

One canning factory, that of A. C. Miller & Co., has put up this season already 120,000 tins of vegetables. On Thursday it put up 15,600 cans of peas, and on Friday, 14,700 tins.

THERE is a dim suspicion, says the Newark News, that the Keeley motor mystery is connected with the occult principle upon which the ordinary private residence gas meter is worked.

"GIVE me a toboggan," he said to the barman. "What do you mean?" "Why, whisky, of course. There's nothing like it when a man's going down hill to make the descent lively."—*Philadelphia Times*.

THE turning of the first sod of the Calgary and Edmonton railway at Calgary, on Monday of last week, by the Governor of the territories, was the event of the day at Alberta. A roast ox was carved by the crowd.

THE steamer "Hurd" arrived at Owen Sound, from Port Arthur, the other day, laden with flour and bran. Of her return cargo one item was 930 cases lobsters, ten car loads for the States, and twenty odd for Great Britain.

THE Government immigration offices, on the 23rd July, received elaborate crop reports from the Bohemian, Hungarian and Scandinavian colonies near Whitewood, all of a favorable character. The settlers are in great spirits.

UNDER pain of being fined two hundred dollars, it is now required of cigar dealers by the Dominion Government "that all packages containing cigars shall be destroyed as soon as the same are emptied." No more dummies on the shelves, therefore.

THE population of the largest seven cities of Michigan, as ascertained by the late census, may now be said to be as follows, in round numbers: Detroit, 207,000; Grand Rapids, 61,000; Saginaw, 54,000; Bay City, 39,000; Muskegon, 24,000; Jackson, 22,000, and Kalamazoo, 18,000.

THE Polson Iron Works Company, of Toronto and Owen Sound, has been asked by the Canadian Government to tender for the building of a steel cruiser, 170 feet long, for use in British Columbian waters, in the light house and buoy service. British builders have been asked to tender also.

On Thursday of last week, the Dominion Line SS. "Oregon" sailed from Montreal. Besides her passenger list the "Oregon" took over a large consignment of live stock, including 1,200 sheep and 300 head of cattle. Of

the latter 140 are from the ranch of Mr. Staveley Hill, M.P., of England, who intends shipping over 600 by the Dominion Line.

THE Guelph Herald understands that Prof. Callender, of Brantford, is meeting with marked success with his inventions in Detroit. "He has disposed of his organ stop combination for 17 years for \$1,200 per year and a royalty, and is now perfecting other inventions."

WE note a change in the wholesale grocery firm of Turner, Rose & Co., of Montreal, the special partnership which has existed for some years, the Hamilton partners withdrawing. The business is continued by Alex. D. Turner, J. C. Rose, and W. S. Lafamme, under the same style.

AMONG business changes in the west of Ontario we note that Mr. Michael Twomey, of Windsor, has sold his stock of boots and shoes to J. O. Pee, who will carry on the business. —The drug store of the estate of John Scoon has been sold to J. T. Roberts. —Noble & Co., dealers in furniture at Strathroy, have sold out.

DISSOLUTIONS are announced by the following firms: Hudson & Ramsay, general dealers, Alliston; H. Wilson & Co., Peninsular Harbor and Heron Bay; James T. Powers & Co., Bridgewater, N.S., hardware dealers, &c.; C. I. Keith & Co., general dealers, Butternut Ridge, N.B.

THE farm of Geo. Elliott, consisting of 58 acres on the 9th con. of Caradoc, has been sold to John McCandless, of Strathroy, for about \$3,000. Mr. Chas. Walker, real estate agent, has sold the Ridgeway farm, containing 63 acres, for John Scott, of Toronto, to Samuel Barber, of Cleveland, for \$4,650 cash. The property is situated in the township of Guelph.

A. HUBERT BERNARD, general store, St. Jean, Isle d'Orleans, has assigned to the court. He has always hitherto been regarded as a man of some moderate means. —A general dealer at Winchester Springs, Ont., named J. A. McIntosh, has called a meeting of his creditors, and will submit a statement of his affairs, showing, we believe, liabilities of about \$7,000, and nominal assets of about \$8,500.

PELEE ISLAND, Lake Erie, is where they grow the Catawba grapes and make delicious white wine. The Pelee Island Wine and Vineyards Company, limited, has its vineyards on that pretty island, but its business headquarters are at Brantford, where the firm of J. S. Hamilton & Co. are its agents. The

annual meeting of the company was held on Friday last in Brantford, when the gentlemen whose names follow were elected directors for the ensuing year: J. S. Hamilton, W. J. Aikens, jr., H. F. Leonard. Mr. Hamilton was re-elected president and Mr. Aikens re-appointed to the position of sec'y-treasurer.

It is stated by the Burlington Budget that Mr. Robt. Quinn, of the Grand Trunk Railway, has accepted the position of European agent of the Grand Trunk Railway, with headquarters at Liverpool. Mr. Quinn will go to England at once, and his family will follow in a month. This is an important appointment, for it is of moment to Canada as well as to the road that a man of business judgment should represent the Grand Trunk at Liverpool.

THE fine steamship "Idaho" which was chartered by the Dominion Steamship Company, is ashore on Anticosti, and a complete wreck, abandoned by the underwriters. Her loss has resulted in the addition to the Montreal fleet of a larger vessel than has ever yet been on this route, namely, the steamship "Knight Companion," of 6,000 tons. This large ship has been chartered by the Dominion Line from one of the East Indian lines, to take the place of the "Idaho." She will leave Bristol, we understand, on the ninth of August, on her first trip to Montreal.

THE creditors are in possession of the effects of F. M. Best, of Dutton, who did a baking business, and who is reported away. —In 1882, E. & J. Park began business as general dealers in Jarvis, with some \$3,000 or \$4,000 capital. By the year 1887 they owed \$10,000 and became hard up, so they effected a compromise at 85 cents in the dollar and went on. Trouble has again overtaken them and we hear of their assignment. —A. S. Chalue, another general merchant, has done business in Penetang since 1884, always on slender means. He now assigns. —E. Tisdale, of Beaverton, has assigned to R. G. Hector, and Robert Hill, of Arthur township, to R. McKim; both were known as general traders. —C. B. Campbell, of Maxwell and Dominionville, has assigned in trust to S. T. Tennant.

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