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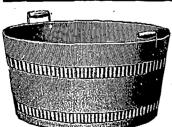


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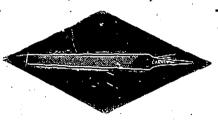
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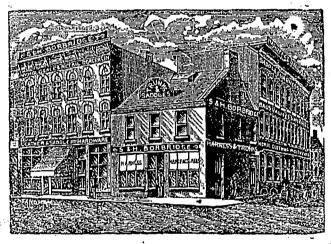


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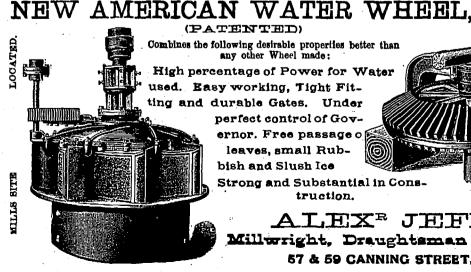
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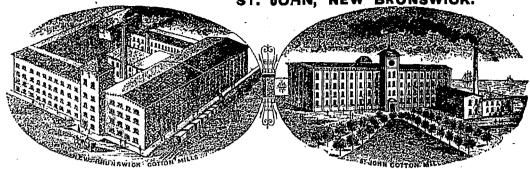
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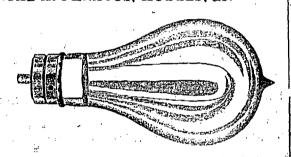
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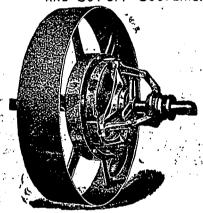


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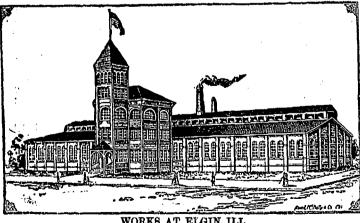
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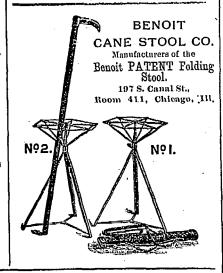
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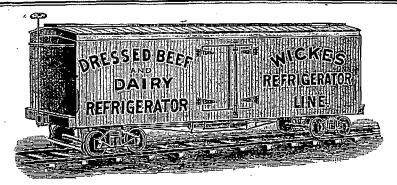


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The taxpayers of Burnaby, B.C., have sanctioned the raising of \$10,000 by loan at 6 per cent., for roadmaking and improvement. A sum of \$25,000 was simillarily borrowed last year. Premier Davie has also promised a trial of the small holding system in Burnaby, in which district the Provincial Government owns some 3,000 acres.

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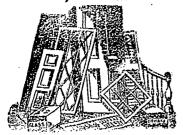
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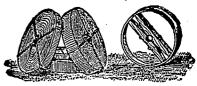
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- -G. H. ROGERS & Co. have purchased the stock of the Brandon Boot and Shoe Co. for 641/2 cents on the dollar.
- -Mr. O. Gilenrist is about starting a new furniture factory in Wingham. It is intended to run on only the highest grades.
- -BARRET & Co., of Tilsonburg, have purchased the general drygoods stock of Ansley & Co., of Aylmer, at 40 cents in the dollar.
- -THE receivers of the Northern Pacific have been authorized by the courts to lease the elevators along the line of the road in Manitoba.
- -THE BOOT and shoe and general stock of McKellar & Co., of Glencoe, has been seized by the sheriff under an execution issued by creditors in this city.
- --THE Grand Trunk Railway have paid the sum of \$9,850 to the heirs of Mr. and Mrs. O. Dorland, of Simcoe, who were killed in the Battle Creek disaster.
- --THE U. S. Congressional Committee on banking and currency have reported favorably on the bill ordering the subjection of

national bank and treasury notes to taxation by the various state governments.

- -R. J. Whitia & Co. have purchased the dry goods stock of Campbell & Robinson at Morden for 50 cents on the dollar: 'The book debts brought 20 cents.
- -A new oil company to be called the Sixth Line Oil Co. has commenced operations in Enniskellen, Ont. A test well is being put down by Petrolia parties.
- The English expert who was busy preparing oyster beds at Shediac, N.B., last summer, is expected to arrive there in a few days to finish the planting.
- -Tenders are being received for the dry goods now in transit, valued at \$4,000, consigned to the insolvent firm of Spittal. Burn & Gentleman, London, Ont.
- -The Western railroads have extended the time limit for sales of Mid-winter Fair tickets between Chicago and the Coast from the 30th April to the 30th June.
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-The Washington authorities have recognized the services of Col. G. J. Mills, American Consul at St. Thomas, by increasing his salary from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per year, exclusive of fees.

—The Advisory Board of the Manitoba Department of Education has appointed a committee to consider the question of introducing the teaching of agriculture into the public schools.

—According to despatches from Kansas the wheat crop is in urgent_need_of_rain. Fully three out of the four and a half million acres of farm land in the State are suffering from drought.

-ROUNTHWAITE, Man., has an opening for a creamery expert with some capital. A site for a factory on a running spring creek is offered and enough cows are promised to ensure success.

—Owing to financial difficulties work has been stopped on the Woodstock opera house. There are certain liens on the property and the contractors have suspended operations until these are settled.

—Ar a meeting of the directors of the Ontario Wool Boot Co. at Hanover, Mr. S. E. Moyer was selected to assist the President, Mr. H. Krantz, in liquidating the business as cheaply and rapidly as possible.

—SYDNEY, the terminal point of the Victoria & Sydney R. R., is the "baby" town of British Columbia. Of course it has its little boom. Choice lots are selling at \$390, and frame houses are going up fast.

—Arrangements have been made to have natural gas supplied from the gas region at Kingsville to Windsor and Walkerville. The mains will be laid along the tracks of the Lake Erie & Detroit

River R. R., and a large number of men are now at work excavating the trenches for them.

—Mr. John Cavers, who has been manager of the Imperial Bank in Galt ever since its establishment there, has retired from that institution and will be succeeded by Mr. G. C. Easton of Welland.

—Tπε courts have quashed the by-law of the town of Palmerston fixing the cost of liquor licenses for the present year on the ground that the sum named is greater than that permitted by the Liquor License Act.

—SIR CHARLES TUPPER and the Anstralian Agents-General have prepared a joint case for presentation to Lord Ripon, asking Imperial aid for the proposed Pacific cable and the fast Atlantic and Pacific steamship lines.

—Gold discoveries, believed to be of commercial value, are reported from Pitt Lake, B.C., and rich new fields are reported from China Creek, Alberni. Prospecting for coal is meanwhile proceeding south of Okanagan Lake.

—The announcement that the Grand Trunk system will be extended to Owen Sound revives the rumour that a line of steamships will be established in connection with the road to compete with the Canadian Pacific's lake fleet.

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- -A DEPUTATION of Canadian pork raisers have visited Ottawa, and urged upon the Government a return to a specific duty, which they contend will afford them better protection against American competition when the price of pork is low.
- -- PELLETIER, one of the men accused of setting fire to the property of Mrs. Soulard at St. Rose, has admitted his guilt aud implicated two companions. He said that Mrs. Soulard promised them \$100 if the place was burned down.
- -THE DECLINE in the volume of emigration to this country continues. During the first three months of this year the number of emigrants from British ports to Canada was only 3,400 as against 9,700 in 1893, a decline of 65 per cent.

A SUMMARY of the crop reports from fifty counties in the northwestern states indicates that the damage to winter wheat will consist principally in the delay to the advancement of the crop and that the yield will not be seriously impaired.

- -THERE is so little demand for cattle for export at present prices that the farmers of Centre Wellington are forming a syndicate to ship their own cattle. The experience will be a valuable one if it does not turn out too costly.
- -BUYERS complain that the low price of tinplate has forced the manufacturers in South Wales to curtail their expenses so much that the boxes and nails they use are unable to stand the weight of the contents, and the tin is frequently delivered in bulk.
- -The taxpayers of Burnaby, B.C., have sanctioned the raising of \$10,000 by loan at 6 per cent., for roadmaking and improvement. A sum of \$25,000 was similarly borrowed last year. Premier Davie has also promised a trial of the small holding system in Burnaby, in which district the Provincial Government owns some 3,000 acres.

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- -THE Patrons of Industry are applying for letters patent to carry on the business of dealers in farmers supplies and farm produce in Manitoba. The amount of capital is \$100,000 in 4,000 shares, and the principal place of business will be in Portage la Prairie.
- -IF THE French treaty goes into effect the chances are that France will flood us with cheap wines. According to authorities the vintage of last year reached 1,125,000 gallons, or nearly double the average of the past fifteen years. The French give our own vintners a lesson in perseverance.
- -The Nelson, B.C., Miner says that an English syndicate has invested \$150,000 in Bushards gold claim on Boundary Creek and the Copper and Stemwinder mines in Greenwood. They have ninety days in which to make the final payment and are planning to do heavy work this season.
- -A REPORT has been presented to the Dominion House on the prevalence of cattle disease in three townships of the County of Grey. The disease, which was causing much alarm, is gangrenous ergotism, which affects the feet of the cattle in consequence of improper food. It is not contagious.
- -Tire falling off in the volume of trade in the United States is demonstrated by the fact that the total receipts from Customs duties for the month of March, 1804, were \$7,448,479, against \$12,439,280 for the same month in 1893. This means a falling off of \$4,990,801, or more than 67 per cent.
- -A PROMINENT citizen of Collingwood who wrote "All well" on the margin of a newspaper and sent it by mail at newspaper rates was fined \$10 and costs for defrauding the postal authorities. A young lady who committed a similar offence was also mulcted the same amount. The authorities are evidently stricter in Collingwood than they are here.

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-MR. HERBERT GARDNER, president of the British Board of Agriculture, told a deputation from the Chambers of Agriculture and the Royal Society that the House of Commons would not sanction so drastic a proposal as the closing of British ports against the importation of live cattle in a healthy condition.

Canadian railway accidents were responsible for the death of 216 persons and the injury of 708 more during the twelve months ending on the 30th of June, 1893. Brakesmen to the number of 277 were injured while coupling cars, and 26 people were killed and 80 wounded by the idiotic practice of jumping on and off trains while in motion.

-There has been a rapid extension of the manufacture of cheese and butter in the factories in the Maritime Provinces during the past two years. A large number of new factories are being erected at present. To meet the needs of the dairymen in those Provinces, the Dominion Dairy Station at Sussex, N.B., is to be used as a dairy school this month.

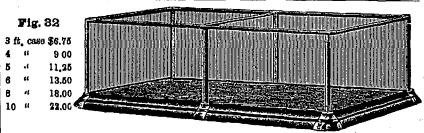
-Mr. Justice Davidson has given judgment in the case of Scroggie vs. Walson et al for \$1,260, the amount tendered by the defendant. This was an action between lessee and lessor for indemnity for the extra premium of insurance charged on account of the Queen's Hall being used as a place of public amusement. The learned judge decided that the amount tendered as indemnity was sufficient.

-Or the 55,768,726 bushels of wheat exported from New York during 1893, not one single bushel was carried in an American craft. British vessels transported 34,259,656 bushels,

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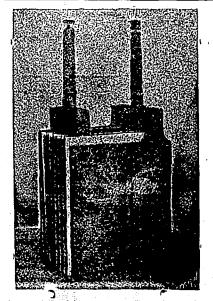
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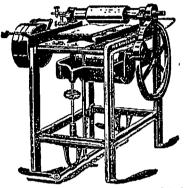
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-A CABLEGRAM announces the death of Mr. Abraham Hodgson, at his residence, Birkdale, Southport, England, in his 77th year. Mr. Hodgson was father of the members of the firm of Hodgson Bros., cheese exporters, of this city. He was the originator of the firm, starting in business in Liverpool in 1859. He opened a branch in Montreal in 1874, and in 1883 retired from business. Mr. Hodgson was one of the oldest members of the Liverpool Provision Trade Association.

-C. Bruneau, a tenant who had purchased his furniture on the instalment plan, returned the goods to the suppliers before a scizure for rent could be put in by his landlord. The case was brought before Mr. Justice Gill, who decided that the furniture dealers must either return the furniture to the house, or else reimburse the landlord to the extent of the value of the goods taken away. This decision is an important one, and should render dealers in furniture on the instalment plan more cautious in giving credit.

-MR. WILLIAM PARKS of St. John, N.B., of the firm of Wm. Parks & Son, limited (New Brunswick Cotton Mills), has been visiting some of his western customers and friends, and if appearances go for aught prosperity must have begun at last to

dawn upon his efforts. The output of the mills last year reached \$500,000, and the losses by bad debt amounts to but \$10. As the mills employ 500 hands the citizens of St. John must congratulate themselves on the now assured permanency of this large and well-managed enterprise.

