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BANK 'OF MONTREAL.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of N FIVE PER CENT. for the current half-year, (making a total destribution for the year of Ten per cent,) upon the paid up Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared, and that the same will be PAYABLE at its Banking House in this City, and at its Branches, on and after FRIDAY, the FIRST DAY OF JUNE next.

The THANKFER BOOKS will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May next, both days inclusive.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Banking House of the Institution on Monday, the Fourth day of June next. The chair to be taken at One o'clock.

By order of the Board.

E. S. CLOUSTON, General Manager.

Montreal, 20th April, 1900.

THE BANK OF TORONTO.

INCORPORATED 1855.

HEAD OFFICE: TORONTO, CANADA.

\$2,000.000 Paid-up Capital - - - -

DIRECTORS:

GEORGE GOODERHAM, Esq., President. WM. H. BEATTY, Esq., Vice-President.

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DUNCAN COULSON, · General Manager. Joseph Henderson, · · · Inspector.

BRANCHES:

Toronto, Brockville, "King St. W. Br. Cobourg Montreal Collingwood, "Pt. St. Charles Gananoque, Barrie, London

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BANKERS:

London, Eng.-The London City and Midland Bank, Ltd.

New York—The National Bank of Commerce. Chicago—First National Bank. Manitoba, British Columbia and New Brunswick— Bank of British North Ameria.

THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA. Retabliabed in 1996. Incorporated by Boyal Okarter in 1849. Pald-up Capital, 41,000,000 sig. Reserve Fund, 325,000 London Office, 8 Clement's Lane, Lombard St., E.O. COURT OF DIRECTORS: J. H. Brodle, Ed. Arthur Hoare, John James Cater, H. J. B. Kendall, Gaspard Farrer, Frederic Lubbock, Henry R. Farrer, John Paton, Richard H. Glyn, George D. Whatman, Secretary, A. G. Wallis. Head Office in Canada St. James st., Montreal. H. STIKEMAN, General Manager. J. ELMSLY. Inspector. BRANCHES IN CANADA: London, Ont. Hallfax, N.S. Ashcroft, B. O. Brantford, Sydney, C.B. Atlin, Hamilton, St. John, N.B. Bennett, Toronto. Fredericton, Greenwood, Kingston, Yukon Dlatrict, Victoria, Midland, Dawson City, Vancouver, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Man. Rossland, Montreal, Que. Brandon, Kaslo, Quebec, DRAFTS ON SOUTH AFRICA MAY BE OB-London Office, 8 Clement's Lane, Lombard St., E.O.

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THE MOLSONS BANK

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Wm. Molson Macpherson, President. S. H. Ewing, Sam'l. Finley, W. M. Ramsay, Sam'l. Finley, Henry Archbald, J. P. Cleghorn, H. Markland Molson. F. WOLFEISTAN THOMAS, Gen. Manager A. D. Durnford, Chief Inspector and Superintendent of Branches: W. H. Draper, Inspector. II. Lockwood, W., W. L. Chipman, Asst. Inspectors. DAMEDICS

of Branches; W. H. Draper, Inspector. II. Lockwood, W., W. T. Chipman, Asst. Inspectors. BRANCHES. Alvinston, Ont. Meaford, Ont. St. Thomas, Ont. Aylmer, "Montreal, P.Q. Sorel, P.Q. Brockville, "Morrisburg, Ont. Toronto, Ont. Calgary. Norwich, "Toronto, Ont. Calgary. Norwich, "Toronto, Ont. Calgary. Norwich, "Toronto, Ont. Calgary. "Norwich, "Toronto, Ont. Calgary. "Oven Sound, "Valleyfield, Que. Exeter, "Port Arthur, "Vancouver, B.C. Hamilton, Ont. Revelstoke Victoria, B.O. Hamilton, Ont. Sintos, B.C. Waterloo, Ont. Kingsville, "Ridgetown, Ont. Winnipeg, Man. Knowlton, Que. Simcoe, "Woodstock, Ont. London, Ont. Smiths Falls, Ont Montreal, St. Catherine St. Branch. AGENTS IN CANADA. British Columbia.—Bank of British Columbia. Manitoba and North-West-Imperial Bank of Canada. New Brunswick-Bank of New Brunswick

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MERCHANTS BANK OF HALIFAX. Capital Paid-up, - - - \$1,985,070 Reserve Fund, - - 1,700,090 BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BUAKL OF DIRECTORS: Thom. E. Kenny, President, Thomas Ritchle, Vice-President, M. Dwyer, Wiley Smith, Henry G. Bauld, Hon. H. H. Fuller, M.L.C., Hon. David MacKeen. HEAD OFFICE: HALIFAX, N.S.

The Chartered Banks.

E. L. Pease, General Manager (Office of the General Manager, Montreal); W. B. Torrance, Sec. and Supt. of Branches; W. F. Brock, D. M. Stewart, Inspectors.

Montreal, Westmount. Nanaimo, B.C. Nelson, B.C. Newcastle, N.B. Ottawa, Ont. Pictou, N.S. Port Hawkesbury, N.S. Rossland, B.C. Sackville, N.B. St. John, N.B. St. John, N.B. St. John, N.B. St. John's, Nid. St. John's, Nid. St. John's, N.S. Truro, N.S. Vancouver, B.C. Vancouver, B.C. Vancouver, B.C. Weordetch, B.C. Antigonish, N.S. Atlin, B.C. Antigonish, N.S. Atlin, B.O. Bathurst, N.B. Bennett, B.O. Bridgewater, N.S. Charlottetown, P.E.I. Dorchester, N.B. Grand Forks, B.O. Grund Forks, B.O. Guysboro, N.S. Hailfax, N.S. Kingston, N.B. Londonderry, N.S. Louisburg, C.B. Lunenburg, N.S. Moitland, N.S. Montreal, Que. Montreal, Que. Weymouth, N.S. Woodstock, N.B.

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ST. STEPHEN'S BANK, Incorporated 1886. St. Stephen, N. B.

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 Drafts issued on any branch of the Bank of Montreal.

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

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THE ONTARIO BANK.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Two N AND A MALF per cent. for the current half-year has been declared upon the Capital Stock of this Institution, and that the same will be paid at the Bank and its Branches, on and after

Friday, the First Day of June next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th

to the 31st May, both days inclusive. The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Banking Honse in this City, on TUESDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF JUNE next. The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock noon,

By order of the Board. C. MoGILL,

Toronto, 28d April, 1900.

General Manager.

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Hon. GEO. A. CO.	E - President.				
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The Traders Bank of Canada.

DIVIDEND No. 29.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend at the N rate of Six PER CENT. per annum upon the Capital Stock of this Bank has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office and its Branches, on and after FRIDAY, file 1st of JUNE next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May, both days inclusive.

will be held in the Banking House in Toronto, on TUESDAY, THE 19TH OF JUNE. Chair to be taken at twelve o'clock noon.

H. S. STRATHY, General Manager.

Toronto, 17th April, 1900.

BANK OF HAMILTON. DAINA UI DAIMILLIUIN. CAPITAL paid up. RESERVE FUND. 1000,000 HEAD OFFICE HAMILTON. JOHN STUART, JOHN STUART, JOHN STUART, JOHN Protor, Geo Roach, Wm. Gibson, M.P. A. T. Wood, M.P. A. B. Lee, Toronto.) J. TURNBULL, Cashier. H. S. STEVEN, Assistant Cashier. AGENCIES: Berlin, Bivth. Jarvis, Pium Coulee, M.

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THE DOMINION BANK TORONTO.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of 3 per cont. upon the Capital Stock of this Institution has been declared for the current Quarter, being at the rate of 12 per cent, per annum, and that the same will be payable at the Banking House in this City on and atter

Tuesday, the first day of May next.

The Transfer books will be closed from the 20th to the 36th April next, both days inclusive. The annual general meeting of the shureholders for the election of Directors for the ensuing year will be heid at the Banking House, in this City, on Wedneeday, the 30th day of May next, at the hour of 12 o'clock moon. By order of the Board, T. G. BROUGH, Toronto, March 26th, 1900 General Manager.

The Standard Bank of Canada

Capital Paid-up, - \$1.000,000 Reserve Fund - 600,000 Reserve Fund *HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO. DIRECTORS.* W. F. COWAN, Preeldent. JOHN BURNS, Vice-President. W. F. Allan, Fred. Wyld. A. J. Somerville

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BANK OF OTTAWA.

HEAD OFFICE, OTTAWA. Capital subscribed Capital paid up Rest, B1/30,800 B1/30,800 B1/30,800 B1/30,800

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Bank of Nova Scotia.

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NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Tunez IN AND A HALF PER CENT. (3½ p.c.) on the paid up capital of this institution has been declared for the current half year, and that it will be payable at its Head Office, in Montreal, and at its Branches, on and after the First DAY of JUNE next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st of May next, both days inclusive.

The General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank, in Mon. treal, on Friday the 15th day of June next, at noon.

By order of the Board of Directors.

M. J. A. PRENDERGAST, General Manager.

Montreal, 20th April, 1900.

The a neual General Meeting of the Shareholders

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The Chartered Banks.

UNION BANK OF CANADA

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LA BANQUE NATIONALE.

NOTICE.

On and after TUESDAY, the FIRST OF MAY ext, t is Bank will pay to its shareholders a next, tois I dividend of

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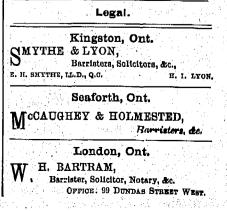
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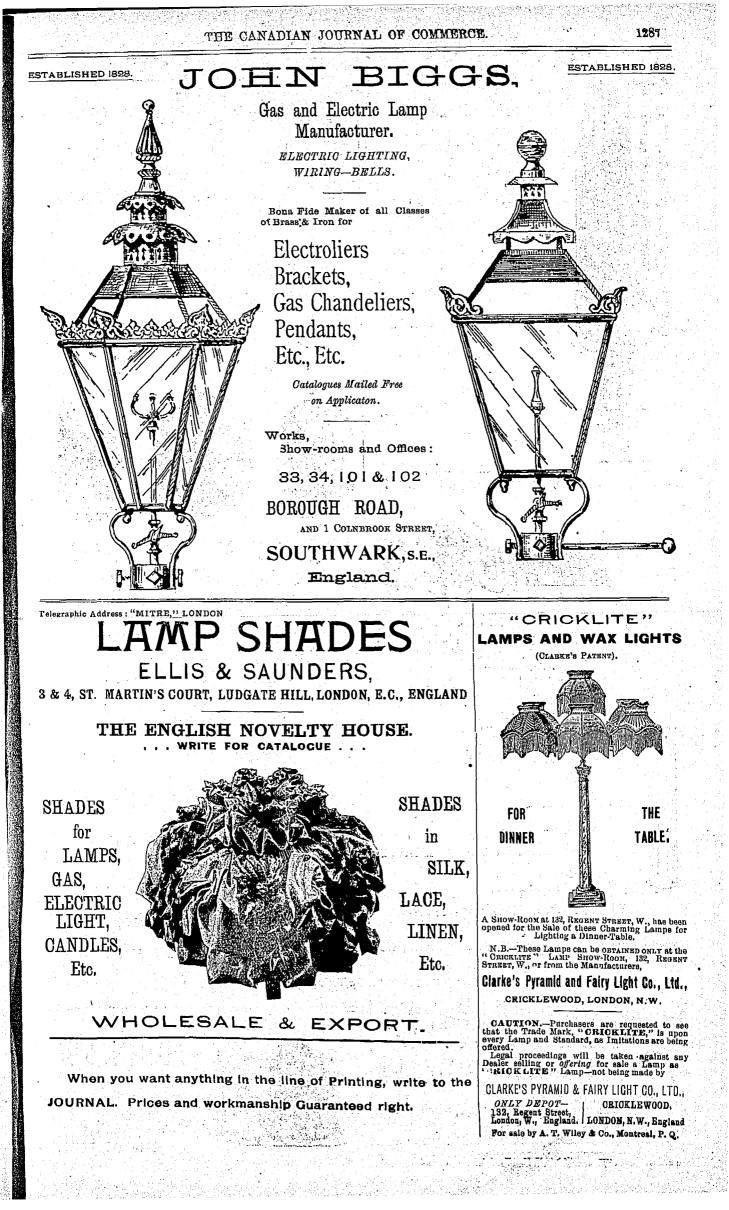
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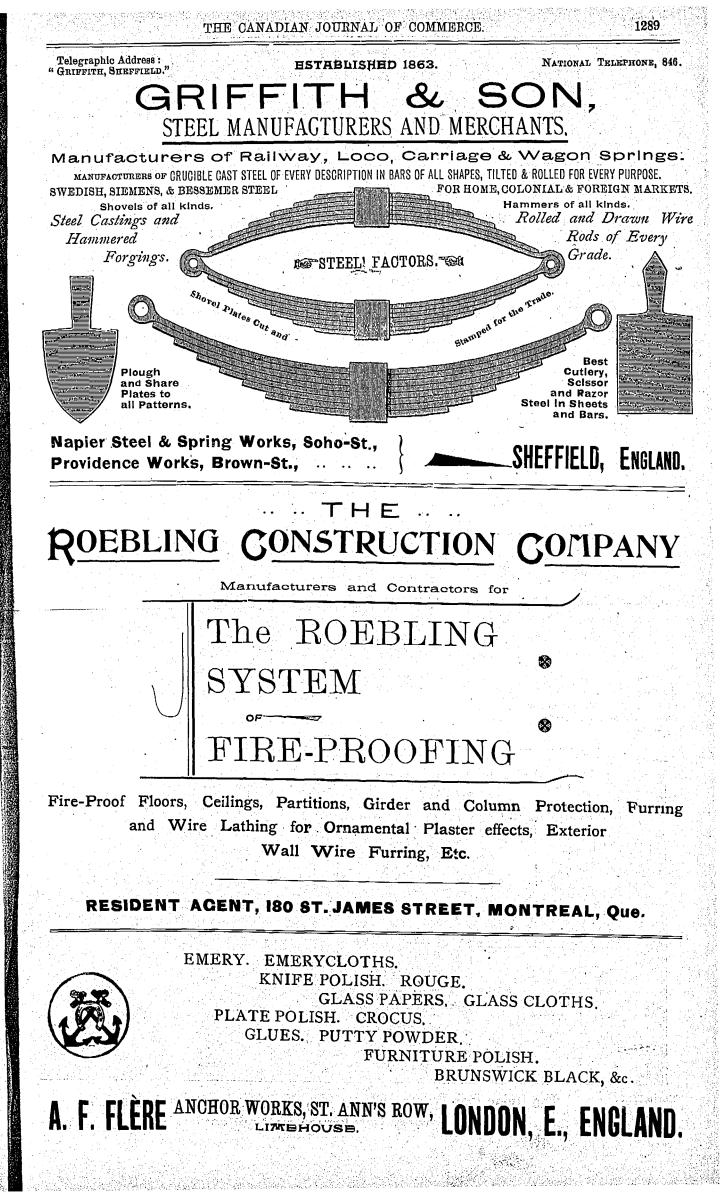
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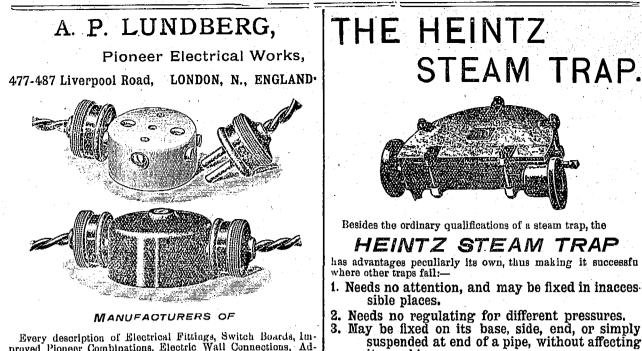
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Mr. J. G. Thompson, manager for Canada of the Lancashire insurance Co., has placed Mr. Alex. Stewart in charge of the branch in this city. Mr. Stewart was for some years with the Guardian and promises to be an acquisition' to the Lancashire.

--We recorded some time ago that Mr. Kruger, long before the war, required life assurance companies doing business in the Transvaal to issue policies free of war risk. He knew what was coming. It turns out that the Dutch life assurance companies fell into the Kruger trap. They are now growling furiously at having so many claims owing to the war. The Review pokes fun at the Dutchmen for being so easily taken in by Mr. Kruger. They are advised "to hold their tongues, pay up, and look cheerful," as the companies of other nations are doing.

-"'A checky fellow has asked for a gift of a section of Mount Royal Park, on which to erect residences. His request will meet the treatment it deserves. The City Council only gives away Montreal's property to rich corporations. So says the "Gazette." "Checky fellow is not so unreasonable after all. He asks for part of the park and shows that his owning it would bring in a large revenue to the city from taxes. The proposal he satirises, is, to make a free gift of an enormous area of the park to those who now hold very extensive lands on which no taxes are paid, lands which are kept out of the market in order to enhance values, and lands which are especially suitable for the purpose for which the area of Mount Royal Park land is asked for as a free gift. Established 1820.

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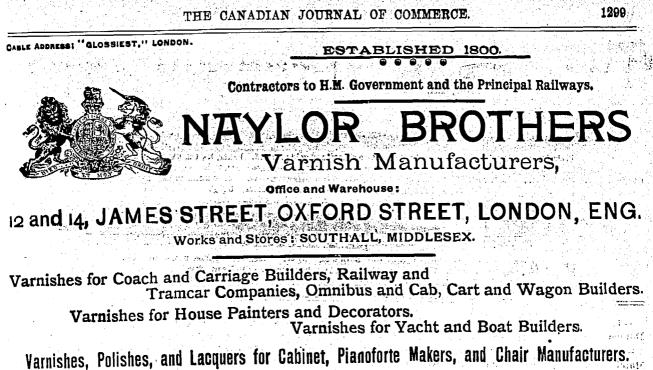
A Hamilton letter states that valuators representing a wealthy syndicate of United States capitalists, who propose to take over and combine the principal stove manufactories in Canada, are at work going over the buildings and plants of five Hamilton foundries. An American syndicate is behind the scheme, and Hamilton has been favored because of the local supply of pig iron and the cheap electric power. It is said there is over a million dollars for the scheme, and the deal may be made by July. The Hamilton concerns interested are the Gurney-Tilden company, Copp Bros., Burrow, Stewart & Milne, Bowes-Jamieson company and the D. Moore company. Out of Hamilton there are five others interested-McClary, of London; Buck, of Brantford; Clare Bros., of Preston; James Stewart, of Woodstock, and the Smart company, of Brockville.

-Mr. A. Nuller, of Winchenden, Mass., has been appointcd Manager of the Manoir Richelieu, the hotel the company is building at Murray Bay. He was formerly in charge of the Algonquin Hotel, St. Andrew's, N.B.

-During this month 227 persons have left Detroit and its environs to settle in Manitoba and the North West. It is expected that 6,000 settlers from Michigan will move into the North West Provinces before summer.







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-Destructive bush fires have been raging along the line of the Manitoba and South Eastern road, some eighty miles from Winnipeg. It is feared loss of life has resulted.

-The wheat crops of the world for the past five years are given as follows: 1895, 2,546,494,000 bushels; 1806, 2,-488,349,000 do.; 1897, 2,233,637,000 do.; 1898, 2.921,045,000 do.; 1899, 2,725,407,000 do.

-The self-propelling wagon is now being heard of from all quarters. The Motor Cycle Company, with an authorized capital of \$15,000,000, divided into \$3,000,000 7 per cent. preferred and \$12,000,000 common stock, has just been incorporated under the laws of the State of Virginia, U.S.

