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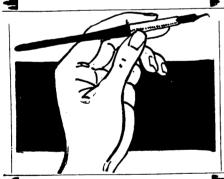
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THE Separate School Board, of Toronto, have decided to erect a new school on Bond street, at a cost of \$18,000.

It is stated that George J. Clutten, manager of the City and County Loan Association, has mysteriously disappeared.

ELDER, DEMPSTER & Co. have decided to purchase the fleet of twenty-five steamers belonging to the British and American Steamship Co., at a cost of \$1,000,000.

A SHIPMENT of fine Ontario pears and apples from the Grimsby district is to be sent to England by the steamship "Manchester Commerce," leaving Montreal on the 15th inst.

PRINCE OUKHTOMSKY. а friend of the Czar and of Count Tolstoi, is about to make a visit to the Doukhobors' colony in the North-West, in whose welfare the latter is extremely interested.

IT was arranged that the Hall Mines smelter at Nelson was to be blown in on August 25th. The Miner says the company has ore enough on hand to keep the smelter going for some time to come.

An assignment has been made by Peter Welch, general storekeeper, Springbrook, who began business fifteen years ago. At that time he had a surplus of \$4,000, half of which was in real estate. The bane of his business life has been his disposition to grant credit too freely, with the abovenamed result.

MISS ANNA MOONEY has been in business seven years as a milliner in Guelph, but never made much money. It is only two years since she paid creditors a compromise of 45 per cent. of their claims of \$1,200, and now she has assigned.-Robert S. Reid, a grocer at Wingham, has also assigned. About sixteen months ago he decided upon adopting an easier life and quitted farming. Now he finds that his farm has gone, and he has not sufficient to pay creditors.

In the early part of this year, two brothers, named Forbes, started business as the Listowel Chair Co., in Listowel, with a nominal capital of \$1,000. They knew nothing about business, and their early assignment needs surprise no one. -Samuel J. Jones, grocer, Fort William, started business three years ago, with the assistance of his uncle. He made little progress and granted credit too freely, with the result that he has plenty of book debts worth very little. He has now assigned.

A BILL has been introduced in the British Columbia Legislature forbidding the use of trading stamps, under a penalty of a fine of at least \$50. Included within the meaning of this Act are all stamps, tickets, coupons, cards, or other devices of any kind, or description whatsoever, whereby, or in exchange wherefor, any person shall be entitled to receive, or shall receive, any property of any kind by way of bonus, gift, discount or premium on any goods or chattels bought or sold, or in excess of or addition to the goods or chattels actually so bought or sold.

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