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THE first locomotive for the Canada Pacific Railway reached Winnipeg on Tuesday last.

ELEVEN thousand cases lobsters, valued at \$70,000 were shipped from Halifax in one week by six houses.

THE guage of the Fredericton railway has been changed from 5 feet 6 inches to 4 feet 8 and a half inches.

BATTERSBY'S Dominion Railway and Travellers Guide is out for October. It is now become a neat little pocket volume of 100 pages.

THE insolvency of Mr. John D. McKanzie of Pictou is announced, with liabilities of \$5,553 of which about \$2,000 is owing in that town.

A MANUFACTURER of grain cradles in Omemee Ont. has been shipping his wares to Nova Scotia and is now preparing a sample for the Paris Exposition of 1878.

THE construction of the great railway wharf at St. John, N. B, the contract price for which is \$174,000, is proceeding rapidly, and a large portion of the work will be finished before spring. The wharf will be 660 feet long and 70 feet wide, and an arm running northerly has been finished. A wharf to the east is now being built to give increased space for shipping.

The storm of Monday last did considerable damage to vessel property on Lake Erie. The barque "Sweden" went ashore east of Port Stanley harbour. The scow "D. McCall" sprung a leak and went aground at Port Dover. The Schooner "Wacousta" went ashore. A large brig went ashore a few miles west of Kingsville, and the scow "Mary Lydia" near the same place.

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THE Wooden Ware Manutacturing Company at Oxford, N.S., whose premises were burned a few weeks ago, will resume business shortly under another name. Several enterprising parties have joined interests and will put up the necessary buildings on a better site, and we hope soon to learn that the factory is again in active operation.

Messrs. J. B. Stevenson & Co., grain dealers, &c., in Montreal have assigned with large obligations. The liabilities of this firm when they fail are always large; they "bore with a large auger," as the saying goes. In 1874 they stopped payment owing we believe, hundreds of thousands, bringing down Messrs. Brown and McMinn, and if the stoppage did not startle the Montreal Corn Exchange, it certainly ' jarred it some,' to use the expressive phrase of Mark Twain's carter to the judge's widow. The previous failure of the firm, was not so heavy. The task of this firm, as exemplified on at least three occasions, appears to resemble that imposed upon the fabled King of Corinth, for as soon as their stone is rolled up hill to the hundreds of thousands, down it rolls again into the plain of insolvency. There would appear to be some actual necessity for the continued existence of this firm, which has so much of change, and yet so much of sameness in its fortunes. Does the necessity exist in the minds The Leading Wholesale Trade in Toronto.

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of the steamship lines, the transportation companies, or the banks? Is it still the case that the 'bold' operators in the grain trade are for the most part men without means?

MR. JAMES MARTIN, the proprietor of the well known Carlton Saloon, Montreal, whose name as a caterer is known abroad as well as at home, finds himself in straitened circumstances, and being pressed for rent, has consulted his creditors, who have agreed to accept fifty per cent, of their claims. His business is a good one of its class, but of late has been falling off. His liabilities are \$5,700 and assets to \$4,500.

Mr. A. C. QUIMBY, who nearly thirty years ago established a whip factory in Hamilton, and who has been a successful merchant there, died in that city on the 10th instant.

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Jos. LEGAULT, who absconded from Ottawa a short time since, was arrested in Chicago last Saturday. He offers to disgorge \$5,000 of his illgotten gains to regain his liberty, which his creditors cannot do better than accept under the circumstances.

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J. D. Fraser, general merchant, of Sherbrooke, Que. Unfortunately this is not Mr. Fraser's first experience of the Insolvent Court. We hear it is his fourth application during his business career of about twenty-five years.

AMONGST the new buildings erected in St. John, since the great fire, not the least striking, if we may judge from an engraving, is the four story 'Insurance Block' erected for Mr. Robert Marshall on the corner of Market Square and Prince William St., which will be occupied early in November.

Mr. C. A. Backas, Toronto, stationer and fancy goods dealer who has just assigned, arranged about three years ago to pay 75 cents in the dollar on his then liabilities, say \$19,000, which was found to be more than could be paid by the estate. During the interval, however, Mr. Backas has paid off about 60 per cent. of the claims, having borrowed \$3,500 to assist in doing so, the interest of which has been a canker. His obligations to new creditors are now about \$5000, and he owes in all nearly \$9,000.

P. H. VILLENEUVE, a general storekeeper of Sherbrooke, has assigned, with liabilities of about \$5,000. He has been in business about three years, was well located, and by his neighbors was supposed to be doing nicely, but his capital was inadequate, and the strong opposition he had to contend against ultimately swamped him.

A WRIT of attachment has been served on J. D. Pelletier, shoe dealer of Notre Dame St. Montreal. He failed in December last, and compromised at twenty five cents in the dollar which he has been unable to carry out. Liabilities will foot up to about \$30,000.

THE Montreal public were probably unprepared to hear of the failure of Mr. A. W. Hood, proprietor of the A. W. Hood Packing House in

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that city. Mr. Hood has, for upwards of twenty-five years, been connected with the trade of Montreal, and had been very successful as a soup manufacturer, being in independent circumstances until his unfortunate connection with the North American Meat Packing Co., to which unfortunate concern he made advances, and which he afterwards bought out. The liabilities will doubtless be over \$100,000; further particulars are not yet obtainable.

AT the examination of James Goodfellow, of this city, an insolvent dealer in house furnishing goods, some very unpleasant disclosures were made as to the management of his business. It appears that he began business in April, 1875, with an old stock purchased from Noah L. Piper & Son. The capital was \$6000; one half was borrowed from E. S. Piper. After being in business one year he found that his stook showed a deficit of \$1000. In April last this deficit had increased to \$4,000. Encouraged and advised by the old firm, in whose employment he had been, he continued business, purchasing goods from several firms in Montreal. A portion of these goods were delivered upon arrival at the Messrs. Pipers' warehouse, at cost price. These goods, the Messrs. Piper explain, were taken in exchange for some "Radiant" stoves. The whole affair has an ugly appearance, and it is said that the claim of Messrs. Piper will be contested.

For the week ending 10th, inst, a larger proportion than usual of general store keepers appear in the list of business changes. Thos. Stanley, of Fish Creek, has sold out; T. Showcross, of Huttonville, decides to close; G. W. Bleeker & Co., Marmora, dissolve; Bell & Shaver, of Wroxeter, obtain an extension; Wm. Masson, of Newcastle, N. B., is dead; White Gibbon & Co., Elora; T. R. Pearson of Amherst; and P. Hayden, of Halifax N. S., have been attached; Wm. Cunningham, Allanford; Longeway Bros., Orangeville, have assigned. In Joliette Que., C. A. Perrault, has obtain-

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ed an extension; and L. A. Lavalle, has assigned. In Chatham, N.B., J, Noonan, has failed. Amongst grocers, Arch. Cambell, of Harriston, and F. Corbeille, of St. Jean Baptiste near Montreal are attached; M. Moran, of Fredericton, has failed. Robertson & Corbett, of St. John, have dissolved; James Carney of Renfrew; N.H. Geary, of Sorel, have assigned. In Toronto Messrs. Crozier & Campbell, builders, are attached; S. Atkinson, lumber, and C. A. Backas, stationer etc., have assigned; H. Hogben & Co., grocers; G. P. Shears, hotel, assigned, and Messrs. Pepler & Sheppard, hides &c., have dissolved.

Two cases of forgery have occasioned some stir in the mercantile community. A former clerk of the Western Assurance Company, named Strong, has been brought before the Police Magistrate here and confessed to having forged a draft for \$875, purporting to be made by the Western Assurance Company and drawn on the agents of the Bank of Montreal in New This draft was cashed by Messrs. Campbell & Cassels in this city. In Montreal, Charles Renaud, a clerk seventeen years of age, has been committed for trial for forging the name of George Denholm to checks on the Bank of Montreal and the Consolidated Bank. The former is said to lose \$1,500 and the latter \$2,000. R. Foster, an assistant in the Secretary's office of the G. T. R. in that city has absconded, leaving some discrepancy in his acThe Leading Wholesale Trade of Toronto.

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THE MULTIFORM HYPOCRISIES OF FRAUD.

In the August number of the North American Review a writer under the nom de plume of "Sionora," who assumes the garb of a "Japanese Traveller," in giving an account of his studies of American society. tells what he saw on a beautiful island in one of the great American lakes. Finding a beautiful cottage full of clergymen of all kinds, who were all the guests of a powerful financier with immense railway schemes on hand, he inquired what was the cause of the incongruous gathering; he learned that this financier's doubtful stocks and bonds found their way in large quantities among the congregations of these clergymen. "Since then," says the Japanese Traveller, "I quite understand why it is very useful for a financial man to profess to be religious." The statement is intended to be taken in earnest, and as an illustration of what actually happened. The case of Gilman, the New York forger, who has kept up a series of forgeries for years, is in keeping with the theory. No doubt he cloaked his crimes by pretending to be religious. The swindler Hope, in Hamilton, presents another example. Gilman had been brought up with religious surroundings, and all his relatives are highly respectable.

The whole moral of these cases is that it is not safe to trust appearances. The character of a pious man must be difficult to act; there is a constant antagonism between profession and the secret practices

conduct must at least be decorous. But it would be strange if close observation did not betray some open chink in such a character; if he made no attempts to overreach or defraud some of the persons with whom his business relations brought him into daily contact. And here his professions of piety might serve him by disarming suspicion; the general public would be slow to believe anything bad of a lan whose professions had gained general credit. It is no reproach to religion that it can, like many other things, be made a cloak for villainy; but the occurrence of such things is a reason for proving everything, and not neglecting to check a man's accounts merely because he professes to be better than the bulk of his fellow mortals. Hope played the character of the pious man so well that he deceived his partners, who must have been in daily contact with him for years. When a man defrauds his partners, they are less likely to have their suspicions aroused than strangers would be. But it is strange that even a man who sustains this relation for years can go on in a career of crime without doing many things which must excite suspicion.

There are may persons who believe themselves to be such good judges of character as to be able to read a man almost at sight. and to be certainly able to tell what manner of man he is in half an hour's conversation. It certainly seems to argue a want of penetration and an incapacity for judging character, when a forger and a thief can pass daily for years under the eyes of business men for something little short of a saint.

There must be tests for guaging the moral stamina of men which are too much neglected in the application. Of these wilful and systematic lying is one; a disposition to overreach is another. Indeed it is difficult to see that a want of honourable feeling should not always be discernable to searching eyes, whatever the disguise under which it may be attempted to hide it. Of course lying is not forgery; and many men will lie who would not commit forgery. But no man who lies consciously and by calculation should be trusted. There is no doubt too much exaggeration, first cousin to positive untruth, in vogue; and the overstepping of the line of veracity is not sufficiently noticed in the hurry of the every-day business of life. Some nations have higher standards, in this respect, than others; and those that have not the advantage of the highest are always in danger that crime of various forms will spring up in that fruitful soil. We must apply more general principles in the estiwhich constitute the crime. The external mate of character. If a man will lie or one-seventh.

overreach for gain, whatever his professions, we are not only justified in doubting his general sincerity but bound in common prudence to do so.