-The demand in Germany for finished iron and steel products is, according to recent advices, daily increasing. Raw material is very scarce and it will be impossible for rolling mills not controlling their own supply of coal and pig iron to hold out much longer. Some mills are already handicapped through the irregular delivery of these products.

-The attempt to blow up the Welland Canal lock at Thorold, Ont., on the night of the 21st inst., has given rise to conjectures of a plot by an organized gang who decided on this interference with traffic as their first move. As no real good would be thus served, this attempt at destruction may safely be placed in the same category with attempts at the lives of prominent individuals, which seem to occasionally emanate from disordered minds. 'The culprits in this instance will be given the treatment best calculated to effect cures in such cases. -A Quebec dispatch states that the provisional contracts for the construction of the Quebec bridge, have been formally ratified by the company. The contract with Messrs. Wm. Davis & Sons, of Cardinal, Ont., for the masonry calls for four pillars and two anchorages. The main span will be at least 1,600 feet wide, and will rise to 150 feet above the water-level. Work will be begun in June. The contract for the superstructure with the Phoenix Iron Company of Phoenixville, Pa., calls for the construction of a cantilever bridge. It is provided that if the price of steel falls the Quebec Bridge Company will have the advantage.

-The Cornwall canal opened for navigation on the 23rd.







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-The Bank of Hamilton has just opened a branch at Dundas.

-From Walkerville, Onf., we learn thus the Walkerville, Match Company, Limited, has been incorporated, with a capital stock of \$100,000. Among the directors are Messrs. Chas. Baxter, Windsor, Ont., and H. D. Metcalfe, Montreal. The company have begun operations with 160 hands.

-A St. John's, Nild., dispatch states that the last three ships of the sealing flext have arrived at that port-the Diana, with 11,000 seals; the Nimrod, with 4,000, and the Kite with 500. The latter two are the only ones of the entire fleet that have not paid expenses. On the whole the fishery has been unusually successful.

-A special from Port Arthur, Ont., refers in glowing terms to the prospects in that district. Large numbers of settlers are arriving daily, mostly from the U.S., and with few exceptions bring considerable effects and seem liberally provided with money. The only cause for complaint seems to arise from the Government not providing temporary shelter for these people but leave such to individual and private aid.

-The United States Postoflice Department have issued the two-cent denomination of postage stamps in small bound books of 12, 24, and 48 stamps each, and of postage value 24, 48 and 96 cents, respectively, They are sold at an advance of one cent on the stamp value of each book to cover the cost of manufacture. The pages are of six stamps each interleaved with paraflined paper, to prevent premature adhesion making a book of convenient size to carry in the pocket or pocketbook.

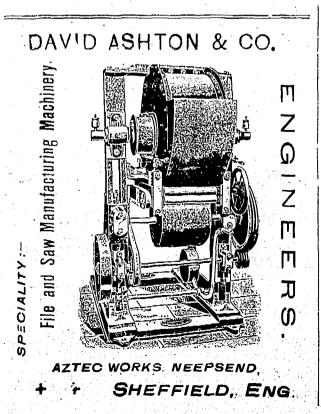
-- Canadian capital is gradually extending its sphere of usefulness. A Niagara Falls, N.Y., dispatch states that there are encouraging incications that a large scale factory will be erected there, and that Canadian capitalists will be the chief promoters. The buildings will extend over five acres of ground. Mr. John Milne, of the firm of Burrow, Stewart and Milne of Hamilton, and J. P. Steedman, manager of the Gurney Scale Company, of the same city, are interested in the enterprise and have been in the city looking over the ground.

-The Halifax Electric Tram Co. received \$4,221 more in January and February last than in same months in 1899. At the recent annual meeting the following were elected directors: Hon. D. McKeen, J. C. Payzant, W. B. Ross, B. F. Pearson, A. Haley, F. Paul, A. Kingman.

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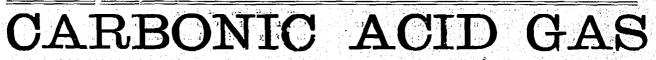
-Several prominent business men of Woodstock, Ont., are reported to be agitated over the adoption of a very large undertaking either by the town or a private company. They wish to secure the erection of a large power plant to supply the street railway, waterworks and private consumers with electrical energy and to heat the business portion of the town with steam, establish large public baths, a cold storage house and other needed improvements and new industries in the town. The proposition is to unite the gas, electric light and waterworks plants, so far as steam and power are concerned, by erecting a large power plant near the centre of the town, from which the water power, electric light, etc., could be controlled.

lief. While aid is being freely sought throughout this continent and generously given, such a great number as the above overshadows ordinary attempts at succor. "Tis the wrong kind of a banquet for the closing century.
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spector nowadays is necessarily a mechanical and an electrical engineer, a steam engineer, or an expert on building construction, and a man of sound common sense." If our contemporary had said such officials, "ought to be," etc., etc., it would have been nearer the truth.

-A Winnipeg letter tells of the absorption of the Central Canada Fire Insurance Company by the Manitoba Assurance Company.

-Dr. Daniel has been elected Mayor of St. John, N.B., after a sharp contest on political lines.



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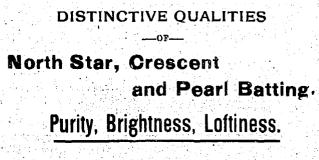
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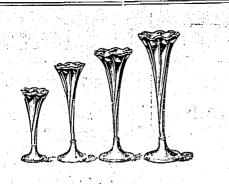
-The Ontario Government have concluded negotiations, with two large pulp companies for the manufacture of pulp and paper in New Ontario. The carrying out of these will mean the establishment of two more large mills, one at the mouth of the Nipigon River, in Thundery Bay district, and one at Mattawa, in Nipissing. The western conces-sion, the Nipigon Pulp, Paper & Manufacturing Company, is a revival of a concession granted in 1895 which lapsed. The principal parties to the agreement are Messrs. John Flett, Toronto, merchant; James Whalen, Port Arthur, lumberman; .--- Waldner, an American pulp capitalist, and N. W. Rowell, Toronto. They will have the right to cut pulp on the Nipigon River and its tributaries, and the right to reserve 40 square miles. The other, the Blanch River Pulp & Paper Company, in which the New York World is said to be interested, will operate on the Blanch River and its tributaries. Mr. Elliott W. Langley, of Toronto, is one of the directors. Each company will develop water-power and each agreement extends for 21 years. They both agree to spend \$250,000 within three years in the crection of a mill, and to employ at least 200 men.

—There are gradually accumulating subtle distinctions as to what constitutes an accident. It does not appear to be an "accident" if a man, working with a blistered hand, gets red lead and grease into his system, thereby suffering a serious injury. On the other hand, a man full of gout who receives a shock from a mis-hit by a fellow workman, who hit, not the man, but the wrong portion of the tool that he held, suffers from an accident. It seems that the jar brought out the gout from which the man was a sufferer. says the London Insurance Spectator. There are sufferers from that disease in this city who would give a good sum of money for a "jar" that would bring out the gout.

-Mr. E. F. Beddall, New York, manager of the Royal Insurance Co., has resigned to become President of the Queen. His successor is Mr. Cecil F. Shallcross, who was in charge of the Calcutta office of the Royal.



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-The cotton mills erected last year in the Southern States and those being built will enlarge the productive capacity by 45 per cent. The domestic consumption has not increased to an equal extent, nor have the exports of cotton goods, the prospects therefore are that the development of production will lead to a serious collapse of this industry.

-F. Gourdien & Freres, leather merchants, Quebec, have assigned. Assets, \$84,537, including factory and contents, valued at \$25,000, and which are mortgaged for \$15,000; stock-in-trade, valued at \$35,000, upon which the Banque Nationale holds collateral security for \$33,000. The principal creditors belong to Quebec, except Weil & Bros., New York, who are creditors for \$4,484.-P. Isaie Boivin, Fils & Cie., boot and shoe dealers, Quebec, have also assigned. Assets, \$4,200, and liabilities, \$5,163. The principal creditors are local firms, save Thompson Shoe Company, Montreal, \$598; and Jas. Robinson, \$482.



The Ottawa and New York Railway is making arrangements to move its car and mechanical shops from Santa Clara, N.Y., to Ottawa, at the latter part of July or early in August, says a dispatch from the latter city. Negotiations are going on to obtain a site for a location and it is expected that one will be purchased very shortly. A large building will then be erected according to the plans which have been prepared and the plant installed. About 125 hands, will be employed in this department. The first locomotive brought by the company from the American side is of a somewhat unique pattern and is said to be the first double-stack engine ever used in Canada. The two small smokestacks which take the place of a large one increase the draught, thus causing a great degree of heat and producing more steam. The locomotive is not a heavy one, but is calculated to run at a rapid speed. Tt will be pressed into scrivce immediately on the Ottawa and Cornwall division of the line.





-Carters in the employ of the Dominion Transport Company, the Hendrie Cartage Company, and the Shedden Cartage Company, Toronto, to the number of over two hundred went on strike the beginning of the present week. They have been requesting pay for overtime, but the companies contend that such recognition would encourage loitering.

-The city of Stratford, Ont., has been granted authority to guarantee a mortgage of \$30,000, to aid Mr. George Me-Lagan, a furnitar's manufacturer of that city, in rebuilding his factory, which was recently destroyed by fire. Assent has also been given to an application from the Town of Strathroy to legalize a bonus of \$6,500 granted to the Paine Upholstering Company, respecting, which doubts have arisen.—A by-law of the town of Wiarton, granting a bonus of \$800 a year for six years to the Wiarton Sugar Manufacturing Coi, has received validation. By the bylaw the company is also granted exemption from taxes for ten years, and a site for their factory to cost \$400. -The enormous plant in use by the C.P.R., is shown by the following return dated 31st Dec last, of the engines and cars owned: Locomotives, 690; first and second class passenger cars, baggage cars, and colonist sleeping cars, 627; first-class sleeping and dining cars, 113; parlor cars, official and paymaster's cars, 33; freight and cattle cars (all kinds), 19,005; conductors' vans, 362; board, tool and auxiliary cars and steam shovels, 682. The company also owns the following vessels: Ocean steamships-Empress of China, Empress of Japan, Empress of India, Athenian, Tartar; lake steamers-Alberta, Athabasca, Manitoba; ferry steamers, Ontario, Michigan; river steamers, Ogilvie, Hamlin, McConnell, Schwatka, Dalton, Walsh, Dawson, Kootenay, Rossland, Lytton, Kokanee, Slocan, Illicilliwact; Aberdeen, Trail, Nelson, Moyie, Minto, Wm. Hunter; tugs, Columbia, Sandon, Ymir.

-Laury & Son, Hamilton, have received an order to supply 250,000 pounds of meat to the Indian Department.



-The proprietors of the Perth, Ont., woollen mills, recently introduced, as an addition to their business, the manufacture of felt. The new industry gives promise of speedy growth and already employs many hands.

-At Everett, Ont., Mrs. Ellen I. Hartley, general store, has assigned to R. G. Hector, --Arthur Leaney & Co., grocers, Port Arthur, are offering to compromise at 63 cents in the dollar.--H. H. McDonald, tailor, Teeswater, has assigned to J. Farquharson.

-As a result of a recent meeting in Chicago between President Shaughnessy and Vice-President McNicoll, of the Canadian Pacific, and officials of the Alton, Santa Fe, Illinois Central and Northern Pacific, the Canadian Pacific road will on May 1 stop paying commissions on passenger business. Differences over the question of paying commissions have at times threatened to involve all the transcontinental roads in a rate war.

The Ontario Government will propose that the following subsidies be granted for railway construction: Toronto, Lindsay & Pembroke Railway, for 36 miles. from a point 15 miles east of Bancroft to Golden Lake, Renfrew County, \$3,000 a mile; for the Central Counties Bailway, seven miles, from Rockland to Clarence Creek, \$1,200 per mile; Central Ontario Railway, from Bancroft to a point on the Canada Atlantic between Madawaska and Whitney, 40 miles, \$3,000 per mile, not to exceed \$120,000 in all; for the extension of the Parry Sound Railway, which now ends at Parry Harbor, into the town of Parry Sound, five miles, \$15,000 in all. 'The grant of \$50,000 to the Ottawa interprovincial bridge at Nepean Point was given in 1895 subject to the condition that Quebec province should give a This proviso is abrogated, provided it can like amount. be shown that \$\$00,000 have been spent on the bridge. The land grant to the Algoma Central Railway is understood to be 7,400 acres per mile of the 200 miles of railway. In return for this concession the promoters agree to bring 1,000 settlers a year for ten years into the district; to provide special railway rates for settlers; to build and operate a fleet of steel steamers on the upper lakes; beginning with four this year, for the purpose of carrying ore; to build large reduction works, a sulphide paper mill, and to double the capacity of their pulp mills. They have also to buy the pine on the lands conceded at the same rate as the timber sells at auction at the time. Should the company fail to carry out any of these conditions the land grant all reverts to the Crown.

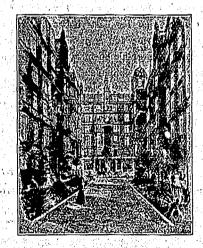
-The following were among enquiries relating to Canadian trade received at the Canadian Government offices in London during the week ending 6th April:-A firm of carriage builders, who purpose sending a representative to Canada this year, make enquiry respecting the opening that exists for their goods in the Dominion .- An English firm in Boulogne, who are making arrangements for the sale in France of Canadian hams, bacon, and cheese, ask to be placed in communication with exporters prepared to consign direct for sale on commission or otherwise.-An Irish merchant wishes to be placed in communication with Canadian manufacturers of shop fittings such as mahogany counter cases for displaying cigars, eigarettes, and other goods .- A Glasgow firm desire to be placed in communication with Canadian manufacturers of wooden rings for sieves.- A firm of paper makers' agents desirous of bringing Canadian papers more prominently before English consumers, ask to be placed in communication with mill-owners in the Dominion .- The following enquiries have been made by Mr. H. Watson, Canadian section Imperial Institute, who invites replies from Canada: An importing and manufacturing company asks for names of Canadian shippers of cattle bones, hoofs, horns, hair, etc. Regular shipments would be purchased.-- A firm of fancy paper merchants wishes to obtain supplies of pulp boards suitable for cardboard boxes and would like to hear from Canadian makers, who can fill orders .--- A firm of merchants in Boulogne-sur-mer, wishes to be placed in communication with Canadian shippers of hams, bacon. cheese. They report room for development in the sale of these articles and would receive consignments on commission or purchase outright.-Another enquiry comes from the west of Eugland for names of Canadian producers of wood flour.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27TH, 1900.

PROSPERITY IN LEAMINGTON.

Our Leamington, Ont., correspondent writes :- This town goes forward by leaps and bounds. New business places are being opened up and new dwellings added in the endeavor to keep pace with the demand, which far exceeds the supply. The new McSween Block is fast approaching completion. Parties are waiting to move in. The centre store will be occupied by E. J. Batchelor, dry goods and millinery. The Wagner, Fenton Tobacco Co. are having erected a new factory to be occupied in May. It is 100 x 50 feet, two stories in height. They are doing a large business and expect, when once in their new quarters, to more than double their output. The Canada Ladders Company's building is approaching completion, most of the machinery being in the building and their travellers have started on the road. They expect to employ from 12 to 20 hands at the start. The number of buildings projected for this year, to date, far exceeds the total for last year. The County House of Refuge, to be crected here shortly, will give employment to a large number, while the forty or fifty dwellings planned, will make work for many carpenters, masons, etc. 'Tobacco culture has taken a strong hold in this vicinity and a large acreage will again be planted. The Empire Tobacco Co. of Granby, Que., who have a large warehouse here, paid out for raw leaf last year over \$110,-000. The peach crop will not be large in this district. Although the prospect is excellent for a good yield, many trees were killed two years ago and the crop for shipment will not be large. The firm of Richardson & Brown has dissolved partnership, the former retiring and Mr. Brown continuing with a partner, under the name and style of "J. A. Brown & Co." J. S. Greenhill, hardware, has taken into partnership John Conover, a former clerk. The firm will be known as "Greenhill & Conover." The printing and publishing business, known as the "Post Printing Co.," recently conducted and owned by Johnson & Wickwire, has also made a change, Wickwire having sold out to Mr. Roy Marcotte, recently-on-the staff of the Windsor "Record.'

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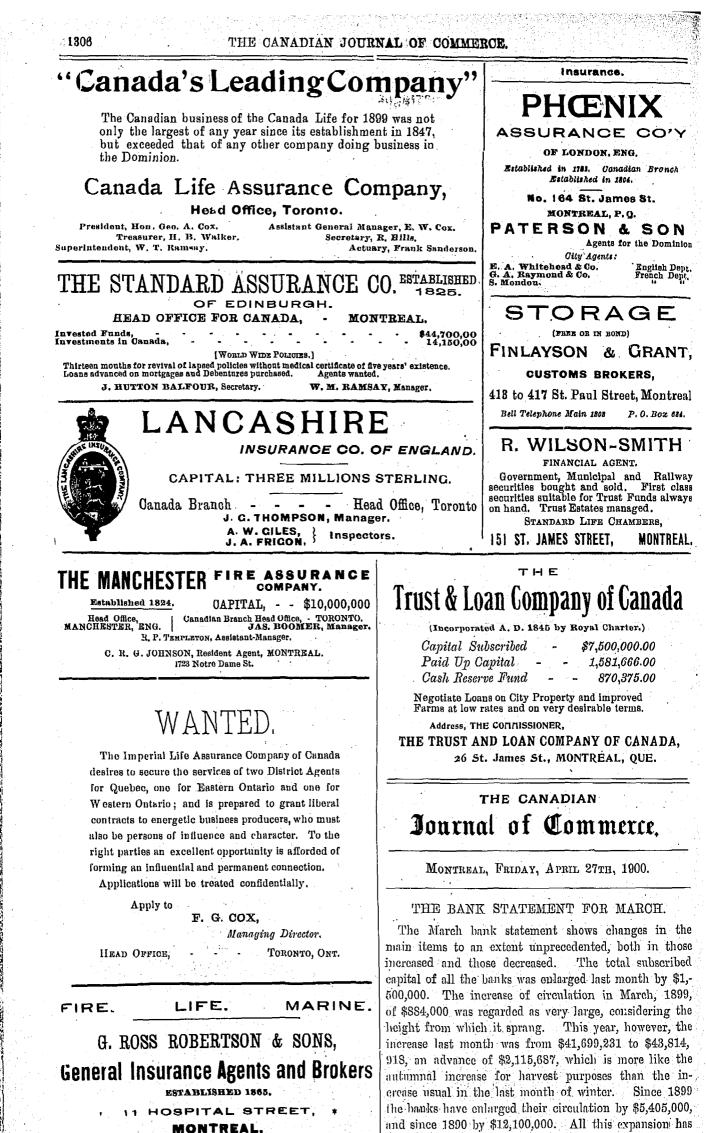


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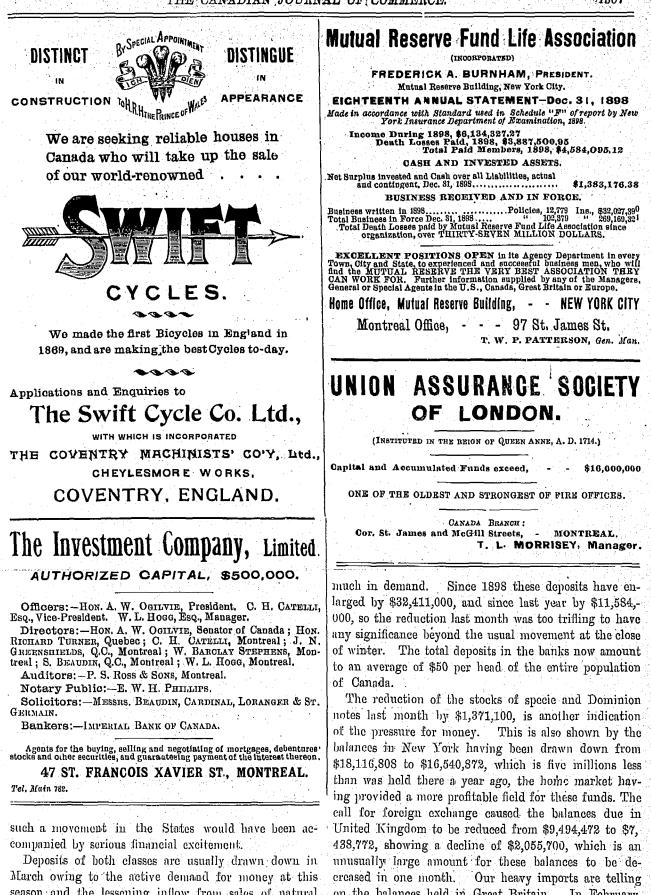
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gone on quietly to meet the demand for money, whereas



season and the lessening inflow from sales of natural products. The deposits on demand declined from \$92,-509, 743 to \$91,852,305, a drop of \$657,438. In 1898 these current balances shrank 24 millions in March, and 11 millions in 1899. Withdrawals for seasonable purposes were heavier last month than in March, 1898 and 1899, it consequently follows that, as the net reduction was less this year than in the two preceding ones, the amount deposited to credit of current accounts during March must have been greater. The deposits payable after notice were reduced from \$92,509,743 to \$91,852,-305, a decrease of \$657,438. This is more than in 1898 or 1899, as might have been expected when money is so

on the balances held in Great Britain. In February, 1899, they were \$5,344,000 more than the total last month. The amount still held at call in United Kingdom being about 71 millions is low enough to keep foreign exchange from cheapening. The total amount of securities held remains as in February, though changes; have been made in the different classes of those owned. Call loans were reduced over a million dollars.

