HINTS FOR THE FARMER.

POULTRY FATTENING.

It will be remembered by our read-\$1.76 per pair wholesale, or showing hogs to root for it. a profit of 50 cents per pair after paying all expenses. The birds were Liverpool, a leading dealer of poultry ing in results than using artificial or tious and easy to prepare, but also and game in England, perhaps in the world. It may also be remembered that the consignee was so much pleased with the appearance of the birds ago by Messrs. Yuill & Son of the fol-should strive for lowing letter from Alderman Ruddin. The letter is so fraught with importance as affecting the development of Canadian poultry that the greater part

with your consignments, I take this intelligently followed. early opportunity of encouraging you to extensive operations in poultry for the coming season. You need have no fear as to the ultimate results. Only turn your poultry out in the same order and condition as you did the experimental lot and I will see that profits will accrue. I'am confident that I can create a large trade in Canadian poul- have to devise a new plan of existence, order. The trade will then be readily established and it will only be the Europe as well as from Australia and New Zealand. I can state, however, tor on equal terms. For not only is the Canadian poultry superior as to qualis always assured through the service ter of meteoric origin. of the refrigerator. I hope to call on you in June or July. Meanwhile, I hope to hear from you at your convenience. -James Ruddin."

GOOD ROADS.

condition than most of them are at ought to feel as much shame, even guilt, before the general public over over a choked-up sluice along his premises as he ought over neglected cattle or a display of filth.

road-working season to come. The most profitable, common sense work can be put in a little at a time, if at the right time. Drainage is the beginning and the ending of the whole matter, if roads are to be roads and not sloughs. Watering-troughs and hillside springs are common causes of stand-Ing water, yet it is a very simple matthem in the way it should go. A stone, a loose board, a shunk of soil washed down against the end of a sluice may ing. Five minutes' work would send the water rushing through its proper channel. It is not uncommon to see water following the wheel rut for rods, when a man with half an eye can also at the edge of the road would lead the

Dropping into a bad hole or soft place a few superfluous stones now and then to keep the water out would work a double-headed blessing to all passing of these spots in one place. that way. Heaving out a few stubborn old stones from the track would work detriment to the blacksmith and wagon maker, perhaps, but a big saving to the farmer. If all such patching were thus well kept up, the yearly toil of public service would count folded, and then get one of his friends caution is taken. more and more toward the good roads of which all are dreaming and talking. This view of the subject is no more than one feature of practical farming, intelligent economy, a mere looking out for number one, no matter how many have touched dead spots. others are also benefited.

FARM TOPICS.

Pasteurizing milk lengthens the keeping period of butter from two to four weeks if stored in a cellar kept at 50 to 60 degrees.

Well-cured clover hay is the best possible rough feed for sheep. Great care must be exercised in curing it. One ton of bright, green, clover hay is worth two or three of poorly cured and dus- fully?

Young pigs can be fed sour milk, but sweet milk is much better and should always be used, if it can possibly be obtained. If sour milk must be fed, begin by giving small quantities and always mix a little shorts or meal with it.

Hogs should have free access to salt. ers that the experimental shipment of When on pasture, put in some dry place fattened positry to Liverpool, England, by Prof. Robertson, last fall, was land, by Prof. Robertson, last fall, was mend specing the salt into the soil, at a mond specing the salt into singularly successful, the birds netting mend spading the salt into the soil, ate what an important place it holds for several days. Keep the ice chember always full of ice. Place the

could be made on every farm by savpurchased and fattened by Messrs. ing what is usually allowed to go to Yuill & Son, farmers, in the vicinity waste-besides bringing up the fertil- nify by the name of soup. of Carleton Place. They were con- ity by natural means which in nine

to keep his stock pure than to keep properly made, and an abomination pure-bred males and grow grades. The when not. You had sirloin steak for only extra cost in the start is to get breakfast, and naturally broiled the that he called them "Capons." So far females. When stock is pure an extra entire steak. That tough, stringy part so good, but the outcome of the shipment was the reception a short while best specimens of the flock or herd,
best specimens of the flock or herd,
one cared for and it was finally give