If a man in a position of trust, who notoriously lives above his income, like Strong of the Western Insurance Company and Foster of the Grand Trunk railway, needs to be watched, so does any other man in a like position, who does things calculated to loosen one's confidence in his integrity. His acts will be found to be a better criterion on which to base a judgment than his professions. Must we then live in an atmosphere of external suspicion and all trust among men disappear? By no means. There are many men whose uniformly honorable conduct, in all their transactions, properly gains for them the confidence they deserve. The thing is to be able to tell the real from the counterfeit; and this can only be done by the application of such tests as we have suggested.

MORE ANIMATION.

The increased amount of duties paid at the custom houses of several cities; the larger inland revenues from manufactures; the large receipts by our loan societies; the increased circulation of the banks; and the favorable change in the traffic returns of our railways, are all welcome indications of animation in business. From Ottawa we learn that the increase in value of Canada's exports for the quarter ending with September was \$94,770, or nearly 17 per cent. Those to the United States for that period were 16½ per cent. greater than in same quarter of 1876.

In Hamilton the amount of duties collected last month was \$33,966, or over 31 per cent. greater than the corresponding month last year, thus:

Duties collected September, 1877.. \$109,168 56 1876.. 75,202 42 Increase.. \$33,966 14 Duties 1877-July\$ 62,441 47 Aug..... 93,849 58 Sept 106,168 56

\$265,459 61 Corresponding months, 1876:

July \$50,286 24 Aug 77,653 65 Sept 75,202 42

\$203,142 31

Increase..... \$ 62,317 30

The London custom house showed an increase of 17 per cent. in duties paid; the abolition of the petroleum tax materially affected the figures as to inland revenue, but exclusive of this the increase is about

Halifax customs returns for September in 1876; the total increase, \$14,904.46, showed an augmentation of \$19,261, or over 14 per cent, and nearly as great a ratio for the quarter ending with that month.

St. John's total value of imported goods entered during the month just past was \$1,036,748, against \$703,724 in the previous September, a gain of 32 per cent.; while the duties collected (\$136,954) show a gain of but twenty per cent., which is probably to be accounted for by the free admission of brick to the burned city, which swells the entry returns, but not the duties. It is gratifying to find that St. John's trade returns for September show an increase also in exports, which does her credit. We give the more important items:

1877. Fisheries and their products. \$ 37,441 37,657 Produce of the forest.....221,504 230,720 Animals and their produce... 6,021 8.058 Manufactures 33,447

Montreal imports were \$858,424 less in September than those of 1876. The decrease was mainly in articles paying specific duty, an increase being observable in the 25 per cents., the 17½ and lesser per cents, and in free goods, which show an increase of \$442,000.

The Toronto customs returns for September, which show a total of \$1.182.400 entered, as against \$1,468,733 in September, 1876, show an increase in some classes of goods, mainly those paying lower duties. but a decrease in the specifics and in the 17½ per cents, The amount of duty collected is, however, relatively greater.

It is significant that while, as compared with the centennial year, the traffic earnings of the Great Western Railway for each of the four weeks ending September 21st have shown a decrease, compared with same weeks of 1876, as under, the week ending 30th ult. shows an increase from passengers of \$6,667, and altogether of \$14,732 over the \$99,003 earned for the like week of last year.

Aug. 31, 1877	\$77,009	Decrease	\$338
Sept. 7, "	56,560	"	3,686
" 14, "	80,247	"	4 996
" 21. "	86.080	"	11.612

The returns of the Grand Trunk Railway for four weeks in September showed a continuous increase of receipts over 1876, thus:

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Sept. 8, 1876....$200,262 In crease..$26,517
                              " .. 16,565
  " 15,
        " .... 207,076
 " 22,
                                 .. 29,091
       " .... 228,056
                              " .. 35,012
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This increase is spread pretty equally over the whole traffic, more passengers being carried and more money received from them, and more freight transported at increased rates.

The revenue of the Intercolonial Railway for September was \$118,449.40; as comabout equally divided over mails, passengers and freight.

The Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway earnings for the week ending 6th inst. were \$8,065, as against \$7,232 in 1876, a gain of \$833, or about thirteen per cent. The gain is manifest in both freight and passengers.

Manufactures, as will be seen, make a decided leap upward. The total for the month of articles produced in the Dominion is \$312,483 against \$269,318 last year. Goods not the produce of Canada bring the totals up to \$353,997, and \$304,875 respectively, showing a gain in favor September. 1877, of 13.8 per cent., while the goods remaining in warehouse are but \$185,000 in value as against \$465,000 last year, a low stock of bonded goods.

LONG AND SHORT CREDITS.

To what extent credit can be shortened is a question now engaging considerable attention. We publish a letter on the subject in this issue. The total abolition of credit is neither possible nor desirable. Credit, rightly used, is one of the great commercial levers of our time. It is the abuse that creates trouble, and against which it is necessary to war. If credit were abolished, business would have to be enormously curtailed; for to keep it up to its present standard would require a mass of additional capital, which does not exist, equal to the whole amount of the credit abolished. If credit were abolished, banks of discount would be useless; and everyone who possessed some savings would have to employ them personally for the purpose of extracting some profit therefrom.

Our correspondent denies that long credit is now a necessity to the farmer, though he admits it was twenty years ago. We are most of us apt to overlook the fact that while there are farmers who live in old settlements, and have money in the banks, there are others who are in precisely the same condition that these now wealthy men were twenty years ago, struggling to clear their land and pay off the balance of the purchase money. Shorter credits are more possible in old than in new settlements. In the former, the old habit of long credits has survived the necessity which first gave rise to it; and here it is that the reform ought to commence.

Our correspondent suggests that farmers' paper might reasonably be admitted to discount at the banks. That would depend very much on circumstances-on the purpose for which the loan was required and the ability of the farmer to repay. A bank

his land; for if it did so, it would lock up its capital and soon come to a stand. If a farmer has a payment to make out of the returns of his harvest, and if these returns are morally certain to be sufficient to repay the advance, by the time the note would fall due, there is no reason why his paper should not be good at the bank, except, perhaps, that he has not been schooled into habits of punctuality in such matters. As there is the farm behind it, such paper would often be better than much that is admitted to discount. Farms are not always clear of mortgages, though they are seldom encumbered to more than about half their value. In old times, the Bank of Upper Canada made loans for all sorts of impossible purposes, and the result was not merely a lock-up but an ultimate loss of its entire capital. It lent money to build mills and houses, and many other things, which made it impossible that the promise on the face of the note admitted to discount would be kept. It ought not to have required the disastrous experience of that institution to prove that a bank cannot do the business proper to a permanent loan association. But even a rich farmer may sometimes require a loan, for a purpose which does not imply a lock-up, and there is no good reason except his possible want of punctuality, why a bank should not advance it. But why, in the case supposed, should he not give his note to the storekeeper? It would then represent a business transaction, and with the storekeeper's endorsation, should readily be admitted to discount. There is, perhaps, a practical difficulty in the way. The farmer does not at once buy goods enough to make it worth while to give a note for; his account grows by imperceptible degrees, and by the time he could be asked for a note, payment ought to be made.

The letter in question mentions one point of some importance, namely, that retailers in town and country credit many of the floating population, who either fail to pay them at all, or who cause infinite trouble and delay in settlement. This is often quoted to the farmer's disadvantage, who suffers in reputation for the sins of others.

Long credit is sometimes one of the outgrowths of severe competition. A man who wants to get business has to offer the best advantages to purchasers. Among these retailers, rightly or wrongly, reckon long credit, with facilities for renewal. Other things being equal, retailers will go where they get the best terms; indeed it is conceivable that a man with a small capital will think more of credit than of anything else connected with his purchases. Credit pared with \$103,544.94 for the same month | could not loan a farmer money to pay for stands to him in the place of capital; it

enables him largely to trade on the capital of others, when without it, he must have wound up or not started at all. Whether either of these alternatives would not have been better than his commencing or continuing in business, we are not now considering; for we are only explaining why long credits prove attractive to a large class of purchasers.

When our correspondent proposes that banks should require traders to give an abstract of their books of account, he forgets that the competition is at present rather among lenders than among borrowers. A bank that should require such an exhibition as a condition of doing business would be likely to do very little. Dealers in money are as anxious to do business as dealers in goods. They are bound to take all reasonable precautions that they are lending to solvent parties; but it is doubtful whether they can do much more in the future than heretofore for their own protection. Our correspondent hints that a farmer can always borrow on mortgage to pay for store goods. But, as a rule, he ought not to do so. Borrowing on mortgage should be only on capital account. If he burthens his farm with mortgages to pay current expenses, he is eating up his capital; and a continuance of this course must issue in ruin.

If credits are to be much shortened, as they can and ought to be, it will often be necessary to commence with the farmer. If he does not pay neither can the retailer. This commencement can easily be made in the older settlements. Of course the credit is not all at one end. The wholesale merchant does not necessarily buy for cash. There are wholesale merchants, and perhaps always will be, who accept such credit as they can get with a view of being able to offer the bait of extended credit to customers; and many of these customers, unless the nature of man is greatly to change, will reckon among the advantages a number of possible purchases, facilities for extended credit. However much we may regret this state of things, there is no use in deceiving ourselves as to the facts.

THE HARVEST.

The rejoicing over the bountifulness of the autumn's crop is so general and the good effect of the generous yield in many directions so taken for granted, that it would be hard to introduce any doubt into the general confidence of abundance.

Nor do we desire to do this. The face of commercial affairs has been so gloomy for a long time past that it would amount to a

dampen the hopes of those who were beginning to feel encouraged. We only wish to ascertain where we are, and exactly what grounds exist for the popular belief in this harvest as the reviver of all things.

The harvest of 1874 was then considered. in Ontario at least, as the best that had been gathered since the exceptionally good one of 1871, and in the United States it was an average year in cereals, for although spring wheat and oats fell below the usual yield, fall wheat and barley produced more than usual. In 1875 the yield of grain was over the average, barley being very plentiful, and selling at a good price. The crop of last year, however, as is ruefully remembered, was a failure in winter wheat, and light in spring grain and barley, though coarse grains yielded well. The effect of the failure was all the more disheartening that the early appearance of the fields had been so fair.

Perhaps the best indication we can obtain of the total cereal yield this year, will be afforded by the reports of the Stationmasters of the Grand Trunk Railway, 170 in number, describing the crops at almost every station of that road between Sarnia, River du Loup and Province Line, which are a valuable index to the product of our fields. We have not space at present to deal with the whole returns, which include roots, vegetables, corn, fruit, flax, hops, &c., but treat, in the following table, only the principal grains, viz: Wheat, barley, oats, peas.

