

Canada's Loans.

It is no exaggeration to say that in no part of the world is there a country which to day enjoys a greater measure of prosperity than Canada does, and whilst it may further party ends to deery the country and picture our commercial institutions as so many bankrupt concerns, still it is gratifying to know that Canada is making substantial progress commercially, agriculturally and educationally. The population of Canada is made up of a hardy, vigorous and energetic people who are bound to succeed commercially, even though adverse circumstances should sometimes stare them in the face. When the wave of depression passed over Canada—and not alone Canada but the whole world—from 1873 to 1878 Sir John Macdonald and his party endeavored to saddle on the Mackenzie administration the responsibility for the bad times that prevailed during that period. There certainly were phases of the Liberal policy that were objectionable at that time, but the progress the country made during the Mackenzie regime was all that could possibly be expected at a time when a general commercial depression hung over the mercantile world. Mr. Mackenzie had conducted the public affairs with economy and on general principles, but little fault could be found with his policy. Perhaps the most grievous mistake his Administration made was in connection with the Canadian Pacific Railway. Mr. Mackenzie, though a spirited man seemed unable to grapple with the question, and instead of pursuing a vigorous policy preferred rather to construct the road at a slow pace. During his five years of power much valuable time was lost, and considerable money wasted by endeavoring to utilize the water courses between Port Arthur and Rat Portage, instead of constructing a through line of railway between those points. Mr. Mackenzie came into power at a most inopportune time, when trade and agriculture were depressed and over production had forced many manufacturers to suspend operations. To carry on the Public Works undertaken by his predecessors Mr. Mackenzie was forced to float loans in the British market, but so depressed was trade generally that the capitalists of England refused to negotiate those loans on a basis of fair discounts and commissions. In 1874 Sir Richard Cartwright placed a loan of £4,000,000 sterling on the market and was forced to negotiate it at 90, thereby paying in discounts commissions and other charges \$2,12,796. In 1876 Canada negotiated an unguaranteed loan of £2,500,000 sterling at 91. The discounts on loans floated by Sir Richard Cartwright amounted to \$3,862,069. In 1878 the Mackenzie Government was defeated and the Liberal Conservative party assumed the control of affairs at a very propitious time when confidence in trade was being renewed and general activity in commercial circles was taking place. The very year Sir John Macdonald came into power, and before any effects, good or bad, were observable from the adoption of the National Policy, Sir Leonard Tilley issued a loan of £3,000,000 sterling, and succeeded in finding purchasers at £96 10s. per £100. In the following year the Finance Minister issued an unguaranteed loan of another £3,000,000 sterling, which he succeeded in negotiating at 95. The favorable terms on which Canada was able to borrow money at that time has ever since been used as a battle cry by the Conservatives in the several campaigns that have taken place since 1878. It may serve party purposes to associate England's renewed confidence in Canada with the National Policy, but it is quite improbable that the capitalists of Free Trade England are influenced by a policy that is the very opposite to that which has made Great Britain the most powerful nation, commercially, in the world today.—*Canadian Nation.*

Prices for Farm Produce.

Without any idea of making political capital at all, we have compiled a list of the prices of farm produce for Toronto, St. John and Fredericton, that our farmer readers will be able to judge of the current prices. At the farmer's waggons in the Toronto market the following prices are received, Fall Wheat per bush. \$1.00; Red wheat 1.00; Spring wheat 87cts; Goose wheat quoted at 72; Barley 50cts to 54; Oats per bush. 51; Dressed Hogs per cwt. \$5.75 to \$6.00; Chickens 40 to 60cts; Butter in lb rolls 18 to 21; Eggs 19 to 20 cts; Potatoes per bag 1.00; Apples per bbl. \$2.00 to 3.25; Turnips, yellow per bag 30 to 40 cts; Beets per bush. 60 cts; Parsnips per bag 55 cts; Cabbage per doz. 50 to 70 cts; Carrots per bag 45; Celery per doz. 40 to 50 cts; Onions per bag \$1.75 to \$2; Radishes per doz. 20 cts; Lettuce per doz. 15 cts; Asparagus per doz. 50 cts; Rheubarb per doz. \$1.50; Hay, timothy \$9. to \$11; Straw sheaf \$7 to \$7.50.

The following prices are quoted for Saturday last in the St. John market: Butcher's beef, 5 to 7½ cts per lb; country beef, 4 to 6 cts; lamb, 7 cts; pork, 7½ cts; hams, 10 cts; shoulders, 8 cts; veal, 8 cts; potatoes, \$1.80 to \$2.00 per bbl; kidneys and snowflakes, \$2.25; butter, 18 to 20 cts per lb; eggs, 26 to 27 cts; turnips, \$1.10 to \$1.20; cabbage, 60 to 75 cts per doz.