-THE Connecticut victims of the defunct Order of the Iron Hall have secured a decided advantage over their fellow sufferers. When that gigantic bubble burst an attempt was made to sequestrate the funds that were in the hands of the various subordinate branches in different States into the possession of a general receiver in Indianapolis. The Supreme Court of Connecticut directs that the receiver shall not be put in possession of any funds in that State, but that they shall be returned pro rata to the members who contributed them.

-In Spite of all statements to the contrary the impression in business circles is that payments on the 4th were very poor. Some houses report that hardly a single note was net; although the drawers were all good men. Still very few failures resulted. Wholesalers are unwilling to press their customers at this season of the year, when the spring trade may pull them through, and preferred to protect the paper themselves. But there is a growing feeling that country merchants are becoming too exacting in their demands for renewals, and too careless in looking after their paper, and that if a little more pressure were put on, those who can pay, and wont pay, might be made to pay.

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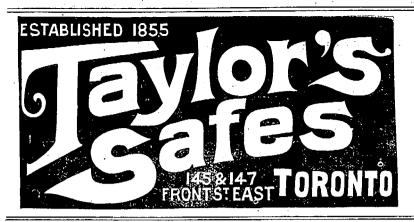
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- -A. Petoquin & Co., traders, Pont du Sault, Que., have failed for \$9,000.
- -L. Becker & Co., Bankers, Waterford, Ont., have suspended payment. The present business was started in '83 and the firm was supposed to be doing fairly, being in good standing.
- -F. W. Young & Co., traders, Seeley's Bay, Ont., are offering a compromise-of-40c-in-the-dollar, half cash and half secured. F. W. Young succeeded his sister, Mrs. Gainsford, in '85 and in the spring of '92 admitted one McKenzie under the above style.
- -COMPLIMENTS continue to pour in because of the new typography in these pages. It is to be hoped that by another week all the old type will have been superseded.
- -THE general store of G. Smithers, at Seaforth, Ont., was burnt out last Sunday. 'The loss is placed at \$3,000, insured in the Phœnix for \$2,500.
- -L. R. RICHARDSON, of Strathroy, has leased the Wilsoncroft cheese factory near Petrolia for a term of years, and will run it as an addition to the one he controls at Muirkirk.
- -The many friends of the Hon. John S. Hall, Provincial Treasurer, are rejoiced to learn that he has recovered from the indisposition which confined him to his house for some time past.

- -The Melrose Warehousing Co. has been incorporated with a capital of \$2,000 to handle the grain of the district. A substantial storehouse will be erected at once.
- MR. FRANK HART (Hart & Tuckwell) has purchased the desirable vacant lot on the corner of Sherbrooke and Simpson streets, for the purposes of a palatial residence which he is about to erect thereon shortly.
- -To those who have sent in new subscribers in exchange for 55 World's Fair pictures we have to explain that occasionally from a week to ten days may elapse before the order can be filled. See whole page advertisement elsewhere.
- -One of the most enterprising manufacturing firms in Ontario in referring to their advertisement in the Journal of Commerce, writes as follows:-"We are greatly pleased with the results, and would ask you to insert card at same rate for another year.—The Oakville Basket Co., pr. James C. Ford, manager.—" This frank and generous admission is an example of what we receive from advortisers, east and west.
- -Messrs, Van Horne and James Ross will shortly proceed to St. John, N.B., to arrange for the extension of their newly acquired electrical and street railway plant. This comprises the charters of three different companies which were bought for \$92,000. The new owners intend double tracking the road and extending both it and the electric light to the adjoining suburbs, for which purposes they expect to expend the sum of \$400,000.

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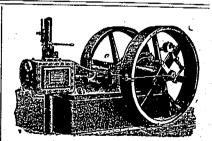
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- -Brantford's city council have accepted \$95.40 for an issue of \$263,000 in 4 per cent. municipal loan fund debentures.
- -Wallaceburg's Board of Trade now has 52 members, and the town is contemplating the establishment of a market day and of a daily freight boat to Wilkesport and back.
- -D. DAGENAIS, shoes, Amprior, has succeeded in effecting a settlement at 40c on the dollar cash .- J. C. Young, artist, London, has assigned.
- -F. J. LATOURELLE, grocer, city, has assigned with liabilities of \$1,000. He was formerly of Latourelle & Gervais who dissolved several months ago.
- -THE anticipated retirement of Mr. R. B. Angus from the directorate of the Montreal Street Railway Co. is confirmed, and Mr. James Ross has been selected to fill the vacancy on the board-
- -H. P. Dye, of the Lake Worth House, Lake Worth, Florida, has leased the Iroquois House at St. Hilaire for the ensuing sea-
- -THE fire losses of the United States and Canada were only \$9,147,100 for the month of March last. This is a gratifying decrease compared with March, 1893, when the fire losses were .\$16,652,350.
- -J. & J. McAdam, grocers, St. Thomas, Ont., have assigned to John Baird of the same place. The liabilities will reach probably \$25,000, of which about \$10,000 is secured to the Merchants Bank. The stock is about \$5,000.
- -ON THE blackened walls of the structure, comprising the theatre and hotel burnt a few days ago in Milwaukee, Wis., causing much loss of life, may be seen standing out in awful mockery on either side of the entrance, the words, "Absolutely fire proof." Total money loss nearly a quarter million.
- -IT is to be hoped that the efforts now being made by the postoffice inspectors may have the effect of putting a stop to the use of the franking privilege in Ottawa. It is high time departmental employees were given to understand that they are not to employ franked envelopes for the correspondence of their business relatives at the Capital.

- —THE Americans term Stead's book recently issued describing what he saw and recounting what he heard in Chicago, as a "Directory of Sin." The author also failed to make a favorable impression on those who heard him at evening in one of the principal churches during his stay in Montreal. Mr. Stead's book reminds one of the razors that were "made to sell."
- -Real estate was fairly active in this city during March. The sales in Montreal proper amounted to \$827,521, in Cote St. Autoine to \$48,716, and in Maisonneuve, Mile End, Montreal Annex, Ste. Cunegonde, St. Henri, Montreal Junction and Verdun to about \$110,000, of which St. Henri contributed about \$40,000 and Montreal Junction about \$30,000.—R. E. Record.
- -A RECENT paragraph referring to the Canadian Packers' As sociation, who have formed a selling committee in Toronto under the direction of eight of the representative packers, was somewhat misleading. Mr. C. H. Dougall, of 44 St. John street, this city, who, apart from his respectable connections, is favorably known to our citizens, is the sole representative for the above Association for Montreal.
- -General regret was expressed by the trade on learning that the wholesale hardware house of J. Muckleston & Co., Kington, was in financial trouble. A recent meeting of creditors was adjourned until the first of May, to give the firm time to prepare a statement of its affairs. In the meantime its paper will be looked after, and steps taken to prevent hasty legal action. This is one of the oldest and most respectable, houses in the trade, and its difficulties have been brought about by dull times, occasional heavy losses, and increasing competition. It is quite possible that an arrangement satisfactory to all concerned will be arrived at.
- -THE expectations of the shareholders of the defunct Citizens' Insurance Co. are steadily dwindling, and now only the most sanguine anticipate a dividend of \$4, while the directors think \$2 is the more likely figure. Much depends upon the suit now pending before the Supreme Court at Ottawa, as its decision will make a difference of \$1 in the dividend either way. It is believed that the Government will release the deposit at Ottawa shortly on the policies whose owners have not responded being properly

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-Geo. K. Hatfield, pianos, Yarmouth, N.S., in business in a small way, has assigned. He was burnt out last January, but insurance was small.—Hanson Bros., mfrs., shoes, St. Andrews, N.B., are offering 25c. on the dollar. Of late they have gone steadily behind and recently sold out. Liabilities are about \$5,000. If not accepted they will have to assign.-Eagles & Porter, dry goods, St. John, N.B., have assigned. Their record extends back about 17 years. They did but a moderate trade and are thought to have become overstocked.

-The stock in the three stores of E. A. Bigg & Co., insolvents, Brockville, together with the Bigg block, have been sold by auction in Toronto. A number of Brockville merchants attended the sale, one of whom bid successfully. Mr. Heman Shepherd bought the dry goods at 711/2c. on the dollar and the "Fair" at 411/c., while a Toronto man bid in the Crystal Hall at 73c. The block was knocked down to Wm. Parker for the sum of \$14,500 which is considered a bargain. The real estate is encumbered to the extent of \$12,000. The liabilities of the three stores were \$16,740 and the assets \$11,313.

-In this province J. Dusseault, printer, Quebec, formerly of Dusseault & Proulx who recently dissolved, has assigned. The liabilities are \$20,000, but he shows a large nominal surplus. A. Francoeur, grocer, Sorel, has assigned owing \$5,000. He has been in business since '75 and compromised in '83, and again in November, '90. Louis Tetrault, produce, Vercheres, is reported absent, and a meeting of creditors to appoint a curator to his his estate will shortly take place. He has been in business some time and worked up a large trade from a small beginning, but latterly has attempted more than was perhaps prudent.-J. B. O. Archambault, hay, city, is offering 8c. on the dollar, and G. J. Gebhardt, lithographic supplies, is endeavoring to settle at 121/c. on the dollar.-R. Beauvais & Frere, carriages, Laprairie, at a meeting of creditors offered 20c on the dollar, but this was not accepted. The business has existed for six to seven years. Recent losses arose from freer crediting than was wise.—Beault & Co., general store, St. Louis de Gonzague, offer 45c. on the dollar cash.

-THE people of London and vicinity are discussing the merits of an action instituted by Mr. W. H. Bartram, barrister, in that city against the London Loan Co. of the same place. The writ recites that "the plaintiff's claim is on behalf of himself and all the shareholders of the London Loan Co. of Canada for an injunction to restrain the said company, its officers and servants from ultra vires acts of the said company in lending the moneys of the said company upon personal security and otherwise contrary to the statutes in that behalf, and in acting as agents of the Ontario Loan and Debenture Co. in investing moneys and in acting for gain through their officers and servants other than their legally qualified solicitors, as solicitors, counsel and conveyancers, and in allowing and permitting the salaried officers and servants of the said company to engage in private business and with the gards proved a proved an exempt to a cold paint with

speculation in the office and premises of the company and elsewhere during their official business hours for duty in the service of the company; and for an account of the profits and loss to the said company from all or any ultra vires acts of the company; and for such further and other relief in respect of the ultra vires transactions of the defendants, their officers and servants, as the nature of the same may require." The company is incorporated under the general Building Society's Act, and has not, it is stated, confined itself to lending money on security of real estate.

-In Ontario Notter & Scott, grocers, Owen Sound, have assigned. The business is a long established one, being a succession to the firm of Manley & Scott. Expenses were high and they have not been securing so much custom as formerly.-Ottawa advices speak of the failure of T. H. Marcil, gents' furnishings with debts of \$4,000. He has been in business less than a year, and did his best to succeed, but was cramped for want of capital. John Graham & Sons, planing mill, Inglewood, and Miss Jane Boyle, Arthur Township, have assigned, also C. S. Ernst, electrician, New Hamburg .- S. Fuge, tea agent, etc., London, has failed for \$4,000. He has been in business a couple of years, but his health was not of the best, and he was unable to do sufficient trade to succeed.-W. B. Mills, general store, Arden, whose assignment is reported, did fairly at an earlier period, but attempted more than was safe in later times. He assigned once before in June, '84, and subsequently paid 90c on the dollar by instalments of 10 per cent.—The assignment is reported of Miss J. E. Poile, shoes, Chatham, with liabilities of about \$2,500. She succeeded her brother last summer, but has been unable to make a success.-C. A. Lafleche, tailor, Delta, after struggling along in a small way for 5 or 6 years has assigned.-Jos. Stonehouse, Walpole, is in trouble.-T. Ricketts, general store, Gilmour Station, noted in February last as offering 60c on the dollar now assigns.

-Mr. Justice Tellier has decided that in the case of mutual benefit societies if a member is bound to pay his contributions while in good health he is equally entitled to receive the stipulated indemnity when sick, no matter what the by-laws of the society may say. The decision was given in the case of Crevier vs. the Union St. Joseph. Crevier, who was a member of the society. in good standing, was compelled to give up his position as a railway mail clerk in 1891 on account of sore eyes. The society paid him \$4 weekly until March, 1893, when they notified him that the indefinity would cease, as they considered him able to earn his living. In October following, Crevier took out the present action, claiming \$132 as arrears of indemnity due him. The judge held that the society was not justified in stopping the indemnity, and gave judgment for the amount claimed.