Adding together the returns as to these grains in the different years, we find the following proportions in the respective

YBAR.	No. of Reports above average.	No. of Reports average yield.	No of Reports below average.	Percentage above average.
1877 1876 1875	332 59	262 231 233	35 191 36	'52 '12 '41

These figures show that in 52 per cent. of these crop reports from Ontario and Quebec, the yield is above the average: in 42 per cent. it reaches the average, while in only 6 is it below the average. The corresponding percentages of the two previous years are in 1876 but 11 per cent. over, 48 per cent. average, and 40 per cent. under; in 1875, 42 per cent. over, exactly 50 per average, and 8 per cent. under the average

It would be interesting to attempt an estimate of the probable quantity of grain just harvested, taking, for instance, the computation of the Ontario Minister of hindrance, if not to a positive wrong to 1873-4-5, at 20 bushels per acre for an fair prices should be availed of.

average in Fall wheat, and 17 bushels in Spring wheat. The returns tabulated above give the yield, at points where figures are used instead of adjectives, as variously 20, 25, 30 and 35 bushels per acre. We are disposed, however, to agree in the Montreal Gazette's reading of the average, which it places at 25 bushels for fall and 20 for spring wheat-a larger crop than any we have had for ten years excepting 1871.

The only data we have as to acreage under crop are the last census returns, which show that in 1870 there were 1,608,598 acres under Wheat in Ontario and Quebec, producing sixteen and a quarter millions of bushels, and that in a year in which, it must be borne in mind, the crop was two million bushels short of our requirements for consumption. Applying the proportion of yield in the present year to the acreage here given in the ratio of acreage which Spring and Winter grain respectively bear, we should have 24,000,000 bushels of Fall, and 13,000,000 bushels of Spring wheat; 37,000,000 bushels in all. And when it is borne in mind that the census of 1871 gives the yield of wheat, in the two provinces named, as nearly 25,000,000 bushels, it does not appear out of the way, taking the increased acreage of 1877 into account, to estimate that we have over 30,000,000 bushels of wheat harvested this year.

The two provinces named produced 11,-000,000 bushels of barley in 1870. The receipts, in the United States, of that grain from Ontario were:

In 1873 3,587,374 bushels. " 1874 3,997,427 " 1875 8,236,282 " 1876 7,521,382

And, in the opinion of some good judges, it is needful to add about a fourth to these figures toget at the total yield. This would make the barley harvest of each of the two last years in the vicinity of 10,000,000 bush. that of 1876 being the smaller. It is probable that this year's yield will not reach the figures of either r876 or 1875. The grain is plumper, but somewhat discolored, and the ruling price is lower than last year. The return to the country, therefore, from this grain is likely to be appreciably less.

Of other grains, we grew in Ontario and Quebec during the census year, 37,000,000 of oats, and 11,000,000 of peas and rye, in all 48,000,000 bushels of these grains. It would appear that these figures must be exceeded this year, with a very fair prospect as to price.

On the whole the country cannot but be enriched by the present harvest to an extent beyond the return of recent years. It is very necessary that our grains should be Agriculture, based upon the harvests of marketed promptly, and that the present

THE MOLSON'S BANK .- The report submitted to the shareholders of this bankat its annual meeting, held in Montreal on Monday last, lays stress upon the stagnation in our manufacturing interests, the "failure of the grain crops" last year, and the shrinkage in values, by way of accounting for the bank's heavy losses. It is amongst the most disagreeable experiences of bank directors and managers to find the profits of a whole year eaten up within about twelve percent. by debts written off. Still, something of this kind has not been strange to a number of our moneyed institutions this year. The business of the year after deducting expenses of management and interest accrued on deposits, resulted in a profit of \$238,918.43. Two dividends of four per cent. each absorbed \$159,737.20 of this sum, leaving \$79,181.23 in addition to a balance of \$10,160.98 standing at the credit of profit and loss account since last year. Bad and doubtful debis to the amount of \$206,311.60 were written off during the year, in order to meet which \$140,000 was taken from the rest account. This leaves the substantial rest of \$400,000 equal to twenty per cent of the subscribed capital.

-The rise in the rate of interest in Wall street to seven per cent. has sent down the new four per cents considerably below par, without attracting buyers. The two per cent. deposit paid is not enough to secure the transaction. Subscribers are willing to transfer their stock and lose what they paid. But nobody will buy a four per cent. stock when he can get four per cent. for his money. The rise in the rate of interest, unless it be due to some exceptional cause, ought to be proof of a return to prosperity; on the principle that a high rate can be paid only when it can be made by the borrower with the addition of a profit.

FISHING RETURNS .- The American catch of mackerel this season is far behind that of last year. That up to Sept. 1st, 1876, amounted to something over 140,000 bbls.; while up to the same time this year the figures shew less than 50,000 bbls. The catch of mackerel in the Gulf by our own fishermen has been comparatively small, but the quality is good and prices are high, so that the result is generally favorable. Prices give about seventy-five per cent. advance on those obtained last year. Very few American fishing vessels have had occasion to refit on our coasts or to tranship cargoes and dealers on the Straits of Canso, and in other out-fitting districts are dissappointed in the demand for supplies.

or apatite exported from Canada this year will reach 4,500 tons, the value of which in the port of Montreal is close upon \$70,000. The trade in this valuable mineral is steadily growing. A shipload of it has been sent this year to Hamburg, and its price on the surface is likewise upon the increase. Not only have rich deposits of it been lately found on lands in Templeton and elsewhere on the Ottawa, and purchased with a view to its development, but it is said that farmers on the Rideau are doing a good deal at mining it on their own lands. More than half the quantity we have named above has been shipped from the latter district. The Montreal Herald is authority for the statement that buyers of the article from England and Germany are now in the Montreal market who are ready to contract for the mineral, and pay cash upon delivery. It is treated in very large quantity in Hamburg, where about 270,000 tons of guano and apatite were last year imported. the latter being converted to super-phosphate. The supplies of apatite have come largely from Norway and from the West India Islands, though we believe a variety of the phosphate has been found in parts of Saxony. Its chemical effect upon land renders it an excellent manure, and while it is well to cultivate an export trade in so valuable a substance it is important that Canadian farmers should not neglect to use what foreigners appear so anxious to get.

-We are indebted to the Manager in Halifax for Messrs. Dun, Wiman & Co. for statistics of failures in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island up to the close of September. We infer that the disastrous fire in St. John has interfered with the presentation of similar figures for New Brunswick also. The failures in Nova Scotia for the third quarter of 1877 were:

	Number.	Liabilities.	As ets.
3rd Quarter	19	\$ 94,000	\$ 49,000
and "	31	272,000	134,000
ıst "	39	509,000	216,000

These figures show, not only a remarkable lessening in number and aggregate of mercantile disasters in Nova Scotia, but a decrease in the average amount of each failure from \$13,000 in the first quarter and \$8,790 in the second, to but \$5,000 in the third quarter of the year. They indicate, too, a better proportion of assets to liabilities; for while up to close of March but 42 per cent., and to end of June but 49 per cent. of assets were shown, the quarter ending with September offers assets estimated at over 52 per cent. of the liabilities. In Prince Edward Island there were:

	Number.	Liabs.	Assets.
3rd Quarter	4	\$ 29,000	\$ 5,000
2nd "	5	30,121	25,000
18t "	5	105,000	34,000
which, whil	e showing	well for the Is	land in the
reduced am	ount, is th	e reverse as t	o prospect

-The Act recently passed by the New Bruns PHOSPHATE OF LIME FOR EXPORT.—It is wick Legislature, amending the law for the prestated that the quantity of phosphate of lime vention of fires, provides for the division of the

for dividend.

city of St. John on the east side of the harbor into three districts for building purposes. Within the first, all buildings except of brick, stone, or other non-combustible material are prohibited; within the second, wooden buildings can be erected to a height of twenty-five feet above a brick or stone basement not exceeding five feet in height; and within the third wooden buildings not exceeding thirty-six feet in height may be erected above a stone basement not more than four feet in height. With regard to wooden buildings of the latter height it is necessary to erect brick party walls not more than forty feet apart between such buildings. Shingles are hereafter not to be permitted except on the front of Mansard roofs, and then they must be painted with fire-proof paint, to the satisfaction of the Inspector of buildings,

-The opening of the Albert County Railway in New Brunswick, from Hillsboro to Hopewell Corner, took place on the 4th inst. The importance of the occasion was attested by the presence of His Honor the Lieut. Governor and many influential people from St. John and other places. The road is intended, when completed, to connect the Intercolonial Railway system with the Bay of Fundy. The portion already completed, forty-five miles in length, is in the midst of extensive plaster quarries, the product of which is shipped largely to the United States, and in close proximity to coal.

-The report upon the Midland Railway, issued in London recently by Mr. J. O. Surtees, trustee of the first mortgage bond holders, after a visit here of inspection, states that it is impossible for the line to be entirely completed to Midland, or to recommence paying interest on the first mortgage bonds, by 1st Nov. next. An extension of time must be granted. The unprecedent stagnation of trade in Canada, especially in lumber which constitutes the largest source of income to the railway, is alleged as the reason for this state of the company's affairs. The traffic returns for the ten days ending 30th ult., showed a decrease over last year, and the total traffic to of 1877 to that date was 41 per cent. less than to end of September 1876.

-The Underwriters'Association of the Northwest, which assembled at Chicago last month, was very fully attended. The interchange of views, and a comparison of experiences was had, which cannot but result in advantage to the companies represented. The President, Mr. C. E. Bliven, delivered an exhaustive address, at the very outset of which he declares that his audience "are brought again to very nearly that chaotic state in fire underwriting which existed at the date of and which prompted the creation of this body." Upon the question of rates the address doubts whether it is now the rule anywhere to adhere to established rates. "To preach that indemnity shall be sold not to the highest but to the lowest bidder, or for what a customer may choose to pay, does

not require a high order of talent. But to practice such a doctrine and save a company from bankruptcy, would prove far beyond the skill of the ablest underwriter. Speaking of a well devised scheme of schedule rating, Mr. Bliven considers that a reduction of rate would be the esult of a reduction of hazard. In his address to the Underwriters' Association of the South, at their last meeting, President Castleman very truly said, "We have too many companies." "Certainly," says Mr. Blivens, "we have too many in different companies, and we are of the epinion that the records will show, as a rule, that only such companies fail. Scarcely a conservatively managed company can be found among the numerous failures during the year, What an exposition of fraudulent organization and incompetent management is found in the fact that more than ninety per cent. of those who engage in business fail—the result of inexperience."

-The capital stock of the National Life Insurance Company, for which the highest bid previously made, as we stated, \$270,000, has now been sold by order of the United States Court of Chancery. The sale was made on behalf of the Republic Life Insurance Company, Chicago, which absorbed the National in 1874. The purchasers of the \$10,000 shares, amounting to \$1,000,000, were Messrs. George Clarke & Co., whose tender was \$305,000, being the hightest offer. It appears that policyholders are becoming aware of some of the sharp practices resorted to by this company, as its business has been diminishing for some years. In this country its name appears to have been almost forgotten.

