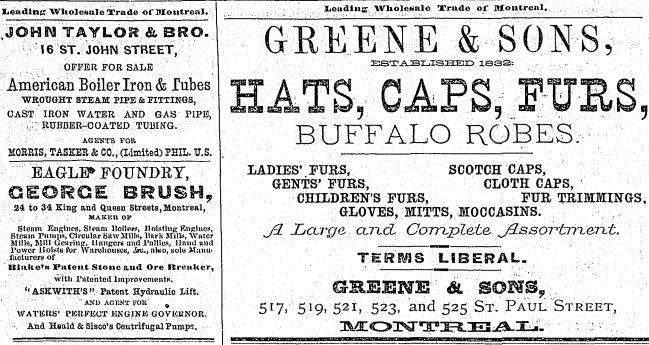
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— It is said that on some farms near this city the Colorado beetles having finished eating all that is green on the potato stalks, are now burrowing into the ground and eating the potatoes.

- The soil of Prince Edward Island is favorable to the growth of wheat, judging by the fact that a man in Prince County who sowed 3½ bushels of an early variety in 13 acres reaped therefrom 62 bushels.

- A vacancy has occurred on the Quebec Board of Harbor Commissioners, caused by the appointment of Hon. P. J. O. Chauveau to the shrievalty of Montreal. P. A. Tremblay will probably be appointed.

- A Kingston paper says that during August 17,000,000 feet of lumber were shipped to the United States, 5,000,000 feet more than in the same period last year. New York buyers made extensive purchases. They are shipping culls at \$8.50.

— McDougall & Bell, humbermen and general merchants, Renfrew, have failed. Their affairs have been unsettled for some time, and the continued depression in the lumber trade has at length brought them down. Their iabilities will probably be large.

- In the matter of Joseph Sissons, noted in these columns last week, a writ of attachment has since been issued by one of the creditors; the mejority, however, are disposed to accept the offer of 60 cents, and it is probable a settlement will be effected upon this basis.

- The London and Lancashire Life Insurance Company is enjoying a period of prosperity. Its shares are scarce on the stock market on account of the continued increase in its new business, as well as the fact that this is the year prior to the declaration of another bonus.

- The farmers of the Eastern Townships do not relish the prospect of the Grand Trunk

Railway substituting coal for wood on their locomotives running east of Montreal. They have been in the habit of selling considerable quantities of cordwood to the Company.

- Negotiations are said to be going on to obtain control of the Canada Southern Railway, there being two parties in the field for it. Its possession is of importance to any one of the northern trunk line companies because of its low grades and straight lines.

— The writ of attachment taken out against George Bowie of this city at the instance of his brother, Henry Bowie, has been set aside by Mr Justice Papineau, with treble costs, as provided for in the act, against the latter. The judge has further ordered an indictment for perjury to be laid against Henry Bowie, upon the evidence given in the case.

- Spencer, the defaulting bank manager, is believed to have got away by Saturday's mail steamer from Quebec, a man answering his description having taken a passage under the name of Williams. He is said to have taken about \$1,000,000 with him. The feeling of insecurity in savings banks is now so great all through his State, that depositors are making quite a run on them.

— We note a change in the extensive leather and shoe-finding house of Cassils, Stimson & Co., by the admission of Mr. E. A. Whitehead into the firm, which continues under the old style. Mr. Whitehead is a former partner of Mr. Cassils, and was a member of the late firm of Whitehead & Fiske. His long experience and extensive connection cannot but be of advantage to the present firm.

- The Counsel of the Dominion Telegraph Company in New York has served a hotice on the Atlantic and Pacific Company that their action in consenting to the pooling of earnings with the Western Union Telegraph Company is a violation of the contract entered into be

- Monthly horse fairs have been established in Toronto.

- Robert Archer, Esq., of this city, has been elected a director of the Royal Canadian Insurance Company.

-A capias has been issued against Francis Major of this city, at the instance of Henry A. Jackson, for the sum of \$600.

— The water in the river opposite this city is unusually low. A number of buoys have had to be placed to facilitate navigation.

- The Quebec and Levis Ferry Company carry 100,000 passengers per month, besides freight, horses, vehicles, &c.

- A. Lipsott, lumber merchant, Grand Lake, N.B.; is settling with his creditors at ten cents on the dollar.

- Freights on grain by steamers and clipper ships are quoted at 6s. 6d. to 7s., and for orders 7s. to 7s. 3d. Insurance rates are a little firm.

- Frank Leslie, the well-known New York publisher, has suspended. His liabilities are stated to be \$320,000. Assets chiefly in old wood cuts.

— The liabilities of Captain Raynes foot up to \$177,128, \$36,000 of which is secured by mortgage and otherwise. The Ontario Bank is a creditor for \$76,000.

— The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co. have declared an interim divided of 2½ per cent. The announcement caused a temporary advance of 6 per cent. in the stock.

— Another United States Savings Bank, the Rockland County, is reported insolvent. An examination into its affairs shows \$38,000 due depositors and assets of less than \$1000.

- L. J. Z. D'Aoust, grocer, of this city, who failed on the first day of April, 1876, having failed to meet the last payment of his composition of 50c. on the dollar, the assignce has taken possession of his estate.