butter is in not knowing it when you "tail," and utilize it for a nice soup. see it. Every woman is a good judge Put it in a saucepan with one quart of the important communication is giv- of butter and babies, at least she thinks of cold water salted, and add at once she is when her own are under con- two tablespoons of pearl barley, one

your stock I would hope to continue keep cows must be home at milking to do so; being sure that no one in time. Home is a good place. Very few England could offer you the same fa- good dairymen are whisky drinkers. cilities, service and interest that I Dairying communities, as a rule, furcommand. Anticipating, therefore, nish but little business for lawyers. that you will be inclined to favor me Dairying is educating and elevating if have a cupful of canned corn left over, children out of our innermost hearts the members of the Begonny are liable

DUST IS KING.

Without It Men Could Not Exist Nor Vegetables Grow.

and reliable feeders and packers like said a scientist. "He would be come til the juice is extracted from the the little ones that we have lost, the last great sacrifice of this sect was yourselves. The business will need co- pelled to provide himself with food by meat, then add one can of tomatoes. children out of whose hearts has de- made the pe,ople adopted this latter at operation of a willing and intelligent some other means than agriculture. It Stew till the tomatoes are soft, steam parted the loving, clinging sense of the means of getting an eternal release would not be possible for a crop packer's fault if he does not maintain grow unless the soil contained an orhis position and hold the business. I ganism capable of converting nitroge- tablespoonful of sugar. Serve at once. comed and shared by the heart of the death. A huge oven was built, and in might say that the English market nous matters into nitric acid. The soil receives poultry from every country in is continually being revived and enwithout the slightest fear of contra- floating about in the atmosphere. the steak was used, only add more wa- counts for a moment with the true mind, or who felt for some reason that diction, that the Canadian poultry has They come from two sources—atoms ter. The water in which a leg of mutton was beited and the daughter's life is her they were not worthy of attempting no compeer and therefore no competi- of the earth's surface caught up by little difficulty into a palatable rice back into it, if she once finds herself ed kneeling and praying while they the wind and distributed elsewhere, coup. Add one half cupful of rice, a excluded from it, is a problem worthy wept for their relatives, whose bone ity and suitability, but its condition and cosmic dust—that is, mineral mat-

"The heavenly bodies are constant- cooked, and your soup is ready to ly casting off fragments of iron and serve. other mineral substances, which fall with great velocity, and reaching the atmosphere that surrounds the earth, are heated by friction and catch fire It is easily possible for farmers to by contact with the oxygen. They are a dish of ice cream makes it digestible peared before the Judicial Committee keep country roads in a much better then burned to ashes and scattered in and tastes fine. minute and invisible atoms. We call the larger pieces meteors, but the litpresent. The individual can afford to the particles that permeate the air are makes a delicious desert. do road mending on the same principle composed of phosphoric acid, potash The "drum" shape is a decided novel- He said he entered into litigation gard this sombre issue with favour that he repairs fences and buildings, and other chemicals, which are abso-"It pays me." And a land owner lutely essential in renewing the fer-

tility of the soil. "What we call terrestrial dust also of great importance to agricul- red and gold is usually attractive. a mud-hole that can be drained, or ture. In many places the soil is almost entirely composed of particles that have been left there by the winds. A considerable percentage of the soil on the earth's surface was originally method. A charming scheme which It is not necessary to wait for the volcanic dust, which has been distributed by that good friend of man we call the wind."

DEAD SPOTS.

Needles May be Run Through Them Without Causing Pain.

Most people have doubted their eyes ter to direct the water flowing from when at some conjuring performance they have seen a man run needles and various shades of sand. Little est in his fate got up a subscriptlatter opened the packet he was as pine through both cheeks evincing no mounds represented a mountain which choke it up till it is worse than noth- pain as he does so. In reality, every person has hundreds of senseless specks of skin all over his body, through which he could run pins, or even cut them out, without feeling any pain. If some see that a mere cut through the ridge one else were to do so when he was crevices, to keep ants away. blindfolded he would not be even aware Wash tarnished silver in hot soapy hear appeals only from Supreme one water into the ditch, perhaps down a of the fact. Physicians call them dead water; rinse in clean water and dry Courts, and as he was not appealing spots; and the reason that one man with soft cloth. Polish with a little from a Supreme Court-which, incan sew his cheeks up, while anoth- fine chalk or pulverized whiting, us- deed, had decided in his favor-they er could not, is simply because the for- ing chamois for a final polish. If very could do nothing for him. They sug-

