. They recently assigned to R. J. Campbell.

ANTOINE LAPIENNE, trader, of St. Cuncgonde, failed eight years ago in the grocery trade, and has since then been struggling to pay off his indebtedness. The burden has been too much for him, and he now assigns with liabilities of \$7,300, and assets of about \$1400.

LOSDON Free Press :- " Mr. W. S. Mayhew, of Tilbury West, recently signed an order for a patent churn, and is now getting ready to pay a note of \$364.25, into which it was metamorphosed before reaching one of our banks." Mr. Maybew is not legally responsible for the amount.

DUNCAN F. McDonald, of North Sydney, N.S., furniture dealer, recently assigned, to the surprise of many who supposed him to be doing fairly well. He succeeded McDonald Brothers in the fall of 1879, but was burnt out the following year, losing nearly all he was

THE effects of Mrs. Robert Summers, keeping a small hotel at London, Ont, have been seized for rent. She moved from London East about two years ago. Was sued recently by a city brewing company.-The effects of French Bros., bakers, Morpeth, Ont., have also been seized for rent.

MEN'S

R. OATEN & Son, storekeepers, Bracebridge, Ont., recently assigned to the sheriff at Barrie. At or about the time of the assignment a Hamilton firm seized goods for the amount of their account which was settled accordingly. Robt. Onten was local wharfinger till two years ago, when he took over the store from his son, who then became partner.

THE scaling steamers, Arctic, Terranova, Aurora, Resolute, Esquimaux, Wolf, and the brigantine Kate sailed from St. John's, Newfoundland, on the 10th ulto, for the seal fisheries. The crews aggregated 1847 men. The number of vessels is two less than last year and one of the smallest fleets that ever left St. Johns.

THE Cochrane Manufacturing Co., agricultural implement makers, of St. Thomas, Ont, have called a meeting of creditors at which they offered 22 cents in the dollar on liabilities estimated at \$100,000. It is expected this offer will be accepted perforce, as otherwise the Bank interested would throw the concern into insolvency.

THE troubles of C. C. Armstrong, general dealer, Orono, Ont., are chiefly due to overstocking and to consequent over-credit. A stock of \$8,000 or \$9,000 might well be considered a heavy one, even for so smart a village. Mr.

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Armstrong's recently claimed surplus of \$4,-000 was probably real enough, but his assets were too largely composed of book-debts.

WILLIAM MILLAR, stationer, of this city, has made an assignment with liabilities of about \$3,000. The assets will show a deficiency of from \$500 to \$600. A meeting of creditors will be held, on the 19th inst, at the Court Ilouse. Mr. Millar was for a while a member of the firm of Sutherland, Millar & Co., who failed in the early part of 1882.

Thos. C. Hallett, glue and bone dust Hamilton, Ont., called a meeting of his creditors for the 15th inst.—Grosse Bros., mouldings, etc., Torouto, who have been hard-up for some time, were advertised to be sold out by bailiff on the 16th inst., at the instance of H. Langway.—J. Cameron, a Toronto blacksmith, was advertised to be sold by bailiff on the 15th inst.

The Commercial Travellers Association are informed that a recent decision of the United States Treasury Department declares that trunks of commercial travellers, which are usually brought into the country containing samples are exempt from duty either as usual coverings, under Section 7 of the Act of March 3, 1883, or as implements, instruments, and tools of trade, occupation, or employment of persons arriving in the United States.

MESSES. SULLIVAN and Ferguson, of Prince Edward Island, have arrived at London to lay before the Imperial Government the petition Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.

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adopted by the Legislature of the Island asking the Imperial authorities to use their influence to secure for the Province daily communication with the mainland, in accordance with the terms of the agreement entered into when Prince Edward Island joined the Confederation.

A SEALING fleet of six steamers and one brigantine, carrying 1,850 men, have sailed from St. John's, Nfid. Last year nine vessels carrying 2,153 men, sailed from the same port for the sealing grounds. Although there is not so much interest taken now in the departure of sealing steamers as there was some years ago, when fleets of 250 ships sailed for the ice fields every spring, the wharves and surroundings hills were black with people.

Pacific Coast news travels slowly as yet. Meagre particulars of the business troubles of a Nanaimo firm, which became locally public nearly three weeks ago, are only just to hand. The senior partner is well advanced in years, and the business has for some time been chiefly conducted by a younger partner. The stock is estimated at nearly \$20,000, but they are known to be heavily in debt, apart from a bill of sale recently given. A meeting of creditors has been called.

A NEW system of book-keeping called the "Departmental dissecting method" has been introduced into this country by Mr. Henry Collins, a member of the Chartered Accountants Association of England. By this method it is claimed that a merchant can ascertain accurately at the end of every month his true financial position, the profits as a whole, being ascertained as well as the profits of each department separately. The system has been

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The Toronto Board of Trade has passed a resolution, asking the Dominion Government to appoint a commission to report upon the American system of flour inspection before making any changes in the Canadian system. A resolution was also adopted urging upon the Dominion Government the importance of proceeding immediately to enlarge the St. Lawrence canals to a depth of fourteen feet, and promising co-operation with the Montreal Board of Trade in action for the furthernnee of this work.

Under the heading "wheat swindlers" the Waterloo Chronicle says:—A gang is operating in Perth County among the farmers, offering a new variety of wheat. When the farmer gets interested and agrees to grow a sample on shares, they offer him an agency to introduce 30 bushels into the neighborhood at half the profits. If he signs the agreement he finds himself promising to pay \$180 on delivery of 30 bushels of wheat. The good old rule still remains in force. Sign nothing for a stranger, and only seldom for an acquaintance.

Our Walkerton correspondent informs us of the following business changes in his town: II. A. Wilson, druggist, is disposing of his business. Chas. Bachelor, who was burnt out in Paris, a few weeks ago, has purchased a fruit business in the town. John A. Rudolph, cattle dealer of Neustadt, whose embarrassment was noticed last week, has assigned with liabilities of \$10,000. The usual complaints of the non-enforcement of the Scott Act are heard liquor being openly sold in places where it could not formerly be obtained, and being even sold in the streets from bottles after dark.

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It is announced that the payments for the rebellion for supplies, transport, forage and pay of volunteers will amount to over \$5,000,000. This is exclusive of the claims for losses during the rebellion by settlers and others, the claim of the Hudson Bay Company alone for losses amounting to nearly \$1,000,000. Then there are pensions to disabled volunteers, so that the aggregate cost to the country of the insurrection will not fall short of \$10,000,000. The land granted to the volunteers who served in the Northwest rebellion totals about \$10,000 acres.

Shas Faren, of Port Williams, N.S., gave a bill of sale on the 1st inst., covering household effects, and another on the same day covering a lot of potatoes. He assigned on the following day with liabilities of about \$7,000 and assets nominally as much. His troubles are chiefly owing to his endeavors to do too much business. He had been dabbling in produce for some time.—A tinsmith of Kentville, N.S., named J. S. McLeod, who had been endeavoring latterly to turn over a new leaf in his liabits, has been overtaken by misfortune and compelled to assign. Liabilities scarcely \$1,000.

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place a thin layer of it between the two pieces of iron, which should then be pressed together. In five days it will be perfectly dry, all traces of the cement having vanished, and the iron will have the appearance of having been welded together.

THE large dividends paid by British joint stock banks are remarkable, considering the depression of trade existing. The largest dividend paid for 1885 was 331 per cent which was paid by the Whitehaven Joint Stock Bank, a majority of the shares of which are owned by the Duke of Westminster; next comes the Bank of Sydney, N. S. W., with 25 per cent, the Lancashire County Bank with a similar sum, the Bank of Belfast which paid 20 per cent, the Bank of Australasia with 16 per cent, the Royal and Commercial Banks of Scotland which pay 14 per cent each, and the Bank of Ireland and the Clydesdale Bank which have paid 12 per cent each to their shareholders.

As American Company has been making large purchases of lumber to be cut during the ensuing season and the Ottawa Journal thinks the following figures reliable:—Lord, Hurdmans & Co., 33,000,000 ft.; Grier & Co. 18,000,000 ft.; E. B. Eddy, 10,000,000 ft.; McLaren & Co., 8,000,000 ft.; Hamilton Bros.

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4,000,000 ft. and about 5 to 10,000,000 ft. in different small lots, making a total of about 70,000,000 ft. The same paper estimates the output of the Chaudiere mills and mills in immediate vicinity as follows:—J. R. Booth, 60,000,000 ft.; E. B. Eddy, 65,000,000 ft.; Bronsons & Weston, 60,000,000 ft.; Perley & Perley, 55,000,000 ft.; Grier & Co., 20,000,000 ft.; Lord, Hurdmans & Co., 45,000,000 ft.; McLaren & Co., 20,000,000 ft.; W. McClyment & Co., 15,000,000 ft.; Gilmour & Co., 55,000,000 ft.; W. C. Edwards & Co., Rockland, 50,000,000 ft.; Buckingham Mills (McLarens and Ross's) 35,000,000 ft.; Hamilton Bros., at Hawkesbury, 50,000,000 ft.

II. SEVIGER, general storekeeper of St. Flore, has assigned after being in business for four-teen years. In 1883 he claimed a surplus of \$7000, but that has since dwindled away. His principal creditors are in Quebec, and he claims to show a small surplus.

II. Panent, general storekeeper, of Riviere Blanche, has assigned. He was formerly in business at Rimouski, but assigned in 1875 when he compromised at 50 cents in the dollar. In March, 1884, he claimed a surplus of \$4,000 but, through inattention to business, the surplus has melted away and he is compelled to assign.

S. T. St. Cvr, hay and grain dealer, of Berthier en haut, has assigned. The firm was formerly Desy & St. Cyr, but dissolved in January last. Mr. St. Cyr had but little means, and was depending on the result of an action against the Quebec Government. It is said the decision was adverse to him, and hence his failure.

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H. J. Brown, general storekeeper, of Windsor Mills, Que., has assigned after a career of about 18 months. Mr. Brown was formerly in business but failed, and was sold out in 1880. In the fall of 1884 he succeeded in obtaining a stock valued at \$3,000 on credit, but as he had no means he has been struggling ever since, and now assigns.

I John B. Bagen, formerly of St. Lambert, but now of parts unknown, has been put into bankruptcy by a leading lumber firm. Mr. Bagen came on from the States last year, having saved considerable money, and commenced to erect some tenements at St. Lambert, A few days ago he came to town and has not been seen since. The liabilities are only small.

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of some \$2000. He is a married man, highly connected, and has been with the bank for the past twelve years. Of late he has been frequenting a gambling club, and the suspicions of the manager being aroused he was ordered to change departments with another clerk. This he did, but left town the same night. The bank is secured by a policy in the Guarantee Co., and it is stated that, should his defalcations be discovered not to exceed the figures named, his relations will make good the loss.

THE average importation of horses from Canada into the United States has been about 22,000 head. A few years ago the average value per head of horses so imported was \$95 whereas last year it was \$140. This, says the U.S. Live Stock Journal, shows not only a rapid improvement in the quality of the supply, bu the fact that the demand requires just as

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THE motion of the liquidators of the Exchange Bank for leave to declare a second dividend of 30 cents in the dollar has been granted. The dividend is payable on the 22nd March inst., and with the former one, will make a total of lifty cents on the dollar on account of liquidation. The case of the Exchange bank vs. the Canadian Bank of Commerce was settled yesterday morning by an agreement between the liquidators of the Exchange Bank and the directors of the Commerce. The agreement is based upon the market value of the draft sold to the Canadian Bank of Commerce at the time of the suspension of the Exchange Bank, the former retaining their right to rank with the other creditors in the dividends. The Bank of Commerce pays the liquidators \$3,000, and each party pays their own costs,

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SOME FIGURES FROM THE TRADE RETURNS.

The bulky volume of Trade and Navigation tables laid before Parliament every year contains matter which should interest all engaged in trade and commerce. We propose to lay before our readers such an abstract as will show at a glance the movement for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1885.

As might be expected, the returns indicate a falling off in both exports and imports compared with the previous year. The decrease, as will be hereafter seen, results partly from a decrease in quantity, partly from a depreciation in value.

Total exports for 1884............\$91,406,496
" 1885.................89,238,361

Decrease in 1885..... \$7,455,557

It will thus be seen that our exports fell off 2.32 per cent, and our imports 6.4 per

cent for the period covered by the tables. As far as exports are concerned we have gone back to the level of 1880.

In the first year of Confederation the amount was 57 millions, in 1874 they had reached by steady growth 89 millions, they sank in 1879 to 71 millions, and in 1882 reached the maximum of 102 millions.

The imports, on the other hand, show corresponding changes. Beginning with 73 millions in 1867-8, they reached 128 millions in 1873-4, receded to 81 millions in 1878-9, and in 1882-3 rose to 132 millions.

It is worthy of note that the effect of each year's export trade shows itself with unvarying regularity in the succeeding years imports. If a good deal of stuff was going forward, and payments were consequently free, the importers evidently were emboldened in placing their orders for the next year's business, and, per contra, when exports were small and money scarce orders for the next season's imports were small. The consequence of this must have been in many cases serious, since it has frequently occurred that there has been a large fallingoff in exports with a heavy increase in imports, and the former must have affected the power of the country to absorb the goods brought in.

As illustrative of the tendency of which we have been speaking, we may take the figures for several years when it was specially marked. The exports in, 69,70 showed a large increase (nearly 22 per cent); the imports that year were little altered, but in '70-'71 they increased nearly 30 per cent. In '74-'76 the exports decreased 13 per cent, the decrease in imports came the next year, 24 per cent. In '81-'82 when our exports reached the unprecedented sum of 102 millions, the imports were 119 millions. The next year the exports fell off 4 per cent, but the imports increased over 10 per cent. The same holds good of almost every year, and although special imports, such as supplies for the Canadian Pacific Railway, have to be allowed for, the figures show that the tendency mentioned exists.

To return to last year's tables the total trade of the country, taking imports and exports together, fell off 4.68 per cent. compared with 1884.

The average trade for 18 years has been 184 millions. From 1872 to 1875 the figures were from 5 to 18 per cent above the average; from 1876 to 1880 they were from 5 to 17 per cent below. The last five years have been above, 1883, 25 per cent, and, 1885, 7½ per cent. We have not, therefore, as sharp a decrease to note as on many previous occasions, and, taking into account the recognised decrease in values lyhich was undoubtedly making itself felt in the period covered by

the returns, a decrease of less than 5 per cent is scarcely to be wondered at.

Of the countries which are our customers Great Britain and the United States continue to take 90 per cent of all we send out. Last year they received respectively \$41,800,000 and \$39,700,000, in all \$81,500,000, out of a total of \$89,200,000. The trade with France has of late steadily decreased every year, her figures being now \$303,000. To other enumerated European countries the gross exports were only about \$800,000, the imports from these same countries being about \$3,700,000, and those from France \$1,900,000. Our trade with Newfoundland, the West Indies and Australia all show some reduction; our exports to South America are a little better, the figures being \$1,460,000 against \$1,277,000.

The imports entered for consumption in 1885 were divided very much according to the usual average. Great Britain supplied \$41,400,000 (40 per cent of the total), the United States \$47,100,000 (46 per cent), these percentages being almost identical with those of the preceding year. Our imports from the West Indies were \$3,162,000, about \$600,000 more than we sent them; from South American \$1,340,000 and from China and Japan \$2,498,000, against \$1,909,000 in 1884. There are no very marked changes in our import trade as regards the countries from which we buy. There is an increase for France, Germany, and China and Japan; all others shows a decrease proportionate to the general falling off.

With regard to the articles exported, there was a considerable increase in the value of farming products. The growth of the trade in cattle, and in butter and cheese, is marked by an increase of \$2,351,000, under the heading of "Animals and their produce."

"Agricultural products" also show an increase of nearly \$1,000,000. That the former increase is in the right direction all will agree, for the increased production of live stock and of dairy produce involves the steady improvement of our farms, as against the impoverishment caused by constant grain crops.

