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MR. ADAM BROWN of Hamilton has been chosen President of the Dominion Board of Trade for 1877.

LITHOGRAPHIC stone equal in quality to German has been found by Pigeon Lake near Peterboro.

FLEURY's Agricultural works in Aurora, burned last fall, have been rebuilt, fireproof, and are working.

THE Sarnia Board of Trade at a special meeting re-elected the officers to serve during the current year.

A DEPUTATION of Coal-oil Refiners are in Ottawa pressing the Government to remove certain restrictions on the export of oil, which, they contend, hamper the trade.

Mr. Cossy, late manager in Port Hope of the Toronto Bank, was presented by the customers of the Bank, on his departure, with a gold watch and chain.

MESSRS. Carbray & Routh, lumber shippers, Quebec, state that in 1874 eighty-six vessels lumber laden, left Canadian ports for South America, the West Indies, Australia, Africa. and the continent of Europe, while in 1875 there were but fifty-two, and in 1876 only forty-two.

THE Dominion Telegraph Company have declared a dividend for the half year ending 31st December last, at the rate of six per cent.

THE Dominion Plumbago Company has sent a hundred barrels of that valuable mineral to the States within a fortnight.

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Four millions and three-quarters of pounds cheese and sixty-two thousand pounds of butter was shipped over the Grand Trunk Railway from Belleville during 1876.

AT a recent meeting of the Edwardsburgh Starch Company the following gentlemen were elected directors: -Walter Shanly, Esq., President; W. T. Benson, Vice President; Messrs. A. W. Ogilvie, Warden King, John Fairbairn, G. A. Drummond and H. J. Tiffin. We are glad to learn that the report presented showed the company to be in a prosperous position.

MR. MICHAEL FOY, doing business as a dry goods merchant on Mountain Hill, Quebec, has made an assignment, with liabilities of about

MESSRS. Valois & Leduc of St. Scholastique, Que., have been compelled to assign owing to their complications with the firm of N. Valois &

\$2,000 worth of accounts sold by an official assignee for \$25! This seems hard lines for the creditors of an estate, but it is what Mr. W. Knowles', of Elora, creditors have to stand.

A WRIT of attachment has been issued against A. H. Baldwin, an extensive lumberer on the Chaudiere. The liabilities are stated to be about \$300,000.

PROCEEDINGS in insolvency have been taken against Wm. Scroggie, grocer, of Hochelaga, near Montreal. Mr. Scroggie was for some years a storekeeper in Rawdon, and began business in the old military prison at Hochelaga some three years ago. His liabilities are light.

TERREAU BROS., founders of Quebec City, who failed and compromised some months ago, find they have undertaken more than they could carry out and the Assignee is again on their premises.

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An assignment has been made by Mr. M. G. Blain, grain buyer of Lapigeonniere, Que., who has been upwards of 15 years in business and for some years kept store in the firm of Blain & Malbœuf.

A WRIT of attachment was recently issued against the contractors of the Levis & Kennebec railroad, Messrs. Larochelle & Scott, who have been showing signs of distress for some time past. Their first contract is about finished, it is is said they have a second, but they have no means and the Government have made no grant to carry it on. Their liabilities are estimated at about \$75,000.

T. R. & C. A. Cousins, of St. John, Que., who failed last July and compromised at 80 cts., have again got involved by endorsements for James McPherson, recently failed, and have obtained a further settlement of 65 cts., payable in three, five and seven months. Liabilities \$25,000.

New Brunswick delegates are lobbying at Ottawa to get their provincial grant, which expires this year, continued. Nova Scotia is agitating for a continuation of her subsidy also.

SAMUEL OLLENDORFF, wholesale jeweller, Montreal, failed last week. The liabilities are estimated at about \$80,000, due principally in Europe. The indebtedness in Canada is mostly to the banks, and one or two houses which have discounted his paper, and are believed to be fully secured. From all accounts the estate will be a bad one, and the dividend within the units.

WE are glad to learn that the estate of Mr. W. H. Olive, of St. John, N. B., makes a better showing than was stated. The liabilities are \$19,100, direct, and \$6,500 indirect. The assets consist of personal property and book third time. In 1868, owing, it is said, to some debts to \$11,500, it is not stated what amount is land speculation, he failed and compromised at

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TORONTO.

bad. A meeting was held on 26th ult., and a compromise offered. Outside speculation, in addition to losses by endorsing, have brought about the failure. Mr. Olive retains the Intercolonial Ticket Agency, and continues his Forwarding Agency.

THE failure lists do not appear to grow smaller, although it seems impossible not to believe that the number of traders for whom there is not room must be lessening. This week we hear of the following failures, which with two or three exceptions are small :- N. A. Morley, Aurora, shoes; Henry Liersch, grocer, Baden, the second time in seven years; J. W. Pressey, fancy goods, Barrie; S. S. McMullen, marble, Belleville; John Roper, drugs, Caledonia; McDonald & Oliver, general store, Drayton; Louis Nos, fruits, Ingersoll; Wm. Clegg, tailor, Mitchell; (a demand to assign has been made in the case of Meagher Brothers. Napanee;) Leon David, grocer, and T. T. Sheppard, drugs, Ottawa; H. A. Brouse, Prescott, Broker; and C. H. Stentiford, of the same place, stationer; Alfred March, general store, Ravenswood; F. Andrews, general store, St. Williams; Mrs. Jane Meux, millinery, Toronto; Henderson, Bostwick & Co., Toronto, wholesale millinery, assigned; J. W. Bowman, grocer, Uxbridge; Mrs. Nesbit, general store, Winchester Springs; and in Montreal, William Almour, baker; Thomas Doyle, shoes; Richardson Brothers, jewellers; Andrew Wilson, drain pipes; and last, but not least, Heyneman & Harris, tobacconists.

THE firm of Caya & Allard, shoe manufacturers, Montreal, made an assignment some days ago. Mr. Caya has been in business about ten years and has now become bankrupt for the The Leading Wholesale Trade of Toronto.

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15c; in 1875 he failed with liabilities of \$9,000, which he settled at 70c. He had been not many months associated in the present firm, and now for the third time compromises, the rate being 33 per cent., making the average of Mr. Caya's three compromises thirty-nine per cent. We would suggest that he had better take a situation, or at least pay cash for any further nurchases.

WITHIN the past few days a number of well-known business men of Montreal have passed away. Mr. Hugh Mathewson, tormerly of the Wholesale Grocery firm of J. A. & H. Mathewson; Mr. David MacKay, Surveyor of Customs; Mr. Justice Mondelet, widely known in connection with the Institut Canadien case; Mr. Nelson Davis, Warehouseman and Forwarder, and latest of all Mr. H. Whitney, Secretary of the Board of Harbor Commissioners. All were men advanced in years, and had in their lifetime filled a considerable space in the commercial circles of that city.

#### OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

PETROLIA, Jan. 29.

The Clement & Beresford well, lately reported as a 20 brl. well, has settled down into a good fair well of about 15 brls., and is one of five, all good wells, struck on lot 9, 13 con. Enniskillen. It is now an admitted fact that unless new territory or new wells are got the export trade in oil must stop, for six weeks hence (at the rate that crude has been used lately) will exhaust the old stock of tanked oil, and the oil produced will not be much more than is required for home use. Business very good and development still large with poor results. Shipments for the week ending 25th Jan.: Crude 9,875 brls.; Distillate 3,381 brls.; Refined 670. Prices in Petrolia and London: Crude \$2.62\forall to 3.00 per brl.; Refined 35c per gall.; New York refined 26\forall c per gall.; London, England, 1/5\forall per gall.; Antwerp, per kilo, 51\forall f.

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4 o'clock, Jan. 31, 1876.

STOCKS.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transact'n in Week.	Buyers.	Sellers.
Montreal	1782	1804	958	1784	178
Ontario		101	150	101	101
Consolidated	914	922	240	924	93₹
Peoples	93	93	155	93.	94
Molsons	1111	112	60	111	113
Toronto	174	175	52	1731	175
Jacques Cartier	331 881	34 <u>2</u> 89	641	34 882	34 <b>t</b> 89
Merchants			359		
Commerce	119	120	487	1194	119
Metropolitan		491	80	48	
Maritime					
Exchange		96	50	94	951
Hamilton		<b> </b>	<b></b>	[:	••••••
Union				80	
Montreal Tel	119	1214	846	1194	119
Dominion Telegraph					
Gas		157	1057	157	
City Pass			[		
R. C. Insurance		93	125	93	931
Sterling Exchange	108	109	<b> </b>	108	
Gold	105	106	l	105	105

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THE MONETARY TIMES, AND TRADE REVIEW.

TORONTO, CAN., FRIDAY FEB. 2, 1877

THE PROTECTION RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRADE.

We indicated last week the difficulties that beset the questions of Free Trade and Protection, considered from a practical point of view. It is not difficult to frame abstract theories either on the one side or the other. But to legislate is a different matter, and so the Board of Trade would have found had they been sitting as a committee to frame an Act of Parliament.

The Finance Minister must have his revenue. We cannot discriminate against Great Britain unless we are prepared for separation. We cannot escape the necessity of taking into consideration our trade relations with the United States. And our own trade and manufacturing interests are so diverse in different parts of the country that the difficulty of framing an enactment that will be equally for the benefit of all is almost insurmountable.

It is, however, unquestionable that in recent discussions on the question certain positions have been established which favour the protection theory. In the United States we have the example of a country which has been governed under a policy of protection for many years back. The conditions of the country, so far as trade and production are concerned, are almost precisely analagous to our own. Much of it is under the same climate; it has great diversity of interests, and a greater necessity for revenue than we have.

avowed purpose of developing great manufacturing industries; and the question presses upon us,-to what extent it has succeeded, and whether success, if any, has been purchased at the expense of the body of the people. That great industries have been built up is unquestionable. That a vast manufacturing population is there sustained is a plain matter of fact. These industries, too, are of the same kind which have long flourished in Europe. The United States manufacture cottons, woollens, silks, carpets, cutlery, silverware, ironmongery, and a variety of other things of the same description as have long been imported, and these manufacturing industries have been almost wholly built up under a policy of protection. Such, to begin with, are the facts before us.

Now, according to all free trade reasoning, two consequences should have followed:-First, the home-made articles should have been inferior in quality; second, they should be dearer in price. Both would be injurious to the mass of the people, and would have shown that protection is only good for the few at the expense of the many.