The greatest change in March was the advance of Current Loans from \$271,858,731 to \$279,023,194, an increase of \$7,164,463. This is really a more extraordinary advance than that which occurred last year of \$6,500,000, for, a year ago, there was a violent reaction from depression and some fear was felt that it was too extreme to last. But, between February, 1899, and the end of February, 1900, an increase took place of \$37,800,000 in amount of discounts, and yet in March there was a further increase of \$7,164,000, so that between the 1st March, 1899, and the 31st March, 1900, the current loans of the banks advanced close upon 45 millions. Since March, 1898, the discounts have increased 61 millions, which is equal to an advance of 28 per cent. and, since March, 1890, an advance of 127 millions, which is an increase of 83 per cent. in the last ten years.

The following shows the ratio of the paid up capital to circulation, deposits, and current loans this year and in 1899, and 1890:

			Ratio o	of Car	oital.—	
	1900		1899	9	189	0.
Circulation	146	p.c.	165	p.e.	197	
Deposits on demand.	70	"	73	"	168	"
Deposits at notice		"	39	<u>c</u> -	. 83	"
Discounts		"	26		39	"

This exhibit is one promising highly improved statements for the current year, for, though the comparisons are only made in the March figures they are in a line with the general movement of the bank returns since last spring. That is, the paid-up capital has been sustaining a very much larger active business this year than last, so that, if the profits from circulation, from deposits and from discounts are only keeping up to the average of 1898-99 they will amount to a considerable sum in 1900-99 over the preceding year.

The robbery of the Toronto branch of the Merchants Bank of Canada by one of the tellers is a deplorable incident. The implicated official had been over 20 years in the bank's service, and during the time had borne a good reputation. He lived quietly, apparently on less than his salary, he had no children; he is said to have not gambled in stocks, so that what tempted him into crime is a mystery, which we trust will be cleared up.

Ere this issue is all distributed navigation will be fully open. We publish the bank statement in full on a later page and appended is our usual comparative statement:

BANK STATEMENTS.

••••••	DANK	017110	MI41 1 Q.		
	Mar	.,1900.	Feb., 1900.	Mar., 1899,	Mar., 1890.
Capital authorized		108,664	77,605,664	70,808,664	76,029,999
Capital subscribed	65,	613,448	65,360,115	64,164,448	62,385,999
Capital paid-up.,	61,	245,727	63,876,310	63,352,312	60,201,01\$
Amount of rest	30,	416,762	30,261,307	28,147,797	20,565,333
LIABILITIES.				· · · ·	
Notes in circulation	43,	\$14,918	41,699,231	58,409,227	31,701,281
Bajance due Dominion	Gov't. 2,	982,921	2,608,717	2,907,100	3,293,670
Bal, due to Provincial	Govis. 3,	151,616	3,436,111	2,565,343	3,419,795
Deposits on demand	91,	\$52,305	92,509,743	\$6,915,386	50,980,311
after notice	172,	936,911	174,696,918	161,382,629	72,829,513
Loans on banks in Can.	see	479,317	489,673		157,764
Lep. on demand in Can.	banks 2,	371,085	2,534,691	3,354,354	1,595,139
Bal, due Can, banks dly	exch.	68,335	165,932	101,222	675,164
Bal, due agencies, &c., a	broad. 1,	248,503	1,055,258	688,523	193,921
Bal. due agencies, &c., it	i U.K. 4,	423,988	4,809,017	5,169,337	2,201,824
Other liabilities	•• ••	553,620	616,159	570,660	156,329
Total liabilities	323,	.883,696	324,621,528	302,063,861	167,564,544
ASSETS.				and a second	
Specie	0	410,138	9,740,874	9,246,394	6,128,388
Dominion notes	16	,655,394	17,725,845	15,983,380	9,741,402
Deposits scenning circulat	Lion 2	,056,308	2,056,344	1,995,523	
Notes & cheques on other	banks S	,675,073	8,903,163	8,920,106	6,136,741
Loans to other bks in C		457,781	494,461		
Dep. on demand in Can,	bute 9	,714,831	3,814,825	3,710,484	2,833,219

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Bal. due from b'ks dly excligs. 157,721	243,757	173,422	
Bal. due from for'n -bnks, &c., 16,540,872	18,116,808	21,383,335	10,393,027
Bal. due from bks, &c., in U.K. 7,438,772	9,494,472	11,607,741	1,841,256
Dominion Govt. Deb. Stocks 4,509,671	4,766,992	5,049,617	2,698,783
Can. Municipal & public sees. 17,009,746 (not Dominion.)	16,782,730	10,551,338	5,308,053
Can., Brit. & other R.R. secs. 14,507,428	14,747,511	15,480,790	
Call loans on banks & stocks, 28,966,114	30,029,819	28,156,434	11,970,190
Current Loans & Discounts 279,023,194	271,858,731	240,568,615	152,317,486
Loans to the Govt. of Canada			806,954
" to Provinicial Govts 1,804,498	1,292,011	.2,772,065	388,677
Overdue debts 1,928,177		2,463,540	3,057,609
R .E. besides bank premises. 1,080,879		1,899,603	1,106,476
Mortgages on real estate 672,676		567,137	742,206
Bank premises 6,172,452		6,031,521	4,020,297
Other assets		2,148,505	3,265,037
Total assets	422,630,506	391,710,144	218,709,510
L'ns to directors & their firm. 9,777,107	7,089,443	7,190,627	7,236,881
Average specie for month 9,586,045	9,793,677	9,289,839	6,174,208
A'vge Dominion notes for mo., 16,854,714	17,783,518	16,104,941	9,669,488
Gre'tst circulation during mo., 44,280,053	42,395,187	38,911,600	•••••

THE TRINIDAD AFFAIR.

The practical rejection of Canada's offer to Trinidad of reciprocity is to be regretted not so much because of the immediate results as for the evidence it affords of the extension of United States influence in the West Indies. There can be little doubt that this influence threatens to so increase in power as to become a menage to the commercial supremacy of Great Britain in that region. When introducing the proposal to establish reciprocity with that island, the Finance Minister frankly admitted that, "very little good had been accomplished" by the efforts made by Canada to improve trade with the West Indies. He acknowledged that the preferential tariff of 1898 had not brought the hoped-for increase of trade. He said in his Budget speech: "While we gave a perference on national grounds to the products of the West Tudies, our neighbours to the South gave a preference to the cane sugar of the West Indies in the form of countervailing duties and the record of trade with these islands had therefore not been satisfactory." This is not surprising, as reciprocity must be based upon commercial, not on merely "national" grounds to be a success. Mr. Fielding went on to say, "The Government believes that a proposal approximating to free trade with Canada would be a means of leading the people of Trinidad to turn their eyes towards Canada rather than to follow the example of their sister colonies in making special treat-Acting on this belief in ies with the United States." the power of reciprocal free trade to capture the trade of Trinidad for Canada, the Government submitted a proposal to the authorities of the island for a preferential arrangement. He was aware of the States having made proposals to Trinidad but seemed hopeful of the choice being in favour of Canada. This hope turns out to have been a vain one. The offers of the Washington suitor have been accepted, which puts Canada out in the cold. The lover with the heaviest purse handicaps the one who is less wealthy. We see nothing in the failure of Canada to secure reciprocity with Trinidad, to bring reproach upon the Laurier administration, nor anything in the arrangement made between the island and the States promising any marked trade advantage to our successful rival, though, doubtless it will, as we have said, extend the political influence of the States in the West Indies.

THE LONDON AND LANCASHIRE LIFE ASSURANCE CO.

The London and Lancashire Life Assurance Co. made a large accession to its business last year. The number of policies issued was 2,621, for \$4,012,545, of insur-The net premium income amounted to \$1,250,ance. 370, which was \$45,787 in excess of that for 1898. The company's investments brought \$261,141 in interest, making the total income last year, \$1,511,833. The average rate of interest realized on the invested and uninvested funds was upwards of 4 per cent. The death claims, with bonus additions amounted to \$515,027, and claims under matured policies, \$63,010, making a total payment for claims of \$578,038. This amount is announced to be less than the expectancy. The Assets of the company amounted to \$7,162,669, of which \$788,552 consists of mortgages in Canada, India, and Australia. More than one-half the Assets comprise British, Indian and Colonial government securities and stocks, including deposit with the Canadian government, foreign government securities, and railway debentures and shares. The liberal distribution of profits amongst the policy-holders, instead of their being used to practically liquidate the paid-up capital, has been highly appreciated, and has done much to enlarge the business and enhance the prosperity of this substantial company. At the annual meeting a flattering allusion was made by the Chairman to Mr. Hal Brown, the Canadian representative. His services are evidently valued by the Board. He is well seconded and helped in his efforts to advance the interests of the company, by Mr. Kerr.

VICTORIA-MONTREAL FIRE INS. CO.

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The Victoria-Montreal Fire Insurance co. adds another Canadian enterprise engaged in the insurance business, organized on joint stock basis. The larger part of the capital of \$1,000,000 is already subscribed, the balance being open for investors. Judging by the success of the other Canadian companies, the British America and the Western, the new enterprise, if it is equally well managed, alfords a favourable investment The management has been entrusted to Messrs. Thomas A. Temple & Sons of this city who have had prolonged and wide experience as underwriters. The field for fire insurance business has expanded enormously in recent years and is daily enlarging. The companies doing this business remain much as they were when risks were not in number and amount more than one-half what they now are, so that a new company may fairly expect to secure a share in the expansion. If care is exercised in the sclection of risks, and the excellent example of the old companies is followed in making prompt and liberal settlements, the new company can hardly fail to enlarge its business steadily year by year, and to grow proportionately in strength and public confidence. The managers are fully alive to these conditions which are requisite for success and are determined to establish them as the basis of their business. The company uss now made the requisite deposit with the Government, and is now licensed to do business in Canada. Out of the \$1,000,-000 of authorized capital 65 per cent. has been subscribed, \$150,000 is reserved for subscription outside Canada, and \$200,000 is now offered to Canadian inves-

tors. The company, generally, will adhere to the rules and rates of the Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association. But in order to secure the direct interest of the solid property owners of the Dominion, those who subscribe for five shares, will be allowed a rebate of 20 per cent. off the regular tariff rates. This privilege will continue for five years. This provision will ensure to stockholders who are also policyholders a return of from 10 to 20 per cent. on their investment apart from the ordinary dividends, which are confidently expected to be satisfactory to investors as the company has already acquired and has promises of a remunerative business. The subscription lists at the office of the Toronto General Trusts Co. and the Montreal Trust Co., will open on May 8th and close on May 11th, or as soon as the full amount of \$200,000 is applied for. As the Victoria-Montreal starts under most favourable auspices, we anticipate its enjoying a profitable career and its rising to a position honourable to the managers and to Canada, as well as profitable to the stockholders. The courteous manners of the managers and staff of the new company will be much appreciated, as they would be were the officials of other institutions to follow so excellent an example.

DELAY OF INTERCOLONIAL FREIGHT. HEAR BOTE SIDES.

Some weeks ago we called attention to complaints, both loud and deep, made by merchants in this city and Toronto in regard to the alleged unreasonable delay of their goods from England after being landed for transmission by the Intercolonial Railway. It is only fair to hear the explanation of the matter given by the Assistant Freight Agent of the railway complained of:

"In the first place, the complaint referred to the cargo of the SS. Sardinian. These goods were in transit immediately after the unprecedented snowstorm of February 28th and March 1st, a storm which will live long in the memories of railway men in Quebec and New Brunswick. The Intercolonial is well equipped for storm fighting, but nevertheless we had all we could do to keep the line open for our passenger trains, and when I tell you that with every high wind after the storm, the work, in consequence of the drifts, had to be repeated, and that the longest time made by any of the Sardinian's freight to Montreal was six days, I am sure that you will concede that the complaint, to say the least, was inopportune. The time in transit ran from three up to six days, the maximum. Furthermore, the cars arrived here during the blockade in the freight yards at Point St. Charles, where over, two thousand cars were snowed in, most of them level with the roof, and yet many of the sidings were open and cars were coming from the freight yards in Bonaventure, before one-third of the streets of Montreal were opened up for team traffic. The Sardinian docked at Halifax on the evening of March 5th, and her cargo was sent west mial was not alone the sufferer from the storm, as import freight from different steamers at Portland via Grand Trunk, and from West St. John via the Canadian Pacific, was similarly delayed. The railways had a hard battle to fight, and merchants should under the circumstances, have been lenient; indeed, most of them.

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were.—Thanking you for your courtesy, I am, yours truly,

J. HARDWELL,

Asst.-General Freight Agent. P.S.-Under normal conditions the I.C.R. enjoys a well-earned reputation for fast time and regularity of service.--J. H."

LAW, UNION AND CROWN INSURANCE CO.

The Law, Union and Crown Insurance Co. entered the Canadian held last year. It has occupied a prominent position in Great Britain since 1825. It was founded in a time of grave financial distress, of which, however, it has, itself, had no experience during its long career. Its leading characteristics have ever been the maintenance of a conservative policy, taking choice risks at moderate rates, watching carefully the interests of policyholders, and making prompt and liberal settlements of Last year there were 1,915 proposals reall claims. ceived for \$5,600,000. After deducting re-insurances the net premium income was, \$1,680,000. The income of the life department was, \$3,010,000, and entire outlay, \$2,250,000. The life assurance found stands at \$19,-320,000. The average rate of interest received on the The strong representation assets was over 4 per cent. of the legal profession in the management of the Law, Union and Crown affords special facilities for placing its funds in first-class mortgages, and protects the company from losses which at times are caused by accepting irregular securities or entering into engagements that involve litigation. The premiums on fire policies last year were \$798,000, upon which the losses amounted to The fire reserve fund amounts to 49.70 per cent. \$1,000,000. The company proposes to invest considerably in Canada, as it believes the securities of this country afford good investments.

WITH THE RETAILERS.

A general merchant who had been away from his store for a week on a purchasing expedition, noticed on returning home the generally bright and attractive appearance of his place of business and, as he looked around, inquired what changes had the store been un-His head assistant honordergoing in the interval. ably admitted no effort in that regard, but knowing through personal experience that a week's absence causes an invitingly arranged store to look more attractive to the person returning, told his employer it was one of the secrets of business success. That to become thoroughly familiar with a store it was necessary to get away from it. The eye and mind constantly reviewing the slowly changing array of goods become too familiar with their appearance. Their real merits, from a superficial point, grow less, until, as an attractive source, they are no longer visible to the person continually in 'To have one's appreciation restored he their midst. must mingle for a time amid other scenes.

A man who appreciates his store and takes pride in its appearance, has a heart for more business and carries his feelings into execution. A new manager, if a capable one, proves this by at once adopting rules not hitherto in use. Many little minor ideas which could easily have been conceived before are by him carried

out and improvements planned simply because, as a new man, he has all his energy at his fingers' ends and is nerved to a struggle with something in which he does not count the pains but only sees the accomplishment ahead. What a new man can do, the criginal owner can do, if he but makes up his mind to go about it with determination. The customers of a store who notice its proprietor making changes and improvements are at once endowed with more confidence in the business and in the real worth of what they buy. On the contrary, the people who, approaching a store, see the owner or his assistant scanning the paper or talking politics are given a like chance of forming at once a poor opinion both of the man and his goods.

The auctioneer sells goods to people who could never be persuaded to walk up to a counter and purchase them for the same money. Why is this? Because he announces a sale and, once he has the crowd before him, proceeds to tell of the good qualities of whatever he It doesn't matter to the auctioncer whether the offers. article is meritorious or not, he tells what he thinks-or is supposed to think-it is worth and praises the good qualities which it should have, if it has not. Many who are superior judges take the auctioncer's words for granted, with a little discount, and thus he succeeds. If he did not make an announcement he would not attract a crowd, and the better he entertains and pleases them the farther he can bring them on future occasions. The merchant looks not to the auctioncer's way of doing business, but as both live by selling goods some of the arts practised by the man who must sell within a given time, might well be considered by him to whom time is correspondingly abundant.

The merchant whose duties keep him continually at the counter, can keep his estimation of his store at a much higher level by steady endeavor at display. One hour's work in draping the dry goods department of a store not usually given to such, will cause constant comment and appreciation for weeks, besides assisting largely in selling the goods and helping the general business by making the store look more attractive. The only difference between the labor attached to keeping the large city stores constantly attractive, and enticing trade to the country general stores, is that in the former the order is given by a manager who can then turn to some other duty, knowing it will be carried out. The country merchant is under no such strict discipline and generally requires to take a hand and assist if not entirely accomplish these tasks. Often the doubt whether the time and trouble are repaid causes hesitation in the latter but in the case of the city store this is not considered. Consequently the one is always found attractively neat and inviting while some of the other are sometimes found wanting in this respect. A man illdressed on some occasions is considered in that light, and the store that sometimes shows need of improvement is regarded in a like manner.

AN EPIDEMIC OF DEFALCATION AND FRAUD.

Within the last year or two there have been an extraordinary number of defalcations by officials in confidential positions, and frauds committed on banks and other public institutions. Although this city has had no monopoly of such crimes, it has certainly had more than its share of such dishonour. An assistant cashier at the City Hall was sentenced this week to six months' imprisonment for embezzlement. The city's building inspector has been charged with the same offence. The superintendent of the city water works has been dismissed for misappropriations of civic property. The market inspector has publicly charged a number of aldermen with fraudulently blackmailing applicants for the tenancies of stalls in the city markets. In sentencing Lamarche, the City Hall embezsler, the Judge said, it was known to him that such frauds had been practised for years, but the prisoner was the first to be Whether intended or not, the remark reprosecuted. flects most seriously upon the civic administration. Here then we have no less than eight persons, who held official civic positions, charged with crime.