-Fun dealers do not speak hopefully of the outlook. Advice from Europe is to be cautious in buying, because it is generally admitted that there will be a further decline on nearly all important kinds in the next sale which occurs in June, and which is always a very unsatisfactory one compared with the March sale. American manufacturers have had a poor trade and consequently are not free buyers.

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THE AGRICULTURAL PROBLEM.

As Necessity is the mother of Invention-Commonsense is said to be the father—it will be curious to know what new economy shall result from the necessities arising in most trading countries through the depression of the latter half of 1893, and which in many of them threatens to last during a great part of the present year

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also. Although we are not called upon to deal with agriculture except as to the results—the products—we may be allowed to direct attention to some of the methods in vogue at the present time, more particularly to those pursued by the farming classes in this country. The low prices prevailing for nearly all classes of agricultural products during some years past, especially grain, has brought the farmer in a large number of cases to a condition of impoverishment, and unless some plan be devised to obtain a more extensive and profitable market—of which there is little prospect—or to reduce the cost of cultivation, it is to be feared that the business of the country may continue to suffer as it has for some months past.

The insolvency clause (referred to last week) will not mend matters, and the prospect for an increase in the price of cereals is not very bright, the prophecies credited Mr. Van Horne to the contrary notwith-The whole civilized world has been standing. brought, as it were, into touch by means of rapid_ocean_navigation, and railways have brought the grain produce of fertile lands to the sea coast to be transferred to where there is any prospect of a better market. Steam has accomplished all this, and the competition has brought prices for carriage to a cheapness that could scarcely have been dreamt of by the last generation. A ton of merchandise can now be transported across the Atlantic almost as cheap as any farmer can take it to his neighboring home market. Now, as there is but little prospect of an improvement in the direction of increased prices, it is clear that the remedy must be looked for in another direction. The farmer must abandon the old system, and take a hint from the more recent methods of the large manufacturing establishments or, nearer yet, out of the creamery system. He cannot fail to perceive that much of time and labour is wasted during the working season; and in parts of the country where the plowing must be done under certain weather conditions, as in clay lands, where it must not be too dry or too wet, he should for example turn his attention to co-operative steam-plowing. Indeed co-operation should be extended to nearly every species of labor for which the farmer pays wages.

Any changes brought about are likely to be of slow gradation. Steam-plowing will be obstructed by snake fences; but the fences are to a great extent absolutely useless, and many of them were laid down when the land was being cleared of trees a quarter to half a century ago, according as the process of clearing was outlined from year to year. Much expense is entailed on

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farmers for maintaining fences, many of them mere encumbrances, and it is one for which even wire-fencing furnishes no excuse. There is little probability that Canada will ever be as free from fences as France and Germany over large areas, where the fields resemble patch-work quilts for scores of miles, with not a hedge or fence to mark the lines. Land is not so valuable with us. The cost of farming should in the manner indicated be reduced fully twenty-five per cent.

The hint for another economy may be obtained from the practice of the Illinois farmer who, in a season of low prices for maize (corn) converts the grain into pork by feeding it to his pigs. The prices of these would seem to be of a see-saw motion: when corn is low pork is high, and when pork is low corn is high. Let our farmers try wheat as well as peas to fatten their pigs. It is cheap enough. Or let them give up growing it.

There is no reason also why our people should not take greater advantage of the demand for Canadian cheese across the ocean. This article maintains its price; so do good butter and good eggs. There is money in these, more than in wheat at 50 to 60 cents a bushel. Ireland, which was practically driven out of the English market some years ago by Danish and Normandy butter, went to work a few years later with the energy of despair and already her creamery system, with all modern improvements, is turning the tables on her continental rivals, and Cork butter is again to the fore.

The sooner the Canadian farmer realizes that Crimean War prices, or even half the figures, can never again be obtained for wheat, the better for himself and all concerned. He cannot compete economically with Russian, Hindoo or other cheap labor; but he has the instinct of cleanliness to fall back upon. Let him make the most of it. Let him also employ his time in winter more fully than in the semi-loafing function of feeding his barnyard stock and keeping the stove hot, let him use his head as well as his hands, let him study how he may employ and extend the few hints given above, and he will not have so much occasion to lament the loss of the old forest trees in the cutting and sale of which, for marketable cordwood, his father found so profitable an employment in the old time winters, and which went far in those days to provide against seasons of deficient harvest or low prices. The time of the greatest agricultural depression the country-even the world-has yet seen, is certainly opportune to the inquiry we set afoot

In our next issue we shall return to the subject and,

as interested in practical farming ourselves, endeavor to point out the direction which any improvement in the situation must probably take. If wheat is to the grower, ruinously cheap, let him endeavor to get more of it from a given acreage—to make two or more ears of wheat grow where only one grew before; or if this cannot be done, let him at least thoroughly understand why such a prospect is hopeless. It will be our object in a later number to point out how the experiment may be tried.

THE DUTIES ON COTTON GOODS.

The fact that the cotton manufacturers have already sent out a new price-list reducing prices of white cottons from 5 to 10 per cent, and now have a similar cut in the values of greys under consideration, is sufficient proof that the reduction in the import duties upon cottons under the new tariff was a genuine and a severe one. Cotton men are no exceptions to the rule that manufacturers do not reduce prices without solid and tangible reasons. It follows then, that the conversion of the old specific duties into one fixed ad valorem rate has deprived them of a portion of their protection on the cheaper and medium lines of their goods, although, from its inelastic character, it at times increases it upon the more expensive lines.

Take for instance a grey cotton, 30 inches wide, costing 3 cents per yard in England. Under the old tariff of 1 cent per square yard and 15 per cent ad valorem, it would cost 4.28 cents laid down here, without freight or charges. This gave the Canadian cotton mill 43 per cent protection, while under the new tariff he only receives 221 per cent. As the value of the goods increases the disparity between the old and new tariffs diminishes. Thus under the old tariff a grey-cotton of similar width, costing 4 cents, paid 35 per cent, 5 cents, 32 per cent, 7 cents, 27 per cent, 10 cents, 231 per cent, and above that price paid less than the new tariff of 221 per cent all round. This shows that in those cases where the tariff involves an increase in cotton goods it is solely on expensive lines, which are made but little in Canada and the importations of which are comparatively unimportant. In all cheap lines it means a reduction, and in some cases a heavy one. This is the true principle of tariff reform; for it reduces the cost of goods purchased by the poorer classes and transfers a larger portion of the burden to those used by a class of purchasers who do not regard cheapness so much as serviceableness and fashion.

It is the same in the case of colored cottons where the old duty was 2 cents per square yard and 15 per cent ad valorem, and where the new duty is 30 per cent all round. A flanelette costing 3 cents in England, under the old duty cost 4.95 cents laid down here, or 65 per cent net duty. It now pays only 30 per cent. The old duty gradually diminished until the import price became 10 cents, where the duty was 30 per cent or the same as the new. Above 10 cents, the new duty is higher, and in this case the same argument is advanced as in that of grey-cottons, that the expensive lines are less used in this country and hence, that the increase imposed upon . them by the inelasticity of the ad valorem duty is less important. Still any increase in the tariff affects importers more or less, and those who are thus affected feel it the more keenly because it was unexpected. They had been led to believe to believe that any alteration in the tariff would be in the direction of lower... duties, and hence an unexpected increase, like that from

as interested in practical farming ourselves, endeavor to 20 to 30 per cent on cotton velvets and velveteens, point out the direction which any improvement in the came as an unpleasant surprise.

In the case of the manufacturers of cotton shirts, the abolition of the specific duty on all lines costing less than \$3 per doz, not only sweeps away what protection they had, but absolutely legislates against them to the extent of 5 per cent. Under the new tariff, shirts costing from six shillings to twelve and six pence per dozen in England, only pay 25 per cent. ad valorem; while the manufacturers of similar grades here have to pay 30 per cent. on the cotton cloth which forms the raw material. It may be objected, that the cloth in question is usually manufactured here, and hence that it does not pay duty. But practically it does. The one house making these goods in Canada cannot compete with English makers, and hence their customers have to pay nearly the same for their cloth as it would cost to import it. The English shirt manufacturer gets his raw material 30 per cent. cheaper than his Canadian competitor, and as he has only to pay 25 per cent. on the finished product, he starts with an advantage of 5 per cent. in his favor at once. Not only this, but the cost of making is much less in England. The manufacture of cheap cotton shirts is there confined almost exclusively to the "sweating" shops, where Polish and other foreign labor is employed at miserably low rates compared with those paid in this country. In Montreal, the employes of shirt houses are usually the wives and daughters of workmen, and form a very desirable class of labour. To transfer, then, the manufacture of all shirts costing under 12s. 6d. per dozen to England, means the loss of at least \$150,000 in wages to Canada, as well as that of the profit on the sale of the 100,000 pieces of cotton cloth annually used for that purpose. This cannot be called protecting Canadian industries, nor is it in the interests of the working classes.

It must be remembered that it is the cheaper and medium grades of goods that are chiefly manufactured in this country. The higher grades are of limited demand only, and this is chiefly supplied from abroad. The ad valorem duty, of course, bears more heavily on these expensive classes than any other, and it was to this class that reference was made in our previous article upon this subject. The cheaper classes of cotton sheetings, drills, ducks, canton flannels, denims, tickings, ginghams, flannelettes, zephyrs, shirtings, cottonades, etc., can all be imported at less cost and, if adequate protection be allotted to the manufactures of which they form the raw material, the new tariff would be a more popular one; even if, at times, it bears a little more heavily on the Canadian maker than would seem to be necessary from any but a political standpoint.

THE SHIPPING TRADE OUTLOOK.

During the winter quiet the opening of navigation is usually looked forward to as an event likely to give some impetus to commerce and life to trade throughout the country. This week the ice has relaxed its hold to an extent that the shipping season may be expected shortly to begin in earnest. So far as the shipping interest itself is concerned prospects are not too bright, but this is looked upon as rather the result of increased competition than of any diminution in the volume of trade to be done.

So soon as traffic on the canal is resumed a considerable quantity of heavy freight is expected to come forward en route to Europe, but a new rival weekly freight

cline to Liverpool is ready to share the trade, and the projected fast Atlantic steamship line may also be an accomplished fact. Although hurtful to ship owners low competitive freight rates will not come amiss to shippers and producers who on many past occasions have complained that they were paying higher ocean carrying charges than those current at the ports of New York and Boston. The hopes of many patriotic Canadians have received a somewhat unexpected check by the announcement of practical steamship men that a twenty knot service, even with a bounty of \$750,000, could scarcely be a commercial success. It is computed that freight and passengers would have to yield \$60,-000 every trip, the total expenses of a passage being in round figures \$75,000. But what troubles our practical men of affairs is the apparent absence of a bond or surety in case the proposed service should not succeed. What guarantee the government will exact has not, in fact, been made apparent, and the point is raised that Canadian ship owners and the public are entitled to something of the kind, the proposed steamship grant being nearly 3 per cent. of the total annual revenue of the country.

The northern Atlantic route has its drawbacks as well as its advantages, and none can know both half as well as Montreal steamship owners and agents who have all their lives been identified with this service. The remote possibility of a first-class twenty knot steamship, probably carrying 150 firemen, being detained for days together by fog and ice is not pleasant to contemplate from a business standpoint, especially if the traffic should not equal expectations, and cabin passengers at certain seasons should prefer to go by way of New York. It is understood, though not officially, that the old companies recently proposed to meet the government half way with a 17 knot service on the basis of a subsidy of \$500,000. The Premier is understood to have held out for at least 18 knots, but decided nothing at the time. It may not be amiss to point out that New York has only enjoyed a twenty knot service during the past five years, and this is the chief port of a wealthy people twelve times more numerous than the population of Canada. The Allan and other existing lines here have contributed greatly to the development of the country, and they are entitled consequently to a full hearing and every consideration.

A closer view of the immediate prospects leads us to expect a better return than last year from cabin passengers. More people are likely to go to Europe as there is no such attraction as the Chicago exhibition to keep them on this side. On the other hand there will be fewer immigrants. The building of some 30 war vessels by the British admiralty will furnish a great deal of work in the iron, steel, coal and oteer trades, and cause money to circulate among storekeepers and The better class of intending immigrants from the British Isles have heard of the financial depression in the United States and the dullness caused in this country by the low price of wheat, etc., and these consequently think that Africa, Australia, etc., afford a more promising field. It will yet be found, however, that the North-West can produce many things besides wheat, and reports reach us of people flocking into the Canadian territories this spring from the United States, and especially from North and South turer, or that, buoyed up by these false impressions, he Dakota.

