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The Common Stock Transfer Books will close in Montreal, New York and London, at three p.m., on Tuesday, 1st September. The Preference Stock Books will also close at three p.m., on Tuesday, 1st September. All books will be re-opened on Thursday, 8th October. By order of the Board.

CHARLES DRINKWATER, Secretary. Montreal 10th August, 1903.

Mercantile Summary.

A VOLUNTARY assignment is made by J. P. Galibois, of Quebec. He was formerly book-keeper in a boot and shoe establishment, and started in the grocery line last May.

WE hear that the Montreal Street Railway Company are going to issue \$1,000,000 worth of additional stock to shareholders at par. The money is needed for new equipment. When this shall have become paid up the company's paid-up capital will be \$7,000,000.

COLOMBIER BROS., of Paris, France, have signed a contract with the Dominion Government for a steamship service between Bordeaux and Canadian ports. The subsidy will be \$100,000 per annum, and four steamers are to be put on the route and make eighteen trips each season. If the subsidy is increased to \$133,000 twenty-four trips will be given. The service will be begun on April 1st next, and will be effective for ten years. There is a provision that if found satisfactory the service may be extended for another five years, in which case the total subsidy for the whole period of fifteen years would be \$2,coo,000.

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Mercantile Summary

A winding up order has been issued in the matter of the Dominion Carpet Co., of Sherbrooke, Que., and a meetof creditors and shareholders is called for the 15th inst.

THE Inter-State Conference of Protectionist Associations, of Melbourne, under the presidency of Sir William Lyne, Minister of Home Affairs of the Federal Government, has Australian cabled to Mr. Chamberlain announcing that the conference is in favor of preferential trade on the basis of the existing tariff, without interfering with colonial protection.

It was reported from Maine recently that the New Brunswick Shore Line Railway had been sold to the New York Trust Company, interested in foreclosure proceedings against the Washington County Railroad, and that the two roads would come under one management. The rumor is now stated to have been false, however, and Russell Sage still holds his interest in this line.

It is stated that the Canadian Northern Railway, in view of the new developments connected with the Grand Trunk Pacific scheme, will build several branches in order to open up the Province of Quebcc. One of these is expected to be from Montfort Junction to Arundel and another from St. Tite to St. Catherines, making between them some seventy miles of road, principally for colonization purposes.

WE understand there is a likelihood of some of the large mills in Quebec Province being operated all winter by means of a new system. In the Lawton Company's large pulp and sawmills, near Ste. Agathe des Monts, a selies of hot water pipes is being placed at the bottom of a large pond. All the logs will be placed in the pond and when thawed out will be moved right into the sawmill. This will be the first year that the mills in the northern districts have been worked during the entire twelve months. Other mills it is understood are likely to follow suit.

LATEST failures among Montreal traders are noted as follows: E. Chaput, forers are noted as follows: E. Chaput, merly a grocery clerk, and in business on his own account since January last, has already filed consent to assign, and shows liabilities of \$2,200 .- Larue & Frere, a tailoring firm, are reported trying to compromise liabilities of \$7,800, at 50 cents on the dollar .- Louis Trucel, hardware dealer, whose failure we lately noted, makes an offer 25 cents on the dollar, which it is said will be accepted, as in event of the estate being wound up, large family claims would likely absorb the assets. His liabilities foot up to \$33,000, his wife having a dower claim of \$10,000, and his father one of \$6,000 odd.—The J. & E. Schwartz Mfg. Co., makers of leather goods, whose troubles arising out of disagreements between the partners were a'luded to in a late issue, has been Stocks bought and sold of all Exchanges.

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THE Georgian Bay Navigation Company's steamer Pittsburg was burned to the water's edge in its dock at Sandwich, Ont., on the 30th ult. It was valued at \$60,000, and was only partially insured. Incendiarism is suspected.

THE Cape Breton Coal, Iron and Railway Company, Limited, are busily engaged opening up their coal mines at Cochrane's Lake. The seam upon which they will first engage is over six feet thick. A space of 1,500 by 600 feet has been cleared as a site for their plant.

A CABLE from Swansea, Wales, dated August 30th, stated that all the South Wales tin plate works, controlled by the Employers' Association, closed yesterday for an indefinite period owing to wage disputes. From 20,000 to 30,000 workmen are affected.

THE firm of Buchanan & Jones, stockbrokers, of 27 Jordan Street, have just removed into new offices at 32-34 Melinda Street, Toronto. The new quarters are larger and in many other respects an improvement over those vacated.

WM. McNutt's steam sawmill at Tay Creek, N.B., and the grist mill adjoining were last week destroyed by fire, also some 30,000 feet of piled lumber and 45,000 shingles. The loss was over \$5,000. with no insurance.

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THE fourteenth annual convention of the Canadian Association of Stationary Engineers was held in Berlin, Ont., on the 25th and 26th ult. Several matters were discussed relating to the "good of the order" and many papers on technical subjects read. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, H. F. Terry, of Toronto, No. 1; Vice-President, J. R. Uttley, of Waterloo; Secretary, W. Inglis. of Toronto; Treasurer, J. M. Rixon, of Toronto; Conductor, F. W. Scalthorpe, of Hamilton; Doorkeeper, J. Ogle, of Brantford. The next place of convention will be Hamilton.





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The total duties collected at the port of Toronto for the month just passed amounted to \$768,282, an increase of \$122,181 over last year, which was regarded as a record up to then.

A NEW company is being organized in Cornwall, Ont., under the name of the Cornwall Paper Manufacturing Company, for the purpose of putting up a factory for making high-grade papers at the foot of Long Sault Rapids, near Mille Roches.

At the request of the Vancouver Board of Trade and Wholesale Grocers' Association, the Canadian Pacific Railway has made a reduction of 25 cents per hundred on freight from that city to Calgary and Edmonton, so as to enable Vancouver merchants to compete with those of Winnipeg.

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THE Ontario Wind Engine and Pump Co. received from the C. P. R. an order for twelve purification plants in connection with their system. This is a unique order, and others will probably follow when the above have been installed and tested. This company have supplied the C. P. R. in the past with many of their Air Motor outfits for different points along their lines.

THE Humber Power and Light Co., Toronto Junction, is installing an auxiliary steam power at their power house on the Humber for the purpose of securing absolute service for consumers. While it will be seldom used, water power companies find this step a very useful one. The plant has been able to operate all summer all the lights contracted for, which are ever increasing. In addition to the municipal contract, which now exceeds 100 lamps, the famous Stock Yards and the Lambton Golf Club are both large consumers, and many private residences in Toronto Junction are supplied as well.

Col. Mellis, of Huntley, Scotland, and Mr. J. Yule, of London, England, have been in British Columbia, representing an English Syndicate formed to exploit the pulp and paper industry in that province. It is probable that the mill will be located on Princess Royal Island, there being considerable waterpower available in that vicinity and its proposed capacity is large, 100 tons of paper daily. The principal grades manufactured are to be news print and wrap-Western Canada and ping paper. Australia will be the chief markets catered for. Mr. J. J. Palmer, of Toronto, is among those interested in the enterprise.

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A SMALL storekeeper, named N. Reid, of Ste. Philomene, Que., has made a proposition to pay his creditors 25 per cent of their claims. He is said to owe less than \$1.000.

A STEAMER from Antwerp brought into Sydney on Thursday of last week a large quantity of machinery for the new rail and finishing mills of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co. On the next day a gang of men began work on the foundations for the machinery for the new rod mill, the machinery was from Germany.

On Friday last the civic board of works of Ottawa met in order, among other things, to buy a new steam roller. Tenders were asked for, with instructions from the council that Canadian manufacturers be given the preference. Not one tender was received from a Canadian, and the order went to a Brooklyn firm.

The Rainy River Pulp and Paper Co., of which Hon. Geo. E. Foster is one of the directors, has secured from the Ontario Government a concession of 270 square miles of timber limits, comprising banksian pine, poplar, spruce, tamarac and cedar. It is making preliminary surveys for flumes, dams and mills and intends erecting a thirty-ton mechanical pulp mill and a fifteen-ton chemical mill. A sawmill to do general lumbering business will also be erected. t is expected that the sawmill will be in operation next spring and the pulp mill by the spring of 1905.

THE ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE.

The article which we subjoin is from the Boston Transcript of August 22nd, but similar references to the growing importance of Montreal as a grain export point on the Atlantic have appeared in other American journals recently. It is evident that western corn bound for the seaboard is drifting more and more towards the St. Lawrence as the preferable route. It is certain that maize can be kept cooler in transit by using the water route than by carrying it all rail. The Transcript says:

Boston's corn exports continue to fall off, Montreal having become the principal shipping port on the Atlantic side for this commodity. The Boston shipments have declined about sixty per cent. and the New York shipments twenty-nine per cent. since the Dominion has made the Canadian port free. As matters now stand, grain for export can be shipped from Chicago to Liverpool via Montreal three cents a bushel cheaper than through Boston, in spite of the fact that this port has superior facilities for trans-

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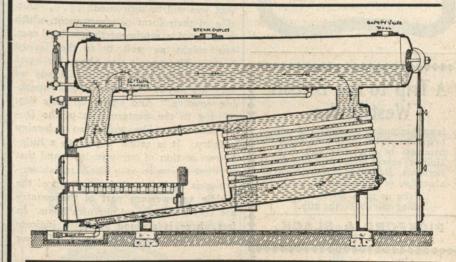
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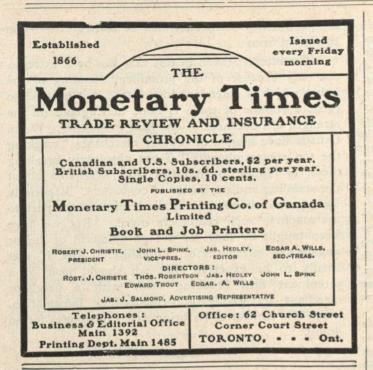
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SELLING FOR CASH.

The merchants of Canada, retail as well as wholesale, have as a rule made great strides of late years in abandoning long credits, and in adopting short credit terms or absolutely cash sales. It is not yet possible everywhere to sell for cash, but the nuisance and losses of long credits are very great, and every merchant worthy of the name should strive towards the goal of cash on delivery. The present time of general activity and prosperity should be a good time for retailers to put their businesses on a cash basis. Nearly everybody is busy; work is easy to be had; cash is plentiful (except with striking workmen, the folly of whose leaders has cruelly robbed them of months of wages), farmers are prosperous. Therefore make the attempt, and explain to your customers your reasons for it; namely that you can sell for cash to better advantage to yourself, and if you buy for cash you can supply them with cheaper goods.

