

OVER 100 horses were shipped from P. E. I. via Summerside and Point du Chene during last week.

THE contract for seventy cases of condensed milk for the Hudson Bay expedition has been awarded to Graham & Co., of Truro, N. S.

DRUMMOND BROS., of Montreal, have successfully tendered for \$20,000 worth of debentures of the loan of Minnedosa, Man. The rate was 92.

ACTION is being taken in England for a Parliamentary inquiry into the importation of adulterated butter into the United Kingdom.

AN expedition to study the region between Lake St. John and James Bay, an eighteen months' undertaking, has been arranged by the Geological Survey.

SOME weeks ago we noted that J. B. Thomas, Calgary, was in difficulty, since which he has assigned.—Shaw Bros.' grocery stock at Winnipeg has been sold by the sheriff.

DAVID McMILLAN, grocer in this city, who failed several times in the old capital of Canada, Niagara, is again in difficulties here and cannot meet his payments which are being pressed by creditors.

MESSESS. SEGUIN, LALIME & Co., boot and shoe manufacturers, not long ago removed their establishment from St. John's Que. to St. Hyacinthe. There is now some talk of their return to the former place, the inducement being a \$10,000 bonus.

It is stated that there were idle in the ports of the British North-east coast on 5th inst., from want of employment, no fewer than 187 ocean-going steamers of 150,000 tons gross, valued at over a million sterling, and employing 1,800 men when voyaging.

WE are glad to welcome Messrs. Goldie & McCulloch as neighbors, that enterprising firm having opened a Toronto agency at 50 Church Street, within a few doors of THE MONETARY TIMES office. Samples of their handsome safes are to be seen there in great variety.

VON GUNTHER BRO'S jewelers, Chatham, are endeavoring to compromise at 50 per cent.—Miss C. Mackintosh, milliner at Leamington, has assigned with liabilities of nearly \$1000.—Felix Drouillard, tobaccoist in this city after being in business twenty years has become involved and his effects are said to be covered by mortgage.

A CHICAGO minister in search of a sensation has been having Chicago liquor analyzed. He found concentrated lye and arsenic in rye whiskey, turpentine and blue vitriol in gin, chromic acid, fusel oil and arsenic in "forty-year-old Kentucky Bourbon," spirits of cognac, ether, sulphur and arsenic in brandy. But the worst poison of all was found in largest quantities in all samples, viz.: alcohol.

MR. COLIN McARTHUR intimates that he has leased the buildings in Montreal, formerly Molson's college, as a factory for wall-paper manufacture. Mr. McArthur has during the last twenty years been first manager for Wylie & Lochhead, of Glasgow, and latterly practical partner of the late firm of Watson & McArthur Montreal, and possesses a good knowledge of the wants of the Canadian trade.

"GAMELOTTE" is the name of a fibrous grass likely to be used for paper-making. It is reported that a London firm has been granted a concession by the Government of Venezuela, which includes the exclusive right to cut and export a fibrous grass growing wild over vast tracts of land in that country, which is found

to be very suitable for paper-making, and is said to be superior even to the esparto of Spain and Algiers.

THE recent discovery of a nickel-mine in California, said to equal the famous Comstock in richness, has opened up a new industry in the mining regions. Samples assayed in San Francisco yielded 65½ and 66½ per cent., being the richest nickel ore ever discovered in the world.

THE longest raft ever known to have floated on St. Clair river passed down in tow of the tug *Mocking Bird* last week. It contained 3,250,000 feet, and on Saturday afternoon, within two hours, twenty-four barges passed Amherstburg downward bound, having in the aggregate 3,600,000 feet of lumber.

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VISITORS to recent Canadian exhibitions have been familiarized with the productions of W. H. Storey & Son's Acton Glove Works, by the varied and attractive displays made by that firm. The Messrs. Storey claim to have just completed the finest and largest factory devoted to this branch of industry in Canada, being of brick, 48x104 feet, four stories high, fitted with all modern conveniences. Their latest specialty is their "Patent Napa" buck gloves, made of California deer skin, and they warn the public against fraudulent imitations, all genuine goods of this brand being stamped W. H. Storey & Son.