In the banking sphere there has been one ex-manager committed to the penitentiary for robbing a bank in this city, and a young teller has pleaded guilty of the same offence. Another bank was defrauded last year of a large sum by a confidential clerk, and one of its tellers in the Toronto office, who has confessed to an embezzlement, is believed to have also stolen a package of notes to value of \$10,000. Another of our city banks has been defrauded by a visitor who is held in Chicago as a professional swindler. The latter case is one of many in which our citizens have been robbed by visitors who, by aristocratic pretensions and "putting on style," as the phrase is, accompanied with a plausible address, managed to secure the confidence and the cash, or the goods, or hospitality of the unwary. The readiness with which some of the jeunesse doree in this city make friends, without any introduction, with pretentious visitors who claim to be titled, or to have distinguished social connections, is not creditable to their common sense. The readiness, too, with which they invite such strangers to their parents' houses, and practically guarantee their reliability to hotelkeepers, storekeepers, and others, by openly associating with them in public places, is discreditable, it has helped professional thieves to obtain goods and cash, and to run up hotel bills, which have Some of our young men, if half as never been paid. smart as they fancy themselves to be, would know that men of title and social distinction never travel without letters of introduction and cash, or some better proof of their respectability than what is called "style," which is a mere compound of sublime impudence, audacity, swagger, a fashionable suit, and an oily tongue.

In another sphere a defalcation has been discovered by which a financial company in this city may probably lose some \$40,000 to \$50,000. A clerk in a departmental store here was recently convicted of this crime, and there have been several officials, all young men, who have been recently dismissed for irregularities with the cush in their care.

Can the cause of this painful epidemic of crime be traced? At this time scarlet fever is very prevalent in this city. This disease is known to have its origin in the miasma arising from filthy streets and lanes. Whence has come the financial, moral miasma which has created the embezzlement epidemic? Several of the guilty victims have confessed that they stole money to carry on or cover their operations as gamblers in stocks. Others, who have not revealed the secret of their temptation, are known to have speculated in mining stocks. During the last year or two there has been a rage in this city for

this form of gambling. Facilities for carrying on this dangerous game have multiplied. Representations have been spread broadcast that money could be coined by speculation in mining shares. The bait was so tempting and the hook so skilfully hidden that scores of gudgeons have been caught. The glaneur of large gains has blinded numerous mining stock operators to the terrible risk run by using the money of an employer to put up margins, or to cover losses. These stocks have been like an ignis fatuus, in pursuit of which fools have rushed into the bog of crime.

UNCLE SAM AND THE SULTAN.

There is trouble between the United States and Turkey, which is causing considerable excitement in Europe, as it will on this side, unless one or other power backs down. Some five years ago the American missions in Armenia, at Marash and Harpoot, were attacked by the Turks, the property of the missionaries being destroyed, themselves assaulted and a number of their Armenian adherents assassinated. A storm of anger aroused by these outrages swept over the States, which blew also with some violence in Canada. An indignation meeting was held in this city, the speakers at which denounced the European powers for not avenging the wrongs of the Christians in Asia Minor. President Cleveland was called upon by numerous meetings held in the States and by a large section of the American press to send war ships to the Bosphorus to demand redress from Turkey. The European powers intimated displeasure at such a proposal, so the storm subsided by the States backing down.

The American Minister, however, at Constantinople asked the Sultan to pay \$400,000 for the damages done by his subjects and troops to Americans and their property in his dominions. The Sultan got this claim reduced to \$100,000. He then formally agreed to pay this triffing sum as an indeinnity. Uncle Sam accepted his promise to settle the affair on this basis, instead of spending a few millions in upholding the dignity of of the Republic as was threatened, and, as would have been done, but for the powers of Europe intervening to protect Turkey from rightcous punishment.

This created a situation which is an exceedingly grave one for the States, one, too, which has a timely bearing on the Transvaal question. The duty of protecting the property and lives of its citizens when residing in a foreign country is one which has always been recognised "Civis Romanus sum" (1 am a Roman by nations. citizen) expresses a principle which no power can ignore without humiliation. The Sultan, in 1896, having learnt that the United States dare not enforce their claim has ever since ignored all demands for a settlement. The American Ambassador, has withdrawn from Constantinople, but the Turkish one at Washington still remains, so, though the quarrel is acute, there is no rupture threatening hostilities. Were America to seize a Turkish port the missionaries in Armenia would probably be massacred. As too there are millions of Mohammedans in the Philippines, who would revolt were the Sultan attacked, the difficulty in that region would be extremely aggravated. England would not interfere were the States to enforce the claim against Turkey by seizing a Turkish port, but Germany and Rus-

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sia would, so the States are in a most embarrassing di-Russia, under a treaty over a century old, still lemma. claims a protectorate over all Christians in the Turkish Empire. When this Treaty was pleaded in a memorable dispute Lord Palmerston politely told Russia to mind its own business, which it did by preparing for the Whether Mr. Mckinley would take as Crimean war. bold a stand if Russia interferes in the present quarrel remains to be seen. If the Sultan refuses to pay what is demanded and what he agreed to pay, the States must either compel payment, or suffer grave humiliation. By backing down the Republic would proclaim to the world that it is unable to protect the lives and property of American citizens in Europe.

The bearing of this affair on the Transvaal affair is England is at war to maintain the principle, close. that every nation must shield its subjects from outrage wherever they are. If the United States acknowledges its inability to discharge this duty they will have to endure the taunts and the derision of all other powers. They would be told that the Monroe doctrine has two sides, If no European power is allowed to interfere with territorial questions within the sphere of American influence, then the American nation must confine itself within that sphere and not interefere by force with European territory, or the possessions of an European potentate. It is most lamentable that all the civilized powers did not unite to restrain Turkey from such savageries as gave rise to the present trouble.

REPUBLICS AS DESPOTISMS.

In alluding to the sympathy shown for the Boers because their country is a Republic we pointed out some time ago how utterly groundless is the opinion, that a republican government is necessarily an assurance of political liberty to the people. History teems with proofs that no despotisms have ever been more tyrannical, more repressive of popular freedom than Republies. In one of the most famous, men were secretly denounced by government spics; imprisoned for life; or murdered in a republican dungeon, without any form of trial, without being confronted with witnesses; and without any information being given to their families It was in another Republic where as to their fate. political opponents of the government had their eyes gouged out and were turned adrift to live on charity. In other Republics the towns of Lodi and Crema were razed to the ground, the city of Milan reduced to a heap of ruins, and the many thousands of the citizens of Bo-Those horrible barlogna driven from their homes. barities were punishments inflicted on political oppon-The lamp of liberty in Euents by republican rulers. rope was quenched in a stream of blood in the name of republican freedom.' Later on a republican chief dissolved the Parliament of England by force of arms, and by force of arms prevented another Parliament from meeting, after it had been duly elected by the peoplc. In an existing Republic the members of a well known religious order were gathered by false pretences, and, without a moment's notice were marched under a military escort on board a vessel, in which they were carried to a foreign country and dumped ashore-by order of the President. All these republican despotisms, some twenty to thirty, we have referred to, were

the exact counterpart of the one in the Transvaal, which ill-informed writers are still speaking of with sympathy.

The "North American Review" contains an article in which the writer shows that the pro-Boer sympathy shown in the United States is partly based upon "hatred of Great Britain," but chiefly has no other reason than that the Transvaal calls itself a "Republic," while Great Britain calls itself a "Monarchy." He regards the mass of the people in the United States, and even a large proportion of those who consider themselves to be educated, as so entirely ignorant of ancient, mediaeval, and modern history as to regard a Republic as necessarily a "government of the people by the people." Out of 20 existing Republics there are only two to which that title can be fitly applied, "the others are either absolute military despotisms or mere oligarchies, in which a small minority of the people monopolize all the powers of government, while the great mass are little, if any, better than slaves."

American sympathy with republics is evidently based on the illusion that the mere name of republic gives the people a real voice in the government of their country. This sympathy is emphatically not justified by the kind of treatment which the people of the United States receive at the hands of the so-called republican govern-The "Review" article says, there is not a rements. public in the whole world, not even including France and Switzerland, in which an American citizen is as justly and liberally treated as he is under the monarchies of Denmark, Holland, Belgium, and Great Britain; while the treatment of Americans in France and Switzerland is not one whit better than it is under the imperial governments of Austria and Germany. There is not one of the so-called republics of South America which has not at some time in its history inflicted grievous wrongs upon American citizens; and nearly all of them at various times have committed the grossest outrages, including confiscation, wholesale robbery, imprisonment, expulsion, and even personal torture. There is not a single republic where citizens of the United States are treated half as decently as they are in every part of the British Empire,

To talk of the Boers fighting for the maintenance of free institutions is folly inspired by dense ignorance. The Transvaal is practically an absolute despotism, as it is impossible for any State law to pass which has not emanated from the President. The city of Johannesburg, with its 50,000 inhabitants, of more than average intelligence, was not allowed to elect a municipal government, or to have one even appointed. That city was really always under martial law. Mr. Shearman, the author of the article in question, is an American, yet this is his verdict on the Transvaal Government question: "There is no such combination of oppression, corruption, cruelty and outrage to be found in Europe west of Turkey, as exists in the South African Republican, and none on this continent except in some of our beloved 'sister republics' of Central America." The New York "Commercial Bulletin," the leading business organ of the States, remarks on this judgment: "No impartial student of the subject will be likely to deny that it is in the main true, and it certainly furnishes a curious commentary on the somewhat indiscriminate method which the American people have of lavishing sympathy on republics." A short sketch of republican despotisms would be a timely publication.

THE PROPOSED TORONTO EXHIBITION.

A deputation representing the city of Toronto and a variety of Ontario interests recently waited on the Government at Ottawa to solicit a grant of \$100,000 towards an exhibition at Toronto. The Premier gave no definite promise, but, from the tenour of his raply, we regard the application as likely to be granted. Assistance would be given by the Provincial Government as well as by the Corporation of Toronto, if the Federal authorities encourage the enterprise by a grant. It was unfortunate for the proposal to hold a Dominion Exhibition in this city to have ended in a fiasco, mainly owing to the jealousy of other cities and the indifference of the Ottawa Government. At the time, however, when the scheme was proposed, the new government was fresh in the saddle. It was under a mandate from the people to retrench and economise. Depression was still weighing upon the spirits of the country. Since then trade has revived, the public revenue has enlarged by leaps and bounds, an enormous surplus has been piled up, so the chances are favourable for a slice of it being dcvoted to assisting the Toronto Exhibition. The remarkable success achieved yearly by the annual display at Toronto proves that city to have not only special attractions and facilities, but also a highly enterprising and skilful body of citizens who understand how to manage It is useless crying over spilled milk, such an affair. but it is much to be regretted that, from a variety of causes, the holding of an annual exhibition in Montreal All the buildings, but one, has had to be abandoned. have been cleared away and not a whisper is heard of any movement to replace them. While regretting that this city has lost a golden opportunity for holding an exhibition that would have been of great local advantage. we have nothing but praise for the enterprise of its promoters and managers, and good wishes for the success of the one being organized in the Queen City.

A CUSTOMS RIPPLE.

Importers of vestings from manufacturers in Spitalfields have had some little discussion latterly with the Customs appraisers in respect of these goods which so closely resemble the French article that it is next to impossible to distinguish between them. Fancy vestings, which went out a few seasons ago, have again come into vogue, and having formerly been chiefly imported from France, the Customs people were "nonplushed" over the matter. The efforts made to introduce German and Swiss goods here have not been successful, owing to the wide difference in quality. The agent of the English firms, who was recently in Montreal, was able to give satisfactory explanations to the authorities, and all is quiet again. This is one of the cases of trouble arising from the preferential tariff. There is good ground to suspect that goods made in both France and Germany have been admitted under that tariff, they having been shipped through England. But our importers have been no party to such an evasion of the Customs law. If this has been done the certificate declaring such goods to be of British origin has been sent with the goods by the English exporter, who may have signed it under a misapprehension. We should be glad to hear of there being a large demand for Spitalfields goods as Free Trade brought the direst distress to the weavers of that district.

DID MR. TARTE MEET DR. LEYDS?

The 'famous problem, "Who struck Billy Patterson?" remains, as it is likely ever to remain, unsolved. Another question has arisen equally puzzling. The "Canadian Gazette," published in London, England, gives the following incident as having occurred at a reception given by M. Delcasse, in Paris, on the 31st March: "The Canadian Minister was a guest; so also was the notorious Dr. Leyds. Mr. Tarte and Dr. Leyds had a long talk together, and we believe the Transvaal representative learnt much to astonish him as to the freedom enjoyed by French-Canadians under British rule. My dear Dr. Leyds,' said Mr. Tarte, in effect, 'I am myself the son of a rebel; my father rose with Papineau against British rule in 1837. See what we French-Canadians You will, of course, be beaten; are under British rule. you will be crushed. Why don't you accept the inevitable like sensible men, and enjoy it-enjoy the the freedom of your own institutions under the British flag?' Dr. Leyds' reply is not known, but he seemed not a little impressed." The "Canadian Gazette" also was deeply impressed by the incident, as is shown by its devoting a leading article to the affair. Here we have all the details usually regarded as evidence of truthfulness in a report. The words alleged to have been used by Mr. Tarte are precisely those we should expect from him under the circumstances, and they are highly creditable to his common sense. Yet, on the 18th inst. the Honble. Mr. Laurier, speaking in the House of Commons, spoke of this incident as unworthy of credence! It was only an "alleged interview," it was one of the tales got up to injure Mr. Tarte, the interview was entirely unknown to We must leave it to the "Canadian the Government. Gazette" to explain how such an "alleged interview" got reported in its columns. Whoever wrote it has eminent dramatic talent, for the words ascribed to Mr. Tarte are Tarteian to the last degree. Did Mr. Tarte meet Dr. Leyds? That is a great mystery. Sir Wilfrid practically says, "No!" and he is "an honourable man."

THE LATE PHILADELPHIA CONGRESS.

The anti-Canadian spirit of the promoters of the Philadelphia Commercial Congress, just closed, was exposed and protested against in this journal when the scheme was launched. Those who doubted the accuracy of our diagnosis have now reason to change their minds, as the managers have voted to expunge from the record of the proceedings all resolutions moved by Canadians and to suppress all the papers read by Canadians. We are not surprised at this pettiness of jealousy, nor do we envy the chagrin of those Canadians who, by false pretences, were induced to visit the Philadelphia show and prepare papers for the Congress. Such gross discourtesy has no parallel in the history of exhibitions, nor is it likely to have in the record of future ones. Philadelphia has set a precedent which no other city in the world would be shameless enough to follow.

INSPIRING DYNAMITERS.

Whatever may have been the motive which inspired the miscreants who sought to damage the Welland canal, there can be no doubt they were under some inspiration intensely hostile to Canada, as the blow was aimed not

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at an individual, or corporate enterprise, but, at a national work, which, had it been effective, would have cost Canada several millions of dollars. In more than one American newspaper the alleged diabolical intention of the Boers to blow up the mines owned by the British in the Transvaal by dynamite has been spoken of with approval. Against so infamous an outrage protests have been made by the press in Europe, even by those who sympathise with the Boers. But, in the States even some ordinarily well conducted newspapers have expressed a hope that the city of Johannesburg, and the mines in that region, will be destroyed by dynamite. One American paper, now before us, says, "We see no reason to censure such a scheme." Men capable of planning to blow up part of a national canal, when reading such revolting effusions of hatred against the British, would find ample inspiration in those articles in the American press which commended a similar attack on British property in the Transvaal. It is a scandal to civilisation for the press to be used as the instigator and apologist of a form of crime which even savages would not be brutal enough to commit, or, if they did commit, would only be evidencing how fiendish men may become under the influence of that madness of hate which the pro-Boer papers are showing towards Great Britain.

Meetings, Reports, &c.

THE LONDON AND LANCASHIRE LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

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Extracts from Annual Report for the year 1899. The principal features of the report are herewith submitted and to which special attention is directed.

NEW BUSINESS.

The proposals received during the year numbered 2,904 for\$4,683,010

Deducting those Declined and not Completed 670,465

The Net Premium Income amounted to \$1,250,370.85; an increase of \$45,787.27 over the previous year. Annual Income including \$261,141.68 for interest, amounted The Total to \$1,511,833.85. The average rate of Interest on the invested and uninvested Funds being upwards of Four per cent.

The Claims by death with Bonus Additions

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The increase to the funds, after all payments have been provided for, amounts to \$523.301.91, and the total funds of the Company now stand at \$7,055,539.81.

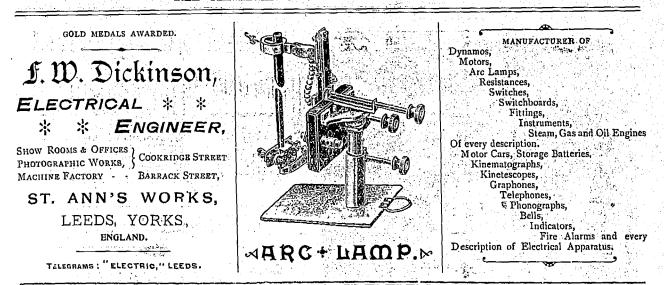
BALANCE SHEET OF THE LONDON AND LANCASHIRE

LIFE ASSURANCE CO. on 31st D.c., 1899.

Liabilities.

Capital fully subscribed \$500,000.00 Amount paid up 100,000.00	
Proprietors' Fund— Balance thereof at 31st December, 1899\$50,986.97 Less Amount of Bonus dis- tributable amongst Pro- prietors in 1899 12,500.00 38,486.97	
\$ 138;486.97 Assurance Fund	
Total Funds	,539.80
Claims admitted, but not paid	,053.82

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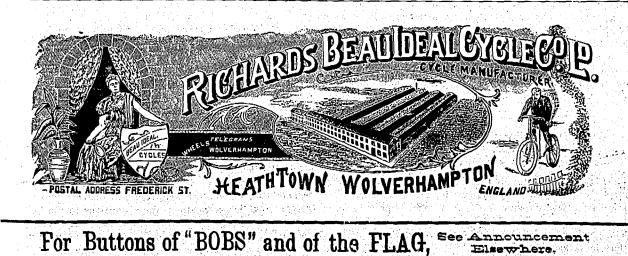


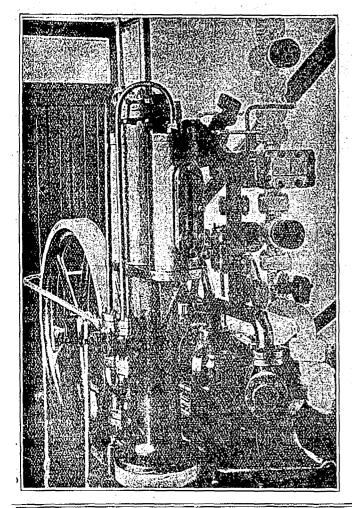
Assets.

 Canadian Board of Directors:—The Rt. Hon. Lord Strathcond and Mount Royal, Chairman; R. B. Angus, Esq., Vice-Chairman; E. L. Pease, Esq., H. Stikeman, Esq., C. R. Hosmer, Esq., Charles M. Hays, Esq. B. Hal Brown, Gencral Manager. J. L. Kerr, Asst. Manager, Montreal.

