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Mercantile Summary

THE assignment is announced of B. W. Granger, of Ottawa, who has carried on a small grocery business for several years, and who previously was a turn-key in the town jail.

We are advised that the offices of the Australian Trading World, weekly newspaper, are to be removed, on the 25th inst., from 166 Palmerston House, Old Broad St., to 38 King William St., City, London, E.C., England.

AN assignment has been made by Wm. L. Eaton, produce merchant, of Halifax, N.S., doing business under the style of W. Eaton & Son. The liabilities are stated at \$7,000, and the estate is expected to pan out rather poorly.

A COMPROMISE at 50 cents on the dollar has been arranged by Elzear Tessier, a manufacturer of boots and shoes in a small way at Quebec, liabilities being about \$8,000. Some nine years ago he put through a similar arrangement.—G. E. Ray, of the same city, a tobacco and cigar jobber on a limited scale, is offering his creditors 20 cents on the dollar, which they will probably be soft enough to take, and let him go on.

THE Elmira Co-operative Furniture Company, an association of mechanics of Berlin, are asking the village of Elmira, Ont., to loan them \$10,000, without interest, to aid them in putting up a furniture factory, with modern machinery, at a cost of about \$13,000; the loan to be repaid at the rate of \$1,000 per year, starting with the end of the third year after starting business. A by-law will be submitted shortly.

THE Hon. E. J. Davis' extensive tannery, at King, Ont., was on the 14th inst. destroyed by fire, hardly any of the stock or machinery being saved. The loss is estimated at over \$75,000, of which the insurance will cover a little under \$60,000. On the same day, Ganong Bros' candy factory, at St. Stephen, N.B., was destroyed with a similar amount of loss, the insurance being about half. The fire was caused by an employee throwing a piece of lighted paper on a pile of celluloid sheeting.

THE annual meeting of the Montreal Mining Exchange was held on Tuesday 17th, the financial report showing a surplus of \$2,500. Mr. J. B. Picken was elected president, John L. Galletti, vice-president, De Blois Thibedeau, secretary, and Alex. Munro and H. B. Young, members of the committee. The report shows, amongst others, the following sales by shares on the Exchange for the year: North Star, 183,000; Payne, 178,800; Slocan-Sovereign, 64,300; Canadian Gold Fields, 56,300; War Eagle, 92,700; Centre Star, 90,700; Cariboo (McKinney) 4,000; Virtue, 166,500; Montreal and Oregon, 19,500; Republic, 159,500; Deer Trail Cons., 17,000; Granby Cons., 10,942; Fairview Corporation, 29,000; Dominion Cons., 1,434,300; Montreal & London, 69,100.

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McGOWAN's cigar factory, in Kingston, Ont., was damaged by fire and water on the 21st inst. to the extent of about \$25,000; insured for \$18,000.

A JOBBING grocer, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., J. T. Peardon, by name, has written his creditors proposing a compromise of 30 cents on the dollar, assigning as a reason for his offer loss by fire which occurred in his premises last November, as well as failures among his customers. He shows liabilities of \$10,603, with apparent assets of only \$6,911.

BAKER & Co., a Montreal firm of up-town bakers, who recently sold out their stock, en bloc, are trying to put through an arrangement with their creditors at the rate of 65 cents on the dollar, liabilities being stated at \$5,200. George R. Baker is the registered proprietor of the business, which, however, is believed to have been carried on for the benefit of L. R. Baker, formerly a general merchant at Beauharnois, Que., where he was unsuccessful.