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Friday, First Day of December Next

The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th November, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

C. McGILL, General Manager.

Toronto, 21st October, 1899.

The Chartered Banks

The Canadian Bank of Commerce.

Dividend No. 65.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT. upon the capital stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after

Friday, the 1st day of December next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th November to the 20th of November, both days inclusive.

> B. E. WALKER. General Manager.

Toronto, October 24th, 1899.

Traders Bank of Canada.

Dividend No. 28.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Six (6) per cent. per annum upon the paidup capital stock of this Bank has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the head office of the Bank, and at its Branches, on and after

Friday, the 1st day of December, 1899

The Transfer Books will he closed from the 16th to the 30th of November, both days inclusive.

> H. S. STRATHY, General Manager.

Toronto, 18th October, 1899.

Banque D'Hochelaga.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Three and one-half per cent, upon the paid-up capital stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches, on and after Friday, the let day of December next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th November to the 33th November, both days incineive.

By order of the Board,

M. J. A. PRENDERGAST.

General Manager.

Montreal, 24th October, 1899.

The Chartered Banks

Bank of Hamilton.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of of Four Per Cent, on the capital stock of the Bank for the half year ending 30th November has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after 1st December

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By order of the Directors,

J. THRNBULL.

Cashier.

Hamilton, 25th October, 1899.

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Capital Paid-Up 1,500,000
Reserve Fund 850,000

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Friday, the 1st day of December next.

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GEO. P. REID, General Manager.

Toronto, Oct. 25th, 1899.

The Bank of Ottawa.

Dividend No. 47.

NOTICE is bereby given that a Dividend of Four per cent. and a bonus of one per cent. upon the paid-up capital stock of this sank, has been ded with for the current balf year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank, and its Branches, on and after Friday, the 1st day of December, 18-9.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to the 80th of November next, both days inclusive.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders will be held at the banking-house, in this city, on Wednesday, the 18th day of December next.

The chair to be taken at 3 o clock p.m.

By order of the Board,

GEO. BURN.

General Manager,

Ottawa, 26th October, 1899.

The Chartered Banks.

Union Bank of Canada.

Dividend No. 66

Notice is hereby given that a dividend of THREE per cent, upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current halfyear, and that the sam, will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after at the

Friday, the 1st day of December

next. The transfer books will be closed from the Sixteenth to the Thirtieth November, both days inclosive

By order of the Board.

E. E. WEBB,

General Manager.

Quebec, October 24th, 1899.

The Quebec Bank.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of THREE PER CENT, upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at its Banking House in this city, and at its Branches, on and after

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> THOMAS McDOUGALL. General Manager

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NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Four and one-half per cent, upon the paid-up capital stock of this Institution has been declared for the current half-year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after Friday, the 1st day of December next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to 30th November, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

D. R. WILKIE.

General Manager.

Toronto, October 22, 1899.

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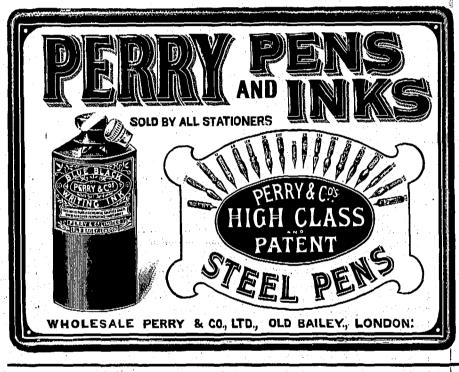


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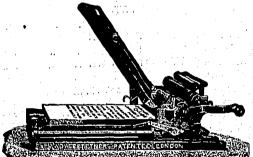
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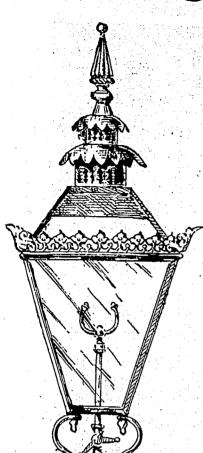


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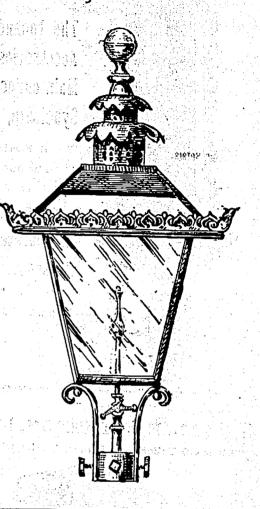
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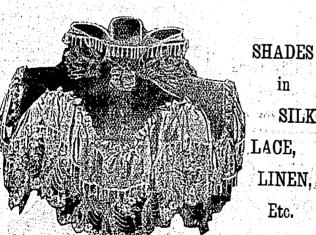
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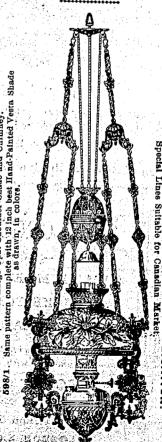
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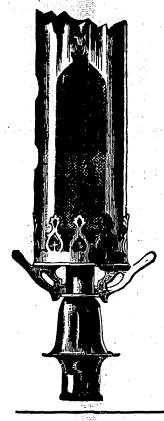
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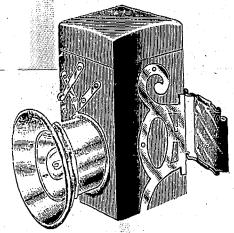
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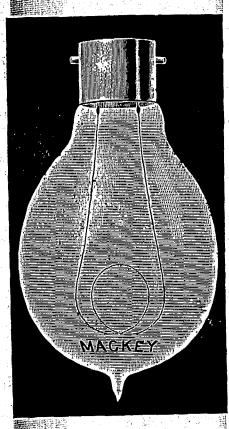
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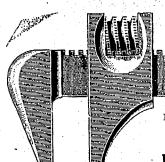
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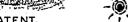
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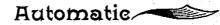
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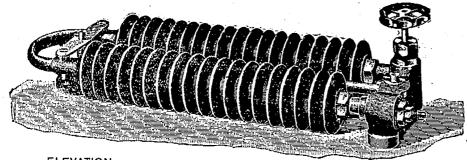












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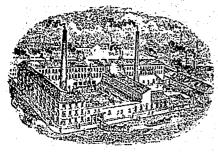
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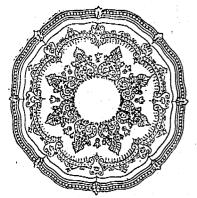


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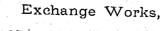
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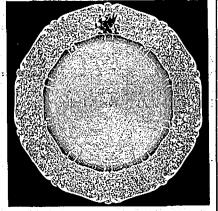
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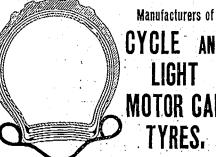
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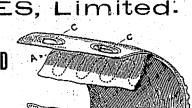


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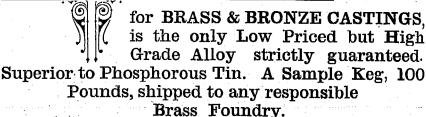
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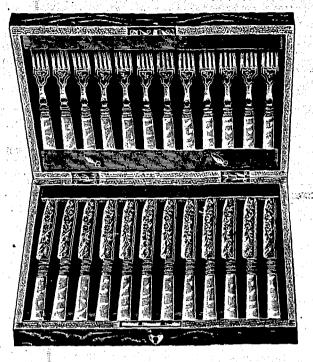
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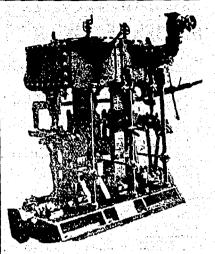
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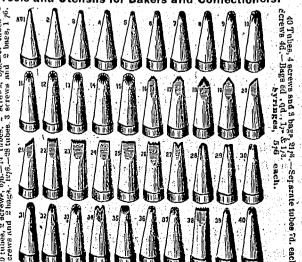
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-Collingwood, Ont., is fully alive to her growing facilities and is vigorously pushing work in connection with the rapidly expanding take traffic.

-The Toronto City Treasurer has forwarded his second return of the taxes paid for 1899, showing the result of the first two of the three collections. The total amount of taxes for the year is \$2,665,101, the two first payments due being \$1,645,364. There has been paid to date \$1,740,879, or 65.32 per cent, of the whole levy, leaving \$924,222, or 34.68 per cent to be collected with the last instalment, Taking into consideration the total sum due, the present return represents the largest percentage of payment at this stage of the collection received in many years.

-The Department of Trade and Commerce have received a report from the commercial agent in Jamaica regarding the proposed development of trade between Canada and Jamaica. It is stated to be certain desired end, but serious of the efforts will have to be made by the respective governments, the Canadian traders, commission houses and manufacturers. He suggests the establishment of a fast direct line, with a six day fortnightly trip, from Montreal in summer and St. John in winter. He reports that a lively and appreciable trade could be done with dairy and breeding cattle, from Canadian ports, but that excessive freight charges, in addition to local rates, make it almost prohibitory.

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-The Kingston locomotive works have received an order for ten more compound engines for the C.P.R.

—Hamilton eight dealers, it is stated, have decided to fight the opposition of the authorities to the employment of nickel-in-the-slot machines.

-The directors of the Quebec, Hamilton, and Fort William Navigation Company have placed \$50,000 of stock on the market. It was expected to be taken up within a few days of issue.

—New York papers estimate the expenditures of Sir Thomas Lipton in building and racing the Shamrock at about \$1,000,000. He had six vessels here in connection with the race. But the profits on ten are quite large, and Sir | Thomas remains a bachelor, "in spite of all temptations."

—The returns of the free exports from the port of Toronto ending September 30 show an increase of over \$100,000. The largest increase is in the forest products, while there is a great falling off in the export of agricultural products: Mines, \$3,159; fisheries, \$1,797; forest, \$43,653; animals, \$1,446,525; agricultural, \$98,984; manufactures, \$449,-191; miscellaneous, \$19,449; total, \$2,062,758; total last year, \$1,959,487; increase, \$103,271.

—A Japanese Consul will likely be located in this city before long. A member of the Japanese delegation now touring the continent stated at Toronto that before another year Japan would appoint a consul-general to Canada, who will be located in Montreal. "This will not be particularly as a consequence of our exertions, but in consonance with the general policy of the Japanese Government, which is endeavouring to extend its trade relations in all directions, and which recognizes the importance of cultivating closer relations with Canada."

—At a meeting of creditors of James A. Sword, dealer in men's furnishings, Toronto, held on the 26th ult., a statement was presented showing assets of \$18,010, and liabilities amounting to \$17,142.12, including preferred claims of \$907.-25. The chief creditors are: Toronto, Caumeld, Henderson. & Burns, \$551; Montreal, Tooke Bros., \$4,196; Gault Bros. & Co., \$3,153; Glover & Brais, \$1,631; Matthews, Towns & Co., \$1,415; Canadian Underwear Co., \$650; Fitzgibbon, Schafheitlin & Co., \$450; Purvis & Co., \$263; S. Crowninshields, Son & Co., \$125; Hamilton, E. Van Allan & Co., \$1,436; and Old Country claims, aggregating, \$1,300.

-The following Ontario companies have been incorporated: The Guelph Axle Manufacturing Company, capital \$20,-000, provisional directors, John Mitchell, A. W. Alexander, and A. R. Woodyatt.-The Cyclone Grate Bar Co., of Toronto, capital \$20,000; provisional directors, Henry Truesdell, Fergus Donovan, George E. Challes and George H. Kilmer of Toronto, and John R. Barber of Georgetown.-The Britannia Consolidating Gold Mining Company of Ontario, with head office at Ottawa, capital \$300,000.—The Chalcraft Screw Company of Brantford, capital \$75,000; provisional directors, Edwin Chalcraft, Frederick Chalcraft, Edward L. Goold and C. Cook of Brantford, and George Randall of Waterloo.-The Dupont Gold Mining Company of Ottawa, capital \$1,000,000.—Barchard & Co. of Toronto have been incorporated with a capital of \$20,000, to manufacture boxes and to carry on a general woodworking and lumber business.

-Gradually the bars are being taken down along the border. The wearer of a scalskin garment can now cross from Canada to the "land of the free" and wear her furs with freedom, a privilege which will, doubtless, startle the outside world, as the news becomes spread and confirmed in its reality. A Washington letter says: Assistant Secretary Spaulding has issued a circular letter of instructions to collectors of customs amending the former rulings of the department, so as to permit the entry without detention of scalskin garments worn by persons temporarily visiting the United States from Canada. Under the new ruling persons arriving from Canada with fur-skin garments, who declare their intention of returning within 90 days, will be required to execute an affidavit to that effect.

—The formidable position being assumed by the American navy in the large number of vessels now building is beginning to awaken some of the smaller European powers to action. A Berlin paper of recent date declares that the imperial government intends to double the strength of the navy. The reason given is the great increase of the America, which is evidently destined to become a great sea power.

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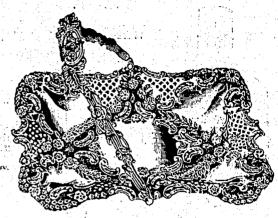
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—A syndicate has been organized for the purpose of establishing electric works at Burleigh Falis, 17 miles north of Peterboro. Stock and bonds for \$1,000,000 will be issued. The enterprise is intended to supply Peterboro and Lindsay with electric power and light, in both places there being a great demand for power to run the manufacturing establishments which have become quite extensive and will increase when cheap power is secured.

—The enterprising people of Barric, Ont., are using every endeavor to more rapidly increase the growing importance of that town. A letter received on the 28th ult. states that Mayor Wells, Messrs. Mortimer Atkinson, Manager of the Bank of Toronto; H. H. Strathy, Q.C., and J. J. Brown returned from Montreal, where they had a satisfactory interview with General Manager Hays on the relation of the railway to Barrie's interests. Mr. Hays dwelt on the need of a summer hotel there, advocated energy along the line of manufacture, for which the town is admirably situated; offered a free site and tracks for a large grain elevator, and gave many other suggestions that the Board of Trade will work on.

Our Brantford, Ont., correspondent writes:—Our city is at present undergoing the result of an experience which is not altogether uncommon where public positions are given through recognition. The Council made a political appointment last spring with the result that the assessment rolls are in such a shape that the City Council has had to refer them to a special committee. The assessor reported a decrease in the population of the city of some 600, when everybody was looking for a substantial increase. A hurried glance at the rolls reveals omissions of families from the population column not only sufficient to make up the alleged decrease but to show a very substantial increase in the city's population.

