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FINANCIAL and COMMERCIAL

NEW DECISION AFFECTS OVER

\$70,000,000

London, Dec. 11—Seventy million dollars of British money is invested in the securities of the provincial governments of Canada. It is a big sum, and the financial interests here which have dealings with the provincial governments are eager to make it bigger. They are nibbling at an agitation to improve the status of their securities on the London market. Twenty-one provincial government issues are quoted on the London Stock Exchange. Issues made by the Province of Quebec, 5; Ontario, 2; Manitoba, 5; Nova Scotia, 3; British Columbia, 2; Saskatchewan, 2, and Newfoundland and Alberta 1 each.

Under the decision delivered the other day by the Court of Appeal here, these securities are not available to trustees for their investments and the prejudicial position in which they thus stand in the eyes of the British investor is felt to be an injustice.

Henceforth the movement which is now being put on foot for the extension of the Trustees' Act. The law as expressed in the Colonial Stock Act of 1900 clearly limits investments to the security of a "British colony or dependency," and the judges have held that this term means "the aggregation of the provinces and settlements of the making-up of the Dominion."

Hence it comes about that although a most ordinary observer regards the obligations of Ontario, British Columbia, Manitoba and Quebec as at least as sound as those of Newfoundland and the Straits Settlement, these Canadian provinces are excluded, while much smaller British communities are given the full benefit of the enlarged area of investment. The Australian States have been admitted to the trustees' list, and if the provinces of Canada had not federated in 1867, they would also have come within the charmed circle.

One's first impression is that Mr.

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Lloyd George and the Treasury cannot be expected to welcome the enlargement of the trustees' list. One of the chief factors in the depression of Consols is the inclusion of colonial securities a few years ago, and it is not to be supposed that Mr. Lloyd George will welcome a further depressing influence.

U. S. RUBBER CO.

United States rubber will receive this year in dividends on the common stock of its subsidiary, Rubber Goods Manufacturing Company a sum of \$350,000 in excess of the entire 4 per cent. dividend on its own \$25,000,000 common stock.

The prosperity of Rubber Goods Co. is largely a reflection of extraordinary tire sales. The fiscal year to Dec. 31 should show gross sales of \$40,000,000, of which about \$22,000,000 will be tire sales.

The 8 per cent. which Rubber Goods has paid on its common stock this year amounts to a return to United States Rubber Company of \$1,349,000 compared with but 1 per cent. or \$168,600 in 1910.

In the fiscal year to March 31, 1911, United States Rubber received in income from stocks of other companies a total of \$1,485,000. That sum will probably be doubled this year.

The 8 per cent. dividend on Rubber Goods common paid this year is the largest distribution that company has ever made, and is backed by profits substantially above that amount.

C. P. R. \$505,000

The earnings of the Canadian Pacific Railway for the first week in November show an increase of \$505,000.

FORGET'S 50th BIRTHDAY

Mr. Rodolphe Forget, M. P., reached the half-century mark yesterday, receiving the congratulations of a host of friends. For 15 years or more Mr. Forget has enjoyed the reputation of being the quickest and ablest trader on the Stock Exchange, and one of the foremost, all-round financiers in Canada.

Like most strong, successful men, Mr. Forget has acquired a fairly active army of enemies who would sneer at some of his schemes, and would like to hammer his stocks but they "dassent." He could "put it all over them," as the saying is.

Mr. Forget's chief assets consist of

HON. JOHN V. ELLIS
FIFTY YEARS AN EDITOR

St. John, N. B., Dec. 13—The St. John Globe will issue a special fifty-page edition today to mark the completion of the fiftieth year of the editorship of John Valentine Ellis. Mr. Ellis is believed to be the oldest daily newspaper editor in America in point of continuous service. He was born in Halifax seventy-seven years ago and at the age of twenty-six became editor of the Globe. He was appointed to the Senate of Canada in 1900, after having served for some years as a member of the Provincial legislature of New Brunswick and later of the Dominion House of Commons.

GOOD ROADS' THE TOPIC

Portland, Ore., Dec. 12—County judges and commissioners of Oregon began their annual convention today at the Commercial Club in this city. The necessity of a more uniform method of highway improvement is the chief subject slated for discussion during the three days' session.

"You'd better fumigate these bills before you go home they may be covered with microbes," said the druggist one Saturday evening as he handed a few faded, worn and soiled silver certificates to his clerk.

"No, danger from that source," replied the latter, "a microbe could not live on a drug-clerk's salary."—National Monthly.

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Mr. Forget works harder than almost any financier in Montreal, and when genius and hard work are combined in one man, it is an unbeatable combination.

