

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA

Presented to the Proprietors at their Sixty-Ninth Yearly General Meeting.

The annual general meeting of the Proprietors of the Bank of British North America was held on Tuesday, March 27th, at the office of the Corporation, No. 5 Gracechurch Street, London, E. C. 4.

The Chairman said: Before making any reference to the balance-sheet which is in your hands to-day, I must refer to the report issued with the balance-sheet of June 30th last. The balance-sheet of the year ended on June 30th, 1904, shows a profit of £1,130,000, which is an increase of £1,000,000 on the profit of the year ended on June 30th, 1903.

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permanent, and a return to greater activity will certainly be seen, although I am not going to venture to predict the date in the future, we consider that it is eminently satisfactory under such circumstances to see a substantial increase of £4,000 in the total profits of the year, compared with those of 1903.

INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS.

In general business, the year 1904 was not without its vicissitudes. The period 1903 was of exceptional severity, but so that traffic by road and railway was only carried on under great difficulties and expense.

THE WHEAT CROP.

Naturally, the progress of the crops in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories was watched by all in Canada with the keenest interest. The prospect for the success or otherwise of the harvest in that great country is no longer a matter of mere curiosity.

PROFITS FOR YEAR 1904.

Profits. I may point out that our provision for all accounts which we consider to be in line with the amount of £250,000, exclusive of those sums which you so generously allow us to appropriate for the benefit of the staff, compared with £28,000 in 1903.

THE U. S. "DRAWBACK."

No reference to the Northwest would be complete without some mention of the new departure by the Government of the United States in relation to the importation of wheat from Canada.

CANADIAN AUTHORS.

THEY ARE POPULAR IN THE MOTHER COUNTRY.

The Statement of a Well Known English Publisher - Better Postage Rates a Great Need.

"Better postage rates between Canada and England are one of the pressing needs of the day," says Mr. H. C. Williams, the great London publisher of Hodder & Stoughton, at Toronto the other day.

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Passing on westwards, the mining industries of British Columbia have shown considerable activity during 1904, and a rough estimate compiled by the Provincial Government shows an increase of more than 25 per cent. in the value of the output of gold in 1904, compared with 1903.

Ramble in the Far North.

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Fact About Canada.

The area of Canada is 3,859,000 square miles of land and 125,750 of water. The population is five and one-half millions. Our exports of hams have increased from 7,235,000 pounds to 138,000,000 in thirteen years.

TO THE PUBLIC:

HAVING PURCHASED THE BUSINESS of the Kingston Milk Depot, I am now in a position to supply you with the best quality of milk at a low price.

NOTICE.

W. G. FROST, Proprietor of the CITY STORAGE. Notice is given that the business of the City Storage is now being conducted by W. G. Frost.

FOR SALE "Romilly House"

"THE RESIDENCE OF MRS. AGNEW, 100 Queen Street, West, is offered for sale by private auction on Tuesday, the 12th day of April next, at twelve o'clock.

CHOCOLATES!

Princess St. Chocolates, the finest you ever tasted. Princess St. Chocolates, 3 pack.

TOYS, ETC.

Express Waggon, Carts, Cards, Pitt, Loss Hair, Board U Katch, Checkers, Hoards.

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SEVEN TIMES A BRIDE

And She is Ready to Try Another Time. St. Albans, Vt., April 1.—Seven times Mrs. Maggie Leach has been led a blushing bride to the altar, and she still expresses faith in mankind, and may wed again.

WHO SO FINDETH A WIFE?

Thousands of Applications For Women Homesteaders. Bonstedt, S.D., April 3.—Thousands of letters from candidates for matrimony in all parts of the United States and Canada are coming to United States Land Commissioner Keller, of Bonstedt.

Phone Girl's Awful Death.

St. Joseph, Mich., April 3.—Physicians are puzzled over the case of Miss Mabel Kigney of this city, who died last night in great agony from an affection of the heart.

Acts Like Magic.

Pock's Kidney Pills are simply a wonder, they act like magic in the cure of kidney and bladder troubles. For kidney, pain in the back, and all urinary troubles they are unequalled.

The Truth Will Out.

That is why Putnam's Corn Extract has such an enormous sale. It's pleasant, and better than any substitute. Insist on having Putnam's only.

QUEER WIN AT POKER.

Cleans Up Shanty—In 1750 Pairs of Socks. Portland, Me., April 3.—Olson, a "lumberjack" walked into town the other day carrying 1,750 pairs of socks and mittens, 1,750 pairs of socks and eighty-three pounds of tobacco.

Notice in a Bar.

The following notice has been posted in several places in the new Hotel Normandie, Clinton: "Take notice that no one under 21 years of age will be allowed in the bar-room or sold intoxicating liquors."

Miss Passion.

"I was examined for life insurance to-day," said Mr. Timmild. "But I'm afraid I'll be turned down." "Why, my wife asked Miss Koy."

Arabia's Laughing Plant.

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Your Ideal Cracker

Think of all the good kinds of crackers you ever tasted.

The creamy whiteness of the first—the lightness of the second—the crispness of another—the appetizing appearance of another—the delicious eating of the fifth.

Then see how we've combined all these five points into one cracker.

Mooney's Perfection Cream Sodas

Conjure up your next year's perfect cracker—and you'll find it in Mooney's Perfection Cream Soda.

These goods may be had from the following grocers: J. S. Henderson, E. W. Mullin, J. McCullis, James Kelly and W. J. Driver.

Diamond Dyes

Spring Announcement.

We are ready to undertake Spring Dyeing Work.

We Color and Renew all Faded and Dirty Looking Garments and Wearing Apparel.

For Young and Old, AND GUARANTEE SUCCESS.

10 cents will secure the services of any member of our family.

Diamond Dyes

No Breakfast Table complete without

EPPE'S

An admirable food, with all its natural qualities intact, fitted to build up and maintain robust health, and to resist winter's extreme cold. It is a valuable diet for children.

COLOA

The Most Nutritious and Economical.

PERRIN GLOVES

Well Dressed Men.

Insist on "PERRIN" GLOVES either for street or evening wear; they are perfect for fit and durability.

ENGLISH, SPERMIN, CAPES, or "PERRIN" FRENCH SKID GLOVES are the material made; if you buy them once you will ask for them again.

Your dealer sells them. TRADE MARK.

SANITARY PLUMBING!

When you are in need of plumbing or heating work, we can give you what you want at prices that will suit you with workmanship and material guaranteed to be the very best. We make no charge for estimates on plumbing or heating work.

Jobbing work solicited and promptly attended to.

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