-A correspondent of the Perth Expositor, in mentioning the probable formation of a Granger Lodge in his vicinity, and the desire of some eager bucolic spirits to enjoy all the novelty and all the supposed benefit of such an organization, says that it seems to him, "that extreme selfishness appears to be the moving principle, and therefore the spread of those Lodges should not be encouraged. The farmers will ultimately find that it is not good policy to isolate themselves from other portions of the community, and strive to elevate themselves at the expense of the retail dealers, the mechanics and the middlemen generally, who form important parts of the population. 'We are all part of one stupendous whole, and should act together for the common good."

-The U. S. Railway Gazette gives the following summary of its tables for eight months of 1877, compared with the same months of 1876, the ratio in each case representing the decrease of gross earnings:

Jan. Feb. Mar. April. May. June. July. Aug. Total. 5.1 13 1 5.0 7.4 12.0 18.7 9.8 1.3 9.5

--Hamilton expects to have a new Insurance Company. The "Crown" will apply at the next session of the Ontario Legislature for incorporation. —The resignaton of Mr. Thomas Cramp, as a director of Molsons Bank, has taken place on account of a pressure of other business engagements. Mr. Miles Williams, Jr., brewer, was chosen at the annual meeting on Monday last to fill the vacant position.

—Mr. David Galbraith, of the firm of Galbraith, Christie, & Co., of this city has been elected a director of the Consolidated Bank, in the room of Mr. Romeo H. Stephens, of Montreal, resigned.

—A convention of tanners is to be held next week in New York. The United States Tanners Association has long been arranging for it, and a considerable volume of information and debate is expected.

—The British Mortgage Loan Company of Ontario has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$500,000. With head office in London.

Meetings.

THE MOLSONS BANK.

The annual general meeting of the share-holders of this bank was held in the Bank building, Montreal, on the 8th inst. There were in attendance—Mr. John Molson, president, in the chair; Messrs. T. James Claxton, Thomas Cramp, H. A. Nelson, R. W. Shepherd and Thomas Workman, M. P., directors; and Messrs. N. B. Corse, Philip Durnford, John T. Donovan, David Rea, Joseph Mackay, John Hutchison, Robert Wood, John W. Molson, Oaniel Wilson, J. H. R. Molson, Candide Roy, W. D. McLaren, and others. The cashier read the annual report as follows;

Report.

GENTLEMEN.—For a succession of years it it has been the good fortune of your directors to appear before you at the usual annual meeting with statements indicative of the satisfactory and progressive nature of the bank's business, as evidenced by the constant and liberal accretion to the Reserve Fund, which, in September, 1876, had attained the handsome sum of \$540,000. Since that period, in addition to such ordinary losses as must always be looked for, but which in the past twelve months have been enhanced by the failure of the grain crops and the prolonged commercial depression, the bank, in common with kindred institutions, has had to bear its share of the consequences resulting from the enormous shrinkage of values throughout the Dominion.

Your Directors have felt that they would best promote the interests of their constituents by making what they consider ample provision for bad and doubtful debts, and to effect this they have not hesitated to transfer from the reserve \$140,000, leaving at its credit \$400,000, equal to 20 per cent. upon the subscribed capital of the bank, carrying forward to profit and loss \$23.039,61.

Next in importance to preserving intact the capital of the bank is the use of a reserve fund in ensuring to the shareholders a steady and respectable dividend; and in this view your directors think you will concur.

We have now to submit for consideration the annual statement of the bank's affairs to the 30th September:—

The profits for the year, after deduction of expenses of management and interest accrued on deposits, have been \$238,918,43 From which has been paid: 43rd Dividend, payable ist April, 1877 \$79,868,60 44th Dividend, payable 1st October, 1877 · · · 79,868,60 159,737,20 Leaving a surplus of \$ 79,181,23 To which add: Balance at credit Profit and Loss, 30th September, 1876. 10,160,08 Transferred from Rest 140,000,00

During the year bad and doubtful debts have been written off to the amount of

Leaving at credit of Profit and Loss

\$229,351,21

All the branches of the bank have been inspected once or oftener during the year. Numerous and cheering indications of returning prosperity exist in the unexampled crops recently harvested, the new and profitable foreign market opened for the disposal of live stock, the liberal prices obtained for cheese, butter and all agricultural products, the growing demand for lumber in the markets of the United States, the improved railway receipts, appreciation in freights of lake and sea-going vessels and the greater caution exhibited in the limitation of importations. Still your directors are not unduly sanguine, for although they believe the worst days have passed, they are prepared for occasional relapses and they do not count upon permanent return to the prosperity of former years until an unquestionable revival of the manufacturing interests takes place.

Your directors have to announce with much regret that Mr. Thomas Cramp who had served on the Board for several years declines re-election in consequence of other business demanding his undivided attention.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF THE AFFAIRS OF THE MOLSONS BANK ON THE 30TH SEPT., 1877:

Capital authorized..... \$2,000 000 Capital subscribed 2,000,000 Liabilities. Capital paid up \$1,966,715,00 Notes in circulation 1,023.321,00 Dominion Government Deposits payable on demand. 38,028,19 Other Deposits payable on demand 2,073,954,17 Other Deposits payable after notice 729,087,60 Due to other Banks in Canada 84,267,76 Due to Foreign Agents.... 6,293,93 Due to Agents in United Kingdom 140,071,72 Rest ... 400,000,00 Profit and Loss 23,039,61 Forty-fourth Dividend 79,868,60 Dividends unclaimed..... 2,435,21 Interest, Exchange, etc., reserved 4,5983,82

Assets.

\$ 620,089.32

\$6,643,066,61

212,956,49

32,634,03

33,961,35

79,448,89

51,552,67

160,130,95

55,000,00 4,931,713,96

153,711,16

86,644,51

43,184,71

176,575.54

\$6,643,066,61

4,963,03

Notes and Checks of other
Banks
Banks in Canada
Balances due from Foreign
Agents Due from Agents in United
Kingdom
on Bank Stocks Loans and Bills discounted
on Bonds, Debentures, etc. Loans to Corporations
Bills discounted and current.
Bills discounted, past due, secured
Bills discounted, past due, and not secured
Real Estate, other than Bank premises
Bank premises at Head Office and Branches at their ac-
tual cost
Other assets

shareholders should have reason to complain of. If you look at the commercial history of our institutions you will find that few banks or mercantile businesses have been able to do better than we have. It has been unfortunate, and Mr. Hutchson will no doubt feel dissatisfied to see this fund going down, but if it is a source of trouble to you, it has been a source of great anxiety to us all day after day, myself more than anyone. We have done what we never did before-you never have had the amount of bad and doubtful debts stated as we have done this year. To day we show you what it is, because it is so large we thought it best to advise you of it.

Mr. John Hutchison-With reference to the Rest, I beg to observe that part of that is money paid by the shareholders on the last \$1,000,000 of capital.

Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas-The 5 per cent.,—still it leaves \$350,000 or \$370,000. Мг. јони Нитснімзон—After the explana-

tions that have been made, I beg to move the adoption of the report of the Directors, which was seconded by Mr. John A. Donovan, and carried. A vote of thanks was given by the shareholders to the President, Vice-President and Directors, for their management of the bank during the past year, and that the President be requested to accept the sum of \$3,000. The thanks of the shareholders were also tendered to Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, the cashier, the managers and other officers of the bank, for the satisfactory manner in which they had discharged their respective duties. Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, in reply said that it will seem to the public that I deserved more thanks then than now, although I can say that during the year past there has been double the labor of previous years to keep things straight.

At the close of the ballotting the scrutineers sent in the following report .-

THE MOLSONS BANK. October 8th, 1877. To the President of the Molson Bank:

We the undersigned appointed scrutineers at a meeting of the shareholders of the Molsons Bank respectively report the following gentlemen duly elected directors for the ensuing

> John Molson, THOMAS WORKMAN, M. P., T. J. CLAXTON, R. W. SHEPHERD, Hon. D. L. McPherson, HORATIO A. NELSON, MILES WILLIAMS, DAVID REA, DANIEL WILSON,

Scrutineers.

At a meeting of the new Board of Directors held subsequently, Mr. John Molson was re-elected President, and Mr. Thomas Workman Vice-President for the current year.

THE MOLSONS BANK, Montreal, 8th October, 1877.

MR. JOHN MOLSON-The report just read is so full that nothing is left for me to add. The directors have taken the shareholders into their confidence. I hope we have seen the worst of the commercial depression which has been so trying and disastrous. The bank is in an excellent position to take advantage of an improved state of trade, whenever it sets in, and I think we have reason for hoping that a period of healthy improvement has really commenced, but un-ceasing prudence and vigilance will require to be exercised. If any shareholder has any question to ask, the cashier or myself will be glad to answer. The president in reply to Mr. John Hutchison's question, what were the losses and the reasons for them, stated that it is not usual, neither is it in the interest of the bank that they should be stated. It is not done so in any other bank, and as I believe, is not customary. In reference to the losses at the Windsor branch, you must understand it would be detrimental to the interests of the bank to mention the names of people, where the losses are. We have given you fully the whole particulars given more than other banks are in the habit of giving. The Bank of Montreal, the largest monetary institution in the Dominion, never gives this information. We have shown you what the total losses are, because we have taken the shareholders into our confidence.

MR. THOMAS WORKMAN, M.P., suggested that it might be well to answer the question what the loss is at the Windsor Branch, as there

could be no harm in doing it.

Mr. F. WOLFERSTAN THOMAS—The loss is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$75,000.

Mr. John Hutchison-It is most extraordinary that a branch of this bank should make losses to that extent. I don't think they should

have power to do so.

Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas—I will say a word or two in this connection. You all know how happy you have been in the past. During the past few years you have not met with any apologetic statement. In a few years you acapologene statement. In a new years you accumulated this reserve of \$540,000. I think we might have been better advised, if instead of passing to credit of the reserve fund we had kept the profits in a position to use more easily,—at the profit and loss account for instance. Had we done so for the last two years we should have had \$140,000 to use which we have now to transfer from Rest for bad debts. I do

Correspondence.

TOO MUCH CREDIT.

To the Editor of the Monetary Times.

SIR,—The prolific cause of crises is the ruinous system of credit which, by common consent, all business men seem to adopt. However sound the argument might be made in favor of the total abolition of the credit system, and it can be made as conclusive as any mathematical proposition was ever demonstrated it would, I admit, under present circumstances, be almost impossible to inaugurate the change, so as to make it an immediate and practical not think if we can continue to pay our dividend of eight (8) per cent., and manage to keep the Rest at a fair amount, there is anything the so as to make it an immediate and practical benefit to the crippled and struggling industries of the country. What can be done at once, with decided advantage to all, would be,

to curtail within moderate limits, the power of this great commercial octopus, by cutting off some of the tentacles with which it has held and stifled the prosperity of all classes of the people. It will be asked, how this can be done; my answer is, shorten credit to a period of three months, and abolish the renewal system alto-gether. Why should the wholesale merchant give to his customers a longer period of credit than Banks give to him. The usual answer is, because the retail trader cannot convert into money the goods he purchases from the wholesale merchant within so short a period, and therefore it is necessary that sales should be made on six months time.

