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It is announced that the business of the late Thos. Allan, St. Catherine Street, Montreal, will continue to be carried on by the family.

The usual dullness has succeeded the briskness of the holiday season, but now that travellers are beginning to go out on the road again with their spring samples, trade is expected soon to become more active.

There is plenty of evidence that the jewelry industries have shared in the general prosperity. The increase in trade has been most marked, as the following import figures will show. There were entered at the port of Montreal for consumption during 1899 jewelry and watches and manufactures of gold and silver to the value of \$357,416, against \$326,443 for 1898, and \$297,849 for 1897.

Mr Thos. Allan, formerly of Montreal and now of Vancouver, who came to his home to attend his father's funeral, has returned to the Pacific Coast.

Mr Emil Jacot, the well-known jeweler of St. Joseph St., Quebec East, died very suddenly of heart failure on the afternoon of Jan. 27th. He had been ailing slightly for a week, but his death was altogether unexpected.

A quantity of valuable plated goods was stolen from the show window of Mr. Ledger St. Jean's jewelry establishment, No 116 Ontario Street, Montreal, in the early hours of a recent Sunday morning. A doctor and another gentleman passing the store at half-past three o'clock noticed that the large plate-glass window had been smashed, and the few articles left had been disarranged in a manner to indicate that a quantity of valuables had been taken. They called up the proprietor and later the police were engaged on the case. Antoine Lemarche, one of the men arrested on suspicion of having committed the crime, has been recognized as a man the police have wanted for a year, on a charge of highway robbery committed on Craig Street. Mr. St. Jean carried insurance on his stock with the Dominion Burglary Guarantee Company, which will cover his loss.

The charge against Abraham Brodsky of stealing diamonds from Mr. Alfred Eaves has been dismissed, the evidence showing that defendant had received the goods on approbation to be charged to his account, as had been the case before.

Much regret has been felt in jewelry and civic circles because of the death of ex-Alderman Dufresne, for many years a well-known jeweler on Notre Dame Street. He retired from business to accept the position of clerk of the works on the repairs to the court house. In 1885, Mr. J. B. R. Dufresne was elected by St. James Ward to the City Council. He remained in the Council until 1891. While a member of that body he was an active member of the Roads, Parks and Markets and Market Committees. On the completion of the alterations to the court house he took up his residence in Longueuil and served a year and a half as town councillor in that place. Mr. Dufresne was thrice married, and his third wife, a Miss H. was also thrice married, being at the time of her marriage to Mr. Dufresne the widow of the late Capt. Bourdon, of the S. & O. Company. The funeral took place from the

deceased's late residence at Longueuil to the parish church, thence to Cote des Neiges cemetery. The attendance was very large.

Mr. R. Hemsley, the well known Montreal jeweler, had on exhibition in his store at 255 St. James Street, a fine shield in enamel, about to be presented to Laval University by some friends of that institution. The shield displays the heraldic coat of arms of the university, and is intended to be placed above the tribune in the hall of the law faculty. It is twelve inches high and at its widest part twelve inches wide, divided into four quarterings, of which the fields are red and blue enamel, alternately. Each quartering bears in raised metal one of the emblems of the various faculties of the university. Theology is represented by a cross, science by the serpents, sacred to the medical profession; law by the scales of justice, and arts by an open book. From the top of the shield, in all directions, spring up rays of gold. On either side of the shield is placed a branch of academic palms, each leaf having been made and enamelled separately, and fixed in its place on the branches. The shield will be mounted on oak and placed ten feet above the tribune. It is a notable art production and reflects great credit upon Montreal workmanship.

There was some spirited bidding at the sale of Mr. J. B. Williamson's bankrupt stock of jewelry at M. Hicks & Company's auction rooms, Notre Dame Street. The stock and fixtures at the Notre Dame and the St. Catherine Street stores were put up in one lot and in a little while was bid up to 37½ cents on the dollar at which price it was knocked down to Mr. J. Barrie, of Halifax. The stock and fixtures inventoried \$31,740, and the price was considered a very fair one. Mr. A. W. Stevenson is the curator of the estate. Mr. Barrie, who bought this stock outright, was formerly a retail jeweler in Seattle, afterwards removing to Winnipeg, where he carried on business with his brother under the name of Barrie Bros. More recently he bought the stock of Levy & Michzels, Halifax, and it is said that he now proposes to bring this stock to Montreal and open up a large business on St. Catherine Street.

Mr. Alfred Eaves is extensively enlarging his Notre Dame premises. He is having a gallery built for office purposes, so that the whole of the floor space may be devoted to the display of his immense stock.

Mr. R. J. E. Scott, chief time superintendent of the C.P.R. system, has returned to his Montreal headquarters from a trip over the line as far as Port Arthur and Schreiber.

Mr. Jas. A. Pitts, jobber, Temple Building, Montreal, has engaged Mr. Rice to represent him in the Lower Provinces.

Mr. M. S. Brown (of M. S. Brown), Halifax, was in Montreal during February for the purpose of attending a meeting of the M. S. Brown Co., and the Montreal Watch Case Co., of both of which he is a director.

Mr. A. R. Harmon, manager in Canada for the American Waltham Watch Co., returned to Montreal about the middle of last month after a trip to Toronto. While in Toronto Mr. Harmon was offered plenty of business, but he was unable to hook it as he could set no reasonable, or, indeed, any stated time for delivery. Mr. Harmon says he never saw anything