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Mercantile Summary.

THE Ontario Rubber Company is being organized, with head quarters in Toronto and a capital of \$250,000. A considerable portion of this is said to be already subscribed.

MR. H. G. Marr, has been appointed representative for the Maritime Provinces of Messrs. S. F. McKinnon & Co. of this city. His headquarters are to be at Moncton.

A DIVIDEND of five per cent. has just been declared by the Nova Scotia Sugar Refinery for the ix months just past. The refinery of this company is situated at Richmond, near Halifax, and the result of the operations of the half-year justifies the reorganization of the company after the disastrous closing of its predecessor.

Halifax underwriters are beginning the year very badly, as on one day last week losses amounting to \$31,800, were reported. One loss was a new barque called the "G. R. Crowe," burned with a cargo of oil, on the Australian coast, the other a large schooner called the "Gladys, ' wrecked on the Nova Scotia coast, with a valuable cargo of sisal for Halifax rope factories. The following are the companies interested:—Ocean, \$8,000; Nova Scotia, \$7,000; Halifax Merchants, \$2,800, and American agencies, \$14,000.

A "cheap store," says an Ottawa shoe man, "should be located right among cheap stores, and its main inducement should be good value. But the proprietors of cheap stores too often indulge in this belief to the destruction of all business principles. They disregard all systematic arrangement of stock, of books, of prices, of profits, of cleanliness, of civility, to that great and often fatal craze of "selling cheap." Therefore, Mr. Cash, if you must sell cheap, be sure you buy for cash, and also that you get a paying profit. See that your store is kept clean, airy and cheerful, and that your clerks are civil.'

BELCHER, SUTHERLAND & Co., wholesale dealers in woolen goods, men's furnishings, etc., in this city, have assigned, after some three years' work in this city. At first the firm began business in a small way, after a short time they admitted a partner with \$10,000, and then extended their trade, possibly too much. Owing to the severe competition and bad debts, they have assigned, owing \$55,000, and having nominal assets some \$5,000 in excess of this sum.—At Welland, W. B. Chambers, has long been a dealer in stoves and tinware. His estate now turns out a poor one ; assets, \$5,500; liabilities \$10,000.