Every business man in Canada knows, that the retailer has an average of nine months to pay for his purchases, and even that indulgence does not enable him to pay promptly, at the end of that period. Why? simply because the system of long credit is ruinous to all concerned. There is no justification for this long delay in the conversion of goods into cash. The retail dealers can order goods at Toronto or Montreal, and have them on his shelves, in the remotest part of Western or Northern Canada, within one week. If there is room for him at all, if he has purchased moderately, and has selected what his customers require, if he has the capacity to conduct his business at home with ordinary judgment and economy, he can convert these goods into cash within ninety days, and make an honest return of the proceeds to his creditor. It will be asked, if this be possible within ninety days, why is it not done now on a credit of nine and twelve months? The reason to my mind is obvious enough. The retail trader has been educated into this system of long credits, and in turn, he has educated his customers into the same vicious system. Under it, men are encouraged to embark in selling goods, who have no qualifications, moral or otherwise, to be in business, This class of traders have become numerous all over the country. They ruin the best men in the retail trade, and from this cause more than any other, insolvency and failure are produced.

Why should ignorant men be encouraged to undertake a business they do not understand? Why make it a temptation for people to speculate in goods upon credit, any more than in any other game of chance? The system of indefinite credits, has brought about all this evil, and the end has not yet been reached. A man with \$500 or \$1000 or even \$2000 in his pocket, would be slow to invest this money in merchandize, were it not for the knowledge that he can purchase ten times the amount of his capital upon long credit, take these goods to the country, speculate on the chances of success, and if the worst comes to the worst, get through the in-solvent court, in many instances better off then when he began, and in every case, a direct positive injury to legitimate trade.

There is a reason advanced, in favor of indefinite credits, which has done yeoman's duty in support of this pernicious system, and the fallacy of which it is high time to expose. It is contended, that the country merchant cannot sell to the farmers on less time for payment than twelve months. This is not the fact now; twenty years ago it may have been true, but at present it is a slander on the farmer to make this charge. There is no class of the community to-day so independent as the farmer. Besides having money in the bank, or upon loans, to an extent which does not prevail in other classes of industries, he is every week in receipt of money for butter, cheese, eggs, poultry, wool, live stock, and other products of the farm, which are entirely independent of the harvest time. But even if this were not the case, it affords no cool are the butter of the harvest time. good reason for selling him goods on twelve months credit. Let it be understood that all the farmer purchases from the merchant must

be paid within three months, and he will be taught economy and thrift, he will purchase what he requires only, and payment will be made promptly. I know of no one who has more ability to pay his "store account" than the farmer. Why should he not borrow at the bank counter, on a well endorsed note, in the same way as the merchant? He has his farm, his expenses are small, he has capital in industry, and is the "best mark" of the two. I have never yet been able to understand the reason for tabooing farmers' paper by banks; but yet it is the fact that this class of discounts has not been in favor with moneyed institutions. This will all be changed if the farmer is taught to regard it as a necessity to pay promptly. In any event, he has his farm on which to raise money, and this can be readily done now at eight per cent on mortgage.

The real fact however is that in consequence of long credits, country traders trust the floating population of small villages and towns, and seventy five per cent of all such credits are totally lost, and charged up to the farmers. The whole system needs reformation; a cash business should be fostered; short credits must be the order of the day; bank directors and managers ought to demand from their customers, a monthly return of the goods they have sold, the persons to whom they have sold, and the terms of payment. It is in the power of our moneyed institutions to insist upon this commercial reform; and the day is not distant, when the wholesale merchant will consider it necessary to do something more than "send in" notes for discount on "discount day" in order to obtain money. The Banks will forfeit the confidence of the community, or else abolish the indefinite system of credit, which prevails in mercantile circles and which has done so much to demoralize the trade of the country.

Yours &c.,

ALEX. CAMERON.

Windsor, 5th October, 1877.

insurance.

FIRE RECORD.—St. Andrews, Oct. 4.—About 9.30 last evening a fire broke out in the stables of the hotel here, entirely consuming the hotel itself and outbuildings, and some unoccupied buildings on the south side of the road. The loss is estimated at \$6,000; insured for \$2,000 in the Western and \$1,000 in the Phoenix.

Beachburg, Oct. 8.—A fire broke out this morning in a barn belonging to Wm. Scott, about three miles from here, in which was stored about fifteen tons of hay, besides grain, all of which was destroyed.

Montreal, Oct. 8.—About daybreak this morning a fire broke out in Archambault's bakery, Visitation Street, which was extinguished before much damage was done

Cumberland, Ont., Oct. 9.—The barn and contents belonging to John Smith were destroyed by fire last night; loss about \$1,500.

Athelstan, Que., Oct. 9.—The outbuildings belonging to Thos. Cairns, farmer, were struck by lightning and completely destroyed; valued

at \$3,000, no insurance.
Port Colborne, Oct. 8th—The cabin of the Propeller "Canada" was destroyed by fire, on the voyage down the Mackinac Straits.

Madoc, Oct. 5th-The barn of Phillip Clapp, 4th Con. Madoc, together with a buggy, reaper, fanning mills and other farm machinery were destroyed by fire. Loss about \$1,500, partially covered by a policy in the London & Liverpool

Stanstead, 3rd Oct.-Fire destroyed Studdart's hotel, Convent Notre Dame and Congregational Church. Loss between \$20,000 and \$25,000, partially insured.

Rawdon, Que., Oct. 9.—The barns of D.

Robinson, containing 1,000 bushels of grain, 3 waggons, 5 sets harness, and several farming implements were destroyed by fire on Sunday last; no insurance.

Montreal, Oct. 8.—The hat and fur store of Mr. Stuart, corner of Notre Dame and McGill streets, was damaged to the extent of \$300.

Burlington, Oct. 5.—The Victoria Mills, owned by Benj. Eager, and occupied by A. Cline, were destroyed by fire this morning. Loss between \$9,000 and \$10,000, partially covered by insurance.

London, Oct. 5.—The barn and outhouses of J. Caswell, 11th Con. Biddulph, together with this year's crop, were destroyed by fire.

Parkhill, Oct. 4.—The house of Wm. Sholdice was damaged by fire. Covered by insurance to the extent of \$200.

Ottawa, Oct. 10th.—A fire in Rochesterville this a. m. consumed seven houses. Total loss about \$10,000. E. Ladousere loss \$1,500 insured for \$900, M. Ladousere loss \$800 not insured, Mr. Gorman about \$1000 insured \$600, B. Bigras not insured loss \$600, F. Corvea \$600, insured for \$300, Bradley & Bell, about \$5000 insurance \$3000, supposed to have been the work of an incendiary

Toronto, Oct. 7th.—The Canada Coffin Co's factory together with 1400 coffins were destroyed by fire this a. m. The business was conducted by Messrs. Watson & Thomson of Hamilton and Mr. Jas. Sutherland of this city. The loss it is said will reach over \$20,000. Insured in the Western on machinery and stock \$2000 and \$3000 respectively, on building \$500 in Scottish Imperial.

Lynden, Oct. 8th.—Last night a fire broke out in the general store of N. Cornell, his stock and furniture was destroyed; insured. R. Thompson lost about 100,000 feet of lumber; R. insured. The bakery and stables of S. Cox; the Great Western Hotel, owned by G. Vansickel, Union Hotel and dwelling house attached, and the stable of Jas. Patterson; not insured. The Lynden House owned by G. Vansickel, a complete loss; insured for \$2,000.

Montreal, Oct. 8.—About 150 cords of wood at Durham station on the G. T. R. was destroyed by fire on Friday last.

Beachburg, Oct. 8.—Wm. Scott lost his barn and about 10 tons of hay by fire this a. m.

Beverley.-A fire destroyed the barns and driving shed of Mr. Jno. Gamble, near Troy; the barns contained his entire crop. Loss over \$2000, partially covered by a policy in the Agric. Ins. of London.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

3.15 o'clock, Oct. 10, 1877.

Montreal	STOCKS.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transact'ni in Week	Buyers.	Sellers.
Ontario	Montreal	1624	16.34	142	7624	1601
Consolidated						
Peoples						
Molsons					00	
Toronto	Molsons				102	Og
acques Cartier 55\$ 55 143 554 555	Toronto				203	1574
Commerce		551	55	143	541	
Commerce	Merchants	684				60
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R. C. Insurance			1494	36	149	
R. C. Insurance						771
Gold				· · · · · · · · ·	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
Richelieu & Ont. Nav	sterling Exchange				1081	108₺
B. of M *164 50		102	102		102	102
B. of M *1644 50					75	75
			*164	50	!	

* Provided dividend of 6 per cent is paid.

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

(From our own Correspondent.)

Montreal, Oct. 9, 1877.

Since the date of the last report the weather has been variable; a good deal of rain has fallen, which farmers say was much required. Trade has quieted down, as is usually expected at this season. Shipping goes on with great activity; rates for tonnage during the week were higher, but at the close were easier. The Leather market is firm, and raw hides have again advanced. Groceries are firm, and a good deal of business has been done in sugar. Hardware is only in average demand, and without any change in values. The dry-goods wholesale trade is quiet; but the cold weather seems to stimulate the retail. Wheat is in good demand and a good deal has changed hands during the week. Other grains are quiet. Flour at the close of the market was active, at slightly better prices. Provisions quiet, but generally firm. Ashes are steady, and without any change.

ASHES.—Pots—No change of any consequence to notice. Receipts during the week have been less liberal, but sales have not been very large. Firsts are steady at \$4.05 to 4.10 and 4.121; Seconds have been more enquired for with sales at \$3.40; Thirds \$2.65. Pearls-Amount of business done has been small; Firsts brought \$4.45 to 4.50, while inferiors are not asked for. Stocks at present in store are Pots, 2,953 brls.; Pearls, 948 brls.

BOOTS AND SHOES .- There is no advance in prices to note as yet, but prices are firm and an advance is very likely to take place. Manufacturers are busy filling orders-indeed are working extra time. There are large shipments going by every steamer to England.

CATTLE.—There is not much activity in the cattle market; arrivals have been large, but mostly for shipment to England; prices rule low. In yesterday's market the range was from \$2.75 to 4.25 per 100 lbs. Hogs are plentiful, and although a goodly number changed hands vesterday there were a large lot unsold at the close of the market to 5.75 per 100 lbs. There were a few Dressed Hogs sold yesterday at \$6.50 per 100 lbs. There were some fine sheep in the market which brought \$4.50 per 100 lbs. for shipment to the English market.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Transactions this week have been chiefly of a jobbing nature, and the market is hardly so firm as last week. Bi Carb Soda \$3.10 to 3.50 per 112 lb. keg; Soda Ash 12 to 2c. per lb.; Cudbear 12 to 16c per lb; Arrow root 15 to 50c per lb; Borax 11 to 121c per lb; Cream Tartar Crystals 26 to 7c per lb; do Ground 29 to 31; Caustic Soda \$3.00 to 3.50 per 100 lbs; East India Senna 12 to 15c per lb; Sugar of Lead 14 to 15c per lb; Bleaching Powder 14 to 2c per lb; Madder 9 to 11c per lb; Alum 11 to 21c per lb; Copperas 1 to 11c per lb; Sulphur 31 to 31c per lb; Brimstone 24 to 22c per lb; Epsom Salts \$1.75 to 2.00 per 100 lbs; Sal Soda \$1.12\frac{1}{2} to 1.15 per 100 lbs; Salipetre \$8.00 to 9.00 per 12 lb kegs; Biue Vitrol 6 to 7c per lb.

