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and at the same time the voice of the rate payers will be taken on the proposal to loan Messrs. Hamilton & Son of that city \$25,000 for a term of years, so that they may extend their works to include the manufacture of water pipes. Messrs Hamilton & Son have hitherto shown a fair facility for sinking money, but it is to be expected their experience will be of service in managing the expected loan to better advantage.

— The St. John Globe says that at the recent annual general meeting of the stockholders of the Coldbrook Rolling Mills, held at the Company's office, on the 10th, the statement of the year's work was satisfactory, showing a marked increase in production, sales, and profits. The increase in the business has been gradual and steadily sustained. Directors chosen for the ensuing year are Sir Francis Hincks; Hon. T. R. Jones; Hon. W. Muirhead; Z. Ring, Esq.; A. P. Caron, Esq.; M. P.; George McKean, Esq.; James Domville, Esq., M. P.

— The affairs of Benson, Bennett & Co., lumber merchants, Quebec, which have been in suspense since last June are now likely to arrive at a settlement; a proposition has been made to creditors by which A. F. A. Knight & Co., who were on a large quantity of their paper, shall assume the estate, paying 50 cents on the dollar to creditors of Benson, Bennett, & Co. and 65 cents to those holding paper with Knight & Co's endorsation. The liabilities are very large there being about a million divided among the banks, independent of outside liabilities. The

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— A number of five dollar bills of the Bank of British North America, purporting to be issued from Kingston, have been put in circulation, and are very difficult to detect. In fact the tellers of two banks in Hamilton, were deceived by them, and one was taken by the Bank of British North America itself, and afterwards discovered to be counterfeit. They are numbered 23,000 and upwards. A certain way to detect them is to apply acid to the signature, on which it has no effect on the printed counterfeits, while in the genuine bills the signature is written.

— Mr. Eugene Amos, of the firm of A. & E. Amos, and who till recently has resided in Paris and bought for the firm, has compromised the firm's liabilities at 40 cents on the dollar in 6, 12 and 18 months They owe \$1.05,000, besides which there is \$147,000 indirect liabilities, the majority of which, however, is good customer's paper. The composition notes are to be endorsed, beside which \$10,000 cash is to be deposited in the Bank of Toronto to guarantee the due fulfilment of the compromise, and Mrs. Auguste Amos is to draw no dividend on her claim of \$17,000, until other creditors are paid.

- We glean from an exchange that a petition has been largely signed in Strathroy looking to

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