-The Hamilton correspondent of an Ontario paper, referring to the local fish market last week, said: "There is a fair demand for fish; but in buying either nerrings or mackerel packed in brine it seems to be impossible to get one shipment to follow another properly. Herrings branded 'Labradors' are being sold all over, which never saw that country or anywhere near it, and to such an extent is this carried out that shippers in the Lower Provinces offer to put the brand 'Labrador' on anything the merchant wants to buy. Some very good No. 1 mackerel has been in this market, but when you come to duplicate your order the fish are thin, rusty and covered with stuff like machine oil. This should receive attention from the trade." While these conditions may, at times, exist, the trade are, as a rule, aware of such irregularities, which serve to make transactions less disappointing, if not less troublesome. Very little No. 1 mackerel is sold in Canada, as the high price practically prohibits its sale. Strictly No. 1 would cost the retailer over \$20 a barrel. Nos. 2 and 3 are principally dealt in which are good selling grades, worth at wholesale, \$14 to \$17 per barrel of 200 pounds. In regard to Labrador herring there are very few genuine Labrador arriving on the market. The best brands of Nova Scotia herring are sometimes branded as Labrador. Occasionally a poor let may be sent by some unscrupulous dealer, but such cases are exceptional.

-A beneficiary in an accident insurance policy, on representation of his physician and the physician of the company, honestly made, that he was recovered, signed a release, and accepted a sum as indemnity, and surrendered his policy. Thereafter, on insured's application, another certificate was issued to him, which stated that it was a substitute for the one surrendered, though dated on the day of issue, and it recited that all previous certificates issued to insured were thereby cancelled. It also provided that its provisions should not extend to dearn, or any bodily injury happening, directly or indirectly, wholly or in part, in consequence of any previous injury. Thereafter the insured died from a result of the injury not known to exist at the time of the execution of the discharge. Held, that his estate could not recover, under either policy, for the death. Wood vs Massachusettes Mut. Acc. Ass'n., 54 N. F. Rep. (Mass.).



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-The growing West is making rapid moves. In Rossland it is reported that commencement has been made of the survey for a new extension of the Canadian Pacific to Sophie Mountain. A force of eighteen surveyors left with a train of pack horses to commence running the pretiminary lines. The survey has been made at the request of Sir Charles Tupper, the Chairman of the Company which owns the controlling interest in the Velvet. This is in line with the Canadian Pacific's policy of reaching all the shipping mines in the southern part of the Province.

The bravery of the British soldiers in storming the heights of Elandslaagte is being eulogised most enthusiastically by the American press. There is a humourous element in this, as we find American papers which, in ordinary times, repudiate the idea of being Anglo-Saxons, are now praising Anglo-Saxon courage and claiming to be of that race! Of course we all know the term "Anglo-Saxon," as applied to a race, to be a misnomer, and we know too that the heroes of Glencoe and Elandslaagte were mostly Celts, but "Anglo-Saxon" has come to mean nowadays, those who and whose forefathers were born in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

-Swedish insurance companies decline to accept risks of goods at the Paris Exhibition, owing to, "the insecure state of things in France." The "Baltimore Underwriter," which is usually a particularly sober-minded journal, considers that "the utmost caution should guard all underwriting at Paris for the next year." Caution is always in order and especially so in insuring goods in a vast public Exhibition. But, we doubt there being any special reason for extreme caution owing to the probability of political disturbances at Paris next year. The Exhibition means so much financially to the citizens of Paris, of all classes, that it is hardly conceivable that an emeute or revolution will break out The French Government will maintain while it is open. law and order thoroughly while that harvest is being reaped The dangerous classes are likely to be so much benefited by visitors' money as to keep quiet.

-The following is worth consideration by Canadian shippers: "As to your packing, an important matter to the importer, I must say that the North American packing is the worst that is known. Its faults are the following: the merchandise is not sufficiently well arranged inside the boxes, which generally contain voids, or empty places filled with sawdust or excelsior. The cases should be well made to measure and the goods well arranged. The wood in the eases is too thick, heavy and rough, all of which is prejudicial on account of the freights, as well as on account of the custom dues and poor condition of the merchandise." This concurrence of opinion regarding the shortcomings of American manufacturers in their foreign relations is too marked to leave room for doubt that the requisites for successfully prosecuting trade with foreign peoples are not un-The matter is of the supremest derstood in this country. consequence, and demands most careful consideration at the hands of American manufacturers, Canadians as well-

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-A. P. Richardson, dry goods, is holding a closing out sale. Has managed carefully, but there are too many in the business .- J. Walker has severed his connection with Messrs. John Finlay & Son and is starting a wheel and spoke factory in Madoc. He is a careful workman and has a local

-Our Norwood, Ont., correspondent writes: Philip Metcalf, grocer, has moved to Cordova Gold Mine in Belmont, where a number of men are employed. He is a cash dealer.

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—After many years at the forge, Thos. Fitzpatrick, a Stratbroy, Ont., blacksmith, has been forced to assign. Liabilities are not heavy.

—An experience of 18 months in the drug trade appears to have absorbed the resources of J. A. Desilets, Nicolet, Que., who assigned. Liabilities light. He was formerly an assistant.

—The jewellery firm of Galbraith & Co., at Shelburne, Ont., is offering to settle at something less than invoice prices. Mrs. A. B. Galbraith is the sole owner. Her nusband learned the trade at Georgetown, and began business His present liabilities are about \$1,300 and he desires to settaken over as above.

—Numerous reverses have fallen to the lot of J. E. Nelson, Ridgetown, Ont., whose business is at present held by the assignee. He was originally at St. Thomas, Ont., but was not overly successful, and compromised in the spring of '95 at 35 cents in the dollar, cash. He subsequently moved to Ridgetown, where he was recently burned out. His present liabilities are about \$1,300 and he desires to settle by paying 33 1-3 per cent.

—A Lachine hotelkeeper, D. O. Frye, has assigned, with liabilities of about \$4,800. He began in the fall of '97, then conducting the Strathcona. Lack of capital has been a constant trouble of late, several suits being instituted. The principal creditors are: J. N. Fulton, \$575; W. Farrell, \$698; R. Dalglish, \$450; V. E. Traversey, \$158; C. H. Martin, \$160; John Fair, \$344; W. A. Wilder & Co., \$143; H. J. Ross, \$182; S. Davis & Sons, \$193; T. Ridgeway, \$193; T. Liggett, \$100; J. O. Dupuis, \$335; Corporation of Lachine, \$123.

—A Montreal hotelkeeper, G. Forest, has assigned, with liabilities of about \$7,500. He was formerly of the St. James Hotel, which he exchanged last January for T. Lanctot's saloon. He was given an extension of time last summer. The principal creditors are: C. F. Lalonde, rent, \$2,260; F. X. St. Charles & Co., \$700; L. A. Wilson & Co., \$700; S. Davis & Sons, \$200; Theo. Lanctot, \$300; Dawes & Co., \$250; Union Dressed Meat Co., \$125; W. Graham, \$125; J. M. Fortier, \$200; Imperial Electric Light Co., \$125; Corporation of Montreal, \$300; Jas. Virtue & Son, \$150; Joseph Tasse Cigar Co., \$170; St. Julien and de Boucherville, \$350; Alfred Richard, \$105.

—A compromise at 25 cents in the dollar, each, has been secured by R. Guilbault, retail shoes, Montreal. He owed about \$3,400. He began in the summer of '97, with but little capital, and consequently has been unable to ward off the competition which is always sure to be encountered by the man whose capital will not allow him to make a dispay sufficient to deter others from coming too near. He should now go in to win, having a clearer field.

—The dry goods store of A. T. Williams, Montreal, has been closed by the assignce. He has been in business many years, being at one time of Brault & Williams. This firm dissolved in February, '84, Williams retiring and subsequently re-starting alone.

—A Detroit letter states that the eight wooden steamers of the Ogdensburg Transit Company were sold on the fore-closure of a mortgage for \$300,000. They were bid in by the Rutland Railroad Company of Vermont, which corporation is the principal bondholder interested in the boats.

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-The Goldie Milling Company has purchased the Stockwell mills at Ayr, Ont., formerly owned by the Todd Milling Co.

-British Board of Trade returns, quoted by "The Timber Trades Journal" give the following quantities and values of timber imports from Canada into the United Kingdom for 9 months ending 30th September, 1898 and 1899: Hewn timber, 1898, 95,243 loads, value, \$2,316,000; 1890, 93,248 loads, value \$2,250,200; timber sawn, split, planed or dressed, 1898, 1,260,775 loads, value, \$14,795,000; 1899, 1,321,649 loads, value \$16,097,000, a total this year of 1,414,897 loads, value, \$3,670,921, against 1,356,018 loads, value, \$3,422,451, in 1898.

-There is some talk of establishing smelting works at Port Colborne, Ont. Interested parties from Hamilton visited there last week and spoke in favorable terms of the proposed industry, provided sufficient local encouragement would be given. For a free site of twenty acres and a cash bonus of \$25,000, they propose to erect a blast furnace with a capacity of 200 tons per day, which would cost \$300,000, and pay out in wages from \$150 to \$300 per day. They say that directly and indirectly it would employ from 200 to 250 men. The city of Hamilton is credited with too much ambition to allow such industries to be located outside her precincts without at least knowing why.

-Those who imagine that Great Britain is having its locomotive trade destroyed by American competition, should study the following from official returns: The value of the locomotives exported from the United Kingdom in September was \$626,000, as compared with \$621,000 in September, 1898, and \$274,000 in September, 1897. British Iudia figures in these totals for \$331,600, \$203,000 and \$52,000 respectively. The aggregate value of the locomotives exported to September 30 this year was \$5,191,000, as compared with \$4,695,000 in the corresponding period of 1898, and \$4,279,000 in the corresponding period of 1897. British India figured in these totals for \$2,609,000 ,\$1,273,000 and \$999,600 respectively; South America for \$725,000, \$597,000 and \$547,000 respectively, and Australasia for \$320,100, \$965,000 \$754,500 respectively.

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-A private circular from London, Eng., dated October 20th, treating of the butter situation, says: The past week has been an excellent specimen of proverbial October weather. Bright bracing days and clear moonlight cold nights. have prevailed over nearly the whole of Western and North-western Europe. The frosty nights have checked the growth of the young grass and now all hopes of good crops of grass fodder are gone. The heavy supplies of Canadian and States butters referred to in last circular have produced a collapse in the Danish butter market, which has re-acted on Colonial. The bulk of Canadian and States butters has been dumped down on the Northern markets of England, and combined with the regular supplies of Danish, Swedish, Russian and Norwegian butters which find their best markets there, have proved more than the markets could take. The Manchester buyers have taken advantage of these large Canadian supplies at lower values, to practically withdraw from the Danish trade, and consequently Danish fell 12s to 14s per cwt. on Tuesday last, and Colonial, both Canadian and Australian have since depreciated by about 6s per cwt. Curiously enough this collapse has occurred simultaneously with the smallest weekly imperts of Canadian butter since 24th June. The imports totalling only 900 ewts. against an average of 19,000 ewts, for each of the three previous weeks. "Choicest" Canadian is making 106s to 108s, "Finest," 100s to 104s; "Choicest" Australian, 110s to 112s; "Finest," 105s to 108s. It is very evident Canadian must fall another 5s to 6s per cwt. to restore its relative value with that of Colonial and other but-



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-Manager Beddall, of the Royal, on his return from Europe, was interviewed by a reporter for the New York "Times," and said: "So far as I could learn, fire insurance, unlike other business, is in anything but a satisfactory condition the world over, and the managers of those companies with whom I had the apportunity of conversing were unanimous in their statements that no money had been made this year thus far. This is attributable, doubtless, to the severe reduction in the rates of premium which has taken place throughout the world generally, as well as in the States, owing mainly to the increased competition which has been brought about by the creation of new companies, encouraged apparently by the success which had attended the business in previous years. Fire insurance, like every other business, is governed by the law of demand and supply, and whenever there is more insurance to sell than the people need the price will surely be reduced, no matter what the article itself may cost. To-day. the companies are suffering from a plethora of insurance. in the Old World as well as in the New, to be remedied, doubtless before long, by those natural laws which will, sooner or later restore the equilibrium which acute competition has so seriously disturbed."

-The price of Irish linens is keeping pace with the advances in other textile fabries. A Belfast letter of the 22nd ult. states that business is very brisk, and there is no ap-



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-The Descronto car works are filling orders for outside points. Twelve plaster cars are being constructed for the Albert Manufacturing Company of Hillsborough, New Brunswick, and a conductors' van for the Bay of Quinte Railway.-A large fleet of lake schooners is always located at the Deseronto derrick loading lumber and wood for lake ports.—The Kingston Locomotive Works are asking the Council of that city for a bonus to enable the company to put in modern machinery. Toronto and Montreal are spoken of as possible aspirants for the establishment should the Council not see their way to granting the wish of the Kingston's city fathers are considering the question. The works have received an order for ten more compound engines from the Canadian Pacific Railway.



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DRY GOODS NOTES.

-Foreign manufaturers of wool underwear have sent cables to their American representatives within the past week, ordering further advances on all wool goods.

-Late advices from Yokohama state that silk prices are advancing rapidly with buyers showing much eagerness in securing goods. Reliable quotations are impossible.

- -- It is rumoured that the coming spring season will see another change in the manner of hair dressing, which may affect the manufacture of combs. It is predicted that pompadours will disappear, the hair to be parted in the middle and brushed back.
- -A Canton, China, cable of the 26th ult. quoted No. 1 filatures at \$3.971/2, 31/2 months delivery. This, silk sold one year ago for \$1.40. A sale of Canton silk was reported last week to a manufacturer, who paid 60 cents more for the silk than he did a month ago. The silk was to be used in the manufature of crepe de chine.
- -The present hosiery rage in Paris, both in ladies' wear and half hose, is said to be for plaid. Light greens are not included in the stylish qualities, but golds, browns and reds predominate. A large line of these imported goods is being shown on the New York market, but up to the present there has been no general tendency to order plaids, except in the better grades.
- Now that wool prices have improved so much during the past eight months, says the "Textile Mercury," it becomes interesting to note some of the previous fluctuations in merino. In 1872, the period of inflation following the termination of the Franco-Prussian war, good New South Wales greasy wool sold at up to 15d. per lb. in London, while in 1874 the same class of wool in that market sold at 121/d. By 1876 the price was down to 71/2d., and four later, The year 1886, was a terribly 1880, it rose again to 14d. bad one during the first half at all events, for 61/d., lowest point ever known, was n.1*rived at, but in 1889 there was a recovery to 111/2d. 1895 the price got back to 61/d., and to-day in London this quality of wool may be quoted at about 111/2d. to 12d. per 1b. In following these movements fair average wools have been taken, and not very superior clips.

---We hear with very great regret that Mr. Gamble, General Manager of the Dominion Bank, is returning home from Europe in a serious condition of health. We trust the ocean voyage will remove all fears by its bracing effect.

-The day of large amalgamations appears to be but A Philadelphia report states that one of the greatest financial combinations of the century is in process. of formation. The originators of the Continental Telegraph, Telephone and Cable Company, recently incorporated in New Jersey, have obtained control of all the independent telephone companies in the United States, and aim to comhine these with the great telegraph companies, and the five Atlantic cable companies.

GROCERY NOTES.

