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ronto and B. D. McConnel, Montreal.

THE Buffalo Courier, of a recent
date, gives an account of the scheme of
Mr. A. B. Colvin, president of the
Niagara Falls, St. Catharines and To-
ronto Electric Railroad, to connect
Buffalo and Toronto by a cheap, direct
and speedy trolley line by the time the
Pan-American Exposition opens. The
new road which is stocked at \$1,000,000,
and bonded at \$500,000, is owned jointly
by Gen. Colvin, his partner, James
Powers, and a number of Toronto
capitalists. It has purchased a line of
steamers to connect with cars at To-
ronto and Port Dalhousie, running from
the last-named place to St. Catharines,
and from there to Arch Bridge. There
the cars will run over the rails of the
International Traction Company, through
the streets of Buffalo, and direct to the
grounds of the Pan-American Exposi-
tion. It will do both a freight and a
passenger business.

ROSAIRE BOURBEAU, of Victoriaville,
started business as general merchant, in
1897, with the assistance of his father, a
well-to-do trader. The latter died last
month, and Rosaire has now assigned.
He is said to owe \$14,600, largely to his
father's estate, and assets are estimated
at about \$8,000.—After some years'
occupation as a boot and shoe traveller,
T. N. Gauthier began business in the
general store line at Carillon, in 1898. He
has now made a voluntary assignment,
and would like creditors to give him a
discharge on the payment of 50 cents in
the dollar.—Napoleon Girard, a shoe-
maker, who moved from Ste. Anne de
la Pocatiere to Fraserville, a year ago,
is reported insolvent.—Previous to
May, 1899, Joseph Cantin was clerking
in a wholesale hat and fur house, in
Montreal, which occupation he gave up
to start business as a haberdasher, at
Valleyfield. His voluntary assignment is
now reported.—A. Boulanger, general
dealer, Lamartine, has assigned. He
had only been here a year or so, in a
limited way, and came from Cap St.
Ignace, where he had been in business
for a short time, as one of the firm of
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