Since the removal of tonnage dues Montreal has been, and is now, a free port so far as vessels are concerned. The increase of revenue last year was \$26,508 over that in 1892 and over that in 1889, the first year after the tonnage dues were abolished \$61,338. The total revenue for last season was \$318,936. There arrived 804 sea-going vessels, 69 more than in the previous year, whilst the tonnage was 1,151,777 tons, being 115,070 tons in excess of 1892, which was a larger retur than for any previous year in the history of the harbor. The enlargement of the ship channel below this port is an important factor in cheapening cost of transport, as larger vessels are enabled to trade here.

It is expected that the completion of the new Sault canal on Canadian soil, and the improvements on other waterways will divert a larger traffic in this direction, but the consideration of this and other interesting features of the shipping trade must be deferred to a future issue.

AN UNDESIRABLE POLICY.

Now that the agricultural classes of Canada have time and opportunity for preparing themselves for public life, it is only natural that we should find an increasing desire on their part to participate more fully in shaping the destinies of the country. This has been evidenced more and more of late in provincial elections, and the extent of the movement has at last been shown by the plank in the platform of the North-West Patrons of Industry which provides that in future all rural constituencies shall be represented by farmers alone.

This effort to convert the agricultural population into the ruling class is bound to result in failure. Primarily it involves a vicious principle, because it would debar men of merit from representing rural constituencies simply because they followed other avocations than that of agriculture, and secondly, because it would eventually breed antagonism between the cities and the farming communities. Able men gravitating naturally towards centres of population and finding themselves restricted to the representation of cities if they desired to enter public life, would naturally uphold urban as opposed to rural interests, while the farming representatives, in order to secure support, would be disposed to push forward "hayseed" legislation. The result would certainly be friction between the two great divisions of the population at a time when the interests of both might demand the utmost harmony and concord.

It is the misfortune of the farmer that those to whom he is most ready to listen have contented themselves with playing on his vanity and credulity in order to attain their ends instead of endeavoring to educate him in the broader principles of statesmanship. He has been so satiated with flattery that he has come to believe that honesty, truth and integrity are qualities principally engendered by actual contact with the soil. His covetousness is glossed over as thrift, his stupidity becomes innocence, and his jealousy and narrow mindedness are dignified as the natural watchfulness of a pure nature against the contamination of town life. In fact he is an idealized farmer-something that never did, and never will exist, except in the imagination of the country orator. It is no wonder, then, that he deems himself the salt of the earth, the reformer of the evils brought about by the capitalist and the manufacplunges-into the extravagances which are rapidly bring-

ing the populist party in the United States into disrepute. In fact it is only because he is too busy looking after his own interests to bother with other peoples that he has not interfered more with the progress of the country than he has, and thus his innate selfishness has proved a distinct benefit to the community at large.

No doubt the farmer has good cause to be suspicious of the cities. It is from the city that the green-goods applaced is the lowest ever recorded, and it illustrates how man, the vendors of gold bricks, Bohemian oats, brass watches and dead nursery stock, and the man who wants agents to push his goods at enormous profits. sally forth to victimize him. But he forgets that it is his own greed, his own desire to get something for nothing, perhaps even his own dishonesty, that causes him to wander so easily into their toils. finds that his cunning is no match for theirs he lays the flattering unction to his soul that it is because he was more honest than they that he was so readily duped. and thus comes to regard himself, and inferentially the class to which he belongs, as the victims of the wiles of men who toil not, neither do they spin, and yet wear apparel and diamonds which, in his eyes, Solomon himself would find it difficult to equal.

All this tends to antagonize him towards the cities. and yet it is these very objects of his tacit hostility that furnish his sons with their principal opportunities of success. It is to the city that the ambitious young farm-boy turns in his desire to push himself forward in the world; for it is in the large centres of population alone that he can hope to find the opportunity he seeks. That he does so is shown by the fact that most of our eminent men, whether it be in politics, finance. law or medicine, have graduated from the farm. The country boy has fewer distractions than the town-bred lad, and when the latter is seeking one of the many forms of amusement so attractively placed within his reach, the former is busy acquiring that knowledge which is destined to put him in the first rank in the race for success. Fortunately for him, the jealousies that exist in the country are unknown in large cities. Were it not so; and were the cities to display a churlish spirit towards country lads, his task might be a more difficult one. But they do not. On the contrary they welcome him among them, and grant him freely the same opportunities they do to their own sons. They never think of insisting that cities shall be represented by citizens only. On the contrary their most trusted leaders are frequently drawn from rural constituencies.

The fact that the industrial and commercial interests of the cities sometimes apparently run counter to his own, does not justify the farmer in regarding them as inimical to him. And yet, from recent utterances, he evidently does; and therefore, although it seems harsh to say so, any increase in the number of farmer representatives in the legislature becomes more or less of a menace to the commercial and financial centres of the Dominion. It means the growth of purely class legislation. It means the freeing of the farmer from his share of the public burden by imposing it on other shoulders. It means the subordinating of all the other interests of the country to those of one single branch of the community. For all these reasons it is undesirable, and therefore it is to be hoped that the Patrons of Industry will reconsider their decision, and permit their members to select, as heretofore, for their representatives, the men they consider best adapted for the position, whether they be practical farmers or not.

MONEY IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Mail advices from London to the 1st inst., refer at some length to the Treasury bills of one million sterling, offered for tender a few days before, and which were all taken in bills for twelve months at £1 11s 11d per cent.

The applications amounted to very nearly eleven times the amount offered for tender. The rate at which the bills were strong is the opinion in the market that money will continue cheap and abundant for a long time to come. In plain language, the government has been able to borrow a million sterling at less than 1 5-8 per cent. for a whole year, and it was offered very nearly 11 millions at about the same rate. That money will continue so wonderfully cheap as this for a whole year is hardly probable; but that it will be very abundant and cheap, unless something entirely unforeseen occurs, may safely be assumed. In the open market the rate of discount for three months' bank bills has fallen to about 14 per cent., and in a few weeks it will probably be considerably under 1 per cent. Yet, while the discount rate is so low, there has been all through the week a very strong demand for short loans. The Bank of England did a large business, and was able to obtain as much as 2 per cent. The demand, of course, is merely temporary, is due mainly to the large collection of the revenue lately coming in at a very satisfactory rate.

The extraordinary cheapness of money, and the belief that it will continue for a long time to come, are helping trade, and the signs are multiplying of a decided improvement. Further, they are creating a more hopeful feeling on the Stock Exchange, where the impression is growing that before very long business will greatly increase. Already investment is going on upon a satisfactory scale, and-by-and by it is argued that this must lead to speculation. One other consequence that seems certain is, that we shall have a resumption by governments of the conversion of their debts. As our readers know the French government has already converted the four and a half per cents. Now the Egyptian government is asking the consent of the powers to the conversion of the unified debt amounting to 56 millions sterling. It is understood that it proposes to convert it into a three and a half per cent., at or about par. The Saturday Review chides the Times for taking up and supporting the objections that have been put forward by the Journal des Debats, and denounces it a monstrous thing to say that a government ought not to be allowed to pay off a debt bearing a high rate of interest when it can borrow at a much lower rate! The Times, supporting the Debats, reminds us that the interest on the unified debt was reduced in 1879. But everybody knows that Egypt was bankrupt in 1879, and that she would not have offered 4 per cent., or anything like 4 per cent., if she had been left free to do as she pleased. She was compelled to pay 4 per cent. by the intervention of the powers. Is it reasonable, or even equitable, to say that she must not now pay her debt because it suits investors to receive 4 per cent? The conversion proposed by the government would reduce the charge for the debt by about half a million sterling.

During the week ended 31 March there had again been a very strong demand for short loans, and the Bank of England had done a very large business at 2 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market, however, was still very lowonly about 1 3-16 per cent. The impression was growing that in a week or two money will become exceedingly abundant and cheap, and that rates for a long time will be exceedingly low. On the Continent and in the United States, as well as London, the supplies are exceptionally large, and the Bank of England continued to receive gold at an extraordinary rate. During the week ended Wednesday night, the net receipts were very nearly £400,000 and they are likely to continue large for a good while yet, for the production of gold, especially in South Africa, is rapidly increasing.

THE PORT OF MONTREAL.

The steady progress of the port of Montreal marks the advance of this city as the entrepot for the foreign commerce of the Dominion. Montreal's position as the terminal point of ocean navigation nearest to the interior has made her the gateway of the Canadian import and export trade, and consequently just as that trade has broadened and expanded from \$175,203,355 in 1877 to \$247,638,620 in 1893, so has the tonnage seeking her harbor grown from 376,859 to 1,151,777 tons within a period of sixteen years. There is another feature equally gratifying in connection with this port, and that is the state of its finances. As far back as 1880 the harbor dues on vessels were reduced by one-third and those on goods by onefifth. Ten years later, when the government assumed the cost of deepening the channel to 27½ feet, tonnage dues were abolished and the port made a free one so far as imposts on the vessels entering it were concerned. Yet the revenue continues amply sufficient to cover all liabilities. Last year the ordinary expenditure, including the interest on the debt, left a surplus of \$86,636 in the revenue available for expenditure on capital account, and when \$331,000 of the 61 per cent bonds are replaced next July by 4 per cents, a further saving of \$8,275 will be effected. The total bonded debt is now \$2,711,000, and placing the surplus of revenue over expenditure next year at \$95,000, which seems a tolerably safe estimate, the board could safely increase their obligation by a couple of millions of dollars, or even more, without weakening the standing of their bonds or impairing their ability to meet the interest as it fell due. This sum will suffice to carry out the suggestions of Ald. Hurteau for the remodelling of the harbor by the construction of large wharves at Maisonneuve and the excavation of an inland basin, 2000 feet long and 1200 feet wide, in the centre of Hochelaga Ward. This basin would be reached either by widening and deepening the Migeon brook, or by the excavation of a canal from Longue Pointe, and would afford every facility to the growing number of ocean steamships visiting this port. It would also be ample to complete the works now on hand and to equip the. port with all the necessary facilities for handling freight quickly and cheaply as well as to largely increase the wharfage accommodation. In fact the port of Montreal has been administered by business men for business men. As a consequence it has never failed to meet all its obligations promptly out of its own resources, and it has always been one of the principal factors in building up the trade of the Dominion.

GREEN, WORLOCK & CO.

The meeting of the creditors of the insolvent private banking company of Green, Worlock & Co., Victoria, B. C., held last week, was very largely attended. The statement made by the assignee that the estate, if carefully handled, would pay 100 cents in the dollar was manifestly a relief to the hundreds of small creditors whose funds were locked up by its suspension.

The statements presented showed the total liabilities to be \$527,043. These were composed of \$369,573 for deposits, \$58,481 for bills payable, \$70,000 for mortgages, and \$28,989 due to other banking institutions.

Against these the statements of assets put forward by the firm amounted to \$718,556, made up as follows:—

Table College	
Overdrafts	\$225,777
Interests due	
Bills receivable	117,795
Stocks and mortgages	40,823
Office furniture	1,000
Due from other banks	
Real Estate	325,732
Cash on hand	1,374

This left an apparent surplus of \$191,513; but this was afterwards cut down by the assignees, who deducted 50 per cent from the doubtful notes and overdrafts, and 97½ per cent from the bad ones. This brought these items down to

\$155,500 and \$90,286 respectively. They also reduced the value of the stocks and mcrtgages held to \$23,808, and that of the real estate to \$283,935. These reductions made the total assets only \$561,958, and reduced the surplus over liabilities to \$34,915

These reductions Mr. Worlock claims are excessive; but if this be so, it will be so much the better for the firm, for the balance left after the creditors have been satisfied means all the capital they will have to resume business on. In speaking of the causes of the failure Mr. Worlock said that as early as the fall of 1892 he had commenced to prepare for what he saw was a coming period of depression by restricting the volume of the bank's loans. By calling in his least profitable accounts on the 1st January, 1893, his position was strengthened by nearly \$100,000. This he considered adequate at the The early spring, however, had barely opened when the drain of gold to England commenced. Restriction all through the United States followed, until the panic set in during which some six hundred banks closed their doors. Victoria being so closely connected from a business point of view with the United States, could not hope to escape. The drain upon deposits began. During June, July and August the bank lost \$200,000 in this way. It became impossible to get in the overdrafts or realize upon the other assets in time, and as a result the bank had to close its doors.

As the failure was not caused by either recklessness or inefficiency upon the part of the management, but by circumstances entirely beyond their control, it is gratifying to hear that with judicious and economical winding up, and the forbearance of the creditors, it will be possible, after paying every dollar of the indebtedness, to hand back a fair sum to the partners in the bank who are naturally the heaviest losers by its suspension. It is doubtful, however, if it would be wise for them, with impaired capital, to resume the banking business. The days of the private banks are over. They cannot compete with powerful chartered institutions controlling almost unlimited resources and able to do business on a scale they could not pretend to emulate. One by one they are being crushed out, or are retiring from a field no longer profitable to them. The experience of Green, Worlock & Co. is only that of many similar banks, and hence, when once that firm have emerged from their present difficulties it would be well for them to bend their talents in some other direction.

