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— Mr. Henry Pool, a boot and shoe dealer in Brantford, is offering to compromise with his creditors at seventy-five cents in the dollar, spread over twelve months, and partially secured. The principal creditors are said to have accepted the arrangement. The liabilities are stated at \$4,500, and the assets amount to about \$4,000.

— Joseph Phelan, at one time a wholesale grocer of this city, and unsuccessful as such, who has been latterly carrying on a retail business on the Main street, assigned a few days ago on the demand of Chas. Walters. His estate shows a considerable deficiency, and is expected to realize but poorly for creditors.

— A new coal field of 15,000 acres has been discovered at Barnsley (Eng.).—California will ship 600,000 tons of wheat to England this fall.—The Industrial Bank of Newcastle-on-Tyne has stopped payment. The liabilities are estimated at £500,000.—According to the English papers, the north of China is threatened with famine.

— The Custom House authorities of New York have informed the reporters of the daily press that "a movement has been set on foot to weed out some of the more obnoxious inspectors known to have been in the habit of accepting bribes from steamship companies and extorting money from passengers on account of baggage." This should be looked to in every port.

— There would seem to be something approaching an epidemic among building societies just now. The Hoboken Homestead Building and Loan Association of New York was compelled to close its doors on Friday last. Like the savings banks which have failed of late on the other side, its affairs show bad management, large investments in constantly depreciating real estate, and the locking up of large amounts of money in worthless securities.

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— The affairs of Messrs. Fischer & Son, who carried on the business of glue manufacturers in Berlin, and who lost heavily some four weeks back by the burning of their works, have been put into the hands of an assignee. The liabilities are not yet known, but their business is said to have been very badly conducted of late.

— During the month of September 22,167,024 feet of deals were shipped from St. John, N. B. to European ports. The shipments for the same month last year amounted to 36,182,962 feet. For the first nine months of this year the exports of deals footed up to 161,927,112 feet against 147,695,157 feet for the same period in 1875. So far this year the excess over the exports of last is about fourteen million feet. This does not bespeak any increase in prices.

— The sum of \$200,000 has been lost to the city of Montreal by the non-payment of water rates during the past two years.—The Erie Railway will save \$350,000 and the New York Central \$750,000 a year by the decline in coal.—The total lumber product of the United States is estimated at 10,000,000,000 feet per annum, equal to 1,424,342 railroad car loads of 7,000 feet—the average car load—which would make a train 8,500 miles in length, or over one third around the globe.

— The Sheffield *Telegraph* publishes the following:—In consequence of the injury to Sheffield trade by America's heavy protective duties, representations have been made to Earl Carnarvon, Secretary for the colonies, suggesting that heavy import duties be imposed in retaliation on American produce, both in England and her colonies. To these representations Lord Carnarvon replied on Friday that, "as will be seen on reflection, the proposal is not one which Her Majesty's government could entertain."

— The value of property insured in London is £540,000,000. Of the fires which occurred their during the past five years, four-fifths occurred to uninsured property.—Fourteen savings institutions in St. Louis have failed within the past three or four years.—It is proposed to make Manchester, (Eng.) a seaport, by means of a canal deep enough for the largest vessels from Manchester to Warrington on the Mersey.—In England 241 iron sailing and steam vessels were built last year; 371 wooden and five composite. In Scotland 235, and in Ireland 21.

— A dry goods merchant of Quebec, L. N. Henault, is in trouble and has assigned. He has been in business some eight or ten years, and was apparently very successful up to last fall, when he had to ask an extension. He showed at the time an apparent surplus of \$60,000, and has a stock of \$70,000, which, for a retailer in the ancient capital, certainly seems excessive, and is no doubt the cause of his troubles. He has, we presume, been unable to carry out his extension, and will seek some more effectual remedy for his troubles. His liabilities are supposed to be about \$90,000, and two of our city houses are creditors to a considerable extent.

— Mr. George Rodgers, of Allanburg, left on Wednesday last for China to fulfil an engagement with the Chinese Government to do dredge work on the Peiho river, China. Mr. Rodgers is to receive \$150 per month with his expenses paid going and returning. The agreement is for six months at first, as an experiment; but the work will take several years to accomplish. He is to begin at a point sixty-seven miles from the city of Peking and work up to that place. The river bed is said to be covered with sunken timber, which will require a long time in raising.