But neither of these conclusions is borne out by the facts. American goods are now made of a quality fully equal, if not superior, to the English. Such print goods as Manchester used to have a virtual monopoly of have been produced in New England of a better quality and at prices which made it an object to our dry goods merchants to buy them. In silver-plated ware Meriden, Connecticut, rivals Sheffield and Birmingham. No one could visit the Centennial without being struck by the beauty and finish of American hardware and cutlery goods. The same may be said of ornamental iron work, gas flttings, glasswares, and many other products of American factories. It is notorious that American made stoves and grates are superior to Canadian. It is also a fact that many lines of American goods are making their way into England simply by virtue of their superior quality. The fact is the "shoddy" system is eating out the heart of almost every brand of manufacture in England. Everything is adulterated. The old, solid substantial quality that could be implicitly relied on in everything English is rapidly becoming a thing of the past. But a precisely opposite movement has been steadily going on in the States for a long time back. Quality has been persistently aimed at. Superior design has been attained by the employment of skilful French and German artists, and the establishment of governmental schools of art culture; and the reafter in preference to the English. They are better, and worth more money. These are certainly unlooked for results. But they are patent to observation.

And as to price, since the pressure of in ternal revenue duties was taken off, there has been a steady bearing down, until for some time past American goods of very many descriptions have been produced as cheaply as English of corresponding quality. It is well known that Canada has been buying more and more American goods every year. And she bought them because they were better and cheaper than English. This was the sole reason. In cotton goods England has been compelled to recognize the honest weight and value of the American calico, and finally forced to improve her goods and lower their price to compete. The inclinations and associations of Canada would all lead her to give England the preference. Her connections with English houses have been long established, and the English terms of credit are more favorable. But in spite of this the current set in strongly towards buying American articles to the neglect of British.

It may be contended that things are in an abnormal condition in the States owing to the extreme depression of trade. This may be so; but then, trade is just as depressed, and prices have fallen just as much, proportionately, in England. So that the argument amounts to nothing as an element in the question of a free trade or protective policy.

One or two other things cannot but strike us. The United States are passing through a period of contraction and depression after many years of inflated currency, and enormously expanded business consequent thereon. Yet it is a fact that the failures in the States for the last two years have been far fewer than those in Canada, we having had a sound currency during the whole period, with no war expenditure to cause a subsequent reaction, and far lighter customs duties. The manner in which the country has passed through the severe ordeal of contraction demonstrates a much sounder condition of internal business than most persons would be willing to give the States credit for.

On the whole, while we can scarcely adopt the conclusion reached by the Board of Trade to its full extent, we are disposed to think that experiments might fairly be tried in the direction of protection on certain classes of goods of the same character as those which have been so successfully produced in the States. If we could be Protection has been instituted for the sult is that American goods are often sought here as have ensued there it would undoubt-

edly be for the interest of Canada to frame her tariff with that express object in view. Manufactures, if they take root, will add much to the resources of the country. They will increase our population, strength and wealth. A large home market will be provided for many articles of farm produce, and if this can be done without permanently increasing the cost of living to the majority of the people a small temporary sacrifice is worth making. There can be no doubt that our limited market will be a drawback. If we could sell our manufactured goods in the States, that of itself would be an immense gain, even as we are at present, but we confess our inability. at present to see any way of accomplishing this object, unless by express permission of the Mother Country, which we are very unlikely to obtain.

#### COMMON CARRIERS.

The importance of any department of law is in direct proportion to the importance of the interests affected by its rules. Hence, the relative consequence of different legal questions varies with the progress of civilization. There was a time when land was the only property thought worthy of the fostering care of a complex jurisprudence. That time has long since passed. The development of a world's commerce, the growth of manufacturing interests, and the ever-widening scope of industry and enterprise, have raised up one species after another of property demanding the attention of the lawgiver and the judge, till movable property has come to engage more judicial attention than immovable. And in regard to no subject has there been a more extensive development, or a more marked progress, than in reference to that of transportation by land and water.

Industry has not only increased traffic, but traffic has, in turn, increased industry, until the duties and indispensable value of that class of the community engaged in carrying, have grown far beyond what seemed possible to those whose duty it was to determine their rights and obligations at the time when this branch of the law first obtained form. It was when the stage coach and ferry boat were the common carriers of the English people, and when highwaymen and storms were the principal dangers they had to encounter, that the principles governing their duties, immunities and liabilities, were first established.

The responsibility originally cast upon Carriers was greater than the most unreasonable of their customers could ask. The law, not content with requiring from

all other Bailees, held them, in addition, to be insurers of all goods committed to them for carriage. They were held responsible to the full extent of all loss or damage, however caused, that the goods sustained while in their possession. The only exceptions allowed were in the case of loss by Act of God or of the King's enemies, and even here the same liability attached, if by the exercise of due care and diligence the Carrier might have avoided the loss. In all other cases this liability could not be escaped from, however great the diligence exercised or however purely accidental the damage; unless, indeed, it could be clearly shown that the loss was occasioned by the consignor's own misconduct or gross negligence. This state of things could not be expected long to continue. We accordingly find Carriers casting about for a means of avoiding, or at least modifying so extreme a liability; and we propose, in this article, to treat of some of the modes by which this has been attempted to be effected.

The first plan resorted to with this object was that of entering into special contracts, specifying the terms and conditions under which the Carrier would undertake the transport of goods or merchandise coming within his particular line. The right to do this was, for a long time, stoutly denied, on the ground that it was contrary to public policy that carriers should be allowed thus to limit the responsibility with which the common law had fixed them. However, after some conflict in judicial decisions, it was at length firmly settled that the parties might, by contract, fix the circumstances under which alone one would be liable to the other; and that such contracts, when entered into, controlled the rules of law which would otherwise have been applicable; that, indeed, the terms thus agreed upon constituted the only test of the rights and liabilities, respectively, of the parties contracting. A rule of law which carrying corporations of our day have not been slow to enlist in their service.

Next it was attempted by carriers to limit their liability by notice merely. The right to do this was conceded by the courts only after much discussion, and with even morereluctance than they had displayed in allowing the same thing to be effected by special contract. Before any such notice became effectual it was needed that it should have been brought to the knowledge of the parties whom it was sought to bind by its terms. When this was done, it was allowed to have somewhat the same effect as a contract entered into between the consignor and the carrier; as it was thought reasonable to hold that when the

the latter proposed to carry, and yet sent his goods without protest, the parties intended that such terms should govern their respective rights in the premises.

Among the first of such notices that carriers were permitted to avail themselves of was one that they would not be liable for goods beyond a certain sum, unless notified of their value, and paid an additional charge corresponding to such value. Certainly, it would seem that this was no more than reasonable, for the carriers occupied the double position-of bailees on the one hand, and insurers on the other-and were surely as well entitled to some remuneration for the risk they ran in the latter capacity. as for the labour bestowed in the former. It would be an injustice to their customers as well as themselves to hold that carriers would not be entitled to charge any more for carrying a parcel worth five hundred dollars than one worth five, since they would be obliged to make their general charges so high as, in the aggregate, to protect themselves from the liability they were incurring; by which course, it is evident, the consignors of ordinary goods would be paying-or at least helping to pay a premium for the insurance of those of special value.

It being once established that carriers might limit their liability by notice, the practice of giving such notices soon became very general; and it cannot be denied that companies often sought like protection under circumstances where the justice of allowing it was by no means so clear as in the case of the first notice above referred to. Indeed, the doctrine allowing parties to vary their liability by their own act, though perhaps necessary, was not safe-It may be argued that notice was not binding unless brought to the knowledge of the other party, and should then be treated in the same light as a special contract entered into by the parties; and that it was consequently no hardship to hold consignors bound by it. The answer to this is that, practically, consignors have no option but to employ the carriers, and hence the law should not allow the latter to dictate their own terms after holding themselves out as public servants.

It has always been a difficult question to determine the extent to which, and the circumstances under which a notice would be available as a protection. Some notices were held to be so unreasonable that courts of law would not allow them to be set up as a defence. What should be deemed a reasonable notice has occasioned much perplexity and doubt, and the decisions are, unfortunately, not always consistent with them the diligence and care it exacted from former became aware of the terms on which any fixed principle, or with each other, which is, perhaps, not to be wondered at in view of the infinite number of forms that such notices have assumed, and the infinite variety of circumstances under which they have been given. This much may, however, be regarded as certain, that a carrier cannot relieve himself, by notice merely, from the effect of gross negligence on the part of his agents or servants, although a special contract for that purpose will perhaps be sufficient to protect him even in such a case.

In England, the law as thus settled, if settled it could be called, was felt to be in a most unsatisfactory condition, and the legislature intervened, first in 1830 and again in 1854, with remedies for the existing evils. It is true the provisions of these acts have not met universal approval, and have sometimes been severely criticised by able judges, and, perhaps, there is still something to be desired before this branch of the law is placed on a proper footing, even in the Mother country. But certain it is that an improvement in the law, as it existed before that time, has been effected by these statutes. In this country there have been, so far as we are aware, no enactments on the subject, so that we have only the law as it stood in England before the alterations above referred to were made.

In one case it has been decided by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia that the Grand Trunk Railway Company were protected from liability by a condition in their bill of lading, to the effect that certain classes of goods would be carried by the company only at the risk of the owners. We believe the soundness of this decision has not been questioned in Nova Scotia or any of the sister Provinces. We think this judgment itself should be sufficient to satisfy the community that the subject requires some ventilation; and we see no reason why we should not, in Canada, avail ourselves of the experience of England in this respect, on which we could perhaps improve, since we have the benefit of the operation of the amending acts for a number of years, aided by the decisions of the judges who have, from time to time, been called upon to interpret and apply them. In a number of the States of the neighbouring Republic also, the legislatures have interfered for the protection of shippers, and there is at present a movement on foot for a general law on this subject, applicable to the whole Union. Shall we rest content while others are agitating or securing reform, or will our legislators keep abreast of the age and shew themselves capable of grappling with live issues such as this, when they arise?

One thing, we believe, is not generally known, and that is that where a company

hold themselves out to the public as carriers of goods in general, or of some particular line of goods, they are bound, if the goods and a proper remuneration be regularly tendered to them, to accept such goods and carry them unconditionally, in which case they would be liable as insurers in the same manner, and to the same extent, as at common law. In case they refused to accept, they would be liable to an action for damages for such refusal. By adopting the course of insisting on such tender, those who are now so much at the mercy of these carriers could have revenge. We would be sorry however to have such means resorted to, for we think that this law is unreasonable as well as that which allows the carriers to protect themselves to an almost unlimited degree.

What is required is that the legislature should interfere and place the whole subject on a fairer footing. Some reform in this direction was promised during the last session of the Dominion Parliament, but nothing came of it, and since then we have heard no more of any intention to legislate on the subject. When it is plain to everyone who has given the subject any consideration, that the conditions in the majority of bills of lading are framed with the apparent object of protecting the companies from liability for loss, however caused, we think it certainly is due to the country and the important interests involved, that some attention should be given by the Government to so vital a matter.

