Cowansviller, Que., is to have the electric light. A company is being incorporated to supply it.

"The decorations and wall paper of a sickchamber have more influence over a convalescing patient than the medicine given," said a progressive American doctor.

An initial order for 400,000 umbrella and parasol handles for the English market has been received by J. H. Still, St. Thomas. These are made from hard maple.

It is stated that through the refusal of his banker to discount paper, at Victoria, B.C., where he has a branch, Thomas Carter, dealer in pianos and organs at Woodstock, has been compelled to assign.

The live stock exports from Montreal last week were 4,532 cattle and 2,627 sheep. There were nine steamer-loads in all, two of which went to London, three to Glasgow, two to Aberdeen, and one to Liverpool.

THE following figures respecting the assessment of London, Ont., are shown by the rolls, which are just completed for 1890: Real property, \$10,845,943; personal property, \$1,634,150; income, \$966,805; grand total of value, \$13,445,898.

The dry goods firm of Martin, Granger & Co., Montreal, have failed. They were formerly connected with Marcotte, Perreault & Co., in the same line, who became insolvent in September, 1888, when the stock was bought in for the above concern at 71 cents on the dollar. The success of the concern has been considered dubious all along.

On the 22nd inst. Galt ratepayers are to vote on a by-law passed by the Council giving a bonus to a shirt factory. It is proposed to procure the novelty works at \$400 a year, to fit them up at a cost of \$700, and to hand them over to the Symonds Manufacturing Company for a term of ten years, free of rent and exempt from taxation. The company is to employ a cash capital of \$10,000, to employ the first year from 50 to 75 hands; second year, 75 to 100, and so on.

The meeting of creditors which was called by James Coghill & Co., tailors, Listowel, was followed by an assignment.—Having been burnt out recently, losing thereby his entire stock of hardware, E. M. Gatliff, of Letellier, Man., has been forced to assign.—Charles Tilley, boot and shoe dealer of this city, has asked creditors to consider his position. He showed a small surplus in January last, but has been slow pay for some time past.

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Ar the annual meeting, recently held, the report of the Moncton Cotton Co. represented matters working more successfully this year than last, and prospects for dividends improving. The directors and officials of the former year were re-elected.

According to the St. John's News correspondent, the sale of a spool machine has been made to the Williamntic Co., of Connecticut, of the exclusive right for the United States, for which they paid the price of \$15,000. Messrs. McClintock and Burnell retaining the right to make and sell the machine in Canada and England, where they hold patents.

Ir was given out that W. J. Paul, a boot and shoe dealer in this city, had gone duck-shooting. Now it appears that he was after game of a different feather, and instead of visiting a marshy shore in the early morning he went to Buffalo, whence a lawyer has just returned with Mr. Paul's signature to a deed of assignment. His liabilities are large, and were incurred within such a brief space of time as to cause some astonishment at his easy access to the books of lower province shoe manufacturers.

Such items as the following, from the weekly British Columbian of New Westminster, are not altogether the effect of the influence of climate upon the writer of them: The bright and glorious weather we are enjoying at present is having an excellent effect on business generally. The builders are hard at work, the street improvements are being actively prosecuted, the mills are running night and day, factories are running overtime, and the merchants, one and all, report business in a very satisfactory condition. If the present state of business keeps up till the end of the year, the trade of Westminster for 1889 will have nearly doubled any record of the past."

Last year was not a profitable one in the experience of H. Sells & Son, cider manufacturers, of this city. The demand for their wares was so limited that about \$7,000 worth of stock was carried over. Although showing in January last assets of \$15,000, composed of cider, machinery, and notes, with liabilities of only \$1,300, they have now made an assignment. The statement prepared by Townsend & Stephens shows assets \$6,266, and liabilities \$3,687.—His namesake the goddess has evidently not smiled upon the business venture of James Fortune, liquor dealer in Halifax. When she frowned in 1884, and he had therefore to compromise, his estate yielded creditors but

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20cts, on the dollar. Now again he has assigned with liabilities of \$5,500.—The failure of Barry & McLauchlan, wholesale hardward dealers at St. John, N.B., was an unexpected announcement to those in this city with when they had been doing a limited trade. Their bills had always been promptly met here.

ONE of the oldest and most extensive general dealers in Western Ontario, James Pickard, of Exeter, has just failed. His character by financial responsibility made him the depository for the savings of many of the farmers in his neighbourhood. To what degree these will suffer, with other numerous creditors in this city and elsewhere, is not yet ascertained. His liabilities foot up about \$80,000, to which a number of the principal houses in various cities have contributed.—C. N. Parish, a fancy goods dealer in a small way at Higheste has left that place, and is not expected to return.

TRENTON has a new steam fire engine and apparently the Courier is very proud of The engine is of large size, built by J. I Ronald, of Brussels, Ont., and weight abor 6,500 lbs. light. At a test on the 21st ult. made the following record: 20 lbs. of steam 5 minutes; water through 1,000 feet of hose in 64 minutes. The hose was then doubled be and two streams of water sent 300 feet her zontally through 500 feet of hose with a nozzle, and it is estimated about 225 feet pe pendicularly. Chief Weddell expressed hi as more than satisfied with the trial. A lette from the mayor of Sault Ste. Marie descri as "a splendid fire-fighter" the steam made by the same firm, which did such good work at the big fire at Cook's Mills, Ser River, on the 12th ult.

THE suspension, on Saturday last, of the well-known grocery house of Messrs. Balfour & Co., in Hamilton, is a piece of m which many will hear with surprise but should think all will learn with regret. Un its various styles of Brown, Gillespie d Brown, Routh & Co., Brown, Balf the house has been one of the best in which the wholesale trade of Ham boast. It was a house that had built up business by fair dealing with its cust generous treatment of them. The head of the firm, Mr. Adam Brown, now M. P. for Hamil ton, has been a partner for, we believe, me than thirty years, and stands prom among the enterprising and public sp merchants of that city. Mr. Brown has done a lot of hard work and valuable work for Ham

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