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A PORT JERVIS (N. Y.) dealer announces "Fresh mapple chuGar for sail."

Large shipments of potatoes are being made from St. Stephen, N. B. to the Boston market.

THIRTY-SEVEN factories are engaged in the manufacture of imitation butter in the United States.

FROM 30,000 to 40,000 tons of coal will be shipped to Portland, Me., from the Springhill mines.

THE amount put into the estimates as required to complete public works, exclusive of canals, this year is \$594,000.

In the Ottawa district the present outlook of the phosphate industry is said to be very bright. Large quantities of the ore mined during the past winter have been disposed of, and prices have slightly risen.

It is stated that last year the amount of C. P. R. R. lands disposed of was twice that of the previous year. This year Land Commissioner McTavish says that the sales promise to far outnumber those of 1886.

"Doт Abram Levi he opens a store next to mine. It wash mean in him." "But didn't you say last summer, Mr. Doppenheimer, that competition is the life of trade?" "Yes, but I wasn't in no beesness last summer."

Andrew Carnegie's furnaces at Pittsburg are said to make as much iron per year as was made in the entire country in 1861. Pittsburg claims to have the largest steelmelting establishment in the world. The city melts 360 tons per day.

A MARITIME province exchange says that the Aroostook, Maine, country traders are all taking provincial bank bills at a discount of five to fifteen per cent. They intend to drive them wholly out of circulation in that country and are gradually doing so.

It is stated by the Government Superintendent that there are now on the grazing grounds of the North-west 110,000 cattle, 25,000 sheep and 10,000 horses. These numbers, he declares, are seventy-five per cent. over those of the previous year.

An old trapper informs the Tilbury Times that the past season has been the most disastrous year on record for the muskrats of Tilbury East plains. In addition to the large number trapped, hundreds were speared and drowned during the late high water. Fully 5,000 are disposed of, and he is of the opinion that their extermination is only a question of a few more seasons.