The most cursory glance at the bills of lading, ordinarily in use by our carrying companies will show the very unreasonable extent to which these carriers have arrogated the right to protect themselves from liability under almost every conceivable state of facts. It is no answer to say that. these inequitable conditions are necessary to enable the companies to shield themselves from fraudulent claims which they have no other means of avoiding, and that there is no intention to avail themselves of their protection, as against just claims Such an argument should not for a moment be entertained. The result would be to constitute these companies the judges of the circumstances under which they ought to be held liable for losses to goods in their possession; and we do not think that corporations can, any more than private persons, be safely trusted with such high functions as would be the result of thus constituting them the arbiters of their own rights. At present there is practically, as a modern writer terms it, a sort of "despotic monopoly under which the carrier dictates and the employer acquiesces in the special terms, on which alone the former will consent to parties conducting the company; the act for the latter,"

#### EXTRAORDINARY LENDING POWERS.

Among the private bills brought before the Local Legislature during the present session is one desiring the incorporation of the Home Savings and Loan Company, Limited. The powers sought to be conferred upon this new organization are so extraordinary that we cannot forbear calling attention to them. It is intended that its capital shall be one million dollars, with power to increase to two millions; and that it may commence operations when half a million has been subscribed and ten per cent. paid in. The bill provides by section seven that the company may lend money (1) upon the security upon real estate in this province, (2) upon the securities of the Dominion or of any Province thereof, (3) upon the stocks, shares, bonds or debentures of any municipal or other corporation or incorporated institution, or of any chartered bauk doing business in this Province. The company may also (4) purchase Dominion or Provincial securities, or municipal debentures, or (5) mortgages upon real estate or (6) any other securities, power being of course given to sell or transfer any security upon which an advance has been made.

This is a tolerably comprehensive section, and it would not be easy to conceive of any instrument which, under it, might not be negociated by the company. But we fail to see the justice of granting such unusual powers to this company when the powers of other similar companies have been so carefully restricted. Some of the loan companies are limited for security to real estate, municipal and government debentures; and we know of none which have had granted to them,—of none indeed which have had the ambition to ask for,-the legalising of such an all-embracing list of transactions. Stock of any corporate institution, debentures of any municipality, bonds of any company, shares in any chartered bank, are sought to be beheld as security, while the purchases of the company are unrestricted, as witness the phrase, "any other securities," which we have already italicised. We entertain strong views upon the impolicy of loaning money upon the security of bank stocks, and we have urged them quite recently in these columns. We do not, therefore, require to say more than that we regard it as a dangerous power to conferiunreservedly upon any company. For the rest, the liberty so fully given to wander at its own sweet will over the field of investment would not unlikely degenerate into license whenever a time of inflation came. We care not who are the

temptation to "wild cat" operations would undoubtedly be presented, and at such a time it would be almost impossible to withstand it.

In clause 8, with respect to payment of loans, the bill provides that the company " may stipulate with its borrowers for the payment of fines in default of punctual payments," &c. A very good provision this for the company, but very indefinite as to the ratio of fines exigible from the borrower. The Building Society Act legalises "reasonable fines," but this clause possesses no qualifying adjectives whatever.

Section nine broadly empowers the Company to act as an agency association, and permits it to "guarantee either the repayment of the principle or interest, or both, of any moneys entrusted to the Company for investment." This would be a grateful provision, doubtless, for foreign lenders, but its working, we are convinced, would be most just closed a prosperous one, and they have prejudicial.

By Section ten it is intended that money may be received by the company on deposit and debentures issued to an amount not exceeding its subscribed capital, and this too with perhaps but ten per cent. of such capital paid up. In other words, it may have in deposits ten times the amount of its paid up capital! This is really a startling demand, especially when we remember that one of the oldest of such companies in Canada is permitted to receive in deposits no more than one and one-third time its paid up capital.

We have gone far enough into this proposed bill to show, we think, that it contains strongly objectionable features; and the fact that these unusual powers were sought to be obtained by means of a private act instead of proceeding under the salutary provisions of the general Statute, seems to indicate a purpose beyond what is set forth in the preamble. The pretensions of this new company seems to us unreasonably great, and our legislators do need to be on their guard, not only with respect to to this but other applications of the same kind. The fact is that many of the powers sought relate not to the business of a loan company but to banking. It is, we are convinced, beyond the power of the Ontario Legislature to confer them. Banking is reserved for the Dominion Legislature. And there is a clear line of demarcation between the one line of operation and the other. Lending on real estate is one kind of business, having its own rules, methods and principles. Lending on negotiable instruments is another kind of business altogether. The one belongs to mortgage companies, the other to banks. To

money on deposit. The two things ought to be kept apart. They cannot be mixed without danger. To the Dominion Legislature the one is clearly reserved. There would be no harm in the Ontario Legislature having power over the other. But these mixed powers are highly inexpedient. Banks are very properly prohibited from loaning on real estate. And loan companies ought to be prohibited from lending on negotiable securities.

#### DIVIDENDS OF INSURANCE COM-PANIES.

One of the most reliable Insurance journals of the States has the following remarks on the dividends which it is supposed American Companies are likely to pay:

"It is safe to say that many of the fire insurance companies have found the year which has made a sum of money which will enable them to pay a satisfactory dividend to stockholders and add something to their surplus. And it is equally safe to say that many other companies have not made any money, but it is to be feared they will nevertheless declare and pay a dividend satisfactory or otherwise, to stockholders.

While we heartily congratulate the successful companies upon their well-merited prosperity (for prosperity in fire insurance is rarely secured unless it be merited), we must repeat the caution as to dividends which The Spectator suggested in December.

It is of course gratifying to managers of companies to have made money for stockholders during a year when success has attended very few enterprises, when loss instead of gain has resulted in most channels of commerce, and they must feel a justifiable pride in being able to pay stockholders as large a dividend as the laws of

the State permit.
Stockholders, too, who have received diminished incomes from many of their investments, are by no means inexcusable for asking for a division of all the profits made with the capital they have invested in so hazardous a property as fire insurance stock.

But there is the other side of the matter, of which we need only remind all experienced officers and some stockholders, a correct view of which will cause officers to hesitate before they declare, and stockholders to consider before they demand, the division of all the profits of the past year. It is at once the duty and the interest of a fire insurance company to make itself stronger and more secure against ruinous disaster every year. This is a duty which every company owes alike to its customers and its stockholders; and in doing this, it promotes equally the interests of stockholders and officers. people who pay premiums for insurance have a right to demand that companies shall do this. For it follows that if a company has made money this year on the premiums paid to it by its customers, it ought to give those customers some security next year which is in consideration of the profits made this year, it being assumed that the rate of premium paid next year will be full compensation for security similar to that given by the company this year. In other words, companies ought to share some of the benefits of their prosperity with their customers, for they never give or pretend to give, or can give, absolute security for the fulfilment of their promises. And companies can do this in no banks also belongs properly the receiving other way so advantageously to all concerned,

as by adding yearly to their strength. Officers and stockholders are benefited by this coursethe former in having the permanency of their positions secured to them, and the latter in having the chances of losing their investment diminished.

But the other cases of companies, those which have by bad management or unavoidable misfortune lost money or barely made ends meet, should resolutely determine to make no dividends, for paying dividends with the funds borrowed from the earnings of former years or from any other source must, as The Spectator has on former occasions pointed out, result in ruin sooner or later, and at this time will result in exposure immediately."

Every person conversant with business will at once admit the justice of these remarks. And the only exception that can be taken to them is in the case of companies whose accumulated Reserve is so large that it provides for every contingency that could arise. When a company has attained this position, there seems no necessity for keeping back any portion of the profits of a particular year. But the difficulty is to determine when this position has really been reached. There is no rule and no precedent on the subject. The casualties of fire are sometimes so extraordinary as to set all calculations of average at defiance. A calamity like the Chicago fire is one of those exceptional things that override all the bounds of ordinary provision. But it is impossible to say that such a thing can never occur again. And if it may, the possibility is bound to be taken into account by those who are considering how large a reserve fund should be before the necessity for accumulation stops. The safest plan undoubtedly is to go on adding somewhat, even if only a small amonnt. It that is an error, it is a very safe and prudent one to make.

We are not prepared to say that a company with a large reserve may never encroach on it to make up the deficiencies of a had year. It is important to keep dividends as steady as possible. And at any rate, for once, a company may do this, by taking some portion of a large accumulated fund. But for this to be safe, the fund should be really large; and the operation should not be repeated the next year.

INSPECTION OF BUTTER.-Anything that tends to improve the quality of the products of farm and dairy is desirable. Probably in no article of produce has there been greater improvement than in the quality of our butter during the past few years. Still, it is possible, in many localities, to manufacture a more merchantable article. The appointment of a butter Inspector is urged by a correspondent, as "likely to have a salutary influence on butter-makers, teaching them, to their cost, that an unsightly mass of insipid grease is not so valuable as a well-flavoured roll of choice butter." The custom of paying as much for one lot as another,

almost regardless of quality, is another evi engendered by competition and by careless buying, which our correspondent thinks would be remedied through inspection by an officer, who would honestly classify the different qualities as they came into market. This method might answer were it not for the expense connected with it, and, although it might be an unpleasant innovation to the seller, yet it would tend to effect an improvement in the quality, where makers refuse to believe that any improvement is needed. Another advantage is that inspection would sometimes relieve the country store keepers of unpleasantness in pronouncing upon the value of the different quantities of butter as brought in by their customers. Further than this, we can see no advantage in inspection of produce, except when applied to such articles as Fish, Pork or Flour, where it is almost a necessity. As there is nothing more annoying to a dealer than to have a customer return, for instance, a barrel of herring that were rusty and unfit for food, when they were supposed to be first class. Butter is, in many respects, a perishable article, easily tainted by surrounding odours. Crossing the Atlantic, on the steamers usually has a damaging effect on the flavour, and for this reason Canadian and American rarely bring the highest price in the English market. Butter pronounced first quality to-day may, upon examination one month hence, be found to be in a very bad condition. Another reason why inspection is of so little value is that the standard varies so much in different localities. For instance, what is considered in Ottawa as No. 1, may, upon examination when it reaches Montreal, be pronounced much inferior. For these reasons exporters, when purchasing butter, place no value upon inspection, but depend entirely upon their own judgment as to quality.

Lower Province Bank Items.—The Bank of Nova Scotia claims to have the strongest vault in Canada, its old vault having been plated inside with iron and steel slabs, and ponderous doors with the most improved locks. Subagencies of the Bank of Nova Scotia have been opened at Digby and Bridgetown, N. S. The Merchants' Bank of Halifax is about asking tenders for its new banking house, which will face the Custom House and Post Office. Notes of the Rustico Bank, payment of which had been deferred for several months, have recently been redeemed by the Bank. A dividend of four per cent., making eight for the year, has just been declared by the Commercial Bank of Windsor, N. S. P. E. Island bankers complains that their notes are subjected to a discount of one per cent. on the mainland of Canada. This one per cent. just represents the risk and trouble of getting the notes to the Island across the ice and the cost of returned remittances.

VICTORIA MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY.—The thirteenth annual report of this company was submitted to the policy-holders at

the annual meeting on Tuesday last. The balance of assets over liabilities is \$246,885, being less by the sum of \$7,279 than the surplus of the previous year. This is the result of the unusual losses to which all fire companies have been subject. Claims have been adjusted to the amount of \$38,000, in addition to losses of \$4,000 since adjusted and mostly paid. It has been decided not to attempt extension of business at present, and further steps in the direction of economy and care in the working of the company appear to have been wisely taken by the management.

