

avoid the infliction of further undeserved loss. They point out that they are loyal subjects of the Crown, and have no desire to embarrass the Imperial Government in dealing with a difficult political question, but simply to protect themselves against losses to which, had the action of the government been less precipitate, they would not have been subjected to so great a degree.

THEIR BRANCH STORE.

B. Levin & Co., of Montreal, have opened a branch store at 70 Bay Street, Toronto, under the management of Mr. E. F. Stewart, for Toronto and the West. Mr. Stewart has been for twenty three years in the hat and fur business and it can therefore be seen that the management has been placed in capable hands. This old established and reliable firm are doing big business in the West and it has increased to such an extent that the establishment of this branch store was rendered necessary.

RUSSIANS IN BEHRING SEA.

According to recent Russian advices from Eastern Siberia, the Russian sealers have captured a considerable quantity of skins in the waters controlled by the Russian government, and there is no apparent cessation in their operations. The authorities are keeping a sharp lookout for trespassers in the Russian jurisdiction, and so far several have been chased, but none captured. The sealing season has been excellent, no diminution in the number of seals being apparent. The Russians apparently feel under no obligations as to any agreement with Great Britain, and it is rumored on semi-official authority that no confidence is placed by the Czar's representatives in Eastern Siberia in the good faith of the American sealing company which, they claim, is taking advantage of the proviso allowing them to capture a certain number of seals to take all the seals they

can get. The Russians, therefore, have been going ahead with their seal fishing as usual, under the Russian flag, and with entire independence of any other national arrangement.

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A number of prominent firms, representing different branches of the hat trade, have incorporated themselves under the above title, for the purpose of mutual information and protection in the matter of credits. The plan of procedure is simple and effective, and at the same time can in no way operate to the prejudice of honest buyers. It is simply a matter of exchange of information. The services of a prominent gentleman, well skilled in such matters, have been secured as actuary — N. Y. Hatter and Furrier

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