> minute nerves which convey every implements they should be slightly guine hope that the right hon. gentlesensation to the brain being either ab- oiled and wrapped in tissue paper to man could do anything for him. sent in these particular places or dead prevent their rusting. A salty atmos- The old man gathered up his papers and senseless. But should any one of phere will in a short time quite ruin and departed. our readers allow himself to be blind- all steel articles unless some such preto prod him very gently with a clean Mildew and other stains can be re-60 or 70 at the most.

QUESTIONABLE.

Miss De Puyster-I can trace my ancestors back to the reformation. De Jones-That's nothing. I can trace mine back years and years before they attempted to reform.

GRACEFULLY, AT LEAST. So you heard a man say he thought

Miss Bangs played the piano beauti-

Yes. You see it was a deaf man.

About the House. ***********

TO HAVE GOOD SOUP.

There is no article of food more A great saving in cost of fertilizers fruit, cake or flaky pie crust, are apt is the coldest, for cold air falls. to serve up at dinner, a dubious greasy, or watery compound, which they dig-

Now, a good soup is not only nutri-It costs the farmer a very little more table soup, an appetizing dish when Our great trouble in making fine ing the entire steak, cut off the add a little chopped parsley.

stituted for these. If you happen to The question of this loss of our tary service, and if forced to bear arms soup is a spoiled soup.

of thyme, one small onion, a bay leaf, eager to discuss the question.

When buying a roast of beef have mother? parsley and a sprig of thyme. Boil gently until the vegetables are well

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

A teaspoonful of whisky poured over

the decoration of their dinner tables might with advantage try the Japanese recently adorned the table of a popular hostess included bronze vases at top and bottom of the table holding large bunches of palest mauve orchids, rather loosely arranged. A closegrowing green plant stood on either peculiarity, however, was the presence redress. of two black Japanese trays; but, Having sold his land, and spent all faithfully depicted in sand and filled | ships.

effective in the extreme. in boiling soap suds, then scatter cay- pathy with him.

mer happens to have many hundreds much enfraved use silver brush to re- gested that he should see the Colmove any of the chalk or whiting.

needle, say all on one arm, out of every moved from linen by wetting it with hundred pricks, he will feel only about a thick lather of boiled soft soap and water. Lay the linen thus wetted up- ing on the way over, said Liarly. In the other cases the needle will on the grass in the sun, cover the Where were they drinking? demandstains with salt and from time to time ed the positive man. as it dries water it lightly. A couple of days should be sufficient to remove the worst of stains.

When leaving for a fall trip cover pictures, picture frames and chandeliers with cheese cloth or thin unbleached muslin to protect them from dust and flies. If books are not in case

clean hot water, and wiped dry with a dry towel. A soapy or greasy dish cloth should never be used for this purpose. Every kitchen should have seven dish clothes, and six of them should be in the wash every week. In should be in the wash every means be fit to living in the village of Ternowo, near this way they will always be fit to living in the village of Ternowo, near

A refrigerator very seldom should require any cleaning whatever. Keep it clean by care in using, not perioeasy to make and yet so rarely found, dical washing, which renders the ice separated from it in 1866 when the sect especially if it is clay, compelling the in hygienic cookery, and while priding perishable articles, such as meat mills hogs to root for it ber always full of ice. Flace the most quence of those drastic reforms by perishable articles, such as meat, milk, Peter the Great which themselves on rich and indigestible butter, &c., on the lowest shelf, which title of Arti Christ

AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

"I should never think of telling ments in Russia. They are not, as mother," said one young girl to an- might be supposed, religious fanatics other in confidence of the morning although they have to all intents and tete-a-tete, into which came the dis- purposes been associated with a relicussion of the triumphs and contre- gious movement. Their origin was a temps of the last night's party. "She political and economical one, for their would never understand in the least, agitations have always been directed you know, why I should have said to toward greater personal liberty and him what I did, or have allowed him political power for the individual mem. to say to me what he did. Mothers bers of society. Possibly because of the look at all these things so differently, citizens who have been marked out for you know."