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Loans on Company's Policies 658,867.42	NINE MONTHS TRADE RETURNS.
InvestmentsIn British, Indian and	WIND MOLITIC TRADE TET OVIC.
Colonial Gov't Securities and	The trade returns for the nine months of the fiscal year
Stocks including Special De-	ending March 31, show the imports to have amounted to
posit with Canadian Gov't 887,861.81	\$135,659,293, as compared with \$112,790,006, and the exports
Foreign Gov't Securities, Rly.	to \$139,973,223, as against \$122,872,347. The Customs col-
and other Debs., Rly. Shares	lections have increased in the same time by \$3,265,030. The
Preference and Ordinary 3,524,723.56	figures are as follow:-
House Property in United King-	İmports. 1900. 1899.
dom and Canada, Reversions	Dutinble goods \$79,016,733 \$64,772,59?
and other Securities 471,459.56 4,884,050.93	Free goods
	Coin and bullion
Loans on Personal Security in connection with	
Life Policies	Totals
Branch Offices and Agents Bals 104,908.45	Duty collected 22,016,739 18,751,708
December Prems, on which days of	Exports-
grace are current 213,934.98 318,903.43	Canadian produce\$119,569,118 \$104,544,707
the second s	Foreign goods 12,495,351 14,807,944
Interest and Rents-	Coin and bullion
Accrued, \$61,500.58, Overdue, \$4,850.58 66,351.16	
Amounts on Deposit for fixed periods 69,833.33	'l'otals
Cash-On Current Account at Head Office and	The exports were distributed as follow:
Branch Banks 192,138.89	l'roduce of mines \$9,802,400 \$10,219,153
Other Assets including Furniture and Fittings	Produce of fisheries \$,681,360 7,551,159
at Head Office and Branches, etc 17,651.91	l'roduce of forest
	Animals and their produce 46,935,551 39,972,056
\$7,162,669.07	Agricultural products
W. P. CLIREHUGH,	Manufactures
General Manager and Actuary.	Miscellaneous articles
TURQUAND, YOUNGS & CO.,	For the month of March alone the returns are:
S. LEEKE, Auditors,	Imports.
London, Eng.	Dutiable goods \$9,512,250 \$8,082,176
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Free goods	4,287,806 42,282
Totals \$14,582,245	\$12,412,264
Duty collected 2,634,848 Exports—	2,324,579
Canadian goods \$9,510,690	\$7,734,443
Foreign goods 131,871	312,996
Coin and bullion 1,171,947	132,008
Totals \$10,814,508	\$8,171,147

RETAIL ASSOCIATION SUSTAINED.

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A case of much importance to retailers was decided in Hamilton recently. The Retail Grocers' Association of that city was a defendant in a suit for \$3,000 damages brought by a man who had grocery bills unpaid and had been so reported to the members of the Association. The plaintiff urged the plea of illness as a cause of non-payment, but the jury found for the Association. The decision will, doubtless, urge retailers in other cities, not already provided with such protection, to action in forming such associations which are really the only weapons within reach of the retailer who sells on time. To head off "dead beats," if but two in number, in each city, is worth more for the community than any expense and time involved in maintaining such an association, for the "beat" increases in numbers like every other plant of mischievous growth if the soil is at all adapted.

-Grand Trunk Railway System. Earnings 15th to 21st April, 1900, \$424,859; 1890, \$362,148. Increase, \$42,711. Chicago and Grand Trunk carnings omitted.

-Flaked rice is one of the late additions to the grocers' stocks which appears to increase in favor. Consumers are purchasing freely owing to the fact that the preparation is more easily prepared for consumption than whole rice. The goods are packed in cartons and more easily handled than loose rice.



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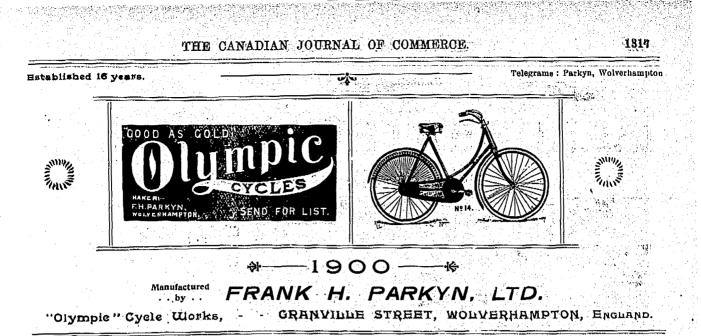
In reply to some inquiries for Pin-Buttons of Field Marshal Lord Roberts, and of the Flag, (Union Jack coloured) similarly mounted, we make the following offer, good till 1st May: Anyone sending us one new subscriber (prepaid) will be sent ten of Lord Roberts and five of the Flag. If preferred, other British generals in the present war can be furnished. For two or more subscribers a proportionate number will be sent.

-In the case of Polley and Scott, ex-shoe maunfacturers, Quebec, accused of having discounted at the National Bank in the months of May and June, 1899, drafts accompanied with forged bills of lading, the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty in both cases. The former was subsequently arrested on another charge.

—The Hochelaga Bank has declared a half-yearly dividend of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. The Ontario dividend for past halfyear is $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. The Traders' Bank announces a halfyearly dividend of 6 per cent. The above dividends are payable on 1st June next. The Union Bank dividend for past half-year is at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum.

-The Russian Government is about to establish a monopoly of the coal oil supply for that Empire in order to shut off all competition by foreign companies. It is alleged that foreigners first ran the Russian oil producers out of the market, then raised the price to recoup what they had lost, factics not unknown on this continent. The home government will develop the native wells and put the prices down to bare cost of production.

-A Brantford, Ont., letter of the 24th inst., states that the Canadian branch of the Pratt-Letchworth Malleable Iron Works, located in the old Grand Trunk shops, is to be opened the present week. The company will employ about 150 men to start, and expect to increase that number to 300 within two years. The alterations to the buildings cost nearly \$40,000. It is understood the City Council will submit a by-law for the purpose of raising \$25,000 for additional flood prevention work in Eagle Place.



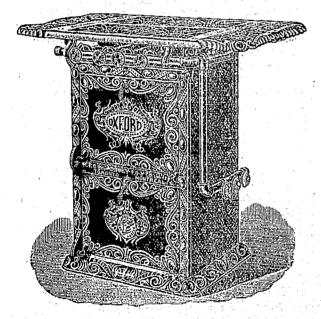
-The three men held by the police on suspicion of being , the perpetrators of an attempt to destroy a lock on the Welland Canal are declared to have been shadowed by detectives for a week. If men can arrange a charge of dynamite while being "shadowed" by detectives, the shadowers must have been grossly negligent; but much of the socalled watching of suspected characters by the police is merely empty talk. If shadowing of suspected persons is justified it should at least be so thorough as to prevent them committing crime.

RECENT FIRES.

Toronto, April 18th.—Coal sheds of Elias Kogers Co. damaged. Loss about \$1,500; fully insured.—Eim Creek, Man.,

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'17th.-Elm Creek House, with contents, owned by Jos. Wood destroyed. Loss, \$1,000; fully insured.—Montreal, 22nd.—Residence of L. Cyr, damaged. `Loss about \$1,000.— Gatineau l'oint, Que., 24th .- Fire which started in A. Villeneuve's general store spread and destroyed the business portion of the village. Losses and insurance are: $-\Lambda$. Villeneuve-Three storied frame building, value, \$4,000, stock \$20,000, house furniture, \$4,000, vehicles, clothes, etc., \$2,000; total loss, \$30,000. Insurance on house and stock, \$11,000, divided between the Royal, the Caledonia and Victoria Insurance companies. L. Laurin-Two storey brick veneer iron sheeted store, cost, \$6,500, stock, \$9,000, sun-dries, \$1,000; 'total loss, \$16,500. Insurance on store and stock, \$10,500, as follows: Liverpool & London & Globe Company, \$4,000; Phoenix of London, \$3,000; Canada Insurance Company, \$3,000; Hartford Company, \$1,500. O. Robitaille, -House, \$400. Insured for \$200 in Le Canada Feu. N. Dagenais-House, \$400. Blackburn Bros.--Ottawa, mica stored with Laurin, to the value of \$2,000. M. Moodie & Sons, Terrebonne-Stored farm implements, \$600. Probably insured. J. Dorey, blacksmith shop.-Edmundston, N.B., 22nd.-Residence of Wm. Luston destroyed.-Tilbury, Ont., 24th.-F. Oswald's elevator burned. Loss about \$1,-200; insured in Waterloo Co. for \$700. Contents insured for \$1,000 in the Equity of Toronto .-- Fleming, N.W.T., 23rd -Chandler's livery and Jupp's general store destroyed, with most of contents. Total loss about \$13,000; partial insurance.-Nelson, B.C., 24th.-P. Burns & Co.'s new block damaged. Loss about \$5,000 .- Oakdale, Man., 22nd .- Residence and outbuildings with contents, belonging to James Alexander, burned by prairie fires.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

Ontario.—G. A. Moir & Co., hardware, Almonte, quit business; Chantler Bros., general store, Chuntlers, have sold out; Ritchie & McAdam, general store, Galetta, sold out to Reid Bros.; Tecumseh Canning Factory, Ltd., Tecumseh, incorporated; D. I. Brandon, gro., Guelph, succeeded by J. W. Easton; H. W. Smythe, grocer, London, out of business; J. Hodge, general store, Roseville, succeeded by J. E. Brown; Moore & Co., grocer, London, out of business; R. J. Cond, general store, Oakwood, retiring from business; Bradley & Co., general store, Domville, sold out to J. A. Rankin.

Quebec,—Gauthier & Paquette, contractors, Montreal, dissolved; B. A. Savage & Co., dry goods, Westmount, G. F. Payne, sole owner; L. E. Croquette, statn'y, Farnham, has added grocery; J. Ritchie Co., Ltd., mfr. shoes, Quebec, declaration of incorporation registered; J. Desjardins, carringes, St. Robert, about removing to Nashua, N.H.; J. H. Bull, men's furnishings, Montreal, has given up business; Tardif & Frere, gro., etc., Montreal, co-partnership registered; Dominion Artificial Fuel Co., Ltd., Montreal, seeking incorporation; G. T. Slater & Son, mfrs. shoes, Montreal, dissolution registered.

British Columbia.—G. Pettit, clothing etc., Kaslo, closed up here and removed to coast; R. W. Bacon, hardware, Ymir, sold out to R. McRoberts; G. Adams, grocer, New

Contractors to Her Majesty's Government.



Westminster, sold out to W. S. MacGowan; Williams & Barker, brewers, Vancouver, succeeded by Vancouver Breweries, Itd.; J. G. Bent, confec., etc., Westminster, out of business.

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Manitoba & N.W.T.—Clever & Sewell, livery, Oak River, succeeded by J. McKennitt; N. Leelerc, butcher, Edmonton, sold out to Gallagher-Hull Co.; Unger & Hogle, implements, Rosenfeld, succeeded by Stewart Bros.; J. A. Kennedy, butcher, Wawanesa, succeeded by Vail and Robertson.

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New Brunswick.—C. C. Schmidt, jeweller, St. John, stock
advertised for sale by auction; R. P. and W. F. Starr, coal,
etc., St. John, succeeded by R. P. & W. F. Starr, Ltd.

Prince Edward Island.—E. H. Beer & Co., general store, Kensington, sold out to Murray & McGougan.

LEGAL RECORD.

The following is a record of transactions and cases in our Canadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issued and Judgments Rendered for sums of \$300 and upwards (Montreal, from \$175 and upwards), and Chattel Mortgages and Bills of Sale (for sums of \$550 and upwards), as taken from the public records. It will be understood that the actions or items do not necessarily affect the credit and soundness of the persons or concerns named, as they may have been paid or otherwise settled, and that good defence may exist in case of writs, etc.:

WRITS ISSUED-ONTARIO.

Belleville-D. A. Spencer vs F. E. O'Flynn, \$1,000; Brudenell Tp.-H. O'Connor vs M. Walsh, \$2,000; Gwillimbury, E. Tp.-T. H. Lloyd vs W. W. and A. Pegg, \$600; Hamilton -W. Wallace vs T. Irwin & Son, \$500; H. Sylapka vs L. I. Roy, \$5,000; Ottawa-Security Bank of Minnesota vs C. B. Hibbard, \$520; Toronto-J. Ryan vs C. S. Parsons, \$301; Adjala Tp.-Waterous Mfg. Co. vs T. Morin, sr., et al, \$358; Elden Tp.-C. N. McDonald vs K. J. McGinnins and J. Mc-Ginnis, jr., \$1,000; Grand Forks, B.C.-Deering Harvester Co. vs G. Kennedy, \$378; London-Dominion Radiator Co. vs W. H. Dunn et al, \$472; Dominion Radiator Co. vs Jane Stinson, \$481; North Bay-Canada Mutual L. and I. Co. vs C. & L. Parks, \$583; Owen Sound-Elizth, LePan vs W. H. Haines, \$500; Toronto-Ellen McKindsey vs. Diamond Machine and Screw Co., \$514; R. N. Sterling et al vs Diamond Machine & Screw Co., \$5,871; H. J. Martin vs W. Mc-Farlane, \$1,402; G. Gooderham vs A. Reeve et al, exrs., \$2,-160; Arthur Tp .- D. Clark vs A. McEachern, \$900; Bromley Tp.-M. Sheedy vs M. Sheedy, jr., \$390; Colborne-R. J. Walt vs S. E. Fuller, \$858; Cramahe Tp .- Ida M. Walker et al vs W. S. Terry et al, \$2,000; Gwillimbury N. Tp.-A. Myers vs H. A. Winch, \$3,000; Hamilton-J. A. Banfield vs Hamilton Brass Mfg. Co., \$5,000; Hollowell Tp .-- J. B. Way vs L. E. Blakeley, \$2,000; Kenyon-Atlas Loan Co. vs M. Boudreau, \$1,200; Kingston-Molsons Bank vs J. Cannington, \$4,167; J. Ward & Co. vs C. Donaghue, \$643; Stratford --H. Ross vs J. Wilson, \$500; Toronto--C. Hermann vs R. Cumming, \$496; Toronto General Trusts vs'J. A. Mills, \$2,-358; Toronto General Trusts vs W. St. Croix. \$2,153; Westminster Tp.-W. H. Beattie vs S. C. Millson, \$982; Syracuse, N.Y .- Molsons Bank vs J. Marshall & Son, \$2,293; Vaughan Tp.-J. Wells vs II. Marsh, \$361.

WRITS ISSUED-MANITOBA & N.W.T.

Roland—A. Craddock, \$2,000; Winnipeg—T. D. Robinson, et al, \$1,000; Letellier—D. Parent, \$1,928.

WRITS ISSUED-BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Ainsworth-Kootenay Air Supply Co., \$821; Rossland-D. Ilarris & Co., \$519; Columbia-Hay, McCallum & Wright, \$700; Grand Forks-Grand Forks Mercantile Co., \$1,212 and \$533; Mann, Foley Bros. and Larsen, \$320; J. D. Potter, \$778; Gilpins-A. L. McDonald and D. Bailey, \$1,000; Victoria-J. & C. Haynes, \$317; Bennett Lake & Klondike Navigation Co., Ltd., \$531.

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JUDGMENTS RENDERED-ONTARIO.

Brampton-E. Crawford agt Pearen Bros., \$540; Hamilton-Clara W. Metcalf agt J. Green, exr., \$1,237; London-Birkbeck Loan Co. agt J. Insell et al, \$713; Toronto-J. B. Laidlaw agt F. J. Laidlaw, \$487; Vaughan Tp.-R. Caldwell et al agt J. Snell, \$520; A. W. Fares agt M. J. Millburn et al, \$1,574; Port Huron, Mich .- H. McIntosh agt Port Huron Petrified Brick Co., et al, \$517; Attwood-R. Forest agt H. E. and Hy. Hoar, \$873 Campbellford-.... Chown agt Gillespie, \$363; Havelock-J. A. McLaren & Co. agt W. Matheson, \$455; London-Birkbeck Loan Co. agt R. Walsh and wife, \$499; Proton Tp.-A. Richardson agt W. Hall, \$348; Toronto-W. F. McMaster et al agt G. Bury et al, \$5,774; C. A. McCool & Co. agt J. J. Graham \$1,187; Can. Per. L. & S. Co. agt W. Munns, \$576; Toronto Gen. Trusts Corporation agt Marcella Wilkes, \$13,886; Whitby E.-W.B. Pringle & Co. agt J. Shand et al, \$340; New York, N.Y.-W.-M.-Hendershot agt Ladysmith Co., \$5,129.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-QUEBEC.

St. Lin-P. E. C. Joubert agt P. S. Gauthier, \$1,051; Montreal-P. Durocher agt P. C. Shannon, esql., \$1,287; Sutton-J. N. Robinson agt H. D. Death, \$401; Nicolet-Liqu Banque Ville Marie agt C. McCaffrey, \$3,500; St. Anne Bout de L'Her- Trust & L. Co. agt T. Madore, \$6,567; Cote St. Lue-B. Decarie agt F. N. Gougeon, \$8,908; Montreal-Tetrault Shoe Co. agt O. Aubin et al, \$192; Credit Foncier agt R. Champagne et al, \$3,232; Trust & Loan Co. of Canada agt L. Riopelle, \$6,255; De. Margt. Dixon et al agt S. Simpson et al, \$175. JUDGMENTS RENDERED-MANITOBA & N.W.T. Roland-Steen Bros., \$394.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Rossland-D. Harris & Co., \$1,037; Victoria-H. Firth, \$993; Phoenix-Posty & Walker, \$531; Vancouver-G. W. Fuller, \$376; Victoria-J. & C. A. Haynes, \$781; J. & C. A. Haynes, \$980.

JUDGMENTS RENDERED-NOVA SCOTIA. Chester-Oak Island Treasure Co., \$1,851. EXECUTIONS-QUEBEC.

Montreal—O. Hart agt J. O. R. Frappier, \$189; A:-Mackinlay et al agt F. E. Grafton et al, \$190; The Queen agt H. Griffard, \$210; T. A. Gauthier agt — Grothe, \$178; Montreal Loan and Mortgage Co. agt De. M. E. Guerin, \$827; Montreal Loan and Mortgage Co. agt M. Guerin, \$1,469; H. Kieffer agt J. Younie, \$177; Monte Bello—Banque d'Hochelaga agt L. J. A. Papineau et al, \$6,724; Montreal—Montreal L'n & Mtge. Co. agt De. M. E. Guerin, \$843; C. F. Smith et al esql. agt Delle A. Lalonde, \$6,546; De. E. Champeau agt J. Quinn, \$236; O. Gladu agt Hon. R. Thibaudeau et al, \$466; St. Mathieu, Beloeil — De. M. L. Myler agt T. A. Huot, \$51,699.

. CHATTEL MORTGAGES-ONTARIO.

