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to 869,781 bushels against 782,632 a week ago.THE Barnum Wire and Iron Works, of Wind-
sor, is said to intend moving the rest of its
machinery into Toronto next month.MR. HOLLIS SHOREY, the well-known cloth-
ing merchant of Montreal, has been ap-
pointed acting mayor of that city in the
absence of the mayor-elect."ONE preference claim gobbled all the
assets," is the way the Collingwood *Bulletin*
puts it in referring to a recent meeting of the
creditors of C. A. Fanjoy, photographer. A
negative affair in more senses than one.Be willing, be industrious, gather intelli-
gence. A first-rate man in a subordinate
position will come to the front. Every day
men are taken in the store, shop and office
and promoted to a superior one. The keen,
far-sighted manager says to them, "We can't
afford to have you down there; come up
higher."We learn of the death, in his 71st year, of
Murdoch McLeod Laing, a well-known Mont-
real merchant. Mr. Laing came to Canada
from Scotland as long ago as 1843. He was
long employed with the Molsons and Mr. Jaa.
Torrance, and in 1852 he commenced business
on his own account. He had made for himself
a good name on 'Change.J. E. DEON, general dealer at Robertson
Station, on the Quebec Central Railway, is
reported in difficulties, and his affairs have
been placed in the hands of a Quebec account-
ant. He owes \$3,958. — Bernier & fils, gro-
cers and hotel-keepers at Weedon, Que., have
been asked to assign by a Sherbrooke creditor,
and a meeting is called for the 18th inst. The
senior failed as of the firm of Beaudry &
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