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of stealing a quantity of shoes, has been honorably acquitted. It seems that the information on which the arrest was made was foundationless. Betcome will probably bring an action for damages against somebody.

The car wheel works and general foundry of the Ontario Car Works, London, will resume work on Monday with a full staff. Mr. Muir seems to feel quite satisfied that the prospects will soon brighten. They have a number of orders for iron work and car wheels. The G. T. B. works will not be rebuilt for the present.

The omission of the word "not" after "have" in the third line from the foot of the right-hand column of page 978 last week, although not so absurd as the suggestion of Lady Mary Wortley Montagu to remove that negative from the decalogue, was yet enough to convey an impression the very opposite of what was intended.

F. FOREST, a small dry goods retailer of Joliette, Que., is reported to be in difficulties again and to have assigned in trust to Mr. Gervais of that town. Forest & Co., under which name the business was carried on for some time, was composed of Mrs. Forest alone, who had a *separation des biens* by marriage contract.

A. D. FAUCHER, keeper of a hotel and restaurant at Peterboro', Ont., has been sold out under chattel mortgage. The liabilities were heavy for his business, amounting to about \$10,000; his father was one of the claimants. The proceeds of the sale were sufficient to satisfy the landlord, who held the first of the two

mortgages.—D. W. Belfen, of Portland, N.B., has assigned.

At last accounts the creditors of W. Wharin, jeweller, Toronto, had not come to any definite conclusion regarding the estate. The first offer of 50 cents in the dollar, spread over two years, unsecured, fell through, and a second offer of 20 per cent cash is still doubtful. Of the liabilities, which amount to some \$23,000, his wife represents about \$13,000 for advances; the stock is roundly valued at \$10,000.

The figures in the case of Mr. Joseph Danjou, St. Fabien, Rimouski County, Que., are heavy for a county merchant, the liabilities being upwards of \$53,000 and the assets nominally about \$46,000. His means were so largely locked up in real estate that he found it difficult for some time past to meet his engagements, and this condition becoming no better he called a meeting of his creditors recently in Quebec. He conducted a branch store at Bic.

The new steamship El Callao, the first vessel built especially for the new line from New York to Cuidad Bolivar, Venezuela, measures 1200 tons, and has a capacity for 700 tons dead weight of cargo. Her dimensions are: Length, 520 feet; breadth of beam, 32 feet, and depth of hold, 12½ feet. She was built with a light draft in order that she could navigate the Orinoco river, and has all the newly-invented steam appliances.

The new public park at St. Hilaire was formally opened on Friday last, a special train of three cars in charge of Mr. Wain-

wright of the G. T. R. conveying a large party from this city to participate in the festivities, the invitations being issued by Mr. Bruce Campbell. The park is beautifully situated near the river on the south side of the bridge, and every accommodation is provided for the use of excursion parties.

REPORTS from the north, says the North Sydney Herald, are to the effect that the cod fishery during the past few weeks has been excellent. At Ingonish and Cape North the boats average from six to eight quintals daily. The catch of herring and mackerel is also good, but salmon are scarce. The fishery this season in St. Peter's Bay is a failure. At Arichat and D'Escoise fair catches have been made.

The pressure of some local creditors and a suit entered by a Montreal house to enforce payment of past due accounts, compelled B. Wolf, tailor, Toronto (formerly Wolf Bros.), to seek refuge in an assignment and to call a meeting of his creditors a few days ago. One of the circumstances is a mortgage in favor of his father-in-law. His endeavors at one time to run two establishments are supposed to have weakened him, considerably, but he never was supposed to be master of a surplus of much over \$1,000.

The winter of 1885 found Mr. A. C. Larose of Ottawa with a rather large stock of dry goods in the face of limited sales and slow collections, after scarcely three years' experience in his present store. He is consequently driven to solicit from his creditors an extension spread over fifteen months. A statement some three months ago showed liabilities of between \$15,