Belleville—H. Sine to Margt. Sine, \$1,000; Biddulph Tp.--W. J. Collison to Canadian S. & L. Co., \$1,040; Brockville---J. C. Bann to J. McMullen, \$4,567; Toronto-Bellan & Dubinsky to S. Frenkell, \$1,094; Picton-G. and Alice Williams





teith to S. J. Vanstone, \$900; Hamilton-J. P. Mullen et ux to Grant Spring Brewery Co., \$2,120; Hay Tp .-- N. M. Cantin to R. S. Hays, \$2,150; Niagara Falls South-A. C. Thorburn to Archdale, Wilson & Co., \$700; Norwich S.-W. A. Treffry to Sawyer & Massey Co., \$590; Toronto-J. and Bella Dubensky to S. Frenkel, \$1,094; Whitchurch Tp.-G. Williams et al to W. C. Widdifield, \$1,764; Consecon-C. R. Dade to G. J. Foy, \$1,700; Hamilton-T. Cook et ux to Grant Spring Brewery Co., \$2,700; North Toronto-A. L. Willson to W. J. Mitchell, \$620; Orillia-Phoebe A. and T. II. Doncaster to O'Keele Brewing Co., \$1.500; Ottawa-Margt. and S. Taylor to C. J. Proud, \$1,068; Fickering Tp .-W. Thomson et al to G. D. Wilken, \$600; Bat Portage-E. G. Hall to A. Carmichael, \$6,554; E.G. Hall to A. Carmichael, \$5,000; G. W. Smith to Consolidated Stationery Co., \$2,230; Stayner-P. McSherry to Bank of Commerce, \$745; Tilsonburg-H. J. and Niva G. Matthews to D. Warnock, \$1,765; Toronto-W. Wilson to T. A. Crow, \$1,527; Toronto Juneto O'Keefe Brewtion - C. A. Kelly and wife ing Co., \$3,493; Uxbridge Tp.-A. G. Scott to Toronto Brewing and Malting Co., \$1,918; Zorra Tp.-T. M. Whiteside et al to Oxford Per. L. and S. Co., \$3,208;-R. Morris to F. E. O'Flynn, \$2,088.

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BILLS OF SALE-ONTARIO.

Mariposa-S. Armitage to Susan Armitage, \$600; Port Arthur-H. S. Lewis to Algoma Steam Laundry Co., \$5,200;

Toronto-T. Milburn & Co. to T. Milburn Co., Ltd., \$150,000; Gore Bay-A. Thorn to G. N. Ellis, \$675; Oneida-R. F. Barker, sr., to R. F. Barker, \$1,000; Mulmar Tp.-W. J. Adair to J. A. Halsted, \$1,036.

BILLS OF SALE-NEW BRUNSWICK.

Caraquet--W. P. Foley, \$749; St. John--Raymond & Doherty, \$10,000.

BILLS OF SALE-BRITISH COLUMBIA Victoria-E. Bray, \$5,551; Vancouver-B. B. Cooper,\$809

BILLS OF SALE-NOVA SCOTIA.

North Grant-J. McDougall, \$684.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES-MANITOBA & N.W.T. Beausejours-J. D. Campbell, \$1,652; Crystal-City-C. F. Oke, \$664; Star-W. G. Ross,\$1,152; Winnipeg-S. A. D. Bertrand et al, \$77,633; D. J. Mooney, \$992; Roland-A. B. Craddock, \$1,600; Cardstone-J. W. and E. Rearl, \$1,250; Yorkton-J. J. Smith, \$\$43.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES-NOVA SCOTIA. Bridgetown-II. E. Ricketson, \$1,800.

CHATTEL MORTGAGES - BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Vancouver-Peppard & Mitchell, \$1,500; Ymir-B. R. Raymond & Co., \$733; Cascade-B. C. Mercantile and Mining Syndicate, Ltd., \$9,734; Victoria-II. C. Wulf, \$800.





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-The Banks of Toronto, Hamilton, Quebec, the Merchants' Bank and Bank of Commerce have each declared a halfyearly dividend at same rate as previous half year.

-Mr. George H. Gillespie, president of the Hamilton Provident and Loan Socicty, died on 24th inst. Mr. Gillespie was born August 10, 1827, at Biggar Park, Scotland, and had resided in Hamilton since 1851, He was for years in

the wholesale dry goods business in that city, where he was very highly respected, as he was also wherever known.

CONFLAGRATION AT HULL.

News of a serious conflagration at hull has arrived just as we are going to press. The fire is stated to have leaped across the Ottawa river and broken out in the three places in the Eddy yard. Hull is a terrible place for a fire as it is a mass of combustible materials on a large scale, being made up of wooden houses, sheds, saw mills, and lumber yards, with very inadequate fire protection, for which it has been accustomed to rely mainly upon Ottawa, of which itual is, practically, a suburb.

FINANCIAL.

Montreal, Thursday, 26th April, 1900. The bank report for March shows a remarkable expansion of business for the season. The banks are declaring half-yearly dividends at the rate for previous half-year. They are likely to nave excellent statements to lay before next annual meetings. The Vancouver, out from Liverpool, is expected to arrive here this evening. There is httle in the war news to affect the money market. It is not clear what the situation really is. Mafelcing still holds out as the Boers, who are so brave behind a rock, are scared out of their wits when on the open. Wepener has been wrested from them and hopes run high that they are cut off from retreating northwards. The Boer delegates have been refused a hearing by the principal governments of Europe, so that hope is crushed.

The Boers are learning that their threats to destroy the Johannesburg mines are regarded with utter detesta-tion by civilized nations, although such wanton destruction of private property is being openly commended by the pro-loor papers in the United States, Al-though the exports from the States have for some time been in excess of imports there is almost a certainty Inports there is almost a contract, that they will have to export gold at an early date. The secret of this ap-parent anomaly must be sought for in the movement of scenitics and the transactions to which they give rise, Money is in more active demand in London than in New York, and money, like other merchandise, goes to the best market. The Paris Exhibition too will cause a heavy amount of American funds to travel across the Atlantic in some form. New York banks are making special arrangements to supply travellers with financial conveniences in view of the exodus to Europe this year on an unusually large scale. The Victoria-Montrcal Fire Insurance Co., is of-iering a portion of its stock to inves-tors. In order to interest policyholders in the company's welfare holders of 5 shares are to be allowed a rebate on their insurance for 5 years. This alone will be a good return upon the invest-ment, but the promise is favourable for a satisfactory dividend from the gen-eral business. Subscriptions will open eral business. Subscriptions will open on 8th May at the office of the General Trust Corporation, Toronto, and Mont-real Trust Co., in this city. The stock market in New York remains unsteady. Congress is invited by resolution to enquire into the Steel and Wire Co.'s alleged manipulation of its own stocks. Locally there has been a small business done in stocks, too much uncertainty prevails to encourage operations. Pa-



cific has declined, quotations of sales being from 95% to 97%; Electric, 201 to 201%; Bank of Montreal, 262. Con-sols stand at 100%c. Sterling exchange tends upwards. Local mouey rates remain as last week.

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The following is a comparative table of stocks for week ending April 26th, supplied by Chas. Meredith & Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal:—

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B∗NK≠.	Sharee, Suud	Highest.	Lowest.	Average same date Laet Year
Bank of Montrea'	37	2621%		
Merchants Bank.		162		
Quebec Bank	25	127	127	
Can. Bk. of Com.	17	148	147	150
MISCELLANEOUS,				
Can. Pacific	1370	97%	9556	9234
Payne16		120	117 8	387
Com. Cable Co		172		183
Rich & Ont. new		110		100
Rich. & Ont. x.n.s.		1094		••••
Montreal Teleg		165		1721/2
St. John Ry		125		
Rich. & Ont. Nav		1121/2	108	108
Virtue Co 7	8025	110	104	
Montreal St. Ry 1	1251	2641/2	255	827%
" " Rights	381	75	71	
Montreal Gas Co	318	1841/2	$188\frac{1}{2}$	204 1/2
Bell Telephone	37	180	180	177%
Royal Electric	1407	202	$199\frac{1}{2}$	180
Toronto Ry				118%
War Eagle	1900	145	140	365
I win City		64	631/2	71
Mont. Cotton Co			140	
Can. Col. Cotton Co	0150	80	79%	76
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Dom. Coal pfd 5	117	117	
Mont. & London 11950	30	29	70

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BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

David & Robert, grain and flour

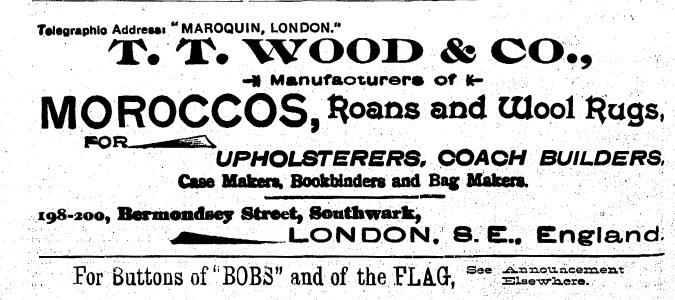
-David & Robert, grain and flour dealers, Montreal, have assigned. --Alf, Poliquin, grocer, at Quebec, has assigned with assets amounting to \$4,-700 and liabilities of \$10,000. --H. II. McDonald, tailor, Teeswater, Ont., assigned, and left for the U.S. the same day. The assets amounted to a little over \$100. Liabilities about \$600, principally owing to the London firm of A. E. Pavey & Co.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

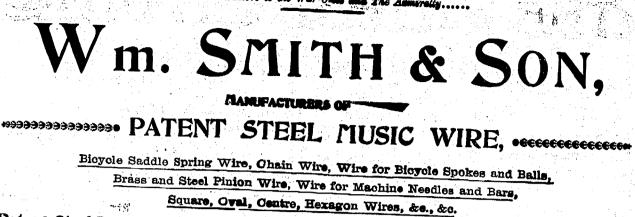
Montreal, April 26th, 1900. The life usually apparent with the advent of navigation on the St. Lawrence is seen this week in the erection of freight sheds, etc. Ocean vessels are expected to-day. Values have under-

gone but few changes during the past gone but lew enanges during the pass week. Hardware has been subject to heavy attacks in the United States, where wire nails have been reduced \$1 per keg. Latest dispatches, however, indicate a sustaining of prices in steel and iron. Efforts on the part of influ-ential parties to gain control of large plants is thought to be mainly responsible for the drop in wire goods and the market here has not been so far affect-

market here has not been so far affect-ed. A decline of 5c in turpentine and an advance of 3c in linseed oils have been the chief features of the week. Dairy products are lower, butter espe-cially. Other goods are steady. BUTTER.—The market has been very unsettled all this week, and prices have fluctuated more quickly. Buyers are inclined to hold off and the business passing is much lighter. Values have declined fully 2c to 3c per lb. Choicest creamery has been offering freely dur-ing the past 24 hours at 16% to 17%, whereas, in the early part of the week 19c to 20c was asked for the same qual-ity of goods. The tendency is decidity of goods. The tendency is decid-edly downward and the expectations are to see still lower prices before the week closes. Dairies are also in much larger supply and are to-day being of-fered at 15c to 16c lb. The marcht is mounted and the public button which is fered at 15c to 16c lb. The marekt is overstocked with roll butter which is difficult to sell, being offered at 12c to 13½c per lb. Old creamery is still in liberal supply and is quoted at 13c to 15c, but buyers look for a 12c price as the difficult to call of the sell. t is difficult to sell at the above ures.



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Dallam Wire Works, Warrington, England.

CHEESE.—Business passing is light. There seems to be a wide difference between buyers and sellers as to actual value. Choicest new stock is now sellvalue. Choicest new stock is now sell-ing at $10\frac{1}{2}$ c to 11c, with best grade fall makes, heid at $11\frac{1}{2}$ c to 12c, but few if any transactions are recorded. The price is certainly very high in compari-son with that of a year ago, and as is usual in such cases buying is never in-dulged in as freely until the new con-tinuous work the meduce conductly into durged in as freely until the new con-ditions work themselves gradually into favor. There is also the probability of prices declining, these features doubtless aiding the slow surface at present apparent.

DRUGS, UNEMICALS, BARKS, ETC,-Few changes have developed during the past changes have developed during the past week. Canary seed is higher in pri-mary markets, owing to short acreage sown on account of unfavorable wea-ther conditions. Opium is steady with prospects of a plentiful supply. Qui-mine is firm with stronger advices from London. Cocca butter shows a slight decine, and morphine is also quoted 10e lower. Gramp root is considerably lowdecine, and morphine is also quoted 10e tower. Gramp root is considerably low-er, towing to heavy offerings of new erop. Sal soda is firmer owing to re-ported light stocks abroad. Oriental advices say that Samuel & Co., an Eng-Formosa camphor monopoly for ten-lish firm, have outbid American and out names new sum affector tensor. other foreign firms and secured the years

Eccs .-- The market appears to have struck bottom as the demand has largely improved. Considerable stock is now going into store for fall and winter selling. There are large sales being put through at 11½ to 11½ dozen. Towards the close there appears to be rather more firmness, and receivers are now asking 1/4 to 1/2 cent advance.

Now asking % to % contract.—The opening FLOUR, FEED & MEAL.—The opening of navigation has caused a better de-mand for flour from local river freight points. While no large transactions are reported, the volume is well main-tained. Prices are firm in keeping with higher quotations for wheat. Feed continues scarce and the recent ad-vances are firmly held. Bulk rolled oats are quiet, much of the demand running to package goods from other markets, which are pushed with a vigor worthy of a better cause. Quo-lations are: Flour—Winter wheat pa-tents, \$3.70 to \$3.85; straight rollers, \$3.30 to \$3.40, in bags, \$1.60 to \$1.65. Manitoba patents, \$4; strong bakers, \$3.70. Manitoba bran, bulk, \$16.50; shorts, 18.00; mouille, \$20 to \$24.00; per ton; oatmeal, \$3.30 to \$3.35, and \$1.60 to \$1.65 per bag; baled hay, No.1, FLOUR, FEED & MEAL.-The opening

\$9.50 to \$10; No. 2, \$8.25 to \$9; clover and mixed, \$6.50 to \$7. Best timothy may in bulk is held at \$8 to \$8.50 per road, averaging 1,500 lbs.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—The advent of warm summer weather has brought about the customary call for early fruit and vegetables. What little variety is yet shown sell readily where prices are at all within reach of the consumer, afat all within reach of the consumer, af-ter the commission merchant and re-tatler have had a little profit. The opening of navigation, for which the raver is now prepared, will hurriedly bring to this important summer line the activity and life necessary. Dealers express the opinion that the coming season will be productive of plenty goods and large sales owing to low prices and good demand through pros-perous times. Quotations are: Cal. navel perous times. Quotations are: Cal. navel perous ames. Quotations are: Cal. navel oranges, \$3 to \$4,00; Jamaica oranges, \$5.50 to \$6; seedlings, \$2.50 to \$3; Val-encia oranges,420's, \$5.55 to \$5.50; 714's, 53.50 to \$0; seedings, \$2.50 to \$5; Var-encia oranges, 420's, \$\$5.25 to \$5.50; 714's, \$6 to \$6.25; large sizes, \$6.25 to \$6.50; remons, \$2.75 to \$3.25; bananas, \$1.40 to \$2.25; pincapples, 15c to 25c; tomatoes, \$3.50 to \$3.75 crate; grape fruit, \$4.50 to \$5.00 box; tangerines, \$5 per half box; apples, \$1.50 to \$2.25 for No. 2's; and \$5.60 to \$4 per barrel for No. 1; cocoanuts, \$3.50 per 100; Spanish onions, in crates, 70c to 80c; California celery, \$6.75 to \$7.00; strawberries, 30c to 35c; cucumbers, \$1.75 per doz.; mushrooms, 75c to \$0c lb.; Bernuda onions, \$2.75 per crate; cauliflower, per crate, \$4.50; California pears, E. Beurre, \$4.50; California pears, \$4.50 to \$6 doz. GROCERNES,—The higher prices ruling for molasses, reported in our issue of a week ago in which an advance of 2c

for molasses, reported in our issue of a week ago in which an advance of 2c per gallon at the point of production was given, has been firmly maintained since, and higher prices ruling for other makes adds to the firmness. Barbadoes present cost laid down here would equal 39c. This does not compare with our quotations for the reason that the trade here bought at a lower figure trade here bought at a lower figure earlier and have not advanced prices in proportion. Sugars are unchanged, al-though the U.S. markets are reported higher. Dried fruits are moving slowly with no change in values. The Japan tea market will open in a week or so. No advance is likely although reports have been current of a ten per cent.

HARDWARE & METALS, Although the indications from U.S. sources have been for a much lower level of values been for a much lower level of values not only in wire goods but in heavy ma-terials the market here has not yet moved in that direction. In the U.S.

wire nails took a drop of \$1 per keg. However, evidences have not been wanting to show that the movement of the American Steel and Wire Company was not a fair index of the state of the market. Internal disturbances have been in order and for this reason movements must be taken for a reason aside ments must be taken for a reason aside from their outward showing. Steel prices will not be cut, at least it is so assorted by the leading dealers. The approach to a recent legal encounter which culminated in the amalgamation of the Carnegie-Frick interests appears to have started a sort of unheaval which to have started a sort of upheaval which it will take some time to allay and this over, the iron, steel and wire interests

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MONTREAL CITY & DISTRICT SAVINGS BANK

The Annual General Meeting of the Stockholders of this Bank will be held at its Head Office, 176 St James Street, on

TUESDAY, 1st MAY next, at 1 o'clock, P.M.

for the reception of the Annual Reports and State-mente, and the election of Directors. By order of the Board, UY. BARBEAU, Manager.

Montreal, 31st March, 1900.

Bank of Hamilton.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend of four per cent. on the paid up capital stock of the Bank, for the half year anding 31st May. has this day been bank and its branches on and after 1st June. The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to the 31st May both inclusive. The Annual Meeting of the shareholders will be held at the head office of the bank, in the City of Hamilton, on MONDAY, 18th JUNE, at twelve o'clock noon. By order of the Directors, J. TUILN BULL, HAMILTON, 25th April, 1900.

QUEBEC BANK.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

DIVIDEND NOTICE. NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of THEEF FRECENT. 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 Baaking House, in this city, and at its Beanches, on and after Fielday, the first day of June next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st May, both days inclusive. The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Bank on Monday, the 4th day of Junenext. The chair will be taken at 3 o'clock. By order of the Board of Directore. THOMAS MODOUGALL, General Manager. Quebec, 24th April, 1900.



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will be found to be under somewhat different managements. Meantime prices are liable to go suddenly up or down.

HATS. The straw hat season is now on and the appearance of city display windows bespeak the usual demand. Prices for anything better than the lit-Tries for anything better than the ht-the umbrella or fishing hat at 70c to \$1.25 a dozen, range from \$1.50 a dozen up. The very coarse straw which work-ed into favor last season is again adopt-ing its former tactics, and with the determination characteristic of its make will be again poundar. It is said ILS will be again popular. It is said U.S. dealers cannot get enough of this straw out the supply here is calculated to go round. Topular bands will show polka dots in abundance and of a size to be seen at a distance. Fancy stripes and ngures will be shown on all. Shapes in straws have not changed from tormer styles.

LEATHER & SHOES .- Many shoe manu-facturers are about stock-taking and until this duty is over tall cutting will until this duty is over fail cutting win not begin. Consequently leather is not turning over very speedily on local ac-count. Prices are holding the degree of firmness which has characterized them for some time, and this in the ab-sence of much business, so it is confi-dently expected among the trade that are much words will be shortly required. as much goods will be shortly required, values will be fully maintained. A prominent custom retailer said this week that he had more orders than he could fill during the next month and he had to refuse limit work.

MAPLE PRODUCTS.—Receipts are ra-ther more liberal and the market is now well supplied. Prices remain steady under a good inquiry. Syrup in wood is head at 6½ to 7c; tins, wine gallons, 70c to 75c. Maple sugar, as per quali-ty, and make, 7½ to 10c lb.

