

MANITOBA'S mercantile marine is to be increased by the addition of a steam vessel which will be used in Lakes Winnipegosis and Manitoba.

The 16th of September was the first day for the redemption of the Manitoba Commercial Bank bills, and by 12 o'clock \$174,000 of that bank's paper had been redeemed.

We understand that a new steel girder railroad bridge is to be placed across the river at Mount Stewart, to be completed about November 5th, and to cost \$6,000.

In three days of last week the receipts at the Montreal City Hall for water rates were as under: Monday, \$25,000; Tuesday, \$34,000; Wednesday, \$44,000; Thursday, \$60,000. Three per cent. discount is allowed.

B. J. KIMBALL, general storekeeper at Waterville, N.B., a young farmer, who succeeded his father-in-law as a merchant, about two years ago, has assigned. Liabilities, \$1,900 or thereabout.

The new Canadian-Australian line of steamers has succeeded in introducing red cedar sash and doors in Hawaii. The new line is also taking a good many shingles from Vancouver, to be used at Honolulu in place of redwood.

VANCOUVER, B.C., will soon possess a creditable addition to its buildings in the new warehouses to be erected by the Hudson Bay Company. They will cover an area of about 80 feet by 120 feet, and will be four stories in height. The cost is estimated at \$30,000.

It appears that the grocery business formerly carried on by J. D. McLeod & Co., at McLeod's Corner, P.E.I., has passed into other hands. The new firm will be known as S. B. Enman & Co. Mr. Sydney Enman has been in the employ of Mr. J. D. McLeod for the past eleven years.

At a meeting, held here a week ago, of the creditors of John Pruder, who kept a general store at Colpoys Bay, the statement presented showed nominal assets and liabilities of \$5,000 each. The creditors suggested an assignment, which Mr. Pruder made.—Hocking Bros., general storekeepers at Dutton, have assigned. It is only in March last that they began business. One of the brothers became dissatisfied and left. The other brother, finding that liabilities and assets were about equal at \$3,800, decided to "throw up the sponge."

THE effects of Mrs. E. A. Johnson, hotel keeper at Victoria, B.C., have been sold out. The cause of her trouble is two chattel mortgages amounting to \$3,400.—An offer of 20 per cent is made on liabilities of \$700 by J. C. Wilson, harness maker, Belleville.

THE Toronto firm of C. M. Taylor & Co., wholesale dealers in paper, books, etc., who purchased in 1885 the estate of James Campbell & Son, amounting to some \$70,000, at a large discount, has decided to go into liquidation in consequence of the refusal of needed banking accommodation.

THE assets of Thompson Bros., produce dealers, at Emerson, have been advertised for sale under the power of a chattel mortgage, in favor of the Commercial Bank for \$5,000.—About three months ago W. S. Lovelace, started a small restaurant at North Bay. Already he finds an assignment necessary.—George Macdonald, farmer, Ridgetown, makes an assignment.

ALEXANDER McDONALD, a Cornwall merchant, quite a large dealer in furniture, carpets, etc., has been obliged to assign, after having evidently been in financial distress for some time past. Over-buying and over-crediting have always been Mr. McDonald's weaknesses. He was formerly a member of the firm of McDonald & McDonald, who compromised in 1888, at 50 cents on the dollar.

A firm of general storekeepers at Chambord, in the Saguenay district, Israel Dumais & Co., are reported in difficulties, with liabilities of \$1,600, and apparent assets of \$1,800. A previous failure is recorded against Mr. Dumais at Roberval several years ago. A notary by profession and having had good opportunities as a crown land agent, etc., a weakness in habits has been the cause of Mr. Dumais's non-success.

THE following minor Montreal failures are to be noted this week:—P. V. Drouin, tobacconist, who began business in the spring of 1892, is now reported an absentee, and the court has ordered a meeting of his creditors.—T. Linklater, a jobbing plumber, is said to be offering 25 cents on the dollar.—Mrs. F. X. Bourdon, milliner, has assigned with liabilities of \$1,100.—L. P. Belair, a restaurant keeper, who has been pressed for rent, etc., has turned his estate over to a curator, and owes \$2,500.—The Dominion Bill Posting and Distributing Company has been served with a demand of assignment.

THE closing down of the copper mines at Capelton, Que., has had quite a serious effect upon general business in that district. Louis Beland, a contractor, and also partner in the general store firm of Beland & Morrier, has assigned.—Joseph Fortier, baker and general store, of the same place, is also in trouble, and seeking a compromise at the rate of 45 cents on the dollar.

HARTMAN HAPPEL, grain and cattle dealer, Berlin, has assigned.—For more than thirty years the family of George Fleming have been in the hotel business in Brantford. The business has, since his death, been continued by his wife, his daughter, and now his son Alfred. The habits of the son, of late, were not what they ought to have been, consequently he got into debt, which led to a chattel mortgage, and now an assignment follows.

For many years past, D. McAllister has been postmaster and a general merchant in the village of Comber, situated on the M.C.R. a few miles from Essex Centre. The old store and post office was about a mile from the middle of the town, but Mr. McAllister has removed his store further down the street, more convenient to the business portion of the village. He has refitted his store and built a neat and commodious addition, used entirely for post office business.

It is one thing to produce beautiful work by means of type, ink, presses and paper, but quite another thing, sometimes, to pay your debts and make a living. Mr. C. D. Bingham, printer, who was formerly of Bingham & Webber, retired from that firm, drawing \$1,000 in notes for his interest. Since that time he appears to have been entirely in the hand of a couple of houses here who have become tired of supplying him. Now he makes an assignment.

THE four counties of Pictou, Colchester, Cumberland and Antigonish, in Nova Scotia, extending from the Bay of Fundy to St. George's Bay, hold one great show at the town of Pictou this week, on the 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd September. Pictou has a good Exhibition building and convenient grounds. The Eastern Chronicle says, that Professor Shaw, of Ontario, has promised to be present and act as a judge. Prof. Robertson, Dairy Commissioner, is also expected. Sports, concerts, and fireworks are being provided. Cheap travel is to be provided by rail and steamboat to N.B., and P. E. I., and other parts of Nova

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