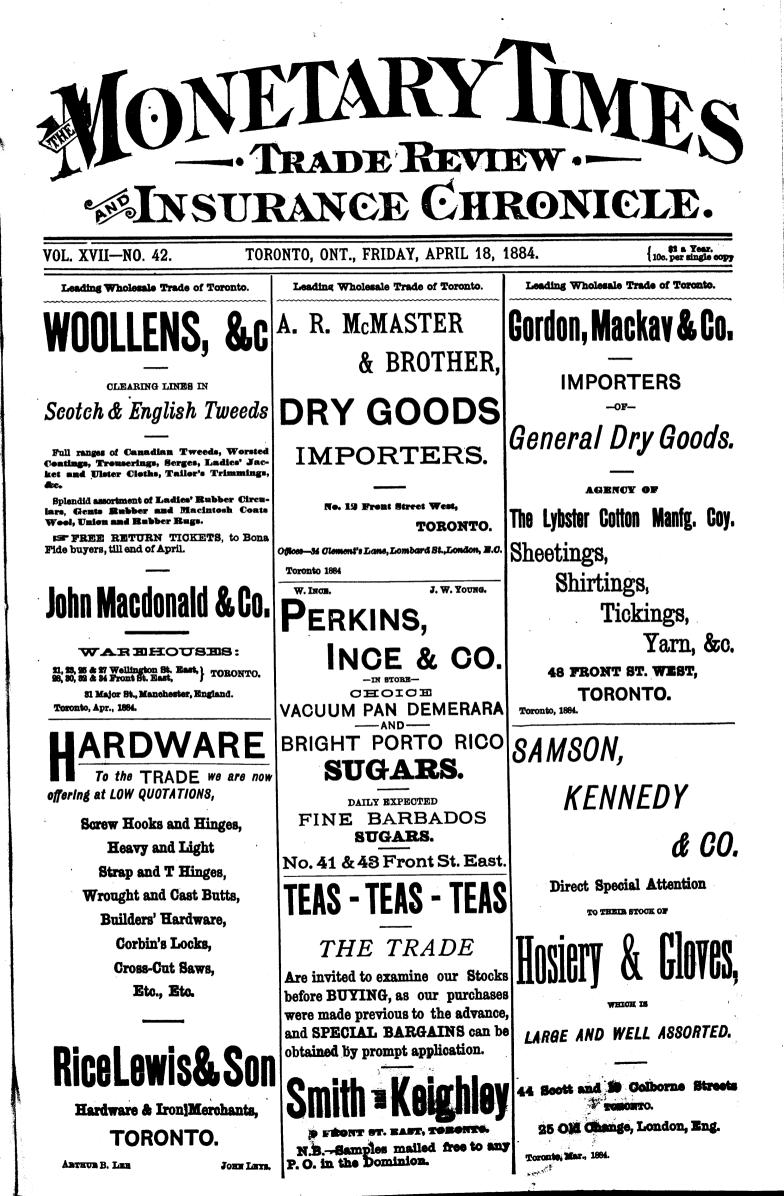
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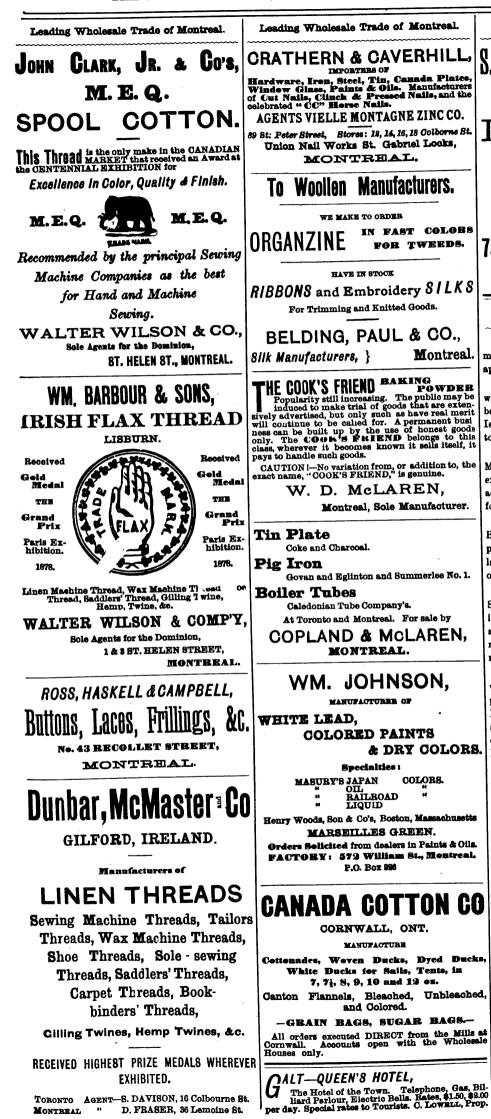


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manager of the Stadacona bank, has been appointed inspector of the Quebec Bank.

A BRIGANTINE is being built at Dorchestor, which, when completed is to be loaded with lumber and general cargo and sent to the Fiji Islands. This is a new venture, says the Moncton *Transcript*.

A HALIFAX daily states that the saw mill of Messrs. Davison & Sons, at Bridgewater, the most extensive lumbermen in Nova Scotia, will be actively employed this season in cutting lumber for foreign markets.

R. V. BARKEB & Co., druggists of St. John N. B-, have assigned owing some \$17,000, some preferences existing. They claimed a surplus at last stock taking of \$4,000 to \$5,000. They obtained a partial extension several years ago.

THE production of petroleum in the United States was about one fifth, or say 6,000,000 gallons, less last year than in the year preceding, and stocks on hand were not increased at the rate they had been. On 1st February last, the net stocks in tank were 35.766,000 barrels.

HON. JOHN STEVENSON died in Napanee last week at the age of 72. A Baldwin Reformer in politics. the deceased was Speaker of the Ontario Legislature in John Sandfield Macdonald's time, and was afterwards interested in business in this city. Latterly he had been engaged in the Brush Works and other enterprises.

An Ottawa despatch states that the large mill of the Messrs. Caldwell at Carleton Place will commence operations shortly. This mill would be idle had it not been for the decision given in the famous case of Caldwell vs. McLaren. Over 60,000 logs that have been held above Mr. Peter McLaren's improvements for two or three years will now be brought down. The same authority declares that Mr. J. R. Booth, lumberman, is building a five mile railway for himself between Lake Nipissing and Lake Nosbonsig, to cost \$100,000.

THE people of Montreal are moving in the important matter of providing an asylum for the Protestant insane of that city and neighborhood who have heretofore been sent, perforce, to the asylum of the Religious Ladies of La Providence, Longe Pointe. A public meeting was held to consider the subject, and the committee appointed thereat met on Tuesday last, Rev. Dr. Potts in the chair. The city members, Messrs. White and Gault, several elergymen and a number of influential citizens—smong them Mr. Alfred Perry, who has done much to call attention to the need for this asylum—are members of this committee.

CONSIDERATION of the bankruptcy bill was resumed in the United States Senate, on the 15th inst. A section agreed to, provides that any person owning provable debts exceeding \$300 may voluntarily petition to be adjudicated bankrupt, and any trader who leaves the state to avoid creditors, or conceals himself to avoid arrest, or makes fraudulent transfer of property, or fails within twenty days to redeem property on execution, or suspends payment thirty days, shall be deemed to have committed an act of bankruptoy.

A MONTREAL grocer, Oliver Demers, who also carried on a branch store at Cote St. Antoine, which was burned in 1883, has assigned. He compromised liabilities of \$5,000 last year, at 40 cents cash, getting assistance from friends, but he has not got the relief anticipated, and has now assigned. He owes \$4,500, and shows assets of about \$3,000.---Wm. Galbraith formerly kept a grocery and provision store in Montreal, and moved to Carleton Place in 1882, where he has not been successful. He has just assigned, owing the very respectable amount of \$10,000, assets being nominally \$11,000.

A CORRESPONDENT near Calgary N. W. T. informs us that the rich mineral prospects on the Eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains in that vicinity are attracting miners and prospectors from Montana and Idaho. "Some 300 miners from these territories have wintered in the mountains near us, probably twenty mines of silver and galena are said to have been opened within the last few months, and I am told, gold has been struck in several places. I have heard of one claim for which \$10,000 has been given. and numbers more of miners and others, from the American side of the boundary are said to be coming this spring to spy ou thhe land, or rather the rock."

MESSRS. BELL & SHIELDS, general storekeepers at Chesley, who were supposed to be doing a fair business, have assigned.----Miss E. Hamilton milliner, at Aylmer, has made an assignment. -The stock of F. H. Duggan, grocer, Hamilton, was seized for account of his wife, and now he is reported away.----Mr. H. J. Keighley, grocer at Lindsay, sometime since went to Emerson, Man., and evidently did not make any money. About eighteen months ago he began business in his present place, and has not succeeded. He assigned in trust the other day.

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WE notice with regret that Messrs. A. &. S. Nairn of this city have retired from the coal business. They say they had a very successful year's trade, and although their business was growing, they are of opinion that they can use their capital and time to better advantage in other enterprises in which they are engaged and being offered a good rent for part of their wharf property they have leased it to Messrs. J. R. Bailey & Co. Mr. Alexander Nairn, we are glad to understand, remains in Toronto. Mr. Stephen Nairn will remove shortly to Manitoba, where he expects to put his knowledge of flour milling to active use.

T. MERLEAU, a prominent storekeeper of Bryson, on the Upper Ottawa, is in trouble, and his creditors met on the 9th inst., when he offered sixty cents on the dollar, in four, eight and twelve months. His liabilities are \$9,400, assets \$8,650. Ten days was given him to provide security, failing which the estate would be wound up. He was one of the firm of Blondin & Merleau, who failed previously .--Fournier & Langlois, in business at Magog, Que., as general storekeepers, since 1881, have failed and assigned. Liabilities \$4,700 with assets \$1,500 -A. J. Dubuc, general dealer, of Nicolet, Que., concerning whom there have been rumors for several months past, has assigned owing clared that unless he got them on his own terms

\$10,000; assets estimated at \$8,000. He started business here in 1880, and was formerly at Sherbrooke.

An offer to creditors of sixty per cent. has been made by H. E. Wilson, grocer, at St. Mary's, who has been reported as a very steady, careful -McMillan & White, grocers, of Strathman.roy, have become involved and assigned. The executors of the estate of John Cornell, brewer, in this city, have not been able to make money. One of the banks has pressed its claim, and the probability is that the estate will be wound up.---G. H. Gordon, of Trenton, who has been in mercantile business over twenty years, has become involved, and assigned in trust. Some years ago he sold out his store business to G. H. Bonter, who failed a few weeks since. This failure seems to have been the immediate cause of Gordon's trouble. It is thought the liabilities will be pretty heavy.

M. LAROSE, a general storekeeper of Frelighsburg, Que., who has never been free from financial troubles for some years past, has assigned for the third time. He first failed in 1876, compromising at sixty-five cents, and had again to get relief in 1877. He has been dabb. ling in patent medicines, which has probably helped to embarrass him. ----J. T. TETRAULT, of Marieville, Que., who has a rather favourable record as a storekeeper of some twenty years' experience, has become embarrassed, presumably through complications with other local failures of recent occurrence, and has been obliged to assign. He owes about \$8,000.----A storekeeper of St. Cesaire, Que., T. Masse, has recently made his third failure, and will now likely attempt some other occupation for a livelihood. He failed some years ago in Roxton Falls, and in '82 failed here, compromising at thirty per cent. cash. His present liabilities are moderate.

MB. A. JOHNSTON, grocer, in St. Catharines ssigned on the 14th instant to Mr. Wm. Mc-Gibbon, for behoof of his creditors. His total liabilities, we understand, are \$2,700 to \$3,000. Assets-book debts, \$1,200; stock and furniture about \$2,000. The immediate cause of assignment, it appears, was a demand of preferential security made by one creditor, which Mr. Johnston, in justice to others, declined to give. The business was commenced by Laurie & Johnston in 1865 and continued by them until 1873 when Mr. Johnston purchased his partner's interest, and has since continued business at the same place in his own name, and has always hitherto paid 100 cents on the dollar, even in the most depressed times. "For two or three years past,' adds our correspondent, "Mr. Johnston's business has fallen off, and failures of others have resulted in direct loss to him of over \$4,500. which is the cause of his present difficulties, the burden of which is made the heavier by recent family bereavement. He certainly deserves, and will no doubt receive liberal treatment from his oreditors."

"BACK-BONE is what we want," said a wholesale dealer in dry goods, alluding to the prevailing laxity in prices and terms which many bemoan in that trade. "I'll give you a plucky example," said he, "of at least one man who wasn't afraid to say NO." And he went on to describe a transaction which he witnessed in a wholesale hat and fur store on Wellington street in this city :--- A customer had made a fair small parcel of regular goods and was shown a job lot, which was offered at a bargain. "Well," said the customer, I'll take them at that, if you will give me an extra month's time on them." The dealer replied that he couldn't do that, the goods were a dead bargain, and he would not give long terms on them. Thereupon the customer de-

"Then by the great Scott he would not buy. the goods will stay where they are, if they rot ! " was the animated reply of the merchant. The customer departed, but put his head in the door again to say: "Send those hats on." That he came back, and gave in to reason and right, is a proof to our wholesale dealers that if they had more back-bone in upholding their convictions of propriety in dealing they would meet with unexpected responses, keen though competition is.

REFERENCE to the account of H. Bailey Harrison's departure from Tilsonburg, part of which we copied last week, from the London Advertiser. the Tilsonburg Observer says that the despatch which called him "a defaulter and falsifier of accounts, is malicious and untruthful," and the story of his being a defaulter in \$30,000 is "scandalously untrue." All the losses of the bank, "can be accounted for legitimately (including Mr. Harrison's overdrawn account), and Mr. Harrison did not take a dollar of the firm's money away with him. That he had done anything criminal is disproved by his appearing publicly in the streets of that town during two days of last week. "His only crime was one that is common to many men doing a good business-he lived beyond his means. The business having got into difficulties, want of moral courage caused him to leave rather than stay and meet the difficulties as he should have done." An address, signed by eighty of the business people of Tilsonburg is published. It expresses sympathy for Mr. Harrison's errors and misfortunes, makes no reference to criminality, and says his business was " almost forcibly closed through the jealousy of a rival institution.' Parkhill business men have also signed an address of like tenor. We are glad to have this testimony that Mr. Harrison's conduct was not so bad as it was described, though even his friends and defenders admit that his faults and errors were many.

