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### mercantile Summary.

THE dry goods firm of Baker & Cox, at Port Hope, has dissolved, the latter retiring. The business will be continued by Baker & Co.

We observe the assignment of S. H. Betts. dealer in crockery at Tilsonburg, where he has been trading quite a long time under different styles but made no permanent headway.

J. R. DAVEY, shoemaker, Cornwall, has effected a compromise at 75 cents on the dollar. -John Turner, general store, Kinburn, is offering creditors 40 cents-R. W. Croskery, boots and shoes, Perth, is offering 60 cents.

W A. Kouk, a dealer in hardware at Crystal City, is in trouble, with liabilities of \$3,200. With this he claims to have \$4,200 of assets. Has been in business four years. He has, we understand, made an assignment.

WE learn that Mr. C. W. Scherer, who was station agent for the C. S. R. has become a merchant at Comber, Ont., having purchased the general stock of R. O. Y. Ainslie. We are told that Mr. Ainslie has retired from the mercantile trade and gone into the timber business.

A MEETING of the creditors of Adam Darling, wholesale crockery, Montreal, was held last week, at which English creditors were represented. The direct liabilities are close on to \$30,000, the larger share of which is due to Meakin & Co., of Staffordshire; indirect about \$40,000; assets estimated at \$25,000. Mr. P. S. Ross was appointed curator.

WE regret to have done an injustice to M r. J. E. Arnold, of Forest, in our last issue in saying that his "bankrupt stock" had been sold. It was not by any means a bankrupt stock, for Mr. Arnold has been a successful merchant these last fifteen years, and is now able to retire with a competency. His health being poor he was advised to retire from business, hence his sale of stock by auction.

JOHN HINCH, of Centreville, began business in 1879 as a storekeeper, and up to 1882 when his brother was admitted partner, did a brisk business. The firm was dissolved in December, 1885. At that time they were supposed to be worth about \$6,000. Since then the business appears to have been somewhat neglected, and they fell into financial difficulty. Hinch has assigned.—Another firm of general dealers, Mitchell & Mitchell. of Fordwich, (the firm being composed of mother and daughter), have been in business less than two years. They were thought to be doing a fair business, but have recently made an assign-