Some people will be offended if you attempt to refuse goods to them without money. Just here, Mr. Retailer, comes your chance to do a good stroke

of business for yourself. Sift your customers. If you have found A poor pay, you don't want his custom, and he can go off somewhere else and take his bad If B is an honest and valuable temper with him. customer, so placed that he cannot pay cash every day, collect from him once a month, or even once a quarter. Or you may do as a Montreal firm did, in a case cited by the Dry Goods Economist. Finding their credit business growing more rapidly than their cash trade, they experimented with discounts, to their entire satisfaction. If we remember rightly, they conceded a discount of 5 per cent. on purchases paid for at the counter and 3 per cent. for charge accounts paid promptly at end of thirty days. This increased their cash sales, without antagonizing their more exclusive clientele.

There are wealthy people, as Macy & Co., of New York, have found, who don't wish to wait for change, and who won't have goods sent C.O.D., and therefore wish their goods charged. But Canadian retailers as a rule are not worried by millionaire customers. The rule of cash payment will suit such firms better. There is an instance given of a large concern which established a branch store in a Pennsylvania city, adopting the cash basis from the start. Being the only house in the town that did not sell on credit, much criticism was at first excited by its action, but this gradually wore off and the store has done a successful business ever since. So Canadian firms in country places which have pluckily made the plunge, and stuck to their guns, have built up a very satisfactory trade, cash or thirty days. Many more may do the same, with advantage to themselves, their customers, and their creditors.

GOOD FAITH AMONG BUSINESS MEN.

Much attention has been directed to the result of a case which came on for trial early last month in one of the manufacturing cities of England. It concerns closely and principally merchants or manufacturers who give credit and who are accustomed to rely upon the good faith of persons or firms who are given as references by applicants for credit. The circumstances, as we find them set forth in the Huddersfield Chronicle of August 8th, are as follows:

Thomas Cresswell & Co., woolen manufacturers, Huddersfield and Bradford, brought suit against Thomas Longbottom, member of the firm A. S. Henry & Co., stuff merchants in Bradford. The suit was for damages sustained in consequence of fraudulent misrepresentation on the part of the defendant as to the credit of Alexander & Co., a firm in Paris, France. The action was brought against the defendant in person and not against his company, because the misrepresentation complained of was made and signed by him. Mr. Longbottom was the director in charge of the Continental portion of Henry & Co.'s business.

In Paris there was a firm named Alexander, Cie., & Soubrat, which bought Huddersfield goods, and the plaintiff had sold them small amounts. This, and further circumstances of the matter were set forth by Cresswell & Co.'s solicitor, as follows:—

In January, 1901, the Paris firm sent out a notice informing the persons to whom they were indebted that in consequence of heavy losses the firm of Alexander & Co. found it

necessary to go into liquidation. They could not pay their debts, and proposed to pay them by instalments. In June, 1901, a few months after the partnership of Alexander, Cie., and Soubrat was dissolved, Alexander and Cie. proceeded to trade without any partner at all. Up to the time of that liquidation or failure the firm had done trade with Henry & Co., and had done it on the ordinary terms on which Continental buyers dealt with people in this country. This was at ninety days' credit. At the time of the failure in January, 1901, the firm owed Messrs. Henry as much as £6,000, and was getting considerable credit for large amounts from the firm. When Alexander started in the new company, he desired to do business with Messrs. Cresswell, the plaintiffs. The latter then wrote to the defendants as follows:

"We are referred to you by M. Alexander C., 28, rue de Sentier, Paris. Will you kindly give us in confidence your opinion of this firm, if honest and respectable, and if you consider them good in the ordinary way of trade for a credit of £1,000 to £1,500. Thanking you in anticipation,—We are, yours very truly. Thomas Cresswell & Co." An answer came back from Mr. Longbottom, dated February 24th, 1902, as follows:

"Dear Sirs,—In reply to your favor of the 22nd inst., we have been in business relations with the firm you mention for several years, and have always found Mr. Alexander honest and reliable in the conduct of his business. We give him credit for about the amount you name. This information is in confidence, and without prejudice to ourselves."

Upon receiving the assurance contained in this letter of Longbottom's, the plaintiffs proceeded to give Alexander & Co. credit to a pretty large amount on the usual ninety days' trade terms. Alexander & Co. failed for the second time in November, 1902, owing the plaintiff firm £2,650 (which credit had been given on the faith of Mr. Longbottom's letter), and the dividends since received from the estate, some £664, reduced the plaintiff's loss to some £1,986 sterling. The plaintiff afterwards found out that, after the first failure, Alexander's credit with Henry & Co. was stopped, and his debt to them was reduced from £6,000 to £1,200, partly by drafts, and partly by taking back goods which had been sent by Messrs. Henry & Co. In February, 1902, his clients were induced by the letter to put themselves in the position of giving long and large credit. Before getting the letter from Mr. Longbottom, the firm of Cresswell's had sold the Paris firm not over thirty pieces; but after the letter, in the following April, the largest order reached 600 pieces.

An accountant who had examined A. & S. Henry & Co.'s books, and who gave evidence at the trial, said that Alexander & Co.'s account with that firm was £537 in 1897, and as high as £6,934 in 1899. "But by the end of May, 1901, it was down to £1,183 by goods and cash." So that Henry & Co. were taking back goods to get their claim reduced. A new account was opened in 1901, for the supply of goods, but no longer on the former 90 days' terms; and the business on new account did not average £100 a month on practically cash terms, whereas in the old account it was thousands, at 90 days.

After addresses from counsel, the judge summed up, expressing the opinion that when the defendant stated that his firm had given credit for the amount named, (£1,000 to £1,500), he was deceiving the plaintiff. The question for the jury to answer was this: Was the defendant justified in making these statements? The jury found a verdict for the plaintiff, and the learned judge decided that the plaintiff should receive £1,500, less the proportion-

ate part of any dividend which he had received from the failed firm.

The interest taken in this case has been extreme, not only because of the prominent standing of the house which is defendant in the case, but because so great a volume of trade is done in England on the strength of references of one firm to another. We in Canada have known of brother merchants "cracking the ten commandments," if not absolutely breaking them, in replies to enquiries from neighbors about the standing and payments of customers. Especially, were people economical of the truth with respect to the amounts such customers owed. But we have been taught to look for a high standard of honor among the merchants of Yorkshire. And it was hardly to be expected that we should hear of a prominent firm breaking faith with a neighbor merchant by giving him misleading information. much less to hear of its being cast in damages for so doing.

THE FALL MILLINERY OPENINGS.

The millinery openings this week, both in Montreal and Toronto, have been attended by greater crowds even than usual of late years, visitors coming from the Far East as well as the Far West. In Toronto the fact that the opening coincides with the early days of the great Fair, has helped to swell their numbers considerably. A few from long distances came to view and purchase the new beauties in the millinery art several days ago, in order to be able to take advantage of freight rates, so much cheaper than those by express.

The materials used in making up the hats for next fall cover a very wide range. They include velvet, velvet plush, taffeta silks, chenilles and chenille sequins, feathers, birds, and wings, velvet foliage, feather pompons, aigrette mountings, ostrich pompons, and ospreys. Ostrich feathers promise to be a strong feature; they will appear largely in shaded effects. Birds will likely be prominent, of all kinds, from very small to very large, though the recently enacted legislation in the United States against this form of ornamentation which comes into force next year, is likely to affect the demand considerably after a time. From the very nature of the predominating materials, good use will be made of buckles, and these will be large and often of a long square shape. Ribbons have been selling better than for many seasons past, the principal widths being from Nos. 60 to 100. The demand for velvet and satin ribbons has been particularly strong. Fancy velvets and fancy plushes are also a feature. To one variety of the latter, our attention was especially drawn. It is called the "Leopard" plush, and, in design and appearance, imitates the glossy skin of that animal. The coloring of many of the materials used appears to lean largely towards wine color, though other reds are represented, as also different shades of green, castor, etc.

As to the predominating shapes, it may be stated that the "large" hats are quite large, big picture hats being in good demand. Turbans are of the long, pointed style, while in some, the brims roll up very high at the sides. High crowns show a tendency to

creep in again; but the flat style still largely prevails. While the above descriptions of hat may be said to be those usually asked for by the visiting milliners, many outing or ready-to-wear hats are still being sold, and in these rough materials seem to be most largely used.

THE PRAIRIE COUNTRY CROP.

The news from our special correspondent at Winnipeg is as follows under date of Sept. 3rd, at noon: "The weather during the past week has been cool, but generally favorable for harvesting. Cutting of grain is well advanced, and even finished at some points. Threshing has begun, and will be in full swing in a week's time. The estimated average yield of wheat in the whole Northwest is now 18 bushels per acre. The grain is turning out a good sample, and it is expected that the quality will equal that of last year.

THE FRUIT TRADE.

When the enormous size of last year's crop of apples in Canada, more especially in Ontario and Quebec, is considered, the crop promised for this season may be described as a wonderfully good one. Experience shows that under the system of horticulture usually practised at the present day, crops of fruit are good and bad alternately. This, too, is the case when the present apparent yield is compared with last year's; but not nearly to such an extent as might have been anticipated. And it is to be borne in mind that while last year the shipment of apples from Halifax aggregated only about 80,000 barrels, Nova Scotia this year has an enormous crop, the probable shipments being estimated at something like 400,000 barrels, which will do something to make up the deficiency, taking the Dominion as a whole.

And now what about the prospects for getting rid of this year's production at a profitable figure. As to Great Britain, practically all fruit yields there, according to apparently reliable reports, have been greatly reduced, owing to heavy rains and bad weather generally. France, too, is going to be short of apples, judging from the many enquiries which have been received in this country as to the prospects here. In Germany, the crop promises normal, or nearly up to normal results, but consumers there are quite likely to ask for more than their own country produces. All in all, therefore, there is the promise that this year Canada may be able to do a very satisfactory export trade with her surplus apples. But dealers and exporters should not be led away by these conditions; they should keep a very tight rein upon themselves in the matter of prices, They may profitably remember former bitter experiences. A clamor for early Canadian apples in Great Britain at fine prices should not be construed into a desire on the part of the British consumer to take the whole Canadian crop at double the prices we would be inclined to give for the pick of the fruit here. On more than one occasion in the past Canadian exporters have been led by these early good prices to lose their heads in a rash scramble to get apples at any cost, and have found themselves bitten pretty badly at the day of reckoning. Another thing which should be constantly borne in mind is that nothing, not even extra quality in the goods shipped, pays better than thoroughly good packing. Without this item added all others become valueless; flavor, good appearance, high-priced market, become of no avail. In this connection, the demonstrations which are being given in fruit-packing at the Toronto Fair, should be of great interest and value.