The increased produce of the farm is more than offset by the decrease in the value of the "Produce of the forest," where there is a shrinkage of \$4,923,000. This is partly the result of a decrease in the price, partly of a decrease in the quantity exported. We have on more than one occasion expressed the view that our forests are being stripped too rapidly, and bringing us in far less money than under more conservative handling they might do. We therefore regret much less the decrease in this item than if it had occurred in the others. So far a the timber has not been exported it is still left to us in the tree, and we have a sure faith that its appreciated value in the future

will compensate for the delays in its realization.

We must postpone till another week consideration of the details of the tables.

PECULIARITIES OF EMBARRASSED DEBTORS BEFORE CREDITORS.

We cannot say what our sensations would be under such circumstances—"we have never been there," but those who have tell us various tales of the overwhelming sensations that overtake them.

The honest sensitive man who finds himself under misfortune obliged to face his creditors is overwhelmed with confusion and unfitted for the ordeal; he is never solicitous of the advantages of the bankrupt in the bankrupt's knowledge of his estate; he is simply a victim of misfortune, to be gently handled, but in his very honesty is generally bestript of both name and estate.

Amongst the unfortunate will often be found a class equally honest, given to assertion and explanation of their position. Combative in nature they generally accomplish their purpose with fairness according to the measure of their estate; if they are merely the victims of uncontrollable misfortune or machinations of others, and are unjustly treated by their creditors or subjected to unjust criticism and censure, they will resent the treatment by denying creditors an advantage that should accrue from their experience, and consider their own as the only interest for their consideration; this is always with loss to the creditors.

The evil-minded appear in various guises, they counterfeit honesty, embarrassed accoring to their temperaments. Blandness, "bluff," self-assertion and "cheek" are the general qualities they display; they study the advantages and disadvantages of their position, legal and otherwise; they prepare disadvantages for the creditors in advance of their time of facing them, and their manner before them is regulated not by the misfortune of their position, so much as by the plans they have laid for the ends to be accomplished.

Our sympathies are with the unfortunate, and, as said by the writer of an article read before the Manufacturer's Association, "Honest men only fail from misfortune;" the condition of their estate should be their creditors' key to their action with the debtor, and the debtor's guide in duty to them.

We referred in a former number to the suspension of Peter Ryan of Toronto and to that of the Joseph Hall Machine Works, in which he was ostensibly the capitalist or financial partner. Since then a large meeting of creditors of that concern has been held. From a Toronto paper, and otherwise, we learn that Mr. Ryan devoted some of his oratory to the Journal of Commerce.

Now Mr. Ryan should, instead, be thankful to the creditors who have been so lenient with him and to the press of the country that have given him their silent sympathy instead of the criticisms that his atterances before and since his failure entitled him to. When he became a member of the works at Oshawa he represented himself worth over \$100,000 to various parties, as we are informed; he was charged with this at the meeting of creditors, and he did not deny it. On his representations, it was pointedly stated at the meeting of creditors by Thomas Robertson & Co., and others, that the credit of the concern had been built; he was considered as good as his word, as good as he said, and his friends helped to boom his credit by repeating what he alleged to be his individual worth, apart from the Hall works business. Many ask why it was that this property was sold a year ago for little or nothing to the present concern, and it is explained thus:-there were two mortgages on the property, one of them for about \$20,-000 in favor of the Canada Permanent Loan and Savings Co.; the other, a large mortgage in favor of Mr. Ryan for any advances given or might give Mr. Glen; this last was not generally if at all known to be a blanket against which the claim was small as compared with its face, and it accordingly operated as a wet blanket, discouraging competition; hence the property, valued by the liquidator's inventory at over \$80,000 exclusive of real estate and buildings, was all sold for about the amount of the first mortgage to Mrs. Glen for Mr. Ryan and herself as the Joseph Hall Machine works.

Mr. Ryan's own meeting on the 25th ult., three days after that of the Works, disclosed a statement of affairs too lean to be worthy of either enthusiasm or stump oratory; like the egg from which mischievous boys suck the meat by way of a pin hole, it looked as if the juice had gone from that estate which was thought to expose the worth of Mr. Ryan to be over \$100,000; instead he exposed for his liabilities direct over \$51,000, liabilities indirect over \$107,000. Of this latter much is really direct liabilities and includes a large over-draft to the Bank of Commerce and personal favors that he should see paid, to do which he shows about \$40,000 in assets, partly in farmer's and pedler's notes, and some in goods on hand. The best he could offer was 30 cents on the dollar, payable in 10 cents cash, 10 cents in 3 months, and 10 cents in 6 months.

He claimed to have put \$43,000 into the Joseph Hall Machine works, less the \$25,000 note about which we made some comment and which excited him in respect to us; but the books of that concern show at his credit something over \$51,000, with over

\$52,000 at his debit, and for some of the amounts at his credit others are said to be ranking as creditors on the estates. When facing the creditors of the Machine Works he was not very greatly moved at being charged with the statements he had made as to his worth: he was uninfluenced by a unanimous vote of the creditors requesting him to make an assignment of his estate for their benefit; they could not compel him; he knew that they could not compel him, and that, except by exhausting the estate through the sheriff, he could not be made to yield his estate, and he refused to assign unless they would in advance give him his discharge and release his personal estate. He declared he would not have his future clouded nor mortgaged to them; in stentorian tones they were told they had his ultimatum; he consoled them with a quotation from Shakespeare, and exhibited all the moods of the actor, passing from the sublime to the pathetic-apologetic, defiant, indifferent and cringing. In contrast to his way Mr. Glen submitted unconditionally to the creditors, and asked by way of favor for a release which he gets. Thus by the fact that there was no provision in the law to reach the difficulty, the creditors were, as a matter of dollars, obliged to bottle up the ruffled sentiments that Mr. Ryan had provoked. A resolution was passed agreeing to his release and that of his estate; after doing so he compelled them to wait, with the estate suffering by the delay, until he could get the creditors to sign a binding release, and for the first time in the history of insolvency proceedings actually compelled the creditors not only to sign but to canvass those who had not signed, for his release. They of the creditors who did this from compulsion in the teeth of their opinion that Mr. Ryan had used them badly, and was disentitled to consideration, will not soon forget the extraordinary and wholly different manner from that which debtors usually show before their creditors. There is this, however, to be said for him, that he was doing the best he could for Peter Ryan under the peculiar circumstances in which that orator was placed and-as he said, in high flown cloquence—" he did not care a——for the creditors," he did not care a——for the whole of the Dominion of Canada,-that they had his ultimatum.

THE ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE.

The natural outlet for the produce of the Northwest, the St. Lawrence waterway, seems destined at last to receive that full share of attention which the vast interests at stake imperatively demand should be bestowed upon it. For years past the want of a liberal and comprehensive scheme

which would reduce the cost of transportation from Chicago to Liverpool to a minimum has been pointed out in these columns, as with the present American competition, nothing short of wholesale measures which will materially reduce or totally abolish most items of expense connected with the ocean as well as the inland vessel can be of permanent service to the Canadian carrying trade.

Already the expenditure on the canals has exceeded forty millions of dollars, and it is now quite evident that without an increased outlay this money will have been sunk without attaining the object sought—the diversion of the grain of the Western States to the Canadian sea-board. This additional outlay, to be effective, must not only include expropriations for interior canal enlargement but for the Lake St. Peter debt and also for the abolition of canal tolls. No time need be lost in giving effect to the second and third propositions, pending the progress of the work on the canals.

In Montreal more than anywhere else in Canada the possibilities of a gigantic development of trade and commerce by means of a prompt and effective development of our unrivalled water system have been long foreseen, and an additional stimulus is now given to the subject by the co-operation with Montreal of the Toronto and Hamilton boards of trade. Besides these bodies Kingston, Port Hope, Cobourg, Owen Sound, Windsor and other ports have memorialized the Government, and this awakened interest will, we trust, lead to good results.

An interview was had with the Government on the 12th inst, by representatives from the Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton boards of trade and a brief sketch of the proceedings is necessary to explain their views and their reception by the Government,

Mr. A. M. Smith, of Toronto, read the resolution recently passed by the Toronto Board of Trade, and published in these columns last week, adding that the Lachine canal and a portion of the Cornwall canal were deepened sufficiently, but it was the smaller canals that prevented vessels from getting to tidewater.

Mr. G. A. Chapman, of Toronto, said that since the capacity of the Welland canal was increased the trade of the St. Lawrence had receded instead of increasing. The railways had reached their maximum, and he thought it was impossible, for them to carry cheaper than at present, and, therefore, this was an opportune time to devote more attention to our canal system. It was in Minnesota, Dakota and our own Northwest that the world's future wheat fields were likely to be, and if we wished to retain the trade from this part of the continent we must enlarge our St. Lawrence canals. To show the rapid growth that might be expected in our Northwest, he said that in 1880 the population of Duluth was 3,470,

while in 1886 it was 22,000. In 1877 there were 460,000 bushels of grain received in Duluth, while in 1885 no less than 14,700,000 bushels were received at that point. Why should not our own territory advance just as rapidly if we were to collarge our St. Lawrence canals sufficiently to scenre the trade of the great Northwest instead of allowing it to go through the Eric canal? The question was especially important, in view of the fact of the probability of a future trade with Japan, China, India and Australia. The freight rates were also all in favor of the St. Lawrence route, and the United States authorities fully recognized this, as was shown by a document recently prepared by Hon. Joseph Nimino, chief of the bureau of statistics at Washington.

Mr. B. Cumberland, of Toronto, presented a memorial from the business men of that city, which urged the importance of deepening the St. Lawrence canals, and stated that the Welland canal was of more advantage to the American than to the Canadian marine. The Toronto men, he said, heartily joined with the business men of Montreal in endeavoring to secure the deepening of the canals. Only three Canadian vessels, which passed through the Welland canal nine times, used that canal last year, and these vessels were lightered of 90,000 bushels of grain at a cost of \$1,622. He quoted figures which showed that while the trade from American ports to American ports through the Welland canal had increased the trade from American ports to Canadian ports had decreased. On the other hand, the business that was carried through to Montreal had materially increased, and if they were able to take cargoes through to Montreal without breaking bulk these figures would be still more favorable.

Mr. W. W. Ogilvie, drew the attention of the ministers to the memorial of the Corn Exchange urging the necessity and importance of making this season the same concessions as were granted last year in respect of canal tolls.

Mr. Fried, of Hamilton, quoted statistics to show that the rate per bushel from Buffalo to New York, a distance of 450 miles, was about one-half that from Kingston to Montreal, a distance of 156 miles, in spite of the natural advantages of the latter route. He complained also that harbor dues at Montreal are excessive.

Mr. G. M. Kinghorn, said the deputation from Montreal had attended at the invitation of the Toronto Board of Trace to co-operate in requesting the Government to deepen the St. Lawrence canals. He said that the trade of Montreal desired the assumption by the Government of the cost of deepening the Lake St. Peter channel, the reduction of canal tolls to a nominal rate pending their abolition by Act of Parliament, and the abolition of police and other charges that fall on the harbor of Montreal and the trade passing through it He maintained that the carriers of Montreal and the transportation companies centred there had fixed the rates as low as it was possible to make them and that they had not carned any profit on the season. Unless the Government assisted them the forwarders would scarcely deem it worth while to fit out their vessels if rates did not improve over those of last season.

Mr. D. G. Thomson, of Montreal, said the Canadian vessels were losing business every day and if something were not done they would lose it all. The Brie canal was also kept open all day Sunday, while the Canadian canals were closed for twenty-four hours, and thus the American vessels got ahead of the Canadian ones by one day's work a week.

Several other speakers having expressed

their views, Hon. Mr. Pope replied as follows:-

I am very glad, gentlemen, to get your views on so important a question as this. I may say, however, that while you speak of the enlargement of the St. Lawrence canals you seem to forget that we have been enlarg-ing those canals. The policy of the Government from 1874 to 1878 was a canal of 12 feet, such as the Welland canal, but we have now enlarged the Welland canal to 14 feet and all the improvements to the Galops rapids, on the Cornwall canal and on the Williamsburg canal, has been with a view to a depth of 14 feet. We have spent a considerable sum of money as fast, perhaps, as we could judiciously do, when the heavy outlays we were making elsewhere is taken into consideration. We have felt that we ought to do a great deal in this direction, but we have not felt quite at liberty to expend a very large sum in any one year. We have already ex-pended \$42,000,000, and I suppose it would cost about \$12,000,000 more to complete the rest of the work. I am inclined to agree with the remarks which I have previously heard expressed by some of the gentlemen here that the deepening of the St. Lawrence river below Montreal is just as much a canal as any part of this work (hear, hear), and we are all called upon to look at the whole matter. The statements which you made regarding the de-creased volume of business passing through the canals is not confined to canals alone. Others are also complaining of hard times. While the country seems to be prosperous and money very plentiful and cheap, business is dull, and you find that trade is not moving as fast as you would like. I do not believe that taking off the canals tolls is at all the remedy for the evils of which you complain. I believe that what you want is more water and larger vessels, so that you may be able to take through 75,000 bushels of wheat instead of 21,000 bushels as at present. Nor do I think that it is for our interest that we should not try to get the American as well as the Canadian trade. I think we want them both (Hear, hear.) We should draw all the trade we can through your canals. I think that with the increased trade which would flow to Montreal through the enlarged canals, the dues could be lowered. These dues belong to Montreal. Of course, Montreal does not ask any relief for their harbor improvements; they are perfeetly prepared to carry on their harbour works, but what they do ask is relief from the taxation below that port, and I am bound to say that I think there is something in their case. (Hear, hear.) This whole subject which has been thought over and talked over, will be taken up, as soon as we feel that we are in a position to do so, but we do not propose to stop at canals. Only the other day the Halifax people had asked why do you charge every year for public works over the Intercolonial railway if all the money you laid out on the canals is going to return you nothing, so that the question is a larger and weightier one than you have mentioned to-day. All your petitions and memorandums will be carefully considered by the Government."

It will be seen that the chief measure suggested by the Ontario delegates for the cheapening of transportation is the deepening of the canals to twelve and ultimately to fourteen feet, so that the largest craft can pass through to Montreal without breaking bulk. This, however, as has been pointed out, cannot be effected for some years, and in the meantime other measures of relief

should be undertaken at once, notably the abolition of canal tolls and the taxes imposed on shipping in connection with the Lake St. Peter channel.

The Gazette closes its article on the min] isterial interview in the following words: It will be noticed with satisfaction that the Minister of Railways and Canals favors not only the deepening of the St. Lawrence canals, but also the assumption by the Government of the Lake St. Peter debt, regarding these as more potential remedies than the removal of tolls. This view, in so far as it relates to the future, will not be combated, as it is quite possible that when the largest class of lake craft can pass down to Montreal without break of bulk the trade may be able to stand a toll, and if under new conditions the transportation business is trebled or quadrupled a much lower tax than is now imposed will yield a larger revenue, but we would impress upon the Government the necessity of remitting the tolls at least until the deepening of the canals is consummated." This reference to the Lake St. Peter debt is all the more important as an Ottawa paperthe Free Press, distinctly says: The Minister could not take in the idea that the river below Montreal was as much a canal as the real canals throughout the country."

The Hamilton Spectator affirms that the charges on the St. Lawrence are about double those ruling on the Eric canal, and holds that the only cure for this state of things is the completion of the St. Lawrence canals. It evidently attempts to be jocular when it says: " The traffic is in the hands of Montreal corporations, and these people rob Ontario mercilessly." And again: "It is a lamentable thing that some Montreal interests are opposed to the completion of the St. Lawrence canals. The Board of Trade of that city, however, sees the matter in its true light, and will send a deputation to urge the Government to push on the work with all possible dispatch."

"The completion of the canals," says our contemporary, "is a matter of vast importance to farmers. The price of grain is fixed by the Liverpool market. The Ontario farmer gets the Liverpool price for his wheat, less the cost of carrying it to Liverpool. Reduce the freight charge, and the difference goes into the farmer's pocket. If that charge were lowered only a cent a bushel it would put a quarter of a million dollars into the pockets of Ontario farmers every year."

The trouble with the Spectator is that it only sees one way of reducing the aforesaid freight charge, and that is by waiting until the canals can be deepened. In the meantime the trade is all drifting to the American sea-board, and it may be difficult, once it has left us, to divert even a share of it to the St. Lawrence.

