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EVERFAST STAINLESS HOSIERY.**Mercantile Summary.**MERCHANTS are falling into line, says the *Boissevain Globe*, and becoming unanimous on the one important question—to do business on a cash basis.

THE Hamilton Retail Grocers' Association met on Tuesday evening, and transacted the regular routine business. They then appointed a committee to arrange for the annual picnic at Oakville.

CUSTOMS' collections at the port of Montreal for last month were \$462,535 as compared with \$577,772, a decrease of over \$115,000. The abolishment of the sugar duties will largely account for this.

DUNCAN MCCORMICK, a Montreal advocate, who has been considerable of an operator in real estate, and who has also been carrying on a sawmill and general country business at Lemieux P. O., in the county of Russell, is reported absent, and upon a petition to the court a meeting of his creditors is called for May 9th.

AMONG business changes or disasters in this city we observe that G. F. Hickok, tailor, has assigned.—So has the Empire Tea Co., which is the name of a business carried on by Eva A. Mann. She now assigns to her husband, George, who failed about four years ago while a jobber of teas.—Alex. Lawson, grocer, is also in trouble, and has made an assignment.—A manufacturer of cigars in a small way, named H. T. Snider, has assigned to Campbell & May.—The affairs of Joseph Adamson, who keeps builders' supplies, have evidently become somewhat entangled, as the sheriff is in possession of his premises at the instance of his banker.

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