

A WINNIPEG firm is bringing in bricks by train from Red Lake Falls, Minn., finding that cheaper than buying them in town.

F. H. BERTRAND, a general dealer of some years' standing at Lachute Mills, Que., has assigned. Liabilities \$6,200.

THE stock of the estate of Thomas Boggess, the Hamilton furniture dealer, who lately became insolvent, was sold on Tuesday last at 57c. on the dollar, cash. The stock was valued at \$20,000.

J. F. STUART, of Montreal, a manufacturers' agent, and dealer in cardboard, &c., has assigned, owing some \$9,000. He was not supposed to be in any business likely to entail such liabilities.

WM. WHITTAKER, harness-maker, Delaware; J. A. Macmillan, jeweller, Arthur; H. G. Eakins, druggist, Ayr; and W. J. Jackson, general dealer, Brussels, are among the minor merchants who have failed this week in Ontario.

LOUGHRAN & ADAMS, in existence only since last spring as a grocery firm in Montreal, have already succumbed. Liabilities \$1,435. — F. A. Chagnon, of the same city and business, has also assigned, owing \$3,190.

PREVOST & FILS, cash and door manufacturers of Sorel, Que., are asking a compromise at the rate of 40 cents on the dollar. They owe \$32,000, and show about \$23,000 on paper to pay it. They have been in cramped shape for some time through over-building, &c.

A GENERAL store keeper at St. Polycarpe, Que., named P. J. Lalonde, is reported as failed. He has had rather an unfavorable record, having failed in Melocheville and St. Justin de Newton before removing to St. Polycarpe. His habits have not been such as to inspire confidence in his success. Present liabilities are small, about \$1,600.

THE other day Mr. J. B. Laing, representing the Toronto General Trusts Company, sold the general stock of the late Thos. A. Fisher, of Ashburn, near Whitby, at the unusual price of ninety cents on the dollar. The invoice value of the stock was something over \$3,000. This is not the first instance in which Mr. Laing's technical knowledge and business experience have been of service in a like direction.

ONE of the prominent merchants of that thriving little town, Danville, Quebec, Mr. L. N. Bourgeois, to wit, has been so unfortunate as to be an endorser to the extent of \$10,000 on the paper of N. A. Parent, bark dealer,

whose failure we noted last week. Mr. B. is seeking a composition of 65 cents on liabilities of some \$30,000, and we understand that creditors generally have agreed to the arrangement.

FRANCOIS JARRETT, doing business under the style of Jarrett & Frere, on teas and coal oil in the east end of Montreal, has been served with a demand of assignment. Liabilities \$8,804. — We also note that W. Bertram & Co., of Montreal, manufacturers of cider, brooms, &c., have assigned; liabilities \$5,762. Mr. Bertram was formerly in the wholesale grocery business, in which he had rather an unfortunate record. — J. G. Raymond is a young man who purchased a dry goods stock in the east end of the same city only last April. The announcement of his assignment is already made; he owes \$6,133. — Lanthier & Co., a clothing concern in Montreal, have also assigned; they owe \$5,877.

THERE are, it appears, some French-Canadians who wish to return to Canada from the United States. A new colonization company, intended to induce French-Canadians in the States to return home, has been formed in New England with a capital of \$100,000, and two delegates from there were in Quebec the other day negotiating terms with the Government as to land grants and other assistance. The delegates want to be given land in Bonaventure County, and also that the Government shall give financial aid to each settler. The society has come to an arrangement with American capitalists to find a market for all the timber they can supply.

A FAILURE very much out of the ordinary run is that of Brunet & Laurent, dealers in dry goods, Quebec, which we first noted last week. It certainly does seem strange that a concern showing a surplus of over \$30,000 in fairly good shape cannot devise means to meet its engagements. The firm of accountants appointed by the Montreal houses interested to make up a statement of the firm's affairs made their report at a meeting of creditors held Tuesday last, when it was shown that liabilities were \$22,000; stock taken at a very low figure, and then a lump sum thrown off, \$43,000, doubtful accounts not considered, good accounts at 50 cents on the dollar \$3,500, real estate valued at \$25,000, mortgaged for \$13,000. The creditors have agreed to accept 85 cents on the dollar with security, and the meeting was adjourned to enable the firm to procure an endorser at this figure.

THE immigration office of the Manitoba Government, on the corner opposite the Walker House in this city, is beginning to have a more ornate look now that the staff has got through with its trips around Ontario and is able to pay some attention to decoration. The array of grains in the stalk, grasses, wild vetches, wild hemp, hops, rowan berries, &c., &c., around the walls is bewondering. But the bags and samples of grain, "the finest wheat in the world," as Mr. Scott called it, and various other specimen products of the field, are most interesting. The Commissioner for the prairie province, Mr. A. J. McMillan, must have been a busy man these six or eight weeks past, for he and his assistants have exhibited, we are told, at some fifty fairs in Ontario, besides the big exhibitions at Hamilton, London and Toronto. The Lieut.-Governor of Manitoba, Hon. J. C. Schultz, now on a visit to Ontario, has for two days past been conveying troops of friends to visit these offices, in which he evidently takes pride.

WHEN her husband failed last year as a furniture dealer in Toronto, Mary Harraden bought in the estate, which was valued at \$1,800, for \$650. Notwithstanding this apparent surplus she now finds it necessary to make an assignment. — E. G. Woodley, a Toronto builder, has been in financial deep water since last August, and now assigns. It is said that his affairs show a surplus, but all in real estate, and if given time could settle in full. — Having sold out his coal and wood business about the first of the year, Wm. Van Horn, of Uxbridge, has been since then devoting his attention to groceries. Not with pecuniary success, however, for he has now failed. — When the greatest bloom was on the rye in real estate at West Toronto Junction a couple or three years ago, D. Campbell & Co. were prominent operators. Mr. C. does not seem to have made the snug piles which some others are reported to have made, for he has been hard pressed for money of late, and the sheriff is now in possession. Six months ago he turned over his lumber business to his two brothers, who were forced to ask indulgence from creditors.

BOYD & WINCHILL commenced the manufacture, in a small way, some months ago in Toronto, of children's shoes, and are now insolvent. This is a condition not new to the first-named partner, whose essays, both wholesale and retail, have met with reverses more than once. — The general store firm of John Green & Son, at Orangeville, are offering

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