DRY GOODS.—Business in this branch of trade seems to have settled down to the quietness usual at this season. Fall trade may be said to be over for this season, but a large sorting up trade is looked for. Altogether this season's sales seem to have given satisfaction. Stocks are well in hand, and will be considerably reduced after the sorting-up demand is satisfied. In Clothing there has not been much doing, the Fall demand being about over. The Retail trade of the city has been very active this week. There are fewer complaints about remittances than usual.

Furs.—There is nothing doing as yet in Raw furs, there has not a single mink skin been offered for sale so far, and it is not probable now that the new skins will begin to arrive much before the end of the month.

Fish.—There has been a better demand this week for fish and as stocks are by no means large prices are firm and in favor of holders although they are not quotably higher since this day week Dry Cod \$4\frac{3}{2}\$ to 5; Green Cod \$4\frac{1}{2}\$ to 4\frac{1}{2}\$; Labrador Herrings \$5\frac{1}{2}\$ to 5\frac{1}{2}\$; Salmon \$12. \$11. and \$10 for Nos. 1. 2. 3. respectively.

FREIGHTS .- There is still a large demand for tonnage for grain and the market continues to advance, engagements for heavy grain to London Liverpool and Glasgow by steamers and Iron clippers 8/3 to 8/6. laterly 8/6 to 8/9 was paid, and for flour to Glasgow 4/6. market closing rather easier with downward tendency

FLOUR.-Receipts during the week 32,941 brls; total receipts from 1st January to date, 535,988 brls showing a decrease of 135,620 brls, on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1876. Shipments during the week 29,747 brls; total shipment from 1st January to date 431,906 brls. There has been a fair demand this week for extras and a good deal changed hands at a reduction on our closing quotations of this day week, yesterday and to-day there was a hrmer feeling in the market and prices were again in holders favor, and a larger business was done at our quatations. Superior extra \$6.20 to 6.30; Extra superfine \$6.00; Fancy \$5.82\frac{1}{2} to 0.00 Strong baker's flour \$5.82\frac{1}{2} to 5.90; Spring extra \$5.70 to 5.75; Superfine \$5.60 to 5.70 nominal; Fine \$4.90 to 5.00 nominal; Middlings \$4.25 to \$4.50 nominal; Pollards \$4.00 to 4.50.; nominal, Oatmeal \$4.75 to 4.85; Cornmeal \$2.60 to 2.85.

GRAIN.—Wheat.—Receipts during the past week 755,857 bush; Total receipts from 1st January to date 3.935,023 bush being a decrease of 1,626,612 bushels; on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1876; shipments during the week 373,451 bush.; total shipments from 1st January, 2,377,944 bushels; being a decrease of 1,779,608 bush., on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1876. In the early part of the week the market was easier with downward tendency, and sales of No.2 spring was reported at \$1.19; No. 2 white winter at \$1.29; No. 1 red winter at \$1.26; white winter \$1.37 Owing to an advance in England and in the west the market took an upward turn. Yesterday when a cargo of white winter sold at \$1.40, and to-day a cargo of No. 1, Canada spring at \$1.30. Maize is firm at 57c; Peas were in light demand at 81c; some barley was sold during the week at 60c, and to-day some choice Quebec brought 65c; offered. Oats only small sales at 32 and 33.

GROCERIES.—Teas.—The market this week has been quiet, holders maintain their firmness, however, especially for low priced Japan teas which are most in demand. We quote, low grades from 21 to 25c; good medium to fine 32 to 45c. High priced Japans are almost unsaleable at present. Blacks and greens are very little asked. We give extracts at foot from Messrs. Chas. Thorel & Co.'s state of the Yoko. hama market, received by last mail:

Yokohama, 29th August, 1877. Our market has remained semi-inactive. Stocks have increased and may now be reported full; teamen do not push business as they probably otherwise would, were there anything like a demand. The demand running so entirely upon the lower grades, most goods shown are now second crop, in which it is difficult to do business owing to most of them being totally deficient in all liquoring qualities, although of

firm and sometimes handsome leaf compared with many New Crop goods.

Grades above Finest, really desirable goods are in full supply, but no demand. Quotations are quite nominal, on a basis of say \$18 for Good Medium, lower grades not desirable; and it is hardly needful to say, the better kinds, although not wanted, show much more value, as

At the close we have to report a rather large settlement for San Francisco, and the receipt of telegram from New York, dated 25th inst., advising very unsatisfactory market for Japans.

Coffee .- About the usual amount of business has been done this week within our range of quotations. Government Java 28 to 30c; Maracaibo 22½ to 24c; Mocha 29 to 33c; Rio 21 to 23c. Sugar.—The market has been somewhat unsettled owing to the change in the drawback in the U.S. Large purchases had been made in the United States in view of the change, and stocks here of these sugars are large, while importations are daily arriving from Europe. We quote Scotch yellows from 88 to 98 according to color; granulated 10g to 10gc; extra 9g to 9gc; dry crushed 10g to 11gc. Nothing doing in raw sugar, and prices are nominal. Molasses. -Stocks have been augmented and holders more disposed to press sales. Prices favor buyers. Barbadoes 47 to 48; Trinidad 411 to 45c. Very little done in other kinds. Syrups are in moderate request from 45 to 65c. Rice is in good demand at rather easier prices, say from \$4.25 to 4.50, according to size of lot. have been in moderate jobbing demand at unchanged prices. Fruit.-New crop fruit is arriving, but not in large quantities, and almost all old stock has been cleared out. Very few new layers in market, holders asking \$1.70 to 1.80; new Sultanas 71 to 8c; Valencias 71 to 71c for new; currants are in good demand, with fair sales at 53 to 6c. for last year's crop; figs nominal at 6c. for old. Nuts of all kinds are quiet and unchanged.

HIDES .- Market is quiet, but we have another advance of 50c to note, and No. 1 hides are now quoted \$9; No 2 do \$8; No. 3 do \$7. Lambskins have also advanced, and are now selling at 70 to 80c.

HARDWARE.-Prices since the date of our last report have not changed, and the demand for both shelf and heavy hardware not being over the average, we cannot note any new features in the trade of any moment; we therefore repeat our last week's quotations, which are generally firm. Pig Iron—Eglinton and Clyde, \$18.25 to 18.75; Glengarnock, \$18.75 to 19.25; Langloan, 19,75 to 20,50; Calder No. 1, 19.75 to 20.50; Summerlee, \$18.75 to 19.00; Gartsherrie \$19.25 to 20.00; Hematite, \$24 to 26.00; Bars per 100 lbs. Scotch and Staffordshire \$1.85 to 1.90; best do. \$2.10 to 2.15; Swedes and Norway, \$4.75 to 5.00; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.00 to 6.50. Canada Townsor and Dowling, \$0.00 to 0.50. Canada Plates per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$3.50 to 3.50; Garth and Penn, \$3.60 to 3.75; Hatton, \$3.40 to 3.50; Tin Plates—per box, ordinary brands—Charcoal I.C., \$6.50 to 6.75; ditto, IX. \$8.50 to 8.75; ditto DC, \$5.50 to 5.75; Coke IC, \$5.50 to 5.75; Tinned sheets, Charcoal best, No, 26, 12 to 13c; Galvanized Sheets 8 to 84c; Hoops and Bands. Galvanized Sheets 8 to 81c.; Hoops and Bands per 100lb. \$2.45 to 2.50; Sheets best brands \$2.75 to 2.80; Boiler Plate, ordinary brands, \$2.75 to 3.00; do. best brands, \$3.00 to 3.25; Russia sheet-iron per lb., 10 to 11c; Cut Nails, 2 d lath 4.50; 2½ to 4 shingle \$3.80; 5 d to 10 \$3.30; 12 d and larger \$3.00; 100 keys lots 5 per cent. discount; cut nails patent chisel pointed 25c extra; Pressed Spikes, \$4 to 5; shot ditto \$7.00 to 7.25; Lead—Pig \$5.50 to 5.75; sheet ditto \$5.75 to \$6.00; Bar ditto \$6.00 to

Ingot Copper, 19 to 20c; Horse Shoes, \$4.50 to 4.75; Proved coil Chain, \(\frac{3}{2} \) inch, \(\frac{5}{2} \).00 to 5.25; Anchors, 6 to 61c; Anvils, 10 to 11c; Wire per bdl. of 63 lbs., No. 6, \$1.95 to 2.00.

LEATHER.—The market has been fairly active during the week, with less doing towards the close. Spanish Sole remains about the same, best brands of B A are not in extra supply and holders are inclined to be firm, while inferior qualities are more abundant. Slaughter Sole is beginning to be more enquired for, but prices are still low. Upper is selling only in small parcels but prices are firm with an advancing tendency. Splits have less enquiry but prices are still unchanged. We quote We quote Hemlock Spanish sole, No. 1 B. A., to 25c; do. No. 2, 21½ to 22c; No. 1 Ordinary 22½ to 23½c; No. 2 ditto 20 to 21c; Buffalo sole No. 1, 21 to 222; do. No. 2, 19 to 21c; Hemlock slaughter 26 to 27c, waxed upper light and medium 34 to 39c; do. heavy 32 to 36c; grained upper 34 to 37c; splits large 27 to 31c; do. small 16 to 22c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs., 55 do. small 10 to 22c; caliskins 27 to 30 lbs., 55 20c; do 18 to 26 do. 50 to 65c; Sheepskin Linings 25 to 37½c; Harness 24 to 32c; Buffed Cow 15 to 17c; Enamelled Cow 17 to 18c; Patent Cow 16 to 18c; Pebbled Cow 14 to 16c;

Rough 24 to 28c.
OILS.—There is not much to report this week, prices in consequence of the scarcity of fish oils are firm and likely to advance, but as yet we have no change to report on the quotations of last week. Cod oil 52½ to 55c; Seal, pale 54 to 55c; ditto Straw 5oc; ditto Steam refined 55 to 56c; Olive is firm at \$1.05 to 1.10; Linseed, Raw 66 to 671c; ditto boiled 69 to 711c. Petroleum prices are well maintained but there has been no further advance, there is a good demand at 151 to 18c, according to size of lot.