-The annual meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade was held to day, when Mr. A. M. Smith was elected President; Mr. A. B. Lee, Vice-President; and Mr. John Gillespie, Treasurer. The report of the harbor commissioners was presented. The following subjects are named in the annual report of the Board as having engaged the attention of the council during the year, viz.: Trade with Australia and the West Indies; Canadian products sent to the Australian Exposition; amendments to the Insolvent Act; the census of the city; repeal of the Stamp Act on notes and bills; assessment of all property for municipal purposes; the Grand Trunk engineers' strike; the Credit valley Railway; the Toronto and Ottawa Railway. gloomy view is taken, in the report, of the commercial situation. Excessive production in Canadian goods, and over importation are spoken of as among the chief causes of the depression. and, following the view tersely expressed by the President of the Montreal Board a year ago, some plain words were said as to our present extravagant mode of living. The cheapness of credit in Britain, and the too great readiness of our banks to facilitate imports beyond the needs of the country are noted, and a hope expressed that shorter credits and fewer of them will be hereafter given by the importers. A very excellent address was made by Mr. Worts in moving the adoption of the report.

-The somewhat startling group of figures and facts presented by Mr. Wiman in the annual circular of the Mercantile Agency has excited a great deal of comment. In addition to the remark which it has elicited from Boards of Trade and the press, and the liberal extracts generally made from it, the demand for copies of the circular at the offices in Montreal and Toronto has far exceeded that of former years, and three editions of the document have had to be printed. It is evident that as a picture of the state of the country it is complete, although dark colours do predominate; and it will likely prove an important contribution towards the forming of a commercial sentiment adverse to cheap credit. It is a singular thing that although Mr. Wiman has been a non-resident of Canada for ten years, and shares the cares of a vast business extending to two continents, he is still able to describe so accurately and clearly the trade of the Dominion, and the disabilities under which it is labouring.

-The Semi-Annual statement of the British America Assurance Company, which we publish in another column, indicates that the Company has continued to strengthen its position. During the year just past, the sum of \$88,332 has been added to the surplus, which now amounts to \$467,519 86, an amount nearly equal to the paid-up capital. This feature ought to gratify the shareholder, and result in satisfaction to the policy-holders of the Company.

#### meetings.

VICTORIA MUTUAL INSURANCE COM-PANY.

The annual meeting of the Victoria Mutual Fire Insurance Company took place Tuesday, the 30th inst., at their offices in Hamilton. There were a large number of shareholders Tr. Wood, M.P., J. Rymal, M.P., Dennis Moore G. H. Mills, Alderman K. Fitzpatrick, R. Chisholm, C. M. Counsell, Thomas Beasley, Lyman Moore, etc.

The President called upon the Secretary, Mr. W. D. Booker, to read the following

#### Report.

Your Directors beg to present their thirteenth report. The following is a statement of the osition of the Company on the 21st day of December last :

Number of policies in force in "General Branch," 9,016, insuring the sum of ..... Number of policies in force in " Ham-

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. 2,025,719 Number of policies in force in "Water Works Branch," 2,341, insuring the sum of ..... Total number of policies, 13,079, in-

sum of ...

suring the sum of ...... .. 12,696,588 Total amount of assets over liabilities. 246,885.31

The Directors have to report adjusted claims during the year to the extent of \$38,520.03; in addition to this about \$4,000 of losses have been notified, the larger portion of which has since been adjusted and paid. In view of the continued depression throughout the Dominion, and the consequent increase of fire disaster, your Directors have deemed it prudent not to materially extend the business. It is, however, gratifying to be able to state that in the Water Works Branch, upon which the extra liability chiefly fell, the assessments for loss have been from twenty to thirty per cent. less than the regular authorized rates, as indicated by the tariff of the Associated Underwriters. In the "General Branch" there has been no very considerable advance in the assessments from the previous year, while in the Hamilton Branch the hitherto very low average assessments have not been exceeded. In accordance with the Ontario Act of 1875 the necessary documents to secure a license (preliminary to the required deposit) have been forwarded to the Government.

It has been the study of your Directors to use every caution and economy in the management of your business, especially since the appearance of financial difficulties and general depression of the country, and they earnestly recommend to their successors a continuance of this policy, as they are satisfied it will secure permanent success

They, however, confidently look forward to a speedy general improvement and a restoration to former prosperity, when they anticipate a

material extension of the Company's business. All of which is respectfully submitted. GEO. H. MILLS W. D. BOOKER, President. Secretary.

In moving the adoption of the report, the President, Geo. H. Mills, Esq., said:

It again becomes my duty to move the adoption of this the thirteenth annual report of the Company, and, under the circumstances, I do so with great satisfaction. It must be evident to every one that the depression in almost every class of business enterprise, which has been so severely felt during the past three years, as well in Europe as in America, still continues; and although we may anticipate brighter times, and a return of prosperity at no very distant period, yet it seems to me incumbent, not only upon associations like ours, but upon every department of business, to use great care, discrimination and economy in the administration of affairs coming within their several provinces, in order that when the restoration shall come, there may be a readiness and ability to meet it, by an extension of business, and in our case an extension of usefulness. That Insurance Companies have been especial sufferers during the period named is a matter of general notoriety. The chief cause of this is easily reached. Cramped circumstances too often lead to committal of crime, and incendiarism is by no means an unfrequent result. Still, with all this, it is a subject for congratula-tion to the members of this Company that it has passed through the "fiery ordeal" in a great measure unscathed, and this may be attributed almost entirely to the system long since adopted by it. I mean the system which allows the insurance only of farm or isolated village properties in the General Branch, and none in the Water Works Branches. unless such properties are within range of hydrants, where an ample supply of water is constantly afforded by means of efficient water works.

It has been from this cause, and this alone. that we have suffered comparatively little loss from the many disastrous fires which have occurred during the past year in districts which were unprovided with these valuable appliances; and further, it is for this reason, coupled with the fact that no extra hazardous property in any locality is insured by the company, that insurance can be afforded at the lowest possible rate compatible with safety to the assured.
Under these circumstances I should earnestly advise, as the report does, a policy of caution, even though we may not be doing a very extensive business, by accepting all classes of risks (which in my judgment would be entirely un-warrantable). The safety of our position will afford to members a reason for a continuance of their confidence, and when more propitious times do come (as most certainly they will sooner or later), this company will be prepared to claim a fair share of public patronage, and then it should be the policy of the Board to amplify the legitimate business and extend its influence. Another matter which I think should be gratifying to members is the reference in the report to the fact that, notwithstanding the considerable amount paid for loss, the assessments remain sufficiently low to almost prevent successful competition unless the system and policy of this company be adopted by others, whether proprietory or mutual. Viewing with confident anticipation a speedy return to general prosperity, I cannot but believe that the future of the company will be both substantial and permanent. I beg to move the adoption of the report. Applause.

Mr. A. T. Wood, M. P., seconded the adoption of the report and congratulated the Directors upon the creditable exhibit presented. He had been connected with the company from its earliest existence, and attended every annual meeting. The practice of the company had

been prompt payment of all legitimate claims, and this, together with its general management, had secured for the company the very first place amongst the Mutual Insurance Companies of the country. It gave him great pleasure to second the report so ably moved by the President.

The report was carried without a dissenting voice.

The President then stated that the next business would be the election of scrutineers of votes, and Messrs. Thos. Beasley and Lyman Moore were appointed.

The following were elected Directors for the ensuing year: George H. Mills, Joseph Rymal, Thaddeus Ghent (Nelson), J. M. Williams, A. T. Wood, Chas. M. Counsell, Reginald Kennedy, Dennis Moore, Peter Balfour, John Renton (Glanford), Henry Hall (Binbrook), James Cummings, Wm. Haskins, James H. Mills, John Mitchell.

The following gentlemen were elected Honorary Directors for the ensuing year, viz.: Wm. Paterson, Esq., M. P., Brantford; James S. Evans, Esq., Montreal; Alonzo Wright, Esq., M. P., J. T. C. Beaubien, Esq., M. D., Ottawa; Wm. Leslie, Esq., Puslinch; Angus Morrison. Esq., Mayor, Samuel Platt, Esq., M.P., Toronto,

After the adjournment of the general meeting the new Board met for the transaction of business, when George H. Mills, Esq., was unanimously elected President, and Jos. Rymal, Esq., Vice-President.
Thomas Beasley, Esq., and J. J. Mason,

Esq., were appointed auditors.

Prescott, 28th.—The dwelling of Thomas Dissette was gutted by fire, and Mr. Dissette lost his life by suffocation.

St. Flaire, Que., 27th.—A house owned by J. Dube was burned, by taking fire from drying flax. The lives of three children were lost.

FIRE RECORD.—Gorrie, 21st.—The dwelling of Mr. Graham, near here, was destroyed by fire.

Montreal, 28th.—A fire in St. Gabriel snburb destroyed twenty vacant unfinished tenement houses. Loss over \$4,000. No insurance.

Wroxeter, 27th.—The stables of J. Crawford, Wroxeter House Hotel, were destroyed by fire, with contents; also adjoining premises of E. Veal, grocer; J. Thonas, baker; J. Marks, shoemaker. Contents partly saved. Loss about \$1,500. Mostly insured.

Strathroy, 28th.—A fire broke out in the frame grocery shop of J. W. Lawson, destroying it and the store of Thomas Irvine, both owned by Street Bros. Insured in Western for \$1,700; Lamon's stock almost a total loss. Insured in Stadacona for \$2,000, Canada F. and M. for \$1,200; Canada Farmers for \$1000; Mercantile for \$1,000. Irvine's in Royal Canadian and Stadaca for \$1.600. Partly saved.

#### Commercial.

#### MONTRBAL MARKET.

#### From our own Reporter.

MONTREAL, Jan. 30 1877. The numerous failures which are taking place in the city, occasion considerable uneasiness and distrust in almost all branches of trade. and greater discrimination is used in choosing customers than was formerly the case. In most branches of business the spring trade has not begun yet, and hopes of doing a large spring business do not appear to be so sanguine as they were some time ago. Importers have to a great extent prepared for this by light importations, full particulars will be given next week. Our

preferring rather to order by cable as the demand arises.

Leather and its manufactures are firm and prices are likely to be maintained if not advanced. Groceries are not improving much in demand, altho Tea and Coffee exhibit rather more firmness. Raw Furs in this market are quiet, and it is understood that a considerable decline in Beaver and Rat has taken place at the London Fur Sales. The weather has been mild, although we have not yet had much thaw which is badly wanted in the country where water is

Ashes.—Pots.—A very fair business has been done since our last report, the price being steady at \$4.35 for firsts; latterly the market has been easier, and at the close sales of firsts were made at \$4.27½ to 4.35 according to tare; seconds are nominal at \$3.50, and thirds at \$2.50. In Pearls there has been nothing done, and in the absence of sales prices are nominal. The stocks of ashes in the Inspector's stores are: pots 2981

bris.; pearls 829 bris.