THE TORY RUSH
FOR THE SPOILS

(Montreal Herald)

The importance of yesterday's debate over the security of civil servants might easily be underestimated. If it is the disposition of the new government merely to get rid of those officials who have led their old spirit of partisanship show through in an election, then there is nothing to be said against such action. The official who does that runs the risk and cannot complain if he loses. Similarly, there are some major appointments as to which the responsibility for the acts of the official rests almost immediately upon a Minister. In these cases the Minister has the right to take his precautions. But in the great majority of cases the person who is appointed to office under the government has the right to suppose that, given good conduct and faithful service, he will not be disturbed. There are rather plentiful indications that an attempt is to be made, on a larger scale, to dispossess such as these. Mr. Borden and "some of his colleagues may be acquitted of any desire to introduce the spoils system, but one does not give to a trained observer to realize that the Conservative members are being subjected to great pressure from all over their ridings, and that many of the new members are quite disposed to yield to it. Our Conservative friends have been out of office for a very long time, and when they do get into office they are apt to busy themselves more over the position of the Government than over the affirmation of great principles. It was not the office-seekers who turned out the old Government; but to hear them nobody would ever think so. They hold it to be the most important result of the election that the offices must be turned over to them, no matter who has to be put out to make way. The masses of real voters do not want it that way. And Mr. Borden may as well make up his mind to it that the sentiment of the people of Canada runs strongly against the spoils system being resorted to by any new government. It would be doing the new Prime Minister a distinct service if some help those who support him would help put on the brakes. If there is not moral courage enough to do so, then there will have to be further recourse to the method adopted by Mr. Maclean Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and the other Liberals who spoke yesterday.

Vancouver tug ran aground on a whale. The cabin boy began to blubber till the whale backed away.

COULD NOT
SWEEP FLOOR

Was So Terribly Afflicted
 With Lame Back.

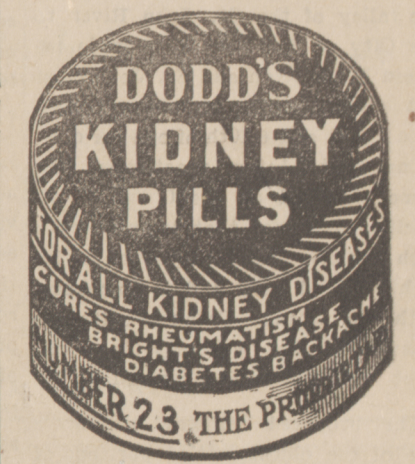
It is hard to do housework with a weak and aching back, and no woman can be strong and healthy unless the kidneys are well.

The weak, lame and aching back comes from sick kidneys and should be attended to immediately so as to avoid years of terrible suffering from kidney trouble. Mrs. Harvey W. Brownell, Northport, N.S., writes:—"I now take pleasure in writing you, stating the benefit I received by using Doan's Kidney Pills. About a year ago I was terribly afflicted with lame back, and was so bad at times I could not sweep my own floor. While looking through your B.B.B. Almanac I saw Doan's Kidney Pills were a great remedy, so thought I would try a box or two. After using five boxes I was completely cured, and I am very thankful to have found so speedy a cure."

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CHEAPER CABLE MESSAGES

London, Dec. 13—The long agitation for cheaper cable messages has finally reached a successful culmination. Today the various cable companies put into effect a fifty per cent. reduction on all press messages from the British Isles to Canada, Australia and the United States. Ordinarily messages in plain language subject to deferment will also be accepted at half the present rates, beginning the first of the coming year.



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Music by MAURICE LEVY

Moderato.

1. When you were young and I was young we used to play a game, And
 2. When you grew up in later years, you loved a pretty girl, You

"Till ready.

ver - y hap - py for an hour we'd seem; We did not call it pipe dreams, but it was al - most the same, Be -
 begged her to ac - cept a wed - ding ring; She seemed a per - fect jew - el, and you tho't she was a pearl, And

cause it was a pipe that made us dream. We'd play at blowing bubbles, and we'd watch them sail away, Like
 like a pearl she had you on a string. She said she loved you dear - ly, and would be your own for life, A

lit - tle boats up - on a sea of blue, En - dur - ing but a mo - ment with their
 kiss up - on her ro - sy lips you pressed; You thought you would be hap - py when you

build them still, We al - ways will, Those cas - tles in the air. Now we air.....

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pret - ty col - ors gay, We'd look a - gain, - they'd dis - ap - peared from view.....
 two were man and wife, But that turned out a bub - ble like the rest.....

REFRAIN.
 Now we play that same old game, And we blow them just the same, Some

sail a - bove with joy and love, Some filled with wealth or fame; All are

bub - bles light and fair, Though we tend them with great care, We

build them still, We al - ways will, Those cas - tles in the air. Now we air.....

It's Nothing But a Bubble.

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