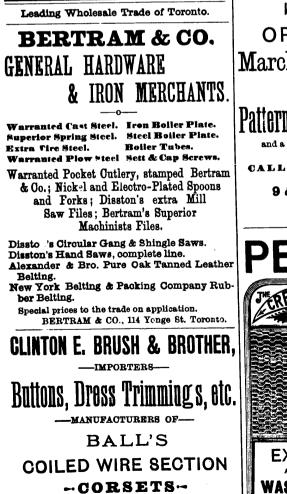
ONTABIO MUTUAL LIFE ASSOCIATION .--- The annual meetings of policy holders in this Company have of late years been very large, and the last was no exception to the rule. For a concern begun in so modest a way, and in so unpretending (though solid) a place as Waterloo, the Company's business has shown a remarkable development. Much of the sudden growth of new business, in 1881 for example, was obtained by reason of the policy-lien plan, but this feature having been abandoned a year ago or more, its apparent but misleading addition to assets of course ceases also. The new business of 1883 yielded premiums of \$180,000, there having been 1,538 policies issued, covering over \$2,000, 000. The aggregate of insurance now reaches the handsome sum of \$5,504,000 under 4,835 policies. Every one of these totals, as well as the interest income, shows a clear increase over those of 1882. Among general expenses, however, we find both agents' commissions and medical examiners' fees reduced. Turning to the balance sheet cash assets are stated at \$450,080, and among these are placed agents' and other balances \$10,872, as well as liens to the extent of \$38,832. We must demur to calling these two items equivalent to cash: such an authority as the New York State Department for example, would refuse to so consider them. But the cash assets of the Ontario include mortgages, debentures, real estate, and money in bank to the extent of \$350,000, to which add interest due and accrued, policy-loans, etc., to make the aggregate over \$500,000; while the liabilities, including reserve at 4 per cent., are \$499,000, showing that there is a surplus, increased from that shown last year, a circumstance on which the president dwelt with pride. We should have been glad, however, to see less stress laid upon

the "liberal distribution" of surplus which was promised. A race by companies to see which shall give away the most to policy-holders, is perhaps a pleasing spectacle to the beneficiaries, but may prove an exhaustive method of bidding for business. The death claims of the year were light. It is agreeable to find the worthy manager able to be again at his post, and we congratulate him thereon, and on the growth of his company. The proposal of Mr. Fennell to give him a holiday, and the wherewithal to enjoy it, ought to be acted upon.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, LIMITED.-We have noted elsewhere in detail the figures presented in the recent annual balance sheet of this bank. It will be seen that with a capital of one million pounds, it has deposits amounting to nearly thirteen million. This will serve to explain the large earnings, £165,161 nett, or over 17 per cent. on the capital. After paying a dividend of 13 per cent. and a bonus of 3 per cent, there was an addition made to reserve and a balance of profits equal to £21,293 carried forward. The Reserve stands at £660,000; the circulation is £711,401. Among the assets are, bracketted in one item, "British Government securities and loans at call or short notice in in London" £4,524,813; Bills discounted, £4,-240,606; and cash credits and current accounts £4,135,293. Also acceptances by the bank on account of banking correspondents or other customers \$1,086,084, which is off set by a contra entry of the same amount in the list of assets.

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names of some works on Canadian Banks and Banking and greatly oblige." [If our correspondent wishes a book on the theory and practice of banking, we would refer him to "Bullion on Banking, with notes by a Canadian bank manager," which was published not long ago, by we believe, Messrs. Willing & Williamson of this city. Gilbart's and Bagehot's and McLeod's are standard English works on banking. If a more practical description of our banks is meant, it may be found in "Johnson's Sketches of the Depression" to be obtained of W. W. Johnson, Montreal.]

L. D.; Sandwich.—The shares are \$50 each, not \$100. We are told that 153 per cent. is now offered, which would make your shares worth \$76.50 each.

J. & H. L.; Edinburgh, Scotland,—Unable to give the space to-day for a full reply to your enquiries. Will write you, with names of the parties or Colonizing Societies, which may undertake what you suggest. Next week we hope to give a portion, at least, of the information sought.

-At the meeting of the Wabash Railroad on Tuesday last, in the Western Union Building, New York, Mr. Gould added three names to the list of directors, James F. Joy, of Detroit, Geo. L. Dunlap, of Chicago, and George J. Gould, of New York. Superintendent Talmadge gave fome details as to the working of the road and its expenses, and the meeting then adjourned. No financial business was transacted.



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#### THE NEW LOAN.

Before the House rises, the Finance Minister will be armed with an authority to raise a loan of £5,000,000 sterling, necessary to meet maturing securities, the loan and subsidies to the Canadian Pacific railway and other payments. In the first half of this year-before the 1st July-\$20,000,000 will be payable on account of loan and subsidy to the Pacific Railway Co., besides which there is an amount of \$2,400, 000 on account of contract, which the Government carries out on its own superintendence. There is a loan of \$1,000,000 to the Harbor Commissioners of Montreal and the St. John Bridge Co.; the amount of debentures redeemable within the year is \$3,483,-000; British Columbia is put down for \$400,000, and there is a million for railway subsidies. Of the \$22,500,000 loan to the Canadian Pacific, \$15,250,000 will be advanced during the year, a large proportion of the whole, seeing that the work is to extend over the greater part of next year. The Minister of Railways guaranteed that the money would be advanced only in proportion as the work progressed. Will he, in this rate of advance, be keeping his engagement?

The other side of the account is, that the Railway Co. will pay interest on what is advanced to it on account of the war, and that the government which es imates that it will have a surplus of \$1,000,-000 expects to receive another \$1,000,000 from sales, and \$3,500,000 of additional Savings Banks' deposits. But this \$3,500,-000, if realized, will be a loan as much as the £5,000,000 was to be, negotiated in London. Sir Leonard Tilley seems here to be treating it as revenue-it belongs to receipts but not to revenue-and he so treated those deposits in his Budget speech, last year. Under this rule, they should be treated as ordinary expenses, when they have to be repaid ; for repayment must be contemplated as liable to take place, at some time. No doubt a certain amount will remain on deposit; but it would be unsafe to frame estimates on the supposition that the amount would always increase and never decrease.

#### THE RAILWAY SUBSIDIES.

The railways to which the new subsidies are being granted are varied in character. A grant in aid of such of them as have a national character is justifiable on the policy to which Parliament was committed. But take the risk, after its client had lost his

the difficulty of defending the grants to local roads was one which Sir Charles Tupper could not conceal. "If," he said, "I were proposing to this House, to enter upon the construction of purely local lines, in which private capital had no part, I would feel that I was making a proposition that might He defended these fairly be challenged." grants on the ground that they are comparatively small and that they will bring in revenue a return greater than the aid given. The expectation of a return in revenue, if seriously entertained, is destined to be disappointed. And it is not at all certain that the small grants will accomplish the purpose intended, that private capital will supplement them to an extent sufficient to ensure the completion of the roads. Sir Charles frankly admitted that the policy of aiding local railways is one that must be pursued with great caution. But when you once enter on the incline it is difficult to stop.

In dealing with a national work, we agree with Sir John Macdonald, that we cannot stop to consider the comparative advantage which one province may receive from it over another. But he felt that Parliament could not overlook the fact that the Pacific Railway, till it reaches Manitoba, runs altogether through Ontario. Why mention this fact, if not to point out relative advantage? We have no intention of allowing ourselves to be betrayed into discussing the merits of this national line from a l cal standpoint, but, it is obvious, we think, that whatever may be the length of that part of the road which runs through Ontario, other provinces will reap greater benefits from its operation. But. in a work of this kind, we are bound to consider its effects on the country at large. Tt will connect the remotest points together and give to the whole a unity which without it could not exist. The c mmercial value, though most prized, is not its only value, and there is a sense in which it is not its greatest.

#### SAVINGS BANKS AND STOCK GAMBLING.

Stock-gambling on margin, has been greatly aided by loans made on stock collaterals, by some savings banks, in Ontario and Quebec. It may perhaps be said, in defence that these loans are made out of the capital of the stock-holders, and that the money of the depositors is not so used. This may be true, and the operation may be strictly legal. Still, we hold that savings banks should not in any way, encourage stock gambling, either as principals or in any other capacity. These operations are extremely risky, as every one who has engaged in them is aware; margins sometimes fall out several times in the course of a month; they are not always kept up, and it has happened that a savings bank, the margins having dropped out, has taken the risk of carrying the stock itself. We have no hesitation in saying that this is an improper transaction. The risk is one which no savings bank should assume. The charter gives the power to make loans on bank stock collaterals ; but we venture to say the legislature never contemplated that the banks should

money by the operation and was not in a position to put up another margin. There have teen cases when, if the stock had been sold, the savings bank would have been a heavy loser; and it is probable that there are some of these transactions not yet wound up, on which there must inevitably be loss.

The recent failure of several brokers, both in Montreal and Toronto, is a new illustration of the dangerous nature of stock gambling. These men give their whole time to the business, and their experience is worth something ; they are less liable to loss than the managers of savings banks who do not possess a special knowledge of stockdealing. When a savings bank lends on a stock collateral, for gambling purposes, there is n , intention that it shall, at a future date take the risk of the operation on itself; from a lender on margin to a speculator in the stock, the change is accepted in the hope of avoiding loss. But a first loss, caused by the stock going down below the line of the margin put up, would have involved least risk : it would have been a known amount ; uncertainty as to the future would have ceased. To carry the stock on its own account, is for the savings bank to incur an unknown danger; and the loss will be equal to the decline in the price. To wait and hope for future recovery, which may never come, is to play a dangerous game.

Great must be the fluctuation in the price of stocks largely dealt in, on margin. The whole game of the bulls and bears is to run up prices and 'o knock them down. Where a stock is purchased only for investment, the price cannot be artificially raised or lowered. The price will follow the dividend; and if the dividend is steady, the price remains nearly stationary. But a stock largely tossed about on margin, will vary in price, as the bulls or the bears get the upper hand. The fluctuating price will be no real indication of the true value, measured by actual dividends and reasonable prospects. A savings bank that lends on such a stock, must be prepared to see it fluctuate twenty or thirty points in a few weeks. Tt is morally certain that some margins will drop out, and the lender will be transformed into the speculator. This is a g me that should be left to people who can risk their own money, without any danger of involving others.

It looks as if the law affecting certain savings banks, in Ontario and Quebec, had been altered, in 1871, with a view to enabling them to lend money for st ck gambling. But this intention would be known only to a few; the legislature never could have contemplated the use that has been made of the amendments. But now that the facts are notorious, it will be in order to recall a privilege that has been abused to an extent that one could not have thought possible.

Under the savings bank law of the State of New York, no such abuse would be possible. That law is very careful in the restriction of investments. Under it these banks may invest, "in the stocks or bonds of any State in the Union that has not, within ten years previous to making such investment, by such corporation, defaulted in the payment of any part of either principal or interest of any debt authorized by any legislature of such State, to be contracted." They cannot invest in the stock of any commercial corporation, liable to the fluctuations of The legislature, in 1883, passed a trade. bill enlarging the catalogue of securities in which a savings bank could invest; but it met such a powerful opposition that the Governor declined to sanction it. Through the consent of the comptroller, the State Treasurer and the Governor were required to the investment in "other good securities," the Superintendent of banks took alarm at what he considered a dangerous provision. The representatives of savings banks holding \$448,988,148 resources, pronounced against the change, and less than \$8,000,000 in At no period in the history of favor of it. the savings banks of that State, have they been authorized to invest depositors' money even in bank stocks, except in 1827, and then the permission was not availed of. The Superintendent of the Banking Department, Willis S. Paine, recalls the fact. In 1827, "the legislature, with a spirit evincing more liberality than sense of security, authorized the Albany Savings Bank to invest its trust funds, in the stock of any of the banks of the cities of Albany and Troy. Here was a deided descent in the scale of security from the bonds of the United States or a particular State, to the stock of a banking corporation, liable to the vicissitudes of commercial pursuits. It was fortunate for the savings bank," he adds, "that its trustees did not take advantage of their enlarged powers, or the suspension or failure of some of the banks, in the stocks of which they were authorized to invest, would have led to serious results."

It is not yet known whether any of our savings banks have lost by their loans on bank stocks for gambling purposes. These cases are probably not all closed; but the prices of stocks to day compared with those at which the stocks were taken over, when margins fell out, would show how the transactions stand. If there be any stocks in this position, they ought to be sold out. Above all, the loaning of money for stock gambling purposes, by savings banks, ought to come to an end; if it be not voluntarily abandoned, as a dangerous policy, the legislature ought, next session, to interfere.

#### THE TEMPERANCE COLONIZATION SOCIETY.

Mr. J. A. Livingston is very anxious to have the public believe that the Inner Circle of Nine of the Temperance Colonization Society acted in perfect fairness to their fellow shareholders. To enable the public to form a correct judgment on this point, it ought to have all the facts placed before it. Mr. L. ought to have stated that, at the outset of the undertaking, nine subscribers put down their names for 250,000 acres of land at \$1.10 an acre; that they then "boomed" the scheme, and put themselves in a position to sell what they called second-thirds at \$3 an acre to other subscribers, their own partners ; that so lustily and so successfully was the booming done, the Inner Circle of Nine was afterwards enabled to raise the price to \$5 an acre, the purchasers becoming partners of the original nine. Mr. Livingston might possibly have

booming was done ; he might have answered the question whether he, the manager of the company, bargained to get a commission on land sales, and whether that commission was to be ten per cent. ; and if it was ten per cent., whether he thinks that figure a fair commission for the manager of the company to take, in addition to his salary. He might also have informed the publicand, for that matter, it might not be too late for him to do it yet-whether the partners who purchased at the high figures were informed and were aware that the Inner Circle of Nine had purchased at \$1.10 an acre. He might also tell, as a matter of necessary information, at what price the Inner Circle of Nine put in the land they had purchased, at this figure, when they exchanged it for stock ; what advantage they reaped, or expected to reap, if any, at the expense of the other partners, who took land at \$3 and \$5 an acre. This philanthropic scheme cannot suffer from a little wholesome ventilation ; and as Mr. Livingston has begun the work, there is no reason why he should not do it thoroughly.

Mr. J. A. Livingston has been lecturing on the disputed facts which arose in the case of Clark against the company. He contends, on the strength of a letter from Hon. D. L. Macpherson, acting Minister of the Interior, dated Ottawa, September 1, 1881, that the company had the right to sell the even-numbered sections. This letter was the first general reply to the application of the company for land, about the area of a degree of lattitude ; and it contains the expression of an opinion and a promise, both ingeneral terms. The opinion was :-- "That under clauses 14 and 15 of the Land Regulations, of which I enclose copies, the plans of the society may be carried into effect, or if that any of those regulations should have to be modified, the modifications will be so unimportant as to permit of its being made by The promise the Governor-in-Council." was that the Government would do what it could to meet the views of the promoters : "I can at all events assure you that the Government will be anxious to do all that can be consistently done to meet the wishes of the gentlemen on whose behalf you have communicated with me." There is no evidence as to what the bargain finally made was. What did the company itself say on this point, sixteen months, in an official report ? It said it had only issued scrip for the odd-numbered sections, and that the other sections were subject to homesteading and pre-emption, but that, so successfully had the booming been done, "\$5,000,000 worth of land" had been subscribed for, and there was not enough to go round. Scrip had been issued and payment accepted for the odd-numbered sections only.

