

The daily call board at Montreal Board of Trade has ceased operations. Some say that it has died a natural death, while others hold that it has been but temporarily suspended.

The partnership of Messrs. J. S. Richardson, I. A. Van Bridger and Henry Richardson, who for some time have carried on business as general merchants in Tilbury Centre, is dissolved.

The members of the Francis Manufacturing Co., Toronto, have formed a new company, with \$55,000 paid up capital, and will make patent hooks and eyes; their new factory will shortly be in operation.

N. TOURANGEAU & Co., of Montreal, manufacturers of hat blocks and woodenware, have been trying to compromise liabilities of \$3,500 at 20 cents on the dollar. A demand of assignment has been made on the firm.

AIME LEMIEUX, a farmer's son, who started in a general store business at Henryville, Quebec, about four years ago, without previous experience of storekeeping, has assigned. He owes about \$4,000 and shows assets nominally about equal.

The St. John Globe says that a counterfeit of the Canadian 25-cent piece is in circulation. It is made of aluminum and is a good imitation. Though lighter in weight than the silver quarter, it may easily be mistaken for a good coin.

REPORT has it that the Hudson Bay Company will shortly remove its head offices from London to Winnipeg, and that all the English officials of the company will be transferred there. It is understood that the company intends erecting a handsome building at Winnipeg.

SAYS a St. John, N.B., exchange: Dr. DeBertram has purchased from the bond-holders the Buctouche and Monoton Railway, which will be put in first-class condition at once and operated regularly after next month. The new company is made up of New York capitalists.

The special Manufactures Committee of the Toronto City Council have passed a resolution recommending the exemption of the land and buildings of the Toronto Glass Company from taxes for ten years. A guarantee is given that the company will employ 35 men and operate its works eight months in the year.

The partnership existing between Edwin Thompson and Edw. James Savage, boot and shoe manufacturers, in Montreal, under the name of Thompson & Co., has been dissolved.

SOME small failures among Montreal traders are as under: A. Loutie, a small East end grocer, has assigned, owing about \$800.—Wm. Johnson, in the same line, has likewise assigned with an indebtedness of a similar amount.—A. Toupin, saloonkeeper, has assigned, owing \$823, and claims he has no assets.—D. Kiely, boots and shoes, reported last week as assigned, is offering 60 cents in the dollar, payable in three, six and nine months. He owes \$1,400 and has apparent assets of \$1,687.

A SUBSCRIBER sends us the following specimen of queer spelling, and if we could reproduce the letter in *fac simile*, it would read more queerly still.

Simcoe, July 11th, 1893.

Yore agent was here, wonted Me to giv order for a Belt i will take the Belt if you will send it on the turmes we agrede on the haf in 6 wokes Balance in 3 Month it is a thrashing Belt 6 inches wide star Belt Endeles 110 feet Long orde Lenth.

Send it to Simcoe stachen if you send it if not Ples ancer Me rite orf for i will nede it soon.

from WESLEY BICKON,  
at the fire hall,  
Simcoe."

Wesley is a disciple of George Bengough, evidently, for he has the phonetic way of spelling certain words; for instance, right is simplified to "rite," station he spells "stachen," and the word half becomes "haf." But he is not consistent in his simplicity of orthography. Why does he put extra terminal letters in "feete," "turmes," or why transpose letters, as in "nede" and "agrede"? There is a distinct economic gain, perhaps, in reducing answer to "ancer," and please to "ples;" but why does our friend Bickon persist in using a small i for the personal pronoun, and putting capitals in such funny places? However, Mr. Bickon seems to know what he wants, and he makes it plain, even though he does not express himself with elegance.

J. P. BRAUDOUIN, of Montreal, heretofore a grocer, and for the past several years quite an operator in real estate, has got his affairs into a tied-up shape, and a demand of assignment has been served upon him. He recently undertook the purchase of a large block of

real property, the purchase aggregating over \$200,000, and, to use a Yankeeism, has evidently "bit off more'n he can chaw," in this particular.—A second Montreal real estate operator is reported in trouble, and as being absent. A petition to the Court asking that a curator be appointed to his estate, and that a meeting of his creditors be ordered, has been granted, and the date of meeting fixed for 5th September.

It is just as well to know that if a person refuses to answer the questions put to him by an assessor in the discharge of his duty, he is subject to a fine of \$20. This is a provision of the Assessment Act. In Hamilton on Wednesday last an assessor, Mr. Allan, had a citizen, Alfred Pilkey, hauled before a magistrate for refusing to tell what his income was. The magistrate gave Alfred till Saturday next to make up his mind to divulge his income, failing which he will pay over \$20.

THE business failure list for the past week is large, but fortunately there is nothing of a very serious nature in it. A small photographer, H. Reeves, of Barrie, has assigned to E. Donnell of the same place.—Samuel Halstead, a Kincardine tinsmith who began business on his own account in 1889, made no headway and was compelled to put a chattel mortgage on his stock. The result has been an assignment to J. M. Stewart.—An hotel keeper at Napanee has surprised his friends and creditors of that place by assigning; George Grieve is his name. His business has always been good and he was supposed to be in good circumstances, hence surprise at his move.

AN ingenious, but at the same time simple article of household necessity has recently been patented by the inventor, Mr. C. J. L. MacLeod, of Detroit. This is the Sanitas Disinfecting Garbage Pail. It is made of zinc, and a chamber is provided within the lid for a small bag to be filled with chloride of lime or such other disinfectant chemical as will quell fermentation and prevent foul smells. The Americans, who live in flats, most feel the need of this sort of garbage pail, which Mr. MacLeod is selling by thousands of dozens in Chicago, St. Louis and Detroit. We are told that they are to be made for the Canadian market by a firm on Adelaide street. There is plenty evidence that they serve the purpose for which they were intended admirably well.

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