And yet this particular mother was ism, they demand the abolition of docu. one of the most faithful of chaperones, ments for proving identity and conand sat patiently throughout the sequently for the abolition of the necdances, and in more than one instance essity of the passport, while their confided to another mother that her desire is toward countries in which daughter told her everything, and if people can live unknown in the pursuit "The whole transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in side as when her taste differs of the conventionality that side at the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conventional transaction was so completely successful and satisfactory in the convention was so completely successful and satisfactory in the conven it were not for the conventionality that of that wisdom which it is their desire pletely successful and satisfactory in well sold in the half a white turnip, and half a carrot, everywhere by herself." And the surprised to see how her taste differs half a white turnip, and half a carrot, everywhere by herself." And the bolist in the half a white turnip, and half a carrot, everywhere by herself." cut in dice, one onion, one sprig of things she did not tell her mother, but belief in a manifesto, in which he said as to your intentions in regard to the There is a normal side to dairying. thyme, one pepper to taste. Boil slowexport to England of your fattened Regular habits are acquired. Men who ly until the vegetables are done thorthat there shall always be the original man against whom both her father Do with me what you will. I will bear quantity of soup, and when nearly done and mother had warned her, as not at my cross." all the sort of acquaintance whom The outcome of this belief is natura Other vegetables may easily be sub- they would like to have her receive. ly a repudiation of compulsory mile

or peas, or lima beans, they may be really underlies many another prob- to that condition which may be describe used in addition or substituted for the lem that we are trying to solve from ed as emotional enthusiasm, leading to vegetables mentioned. It is, of course the outside, when the true secret of its self-sacrifice. unnecessary to add that all soups solution lies in this inward situation of The form of death which these per should be served hot, as a lukewarm which we do not like to speak. If the ple adopt is burial while alive, a senveil were once lifted from the ex- tence which, it will be remembered This same "tail" may serve as a perience of mothers in this particular, was characterized by one of the peobasis for a good tomato soup, by add- we should find ourselves become a con- ple in the Mikado as "a stuffy death" "If it wasn't for dust man would ing one pint of cold water, one sprig ference in which we should be most but occasionally they have gone in for

and a sprig of parsley, Boil gently un- How shall we find and win back again Ten years ago, for instance, when the through a fine wire sieve, and then re- childhood, the clear-eyed frankness that from their troubles. On a single day turn to the stove. Thicken with one speaks out the hopes and desires, in indeed, four families disappeared from tablespoon of cornstarch and add one full confidence that they will be wel- a certain village and did themselves to

the bones removed, and utilize them | Compared to this treasure of abso- to die plunged themselves. for the foundation of a soup in pre- lute, trustful affection, nothing else | Then the people who lacked the new riched from the particles that are cisely the same way that the end of that the world has given, or can give, essary enthusiasm or the strength of ton was boiled, can be converted with own domain, and how to find her way this great achievement, were discover-

A POOR MAN'S DILEMMA.

Rendered Penniless by a Legal Blunder-Peculiar Incident.

An elderly man, named Burt, apof the Privy Council the other day and Canadian postage stamp was prints Muskmelon filled with ice cream told a remarkable story, says the Lon- by the Government at Ottawa, says don Daily Mail. .

ty in small stands, being, as its name in Tasmania and won his case, but so few were issued. One of these stamp indicates, in the shape of a drum, with for some reason, which was not ren- was sent to the Hamilton post-office, is the sticks for a handle. One decorated dered clear by the applicant's explan- where it was sold to an old man, who ation, judgment was wrongly entered said it was a shame to print the Queen's Hostesses in need of a new idea for for his opponent, the defendant.