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- -Late cables report a much higher market for Valencia and Jordan shelled almonds 23s 6d being quoted for either.
- --- l'earl tapioca is dearer in New York owing to short supplies, 3%c was paid for a round lot on that market last week.
- -The price of prunes is likely to advance sharply with the advent of the cold weather, Present prices are unusualy low in comparison with the light stock.
- ---Late mail advices from Bordeaux are to the effect that the crop of Grenoble walnuts will not exceed 4,000 to 5,000 bales, against an average crop of 20,000 bales.
- -Late advices from France are to the effect that sardines suitable for the American trade are scarcely to be had. The pack this year was but 20 per cent. of that of last.
- -The price of fancy quarter-oil American sardines has been again advanced to \$3.75 f.o.b. Eastport. The Seacoast Packing Company, in announcing the advance, says: "Usually the sardine packing season closes December 1. This year it is now practically closed in consequence of the absence or non-appearance of sardine fish in the weirs. There is consequently a 'short pack' for the season of 1899."
- --The introduction of seeded raisins appears to have taken a lasting hold on the trade, both local and foreign. Whatever makes life easier for the mistress of the kitchen In a review of raisin matters the will eventualy win. "Caifornia Fruit Grower" says: "The California seeded raisin gave such eminent satisfaction to the Eastern consumer last year that jobbers are placing orders for more than three times the amount bought in 1898. In that year 450 carloads were seeded; this year the seeders of Fresno will turn out not less than 1,000, and possibly 1,500 for Eastern shipment. When Colonel Wm. Forsyth, one of the large seeders of Fresno, was in England last year he endeavored to place orders for seeded raisins, asking dried fruit dealers in London to allow him to seed for them. They had no faith in the seeded raisin, because seeding, or 'stoning,' as it is called there, had been tried without success in Liverpool. The Colonel argued to no purpose, except to prevail upon one large jobber to ship some of the foreign These Val-Valencias to his packing house at Fresno. encias were shipped a distance of 6,000 mues to that city, processed and packed, kept nearly a year, and returned to London, thereby making a transit of 12,000 miles. The johber was so pleased with the product that he is now negotiating to handle these raisins."

-St. Thomas, Ont., has carried a by-law to raise \$4,000 for an electric fire alarm system.

-The property of the Londonderry Iron Company, of Londonderry, N.S. was sold at auction in this city on the The purchaser was Mr. H. S. Holt: the price being \$153,000. It is expected the works will be re-opened,

PROPOSED BICYCLE COMPANY.

-A rival of the recently organized Canadian Cycle & Motor Company is reported to be in process of formation. A Toronto letter states that if suitable buildings can be secured a huge bicycle manufacturing concern will be established in that city before the new year. The following statement has been given by the manager-elect:-"The very large trade in Canada previously done by the companies now incorporated in the American Bicycle Co. is to be preserved and continued by a syndicate of Canadian capitalists, who have purchased for Canada from the American Bicycle Co. all their patents, rights and good-will and busimess, and will immediately establish in Canada, a complete manufacturing plant, capable of turning out not less than 30,000 bicycles per year. In addition to this plaint," the plants of the Canadian Typograph Co., manufacturers of the E. and D. bicycle, the E. C. Stearns Co. and the Wheeler & Christie Saddle Companies will be incorporated. latest improved machinery will be used. This plant will be established in Canada within the next sixty days. Toronto has been chosen as the site, if suitable buildings can be secured. The company will have a capital of \$2,500,000, which has all been arranged for, and contracts have been signed for the delivery of all the property and machinery. It will also manufacture automobiles, and will turn out in Canada all the different styles of these carriages controlled by the American Bicycle Co., in the United States." The companies composing the above are 45 in number. Should this enterprise be carried through it would give to Canada the manufacture of wheels now sent in from the United States.

LAKE FREIGHTS.

-From present indications the coming season is likely to develop increased interest if not increased charges-in American lake freights. The scarcity of vessels during the present season and the inability to prevent a recurrence for next summer's growing trade will doubtless be turned to good account by those who now largely control the bulk of the vessels. A Cleveland letter states that lake vessels capable of moving 17,798,000 gross tons of iron ore in 1900 are already in the hands of the ore companies. These are large figures and it may be that no such amount of ore can be produced from the Lake Superior region, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that the ore companies have this carrying capacity within their control, either through charter or ownership of the vessels, John D. Rockefeller's representatives have 6,300,000 tons of it. Whether all of this capacity will be used in the ore trade or not is a question that cannot be answered at this early date, but the situation is certainly one that should cause considerable anxiety among the shippers of grain and other commodities, coal included, as the ore companies have it within their power to cause the great bulk of this tonnage to go up the lakes light if if is possible to mine and move on the railroads the unprecedented record in ore output that is looked for next year. At no time in the past have the vessels been tied up to season contracts as they are for 1900. This is due mainly to the struggle between the Rockefeller and Carnegie interests for control of the great bulk of the capacity.

THE BUTCHER

-If any dealer on earth who sells his goods by weight should increase his stock, flourish, and add regularly to his bank account, it is the Montreal butcher. He may be handy with the knife, cleaver and saw, many traders are. but when it comes to balancing the scales the butcher is known to excel. The grocer who loses time in the endenyour to prevent more than the correct quantity of sugar remaining in the package cannot begin to match the deftness with which the seller of meat handles the scales. They seem to poise at his first touch with an accuracy at even weight that astonishes the average caller. Yet occasionally a butcher is known to fail, though other causes may arise over which he has less control. A. Corriveau, a Montreal, butcher of limited means. has made an assignment. He owes about \$1,300. He has been doing a small business for some years.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 1899.

BREAKFAST FOODS.

The retail grocer of the present, as he glances at his shelves and sees from ten to fifteen different kinds of breakfast food, is apt to recall his own earliest recollections of the breakfast table. Oatmeal and buckwheat cakes will be very apt to run the limit of his memory, beyond the regular bill of fare. Should he attempt to conduct his store to-day without carrying the full quota, which really requires a retentive memory to keep in mind, he is apt to lose custom as a consequence.

Among the score or more of special foods now on the market, each one claiming all the good qualities of the others, together with an added health-giving nervestrengthening feature naturally and peculiarly its own, may be mentioned the following, which vie with each other for morning recognition, and all day remembrance: Shredded wheat biscuit, package, 15c; granose biscuit, package, 15c; vitos, wheatall, wheat manna, Pettijohns, grain-o, rolled oats, 10 pounds, 25c; cornmeal, 12 pounds, 25c; flake barley, pound, 5c; rolled wheat, pounds, 25c; oatmeal, 9 pounds, 25c; granose flakes, package, 15c; granola, package, 15c; grape nuts, package, 20c; Swiss food, package, 15c; Quaker oats, package, 12c; germ meal 9 pounds, 25c. The prices given are those announced by departmental stores and are, doubtless, cut close in some instances, although ten pounds of rolled oats for 25 cents means a profit of 33 1-3 per cent. on the investment, or 25 per cent. of the sale at present market quotations.

All the above goods possess nutritive qualities which should at once commend them to the purchaser of family supplies. The evil to the grocer lies in their great variety. To conduct his store on first-class principles, he must keep what is on the market and commands ready sale. To buy a case of each of the packaged goods gives him too much stock, for all do not sell alike; furthermore, he requires to buy 5 cases at a time of some lines in order to get the lowest price and be able to compete with others who buy in this manner. Some goods are guaranteed, the owners or jobbers replacing unsold stock with fresh packages the following season, but others are sold unconditionally and such goods give the dealer most trouble.

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- THE SUSPENSION ON THE LAKES OF THE CANADIAN COASTING LAWS.

"The recent action of the Dominion Government in suspending partially the Canadian coasting laws for the remainder of the season of navigation, so far as the carrying of grain on the great lakes and the upper river St. Lawrence are concerned, has naturally given rise to the feeling that an injustice is being done to the interests of the large Canadian inland shipping and transportation companies.

It is claimed by those interests that this concession, in favour of American vessels; has been made without any necessity for Canadian interests and without any recipro-This arcal advantage given by the United States. rangement will allow American vessels to carry grain, for export only, from one Canadian port to another Cana-

The reasons given for this action of the Government. are, that there is a larger accumulation of Manitoba grain at Port Arthur and Fort William than the number of Canadian vessels would be able to carry within reach of the Canadian scaboard before navigation closes, and, but for this relaxation of the laws, the inevitable result would have been that the grain would be carried to Buffalo and once there it would find its way to American scaports, whereby trade would be lost to Canada, whereas by this concession the greater part of its handling would still be Canadian.

As, in most cases, there are two distinct standpoints from which to look at this matter, the principle involved



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being a most important one. It is claimed by those who have been sufficiently influential to induce the Dominion Government to take this course—care being taken to say that it is only temporary—that the block of grain at Fort William rendered it necessary and figures showing the grain there and to arrive, seem to justify their pretensions, if the figures can be relied upon. This is where It is confidently stated by the difficulty comes in. others who are equally well posted in these matters, that the quantity of grain now stored at Fort William and Port Arthur, awaiting shipment, is exaggerated. They affirm there being Canadian registered vessels with a capacity equal to the work of carrying all the grain now ready for shipment, and all that is likely to accumulate at those points before navigation closes. They consider it leasible for Canadian vessels to place all this grain within reach of Canadian seaports before winter closes navigation on the great lakes. Any lack of such capacity can be made up by Canadian railways.

These statements are diametrically opposed to each other, but there should be no difficulty in determining which one is correct. If the latter, which we understand is the contention of the Canadian inland shipping interest, is the fact, then it is apparent on the face of the matter that the Canadian inland shipping interests have ground for the feeling that injustice has been done them at this time.

This question is not a new one. The coasting laws of the United States form a part of the Chinese wall system adopted by that country to promote its own interests. The Canadian coasting laws are very similar, they were adopted as a defensive measure to preserve the possibility of maintaining a Canadian marine interest.

In the Canadian laws, however, there is a proviso that the trade would be free to all, if the United States would adopt a similar course. The government of the United States have not shown, or, are likely to show any

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intention, of changing their coasting laws either on the lakes or elsewhere. Unless then there is a valid substantial reason, based on Canadian intersts, for this relaxation of the law, it certainly appears to be an unnecessary sacrifice of Canadian inland shipping interests.

In so serious a matter as this the Government should have been sure of the ground for action to which serious objection is taken. The important opposing interests were entitled to be heard, and if they could have shown that they were able and willing to carry all the grain offered at the points mentioned, they should have been allowed the protection of the law to transact this trade. This is claimed to be only a temporary measure, which is largely of an experimental nature. This may be the case, but experiments are not always successful, and in matters of statecraft are often dangerous.

The world knows the careful way in which our good incighbours to the South look after and protect all their interests, large or small. This is a praiseworthy feature in their national character, and which the Canadians would do well to copy. The danger from this suspension of the Canadian shipping law is, that once the American inland vessel owners have a taste of this particularly precious share of the trade of the great lakes, it will, if it is allowed to continue for any length of time, be considered by them as a national grievance if it is ever taken away from them.

There are certain interests here known to be desirous of throwing the Canadian coasting laws overboard, and letting the Americans have a free run for the trade without any similar concession from the other side. Such course would simply be suicidal from a national standpoint. We do not believe those ideas are at all likely to prevail, but there is always a danger in opening the door, be it ever so little, of not being able to close it again. Some fear the experiment which is now being tested may be the entry of the thin end of the wedge that may result, with continued efforts, in a cleavage not contemplated by those who consented to its introduction. We do not share those fears. Canada now has a marine inland transportation of considerable proportions. It is of too much importance to the country to be sacrificed for the sake of purely theoretical notions. It will not be permanently sacrificed, but even the giving away of our privileges and rights temporarily cannot be justified except for far more overpowering reasons than, so far, in this case, have been clearly established,

The season of navigation is now near a close, yet for various reasons, no progress has really been made in preparing for the great increase in the grain trade via the St. Lawrence route, which was expected and promised on the completion of our fourteen feet waterway—now an existing reality. Why this is the case will shortly become a live question, and responsibility for the failure will have to be placed on the parties upon whom it justly falls.

If Montreal is to be the great entrepot for that trade as we expect it to be, it must be provided with more elevators and storage capacity than it now possesses. There promises to be a revival of interest in this respect shortly. We may expect to see developments soon that will lead to something tangible for the public to take hold of. Far too much valuable time has been lost in this matter owing to conflicting personal interests and, in the general interest, these conflicts should now cease.

Owing to the withdrawal of so many of the regular vessels, from their being chartered for the Imperial service to South Africa, and the discouragement of occasional tramp ships by the unfair insurance discriminating rates to the St. Lawrence, there is such a scarcity of ocean vessels at this port as cannot fail to reduce the volume of exports from Montreal for the remainder of the season. This, however, is only a temporary matter. It is all very well to say that it is now established by authority that Montreal is the national port of the Dominion. This being granted, it is incumbent on those in the trade here to show that they can rise equal to the occasion and by uniting their efforts make it a manifest reality by providing the accommodation necessary for maintaining the eminent position claimed for this port.

BRANCH BANKS ATTACKED.

In his address at the Illinois Bankers' Association held at Chicago, on 5th ult., the president, Mr. J. L. Hamilton, Jr., made a sharp attack upon the branch bank sys-This is a new departure, as it has hithtem of Canada. erto been usual for American bankers to speak of our branch banks with envy. Indeed the reason Mr. Hamilton fell foul of our branch banks, at the recent Convention was, that, "We have to-day, especially in the Eastern States, quite a number of bankers advocating the system of branch banking, and the State of New York has gone so far as to authorize State banks to es-He went on to show the probability tablish branches." of a bill being passed to permit National bankers to establish branches at pleasure. "This branch banking system," said Mr. Hamilton, "is being advocated by almost every banking journal in the country, and they call attention to systems in operation in other countries, especially to that of Canada, and recommend for this country the same system." Canada is thus put in the forefront as the chief culprit responsible for setting the alleged bad example to the States. A vicious example our system would indeed be if it were true what our critic says that, "No greater calamity could come to the United States than the adoption of such a system."

Mr. Hamilton charges that the branch system is meant "to squeeze out all banks with a capital of less than \$500,000." He asks, "How many banks are there in this State, Illinois, that could compete, or would be in existence ten years from now, if the branch banking plan was adopted?" In answer to the plea respecting the advantages of branches enabling funds to be transferred from places where there is a surplus to those where there

is a shortage, the economy of management, &c., it was replied that, "the same thing occurs to-day with far less chances of loss to the parent banker," as no trouble is experienced by banks in small places in raising money from large cities if the loans in the locality are good. Our critic says, "I notice that some of the parent banks in Canada fail, and their branches go with them." From the way this is expressed one would suppose the failing of banks in Canada was as frequent an occurrence as it is in the States. What are the facts?

