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Mercantile Summary.

THE Yarmouth steamer, "Usher," sailed last week for Cape Town, via Louisburg with 49,694 bales of hay.

J. A. MONTREUIL, bottler, of Fraser-ville, Que., who had the representation of a leading Quebec brewery in that section, has become insolvent, through a lack of strict attention to business, it is said.

AN assignment has been made by Mrs. H. Dubois, of St. Didace, Que., who opened a small business in the fall of 1899. She had a little property and means at starting, but a lack of the necessary experience.

THE work of surveying the extension of the North Star branch line, as far as the "Sullivan" mining property, near Kimberley, is now being proceeded with. Development work on this mine is going on apace.

A BUTTER manufacturer, of Cacouna, Que., named E. Dickner, having also factories at several other points, has assigned. He was formerly of the firm of Dickner & Levesque, in general business, but left that firm not long ago to devote all his attention to butter-making.

G. W. CLARK, of Chelmsford, N.B., has been farming and lumbering in a small way for a number of years, but with very indifferent success in either direction. He has been reported unsatisfactory in settlements for some time past, and his affairs are now in the hands of an assignee.

FROM Winnipeg comes word that the receipts at Fort William and Port Arthur elevators during the week ending Sept. 14 totaled 327,373 bushels. The shipments were 151,554, and the quantity in store 494,937 bushels. The C.P.R. has been taking east daily from 275 to 300 loaded cars.

THE first annual meeting of the shareholders of the Kootenay Central Railway Co., was held on the 2nd inst., the election of officers resulting as follows: President, Dr. Hugh Watt; vice-president, R. L. T. Galbraith; secretary, J. T. Laidlaw; treasurer, A. C. Nelson; solicitor, J. A. Harvey.

ON the 12th inst., the Canadian Pacific Railway Company commenced the work of laying a switch across Eastern Ave., Toronto, without first having received permission from the civic authorities. The latter, therefore, sent down a gang of men to tear it up, under the protection of a posse of police.

At the annual meeting of the Brockville, Westport & Sault Ste. Marie Railway Co., the following officers were elected: President, E. R. Dick, Philadelphia; vice-president, W. H. Cole, Brockville; general manager, S. Hunt, Detroit, Mich.; general passenger agent, J. Mooney, Brockville; other directors, R. Bowie, G. H. Weatherhead, D. Derbyshire, D. W. Downey, Brockville; R. A. Williams, jr., Philadelphia; W. C. Fredenburg, Westport; R. G. Murphy, Elgin; superintendent and secretary-treasurer, E. A. Geiger.

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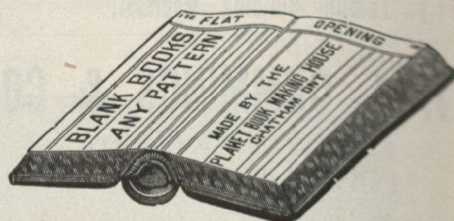
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