CANADIAN FISHERIES.

From all parts of our coast come accounts of the destitution and suffering which exists among our fishing population. Attention has already been called to the sufferings and impending starvation of the fishermen of the Gulf, left absolutely destitute by the suspension of the great fishing monopolics of Chas. Robin & Co., and LeBoutillier Bros., and which recently culminated in riotous pilferings of the companies' stores at Paspebiac. These large fishing companies have so long dominated, with absolute authority, the fishermen of the Gulf that they have come to depend upon them with blind confidence for their means of livelihood, and, consequently, when brought suddenly face to face with want and deprived of their ordinary method of support, they feel all the helplessness of children deprived of a kindly though despotic protector.

From Labrador come painful accounts of the utter destitution of the fishermen of that coast, and it appears evident that inevitable slow starvation must be the fate of many families unless aid be promptly furnished to them from outside sources.

For this universal destitution many causes are assigned. One important reason is that while the fishing population is increasing at the rate of 22 per cent every ten years, our fisheries show no corresponding expansion. No more fish can be caught now than fifty years ago, although many more hands are employed in its capture. The consequence, naturally, is that an increasing number are falling into destitution or are hovering helplessly on the brink of panperism, and unless some new outlet for their energies be discovered serious results must follow.

Wherever, owing to the proximity of good land to the barren shores whereon they ply their avocation, the fisherman is enabled to combine farming with his fishing, even if only on a small scale, he is comparatively comfortable; but of late years most of the men have been compelled to settle on utterly barren regions in order to carry on their operations, and, being thus entirely dependent on the precarious returns of the fisheries, when an unfavorable season comes they have nothing to fall back on, and are reduced to the utmost misery and starvation.

As at Paspebiac, the distress in Newfoundland has culminated in a riotous outbreak at Harbor Grace, where 300 starving fishermen surrounded the house of the magistrate, demanding help or work, and were quieted with a small supply of flour and molasses to stave off immediate starvation; but it is felt that it is necessary to take immediate steps to prevent further outbreaks of a still more dangerous nature.

That this condition of affairs is also largely due to causes easily remediable is evident. In previous articles in these columns it has been shown that slovenly and imperfect methods of curing, lack of cleanliness in preparing the fish for the market, and carelessness in assorting them, are largely responsible for the gradual decline in the demand for Canadian fish-France is now largely obtaining control of ports heretofore supplied largely, if not entirely, by Canadians, and it is admitted by commercial! men that the rapidly increasing popularity of French-cured fish is principally owing to the superior cleanliness and care with which their fishery products are prepared for the consumer, their freedom from bloodspots, evenness of size, and the superior excellence of the cure which forms one of their principal recommendations. That the heavy discriminatory duties which burden Canadian fish, and practically prevent their importation into Spanish ports, when compelled to enter into competition with the duty free products of France and Norway, is to a large extent responsible for this loss of demand is undoubtedly true, but it cannot be looked upon as the only cause of the present depression in this important industry; it is to the carelessness and lack of cleanliness of our fishermen in preparing their wares for market that the easy success of their rivals is due, and to this vitally important point we have repeatedly drawn the attention of the fishing population.

Fishermen are probably the most conservative class in the world, and are usually the slowest and most reluctant to improve on, or depart from, the methods handed down from father to son, but the severe lesson which the recent seasons of depression have taught them will prove a blessing in disguise if it will rouse them from their present slovenly and apathetic state and induce them to copy the commercial astuteness, cleanliness and enterprise of their rivals in the European markets. It is only by rigorous attention to these cardinal points that our fishery products can hope to retain their pristine hold on the markets of the Old World, and unless the change come speedily the results can but prove disastrous to Canadian fishermen.

LACES, FEATHERS, ETC.

This will be essentially a lace and gauze season, at least all trade indications point that way, and the display of laces offered, extending from the most expensive handmade silk laces to the commonest machine frillings, shows that the trade fully realize the bias of popular favor for the coming summer,

A novelty this season are the hand embroidered gauze laces made in trimming lengths, the piece being just sufficient to trim a bonnet or hat. They are beautifully embroidered with silk, often with pearls or tinsel effects, and are shown in nearly all colors, creams and golden browns predominating, at prices quoted from \$6 each set. Hand-embroidered gauzes are also shown in bewildering variety at from \$6 to \$22 per yard and point laces embroidered with pearls have proved very taking at prices ranging from \$10 per yard and upwards. Gauze crowns for the new coronet capote bonnets, beautifully hand worked with tinsel and silk, are also shown at \$6 each and upward, while open silk nets in cream and straw shades will be fashionable for trimming hats, but the price, which starts at \$12.50 per yard, will confine it to our more wealthy ladies. Broad tuscan silk embroidered net will doubtless be popular, while gauze edging net with pearl effects has sold freely; both these lines are quoted at \$3.50 per yard. Silk gauze ribbons are also selling well at \$1.25, while tufted edge varieties are offered at \$2. A novelty are squares of gauze worked with a back comb in silk and tinsel, these are very fushionable in Paris, and command \$1.50 each, while gauzes ribbed with narrow and broad bars of plush in contrasting shades are also candidates for popular favor.

It is probably too early yet to be able to predict the fashionable hat for next summer, but a particularly ugly-shape, the "Strand," which has a tall chimney pot crown with a flat brim turned up behind, is at present the favorite with Western milliners. This style is intended to be trimmed with an open silk net handkerchief and these handkerchiefs are shown in cream, tuscan and straw in great variety.

Spanish laces are quite out, and are now shown at such reductions that they will be extensively used for trimming purposes. Heavy antique guipures have also been revived for trimming; in fact, some dresses will be made entirely of guipure flouncing, while Chantilly and its fine imitations are also called for: Embroidery laces will be very fashionable, as its expense for it is ever becoming common; it is embroidered in silk on crepe lisse or net and outlined with small beads or pearls in various shades to match the color of the lace.

Plain lace canvas, honeycomb, armure, ace without figure or lace with untraceable figures, will be offered largely at prices from \$1 to \$1.75. The same with graduated clusters of stripes of bright silk cut, and uncut plush with clusters of single lines of bright silk between, are shown up to as high as \$6 for 42-inch width. Plain lace canvas is selling freely, and a canvas in

alternate two inch stripes with clusters of broad flat ribs, with zigzag braid tacked over the ribs, has sold well to Western buyers; it is 42-inch wide and is offered from \$2.50 to \$3.50 per yard, while a similar lace with stripes of variegated plush and single lines of bright silk, 23 inch wide, has sold at \$3.50, the plain lace canvas to match bringing \$2 per yard.

In ordinary laces, point, duchesse, duchesse-and-point, valenciennes, florentine, Irish crochet, and fine torchon, are in their usual demand, but black marquise, hand run Spanish and Spanish guipure are but little called for as yet.

Swiss oriental laces are much called for, the colors shown are cream, beige, coffee, and white; but this season colored laces only are in demand, and white lines are comparatively less wanted. Wool-and-silk guipure and all-silk guipure are selling freely, but black wool laces are only selling in the low-priced lines, better varieties being entirely neglected. Broad lace flouncings are also selling well, especially those showing silk and wool combinations.

Bird trimmings are spreading to this country, and only a few weeks ago a Canadian firm received an order for 25,000 snow birds for trimming purposes. Aigrettes are also fashionable, and, in the west, fancy birds of all kinds will appear on hats and even, it is said, on some dresses.

Beaded trimmings are very fashionable on the short combination dolmans which form the leading style for spring wraps. A plain, rich silk with raised plush flowers, in all fashionable colors, and beautifully shot, is the favorite material for these garments. Jet trimmings, especially those in long slender tassels, are regaining their lost ground, and many mixtures of colored beads, such as garnet, steel or bronze are made with jet in fringes, while bronze and copper beads appear to have entirely ousted the gilt beads so popular last year.

For street-jackets, boucle, boutonneux, and tufted cloths rule, short styles with enormous metal or wood and metal buttons being offered; they are made usually in light, almost colorless, fabrics and in many cases are relieved with plush trimmings of a more pronounced shade.

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

The week past has been a comparatively uneventful one at home. Those mercantile houses which are interested in goods subject to excise duties have been much exercised over the prospect of a increase in the duty, and in consequence a large amount of money has flowed into the Government coffers.

A good deal has been paid into the custom house also, and for a time the pressure of so large an amount of duty-paid goods on the

market may make buyers a little harder to please. On the other hand, however, briskplemand is reported from some quarters, from retailers anxious to lay in a stock before the increased taxation puts up prices.

In money matters the case heretofore reported continues, and rates are entirely unchanged since our last writing.

The labour troubles in the U.S. have been reflected in Canada, a strike of the employees of the Toronto Street Railway Company having put a stop to traffic on its lines for some days. The trouble was happily arranged with very moderate concessions, not touching hours or wages, but as to the employment of union men.

The money market in New York is certainly somewhat stronger. The surplus reserves of the Associated Banks again show a decrease, being now about \$20,000,000 against \$34,000,000, a month ago. A steady growth of confidence is evidently going on, one of the chief elements in which is the satisfactory financial position of the Government. This, coupled with the reliance felt in the sound common-sense of the Administration on currency questions, has entirely removed for the present any fear of a silver trouble, notwithstanding the fact, which has become more certain than before, that no reasonable legislation can be expected at the present session of Congress. Financial authorities in the United States note with satisfaction that, with increased confidence in the currency situation, the practical difficulties are solving themselves. The receipts of gold from the customs, as compared with silver, are steadily increasing and the gold balance shows an augmentation, notwithstanding the bond payments going on. People too are losing their reluctance to take silver, now that its continued parity with gold is assured for some time to come, and the amount in the hands of the people is constantly increasing. We have frequently expressed our belief that if the currency was settled on a permanent basis the two hundred millions of silver coin would be readily absorbed by the people. So soon as it ceases to be looked at askance as an inferior coin-one to be got rid of at the first opportunity-the trouble will be over; at any rate until, under existing laws, or modifications of them, a large amount is added to the present stock. This condition, or rather the beginning of it, is apparently reached, and we shall probably hear little more of silver for another year.

Rates for money are quoted at 2 per cent on call, Sterling Exchange keeps just a shade below the specie point.

The labor troubles to which we referred last week are the prominent feature in the position of affairs in the United States. While we admit freely the right of work

men to improve their position by all lawful means, we think they have chosen an inopportune time for their present efforts. For a long time past manufacturers and producers of all kinds have been working at great disadvantage, in many cases selling below the actual cost, in none making more than a bare margin of profit. Manufacturers have held on, working more to hold their trade together, and often to keep their men, than for any hope of profit.

Now that the turn of the tide seems to have come, indicated more by an improved demand than an increased price, the demands of labor for larger remuneration are very inopportune. They would endanger or destroy the profit that is inducing larger operations, and so check business materially, to the loss of the workmen themselves, who have most to gain by an industrial revival.

LUMBER TRADE NOTES.

Last year 172 vessels of 92,087 tons sailed from Nova Scotia ports, carrying 79,647,765 superficial feet of deals, etc., 8,389 tons of birch timber and 13,346 palings. The shipments of deals from Nova Scotia to trans-Atlautic ports for the past few years were as follows:

Year.	Feet.
1882	85,752,000
1883	
1884	
1885	

These figures for 1885 do not include a large quantity of Nova Scotia deals which, shipped via St. John, passed for New Brunswick productions. Besides that, Nova Scotia's shipment show an increase of 7,277, St. Petersburg standard.

The lumbering outlook in New Brunswick for 1886 is thus stated:—The stock being wintered is estimated at 17 millions superficial foet against 25 millions last year and 40 millions in 1883. The amount of work being done in the forests is small, much less than for many years past, and this with the very small stock held over will make next season's shipments show a still further reduction, and this must continue as long as the present unremunerative prices prevail. The stock being wintered at St. John and also the new supply are both on a restricted scale, and consequently all are being held for improved prices."

A leading firm of wood brokers, Messrs. Simson & Mason, of London, Eng., review the trade of 1885 as follows:—As in 1884, pine deals and battens have been in few and firm hands; prices have remained steady, and the demand has been satisfactory. A very considerable proportion of this business is regularly done by deliveries overside to the mills and yards. First and second quality Pine have commanded figures never before reached, especially in Broads, inducing even some transhipments from the outports to London. First Broads, however, have not maintained the highest point reached early in the year. The importation of Redwood from California and elsewhere does not seem to have interfered with Quebec Pine, åg some had anticipated, the nature of the woo

Leing unsuitable, and not to be compared with that shipped from the St. Lawrence. Exceptionally low rates of freight induced shipments in the fall, of 1885 cuttings, and the Dock stock now figures 900,000 pieces, being exactly the average of the previous four years.

The London market for spruce deals has been principally supplied from the St. Lawrence; the shipments from New Brunswick, &c., being 20,000 tons only, which, although 5,000 tons in excess of the exceptionally small import of 1884, is 13,000 tons below the average of the three previous years. Spruce has been more firmly held than usual, but left a bare margin of profit to the importers when quickly realized. The consumption of this article is largely dependent upon the export trade, it being principally used for boxes and packing cases. The Dock stock brought forward is a fair average one. Owing to the large arrival of Riga and other competing shipments, prices were easier at the close of the year, and prospects not encouraging for holders. Really prime first quality Quebec have, as usual, maintained their value.

The following are the comparative arrivals of wood cargoes at London from 1st January to 31st December:

	100+)	
		s. Tons.
Sweden and Finland	597	346,007
Norway	175	77,312
Memel, Dantzie, Stettin, &c	118	48,202
Petersburg, Riga, &c	159	115,613
Archangel, Onega, &c	39	21,962
Canada	142	128,833
New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, &c.	25	20,760
United States	43	37,169
East Indies	16	10,160
Total	.320	806 088

Total	1,320	806,088
	1884	
	Cargo	s. Tons.
Sweden and Finland	678	382,034
Norway	218	92,085
Memel, Dantzie, Stettin, &c		58,860
Petersburg, Riga, &c	132	96,590
Archangel, Onega, &c	42	23,051
Canada	142	121,895
New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, &c.	23	14,754
United States	52	42,647
East Indies	17	13,382
Total	1,459	845,338

The following is published as the lumber cut on the St. Groix river in New Brunswick during 1885:—
F. H. Todd & Sons. . . . 2000.000 long lumber.

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7,000,00	0 laths
1,500,00	0 shingles
Jas. Murchie & Sons 11,000,00	0 long lumber
8,500,00	0 laths
. 3,000,00	0 shingles
Charles F. Todd 11,600,00	0 long lumber
- 9,000,00	0 laths
3,500,00	0 shingles
H. F. Eaton & Sons 13,000,00	0 long lumber
9,000,00	0 laths
2,000,00	0 shingles
Gates & Wentworth 7,000,00	0 long lumber
5,000,00	0 laths

4,000,000 shingles

1,000,000 shingles

8,000,000 laths

11,000,000 long lumber

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ALUMINIUM.

The discovery of a method of electric smelting by which this most valuable but refractory metal can be obtained at a cost of four dollars a pound, and the establishment of smelting works at Lockeport, N.Y., with a plant and capital valued at \$1,000,000 for its manufacture, marks a distinct era in the history of metallurgy, and is considered of such importance to mechanical manufacturers as to form the subject of the annual address of the Scrauton Board of Trade.

Up to the present moment aluminium has been obtained solely by reduction with metallic sodium, a most costly and difficult process, but the new method seems destined to bring aluminium within the reach of the domestic arts and, in a certain sense, work a revolution in mechanics by means of its properties of balk without weight and strength without size.

Metallic aluminium is white in color and nearly as lustrons as silver, its specific gravity is only 2½ times that of water, it is as light as chalk, as malleable as gold, as tenacions as iron, and harder than steel. It melts at 1300 degrees fahr; or at least 600 degrees below the melting point of iron, and it neither oxidises in the atmosphere nor tarnishes in contact with gases. Thus it is capable of the widest variety of uses, as it is soft when ductility is required, fibrous when tenacity is wanted, or rendered crystalline when hardness is the desideratum.