Every year more banks go into liquidation in States than the total number that have the. last fifty. failed Canada in : In 1896, for instance, there were 37 American banks went into voluntary liquidation, and 27 for which the Comptroller of the Currency found it necessary to appoint receivers. That is, in one year as many American banks failed as there are in Canada. Those 64 banks which failed in the States in 1896 had an aggregate capital of only \$6,094,000, or an average of only In 1896 there were 1,372 National banks in the United States in liquidation. The banks, other than National, which failed from 1864 to 1896 numbered 1,234, their average capital being \$43,463. Here we have a record of 2,606 American banks which failed in a period when the total number of liquidations of Canadian banks was only 17! Yet we are asked to believe that the Canadian system of branch banks under which only 17 banks were liquidated in thirty years is a weaker one than the American system, under which 2,606 banks The number of Canadian failed in thirty-two years. chartered banks which have gone into liquidation since Confederation in 1868 is, however, liable to give an erroneous impression as to bank failures in this country. Out of the 17 which have gone into liquidation 12 paid their creditors in full, so the number of actual bank insolvencies in Canada in the same period as there were 2,606 bank failures in the States, viz., 32 years, was only

Our critic sneers at the Canadian system of providing for the payment in full of note holders, which he says, "have to take what is left, after the notes are redeemed." This is involved necessarily in any system of currency which provides special protection for the redemption of note issues. Either the President of the Illinois Bankers' Association approves of bank issues being specially protected, or, he wishes bank notes to be treated like other liabilities. If he takes the former position he ought not to have sneered at the Canadian currency system; and if he considers notes should be issued without special protection he is utterly at variance with every sane banker in the world. The depositors in those few Canadian banks which have become insolvent have lost so trifling a sum that, had the noteholders been paid only the same dividend, the difference to the depositors would have been an inappreciable fraction. Had the United States been provided with a system of branch banks similarly organized to those in Canada and Great Britain it is reasonable to conclude that its number of bank failures would have been less by probably two thousand, and the credit of the whole banking system of the States would have been as sound as is that of Canada, instead of being "blown upon" by incessant fail-

The critic of our branch system may well ask—
"How many American banks would be in existence in 10
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ed?" Doubtless were branches of strong banks established there would be a large clearance of those numerous institutions which are conducting business on a capital utterly inadequate for the safe conduct of banking business, of banks wholly incapable of providing for the There would have financial needs of the local traders. been no such worry and alarm in New York over supplies of money for interior or harvesting purposes as The solid fact is that United States existed recently. finances are constantly being disturbed because of the wretched currency system of the country, and the incapacity of the petty local banks to expand or contract their business operations as promptly and economically as is done in Canada by the branch bank system.

We advise the objector to our branch system to look at the bank returns for the last few months. He will find that, between July and September the banks issued \$6,410,000 additional notes, an increase of 16 per cent., and made an enlargement of their loans by over this large amount. Thus provided they met a sudden demand for currency and accommodation without effort or departure from ordinary routine methods; the currency machine indeed worked as quietly and accurately as a good This movement being so sure and so safe, and so efficient, and so easy was owing to the branch system. The same movement in the United States kept the money market in a turmoil of worry and excitement, as the American currency machine puffs and blows and groans like a worn out steam engine too weak for its work, which threatens under unusual pressure to explode.

ENQUIRY INTO ONTARIO PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

The new Premier of Ontario, the Honble. G. W. Ross, and his colleagues, have taken a step which entitles them to commendation. In speaking of the Public Accounts of Ontario we have on several occasions suggested their being examined and reported upon by a committee of expert accountants familiar with the financial operations of governments and other public bodies, or large mercantile firms. We have advised this course, as it seemed to us bordering on absurdity for a discussion to be prolonged year after year as to whether the Province of Ontario but the surplus or no surplus question was the one over each successive Provincial Treasurer, or, that such surplus was a myth, as the Opposition asserted.

Manifestly such a problem was wholly beyond the capacity of ordinary members of a Legislative Assembly to solve. There were other points chronically in dispute, but the surplus or nor surplus question was the one over which, for many years, the battle raged with more fury than knowledge or wisdom. Into the fray there plunged, every Session, numbers of members on both sides of the Legislative Assembly whose knowledge or accounts would not enable them to earn a living in a business establishment.

One of the most honest, as he was was also one of the ablest critics of the Ontario Accounts, who is now no more troubled with mundane affairs, confessed to us, that his endeavours to get at the real position of affars, as regarded the great Surplus problem, made him sick. Yet there is nothing in the accounts of a government to puzzle any clear-headed accountant, though, we must admit, that such accounts are not infrequently so stated as to sicken any one who delights to find orderliness, clearness, frankness, and intelligence, displayed in statistical statements. The most fruitful source of muddle in ac-

counts is, an absence of a distinct grasp of this fact, that accounts have only two sides, debit and credit. There is no middle term in accounts. There may be items in suspense, items not classified, items not mature, but, whatever may be their nature as contingencies, they must be enrolled as either of a debit or credit character, either assets, or liabilities. Unless then the mind of a critic of public accounts is quite clear on this vital point he may go on quoting figures till Doomsday, and all the time be floundering about like a man in a dense fog, unable to take a straight course to the haven of a demon-The very fact that every member of the... Ontario Assembly decided whether the Province had a surplus of several millions, or that no surplus at all existed, according to his political views on other matters, wen was enough to show how near the discussion on the question bordered on the farcical. The Ross Government has appointed a commission of bankers and financiers to examine the books and accounts of the Treasury department, who will be asked to report on the bookkeeping methods, the statements, the investments, and the assets and liabilities of the Province of Ontario. of this commission will be awaited with great interest, and, no doubt it will pass a final judgment on the great Surplus queston, which has elicited more irrelevant and inuddled speeches than any subject ever discussed by a Legislative Assembly.

The Commissioners appointed for the above audit are: Mr. B. E. Walker, General Manager Bank of Commerce; Mr. Angus Kirkland, Manager Bank of Montreal branch, Toronto; and Mr. John Hoskin, Q.C., President of the Toronto General Trusts Company, whose report will command universal confidence.

COURTESY IN MINOR WANTS.

- If strict and cheerful attention were always given-or expected to be given—to the minor details of the retail trade, it would not be a point considered worthy of advertising in the local paper that "Your little wants are attended to with as much pleasure and care as we devote to the larger orders that come before us." Yet such is the wording of an advertisement in a prominent Ontario paper by a representative retail house. The little child who goes for a penny purchase is attended to as promptly and politely at the properly-governed store as the lady who rides there in her private carriage. Anything less the little child of the present day would not, or should not, Yet in many retail shops the wants of the little. lady or gentleman of tender years are too often neglected through the need of strict attention to the well known shop rules of waiting on each caller in turn.

Still, it is not always the little child who requires the little purchases. In the general store it occasionally takes as long to serve the customer who wants only a certain size and make in a sewing-machine needle, 5 cents worth of wire, or a spool of some particular shade of sewing silk, costing three cents, as the caller for a hat or pair of kid gloves, on either of which a good profit is likely to be realized. This want of attention to minor sales is more likely to become apparent in the energetic, anxious assistant than in one whose most interesting thoughts turn to the hour of closing. A caller for a pair of shoe laces, who is given pleasing attention while he hesitates, perhaps, before deciding between a threequarter and a four-quarter length, and then between a two-cent pair and a pair of mohair for five cents though

he does not speak of the time he is using, thinks of it nevertheless, and on leaving the store carries, besides the laces, an opinion of the store and its assistants that cannot easily be changed.

A case in point—a case of pens—may be mentioned. A gentleman purchased a box of writing pens in a large store recently, a store not generally known as handling he had but two-thirds the required quantity. turned and, mentioning the shortage, was handed another box in exchange. Again at his desk, he noticed he had been given another style of pen to what he originally bought. Returning a second time he was referred to the manager who, assuming an air of injured innocence, said: "We are not accustomed to making mistakes in this establishment." The purchaser, when referring to the matter, stated he'd go to Quebec or Toronto for his next box of pens, rather than again patronize that

A splinter in the finger will cause more attention to be given that particular member, while awaiting relief, than if the trouble was a broken leg. The millionaire who finds a nickel on the street crossing will probably not console himself with the fact that he is 5 cents richer, but will be apt to recall his lucky experience every time he passes that corner. Doubtless the reason why so many of the minor duties in life are carelessly carried out is owing to the impression, too generally entertained, that but slight notice is taken of small transactions.

THE DELIVERY OF ICE QUESTION.

It is presumable that most cities and towns have each some peculiarity of custom that the residents of other places cannot appreciate or even understand how they can be tolerated. One of the smaller matters that enter into the life of many Montreal householders is that of the delivery of the daily supply of ice in the supposed blocks of ten pounds weight, one block or more of which is supplied to their customers by the various ice companies in the business. As the custom for doing this business has heretofore been conducted has been accepted until now, as a correct one, the companies in question may, perhaps, be excused if they take it for granted that their clientele are satisfied with the present dirty, slovenly method of throwing the ice blocks on the sidewalks, without any notification, there to remain until the party for whom it is intended has occasion to open the front door for other purposes ..

In the residential streets of the city, under these conditions, those blocks of 1-2-3 junks of ice may be seen at many doors before they are taken in. Leaving out all the sanitary features that might be brought in it seems strange that fastidious people, able to pay for the luxury of a daily supply of ice, should allow, and take in for daily use, this particular article in a manner that they would not consent to in the delivery of any other product that enters into the daily family consumption. Visitors from cities have expressed their astonishment that this dirty custom should be tolerated by the friends they may chance to be staying with. That feeling is not surprising, for possibly such a custom does not prevail elsewhere

Our citizens have grown up with the custom and, perhaps, do not realise the condition with the same keenness of vision that a stranger would. The manner of the present delivery is certainly unique. The man at

the end of the ice wagon is armed with his forcep-shaped instrument and seizing hold of block after block, hurls them, with more or less precision, on the sidewalk with the calculated impetus to land them in the middle of the pathway. The successful ice-deliverer will always be a successful curler, as the same rule in the application of a propelling force will apply to both. In the case of the curler, however, there is always a friendly hand with a besom in it to sweep away any obstacles, dirty or otherwise, to prevent the stane reaching the tee, but the block or blocks of ice is sent along to its destination, and passes over anything that may be in its way, no matter how dirty it may be. In many, if not most cases, these blocks remain for hours for passing dogs to sniff at and as stumbling blocks for pedestrians whose thoughts or looks may be for the moment in other directions.

There is no reasonable excuse or justification for this unseemly manner of ice-delivery in Montreal. great city of New York, for example, perhaps more families are supplied with ice in proportion to the population than in any city in the world. There, throwing the blocks, on the sidewalks, to be left for an indefinite period would not be tolerated. In that city the ice is carried direct from the wagons and placed in a decent manner either on the steps or inside of the residences. Why should that not be done in Montreal? The prices charged in New York are no higher than they are here, but the question of charge is not the main question, rather it is one of decency and domestic, as well as public, convenience.

The general delivery of ice for the season is now pretty well over, although families are more and more getting into the way of using it all theyear round. There are many companies now engaged in the ice business and before another season for the general delivery comes round, it might be found to pay the most enterprising ones to inaugurate a change in their methods of delivery and cause the blocks to be delivered on the top steps of their customers' residences, and the door bell rung, so that it might be taken in without any contamination from the street.

It is attention to matters like this that add to the comfort and attractions of urban life, and once the change in this respect is brought about—as it surely will be before long—citizens will wonder how they ever submitted to the present system of ice delivery in Montreal.

THE LOCAL VOLUNTEER SEND-OFF FIASCO.

The City Council of Montreal made a deplorable blunder in allowing our volunteers to leave this city without any public demonstration, such as was made in all other cities and towns in Canada from whence recruits were drawn for service in South Africa. At Halifax, Toronto, Peterboro, Guelph, Woodstock, Kingston, London, Belleville, St. Hyacinthe, and other places, east and west, the whole population turned out to show the volunteers that they had the heartiest good wishes and warmest At every station sympathy of their fellow-Canadians. passed by the trains conveying the volunteers there were crowds waiting to manifest their loyalty by cheering, "The Soldiers of the Queen." In every place the brave follows were showered with gifts from the local Corporation, and private citizens.

Never before, not even when troops left for service in the North-West, were such enormous crowds assembled to give a hearty send-off to Canadian volunteers. Never before were such splendid manifestations of loyalty to the Empire made in this Dominion. Never before were private gifts so numerous, so munificent, so considerate, made to men going on a public service. Numerous firms all over Canada not only presented those of their employees who were leaving for the seat ofwar with handsome gifts, but assured them of their situations being kept open for them until their return, and assured them also of their dependent relatives being provided for in Besides all this enthusiastic liberality their absence. many firms effected at their own cost, insurance on the lives of their employees. To crown this outburst of munificence one Canadian provided Sir Charles Tupper with the means to furnish each volunteer of the entire contingent with life insurance for \$1,000, and accident insurance, in case of his being wounded, to amount of This operation was duplicated by the Federal \$500. Government, so the men are well provided for in 'his respect, which fund, we trust, will not be touched.

Montreal has raised some \$8,000 towards a fund for providing for the dependent relatives of the local recruits who have gone to the war, so this is quite enough to show that the hearts and the brains of this city are But, it was a most unfortunate thing for the authorities of the city to have shown by their apathetic neglect of this great occasion that they do not represent cither the sentiments or the intelligence, neither the hearts nor the brains, of the people of this commrecial metropolis. This only can be said in excuse. The Ottawa militia authorities, with scorn for the proprieties of such an occasion, fixed the time for the departure of the troops from this city at so early an hour, 7.30 a.m., as to prevent a popular demonstration. But the same irrational policy was tried with Toronto, but the City Council so warmly resented this, as to compel the militia department to fix the time for departure of the volunteers at an hour convenient to the citizens. The result was. that the people of Toronto turned out en masse to bid the men. "Good-bye and Good Inck!" Had our Council been half alive to their duty they also would have had had the hour of departure changed so as to give our citizens a chance such as those of Toronto, Halifax, London. Ottawa, Kingston, and many other places enjoyed. Had this been done Montreal would have been saved from. what even the English press regards as " a grave repreach," and which, outside of this city, and outside of Canada, is regarded as a proof that this city is not in barmony with the rest of the Empire.

Historic opportunities are rare. The departure of our volunteers on Imperial service was a great historic op-The occasion was unprecedented for manifesting to a clique of ill-conditioned cavillers at home, and to doubters and the ill-informed abroad, that Canada is a unit standing by the Empire in its time of peril. The neglect of this opportunity has no meaning beyond exhibiting the lack of public spirit, and the supineness regarding public duty which characterises the present City Council. We deplore there having been no opportunity given in this city for displaying the popular sentiment. But our city volunteers are intelligent enough to know. that they leave Canada with the heartiest cheers, good wishes, and sympathy of the people of Montreal. of all races, all creeds, and all parties. The magnificent demonstration at Quebec did honour to that city, and tothe Dominion,

TAXATION AND REPRESENTATION.

A warm public controversy has sprung up over what we submit is a false issue, an issue which in fact has no existence here. A strong protest has been made against Canada bearing the cost of the South African contingent on the ground that, as Canada has no representation in the British House of Commons, she ought not to be taxed to bear any part of the cost of a British war.

The principle is sound enough, but there is no existing condition to which it can be applied. Canada has not been called upon by the home Government to supply troops for South Africa. The offer made by Canada to send a contingent to the seat of war was a purely voluntary act by Canada. The British Government gave no intimation that it would expect such a contingent, much less demand it, nor, when it was offered, did the home authorities demand that its cost be defrayed by Canada. The whole of the fuss then being made over Canada being taxed for an Imperial object without her having a voice in Imperial councils is a very bad case of, "Vox et præteria nihil," or, "Much ado about nothing."