So far as the other domestic fruits are concerned, this has been a very busy season so far; in fact never have the wholesalers had to rush sales through more rapidly than during the last few weeks. bug-bear of over-production seems to have loomed up again; some sorts of fruit, notably plums, have had to be sold at prices which could only have barely covered the cost of picking, packing and shipping, let alone giving a little interest on the grower's investment. Perhaps it is not, however, so much the heavy production which is at fault as a lack of a wide and thorough system of distribution, for while in large cities fruit may be at times so plent ful as to be almost a drug in the market, there are a dozen minor points at a little distance away where a sufficiency cannot be obtained at any price.

THE SALMON FISHERY.

The failure of the salmon run on the Fraser River this year is attributed by some to the construction of the dam at Quesnelle for gold washing purposes. This waterway was used by about a third of the salmon in their migration to the spawning grounds, and it is supposed that when the dam was built they could not get up the stream. The fish ladder which was constructed proved too steep, the salmon exhausting and killing themselves in their efforts to climb it. It is now proposed to destroy the dam, though this would make no practical difference so far as the fishing is concerned before the year 1907. Whatever be the cause, there is no doubt that the catch will be very small this year. Prices for futures are at present held very firmly, and there is a disposition on the part of both canners dealers to await the course of events. The the Columbia action of some British of canners in endeavoring to induce the Dominion Government to declare a close season in part of September, is being much criticized. The alleged reason for such a step is that great danger threatens the whole industry unless something be done to check the growing scarcity of fish. The fishermen, on the other hand, claim that the canners' action is prompted by a desire to manipulate the market for their own ends, and the Government apparently think there is something in the charge, for they express a desire for further enlightment and delay before doing anything in the matter.

A TELEGRAPH CHANGE FORESHADOWED.

For a week or two past paragraphs have been appearing in Canadian newspapers, principally those of Montreal, indicating in a vague way an intention on the part of the Western Union Telegraph Com-

pany of the United States, to "absorb" the wires, buildings, and plant of the Montreal Telegraph Company and the Dominion Telegraph Company, which for the last twenty years have been worked by the Great Northwestern Company of Canada. Indeed the Montreal Herald of Monday gives currency to a report that "American subordinate officials" are to "take charge of the operation of the Canadian company" last named. Enquiry at headquarters here fails to elicit any information of this remarkable story. It might be well for the Western Union authorities to understand, however, that the Canadian people are not likely to view with favor the supplanting of officials in the telegraph service, who have served them long and well, by strangers sent over here from the United States. It will not be easy to convince people in Canada, who have had such excellent service from the C.P.R. and G.N.W. telegraph companies, that there is any need of having smart fellows sent across the line to teach us how to do telegraph business, or to have, as is threatened in this latest story, "American capitalists" to institute a general policy in Canada, more to the liking of the Western Union. If they are disposed to give our business men any newer and better facilities than already exist, that is a different story, and there can be no objection. But what Canadians will resent is the idea that there is any need for the Yankees to come over here and do our business for us, in telegraphy or anything else.

CANADIAN TRADE IN 1902-03.

It is a gratifying evidence of changed conditions in one of the departments at Ottawa that we received, on the 14th August, the unrevised monthly statements of the imports and exports of Canada for the year ended with June, 1903. We used to have to wait for these figures till six months, perhaps nine, after the close of the year to which they related; and it is very agreeable to be able to tell, so soon after the close of a twelve-month, how much Canada has bought and sold during her fiscal year.

The total imports for 1903 were \$233,787,325, (of which \$9,000,000 was coin and bullion, and the duty collected, \$37,109,717, while those of 1902 were \$202,791,595; duty collected, \$32,423,862.

Exports during 1903 amounted in value to \$225,-849,724, and of these \$214,401,674 consisted of Canadian products or manufactures.

The aggregate trade of the country, outwards and inwards, was therefore \$459,637,059—not a small amount, certainly, for a people numbering less than six millions, for it represents more than \$76 per head of the population.

To-day's table is at a disadvantage as compared with our table for 1902, because we can give only totals, not particulars, of the kinds of goods exported to foreign countries, nor yet to the British Empire outside the United Kingdom. The June Blue Book gives these particulars about the Mother Country and the United States only. For full details our readers must wait.

The imports are divided into three classes: I. duti-

able goods; 2, free goods; 3, coin and bullion. The value of each is expressed in the following table:

IMPORTS FOR CONSUMPTION, 1902 AND 1903.

	Year, 1903.	Year, 1902.
Dutiable goods	. \$136,792,874	\$118,657,496
Free goods	. 88,017,654	77,822,694
Coin and bullion	. 8,976,797	6,311,405
Total imports	. \$233,787,325	\$202,791,595

The increase in our purchases of free goods is quite noteworthy. The \$88,000,000 worth of these we bought were largely raw materials for our manufactures—\$7,000,000 worth of anthracite coal, for example; \$7,863,000 worth of furs, hides and skins; \$1,743,000 worth of crude rubber; \$1,085,000 worth of jute and jute yarn; \$5,968,000 worth of raw cotton; \$1,240,000 worth of wool; \$2,362,000 worth of tobacco leaf; besides drugs and dye stuffs, flax seed, broomcorn, gums, noils, rags, oils, ores, and many forms of metal goods. Out of this total of eighty eight millions of free goods imported, sixty-nine millions' worth, or more than three-fourths, comes from the United States.

Leaving out of the account in both cases the foreign products exported from Canada—which are mostly American grain and manufactured goods—we copy from page IV. a comparative statement of the total exports of Canada:

EXPORTS, FISCAL YEARS 1901-2 AND 1902-3. Value, 1903. Value, 1902. The mine..... \$ 31,064,861 \$ 34,947.574 The fisheries 11,800,184 14,059,070 The forest 36,386,015 32,119,429 Animals and their produce.... 59,245,433 69,817.542 Agriculture..... 44,624 321 37,152,688 Manufactures..... 18,462,970 20,924,967 Miscellaneous 83,784 32,599 Totals.... \$214,401,674 \$196,019,763 Add foreign products 11,448,050 15,620,523 \$225,849.724 \$211,640,286

There is thus a gain of \$14,209,438 in the exports of last year over those of 1902. None of this increase comes from either minerals or fishery products exported, for in both these descriptions of goods 1902 surpassed 1903. The increase this year was largest in animals and their produce exported, but forest and field did a good share towards it. A very gratifying feature is the growth in our exports of Canadian manufactured goods from \$18,462,970 to \$20,624,967. It is noticeable, too, that foreign manufactures exported declined from \$2,372,000 in 1902 to \$2,255,000 in 1903.

Our imports from the whole British Empire amounted in value to \$65,007,080; of which \$37,614,000 came in under the preferential tariff; \$7,364,000 under the general tariff and \$20,028,000 free of duty. This total represents about 28 per cent. of our entire imports; we procure 58 per cent. of them from the United States and 14 per cent. from other countries.

—We are under obligation to a correspondent who points out to us that our article of 21st August on the Commercial Congress unfortunately leaves two important words out of what is known as the compromise resolution. These are the two words desired by Sir Wm. Holland as expressing in some measure the attitude of the free trade manufacturers of Great

Britain. We have inserted them and marked them by italic type. The resolution now reads:

"That, in the opinion of this Congress the bonds of the British Empire would be materially strengthened, and a union of the various parts of His Majesty's dominion greatly consolidated by the adoption of a commercial policy based upon the principle of mutual benefit, whereby each component part of the Empire would receive a substantial advantage in trade as a result of its national relationship, due consideration being given to the fiscal and industrial needs of the component parts of the Empire;

"That this Congress urges upon His Majesty's Government the appointment by them of a special commission composed of representatives of Great Britain and her colonies and India, to consider the possibilities of thus increasing and strengthening the trade relations between the different parts of the Empire, and the trading facilities within the Empire, and with foreign countries."

SPLENDID HOLIDAYING.

According to Forster, the biographer, "Splendid strolling" was the term applied by Maclise, the painter, to the holiday jaunts of Charles Dickens and his artist friends in the amateur plays they performed in England for charitable "Splendid holidaying" may be a not inappropriate objects. term for the tour of Canada now being made by the delegates from British Chambers of Commerce. The special trains prepared for them by the Grand Trunk and C.P.R. respectively leave, on the testimony of the visitors themselves nothing to be desired. If the travellers need either information, advice, or sympathy-and who, in a strange land does not look for some of these things-they have "guides, philosophers, and friends" at every turn. On the Grand Trunk they had such prominent officials as Messrs. Loui, Davis, Pullen, and Tiffin, to accompany them; on the Canadian Pacific they had Mr. A. E. Lalonde, travelling passenger agent, to accompany the party from the Ottawa to the Pacific. But what need of more railway men? Have they not with them Hodgson and Ames, Hadrill and McFee, Desjardins and Masson, all of the Montreal Board? Mr. Ames is a famous organizer, and also a gilt-edged brick. He, more than any other man, we are told, organized this trip, going out beforehand to the coast and arranging for the comfort of all this large gathering.

The arrangements are admirable. Every man and woman is allotted by name and number a certain seat in a certain car. Their luggage is on the train with them, and accessible at stated times. Each person is provided with an itinerary and a time-table.

Speaking of time-tables, was there ever a prettier piece of work of this kind produced in Canada than the Annotated Time Table presented to the visitors by the Grand Trunk? This striking pamphlet is a running commentary on the route over the fifteen hundred miles of its track which the tourists traverse on a quick run from Montreal to Niagara, Detroit, Sarnia, and Muskoka. Besides the time of arrival at each station are given in separate columns the miles from Montreal, and the height above sea-level of each of the 227 points they touch or pass. The letterpress is interesting, the information well proportioned, and the illustrations, whether colored lithographs of places or the dainty shields and emblems that accompany them, are a delight to the eye. It is a beautiful piece of work.

More than anything of which they had not before heard, the visitors were impressed with the beauty of the Muskoka Lakes, over which they had a sail in the "Medora." And when after that tangle of water and forest they are set down to lunch at the Royal Muskoka hotel, 1,000 feet above the sea, their satisfaction might well be complete. Here and there the Indian names of places puzzled them, as well as everybody else. But while they were told the meaning of Washago and Orillia, of Couchiching and Ahmic, they were spared the brain and tongue-twisting exactions of Minnecoganashene, of Kahweambegewogamog, or even Penetanguishene, for they did not get that far north or west. However, those who go down the Intercolonial Railway to the Atlantic,

as some 40 or 50 of them intend, will get their note-books full of quaint Indian and French names.

