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DECISIONS IN COMMERCIAL LAW.**MCCULLOUGH V. CLEMON.**—The defendant
by a written instrument, agreed with the plain-
tiffs that during one year he would sell coal at
the plaintiffs' prices, and that the net profits
over \$3,000 should be the property of the
plaintiffs, and should be deemed to be money
received by the defendant for the use of the
plaintiffs. The net profits were to be ascer-
tained in manner set forth in clause 6 of the
agreement, by a named accountant, on or be-
fore the 10th May, 1895. There was also by
clause 8, a provision for a reference to the
same accountant in case of dispute. There
was no provision as to interest. This action
was brought on the 30th April, 1891, to recover
\$581, the amount of the net profits as ascer-
tained by the accountant under clause 6. Clause 8 was not invoked by either party. At
the trial it was held that the determination of
the amount under clause 6 was void, because it
was not made until after the 10th May, 1885;
and a reference to a Master was ordered to
take an account of the net profits under the
agreement. The Master reported that \$706.68
and interest was due the plaintiffs, but upon an
appeal the report was sent back, and a new
report was afterwards made finding \$501.11
and interest as the amount named. The Court
of Queen's Bench decided that a contract to
pay interest could not be implied from the deal-
ings of the parties, and, there being no express
contract, the case was not one in which interest
was payable "by law," and therefore, it did
not come within the first branch of s. 85 of the
Ontario Judicature Act, nor did it come within
the second branch, as a case in which it had
been usual for a jury to allow interest, for no
debt existed which was payable until it was
ascertained, either in the manner provided by
the agreement, or, in default of that, by means
of the account taken in the action. Further,
that the mode of computation provided by the
contract being departed from, no certainty
remained as to the amount payable or the time
of payment, which could not be said to arrive
until after the final decision of the issues raised
in the action; nor did all the elements of cer-
tainty appear by the contract so as to requirenothing more than an arithmetical computa-
tion to ascertain the exact sum of the exact
time for payment; and therefore, there was no
debt or sum certain, payable by virtue of a
written instrument at a certain time, within the
meaning of s. 86.**PATENT RECORD.**The following list of United States patents,
granted to Canadian inventors, July 16th and
23rd, 1895, is reported expressly for this paper
by James Sangster, patent attorney, Buffalo,
New York:Alexander Dobson, Beaverton, Ont., cleaning
attachment for dust-collectors.

Edward Gurney, Toronto, Ont., boiler.

Eben Perkins, St. John, N.B., machine for
making horseshoe nail blanks.Robert P. Scott, Cadiz, Ohio, and J. A. Chis-
holm, Oakville, Ont., cleaning green peas.David T. Baxter, Hamilton, Ont., auto-
graphic register.Thomas J. Byers, Eganville, Ont., carrying-
case.Augustus A. Davidson, Victoria, B.C., de-
vice for baby-food regulators.Robert G. H. Dillon, Long Point, Ont., hand-
wheel cultivator.Henry M. Dinning, Montreal, Que., sash-
fastener.Grace H. D. Harris, Toronto, Ont., rug-
fastener.Joseph Lachance, St. Francois, Que., nut-
lock.Gedeon Pierard and V. Guinet, Montreal,
Que., high or low water-alarm for steam boilers.Joseph P. Rogers, Toronto, Ont., oil can and
lamp-filler.Charles H. Taylor, assignor of one-half to
W. T. Ross, R. W. Sutherland, and H. Millen,
Montreal, Que., hydraulic air-compressing ap-
paratus.Charles H. Taylor, assignor to J. R. Fair and
H. Millen, trustees, Montreal, Que., hydraulic
air-compressing apparatus.William W. Towne, Danville, Que., heating
stove.Joseph A. G. Trudeau, Ottawa, Ont., alter-
nating electric motor.

Albert S. Weaver, Hamilton, Ont., bicycle.

THE LAVISH JENKINS.In October, 1886, a religiously minded Buck-
inghamshire farmer named Jenkins brought his
first-born to the parish church to be christened,
and this was to be the name: Abel Benjamin
Caleb Daniel Ezra Felix Gabriel Haggai Isaac
Jacob Kish Levi Manohah Nehemiah Obadiah
Peter Quartus Rechab Samuel Tobiah Uzziel
Vaniah Word Xystus Yariah Zechariah.It will be observed that the names are all ar-
ranged in alphabetical order, and are as far as
possible selected from Scripture. It was only
with the very greatest difficulty that the clergy-
man dissuaded Mr. Jenkins from doing the
lasting wrpno to his child that he had unwit-
tingly devised; but eventually it was decided
to christen the boy simply Abel.—From *Cham-
ber's Journal*.**RUSSIAN PETROLEUM.**The *American Manufacturer* says: "The pro-
duction of petroleum in Russia last year is
officially returned at 297,500,000 poods, as com-
pared with 324,700,000 poods in 1893, and 286,-
500,000 poods in 1892. The production effected
January, this year, was 34,000,000 poods, while
in Feb. the output was 31,400,000 poods. The
stocks held at the commencement of January,
this year, were estimated at 6,500,000 poods.
The corresponding stocks in July, 1894, were
returned at 23,000,000 poods. It requires some
10.18 poods to make a barrel of 42 gallons. The
demand for Russian petroleum is stated to be
increasing both on home and foreign account."