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## Mercantile Summary.

RENNIE BROS. will open a general store in Hesson, says the Stratford Herald, and James Jordan intends opening a flour and feed store in Dublin

THE friends of Mr. N. G. Leslie, manager of the Imperial Bank at Portage la Prairie, who has been transferred to Brandon, presented him last week with an address and a gold watch.

THE liquidators of the Commercial Bank of Manitoba prepared a dividend of ten per cent., to be paid to creditors of the bank on the 31st October. This will make in all sixty per cent. of the total claims paid.

THE effects of A. D. Longmore, a publisher in Cobourg, have been mortgaged for some time, and he now assigns.----H. S. French sold the Sudbury News to E. Trought, who had been deceived as to the value of the plant of that paper. In order to enable the type founders to realize on notes made by French an assignment by Trought became necessary.

AFTER being in business for twenty-four years as a general storekeeper and postmaster, at Freelton, John Ross has made his second failure. When in trouble in 1891, his creditors were kind enough to grant him a rebate of 35 per cent. He has now assigned to F. H. Lamb, in Hamilton, showing assets of some \$2,250, and liabilities of \$1,700 .-- No less than eight farmers in the Province of Ontario have assigned during the week.

THERE are two failures to notice in this city this week. A rather checkered career has been that of Blaney H. Scott, grocer, who has made more than one failure. Since June last the business has been conducted in the name of his wife, with no better success, however, than formerly ---- The Standard Ammonia Co. here has been chattel mortgaged to Peter McLaren, for \$5,500. A bailiff has now taken possession and the assets will be sold on Saturday.

THE Port Elgin Furniture Company, of Port Elgin, N.B., is being put into liquidation, and creditors are called together for November 1st. The company was incorporated in 1889, and was then reported to have a paid-up capital of \$9,000. The present liabilities to the public are about \$6,000, with assets estimated at \$5,000. At Sackville, in the same province, J. A. Robinson, a blacksmith of some 25 years standing, has made an assignment.

THE take of the British Columbia sealing fleet, now returned to port, is enlarged greatly as the later vessels brought their cargoes into Victoria. The catch runs to some 72,500 skins, representing a minimum value of \$725,000. The diminution of take-a less reduction than was expected -amounts to 22,000 skins. Those interested complain of lack of profits, but though these have doubtless lessened, there has been considerable compensation for the reduced catch in increased prices for skins.

AT Nouvelle, Que., on the Bonaventure coast of the Baie de Chaleur, N. C. Corbett has been doing a lumber and store business for the past three years, having come from Parrsboro, N.S. His assignment is now reported.-Joseph H. Houde, of Ste. Anne de Sorel, who lately gave up store business to engage in hotel keeping, has abandoned his estate.---Mrs. G. Pichè, milliner at Joliette, Que., seeks a settlement at 40 cents, half cash, on liabilities of \$2,100. J. Lavallee, general dealer, Ste. Anne, Que., has arranged liabilities of \$2,200 at 35 cents.-McCracken & Boyle, a firm of lumber and mill men at East Templeton, Que., have made assignment of their estate. Particulars of liabilities, etc., are not yet available.

MEDICINE HAT. Alberta, does not seem to be a prosperous place for a druggist. It is perhaps too healthy. At any rate we hear of the assignment there of D. M. Calder, after about three years in business as a chemist ----- In June last, George Hayward, liquor dealer, Winnipeg, started business under the style of Hayward & Co., his wife being the owner. Early in October she gave a chattel mortgage to her principal creditor in Montreal for \$4,200, and now the sheiriff has seized and advertised the stock for sale.

A CRISIS has been reached in the affairs of Wm. Clendinneng & Son, founders, Montreal, whose position, since the recent suspension of La Banque du Peuple, has been one of much solicitude. For some time past negotiations have been going on tending towards the settlement or securing of the bank's heavy claim, but on Wednesday of this week a demand in insolvency was served on the firm, and the estate will in all probability go into liquidation. The bank has also given notice that a petition will be presented to the court praying for a windingup order in the matter of the Canada Pipe Founding Company, which concern is virtually part and parcel of the Clendinneng business.

R. T. ROBINSON, contractor, Chesley, has assigned to C J. Mickie ---- About ten years ago John Radigan began making tinware on his own account in Hamilton. In 1892 he failed and afterwards recommenced business in his wife's name, under the style of J. Radigan & Co. The bailiff is now in possession for rent. -H. W. Cuff has been a provisioner, etc.,

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