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Mercantile Summary.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Land Department sales for the month of Oct. were 150,572 acres for \$465,655. For the previous month the sales were 80,060 acres for \$197.057.

THE survey of the proposed Cape Breton electric railroad is about completed, and the work of construction, it is hoped, will be finished in time for cars to be in operation next summer. The powerhouse is to be located in Sydney.

Two of the Sydney, N.S., fire sufferers are reported as seeking compromise indulgence from their creditors, C. P. Moore, a hardware dealer, who is said to have had only \$5,000 insurance on a \$20,000 stock, is offering 50 cents on liabilities of \$16,000. Chappel & Warren, confectioners, make a proposition to pay 30 cents on the dollar. They are said to have had \$1,500 insurance on a stock of \$4,000, and \$1,000 on fixtures, etc.

MARIE DIANA DELISLE, doing a business in Quebec, under the style of the Quebec China Hall, has assigned to the court, and creditors are called to meet on the 11th inst. The insolvent is the wife of F. X. Laflamme, who made a bad failure in the same line in 1898.—Alfred Poliquin & Co., grocers, in Quebec, have assigned to V. E. Paradis, accountant, of that city. Mr. Poliquin failed before in April, 1900, and has since been operating under cover of his wife's name.

COUNTRY failures in the province of Quebec are chronicled for the week, as follows: An offer of 25 per cent., made by J. U. Langlois, dealing in dry goods and tailoring, at Magog, has been declined, and his assignment has followed. He says he owes \$6,476, with assets of about \$3,500 .- P. Langis, formerly a hetelkeeper, at Amqui, removed last year to Shawinigan Falls, but not succeeding in getting a license, he started storekeeping last spring, with poor results however, his assignment being already reported.-H. De Grandpre, tailor, at Sorel, has arranged to pay his creditors 60 per cent. of their claims. - Montambault & Co., dealers in grain, hay, etc., at Becancour, are reported insolvent. The principal managing partner is Eugene Moreau, who was an unsuccessful dealer in 1900. G. Fournier, a small general dealer, at Herbertville, offers creditors 25 per cent. cash.—Adelard Rioux, who has been a custom shoemaker at Rimouski for ten years, has got behind, and is obliged to assign .- N. C. Genereux, grocer, at Matane, assigns with small liabilities.—E. Bourque, grocer, Three Rivers, in business since 1892, has assigned on the demand of a local creditor, and the stock is advertised for sale.-B. F. Reed, general storekeeper, Aylwin, who succeeded his father about two years ago, has made an abandonment to the court and his father has been appointed provisional guardian. He is estimated to owe \$9,000, and there are in all about 60 creditors.

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