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Two mills at East Rawdon, N.S., turned out 148½ ounces of gold during February. For the whole province for that month the returns are 1,721½ ounces.

Tests of the coal discovered recently at Kamloops, British Columbia, have been made at the C. P. R. workshops. It is claimed to be a valuable deposit of anthracite.

EIGHT heavily-laden wagons paraded the streets of Hamilton on Saturday last. They were loaded with a consignment of hams from T. Lowry & Sons. Their destination was British Columbia and C.P.R. stations on this side the Rockies, also the Ottawa river country.

A COMBINATION is said to have been formed in San Francisco among leading wine merchants, the object of which is to fix the price to be paid to the producer during the coming year, and to compel every wine maker to sell his product exclusively to members of the association.

We are informed by letter that a change has just taken place in the firm of C. G. Pearce & Co., general merchants, at Palmerston, Ont., Mr. Urias K. Eby, formerly of the firm of Keeling & Eby, of Cargill, Ont., and previously for many years connected with the business, having been admitted a partner. The style of firm is now Pearce, Eby & Co. The firm was established in 1878 under its original style, and has been, by its own confession, very successful.

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MONTREAL customs' receipts for March amounted to \$645,427, as compared with \$702,626 for the same month of last year.

CUSTOMER (getting measured)—"How much are these trousers going to cost me?" Tailor—"Twenty-two dollars, sir. How many pockets do you wear in them?" Customer—"None; I won't need any pockets after I've paid for the trousers."

At Danbury, Conn., 2,500 hatters are out of work, with a prospect of the list being swelled to several thousands in a few days. The stagnation is said to be due to the cutting of manufacturers' prices and the opening of small shops throughout the neighbouring country.

The Standard Oil Co. has begun the building of a pipe line from Lima, Ohio, to Chicago, over 200 miles, by which to transport crude and refined oil to the big city. Its capacity will be 25,000 barrels per day. This step arose out of the Inter-State law, which made railway freights too high to suit the company.

It is estimated that 500 families in Buffalo get their winter supply of fuel from the long trains of coal cars that come into East Buffalo. The "empties," as they are called, are lawful prey, and scores of persons may be seen supplied with bags, hatchets, and axes ready to loosen the coal stuck fast by frost or snow to the sides or corners.

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THE blizzard in New York last month was a memorable time, says the *Star*:—"No coal carts were out and coal was carried to the hotel in sacks. The restaurant of the inn was obliged to get its meat, fish, eggs, and general provisions in baskets, for the city markets had no delivery wagons out. Milk was impossible. The Milk Trust had collapsed. It was dead as Marley's ghost. The cold weather had frozen it up and frozen it out."

AMONG recent cases of failure in the retail store business is one which, judging from the relation of the circumstances of the case by a creditor, is nothing less than disgraceful to the principal. W. B. Hambly has been in business as a general dealer at Tottenham for some years. He was on friendly terms with some wholesale firms, who treated him liberally and believed themselves to enjoy his confidence, while from time to time he made statements to them of his position. Perhaps the latest declaration he made was one in December last, asserting that his liabilities were but \$6,000 or \$7,000, and that he had a surplus in his business of \$2,000 to \$3,000. It was by no means consistent with this statement that his stock was brought to the hammer at Suckling & Cassidy's ten days ago, as that of a bankrupt. And worse still, that he owed in March \$12,000, while his assets were but \$7,000. The estate, we are told, will not likely pay more than 25 cents on the dollar.

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