Having made the mistake, the officials of the court declined to set the matter right, and plaintiff appealed to the Supreme Court, where he succeeded in convincing the judges that there had been a blunder. An order was made upon the court of first instance to enter judgment for petiside of the centerpiece, which also was tioner, but this order had not been composed of orchids. The crowning complied with, and he could get no

though the groundwork was apparently his money, he became penniless. Under a tray, on each was arranged a lands- these circumstances, a number of cape, all worked out most minutely in people in Tasmania who took an interpins through both cheeks, evincing no mounds represented a mountain, which tion and sent him to England to see sloped toward a tiny lake, all most if he could get justice from their Lordwith flowers. These were curious and Their Lordships, however, stated that

they were unable to help him, all Wash the shelves of a china closet they could do was to express symenne pepper into all the cracks and Lord Watson explained to him that

These dead spots are caused by the In laying aside knives or other steel same time not to entertain any san-

SAW THEM DO IT.

In the trough of the sea, of course.

A POSSIBILITY.

Young Physician-Lam just going to Idle Auditor—Very, likely he is going lawn heretofore sacred to the tents of the te call on my first patient. to be called on by his last physician.

PECULIAR BELIEF.

Russian Religious Sect Bake Them. selves in a Special Oven.

The Begonny are a sect of Russians Tiraspol. They have an ancient faction who originally were part of the orthodox Russian Church. They, however, left the orthodox institution in conse title of Anti-Christ.

The Begonny have occupied a prominent part in all recent Polish move. grinding heel of Russia, which crushes the display of its power and antagon.

self-destruction by fire.

to this those who voluntarily decided

and affection.

STORY OF A POSTAGE STAMP.

One of a Canadian Issue of 1851 and Her

it Travelled.

In the year 1851 a twelve penny blace The Outlook. The public did not re picture on a stamp that might be handled by profane hands. Tenderly the man put it on a parcel sending it to a friend in the United States. Here in the waste basket, it lay for many a day, till an errand boy found it, and quickly transferred it to his album Despairing of getting a good collection, and his fever somewhat abating, he sold them to a dealer. The new owner, on looking at the catalogue, found that what he had paid \$5 for was worth \$55. Accidentally this stamp was slipped into a 25 cent packet, and sent 10 \$ dealer residing in Hamilton. When the tonished to find such a valuable stamp and, being honest, wrote his friend to inform him of what had happened, of fering him/\$1,200 for it. The offer was accepted, and the stamp again chang ed hands. By this time the stamp had increased in value, and not a few came from a distance to look at the tree

One day an English nobleman, who through a Canadian friend, had heart of the stamp, offered \$1,500, which of fer was accepted. The English lord falling in Jove with an American heir ess, and wishing to gain the favour of her brother, presented him with the stamp as a token of his esteem. Here in its new and luxurious American home, it came to a sad end, for the day the maid, by mistake, swept stamp, which had accidentally out of the album, into the fire. an instant the stamp, which thousand had heard of and longed for, went up Saw the sea lions feeding and drink- had heard of and longed 101, leavily in smoke to the broad, blue sky, leavily not a trace behind.

AGAIN POPULAR.

Croquet, the ancient and honorable game, has been roused from its Rif Van Winkle nap, and is once more re stored to general favor, and to the net. There are several reasons it is a ventive against moths.

All cooking utensils, including ironware, should be washed outside and inside with hot soapy water, rinsed in side with hot soapy water, rinsed in sometimes.

THE ULTIMATE END.

He—You can't expect me to be pleasure and all the time.

She—Oh no; the very best I can do is hope that you will be simply agree-able and inside sometimes.

In the ULTIMATE END.

He—You can't expect me to be pleasure and sometimes and frocks, and good game, its evolutions admit of the front of the fray it affords more opportunities for out-and-out squabbling for out-and-out squabbling for out-and-out squabbling that all the time.

She—Oh no; the very best I can do is hope that you will be simply agree-able to the fray it affords more opportunities for out-and-out squabbling that all the time.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

The seventy-third annual general meeting of the company was held at Edinburgh on Tuesday, the 25th April, 1899. A. R. C. Pitman, Esq., W.S., in the chair. The results communicated in the report :-

Amount of assurances accepted during the year 1898 (for which 4,937 policies Purchase price of 192 new annuities.... Claims by doth under 1,013 policies dur-3,265,884 matured during the year 1893, 64 policies, inclusive of bonus additions.....

