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Mercantile Summary.

A JOINT stock company, to purchase a steamer for the trade of the Basin of Minas, is being organized at Parrsboro N. S.

Horses for the United States markets were purchased in Montreal last week to the number of 196, for which \$13,000, or an average of \$67 each were paid.

THE new Gas Company of London Ontario, propose charging \$1.50; per 1000 feet for their product. The works are to be situated in the eastern part of the city.

THE effects of the devastating fire of June 1877 are still felt by the poor people of St John. The Relief and Aid Society of that city assisted, during February, 1092 persons with supplies and cash to the amount of \$4.480.

The Dominion Telegraph Company, having entered into agreement with the Quebec Government for rights along the North Shore Railway for fifteen years, took possession on Saturday last of the telegaaph lines along that road.

In the case of Halifax City vs Kenney, a large merchant of that place, owning 30,000 tons of shipping registered at Country ports in Nova Scotia, the Supreme Court of that province decides that the city has no right to tax shipping property of its citizens so registered outside.

THE St. John Street Railway Company held ts annual meeting in Quebec on the 3rd inst, when the following directors were elected for the ensuing year:—Messrs. F. H. Thompson, James McCarkell, W. McWilliam, A. Thompson, A. C. Stuart, H. T. Marcou, J. R. Burroughs.

THE annual meeting of the North-West Transportation Company, was held at Sarnia lately, the following gentlemen were elected directors for the present year: Sylvester Neelon J. Graham, J. Beatty. Sylvester Neelon was elected President, Henry Beatty General Manager, and J. D. Beatty, Secretary and Treasner.