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Mercantile Summary.

At Louisburg, N.S., Mrs. Margaret Barnaby, wife of Dr. C. D. Barnaby, started a dry goods business a couple of years or so ago. She has now had to assign.

It is a very general, but entirely mistaken idea, says the Rapid City Spectator, that clover will not grow in Manitoba. It is growing freely, a voluntary crop in several spots in town, both of white and red varieties. The red is as fully developed as the Ontario growth, and the white is an extra large plant with uncommonly large blossoms.

As a first move towards establishing a Bureau of Mines in connection with the Government of British Columbia, Hon. Col. Baker has sent out circulars to the various mining recorders, requesting them to gather all possible information as to the mines and mining operations in their district, and also to forward specimens of ores from the mines.

In the July number of the Photographic Journal, besides the usual front page inset, which is a fine specimen of the good result obtained by using aristo-platino paper, there is also a full-page photo-engraving of Sarony's "Soft Persuasion," taken by that artistic photographer from life. There is everything so natural and so graceful about the picture that any evidence of its being the product of the camera is easily hidden. Dr. Hugo Erichsen, in an article on the "Nude in Photography," very truly sets forth the camera's right to this subject as well as the brush.

ABOUT one year ago W. J. Hutton & Co., stove and tinware dealers, started business. Mr. Hutton had previously been a miller in Wingham, and had no experience in tinwares. Being unable to meet his payments, he endeavored to obtain an extension of time, but failing in this an assignment has been made.—James N. Laird, formerly of the firm of Parker & Laird, Hillsdale, who made a bad failure in 1887, retired from that firm and started a general store in the same place in the name of his wife. She assigned in July, 1890. Then he removed to Doon and opened a store in his own name. From Doon he went to Galt about six months later. This place was not up to expectations, and in March, 1891, he removed to Tara, and in December, 1893, made another assignment, with liabilities of over \$6,000. His estate then paid 65 per cent. Business was then continued, and is now followed by another assignment. Surely Mr. Laird had a checkered career, and his creditors are, no doubt, tired of compromises.

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