Boots and Shoes.—Buyers are now beginning to realize the fact, that the advance asked by manufacturers in consequence of the high price of leather, is likely to be maintained, and orders for spring goods have been more liberal than for sometime past. Our price liberal than for sometime past. Our price list is unchanged. We quote Mens' kip boots, \$2.75 to 3; do. calf 'do., \$3.25 to 3.50; do. split brogans \$1.10 to 1.20; do. kip do., \$1.30 to 1.40; do. buff Congress, \$1.50 to 2; do. brogans and Oxford ties, \$1.40 to 2.25; do. prunella Congress, \$1.20 to 1.75; women's pebbled and buff Balmorals \$1.20 to 1.75; do. prunella Bals \$0.75 morals, \$1.20 to 1.75; do. prunella Bals, \$0.75 to 1.75; do. Congress, 6oc. to \$1.75; do. do. buskins, 50 to 90c.; do kid slippers, 80c. to \$1.50; misses pebbledand buff Bals, \$1 to 1.20; do. prunella do. 70c \$1.25; do. do. Congress, 6oc. to \$1.00; child's do pebbled and buff Bals, 55 to 75c.; do. enamelled do., 55c. to 65c.; do.

infants' cacks, 25c. to 50c.

CATTLE.—The supply of cattle has been much beyond the present demand. and yesterday the market was extremely dull, while the quality of the cattle offering was only second class. The prices realized were lower than those of the previous Monday. The highest sale reported yesterday was at \$4.50 per 100 lbs. live weight, the lowest \$2.87½ per 100 lbs. live weight. Dressed Hogs \$7.35 to 7.50; Sheep 4 to 41c per

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—No material change to report, a small jobbing trade is doing within our range of quotations, but round lots are difficult to place; holders are looking for some movement, however, in drugs early next month. We quote Bi Carb \$3.75 to 4.00; Sal Soda firm at \$1.40 to 1.50; Caustic Soda \$3.25 to 3.50 Soda Ash 2 to oc; Copperas 11c; Alum 2 to 21c; Epsom Salts 2c; Salt-petre \$8.25 to 8.50; Brimstons \$2.75; to 3.00 pesse wo.25 to 0.50; Drimstone \$2.75; to 3.00 Sulphur \$3.50; Bleaching Powder 13 to 2; Blue Vitriol firm at 6½ to 7½c; Cream Tartar ground 29 to 30c; Cream Tartar Crystals 27c; Borax 14 to 15c Madder 9 to 12c.

DRY GOODS.—It is difficult to say what the volume of spring business will be, as the few travellers who have already started with spring samples have not met with much success; and although stocks are low, country dealers seem to be acting on the conservative principle they mostly adopted last year. At all events there is no prospect of any great activity for sometime yet. Clothing has been quiet, and only a few orders for spring goods have as yet come to hand.

Furs and Skins .- We have not yet received the full details of the London Fur Sales but it is understood that a considerable decline in Beaver and Muskrats has been established;

market is quite and unchanged. We quote Beaver \$1.75 to 2.00. Bear large \$8.00 Beaver \$1.75 to 2.00. Bear large to 10.00; ditto small \$4.00to Fisher \$6.00 to 8.00; Silver Fox to 60.00; Cross Fox\$2.00 to \$25.00 5.00 Red Fox \$1.25 to 1.60 outside for prime Lynx \$1.50to 1.75; Martin pale \$1.25 to Lynk \$1.50t0 1.75; Martin pale \$1.25 to 1.50; Mink dark prime \$1.50 to 2.25 Otter fine dark \$6.00 to 8.00; Fall Muskrat 12 to 15c.; Raccoon 25 to 60c; Skunk 20 to 40c. Fish.—The Lenten damand is now begining.

Stocks are fair, and moderate sales reported at our quotations. Dry Cod is nominal at \$5.00 to ditto large Noi \$7.00 per 200 lbs; Labrador Herrings \$6.00; Salmon \$11. \$10. & \$9.; for No 1. 2.& 3. respectively.

FLOUR.—Receipts during the past week were 13. 365 brls; total receipts from 1 st. January to date 25. 963 brls; being an increase of 8733 brls; on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1876. The flour market shows no signs of giving way and although there has been very little business doing during the week beyond the supply of local wants, late prices has been mantained and in some cases advanced but to day there appeared less inclination to pay high prices and a check seemed to be put to the advancing tendency. We quote Superior Extra advancing tendency. We quote Superior Extra \$7.00 to 7.10; Extra, \$6.70 to 6.75; Fancy \$6.45 to 6.50; Spring Extra \$6.15 to 6.25; Superfine, \$5.85 5.90 Strong Bakers Flour, \$6.00 to 6.50; Fine, \$5.45 to 5.50; Middlings \$4.75 to 5.00; Pollards, \$4.25 to 4.50; Oatmeal, 5.40; to \$5.50; Cornmeal, \$3.10.

Grain.—The grain market just now is quite at a stand still. and since date of our last there

at a stand still, and since date of our last there have been no transactions on which to base quotations. Possibly next week there may be some little movement when we will give a price list. Meantime quotations are nominal.

GROCERIES.-Teas. - Japans.-The advance of 2 or 3c per lb. in New York has made this market rather firmer, but we cannot report a corresponding advance here, the range of prices being from 20 to 6oc. Stocks of most grades, except really choice, are ample for the demand, which is of a jobbing character. Greens are not much asked for, but are also firm in sympathy with New York. Blacks are more enquired for and moderate jobbing sales are taking place at from 30 to 65c according to grade. Coffee .-Market firm, and an advance has been established on late quotations. Transactions have not been large although the stocks held here just now are full. We quote Java 30 to 32c; Maracaibo 24 to 25c; Laguayra 23 to 24c; Jamaica 23 to 25c. Sugar.—Market dull and holders more inclined to press sales, but still sales have been on a very limited scale. Yellow refined 9 to 101c from dark to bright samples. American granulated 10% to 111c; dry crushed 111 to 111c. Raw sugars are difficult to move at 81 to 91c, very little of any kind in the market except Cuba and Barbadoes. Molasses.—There has been a rather better demand, but still transactions have not been very heavy. Barbadoes 46 to 49c; Sugar House 28 to 32c; Syrups 45 to 65c according to quality. Rice is firm, and now held at quotations \$4.01 to 4.01. Spices.—Although there has been no particular demand, prices of most kinds on our list are firm, especially Black pepper and Jamaica ginger, but prices of some of the spices are quotably higher than last week. Fruit presents little change, the demand continues to be very limited. Layer raisins \$1.50 to 1.571c; Valencias 61 to 71c; Seedless 7 to 71c; Sultanas 10 to 101c; Currants have been in rather better request, and prices have advanced 61 to 7c with a strong upward tendency; Turkey Figs 8 to 11c; Prunes 5 to 51c. Other fruits and Nuts are about as last quoted, but only a small jobbing demand exists.

HIDES AND PELTS .- Market for hides is unchanged, and a fair local demand exists at

HARDWARE.-We have no change to report in the state of this trade for last week, extreme quietness still being the chief feature in business, and almost an entire want of orders of even the small class, but as travellers are now getting out on the road an improvement may be looked for soon. Prices remain as quoted last week, viz.: Pig Iron.—Eglinton and Clyde \$19.50 to 20.00; American \$21.00 to 22.00; Summerlee and Calder \$20.75 to 21.25; Langloan and Gartsherrie \$22.00 to 22.50 Hematite \$26.00 to 27.00. Bar, per 100 lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.00 to 2.05; best do., \$2.20 to 2.30, Swedes and Norway \$4.75 to 5.00; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.00 to 6.50. Canada Plates per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$3.60 to 3.75; Garth and Penn \$3.75 to 4.00; Arrow \$4.00 to 4.15; Hatton \$3.50 to 3.60 Tin Plates per box, good brands—Charcoal IC, \$7.00 to 7.25; ditto, IX, \$9.00 to 9.25; ditto DC, \$6 to 6.25 Coke IC, \$6.00 to 6.25; Tinned sheets charcoal best No. 23, 121 to 13c.; Galvanized sheets best brands No 28, 81 to 9c per lb. Hoops and Bands \$2.60 to 2.75! Sheets best brands, \$2.90 to 3.15; Boiler Plates ordinary brands \$2.75 to 3.00; do best brands \$3.25 to 3.50; Russian Sheet Iron 12 to 13c; Cut Nails, 2 d Lath, \$4.60; ditto, 21 d to 4; shingle \$3.80; do., 5d to 10d, \$3.30; do. 12d & larger 3.00; 100 keg lots 5 per cent. discount. Cut nails patent Chisel pointed 25c extra. Pressed Spikes \$4.00 to 42.5; Shot Canadian \$7.00 to 7.25. Lead—Pig, per 100 lbs \$5.75 to 6.25; do. sheets 6.00 to \$6.50; ditto. Bar, \$6.00 to 6.50; Steel cast, 13 to 14c; Spring \$4.25 to 4.50; Tire ditto, \$3.75 to 4.00. Ingot Tin 20 to 21c; Ingot Copper, 21\(\frac{1}{2}\) to 22c.; Horse Shoes \$4.50 to 5.00; Proved Coil Chain, \(\frac{2}{3}\) in., \$5.50 to 6.00; Anchors 7 to 8c; Anvils 10 to 12c. Iron wire \$2.30 to 2.40.

LEATHER.—Business has shown a slight improvement the past week, and buyers show more disposition to pay the advance asked in some lines. Spanish sole is quiet, the demand continuing light. Slaughter sole sells fairly, our outside quotation is obtainable for choice stocks only. Waxed upper is held firmly and the sales made are at full prices. Splits are wanted but the demand is principally for common stock. Sheepskin linings are almost unsaleable. Harness is neglected and stocks large, the advance in hides has not improved prices in this article. Buff and Pebble though nominally advanced are still selling at last seasons prices. Patent and Enamel show little or no improvement in Hemlock Spanish sole No. B. A. 25 to 26c; do. No. 2, 23 to 24c; No. 1 Orinoco 24 to 25c; No. 2 ditto 22 to 23c; Zanzibar Spanish sole No. 1 22 to 23c; do. No. 2 19 to 21c; Buffalo sole No. 1, 22 to 23; do. No. 2, 20 to 21c; Hemlock slaughter 26 to 28c, waxed upper light and medium 36 to 39c; do. heavy 35 to 37c; grained upper 35 to 38c; splits large 26 to 31c; do. small 16 to 22c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs, 55 to 70c; do 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; sheepskin linings 20 to 35c; harness 22 to 28c; buffed cow 14 to 17c per ft.; enamelted cow 17 to 19c; patent cow 17 to 19c; pebbled cow 14 to 17c; rough leather 24 to 27c.