Aluminium has never been found in the metallic state, but nevertheless it is one of the most widely diffused of all metals, and forms the metallic base of clay, mica, feldspar, state, corundum, etc., and is found in nearly all rocks except the limestones and sandstones. The metallic aluminium now so largely used in commerce in making aluminium bronze aluminium gold, silveroid, and many other alloys, is principally obtained by the smelting of kryolite, a sodium-aluminium fluoride, which occurs abundantly in West Greenland, but the new process will enable the smelter to make use of many other minerals, hitherto considered valueless, for obtaining this valuable metal; and when these ores can be reduced by a cheap and rapid process aluminium will at once take its place in the front rank of commercial metals. The tensile strength of this metal is very high, being under many conditions as high as 100,000 pounds to the square inch, and, when wire drawn, reaching 128,000 pounds; as the requirements of the British and German governments in the best wrought steel guns only reach a standard of 70,000 pounds to the square inch, the superiority of aluminium can be readily recognized. In conductivity this metal is only exceeded by copper, and therefore, owing to its lightness, strength and durability, will undoubtedly sooner or later supplant galvanized iron wire for telegraphic purposes.

If, as its friends assert, we are to be supplied at a comparatively cheap cost with a metal which possesses both tensile strength and resistance to compression, malleability and ductility, the quality of receiving a fine

temper, adaptability for casting, rolling, or forging, susceptibility to lustre and finish, and unusually resistant to destructive agents, the present year will be a remarkable one in the history of metallurgy and the mechanical arts will become possessed of one of its most valuable materials, and one which is adapted to nearly all purposes.

BOODLERS.

A correspondent at Madawaska, who received a letter from one of those swindlers who offer to furnish counterfeit money to their dupes, and enclosed it to the Treasury Department at Washington, received the following reply , which explains so fully the methods of these scoundrels that we give it almost in extenso. The reply says:

"From the tenor of your letter I am led to infer that the party who offered to sell you counterfeit money is one of the numerous class of swindlers known by the title of "boodlers." Such persons never deal in it, but make a pretence of doing so on purpose to inveigle dishonest persons (who would buy counterfeit money if they could) into parting with their good money in the hope of getting counterfeit. These swindlers are usually located in large cities, but New York contains by far the large number.

"They send circulars in imitation of letters by thousands all over the country, inviting their correspondents to visit New York, naming the hotel at which they should stop, and offering them great inducements to purchase. Those who go after such bargains never obtain counterfeit money, and seldom return home without leaving all of their good money in the hands of these plausible but dangerous men. Another practice is to lead on their victims by sending a genuine one or two dollar note, or parts of the same, and represent-ing them to be specimens of the counterfeit notes they have for sale. Under the various names of Green Article, Green Gigars, Green Leaves, &c, they offer for sale counterfeit money money, which they aver is printed on plates stolen from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing of the Government. Not a plate of any kind has ever been stolen from that establishment. Those who have counterfeiter money for sale do not write letters requesting strangers to buy it. Even after the introduction of a new man by one counterfeit, to another, it takes a long time to establish such friendly relations as would induce a counterfeiter to trust a newcomer. Yet thousands of criminally foolish people believe that they can purchase counter-feit money as they would butter or cheese, and in their attempts to obtain it are robbed; and an honest public sentiment says, 'Serves them right.' The crime of which the 'Boodler' is guilty is that of obtaining money under false pretences-an offence of which State statutes only take cognizance, and over which United States courts have no jurisdiction. It is next to impossible to obtain legal evidence against these swindlers; and were one of them arrested and brought to trial, the testimony of the main witness (he who lost the money) would be weakened by the fact that he would have been a criminal if he could."

THE FEDERAL LIFE.—The fourth annual report of the Federal Life Assurance Company, to be found elsewhere, gives evidence of material progress as compared with the last statement published by us, a circumstance as stated

doubtless due to the favor with which the Homan's plan adopted by the company appears to be received. The number of policies issued in 1883 was 512, covering \$613,000 of insurance; in 1885 the number of new policies was 862, covering insurance amounting to \$2,-300,000, an average of close on \$3,000 each. The directors refer with complacency to the fact that this amount of new business is unequalled by the record of any Canadian company in its fourth or even its eighth year. The figures evidence a growing confidence in the Company as an investment by stock- as well as by policyholders. There are one or two items in the statement that will probably not seem over clear to the general reader. Among the receipts is the sum of \$44,785 as " Bank deposits withdrawn for investment." Under the head of "Disbursements," which doubtless is partly balanced by the item "Investment \$31,091," we also find \$25,444 as " Bank deposits, special and other." Again, among the assets we find "Debentures and Bonds, market value, \$50,828.89," doubtless representing the Government deposit of the company, and which is entered in the second annual report at nearly the same figure under the latter heading. It is probable that the third annual report, which we do not remember having seen, may furnish all the light necessary to a ready understanding of these items. The practical measure of utility for the year is represented by the sum of \$19,000 paid for claims matured and for which the several families may bless the prudent forethought of their natural providers. Mr. Dexter, the man aging director of the company, should be congratulated on the improved stand which this young institution is taking, and in the face of obstacles which he appears to be fairly surmounting.

The Nova Scotia Sugar Refinery.—An official circular issued to the shareholders of the Nova Scotia Sugar Refinery states that a provisional arrangement has been arrived at between the committee and the Merchants Bank of Halifax, by which the Bank agrees to surrender their mortgage of \$350,000 on the whole property, and to receive in lieu of it \$50,000 in cash and \$200,000 in mortgage bonds, redeemable in 10 years and bearing interest not exceeding 10 per cent per annum; on condition that the shareholders take \$150,000 mortgage bonds on similar terms, the proceeds of these bonds after paying \$50,000 to the Bank to be used as working capital.

It is estimated that the stock of sugar and other assets will pay the general account with the Bank in full, as well as all other liabilities, leaving free the supply of animal charcoal which is valued at \$30,000. The refinery will therefore be encumbered by \$350,000 of mortgage bonds, the holders of which will be secured by a property which cost \$500,000, as well as the working capital, charcoal, &c., which is valued at \$130,000, besides drawing a substantial interest annually.

Toracco—The use of tobacco in Canada is on the increase, the quantity taken for consumption in the past five years being as follows:—

	Pounds.
1881	8,101,275
1882	8,377,201
1883	8,965,415
1884	10,072,745
1885	11,061,589
In addition to the above, 340,000	pounds of
Canadian-grown tobacco was used	

In Russin there are thirteen land banks which advance money on land guarantees. Fully one-third of all private lands of the empire are mortgaged in these banks, and the sum due to the banks amounts to \$100,000,000. The city banks, too, of which there are in Russia 238, advance money on mortgages. Until lately the peasants were unable to borrow money on the mortgage system, but about two years ago the Government opened a special land bank for peasants, and now they owe to that bank nearly 15,000,000 roubles.

If the presence of alum be suspected in bread it may be easily detected by taking a teaspoonful each of tincture of logwood and solution of carbonate of soda and adding them to a wineglassful of pure water. In this a piece of the crumb of bread is soaked for five minutes, removed, and dried at a gentle heat. If no alum be present, the bread dries to a dirty brown color; if a little be present, the bread dries to a lavender color; if much alum be present, the bread dries to a dark-blue color.

Accommon to recent statistics the railway mileage of Ganada is now 10,027 miles, a figure that will compare favorably with any country in the world considering the difference in population. In addition to these roads already in operation there is considerable mileage on which track has been laid, and which will be open for traffic in the course of a few months, and there will undoubtedly be at least 11,000 miles of railway in operation in Canada by the first of July next.

The new system of sixpenny telegrams in Great Britain has already necessitated the employment of 28,000 persons, and the expenditure of over \$2,500,000. More than 850 miles of poles and 21,000 miles of wire have been put in position, and sub-marine cables have been laid to the Channel Islands. In the city of London alone four miles of additional pneumatic tubing and nearly a thousand new operating instruments have been brought into use.

A proposition is made to place fresh Canadian mackerel and halibut on the London market without the use of ice, which is too expensive for the purpose. In this connection

the plan adopted by the Norwegians in sending lish to London is noted. The fish are packed in a mixture of boric acid and sand, the barrel itself is moistened with boric acid, and is kept in a reasonably cool place. Thus prepared the fish will keep fresh for fourteen days.

BUTTER PACKAGES .- E. G. Chamberlain, produce dealer, Park Hill, Ont., writes us as follows:-"The season is now at hand for butter packers and dealers to enquire after the best and most improved tubs to pack butter in, to preserve it, not for the accommodation of either shipper or retail dealer, but to keep it so as to have the desired end of better butter, and not this ruinous exposure to air and impure surroundings. I am convinced the tinnet, so called, with Iid loose, or otherwise, is not adapted to general preservation, but only for fresh made, intended for speedy transportation and immediate use. It is not well adapted for farmers or country merchants as their butter must have more or less time before it gets to market, and to keep it in any way favorable for transportation it should be kept from air and in a brine tight tub or firkin; I believe it to be one of the best remedies for past ills to keep and carry armers' and merchants' butter, as it is put up fo market. As to the system of coopers thinking anything will do, I would suggest that only an oak or white ash be used, and as the old round bickory hoop is scarce and mostly out of date, that the galvanized iron be used instead; so much ruined butter will not then appear on the market. If butter makers and buyers will express their opinion before the public we may get a remedy."

The report of the Minister of Justice on the Penitentiaries of Canada for the year ending 30th June, 1885, shows a slight numerical increase in the number of convicts confined in them. The statistics showed that the number of convicts remaining in each penitentiary was as follows:—Kingston 537, St. Vincent de Paul 261, Dorchester 146, Manitoha 72, and British Columbia 96, being a total increase of 73 over the numbers of last year.

By an arrangement between the Whit Cross and the Hansa SS. lines a regular fortnightly service has been established between Canada and Belgium, to come into effect at the opening of navigation.

THE ENSILAGE SYSTEM.—The use of ensilage, as a food for fattening cattle, continues to be agitated in Ontario and in some sections of this Province. It may be interesting, therefore, to note, the recent experiment of a large landed proprietor in Yorkshire, England, who selected 12 head of cattle for the purpose. Four steers and two cows were placed on one side, and four steers and two heiters opposite. All alike were given the same

quantity of meal and cake. Besides this, one lot received daily for each animal 24½ lbs. of best quality hay and 95 lbs. of turnips, while each beast on the other side received, besides the cake and meal, 75 lbs. of ensilage. No other food than what is mentioned was given. This diet was commenced on the 10th of November, and on the 17th the cattle were weighed separately. They were again weighed, with what result the following table will show:—

		Nov.	17.	Det	։. Ց.	
	Cwts	, qrs.	lb.	Cwts.	qrs.	lbs.
1. Steer	10	`o	0	11	0	0
2. Steer	9	3	0	10	2	1-4
3. Steer	9	1	0	9	3	7
4. Steer	7	1	0	8	0	O
5. Cow	11	O	U	11	2	14
6. Cow	11	3	0	12	1	0
_	59	0	0	63	1	7
	3	vov.	17,	De	c, 8	
	Cwts	s, qrs	Cwts.	qrs	, 1b,	
1. Steer	12	2	0	13	2	0
2. Steer	12	0	()	12	3	7
3, Steer	10	2	14	11	2	7
4. Steer	11	1	7	12	0	14
5. Heifer	10	0	0	10	2	7
6. Heifer	g	2	7	10	()	21
•	66	0	0	70	3	0

Ensilage, therefore, can supply the place of both hay and turnips, and leave a considerable something to spare besides; for, taking the generally allowed estimate that the grass required to make one ton of hay will make five tons of ensilage, the equivalent in ensilage to the hay consumed by each of the above mentioned beasts would be 122½ lbs.; so that, besides having a very substantial margin of ensilage in hand, we have the entire allowance of turnips to dispose of altogether.

In this country and the United States, green corn takes the place of grass and turnips, to a great extent. "The only attempt," says the London Free Press, "the Ontario Model Farm ever made to test ensilage was with mileh cows, and this was with a poorly manufactured article, or what is termed "Sour Krout" ensilage, or where the silos were allowed to proceed to the second or acetic fermentation stage and was spoiled. We are fully convinced that when silage is properly understood in Ontario, it will revolutionize the winter feeding here, especially on heavy clay soil s."

THE LOBSTER FISHERY .- The proposal of the Dominion Government to prohibit lobster fishing for three years, alleged to be a necessary preservative measure, has created considerable consternation in Prince Edward Island. In that Island there are over one hundred factories in operation, in which more than half a million dollars are invested; there are about 6,000 persons engaged in the industry, and over 14,-000 dependent on it for their daily bread. If the fishery were shut down the packers state that the factories would probably go to ruin; the boilers, plant, etc., would rust and spoil, and of the thousands thrown out of duployment many would be dependent upon the government for support. That the fishing season should be changed they admit, and as in the Island the different localities require different

sensons, they claim that if ninety days were granted them at the times which suit each locality best, under the supervision of the lishery inspectors or wardens, the indiscriminate fishing of good and bad, large and small lobsters, would be stopped.

During the past year 75,701 cases, valued at \$416,355,50, were put up in this Island, or 3,633,648 cans. The lobsters averaged $6\frac{1}{2}$ to the can, so that the whole catch amounted to 23,864,745 fish, or about 2,000,000 more than in 1884. Of the 75,701 cases 41,9661 were shipped to Great Britain, 29,8631 going direct from here and 12,103 via Halifax. Of the remainder 32,201 were shipped to the United States, 427 to Montreal and 107 to Hamburg. Besides these about 16,000 cases were brought to Halifax for shipment to Great Britain from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The following table will show the catches of the last seven years and the number of lobsters taken to fill a can each year :--

No	o. of lis	h No.01
bs	to a	lobsters
eight.	can.	caught.
965,456	3	5,896,368
72,000	$3\frac{1}{2}$.	13,902,000
27,720	41	23,493,660
66,576	43	23,116,576
64,832	5 <u>}</u>	17,406,576
98,000	G.J.	21,862,500
633,648	67	23,864,745
	Lbs eight. 965,456 972,000 127,720 166,576 64,832 198,000 633,648	eight. cun. 965,456 3 3 72,000 3½ . 127,720 4½ 66,576 4½ 64,832 5½ 198,000 6½

It will be seen that since 1879 the lobsters have been continually decreasing in size, and that hast year they were less than half as large as they were seven years ago. The price received has increased, however, since 1882 about \$1.50 per case. The season of 1883 commenced a month later than usual owing to the large quantity of ice which remained on the coast, hence the small catch.

The official report on the Canadian Merchant Marine shows a decrease both in number of vessels and in tonnage for the last two years. Subjoined we give the official statistics since 1873.

Ves	scis.	Tonnage.
1873	6,783	1,039,718
1874	6,930	1,158,363
1875	6,952	1,205,565
1876	7,192	1,260,839
1877	7,362	1,310,468
1878	7,469	1,333,015
1879	7,471	1,332,093
1880	7,377	1,311,218
1881	7,394	1,310,896
1882	7,312	1,260,777
1883	7,374	1,267,394
1884	7,254	1,253,747
1885	7,315	1,231,856

"Bogus Meat Associations."—Under these headlines a Liverpool correspondent proceeds to denounce the combinations recently formed by British farmers and graziers, in many parts to deal direct with the public without the aid of the wholesale slaughterers and retail butchers. He writes:—"This new feature of the meat trade is becoming more pronounced every day, and shops are opened with fanciful long-winded titles by adventurers, whose only claim to patronage seems to exist in the flaring advertisments found so necessary to attract public attention. The public will foolishly desert their old-fashioned, respectable [ways,

and flock to associations, with the view of buying cheap meat, much in the same manner as they purchase at the 'salvage dry goods' or immense 'sacrificial sales' of enterprising drapers. The analogy is perfect, for the economy of buying more meat than you really want is on a par with buying bunches of damp or firestained calicoes that will come in handy some time. Folks in this country can buy meat as cheaply from a respectable butcher as they can from any combination of farmers or graziers, provided they go about it the right way, and that is to take money with them and pay for what they order. What is wanted by the butcher is more cash and less credit. Conceding this principle, I think the adjustment of the difficulty would be a simple matter, resolving itself into the commercial axiom of small profits and quick returns. If the present outery brings business down to a readymoney basis I am satisfied no one will be better pleased than the butcher. His trade is a most difficult one to handle, contingencies of various kinds continually cropping up to harass him, and if he has hitherto been obliged to load his prices with a margin wide enough to cover the risks no one can blame him. The bias of public opinion, as shown through the press, has been so much against the trade, in many respects unreasonably so, that in justice to the respectable traders I feel bound to give this opinion, an opinion formed on intimate acquaintance with much of the outs and ins of the business.'