Apart from the features of landscapes which impress travellers with their beauty, there were some points whose utility did not escape the keen eyes of the visitors. "Your waterpowers are vast," said a quiet man on his return from the northern lakes, "there is a great opportunity here for the development of electric energy." And another said, shrewdly, referring to radial railways, "there is a wonderful field here for tramways to connect your villages with your cities."

Very delightful it was to sit at lunch in the King Edward Hotel with a group of sprightly, intelligent English women, and to hear them tell with real feeling how well they had been looked after thus far on their journey, and how pleased every visitor was. One of them-and there are thousands in the United States equally puzzled—could with difficulty gras, the fact that the wonderful archipelago of Muskoka, among whose inlets and islands they had steamed for a whole day in a boat, should be absolutely closed in the winter by frost. On the other hand, it was perplexing to a polite gentleman, one of the city officials, when he closed a window into which a cold, damp air was blowing upon a young lady's shoulders, to have her turn to her mother and express in a whisper her fear that she would die with the heat. The elder lady presently declared it insupportably warm, and the amazed young man hastened to reopen the window. The temperature was perhaps 65.

A pretty incident occurred at the Exhibition on the Saturday, when a Toronto man, observing Mr. Alexander Muir, author of "The Maple Leaf, our emblem dear," a national song of Canada, introduced him to the delegates, who gave him cordial welcome. One of those present at the luncheon was able to tell Mr. Muir of a charming English girl, who, when the air was sung, rose and clapped her hands, pointing out to her party with pride a real Canadian maple leaf which she had plucked in Muskoka the day before, and placed in her corsage.

A man from Leeds, who displayed quite extraordinary energy in getting about Toronto and other places in a short time, ascertaining what manufactures we had in his line, manifested warmth of appreciation as he said: "Thank you very much, gentlemen, for your welcome kindness; we shall not soon forget it. Two things have impressed me in this trip: One is the noble panorama of the St. Lawrence as we came up to Montreal; the other, the marvellous variety of beauty of the Muskoka lakes."

Nobody complained of the weather. Indeed they thought it surprisingly fine, even on the days of Scotch mist. Of course in any Southron had complained, we could have retorted upon him with stories of rainy days at Greenock, and fogs in London. The thunderstorms surprised them, and our lightning was on the wireless, tireless system. "A grand spectacle, Sir," said a grave and Miltonic-looking personage, approvingly describing one of the storms. "Oh, papa," said his daughter, "it was just horrid—I was so frightened." The fact being, probably, that the deluge of rain was one of the really frightful parts of the storm.

The delegates heard "The Maple Leaf" sung at Toronto. We wonder if they heard Bergeron sing "Brigadier, vous avez raison," at Montreal? Some of the Canadians on the train to Winnipeg would be likely to give "The Canadian Boat Song," and surely Hon. Mr. Desjardins or Mr. Masson was able to render "A la claire fontaine" for the delight of car No. 6, en route.

It occurred to one, sometimes, during the trip, that the Canadian escorts of these good people were hardly impartial in their attentions. But human nature is, and will be, human nature. Given a man or a group of men whose manner shows the glad hand and the open heart—a Canadian will instantly respond and fraternize with such people. But towards a man whose silent stare or chilling demeanor says: "Prav remember, Sir, that we have not been introduced," he cannot feel the same. As Tom Hood put it, distinguishing real piety from mere piosity, (his nerves had suffered from the "unco guid" as well as from the lordly patron):

With sweet, kind natures, as in honey'd cells,
Religion dwells, and feels herself at home,
But only on a formal visit dwells,
Where wasps, instead of bees, have formed the comb.

Thank Fortune, there were not too many of the haughty type. And even some to whom the frigid English manner was natural, were saved by the graciousness of their women, bless them.

It was a source of amusement to the travellers when they reached London, on the Canadian Thames, to find such familiar surroundings as Westminster and Blackfriars bridges; streets named Pall Mall, Regent and Piccadilly, and also a cathedral of St. Paul's. On the train they made jokes with one another about the facility with which Canadians who live in London in Ontario can take cheap trips whenever they like to Paris and Berlin. (They might have added Hamburg, Baden, and Petersburg.) They were eager to learn more, too, of the "classic city," Stratford; of the royal city, Guelph; the maple city, Chatham. And they ventured to think, from what they heard of it, that Brantford ought to have been named the Indian city.

Whoever thought of erecting, upon the steamer from Detroit up the St. Clair lake and river to Sarnia, the pyramid of products of Essex, deserved well of that prolific county. Scarcely would the visitors have believed else that the strip of land between lakes Erie and St. Clair produced tobacco, sorghum, hops, peaches, grapes, small fruits and all cereals, crowned by stately maize, ten feet high. A grateful and loyal passenger described to the writer the thrill he felt when, on nearing the wharf of Walkerville, there burst out of the murky and rainy sky the words, "God Save the King," in huge electric letters, on the front of the Messrs. Walker's offices. "Everywhere we went," said he, "you made us feel that you were British; and as it were compelled us-by kindness-to feel at home amongst you;" which the writer thought, and continues to think, a very pretty speech from an undemonstrative Briton.

It is not the place of the present writer to make predictions, but from what he learned of the earnest temper and the honest disposition of many of the present party, it will be a wonder if they do not, when they return from the mines of British Columbia, the prairies of Manitoba, the hills and dales of the Maritime Provinces, say, and sing, with Kipling: "Canada is a great country; a country with a future. There are all good things to be got out of the ground. Why don't Englishmen think more of it as a field for English capital and enterprise? Send your folks to Canada; and if they can't go themselves let them send their money—plenty of it."

Those amongst the group of 220 who are admirers of Mr. Chamberlain ought perhaps to be told that the London Economist—which calls the Honorable Joseph "a circus performer of the highest order"—has found out during their absence in Canada that England's "commercial decadence," and other such "direful vaticinations of the tribe," are the merest moonshine. According to that journal of 22nd August, income tax receipts during the eight years ended 1902, were £607,551,000, as compared with £475,680,000 in the preceding eight years. The population is increasing, wealth is accumulating, revenues are advancing—why, therefore accept the theory of our decadence? Such is the burden of one of the two-column articles of the Economist. The Congress delegates may as well go straight home.

OUR SAINT JOHN LETTER.

It is rumored that Messrs. Baird and Peters will build an equally large tea house alongside, or very near the Estabrooks building, which is to be ready in less than a month. Messrs. Baird and Peters are leaders in the St. John wholesale grocery trade as well as in the tea business, and are now considering the establishment in St. John's, Newfoundland, of a branch of their grocery business. They have had a tea house in St. John's for some time.

Another St. John lumber mill has been destroyed by fire. On Saturday evening during a severe thunder storm, the Galey Mill in Carleton, owned by J. A. Gregory, was struck by a bolt and burned. The mill had been idle for some time, and the machinery was being moved to Mr. Gregory's mill at Lepreaux, so the loss is not heavy. With the mill there was destroyed about \$1,300 worth of manufactured lumber, owned by John M. Driscoll, as well as a large quantity of firewood.

The city of St. John and the Canadian Pacific Railwav now have large crews of men at work rebuilding the warehouses and elevator conveyors burned in the fire last spring. One of the warehouses will be two stories, the Dominion Government having arranged to lease the upper story for a term of years. It is wanted for the accommodation of emigrants, the present immigration building having been found much too small for the business now developing.

There are reports of several big deals in lumber privileges, but the only one officially announced is the purchase by Messrs. Scott Brothers, Fredericton, of the Victoria Mills, formerly operated by Messrs. Hale & Murchie, and managed recently by Mr. J. R. McConnell. The Messrs. Scott will cut extensively on the Tobique during the coming winter, and will run three mills; the new one, their old mill at Kingsclear above Fredericton, and a new mill to be put up on Magaguadavick Lake, where they have a fine privilege.

The Bonny River Lumber Company are preparing to build a fine new mill to take the place of the one destroyed by forest fires recently. Examinations of the Company's lands have shown that the destruction of timber is not nearly so great as was at first supposed.

St. John is an important centre for the lime business of the Maritime Provinces, and under the Dingley United States Tariff, a large trade was done with the United States which the present tariff has killed. The kilns were idle for a long time, burning only for the local trade, but with the establishment of pulp mills there has grown up a new demand and now the business is booming again, some of the Maine pulp mills send here for their lime, which is of a superior quality to that got out at Rockland.

The railway of the New Brunswick Coal Company is now completed to the coal fields in Queen's County, and ere long regular trains will be running from Norton on the I.C.R., to Newcastle. The construction of this line is expected to have an important bearing on the development of the coal fields, and the expectation is that in a few months there will be greater activity in the section than ever before. The line is to be extended from Newcastle to Fredericton. With the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific to Chipman, the line may play an important part in bringing to St. John the western produce that it is believed will seek an outlet through this port.

Saint John, N.B., 25th August, 1903.

THE TRENT VALLEY CANAL.

Editor Monetary Times:

Sir,—It was with pleasure and thankfulness that I noticed the several large cuts in last Saturday's Globe of the immense hydraulic lift-lock (the largest in the world), which is now about completed at Peterboro, on the Trent Canal—thankfulness for the efforts shown in thus calling attention to this great waterway, which until the last few years had been so neglected.

But I must call attention to a mistake in the dimensions as given of the pontoons or water-tight steel boxes which are to lift the barges from the lower level of the canal up to the upper level, or vice versa, and thus save a great amount of time over the ordinary locks. Instead of that given, the depth of the pontoons will give eight feet of water in the clear, being built to suit the purposes of an eight foot canal. The ordinary locks have at present a depth of six feet of water on the sills, but all the works are being constructed so that a draught of eight feet can be obtained at a very little expense. The capacity of the Trent Canal barges drawing eight feet will be about 25,000 bushels—being three times the capacity of the barges used on the Erie Canal—that great railway-freight-tariff regulator.

The Trent Canal will connect the Upper Lakes to Lake Ontario by short-route navigation to the sea-board; i.e., a steam-tug canal, with its northern terminus at the city of Midland, on Georgian Bay and having the grandest harbor on the Upper Lakes. It will give a canal route 23 hours shorter than the Welland Canal route between Sault Ste. Marie and Montreal, being some 245 miles less in distance, and will give also a shore mileage of one thousand miles of

navigable waters to a sadly railway-neglected district in its northern half,—in fact the term "canal" is a misnomer, because out of the whole distance not more than 15 or 20 miles will be canal, the remaining portions being lake and river stretches which are utilized for the navigable channel. The Trent Canal, in fact, is Nature's short waterway between the Upper Lakes and Lake Ontario, and it would be ungrateful were we not to accept her gift.