PROVISIONS .- Butter .- Receipts during the past week 7.902 pkgs.; shipments 8,694 pkgs. Inferior butter is difficult to sell, but choice fall butter commands a ready sale at full prices; the range to-day was from 16 to 23c according to quality. Cheese.-Receipts for the week 10,710 boxes. Shipments 22,956 boxes; this market has lost some of its firmness and business done has been in small compas and the price to-day was nominal at 11 to 12c. Receipts 209 brls.; shipments 53 brls.; very little doing in this article but prices are firm for mess, \$17.50 to 17.75; thin mess \$16. quiet but firm at 11 to 111c.

SALT.—The market is easy. Common can now be had ex-ship at 50c per car load; factory filled, 95 to \$1.

Wool.—There is still a fair demand for Canadian wool. Sales have been pretty numerous at from 27 to 29c for Canada pulled.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, 11th Oct., 1877.

There are signs of hardening in the money market here; the Bank of England rate has been advanced to 5 per cent. Stocks are quiet for the most part; Bank of Montreal advanced on the supposition that the next dividend would be 6 per cent. Toronto and Ontario lower; Dominion unchanged. Loan and Savings stocks are firm, and Insurance quiet.

The cattle market has been fairly active especially in sheep; provisions have ruled steady; the grain market has been brisk. Groceries, dry goods, and boot and shoe dealers, each tell about the same story of a continuance of country orders of limited amount, and limited remit-

behind what they ought to be. As will be observed by our quotations, Opium, Quinine and Iodide of Potassium are all lower. Bicarbonate of Soda has also fallen 25c. per keg. We note that Olive oil is higher, say \$1.15 to 1.20. probably from a temporary scarcity at points of production, Spirits turpentine has also advanced to 48 to 50c. Borax and Caustic Soda are lower.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Flour.—The market is active and prices fairly maintained. Stocks in store are 1690 barrels, against 1290 barrels last week, and 700 barrels on like date last year. There have been sales to considerable extent at to-days quotation, some of them thousand barrel lots. Extra sold at \$5.60 to 5.65, the market closing firmer. Superior extra com-manded \$5.90 to \$6.00. Fancy a little lower, say \$5.40 to 5.50. Spring wheat extra holds its own at \$5.25 to 5.30; sales have been made of all grades. Oatmeal.—There is not much moving, prices are as formerly quoted. The stocks on hand are small. Cornmeal unchanged.

GRAIN .- Wheat .- Fall. Stocks in store on 8th. inst., were 68,650 bush., against 57.715 bushels last week, and 102,811 bushels last year same time. The first car of New Fall wheat No. 1. came from the North on Wednesday, and sold at the fancy figure of \$1.35, being a very clean sample, the same would be paid however for other cars equally choice, which are scarce. There have been heavy sales early in the week of No. 2. at \$1.20; No. 3. at \$1.10 to 1.12. Spring.—Stocks in store 136,829 bush. against 95,214 bushels last week, and 144,348 bushels same date last year. There have been large sales during the week of Nos. 1 & 2, at \$1.16 and 1.14 respectively, closing strong on Wednesday at an advance of four to five cents on these figures. Barley.—A stock is reported of 109,823 bushels against 82,567, last week and 307,193 like week last year. Some parcels sold yesterday at 65c. for choice street selected. No. 2. is nominal. Oats are quiet at 32 to 33c. The stock here is 10,300 bushels, against 3,800 bushels last week and 1000 bush., last year. Peas.—There are stored here, 11,536 bushels against 10,286 bushels last week. The price has declined a little, no demand developing since our last. We quote 71 to 74c. and we hear of no sales.

GROCERIES .- Money is coming in from the country very fairly, and a steady trade is doing, not it lots, or on speculation, but for country and city supply. In Fish, old white are out of market, new are worth \$3.75 to 4.00, and new trout \$3.50 to 3.75; dried cod are a little firmer, say \$5.25 to 5.50. Fruit is in a good supply, raisins advanced yesterday in New York 10c. per box, and the impression prevails that all fruit will be dearer. Layer raisins we quote \$1.70 to 2.00, and London layers \$2.40 to 2.75, according to lot, new Valentias 7\frac{1}{2} to 8c. The new crop of currants is short, and the supply here is not large, prices are therefore firm as quoted. Molasses is steady in price, syrups move \$4.60 for round lots, \$4.80 for smalls, the New York market of Tuesday was firm. The American drawback change has not enhanced the value of Sugars as much as was anticipated prices are firm however, and in Liverpool, Glasgow and New York, they are well maintained. A firmer tone is observable in teas, both green and black; low grade blacks are depressed in Biltain, but that has had no appreciable effect upon this market. Liquors remain about as quoted, no especial activity being noted. Coffees in New York were unsatisfactory in tone on the 9th. and the move-

HARDWARE.-Activity is notable generally in this line. Merchants are disappointed, how-ever, in the volume of remittances, and have

short date renewals. All kinds of goods are in demand, especially Canada plates, galvanized and sheet iron. There is a good deal doing in shelf goods too. The usual consumptive demand prevails for nails and spikes, which are unchanged in price. There is no change to note in prices of pig except that W. W. & Co. (which is used to mix with scrap) was quoted in error last week at \$21.50; it should be \$19.50, at which figure it is steady. Inquiries are numerous in pig, and orders are likely to reach importers for close of navigation. No activity in hoop and band iron nor much movement in bar. Canada plates are only in moderate supply, and stocks, we understand, are not heavy either in the west or in Montreal, while the season is too far advanced for further importations. We quote: M. L. S., \$3.70 to 3.90; Garth, \$3.50 to 3.80; Maple Leaf, \$3.55 to 3.80. There is nothing new in block tin or pig copper; enquiries are not numerous; shot is going out slowly; powder unchanged, and sufficient is now in the magazines to meet requirements; stocks of window glass are light; the late arrival this year of antwerp vess. is will account for this; but even with the fall's importation there will be by no means an overstock, as last vessel for Montreal left on 12th August.

HIDES AND SKINS .- The market is rath r quiet, and a feeling exists that more is being paid for city slaughtered green hides in con-sequence of a temporary local stimulus, than can be maintained. The regular supply from local butchers is taken meantime at 8½ and 7½c. Country trimmed are worth 7½c. Cured are as quoted, 85c is still paid for sheepskins but reluctantly, and some dealers who have tested the yield of wool from them conclude there is not enough upon them to justify present price which is an advance of 15c on last year's October prices. Calfskins are nominal as none are now coming in.

LEATHER.-No quotable change in prices, but the prospect is favorable for a steady fall trade, and it is expected that any active demand will operate an improvement in prices of leather, which at present weigh against the tanner. The New York Shoe and Leather Reporter considers that: "Taking hides and tanning at the prices they now command there is no subtle skill of workmanship by which leather at present prices can be made to pay. The tanners understand this perfectly well, and they are not at all cheerful about it. They buy hides as reluctantly as children take medicine. It is not probable that this state of things will last a great while. There must and will be a change, and the time when it will happen cannot be far off. Hides will fall or leather will rise. incline to the opinion that the former of these two propositions is the correct one, though it may be " the wish is father to the thought."

PROVISIONS .- The market feels rather better this week, especially in Bacon, in which some good sized sales have been made. C. C. has moved in lots at 7\frac{3}{2}c, and \(\text{Sc} \) is readily paid for smaller quantities. \(\text{Mess pork} \) is steady; the N. Y. market, as per Tuesday's Bulletin, was dull and prices easier. Choice Butter is wanted, and outside quotations can easily be had, but a choice article is scarce. The demand is all for local use, shipping lots are neglected. Cheese is inactive, 6000 boxes offered at Ingersoll on the 9th, but none sold; buyers not offering enough At Little Falls and Utica on the 8th there was considerable activity and good demand for export; sales at 12 to 132c.

-The National Butter, Cheese and Eggs Association and Northwestern Dairymen's Association will hold a grand exposition of products, implements, etc., in Chicago, on December 18th to 20th. Three thousand dollars gold premiums meantime to content themselves often with will be awarded, and competition is invited, from Canada and the United States especially.

-The New York Produce Exchange have amended the Lard rules by striking out the following:--"Lard shall be divided into two grades, to be known as 'choice' and 'prime'. Choice lard shall be made from leaf and trimmings only." The effect of this change is that there will be hereafter but one grade, "prime lard." Prices in N. Y. on Tuesday were easier, and nothing doing in cut meats.

Wool.-Prices remain as quoted in last issue. In fleece there is not much doing, the season being about over. In pulled there is no change of price, but the feeling is easier. No large quantities have sold lately; the movement has been in small lots mostly.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the TORONTO CLUB will apply to the Legislature of Ontario, at the next session thereof, for an

Amendment to their Act of Incorporation.