THE LOSS OF THE OREGON.-The disaster to this magnificent steamship breaks the historical record of the Cunard steamship line, who, up to the present time, boasts of never having lost a ship or a life through accident to one of their vessels. The Oregon was built on the Clyde by the Thompsons, and made her trial trip in the spring of 1884. She made a couple of trips in the Guion line between Liverpool and New York after this, and in July of that year was sold to the Cunards, in whose service she has been ever since. She has always been considered as the fastest steamship crossing the Atlantic, having held the record for the best round trip up to the present moment. The steamer herself was valued at \$1,250,000, and her cargo consisted of 1850 tons of freight valued at \$250,000 more. As is usual with most leading steamship lines, the Cunard's do their own insurance, and the loss therefore falls entirely on the company. The facts of the accident are briefly as follows: -At 4 o'clock on the morning of the 14th ult., the Oregon was within 20 miles of Fire Island, when she was suddenly struck amidship by a large three-masted schooner which loomed up through the darkness. schooner appears to have sunk immediately with all hands, as she was never seen after the collision. Fortunately, owing to the wate tight compartments, the Oregon floated for 8 hours after the collision, thus giving time for the transferring of the passengers and crew, amounting to nearly 1000 souls to the craft who came to her assistance. Had not this been the case the loss of life would have been fearful, as the first of the rescuing craft did not reach the stricken vessel until three hours after the accident, and the "Fulda," the only one capable of rendering material assistance, did not reach her until an hour before she sank. Of the 598 bags of mail matter on board, only 117 are saved, of which only 1

Canadian bag (a bag from Glasgow and Carlisle for Montreal,) has as yet been discovered. The vessel will prove a total loss, as divers report that she has broken in two in in the middle.

The wood trophy of New Brunswick which is intended for the Colonial Exhibition, is undoubtedly a success, both artistically and from a commercial point of view, and will probably form the chief feature in the New Brunswick display. It embraces all the larger or commercial woods which are sufficiently abundant to form items of trade. The right wing comprises the evergreen coniferous specimens, including hemlock, red and white pine, black and white spruce, hackmatack, cedar and fir. The central section is made up of the dense woods, such as the black and white birch, rock and scarlet maples and beech. The left wing consists of black and white ash, red and gray oak, elm, butternut, bass wood and poplar. At the base of each of these fifteen large panels there is a log of the same wood, 20 inches in diameter and 3 feet 1 inch in height, while the sides of the panels are formed of saplings or young trees of the same woods, resting upon turned bases and surmounted by carved capitals representing the foliage and fruit or flower of these trees. These again are surmounted by a scroll saw and carved bracket, all of the same wood as corresponding panel. The whole of the top will be surmounted by stuffed specimens of the game of our forests, and both large and small panels have been beautifully decorated with hand-painted foliage, flowers, and fruit, which add much to the artistic beauty of the design.

Consumption of Liquon .-- A pleasing feature of the Inland Revenue report is statistics showing that the consumption of spirits per mouth has steadily and considerably decreased since Confederation, in all the Provinces except British Columbia. Ontario in 1868 drank 1.534 gals. per mouth, in 1884 but .987 gals. A similar decrease is noted in spirit drinking, except on the Pacific Coast, where mouths that drank 1.288 gals, each in 1876 now drink 1.750 gals. Taking the Dominion as a unit, the consumption has fallen from 1.621 gals. in 1861 to 1.257 in 1884-85, or to .998 the previous year. The consumption of beer ling however, increased everywhere. drinks 3.99 gals. now to 2.15 gals. in 1868; British Columbia, 5.10 gals. as against 3.47 in 1876; and the whole Dominion 2.53 gals, to 1.97 gals. in 1861. Nevertheless the revenue from spirits has increased from \$1.018 per head in the Dominion in 1868 to \$1.058 in 1884-85, and the revenue from beer from \$.007 to \$.104. A little increase in revenue of course has been gained from the Provinces individually.

AUSTRALIAN IRONBARK.—The attention of American lumber dealers and contractors has of late been directed to the New South Wales Iron bark and large shipments of this useful timber are now being made to New York. The iron bark, is one of the most valuable of Australian timber trees, and grows abundantly in New South Wales. Some kinds are said to be

almost indestructible in any situation, impervious alike to the white ant and the Teredo navalis, and, with all their defects, probably unequalled in the world for railway sleepers, piles for bridges, wharves, and jetties, fencing or any kind of e heavy arpentry, as well as shipbuilding, for beams, keelsons, sternposts, engine-beams, and other works below the line of flotation, where great strength is required and a heavy material not objectionable. The ironbark stands in the first class of Lloyd's list of shipbuilding timbers, and, together with several other kinds, is already extensively used by European shipbuilders.

It is also largely used for bridges and piles where there is no danger of the terrible teredo, and for poles and shafts of carriages, wheel-spokes, and railway sleepers. Owing to the difficulty of obtaining it, iron bark is the most expensive of all New South Wales hardwoods, and has maintained its price of 20s per 100 sup. feet, quoted fifteen years ago, although almost every other hard-wood has decreased in price since then, especially during the last two or three years, the average retail price in Sydney of most of the hardwoods being about 15s. The whole seaboard of New South Wales, from Cape Howe to the Richmond River, contains ridges of this splendid wood. Large shipments of it are sent from the Clarence and Richmond districts to New Zealand and to Melbourne, for bridge building, and more especially for wharves, jetties, piles, and girders.

CHEAP COPPER .- The abnormally low price of copper, which is now cheaper than ever known, with the exception of brief intervals in the years 1884 and 1885, is said to be altogether due to the enormous addition to the copper-mining capacity of the world. When this great enhancement of the world's supply of copper began to be foreshadowed a few years ago, there were many who predicted a permanent reduction of the cost of this metal to the level of zinc and lead. But the uses of copper have broadened under the influence of these low prices, so that the consumption in the United States for the year 1885 has been fully 100,000,000 pounds, or a gain of about 231 per cent over the consumption of 1884. This calarged use of copper having been established in a year of dormant enterprise, it follows that a subsequent improvement of general business and an accompanying rise in value of merchandise must carry the price of copper up with them and some operators are looking for 15 cents for copper during the year 1886.

THERE seems to be an increasing feeling in England in favor of the use of silver as money to [a larger extent than heretofore. This is doubtless in hopes of lightening the depression in business which has existed for so long and which has culminated in the recent riots in London, Birmingham, Leicester and other industrial centres. Recent cables state that the London Chamber of Commerce has called for a conference on the silver question, and important meetings in favor of silver have

been held in Manchester; while the London Times, of February 19, prints a paper from Earl Grey, proposing the issue of £1 notes to eke out gold, and the issue of certificates of silver at its gold value, to be a legal tender for all debts, public and private, up to a limit of £500 or \$2,500. There will doubtless be strong prejudices to be overcome before either of these measures is adopted, but these financial straws show the way the wind blows.

In a recent interview, Phil. Armour, the pork king of Chicago, said that "there never would have been any dressed beef business if there had been no Grand Trunk Railroad. All the other trunk lines were either in the stock yard business themselves or else had directors or managers who owned yards or slaughter-houses. There has not been, with the exception of the Grand Trunk, a railroad that has not been subordinate to the live cat tle kings. Two of them have controlled the Central & Hudson River system, and in each of the other trunk roads there have been cattle and stock yard men like them who have been directors, or owned stock enough, or had influence enough to control the policy of the road in the question of stopping dressed beef shipments. Before this fight is over the public can find out whether the friends of railroad presidents are to be taken care of at the expense of other people."

THE "corner" in broom corn in the United States has been well maintained. Choice green hurl could be had at Boston at 5 cents per pound last October. Prices have been gradually advancing since then, until 11 to 12 cents is readily obtained for choice corn, and 9 cents is obtained for the poorest corn, which sold at 4 cents last fall. An average crop is not far from 15,000 tons. This amount was raised in 1879, and reported in the census of 1880. At the mid-winter period of the season the broom corn of that crop was selling at 7 to 9 cents in Boston. The crop of 1885 has been estimated at 10,000 to 12,000 tons, or somewhat below the average. The value of exports for the twelve months of the calendar year of 1885 was \$151,295 against \$158,236 for 1884, so that nothing in the foreign de-mand has forced up prices. The speculators seem to believe that the price can be advanced still farther to 15 cents per pound, or \$300 per

THE annual meeting of the Agriculture and Arts Association was commenced in Toronto on the 10th ult. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, H. Parker; vice-president, J. C. Snell, Edmonton; treasurer, George Graham, Woodstock. The treasurer's statement showed : Receipts, \$41,-135.90; expenditure \$39,425.59, leaving a balance in hand of \$1,607.31; assets over liabilities amounted to \$34,733.79. A committee was appointed to draft a memorial to the Dominion Government praying that legislation may be enacted so that oleomargarine must be sold as such, and that the name oleomargarine may be stamped upon it; also that a protective duty be imposed.

ACCORDING to the Scientific American old paint and varnish may be removed from wood and iron by applying a mixture of one part of American pearlash to three parts of quick stone lime. Slake the lime with water and add the pearlash, making the mixture of the consistency of paint. With an old brush lay the mixture over the whole surface to be cleaned, and after fourteen or fifteen hours the paint can easily be seraped off.

Correspondence.

THE CRAIG AND MOUNEY INSURANCE -CASES.

To The Editor of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE."

(Sin :- There appeared in your issue of the 5th inst. a lengthy lucubration on the subject of the recent verdicts rendered in the Craig and Mooney fire insurance cases. The importance of the subject, especially to the classes who peruse your columns, is perhaps a sufficient warrant for requesting the publication of further correspondence upon it. The writer introduced his communication with a quotation from a popular comic opera:

"That they were right in their decrees,
"And I am right,
"And you are right,
"And all is right as right can be,

and declares that this is, so far, the only opinion expressed upon these verdicts. That they were right in their decrees, I agree with him represents what is here, and doubtless would be in any intelligent community, the consensus of opinion upon these verdicts. But your correspondent tells us that the jurors and the public are all wrong as wrong can be. He says that these cases "have established new and " weighty precedents; (1) in the Mooney case, "that a man can change his risk at pleasure " without consent, and practice benevolence at "the expense of his insurers; (2) and in the "Craig case that a man can claim success-"fully upon an insurance company without " having paid anything for his rights." Such a statement is in the highest degree erroneous and misleading. Neither of these cases has established anything new at all, nor have they varied in the slightest degree the cours, of jurisprudence on the subject.

With respect to the Craig case I have nothing to say, further than that it is a rule of evidence as thoroughly recognized by the commercial community as by the legal profession that oral testimony is not received to contradict the terms of a written instrument. If an insurance company delivered to a person applying for a policy a writing formally acknowledging receipt of the premium, it assumes an anomalous, if not an absolutely puerile position when it goes into Court and says: -"It is true I gave him the receipt he pro-"duces, but all the same he did not pay me the money." The discussion of the wisdom of this policy of the law or the convenience of this rule of evidence is not rendered especially opportune because it happens in this case to operate to the disadvantage of an insurance company. The Court of Appeals affirmed the rule in an exactly similar case only three months before.

Upon the Mooney case, or rather your cor-

respondent's statement of it, more might be said. I wish to avoid the use of intemperate language, but I cannot escape the conclusion that such a misrepresentation of the case could only proceed from a wilful desire to mislead or from a complete lack of information regarding it, and I regret to say that the distorted resume of the evidence would rather point to the former alternative. It would of course be exceedingly tedious to review the evidence of some forty witnesses, and such epitomes more frequently tend to obfuscate than elucidate a question. The law, and, in conformity with it, the conditions of all insurance policies, provide that the insured must not after the use or condition of the premises insured so as to increase the risk, without the consent of the insurers, and the practical wisdom and reasonableness of such a provision are beyond all disputation. When, therefore, an alteration without the consent the insurer is proved, the question the increase of work becomes the sole issue. This is not to be determined arbitrarily by the dieta of insurance agents, themselves interested, nor yet by any new popular notions of the respective inflammability of different substances, but by all the evidence obtainable which can throw light unon the question. It is the actual increase of risk that has to be determined, not the " insurance increase of risk" or any other fictitious increase of risk. The distinction between "actual" and "insurance" risks which it was sought to draw, is seen upon examination to be purely illusory. Insurance is intended to provide against actual and real perils and all the classification of risks adopted by insurance companies for their convenience are made with reference to actual exposure to loss. It was not wonderful, then, that "the trial pro-"ceeded without regard to the simple fact of a "change having been made in the uses of the "premises." There was, as there usually is in such cases, evidence on both sides. On the side of the company the evidence was for the most part that of insurance agents, and they, with a unanimity resulting, doubtless, in a measure from their frequent conclaves, regarding Mr. Mooney's claim declared that the risk was increased. One of them, however, the agent of the Royal Insurance Co., admitted in cross-examination that his company had paid Mr. Mooney their share of the loss because after examination they had not found sufficient ground for disputing it. These insurance men stated that no company would have permitted such a thing as the drying of cotton on the drier in question, and that even if any would they would have charged a greatly increased premium. Mr. Mooney examined a number of prominent manufacturers who testified that they themselves had at different times obtained permission from insurance companies to dry cotton on drier of similar construction to that used by Mr. Mooney, and without any extra premiam, that drying cotton was much less hazardous than drying wool, and that the rates of insurance on woollen mills were uniformly higher than on cotton mills. When they had added cotton drying to wool drying no extra premium had been added, but the higher rate, that for wool alone, was charged as before. Was it to be wondered at that disinterested fact should prevail against interested theory and opinion. The gentlemen "representing "the great cotton mill mutual insurance interests" is referred to by your correspondent, and he seeks to impair the value of his evidence by drawing a distinction between mutual and stock insurance. Whatever difference there may be in the management of these two systems, the relative risks are the same, and when this disinterested gentleman representing a company carrying risks of upwards of four

hundred millions of dollars, and himself one of the most eminent authorities on insurance questions that could be found, stated that the mutual rate for first-class cotton mills was nine-tenths of one per cent and for first-class woollen mills one and a quarter per cent, with stock company rates in the same proportion, it very reasonably had an influence upon the

The scientific evidence in the case is dis missed by your correspondent with a feebly funny comparison of sheets and blankets as fire extinguishers, but this class of evidence, conflicting though it was, proved of great value. All the scientists examined by both sides testified that cotton would not ignite under a temperature of 600 Pahr; while the evidence, without contradiction, declared that even in direct contact with the steam pipes of the drier the temperature would not exceed 140 ° Fahr. The company examined the Professor of Chemistry in the Polytechnique School who said the conditions described were specially favorable for spontaneous combustion, a theory by the way which the company from the first laid particular stress upon. He was followed by the Professor of Chemistry in Laval University, also a witness for the company, who swore that spontaneous combustion was under the circumstances impossible. Several of the most eminent chemists in the city were examined for Mr. Mooney, among them the Government public analysis, who, as a scientific man and after examination of the burned premises, declared that spontaneous combustion was absolutelyout of the question, and that in his opinion the cotton had neither caused nor in any degree contributed to the fire. Many practical machinists, the city boiler inspector and others, were also heard for Mr. Mooney, and all to the same effect. I have not pretended to review the whole of the evidence, but no rational being who took enough interest in the case to attend and hear the witnesses, would hesitate to say that the great preponderance of the evidence was on the side of Mr. Mooney.

Your correspondent concluded his letter with a column of that ranting sort of verbiage that is usually to be found where facts and reason are against the writer. In a strain that, judging from the context alone, I suppose to be ironical, the writer proceeds to say that the jurors were "trained in mental philosophy " and the laws of testimony-otherwise, this "being a civilized country, they would not "have been made peers of such weighty mat-"ters." By their verdict they certainly showed a just appreciation of the laws of testimony, but the particular relation which "mental philosophy" sustains to the facts of physical science, which alone they had to deal with, may be clearer to your previous correspondent than it is to me. He may also understand better than I do the nature of the peerage to which this training in mental philosophy entitled them.