PAINTS, OLLS & GLASS. — Decided changes have marked the movements in oil and turpentine of late. Linseed oils have again advanced 2c per gallon all round, making raw 72c to 73c and boil-round, making raw 72c to 73c and boil-rol 75c to 76c. as to quantity. Turpenround, making raw 72c to 73c and boll-ed 75c to 76c, as to quantity. Turpen-line, on the contrary, and as if to equalize to some degree the price of mixed paints, declined 5c making the present price 77c. Last week's quo-tation was 82c. Cod liver oil has de-elined 50c in the primary markets. (Hass is steady and unchanged. Woot - Domestic and Foreign - The

Wool.—Domestic and Foreign.—The unarket is quiet, but prices are being kept up. There seems to be no desire to buy large lots manufacturers being to buy large lots manufacturers being fearful of prices being sustained. The U.S. markets are also flat, buyers hold-ing off. Those who went to California and Montana and bought from the sheep's back will stand to lose 2 to 3c Buyers from Cornwall and Peper lb.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

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terboro, Ont., were in this market today but showed no inclination to deal heavily and it begins to be somewhat heavily and it begins to be somewhat of a mystery to importers what manu-facturers can really be using. Cape wools are worth here 22c to 24c and Natals 24c to 26½c. California is worth 15c to 20c, having declined about 2c ib. The expectations are that the London market will hold its own. The next series of sales opens on Mary 8th, 250. series of sales opens on Mary 8th. 250,-000 bales will be offered as against some 196,000 bales at same time last

anticipate an active spring trade. The opening of navigation will give an im-petus to trade. Prices generally are firm, with dry goods maintaining full advances. Payments rather better this week. Groceries are fairly active, with advances. Payments rather better week. week. Groceries are fairly active, with prices firm, and there is a fair move-ment in hardware and metals. The cartage strike interferes somewhat with the delivery and receipt of goods. Money firm, with prime discounts quot-ed at 6 to 6½ per cent. Call loans, 5½ to 6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm-er. Speculation in stocks dull and prices rather weaker. Latest sales: Dominion Bank 264 xd, Toronto 235, On-tario Bank 127½, Imperial 212, Consum-Dominion Bank 204 XG, LOTORIO 235, On-tario Bank 1271/2, Imperial 212, Consum-ers 150, C.P.R. 957/2, Cable 168, General Electric 1678/4, Toronto Electric 132, Ca-nada Permanent and W. C. Loan 118.

Butter, &c.—The supplies of butter are large and prices are ensier. Choice dairy tub is quoted at 14c to 15c in a jobbing way, and the best pound rolls at 15c to 16c. Medium, 12c to 14c. Cr: amery is easier at 15c to 19c for tub and at 20c to 201/c for rolls. Eggs sell at 11c per dozen in case lots. Choose is unchanged at 13c in a jobbing

sell at 11c per dozen in case lots. Cheese is unchanged at 13c in a jobbing way for old and at 12c for new. Dressed Hogs.—Offerings are small, and prices are steady. Sales of small lots at \$7.25 to \$7.40. Flour and Grain.—The flour market

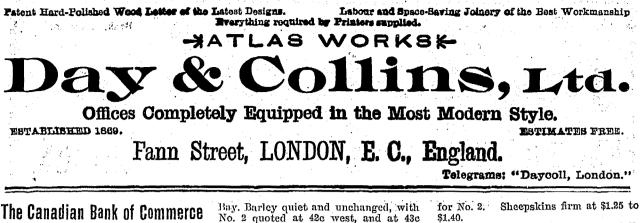
Flour and Grain.—The flour market is quiet with prices unchanged. Straight rollers in barrels are quoted at \$2.85, and choice grades at \$3 to \$3.10. Mani-toba patents, \$4 to \$4.10, and strong bakers, \$3.65. Bran casier, at \$15 to \$16; and shorts at \$16 to \$17 west. Oat-meal, \$3.20 to \$3.30 in car lots. Wheat quiet, with prices steady; white and red, 66e to 661/2c, north and west, and spring at 67c east. Goose, 72c low freights. No. 1 Manitoba hard, 801/2c, grinding in transit, and at 791/2c North

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE. (Reivsed by Telegraph.)

Toronto, April 26, 1900. Business has been fairly active during the week, and merchants generally







DIVIDEND No. 66.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Divident of THREE AND ONE-HALF THE ORT. 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 June next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 117th of May to the Stat of May both days inclusive. The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Bank will be held at the Banking House, in Toronto, on TUESDAY, the 19th day of June next.

The chair will be taken at twelve o'clock. By order of the Board. J. H. PLUMMER, Assistant General Manager. Toronto, April 24th, 1900.

The Bank of Toronto.

DIVIDEND No 88.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. for the current helt-year, being at the rate of TEN PER CENT, per annum, upon the Paid-up Capital of the hank, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the hank and its branches on and after Friday, the FIRST DAY OF JUNE next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the Seventeenth to the Thirty-first day of May, both days included. THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Banking House of the institution on Wedneeday, the Twenticth day of June next. The chair to be taken at noon. By order of the Board, (Signed) D: COULSON, The Bank of Toronto, Toronto, 25th April, 1900.

UNTON BANK OF CANADA.

DIVIDEND No. 67.

DIVIDEND No. 67. NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend at the rate of Six year casw, per annum, on the Paid-up Capital Stock of this Institution, has been de-clared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches, on and after Fannay. the First day of June next The Trunefer Ruoks will be closed from the Soy-enteenth to the Thirty-first of May, both days inclu-sive. The Annual General Mosting of the Shareholders will be held on ThURBDAY, the Fourteenth of June next, at the Banking House in this City. The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock. By order of the Board. "E. E. WEBB,

'E. E. WEBB, Goneral Manager.

Quebec, April 25th, 1900.

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Bay. Barley quiet and unchanged, with No. 2 quoted at 42c west, and at 43c east. Oats easier, with white quoted at 27½ c west and at 28½ c east; mixed dull at 27c west. Peas unchanged at 62c west and 63c east. Rye unchanged at 52c west and at 53c east. Buck-wheat, 51c west and 52c east. Corn is firm, at 47½ c on track for American, and at 45½ c for Canadian. Groceries.—Business this week fairly active. Sugars are unchanged, selling

and at 45% c for Canadian. Groceries.—Business this week fairly active. Sugars are unchanged, selling at \$4.68 for granulated and at \$3.93 to \$4.38 for yellows. Dried fruits are very firm. Valencia raisins, layers, 7% c to Sc. Provincial currants, 4% c to 56: Filiatras, 5c to 5% c. Coffees, unchang-ed, at 10c to 14c for Rios, and at 23e to 28e for Mocha. Canned goods steady; tomatoes, 95c to \$1; peas, 75c to \$1; corn, \$1.10 to \$1.15. Teas in moderate demand and firm. Hardware and Metals.—Trade is ac-tive, with prices generally firm. Pig tin, 37c to 38c window glass, higher. Pig iron is unchanged. Hides and Skins.—The hide market is unchanged. Cured steers sell at 10c, and cows at 9c. Dealers pay 8% c for No. 1 green, and 7% c for No. 2. Calfskins, 10c for No. 1, and 8c

The cattle market is dull, Live Stock. with prices weaker. Sales of a few cars of choice export cattle at 4½ to 4% c per 1b. Butchers' cattle sell at 3½ c to 4c Ib. Butchers' enttle sell at 3½ to 4% per per lb., for good to choice lots. Stock-ers, 3¼ to 3¾ c. Sheep, 3½ to 3¾ c per lb. for choice ewes. Lambs, 4½ c to 6¼ c per lb. Hogs firmer, the best bacon lots bringing 6¼ c per lb., light fats, 5¾ c to 5½ c, and heavy 4¾ to 5¼ c per lb.

Provisions.—There is a good demand for cured meats and prices are firm, with lard higher. Mess pork, \$16, and with lard higher. Mess pork, \$16, and short cut, \$17, Bacon firm at S1/c for large lots of long clear and at S3/c to 9e for small lots. Rolls, 9e to 91/c. Hans, smoked, 11e to 12e. Lard is firm at S5/se to 9e, according to pack-age. Dried apples, 51/2e to 6e. Pota-toes, 37e to 40e per bag. Hops are dull at 14e to 15e. Beans, \$1.25 for common and \$1.70 to \$1.75 for hand-picked. picked.

Wool .- The wool market is dull, with dealers quoting lower prices. Fleece, 16c to 18c and unwashed, 10c to 11c. Pulled supers, 18c to 19c, and extras, 20c to 22c. Sec. . .



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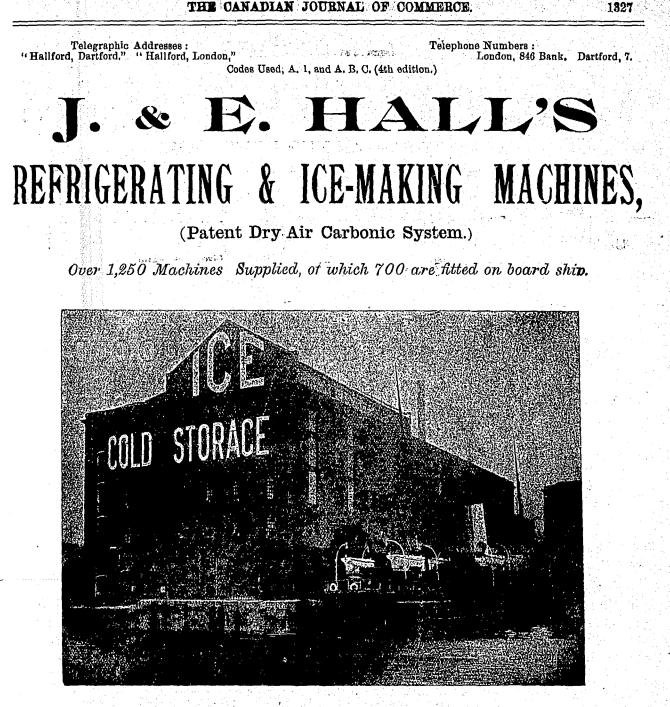
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1895,	-		-	6,943,882,00
1896,	-	` _	-	7,075,850.00
1897.	-	-		7,157,662.00
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The success of the two principal Cana-dian Companies, the "Western" and the "British America" of Toronto, is well known, and their record for regularly paying substantial dividends, while at the same time increasing their assets, has kept the market values of their stocks far above

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'HE "Victoria-Montreal" will, so far as it is possible to do, abide by the rules and rates of the Canadian. Fire Underwriters' Association, charging the same rates of premium as the companies belonging to the Board. But, as it wishes to have the remaining fifth of its capital held in the same way as the portion already subscribed for, not between a few capitalists, but among the solid property owners of the Dominion; and, as it desires to obtain as much as possible of the business of this class, which it has found to be of great value, it will give to each investor subscribing for five or more fully paid shares the same privilege that has been given to its present shareholders, by delivering to him an agreement to allow a rebate of 20°/o off the regular tariff rates, on all premiums of policies covering on his property to the extent of the full gross line, including reinsurance, which this Company can write thereon.

by the latter average 15.33°/, while the average dividends of the English compa-

The assets in Canada of all the compa-nics engaged in the business of fire insur-ance have increased during the past ten years, as follows :

Assets, December 31st, 1888, Assets, December 31st, 1898, \$11,781,519.91 20.684,785.80 Increase in ten years, \$ 8,953,265.39

The total fire assets of these companies, (excluding the life assets of these companies, (excluding the life assets of the corpora-tions combining life with fire insurance) advanced during the same period by nearly \$50,000,000.00; and in addition to the ac-quisition of this enormous sum, large dividends have been regularly paid to the shareholders.

Owing to better fire protection appliances and water supply, superior construction buildings, and a more careful inspection thereof, the percentage of fires confined to the buildings in which they originated, as compared to the total number of fires, has within the past few years greatly increased. The danger of conflagrations has therefore been much lessened, and the chance of a large loss disturbing the average of the year's operations been rendered more re-

the increasing their assets, has kept the 'year's operations been reduced more re-market values of their stocks far above mote. The market values of the stocks of the British Companies doing business in this country average over $S00^{\circ}/_{\circ}$; and the aver-age of the American companies operating in Canada is $203^{\circ}/_{\circ}$. The dividends paid

mense sums received as interest upon

investments, a large margin of profit. The ratio of losses to premiums received in Canada for 1809 was the smallest for ten the avarage being 56.02%, The years, the average being 56.02°/5. The loss ratio of the "Victoria-Montreal" from loss ratio of the "Victoria-Montreal" from May 15th, 1899, the date upon which the Company commenced business, to Dec. 31st, of the same year, was only $15.04^{\circ}/_{o}$; while the loss ratio on its total premiuma from the date of its starting business to the present time has not exceeded $15^{\circ}/_{o}$; showing that every care has been exercised in the selection of its risks.

Strong corporations in every branch of industry have incomparable advantages over those of small calibre, and fire insurance offers no exception to the general

with the large cash capital which the "Victoria-Montreal" will have, it will be in an unassailable position, and will be able to most successfully compete for busi-ness. By its ability to spread its risks over a wide area, which, with proper man-agement, is the essence of the science of underwriting, and with its large income, it will necessarily, being entirely indepen-dent of local conditions, make a substantial profit year after year, with much greater ease and to a much greater extent than would be possible for a company operating upon a smaller scale.

The connections which the Company has been fortunate enough to make, are and will be to it of the greatest possible bene-it. They will assist it to become one of the largest fire insurance companies of this continent, and enable it to reach a high place among the strongest financial institutions of Canada.

This privilege is to remain in force for a period of five years.

A property owner will thus see that, independently of the dividends to be paid on the shares, which there is every reason to believe will be large, and will alone amply repay the investment, the agreement referred to above will enable him to realize, in addition thereto, an amount equal to interest upon his shares at from TEN to TWENTY PER CENT, per annum.

With the advantages above enumerated ;a good business already established, the large and profitable field which is open for its operations, the influence of a superior class of Shareholders, conservatism and energy on the part of its directorate and management, and a strong financial position, it is believed that the shares of the "Victoria-Montreal" offer exceptionally good opportunities for investment, and that the results thereof will be highly satisfactory.

TERMS: 10% payable upon application; 15% upon allotment; 25% on July 1st; 25% on September 1st; and 25% on November 1st.

SUBSCRIPTION LISTS will be opened at 10 o'clock a.m., on Tuesday, May 8th, 1900, and will be closed at 3 o'clock p.m. on Friday, May 11th, 1900, or earlier, the right being reserved to reject any application.

SUBSCRIPTIONS for stock and remittances in payment thereof to be made by cheque, registered latter, post office order, or express order to the

TORONTO GENERAL TRUSTS CORPORATION, Cor Yonge & Colborne Sts., TORONTO, Ont.

(Registrar and Transfer Agent for Ontario and Western Provinces.)

MONTREAL TRUST & DEPOSIT COMPANY, 1707 Notre Dame Street, MONTREAL

(Registrar and Transfer Agent for Quebec and Eastern Provinces.

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	Bank Statement to Govt. Month ending Mch. 31, 1900	Capital Anthorized,	Capital Subscribed.	Capital Pate up.	Reserve Fund,	Dividend Rate p. c. p. annum.	Notes Circulation	Bal, due to Dom. Gov. aft'r ded'ct. adv'nce for credite, &c.	Balançê due to Provincial Govis,	Deposite by the public, psysble on demand,	
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--A St. John, N.B., letter states that shipments from that port to the United States for the first three months of the present year totalled \$297,084, an increase of \$68,000 on the first three months of 1899.

-A Toronto letter states that the Department of Agriculture has issued a bulletin on the subject of sugar beets, prepared by Professor E. E. Shuttleworth, in which he points out that for cattle feed these seeds can probably be grown anywhere in Ontario; but for the production of sugar they can only be grown in the greatest perfection where the temperature during May, June and July has a mean of 70 deg. Fahrenheit. The required condition exists in the counties of Essex, Kent, Bothwell, Elgin, Welland, Lincoln, and the southern portions of Lambton, Middlesex, Norfolk, and Haldimand. The professor, however, adds that in many portions of the province, in the vicinity of the lakes where planting can be done in May, and where favorable beet-harvesting weather can be depended on in October and the early part of November, they may be produced as successfully as in the foregoing places. Almost any soil, according to Professor Shuttleworth, will grow the sugar beet, but it does best in a warm, moist soil, having an open

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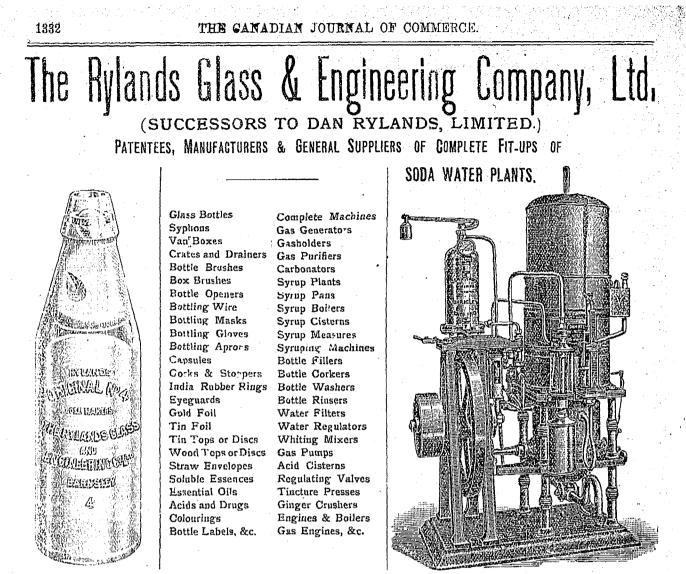
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-Advices from Japan states that the installation of the first compressed air mining plants in that part of the world is now completed. The plants, of which there are three, are of American manufacture throughout and cost fully \$100,-000. They are operated in coal mines situated in Ezo, an island in the northern portion of Japan. The plants are said to be creating much interest in Japanese engineering circles. Experts

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to the further equipment of outfits of the same description in other Japanese mining centres.

-The Treasury Department at Washington has completed the arrangements for the retirement of Porto Rican money and the substitution of American currency. It is estimated that there are 10,000,000 pieces of silver and other metallic currency in the island now in circulation. These are worth 5,000,-000 pesos. Congress has decided that the exchange shall be made on the basis of sixty ceuts for the pesos. About \$3,000,000 of American money will, therefore, be required to take up all the minor money in Porto Rico. In accordance with the recommendation &f the President, in his message sent to Congress, the Senate has passed a joint resolution providing for the administration of civil affairs in Puerto Rico, pending the appointment of officers under the Puerto Rican Government law recently enacted.

-A. prominent citizen of Newfoundiand, recently in this city, speaking of the progress of that colony, said: "The iron ore deposits of Belle Isle are now being extensively worked. Last year the Whitney, syndicate had 3,000 men at work; and it is estimated that between the Nova Scotia Steel Company and the Dominion Steel Company of of Sydney, there will be 5,000 men engaged from now on. At the place of

shipment 1,000 tons of this ore can be put on board ship every hour, and three or four steamers are there at once. A quantity of ore was sent to Germany last year, but it is likely the Sydney works will soon be in a position to take the Dominion Company's entire output at Belle Isle. The cost of shipment is very light. The ore can be placed on board ship at the low rate of 20 cents per ton. The Messrs, Keid are doing a good work for the colony. The traftic now going over the railway is very considerable, and is constantly on the increase. Canadian flour is going into the colony in large quantities, and the heavy pork import from Chicago also passes over their line.

Gold Medals :-- Warrington, 1895. Manchester, 1995. Auckland (New Zealand), 1899.