The quantity of forest products, of hardwood especially, throughout the northern section is enormous. The pine has been practically all floated out, but the hardwood is at present only waiting till the canal barges can receive it at the mouths of the streams tributary thereto. The other portions of the canal (district) are rich in agricultural products; in fact one of the largest cereal mills on the Continent, an American branch works, recently erected at Peterboro, was attracted there not only on account of the water-powers and the Trent Canal, but on account of the grains in the district. The district has lately proven (also the local) benefits to be derived from the construction of a canal by the gathering of many large industries at the different large towns on its line, and notably so at Peterboro, where three of the largest factories of their kind in Canada have been erected.

During next summer the long stretch between Lake Simcoe and Rice Lake will be completed and opened for navigation. Some two and one-half million dollars or less will complete the stretch between Lake Simcoe and Georgian Bay, and two million will complete the stretch between Rice Lake and Lake Ontario.

Were the Canadian public to only understand the great capacity of this canal, and also to know that its utility has been proven by a Government appointed Commission, composed of the first railway and waterway engineers of the country—who took evidence from port and port, and from end to end of the Great Lakes, as to its national and practical value as a grain-carrying route—there would be an end to that narrow-minded spirit of antagonism on both sides of politics, not to speak of the lamentable ignorance displayed generally as to the capacity and to the utility of the Trent Canal, when the Government makes its annual small grant for construction work, and instead this great work would be so backed up by public opinion that its construction would be completed without a moment's delay.

J. Alex. Culverwell.

Peterboro, September 1st, 1903.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.

From the report of the Order for the year 1902, as furnished to the various insurance departments, I take the following facts: Temple Building—Value given as \$654.732, and net rents \$7,280, a return of less than 11/4 per cent., a truly remarkable investment.

Taking the actual cost of the building on October 31st, 1901, namely, \$834,116, (which is the figure given in the report of the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Connecticut for the year 1901), the return is less than 1 per cent. In 1900 the cost or expenditure was \$796,916, and net rents \$5,578, equal to 34 of 1 per cent.

If the amount expended on the building had been left on deposit with the bank at 3 per cent., the Order would have received \$73,397 in the three years, 1900-1902, on the average cost, instead of \$20,401, the amount actually received on the investment, a loss for the last three years of \$53,000, in interest alone; add to this the difference between the present value and actual cost the loss in all to the Order is \$232,000. Further comment is needless.

Union Trust Co.'s Stock.—This concern was engineered with the funds of the Order, the plea put forth being that the executive had not the necessary time to devote to the investing of the funds; but while they could not, or did not want to, find the time for such as officers of the Order—a duty for which they are paid—they evidently can, and do find it as officers of the Union Trust Co., the inference being that they required double salaries.

The amount of stock held by the Order is given as \$846,680.55 par value, the cost being \$1,042,280.55, a premium

of nearly 25 per cent. for a company that only paid 4 per cent on the par value. The total paid up capital is \$847,980.55, so that the Company is practically the Order. Who holds the balance of the capital stock \$1,300? The Company had, in addition \$100,000 of the funds of the Order for investment.

Here we have two items of assets in which nearly \$2,000,000, or one-third of the funds of the Order has been sunk and for which the sum of \$41,147 was received for interest and rents, the very striking return of a fraction over 2 per cent.

Provincial Trust Co.—Although this company was merged into or absorbed by the Union Trust Co., the sum of \$82,654.50 assets of such Provincial Trust Co. still figures as an asset of the Order for that amount. What is the actual value of this sum?

Interest \$33,259, and rents \$3,418, due and unpaid, making in all \$36,677 on mean ledger assets of \$5,529,586. The Canada Life had only \$24,400 at the end of the year, on assets of over four times that of the Order.

General Account.—The sum of \$312,538 was transferred to this account from the Mortuary Fund to cover the over drafts, yet notwithstanding this large amount, there was still a deficit of \$254,684 at the end of the year—increased by this time nearly another \$100,000, according to the accounts published monthly in The Forester.

Expenses \$755,188 (equal to 24.51 per cent. of the amount paid by the members), an increase of \$112,425 over 1901, and an increase of \$256,375 over 1900.

How much longer will the members allow such mismanagement of finances and gross extravagance to continue, and sit in fancied security that everything is couleur de rose, lulled thereto by the glittering generalities of the Supreme Chief and the pretended magnificent surplus?

Will they wait before taking action till something occurs like that which aroused the Knights of Pythias; or will they take time by the forelock and cry halt?

A Member.

A CREDIT MAN'S DUTIES.

Editor MONETARY TIMES:

SIR,—I read with considerable interest an article which recently appeared in the Monetary Times under the heading "Advantage of personal interviews in granting Credit." The duties which devolve upon the credit man in any large institution are as Mr. Sheble, the writer, intimates, truly "multifarious," and to discharge them satisfactorily, he must have a vast amount of patience, as well as the ability to size up character and human nature. A personal interview is most advantageous in granting credit. No matter what implicit confidence you may have in the judgment of your travellers or in the Mercantile Agency reports, you have not the same feeling of satisfaction in despatching goods as if you had met the purchaser face to face in your own office.

Some of the best travellers I have ever come in contact with, so far as popularity and ability to sell goods are concerned, have had the greatest tendency to lead the office into bad debts-not so much through their desire to make sales, but through being over sanguine as to the financial standing of their customer. Of course, if a retail merchant wishes to misrepresent matters, he can do so as readily in the office of the credit man as he can in the sample room, yet one would suppose from Mr. Sheble's experience, that upon crossexamination he concluded the man he refers to was not telling the truth and declined the risk. His standing, according to his figures, certainly entitled him to the credit asked for, and though we are left somewhat in the dark as to why it was refused, we may assume that an air of suspicion lent itself to the statement which on paper showed the man to be quite solvent, and which, in the ordinary course of events, would have gained him the advance asked for. The successful credit man must have a good deal of give and take and at the same time sufficient back bone to prevent good nature being imposed upon.

A growing country means increased competition among merchants. Special inducements are being thrown out continually to buy from this house and that, and a man requires good sound judgment and common sense to discriminate as to what seems reasonable or otherwise. What I mean is that the credit man must have the happy faculty. I may say the double happy faculty, of keeping his first-class customers satisfied and in good humour—without of course cringing to them—in order to retain their accounts, and of declining risks that appear undesirable, no

matter how unpleasant the performance of his duty may be. Confidence should invariably exist between wholesale houses and their customers, especially when favors are being asked. No merchant who seeks a renewal, even occasionally, should have any hesitation in giving his full confidence when it is asked for—in fact, unless his circumstances are known to the credit man, it should be insisted upon, and if still refused, the house is better without the account.

Confidence should also exist between wholesale houses themselves. I would like to see organized here something in the nature of a credit man's association, in order that the heads of this important department of wholesale trade might meet occasionally to exchange confidences, compare notes and discuss the many knotty questions that come up from time to time. The credit man naturally spends the greater part of his time in the office; but he should, when he has the opportunity, get out through the warehouse, where he may meet customers who possibly have no occasion to seek him in his office, and in order that he may keep in touch with his staff of salesmen. He should always have a right hand man or understudy—some one who is steadily familiarizing himself with the accounts and who is capable of stepping in any time in the event of an emergency. The position throughout is a trying and most responsible one. The conditions of the country and of particular districts, the crops, and all other signs of good or bad times must be carefully watched. In many cases the foundation of bad debts is laid in good times. The retailer buys more heavily than usual-in fact gets overstocked, but possibly does not feel the ill effects of it until a period of depression sets in. Then he wakens to the fact that his liabilities are nearly double what they should be. The result is perhaps an extension of time, which is often but the precursor of further trouble—a reduction in his rating—a tendency on the part of his suppliers to draw out-and eventually his inability to get goods except on cash terms. Over buying and credit too freely granted are fertile factors in bringing about failure, and this is where the judgment of the credit man should assert itself.

I have no desire to trespass too much upon your valuable space, but these are a few of the ideas that occurred to me after reading the article above referred to, and as "one of the unfortunates," I agree with Mr. Sheble that the position of credit man, if he aims at being a successful one, is to say the least of it, no sinecure.

Very truly yours,

J. FRASER MACDONALD.

Toronto, August 25, 1903;

THE DOMINION EXHIBITION.

We have only to add to what we said last week in a general way about this really worthy fair, that no one should miss seeing the Jubilee Presents.

MACHINERY HALL.

The Canada Foundry Company, Toronto, who produced the structural steel required in the Manufacturers' Building, have a large space in which are displayed a Curtis electric car truck, some handsome drinking fountains, hydrants and various cast and wrought iron work, besides a large assortment of screws and nuts.

The Northey Manufacturing Co., Toronto, show their typical pumps and hydrants to advantage.

The James Morrison Brass Company made a really beautiful display. Gas and electric fixtures form a special feature this year, but besides these they show various locomotive valves, injectors, lubricators, brass chancel rails, etc. The specimen of a Quinn automatic flush, in which everything is shown at work, is well worth looking at.

Goold, Shapley & Muir, Brantford, make a good representative showing in their line of goods.

The Goldie McCulloch's (Galt) chef d'oeuvre this year is a one-cylinder compound steam engine, believed to be the only one of its class in successful operation in the world.

The Henderson Roller Bearing Co., Toronto, have a good exhibit in charge of Mr. R. I. Henderson. They make antifriction bearings for bicycles, electric motors and generators, railroad cars and shaftings, wheels and axles of every description, and claim that by their use a saving in power is effected of from 25 to 75 per cent.

Babcock & Wilcox, Limited, Montreal. Glasgow and London, show the latest form of water steam boiler.

The Rogers Electric Company, Toronto, have one of the most tastily arranged exhibits in the building.

MANUFACTURERS' BUILDING.

The new Manufacturers' Building contains so many points of interest that it is difficult to pick out a few for special men-

tion. It will surprise many people who have not yet visited it to learn that the structure itself, spacious and expensive though it is, cost somewhat less than the fixtures which have been placed by the exhibitors themselves inside it. We are told, for example, that the piano manufacturers alone have spent \$18,000 on decorations.