The climax of his strange communication is reached when he exclaims: "Insurance " managers ought to fight this case to the end " in the interests of the public, unless Mr. "Mooney shall himself aid them to remove "the precedent of the verdict; and suggests that Mr. Mooney put himself upon the well-known liberality of the companies." As I have already said this case has established no precedent at all. It was decided, and correctly so, upon its merits, in accordance with a law that is exceptionally plain. Your correspondent says early in his letter: "I must make it apparent I am not " writing in behalf of insurance companies and their interests." Few will believe this true of the purpose of the writer, but those who thoughtfully read the letter will doubt-

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less agree that such communications are not in the interest of insurance companies.

Before concluding I will advert to one fact brought out more prominently in this trial than ever before, and that is the combination of the insurance agents of the city. This has become a source of serious anxiety to insured citizens. The sense of security which ought to result from insurance is greatly shaken by the thought of having to encounter such a powerful guild upon any technicality that may arise. It would be presumptuous for me to endeavor to instruct insurance companies as to the conduct of their own business; that is not my object in writing. I offer these remarks simply as an insured citizen myself. Insurance companies are not eleemosynary institutions; they are, on the contrary, corporations bent on making as much money for themselves as they possibly can, and are entitled to no consideration at all beyond what the law gives them. Insurance is a very useful and convenient business, and has reached enormous proportions in modern times. The agents of the companies strain every nerve to extend business in all directions. directions. On the other hand, we have our tribunals continually occupied deciding cases of policies disputed upon every imaginable pretext. The public will not endure this forever. The great insurance business of the country has already begun to drift into other channels, because our companies are so "independent." 1 have said nothing about Mr. Mooney's absolute good faith, for I should be liable to be misunderstood. While no one would contend that the good faith of an insured person should be decisive as to the payment of his policy, yet in a case like this, where the increase of risk was, to say the least, doubtful, the character and bona fides of the insured were worthy of consideration. There was little necessity for your correspondent's friendly advice to the Companies to fight Mr. Mooney's case to the end, as they will doubtless persevere with "their wellknown liberality" or characteristic obstinacy, whichever you like, in the face of a solemn verdict and in defiance of public opinion.

With an apology for so far trespassing upon your indulgence,

I am, Sir,
Yours,
FAIR PLAY.

MONTREAL, 16th March, 1886.

THE UNITED STATES LUMBER TARIFF.

To the Editor of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.

Sin,-Your valuable and reliable Journal never loses sight of our country's welfare. And with men like Hon. H. J. Joly, William Little, with some minor help, to sound the alarm enabling the JOURNAL to hoist the signal, and float it over the Dominion, she will be able to prepare and meet her greatest obstacles.

Our lumber and fisheries are the greatest

legacies with which nature endowed us, and

we should protect them.

Americans have been, and are still, monopelizing our lumber along the line above Grand Falls on the River of St. John, N.B., which I shall endcavor to show by a few facts, brief as possible to be understood, so far as

our country is interested only.

One American concern in Vanhuren, Maine, cuts in our forest yearly two million superficial feet of cedar or more, besides pine and spruce for clapboards. The cedar mill saws out 13 M. shingles to every M. feet of cedar, which would average twenty-six million shingles out of the cedar they get; and those shingles will average \$2.50 on the American market, which would amount to the large

sum of \$65,000. Now I will show within a trifle what our stuff costs them, manufactured and ready for their own market. They pay \$5 per M. teet for hauling cedar on the bank of the river; they pay one dollar per M. stumpage; they pay about fitty cents per M. to deliver to the mills, and it costs about lifty cents per M. to manufacture, making a total of thirteen dollars to manufacture one thousand superficial feet of cedar shingles from the stump, which are worth in the American market \$32.50, thus clearing yearly about \$45,000. Now, it is easy to estimate how much export duty must be exacted, to place our mills on the same footing with American mills, in order to compete with them and manufacture our own lumber for the American market. We find one thousand superficial feet of cedar manufactures thirteen M. slungles, subject to thirty-five cent per M. duty, making four dollars and fifty-five cents duty, consequently, unless we charge four dollars and fifty-five cents per M. export duty on our cedar, we are offering Americans a premium over us to manufacture our lumber and slaughter our forests; and to make sure, before any guess-work is tried, the government should at once get some reliable mill owner to measure one thousand feet of cedar and saw it in shingles, and some for clapboards, then make their calculations accordingly, so as to give us a fair shake to manufacture our own lumber.

I may mention that it is in contemplation to build extensive mills on the American side, below Edmunston, to manufacture Quebec lumber, driven down the Little Madawaska, which drains their forests, so if our magnates nap much longer over the export duty, before they get their eyes open the Americans will steal a march on them, and finish taking off all the crop, and leave them the glean-

> Respectfully yours, P. O. BYRAM.

MADAWASKA, March 8, 1886.

Meetings, &c.

THE FEDERAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The fourth annual meeting of shareholders of the Federal Life Assurance company was held at the company's offices in Hamilton on Tuesday, the 2nd inst.

Mr. James II. Beatty, president, occupied the chair, and Mr. David Dexter, managing director, acted as secretary.

The meeting was well attended. The directors' report, statement and auditors' report were submitted as follows:

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

Herewith the directors submit the financial statement of the company for the year ending the 31st of December, 1885, showing the receipts and disbursements for the year, as well as the assets and liabilities at the above date, and in submitting the report have the pleasure to state that the past year proved one of remarkable growth in the business of the com-

The number of new policies issued during the year was 862, covering insurance to the amount of \$2,304,500, nearly four times as much as was written in the previous year. The amount of insurance in force at the close of the year was \$2,696,454, or more than three times the amount in force at the end of the previous year, showing conclusively the favor





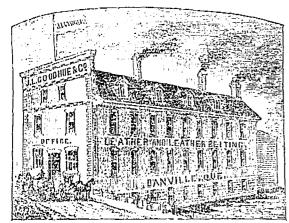
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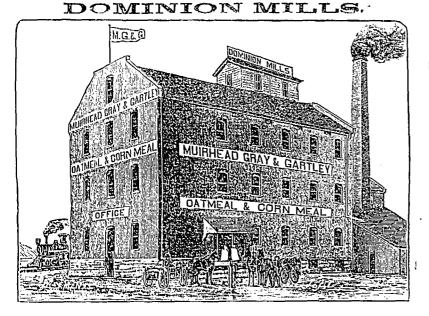
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with which our Homans plan is being received by the public. Your directors feel that they have reason to be gratified with the progress made since the last annual report, especially in view of the fact that no other Canadian company has, in its fourth year of existence, written an amount of new business equal to that written by this company last year, nor has any Canadian company written as much in one year, even at double the present age of this company. Some of our policy holders insured on other plans have changed to the Homans plan on re-examination, and have been allowed a surrender value for their original policies, which to some extent has reduced the amount of old business on our books. The number of death claims during the year was number of death claims during the year was six, which were paid in full on receipt of satisfactory proof papers. The amount of the six claims, after deducting re-insurance, was \$19,000. The paid-up cash capital of the company has been increased during the year by \$16,781. Your directors, through the executive committee have exercised a careful supertive committee, have exercised a careful supervision over all business of the company, and have pleasure in testifying to the energy and ability displayed by the officers and agents in the discharge of their respective duties. The directors now retire, but are eligible for reelection.

JAS. H. BEATTY,

President.

\$110,436 60

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, 31st December, 1884	S477	15
Capital stock	16,781	00
Premiums\$45,500 91 Less paid for re-insurance 1,032 98		
	44,467	93
Interest, rent, etc	3,925	44
Bank deposits withdrawn for investment	44,784	78

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DIS	URS	EM	ENT	rs.

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Salaries and commissions	\$19,622	90
General expenses	6,964	42
Dividends on Renewable Term		
Policies	4,837	88
Claims paid, less reinsurance and		
liens	18,590	68
Purchased policies, less loans	1,318	24
Loans on policies	827	47
Agents' commuted commissions	1,152	
Small accounts	⊱ 189	12
Investments	31,091	45
Bank deposits, special and other	25,443	64
Cash at bead office	398	24

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Debentures and bonds, market value		
	_ 13,571 _,	65
Loans on policies Accrued interest Bills receivable (short	2,511 735	
date notes on policies)	2,362	83

Deferred premiums....\$7,292 23 Premiums in course of collection 3,429 55

collection.

Commuted commissions

-10,721 78 Less 10 per cent. for

9,649 61 Agents' balances 224 00 Preliminary expenses, 1,552 35 balance.... Office furniture 883 35

1,072 17

\$98,585 27 Total....

LIABILITIES

Small accounts.... 216 35 Balance..... \$98,368 92

Balance of assets as per

above statement......\$ 98,368 92 Capital subject to call.... 620,792 00

Total resources for secur-\$719,160 92 ity of policy-holders.... Total liability to policyholders (reserve liability on policies in force)...\$48,518 93

Less reserve liability on re-insured policies..... 48,130 45

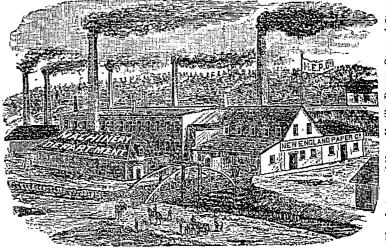
Surplus of assets and guarantee capital for security of policy-holders. \$671,030,47

> DAVID DEXTER, Managing Director.

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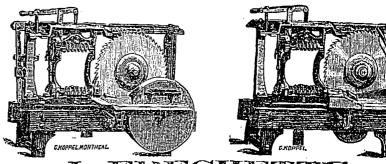
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The President and Directors of the Federal Life Assurance Company:

GENTLEMEN,-We have completed the audit of the affairs of your company for the year ending 31st December, 1885. The securities and other assets as shown have been carefully examined and found correct. The receipts and disbursements were properly recorded and duly vouched. Respectfully submitted,

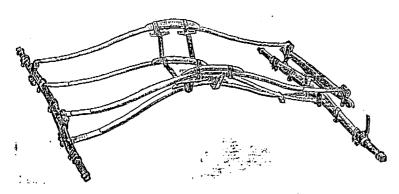
H. STEPHENS, SHERMAN E. TOWNSEND, Auditors. HAMILTON, 1st March, 1886.

The president, Mr. Jas. II. Beatty, in moving the adoption of the report, said he had much pleasure in referring to the very marked difference in the amount of business done by the company last year as compared with the previous years, and to the growing confidence in the company and its plan of business shown by people who desire insurance.

The remarkable increase in the company's business was no doubt due to the adoption of the Homans plan of renewable term insurance, a system which in every way merits, the approval it is receiving, and which will, without doubt, continue to grow in popularity even more rapidly in the future than since its introduction in Canada by the Federal Life, with people who give it their careful consideration. He referred at some length to the features of the plan which constitute its advantages over other plans, and which, in his opinion, will secure its permanence as the leading plan of pure life insurance.

Mr. Wm. Kerns, M.P.P., vice-president, in seconding the adoption of the report, said that the president in his remarks had gone pretty

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fully into the reasons for the company's rapid advance to the front rank of Gaundian companies in the amount of new business written during the past year, but had not said anything which was not borne out by the facts.

The large increase in business had realized and surpassed the anticipations of the directors when the Homans plan was adopted, about a year since, upon which plan a considerable portion of the new business has been written. He also spoke of the careful scrutiny of risks offered the company, and the desire of the executive committee rather to err on the safe side than to accept a risk concerning which the least degree of doubt existed.

Dr. Burns also bore testimony to the great care with which the executive had dealt with applications for insurance, and remarked that the medical director had required the most positive and complete information in every case before acceptance. He also spoke in enlogistic terms of the intelligence, efficiency and zeal of the company's agents.

After the adoption of the report the following directors were elected for the ensuing year, Messrs. D. G. Sutherland and W. A. Edwards acting as scrutineers of the ballot:

Messes, James H. Beatty, William Kerns, M.P.P., A. Burns, J.L.D., M. H. Aikens, M. D., E. Chown, James Hough, Hon. G. E. Foster, W. F. Hall, Thomas Holtby, Wm. McCraney, M.P., Thomas Blanchard, I. R. Howell, Josiah Wood, M.P., W. B. Chisholm, E. S. Whipple, Hon. E. McLeod, J. G. Scott, Jas. Gray, Wm. Williams, John Potts, D.D., T. H. Wilson, M.D., G. Sutherland, M.A., Jas. A. Van Wart, Geo. Scott and David Dexter.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors the officers of the previous year were re-elected, viz.; Messrs. Jas. H. Bentty, president; Wm. Kerns, M.P.P., and A. Burns, LL.D., vice. presidents; Davie Dexter, managing-director; and T. H. Wilson, M.D., medical director.

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THURSDAY EVG., MARCH 18, 1886.

The London and the local rates for money are unchanged. There have been few trans-

actions in sterling here and the market is about steady. Sixty-days' sight, 9 9-16 to 9 11-16 between banks, 93 counter; demand, $7\frac{7}{8}$ to 10 1-16 and $10\frac{1}{8}$ to $10\frac{1}{4}$; cables, $10\frac{1}{4}$; N.Y. funds 1-16 discount to par and 1 to 1. Posted in New York 4.88 and 4.90; actual, 4.87 to 4.87 and 4.89; cables, 4.89 to 4.89 Street rate in London to-day 17. British consols 100 5-16 money; 100 7-16 account. The stock market has been moderately active and irregular. The bears were persistent in their efforts to break prices, but the market developed good staying power, considerable stock being taken for investment by strong parties. The following were the total sales and highest and lowest prices of leading stocks for the week:

Banks.	Shares	Highest price.	Lowes t
Commerce	700	1224	1213
Hochelaga		80	80
Merchants	31	1224	1211
Molsons	565	126	124
Molsons Ex-Div	124	124	124
Montreal	1 -	209	208]
Ontario	86	เมือง	1111
	182	772	77
Peoples	108	•	
Toronto	83	1971	1954
Miscellancous.		1	
Bell Telephone	70	105]	105]
Can. Central Bds		112	112
Can. Pacific Ry	9 00	653	65}
Champlain Bds	\$21.000	100	100
Corporation Fours	\$20,000	100	100
Gas	754	196	1933
Gas Ex-Div	50	190	1891
Mon. Cotton Co	\$3500	107	107
Mon. Tel. Co		1154	112
M. Tel. Co. Ex-Div.		1111	111
N. W. Ld		78	743
Passenger		131	131
R. & O. Nav. Co.		613	
Royal Can. Ins.Co		100	100
Western Union	650	G6	637
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

THURSDAY EYG., MARCH 18, 1886.

There has been no important change in the trade situation, but the movement of heavy goods has been accelerated by the reduction in railway rates anticipated last week. Orders for Spring delivery in most lines have been fully up to expectation and a steadily expanding business is looked forward to with confidence. Remittances are coming in slowly.

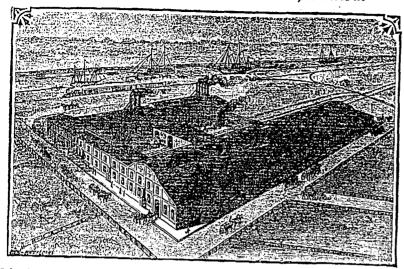
Boots and Sudes.—A very satisfactory spring trade is doing, and manufacturers are now busy overtaking past orders and shipping goods. Travellers are now all in but a fair amount of repeat orders are coming in. In the States the boot and shoe market has been only moderately active this week. Old orders are being hurried along and duplicates are not at all numerous. Many goods are being bought at last year's prices, but at the same time advances ranging from 2½ to 5 cents are being strenuously insisted upon by many leading houses.