Oils.—Market dull and quiet, for fish oils prices are without material change since our last. Cod oil 60 to 62 c; Seal, pale, 62 c; ditto, straw, 55 to 66c; ditto, steam refined, 65 to 674c; Linseed, boiled, 64c; ditto, raw, 6oc; Olive oil 95c to \$1.00; Palm oil 8\frac{1}{2} to 9c per lb.; Petroleum. A moderate demand exists at 38 to 40c for lots and 41c for single barrels.

PROVISIONS.—Butter.—Receipts during the week 586 kegs; shipments 952 kegs. Nothing doing in shipping lots, but there is a healthy and \$5.90 to 6.50 for common to good heavy, demand for choice butter for local con-Buffalo Hog market active and strong, advanced

previous quotations. No r hides \$8.00; No. 2 ditto \$7.00; No. 3 ditto \$6.00. Nothing doing just now in Sheepskins.

Sumption at 20 to 24½c. Cheese.—Shipments this week have been 1462 boxes.

Beyond a small retail business there has been nothing doing, prices ranged from 12 to 13 c according to make. Lard quiet, sales run from 111 to 131c according to package. Pork.—Receipts 134 brls.; shipments 4 brls. Market dull and drooping. Mess pork \$20 to 20.50; thin mess \$18.50 to 19.00. Tallow is unchanged.

SALT.—Is nominal, almost nothing doing. Factory filled \$1 to 1.10; Coarse 60 to 621c. Wook.-There is very little wool held in the City, and what is is in one hand. It is difficult to give quotations, but with the present meagre demand, an offer from a reliable party at any. thing near the mark would be accepted.

#### TORONTO MARKET.

TORONTO, Feb. 1, 1877.

The general feelings of merchants seem to be reflected by the weather, which is dull, heavy, and oppressive. It is warm, but a damp and unhealthy warmth. "No stir in the air" is true of the market as well as of the physical atmosphere. It would be incorrect to say that everything is dull, but the activity is slight and in few lines. Leather men find very little doing and complain loudly of remittances. One house with \$12,000 in outstanding open accounts has not yet received \$2,000, where last year the half was by this time paid. The hide market is quiet. Hardware inactive. Groceries kept in life by the awakening in currants, or rice, and the glorious uncertainty of sugar.

The sales of a leading dry goods house for December last were \$5,000 greater for December last than a year ago, and for January slightly larger, while their remittances for both months this season were less; a circumstance which from enquiry we take to be the general experience in this market. This showing gives point to the resolve of several houses to insist upon restricting sales to such customers as are slack in payment, and to extend the policy of short credits with no "overlapping" of pur-chases. The true policy is to be firm in weeding out superfluous traders, to discourage farmers' sons and others inexperienced in trade from opening stores, and gradually but firmly to insist upon short credits and no renewals.

BOOTS AND SHOES .-- Orders continue to come in moderately, and much more care is now taken in filling them; goods are not sent in-discriminately to all who order, but regard is had to the condition of the customer as evidenced by his payments. One thing is happily noticeable, vis: that country dealers in this line are buying from fewer hands, which also argues that they are buying less stock. Some conservative houses refuse distinctly to date goods ahead, a step which it is very desirable should be generally adopted. In place of mens', boys and youths stogas we to day quote prices of Prunnella goods: Men's Prunnella Bals, 1.10 to 2 25; Womens do 65 to 2 50: Womens Prunnella Congress 622c to 1.60; Womens Goat Bals \$150 to 260c; do Kid Gaiters \$140 to 200. In other lines no change in prices, although the market is firm.

CATTLE.-The Chicago Cattle market of Wedensday was dull and but little doing, the offerings were mainly of lower grades which were not at all in request and looking downward. Better qualities were in demand at full rates. Hogs active and firm; fair sales made to packers at \$6.00 to 615 for common to choice light grades;

5c on light and 15c on heavy grades. In this city. Beeves of a good quality are not coming in plentifully; we quote No. 1 \$5.00; No. 2 \$4.00; No. 3 \$3.00; and there is an over abundant supply of the poorer grades. They have evidently been kept out grazing to last possible day, barn fed for a short time, and now are sent to market. Sheep are not plentiful, ruling prices are \$5.00, with \$4.00 for lambs. More would likely be paid at this time but for the unusual quantity of dead mutton at present offering. A few Calves are beginning to come in at \$6.00 to 8.00 for good, poor are not wanted. Live Hogs have sold in limited number at \$4.50 to 5.00.

DRY GOODS-There is no activity discernible at present in this line, and prices are stationary. Any active demand could not fail to stimulate prices, since cottons show an advance abroad equal to ten per cent. Makers of American cotton goods, who, a year ago, had over-produced, have by this time "unloaded" to the extent of their surplus stocks, and have limited their production until an appreciation of 12 to 15 per cent. is now apparent. Besides this, the fondness of our buyers for American goods is dying out; English manufactures, which for a time were eclipsed, having been restored in quality to a degree that almost shuts out American competition. The feeling in woollen goods, notably Canadian woollens, is moderately active, and prices are

Fuel .- Coal is unchanged in price. Hard stove \$6.00; Nut \$5.75; Egg and Grate \$5.50; stocks ample and demand good. Soft, best \$6; Ordinary \$4.50 to 5.50. Supply larger than the probable consumption. Most of the manufactories had contracted at the low prices prevailing last fall, and are consequently buying at lower rates than could be laid down for now. A rise in price of 50c per ton was arranged for the 15th ult., but owing to a large dealer declining to agree, prices have remained as stated. No alteration is likely, therefore, for the remainder of the season.

FLOUR AND MEAL .- Flour .- A fair demand has been manifested for all grades for some days. A sudden advance was made at the close of last week, and considerable has been held for a further rise. What has been held back will probably come into market now that a slight relapse is evident. Some dullness and drooping of prices many continue for a short time, but good opinions look for a further rise. We quote Superior extra \$6.65 to 7.00 according to brand; Extra \$6.40 to 6.50; Fancy \$6.00 to 6.15; Spring wheat extra, choice brands sold on Tuesday at \$6, the outside price to-day is \$5.90 ranging downwards to 5.75; Superfine \$5.30 to 5.50. Oatmeal \$5.30 to 5.50, showing an advance; Cornmeal \$3.00. Stocks in store on 29th inst.,

were 7,803 brls., against 8,433 brls. last week, and 12,286 brls. on corresponding date last year.

GRAIN.—Wheat—Fall—Stocks in store 61,809 bush., against 58,776 bush. last week, and 187,605 bush. on like date last year. The market has advanced, and holders are firm at \$1.45 to 1.47, though transactions are not extensive. Our market is now about 11c above that of Liverpool, and the impression prevails that all we have of this grain will be required for Canadian use. The stocks are light, as may be seen, the crop having been short. No. 2 \$1.40, No. 3 say \$1.30 to 1.33 with no sales. Spring-Stocks in store 153,210 bush., against 158,577 bush. last week, and 282,248 bush. on like date last year. There is an active demand for this grade, buyers offering \$1.33 and there have been sales at that figure, but holders are disposed to contend for \$1.34. No. 2 brings \$1.31 to 1.32. Oats are scarce and firm at 48c. The stocks on hand are 11,787 bush., against 13,191 last week and 4,850 last year. Barley is still held as quoted, but is very dull of sale, No. 2 we reduce to 63 to 67c and dull. Stocks are large and not

last week, and only 128,081 last year. Peas .-Stocks in store 45,925 bush. againt 42,435 last week, they are steady at 74 to 78c.

GROCERIES.—But a limited trade is doing, and payments cannot be called satisfactory. In Coffees a slight decline is reported from N. Y., Rio having fallen off. Fish shows no activity and stocks are not large. Fruit.—Currants are still active; no round lots can now be bought at less than 61c, while for small 71c is asked. Raisins, old layers are nominal, new layers are as quoted, but they may be affected by the advance in currants; New Valencias are held at 7 to 71c, and there are some extra choice Sultanas in market at 111c. Molasses and Syrups unchanged. Rice firm at \$4.38 for round lots to thanged. Kite firm at \$4.50 for found for \$4.75. Spices are quiet and unaltered. Sugars which last week were quiet, have within a few days advanced in N. Y. from \( \frac{1}{2} \) to \( \frac{2}{3} \). There is some dark Porto Rico in market at 9\( \frac{1}{3} \), but the force of the state current quotation is 9\frac{1}{2} to 10\frac{1}{2}c, with like figures for Cuba. English and Scotch refined 9\frac{2}{2} to 11c; dry crushed 117 to 121c. In Teas there is an improved feeling, bottom has been reached, and movement of 10 to 20 half chest lots is made at quotations. The speculative movement noted last week has resulted in the purchase of fair quantities which are held here on joint account. Tobaccos are steady at old prices. Liquors.— Hennessy's brandy is very firm; this brand, which a year ago was purchased for 110 francs per hectolitre, orders are now given at 200 francs, an advance of ninety per cent. in twelve months. In other brands rates are unchanged. Gooderham & Worts' prices for whiskey remain as quoted.

-Nova Scotia herrings purchased on account of American parties, are about being made to Sweden where the catch has been a total failure. 4,000 barrels have been purchased at a price bordering on \$4 per barrel.

HIDES AND SKINS .- The market has grown dull since the cessation of American demand, which took the best of our hides, leaving those now coming in poorer, and sometimes grubby. There are a good number in market. We now quote No. 1 7c, No. 2 6c, and in some cases 64c, but the feeling is no longer stiff. Cured and Inspected, Sc. For Calfskins the season is scarcely on. We quote cured at 12½c.; little or nothing doing. Sheepskins \$1.40 to 1.75, the latter figure readily paid for first class.

HARDWARE.—Trade decidedly quiet, and remittances backward. Wholesalers are chary about opening new accounts, and are looking more closely into the condition of old ones. It is noticeable in this line, too, that retailers are confining their accounts to fewer houses. There are no changes to be made in prices.

Provisions .- The market is quiet. Butter slightly easier; a round lot of ordinary was bought yesterday at 15c. We quote choice as before, 20 to 22c. Cheese-We quote ordinary at 101c to 12c., but for choice 13c to 14c. has been paid. Pork (mess) is easier, in sympathy with the reaction in Chicago in the middle to close of January. We quote Mess at \$18.50 to 19.50. Bacon shows an easier feeling, but no transactions have been made on which to lower quotations. Smoked Hams, say 12c to 13c., and an offer at even less would perhaps not be treated with contempt. Lard is less firm, at 12c to 13c. Some shipments of lard have been made during January back from Liverpool to New York at a profit, an unusual state of things. Commenting thereon, the N. Y. Bulletin of Monday says: "The various ports on continent are said by leading men in the trade to be overstocked, and a private cable despatch received here yesterday says that the stock of bacon alone in Liverpool amounts to 60,000 boxes. The exports of bacon, pork and lard lessening, being 370,566 bush. against 371,662 from this country from last November up to the

present time are 88,000,000 of pounds in excess of the exports for the same period last year; and as consumption has not materially increased, it will be seen that the stocks on hand are necessarily large." Eggs (fresh) are scarce and worth 23c to 24c. Packed as quoted. Hops are dull and stocks limited; 20c to 25c. are the figures named. Tallow is easier; rough has fallen from 5c to 4½c., and rendered is about stationary at last week's quotations, with a fair demand. Dressed Hogs, of which many are held back in the country, and a good many here for which 7c or over were paid, have declined to 6\frac{3}{6}c to 6\frac{3}{6}c., a round lot having been sold at the former figure.

