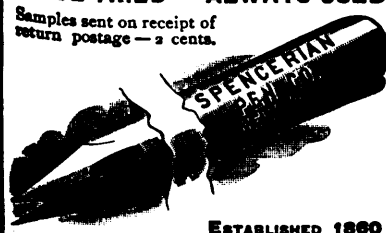


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Mercantile Summary.

LONDON city council has struck a rate of 21½ mills on the dollar.

In St. Thomas, the rate of taxation has been fixed at 17 mills on the dollar. Last year it was 15 mills.

THE customs returns for the port of Ottawa for April were \$32,346.73, as compared with \$31,384.16 in April last year.

MR. JAMES MCSHANE, "the People's Jimmy," has been appointed Harbor Master of the port of Montreal, in succession to the late Captain Howard.

THE Bertram Engine Works Company will send out this week a couple more boats for traffic on the Yukon. A number of workmen will accompany the vessels, which will be put together at Vancouver.

THE steamer "Catalina," from New Orleans, April 22nd, for Barcelona, Spain, was laden with a valuable cargo of staves, the property of the Sutherland-Innes Company of Chatham, Ontario. She was seized by an American war ship, but released on Monday.

We recently noted the failure of E. Roy & Fils, dry goods men, of Quebec city. They have succeeded in compromising liabilities of \$7,700 at 50 cents on the dollar, secured, payable in 3, 6 and 9 months.—J. S. Dery & Co., shoe retailers, of the same city, who opened last fall, have assigned, after suits had been entered by four different creditors. They owe some \$3,000.

AMONG the number of manufacturing industries at Toronto Junction and its neighborhood is the Wilkinson Plow Works. They have been extending their premises, and are making besides ploughs a variety of other agricultural implements, such as rollers, straw cutters, etc. They are employing at present 108 hands, and have orders for more goods than they can supply in some lines. The manager is Mr. C. G. E. Folkes.

ANNA McQUEEN, wife of J. D. McQueen, has conducted a general store in Gladstone, Man., since 1888. Previous to that date her husband failed in Cape Breton. Her stock has always been, we understand, covered by a chattel mortgage to her principal creditor. This has been foreclosed and the stock sold. A receiver has taken possession of the brewery of Hewitt & Townsend at Grand Forks, B.C. This step seems to have been taken mainly owing to a dispute between the partners.

A DESPATCH from Stonewall, Manitoba, announces the finding of great belts of building stone in addition to those already known to exist. Near that place Mr. John Gunn, of Winnipeg, has made a find of stone lying only eleven feet below the surface; "the first layer is perfectly smooth, of a variegated pink color, and will answer for monumental purposes. The lower belts are varied in thickness, generally of a blue-buff color, and can be cut into immense blocks, being easy to chisel."

ABOUT four years ago G. F. Carey, jeweller, Aylmer, got into trouble through counterfeiting. After he had made amends for this, his father left him money, and he started business some years ago, but without success. He has this week made an assignment.—In Jan., 1897, W. H. Paulin, who had been a clerk in Owen Sound, went to Simcoe, where he opened a stove and tin shop. In the month of May following he mortgaged his chattels. Creditors are now offered 30 per cent. of their claims. He owes \$2,000, and has nominal assets of half this sum.—John Hamilton, merchant at Blenheim, assigns.

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DIVIDEND NO. 77.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on the capital stock of the company has been declared for the current half-year, payable on and after the First Day of June next at the office of the company, corner of Victoria and Adelaide streets, Toronto.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st May, both days inclusive.

Notice is hereby given that the General Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the company will be held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, June the 7th, 1898, at the office of the company, for the purpose of receiving the annual report, the election of directors, etc., and that at such meeting there will be submitted for the approval of the shareholders by-laws changing the date of the annual meeting of the shareholders of the company from the first Tuesday of June to such day in the month of February in each year as the directors may appoint, and to provide that the fiscal year of the company shall terminate on the 31st December in each year as required by the loan corporations' act of the Province of Ontario Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897, chapter 205.

By order of the board.

S. C. WOOD, Managing Director.
Toronto, 27th April, 1898.