Canned Goods.—A fair business is passing in tomatoes, corn and peas. Tomatoes have been in exceptionally good demand, the sales including a line of 1,000 cases at \$1.47½ to \$1.50. Prices are now quoted higher. Corn has been active and firmer, with sales of 400 cases at \$2.45 to \$2.50. Salmon firm.—Ganned peas \$1.80; tomatoes \$1.45 to \$1.50 per doz; lobsters, \$1.45 to \$1.50; mackerel, 75c; sardines, fine, \$9.50 to \$10.50: American, \$6.50; salmon, \$1.45 to \$1.50; spiced salmon, \$3.50; finnah haddies, \$1.25; lloegg roast beef, \$1.95 per 2 lb tins; corn \$1.35 to \$2; strawberries, \$2; raspherries, \$1.80; cherries, \$1.75; Bartlett pears, \$2 to \$2.25; plums, \$1.72½; peaches \$2.25; green gages, \$3.50.

CRMENT AND BRICKS.—Cement for spring delivery has sold about \$2.50 and \$2.75 as to brand, the sales including a lot of 1,000 barrels. We quote \$2.75 to \$3 on spot. There has been a fair inquiry for firebricks at \$23 to \$26 as to brand for spring delivery, and \$26.50 to \$30 as to brand on spot.

DAIRY PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS .- The jobbing trade continues to absorb considerable butter and fine goods are decidedly firm, Creamery brought 26c and Townships 22c from the local trade. A good-sized lot of creamery sold at 254c. Peor western changed hands at 8c. An English firm writes :- " The recent severe weather has rather stimulated the demand, which, however, runs upon finest descriptions. Medium and inferior parcels dull and difficult to sell, buyers having practically their own way, and our quotations for these descriptions are simply nominal. Continental sorts have ruled steady, without change. Medium sorts almost unsaleable. Quotations are :- Fancy creameries, 110s; fine creameries, 90s; choice dairies, 60s to 68s; better grades, 75s; grease, 30s. Irish | Northern dairies, 50s to 65s; finest dairies, 90s to 95s; fine Cloumels and Tipperarys, very scarce, 118s to 125s.
Danish keils, 108s to 120s; secondary and
German descriptions, 45s to 60s." Cheese
quiet. A local contemporary says:—Nine
and a half cents has been made for a line of about 1,000 boxes finest white, which warrants an advance of 4c on quotations. Other lots of mediums have sold below 8c. Advices

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from the West report that a leading buyer has taken up a good line in the vicinity of 9c. The tendency of factorymen is undoubtedly in favor of a late opening, which will help the market materially, and the sixpenny advance in the cable to 48s 6d shows that the Liverpool market is better. Viewed from every point, the statistical position is favorable, and it is not surprising that the cheese trade in both hemispheres manifests an improving tendency. We quote fine to firest colored 9½ c to 9½c, and fine to finest white be to 9½c. New York top quotations yesterday were 10½ c for colored and 10c for white. It consists—There has been a steady jobbing demand for hog products. Eggs weaker at the close at 14c to 15½c. Dressed hogs in car-lois 36.40 to \$6.75 per 100 lbs., and jobbing lots \$6.75 to \$7 per 100 lbs.

Drugs and Unemicals.—Orders for drugs are small, but numerous aggregate trade satisfactory for the season. Chemicals have sold for both future and present delivery to a moderate extent; no changes of importance. Dye stuffs in improved demand; cutch again higher. Sumae, \$90 to \$100 per ton for prime brands; extract of logwood, $7\frac{3}{4}c$; chip logwood, $1\frac{3}{4}c$ to 2c; archil, 27c to 30c per lb. for concentrated; gambier, $5\frac{3}{4}c$ to $6\frac{3}{4}c$; indigo \$1.50 to \$1.75; cochineal, 38c to 40c; cutch, 8c. to $8\frac{1}{2}$.

Day Goods.—There is decidedly more stir in the dry goods market this week, and the number of Ontario buyers in town has far exceeded last spring; a large proportion of

these come from West of Toronto, are buying goods not ordered through travellers. The city retail trade has been fairly busy, and the recent cold weather has materially?helped to clear their shelves of heavy goods which would have otherwise laid there till next fall. Remittances are still poor, but exhibit an improvement over last week, and the outlook is decidedly more cheery. In the States there has been little life to business during the past week, although a fair trade is in progress. The demand for goods from first hands is very irregular. The general tone of the market, however, continues strong, and there is little disposition to shade prices. The week has been, on the whole, good in jobbing circles and sales are somewhat ahead of last year.

Fish and Ohls.—Green Cod is out of the market. Large has sold up to \$6 at whole sale and No. 1 at \$5. There have been good sales of fresh cod, one firm alone selling a car load on Saturday and Monday last. The fresh fish trade altogether promises well, and country orders for frozen fish have been more numerous than ever known. This perhaps is partly due to the scarcity of some lines of cured fish in first hands, but it is thought that with proper care the business in fresh frozen fish will increase. The Lenten demand has absorbed large stocks of all kinds, and the trade from first hands is about over. Jobbing lots of choice Labrador herriags have been placed at \$3.50. Oils quiet and unchanged.

FLOUR AND GRAIN .- Values of flour are about steady, but business is quite. Late sales include several cars of Manitobastrong baker's at \$4.80. There has been little stir in grain on spot, but several lots have been sold for export at interior points. A Chicago telegram said:-The whole list was weak, closing at about previous prices. The report of a strike on the C., B. & Q. road assisted materially in depressing values. Late cables also are easier, and there were no reports to-day. Strong local powers are still on top of corn, and no good support is apparent in provisions. The position of the British grain trade is cabled as follows:—Spring work is at a standstill on account of frosts. The position is very serious. The wheat trade is dull. Fine English red is 6d dearer. The sales of English wheat during the week were 64,421 quarters at 29s 9d, against 51,716 quarters at 31s 4d during the corresponding week last year. There have been continued heavy deliveries of flour; prices are not materially altered. The foreign wheat trade is gradually hardening. The supplies are unusually short, yet English wheat continues to undersell foreign equivalents 5s to 10s per quarter. Some sorts of imported wheat are ridiculously dear compared with native wheats. The difference is partly attributed to the alteration in late years in the London milling machinery. Four cargoesofwheat arrived, two cargoes were sold, three were withdrawn, and one (Californian) remained. Trade forward is more active, and prices are against buyers. The market to-day was slow. For English wheats 6d to Is more was demanded. Flour was 6d dearer. Oats were 6d dearer.

Funs.—Market quiet, pending advices from the London sales. Beaver, Bear, muskrat and marten continue firm. We quote strictly prime skins as follows:—Beaver per lb., \$2.50 to JAMES HODD.

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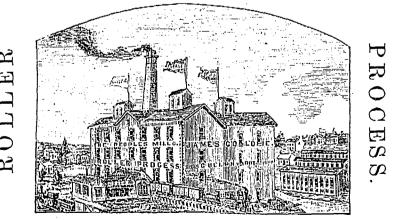
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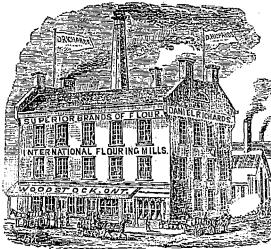
GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—An improved demand is reported. Apples, \$2.50 to \$3. Valencia oranges, \$4.75 to \$5. Cranberries, \$4 to \$6 per barrel. Almeria grapes, \$7 per keg. Lemons, \$4 per box; cocoanuts, \$5.50 to \$6 per 100. Fancy Eleme figs, one-lb. to ten-lb boxes, 11c to 12c per lb. Canadian onions in brls, \$3.50 to \$4. Fancy French prunes in 5 and 10 lb. boxes, 20c per lb., in kegs, 4½c. Evaporated apples in 50-lb. boxes, 8½c; dried, 4½c to 5c. Brazil nuts, 10c; box dates, new, 6c. Yellow Bananas, \$5 to \$6 per bunch. Old maple syrup, 70c to 80c per tin; maple sugar, 8c per lb. Honey, 9c to 10c per lb in brls.

GROCERIES .- The market, generally speaking, has been quieter. In sugar there has been a fair business at 61c to 65c for granulated, and 5c to 5%c for yellows. The market closes steady at the decline. Several lots of syrup sold at 27c to 40c, as to quality. Barbadoes molasses are held firmly at 334c. Tea and Coffee has been in good consumptive demand and firm: country orders fair. Several representatives of Japanese tea houses are in the city now arranging for next season's business. There has been an increased demand for dried fruit from first hands at firm prices. Valencia raisins have secured the most attention, and some good lines have been taken at 9c for prime new, while old prime have sold at 54c to 6c, and inferior grades at 34c to 4c. Elemes are firm at 8c to 81c, with currants at 6c to 7c as to quality. Nuts and almonds have ruled quiet. In spices, Pepper continues weak, but the small stock here prevents a further decline. Cloves and nuturegs are firmly held, with holders offering cautiously. London advices report pepper weak, with sales at 6 7-16d for May delivery, which is the lowest price for some years. Cloves and nutmegs, on the other hand, are looked upon with more, favor. The clove crop is light, in fact shipments have been made from Zanzibar to sombay, an unusual occurrence. Rice is steady, but London and New York advices are figure. We could be 200 are firmer. We quote \$3.30 to \$3.75 per 100 lbs., as to quality.

HAY, STRAW AND FRED.—The receipts of hay were light, but the market was firmer, there being a good demand at better prices. Choice timothy sold at \$12, and inferior at \$10 per 100 bundles. There was a fair demand for pressed hay at \$16 for No. 1, and \$15 for No. 2 per ton. The offerings of straw were fair, for which there was a good enquiry at \$4 to \$6 per 100 bundles as to quality. Pressed straw was steady at \$10 per ton. There was a fair demand for mouillie at \$24 to \$26 per ton, as to quality. Bran was well enquired after and firm at \$16 per ton. Shorts were firm at \$18 per ton.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—Sales of hides have been moderate. A car of Hamilton sold at 9\frac{1}{2}. No. 1 Toronto is now worth 9c to 9\frac{1}{2} and Chicago buff is steady at 9\frac{1}{2} to 9\frac{1}{2}. The ru-

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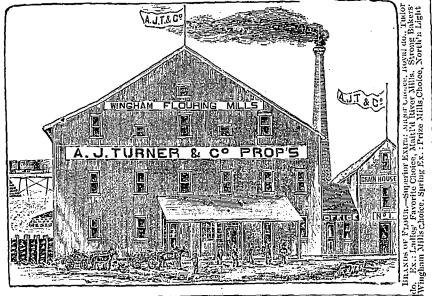
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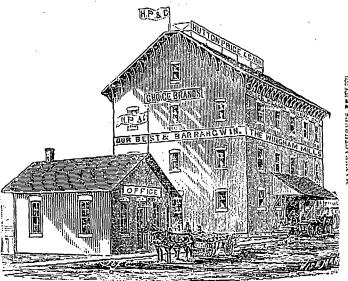
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mor that imported hides are to be subject to duty is disbelieved; any such move would meet with strong opposition. There is no change in tallow.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—Rates West on both railways were reduced 3c. to 4c. per 100 lbs on the 15th inst., and this has caused a brisker shipping movement from this point. Tin, copper and lead are firm and considered good property at present prices. Sales of nearly 1,000 tons of pig iron have been made for delivery at points west, after the opening of navigation, at about \$17.25 for leading brands, which figure is over 50c lower than a year ago, notwithstanding the fact that considerably higher rates of freight have to be paid. Warrants are cabled 2d lower than a week ago at 38s 1d. A good trade has been done in bars ex-store at \$1.60 to \$1.65. Compared with a week ago tin is 5s higher, copper 10s to 17s 6d higher, and lead 2s 6d lower. Latest London cables are: Tin, spot, at £93 7s 6d; and three months futures £93 15s. Market active. G. O. B. Chili bars at £42 12s 6d; soft Spanish lead at £13 2s 6d. Best selected copper at £45 10s; soft English lead at £13 15s; Silesian spetter at £14 12s 6d; Hallett's antimony at £34 10s; tinplates at 13 6d.

LIVE STOCK .- Receipts of cattle have been larger, but the market has been well maintained on a fairly active demand. The SS. Kehrweider, sailing, from Portland, takes 216 head of Canadian cattle. Ocean freights are quoted firm at 40s. The market for export cattle has ruled quiet. We quote 4c to 41c per lb., live weight. There was a good demand for butchers' cattle, and a satisfactory clearance was effected at 3c to 4c per lb. as to quality. Sheep were in light supply and good demand at 3c at 31c, with lambs very scarce, in fact, none were offered. Receipts of culves are beginning to run up, but have a good trade at \$5 to \$10 each. Live hogs were in good demand and firmer at 5c to 54c per lb. Liverpool cables quote refrigerated beef at 51d for hindquarters, and 41d for forequarters. London cables quote 4s for hindquarters, and 3s 2d for forequarters per 8 lbs.

LEATHER .- The leather market ruled quiet for the early part of the week, but the last three days have shown a marked improvement, and the market has ruled active. Sole leather has been in good demand, and some good lots of slaughter have changed hands at 27 cents while Spanish has sold well at 211 to 23 cents for No. 2 and up to 251 for No. 1. Light upper has been in active demand and is not very plentiful, while some good lots of split have passed into 'cutters' hands at prices ranging from 22 to 28 cents. One lot of Western buff splits, medium and heavy medium, have been purchased at 242 cents. Prices are a shade easier, owing to some parties being compelled to realize on their leather but the week's trade shows a decided improvement and the market has a firmer tone. Carriage and upholstering leather continues firm and is in good steady demand. In the States there has been a better movement this week, and while prices are low there is a rather more hopeful feeling, pro-minent buyers of both rough and finished leather having made large purchases within ten days, taking advantage of existing low

Liquous.—Wines and spirits have been active, and the market is steady. A number of large buyers have been anticipating requirements. Gin is scarce.

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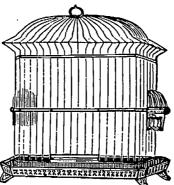
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Wool.—The market continues firm and well sustained. Domestics continue scarce and in demand and one lot of 10,000 pounds was quickly snapped up. Foreign wools are steady with a fair business doing. In the States things have not been so bright, and the market has ruled quiet throughout the week, although no further decline has occurred beyond that already reported. There has been only a fair inquiry, and a very uneven market, the small volume of domestic sales being materially swollen by the transactions of foreign wool.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

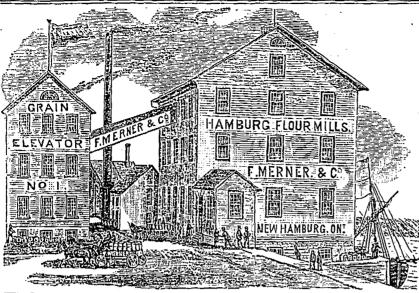
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Wholesale trade shows little change this week. There is still a fair demand in some lines, and the situation is considered encouraging. As to prices, there are no important changes. There is a moderate sorting-up trade in dry goods, and millinery houses have done fairly well. Provisions are quiet and grains more active and prices steadier. Remittances fair. The money market is quiet and rate unchanged. Call loans on stocks rule at 4 to 5 per cent., and on debentures, bonds, etc., at 3 to 31. Time loans 5 to 6 per cent. Commercial paper in fair offer; A 1 is discounted at 6 per cent and ordinary to good at 7; sterling exchange firm; 60-day bills are quoted at 109g between banks and demand bills at 109g to 110 between banks. The stock market this week has been quiet and prices somewhat irregular. The sales of the past few days include: Montreal at 209, Ontario at 112 to 1121, Torontot at 197, Merchants at 1311, Commerce at 1221, Federal at 109, Dominion at 2151 and 215, Standard at 1223, Hamilton at 135, Canada Permanent Loan at 2061, Farmers' Loan at 119, London & Canadian at 153, Imperial Savings at 115, Union at 135, and Dominion Savings at 1161. Following are prices bid to-day as compared with those of last Thursday:

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BUTTER .-- The receipts this week have been light and prices firm. Tub-lots of best quality gell at 18c and 20c, and the best large rolls at



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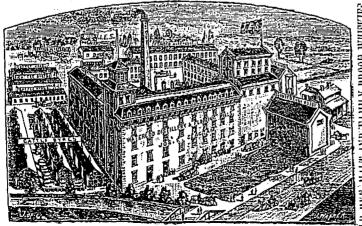
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15c to 16c. Sales of store-packed are reported at 8c to 10c for fair qualities and at 4c for culls. Eggs offering plentifully and prices lower. Sales of case lots are being made at 15c per dozen. Cheese quiet and prices stendy; fine makes job at 9c to 91c, and inferior at 8c.

