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A DISSOLUTION of partnership has taken place in the well-known firm of E. & A. Eaves, this city. Each brother continues on his own account close by.—Forbes, Waugh & Co., Toronto, have dissolved, Mr. Waugh retiring. Rankin, Beatty & Co., this city, have dissolved, Mr. John Rankin retiring.

THE annual meeting of the Intercolonial Coal Mining Co. was held on Wednesday, the 4th inst. The report was read and adopted. The following were elected directors:—Gilbert Scott, H. A. Budden, R. Anderson, D. L. Macdougall, Jas. P. Cleghorn, P. Redpath, A. Gunn, H. J. Tiffin and W. M. Ramsay. At a subsequent meeting of the board, Gilbert Scott was re-elected president, H. A. Budden, vice-president, and W. J. Nelson, secretary.

"THE Chicago Sash, Door and Blind Manufacturers' Protective Association" has been recently formed with the object of keeping a record of contractors, builders, etc., who are likely to become customers of its members, and form a black-list of those who prove themselves untrustworthy. The membership is already composed of about 40 firms. A similar institution might be of considerable benefit in Canadian cities.

RECENT advices from the north shore of Lake Superior say that track-laying on the Canadian Pacific is being proceeded with rapidly, although under adverse circumstances. Snow has accumulated on the road-bed to the depth of four feet, and this has to be shovelled away before the ties and iron are laid. The workmen sleep in tents, which require to be moved daily, but notwithstanding these disadvantages two miles of rails per day are being laid. It is said through railway connections between Winnipeg and this city will be established in about forty days.

THE Berthier Beet Sugar Co. will not make any more sugar this season, as prices are too low, but will refine West India sugar. Recent advices from France report that 67 out of 450 sugar refineries have closed; while 169 out of 800 refineries in Germany have also shut down. This industry, which gives employment to over 100,000 hands is almost ruined; caused by over-production and a high protective tariff.

EXTENSIVE deposits of coal are reported at different points along the line of the Canadian Pacific in Manitoba. Some months ago the employees in digging for water found that the drill had penetrated subterranean gas deposits; lighted matches were held at the surface, and the escaping gas igniting furnished heat for one of the depots during the winter. The confidence in the existence of immense beds of coal and petroleum in the vicinity of the Saskatchewan river is so great that a company has been organized, with R. F. Hurlburt, of Minneapolis, as president, and machinery has been forwarded to Winnipeg.

RECENT advices from Boston report an increasing demand for Canadian limed eggs. Of no importance to the dealer, but perhaps, interesting to subscribers, will be the knowledge that in certain cities, eggs, advertised as fresh, offered at a low price, are merely limed eggs. Limed eggs are fresh eggs bathed in a solution of lime, thereby closing the pores and rendering them perfectly air tight, and liable to remain in a sweet state. They are perfectly good and harmless, although in an attempt to boil such eggs an explosion will occasionally follow; a catastrophe which can be averted by picking the shell. The exportation of eggs from Canada to the United States amounts to from 13,000,000 to 14,000,000 dozen annually.

GLENMORR TODD, bookkeeper of the Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia, is reported to have been sentenced to two years and eight months imprisonment for embezzling \$115,000. How so light a sentence should have been given is a mystery.

UNDERGROUND insurance still exists. R. S. Ganoung, Seneca Falls, N.Y., announces "a new departure" in the undertaking line; he has copyrighted an "undertaker's burial contract," by which he agrees, in consideration of the sum of \$2, to furnish a person dying within one year from date of contract with a \$75 funeral.

THE annual meeting of the Montreal Warehousing Company was held Wednesday the 4th inst., and the following were elected directors:—Andrew Allan, A. W. Ogilvie, J. S. Hall, M. M. Ramsay, and Thos. Davidson. At a subsequent meeting of directors, Andrew Allan was elected President, and J. S. Hall, vice-president and managing director.

NATHANIEL POPE, cashier of the Liverpool, and London and Globe Ins. Co. at its American headquarters in New York City, has been arrested, charged, it is said, with embezzling \$27,000. He has been released on bail for \$6,000; and it is probable that a considerable part, if not all, of the deficiency will be made good.

SOME iron and stove manufacturers report the past year one of the most profitable since 1872. It is true that orders were always slow at this season, but the outlook for great activity in the spring and summer is said to be as good as could possibly be expected. Payments are unusually prompt, and the number of workmen as great as the corresponding period for several years past.