"Canada for the Canadians" is a prominent watchword this year, and in no case does it apply more fittingly than in connection with the Hallwood Cash Register Co., of 84 King Street East, Toronto, as this is the only register made in Canada. The trade in this country is under the excellent care of Col. Patton.

Brown & Wells, Limited, the Toronto export house, show samples of Tobler chocolate.

The Dominion Radiator Company "the largest manufacturers of radiators under the British flag," have a noteworthy railing around their space. It is in the form of a complete radiator in the shape of the letter L, made of 200 sections, each two and a half inches in thickness, thus giving a length of solid radiator of nearly forty-two feet. The specimens of their work which are thus uniquely surrounded are equally interesting. The Safford radiator is known the civilized world over.

Ryrie Brothers, Toronto, the famous jewellers, have not only a very prettily arranged, but a highly instructive exhibit, in charge of Mr. Quinn.

The Canada Launch Works, Limited, Toronto, are building up a larger business in this particular line than most people imagine. Their exhibit at the Fair, which is being looked after by Mr. M. M. Whitaker, the president of the company, is always surrounded by an admiring crowd. Some of the samples of boat-building shown are exceptionally fine. Besides launches, this company makes gasoline and steam engines, boats and dingheys, etc.

The arrangements made for the housing of the piano makers this year are a great improvement, each maker being provided for his own use with a separate compartment, in which his instruments may be tested without the discord resulting from the auditor being inflicted with a dozen different tunes being played at one time, all within his immediate range of hearing. Among the exhibits which caught our attention more particularly were the following: The Dominion Organ and Piano Co., in charge of Mr. J. W. Alexander, the company's president. The Bell Organ Company's showing is well up to the mark of previous years. The Morris Piano Co., of Listowel, can show instruments which are rapidly making for themselves a name in the front rank. The D. W. Karn piano also can be studied in some fine specimens.

The booth, or miniature building rather, of the Metallic Roofing Co., never lacks for attention on the part of sight-seers, it is so complete in itself, neat in its design, and representative of what its builders manufacture.

The Sylvester Bros. Manufacturing Co., of Lindsay. Ont., show some good specimens of launches and gasoline engines.

The Office Specialty Manufacturing Co., Toronto, make such a multiplicity of furniture and appliances aiming for comfort, convenience and economy of time and labor in the office that their catalogues should be consulted in order to obtain a just conception of their productions. One of their specialties is a system of vertical filing, which is well worthy of attention from the thousands of business men who lose valuable time through not possessing up-to-date office equipment. The gentleman in charge of their very fine exhibit is Mr. McGill.

Among the exhibits of food stuffs we noticed the varied one of Leeming, Miles & Co., grocers, Montreal. The Eby, Blain Co. make a good showing, which includes their handy coffee pot, which has now become well known to all lovers of really good coffee.

It is not to be wondered at in a country like Canada that its production of furnaces and stoves should be in the first rank as regards both variety and superiority. The J. F. Pease Furnace Co., Toronto, make a fine showing as usual, with their well-known "Economy" type. The Moffatt Stove Co., of Weston, Ont., evidently hit the taste of some of their visitors of Saturday last, for they are booked to ship goods to Great Britain for the use of delegates to the great Chambers of Commerce Congress in Montreal recently. Their "Pearl" and "National" stoves are becoming well known.

CANADA'S IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

FROM ALL COUNTRIES, FISCAL YEAR, 1903.

Compiled from Government Blue Books for the Monetary Times.

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U. K. Great Britain and Ireland	58,893,710	\$131,202,321	\$190,096,031	cod, canned lobsters, fresh and canned salmon; marine furs and skins; woods, hewn and sawn, spruce and pine deals, staves, shooks; wool, tallow, poultry, bacon, hams, lard, eggs, butter, cheese, cattle, sheep, swine; apples, canned fruits, barley, buckwheat, oats, pease, wheat, rve, bran, wheat flour, oatmeal, hay, hops, maple sugar and syrup, clover and flax seed, field implements, books and pamphlets, clothing, rope and twine, cotton fabrics, drugs and chemicals, rubber manufactures, pig iron, machinery, iron and steel hardware, sole and upper leather, boots and shoes, whiskey, wine, pianos, organs, oil cake, rags, wagons and carriages, bicycles, doors, sashes and blinds, household furniture, matches and match splints, spoolwood and spools, wood pulp, woollen goods.
British Africa	49,121	1,948,126	1,997,247	Oats, hay, wood, flour.
" Australasia	184,850	3,439,591	3,624,441	Canned salmon, flour, boards, oil, spirits.
" East Indies		96,913	2,234,091	Wood, fish, manufactures, tobacco.
" Guiana	604,319	514,334	1,118,653	Breadstuffs, fish, coal, hay, vegetables, dairy produce, wood.
" West Indies	1,799,681	2,123,315	3,922,996	Breadstuffs, fish, dairy produce, vegetables, manufactures, lumber.
Hong Kong	139,406	37,782	177,188	
Newfoundland	1,197,581	2,578,224	3,775,805	Flour, coal, animals, leather goods, provisions, wood goods.
Other British Territory	1,234	36,031	37,265	Two of rentials to sometimes of them.
Total British Empire	365,007,080	\$141,976,637	\$206,983,717	cky it has been decided to lean open every
			OTHER CO	DUNTRIES,
A Dblic	SOT TO	\$ 1,010,827	\$ 1,901,931	Agricultural implements, planks and boards, spirits and wines.
Argentine Republic\$				Machinery and metal goods.
Austria-Hungary	356,543	1,553 2,149,793	358,096 4,949,972	Animals, grains, fish, minerals, flax seed, spirits, wood goods.
Belgium	267,057	701,100	968,157	Dry salted fish, wood goods, minerals.
Brazil	51,067	27,257	78,324	Spirits, wines, fish.
Chili	100,503	153,035	253,538	Machinery, planks and boards, fish products.
China	511,526	175,876	687,402	Cotton manufactures, planks and boards, spirits and wines.
Cuba	272,219	768,732	1,040,951	Coal, fish, hay.
Denmark	13,266	167,161	180,427	Coal, breadstuffs, fish, agricultural implements, seeds.
Dutch East Indies	448,188	107,101	448,188	
France	The second second	1,341,618	7,921,647	Breadstuffs, carriages, bicycles, lobsters, hay.
Germany		2,098,456	14,381,093	Breadstuffs, cottons, drugs and dyes, fish, apples, agricultural and other implements, asbestos and other minerals, seeds, lumber.
Greece	205,703	531	206,234	
Hawaii	3,166	35,839	39,005	Fish, lime, manufactures.
Hayti	157	73,161	73,318	Fish and minerals.
Holland	1,270,540	619,329	1,889,869	Grain, fish, apples, agricultural implements, metal manufactures, seeds.
Italy	541,785	295,770	837,555	Breadstuffs, fish, manufactures, ships, wood manufactures.
Japan	1,428,416	325,161	1,753,577	Carriages, bicycles, fish, metal manufactures, planks and boards.
Mexico		137,034	260,367	Cordage, manufactures, spirits and wines, wood goods.
Norway and Sweden	78,873	268,851	347.724	Coal, manufactures, fish.
Peru	80,343	67,210	147,553	
Philippine Islands	11,486	39,625	51,111	
Portugal	129,192	164,184	293,376	Fish, wood goods.
Russia	205,611	224,583	430,194	Carriages, metals and minerals, wood and manufactures.
Porto Rico	302,961	464.503	767,464	Fish, potatoes, planks and boards.
St. Pierre	4,603	277,687	282,290	Animals, flour, coal, cotton goods, boots and shoes, iron goods, butter, potatoes.
Spain	823,944	138,553	962,497	Fish, wood, and manufactures.
Switzerland	944.727	7.599	952,326	Metal goods.
Turkey	229,027	3,389	232,416	Cordage, metal goods.
United States of America	137,605,195	71,783,919	209,389,114	Animals, poultry, ashes, books, etc.; grain and products, carriages, cordage, coal, cotton goods, dairy produce, drugs, etc., fish and products, fruits and vegetables, furs, manufactures of stone, hides, leather, metals, machinery, meats, oils, musical instruments, sugar and molasses, seeds, tobacco, whiskey, manufactured wood goods, railway ties, telegraph poles, wood pulp, machinery, steel goods, castings, fertilizers, explosives, coke, seeds, ships, vehicles, wool.
Unit'd States of Colombia	1,722	27,376	29,098	Fish, wood.
Uruguay		35,382	35,382	Planks and boards.
Venezuela		14,339	57,685	Fish, butter, ships.
West Indies, Danish		120,157	124,414	Provisions, spirits and wines.
" Dutch		23,459	23,459	Breadstuffs.
" French		16,524	16,524	*As the Blue Books for 1903, thus far published, give details of
Total, foreign countries		83,873,087	252,653,332	exports to Great Britain and the United States only, we have in the case of other countries in this list assumed that the Canadian exports
GRAND TOTAL\$2	33,787,325	\$225,849,724	\$459,637,049	to them this year were like those of the previous one.

FINANCIAL MATTERS.

A letter received this week from a point in the Northwest Territories and signed "A Territorial Manager," encloses a clipping from the Monetary Times of recent date describing a strike among the bar-tenders of Fernie, B.C., for a fixed wage scale of \$70 per month and board. The writer of the letter calls the attention of head officers of banks to the circumstance that the salary of the N.W.T. bank managers does not exceed \$1,000 to \$1,200 a year, not including board and lodging. And he enters upon a satirical

MACHINERY HALL

S was to be expected the opening of our permanent machinery exhibition in the old cyclorama building has been amply justified. Every day a large number of visitors are on hand looking over the collection of machinery. In order to meet the convenience of visitors to our city it has been decided to keep open every night until 11 o'clock during the Dominion Fair. If you want to see the very latest in machinery and tools give us a call. Our address is 131-145 Front St. W. The latch string is always on the outside. It would be hard for you to miss the building, we almost touch Union Station. invitation to all to come around.

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comparison of the parts and attainments of bar-tenders and bank-managers respectively, closing with the rather bitter sentence: "A bank manager's salary hereabout does compare strangely, however, with that of a locomotive fireman, whose earnings average about \$85 per month."

Mr. J. M. Courtney, Deputy Minister of Finance, leaves for England this week, in connection with two Canadian loans which mature on October 1st. One is a 5 per cent. loan of £500,000, against which there is no sinking fund, and the other a 4 per cent. loan of £1,500,000, which will be partly met by sinking funds to the amount of over £969,500. In his budget speech Mr. Fielding intimated that the 5 per cent. loan would be met out of revenues; also such portion of the 4 per cent. loan as might on the date of maturity be outstanding.

