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### Mercantile Summary.

ONE cent pieces are beginning to get into circulation in British Columbia, and many business men are protesting that as it is a gold country, the nickel is the smallest coin that should be used.

THE farmers in Kent are said to be plowing up their fall wheat, and sowing the ground with beans. The wheat crop in Essex and Kent will not be more than half as large as usual.

A. J. CARON, a boot and shoe retailer in Quebec city, is in difficulty and offers his creditors 42½ per cent. of their claims. He has been in his present business two years, but was previously unsuccessful.

A MONTREAL firm has received an order from Berne, Switzerland, for a large consignment of snowshoes to be delivered at Berne before June 15th. They are destined for the steamer "Sarja," and are to be used in the Baron Toll's North Pole expedition.

ONLY one country failure has been reported in the province of Quebec since last issue, being that of J. Cassidy, general dealer, at Starnesboro, near Hemmingford. Mr. Cassidy has been in business over a quarter of a century, but has fallen much behind in the race with competitors, and evidences of "dry rot" have not been wanting of late. His business of recent years has been very limited.

DICKSON, WRIGHT & Co., an important grocery firm at Truro, N.S., said to do a business of \$40,000 a year, are reported as embarrassed, and calling a meeting of their creditors. Liabilities are stated at \$26,255, with apparent assets a little larger, but they propose a settlement at 50 cents in the dollar, cash.—G. J. Kline, in the stationery business at Halifax, N.S., since 1888, is reported as trying to compromise at 25 cents.

THE assignment made by A. K. Anthony, dealer in dry goods, Watford, has been transferred to C. B. Armstrong, of London, and the stock will be sold on Wednesday next.—Gwatkin & Sons' stock of printers' supplies will also be sold on the same date, in this city.—W. J. Dowding, who has been a harness maker in Goderich for a dozen years, sold out last March, and now makes an assignment.—After being in the hat and men's furnishing business less than one year, in Brantford, H. C. Dunn now finds himself in financial difficulty, and will consult his creditors shortly.

IN Vancouver, the Parsons' Produce Co. are asking for a general extension of time from creditors. It is now quite evident that with their extensive branch system, the company must have been losing steadily for some time. Now their banker has placed a man in charge, who will look after his interests.—W. L. Boulter, cigar dealer, Vancouver, has assigned.—The E. R. Atherton Co., Limited, dealer in men's furnishings, at Sandon, B.C., were burned out a month ago, in the general destruction of Sandon. Now their creditors are asked to accept 50 per cent. on claims of \$19,000. Including insurance, the company have nominal assets of \$10,000.

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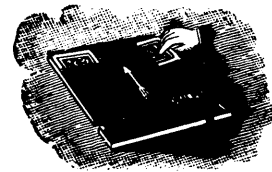
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