The Fredericton market report is as follows:

FREDERICTON MARKET PRICES			
CORRECTED WEEKLY FOR THE REPORTER,			
BY MR. JOHN E. PERKS, MARKET CLERK.			
Beef, "	04	"	05
Mutton, "	04	"	05
Ham, "	09	"	10
Butter, "	15	"	17
Eggs, per doz.	20	"	00
Potatoes, per bbl.	1 60	"	1 75
Carrots, "	80	"	1 00
Turnips, "	00	"	60
Buckwheat, Rough, per cwt	1 25	"	1 75
Oats, per bush.	00	"	50
Hay, per ton.	7 00	"	10 00
Straw, "	5 00	"	00
Cheese, "		"	
Lard, "	13	"	15
Turkeys, "	00	"	00
Chickens, per pair.	00	"	00
Ducks, "	00	"	00
Geese each "	0	"	00
Socks and Mitts per pair.		"	00
Pork, per lb	\$0 00	to	\$0 00
Lamb, "	00	"	00
Veal, "	00	"	0
Sausages, "	00	"	00

Danger Signals.

Mr. Wiman says the victory of the Liberals would add a new series of states and territories to his adopted country.

According to the Buffalo News every vote given to a Liberal in the present contest is a vote in favor of annexation.

Archbishop O'Brien claims the right, as a priest and prelate of the church to which a large portion of the people of Canada belongs, to warn his flock against unrestricted reciprocity as tending directly, if not avowedly, to annexation.

In words of earnest patriotism the late Bishop Larocque admonished his people not to follow those pernicious guides who hold out annexation to the United States as an object to be desired.

The Hon. William McDougall positively declines to endorse a policy that means nothing less than the annihilation of Canadian independence.

Mr. Blake, former leader of the grit party, has retired from public life in disgust and his friends are afraid to give him letter of withdrawal to the public.

Note from The Century Co.

A SUGGESTION FOR TABLEAUX.

A very successful tableau-entertainment was recently given in New York, the subjects being taken from illustrations in the current magazines. The idea is a simple one, and if the subjects are well chosen it can be made very interesting.

The Century Company has prepared a list of suitable pictures with suggestion for any one who wishes to get up the entertainment. They will send it free on request.

GERMANTOWN (Tennessee) ladies at the late village election nominated a prohibition ticket and prevailed upon their husbands, brothers, and sons to elect it. Bravo!

At Rodez, Aveyron, France, so intense is the cold, that numerous instances are recorded of casks of ale and wine bursting, owing to the pressure of the frozen liquid. Heaven send that all of them burst.

FIVE POLES, suspected smugglers of alcohol, were crossing Lake Wistyster in Russian Poland. It was frozen. They fell into holes made by the fishermen in the ice. The leader of the band alone escaped.

MR. W. JENNINGS DEMOREST, of New York, has a force of some 60 men engaged in making some alterations on the Manhattan Club building at 15th Street and Fifth Avenue.

The men have been in the habit of going off in the bands at lunch time and odd times throughout the day for beer. He offered to furnish the men with hot coffee at noon daily on condition of their abstaining from drink during working hours. The offer was accepted, and one man at 11.30 a.m. prepares coffee for all hands. One of them said: 'We all like the change very much, and are thankful to Mr. Demorest for his consideration of us.'

It saves us money and comes in nicely at lunch time. I would heartily commend the idea to all building bosses. The cost is about a dollar a day, but the blessing conferred by friend Demorest is beyond calculation.

LUMBERING CANADA.

The large trade done in New Brunswick birch has almost entirely fallen off.

Owen Brothers have started a ship mill on the Lee farm, not far from Warminster.

The Waubashene box factory is running full time and doing all the work it is capable of doing.

Mr. N. A. Beach, of Georgeville, proposes building a saw mill at Magog in the spring.

A future city of importance is predicted on the Rainy River at Fort Francis, where there is a fine water power.

Deals for the English market that are saved at Fredericton and on the Nashoak, which joins the main river at Gibson, are taken to St. John in wood-boat schooners.

It is reported that there is not likely to be much lumbering done in the Penetanguishene district during the present winter.

Taylor & Lount, saw millers, of Whitevale, Ont., have failed. The mill, it is said, has been a losing concern since its inception.

The Victoria Harbor Lumber Co. are placing a planing machine in one of their mills which, together with the shingle machine, is to run during the winter.

A Lumsden's saw mill, at Gordon Creek, has shut down for the season. He has a small gang getting out logs for next summer's cut, but does not intend taking out any for sale.

Mr. Daniel Baker has completed arrangements for building another saw mill at Uthoff. This will make four mills at Uthoff, and all intend stocking to their full capacity this winter.