The liquidators of the Elgin Loan Company, of St. Thomas, namely, the London & Western Trusts Company, announced that the first dividend of 25 cents on the dollar would be paid to depositors of the company this week. The liquidators also announce that a further dividend of 25 cents will be available in about thirty days.

The Sovereign Bank branch at Markham has just been removed into its new and cosy premises, which like all new bank offices nowadays, are made comfortable for both staff and patrons.

We are advised that the Sovereign Bank of Canada has opened branches at Aylmer and Springfield, Ont.

Last week, we hear, an offer of \$20,000 was made for a seat on the Montreal Stock Exchange, but was refused. The record price up to date is \$27,500.

CLEARING HOUSE FIGURES.

The following are the figures for Canadian clearing houses for the week ended with Thursday, Sept. 3, 1903, compared with those of the previous week.

CITIES	6	
	Sept. 3, 1903	August 27, 1903
Montreal	\$19,012,748	\$18,397,050
Toronto	. 13 910 975	12,833,157
Winnipeg	4 020 402	4,121,276
Halliax	9 301 507	
Hamilton	1 007 099	1,733,076
St. John, N.B.	1 101 171	903,424
Vancouver	1.101,171	1,013,854
Victoria	1,342,373	1,319 734
Victoria	493,596	519.711
Quebec	. 1,653,271	1,510,245
Ottawa	. 1,903,991	1,921,375
London	. 769,782	658,763
	\$46,747,053	\$44,932,665



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Its Success Tells A11.

On Long Island, a small piece of land some twelve miles west of North Sydney, C.B., a seam of apparently valuable hematite iron ore has been discovered, and in its vicinity a rich deposit of ochre.

CONSTRUCTION work on the Chateauguay and Northern Railway between Maisonneuve and Joliette, Quebec, is nearly finished. The bridge over both branches of the Riviere des Prairies, connecting the Island of Montreal with the mainland, is also nearing completion.

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, Sept. 2, 1903.

Ashes.—The supply of ashes is still extremely limited, and anything in the way of desirable first readily brings \$5.85. Pearls are wanted, but there have been no late transactions to establish a quotation.

Dairy Products.—The shipments of cheese last week aggregated 80,848 boxes. being 4,314 more than for same week of 1902, and the total of exports for season to date are 1,449,566 boxes, just about 250,000 boxes more than for same period of last year. The market again shows some further access of strength since last writing, some holders demanding IIc. for finest Ontarios, with actual business reported at 107/8c; Townships' are quoted at 105%c. and Quebecs at 103% to 101/2c. Butter shipments last week footed up to 11,081 packages, about 300 less than for corresponding week a year ago. Total shipments to date aggregate 168,594, some 88,000 less than at date last year. Values in this line are also firmer than a week ago, and for fancy brands 20c. is being asked; Townships is

quoted at 191/4 to 191/2c., and fine Quebecs at 10 to 101/1c.

Dry Goods.—The attendance at the millinery openings this week has been large, with gratifying results, quite equal it not ahead of last year. The dry goods warehouses have also had their share of outside visitors, and, though no very large sales are reported, still quite a good aggregate of sorting orders have been placed. A number of travellers are now at home to meet visiting buyers, while others are in Toronto and Sherbrooke to meet customers attending the exhibitions in those cities, and these are said to be sending in some very good orders. Maritime Province travellers will mostly be in Halifax next week for the exhibition there. Values continue to rule firm in all lines. Very few requests have been received for renewals on retail paper coming due on the 4th inst.

Groceries.—An improving demand is reported, and a busy September is looked for. The sugar market is described as a very firm one, and refiners are only said to be awaiting indications of an advance in New York to put up local prices. In the meantime standard granulated remains at \$4.20, with yellows ranging from \$3.50 upwards. Molasses is firming up, and some holders are not anxious sellers at present, while some are said to be quoting 42½c. for Barbados in a jobbing way, and hold that the price will reach 45c. before the winter is out. The first direct Mediterranean fruit steamer. the Escalona, is now reported to be

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FLOUR Manitoba Patent	1 40 1	Cevlon, Or'ge Pekoes	0 35 0 50	Hardware.—Con GALVANIZED IRON:	\$ c. \$ c.	Canned Fruits.
Patent (Winter Wheet	3 85 0 00	Pekoes		Gauge 16	. 4 00 4 25	Pineapple Extra Standard doz \$2 50 2 75 Standard 2 25 2 50
Oatmeal	0 00 2 75	Pekoe Souchongs	0 18 0 20	" 26 " 28	4 25 4 75	Parales " 1 50 1 75
Bran per ton		Orange Pekoes	0 28 0 35	Case lots less 100 100 lbs	4 30 5 25	" 2 lbs " 1 60 1 85" Pears—2's " " 1 50 " 1 50" " 3 " 2 25 2 50" Pears—2's " 1 50" 2 40 2 50"
Cornmeal, Domestic	3 80 4 25	Broken Pekoes	0 28 0 35	Brass Copper Wire	0 23	
GRAIN Winter Wheat		Souchong	0 19 0 21	Galvanized Coil chain § in		" Lombards 2's " 1 00 1 15 " Damson, 2's " 1 00 1 20
Spring Wheat	0 72 0 73	Kangra Valley Oolong, Formosa	0 20 0 35	Barbed Wire	200	Apples—Gal. Cans
Man. Hard, No. 1 g. i. t Nort. No. 1	0 88 0 90	Tobacco, Manutactured American Tobacco Co		Iron Pipe, 2 in	0 875	Cherries—White 2's " " 1 00
" No 2 "	0 86 0 87 0 83 0 84	Derby, 3's, 4's, 8's, 16's Old Chum, cut, 1/10	0 65	Boiler tubes, 2 in	0 15	Pineapples 25
Barley No. 1	0 43 0 44	Empire Tobacco Co. Cur'nev, 6's, 10's, 10's	0.42	STEEL: Cast 3 in	0 125 0 14	Canned Vegetables.
Oats No. 3	0 30 0 30	Empire al'a r'a'-		Black Diamond Boiler Plate, ½ in	2 10	Reans-2's Wax and Refugee doz 0 85 0 95
Peas	0 10 0 40	Bobs, 5's, 10's McAlpine Tobacco Co Beaver, 0's	0 73	" 3/16 in 3/16 in 8 & th'kr	2 25	Peas-2's " 0 872 1 25
Corn Canadian	0 44 0 45	Beaver, 9's	0 39	Sleigh ShoeCUT NAILS:	2 10 2 25	Tomatoes—3's, Standard " 0 90 1 00 1 45 1 60
Provisions.		Macdonald's Prince of W.,8's,16's		30 to 60 dy	2 45	Fish. Fowl. Meats—Cases. Ib tin
Butter, dairy, tubs		Napoleon, 8's Brier, 8's	0 68	8 and 9 dy	2 40	Salmon—Cohoes " 1 15 1 30
Creamery, boxes	0 184 0 101	T.E. I uckett & Son Co	0 70	6 and 7 dy	2 55	Salmon—Cohoes
Dried Apples	0 102	Mahogany, 8's Myrtle Navy, 4's Cut Myrtle, 1/10	0 62	3 dv	2 00	Lobster—XXX ½'s flat
Evaporated Apples	0 05 0 00	Liquor	0 86	Wire Nails, basis	0 44	
Hops, Canadian New Beef, Mess Pork, Mess	13 00 14 00	Pure Spirit, 65 o. p	in b'd dy pd 1 26 4 80	Rebate HORSE NAILS: "C" Monarch Peopless	dis 40-10-72 dis 50-10	
Bacon, long clear Breakt'st smok'd	0 10 0 101	Family Proof Whis-	1 14 4 37 0 60 2 22	Peerless	dis. 50-7½ 3 80	" 1's, " 0 14 0 15 " 0 20
Hams	0 14 0 15	kev, 20 u. p	0 66 2 40	CANADA PLATES: all dull	2 00	" Canadian, i's " 0 14 0 15
Picnic Hams	0 000 0 001	Old Bourbon 20 u. p. Rye and Malt, 25 u. p.	0 66 2 40 0 62 2 25	TIN PLATES IC	3 85	Chicken—Boneless Aylmer, 1's
Eggs, # doz. new laid Beans, per bush	0 15	Rye Whiskey, 4 y. old G. and W. 7 y. old	0 85 2 60	WINDOW GLASS: 25 and under dis 15%		Duck—Bi's Avlmer, i's, 2 doz " 2 25 Turkey, Bil's Avlmer, i's, 2 doz " 2 25
Groceries.	1 60 1 90	G. and W	3 00 6 45	26 to 40 "	4 00	Pigs' Feet—Avlmer, 1½'s, 2 doz " 2 50 2 50 Corned Beef—Clark's, 1's, 2 doz " 1 55
Coffees Java ♥ lb., green		Special 1887	5 25 8 70	51 to 60 " 61 to 70 "	4 50	Ox Tongue Clark's 1's " 2 70
Rio Porto Rico "		Spanish Sole, No. 1. No. 2	29 0 31	ROPE: Manilla basis	5 00	Clark's, 2's " 8 25
Mocha	0 20 0 24 0 20 0 28	Slaughter, heavy	0 28 0 29	Lath yarn	0 11 0 112	Lunch Tongue—" 1's, 1 doz " 3 15 3 25 6 15 6 25
FRUIT: Raisins, Malaga	3 75 6 00	No. 1 light	0 28 0 29	Single Bits	6 75 7 00	Soup—Clark's 1's Ox Tail ad'a"
Valencias Sultana	0 082 0 092	Harness, heavy	0 30 0 32 0 28 0 32	Oils.	11 00 12 00	"Clark's, 1's, Chicken, 2 doz " 1 00 Fish—Medium scaled Herring. " 0 16 0 17
Currants, Filiatra	0 81 0 10	Upper, No. 1 heavy	0 32 0 38	Cod Oil, Imp. Gal Palm, # lb	0 75 1 20	Kippered Herring—Domestic " 1 05 1 10
" Patras Vostizza	0 06 0 06	Kip Skins French Domestic .	0 75 0 90 0 50 0 60	Ordinary	0 55 0 75	White Label \$1 00 0 70
Calif. Apricots Prunes, 90—100	0 08 0 13	Heml'k Calf (20 to 40)	0 60 0 70 0 60 0 80	Linseed boiled	0 5 0 60	India Pale
80—90 70—80	0 05 0 06 0 07 0	Splits, & lb	1 15 1 50	Spirits Turpentine Olive, # Imp. gal	0 53 0 57 0 78	Inhilee 0.00 0.60
50-60	0 07 0 082	Enamelled Cow, # ft Patent	0 18 0 23	Amer'n Family Safety	0 55 0 60 0 17½	Half and Half 0 90 0 60
40—50 30—40	0 084 0 09	Pebble Grain, upper	0 11 0 15	Photogene	0 17 0 172	Sawn Pine Tumber, Inspected, B.M. CAR OR CARGO LOTS AT MILL.
Peanuts, green	0 13 0 00	Russets, light, # lb.	0 13 0 16	F.O B., Toronto	Imp. gal.	r in. pine No. 1. cut up and better \$35 00 40 00 11 and 2 in No. 1, " 50 00 55 00
Grenoble Walnuts	0 9 0 10	Saddlers Russets	0 06 0 07 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	Canadian, 5 to 10 bls. Can. Water White	0 17 0 18	13 inch flooring 21 00 26 00
Filberts, Sicily	142 0 15	Sumac Degras	0 05 0 06 0 67	Amer Water White Pennoline. Pulk	0 10 0 20	1x10 and 12 dressing and better 26 00 36 00
Pecans Shelled Walnuts	0 28 0 30	Hides & Skins. Cows, green, No. 1		Paints. &c. White Lead, pure		1X10 and 12 rommon
Syrups: Com. to fine,	0 29 0 33 0 014	Steers, 60-90 lbs. No 1	0 00 0 08	in Oil, 25 lbs White Lead, dry	5 10 5 35	t inch dressing and better 26 00 31 00
Fine to choice	0 03 0 201	Cured and inspected	0 081	Red Lead. genuine Venetian Red, Bhright	5 75 ······ 4 50 ···· 1 75 ····	t inch siding boy
New Orleans	0 30 0 40 0 22 0 50	Caltskins, green Sheep & Lamb skins	0 081	Vellow Ochre, French Vermilion, Eng	1 50 2 25	r in strips, 4 in. to 6 in. Canadian
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Genuine Hd. Carolina	0 05 0 062	Tallow, rendered	0 04 0 00 0 04 0 054	Bro. Iapan Whiting ordinary	0 60 0 80	XXX Shingles, 16 in
Spices: Allspice	0 18 0 20 0 20 0 30	Wool. Fleece, combing ord	2.6	Putty, in brl per 100 lbs	0 65 1 00 1 80 2 00	Lath, No. 2
Ginger, ground	0 15 0 21	" clothing	0 16 0 17 0 18 0 16 0 17	Drugs.		Lath. Norway
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Gunpowder, Moyune	0 20 0 35 0 18 0 65	Band Tank Plates	2 90	Sulphur Flowers	0 38 0 45	2 to 4 in 35 00 38 00
Ceylon, B'k'n Orange	0 15 0 30	Russia Sheet, per lh.	4 50 5 00 0 10½ 0 11	Soda Bicarb. Wkeer	0 02 0 03	2 to 4 in 30 00 34 00
Pekoes	0 25 45	" Imitation	0 06 0 061	Tartaric Acid	0 40 0 42	Walnut, " 1 to 3 in 00 00 05 00
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currants at Patras, and is loading scheduled to be at Denia about the 9th for her quota of Valencia raisins. The Bellona is timed to begin loading at Patras about the 19th, completing cargo at Sicilian ports, Denia and Malaga. The currant market at Patras is cabled a little firmer. Latest quotations for fine offstalk Valencias are 21 to 21s. 6d., equalling laid down cost of about 61/2c.; selected layers are quoted at 24 to 26s. Quotations for canned corn and tomatoes are still unsettled. Prices for new salmon to arrive in about three weeks are high; Clover Leaf brand is quoted in a jobbing way at \$1.471/2 to \$1.65 for talls and flats respectively.