THE WHEAT CROP.

The uncertainties which surrounded the growing wheat crop last week are still prevalent. The evidence of positive injury is not conclusive, yet the general tenor of the reports show that some damage really occurred, even if it be true that 85 per cent. of the winter grain area escaped appreciable injury. But the general conclusion of practical men is that the present average condition is approximately 88 as compared with 100 for a fully healthy condition of the plant. As the average condition in April last year was 77.4, this means that even with the decreased area which has this season been recognized, the present outlook admits of a larger production of winter grain than last year, if conditions should hereafter be equally as favorable. The further information available trom the Northwest confirms the view that a reduced area is expected to be seeded in wheat this season in Minnesota and the Dakotas. But the question then arises as to whether such reductions are not due, in a large measure; to plans for increasing the acreage of other equivalent crops in the enlarged area naturally to be brought under culture, rather than an actual curtailment of the wheat area. The situation hardly warrants full acceptance of such a decrease in wheat acreage as the current estimates would literally suggest. There appears to be good reason for the view that the wheat area in 1893 was approximately 3,500,000 acres more than officially estimated. If this be accepted, it is reasonable to calculate that the aggregate acreage this season is not likely to fall short of that which was actually harvested last year. At least so thinks so recognized an authority as the Cincinnati Price

Current. In face of this it seems difficult to see upon what grounds President Van Horne bases his belief (as reported) that inside of eighteen months wheat will be at \$2 per bushel. In the opinion of most experts we are extremely unlikely to see dollar wheat again for some time. Even were the decrease of 10 per cent. in the production of wheat on this continent, to take place as he anticipates, it would have but little effect on English values, and it is by English values that our prices are ruled. Russia, India, and Argentina stand ready to supply her wants, and could do so did not a single bushel of American wheat ever cross the Atlantic. In addition to this the ten per cent. of acreage not devoted to wheat would not be allowed to lie fallow. It would be devoted to the raising of some other cereal, more or less a substitute for wheat and hence would be only a factor to a limited extent in raising values. It is to be feared that Mr. Van Horne's wishes are fathers to his thoughts; for the average farmer would be only too delighted if wheat again touched the dollar mark, and an advance of 300 per cent. in value has never even entered his mind as a possibility.

There is one side to the wheat question usually ignored, and that is the growing substitution of other articles of diet on our tables. The market gardener perceives it, and he gets a better profit than the baker.

A SATISFACTORY ESTATE.

The modesty which is usually inseparable from honest ondeavor in business affairs has rather an injurious than beneficial effect upon public morality, that is, in its commercial We hear so much of what is base and reprehensibleof the actions at law to enforce what is just or unjust-of the wrecks by the way-of the dark side of business, all of which are tolorably certain to find chroniclers, that when the good deed leaks out now and again and is mentioned appreciatively by a few persons who know of it, people are only too prone to consider it an exception to the rule. Indeed the great majority of worthy people are but too apt to forget the injunction about letting their "light shine" among men; and thus the masses of the community are led to believe that honesty in business is a rare principle, and business men that the grand old term "The honour of a British merchant" is gradually losing its application among us. We have had occasion in former issues to make mention of cases where belief in the phrase above quoted found ample warranty, and we are the more gratified to see constant evidences that the honorable deed has been, and is still, meeting with deserved reward. Two or three of our wealthiest wholesale houses would not exchange the consciousness of their former good actions when, though sheltered by statutory enactment, they met the remainder of their honest obligations, for much more than they involved, or for any consideration whatever. Thus far, as profacing the following from an influential and prosperous wholesale merchant of Toronto, a communication which our business men all over Canada will be pleased to read:-

The Journal of Commerce, Montreal.

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Gentlemen:—As Mr. J. B. Alston's assignment, which occurred in Hamilton last October, was published in your valued paper, I have no doubt you will be pleased to learn of the honourable treatment the creditors have received at Mr. Alston's hands. The final dividend has been declared, and the estate has paid 95½ per cent, or practically discharged his liabilities in full. I feel that Mr. Alston has acted most justly in this matter and is deserving a great deal of commendation, I wish you would give this matter some space in your valued paper, which no doubt Mr. Alston would greatly appreciate. Your kind attention will oblige, Yours truly.

STAPLETON CALDECOTT, Assignee.

The JOURNAL OF COMMERCE is but too well pleased at the opportunity to place on record so gratifying a result, especially at a time when the conditions that make for it are not at their very best.

-Tur parailln wax department of the Imperial Oil Co. at Petrolia was badly damaged by fire on Monday last. The companies interested were the Mercantile, Lancashire, North British, Queens, Royal, British American and Western,

THE CONFEDERATION LIFE.

The evidence of continued popularity and success afforded by the report presented at the twenty-second annual meeting of the Confederation Life Association reflects credit upon the managing director, Mr. J. K. Macdonald, and his able corps of assistants, more especially when we take into consideration the fact that the volume of new business it represents was obtained during a period of business depression and from Canadian sources only. The total new business of the year reached \$3,917,543 worth of insurance, which is the largest ever obtained by the Association in any one year. Added to that already in force it brought up the total in force at the close of the year to \$21,430,731 under 15,872 policies on 13,961 lives. Considering the number of lives and the amount at risk, the loss of \$203,733 by death, is exceptionally small and bears evidence of the careful selection of the company's officials, while the popularity of the company is easily explained by the fact that the whole of this sum was paid to the heirs on an average of six hours after receipt of the completed proofs of death-Prompt payments and generous treatment soon increase an insurance company's business, and it is through their perception of this fact that the officials of the Confederation Life are able to make so good a showing at the close of a year exceptionally unfavorable to life insurance.

The business of the company in this province is carried on by Messrs. H. J. Johnston & Son, with the assistance of an Advisory Board composed of Hon. Edward Murphy and Messrs. J. A. Cantlie, A. S. Hamelin and William J. Morrice. The latter gentleman is a new addition to the board. He is a member of the large cotton firm of D. Morrice, Sons & Co., and will doubtless give additional weight and enterprise to the company's operations here.

A SENSIBLE BILL.

Dr. Milne's bill to amend the Creditors Trust Deeds Act of 1890 is now before the British Columbian Legislature. The improvements it makes in the existing law may be briefly explained as follows: It provides that every assignment for the benefit of creditors shall be good and valid if its construction and effect shall accord with its expressed purpose, and shall not be set aside on any ground except actual fraud. Such an assignment shall take precedence of all judgments, and all attachments not completely executed by payment. A meeting of creditors is to be called within ten days of the assignment. A creditor having claims over \$50 and not exceeding \$200 will be entitled to one vote; not exceeding \$500, two votes; \$1,000. three votes, and every additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof one vote. The assignees are to receive such remuneration as shall be voted by the creditors or fixed by a judge of the Supreme

A BANK ROBBED.

Three expert burglars broke into the branch of the Bank of St. Hyacinthe at Farnham on Monday night, drilled the lock of the vanlt, and then blew open the inner safe with dynamite. In it they secured \$10,800, in all, consisting of \$2300 in \$1 and \$2 bills, \$1,900 in greenbacks, \$3,900 in the bank's own bills, \$985 in other bills, \$900 in gold and \$800 in silver As they were unable to carry away both the money and their tools they left the latter behind them, and detectives say they are the most complete and beautifully finished set that ever were found in Canada. No clue has been found to the burgpars, although it is known that they came to this city; but a sharp look out is being kept for any one changing Bank of St. Hyacinthe notes for other money.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY,

Return of traffic week ending April 7th, 1894:

Passenger Train Earnings..... 110,460 128,006 214,514 239,132 do. do. \$324,514 239,132 \$324,974 867,138 Decrease 1894, \$42,164.

A PECULIAR CASE.

It is rather an unusual thing for an insurance company to grant a policy on the life of a man already dead, and still more unusual for them to be forced to pay over the value of it to the heirs. Yet if the evidence of the Connecticut Indemnity Insurance Association is credible this is precisely what has happened in the Arbuckle case.

On the 13th April, 1892, Mr. C. T. Arbuckle applied for a policy of \$1,000 on his life. The application was forwarded by the local agent to the head office of the company, and according to their version of the story was approved and the policy issued on the 31st of May. Eight days before this Arbuckle (who had paid no premium; be it understood) died, and his widow applied for the payment of \$1,000 which was the face value of the policy. The company pleaded that they had received no premium and that the man was dead before the policy was issued. The widow insisted that the policy was approved on the 1st of May, and not on the 31st; that the latter day was a Sunday on which no business could be done; and that the figure 3 was interpolated. She also tendered the amount of premium due. The jury evidently believed her story. They felt that it was hardly likely that the company should not have heard of the man's death between the 23rd and the 31st, the date upon which the policy was said to have been issued, and so they gave a verdict in her favor for \$1,000 with interest from the date of death less the premium due. A new trial has been moved for, and, it is said, some more evidence will be brought forward to substantiate the company's side of the case. If this should prove their statements to be correct it will leave the first jury in the curious position of having condemned the company to pay insurance on the life of a man who was already dead when he first appeared as a risk upon their books.

WILL COPY CANADA.

It looks as if Congress would pass during the present session a bill authorising the issue of national and state bank currency upon a system largely copied from that ruling in this country. This is rendered absolutely necessary in order to check the growth of the agitation in the West and South for increased issues of silver coin. The majority of this class of inflationists want more money rather than more silver. They ask for silver because in doing so they secure the powerful support of the silver producing states; but they would be just as willing to accept any other form of currency. Consequently the passage of such a measure would have the effect of depriving the silver agitators of two-thirds of their present support, and thus might permanently remove this disturbing issue from the field of politics. It is with this end in view that a modification of the Canadian system of currency is now being prepared for introduction to the House, and its support by the administration as well as by the party leaders is said to be secured.

CHANGING THEIR METHODS.

The fact that 150,000 acres of land in Great Britain were -withdrawn from cultivation last year and turned into pasture, shows that England is rapidly ceasing to be a wheat producing country. The wheat area is now 1,800,000 acres less than it was in 1873. Fruit farming and market gardening are largely on the increase, and it is evident that British agriculturists are giving up the hopeless struggle with the United States. Russia, and India, and are turning their attention more to dairying and truck-farming. In these branches they should be able to retrieve their fortunes; for last year the imports of butter; cheese and eggs alone into England were valued at £25,820,000, and in addition immense quantities of fruit, vegetables, and even milk, were imported. There is no reason why the British farmer should not secure a larger proportion of the home market than he does; except that he is so conservative that it takes the inexorable logic of disaster to make him change his methods.

TUBERCULOSIS.

The continued existence of a disease in our midst whose victims annually are far more numerous than those of a murderous warfare is naturally looked upon as a reproach to modern medical science. It is estimated that in the United States and Canada 163,500 persons die annually from tubercular disease, of whom 141,000 perish from consumption, 12,000 from tuber-As each of culous meningitis, and 10,500 from scrofula. these deaths represents upon an average two years of a lingering and painful illness, it follows that there are 327,000 persons to-day in Canada and the United States dying slowly of tuberculosis. When we consider that, in addition to the suffering involved, the monetary cost of this scourge of human life mounts up into the tens of millions annually, it is little wonder that mankind are searching eagerly for some preventive or remedy for its ravages, or that they point disdainfully at the inability of medical science to cope with it.

WHO THREW THE BOMB?

A former friend of the Jacques Cartier Bank has issued to the shareholders an anonymous circular such as might be expected to emanate from a soured mind or a disappointed ambition. The writer evidently has not too high an opinion of his former friends, and is doubtless consistently reciprocal in this respect. If the ostracized anonymity agreed so long in office, and now admits he was mistaken, he may surely be asked, "How do you know you are right to-day?" The circular issued by the bank in reply contains these words:

"The author of it does not reveal his name, but he is none the less known to the directors, We, who know him, are well aware that it is not so much the interest of the shareholders which animates him as the wish of avenging himself on the board of management for failures which he owes to his duplicity, The directors will be happy to furnish you, personally, with all information which you may wish for,"

The circular is signed by Alph. Desjardins, president; A. S. Hamelin, vice-president; Joel Leduc, Dumont Laviolette, directors; A. de Martigny, managing director.

The names of these gentlemen ought surely to be a sufficient assurance and guarantee to all parties concerned.

SOUTHERN CROPS.

