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THE Province of Quebec will probably grant \$15,000 to the proposed Dominion Exhibition in this city, provided the city will grant a like amount.

AT a recent meeting in St. Catharines of vessel owners and others interested in lake navigation, it was decided to petition the Government for the abolition or decrease of canal tolls.

UNE of the largest cotton mills at Cohoes, N.Y., at which place some 4,000 hands were reported on strike last week, has acceded to the demands of the strikers as to wages, and allows 55 minutes of the hour demanded for dinner.

JOSETH WILSON, lumber merchant, Strathroy, Ont., fails under \$7,000 liabilities, and having stock and book assets nominally worth \$2,600. The insolvent is seeking a composition at 25 cents on the dollar.

WORK was begun on the Saugeen Valley Railway last week. The road when completed will extend from Walkerton to Mount Forest, there to connect with the Toronto, Grey and Bruce line.

The Directors of the Montreal Warehousing Company have made the following named appointments for the current year: Sir Hugh Allan, Preside II; C. J. Brydges, Vice-President and Managing-Director; and Geo. H. Hanna, Manager and Sceretary.

At the Winnipeg Assizes on Monday last a verdict of \$75,000 was rendered against Pithlado Brothers, the original contractors for section 13 Canada Pacific Railway, for breach of contract, growing out of the transfer of the work to the present contractors.

The organization of a company is reported, to work a silver mine on Temiscamingue Lake. Mining interests in this country are constantly looking up, and the time is coming we suspect, when their great importance will be more generally recognized.

JAMES GUEST, commission merchant and general agent, of this city, has recently added to his list of agencies the following: Wheeler &

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Co., Belfast, Ginger ales, &c.; Guinness' Stont, Bass' and Allsopp's ales; Wisdom & Warter, Xeres de la Frontera, Sherries, &c.

The trunk railways, it is reported from Chicago, will make another reduction in grain rates about the 1st of April, probably of 5 cents per 100 lbs., and it is expected that in such case the new rate, 30 cents per 100 lbs., will be maintained throughout the summer.

A New Youx firm advertises by circular "the finest kind of oleomargarine butter that has ever been produced. It is as soft in winter as hard in summer and will bear the same temperature as dairy butter. It is absolutely undistinguishable from the finest grades of dairy butter."

The Board of Trade, St. John, N.B., has expressed willingness to concur in a proposition from the Common Council to place the harbor in commission if it can be accomplished without the imposition of undue burdens on the commerce of the port. The subject is to be further considered in joint committee.

Tax failure is announced of James McGill & Co., of Huntsville, Unt., general store. The insolvents, who formerly carried on business at Bracebridge, are under liabilities amounting to \$3,\$70.55, against which they are reported to have stock assets in good shape, the value of which has not yet been computed.

GEO. RAMSAY, of St. Catharines, Ont., drugs, who failed on the 27th ult. under liabilities of \$5,467 with stock and book assets amounting to about \$2,800, hus since offered 45 cents on the dollar, secured, which offer, we understand, has been refused.

T. SULLIVAN, contractor, St Gatharines, Ont., secured a settlement with his creditors at 50 cents on the dollar, but has since failed to comply with the terms agreed upon. The estate, which is heavily encombered, has consequently failen into the possession of creditors, and will be wound up by the ordinary legal processes.

The Great Western Railway Board of Directors, according to a cablegram to the *Olobe*, announce that the accounts of the halfyear just closed show a balance sufficient to write off the debit at revenue account, the arrears of dividend on the preference stock of the previous half-year, pay the dividend on the preference stock of the last half-year, and one and a half per cent. per annum on the ordinary shares.

A FOUR years' insurance litigation has just been decided in the Court of Appeals at Toronto, in favor of the assured. John Knight, of Windsor, insured for \$10,000 in the Sun Mutnal and London Life Insurance Companies, was run over and killed on the Canada Southern Railway, in 1875. The Companies set up the defence of suicide, but two lower Courts decided against them, and this decision has now been confirmed. The interest amounts to \$2,500, and the costs are stated at \$6,000, all of which the Companies have to pay.

A FORMULA for making "New Maple Syrup, Just Received," published in the Journal about a year ago, has perhaps equal claim to interest now as then, and is as follows:

Total cost 581cts. Sold at S1.20, or at over 100 per cent. profit.

The ingentity and ent-prise of the average insurance agent in hunting up a more extended clientage are not to doubted, but, if an illustration be needed, here is one from an American Exchange that will surely meet every requirement in this respect: "A Western life-insurance company has made a proposition to insure the life of an alleged mudderer at Norwalk,