Hides.—The only change to be noted is an advance of 10c, in lambskins, making the present quotation 55c. Quotations for beef hides and calfskins are the same as before.

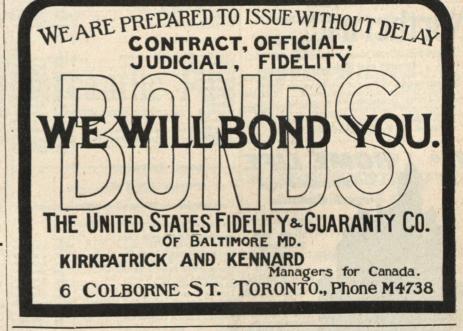
Leather.—A fair volume of local business is reported, with a steady export movement in sole. Values are well held. Heavy and middleweight sole have been advanced a little in the United States, but local quotations are unchanged at 231/2 to 24c. for manufacturers' No. 2, and 26 to 27c. for slaughter. Western splits are steady at 20 to 21c.; Quebec ditto, 16 to 18c.; juniors, 15 to 16c.; glove grain, 101/2 to 12c.; buff and pebble, 111/2 to 12c.

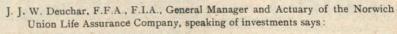
Metals and Hardware.—The lockout among the tin and Canada plate works in Wales has not affected local prices yet, though British quotations are up 2d. a box. Galvanized sheets continue to be quoted at \$4.25 for Gorbals and equal,

and Ternes at \$7.25. Ingot tin is again lower, with inside jobbing quo ations down to 291/4 to 29/2c.; copper has picked up somewhat, and is now quoted at 141/2 to 143/4c.; lead is firm at \$3.10, and spelter at \$5.75; antimony, 71/2 to 8c. In pig iron not much recent busines is reported, but last week's quo ations will hold. From Glasgow it is reported that the market there is showing some advance. The Hamilton Company is apparently overtaking the accumulation of orders, and is said to be offering iron at \$19.50 net terms delivered here. Bars are steady at \$1.90 to \$1.95.

Oils, Paints and Glass-Business in these lines is again becoming more active, though all during mid-summer there was quite a good movement for the season. In values there are no

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do. 5% 1874,	********	100	10:
do. 1879, 5%,		100	10
City of Toronto Water Works Deb.,	1906, 6%	100	10
do. do. gen. con. deb.	1920, 5%	108	110
do. do. stg. bonds	1928, 4%	100	10
do. do. Loca Imp. Bonds	1913, 4%	99	10
do. do. Bonds	1929 32%	97	9
City of Ottawa, Stg.	1904, 6%	101	10
City of Hamilton Debs.	1934 5%	102	10
City of Quebec, con.,	1905, 6%	101	10
do. do. sterling deb.	1923, 4%	101	TC
City of Vancouver,	1931, 4%	101	TO
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TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Sept. 3, 1903.

Chemicals, Drugs, etc.-No change in conditions has occurred since last report. Trade is about average for this time of the year, and prices keep up well. From Liverpool comes word that the English chemical market has improved somewhat, and that the tone all round is a

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Dry Goods.—Numbers of visitors are in the city in connection with the Exhibition and the fall millinery openings, and many of them are seizing the opportunity to visit the wholesale general dry goods stores. Still more visitors are likely to come next week, and the trade is prepared for a very heavy business. From all parts of the country come good reports as to the prospects for trade during the balance of the year. The demand continues good for all staples, including those for which advances were recorded last week.

Flour and Grain.-Prices of flour have advanced since last week, and ninety per cent. patents are now quoted at \$3, buybags, middle freights. Manitoba flour is steady. Shorts show an improved demand, while bran is quite steady. Oatmeal is firm. Ontario wheat is unchanged, while Manitoba is 2 to 3c. higher. Barley is steady and unchanged. Oats, rye and buckwheat remain as before. Not much new-crop grain is moving except a little wheat.

Fruit.-A brisk trade is being done in fruits and vegetables. Peaches are arriving in large quantities, and are selling at 25 to 35c. for white and 4oc. to \$1 for yellows. Plums are very plentiful at 15 to 30c. Grapes, which are beginning to arrive in larger quantities, fetch 17 to 20c. per basket for ordinary and 25 to 50c. for Champion. Huckleberries are about 75c. or a little more per basket. Tomatoes are easy at 15 to 25c. Other quotations are: Cocoanuts, per sack, \$3.75 to \$5; oranges, late Valencias, \$4.50 to \$5; lemons, Sorrentos, \$3.50 per case; new crop Messinas, \$3.50 to \$3.75 per case; bananas, 8s., \$1.40 to \$1.75; 1sts, \$1.75 to \$2; extras, \$2 to \$2.50; sweet potatoes, \$4.50 per barrel; corn, 7 to 8c. per dozen; celery, 25 to 40c. per dozen; cucumbers, 121/2 to 15c. per basket; 24's, 40 to 50c.; egg plants, 30c to 50c. per lasket; apples 12½ to 20s. per basket; canteloupes, 25 to 30c. per basket.

Groceries.—Sugars keep unchanged, with a fair movement. In canned goods ro corn or tomatoes are offered for futures, prospects for the pack being poor. It is too early to say very much concerning dried fruits, but apricots will certainly be scarce. Peaches will be plentiful, and prunes are likely to be higher. Teas are held very high, with not much actual business passing. Wholesale houses report a busy week, with so many visitors

Hardware.—Seasonable goods, such as screen doors, farmers' tools, etc., are still moving, but naturally the demand is falling off gradually, and articles more adapted for the fall taking their place. Trade is very active. No changes have been made in prices, which remain quite firm, both for shelf hardware and most of the metals. For these latter the demand keeps up satisfactorily.

Live Stock.--A guieter trade prevailed at last city market. Hardly any exporters offered, while for butchers' cattle there was a distinct feeling of easiness. In the latter, too, the quality was not

over fine. For stockers and feeders prices showed no change, but the demand was slack. Milch cows sold well. All the sheep and lambs sold well early in the day. In the Junction market trade was brisker. Some lots fetched extra good prices, but, on the whole, the tendency was towards dragging figures.

Provisions. — A comparative scarcity prevails in really high-class butter, though of the secondary qualities there is over much, which causes the market to drag. The cheese market is steady, the price realized being about 101/2c. For eggs there is a better demand, and the price has improved slightly. In poultry, ducks and turkeys are wanted. Spring chickens sell at about 10c. Hops are quiet just now at about 18 to 20c. for old crop.

Wool.-A large lot of wool came in from the North-West a few days ago, the quality of which is rather better than has been the case lately. The price was about 2c. per pound higher than last year. There is practically no export demand for fleece. For pulled wools the enquiry is normally brisk, and prices keep up pretty well.

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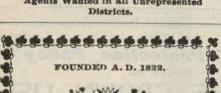
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