When Great Britain demands our assistance by a military contingent in a foreign war, and demands that we bear the cost of such assistance then will be the time to talk about taxation and representation going together. Under existing circumstances the controversy and the excitement it has raised are highly irrational. Hon. Edward Blake said in a memorable debate, "It is time to hid the Devil good morning-when you meet him." The whole grace and significance of the Canadian contingent for South Africa arise from its being a spontaneous movement on the part of the people of Canada, apart from the Government. In the last half century we have seen many popular outbursts in the old land and on this side, but never one which was so enthusiastic, or one anything like so universal as the movement in Canada to help the Mother Country in its struggle to defend British supremacy in South Africa.

HISTORY OF BANKING IN CANADA.

Mr. B. E. Walker, General Manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, has issued in book form his, "History of Banking in Canada," which appeared some time ago in an American publication. The bankers of Canada, as well as all interested in the financial history of this country, indeed of its history generally, are indebted to the author of this work for placing it before them in We need hardly say how excelso attractive a form. lent this treatise is from a literary standpoint, as Mr. Walker's eminent ability as a writer is well known. The work before us well illustrates the compunation of fullness of knowledge, practical experience, sound judgment, with a capacity for the orderly a rangement of a vast body of materials in a succinct, readable narrative which proceeds and develops in chronological sequence sten by step unencumbered by extraneous matter.

Mr. Walker is known to be a powerful champion of the Canadian banking system as now established. His personal views are not obtruded in this work, but he makes the history convey its own lesson, as a skilful advocate marshals evidence so as to constitute a convincing argument in support of his case.

The history is divided into the following sections, or groups: (1), 1668-1760—New France. Card money and other paper issues, 1685-1719, 1729-1749, and 1750-

1760. (2) 1760-1791—British occupation. Country without paper money. Coins of several countries legal tender. (23) 1791-1812-Representative government established in 1791, but attempts to obtain charters for banks of issue unsuccessful. (4) 1812-1717-Paper money issued by Army-bill Office. (5) 1817-1867-Joint stock banks established under provincial charters. (6) 1867-1890—Dominion of Canada. Charters issued by the Federal, instead of Provincial Government. The banking history of all these periods is dealt with as succinetly as possible, with a brevity however which does not overlook any relevant facts, or movements.

"The nature of the Banking Act now in force is treated more fully. A copy of this Act is given in full, with comments of a practical nature on the different sections, and upon the respective relations of the borrower and of the depositor to the bank, and of the bank to them. A terse statement is made of the branch bank system, which is summed up as follows: "This system not only enables every town of 1,000 or 1,200 people to have a joint stock bank, but to have a bank with a power behind it generally twenty to fifty times greater than a bank would have such as is found in the towns of similar size in the United States." Mr. Walker's history ought to be in the possession of, and to be mastered by every bank officer in Canada.

FRAUDULENT ELECTIONS.

The result of the North Waterloo election trial at Toronto, before Justices Meredith and Osler, is, that 20 persons are reported for bribery and two are found guilty of tampering with ballots. The recipients of the bribes, which were proved to have been paid, ought to be disfranchised for a wholesome length of time. As for those who tampered with ballots, their offence is one recognised and a punishment provided for in the criminal law. The offence is really forgery and involves perjury in some cases. In other instances it is the theft of, or destruction of public property. On the lowest ground, viewed as a property privilege, a ballot paper is a highly valuable document. The right to east a ballot has cost some voters heavy sacrifices. The fact of bribery being practised proves ballots to have a monetary value. destinies of a country may be changed by a small munber of ballots, and men may get control of the entire revenues of a nation by manipulating ballot boxes. secure such a stake, or some office, unprincipled politicians will grovel in the mire of electoral crimes. festly it is a very dangerous thing to hand the government of a country over to men who have won their positions by a mean form of rascality, by absolute crime. These election seandals are a menace to business interests, as they prove that it is feasible to secure by fraud. authority to guide the legislation of the country.

The operators recently condemned by Justices Meredith and Osler, secured an appointment as sworn election officials. They had the handling of ballot papers placed by voters in the ballot box. By some "devilish cantrip, slight," as Burns says in Tam O'Shanter, they learnt how each ballot was marked. If one was in favour of their party opponent they spoiled it by making a second mark by which it was vitiated. This was done by a small piece of lead pencil fixed under the finger nail by glue, which fixture, though practically invisible, enabled—the word. One of the spots I became enamored with was a mark to be made by the person so fraudulently Prince Edward Island. Indeed, speaking of Prince glue, which fixture, though practically invisible, enabled equipped.

commit crime, as the operators had been instructed in "the art of fixing these nail-pencils," and of detecting which ballots to so mark as to destroy.

The possiblity of so tampering with ballot papers ought not to exist. To avoid the risk is a very easy matter. The ballot in Ontario is manifestly not secret, nor is there open voting. The system allows the ballots to become exposed to certain officials. are appointed by the Government of the day, so that, by such espionage, the authorities are able to hold a whip over the heads of any class of voters they choose to hold geographes in the new Jewish Conference in subjection.

Such a system is unmanly, it is demoralising. It pretends to be the thing it is not, for, pretending to be a secret ballot system it is so arranged as to expose all ballots to the observation of officials who, by it, are able to record how every elector has voted, just as well as if open voting were practised. Beyond the absolute theft of the voter's ballot; the wrong done to the other electors; the fraud practised on the Legislature; and the defilement of a constituency by tampering with ballots, there is declared to be a gross fraud practised upon the party charged with concocting these crimes. "An enemy hath done this" is loudly proclaimed by the accused. Certainly no enemy of a political party could do it a fouler wrong than unjustly to fix upon such party the disgrace of tampering with ballot boxes and ballots. scandals, which disgrace Canada before the world, will continue while the present hypocritical ballot system of Ontario is maintained as it suggests and facilitates fraud.

LADY ABERDEEN ON CANADA.

In a magazine article Lady Aberdeen tells an interesting fact about the late Mr. Gladstone. When Lord Aberdeen was selected by him as Governor-General of Canada, Mr. Gladstone expressed a wish that he should pass every year a portion of his time in each of the Provinces and reside in various capitals so as to acquire a thorough knowledge of Canadians and the Dominion. The Grand Old Man showed much wisdom in this request, to which Lord Aberdeen paid due attention. One of the results of the knowledge thus acquired is a strong recommendation by Lady Aberdeen for persons in England who retire from business to settle in one of the Maritime Provinces—she favors Prince Edward Island of the attractions of which for residence her ladyship speaks quite enthusiastically in the Temple magazine.

"There are the Maritime Provinces, which visitors to Canada see little of. Yet they are extraordinarily at-British folks, in middle life, who have a small competence and want to go abroad to settle down, cannot do better than choose a Maritime Province for their home. The one idea of people who leave the Mother Country for Canada is to push out into the far west, and they rather overlook the beautiful country nearer at There has been a considerable migration from the Maritime Provinces themselves to the west, with the result that there are many nicely arranged farms to be obtained, within easy reach of the towns, with many educational advantages, and where life would be delight-Anybody accustomed to farm life and has £500 to spare could get a really beautiful home in every sense of The trick showed a deliberate intention to Edward Island, I can use no more expressive term than

to say it is a perfect love of a place. It is very green, has high red cliffs, and all belonging to it are so devoted that they never speak of it as anything else than "The Island"."

THE MUTUAL RESERVE FUND LIFE ASSOCIATION.

The above company has issued a circular to its policy-holders explanatory of the change made in its plans of life assurance. The circular reads: 10 500 mm and its plans of life assurance.

Had a present member originally insured under the present whole-life plan of the Association, he would have paid, a certain premium based on age of entry and have accumulated a certain reserve, the amount of which is determinable from the original date and age of issue. This reserve he could have borrowed, the policy affording ample security for the loan. The Association will utilize this fact-common to life insurance-to permit him to change to the plan at the present table rate for his original age at entry, upon his giving a note, as a lien against his policy and any surplus or dividends thereunder, for the amount which would have accumulated as a This nore will bear inreserve at the time of change. terest at the rate of five per cent. per annum. No medical re examination will be required. If the member desires, he can pay, in cash, the amount of the required reserve, or by a small annual addition to his premium he can provide for extinguishing the loan within a number of years equal to that of his membership at the time of change, each completed year making a proportionate reduction in the amount of the loan and, consequently, in the annual interest.

If any member desires to pass a medical examination and place his insurance upon attained age, thus avoiding the lien incident to the plan above outlined, the privilege will be accorded him of paying seventy per cent, of his premium in cash and the balance in a premium note bearing interest at the rate of five per cent, per annum, against which future dividends may be credited.

The circular declares that, "either plan is simple, scientific and equitable, and the offer is to the advantage of every member who holds one of the old forms of contract."

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

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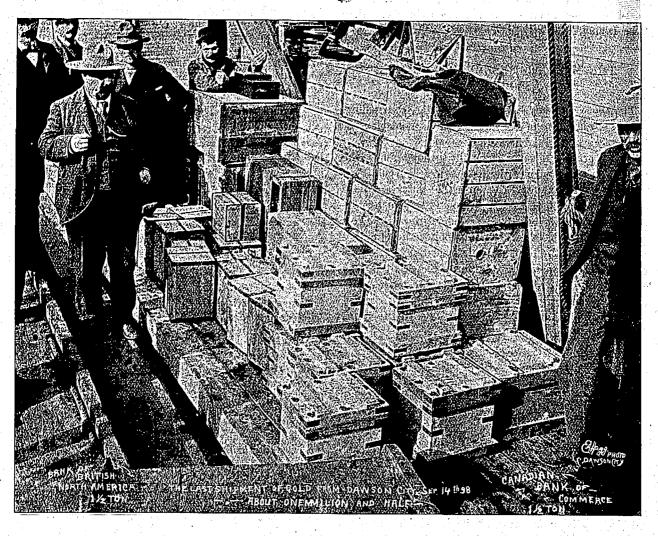
The offices comprised in the Issue Department of the Bank are the Hall, the Bullion Office, and the Gold-weigh-In the Hall, notes and gold are exchanged by the public one for the other, and notes are exchanged for other notes of a higher or lower denomination. Bullion Office bar-gold is bought at the rate of £3 17s 9d per ounce, or exchanged for sovereigns at the rate of £3 17s 101/d per ounce, at which rate bullion is also sold. Nearly all the imports of gold and silver to this country are taken to the Bank of England for delivery to consignees. The duties connected with these consignments are undertaken by the Bullion Office, where small charges are made for weighing, packing, and collecting freight, &c. In the Gold-weighing Room gold coin is weighed automatically, at the rate of about 2,000 pieces an hour each, by about a dozen beautiful little machines worked by an atmospheric engine. Bank-notes are not re-issued after having been once paid, and in the Bank Note Office registers are kept in which are recorded the dates of issue and return to the Bank of each respective note. The particulars of the payment of any note can be ascertained by a reference to the Bank Note Library, where the paid and cancelled notes are kept for seven years, after which they are burnt on the Bunk prem-For the privilege of issuing the £15,750,000 against

securities, and for exemption from stamp duty, the Bank pay an annual sum of about £200,000, together with any profit which they may derive from the notes issued against gold to the Government. The paper on which bank notes are printed is manufactured expressly for the Bank of England at Laverstock in Hampshire, but the dies from which the water-mark is made, as well as the plates from which the notes are printed, are made at the Bank. The notes are all printed at the Bank's own printing-office under the care of the printing superintendent, the quantity of notes required from time to time being regulated by the chief cashier, who is responsible for their safe custody as soon as, by a second process of printing, the numbers and dates have been filled in for the purpose of issue. average number of bank notes paid and cancelled each day is more than 40,000, and no less than 80,000,000 cancelled notes may be found as a rule, stored and sorted for reference, in the Bank Note Library. The Bank of England also undertakes the printing of "rupee paper" for the Indian Government.

The "Banking Department" of the Bank of England is the separation of the ordinary banking business from the business of financial agency and issuing notes. In a speech the renewal of the Bank charter in 1844 Robert Peel said, "With respect to the banking business of the Bank, I propose that it should be governed on precisely the same principles as would regulate any other body dealing with Bank of England Notes." The Bank Act of 1844, then, does not touch the management of the Banking Department in any way beyond requiring that a weekly statement of its assets and liabilities shall be published. The statement-which forms part of the "Bank Return"-may be thus analysed. On the left hand side are the liabilities, divided into the liability towards the proprietors of the Bank as shown by the amounts of "Proprietors' Capital" and "Rest" (which latter is practically an addition to the capital); the liability to the Government, as shown by the amount of "Public Deposits," which are balances of different Government accounts; the liability to the customers as shown by the amount of the "Other Deposits," which are the sum of the balances of the current or "drawing" accounts; and the liability to the holders of the Bank's acceptances as shown by the amount of "Sevenday and other Bills" in circulation. On the other side of the statement are the assets by which these liabilities are represented, divided into "Government Securities," which show the amount of the banking capital invested in Government securities; the "Other Securities," which show the amount of other investments made by the Bank; and, separately, the "notes" and "gold and silver coin," which show the amount of cash in hand for the current purposes of the Banking Department. This sum of notes and gold and silver coin forms, so to speak, the cash assets of the Bank, and the proportion which it bears to the current liabilities disclosed to the public and other deposits and seven-day bills is called the proportion of reserve to liabilities, and is always a matter of great interest, and often of great anxiety to the City on Thursdays.

The question of proportion which these cash assets should bear to liabilities is one of extreme importance to a It is generally considered that it should be about one-third, but a proportion of reserve to liabilities of only 33 per cent. in the Bank Return would create considerable anxiety, while in an ordinary joint-stock bank's accounts it would, I fancy, be abnormally great, far greater than that disclosed by the half-yearly accounts submitted to the shareholders, which may naturally be supposed to represent the financial position in the most favourable light. The publication of the weekly Bank Return is so useful and important to commerce, banking, and finance that it is to be regretted that the law which calls for it is not extended to all joint-stock if not to private banks. We might then hope to see an end put to that faulty system of banking, which in good times, in order to pay extraordinary dividends, encourages overtrading by giving every possible facility to speculation, and, when a reaction comes, suddenly cuts off all "accommodation," calls in all the resources, and drives its customers to the Bank of England, in the hope of obtaining that ready money which it is no longer willing itself to supply. The Bank of England, through their Banking Department, undertake duties merely to-

BANKING IN THE KLONDYKE.



We give another illustration depicting an incident of banking life in the Klondyke. It represents certainly a highly remarkable scene. There are few persons living who ever saw boxes piled up containing three tons of gold, or even a single box of the precious metal prior to its being coined. The picture exhibits the 4th shipment of gold made by the Bank of Commerce from its Dawson City branch, amounting in value to \$1,500,000. The eight iron-

bound boxes are those from the Bank of Commerce, each box requiring two men to carry it. The smaller boxes are those of the first and only shipment of the season of the Bank of British North America, which also has an agency at Dawson City. The gold is en route to the smelter for conversion into bullion. Now that the South African gold field seems likely to have its supply cut off, the stream of gold from the Yukon will be found particularly convenient.

wards their own customers and the Government. banking business is conducted for the most part (in theory, at all events, on the same lines as any other banking institution. It is unreasonable, therefore, to suppose that it is any part of their duty, in times of panie or crisis, to find ready money for a public shunted over to them by its own bankers, who from an inordinate desire to pay large dividends have placed themselves in a position of inability or unwillingness to find it themselves. And yet some such theory as this is advanced by many well-known writers on banking and finance. Bankers, probably knowing the weak, points in their system, become sadly selfish, and are quick to take fright at the first signs of a panic, which they often do much to increase. The suspension of the Bank Act is to them the only true solution of the difficulties caused by over-trading, over-speculation, and inflation of general busi-At their earnest entreaty-not at the solicitation of the Bank of England-has the Act been thrice suspended; not, as subsequent events proved, because any suspension of the Act was really necessary, but because bankers hesitated to do their duty to their customers except under the shelter of its protecting wing. Nothing can be more erroncous, or, indeed, more mischievous, than the doctrine that it is the duty of the Bank of England to keep the "reserve" of the whole country, simply on the ground that, for Clearing House purposes, it suits the convenience of bankers to entrust them with large balances, and because they

act as agents for the Government in automatically regulating the note issue of the kingdom.