The final official figures of the Louisiana sugar crop place it at 603,353,087 pounds which is 23,000,000 pounds less than the estimate of the State Board of Agriculture. Of this 88,092, 101 polarized over 90 degrees, and will receive the bounty of 2 cents per pound awarded by the McKinley Bill and 84,191,672 polarized above 80 degrees and will receive 1½ cents bounty. Sugars falling below that grade receive no bounty. When all claims are paid the state will have received \$11,634,000 for sugar bounties from the U.S. government.

The Florida orange crop is very large, and is estimated at six million boxes, as against 1½ millions the previous year. The California orange crop is 2,500,000 boxes, an increase of half a million boxes over last year, but California oranges do not compete with Floridas as severely as Sicilians because the freight from San Francisco to New York is 87½ cents per box, while Floridas can go by boat for 50 cents. It is said that one of the largest growers in California has volunteered to sell his whole crop by contract for 50 cents per box.

THE GROCERY TRADE.

Although the wholesale grocery trade is free from the influence of fashion which so frequently plays havor with certain lines of dry goods, it is not without its own disadvantages. The principle, or whatever it is, that deters some houses from adding wines and spirits to their stock resembles Virtue in that it "is its own reward." This distinction is often keenly felt by wholesalers in times of depression. It is to be hoped that certain threatened troubles in the trade may continue to be warded off by the "friends indeed."

-English green goods swindlers work the game differently from their brethren on this side. They give the victim genuine notes in return for his money, but, as he is carrying it off, hogus detectives pounce upon him and seize it. In the confusion he is allowed to getaway, and he is usually so glad to escape the clutches of the law that he never enquires after the money he gave up.

-Sixteen hundred of the 2200 miles of the Commercial Cable Co's, third transatlantic cable are ready and the "Faraday" has sailed with the heaviest portion of 500 miles which is to be laid. from Canso to the Newfoundland banks where it will be buoyed. The deep sea section will be laid in June, and it is expected the cable will be completed by 1st July.

CONFEDERATION LIFE.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Confederation Life Association was held at the head office of the association, Richmond street, Toronto, on Tuesday, April 3, 1894, at 3 o'clock p.m.

The following gentlemen were present :-Sir W. P. Howland, President; Ddward Hooper, First Vice-President; W. H. Bentty, Second Vice-President; J. K. Macdonald, Managing Director; Walter S. Lee, W. H. Gibbs, Alfred Gooderham, A. McLean Howard, Hon. James Young, E. T. Malone, William Adamson, D. B. Dick, Major Hiscott, M.P.P., O. A. Howland, Alfred Meyers, Henry Swan, W. Macdonald, Thomas McCracken, Fredrick Wyld, J. C. Hamilton, C. E. Hooper, A. A. Allan, C. M. Gripton, J. Tower Boyd, J. Russell Snow, C. Blackett Robinson, I. Diamond, R. S. Baird, J. P. Donald, George D. Lewis and Israel Taylor, Wil-liam Taylor and John Jenkins of Clinton, Ont., and others.

The President, Sir W. P. Howland, was called to the chair, and Mr. J. K. Macdonald, Managing Director, acted as sec-

The chairman first called upon the retary to read the official notice calling the meeting, which was done. The minutes of last meeting were ac-

Mr. Macdonald stated that he had a let-ter from his Worship Mayor Kennedy, who is a very old policyholder with us, in which he expressed regret at not being able to be present this afternoon.

The following report and statements were then submitted to the meeting:—

-Report-In submitting the twenty-second annual report of the association, it affords your directors much pleasure to draw the attention of the policyholders and shareholders to the evidences of continued popularity and success afforded by the statements now submitted. As heretofore, the business has been obtained from purely Canadian sources, and, considering the severe depression in business generally, the volume of new insurance secured is very satisfactory.

We had before us 2,535 applications for a total insurance of \$4,181,000. Of these, 135 for \$243,500, not being desirable risks, were declined; 11 for \$19,000 were defer-red for a time, and the balance was accepted and policies issued. Adding the revived policies of previous years and the bonus additions, the total new business for the year was 2,408 policies for \$3,917,548 of insurance.
The total insurance in force at the close

of the year was \$24,430,731, under 15,872

policies on 13,961 lives.

The new business for 1893 is the largest ever obtained by the association in any

year.

The death claims for the year aggregate the sum of \$209,108, under 123 policies on 109 ligns. By a summer 124 policies on 109 ligns. 109 lives. By re-insurances on two lives, the claims were reduced by the sum of \$5,375, making the net loss \$203,783. This sum, while larger than in any previous year, is still very favorable, considering the number of lives and the amount risk. The value of life insurance is strikingly illustrated by the payment of the large sum of \$209,108 by this association last year, on an average of less than six hours after the receipt of completed

The financial statements submitted with

this report, exhibit the true position of the association at the close of the year. The audit, which is made monthly, has been thorough and prompt. The delay in finishing the western part of the new head office building has been

a cause of great regret to your directors. However, it was completed shortly be-

However, it was completed shortly before the close of the year, and it will be
a source of satisfaction to know that a
considerable portion has already been
rented, with a fair prospect that more
will soon be under lease. It is not too
much to anticipate that, with a revival of business, there is the certainty that the excellence of the accommodation which the entire building affords and its advantageous position in the centre of the city, every room will be rented at good prices.
As provided by the act of incorporation,

all the directors retire, but are eligible for re-election.

W. P. HOWLAND, President.

J. K. MACDONALD.

Managing Director.

80,541 75

8,508 46

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-Financial Statement - \$793,000 37

Premiums 7,888 75 Annuit**i**es

\$800,884 12

re-assurance 4,379 08 premiums

\$796,505 04 185,894 86

Interest and rents (net) \$982,399 90

Disbursements-Expenses, salaries and comexpenses, salaries and com-missions, agents, doctors, --\$187,986 77

porary \$25,000) To Policyholders-Death claims (net) \$194,084 78 Endowment claims 62,663 00 Surrende'd policies 29,616 74 Dividends(cash and

63,859 51 T. R.'s) 850,174 03

to . stockholders Dividends and civic tax 15,256 82 898,440 58 Balance

> 982,399 90 -Balance Sheet-

Assets--\$2,166,298 86 Mortgages Debentures and Government 459,198 81

Real estate, including com-pany's buildings in Toron-to and Winnipeg 997,156 82 Loans on stock and deben-124,754 13 tures Loans on company's policies 405,258 72 Fire premiums due from mortgagors - - -5,788 62 6,873 87 Furniture

Advances to agents, etc., on security of salaries and for travelling expenses Sundry current accounts Cash in banks, \$87,184 74, at II.O. \$798 55

Outstanding pre-\$187,858 06 miums Deferred premi-37,580 22 ume

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\$4,520,133 04 Limbilities-

Assurance and annuity funds \$4,001,198 00 Losses by death accrued (not adjusted) 83,061 85

Fees, doctors, directors, etc. Capital stock paid up Dividend due January 1, 9,906 94 100,000 00 7,500 00

1894 To policyholders for balance declared profits (cash and T. R.'s)

78,996 98 surplus above all liabilities 294,469 82

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J. K. MACDONALD, Managing Director. -Auditors' Report-

We beg to report that we have completed the audit of the books of the associa-1893, and have examined the vouchers connected therewith, and certify that the financial statements agree with the books

The securities represented in the assets (with the exception of those lodged with the Dominion Government, amounting to \$84,500) have been examined and compared with the books of the association, and are correct and correspond with the schedules and ledgers.

The bank balances and cash are certified as correct.

W. R. HARRIS. WM. E. WATSON, F.C.A. Auditors.

Toronto, February 28th, 1894. -Proceedings

The President, Sir William Howland, moved the adoption of the reports and statements submitted to the meeting, and in doing so, briefly referred to the com-mercial stringency which had existed dur-ing the past year over the larger portion of the civilized world, and the responsi-bility and anxiety which it imposed upon those having charge of the management of institutions of this kind and on all others connected with the monetary alfairs of the country, but stated that it was satisfactory to know that the stringency which existed in limancial matters had not which existed in imaging matters and not been so great in Canada as had been the case in other countries. In view of these circumstances it was particularly gratifying to report the large volume of business which had been secured by the associa-tion during the past year, and for the very general measure of prosperity which had attended the operations of the company.

He referred to the loss which the board had sustained in the death of their dear friend and colleague, the late Mr. William Elliot, Vice-President, who had been associated with the company and had given constant and unremitting attention to its

affairs during that long period of time. Mr. E. Hooper, Vice-President, seconded the resolution and said:—"I have great pleasure in seconding this resolution. I certainly must express myself as well pleased with the result of the year's business, which is the largest done by the

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During the proceedings of the meeting several of the prominent policyholders and others who were present referred in complimentary terms to the business of the association for the past year, the manner in which it had been conducted, and to the strong financial and prominent position which this company occupies amongst the life insurance companies of Canada.

Reference was also made to the new "Unconditional Policy" which had recently been adopted by the company, with its absolutely and automatically non-forfeitable provision known as the "Extended Insurance" feature. The adoption of such a policy in conjunction with the other forms of policy contract would, without doubt, tend to popularize in a very large measure the plans of the company, and result in a largely increased measure of public confidence in the future.

-Directors-

The following were elected as directors of the association for the current year:—Sir W. P. Howland, Messrs. E. Hooper, W. H. Beatty, Hon. James Young, S. Nordheimer, W. H. Gibbs, A. McLean Howard, J. D. Edgar, M.P., Walter S. Lee, A.L. Gooderham, W. D. Matthews, George Mitchell of Halifax, Frederick Wyld, J. K. Macdonald.

The meeting then adjourned, immediately after which a meeting of the new Board of Directors was held, at which Sir W. P. Howland was re-elected President, and Messrs. Edward Hooper and W. H. Beatty Vice-Presidents.

Financial.

Thursday, Evg., April 12, '94.

The local money market has been quiet and unchanged. Outside of Passenger and Gas there was little doing in stocks. The former has been active, but closes weak. There was business in it to-day at 182, and it touched 186% earlier in the week. Sales of Gas were 3,251 chares within the range of 182% and 187, busi-

ness to-day being reported at 188 and 182%. Mr. Holt's appointment, in succession to Mr. Joseph, appears to be favorably received. Canada Pacific neglected at 70 and 70%; \$5,000 of the land bonds of the company were placed at 109%. Cable sold at 145 and 143% and closes at its lowest point. Bank of Montreal sold at 227 to 228 and some Toronto at 249% to 250%. Hochelaga was steady at 125. Richelieu was dull and neglected and there was little done in cottons. Telegraph despatches from Chicago to-day speak of provisions as strong, with pork up 50c per brl. May wheat opened at 60%c, fell to 58%c and was subsequently selling at 59%. New York stocks to-day were dull and uninteresting. Chicago Gas was the feature in expectation of Justice Maloney's decision. There was a dull market for local sterling, as usual, just prior to the opening of navigation. Nominal rates for 60 day bills are 91/2 to 1/8 and 9% to %; demand 918-16 to 15-16 and 10% to %; cables 101-16 to 10%. New York funds 1-16 to par and 16 to 14. Call loans 4% per cent. The following is the record of local stocks for the week, as per Chas. Meredith & Co., stock brokers :-

BANKS.	Share	Highe	Lowes	Last Y
Montreal	34	228	227	2311/2
Peoples	9	124	122	119
Moisons	. 3	168	168	4
Toronto	50	2501/4	249%	
Merchants	3	165	1621	1641/2
Commerce	20	142	141%	146%
Hochelaga	100	125	125	110/4
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Pacific	150	701/4	_70	841/8
" Land B'ds	5000	1091/4	1091/4	
Cable	381	145	148%	147
Telegraph	176	149	148%	14516
Richelieu	100	79 .	79	711%
Passenger	2410	1863/	1801/	1891/2
Gas	3251	187	18212	204
Bell Telephone	159	151	15034	
Montreal Cotton.	27	183	132	1871/
Colored "	120	75	68	9812
Col. Cot. B'ds \$		100	100	22/2
Dominion Cot	45	1221/2	122	1801
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Thursday Evg., April 12, 1894.

