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Commercial Summary.

THE Bank of Montreal has closed its branch at Newcastle, New Brunswick .- The Merchants Bank has closed its branch at Regina, N.W.T.

. The return of revenue collected at this port compared with 1883 is as follows:-1883, \$179,171.18; 1882; \$187,387.96. There was an increase in the duty on spirits of \$5,439, and a decrease in that on tobaccos of \$12,062.

THE Montreal market reports in last Saturday's Toronto Globe afford evidence of unwonted ability. It was a mistake however to publish that they were "specially prepared" for that paper. A comparison with the reports in the Journal of Commence of the previous day will prove it,

THE Customs Officers of Moncton, N.B., have seized twenty pieces of English plate-glass, valued at \$170, ordered by Rhode, Curry & Co. of Amherst, intended for the I.C. R. general offices, building at that place. The twenty pieces seized were in excess of the number in the invoice.

. The severe wintry weather does not appear to blunt the arrows of the little blind archer. A small grocer of this city, bearing the soulstirring name of Bombardier, has left rather suddenly on a wedding tour with a widowed customer .As his creditors do not expect him to return, some seizures have been put in.

THE MILLINERY trade appears to be having a turn. The failure of the wholesale house of McClung, Briggs & Co., Toronto, is scarcely announced when a small wholesale firm in this city feel it necessary to call a meeting of creditors. The present trouble is partly attributable to those of the Auditor of a certain financial institution, who is understood to have been helping the concern. The firm have not been able to secure much bank accomondation since the stoppage of the Exchange Bank where they kept their account.