(To be continued.)

WEBSTER HOUSE FIRE.

The burning of the Webster House in this city, on Tuesday morning last, resulting in the loss of three lives and serious injury to many others, is but another proof of neglect of proper fire escapes. The knowledge of such loss of life in New York city recently, would be thought sufficient to prevent such hotels as the above from being patronized, particularly by the travelling pubic, who, as a rule, are known to the average hotel clerk as being most careful in inquiring as to these conveniences. But danger will continue to be discounted and such disasters will be chronicled from time to time until a law is enforced for proper protection of guests in public hostelries by fire escapes being conducted to afford safe egree to inmates when a fire breaks out.

RECENT FIRES.

Fingal, Ont., October 25th.—Fulton Bros. saw mill completely destroyed. Loss, \$5,000; no insurance.—Port Dalhousic, Ont., 29th—The Windsor Hotel property, along with

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John R. Smith's butcher shop was totally destroyed. Probable loss on building, \$6,000.—Leannington, Ont., 28th.—Nennedy Bros.' evaporating factory, near the Michigan Central depot, destroyed. The fire originated from the kiln, and was thought to have been caused by excessive heat. The building belonged to the Molsons Bank. The loss is estimated at about \$2,000, with no insurance. The factory employed about 60 hands.—Montreal, 31st.—Webster House burned. Loss, \$40,000 to \$45,000; insurance on huilding, \$10,000 in Hartford and \$6,000 in Royal. On contents, \$3,000 in Norwich Union.

-Bay of Quinte Notes.-Mr. Gaylord, managing director of the Deseronto Iron Company, has visited different parts of North Hastings looking for iron to be used in the Deseronto smelter. The iron property known as the "Mountain," sixteen miles from the O. B. & N. Raniway, was visited. He intends to make a thorough test of the property to ascertain the amount of ore, and if the quantity is sufficient, an extension of the O. B. & N. Railway will in all probably be built to the mine. The vein has been traced 700 feet and is 24 feet wide. In testing it by the compass it stood at ninety degrees which is the highest possible compass test. Mr. Gaylord took additional samples back with him to Deseronto, for further assay testing. He will begin within a week to make cross cuts every few feet across the vein. The work will be under the direction of Edward Cowan, of Marmora, who has for some time past been employed by the Rathbun Company, prospecting iron properties for the company.—That this is Canada's growing time is evidenced by a visit to the Descronto steambout dock, where the large freight sheds of the Bay of Quinte Railway and Deseronto Navigution Company are always in an overcrowded condition, the space being competely inadequate for the storage of arriving and departing freight. The cold storage repartment has been in constant use all the season by shippers of cheese, its facilities being turned to good account by the factories of the district More and larger buildings are a necessity.—Descronto people complain of a lack of suitable houses to rent. They cannot be secured for love or money. The Deseronto Iron Com-

pany are making heavy shipments of charges!

land this week.—The steamers of the Descronto Navigation Company are doing a splendid carrying business this fall.—Fourteen carloads of hardwood arrived at the Descronto Chemical Works recently from Coe Hill district. It will be converted into charcoal. These works are kept busy supplying charcoal for the smelting works. Six or seven carloads a day are used in the manufacture, representing sixty-six cords.—Local railway men have been making desperate efforts to break the blockade at Descronto Junction. The rush of traffic has been on a great scale. A double track to the Junction from Descronto is almost a necessity.

-Rumor has it that Canada will soon have the largest paper mill in the world. Some \$6,000,000 is said to be the estimated cost of a huge plant to be erected in the Ottawa Valley, to be completed by September of next year. Employment will be given to 2,000 hands. English capital is said to be at the back of the enterprise, some New York financiers being also interested. Ample water power and raw material are obtainable in that district.

—The capture of four burglars, in this city, on the 31st ult., immediately following the breaking of safes in the offices of Mr. James Price, dealer in hides, and Messrs. J. R. Walker & Co., commisson merchants, reduced but did not entirley subdue the gang, who have been operating freely of late. The Canadian Brewing Company's offices were entered and robbed of \$200 the following night. These daring thieves are neither deterred by night watchmen nor modern safes; they go through both with case.

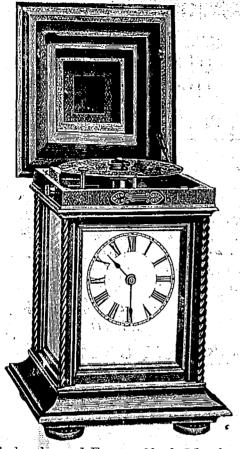
—The Hon. A. S. Hardy, who has just resigned as Attorney-General and Premier of Ontario, has accepted the offices of Surrogate Clerk and Clerk of the Process at Osgoode Hall. The acceptance by Mr. Hardy of such inferior positions, which are little more than sinecures, shows that his health is unequal to the strain of higher duties. Irrespective of party all will wish the ex-Premier of Ontario a return of strength and health. We had marked Mr. Hardy out for a much higher position, which probably he

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Ontario-J. E. Stephenson, harness, Alma, advertises business for sale; Volta Electric Storage Co., Ltd., Hamilton, incorporation granted; A. Lefebvre, hotel, Sturgeon Falls, sold out to Langlois Bros.; M. McFarlane, general store, Clearville, moved to Ridgetown; L. Banghart, general store, Palmyra, opened branch at Clearville; R. T. Dickson, general store, Turin, giving up business; Philip Young, general store, Vittoria, succeeded by H. Gustin; J. B. Browne, groceries and liquors, Hamilton, has sold out; Estate of T. Fitzgerald, livery and coal, Peterboro, business sold to T. II. Donne; W. A. Broddy, general store, Uxpridge, opening branch at Saunderland.

Quebec.-Bernier & Langlois, agents, Montreal, partnership registered; Whitley Bros., leather, Montreal, dissolved; A. Davignon, general store, Notre Dame de Stanbridge, commenced business; N. Chenier, hotel, Montebello, commeeing business; A. Chene, hotel, St. Andre Avellin, removing to St. Victor d'Alfred, Ont.; L. P. Collette, saloon, Montreal, commencing business; Z. L. Desaulniers, grocer, Montreal, commenced business; R. A. Taschereau, drugs, Montreal, commenced business; E. E. Wells, marble, Bedford, commencing business; A. E. Baldwin, drugs, Conticooke, commencing business; C. Boright, general store, Mansonville, commenced business; T. J. Quirk, drugs, Montreal, commencing busi-



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ness; Dean Bros., general store, Noyan, dissolved; Seguin & Co., butchers, Rock Island, commencing business; J. L. H. Langevin, dry goods, Valleyfield, has sold out.

Munitoba and N.W.T.-John Linehum, saw mill, &c., Okotoks, sold general store business to Mahon & Ross; A. Mac-Donald & Co., general store, Battleford, succeeded by Prince Bros.; L. Bourdeau, general store, Prince Albert, opening branch at Strathcona.

British Columbia .- S. Duck & Co., second-hand furniture, &c., Victoria, retiring from business; Kimpton & Pitts, general store, Donald, opening branch at Athalmer.

New Brunswick,-M. J. Brown, rest., St. John, advertises business for sale; G. C. Jewett, groceries, Fredericton, sold out to Mrs. Lillian A. Ferguson.

Nova Scotia.-Capt. J. H. Coumans, general store, East Jordan Bay, opening branch, at Lockport; A. Riley, groceries, Hantsport, closed business; C. C. Brown, groceries, Wolfville, succeeded by E. B. Bishop & Son.

LEGAL RECORD.

WRITS ISSUED-ONTARIO.

October 26.

Alvinston-London & Western Trust Co. admrs vs M. C. McIntyre, \$602; Bathurst Tp.—B. James vs Christopher Donaldson, \$437; Chatham-Huron & Erie L. & S. Co. vs S. M. Knapp, \$1,041; Etobicoke Tp.—H. Whitham vs Fredk. and L. E. Barrett, \$750; Hamilton—J. Stuart & Co. vs Morris & Co., \$378; T. D. J. Farmer vs Robt. Smith, \$445; London-A. S. Emery vs Jas. Forman et al, \$412; Merritton-C. H. Hare vs G. S. Wilson, \$5,000 Ottawa-H. Glenn vs John Allen, \$1,718; St. Catharines-Helen C. and Mary B. Wallace vs Wm. Garson et al, \$1,605; Sarnia-Evans & Sons vs Sutherland Johnston, \$428; Toronto-A. Thibaudeau vs British American Assurance Co., \$2,500; Winchester Tp.-A. Henderson vs David Moffatt, \$516;Jane Spratt



N. R. Cuthbert & Co. 37, 39, 41 Duke St.

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vs Edward Johnson et al, \$850;J. Greer et al vs Southampton Lumber Co., Ltd., \$542.

October 28.

Brampton-T. W. Duggan vs Agnes F. J. O. Hutton and B. F. Justin, \$5,013; London-Guelph Rag and Metal Co. vs J. Harris et al, \$300; Napanee-Jno. Taylor vs Vanluven & Co., et al, \$5,101; Ottawa-O. Leclaire vs Sir Adolphe P. Caron, \$389; Sidney-C. A. Jones vs T. H. Blanchard, \$315; Toronto-J. C. Hallamore vs Draper Music Publishing Co. et al, \$300; W. Oxford vs Lydia J. Fleming, \$880; Kensington Furniture Co. vs Ideal Weekly Payment Store, \$482; J. Mitchell vs. Elizth. Mitchell admr., \$743; J. C. Hallamore vs Whaley-Royce & Co., \$300; Wingham-J. Sheppard et al vs W. H. Day, \$491; Hartney, Man.—Confederation Life Assn. vs Ruth A. Dale, \$7,107.

October 31.

Belleville - I. Crowe vs Grace Walker, exrx, \$3,-115; W. H. Crowe vs Grace Walker, exrx, \$608; Listowel-A. Pequegnat vs C. George, \$546; Oxford-A. M. Kennedy vs T. H. Sloan, \$421; Sophiasburgh-Bank of Montreal vs S. J. Cotter et al, \$310; Toronto-Kate Crowley vs Copland Brewing Co., \$2,500; Bellhouse, Dillon & Co., vs D. L. Vanvlack, \$1,500; T. Burke vs Henry Smith, \$300; -J. Brown vs Merchants Bank of Canada, \$617; Buffalo, N. Y.—Conf. Life Association vs Leonard Nattress et al, \$2,070.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-ONTARIO.

October 26.

Hamilton-W. R. Howse agt Grant-Lottridge Brewing Co., Ltd., \$10,177; Canadian Pacific Railway agt Andrew Onderdonk, \$4,678.

October 28.

Fordwich-Knox, Morgan & Co. agt F. A. Donaghy, \$529; Marmora-C. F. Rees agt W. L. Mitchell, \$314; Niagara -J. Barry agt Frank Menzie, \$970; St. Thomas-II. M. Blackburn agt A. J. Clark et al, \$541.

October 31,

Chatham Tp.-G. Stephens & Co. agt James Langstaff, \$318; Galt-Merchants Bank of Can. agt G. H. Ball, et al, \$426; Ottawa-E. B. Tatchell agt A. W. H. Stimpson, \$2,104; Toronto-Canada Per. L. & I. Co. agt Mary Carruth; admrx,

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-MANITOBA.

October 31. Moose Jaw-J. A. Healey & Co., \$3,024, \$764, \$1,433, \$501.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED — QUEBEC.

October 26.

Montreal-I. Desjardins agt M. E. Bernier, \$200; R. Gardner agt C. R. Ellacott & Sons, \$1,500; Montreal Loan & Mtge. Co. agt Mary E. Guerin, \$770; Montreal Loan & Mtge Co. agt Michael Guerin, \$1,371; Montreal Loan & Mtge, Co. agt J. J. Guerin, \$521; Sherbrooke-S. G. Archibald agt J. P. McCall et al, \$700.

October 25.

Montreal-F. Thibaudeau agt Jos. Brouillette, \$1,677; A. A. Phillips agt Dme. Anna M. Duplessis et vir, \$181; H. F. Hoerner agt T. W. Fickus, \$245.

October 31.

Isle Bizard-Emile A. Wallberg agt Nap. Boileau et al, \$552; Montreal—C. H. Ellacott agt C. R. Ellacott & Son, \$2,600; Sun Life Assec. Co. agt Hon. James McShane, \$10,-898; Dme. C. Drolet agt Dme. Octave Pepin, \$600; Jane Robb agt J. B. Rose, \$364; Ste. Cunegonde-P. Leompte et al agt Dme. Julien Martineau, \$1,297; St. Jean des Chaillons-C. J. Marchildon agt Victor Lefleur, \$300; Montreal-Eva St. Amand et vir agt A. Thouin et al, \$210; Weedon Station-P. A. Drolet et al agt Ad. Tanguay, \$318.

EXECUTIONS—QUEBEC.

October 26.

Montreal-Montreal Board of Trade agt G. Bourdeau, \$300; Bank of Montreal agt A. Charlebois et al, \$2,428; De M. Papineau et vir et al agt Euphemi Lenoir, \$4,002.

October 28.

Montreal-Trust and Loan Co. agt Ludger Cousineau et al, \$7,740; J. B. Caverbill et al agt C. A. Dansereau, \$238; S. Carsley agt Henry Millen; \$3,002; St. Louis-Birkbeck Investment Security Savings agt Dme. J. Poirier, \$5,169; Sault au Recollet-Dme. A. Pominville et al agt E. Prevost, esql., \$1,060.

October 31.

Montreal-Z. Charest agt Damase Beaupre, \$200; F. Tremblay agt Dme. Henri Campeau, \$207; R. Gobier et al agt M. L. Desaulniers et vir, \$259; C. F. Lalonde agt Gedeon; Forest, \$2,040; Montreal Loan and Mortgage Co. agt Dme. Alex, McT. Watt, \$1,225; Notre Dame de C.—F. Tremblay agt Simond Lacombe, \$812; St. Justin de Newton—M. Leroux agt E. Lavac, \$2,789.

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Vancouver-Blanchfield & Fraser, \$2,762; Alf. Woodhouse,

October 31.

Vancouver-G. R. Gordan Co., Ltd., \$10,024; Greenwood-Frank Hartinger, \$1,600; Nelson-A. J. Marks, \$4,500.

BILLS OF SALE—NEW BRUNSWICK.