What was to be done? Deal with the even-numbered sections as if they belonged to the company-the pretence that they were their property was not yet set up-and get the money for them "all the same" as if they were the property of the company. That was the scheme. "A large number of our subscribers," the official report of the company said, "are consenting to settle on the even-numbered sections, and pay their subscriptions all the same, for the benefit of given some information as to how this the colony in which they were mutually portion of steel vessels built has increased

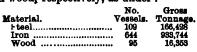
interested." Then follows an explanation of what this meant: "That is to say, whatever their subscriptions may exceed the amount necessary to cover the expense to the Government for homesteading and pre-emption, is given for improvements in the colony, or for opening up more inaccessible and less inviting portions, so as to secure as complete and speedy settlement as possible, for the enhancement of the value of their own estates in such a community." That is, the settlers on the homestead and pre-emption lands would pay for them the same price that subscribers paid to the company. They would get, they were told, value for their money in the improvements that would be made. But this would not justify the sale by the company of the even-numbered sections, which, as its own report shows, were reserved for homesteading and pre-emption; the pretence of a right to sell then came later. The difference between the price at which the Inner Circle of Nine purchased and the price exacted from settlers was great enough to make a good many improvements.

Did the Inner Circle of Nine occupy no fiduciary relation towards their co-partners, out of whom they arranged to make princely profits? ;Were their partners aware that such profits were being made? If so, what was it, and can they justify their administration of the trust? In his next lecture Mr. Livingston would do well to address himself to these points. Now that he has entered on the task of explaining he ought to tell the whole story.

We must not be misunderstood. We do not believe that the men of the Inner Circle, taken as a whole, would deliberately agree to do a wrong. But they were eager to make money, and they allowed themselves to fall into a policy which it would be impossible to defend

#### MODERN SHIPBUILDING.

It is a somewhat astonishing matter that, notwithstanding predictions in recent years that iron ships were being built too rapidly for the increase in ocean carrying trade, the tonnage of shipping built in the United Kingdom in 1883 was greater by from 90,000 to 500,-000 tons than that of any one of four previous years. Thus, the tonnage of new shipping launched in Britain in 1880 was only 796,221 tons; the next year it had gone up to 1,013,-028 tons, in 1882 to 1,240,824 tons, while last year it reached 1,329,604 tons, a steady and noteworthy ratio of growth. Of this total, ships to the tonnage of 1,116,555 tons, were constructed to Lloyd's survey in iron, steel and wood, respectively, as under :



From tables compiled by Mr. C. S. Jeans, secretary to Lloyds, we find that the gross tonnage of new shipping constructed to Lloyds' survey, in iron and steel respectively during each of the last four years was :---

Iron	Mannaga	Steel	Manlar
V OBSOID.	Tonnage.	A ORBOIN'	Ton'ge.
362	447,389	26	36.493
461	659,153	37	71.533
529	765.592	78	127,927
644	933,774	109	166,428
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From this it may be seen that the pro-

from say 8 per cent of the whole in 1880, to over eighteen per cent. last year. As regards the relative proportions of steam and sailing vessels constructed we find that the gross tonnage of each built to Lloyds' survey in the five years ended with 1883 was :--

Steel	Vessels.	Iron Vessels.		
Steam.	Sailing.	Fteam.	Sailing.	
Tons.	Tons.	Tons,	Tons.	
14,300	1,700	436,339	34,630	
34 031	1,342	422,622	37,372	
39.240	3,167	622,440	74,284	
113,364	12,477	742,244	108,881	
141,552	12,507	742,298	116,384	

How far wood is out of the race as a shipbuilding material can be gathered from the circumstance that while 709,840 tons of the 1,779,112 tons of shipping removed from the register during the last five years were wooden vessels, only 94,283 tons of the 3,667,144 tons built and registered in Great Britain and Ireland in that time were constructed of that material. In other words wooden ships represent 45 per cent. of the total losses, while they only represent 2 5 per cent. of the total tonnage built and added to the Register during the five years in question. This is not encouraging, it is true, to Canadian shipbuilders, but our Eastern Provinces still continue to turn out a fair number of craft mostly we think of small tonnage. According to the table we have cited, while the tonnage built in the colonies during 1879 amounted to 18,759 tons, it ran down in the next year to 9,045 tons, in 1881 to 7,722 tons and in 1882 as low as 5,470 tons, recovering in 1883 to 8,792 tons. But our country is not the only one whose shipbuilding industry showed a like vicissitude, Holland, after running down in three years to less than 1000 tons, sprang up last year to 12,000. Sweden and Norway were at their lowest point in 1882 and show an increase in 1883. Denmark and the United States, ind. ed, show a distinct decline last year.

The total t nnage of steamers built in iron and steel together was thus 1,262,616 tons, while that of sailing vessels was only 175,-562 tons, or about one-seventh of the whole. The next table shows that there have been eleven different countries contributory to the 1,116,555 tons of new shipping built to Lloyds' survey in 1883, and that most of them outside of the United Kingdom have furnished a considerably larger proportion of the total than in either of the four preceding years.

Gross Tonnage of Vessels Built to Lloyds' Survey in

Different Countries, 1819-65.					1
	1879	1880.	1881.	1882	1883.
Country.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	ions.
U. K	486.854	493,542	737.481	946 347	1,(63,704
Colonies		9.045	7,722	5,470	8,792
U. S			1.589	8.452	1,896
Germany		4,902	6.556	12.067	15,816
Austria			690	8,124	<u> </u>
Italy				129	1.649
		1.213	696	1.987	12,196
Holland		1,434		3.638	2,698
Denmark		986	1,558	1,689	5,410
Norway					2,764
Sweden	. 3,339	4,410	1,509	1,099	
Belgium					1,205
France	2,586	2,132			435

The aggregate contribution of the eleven countries other than Great Britain and Ireland, to this table shows than they built 34,484 tons in 1879; 24,122 tons in 1880; 20.321 tons in 1881; 42,655 tons in 1882 and 52,851 tons in 1883. Last year wooden ships of the tonnage of 16,353 tons, steel ships 225,755 tons and iron ships 1,214,443 tons were built in different countries and regis tered in the three leading classification societies. These may be sub-divided as follows :

	Steamers.		Sailing Vessels.		
doyds' Registry dverpool do dareau Veritas	Iron. Tons. 817,584 71,014 171,780	Steel. Tons. 150,725 28,758 22,775	Iron. Tons. 116,190 29,061 8,814	Steel. Tons 15,703 7,794	

The following table shows the gross shipbuilding tonnage constructed in each district of the old country during 1883, with the amount in 1882 :---

	1882.	1883.
Port.	Tons.	Tons.
The Clyde	<b>391,9</b> 34	417,881
The Tyne	208,406	216,573
The Wear	212,464	212,313
The Tees	65.048	81.795
The Humber	16,750	23,000
The Mersey	47.887	44.212
The Thames	29,000	22,000
Belfast	28,121	41,111
Southampton	24 124	34,331
Barrow	42 265	44.212
	19.828	24.386
Dundee	16,368	16,251
Leith	68.067	67.065
Hartlepool	9.578	11.628
Aberdeen		
Blyth	10,825	5,869
Whitby	18,048	13,662
Other ports	22,816	36,115
H.M.'s Dockyards	15,300	17,200
Totals	1,240,824	1,329,604

Scotch and Irish ports, it thus appears, are distancing the Mersey and the Thames. More than a third (35.29 per cent.) of the whole tonnage of the United Kingdom was turned out of Scottish ship-yards in 1882, and the per centage was even greater in 1883, reaching 35.34 per cent.

With regard to shipbuilding prospects, it is significant, says the Iron Trades Exchange, that the amount of shipping contracted for or under construction at the beginning of the present year is much less than for several years. Mr. Jeans informs us that, at the commencement of each of the last five years the tonnage of new shipbuilding under construction or contracted for in the United Kingdom was as under :---

	Total of Iro
	and Steel.
lst. Jan.	Gross Tonnag
1880	491,000
1881	843,000
1882	1.264.603
1883	1.075 259
1884	729,446

The fore-going figures show that on the 1st January, 1884, there were 345,813 tons less of iron and steel ships under construction than at the corresponding period of 1883, being a decrease of 32 per cent. Tt will be noted, also, that while the decrease in the tonnage of iron vessels under construction was 246,544 tons, or 28 per cent., the corresponding decrease in steel tonnage has been 99,269 tons, or 45 per cent.

#### DOES THE DEATH RATE GROW.

Probably every assessment life association ever organizad, be it called a Relief, or a Mutual Benefit, or a Provident, or a A. O. U. W., or a Forester, or a Associate, or what not, has over and over again assured its members that assessments would not increase. The reasons given generelly are: 1st. Because new blood will be constantly coming in ; 2nd, Because the deaths in towns and villages with a somewhat stationory population do not incerease ; 3rd, Because the death-rate in the Oddfellows and Masons of Canada and the U.S. have not increased, per \$1,000, in 20 years past; and 4th, Because old members drop out without dying, after having helped to pay the assessments for years past; 5th, Because no one above 45 or 50 years is accepted and greater is exercised by "our" association than any other, in getting only young and healthy the association from immediate disruption.

members; 6th, and most conclusive, Because our mortality is lighter this year than last. It would be difficult to say whether the organs of the A. O. U. W., or of the Foresters, or of the Mason and Oddfellows assessments insurance schemes, are the most guilty n this matter of deceiving the public about a matter well understood by every regular life insurance agent in the land. Elmira, N. Y. is the head-quarters of an assessment organization called the Southern Tier Masonic Relif Assobiation, whose president has been most persistent, in his assertions from year to year, that the actuaries and companies were all wrong in this matter. Time and again he referred to the statistics of the Grand Lodge of Masons of the State of New York for twenty-eight years past, to show and on the face of them they do show, that the mortality among the Masons of N. Y. State has not materially increased. In passing we might say that two for this are : the membership har quadruplep in that time, and, there are no insurance prizes of \$2,000 or \$10,000 to come in at the end. But the Southern Tier Relief Association has now a history of its own, and that history thourghly gives the lie to all the predictions about the morta ity increasing to a certain point and then remaining stationary, that we think it is well worth producing, in the form of summary of its annual reports. We take the following table, almost precisely as it is here given-adding only the last column-from page six of the last report of the

SOPTHERN TIER MASONIC RELIEF ASSOCIA-

			TION.		
		Average Members.	No. of Deaths.	Costing per \$1,000.	Avg. in periods.
	1869-70.	. 742	5	. \$ 6.50	. \$ 6.50
	1871-74.	. 2,186	24		11.00
	1875	. 3,311	87		11.00
	1876	. 2,728	58	15.50)	
	1877	. 4,052	58		18.90
	1878	. 4,278	51		
	1879	. 4,403	78	16.60)	
C	1880	. 4,895	60	18.90}	15.57
5	1881	. 4,065	66	16.20)	
	1882	. 8,787	73	19.00)	17.86
	1883	. 3,448	58	16.70∫	11.00

The membership, it will be notice, has fallen off 329 during the past twelve months, and though the mortality is slightly less than in 1882, it averages a cost of \$17.85 per \$1,000 against only \$11.00 per \$1,000 in 1874 and 1875. The number of members is about the same now as then, but the new blood which has come in has "improved things" in a most disastrous fashion: Number of members, the same; deaths grown from 24 and 37=91 to 73 and 58=131. Our arithmetic teaches that 131 is more than double 61. Also that \$17.85 is nearly three \$9.50. No wonder a membership of 4,403 in 1879 has dwindled away to 3,458 in 1888, despite all the new blood and all the positive assurances that the worst is over.

On the 1st of April 1883, a change of base took place in the plan of the above associ-The dollar assessment has been ation. voted out, and graded assessments take its place. Those who refused to accept the change will leave only as many dollars at their death as there are members, instead of a fixed \$2,000. A poor return this to those weo have contributed for so many years past to make up the \$2,000 hitherto paid. But something desperate had to be done to save

A significant statement crops out in the last report, as to the almost total absence of young blood, viz: that at the very largely attended annual meeting only one member was under thirty-five years of age.

If more evidence be needed to show that assessment insurance cannot endure, owing to the impossibility of keeping the mortality from growing to an unendurable point, it may be found nearer home. The following is a similar table, giving the history, for twelve years dast, of an Ontario association, the

LONDON MASONIC MUTUAL BENEFIT. Average No. of Costing By Year. Members. Deaths, per \$1,000. periods. 1872-73.. 1,740.. ..... 14..... \$ 8.04 ... \$ 8.04 1,960....16...2,250....26...1874 .... 8.10 1875 .... 11.50 10.80 25.... 1876 .... 1,944..... 12.80 1877 .... 1,697..... 21.... 12.30 1878 .... **2**0.... 1,603..... **12.4**0 10.83 1879 .... 1,525..... 12.... 7.80 1880 .... 1,475..... 27.... 18.30 1881 .... 1,446..... 20.... 13.80 15.80 1882 .... 1,447..... 20.... 13.80 1883 .... 1,492..... 25.... 17.40 .. 17.40

It must not be supposed that the columns headed 'costing per \$1,000" in the above tables, inclube the expenses. Nothing but the mere net assessment necessary to raise each \$1,000 paid, or supposed to be paid, is embraded therein. The London Masonic put one-fifth each assessment into its accumulating fund, so that with an average, last year, of 2,492 members, only \$1,237 was paid to each claimant, instead of **\$1,492**.

Whether we book at the experience of the New York, or at that of the Ontario assoication, we find ample corroborating evidence of the fact that in any life insurance scheme, a ravid increase of the death-rate must be provided for, or its days are numbered. People will grow old, and the and deathrate become not merely double but even five and ten times as great as at the beginning.

-M. Senecal is evidently very sore because he is unable to force the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to purchase the North Shore Railway bonds. He has come to an open breach with Sir Hector Langevin, and has published a pamphlet, containing an open letter to Sir Hector, full of gall and bitterness. It is very difficult to make out what his complaint is. He had been told, he says, that Mr. Stephen was ready to buy his North Shore Railway bonds; but Mr. Stephen declined the transaction. M. Senecal lifts the veil of the caucus, in so far as to tell us what Sir Hector said to him : "I have the pleasure to inform you that Mr. Stephen, the president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, is in Ottawa, and that he will purchase the bonds of the North Shore Railway." Senecal says Mr. Stephen feared that these bonds would stand in the way of the Pacific loan; and it would seem that M. Senecal thought his opportunity had come. He says to Sir Hector, reproachfully : "You did not even insist on the purchase of the bonds." Yet he pretends that he did not want to sell the bonds ; but that he suggested a means by which the Grand Trunk could obtain possession of the North Shore railway. Mr. Stephen, on his part, declined to purchase the North Shore bonds, even by way of exchange for Canadian | the cowboys, or ranche hands, who are paid \$50 or

necessary to account to M. Senecal, as a means of removing opposition to the Canadian Pacific loan, Mr. Stephen appears to have resolved not to do so. Mr. Stephen, on the part of the Canadian Pacific, could have had absolutely no object in purchasing these bonds. What would be of use to his company is the road itself, and as the bonds would not carry the road, the Pacific Co. could only have purchased them as a peace offering. In this way, the possible opposition of M. Senecal might have been neutralized; but the bonds were not purchased and M. Senecal, if desirous to do so, was unable to block the Pacific loan. Quebec took her pay in another way, and now rejoices in the promise of better terms, in the two kinds-direct and indirect-and we ao not see that we are bound to believe the accusation of L' Etendard that Mr. Senecal is dissatisfied with the transaction because he did not make a million out of it.

