

LA CHAMBRE DE COMMERCE of Montreal is arranging an excursion to the World's Fair, on August 19th.

We note two failures at Kingston. J. A. Charles, a fancy dry goods dealer, has assigned, owing \$1,769.—C. Millan, an hotel man, has also turned over his estate for the benefit of his creditors.

EXPORTERS to the West Indies will be glad to know that in future there will be no wharfage charges in Jamaica on through goods shipped from inland points via Halifax and Pickford & Black steamers.

COMMENCING with the "Taymouth Castle," which sails from Halifax, August 10th, the steamers will discontinue calling at St. Thomas and Guadeloupe, but will touch at the island of St. Croix instead; Frederichstad will be the port of call.

A GENERAL dealer at St. Polycarp, Que., B. Freedman, has arranged a compromise at 35 cents on the dollar, cash, liabilities being about \$3,500. He has since sold his stock at 60 cents on the dollar, and purposes looking for a more promising business location. He appears to have got ahead of his creditors on this last transaction.

A ST. JOHN, N. B., report says: Nova Scotia lobsters are very popular, on account of their excellent flavor, being taken from a rocky bottom and not being able to get into the mud, as in this vicinity. During the present season 54 cargoes of live lobsters have been brought here from Nova Scotia, comprising 393,335 lobsters.

A GENERAL dealer named G. H. Bissonette, having general stores at Sharbot Lake and Arden, has assigned. He was formerly of Bowes & Bissonette, of Kingston and the above named places, who dissolved in March last, Mr. Bissonette taking stock in the two stores to the amount of \$7,300 as his share. Mr. Bowes has since failed, and on his indebtedness Bissonette is held liable.

RENFREW county assessment is only \$5,612,000, about half of that of Lanark. The county rate is \$16,838. The assessment of Perth is about \$200,000 more than Pembroke and Renfrew put together, and we have several townships which are assessed at nearly double the assessed value of any township in Renfrew county. It is evident that the councils up there must supply their assessors with a conscience when swearing to the correctness of their returns.—*Perth Examiner*.

C. EGAN & SON, warehousemen and forwarding agents, have dissolved partnership. The business will be carried on under the same style by Christopher Egan.

We observe that the Hon. J. C. Aikins, ex-governor of Manitoba, has been elected president of the People's Loan & Deposit Company, in the room of the late Mr. William Elliot.

S. DUCKETT, a general trader in a moderate way at Maxville, in the county of Glengarry, Ont., has called a meeting of his creditors. His liabilities are \$3,900, with assets apparent of \$3,100.

H. O. FORTIER, grocer and liquor dealer for the last six years, at Sherbrooke, coming from St. Marie de la Beauce, with a fair capital, has got into deep water, and has been served with a demand of assignment by his bankers.

WHILE the dutiable goods imported at Almonte last year amounted in value to only \$24,500, the value of free goods imported exceeded \$192,000. Most of this was doubtless foreign wool for the big factories there.

FUR traders complain of the increasing scarcity of beaver skins. In the absence of a protecting law, whole colonies are slaughtered, kittens and all. It is regarded only as a matter of time when this animal will become extinct.

TENDERS are asked for City of Ottawa four-and-a-half per cent. debentures to the extent of \$600,000 or \$700,000. Almost all these are twenty year debentures, but some of them have forty years to run. The tenderers have the option of paying in London, England, or in Ottawa.

THE Retail Grocers' Association of Toronto have arranged a picnic to Niagara River per "Chicora," "Cibola" and "Chippawa" for Wednesday, August 2nd. The handbills of this excursion hung up in several grocers' windows that we have seen say that "this store will be closed on that day." If all shops are to do likewise householders had better get their supplies on Tuesday.

A GENERAL merchant in Prince Edward Island, W. L. STERNS, of Souris, in whose affairs some Montreal houses are interested, is offering his creditors 35 cents on the dollar. He owes \$10,638, of which \$4,529 is preferred. Assets estimated at 60 cents on the dollar figure at \$5,904, out of which preferred claims would have to be paid in full, so that creditors are likely to accept the offer made.

GEO. B. SALMOND and Isabella Stewart advertise a dissolution of the Brantford book and stationery business they have been carrying on under the name of J. R. Salmond. All claims are to be paid to G. B. S.

THE two hundredth anniversary of the founding of Varennes, Que., was celebrated at that place on Wednesday last. The residents of 1693 included Forget, Girard, Bissonnette, Brunet, Senecal, Ledoux, Gauthier and Hebert.

We understand that the Presbyterian Review Publishing Co. have sold the *Review* to Messrs. T. R. & J. J. Clougher, and its book department has been purchased by the Fleming H. Revell Co., of Chicago. These assets being disposed of, the company has decided to go into liquidation.

ABOUT three weeks since, the general store firm of Beaulieu & Frere, at Ste. Elizabeth, Que., were unfortunate in being burned out. They have since interviewed their creditors, and have succeeded in arranging a settlement at the rate of 50 cents on the dollar cash. The liabilities are about \$5,000; nominal assets, say \$7,000, made up of \$2,000 insurance, a little stock saved, and the balance in book debts.

A YOUNG man of Montreal, who engaged in the printing business a couple of years ago, without previous experience, P. J. Bedard, has for several months past been the target for a number of writs for all kinds of bills, from paper to gas. He called his creditors together on the 24th, and after he had made several offers the creditors agreed to consider one of 30 cents in the dollar, payable in one, two, and three years. He owes nearly \$16,000, with assets of \$6,000.

Two hotel-keepers are in difficulty in British Columbia. A meeting of the creditors of J. A. Johnson, who kept the Queen's at Victoria, has been held. We have not heard the result. The other hotel-keeper is Adam McEachern, of Kaslo.—W. P. Sanigar, a watchmaker, removed from Toronto to Victoria three years ago. He indulged habits which caused neglect of his business and now he assigns.—A. G. Horne, general storekeeper at Nanaimo, B.C., claimed in 1890 to be worth about \$30,000. This dwindled away, and a couple months ago he got so far behind as to be compelled to put a small mortgage on his stock. Now we hear of his assignment.

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