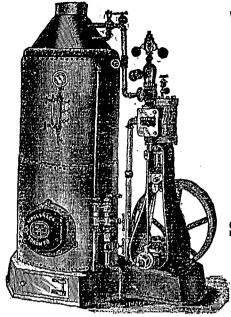
COAL OIL .- Trade is quiet and prices steady. Canadian refined sells at 18c per gallon for 5 to 10 barrels and at 181c for single barrel. Carbon safety unchanged at 20c, and American prime at 24c and water white at 27c. In Petrolea crude sells at 89c per barrel, and refined at 141c per gallon in car lots.

COAL AND WOOD .- The demand for coal is fair and prices steady. Ton lots of stove and nut sell at \$6.25, egg and grate at \$6, and soft at \$5.50 to \$6. Wood firm at \$5 a cord for the best hard, \$4 for second quality, and \$1 for best pine.

Hogs.-Receipts have decreased, and the demand confined to butchers. Small lots that come in on farmers' waggons sell at \$6.25 to \$6.50.

Daves .- Trade in this department is fair and prices firm. Orders, however, are chiefly for small lots. Turpentine is firmer at 80c to 82c and quinine steady at 90c to 95c for Howard's and 80c to 85c for German in ounce bottles-Oil of lemon firmer at \$2.90 to \$3.25, and Iodoform higher at \$6.50. Opium unchanged at \$3.65 to \$3.00, and glycerine, at 16c; linseed oil, 65c for raw and 68c for boiled.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.-The flour trade has been quiet and prices steady. There is still a scarcity of superior extras. The standing bid on change has been \$3.65, and Tuesday they sold outside at equal to that price. Extras.



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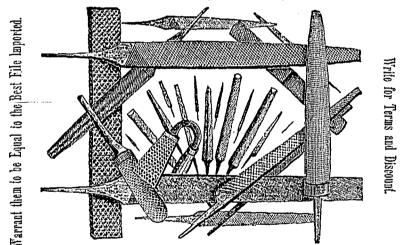
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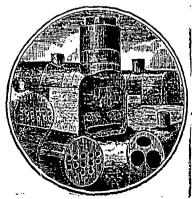
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offer at \$3.55, and Spring Extras at \$3.40, but no sales reported. Stock in store 2125 barrels, as compared with 4,750 barrels at the corresponding period of last year. Wheat has been a little irregular, firm at the beginning and weak at the close of the week. About a week' ngo No. 2 fall sold at 821c and 83c on track and closed yesterday at 83c f.o.c. Stocks are large here, and the outlook uncertain. No. 2 frosted Manitoba sold at 70c to 72c. The stock in store here is now 419,886 bush, as against 335,538 bush, at the corresponding period of last year, and 199,257 bush in 1884. Barley continues in fair demand and prices firm. Sales of No. 2 are reported at 83c, No. 3 extra at 73c, and No. 3 choice at 67c to 68c on trac't. No. 1 is nominal at 94c, and No. 3 at 57c to 60c. Stock in store 163,304 bush, as against 179,293 bush at the corresponding period of last year. Outs firm, with few coming in; car lots of mixed sold at 341c to 35 on track and of white at 351c to 36c. Stock in store 2500 of white at 354c to 36c. Stock in store 2000 bush as against 1400 bush at corresponding period of last year. Peas steady, with sales of No. 2 at equal to 59c here. Stock in store 18,644 bush, as against 22,690 bush at the corresponding period of last year. Rye dull and nominal at 60c to 61c for cars on track. No stock. Oatmeal is steady at \$3.80 to \$3.85 for car lots, the latter for choice. Bran in moderate demand and steady, with a sale of a car on track at \$13 on Tuesday.

GROCERIES.—There has been a fair movement during the week, and prices generally were steady. Teas and tobaccos in good demand and firm. Sugars quiet and a trifle weaker; granulated 6gc in lots. Fruits firm. Fish in light demand and coffees steady.

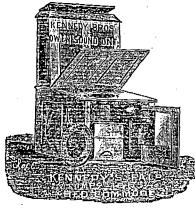
HARDWARE.—Trade is quiet and featureless. No changes in quotations. Bar iron \$1.70; pig iron, Summerlee \$19, Carabroe, \$18. Glass, \$1.75. Ingot tin, 23½e to 25c; bar, 26e to 27c. Tin plates, I. C. coke, \$4.10 to \$4.25; I. C. charcoal, \$4.40 to \$4.65; D. C. charcoal \$3.65 to \$3.85.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Hides in good supply and prices unchanged. Green are quoted at 8c for No. 1 steers and at 7½c for No. 1 cows; cured sell at 8½c. Calfskins unchanged prices ruling at 12c to 13c. Sheepskins dull and firm; the best bring \$1.20 to \$1.25, and ordinary country lots 85c to \$1.00. Tallow dull at 2½c for rough and 5c to 5½c for rendered.

LEATHER.—There is a moderate trade, and although quotations are unchanged, the feeling is easier. We quote: Spanish sole, all weights, 28c to 30c; Spanish sole, No. 2, 25c to 27c; slaughter sole heavy, 28c to 30c; upper light and medium, 36c to 40c. French kip, 75c to 95c; New York veal kips, 70c to 75c; cod oil, 55c to 65c; gambier, 6c to 6½c; degras, 4c to 5c.

LIVE STOCK.—Receipts are large, and prices a trifle weaker. There are few choice cattle offering, with sales at 4½ to 4½ per 1b Milch cows in good supply, and selling at \$25 to \$50 a head. Butchers cattle steady the best sold at 3¾ c on Tucsday, medium to

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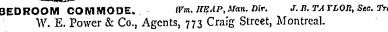
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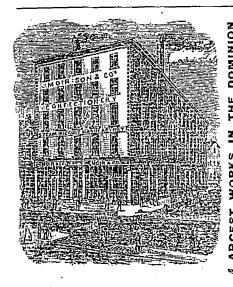
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Department of Public Works, Ottawa, 12th March, 1886.

good at 31c to 31c, and inferior at 3c. Sheep firm at 4c a lb. for export lots; butchers' sold at \$5.50 to \$6 a bead. Lambs offering more freely, and selling at \$5 to \$5.40 a head for first-class and \$4 to \$4.50 for ordinary. Hogs firm at 4c to 43c per lb., the latter for choice light weights.

Provisions, RTC .- Trade has been very quiet this week. Small lots of long clear sell at 71c to 73c, and 7c is the quotation for round lots. Cumberland cut 63c to 7c for small lots and rolls 9 c. Hums are steady at 111c for smoked and at 91c to 93c for sweet pickled. Lard steady at 94c to 94c for small lots in pails; a round lot of tubs sold at 83c. Mess pork dull, with sales of small lots at \$13.50. Hops are unchanged, small lots selling at 8c. Potatoes firmer 55c for car lots, and at 70c per bag for small lots. Beans unchanged at \$1 a bushel for country lots and at \$1.25 to \$1.30 for small lots of hand-

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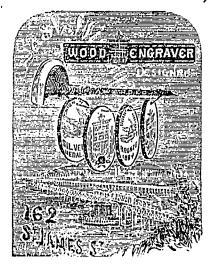
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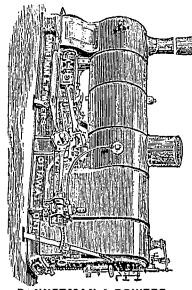
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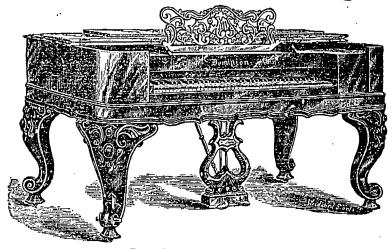
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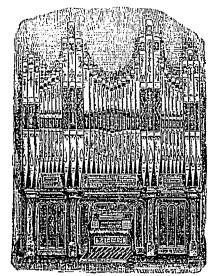
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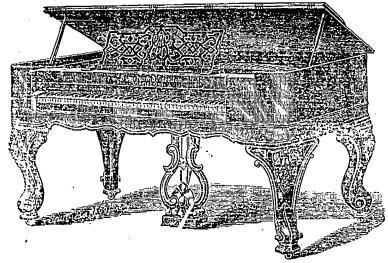
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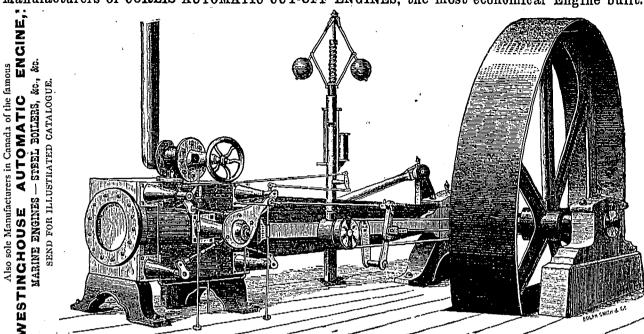
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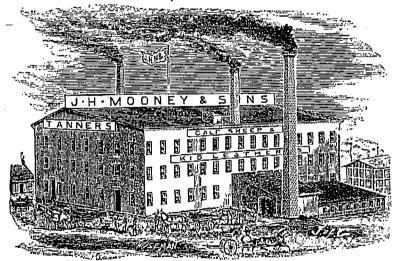
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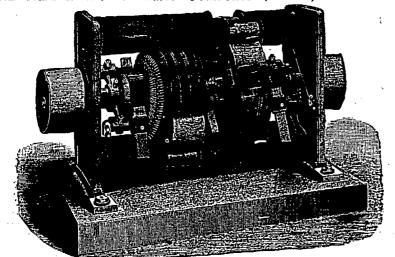
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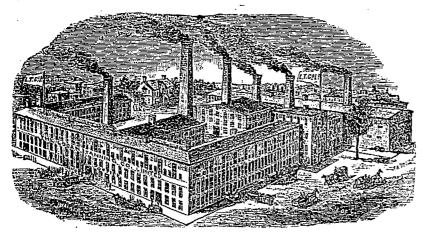
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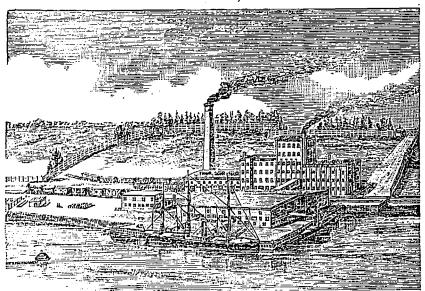
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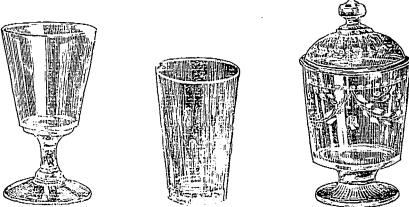
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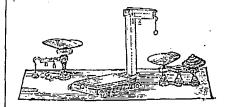
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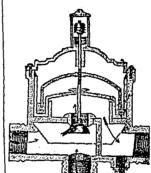
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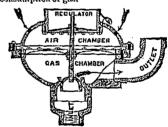
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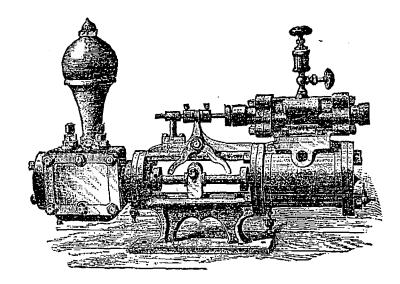
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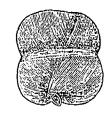
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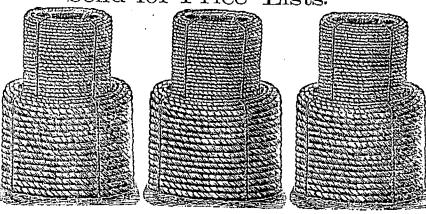
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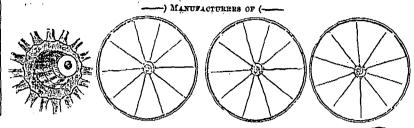
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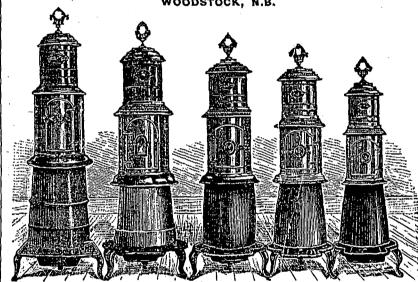


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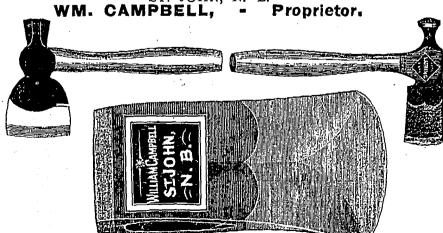
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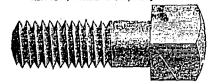
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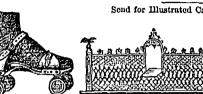
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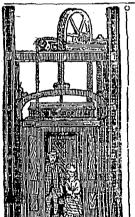
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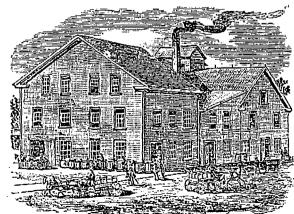
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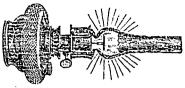


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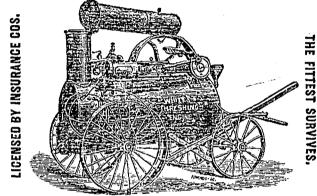


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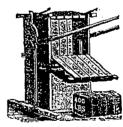
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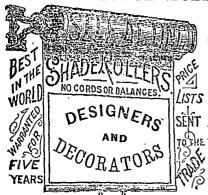
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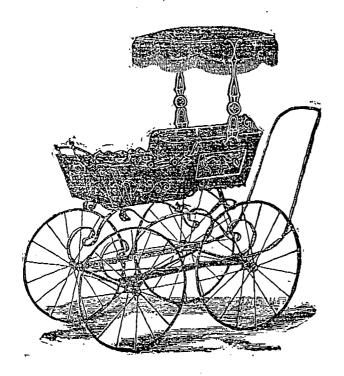
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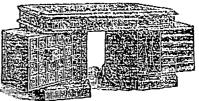
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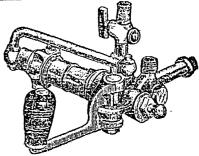
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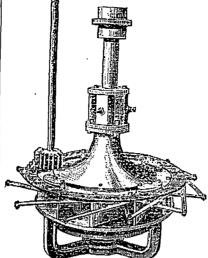
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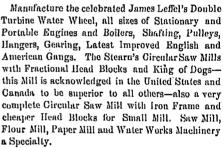
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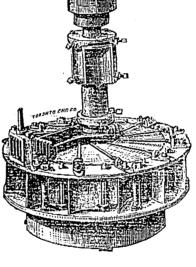
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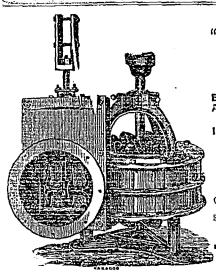
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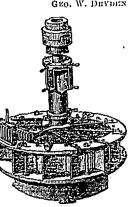
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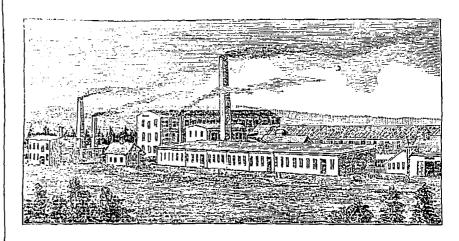
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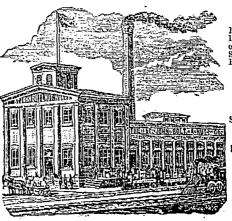
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