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Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates
Passand Chass.	8 c. 8 c.	Hardware—continued. Copper: Pig	\$ c. ₹ c.	Oils—continued.	8. c. \$
Boots and Shoes: Mens' Calf Boots	3 00@4 25	Sheet	0 21 0 22	Olive, common, \(\psi \) gall. " salad " salad in bottles.	I 15 I 20 I 80 2 00
" Kip Boots, Mens' Prunella Bals	2 30 3 25 2 50 2 85	Cut Nails: 12 dy.to7in.p.kg.100 lbs.	- 1	parau, in Dottico,	
" Cong. gaiters & Bal	1 60 2 60	5 dy. to 10 dy	3 05 3 10	qt., per case Seal, pale	0 65 0 70
Boys' Kip boots " Gaiters & Bals	I 60 2 25 I 55 I 80	5 dy. to 10 dy	3 55 3 60	Spirits Turpentine	0 48 0 50
Womens' Bals & Gat, peg "M.S.	1 20 1 65	Galvanizea Iron:		Whale, refined	
Batts	1 30 2 00 0 90 1 30	Best, No. 22 Best No. 24	0 07 0 08	White Lead, genuine, in	
" Prun. Cong	0 624 1 60	" 26	0 08 0 08	Oil, 10 25 lbs Do. No. 1	1 95 2 05
" Goat Bals	0 65 2 50	" 28	0 084 0 09	White I and don	170 180
Misses' Bals	0 95 1 35	Horse Nails:		White wear, ury	0 072 0 08
" Batts Childs' Bals	0 70 1 00	Patent Hammered Iron (at 6 months):	0 14 0 16	Red Lead	0 00 0 07
" Batts	0 55 0 75	Pig-Gartsherrie, No. 1		Yellow Ochre, French	0 02 0 03
"Turned Cack p.doz	4 50 5 50	Summerlee	19 00 20 00	Whiting	0 85 1 00
Drugs.	2 -0	Eglinton No. 1	0 00 0 00	(Refined, & gallon.). Delivered at London, Ont	1
Aloes Cape	0 021 0 03	American	19 00 20 00	No. 1, car load, Imp.gal	0 13 0 00
BOTAX	0 12 0 14	: Bar ♥ 100 lb	200 205	Delivered in Toronto:	
Castor Oil		Refined—Amer., Hoops—Coopers	2 60 2 70	No. 1, 10 brlsdo 5 brlsdo " single brlsdo	0 16 0 00
Cream Tartar	0 30 0 32	Hoops—Coopers Band	0 00 2 75	" single brisdo	0 17 0 18
Epsom Salts	0 021 0 03	Boiler Plates Canada Plates M.L.S	3 70 3 90	Benzine	0 00 0 00
Extract Logwood, bulk boxes,		Garth	3 50 3 80	Flour (nor hell) for	
Indigo, Madras Madder	0 90 95	Maple Leaf	1	Superior extra Extra Fancy Spring wheat, extra Superine	5 65 5 70
Opium	5 50 5 75	Bar 🌮 100 lba Sheet	0 06 0 064	Fancy	5 49 5 50
Oxalic Acid Potass Iodide	4 00 4 25	Shot	0 071 0 071	Superfine	4 90 5 00
Quinine	4 00 4 10	Iron Wire (4 months): No. 6, * bundle	2 10 2 25	Catmeal	4 23 4 30
Soda Bicarb, per keg	3 50 3 75	"9, "	2 45 2 55	Cornmeal, small lots Grain: f.o.L	1
Tartaric Acid	0 45 0 48	Powder:	2 85 2 95	Fall Wheat No. I	1 30 1 35
Greceries.	0 28 0 32	Blasting Canada	3 75 0 00	" No.2	1 10 1 12
Coffees: java, W 10	0 26 0 28	FF "Blasting, English	0 00 4 75	Spring Wheat, No. 1 No. 2	1 16 1 20
Rio	0 22 0 24	FF " loose	500 000	Oats	0 32 0 33
Mocha Fish Herrings, Lab. old	35,000	Window Glass:	i	Darley, No. 1	. 0 0 3 0 0 5
ii eceled	1030 0 32	25 inch		" No. 2 " No. 3	0 45 0 00
Mackerel, brls	3 75 4 00	26 x 40 do	2 30 0 00	Peas	0 71 0 74
		51 x 60 do	2 55 0 00	Provisions Butter, choice, ** 15	0 15 0 18
Salmon, salt water Dry Cod, # 112 lbs	5 25 5 50	Pressed Spikes (4months)	4 00 5 00	Butter, choice, \$\P\$ 1b ordinary	0 12 0 15
Caulty Deleine Lover '77	1 70 2 00	Regular sizes, 100	500 600	Pork, mess,	16 50 17 50
ti Cultanes	0 08 0 00	Tin Plats (4 months:) IC Coke	5 50 6 00	Bacon, long clear	0 9 0 09
" Valentias, old	0 03 0 04	IC Chargoni	6 40 7 00	" smoked	0 c8 0 09
" New do Currants, 1876	0 06 0 06	IXX "	10 50 11 00	Hams, canvassed	0 114 0 12
" t877	100740002		5 75 6 25	Eggs	0 11 0 12
Molasses: Clayed, w gall. Golden		Hides & Skins, # 1b.: Green, No. I	1	Hams, canvassed Lard Eggs Hops Sait, etc.	. 0 9 0 12
		" No.2	0 00 0 07\$	Liverpool coarse Canadian	. 0 65 0 75
" Ext. Golden " Amber	4 60 4 80	Cured and inspected Calfskins, green	0 09 C 12	Canadian St. Ube's	. 0 95 1 00
		Sheep	000 9134	Wines, Liquors, etc.	
Allspice Cassia, whole, W Ib Cloves	0 19 0 30	II .	0 05 0 00	Ale: English, pts qts	. 160 190
Cloves	0 42 0 50	Leather, @ 4 months: Spanish Sole, 1stquality	.]	Brandy: Hennessy's 20 g	. 2 05 2 /3
Ginger, ground '' Jamaica, root	0 21 0 27	all wgts., lb	0 26 0 28	Brandy: Hennessy's Pgl Martell's	2 80 3 00
Nutmegs	. 0 80 1 10	Do. No. 2,	0 24 0 25	Hennessy's cases . Martell's ".	.1 9 50 9 73
Pepper, black Sugars—Porto Rico, ₩ 11	0 09 0 09	Do.light	. 0 26 0 28	OtardDupuy&Co " J. Robin & Co "	10000
Cut Loai	. 0 114 0 113	Harness,	. 0 20 0 30	Pinet Castillon & Co	. 8 00 8 50
Cuba Eng. & Scotch refined yel	. 0 00 0 10	" light	. 0 35 0 40	Gin: De Kuypers P gal.	. 185 196
Dry Crushed	0 11 0 11	Kip skins, French	. 0 90 1 10	" green case	. 1 75 1 85 E 4 25 4 50
Teas:	l .	English Hemlock Calf (30 to 3	5	_ " red "	8 20 8 50
Japan common to good	. 0 27 0 47	lbs.), per doz	0 70 0 90	Booth's Old Tom. Rum: Jamaica 16 o.p.	2 35 2 50
fine to choicest. Colored, common to fin	0 42 0 47	Do. light	1 12 1 40	Demerara "	1 90 2 1
Congon & Souchong	0 27 0 77	Notite large, 47 ID	. 0 23 0 31	Whisky: GOODERHAM & WORTS	s'
Oolong, good to fine Y. Hyson, com. to good	. 0 31 0 40	Enamelled Cow, per ft	0 19 0 21	Terms Cash,-Under	
			. 0 20 0 21	brls., nett.; 5 to 10 brls 2\frac{1}{2} p.c. off; 10 brls. an	
Extra choice	. 0 37 0 42	Buff	. 0 14 0 18	I DEFERRAC OFF	Rond. Pai
med. to fine.	0 47 0 60	Russetts, light Gambier	. 0 25 0 35	Alcohol, 65 o.p. P I. ga Pure Spirits "	0 62 2 1
Hyson	. 0 32 0 82	Sumac	. 0 00 0 0 07	" 50 " " " 25 u.p. "	0 50 I 9
Imperial	. 0 37 0 77	Degras Oils.	. 0 071 0 08	Family Proof Whisky "	0 32 1 0
Tobacco-Manufactured Dark 58 & 108	n 36 o 41	Cod Oil		Old Bourbon "	0 35 1 1
Dark 58 & 108 "Western Lea	f, 0.26 0.47	Straits Oil	0 50 0 55	" Toddy " "	0 33 1 0
Bright sorts, gd. to fine	e 0 36 0 41 0 00 0 65	" No.1	. 0 90 0 97	" Malt " "	0 33 1 0
" choice	. 0 70 0 00	NO.2	. 0 85 0 90	Domestic Whisky, 32 u.1 Old Rye, 5 years old	0 26 0 9
Solace	0 33 0 47	Duncan-Clark & Co'	. 0 45 0 00	" 7 " …	
Tin (je "months):	0 17 0 20	Linseed raw	. 0 68 0 70	Wool.	0.00
Bloc Ib	·			Fleece, ib	. 0 27 0 0

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	8	Capital subscribed	Capital		Dividend	CLOSING PRICES		
NAME.	Shares		paid-up.	Rest.	last 6 Months.	Toronto, Oct.11.	Montreal	
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British North America	£50	4.866,666	4,866,666	1,216,000	4			
Canadian Bank of Commerce	\$50	6,000,000	6,000,000	1,900,000	4	1184 1194		
Consolidated		4,000,000	3,465,910	232,000	3	86 88		
Du Peuple	50	1,600,000	1,600,000	267,196	3			
Eastern Townships	50	1,500,000	1,330,151	300,000	4			
Exchange Bank	100	1,000,000	1,000,000		3			
Hamilton	100	1,000,000	669,930	50,000	4	304		
Imperial	100	010,000	862,402		4	1052 1064		
Jacques Cartier		2,000,000	1,953,920					
Mechanics' Bank	50	582,200	105,014					
Merchants' Bank of Canada		8,607,200	8.106.883	1,000,000		68		
Metropolitan		1,000,000	675.226					
Molson's Bank	50	2,000,000	1,996,715	540,000	4			
Montreal	200	12,000,000	11,998,400	5,500,000	6	163 165		
Maritime	100	1,000,000	627,170		3			
Nationale	50	2,000,000	2,000,000					
Dominion Bank	50	1,000,000	970,250			124		
Onterio Bank	40	3,000,000	2,006,180			10:4 1034		
Quebec Bank	100	2,500,000	2,500,000					
Standard	50	507,750			3	711 73	1	
Toronto	100	2,000,000		1,000,000	4	157		
Union Bank	100	2,000,000						
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London & Can. Loan & Agency Co	. 50	3,000,000	300,000			135 136	(
Canada Landed Credit Company	50	1,000,000	488,00	40,000		1334		
Canada Loan and Savings Company	50		1,750,000			173		
Ontario Savings & Invest. Society			672,500				1	
		450,000	440,000	25,500		112	l	
Freehold Loan and Savings Company	100		600,000	180,000	. 5	143	1	
The Hamilton Provident & Loan Soc		950,000	686,74	9 63,000	4		}	
Huron & Erie Savings & Loan Society	50		963,46	1 204,000	5		!	
Montreal Telegraph Co	. 40		2,000,00	o	3 1		!	
Montreal City Gas Co	40		1,400,00	o	. 5		1	
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Western Canada I can & Saminara Co.	. 50					143	1	
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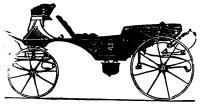
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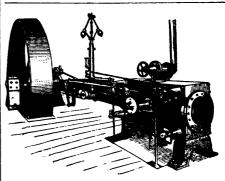
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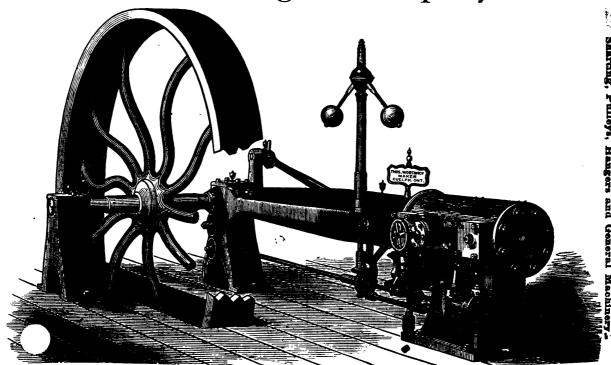
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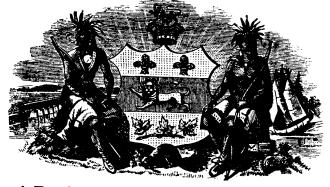
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2,461,030 52 956,481 81 \$6,018,758 68 \$462,836 55

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\$46,213,066 33

Balance Net Assets, Dec. 31, 1876. \$40,020,146 47 SCHEDULE OF ASSETS.

435,000 00 80,205 00 26,000 00 Cost of other bonds..... 7,306 54 44,132 89

Net and ledger assets..... \$44,020,146 47 App.

Bills receivable

Gross assets, Dec. 31, 1876 LIABILITIES:

\$42,091,043 40 Surplus, December 31, 1876. \$4,121,962 93
Increase of assets during 1876. \$2,718,355 40
Ratio of expense of management to receipts in 1876 . 6.95 per cent.
Policies in force Dec. 31, 1876, 66,618, insur'g \$183,414,408

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