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Another case of a farmer attempting storekeeping unsuccessfully is that of Narcisse Leclair, of St. Hugues, who recently started business in groceries, flour, etc. He has just made a judicial abandonment of his estate, at the request of a Montreal creditor. - The assignment is reported of A. Charlebois & Co., general merchants at Laprairie, Que. It is less than a year ago that the firm failed before, the estate being bought in for Mrs Charlebois, in estate being bought in for Mrs Charlebois, in whose name the business has since been carried on.—T. A. Ward, a produce dealer at Chambly, Que., has made an assignment, owing about \$1,000.—An arrangement has been made by which the liabilities of the late Francois Pelchat, merchant at St. Alexandre de Kamburger, been been comparatised at 50 cents. reichat, merchant at St. Alexandre de Kamouraska, have been compromised at 50 cents on the dollar. He died last September.—— Joseph Lavertu, a cheesemaker of North Ham, Que., began a small store business last spring, and already figures as an insolvent.

For some years Robert Hadden has been dealing in lumber at Vasey, Ont., but never really made money. His chattels have been mortgaged since 1893. A few days ago a judgment was obtained against him for \$994, and this brought about an assignment.-Huffman, who kept hotel in various places and made many changes in his lifetime, at last became so involved that lately he has been obliged to continue business in his wife's name, and now in his old town (Peterboro) she is askand now in his old town (reterboro) she is ask-ing creditors to accept 25 per cent. cash in settlement of their claims. He always endeavored to please his guests, but appears to have been unable to make a success of the business that he has followed since his boybusiness that he has followed since his boyhood.—G. B. Sproule, a photographer at Peterboro, has left the country with the property of another man (his wife), and his landlord has taken possession on a claim of \$245 for rent. The stock will be sold.—In the same town B. A. Shaw, artist, assigns.—In April, 1891, William Wood, general storekeeper, Flesherton Station, died, and his daughter, Charlotte Wood, continued the business, which she had learned with him. Some ness, which she had learned with him. months ago she was burnt out and this disaster is followed by an assignment.—Last week we noted the difficulties of S. J. Pake, general storekeeper, Hilton. Since then he has assigned.

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