A boom of logs brought to Midland by Mr. Nickerson from Victoria Harbor broke loose near Peters & Cain's mill and half went adrift. Men had to go out with a tug to save the balance.

During the season just ended 10,014,108 superficial feet of deals, etc., were sent forward to transatlantic ports from Bathurst, N. B. This total does not include 198,000 feet of birch deals shipped by the St. Lawrence Lumber Company.

The snow is reported by lumbermen fully two feet deep in the line adjacent to South Bolton. If the weather is propitious there will be more logs drawn to the river in the vicinity of South Bolton than for several years past.

Owing to the scarcity of work around the Chaudiere, Messrs. Bronson & Weston have opened up a couple of shanties on the Schyan river, principally for the benefit of their mill hands whom they have employed during the summer.

W. C. Edwards & Co. are carrying on lumbering operations on the Gattineau quite extensively this winter. They have six camps of men at work and are about to start another shanty. The pine on that river is, however, becoming rapidly exhausted.

Reports from the Black River district state that this fall has been a most favorable one for bush work. Mr. Booth has two shanties in operation at his Couvreau depot, and the other lumber firms have about the same number as during the past two winters.

Mr. J. R. Booth has torn down his old mill on the Chaudiere, and now has about 76 men at work taking out the machinery. The erection of the new mill will be commenced as soon as the ground is cleared, and it will be fitted with the latest improved machinery throughout.

A new branch of the Knights of Labor has been formed in Ottawa. It already numbers 58 men, and they expect to largely increase that number, and are contriving to extend the movement so as to include the men in the shanties on the Upper Ottawa.

Mr. Alexander Lalonde, owner of a saw mill in the 10th concession of Roxborough, county Grey, committed suicide by hanging himself in the upper story of his house. Deceased was an honest, upright man, who had been greatly depressed by financial reverses, and it is thought his troubles had affected his reason.

Lumbermen's wages started out very low at the beginning of the season, but have slightly advanced during the past month. In the Ottawa district choppers get from \$18 to \$22, teamsters from \$15 to \$17, and road makers from \$13 to \$15. Little square timber will be gotten out, owing to a dull market and large stocks on hand.

Messrs. McClymont & Co. have sent no men into the woods this winter, and will close down for next summer. Mr. McClymont says there has been so much stocking done this year it is only destroying the woods without there being sufficient remuneration and the stock remains unsold.

The weather has been splendid for timber operations around Sturgeon Bay, and log cutting has been going on in good style. Shields' men having finished cutting near the mill, have moved up into their winter quarters to finish cutting next summer's stock of logs.

Messrs. Boyle & McCracken, of Ottawa, have sent a sufficient number of men to the woods to take out three rafts of square pine timber and one of cedar on the Desert and Gattineau. They say that heavy frost has been favorable to lumber operations, as the swamps are completely frozen over.

There are at present 11,000 men in the lumber woods of New Brunswick. These men spend about six months of the year far removed from settlements and the ministrations of clergymen, and almost entirely without Christian literature. The British American Book and Tract Society has granted \$500 for the purpose of supplying these men with Christian literature.

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THE TRAVELLER'S SAFE GUARD.

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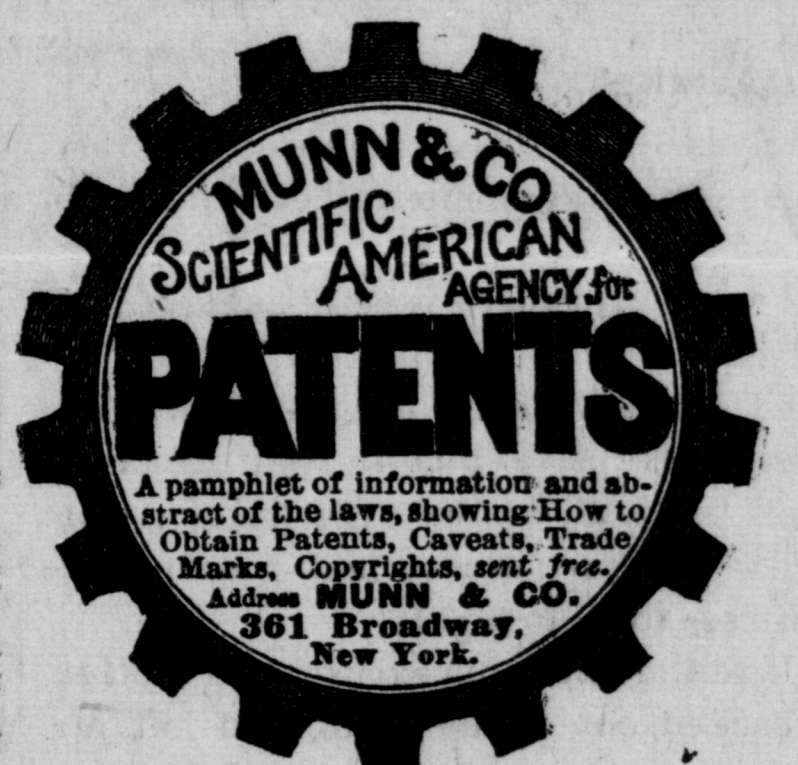
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Returning Leave Chatham