October 26. Newcastle-A. E. Shaw, \$1,900; Stewarton-Archd. Wiley, \$1.075.

BILLS OF SALE-MANITOBA & N.W.T.

October 26.

Edmonton-Markes-Clavet Dobie Co., Ltd., \$1,400.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES-MANITOBA & N.W.T.

October 26.

Edmonton-J. M. Closson, \$1,300.

Shoal Lake-W. J. Tully, \$804. .

CHATTEL MORTGAGES—BRITISH COLUMBIA.

October 26.

October 28.

Revelstoke-R. S. Wilson, \$2,137; Vancouver-T. G. Bligh,

BILLS OF SALE-NEW BRUNSWICK.

October 28.

Fredericton-Simmons & Ferguson, \$2,500.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED—BRITISH COLUMBIA.

October 26.

Duncan City-John Bull, \$343.

October 28.

Camp McKinney-J. M. Lynch, \$523; Vancouver-Slieasgreen, \$704.

October 31.

Vancouver-D. King, \$306.

--With all lines of industry held more or less in check through inability to produce and ship supplies, a late report from India is somewhat, of an A Calcutta despatch states that the critical condition of the cotton industry is exciting considerable attention there and at Bombay, owing to the over-production of the mills. It is feared the decision to partly close down came too late to save the

BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

Joliette, Que., reports two assignments during the past week. J. A. Charland, tailor and mens' furnishings, shows liabilities of some \$6,000. He began in the summer of '98, moving from St. Alexis de Montealin, where he had been in business for a few years.—Hector Robitaille, dry goods, same place, has assigned with liabilities of \$3,800. He started on his own account He started on his own account in the spring of '97, being formerly a

clerk. Last spring he obtained a quiet extension.

—A demand of assignment has been made on G. Brouillet & Co., shoe manufacturers, Montreal. Mr. Brouillet was formerly of Michaud, Brouillet & Co., and afterwards conducted a factory at the reformatory school, where he was unsuccessful.

-At Lindsay, Ont., James Little, who has conducted a harness shop for twelve years, has made an assignment. debts are few and small.

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FINANCIAL.

Montreal, 2nd November, 1899. The war situation has assumed an aspect which threatens more serious financial effects than have been either felt or feared. The power of the Boers has been underestimated. It is now evident that they have been preparing for years for an effort to eject the British ine "Notice to from South Africa. quit," served by Mr. Kruger, on the home government, had been long determined upon. Mr. Chamberlain made the startling statement in his brilliant defence that the government had positive proof of the, would be, Czar of South Africa, having been engaged in intrigues, looking to the securement of European aid in this movement. That fact alone justifies the stand taken by

Great Britain. A Vienna paper predicts that quotations of European securities will be controlled by results of battles with the Boers Oddly enough the Continental markets have been more disturbed by the war than the Consols dropped to 1021/8, a British. lower point than for some years, but they quickly recovered to 104. Bank of Engand has been adding to its gold reserve. The issue of Exchaquer bills to provide war funds absorbs a large sum of money waiting for investment, of which there is too much affoat to make it likely there will be any serious drain on the supplies needed for trade. These "bills" are issued at from 2 to 3 per cent., and may be called in any day. There is more trouble in the States over its disturbed finances, caused by bad currency laws, than in England over the war. Call money in New York has again been fetching very high rates, even going to 30 per cent., to the great profit of our banks who have Tunds at that centre. The rate is now ranging from 5 to 8 per cent, and will tikely soon be lower. The annual meeting of the Montreal Street Railway is being held as we go to press. The statement shows a net profit for past year of \$630,870, as against \$601,704, 1898. After four 21/2 per cent. dividends were paid there remained a surplus of \$152,-As the company has now ample funds to enlarge its rolling stock, it should be more merciful to its patrons by taking off the open cars during such cold, and wet weather as has prevailed recently. The Stock Exchange bears tried to do a little squeezing when bad news came from Ladysmith, but failed. Business naturally is flat amid so much uncertainty. Pacific has ranged from 94 to 94%, Toronto Street 108 to 10914, Montreal Street 3101/2, Richelicu 108% to 109, Merchants Bank 1661/2, Molsons 208, Commerce 1511/2, Dominion 270, and Im-

Canada Life has been sold perial 217. Canada Life has been sold at 500. Late London advices show the market to be firm, no sign of a scare being visible, as the Ladysmith reverse has intensified popular approval of the war. The local rates for call loans stands at 5, and for mercantile paper the same as for some time past.

The following is a comparative table of stocks for w.e. Nov. 2nd, supplied by Chas Meredith & Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

BANKS.	Shares.	Highest.	Lowest.	Average Same dat Last Yea
Montreal	53	265	265	246
British N. Amer	15	122	122	
Molsons	8	208	207	200
Merchants	32	1671/2	165	181
Eastern Township	s 10 : '	156 ~	150	150
Can. Bk. of Com.	76	151	151	150
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Can. Pacific	4620	98	98%	81%
Duluth S.S. & At.	2225	61/8	51%	3/8
Dul. S.S. & At Pf	50	$15\frac{1}{2}$	151/2	5
Comm. Cable	445	190	183	181%
Republic, xd	13250	122	118	141/2
Payne Mining Co.	3450	106	104	
Montreal-Teleg.	158	175	174	1751
Virtue	19700	48	451/	
Rich. & Ont. xd	275	110	110	95
Royal Electric	74	.158	157	156
Royal Elec. N'wS'l	112	156	156	
M. S. R. xd	700	312	3101/	2761
Twin City	200	6216	62 14	
Montreal Gas Co.	163	195	102	1911/6
Bell Telephone	161	19114	190	173
Toronto Ry. Co	2093	110	1081/4	
Mont. & Lon	650	47	46	78
Halifax Ry	50	102	100	127
War Eagle, xd1	5000	296	277	286 1/2
Mont. Cotton Co.	10	146	146	150%
Can. Col'd Co.bds	.1300	101	100	¥ 98
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Dom. Cotton Mills	298	101	99	981/4
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MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Montreal, Nov. 2nd, 1899. While hardware, that great staple which seems to take the lead in the prosperous march, appears to be seeking a well-carned rest, many other commodities have kept advancing on. Leather is very firm owing to an advance of 1½ cents per lb. in dry hides. Teas are advancing owing to light supplies. Glass has been marked up about 5 per cent. In groceries sugars are again lower by 5 cents per 100 lbs, while Valencia raisins are steadily advancing. There is a serious shortage of freight space, both on land and water. The two leading Canadian roads are very short of cars and much freight is being delayed.

BUTTER.—The market during the past week has been disappointing to those who looked for an improvement. There has been little doing, foreign advices being very unfavorable, which has caused exporters to hold off, consequently there are but few transactions of investment to receive the beautiful to the control of importance to report. We hear of several sales of choicest creamery in boxes at 20% to 21 cents, which are for focal use, or speculative account. Exporters are making 20 cents the limit and quality must be the choicest. Re-ceipts have shown up large, the greater part of which goes into cold storage. Factorymen are looking for higher prices than prevail at present and are ordering the butter stored. Dairy butter is more active, supplies being small receivers find no difficulty in marketing small it. speedily. Fancy Townships is quoted at 19 to 20 cents, Western ranging from 15 to 18 cents. Rolls are arriving freely and meet with readysale at 17 to 18 cents for choicest lots.

CHEESE.-In this market there has been considerably more doing, prices ruling firm at an advance of ¼ to ¾ cents over last week. Choicest Western is difficult to buy under 11% to 11½ cents, with Eastern, 10% to 11 cents; anything fancy in quality is easily placed at outside/quotations; Liverpool cables report available supplies 63,900 packages, as against 83,040 a year ago, showing a reduction of 19,140. At Strilling Out on the late to the strilling of the strilling o At Stirling, Ont., on the 1st inst., 1,884 white cheese were boarded, 11c offered; no sales. Picton. Ont., 1st., 260 colored offered, 111/se bid, 110 sold.

DRUGS, CHEMICALS, BARKS, ETC.-Opium is ensier in sympathy with lower opinin is easier in sympachy with lower prices in producing markets. Quinine is steady with no change since last report. Cocaine is very firm at the recent advance with very limited stocks. Cuttletish bone is very scarce and prices as a result are expected to be advanced. Foreign markets report a strong demand for white heliebore with stocks on hand amost exhausted. Belladonna holds a similar position with available supplies nearly extinct. Smyrna canary seed and Dutch caraway seed are both higher.

CEMENTS, ETC.—Trade steady, with no transactions of note to record. Arrivals of English cement during the week ending 1st, were: 4,775 brls.; Belgian and German, 1,050 brls. Fire bricks, 124400. 134,400,-

DRY GOODS, DOMESTIC WOOLLENS.—The word "advanced" appears to tell the story in all lines of dry goods. Even the little sundry supplies that might not be expected to follow any movement, appear to have worked up sufficient life to step forward with the crowd. While raw silk, which has been advancing rapidly within the past two weeks, and fine wool continue in their present condition these features of the dry goods and woollen market will predry goods and woollen market will pre-

dominate. Prices of domestic cottons are firm at the recent advance. .

Eggs.-The condition of the egg market varies fittle from last week s show-ing, except that better prices rule for strictly fresh stock. This quality is strictly fresh stock. scarce, receipts being very light birroughout the week. Quotations to-day are 19 to 21 cents. Limed are also moving well and are difficult to buy as onerings are light. The range of prices is between 15 and 16 cents. There is a large lot of held, or refrigerator, iavor, these being quoted at 12 to 15 cents, but drag along very slowly in keeping with the hestane, that gener airy accaches to their age.

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Fish, Oysters, Etc.— The market has not shown any distinct features since last report. Business is improving with the advent of cold weather, but prices show no change. A Statonn's, Nild., dispatch states that 20 American usning vessels from thoucester have arrived at the Bay of Islands in quest of herring. These fish have struck in along the coast in great numin quest of nerring.

struck in along the coast in great numbers, and an the vessels are expected to load speedily. There is also a piento load speedily. There is also a plen-tiful supply of herring in the southern bays of the island, where great catches are being made.

FLOUR, FEED AND MEAL.—The flour market is experiencing a boom under circumstances which limits its movements. Freights both at sea and land are unable to cope with the general rush for space and flour is one of the best to feet this condition. 5.000 the first to feel this condition. 5,000 bags were ordered last week from a leading firm here for the Transvaal. Prices are unchanged. Feed is still held in light supply under a continued active demand and firm prices. Quotations are: Winter wheat patents, \$3.70 to \$3.90; straight rollers, \$3.50 to \$3.60; and in bags, \$1.65; Manitoba patents, \$4 to \$4.20; strong bakers, \$3.70 to \$3.80; bran Manitoba, bulk, \$14; do. Ontario, \$14.50 to \$15; shorts, \$15.50 to \$16.50; mouille, \$20 to \$23 per ton; oatmeal, \$3.50 to \$3.60; and \$1.70 to \$1.75 per bag. Baled hay—No. 1, \$9 to \$9.50; No. 2, \$7.50 to \$8.00; clover and mixed, \$7 to \$7.50, in car lots on track. Best demand and firm prices. Quotations are: \$7 to \$7.50, in car lots on track. Best timothy hay in bulk is held at \$7.50 to \$8 per load, averaging 1,500 lbs.

GAME, FOWL, ETC.—Prices in these lines show little change, owing presumably, to the mild weather, which permits of limited handling by retailers. Receipts, however, are gradually be-coming larger and the demand so far, has been equal, preventing any accu-mulation of stock. Turkeys sell well at 10 cents lb.; geese, 6 to 7c; ducks, 8c to 9c; chickens and fowls, 6 to 7 cents per lb.; partridges, 50 to 55 cents per brace; venison, 4½ to 5 cents per lb.; in careass; saddles, 8 to 10 cents.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—The warm weather of the past weeks has had a depressing effect on apples, both home and abroad. There is little doing locally, though prices are hardening through reports of searcity from inland points. Regular quotations are: Verdelli lemons, \$2.75 to \$3.50; Spanish onions,in crates, 60c to 65c; California plums, \$1.25 to \$1.40 per box; bananas, \$1.75 to \$2.25; apples, in brls., \$2 to \$3.50;

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GROCERIES.—The sugar market has shown another decline of 5 cents per 100 lbs., all round, the third movement of a like amount in three weeks. Granulated is again \$4.50 with yellows \$3.70 to \$4.35. Valencia raisins are steadily advancing and nothing is to be had on the market now under 6 cents. Rice is firm and likely to advance. Beans have advanced considerably being now \$1.30 to \$1.45 per bushel. Molasses holds steady at previous quotations.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—The market appears to have settled down to the old business of buying and selling after on dustries of output and setting areasucceeding in getting prices, apparently, at a satisfactory mark. No changes have taken place in list prices or discounts the past week. Trade is shown to be good, with very few failures among retailers. Considerable fluctuations are shown in significant to be shown in significant. tions are shown in pig tin, both in New York and London out prices re-act to former levels.

Hides and Tallow. Prices of green hides show no change. A fair trade is being done at 10c, we and oc for Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Lambskins advanced to 75 cents, as was expected, on 1st November. Dry hides have advanced 11/2 cents per lb., and this has caused tanners to look for further advances in leather.

Tallow is quiet and unchanged in price.

LEATHER, SHOES, RUBBERS, ETC.— While the local demand for leather has been quiet, as usual at the end of the month, export business shows no falling off from the spirited movement which has characterized it through the sea-son. Prices are very firm here, another son. Prices are very firm here, anomer advance would not suprise any in the trade. Dry hides have advanced 1½ cents per lb., and leather must naturally follow. Manufacturers agents are notified to get outside prices in every case. A further advance in sole leather is: tooked for. Shoe manufacturers is: tooked for. leather is looked for. Shoe manufacturers are receiving good orders and say prospects for spring trade are bright. The mild weather has held off the usual activity in rubbers, but retailers are fairly well supplied.

PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.— There has been an advance in glass of about 5 per cent, within the past week, caused principally by the lightness of local stocks, coupled with the strength in the United States. New quotations are: Pirst break, per 50 feet, \$2; second break, per 50 feet, \$2.10; per hundred feet, first break, \$3.80; second break, \$4; third break, \$4.50; fourth break, \$4.75; fifth break, \$5.25; sixth break,

\$5.75; Seventh break, \$6.25. There has been no change in paints since last re-port. The duliness in mixed paints, usual with autumn, is expected, but with light stocks of most materials prices are firmly held. Foreign makes of lead are all advanced in the primary Red lead continues markets. and zines are experiencing a like condition. Oils are steady. Rosins are very ilrm. Turpentine is lower, being quoted to-day at 75 cents.

POTATOES, ROOTS, ETC.-In this market offerings of potatoes have been rather lighter during the past ten days. The low price in comparison with that prevailing for most other commodities nas given a hint around that this staple the continent and this will prevent any purchases on speculative account for some time. Prices range from 40 to 45 cents per bag for best kinds. Turnips are selling at 25 to 30 cents per bushel in a small way, carrots about the same.