SALT.-Liverpool Coarse has advanced, and a considerable lot changed hands at 77c last week, holders now ask 85 to 95c according to quantity. No change in Canadian. St. Ubes nominal. Liverpool stoved for dairy purposes

in fine bags, is held at \$2.00 per bag.

Wool.—The season is about over for Fleece. There have been some recent transactions at 32c, and a large one at, we believe, a shade less. Pulled a good deal is offering, and there is believed to be a large quantity in the country to come forward. The smaller woollen mills have not been in a position to use much, and the production of the larger ones is much lessened. We quote 25 to 28c for super, and say 30c for extra super. Pulled Combings are very dull, and no price is quotable. Large consumers in Massachusetts mention 24 to 25c gold here as a probable figure, but there are no transactions.

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CASH CAPITAL. \$478,936 94 SURPLUS, 467,519 86 ASSETS. ......\$546,277 76 \$554,599 18

> Total Assets ......\$1,101,876 94 LIABILITIES.

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at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon, for the pur-pose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business.

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\$38,838,267 85 \$ 9,818,400 36

\$48,656,668 21 DISBURSED IN 1875.

To Policy-Holders: 2,543,556 08 941,095 42 \$6,206,913 77

RYPENSES: Commission to Agents ...... Salaries of Officers, Clerks, and all others employed on

19,700 00 113,505 88 Taxes.....

\$741,382 08 246,306 83

7,194,602 68

\$528,740 55

Balance Net Assets, December 31, SCHEDULE OF ASSETS \$41,462,065 53

619,900 00 1,746,695 00 Cost of Otty Bonds
Cost of Other bonds
Cost of Bank Stock
Cost of Railroad Stock
Cash in Bank, at interest
Cash in Company's office
Balance due from agents, secured...... 435,000 00 80,205 00 26,000 00 1,070,893 79 6,684 78 79,180 45 4,876 40

\$41,462,065 53 Interest accrued and due..... \$1,617,060 07 2,510 91 372,698 20 6,050 28

Net deferred quarterly and semi-annual premiums ... 34,265 93

Gross assets, Dec. 31, 1875

Bills receivable .....

\$43,404,650 02

2.032,585 30

- **\$**39,489,799 **0**0

197,612 00 798,142 00 

Surplus, December 31, 1875.. \$4,004,851 92
Increase of assets during 1875....... \$3,050,954 93
Ratio of expense of management to receipts in 1875...... 7.55 per cent.
Policies in force Dec. 31, 1875, 66,209, insur'g \$185,076,842

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NAME,	Shares.	subscribed		Rest.	last 6 Months	Toronto, Feb 1.	Montrea Feb. 1.	
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British North America		4,866,666	4.866.666	1,170,000	4	l		
Canadian Bank of Commerce	\$50	6,000,000		1,000,000		119 120		
Consolidated	1		3,477,224			92 931		
Du Peuple	50	1,600,000	1,600,000			9- 939		
Eastern Townships	50	1,500,000	1,123,006					
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000					
Hamilton	100	1,000,000	590,310			97 98		
Imperial	100	910,000	804,883 54			1061		
Jacques Cartier	50	2,000,000	1,865,020			1001		
Mechanics' Bank	50	500,000	456,570		1			
Merchants' Bank of Canada	100	8,697,200		1,000,000		80		
Metropolitan		1,000,000	675,226			oy		
Molson's Bank	50	2,000,000	1,993,990			**********		
Montreal	200	12,000,000	II,979,400					
Maritime	100	1.000,000	488,870			1784	_	
Nationale	50	2,000,000			3		(See elsowhere for this Report.)	
Dominion Bank	50		2,000,000				6	
Ontario Bank		970,250	970,250			130	<b>₹</b>	
Quebec Bank	40	3,000,000	2,951,596			101 101	æ	
Standard	100	2,500,000	2,500,000		31		.2	
Toronto	100	840,100	501,250			75 78		
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Union Bank	100	2,000,000	1,990,856		31		2	
Ville Marie		1,000,000	723,225		1		2	
Federal Bank	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1,000,000	915,000		34	101 102	<u> </u>	
London & Can. Loan & Agency Co		3,000,000	300,000		5	140 146	- E	
Canada Landed Credit Company		1,000,000	488,093		41	1314 133	ĕ	
Canada Loan and Savings Company	50	1,750,000	1,750,000		6	175	7	
Ontario Savings & Invest. Society	•••••	1,000,000	621,000		5	127	2	
Farmers' Loan and Savings Company	50	400,000	381,780		4	111	Š	
Freehold Loan and Savings Company	100	630,000	600,000	165,000	Š	141	_	
Provident Loan Co			512,473	35,000	5	116		
Huron & Erie Savings & Loan Society		1,000,000	803,500		5	133		
Montreal Telegraph Co	40	1,750,000	1,750,000	1	5			
Montreal City Gas Co	40	1,440,000	1,400,000	J	i i			
Montreal City Passenger Railway Co.	50	600,000	400,000		6			
Richelieu Navigation Co	100	750,000						
Dominion Telegraph Company	50	500,000			3 t	88 go	•	
Provincial Building Society	100	350,000	l		34	854		
imperial Building Society	50	662,500	366,200	25,000	1	110		
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	628,000		44	1184		
Toronto Consumers' Gas Co. (old)	50	600,000	1	25,000	21 p.c. 3 m			
Union Permanent Building Society	50	400,000	350,000	42,000				
Western Canada Loan & Savings Co	50	900,000	735,000		5 5	132		
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INSURANCE COMPANIES.

English.—(Quotations on the London Market, Jan. 2.)

