

with considerable anxiety. * * The outlook for the coming year in the province of Quebec may be considered satisfactory." 20th June, 1893.

314. Bank of Toronto.—“The transactions of the year have been of a satisfactory character.” 21st June, 1893.

315. Standard Bank of Canada.—“During part of the year money was in good demand, and the profits fair, but owing to the general shrinkage in values, the losses, which have all been written off, were larger than usual, and somewhat impaired the net earnings.” 21st June, 1893.

316. Bank of Hamilton.—“The state of the country is fairly satisfactory, considering the low prices that prevail, and trade generally is in a satisfactory condition. We are not suffering as our neighbours on the other side of the line, whose finances are in a disturbed condition, but we must feel it in a measure.” 19th June, 1893.

317. Ontario Bank.—“Although Canada has not so far been affected to any material extent, the close relations existing between the countries will, for some time at least, call for caution until their business and currency are placed upon a more satisfactory basis.” 20th June, 1893.

318. Merchants Bank of Canada.—“My judgment is that despite certain unfavourable features in business, which cannot but press themselves upon the attention of bankers, there is much quiet and solid prosperity in Canada at present.” 21st June, 1893.

319. London and Ontario Investment Company, Limited, Toronto.—“The transactions of the year proved satisfactory and profitable, although the net returns fell below that of the preceding year in consequence of the decrease in the rate of interest obtainable on security.” 21st September, 1893.

320. London and Canadian Loan and Agency Company, Limited, Toronto.—“Payment of interest on mortgages in Ontario has been fairly well met, and it is nearly up to the average, notwithstanding that the very low prices for farm produce, which have ruled during the year, disposed the farmers to hold for higher figures. Although in Manitoba the same conditions have ob-