Provisions.—A steady trade is being done in smoked meats. The tone of the market has been much firmer, but no advance has taken place. Export trade is good, with full prices being paid. Lard is unchanged under a fair demand. Liverpool cables quote a decline of 6d, but fluctuations are in order and this will undoubtedly be covered before the end of the week. Pork is slow owing to the quite mild weather. Quotations are: Selected heavy short

boneless mess pork, \$16.25 to \$16.50; boneless mess pork, \$10.25 to \$16.50; heavy Canadian, short both mess, \$16; short cut back, \$15.50; heavy long cut mess, \$14.75 to \$15 per brl; pure Canadian land, per pail, 7c to 7½c; compound refined, 5½c to 5½c; hums, 12c to 13½c per lb., as to size; bacon,11½c to 130 per lb. 13c per lb., as to grade

Woor.—Domestic and Foreign.—The market for fine wools continues—and is expected to continue-very firm, with light supplies all round. Manufacturexpected to continue—very firm, with light supplies all round. Manufacturers here are still holding aloof from liberal purchases and are using the limits on any avalable stock. A Boston report of the 30th ult, states:—"Al previous records of a week's sales

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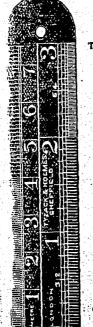
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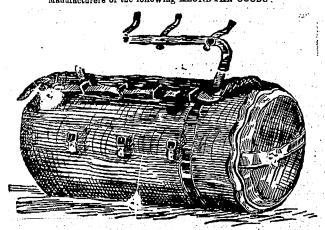
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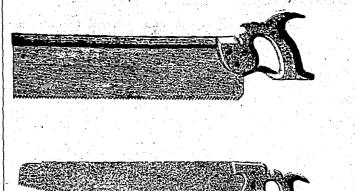
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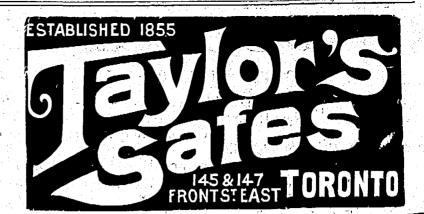
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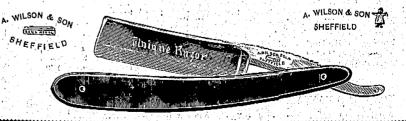
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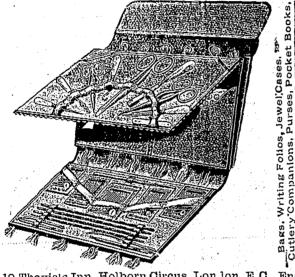
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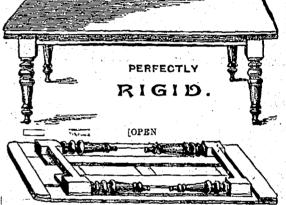
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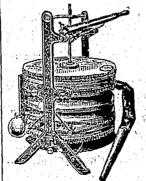
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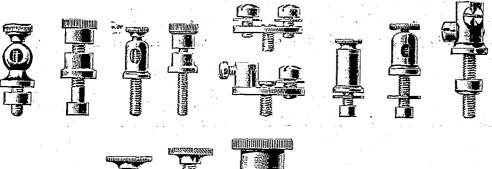
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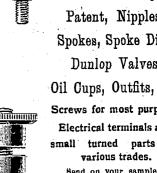
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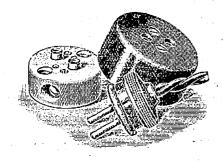
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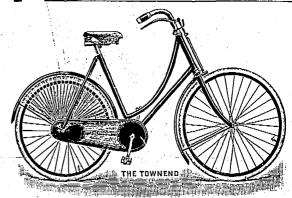
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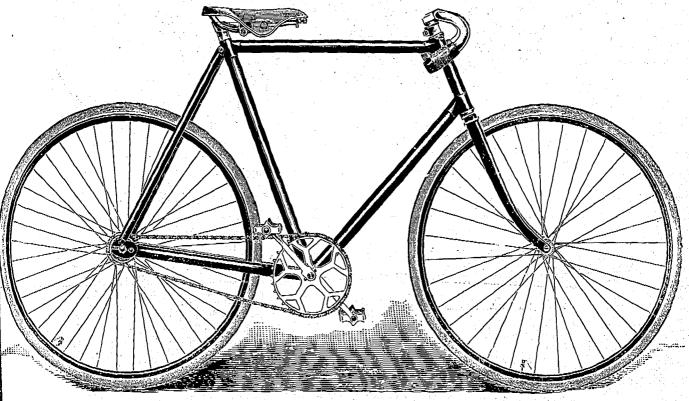
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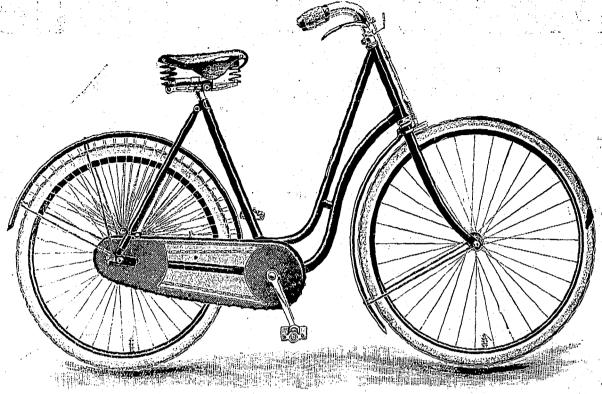
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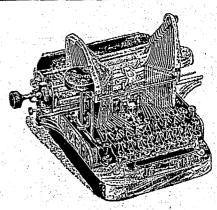
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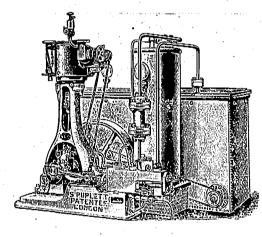
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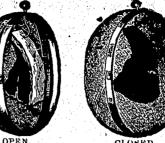
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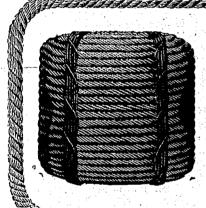


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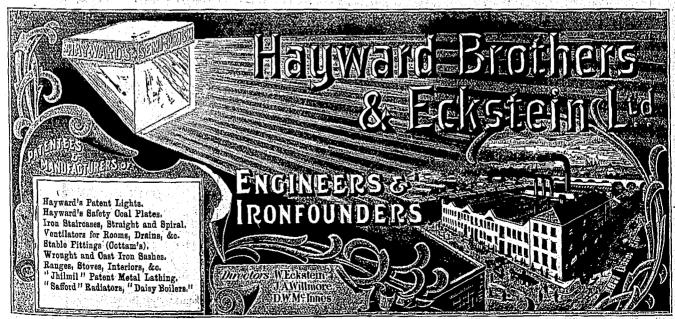
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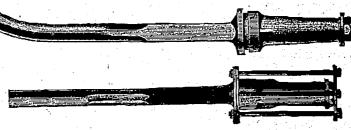
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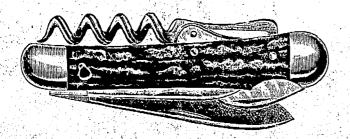
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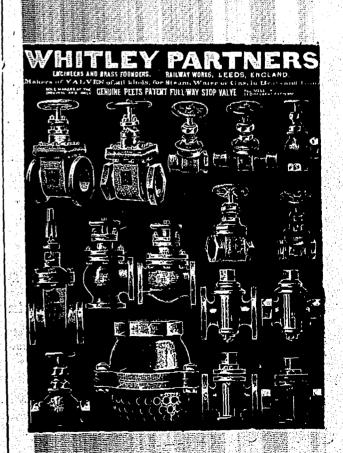


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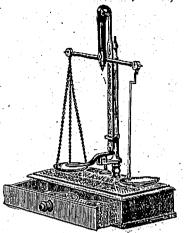
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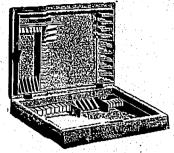
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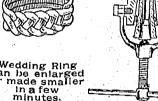
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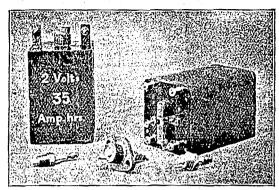
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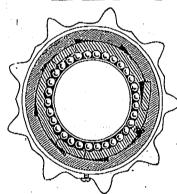
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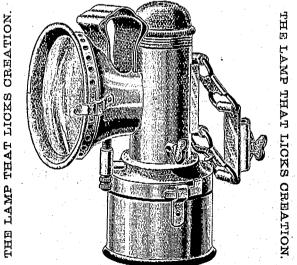
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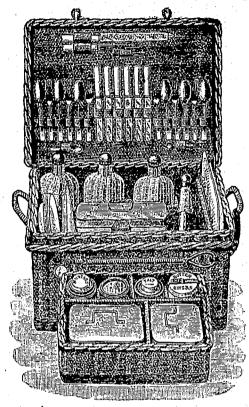
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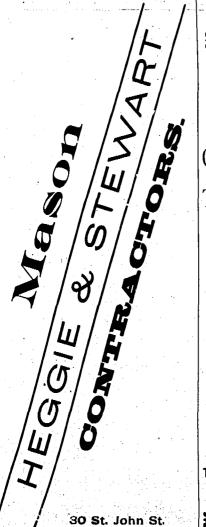
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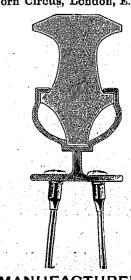
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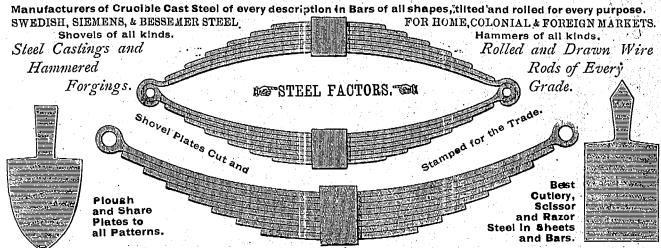
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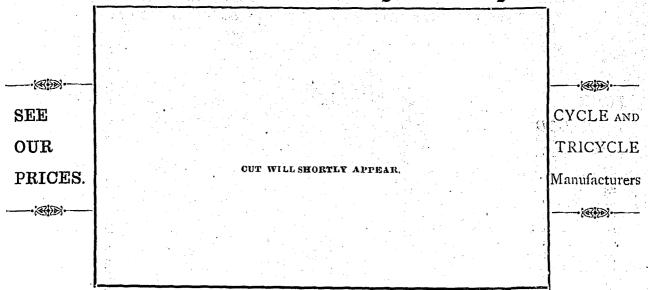
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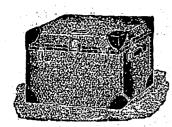
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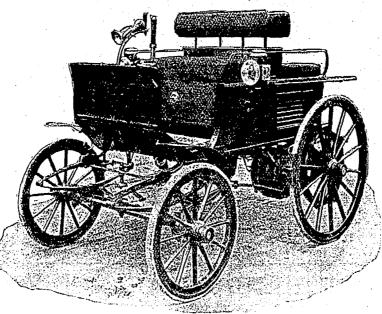


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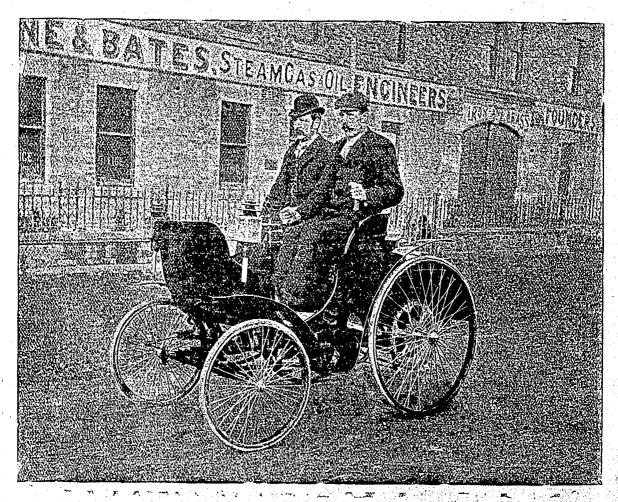
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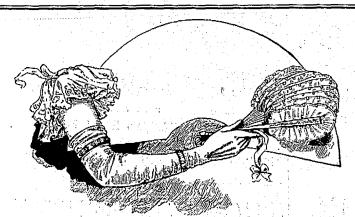
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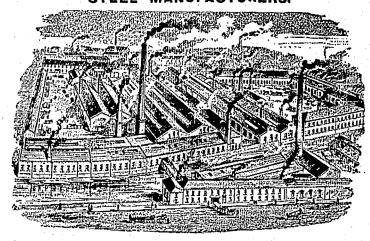
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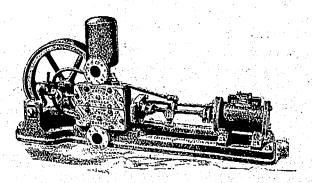
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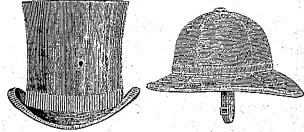
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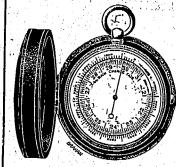
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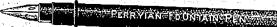
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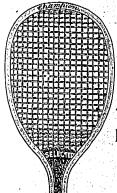


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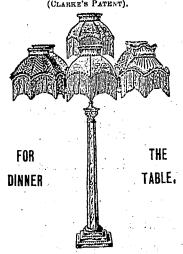
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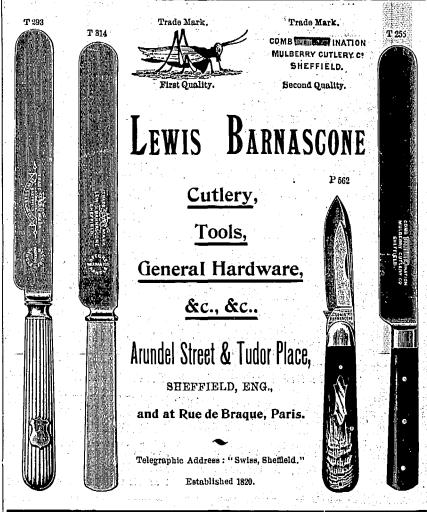
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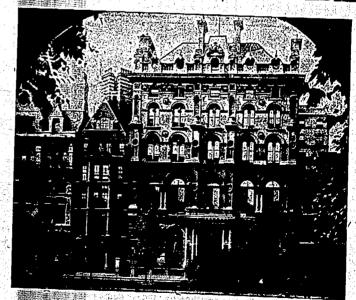
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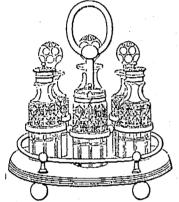
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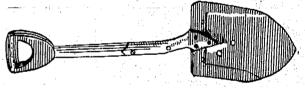
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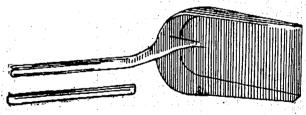
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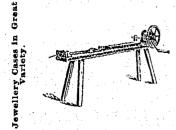
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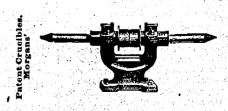
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