-The charge that a testimonial to Sir Hector Langevin was largely made up of subscriptions by government contractors, whether true or not, carries a lesson with it. It is an admonition that no man occupying the position of a Minister of the Crown should accept a public subscription. He may not know, and Sir Hector avers that he did not know, who the subscribers were; but a sinister interpretation is sure to be put upon the fact, if it be found that among them are suitors of the government, whose claims are subject to departmental adjudication. Sir Robert Peel declined to offer a seat in the Cabinet to Cobden, for the reason that the great anti-corn law agitator had been the recipient of a public subscription. But Sir Hector Langevin is poor. That is unfortunate, but it is scarcely a reason for infringing the good rule-not hitherto followed in this country, it is proper to note-that a Minister of the Crown ought not to accept a public subscription, though offered with the best of motives.

-The Hudson's Bay Railway-for it is finally decid d that one will be enough at present-is to get a grant of land at the rate 6,400 acres a mile in Manitoba, and \$12,000 a mile between that province and the sea (Hudson's Bay.) Grants of land were made to two railways to Hudson's Bay, confessedly, before Parliament knew whether the Straits of Hudson were navigable for commercial purposes or not. This session, \$30,. 000 is voted to ascertain the navigability of these waters; and Parliament, at the same time, with admirable logic, votes a land subsidy to the railway irrespective of the navigability of the waters with which it is to connect. That is to say, a demand made on Parliament without reason, is conceded by an appropriation equally without reason : and in this way the eternal fitness of things is vindicated.

OUR ROCKY MOUNTAINS REGION.

"It is no country for cheap things ; my boy," is the startling statement made by a rancher from Calgary, referring to that part of our Great West. Being asked what was meant by the expression, he explained thus: "For one thing, Pacific stock. Whether others thought it \$60 per month to look after the cattle, will have

the best of everything; their wants are not many, but what they buy they want good, and they readily pay high prices." This will help to explain the heavy stocks of merchandise kept by the stores out thereabout. King & Co., we have been told, have a stock in their place which varies in value from \$50,000 to \$75,000 and even \$100,000. Then there is the Hudson Bay Company's store and I. G. Baker & Co's. store, which keep an assortment of wares whose quality and price are far beyond what an unsophisticated Eastern man" would suppose.

"But what I want to tell you most is of greater importance," continued the rancher, "Canadian makers of implements and waggons should be got to understand the importance of making these articles of a style which suits the people, and making them as good as they can be made." Venturing to express some incredulity that Ontario makers, who have been five years at least in the business, should not come up to the mark, our informant proceeded to illustrate thus : "First and foremost, the lumber they are made of must be kiln-dried ; for the hot Chinook winds dry the wood so that however tightly put together the shrinkage loosens the parts. The materials of every part, iron or wood, must be the best, so that the danger of breakage may be reduced to a minimum." It is no small misfortune, as our readers will perceive. to have your waggon break down on the plains fifty or a hundred miles from a blacksmith.

"Wide track waggons are the thing for that territory," pursued our informant, for the reason, as we understand it, that the ruts or deeply out tracks of the narrow-tracked " bull-trains " may by that means be in part avoided. "Brakes are needed on every waggon ; all American waggons are thimble-skeined." The fact is that the Americans, as a result of long experience make the proper sort of thing for the purpose ; and if our Canadian makers will only take pattern by them, the "Schulter" waggons, made in Chicago are the articles they should copy. "I have seen on this last trip eastward a dozen broken-down vehicles at least, which seemed like the old Deacon's 'one-hoss shay,' to have gone to pieces all at once, (but not for the same reason). The preference given to the American waggon is best illustrated by the fact that \$200 is readily paid for a 'Schulter,' while Ontario-made waggons can be had for \$75 or \$80." These practical suggestions from a rancher who was previously a Quebec farmer, may be pondered by our manufacturers.

#### STATUTORY CONDITIONS IN INSURANCE.

A subscriber asks us to answer the following important questions, which refer to the requirements of the Statutory Conditions of Insurance. respecting what is incumbent on the assured in certain given cases :---

1st. "Have I a right, according to the Ontario Statutory Conditions, to change my place of without notice to the Company in which it is insured or its agent; does it affect my policy, myself being occupant when insured? Condition No. 3 in the Ontario list reads as follows :-

"Any change material to the risk and within the control and knowledge of the assured, shall avoid the policy, as to the part affected thereby, unless the change be promptly notified in writing to the Company or its local agent; and the Company when so notified may return the premium for the unexpired period, and cancel the policy, or may demand in writing an additional premium, which the insured shall, if he desire the continuance of policy, forthwith pay to the Company; and if he neglects to make such payment, after receiving such demand, the policy

shall be no longer in force." It is quite evident from the above Condition that "any change material to the risk and within the control or knowledge of the assured," must be made known to the Company, or its local agent, otherwise the policy becomes void. The question, what, under this condition, is a change material to the risk, is one of great importance in connection with the question asked by Subscriber. Is a change of occupancy, such as that of the owner vacating the premises and putting another in possession, "a change material to the risk." This will depend on two things, first, the character of the tenant, second, what use he will make of the house. A company might refuse to continue the insurance on either or on both of these grounds. Without being notified of such change the Company is deprived of exercising this option ; while quite willing to insure a house and to continue the insurance while the owner is in possession, a Company might very reasonably object to its continuance, if occupied by one whose character was objectionable from an insurance standpoint, or who put the house to an improper use. The moral hazard is increased in one case, and the physical in the other. This we think would be a change material to the risk, and one which would void the policy, unless the Company was promptly notified of such a change. Vacant property for instance is considered more hazardous than that which is occupied. An occupied house becoming vacant, is considered by insurance men " a change ma terial to the risk," therefore one of which they should be notified. If "Subscriber" will take our advice, he had better not take the risk on himself by neglecting to notify the Company of the change.

2nd. "Have I a right to place a mortgage, say one half the value, on said house, after insuring the same, without notice to the Company or its agent."

The answer to this question turns on the same condition as to the change being material to the risk, and may also on the condition of further insurance without notice. Suppose the house referred to is worth \$3,000, with an insurance of \$2,000 on it, subsequentty a mortgage of \$1,500 (one half its value) is put on it. The owner's insurance interest in the house is lessened by the amount of the mortgage; and he now has an insurance of \$500 in excess of that interest. The mortgagee has the right to protect his interest also, and may, and no doubt he will effect an insurance of \$1,500, the amount of the mortgage. In such a case, which is by no means an uncommon one, the house worth \$3,000 is insured for \$3,500. This would undoubtedly be a case of over insurance, in which some party would have to suffer. The mortgagee vould very likely have a non-forfeitable policy, and that of the mortgagor might become void by the double insurance. We would advise "Subscriber" and all others mortgaging insured property. promptly to notify the Company, and thus as in the other case, take no unnecessary risk. These questions are very important from an insurance standpoint, and we have taken some pains to answer them fully. A compliance with our advice may prevent useless and expensive litigation, and can in no case do injury to either party.

#### CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION.

The reports which we publish from time to time afford evidence that Life Assurance is in growing favor in this country. And not only this, but that our home companies, in the face of active and intelligent efforts by American and British competitors are making steady progress in the confidence of the people. The Confederation Life has passed its twelfth year, and the

exhibit made in its report is one on which the management may well be congratulated. We present a comparison of some principal items in the report of the company for the last two years:

	1883.	1882.
Policies written No	1,672	1,513
" " Am't.\$	2,558,163	\$2,510,387
Premiums taken	813,432	282,408
Interest received	62,646	57,299
Aggregate policies No.	7,292	6,357
" " Am't.\$	11,204,534	\$9,909,246
Total Assets	1,152,728	966,938
Assurance Fund, (less		
re-assurance)	893,648	739,230
Surplus	112,322	62,898

There is thus a gain of over \$30,000 in the cash premium receipts, of \$5,346 in interest receipts and of close upon \$50,000 in surplus. The ratio of increase in new business was not so great as in 1882, but the applications were in all some \$60.000 to \$70.000 ahead of that year. The Actuary's Report shows that, upon the basis of the Institute of Actuaries' Table, with interest at 41 per cent. the value of policies, insuring over eleven millions of dollars, is \$905,628. Deducting re-assurances and adding surrender values, annuities, &c., the total net liability is \$936,346. Adding capital stock \$80,000, unpaid claims and all accounts due there is a surplus of \$112.322, a very satisfactory showing. We drew attention last year to the "solid assets" of the company, amounting to \$846,000. This sum is now swelled to \$991,976, and includes the items of mortgages, debentures, real estate, government stock and cash in bank, while interest due and accrued has increased from \$30,-479 then to \$37,154 now. The Board of Dir(ctors contains some of our most respectable and practical business men, and we are glad to believe that their supervision of its affairs is not that ofcalmly acquiescent figure-heads. In their hands the good financial condition of the Association is likely to be maintained. The confidence felt in the Managing Director was shown, not by a vote of thanks alone, but by a present which expresses "in at angible manner," as the President put it, their good will towards him and their appreciation of his services.

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA -This wellknown bank has made its usual annual publication of resources, the present statement showing its condition as at the close of last year. The total assets are shown to be £4,424,159 of which £409,715 is specie, and the total liabilities £3,192,557 of which £193,537 is circulation. The lowest point in circulation was in January 1883. at which time it was \$925,248 and its highest point was reached in September, \$995,-380. Specie was at its lowest in October, \$1,-486,209 and its highest in January \$2,307,544, touching its next highest point, \$2,200,889 in July last. The aggregate of notes of other banks held never exceeded \$84,596 during the year, and at times was as low as \$55,000.

-The Woodstock Board of Trade held its annual meeting recently, the president, Mr. Jno. White, in the chair. The annual report referred to the memorial of the Board to Government for a new custom house and post office-more efficient fire protection and lower rates of insurance-an Insolvent Act, the council being of opinion that a distribution measure is much needed-the letters or proposals of various manufacturing companies, the Singer, the Barnum &c. to plant factories in Woodstock &c. It is a point worth noting that the corporation allows the Board of Trade \$100 a year towards its expenses. Mr. John Craig, who is Market Clerk as well as Secretary of the Board, appends reports of the Cheese and Cattle markets. Between May and November twenty-seven weekly cheese markets were held. The aggre-

gate weekly sales were 32.949 boxes, being 18.-684 more than last year. May and June cheese brought 10 to 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cents per pound; July more languid at 91 to 93 cents ; August in better demand at 92 to 101: September and October was held for weeks and finally brought 12 cents. The calculation is made that while Woodstock sales of cheese for a year amounted to nearly \$200,000, the Oxford-made cheese sold in Ingersoll, London and Stratford amounts in value to \$400,000 more. The election of officers resulted as follows :--- President, John White, reelected ; Vice President, Robt. Whitelaw, re-elected; Secretary, John Craig, re-elected. Council, Dr. McKay, J. J. Hall, T. H. Parker, Jas. Hay, jr., Jonathan Martin, James Sutherland, M. P., W. Grey, A. W. Francis, R. W. Sawtell, A. Pattullo, Henry Parker, John Cameron. The Board of Arbitration is composed of the following gentlemen : J. M. Grant, J. D. Hood, M. M. Nesbitt, Angus Rose, James Scott. S. B. Fuller, F. O. Cross, G. Caldbeck, H. J. Finkle, B. W. Knight, S. G. McKay, and W. A. Karn.

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—It is possible to report an improvement in cottons, according to the letter of our Montreal correspondent. which says: "In cottons there is rather more excitement; in addition to the advance of 5 per cent. in cotton yarns noted last week, bleached cottons have been advanced 10 per cent. The Canada Cotton Company have raised the price of their canton flannels Ic. a vard, and of some numbers 1½ cents a yard. The price of raw cotton is now reported at from 12½ to 13c. a pound."

-Montreal is troubled nearly every spring, by the rising of the waters, which floods the cellars of "Griffintown" and sometimes' those of warehouses in McGill street. The matter has been discussed by the Harbor Commissioners, and Mr. Kennedy, their Engineer. has been authorized to make some experiments with a view to removing the difficulty. The ice still holds in the St. Lawrence, and is badly jammed below the city, causing apprehension of a serious flood. Already says our correspondent, many warehouse cellars are full, the water being within but a short distance of the top of the revetment wall.

#### MONTREAL'S GROWTH.

The continued growth of the City of Montreal is excellently exemplified in the amounts of postal matter received and despatched to day as compared with some twenty-five or thirty years ago. At that time, as our reporter recently learned in conversation with an official, there were but two letter carriers employed ; fourteen years since there were eight, and there are now forty-five. Our fathers appear to have been contented with one daily delivery, whereas now we do not consider ourselves any too well served with five in the central portions, and three in the outskirts. Seventeen years ago there were but three trains arriving daily with mail matter, viz., the New York, Western and Eastern. To day the West sends us four trains, and we despatch four to them. From the East five mails arrive and as many are forwarded. From the south four are sent out and four received. Total, twenty-six regular daily mails. There are four regular British and foreign mails sent out weekly. Regular special trains are also despatched by North German Lloyd and Hamburgh and American Packet Companies. About sixty-two mails per month are sent and received to Central and South America and the West Indies. There is also a monthly mail to Australia via San Fran-cisco, two for China and Japan, and three for the Sandwich Islands.

Not many years ago the only outside mails received were those coming weekly via Allan and Cunard line<sup>8</sup>. The Allans then brought the bulk of the mail to Canada, now any one mail from abroad is as large as then brought by the Canadian line. The increased facilities now admit of opening up and delivering mail matter in about half the time formerly occupied. Our informant looked upon the Montreal system, as a whole, as serving the public better than in some parts of Great Britain. In London, England, for instance, letters were not re-directed as they are here. -Wincess.