7:15 a. m.; Chatham Junction, 8:00; Upper Nelson Boom, 8:15; Blackville, 9:05; Upper Blackville, 9:40; Doaktown, 11:00; Boiestown, 11:50; Cross Creek, 1:05 p. m.; Durham, 1:45; Marysville, 2:25; Gibson, 2:32; arriving at Fredericton 2:35.

Connections are made at Chatham Junction with I.C. Railway for all points East and West and at Gibson with the C. P. Railway for all Western points and St. John, and at Cross Creek with Stage for Stanley.

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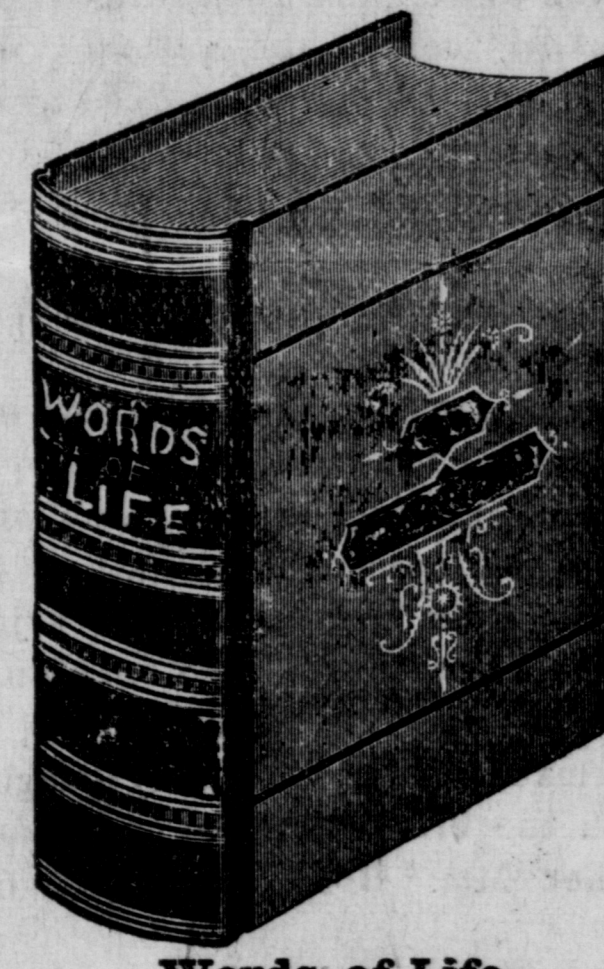
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The St. John Sun says:—

The Sun has received from H. H. Pitts, proprietor of the Reporter Steam Printing Office, Fredericton, a copy of "Words of Life," being a volume of sermons delivered by Rev. A. J. Mowatt, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian church in that city. The work, from the standpoint of binder and printer, is most creditable to Mr. Pitts, every page being printed from stereotype plates prepared in the Reporter office, while the binding was done under his own personal supervision.

Rev. Mr. Mowatt is one of the pulpit forces of the provincial capital and his sermons are for all time rather than for a day. "Words of Life" is a volume intended to help, cheer and comfort all classes of sinners within the church fold as well as those without.

The St. John Telegraph says of the book:—

WORDS OF LIFE, is the title of a volume of 32 sermons by Rev. A. J. Mowatt, pastor of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Fredericton. The author is widely and favorably known as a preacher of some originality and leaping and more than ordinary earnestness and power. His sermons will, no doubt, have many readers in the attractive form in which they are here presented. Mr. Mowatt modestly says of them: "For years my sermons have been published from week to week in the local press, and this volume is but an extension of that work. The sermons make no claim to literary merit. I send them forth as I have been giving them to my people from Sabbath to Sabbath. I have no time to elaborate—no time for fine writing, finished literary work. They have been words of life to some souls. They have helped, cheered, comforted others. They have been a message from Heaven to many."

The frontispiece of the book bears a life-like portrait of the reverend author. The mechanical work of the volume is highly creditable to the Reporter publishing office Fredericton, whence it is issued.

HERMAN H. PITTS,

Reporter Pub. Office,

Fredericton, N. B.