The number of failures in this city and province has again been less than the usual average, and there is evidently a disposition to give slow payers a chance, now that navigation is opening and spring trade begins to increase in volume. Undue pressure on deserving firms is not always wise, and so many week-kneed and undesirable concerns have fallen by the way, that the commercial atmosphere must certainly have been cleared and purified to a considerable extent. The resumption of river and ocean traffic will have an influence on the movement of city merchandise and country produce, and always causes a freer circulation of money. Many lines of finished goods will now be held in stock until the boats run, so as to take advantage of the lower freight rates by water. Orders for first shipments are large and continue to booked freely. Some important changes in the tariff are thought possible, but for most goods quotations are established, and more settled conditions preAshes.—Receipts fair, demand less active. First pots sell at 4.12 1-2 to 4.15 seconds scarce at 3.70. Pearls nominal at 5.40 to \$5.50 for first sort. Received since 1st January 500 pots 60 pearls; Delivered 414 pots 40 pearls; in store 12th April at 3 p.m 133 pots 60 pearls

Butter and Cheese.—There is a fair local demand for butter, and prices are steady in consequence of moderate supplies. The make is rapidly on the increase, although it is too early to say anything about the pastures in this section of the country. The land is bare of snow but decidedly brown. New domestic creamery is quoted at 26c to 27c and United States at 21c to 24c. Townships dairy 21c to 24c. Old creamery is jobbing at 18c to 22c. Cheese dull and nominal with retail business only. Retail city prices:—Choice print butter 30c to 35c, creamery 28c to 30c, good dairy 23c to 25c, mild cheese 12c to 14c, strong 17c to 20c. The Liverpool cheese cable has advanced to 56s 6d and prospects look encouraging. At Ingersoll 200 new cheese have sold at 91-2c to 3-4c, about the average price for April make in that section. Brockville has also placed about 200 boxes this season at 10 1-2c. Factories are starting and offerings will be larger next week.

Dry Goods.-Certain changes in the tariff are expected on the lines already mentioned, and the trade is taking more interest in this subject than in anything else. Sales of spring goods at city retail stores have been fair, and the wholesale trade will soon feet the benefit. The season is now advancing, and the rapid movement of the ice gives hopes of river navigation within a few days. English and continential buyers of Canadian houses have been heard from in the large centres of the old world. Markets there show no important change. Country roads here are drying up and getting into shape, and fair orders have been received from parts of the older provinces. The scarcity of money continues to be felt. Liverpool has been lower for spot cotton, causing a weaker tendency, and a recent decline in one day of 5 points in New York. The advance of 10 points established the past week has been extinguished, sellers showing a disposition to meet the market. Interior stocks are said to be losing largely, towever, and there may soon be a re-action. In Manchester yarns are cabled quiet and cloths dull. Liverpool,—Cotton quiet, American middlings, 41-16d. New York,—Cotton, futures steady; April 7.57c, May 7.68c, June 7.89c, July 7.75c, Snots, quiet and lower; uplands, 7 11-16c. Spots, quiet and lower; uplands, 7 11-16c; gulf, 7 15-16c; futures, (barely steady; sules, April 7.51c, May 7.54c, June 7.61c, July 7.67c, Aug. 7.72c, Sept. 7.70c.

Flour and Grain.-There is more enquiry for flour for delivery to lower ports and elsewhere on the opening of navigation. The market is firm. Grain quiet and little doing, market in the west being unsettled and occasionally shaky looking, owing to the movements of speculators. Advances made one day have been lost the next, and buyers are thereby encouraged to hold back. There were rains in the west calculated to benefit the crops Sentiment part of the week was bearish. The trade is not disposed to accept the views of serious crop damage and are quick to liquidate, if "long," or sell on any favorable conditions reported. Previous crop scares made active "bulls" of all, whereas to-day the trade is inclined to resist any advance. According to the United States Government map, the weather was colder, with snow or rain west or east... The temperature in the Northwest was 24 to 30 degrees, and 84 to 40 degrees in the winter wheat belt, 42 to 50 degrees in the southwest, and 32 to 40 degrees in the lake regions and eastward. It was still

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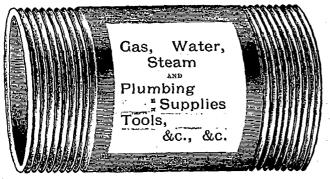


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dry and cold in Kansas, and in Nebraska it was reported wheat was being ploughed up and oats a failure. Drought conditions prevailed in California. Michigan winter wheat condition 90 per cont., against 84 a year ago. The United States Government returns for last year (as a matter of comparison only, for the figures greatly understated actual conditions) gave the winter wheat area at 22, 868,539 neres, and the crop production at 275,488,809 bushels. The area sown this year is given as only 92.2 per cent. of the 1893 crop harvested, which was be-tween 3 and 4 million acres less than the area sown, due to the winter killing, etc. Kansas this year by its State report sowed 4.1-2 million acres, against 2.768,092 acres. Foreign m arkets were generally steady notwithstanding free arrivals of California wheat, of 4 vessels at ports of call and 2 at Hull, and all large cargoes. The shipments of wheat the past week from Eastern European, Australian and South American ports show a decided inerense, amounting to 3,150,000 bushels, against 1,680.000 bushels the previous week and 1,360,000 bushels the same week last year. These shipments, combined with those from India, 100,000 bushels, and 2,778,450 bushels from the United and 2,778,450 bushels from the United States, both coasts, aggregate 6,030,150 bushels, against Beerbohm's revised estimated European weekly requirements of 6,800,000 bushels, or a deficit of 769,850 bushels. The amount of wheat and flour now in transit to Europe with the visible supply of wheat in the United States and Capada is equivalent to 108,706,000 bushels. Canada is equivalent to 108,706,000 bushels, against 113,277,000 bushels a year ago. The anxiously looked for United States report on the condition of winter wheat gave a percentage of 86.7, while many expected something like 88. It was bearish, however, compared with last year. Last spring the precentage, given on the first of April, was 77.4, a difference of 9.3 in favor of the condition this spring. The reports only take up to the end of March, and crop damage has certainly occurred in April. Recent Chicago cash quotations: Wheat 61.5-8c, corn 38 1-4c, oats 32 1-4c, pork \$12.52 1-2, lard \$7.50 and ribs \$6.42 1-2.

Green Fruits, Etc.—Late cable advices state that the steamer Phoenix passed Malta, Apr 4, for Montreal, with 1,000 boxes and 3,000 half ditto Catania oranges, 3,000 boxes lemons, 2,000 ditto and 800 half ditto Messina oranges; 22,500 boxes Messina lemons. Two other steamers are loading for this port. Some fine young encumbers were offering at \$2.50 per doz-Pineapples 18e to 25c each. Florida oranges \$4 to \$5 per box; Messinas \$3.50 to \$4; Bloods \$5 to \$5.50. Bananas \$1 to \$2.75 per bunch. Lemons \$2.50 to \$3.50 per box. Tomatoes \$4 per six basket carriers. The steamship Premier is due to arrive here on the 17th. She has a cargo of 8.000 bunches of bananas; 200 packages of oranges, and 600 bags of San-Blas and Jamaica cocoanuts. The fruit will be offered for sale by auction at the ship's side on arrival, and all orders placed will be carefully attended to. Cranberries in boxes \$3; brls. \$9

to \$9.50. Grape fruit \$4.50 per box. Spinach \$2.50 to \$2.75. Asparagus \$1.10. Celery 80c per dozen. Horse radish 17c per lb. English cobnuts 22c per lb. Walnuts 111-2c to 12c. Filherts 81-2c to 91-2c. Almonds 111-2c to 13c. Peanuts 7c to 9c. Italian chestnuts 10c. Hickory nuts 4c. Polished pecans 9c. Shelled walnuts 16c to 19c. French prunes 4c to 51-2c. Apples \$4.50 to \$6 per brl. New cabbage \$2.75 to \$3 per crafe.

Groceries .- Lower rail rates have caused a larger distribution of general staple goods. A few sales of teas in moderate sized lots are mentioned, and there is a demand from the West. Well informed traders think no change will be made in the tea duty of 10 per cent., applicable equally to English and American ports when. tea does not come direct from place of growth or on a through bill of landing. To remove the duty against London now would be a flagrant act of discrimination against the United States, which would soon re-act against us at Washington. The Ottawa authorities have evidently gained their double object of assisting the Pacific route, and pleasing the wholesale grocers of the Maritime Provinces, who were annoyed by English agents selling tea in their district in retail lots, thus spoiling their profits. If the Government is asked to admit British tea free of duty. they are likely to reply that they cannot do so without letting in stock from the American market. This would not suit the Canadian trade. American agents would come in here, and after stocking up the wholesale trade in the "twinkling of an eye," so to speak, would be soon ramban eye," so to speak, would be soon rambling throughout the country, searching up the smaller buyers, who look to our merchants for their supplies. This is said to have been the experience on a former occasion. Tea men will doubtless decide to "let well enough alone." The protests of the British tea merchants to Sir Charles Tupper, as detailed in the press, cables. Tupper, as detailed in the press cable-grams, are rather funny. The dense Englishman has come to the conclusion that the 10 per cent. tax has been put on against him because Canadians are afraid he is sending us adulterated tea. He does no appear to comprehend that the Fin-auce Minister is giving him a dose of the, same medicine which Uncle Sam has had to swallow for some time past, and that the sole question is one of tariff policy. The English trade has doubtless been led to form hasty conclusions by late sensa-tional cables from Montreal speaking about certain rubbishy teas, rejected at New York, being placed in Canada for low

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class trade in the lumber, mining, fishery and poor agricultural sections. Refined sugar in this market is quiet. Granulated has sold at 4 5-16c and 4 3-8c, as to size of lot, some large quantities being placed at 41-4c. Yellows 31-8c to 4c. The ad valorem duties have effected a reduction in prices of some low quality raisins and currents of 8-8c. Some high class bottled fruits, prunes, etc., will, however, be as much as 3c dearer. Cross & Black-well's pickles have had to be advanced, and faucy imported grocery delicacies -will-suffer-all-round,—The rich will have to pay for luxuries on the basis of value instead of paying no more than is charged on an inferior article suited to the poor man's purse. We have before us the export list for 1893-94 of Wm. Rogers & Co., raisin packers, Denia. They write as follows: A too powerful sun somewhat pre-judiced the size of the crop, which only yielded 24,830 tons, as against 29,544 tons last season. All raisins were safely housed and the quality on the whole has been good. Shipments commenced a fortnight earlier than usual and prices opened nominally at 4 dollars but quickly de-clined to 3, when a fair demand took clined to 3, place. Subsequently, shipments became rather slow until the latter part of September, when, owing to prices having fal-len to \$2.50, nearly 6,000 tons were ship-ped. Demand was steady at this low price, and no rise took place until the beginning of this year, when the remainder of the crop was disposed of at \$3. We are now more sanguine that the United States will reduce the duty on valencias from 2 1-2c to 1 1-2c, the present high tariff having prevented the export of the usual large quantities. There is also some probability that England will this spring abolish the duty on raisins and dried fruits. If our hopes are realized and the fact that by August next stocks in England and America will be comparatively "nil," we look forward to a brisk demand not only at the outset, but throughout the season." A summary shows that Canada took 30,345 cwts. Rio coffee market firm. Rate of exchange at Rio 9 3-16d. European advices came stronger. Stock of Brazil coffee in New York 141,468 bags, in the United States 204,208 bags, which, with the quantity affoat for this country, 267,000 bags making the American visible supply 471,208 bags, against 570,158 bags



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at the same time last year. The New York market for leading staples is thus reported: Sugar.—Trade in raw is slow, but prices are steady. Centrifugal 96-test quoted at 27-8c, molasses sugar, 89-test, at 21-4c., and Muscovado, 89-test, at 21-2c. Refined steady with a fair inquiry. Molasses.—The market is dull, but prices are steady. We quote: New Orleans open kettle, fair to good, 25c to 28c; prime to choice, 29c to 36c; Barbadoes jobbing at 23c to 25c, and Porto Rico 25c to 36c. Rice.—Prices are well sustained but trade is inactive. Quoted: Domestic:—ordinary to fair 31-2c to 33-4c, good to prime 41-4c to 43-4c, choice to fancy 5c to 51-2c, head 51-2c to 6c, Patna 41-2c to 48-4c, Patna bond 3c to 31-2c, Japan, 41-2c to 48-4c, Java, in bond, 21-4c to 23-4c, Java 31-2c to 41-4c.

Iron and Hardware.—The local market is moderately active and many orders are being taken ahead for shipment by boat. Prices in several lines are easier and the advantage lies with buyers. The United States iron and steel markets continue in a listless and unsatisfactory condition, and sharp competition exists for current orders. Scotch warrants are capled 422. 10d and lower. Middlesboro No. 8 four

dry, G. M. B. steady, 36s 3d. G. M. B. copper, spot, £40, 12s 6d; futures £41 2s 6d and quiet. Hallets antimony £37, ordinary £35 10s, tin plates 10s 3d; copper, best selected American £44; lead, soft English, £9 5s. G. M. B. spelter £15 17s 6d. Reports from Germany state that spelter is rather more active, and prices, it is thought, have touched bottom for the present. Tin, spot, £69 15s and easier; 3 months £70 12s 6d. Soft Spanish lead £9 5s. The production of pig iron in Germany for February was 403,740 tons, against 364,284 last year.

