THE contractor is soon to begin work on the buildings of the Guelph Rolling Mills Co

THE employes of E. Leonard & Sons, London, have had their wages increased five per cent. as a result of improved business

It is an indication of the spread of bicycling to learn that stabling for 75 of these clock-work steeds has been provided at the Granite Club smoking concert to-night.

ONE of the old and well-known merchants of Montreal died yesterday, in the person of Evan F. Ames, of the firm Ames, Holden & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers.

THE Provincial Exhibition for the neighboring Province is to be held in Montreal, from the 12th to the 21st September next. A bench show of dogs and a horticultural display are promised features of the exhibition.

THERE are reports from Quebec that the mica mines of the Saguenay are to be exploited, while the English purchaser of mica mines in the vicinity of Murray Bay and Lac a Costor has arrived in Canada intending to begin mining at once.

A BILL is pending in the British House of Commons designed to make it an object for the industrial companies to insure benefits to children during sickness, fixing the maximum death benefit at \$25 where other benefits are also provided for. Otherwise the limit is \$15. This provision applies to children under ten years of age.

ABOUT nine months ago, the British Columbia Grocery Company began business in New Westminster with an apparent capital of \$2,500. Five persons were interested in the result of the business, and the management was in the hands of a person who had not made a record of success on his own account. They found before very long that an assignment was inevitable, and they have made one. -- Early in 1888 J. C. Douglas opened a liquor store in Vancouver, and although in some respects a rather prominent man, he did not succeed in making money. In 1893 he was obliged to give two mortgages on his stock for \$3,300. In the following year the sheriff took possession. However, at that time he managed to get rid of that officer and resume business. Now the stock is advertised for sale by sheriff.

THE Quebec Chronicle learns that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has leased the block between the post office and the Archbishop's palace in that city, with the exception

of Mr. Jacques' shop, and intends to fit up elegant offices in the part of the property now occupied by Mr. Laroche, druggist.

THE population of the North-West Territories of Canada, which in 1891 was 66,799, had increased by the end of 1894 to 83,851, an increase of 30 per cent. The following table gives the whites and half-breeds, according to a census taken by the Mounted Police: Alberta -1891, 18,322; 1894, 28,783; increase, 10,461, or 57 per cent. East Assiniboia-1891, 17,511 1894, 23,696; increase, 6,185, or 35 per cent. West Assiniboia - 1891, 8,937; 1894, 11,096; increase, 2,159, or 24 per cent. Saskatchewan —1891, 7,460; 1894, 9,931; increase, 2,471, or 33 per cent. Totals—1891, 52,230; 1894, 73,-506; increase, 21,276, or 40 per cent.

THERE are five failures to report in this city this week, but all are unimportant. L. B. Mackay, who failed here some years ago, afterwards moved to Hamilton, where he carried on business in his wife's name. A few years later he returned to Toronto and opened a cigar store in her name. A second store was opened in his own name about eighteen months ago. During last summer he gave a chattel mortgage to his principal creditor. This has been foreclosed and the stock sold.—Another tobacconist, named F. E. Karn, mortgaged his chattels last month and now assigns.—So does H. J. Cooper, also a tobacconist.--The bailiff has sold the tannery business of W. A. Smith. David Blakie, butcher, makes an assignment.

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STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

The following are the stock transactions on the Toronto Stock Exchange for the week. During the warm weather there will be no Saturday boards held until further notice. Therefore the week consists of five days. The first figure given is the number of shares; the second, the lowest price; the third, the highest price realized. Total for the week was 5,958 shares; last week, 11,563. Ontario Bank, 30 at 86; Toronto, 24 at 2423, 243; Commerce, 66 at 1351-1373; Imperial, 156 at 180; Do-66 at 135½-137½; Imperial, 150 at 180; Dominion, 20 at 264; Standard, 16 at 161½; Hamilton, 13 at 157: British America Assurance, 147 at 119½-120½; Western Assurance, 1,115 at 16½-16½; Can. N.W. Land. 25 at 45; C.P.R. Stock, 90 at 54-54½; Toronto Incandescent Electric Light, 239 at 114-115; Commercial Cable, 885 at 159½-160½; Bell Telephone, 200 at 158-159; Toronto Railway, 1,802 at 84½-88½; British Canadian Investment, 42 at 114; Canada Landed and National Investment Co., 20 at British Canadian Investment, 42 at 114; Canada Landed and National Investment Co., 20 at 119; Canada Permanent Loan, 259 at 157 (20%); Farmers' Loan and Savings, 67 at 102\frac{1}{2}\cdot 105; Freehold Loan, 42 at 136; Imperial Loan and Investment, 28 at 115; London and Canadian Loan and Agency, 72 at 118\frac{3}{2}; Ont. Loan and Debenture Kat 1331 Debenture, 5 at 1333.

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