

W. G. QUIGLEY, a plumber in this city, has assigned with liabilities of \$5,700. He compromised in March, 1888.

THE retirement of A. Buntin from the wholesale stationery firm of Buntin, Gillies & Co., Hamilton, does not effect any change in the style.

THE right to purchase the Woodstock town debentures to the amount of \$46,224 has been given to Mr. F. B. Leys, of London, whose offer was \$50,273. The sale is said to be the best the town ever made.

It is reported that H. & W. Stewart, planing mill, at Hagersville, have made an offer of 50 cents on the dollar to creditors, to whom they owe about \$3,000. It is said that their business has been poorly conducted and they have been irregular in paying accounts.

An old ledger has recently been brought to light in Edinburgh. It belonged to a merchant of the 16th century. At the top of the inside board, the bookkeeper had inscribed the words, "God blis this buik and keip me and it honest."

W. H. MCKEE, flour, Hamilton, John Yongson, blacksmith, also of Hamilton; C. W. King, cigars, Madoc; H. Mirk, cigars, Peterboro; Lewis Chapman, jeweller, and Wiggins & Averill, builders, Toronto, are amongst the recent minor failures.

As a fair specimen of the value of dyked lands in Nova Scotia, a small piece of 21 acres situated near Canning, N. S., was recently sold for \$1,000, or \$400 per acre. Some exceptionally placed dyke lands sell at even

higher figures. THE general manager of the Nova Scotia Cotton Company, Mr. J. C. Ashton, who sued the company for wrongful dismissal and to compel them to pay him a year's salary, has lost his case, as the Chief Justice of Nova Scotia decided in favor of the company after a three days' trial.

In its issue of the 23rd the St. Croix Courier of St. Stephen, New Brunswick, says: Our fishermen are now in the height of their lobster fishing. The catch up to date is very much smaller than at this time last year, with no signs of improvement. Prices rule high and will probably go higher than last season's. They commenced at \$1.00 per cwt. and have now got up to \$1.50.

THOS. ARTHUR, a grocer at Hamilton, has assigned, never having made any headway although in business a good many years. Chas. Cook, a tobacconist in a small way in this city, has also assigned.---In North Pelham, W. E. Garrold, a general dealer, has failed after a year's trial behind the counter. He was formerly a farmer, and is said to have sold his farm to embark in storekeeping.

A TRADER of Vinton, Que., M. Gallagher by name, whose credit has been of a very limited character, has been served with a demand of assignment at the instance of Messrs, Lindsay, Gilmour & Co., of Montreal.

WALKER & MARLATT, of Aylmer, whose pork factory was recently destroyed by fire, having some \$29,000 insurance, have effected a settlement with the insurance companies, and will receive in the neighboarhood of \$25.000.

JOSEPH FORTIN, a boot and shoemaker, of St. Henri de Montreal, who has been in trade in a small way for the last five years, has been served with a demand of assignment. He owes about \$2,600, and shows assets nominally the same.

THERE is a great demand for the brown free stone for which the Wallace (N.S.) quarries are famous. A large quantity of the stone has been quarried and the shipments are much over the average. A fleet of vessels is on the way from New York to carry stone to that city, where it is in favor as a building stone.

THE strike of the moulders in the Sackville (N.B.) foundry continues. As an example of the absurdity of some strikes it is stated that the amount struck for would only give a of one per cent. increase on the wages of the strikers. But there are two sides to this as to other questions.

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