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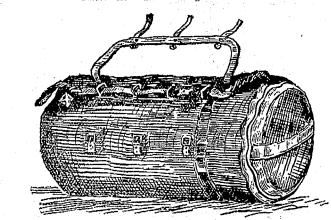
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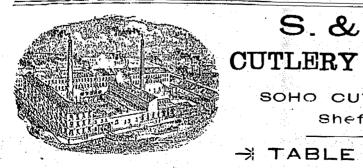
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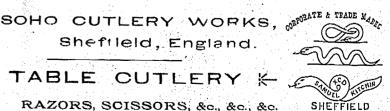
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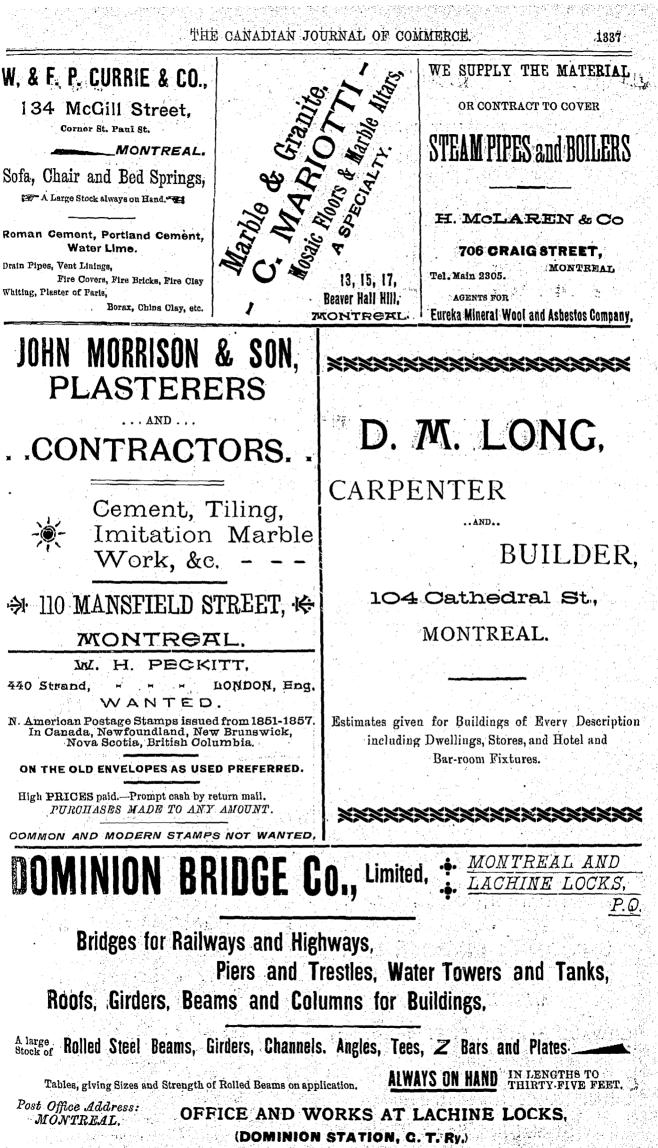
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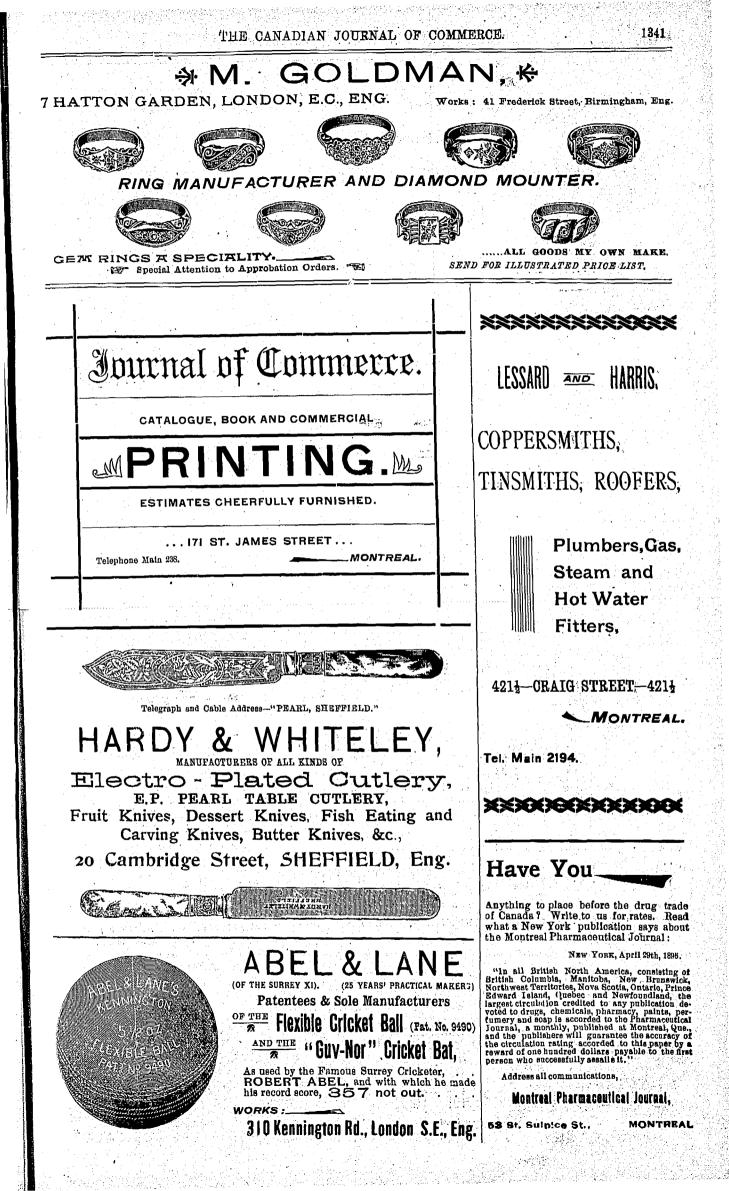
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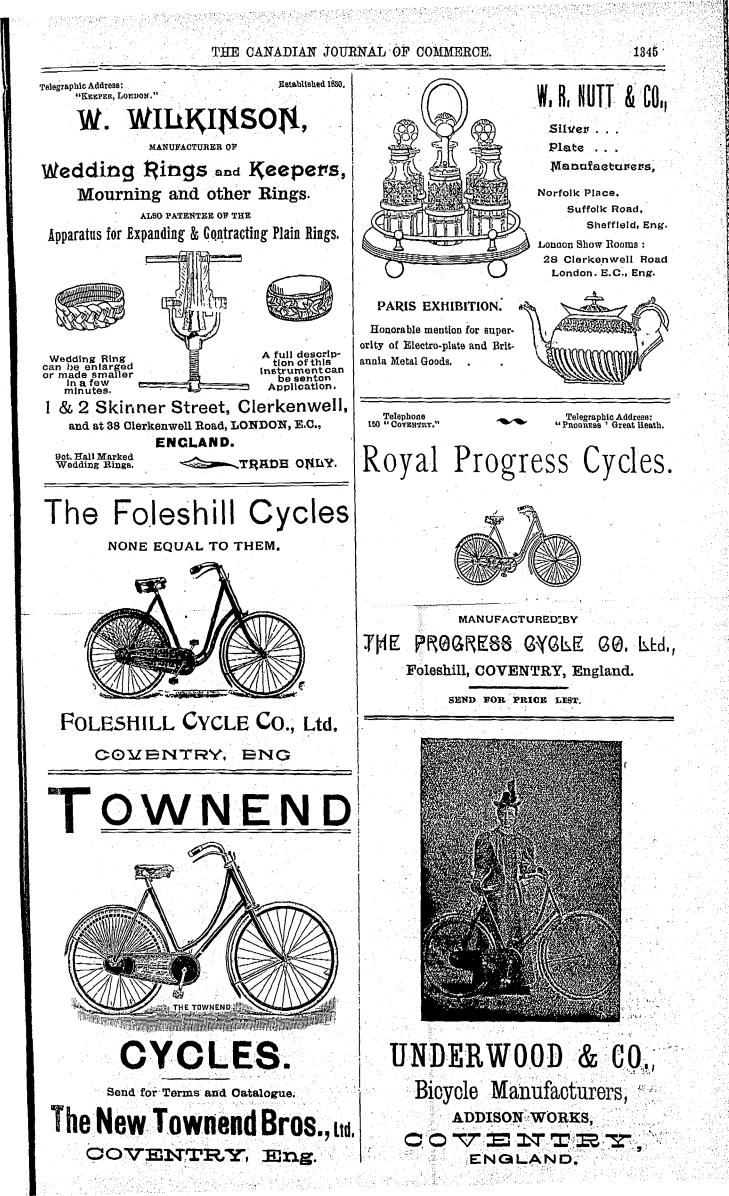














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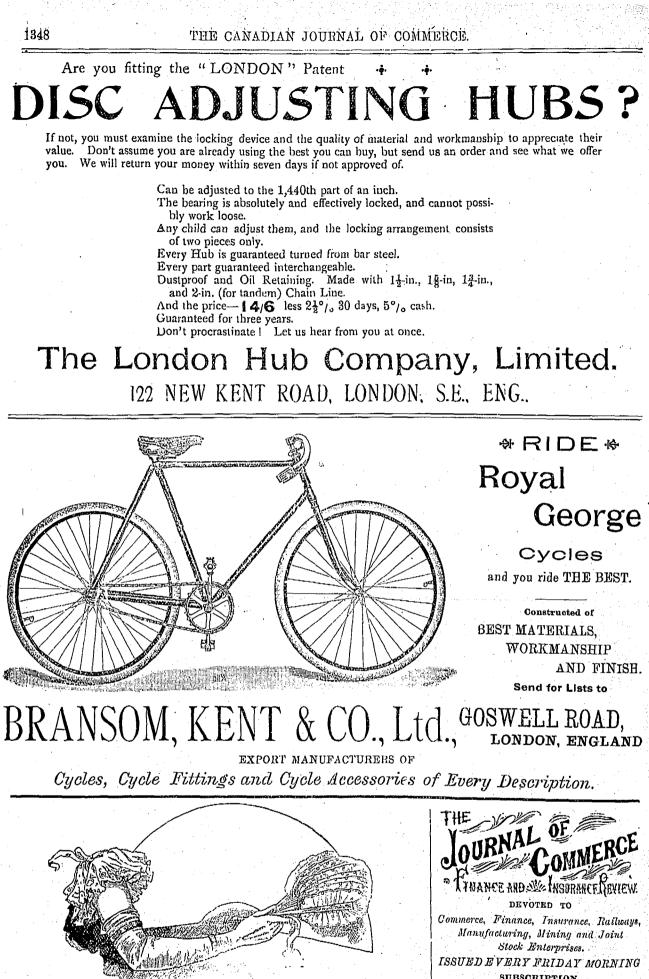
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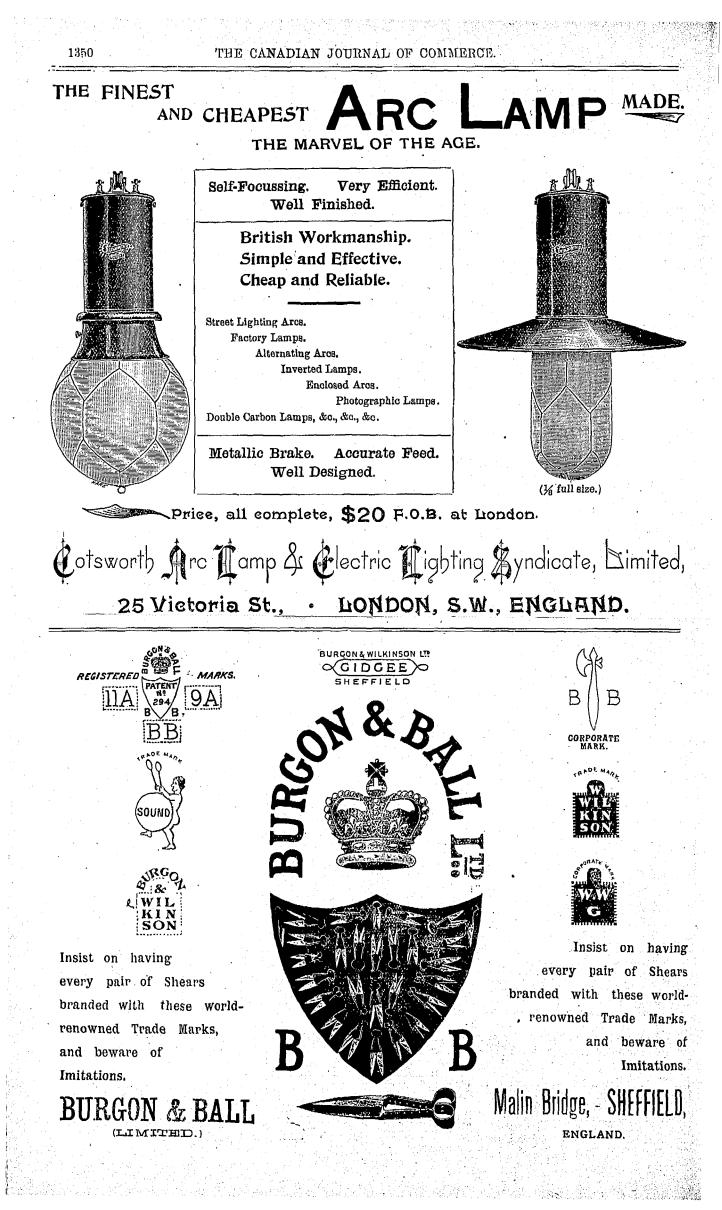
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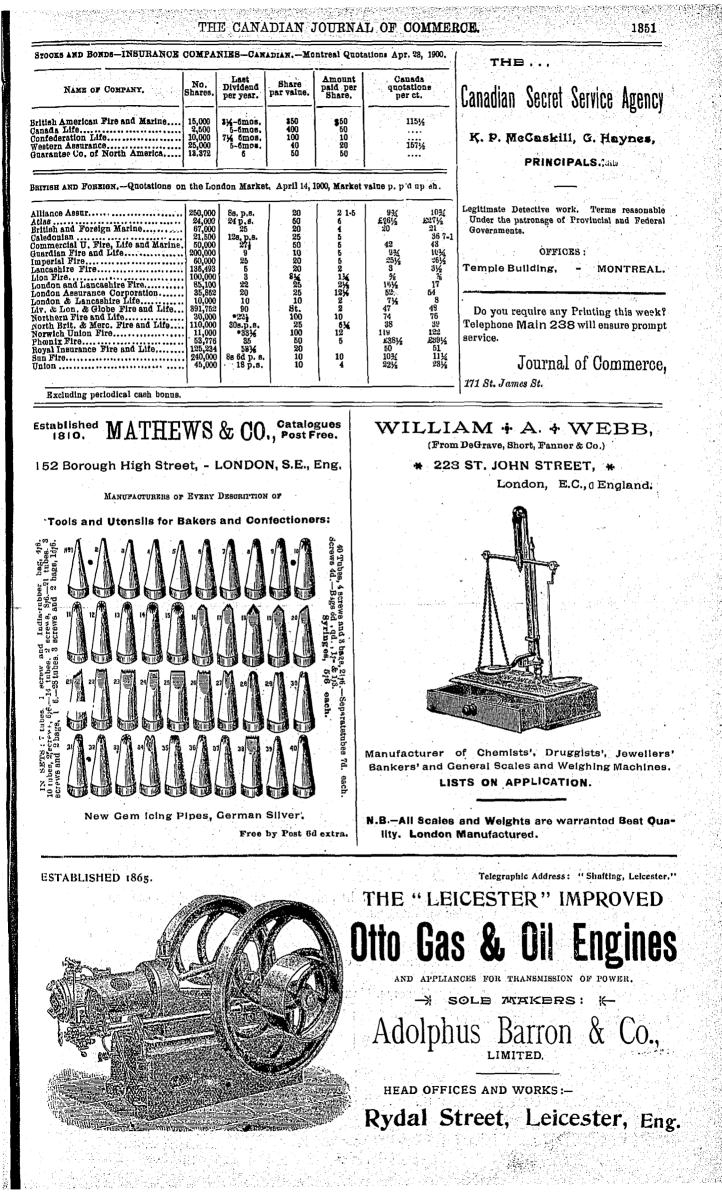
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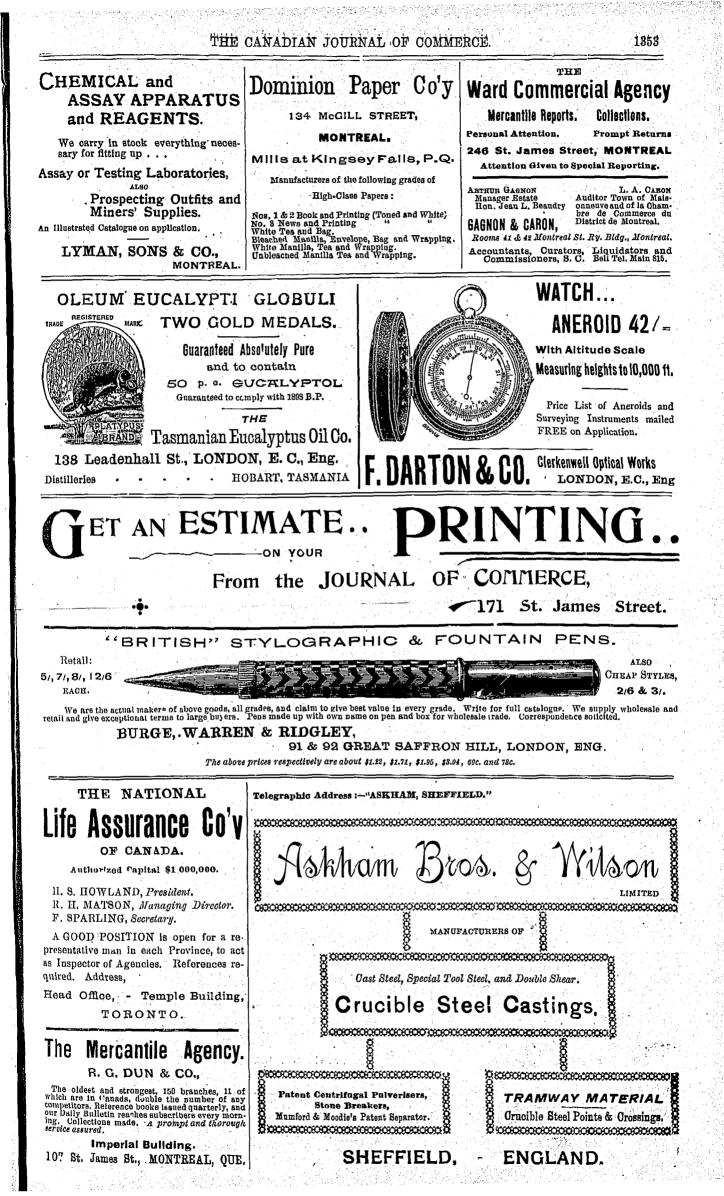
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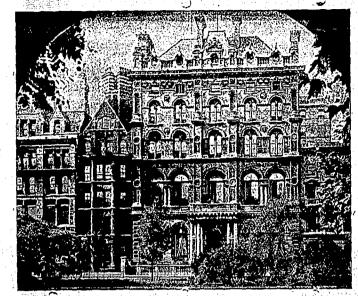
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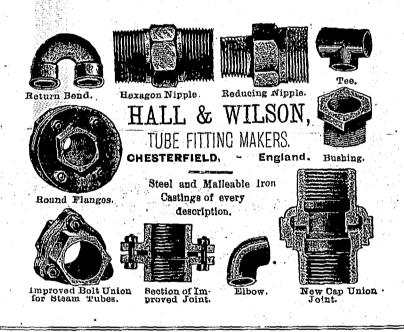
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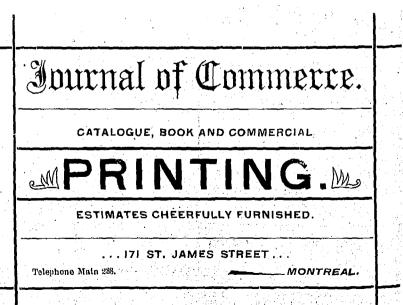
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