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WHAT is termed a new clip or grip for fastening boots and shoes, is brought out by Derham Bros., of Northampton, Eng., which promises to be a relief from the tedious processes of button-hook or eyelet hole. The new clips are of metal, neat and simple, three or four in a row across the instep. "To fasten such a shoe is a matter of a moment. The clips being on one side of the upper, the holes in the corresponding side are placed over them; the clips are then turned down, being held by a spring from which they can be released by the slight pressure of a finger, when the shoe is at once unfastened. The invention is thoroughly practical."

WITHIN a year or two an immense trade has sprung up, as we know, in the Western States of the Union, and in the State of New York, in certain products which can be used for the adulteration of butter. The principal of these are beef suet, the fat of the hog, and cotton seed oil. A witness before a committee of the New York Senate said that the State of New York last year bought and used 40,000,000 lbs.

of butterine, while he credited the cities of New York and Brooklyn with producing but 3,000,000 lbs. of that quantity. He added that it was safe to say Chicago actually fathered the bulk of the remainder, as well as the chief supply of the article to other sections of the country, and to Europe.

THE Chief Justice of New Brunswick has just given a decision in an interesting case. One Furlong, of St. John, sued Russel, of Fredericton, for \$9,000 worth of liquor retailed by the latter party in a county where the Scott Act is in force. The learned judge held that the liquor being sold for an illegal purpose the plaintiff could not recover his debt by legal process.

MR. John Wardlaw, an extensive manufacturer of worsted yarns in Galt, was burned out nearly three years ago, since which time it has required all his energy and perseverance to keep business running smoothly. What rendered it still more difficult to do so was the fact that, owing to a great demand for certain kinds of yarns, Mr. L. was induced to spend a good deal of money on new machinery. This had scarcely been secured, when the demand for manufactured yarns almost ceased, and he has been obliged to ask his creditors to consider his position. After doing so, they agreed to a compromise of 50 per cent. Mr. David Spiers has been appointed a receiver.

THE town of Emerson, Manitoba, has reduced its assessment from \$2,209,000, and even if a tax of two cents on the dollar were levied, says the *Sun*, the revenue would be barely sufficient to pay the cost of civic machinery without speaking of the city's debts. The *International* opposes the selling of the municipal bonds. Mr. Drummond, of Winnipeg, contrived to float the bonds in England at 85 cents on the dollar. The amount receivable from \$364,000 of bonds face value would therefrom be about \$310,000. But to an outsider it looks as though it would be near the height of madness for a city assessed to be worth only \$600,000 to run into debt for \$364,000."

CONSTANT L. VAN EGMOND, a well known and respected name in the Huron Tract, died last week in Egmondville, aged 76. Coming from Germany in 1819 to Pennsylvania with his father, the family removed to Upper Canada in 1827, when the forest north and west from Guelph was unbroken. Here they contracted with the Canada Company to chop forty-five miles of road, four rods wide. In 1832 they started farming, milling and storekeeping, the mill being at Egmondville and the farm near by. After his father died in January, 1838. For many years after this Mr. VanEgmond continued in the farming, milling and distilling business, and resided in the old homestead until the time of his death. Several years ago he retired from all business pursuits.

THE Whitby Agricultural Works recently shipped a reaper, mower and rake to Wilkieston Scotland. We learn from the *Whitby Chronicle* that the proprietors, Messrs. Patterson & Bro., have on hand 800 uncompleted orders, so great has been the demand upon them for their make of agricultural implements. Orders have even been received from Geneva N. Y. Another busy establishment is the North American Manufacturing Company of London. A few days ago an order was received from Manitoba for 16 carloads of mowers and binders. Messrs. McDonald, McPherson and Co., of Stratford, are said to have contracted to supply the Cochrane Manufacturing Company, of St. Thomas, with \$10,000 worth of "Standard" separators for their trade in the Northwest.