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A LETTER from Port Elgin says that the firm of Cameron & Chisholm, general merchants of that place, was dissolved on Monday last, Mr. Chisholm continuing the business.

It appears from a telegram, that the Bar Association of Montreal has taken umbrage at R. G. Dun & Co., the mercantile agency people, for encroaching on the preserves of lawyers in writing dunning letters to delinquent debtors, and charging for the same. Indeed, it has gone so far as to issue a writ against the offending firm. That a writ should issue in the matter seems to indicate that not only the rules of the bar, but a statute of the province has been broken by the firm which has dared to collect money without process of law. "Our craft is in danger" would appear to be the sentiment of the Syndic and Secrétaire of the Montreal Association. We may have more to say when more particulars are at hand; but meanwhile it suggests itself that if either law or rule forbids the collection of past due bills by simple and peaceable, rather than involved and protracted means, it has taken the aggrieved guild a long while to find it out.

MANY years ago, Elisha Furry started a general store at Humberstone. He was pretty well up in years, and in 1893 his creditors were good enough to write off 50 per cent. of their claims. Since that time he has appeared to make no progress, and his assignment is now announced.—James G. Robertson, tailor, at Niagara Falls South, has assigned to E. R. C. Clarkson, after a career of twelve years in business there. Of late he had found severe competition.—A. M. Rutherford took over the long-established and successful printing business of his father, at Owen Sound, in 1893, but could not make money out of it. For some time his assets have been mortgaged to Telford & Co. About ten days ago he sold out to McCallum & Pratt. Now we hear of his assignment.—Another assignment is that of J. W. Lamb, who had kept a small grocery in Teeswater, for about two years.—Peter McMurray has been in the stove and tinware business in Welland ever since 1882. A year or two ago he was sued for infringement of a patent, and although he won the suit, it has been appealed, and he has assigned.

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