#### meetings.

#### CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION.

The twelfth annual meeting of this Company was held at its office, Toronto Street, in this D

city, on Tueeday, the 8th inst. The President, Sir W. P. Howland, occupied the chair, and the managing director, Mr. J. K. Macdonald, acted as secretary. The following report was submitted :--

#### BEPORT.

Your directors experience great satisfaction in meeting the policyholders and shareholders in the twelfth annual meeting with a report which indicates so entirely the continued success and progress of the Association. Nothing could more throughly attent the nonputry with the progress of the Association. Nothing could more thoroughly attest the popularity with the insuring public, and the confidence which the Association enjoys than the large share of new business secured during the year, and the em-inently satisfactory state of the business at its alose

These facts will prove a source of gratification to the shareholders and policyholders, as well as to all the other friends of the Association.

to all the other friends of the Association. During the year 1,786 applications for assur-ance, amounting to \$2,776,163, were received and considered; 1,659 for \$2,540,163 were ap-proved, and 127 for \$236,000 were declined or withdrawn. Including thirteen revived cases, 1,672 policies for \$2,558,163 of assurance were written; and the year closed with 7,292 policies, insuring the sum of \$11,204,534 on the Register.

insuring the sum of \$11,202,554 on the register. The death claims for the year were forty-one, calling for \$73,715 under forty-two policies. Bonus additions had accrued under three policies making a total of \$73,914.75. This shows a very favourable death rate, which fact pays a fitting tribute to the care exercised in the ad-mission of persons into the Company, and to the wisdom of adhering strictly to the rule to exclude all lives which from residence, occupa-tion or habits present an abnormal or extra havard. hazard.

The Financial Statements call for no explana-The Financial Statements call for no explana-tion. It has been the constant aim of the directors to have them in such a shape that they will exhibit clearly and precisely the affairs of the Association, and it is believed that they will be found to have placed it in the power of each policyholder to see for himself what has been done with his money, and what is the stand-ing of the Association. ing of the Association.

The Auditors have, as formerly, made their audit monthly. The check made by these officers is a most thorough and complete one, as their certificate following the Financial Statements will indicate.

The Actuary has made the valuation of the The Actuary has made the valuation of the policy and annuity liabilities in accordance with the severe rule of the Association, and while it may be contended by some that it would be sufficient to conform to the requirements of the Government standard, instead of assuming a liability in excess of what that standard calls for, it has to be borne in mind that our rule pro-vides greater safety, and anticipates what must eventually come, a reduction in the rate of in-terest from four and a half per cent, to four per terest from four and a half per cent. to four per cent.

The substantial increase to the surplus will be noted with satisfaction, and will justify the anticipation of satisfactory results to the policy. holders.

Your directors have a pleasing duty in testify-ing to the continued faithfulness of the office, agency, and medical staff. W. P. HowLAND,

# President.

#### J. K. MACDONALD,

1882.

# Managing Director.

#### CASH STATEMENT. Receipts.

Dec. 31. Cash	on hand and in banks \$ Revenue Items.	7,052 85
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1000			
Dec. 31.	Premiums	313,432	09
	" Paid in advance	145	74
	Interest	62,646	84
	Rent	1,869	67
	Consideration for tempor-		
	ary reductions	3,533	67
	Repayment of Investments, e	etc.	
	Cash deposit to meet mat-		
	ring debentures	78	07
	Loans on Policies	2,817	70
	" Mortgage	71,719	97
	" Stock	50	00

Debentures matured From sundry sources	3,919 1,207		T
a road bulary courses of	\$467,462		H H H H
1883. Expenditure. Dec. 31. By expenses for year	\$ 77,845	09	t s
Re-insurance	4,201	28	8
Surrendered Policies	7,277 79,208		ŗ
Death Claims Matured Endowments.	6,500		ti
Profits to policy-holders	20,524		r
Dividends to Stock. holders	8,000	~	f
Annuities	1,392		
Annuities in reduction			
of premiums Commission on Loans	6,197 <b>479</b>		
Loss on Real Estate	86	07	
Rent	2,721		8
Taxes Insurance, Superintend-	525	°'	C
ence	265	04	1
Investments. Mortgages \$173,085 80			t r
Real Estate 266 49			у
Loans on			I
Policies 11,948 99 Loans on			e f
Stocks 7,591 26			C
Farniture. 1,154 57		- 1	
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ings Bank 416 10	<b>194,443</b>		(
By Sundry Advances, &c.	2,916		
Cash on hand, \$44 40;		-	I
in Banks, \$54,885 12	54,929	52	Ĩ
	\$ 467,462	90	
BALANCE SHEET.			Ł
Assets. Dec. 31st, 1883.			_
Debentures (market value, \$33,722.			1
46) par Mortgages	<b>93,884</b> 817,603		
Real Estate	20,988		
Loans on Stock	7,881	26	
Government 5 per cent. stock and Savings Bank deposit	4,616	10	
Loans on Company's policies	29,897	03	
Sundry accounts Furniture, \$2,479,77 less 10 per	400	00	]
cent. written off for year	2,231	80	1
Disbursements repayable by mort-	446	07	1
Cash on hand	44	40	1
Cash in Banks	54,885	12	1
Premiums in course of collection (reserve thereon included in lia-			•
bilities), of this the sum of \$35,			1
634.96 is covered by short date		~	
notes		09	
on existing policies due, subse-			ľ
quent to Dec. 31st, 1882, (re- serve thereon included in liabili-			
		50	
Interest due and accrued	37,154	68	
	1,152,728	38	
Liabilities.			
Dec. 31st, 1883. Assurance fund (includ-			
bonus additions \$905,628 49	)		l
Annuity funds 9,171 72	}		
\$914,800 21	Ļ		
Less for policies re-as-	1		l
assured 16,151 44	⊧ <b>-\$</b> 893,648	77	I
For temporary reductions	. 82,915	17	
Lapsed policies, value on surrende	r 4,782	10	
	\$936,346	04	
Loss by death, not due (since paid	1 '		
excepting \$1,857.50 waiting com pletion of papers)		25	ļ
Premiums paid in advance	. 145	5 74	1
Profits to policy holders	1,529	96	1
All other accounts, including medi cal fees, directors' fees, etc	- 4,759	40	
Sinking fund to meet maturing de	•		1
bentures Surrendered policy waiting major		3 71	1
ity of beneficiary		96	
Paid up capital stock	. 80,000		
Held to cover cost of collecting pre	) <b>-</b>		

Held to cover cost of collecting pre miums, outstanding and deferred on Dec. 31st, 1883

Surplus .....

J. K. MACDONALD.

We have made the usual thorough audit of the Books of the Association for the year ending 31st December, 1883, and have examined the vouch-ers in connection therewith, and have compared the above Statement and Balance Sheet with the

same, and found the whole correct. We have also examined each of the securities represented in the Assets, which are safely con-tained in the vaults of the Association (except-ing the securities held by the Dominion Govern-ment amounting to \$83,770 par value), and found them in good order.

JOHN LANGTON, JOHN M. MABTIN, Auditors.

Toronto,	7th	April.	1884.	
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ACTUARY'S BEPORT. I hereby certify, that having computed the value of the risks of the Confederation Life Association, as submitted to me and stated below, on the basis of the Institute of Actuaries Life Tables and interest at the rate of four and onehalf per cent. per annum, taking account of the net premiums only, and adding (as in previous years) ten per cent. to the value of all paid-up Life Policies, and a corresponding amount in the case of those in course of becoming paid up, I find the liability thereunder as follows, as at date of 31st December, 1883 :--Present Value or Reserve. Number of policies valued, 7,292, in-suring an amount of \$11,204,534..\$905,628 49 Of these 48 policies for an amount of \$185,809 were re-insured..... 16.151 44 Leaving a net liability of ... \$889,477 05 And unclaimed surrender values to 4.782 10 nuities for an amount of \$1,392.30 per annum..... To this must be added liability for 9,171 72 temporary reductions ..... 82.915 17 Making the total net liability .. \$936,846 04

#### CHARLES CARPMAEL, Actaary.

Toronto, April 4th, 1884.

In moving the adoption of the report, the

"The statement, gentlemen, which we have the pleasure of submitting to you, affords satis-factory evidence to everyone that our progress is still onward, and that, too, notwithstanding the fact that the past year has not been a very favourable one for any branch of business in this country. Notwithstanding that, gentlemen, and notwithstanding increased competition, and that too, to an extent we have never experienced before, we have succeeded in attaining the results which we now place before you, which show a steady progress of the part of the Company.

"Our cash premium receipts, for instance, have increased \$30,835.27; the interest receipts \$5,346.61. The surplus has increased \$49,424. The assets have increased \$185,789.59 and have reached the large sum of \$1,152,728.88. The new business also shows a gratifying increase, and the statement before you shows that the in-surance in force at the end of the year was \$1,-204,534, an increase over the previous year of \$1,295,288. These are all points, gentlemen, that mark the steady progress of the Company, and afford, I think, satisfactory evidence of a proper administration of its affairs, and of the proper administration of its affairs, and of the exertion and effective labor that has been per-formed by all parties connected with the Company. If there is any other matter connected with the accounts that any gentlemen would de-sire any further information or explanation about, we would be most happy to afford it.'

The President then moved the adoption of the 

statement, the report of the auditors, and the actuary's report, and the report of the trustees for Government Savings Bank policies be adopted.'.

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adopted.". In seconding the resolution, Mr. William Elliot, V. P., said :— "Mr. Chairman, gentlemen.—There are reso-lutions which gentlemen are called upon to second in meetings of this kind which are purely complimentary, others which are merely formal, but in regard to this one I may say, that I second it with a great deal of pleasure, and I think I can say with pardonable pride. As you know, sir, I have been connected with this association from the beginning, with yourself, and therefore feel and take a great interest in it. I am an old citizen of this country now, having been more 8,139 46 112,822 98 \$1,152,728 38 Director.

than fifty-five years in Canada, and I feel proud than fifty-five years in Canada, and I feel proud of this institution as a real Canadian institution. You referred, sir, to the popularity of this com-pany—I think most will agree with me, who know about the working of the institution, that it is a popularity earned in a perfectly legiti-mate and natural way by upright, straightforward and honourable dealing. I think I may challenge any one to say that any one transaction of this company has been otherwise than what has been company has been otherwise than what has been honest, straightforward, and honourable. I am happy to say, sir, that we have now, as we have had through most of our carcer, a number of most industrious, persevering, and respectable agents, through whose exertions a large amount of new business has been secured during the past year.

"And then again, sir, I notice one other matter, and that is that during the past year \$74,-000—I am speaking in round numbers—was dis-tributed to the families of the representatives of those who died. This is a large sum, but it is not too large, and it does not come up to the 'ex-pectation.' That is in consequence of the lives pectation.' That is in consequence of the lives insured having been good lives, and though we have paid so much, it has been less than might have been expected, on the regular morality tables. "I would also refer to the benefit which the

country derives from our people insuring in our home companies. Had the insurances carried by this Association been made with American Companies, the large amount of capital represented by the assets would have been invested in American securities, from which this country would derive no benefit.

I have very much pleasure and pardonable adoption of the report. The motion was then put and carried unani-

mously.

Votes of thanks were passed to the directors and to the provincial boards, also to the actuary, the office and agency staff, the medical examiners and solicitors.

The auditors, Messrs. John Langton and John M. Martin, were thanked and re-appointed.

After the appointment of scrutineers, the Hon. James Young was moved into the chair, when a special vote of thanks, with the usual honorarium was passed to the President, Vice-President, and the Chairman of the Insurance Committee, which was acknowledged in a few appropriate remarks by each of the gentlemen present, Mr. Elliot speaking for the Hon. Wm. McMaster, absent in Ottawa. Sir W. P. Howland then rose and addressed

the meeting, saying :-Before you leave the chair, now that I am merely a shareholder, with my duties as an officer of the company at an end, I feel at liberty to bring to the attention of this meeting a proposal which I would not make had I not the strongest possible conviction that it is one that will accord with the views and feelings of not only every gentleman here, but almost everyone connected with this company. I am sure, of everyone who has any knowledge of its workings and the manner in which it is conduct. I am certain also that the gentlemen preed. sent would not be satisfied to separate without there being some expression on the part of this meeting of the appreciation of the services of the managing director. For my own part, having opportunities, of course, greater than any other on present, and being ultimately connected with him in the management and business of the company for such a long period of time, in all rience, which has not been a very limitmy exp ed one, I have never met with any person who has shown such devotion in the performance of his duties, and such an appreciation of what was incumbent upon him, as has been done by our manager. He not only, gentlemen, performed the duties that would properly pertain to an officer in his position, but he never stops as long as there is anything to do, or anything to think of, or any work to be done that will forward the interests of the company. It is no matter to him whether it is in the ordinary hours of business or out of them, whether it requires him to go from home, or to stop at home. There is not one thing he ever omitted, to my knowledge, that could be done by him, that was necessary for the protection and forwarding of the interests of this Associatian. Under these circumstances, I am sure there is not a gentleman present who would desire that this meeting should sepawho would desire that this meeting should sepa-rate, without expression being given to its ap-preciation of the manner in which he has performed his duties, and I feel also as a share-holder, and from the expression of feeling that I have had from those interested in the Company, that it would be a gratification to them to have

an opportunity of offering evidence of the feeling that they have, in a tangible manner. I propose for the consideration of this meeting the follow-

"That with a view to afford evidence of the appreciation that we have of the services of our manager, this company place to his credit the the sum of one thousand dollars, as a testimonial to that effect."

Mr. Samuel Trees said-I am sure I can only endorse what has been said by Sir Wm. Howland in regard to our manager. After all, though the directors may advise and supervise, it is the manager of a company who does the real hard work. I am sure the confidence we repose in our manager is well merited. This is evident from the expression of good will we have all heard, and from the testimony of the balance sheet to day presented to us. I for one, as a policyholder, fully endorse the remarks that have been made, and therefore have the greatest pleasure in seconding the resolution.

Hon. Mr. Young put the resolution, which was carried amid loud cheers, and then tendered the thanks of the meeting to Mr. Macdonald, the managing director, in the terms of the resolution.

In reply, Mr. Macdonald said-I cannot sufficiently express my thanks to you for this very pleasant surprise which you have given me this afternoon. I happened to be out of the room part of the time, so that I did not hear all the kind remarks which I am sure the president made—I judge they were kind, for those he made after I came in again were exceedingly so, and made with the same good feeling that has so often supported me in my anxieties in connection with the business of the Company. I would also thank my good friend Mr. Trees, one of the largest policyholders in the Company, for his remarks. It is, I may say, a matter of great remarks. It is, I may say, a matter of great gratification to me personally that my efforts in connection with this Company have been so far successful, and I can assure you that aside from the remuneration I have had a very large measure of gratification in the fact that whatever some few persons may say against me in connec-tion with this company, those who know me and my work give me their full confidence and ap preciation of my efforts, and I cannot sufficiently Chairman, and gentlemen, for thank you, Mr. this kindness, and for the very substantial way in which these expressions have been backed up. I can only offer you my best thanks, and say that so long as my life is spared and my services are found of a nature to be worth retaining, these services will be given to the Confederation Life Association.

The report of the scrutineers was then present ed, showing the old board had been re-elected, as follows :--Hon. Sir W. P. Howland, Hon. Wm. McMaster, Wm. Elliot, Esq.; Hon. Chief Justice Macdonald, Hon. Isaac Burbee, W. H. Justice Macdonald, Hon. Isaac Burbee, W. H. Beatty, Esq.; Edward Hooper, Esq.; J. Herbert Mason, Esq.; Hon. James Young, F. A. Ball, Esq.; M. P. Ryan, Esq.; S. Nordheimer, Esq.; W. H. Gibbs, Esq.; A. McLean Howard, Esq. J. D. Edgar, Esq.; J. K. Macdonald, Esq. At a meeting of the Directors held after the annual meeting, Sir W. P. Howland was re-elected President, and the Hon. Wm. McMaster and Wm Elliot Esq. Vice. Presidents

and Wm. Elliot, Esq., Vice-Presidents.