Leather and Shoes.—The boot and show factories are commencing to cut on samples, and appear to be fairly well employed, but not rushed. Leather is moving quietly. Stock is largely being held for shipment by boat.

Maple Products.—Sugar is in liberal supply and sales are made at 6c to 7c. Syrup, quiet at 55c to 60c per tin for new and 40c to 50c for old.

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	1893.	Increase.
Gross earnings	\$52,042,397	\$5,198,571
Working expenses	36,626,633	3,702,683
Net earnings	15,426,364	1,495,888
No passengers	13,618,027	796,765
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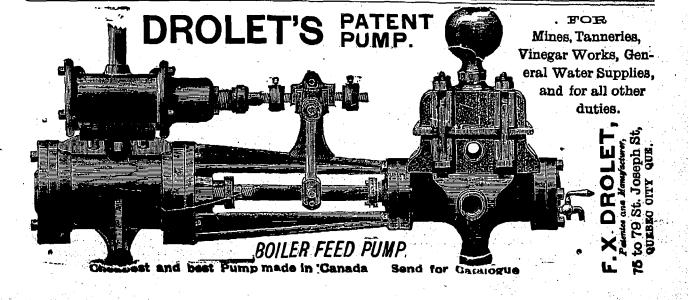


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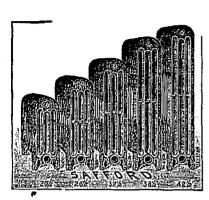
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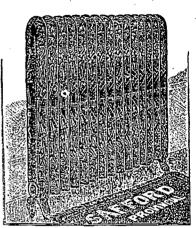


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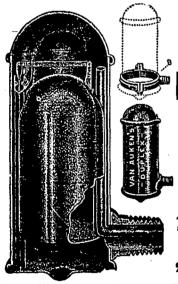
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THE DOMINION CANALS.

The return to the Department of Railways and Canals for the fiscal year of 1893 shows that the total amount paid for the construction and enlarging canals was \$52.210,131. In addition there has been expended for renewals, repairs, staff and maintenance the further sum of \$71,310,793. The total revenue received amounts to \$9,850,578. On the St. Lawrence canals the quantity of traffic moved was 966,755 tons, of which 464,672 tons were agricultural products. There passed to Montreal

by way of the Welland and St. Lawrence canals 261,954 tons of grain. During the season a total of 268,830 tons of grain arrived at Kingston; 10,341 tons were taken arrived at Kingston; 10,341 tons were taken to Ogdensburg and transhipped to Montreal. The "Soo" canal, which is in course of construction, is by agreement with the contractors to be completed by July 1, 1894, and to admit vessels drawing twenty feet of water. The expenditure on this work during the past year amounts to \$500,000.

HYGIENE IN SCHOOLS.

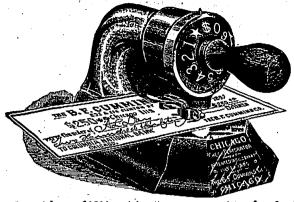
From a life-insurance standpoint the influence of schools as disseminators of disease is yearly growing in importance. Twenty years ago life insurance was confined to adults. Today of about two eight millions of policies in force in the United States and Canada some six millions are on the lives of industrial classes, and over one-fourth of these are on boys and girls under the age of twenty. There are nearly as many children insured throughout the country now as there are adults in the ordinary life companies. The necessity, then, of hygienic surroundings in our pubease is yearly growing in importance. then, of hygienic surroundings in our public schools is paramount, for infancy and youth are peculiarly exposed to contagious disorders. The seeds of diseases of this kind find a much more ready ledgment in children than in those of adult years. No more facile instrument for disseminating these epidemics could be devised than the indiscriminate assemblage of young people in close and crowded rooms; yet we constantly hear complaints of unsanitary and ill-ventilated schoolrooms, and just as often of children being sent to school by their parents from infected houses to spread the seeds of diphtheria and scarlet fever among their unsuspecting playmates. Health inspectors in this city say that when visiting infected houses they frethen, of hygienic surroundings in our pub-

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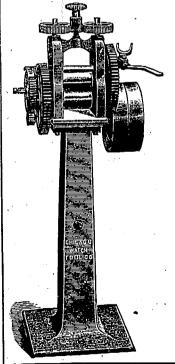
quently find that the children are attending the public schools just as if there was no danger of contagion whatsoever, and the teachers complain that often the first notice they received of the fact that contagious disease existed in the homes of their pupils was from the Health Department's offices. Such carelessness upon the part of the parents is little less than criminal, and it is unfortunate that no penalty is enforced against this dangerous practice of sending children to spread the germs of contagion in the public schools, or if there is one that it is not more frequently inflicted.

A DISTURBING DECISION.

A decision which controverts one of the accepted doctrines of insurance law has just been given in the United States. Heretofore it has been understood that a policy-holder who takes advantage of the company's agreement to receive an over-

company's agreement to receive an overdue premium in case of continued good health, does so at his own risk. If he chances to'die in the meantime his insurance will be lost. This has been the general ruling of the courts. The forbearance is a mere conditional favor granted.

Now, however, comes a decision from the Kentucky Court of Appeals which makes a serious inroad into this doctrine. The insured after receiving a notice of this kind failed to pay, but within the sixty-day limit he was accidently killed. Now it is claimed by the court that the waiver amounted to a distinct contract with the insured extending his time of payment and keeping his policy in force provided such payment should be made when in good health. He was in good health up to the time of his sudden death, therefore there was no time during his life



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when he might not have compelled the company to accept payment. In other words, the new theory is that the insurance continued in force, subject only to termination if his health became poor and so continued until the days of grace had

expired.
Under this modified doctrine no company can safely extend payment except under an agreement to revive upon receipt

of the past-due premium. The whole intention of the waiver is defeated. The very thing which the company aimed to guard against in its stipulation as to health was the imposition of a death claim either within or soon after the expiration of the days of grace. No payment was made while in good health and the condition was not complied with. Nevertheless the court says the policy was in force.

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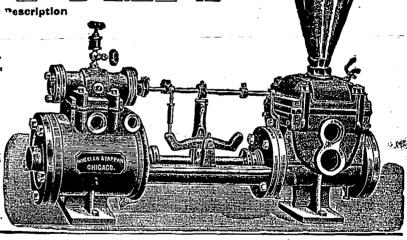
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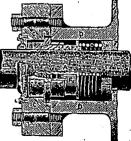
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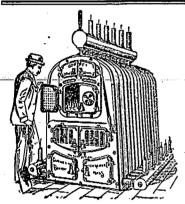
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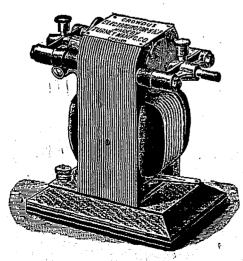
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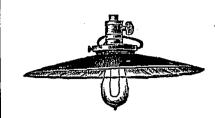
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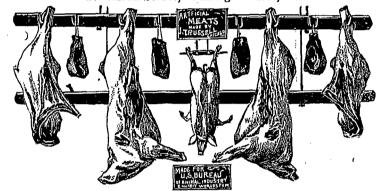
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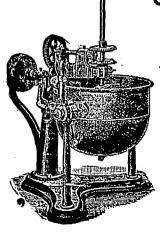
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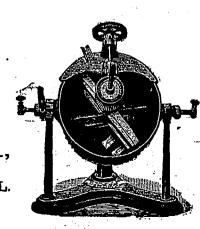
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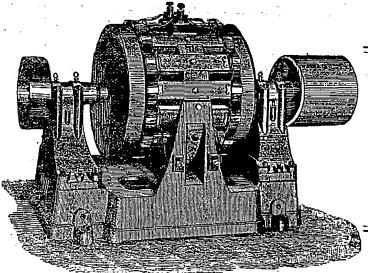




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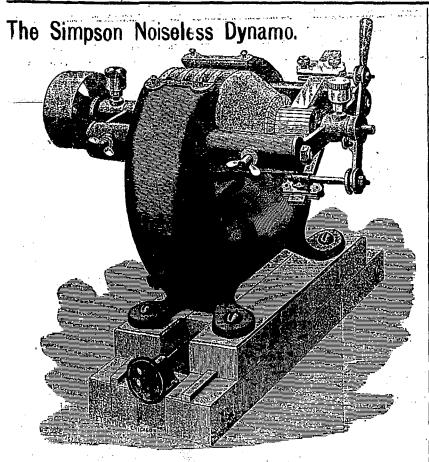
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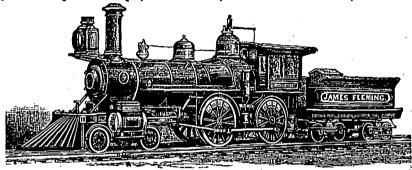
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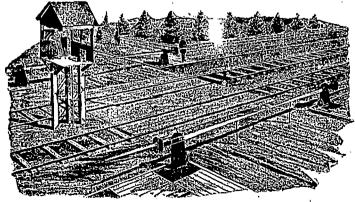
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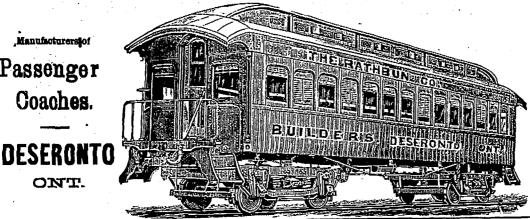
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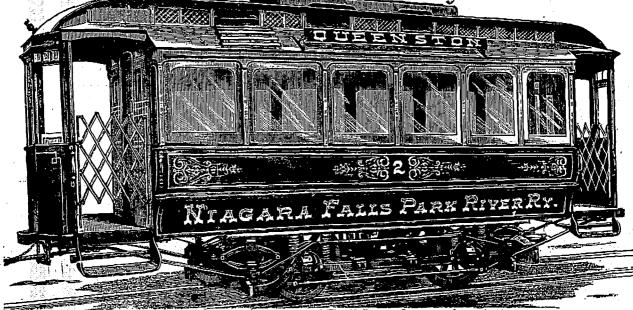
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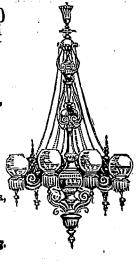
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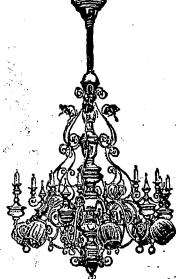
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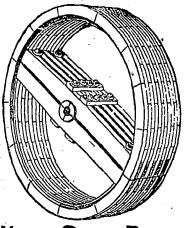
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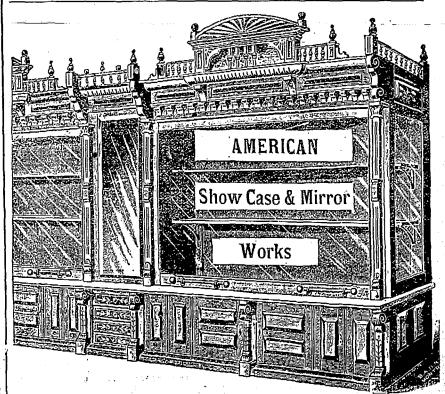
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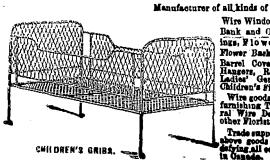
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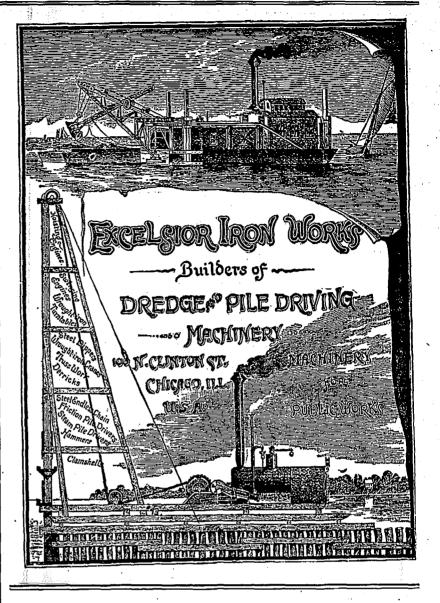
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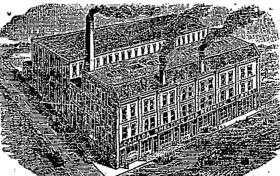
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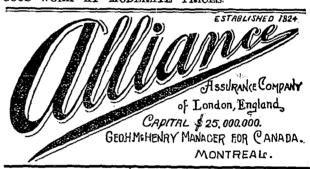
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