No. Shares.	Last Dividend	NAME OF COMP'Y.	Share par val.		Last Sale.	
20,000	l _	Baitan M & C T :	_			
50,000	20.	Briton M.& G. Life C. Union F. L. & M		2	19	ı
5,000	10	Edinburgh Life	50	5	158	ı
20,000	5 yearly	Guardian	100	15	38	l
12,000	£4 p.sh.	Z	100	50	68	ı
100,000	20	Lancashire F. & L	20	25	111	١,
10,000	11	Life Ass'n of Scot.		8		ľ
35,862	12	London Ass. Corp.				1
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391,752	15	Liv.Lon.& G.F.&L		1		
20,000	20	Northern F. & L.	100	5 00	124	
40,000	28	North Brit. & Mer	50			
6,722	f41 p. s.	Phœnix	30	6		
200,000	15	Queen Fire & Life	10	:	2;0xd	
100,000	40	Royal Insurance	20	14	31-16	
100,000	124	Scot'h.Commercial	10	3	163	
50,000	7	Scottish Imp.F & L		I	59	(
20,000	103	Scot. Prov. F. & L	10	I	11	`
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10,000	10	Citizens F. & L	100	50		1
5,000		Confederation Life	100	25	•••••	•
5 000	6-12 mos.	Sun Mutual Life	100	10	••••••	1
5,000		Isolated Risk Fire	100	IO IO	100	
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20,000	5 yearly	Guardian	100	15	68		KAI	LWAY	<b>ತ</b> .	Sh're.	Lon	don,
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10 000	291-6	Standard Life	50	12	724	Do.	. 5 90°	c. Deb. Sto	ck		65	97 68
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	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesal Rates
E		\$ c. # c.	Hardware—continued.	<b>\$</b> c. <b>\$</b> c.	Oils—continued.	8. c. 8
a	dens' Calf Boots	3 00@4 25 8 30 3 25	Copper: Pig	0 21 0 22 0 28 0 30	Olive, common, *gall.	1 05 1 10
٨	lens' Prunella Bals	2 50 2 85	Cut Nails:	l l	salad, in bottles,	
F	" Cong. gaiters & Bal Boys' Kip boots	1 60 2 25	12 dy.to 7in.p.kg.100 lbs. 5 dy. to 10 dy	3 20 0 00	qt., per case Seal, pale	3 20 3 30 0 73 0 76
	" Gaiters & Bals	I 55 I 60	5 dy. to 10 dy	3 70 3 80	Seal, pale Spirits Turpentine Whale, refined	0 64 0 66
١,	Womens' Bals & Gat, peg	1 50 2 (0	Galvanized Iron:	4 50 5 60		0 75 0 80
	et Ratta	0 00 7 70	Hest No. 22	വരെ വരം		
	Prun. Cong	0 65 2 50	Best No. 24	0 081 0 081	White Lead, genuine, in Oil, \$\perp 25\text{lbs}.  Do. No. I  " 2  " 3  White Lead, dry Red Lead. Venetian Red, English Yellow Ochre, French	2 10 2 19
١	" Goat Bals	1 50 2 63	" 28 Horse Nails :	0 084 0 094	" 2	185 190
١,	Aisses' Bals	0 95 1 35	Guest's or Griffin's as-		White Lead, dry	0 07 0 0
١,	Misecs' Hals	0 70 1 00	E. T. or W. asad. sizes		Red Lead	0 063 0 0
ľ	" Batts	0 55 0 75	Patent Hammered do	0 16 0 16		
l	" Turned Cack p.doz	4 50 4 80	Iron (at 6 months): Pig-Gartsherrie, No. 1	00 00 00 00	Whiting	0 85 1 00
1	Drugs. Aloes Cape	0 15 0 20			Petroleum. (Refined, W gallon.)	
Į	1.um	0 02 0 03	Summerice. Egiinton No. 1 " No. 3 " W. W. & Co American Bar ¥ 100 lb Reûned—Amer., Hoops—Coopers " Band. Boiler Plates	0 00 0 00	(Refined, W gallon.) Delivered at London, Ont	_
l	Borax	0 13 0 14	W. W. & Co	00 00 00 00	No. 1, 5 cars Delivered in Toronto :	
ŀ	Caustic Soda	0 03 0 04	Bar 20 100 lb	2 00 22 50	No. 1, 10 brls	0 46 O C
H	Cream Tartar Epsom Salts	0 021 0 03 1	Refined-Amer.,	2 25 2 35	5 Dris	0 47 0 00
L	Extract Logwood	0 11 0 12	Hoops—Coopers	2 60 2 75	Denzine	0 00 0 4
Ш	Indigo, Madras Madder	0 10 0 13	Boiler Plates Canada Plates M.L.S.	3 00 4 00	Produce. Plour (per brl.): f.o.c	
1	Opium	7 60 7 75	Canada Plates M.L.S Garth	3 00 4 00	Superior extra	6 65 7 0
Ľ	Oxalic Acid Potasa Iodide	2 65 2 90	Arrow	4 00 4 25	Extra	600 630
F	Quinine	3 45 3 50	Lead (at a months):	i	Superior extra	5 75 5 9
L	Soda Ash	0 032 0 05	Bar 🍪 100 lbs	0 06 0 06	Supernne	1 3 3 4 5 5 6
ŀ	Soda Bicarb, per keg Tartaric Acid	0 45 0 48	Shot	0 072 0 071	Cornmeal, small lots	300 00
	Groceries.		Shot	2 30 2 40	Grain: f.o.b.	7 48 7 4
ŀ	Groceries. Coffees: Java, & Ib Singapore Ceylon Rio Mocha Fish: Herrings Lab	0 27 0 29	" 9, " 12, " 16, "	2 50 2 70	Grain: f.o.b. Fall Wheat, No. 1 No. 2 No. 3	I 40 0 6
ı	Ceylon	0 00 0 00	" 16, "	3 00 3 50	Spring Wheat No. 3	1 30 1 3
l	Rio	0 21 0 23	Pomaze:	1	Spring Wheat, No. 1 No. 2	1 31 1 3
١	Fish: Herrings,Lab	6 75 7 00	Blasting Canada FF "FFF "	4 25 4 75	Uats	0 48°C;0 0
1	Fish: Herrings, Lab Canso	0 00 0 00	FFF "	5 00 5 25	Barley, No. 1	0 63 0 6
1	" scaled	0 30 0 35	Blasting, English FF "loose	500 000	Peas	0 76 0 7
ı	Mackerel, bris White Fish Trout Salmon, salt water Dry Cod, & 112 lbs. Frest: Raisins, Layer, 76 " Ditto, old " Sultanas " Valentias, old " New do " Old " Old	3 25 3 50	FFF " Pressed Spikes (4 months)	5 25 0 00	Provisions Butter, choice, with	0 20 0 2
1	Trout	2 73 3 00	Regular sizes, 100	4 50 6 00	" Ordinary	0 15 0 2
ı	Salmon, salt water	5 50 5 75	Extra "Tin Plate (4 months:)	0 00 7 00		
Į	Prust: Raisins, Layer, 76	1 60 1 80	Tin Plate (4 months:) IC Coke	6 30 6 50	Pork, mess, Bacon, long clear. "Cumberland cut.	0 10 0 1
ı	" Ditto, old	0 10 0 114	IC Charcoal	0 00 7 25	" Cumberland cut.	0 64 0 9
١	" Valentias, old	0 00 0 00	IXX "	100 00 11 25 1	Hams, smoked	0 12 0 1
ı	" New do	0 061 0 0	DC Hides & Skins, ₽ 1b.:	0 00 7 00	Lard Eggs	1012 01
ı	old	None.	Green, No. 1	1007 0078	норв	0 20 0 2
ı	Molasses: Clayed, # gall. "Golden "Ext. Golden	0 50 0 55	" No. 2	0 00 0 004	autow rendered	0 061 0 0
ı	" Ext. Golden	0 56 0 60	Calfskins, green	0 08 C 11	Salt, etc.	0 75 0 8
1	" Amber	0 02 0 70	Sheepskins	0 00 0 12	Liverpool coarse	1 05 0 0
١				1 23 1 00	St. Ube's	17 50 22 0
ı	Cassia, whole, # lb Cloves Nutmegs	0 18 0 25	Leather, @ 4 months: Spanish Sole, Istquality		Wines, Liquors, etc.	1 60 I G
١	Nutmegs	0 80 1 20	all wgts., ib	0 27 0 29	Page du Hammal 200 d'	2 65 2 8
1	Ginger, ground	0 25 0 35	Do. No. 2,	0 25 0 26	Martell's	2 80 3 0
	Pepper, black	0 12 0 14	Do.light	0 26 0 27	Ale: English, pts  "qts  Brandy: Hennessy's @gl Martell's  Hennessy's cases  Martell'a	10 00 10 5
١	Nutmegs.  Ginger, ground.  ' Jamaica, root  Pepper, black  Sugars—Porto Rico, * It  Centrifugal, in boxes  Cuba  Eng. & Scotch refined yel  Dry Crushed  Ground	0 092 0 102	Do. No. 2, Slaughter, heavy. Do. light. Harness, Upper heavy light Kip skins, French. English Hemlock Calf (30 to 3, lbs.), per doz.	0 26 0 28	Mennessy's cases Martell's " OtardDupuy&Co " J. Robin & Co Pinet Castillon & Co Gin: De Kuypers & gal " B. & D " green casee " red " Booth's Old Tom Rum: Jamaica 16 o.p	0 00 8 5
l	Cuba	0 00 0 00	" light	0 36 0 38	J. Robin & Co "	8 00 8 5
١	Eng. & Scotch refined yel	11 0 990 0	Kip skins, French	0 90 1 10	Gin: De Kuypers # gal	185 10
١	Ground	0 111 0 121	Hemlock Calf (30 to 3	5 70 0 90	" B. & D	1 75 1 8
1	Teas:		Do. light	0 70 0 90	green cases	8 00 8 2
١	Japan common to good fine to choicest. Colored, common to fine	0 60 0 65	French Calf	1 15 1 40	Booth's Old Tom	0 co 6 5
1	Colored, common to fine	0 40 0 65	Splits, large, # lb	0 25 0 31	Rum: Jamaica 16 o.p Demerara "	1 85 2 6
1	Oolong, good to fine	0 45 0 60	Enamelled Cow, per ft.	0 19 0 21	Whisky: Gooderham & Worts	1
١	Y. Hyson, com. to good	0 29 0 38	Pabble Grain	0.75 17	Terms Cash.—Under	sl .
I	Extra choice	0 60 0 75	Buff	0 14 0 17	brls., nett.; 5 to 10 brls. 2½ p.c. off; 10 brls. and	1- 5
١	Gunpwd com. to med.	0 35 0 40	Russetts, light	0 25 0 35	11 over, 5%.c. off.	Bond Pai
-	Colored, common to nin Congou & Souchong Oolong, good to fine Y. Hyson, com. to good Medium to choice Extra choice Gunpwd com. to med. "med. to fine. "fine to finest	. 0 60 0 80	Buff	0 06 0 07	Alcohol, 65 o.p. 🤁 I. gal	0 56 2
١			Degras	0 074 0 08	I Pure Spirits"	0 57 2
١	Imperial	. 0 35 0 75	000-	l	" 50 " " " 25 u.p. "	0 27 0 9
1	Dark 58 & 108 "Western Leaf	0 43 0 46	Cod Oil	0 65 0 70	FamilyProof Whisky" Old Bourbon ""	0 32 1 0
ı	fgood to fin	e 0 41 0 45	Lard, extra	. 1 00 1 05	" Rye " "	0 30 1 0
١	Bright sorts, gd. to fine	0 60 0 65	" No. I	. 0 92 0 97	" Rye " " " Toddy " "	0 30 1
١	Solace	0 33 0 55	Cod Oil	. 0 50 0 54	Domestic Whisky, 32 u. p	0 24 0
-	Hardware	1				. 0921
	Fin (four months): Block, P Ib	0 22 0 23	" boiled	04 0 05	Wool.	
	Grain	1	Machinery	1 - 17 - 70	Pulled	1 2 20 0 5

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HAS RECEIVED.		
In Premiums	818.431.211	13
In Interest	3,607,902	69
Total Income from all sources	\$22,030,113	82
IT HAS PAID,		=
Death Losses, Endowments, and Annuities	\$4,104,147 5,631,391	
Total Payments to Policy-holders	\$9,735,538	75
Interest on Capital, before retirement Re-Insurance		40
Total Disbursements	\$13,536,320	27
IT HAS ACCUMULATED.		
Net Cash Assets amounting to		
	\$22.027.TT2	Ra.

The above concise summary of business results verifies in a most emphatic manner the ststement that the Company's affairs have, from the first, been managed with ability, economy, and discretion.

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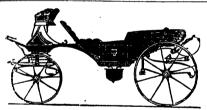
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THE WATER WORKS BRANCH will insure, for three years, all property coming under the above class, on receiving the "undertaking" of the insured for four times the usual annual rate, and will collect thereupon a first payment of 10 per cent, and will assess thereon at the rate of 20 per cent per annum only at the periods of six, eighteen, and thirty months respectively from the date of each policy, and for no larger sum unless required to pay extra losses occurring within the said Branch. said Branch.

538 Application may be made either at the Head Office, over Toronto Bank, or to the undersigned.

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# SPRING CIRCULAR.

TORONTO, FEBRUARY 1st, 1877.

DEAR SIR,-

We had this pleasure in September last, and now again, and are happy to be able to state that notwith-standing the continued depression in trade, together with the tightness and stringency of the money market for the past three years our business shews no falling off. We attribute this to the fact that we have been able to place before our Customers GOOD VALUE, enjoying as we do advantages possessed only by first-class houses, namely:—We understand our business and have a thorough knowledge of the goods we deal in. We buy all our goods direct from the Manufacturers, thus avoiding the commission paid to the middlemen and the profits of the Warehousemen.

Our stock this season has been selected with great care by our Senior, who when in the European Markets perfected arrangements for the keeping of it assorted throughout the season.

We have opened this week ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN PACKAGES of New Goods, and are now able to show a complete assortment in every Department.

Our

### WOOLEN DEPARTMENT

has had great attention paid to it, and this season we show the LARGEST & CHOICEST ASSORTMENT of West of England Broadcloths and Cassimeres, Scotch, Irish and Continental Suitings. Fancy Tweeds, Worsted Trouserings and Coatings (new patterns and shades), Canadian Tweeds, etc., etc., we have ever imported.

We show in our

### DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL LINES in FANCY DRESS GOODS, Black, Colored and Fancy Silks, French Merino, Paramattas, Black Lustres, Black and Colored Cobourgs, Black Indian Long and Square Shawls, Paisley and French Woves, French Nouveauties, etc., etc., etc.,

Our

### STAPLE DEPARTMENT

will be equally attractive as in former seasons being replete in all classes of Domestic and Foreign products. We hold some large JOB LINES in FANCY PRINTS, SHIRTINGS and OTHER Goods.

Ten years ago, we commenced the Wholesale Trade in this City, our success is the best proof we can offer that we have been doing business to the satisfaction of our customers and ourselves. In future nothing on our part will be left undone to merit a continuance of past favors. To those with whom we have done business we offer our best thanks and solicit an increase of their correspondence. To those with whom we have not yet had this pleasure, we respectfully ask them to call and inspect and compare our goods, feeling assured if they do so, we will be enabled to do business together.

Any orders you may be pleased to favor us with either by correspondence, or through our travellers shall have our prompt attention. Hoping to have the pleasure of showing you through our House.

We remain, Dear Sir,

Your Obedient Servants.

### THOMAS WALLS & SONS.

P.S.—Package buyers, Jobbers and Wholesale Clothiers, will be sold to at a small advance.