#### ONTARIO MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The fourteenth annual meeting of this com-The fourteenth annual meeting of this com-pany was held at its head office, in the town of Waterloo, Ont., on Wednesday the 9th day of April, 1884, over one hundred members from different parts of the Dominion, being present.

The president, I. E. Bowman, Esq., having the chair, on motion of Robt. Baird, Esq., seconded by James Hope, Esq., Mr. W. H. Riddell, the secretary of the meeting. Having read the notice calling the annual meeting, on motion of James Watson, Esq., seconded by B. M. Britton, Esq., Q.C., the minutes of last annual meeting were adopted, whereupon the president proceeded to read the

#### REPORT.

GENTLEMEN,-In presenting to you our fourteenth annual statement, being for the year 1883, it affords us much pleasure and satisfaction to be able to report to you that our Company has had another very successful year, and that its encouraging prospects and rapidly that its encouraging prospects and rapidly increasing popularity warrant us to predict still greater success in the near future. The volume of new business is again in excess of any previous year—our income is largely

increased-our ratio of expense is diminishedand our assets as at the 31st December last amount to over half a million dollars.

During the past year 1,538 policies were issued granting assurance for \$2,035,600, and 66 appli-cations for \$94,000 were received from persons whose health was not up to our standard and were therefore declined

Our Manager's actuarial seport shows that on the 31st December, 1883, there were 5,241 policies in force, covering assurance for \$6,572,-719.71.

Our income for the year is composed of \$180,592.74 for premiums, and \$18,589.86 for interest on investments, making a total of \$199,182.60.

Our net assets are \$450,080.35 showing an increase of \$84,853.89, and our total assets are \$533,705.55, being an increase of \$106,275.83.

The amount paid for death claims during the past year is \$34,403.10. If we deduct from this amount the sum of \$8,437.72 brought forward from 1882, and add \$2,000 unadjusted for 1883, we find that the claims upon the mortality of 1883, amount to \$27,965.38.

As intimated in our last report, we have since appointed two general agents for the Maritime Provinces, Mr. George Knight, of Halifax, for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, and Mr. E. M. Sipprell, of St. John, for New Brunswick, both of whom have been successful in placing the merits of our Company before the public, in that part of the Dominion. We are confident that a continuation of the

careful and economical management which has brought the Ontario Mutual to its present prosperous condition will soon place it in the fore-most rank among the life assurance companies of Canada.

We continue our comparative statement showing the steady growth of the Company from its commencement in 1870, with the assets for the vear 1883 added.

Year.	Assets.	Year.	Assets.
1870	\$ 6,216	1877	\$110,209
1871	7,830	1878	142,619
1872	12,246	1879	177,897
	23 142		227,424
	83,721		339,909
	53,681		427,429
	81.105		533.705

The surplus to the credit of our policy holders s \$43,761.95, which shows that the increase in this important item of our report is fully equal to the general increase of our business which enables us to continue the liberal scale of surplus distribution which has given such great satisfaction to our members.

It affords us sincere pleasure to report to you that the health of our manager is sufficiently restored to enable him to resume the discharge of his duties.

The detailed statement prepared and duly certified to by your auditors, is herewith sub mitted for your information. You will be called upon to elect four directors

in place of I. E. Bowman, James Trow, Alfred Hoskin and R. S. Patterson, whose term of office has expired, but who are all eligible for re-election

On behalf of the board, ISAAC E. BOWMAN, President. The president then read

THE AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Being the 14th annual statement of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company, audit 1883.

Net assets, December 31st, 1882....\$365,328 71 Less amount of cancelled liens on

lapsed policies\$3,886.04

Less ledger balances written

off ......\$1,423 95 \$5,809 99 \$360,018 72

BECEIPTS Cash from premiums..\$182,205 63 Less paid for re-assur-

ance ...... 1,612 89 \$180,592 74 Cash from interest on investments. 18,589 86 1.612 89 \$180.592 74

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EXPENDITURE. Claims under 32 policies.. \$34,403 10

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ment	1,000	00		
Dividends paid in cash	14.279	19		
Purchased policies	9,151	45		
-		\$	58,833	74
General Ea	rvenses.		•	
Commissions to agents	29.591	41		
edical examinations	4.434	50		
- Outour exquininations of	-,		34,025	91
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Salaries. President and director's fees and mileage.....\$ 1,926 24 Manager, secretary and assistants..... 5.742 27 General agents and super-1,996 59 intendent ..... 200 00 Auditors ..... 8 9,866 10 Rents of offices in Hamil-154 00 top and Toronto..... Books and stationery.... 735 19 Taxes ..... Insurance department .. Office furpishings ..... 67 76 198 12 105 50 108 97 Telegraphy ..... \*\* Postage..... 605 07 Printing acct., part 1882 1,143 65 1883 ..... Advertising ..... 721 49 Travelling expenses .... Commissions on loans and 870 85 valuation fees..... 363 50 272 69 Solicitor's fees..... Repairs on office. fire insurance, and incident-1,046 43 als..... 6,396 22 . 8 \$109,120 97 Balance net assets......\$450,080 35 Total.....\$559,201 32 BALANCE SHEET, 1883. Assets. .....\$450,080 35 Total net assets. Comprising the following investments : Municipal debentures, face value, \$103,277 41, market value, \$109,-. \$105,854 53 (cash valuation, \$565,915 00).... 229,985 02 Company's office ..... 6 314 53 1.346 27 Real estate..... Loans on policies in force, (reserves to the credit of which amount to \$87,113 33)..... 40,945 42 Liens, (reserves to the credit of which amount to \$66,889 54)..... 38,832 18 Agents' and other balances. 10,872 85 Cash in Molson's Bank .. \$16,779 68 Less amount of outstanding cheques unpaid .. 860 30 15,919 38 Cash and postage stamps in office .. 12 17 \$450.080 35 Cash assets brought down... .\$450,080 35 Short date notes secured by policies in force ..... Premiums due and in course of 12,652 89 Tentanis and and an acceleration of the second seco 10,273 52 34,734 89 Interest due and accrued...... 22,743 83 Market value of Debentures over с)вŧ ..... 3,220 07 \$ 83,625 20 Liabilities. Amount of reserve required (includ-ing Liens, deferred premiums, notes, &c ) based on the actuaries 4 per cent. table..... \$485,654 04 Less re assurance...... 3,476 57 482,177 47 2.000 00

and other premiums	5	,766	13
Total liabilities	\$489	,943	60
Surplus	<b>\$</b> 43	,761	95
GEO. J. JAFFBAY, HENRY F. J. JACKSON, Waterloo, March 22, 1884.	Åud	itore	ı <b>.</b>

The manager, having made a few introductory romarks, read his

ACTUARIAL REPORT.

To the President and Directors of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Co.

GENTLEMEN :-- I have made a seriatim examination and valuation of the policies in force on the 31st day December, 1883.

I find the number of policies in force to be 5,241 on 4,951 lives, covering assurance to the

amount of \$6,572,719.71, an average on each life of \$1,327.55.

In the valuation I have used the "Actuaries" table of mortality and 4 per cent. interest.

As it is the Company's rule to pay surplus on the anniversary of the respective policies, when the premium for the ensuing year becomes due. I have used our Office or terminal values, and find the amount required in reserve to be \$485 654.04; this covers all ordinary reserves, and in addition thereto, the present of all future premiums reductions on lien policies; from this, the value of re-assurances amounting to \$3.476.57 requires to be deducted, leaving the net reserve to be \$482,177.47.

As the matter of valuations and reserves is so little understood by the public I beg to present the following

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

of reserves required to be held under the various tables in use :

	OBDINARY LIFE, AGE 20.					
	Ead of	American	н. м.	Actuaries'		
	Year.	41 per cent.	41 p. c.	4 per cent.		
	1	4 74	5.93	6 22		
	5	25.81	31.11	<b>3</b> 3 30		
	10	57.71	69.68	72.53		
	15	<b>97.00</b>	113,69	118.56		
		A	эв 35.			
	1	9.82	10.89	11.48		
	5	53.20	57.25	61.64		
	10	117.45	124.90	133.41		
	15	193.43	200.78	214.30		
		A	эн 50.			
i	1	20.45	20.15	21.62		
	5	106.83	105.42	110.79		
	10	222.74	218.72	226 84		
	15	342.79	333.76	344.87		
		AGE 20,	10 PAY LIFE.			
	1	20.75	21.56	24.94		
	5	114.91	117 83	136.30		
	10	262.61	268 40	3 6.17		
		A.	э <b>в 35.</b>			
	1	29.85	31.33	34.78		
	5	164.99	171.52	190.23		
	10	376 35	<b>390.04</b>	428.57		
		A	g <b>r 50</b> ,			
	. 1	44 90	45 13	49 06		
	5	245 54	247.82	265.87		
	10	556.98	564,78	599.43		

The reserves under "American" are the equirements in the New York and several other States.

under "H-M." are required in Those Canada.

Those under "Actuaries" are held by the Ontario, and required by Massachusetts and

Ontario, and required by Massachusetts and several other States. Having completed our fourteenth year's busi-ness it is gratifying to cast a glance back over our mortality experience: For this purpose I have referred to the summary published in THE MONETARY TIMES of Oct. 5th, 1883, and find the death claims of the Ontario per \$1,000 of assurance, during the five years ending Decem-has 1882 to be respectively :--bee 1882 to be, respectively :-

For the year	1878,	3.06
-	1879.	5.67
	1880.	4.65
	1881.	6.07
	1882,	5.42

Total during 5 years,

Annual average, 4.97. Bate for 1883, 4.26 In the same published summary I find the three other Canadian companies which com-menced business ofter the Ontario, reported as follows:

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	CONFEDERATIO	on. Sun.	ASSOCIATION.
1878,	6.05	6 90	9.83
1879,	6.30	5.13	5.05
1880,	8.93	6.43	4.71
1881,	5.61	11.17	5.52
1882,	5.76	10.11	6.18
- Total		<b>3</b> 9 74	30.79
Avera	ge 6.53	7.95	6.16
Annual 6.88.	average of	these three	combined

#### Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM HENDRY, Manager.

Waterloo, April 8, 1884.

The President was pleased to congratulate the members of the Company on the satisfactory the contention that the subscribed capital of progress made during the year 1883 and said it Stock Companies made assurance in them more

give him much pleasure to point to the growing interest manifested by our policy holders in the continued welfare of the Company, as was evident from the very large number present on this occasion.

Having explained for the information of the meeting various items in the financial statement, which had been printed and distributed among the members: and having directed attention to the surplus which, for the fiscal year ending 31st Decr. 1883, amounted to the handsome sum of \$43,761.95, the president said that apart from any credit which might be fairly claimed by the management for the conduct of the Company's affairs, its steady growth in popular favor must necessarily very much depend on the exertions which our agents may continue to put forth to secure new and desirable business. He had a very great deal of pleasure in complimenting them on the marked success which had attended their labors in the past; and, if the largely increased volume of new assurance secured dur-ing the last three months of the current year, as compared with former years, be an earnest of what we may expect, he had no hesitation in stating that the new business for 1884 would be the largest, by no inconsiderable amount, ever secured in any one year since the establishment of this Company, and he felt convinced he would not be disappointed at the close of the year when the results of their beneficent labors would become known. He concluded by moving the adoption of the several Reports. Alderman W. E. Brown, of Ottawa. felicitated

the management on the very satisfactory reports presented to the meeting and said as the repreentative of the Company's policy holders in the Ottawa district he had great pleasure in stating that the true principles of mutuality in life assurance were being better understood now than in the past in his part of the country; and in pro-portion to the dissemination of correct ideas on that subject the Company advanced in public estimation. He predicted that the time was not far distant when "The Ontario" would stand second to none in the Dominion of Canada.

He then read the minutes of a meeting of policyholders held in Ottawa on 22nd ultimo, appointing him their representative at the Annual Meeting, in which the following passage occurs : "A vote of thanks was passed to the occurs: "A vote of thanks was passed to the directors and officers and agents of the Company, including Mr. T. D. Rattan, our energetic dis-trict agent, for the substantial condition of the Company and the large amount of new business secured during the past year. The assembled policyholders observe with satisfaction that not-withstanding the large increase in the business of the Company in 1883 over that of 1882 as shown in the 'approximate statement' placed in shown in the 'approximate statement,' placed in our hands, the expenses of the former have been even less than those of the latter year." He took more than ordinary pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report.

Professor Mills, President of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, desired to say that as a heavy policyholder, as one who had been can-vassed by many of the best agents of the most prominent Companies doing business in Canada, he confessed a preference for "The Ontario." He had investigated the statement which appear-He had investigated the statement which appear-ed in a Toronto paper some time ago, to the ef-fect that this Company had not given as large profits as the Stock Companies, but found it to not only misleading but false. His investiga-tions convinced him—in fact he was entirely satisfied—that "The Ontario" was given by other results to its members than were given by other Companies, without in any way impairing its

Companies, without in any way impairing its stability. B. M. Britton, Esq., Kingston, in reply to re-peated calls, said he enjoyed the "bad pre-emi-ence" of having lost more money in insurance of one kind or another than perhaps any other man in Canada. He carried \$28,000 on his life, and like his friend, Prof. Mills, he was better satisfied with the policy he held from "The Ontario" than with those he had in any other company. He did not think, however that a mutual company should be in any sense a mutual company. All that think, however that a mutual company should be in any sense a mutual admiration society. All should aim at practical results—to increase the efficiency of the management—to entertain a profound con-viction of the merits of the Company—to inspire the agents with zeal in the prosecution of their labors (the agents in his part, he was glad to say, were enthusiastic) and to instruct the public in the true principles of mutual life assurance. He believed the mutual system as practiced by "The Ontario" to be the correct one and, therefore, should be encouraged. There was nothing in the contention that the subscribed capital of

desirable than in a well established mutual as sociation. The stock of such companies gives but a nominal security to policyholders-the real security of a Company with large cash assets and growing income was to be found in the judicious investment of its funds. He had much pleasure in expressing his confidence in the financial strength and stability of "The Ontario," which he believed to be a sound and good Company in all respects.

all respects. John Fennell Esq., of Berlin, in speaking to the motion, recommended the Board to grant leave of absence to the Manager, with the neces-sary allowance, to enable him to enjoy a few months' holidays. Though it was matter for sincere congratulation that Mr. Hendry's health had been restored, still his withdrawal, for a brief period, from the active duties of manager would tend, he trusted to yet more thoroughly would tend, he trusted, to yet more thoroughly re-establish his former vigor and strength, in the hope that a life so valuable may be long preserved to himself and the Company he has done so much to build up to its present high standing. The president and others bore testimony to the manager's acknowledged abilities and to his un-remitting devotion to the company's interests

manager's acknowledged addition and to his un-remitting devotion to the company's interests during the past fourteen year, their remarks meeting with load applause. On motion, Messrs. Thos. Miller of Stratford, Dr. Martyn of Kineardine, and Geo. Wegenast, cashier "Ontario Mutual," were appointed scruti-neers to receive the ballots for the election of four directors and to report to the meeting. A number of eligible nominations having been made the balloting was proceeded with, resulting in the re-election of I. E. Bowman Esq., James Trow, M. P., Alfred Hoskin, Q. C., and the elec-tion, of John Carnegie, M.P.P., of Peterborough, for the ensuing term of three years. On motion, Messrs. Henry F. J. Jackson, and J. M. Scully were appointed, by vote of members present, additors for the current year. Votes of thanks to the President and directors;

Votes of thanks to the President and directors; to the Manager, Secretary and official staff; to the Agents, medical examiners and referees, hav-Ing been tendered. Messis. J. B. Hughes, Chas. Packert, Prof.

