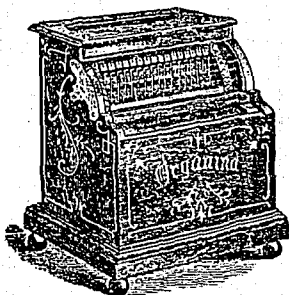


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F. H. MORICE, general storekeeper at Sackville, N.B., is offering 20c. on the dollar, which, it is thought, will be accepted. His liabilities amount to about \$3,500. Mr. Morice was burnt out a few weeks ago, but his loss was principally covered by insurance.

CORRESPONDENCE on behalf of the creditors, between the assignee of the estate and J. J. Borrie, the absconding grocer of this city, now in New York, resulted in an offer by Mr. Borrie of 50c cash and 25c in one year; but, in the absence of security or sufficient guarantee of good faith, the offer was not accepted, and the stock was sold, according to advertisement, on Wednesday last.

W. H. BRYAN, dealer in stoves and tins, Newmarket, Ont., has the sheriff in possession. The stock of J. H. Jagoe & Bro., Hamilton, is advertised to be sold by auction. John Bowes, general dealer at Linwood, Ont., has obtained an extension from his creditors. Isaac Sillick, grocer, at Teeswater, Ont., has compromised with his creditors at 35c. on the dollar. His liabilities amount to \$1,600, with assets about half this sum.

A JOINT stock company with a capital of \$3,000 is being formed in Wroxeter, Ont., to sink a salt well.—Thomas McLaughlin, of Wroxeter has moved into Bel's block, and added a stock of dry goods to his grocery department.—C. Carter, jeweller, late of Simcoe, has opened a store in the same block.—Messrs. Sanderson & Hood, of Wroxeter, are buying large quantities of wheat and other grain for shipment, and Gibson & Young's saw-mill yard is filled with hardwood and pine logs.

JOHN LANDERKIN, general storekeeper, Drayton, Ont., has been sold out by the sheriff. Some two or three years ago Landerkin made himself responsible for the payment of a farm mortgage, which he had taken in payment of a

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claim, and the farm not having been redeemed by the original owner, and real estate having meanwhile depreciated in value, Mr. L. was called upon recently to pay the balance of the mortgage, and the sheriff took possession of the stock. He is reputed to be honest and industrious, but not well adapted to business, and consequently has gradually been getting behind.

A LOCAL rubber company has found it necessary, on account of increased business, to put up new machinery, costing, it is said, \$10,000. Judging from the complaints about the character of some of the rubber goods in the market, we must conclude that, like the Cockney's razors, which were not made to shave but made to sell, the rubbers turned out by some companies were never intended for the hardships of actual service. Unfortunately for the buyers, one pair of rubbers looks the same as another, and it is only when the bottoms cut through or drop off after a few days' wear, that they discover there is a difference. The large demand has no doubt tempted some manufacturers to cheapen the stock, and thereby injure their reputation.

A VALUED correspondent enquires when the prohibition of \$4 bank bills will take effect, and expresses an opinion that it would be desirable to have bills of other denominations in their place. The banks will be prohibited from issuing \$4 notes after 1st July of this year, the date when their old Charters would have expired. It is not in our power to state whether the Government will issue fours, but, if not, it seems probable that the circulation of ones and twos will be considerably increased. One effect of the extensive circulation of \$5 and \$4 was that a dollar could be paid by giving a five and receiving back a four. The withdrawal of fours will render it necessary to

keep a much larger amount of ones and twos in circulation, but the Government may issue fours, if it should deem it advisable to do so.

MR. FRANK J. CLAXTON, baker and confectioner, Simcoe, Ont., has left for parts unknown, leaving quite a number of creditors who have issued writs of attachment. Domestic trouble is said to be the cause of his sudden departure, as he was thought to be doing a prosperous business.

THE failure of Mr. E. Rees, a prominent cattle dealer at Kingston, has caused some apprehension among Canadian exporters of live stock of other prospective failures in the trade. For some years Mr. Rees has shipped extensively cattle and sheep to Great Britain, but owing, it is said, to the reckless buying of his agents, he sustained some heavy losses during the past couple of years. The total liabilities and assets are not yet obtainable, but the Federal Bank is probably the largest creditor, having advanced him some \$40,000, for part of which sum the bank holds security. It appears that an attempt has been made by Western exporters to corner the freight market this Spring, but their efforts seem likely to be foiled. Space has been contracted for on regular steamers from this port during May and June at from £5 10s. to £6 10s. per head, while freight room can now be engaged at much lower rates; steamers have been engaged within the past week at £2, from Portland, £2 10s. from Boston, and £4 to £4 10s. from Halifax.

THE large general store lately carried on in the name of Hugh Holmes, but in reality the property of William Wilson, of Simcoe, Ont., has been handed over to Messrs. Fred. Cope and Frank Young, both young men of the village of Vittoria, Norfolk County, who have purchased the stock in trade of Mr. Wilson, and purpose carrying on the business.