Subsisting assurances at 15th November Annual revenue..... 5,686,658 Accumulated funds..... Investment in Canada..... 14,200,000 FIRST SCHEDULE.

Revenue account of The Standard Life Assurance Company, for the year from 16th November, 1897, to 15th November, 1898. Prepared in accordance with "The Life Assurance Companies" Act," 33 and 34 Victoria, Cap. 61. Amount of funds at the beginning of the year, 16th November, 1897.....\$ 42,171,539 14 Premiums (after deduction of re-assurance premiums)....

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896,333 84

565,132 98 \$94,622 39 gi

494,074 78 11

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Interest and dividends..... Fines and Fees..... \$ 48,653,444 44 Claims by death under life policies, including bonus additions (after deduction of sums re-assured).....\$ Do. under endowments and endowment

Consideration for annuities granted

183,555 90 \$ 3,449,442 82 Expenses of Management..... Dividend and bonus to shareholders.... Amount of funds at the end of the year, 15th November, 1898, as per second

\$ 48,653,444 44 SECOND SCHEDULE Balance sheet of The Standard Life Assurance Company, on 15th November, 1898 Prepared on the basis of valuation of 1895, in accordance with

schedule..... 43,749,992 85

"The Life Assurance Companies' Act." \$3 and 34 Victoria, Cap. 61. hareholders' capital paid up.....\$ ssurance and annuity fund..... Total funds as per first schedule.....\$ 43,749,992 85 llaims under policies admitted, but not prior to 15th November) outstanding*... 44,346 53 Annuities outstanding*..... 13,298 11 taff deposit fund..... 45,710 00

Sums deposited with the company Mortgages on property within the United Loans on the company's policies within

their surrender value British Government securities..... Indian and colonial government securities..... foreign government securities..... dian and colonial municipal bonds Railway and other debentures and debenture stock.....

Do. shares (preference).
Bank deposits for fixed periods..... House property-Freehold.....\$3,170,313 37 Leasehold......85,984 45 Stock of Scottish chartered banks Ground rents and feu-duties..... ife-rents and reversions purchased..... cans upon personal security, with policles of assurance, repayable by in-

gents' balances in course of collection. remiums outstanding in course of colnterest accrued, but not due..... in hand..... 591,074 39

Dead and receipt stamps in hand...... \$44,678,681 83 "Note. - These items are included in the corresponding

tems in the first schedule. A. R. C. PITMAN, Chairman. W. J. DUNDAS, Director. J. H. DAVIDSON, Director. SPENCER C. THOMSON,

Manager and Actuary. Edinburgh, 19th April, 1899. EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT.

It will be seen from the above figares that the progress of the company goes on uninterruptedly. The new policiess issued, and the amounts assured under them, exceed those of any previous year. The amount received for the pur-

chase of annuities is also greater than ever previously reported. The sums paid in death claims are considerably in excess of the corresponding amounts for the previous year, but the death rates are still well within the expectations on which the several tables of premiums are based. Notwithstanding this greater outgo,

the total funds have largely increased during the year, and now aggregate sonsiderably more than \$44,500,00. While not neglecting the important some connections, the consolidation of the agencies outside the United King-

iom goes on steadily, and the com- for pany are beginning to reap the fruits of the policy of careful extension which hey have been working out steadily or many years past. In view of the company's expansion ed and of the large amount of work-both bas responsible and routine - now con- the

equently falling upon the members of nu he board at the head office, the direc- fit lors think it desirable to increase the lumbers on the board through the adlition of another member. The company have now already assed the middle period towards an-

ther investigation and division of proits, and, although the rate of interest in the invested funds has necessarily allen of late years—a circumstance which cannot be without its effect—the loard have, thus far, every reason to lope that the final results of the quinuennium will be satisfactory to all pncerned.

The rebuilding of the company's prelises in Edinburgh is progressing sat-Mactorily, and the board hope that he next annual general meeting of pard room of the new office. In moving the adoption of the report,

hich was unanimously carried, the hairman, Mr. A.R.C. Pitman, said it by business of the year had, for the rst time in the history of the cominy, exceeded ten millions of dollars, of from year to year it was growing.