Mills, and others spoke in laudatory terms of the efficiency and energy shown by the Company's officers in the management of its affairs and of the zeal displayed by the agents in the procurewhile advocating a wise economy in every de-partment, contended that the work well done should be well paid for. Thorough efficiency and experience should not only receive but com-

mand adequate recognition. The President having replied on behalf of the directors and officers, it was moved by Mr. Hos-kin and seconded by Mr. Baird and Resolved that the congratulations of the members be tendered to the Manager on his restoration to health and his return to active duties.

Thus one of the most successful and influential meetings ever held in the history of the Company was brought to a close.

After the annual meeting the Board met, when I. E. Bowman, Esq., was re-elected President, and C. M. Taylor, Esq., Vice-President for the ensuing year.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND, LIMITED.

The report made by the directors to the annual meeting of proprietors, held within the Bank's Head Office, in Edinburgh, on Friday 21st Decem-ber, 1883, is condensed as follows :

In submitting the usual annual abstract bal-ance sheet of the bank, as at 1st November last, certified by the auditors, the directors have the pleasure to report that the business of the past year shows the following satisfactory results.

After making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts, the net profits amount to £175, 161, 18s. 8d.; the balance brought from last is £26,131, 15s. 7d., making together £201,293, 14s. 3d.

Keeping in view the large addition made to the receive fund last year, and the further addition now made, the directors have decided to declare the following dividende, viz. :-

The ordinary dividend of 13 per cent. £130, 000, and an extra dividend of 13 per cent. £130, eent. £30,000—£160,000, after providing for which there will remain to be added to the reserved fund £20,000, and cerried forward to next year £21,293, 14s. 3d., making £201,293 14s. 3d.

The above dividend and bonus, will, as usual, be paid to the proprietors in equal parts, in January and July next, free of Income Tax.

The Bank's reserve fund now amounts to £660,000 exclusive of the full year's dividend now declared, and the unappropriated balance carried forward.

T. A. HOG, Chairman of the Board. Abstract Balance Sheet as at 1st Nov., 1883.

LIABILITIES.			
1. Capital Stock of the Bank £	1.000.000	0	0
2. Reserve Fund	660,000	Õ	Ō
3. Dividend	,	•	Ť
of 13 per			
cent £130,000 0 0			
Extra div-			
idend or			
bonus of 3			
per cent 30,000 0 0		~	
	£160,000	U	0
4. Note cir-			
culation	711,401	17	0
5. Deposits, receipts and cur-			
rent account balances 1	12,766,066	15	9
6. Drafts outstanding	165,624	14	8
7. Accept -			-
ances by the			
Bank — On			
account of			
banking cor-			
respondents 860,340 17 0			
On account			
of other cus-			
tomers 225,743 13 6	1 000 004	10	•
	1,086,084	10	6
8. Balance of profits carried			
forward	21,293	14	2
-			
£	16,570,471	12	2
ASSETS.			
1. Gold and silver coin ; notes			
of other banks; and cash			
with the Bank of England			
and other London bankers £	1,296,152	8	1
2. British Government securi-		-	
ties; and loans at call on			
short notice in London	4,524 813	11	0
3. Bank of England, Metro-	4,024 010	**	v
politan Board of Works, the			
Bank's (£5004, 16s. 8d. at par), and other stocks and	1		
	1 040 500		~
investments	1,049,720		2
4. Bills discounted	4,240,606	11	8
5. Advances on cash credit			
and current account	4 135,293		9
6. Acceptances, per contra,	1,086,084	10	6
17. Bank buildings at head			
office, London office, and			
branches	145,500	0	0
8. Heritable property yielding	-		
rent	92,300	0	0
-			
£	16,570,471	12	2
			-
T. A. Hoo, Chairn	nan.		
ALEX. JAMES RUSS	ELL,		
ARCH. D. COCKBUR	N, Din	tor	
JAMES MANSFIELD,	[ Dire		••
PATRICK BLAIR			

PATRICK BLAIR T. H. SMITH, Manager.

#### Commercial.

#### MONTREAL MARKETS.

#### MONTBEAL, April 16th, 1884.

The week, since last date of writing has been a broken one, two holidays Good Friday and Easter Monday, having been largely observed, so that the volume of trade has been only moderate. The opening of navigation is impatiently looked The stock market has been dull, brokers for. having kept holidays from Thursday up to Tuesday. Money continues in abundant supply at easy rates.

ASHES.—Receipts, as is always the case in April, are small, stocks however keep rolling up as shipments are almost *nil*, and there are at present in store 1800 brls. Prices rule about the same. No. 1 Pots, \$4.20 to \$4.30, Seconds, \$3.65 to \$3.75 nominal; Pearls, nothing doing and \$6 paring. and \$6 nominal.

BOOTS AND SHOES .- This being between sons matters are rather quiet with the shoe trade at large. Travellers out on sorting trips are not sending in many orders.

Day Goods.—Fine weather and Easter times have helped city retail trade somewhat, and the results are shown in improved payments from city dealers. Travellers are getting on their re-

spective grounds for the sorting trip and report spring trade backward but country stocks not large, and in the West favorable indistocks not large, and in the west favorable indi-cations for the fall wheat must help trade. Buyers are now generally on their way home, and will as a rule buy cautiously. In cottons there is rather more excitement; in addition to the advance of 5 per cent. in cotton yarns quoted last week, bleached cottons have advance of 10 ne cent and the Canada Cotton Company ed 10 per cent. and the Canada Cotton Company has raised the price of their Canton flannels 1c. a vard The price of raw cotton is now reported at from 121 to 13c. a pound.

DEUGS AND CHEMICALS .--- Business, though DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business, though rather more active, is not yet up to the level of old years at this season. Payments are mod-erately good. There is an easier tendency in prices of most lines of heavy chemicals. Quinine is a little cheaper, probably because German makers are forcing their product on the market. We quote: Sal Soda, \$1.20 to \$1.25 per 100 lbs.; Bi. Cb. Soda, \$2.50 to 2.60; Soda Ash \$1.50 to 1.75; Bichromate of Potash, per 100 lbs., \$9.00 to 10.00; Borax refined, 12 13Åc. Cream Tartar crystals. 80Å to 32c.; do ground 36c. to 380: Tarerystals, 804 to 32c.; do ground 36c. to 38c ; Tar-taric Acid, 57 to 60c. per 1b.; Caustic Soda, white, \$2.40 to 2.60; Sugar of Lead, 10 to 12c.; Bleaching \$2.40 to 2.60; Sugar of Lead, 10 to 120.; Bleaching Powder, \$2.50 to \$3.00; Alum \$1.70 to \$1.90; Cop-peras, per 100 lbs., 90c. to \$1.00; Flowers Sulphur, per 100 lbs., \$2 70 to \$2 90; Roll Sul-phur, \$2.40 to \$2.60; Sulphate of Copper, \$6.00 to \$6.50; Epsom Salts, \$1.25 to \$1.40; Saltpetre, \$9.00 to 9.50; German Quinine, \$1.50 to \$1.65; English and American do., \$1.60 to \$1.75; as to makers, per oz. bottles; Opium, \$4.00 to \$4 25; Morphia, \$2.15 to \$2.80. Gum Arabic, sorts, 28 to 32c. White, 38 to 55c.

FISH.—The Lenten trade is now over, and business has assumed its normal quiet phase. Stocks of all kinds are light; of Herrings there are only small quantities of inferior No. 2. at \$4 to 4.25; Dry Cod, \$5 to 5.25; North Shore Salmon, \$20 for No. 1. being the only grade in the market; British Columbia Salmon, \$15.50 to 16. Smoked Salmon, 150 16; Smoked Salmon, 15c.

FLOAR.—Despite the near approach of the op-ning of Navigation, business in this line con-tinues unusually staguant and prices are easier. We quote Superior extra \$5.45, Spring Extra, \$4.75 to 4.80, Superfine \$4.05 to 4.10, Cauadian Strong Bakers \$5.25 to 5.50, American bo. \$5.45 to \$5 55.

FURS.--The week has been exceedingly quiet. no raw furs offering at all, probably due to the breaking up of the roads. It is expected how-ever that there will be further lots coming in up ever that there will be further lots coming in up to the middle of May. Manufacturers too, are far from busy. Prices are exactly as last quoted, *Beaver*, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per lb.; Otter, \$9.00 to \$12 00; Bear, large, \$9 00 to \$12.00; small, \$4.00 to \$7.00; Cub do. \$3.00 to \$5.00; Fisher, \$4.00 to \$6.00; Ked Fox, \$1.20 to 1.35; Cross do., \$3.00 to \$7.00; Mink, 50c. to \$1 00, Marten, \$1.00 to \$1.20; Muskrat, (winter) 1240. (spring) do. 18 to 20c.; Skunk, 40 to 60c.; Racecon, 50 to 80c. Raccoon. 50 to 80c.

GEOCERIES.-Business is not any more active than at last writing; concerning payments we do not hear much complaint. Sugars are weaker ; granulated about 1c. lower, owing probably to the continued low rates for raw. Granulated can be bought from the refinery at 71c, and probably 72c. for large lots; Yellows not much affected. Teas continue firm; a fair trade is affected. Teas continue firm; a fair trade is passing in Japans, and there is rather more de-mand for black; sales of some fair lots to go west are reported within last few days at prices ranging from 26 to  $42\frac{1}{2}c$ . The market is pretty bare of rice, but sales are transpiring for May delivery, we may quote from \$3.35 to 3.50, as to quality and lot. Valencia raisins are rather more in demand at 5 to  $5\frac{1}{2}s$ , for fair quality; Currents 5c is quoted, good  $5\frac{1}{2}$  to 6c. In spices there is not much new: Ginger is perhaps easier. Mol-asses dull and easier. There are some indica-tions of a probable rise in Tobaccos, the price of leaf having advanced in the U.S. leaf having advanced in the U.S.

LEATHEB.-Good upper leather is in limited LEATHER.—Good upper leather is in limited supply, and sole leather is held firmly at the ad-vanced rates. There is not much shipping of splits to England just now. though prices there are good, and parties have been writ-ing for consignments, the local demand is good and absorbs available supplies. Hem-ock Spanish Sole B. A. 244 to 274c.; ditto, No. 2 B A. 22 to 24c; No. 1 Ordinary Spanish 24 to 254c; No. 2 ditto 22 to 28c; No. 1 China 28c. No. 2 21c. ditto Bufalo Sole No. 1, 21 to 22c; ditto No. 2, 194 to 21c. Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 26 to 27 je; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 83 to 38c; ditto ditto heavy, 83 to 85c.; Grained, 84 to 88c. Splits, large, 22 to 28c.; ditto small, 14 to 20c. Calf-slpits 80 to 82c. Calf-skins (85 to 46 lbs.) 70 to 80c; ditto (25 to 84 lbs.) 60 to 70c.; Russet Sheepskin Linings, 80 to 50c; Harness, 24 to 38c; Buffed Cow, per ft., 14 to 15c. Enamelled Cow, 15 to 16c. Patent Cow, 15 to 16c. Pebbled Cow, 11 to 15 je. Rough, 28 to 28c. Imitation French Calfskins. 80 to 85c; Russet & Bridle, 45 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—The metal market is yet without signs of any material improvement in the amount of trade doing, and parties who have just returned from the west, report founders, etc., loath to order until the prospects of the fall wheat crop are more assured. The home market for pig iron is reported dull, with makers offering slight concessions; warrants are quoted at 42s. 2d. Some few sales of lots to arrive are reported at ourrent figures. Copper has advanced £1. 10s. at home during the week, but the American market has not been affected. Some of the best makers of tin plates are full of orders, and are quoting 6d. advance; locally stocks are small and prices firm. Bar iron, weaker, sales of large and job lots are reported as low as \$1.80. In hardware business keeps on the quiet side, only moderate orders being reported from travellers; payments, however, are fairly good. We quote Gartherrie & Summerlee \$20.00 to \$21.00; Calder, very little in market, \$20.00 to \$20.25; Langloon, \$18; Eglinton, \$18; Hematite, \$23.00 to \$25.00; Siemens, \$20.5; Conacda Plates \$3.15 to \$3.25 as to brand : Tin Plates Bradley Charcoal, \$6.15 to 6.25; Charcoal I O \$4.90 to \$5.25 as to brand; do. IX. \$4.50 to 6.75; Coke I C., \$4.30 to \$4.50, Galvanized Sheets, No. 28, 6 to 7c. according to brand; Tinned Sheets, coke, Nos. 24 to 26, 72 to 75.; Hoops and Bands per 100 lbs., \$2.35 to \$2.40; Sheets, Boiler Plate per 100 lbs. :--Pig, \$3.75 to \$4.00; Sheet; \$4.00; Shot, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast Steel, 12 to 136., firm; Spring, \$3.50, firm; Tire, \$3.50, firm Steel, \$3 to 4c. per lb. Ingot Tin, 21 to 22c. Bar Tin, 33 to 24c.; Ingot Copper, 163 to 17c. Sheet Zinc, \$4.75 to \$5.50; Speiter, \$4.75 to \$5. Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs. OILS AND PAINTS.—Prospects for the Seal fish

OILS AND PAINTS.—Prospects for the Seal fishery do not seem so favorable as a fortnight ago. The arrivals were well filled up, but only four steamers out of twenty have yet been reported. The rest have not come in as expected, and from the lack of news, the market is unsettled. Prices of seal oil are nominally same as last week, say 72<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> for steam refined ; cod oil still 65 to 67<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>c. for Nfd. A ; Linseed 55 to 57c. for raw, 60 to 61c. for boiled ; Turpentine shows no change ; Olive Oil \$1.05 to \$1.10 ; Castor Oil 10 to 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub>c. per pound ; Cod Liver, \$1.75 to \$1.80. In paints and colors there are no new features to be noted, business is not materially improved, and we still quote : White Lead, (genuine and first-class brands only) \$6.50 to 7.00; No. 1, \$5.75 to 6.25; No. 2, \$5.25 to 5.75; No. 8, \$4.75 to 5.00. Dry White Lead 6 to 650. Rad do. 5 to 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>6</sub>. These prices for round lots. London Washed Whiting 60 to 650.; Paris White \$1.25 to 1.50; Cookson's Venetian Red \$2.00 to 2.50; Yellow Ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; Spruce Ochre,

SALT.—Trade quiet, and confined to small transactions altogether. We still quote Tens, 57 i.e.; Elevens, 50 to 52 i.e.; Twelves, 45 to 47 i.e.; Factory Filled, \$1.25 to \$1.40; Eureka and Ashton's, \$2.40.

