Alexis Ed. Levesque and Victorine Bonneolle have formed a partnership under the style of Levesque & Co., and intend to sell tancy goods and toys in Montreal.

Miss Pugh, who has had a Berlin wool tore in Orangeville, has sold out to Mrs. McGnire.

Herbert Capewell, whom we mentioned in our last as having a wholesale establishment and two retail places, and as having failed within six months after starting, has compromised at 40 cents on the dollar, a much higher figure than was at first expected to be realized for the creditors.

While there have been failures among the fancy goods dealers and stationers this month, they have not equalled either in number or importance the suspensions reported in the jewelry trade. Were it not for their sales of watches and silverware, and the repairs consequent upon their use, jewelers would find it hard to make a living just now. Jewelry which used to be worn so profusely a few years ago is at present decidedly unpopular and seems to be reduced to small tasty articles. There can be no doubt but that this reverse in feeling is due principally to the cheap showy imitations that have been brought out during the last decade, and so long as the sterling patterns continue to be imitated in base metals it can scarcely be expected that genuine jewelry will be worn by those who really set the fashions. But it is an ill-wind that blows no one good, and while jewelry is not regarded as desirable, fancy goodsmen must, to a great extent, be benefited more especially by the sale of expensive gifts for birthdays, weddings, etc. A chat with some of the wholesale houses has convinced us of this truth, for they tell us that expensive goods are selling this year better than ever before.

Mr. Sam Wilson, the genial traveller for the Zylonite Co., paid our sanctum a visit last week. As usual, he was in the best of spirits, and reports larger sales that ever in the Western States.

Mr. H. H. Fudger has returned from his European trip looking as well as ever. The announcement of the firm will let the trade know the result of his purchases.

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