

DETROIT and Windsor are up in arms in antagonism to Vanderbilt and his Amherstburg tunnel. The Detroit Board of Estimates, by 21 to 4, resolved to ask the State Legislature to issue bonds for \$700,000 to buy Belle Isle, and build a bridge over the American channel of the Detroit River.

The proprietor of the Port Dover factory threatens to remove it to Oshawa, where he has been offered a bonus. If the Port will grant him \$5,000, without interest, he will stay.

THE rather unexpected failure of Messrs. Langelier & Decelles, of St. Johns, Que., is creating no little comment among their Montreal creditors, a number of whom are interested for pretty round sums. This firm for years past has done a large trade, and represented themselves as making money; even up to quite a recent date, by their own showing, they were worth a handsome amount; but notwithstanding all this, they cannot pay their debts. After the fire in 1877 they obtained some arrangement with their creditors which it was thought would put them on a safe footing, but to injudicious and extravagant expenditure, and investments in real estate, bank stocks &c., may be attributed their present position. Their liabilities direct and indirect, are placed at about \$90,000. It is said the assets show a nominal surplus, but at present it is impossible to place a value on them.

A good deal of sugar-beet seed is to be sown in Waterloo County this season, and a vigorous effort at the culture of the root is likely. A meeting at New Hamburg on Saturday last, discussed its cultivation and the manufacture of beet sugar.

JOHN COLLINS, arrested in St. Thomas, charged with concealment of his books from the official assignee at Guelph, has been adjudged guilty of a contravention of the Insolvency Act, and committed for trial.

SWIFT punishment was lately dealt out to Geo. Morrow of Milton. On Monday he burned his barn, on Tuesday he was tried, on Wednesday he was in the Kingston penitentiary on a seven year's sentence for the offence. *Sic semper* all incendiaries.

WE have already recorded the failure of A. Esinhart, formerly of Laprairie, who, for several years back has been wandering from one place of business to another, seemingly able to find a resting place. Ten or twelve years ago he was doing a large and apparently prosperous business in Laprairie; but through "ambition that o'erleapt itself," reckless speculations in real estate, &c., he was forced, in 1872, to settle at fifty cents in the dollar. He then moved to Montreal and joined one Bonneville in the flour trade; but after a short and unsuccessful period they dissolved, Bonneville leaving the country between two days. Esinhart again started in St. Johns Que., was burned out by the big fire, and in Dec. of the same year failed again, owing about \$22,000, which he settled at 65 cents. He then crossed the river to St. Athanasie, and started a small store; but has again been closed

by writ of attachment. In the event of the new Insolvent Act becoming law he will no doubt experience difficulty in again getting a settlement.

"FLORENCE" enquires whether there is any company in Canada which insures cattle, horses, and sheep against disease and accident. In reply we would say that the Canada Live Stock Insurance Co., which existed last year for that purpose, has discontinued business, and we are not aware of any other similar concern having begun.

M. & P., ST. JOHN, N. B.—The Court of Chancery has not yet, we believe, made a definite order as to the disposal of the effects of the company you name. We may be able next week to give you further information.

FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO.—Bowmanville, 4th.—W. P. Prower's dwelling damaged; furniture owned by M. Nicholls, about destroyed; Prower insured for \$300, Nicholls for \$300.—Dorchester, 28th March.—Duncan Weir's barn struck by lightning. three horses lost; no insurance.—Ennis-killen, 3rd.—Maroney's carriage works, insured in Royal \$600; Methodist Episcopal Church, uninsured.—Montreal, 6th.—Macdonnell's boarding house damaged \$1,000.—London, 8th.—Wm. Spencer's house consumed; loss \$2,500, insurance \$1,700.—Nottawa, 8th.—Barns and grain of John Currie destroyed; insured in Dominion Grange \$1,000.—Windsor, 9th.—Mr. Rean's frame house destroyed; not insured.—Barrie, 9th.—Booth's block destroyed by fire; insured Royal \$900, Phoenix Toronto \$600.—London, 9th.—John Neland's house, 2nd con. London, consumed by fire; slight insurance.—Erin, 9th.—Mrs. Shark's residence burnt; loss \$1,500, Isolated Risk \$900.—Clifton, 2nd.—G. W. R. Station destroyed; loss \$15,000. Proprietor of saloon" loses \$2,000, insured \$2,000.—Embro, 2nd.—Geo. Forrest's store destroyed; loss \$24,000, insured \$15,000.—Wesleyville, April 18th.—Thos. Brice's barn burned, loss \$1,000 to \$1,200; insured \$400.—Peterboro, 23rd.—Foote's planing mill and W. J. Barrie's shed destroyed; Foote's loss \$3,000, Barrie's \$600; not insured.—Burrit Rapids, 23rd.—Dr. Ferguson's shingle mill with contents destroyed by fire, loss over \$2,000; insured for \$900.—Marmora, 23rd.—Wm. Crawford's dwelling house consumed by fire, loss \$1,000; not insured.—Consecon, 23rd.—Dwelling house of Jas. Roulston destroyed, loss about \$1,500; insured in Isolated Risk \$1,000.—Windsor, 21st.—American Hotel, loss \$8,000; insured fully—in Victoria Mutual \$2,000, Western \$1,000, Queen \$2,000, on furniture, Union \$2,000 on stock, and \$800 on furniture; Ryal \$2,000, Scottish Imperial \$2,000 on building—Brussels, 17th.—Fishleigh's block destroyed; Good & Co. lose \$10,000; insurance, Western \$1,000, Scottish \$2,000, Gore \$1,500, Citizens \$1,500. Fishleigh's loss \$4,500; insured Western \$2,000. Tait loses \$700, insured Canada F. and M. \$325. Other losses \$2,000, covered in Northern, Phoenix and Canada.—Goderich, 17th.—Thos. Hawkins' premises, Port Albert, destroyed, loss \$4,500; insurance \$1,200.

OTHER PROVINCES.—St. John, 27th March.—Free Christian Baptist Church, Carleton, destroyed; incendiaries suspected. Loss, \$7,000; insurance, \$4,000, in the Queen.—Parsboro, N.S., 5th.—Steamer "G. W. Johnston" destroyed.—Granby, Que., 8th.—Congregational Church destroyed, insured in the S. & S. Mutual

\$2,000.—St. John's, Que., 5th.—Guilbert & Poirier's grocery gutted, stock mostly saved being insured \$1,000 in L. L. & G. Jules Quessel owns building, not insured, loss \$500.—Quebec, 23rd.—Church of St. Narcisse consumed, insured \$7,500.—St. John, N.B., 23rd.—Jno. O'Brien's tenement house destroyed by fire, insured Royal Canadian \$600.—West Farnham, Que., 22nd.—Bourke's mill and an adjoining shop burned, also V. C. R. R. bridge; mill insured \$2,400.—Frelighsburg, Que., 20th.—J. Landsberg's store, Masonic Hall and adjoining building burned, insurance \$30,000; stock mostly saved but damaged.—North Sydney, N.S.—J. D. Woodill's house burned, loss \$2,000, covered by insurance.—Broad Cove, N.S., 18th.—School house burned, incendiary, loss \$500.—Lingan, C.B.—John Cerane's building burned.—Marsh Island, N.B., 9th.—F. K. Mball's lobster factory and boats burned, loss \$1,400, half insured.

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