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Mercantile Summary.

MESSRS. Joseph Loranger, S. Charrin and Gedeon Charrin, who started in business in Montreal, last February, under the style of the National Coffee and Spice Mills Co., have already assigned on demand. They owe \$3,300 or thereabout.

ASSIGNMENT on demand is made by G. C. Snyder, carrying on a cutlery manufacturing at Cote St. Paul, near Montreal, under the style of the Rivington Cutlery Co. He has suffered from a lack of sufficient capital, and frequent suits have appeared against him of late. Liabilities are stated at \$5,362.

CHARLES BLAIS, shoes, Quebec, formerly a factory foreman, and for the past two years doing a small business on his own account, is reported to be offering 60 per cent.—Mrs. J. B. Dion, of the same city, grocer, has arranged a compromise at 50 cents in the dollar, cash; liabilities reported at \$3,500.

WHEN one looks back over the names of the lecture committee of the Lindsay Collegiate Institute, he is enabled to make a shrewd guess how it was that the scheme of lectures was so sensibly framed in 1897 and how such breadth and enterprise were shown in the choice of lecturers. The course this winter includes a lecture on Canada by Sir Charles Tupper; one by Mr. Bourassa, M.P., on "The Contribution of the French-English Races to the Making of Canada," one by Sir John Bourinot on the U.E. Loyalists, and one by Hon. David Mills, on "The English in Africa."

WITH the death of Mr. Edward K. Greene, on Friday last, one of the well-known figures in Montreal commercial circles for nearly fifty years, passed away. His father having established early in the century the fur manufacturing and wholesaling business, Mr. E. K. Greene became, about 1856, the managing partner in Greene & Sons, of St. Paul street, his brother, Mr. George Greene, and other gentlemen being associated in the well-known firm. Mr. E. K. Greene retired, however, several years ago, and has been in weak health for a considerable time. Deceased, who was in his seventieth year, had been an alderman of the city and might probably, if he had chosen, have been prominent in politics.

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