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IT is reported from Quebec that A. Turgeon, tanner, against whom suits have lately appeared, is seeking a compromise. He failed some years ago in the same line.

THE firm of M. S. Taylor & Co., general dealers, Mansonville, Que., were sued several weeks ago by a Hamilton clothing house, and are now reported as having abandoned their estate on the demand of John Macdonald & Co., Toronto. Liabilities are stated at about \$10,000.

WE hear from Montreal of the death of Mr. Francis Scholes, managing director of the Canadian Rubber Company, an old resident of Montreal and an esteemed business man. A sudden death was that of Mr. Joseph Victor Hudon, jr., member of the firm of Hudon, Hebert & Co., who was found dead in his office on Monday morning last, by the watchman, who was inspecting or opening the premises.

THE Vanderbilt railway lines intend to establish a clearing house at Buffalo to audit the accounts and clear the balance between the various roads on all traffic interchanged at Buffalo and Suspension Bridge. The clearing house will be in charge of William Nicholson, now auditor of the Fall Brook Railway. The earnings on all traffic interchanged will be accounted for through the clearing house, instead of through the auditing department of each road, as at present.

An incident was related the other evening by Mr. G. B. Ryan, on the occasion of the Guelph Board of Trade dinner, which shows how Canada is advertising herself abroad by means of her manufactures. Not long ago, said Mr. Ryan, I was called upon by the representative of a woolen manufacturing house in Germany. When we had chatted a while he told me that he was pleased to have seen Guelph, and that when he landed from the train, and saw across the street the big four-story factory, with "Bell Organs" on its front he felt instantly at home. "Sir," he said, "I have been travelling for this house twenty-five years and been pretty well over the world though never in Canada before. But in the countries along the Mediterranean, in South Africa, in Australia, almost everywhere I went, I found the Bell Organs, or else their advertisement or representative; and now I am glad to be on the spot where they are made."

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