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WOOL.—Business in this line, which showed some improvement a fortnight ago, has since quieted down, and become quite flat. Prices are for domestic A supers 27 to 284c.; B ditto 224 to 24c.; Australian, 23 to 32c.; Grasy Cape 16 to 18c.; Blackwool, 20 to 22c.

#### BRITISH MARKETS.

LONDON, April 16, 1884. Beerbohm says: floating cargoes, wheat quiet and steady; maize, none offering. Cargoes on passage – Wheat slow, maize steady. Mark Lane--Wheat and maize, very little demand. English country markets quiet. French country markets steady. Imports into the United Kingdom for the present week: --Wheat 75,000 qrs to 80,000 qrs; maize, 105,000 qrs to 110,000 qrs;

flour, 175,000 to 180,000 brls. Liverpool—Spot wheat steadier; maize firmer; No. 1, California, 7s. 8d.; No. 2 California, 7s. 5d.; both 2d. dearer; red winter, 7s. 8d.; Spring, 7s. 5d.; maize, 4s. 11d.; all unchanged. Paris, wheat quieter; flour quieter.

quieter. IIVERPOOL, April 16th, 1884. The price of cotton is advancing. The receipts 50,000 bales, of which 36,000 is American. Sales are 18,000 bales, including 4,000 for speculation and export. Uplands, 6 3-16d.; Orleans, 6§d.; which is about the price for May and June; for June and July, two points higher. For August and September, eight to ten points higher. Futures closed firm. Flour and wheat steady during the week, the former at 11s. 6d.; red winter wheat, 8s. and spring 7s. 9d.; corn, 5s. 14d.; oats, 5s. 5d.; barley, 5s. 6d.; peas, 6s. 8d. Pork is unchanged at 73s. 6d.; lard, at 45s.; bacon at 46s.; oheese which was 70s. declined on Wednesday to 68s. —Messrs. David Scott & Co.. of 9 North John

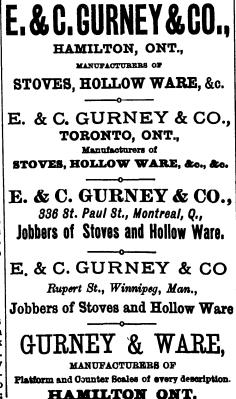
-Messrs. David Scott & Co., of 9 North John Street, Liverpool, write us under date 3rd April, as follows: "In striking contrast to all other produce Lobeters have had an exceptional career in advancing all through the season until now, when 26/. is readily paid for tall tins in cases of 48/1 lbs. This is about the most that can be obtained, and we expect with the new arrivals this price will be maintained during all next season. We believe the packers realize the benefit of being more careful in their preserving and this care will be sure to be repaid. Flat tins have not advanced so much, in proportion as talls, mainly perhaps because they contain only 'tall' quality, whereas they ought only to hold selected pieces. Meat.-Beef and mutton are quite a drug.

Meats.—Beef and mutton are quite a drug, and have been falling in value determinedly all through the season. No doubt 22/. per case of 48/1 lbs. beef or mutton is very cheap, but lower prices have to be submitted to, after having been laid aside for months, and there is still a considerable quantity to sell, both in importers' and dealers' hands all over the country. 2 *lb. Beef and Mutton* is also slow of sale with large stocks of United States pack on offer at 8/6 and 9/6 per doz. ex store, respectively. Canned goods of all descriptions are very quiet at the moment.

#### AMERICAN MARKETS.

CHICAGO, April 16th, 1884. A fair movement in bread stuff, but no activity in provisions or hog products. Whest opened steady at 84½c. for May and 87c. for June, closing easy at 84 and 86½c. Corn was fairly strong in the morning at 51½c. for June, but closed three points lower, offerings being free.

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Oats ranged from 812 to 322c. May. Pork closed weak at \$16.50 May; and \$17.00 June. Lard, which opened \$8.272c. May, and \$8.372c. June; closed at \$8.122 and \$8.25 respectively.

#### TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, 17th April, 1884.

The half-holiday character of the past week has kept business quiet in all lines and left very little matter of consequence to note in the way of changes, generally. In produce again small supplies have tended to check trade, but they have also contributed to keep prices firm. The general situation is that of quietude, but it seems possible that the spring trade and the opening of navigation may be followed by some improvement.

BOOTS AND SHOES-Stocks small and held steadily; manufacturers not inclined to press sales, and looking for good customers, with a view to a sure trade rather than a large one. Thus sales are comparatively small, but seem likely to prove increasingly profitable.

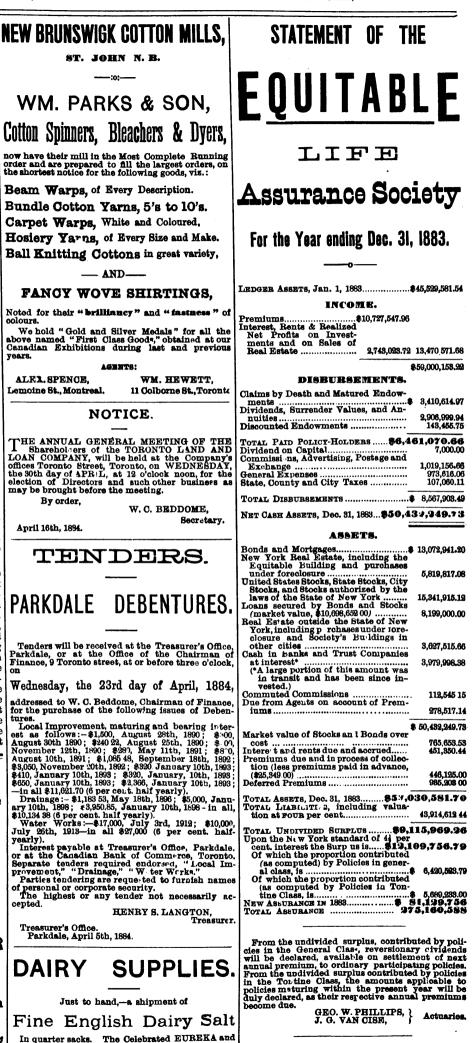
COAL AND WOOD.—With the departure of winter sales are decreasing, but no decline in prices is yet reported. As we note elsewhere, Messrs. Nairn have gone out of the business.

CATTLE .- No really choice steers have been offered, but some averaging 1,100 to 1,200 lbs. have been bringing 6c. per lb., and inferior have sold down to  $4\frac{1}{4}$  c. Calves—Have been selling at 10 to 11c., with a steady demand. Sheep— Have stood at  $4\frac{3}{4}$  to  $5\frac{1}{4}$ c. for the best and down to  $4\frac{1}{4}$ c. for second-class, with inferior not in. Lambs-Have ranged from \$4 to \$6 each.

FLOUB AND FRED.—The local flour market has been practically nominal on Canadian flour. None but sales could have been made at \$5 to \$5.50 for guaranteed superior extra and \$4.75 for extra. Bran-Prices have shown a break since our last and closed with cars lying outside offered at \$14.75, Toronto freight, without bids. Oatmeal -Cars quiet; average brands worth about \$4.25 and choice held about \$4.50; small lots, \$4.50 to \$4.75.

GRAIN-Supplies of nearly everything have been small, and this fact has tended to check business, a steady demand, however, has pre business, a steady demand, however, has pre-vailed for nearly everything and this, along with firmer markets outside, has kept up prices. Wheat—Scarce and in demand for local needs, but for these only. Fall closed with \$1.07 bid for No. 2, and No. 3 worth \$1.04; No. 2 spring sold on Monday and Tuesday at \$1.07, which was bid at the close with \$1.09 asked Goose was blu at the close with \$1.09 asked Goose has stood about 80 to 83c. Oats—Rather un-settled; cars on track have sold at 38 to 37c., the closing sale being at 37Åc. Barley—Very scarce and wanted at an advance; No. 1 has sold at 78c.; No. 2 closed with 75c. paid and more wanted at this figure; extra No. 3 would have brought 68a at the close and No. 3 her cold at brought 68c. at the close, and No. 3 has sold at





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65c. for choice and 60c. for inferior, the former being paid at the close. Peas-Scarce and wanted; No. 2 have sold to a small extent at 75c. with more wanted, and No 3 have been worth 71 to 72c. Rye-Inactive and almost nominal, but seems steady at 60 to 61c.

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	A	pril 14, 1884.	Mar. 6. 1884.	April 16. 1883.
Flour, bbls.		. 2,638	5 2,635	8,425
Fall wheat,	bush	. 98,351	94,469	349,928
Spring "		.104,681	L 103,208	186,127
Oats				206
Barley	"	.124,508	5 133,258	152.021
Peas	"	. 48,248	3 49,706	13,958
Rve	"			19
Corn	"		••••	2,200

Total grain ..... 375,790 380,641 704,753

GROCERIES --- Seem quiet generally. Tea.-Has been selling well for the country, but lines have been moving slowly, save that some sales have been made on English account. Coffee.-Quiet; one job-lot of Rio sold at 121c. Sugar -generally steady; the only jobbing movement reported being sales of Scotch at 6c. for lowgrade and 64 to 64c. for medium; granulated has been 4c. lower, but yellows unchanged. Syrups.—Quiet steady and unchanged. Fruit. —Inactive and unchanged at former quotations. Rice.—Nothing doing in large lots Tobacco.— Firm, with no sales of lines reported. Liquors. Quiet, with nothing special to note.

HIDES AND SEINS.—Green hides continue grubby but are taken at former prices; cured have been sold at 8½c., and holders seem not in-clined to sell lower. Calfskins.—offering fairly well and selling as before. Sheepskins --No further advance; the best green have sold usu-ally at \$1.15 to 1.20 and sometimes at \$1.25; country lots from 75c. for dry to 90c. to \$1 00 for green.

LEATHER.—Sole has been in demand and gone off freely at firmer prices. Splits also wanted some parties expect a rise. Pebbles neglected, but buffs in fair demand.

PETROLEUM.-Selling quiet as before at 13c. for lots of five and ten barrels and 13<sup>‡</sup>c. for single barrels; carbon safety 17c. and American oils 23gc for prime, and 26gc for water white.

PROVISIONS. —Sales small generally. Butter. — Is said by some to have come forward rather more freely, but all admit all choice offered to be wanted at 19 to 21c.; medium nominal: inferior sold to a small extent at 124c. New rolls worth 18 to 19c. if really good. Cheese. — Firm at 14 to 144c. for choice and 12c. for poor. Eggs. —Receipts sufficient and prices easy, clos-ing at 14 to 144c. for choice and 12c. for poor. Eggs. —Receipts sufficient and prices easy, clos. Fork. —Inactive at \$20.50. Bacon. —The feeling seems rather easy; long-clear in round lots is held but not taken at 104c.; tons and cases seem to be going slowly at 104 to 11c. and Cumber-land a cent lower. Hams. —In good demand and firm at 134 to 14c. Lard —Has sold fairly well at 124 to 13c. for tinnets and pails. Dried App es —Country lots taken at 84c. with more wanted. dealers selling 9 to 94c. PROVISIONS.-Sales small generally. Butter.

SALT -- New dairy has been selling at  $5^{\circ}c$ . per quarter-bag; but all else quiet, with Liverpool coarse held at 75c. in small lots.

WHITE BEANS. In demand; lots of picked have brought \*1.75 to \$1 85, and unpicked \$1.50. Dealers have been selling at \$1.50 to \$2, according to quality.

Wool.-Inactive, but with fleece wanted at 16 to 18c, for coarse and 19 to 20c, for fine samples. Pulled has sold to a small extent at 18c, for combing and 17c, for No. 1; super. worth 22c, and extra 29 to 30c.

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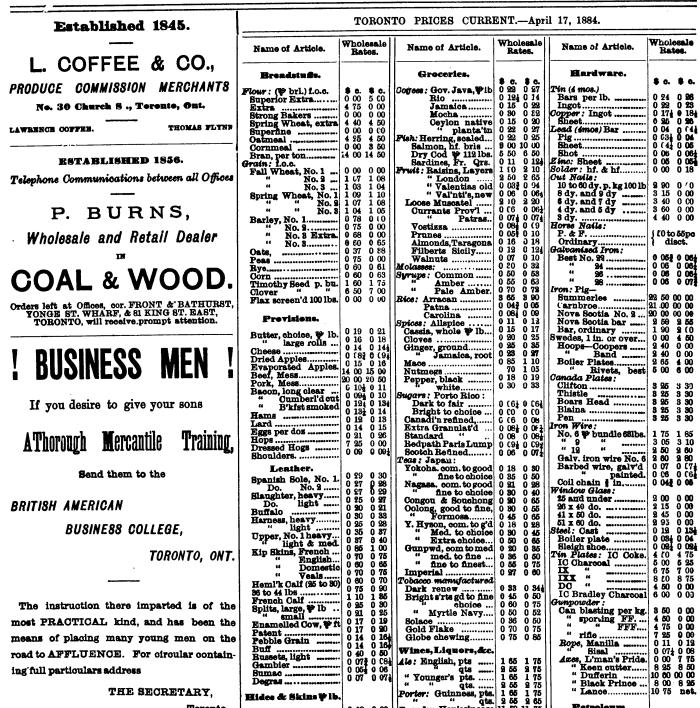
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SEALED TENDERS addressed to the under-signed, and endorsed "Tender for Indian Supplies." will be received at this office up to noon of THURSDAY, 1st May, 1884, for the delivery of the usual Indian Supplies, duty paid, in Manitoba and the North-West Territories, consisting of Flour, Bacon, Groceries, Ammunition, Twine, Uxen, Cows, Bulls, Agricultural Implements, Tools, &c. Forms of Tender and full particulars relative to the Supplies required, can be had by applying to the undersigned, or to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs at Regins, or to the Indian Office, Winnipeg. Parties may tender for each description of goods separately or for all the goods called for in the Schedules.

Schedules. Each Tender must be accompanied by an accepted Cheque of a Canadian Bank for at least five per cent. of the amount of the tenders for Manitoba, and 10 p. c., of the amount of the tenders for the North-West Territories, which will be forfeited if the party tendering declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned. . Tenderers are required to make up and attach to their tender the total money value of the goods they offer to supply, or their tender will not be entertained.

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L. VANKOUGHNET.

Deputy of the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs.

DEFARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, } OTTAWA, 19th March, 1884. }

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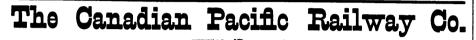
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