

NOONAN, GIBLIN & Co., a wholesale clothing firm of but recent establishment in Montreal, are in trouble, and by order of the court a meeting of creditors has been called to appoint a curator. Liabilities are \$23,000 direct, indirect \$8,000.

We note the removal of Messrs. Cantlie, Ewan & Co., manufacturers' agents and merchants, from 15 Victoria Square to 13 and 15 St. Helen St. Montreal. Their Toronto warehouse is still at 20 Wellington St. West.

MESSRS. JOHN HAMILTON & Co., wholesale dealers in tanners' supplies, Montreal, whose suspension we noted a fortnight ago, have been granted a settlement by creditors at seventy cents on the dollar, secured, and will resume business.

P. E. GANNON, of Montreal, a retail grocer in quite an extensive way, having become involved through endorsements, and having gone bail for an absentee insolvent, has himself left the city, and his estate has been attached. His direct liabilities are stated at \$55,000, indirect \$20,000.

THE house of Robin & Co., which, it will be remembered, two or three years ago went down through the collapse of the Jersey Bank, has again commenced business at Arichat, C. B., and Cheticamp, where their principal establishments will be conducted in future. Cape Breton fishermen have greatly missed the business of this house since it suspended in 1886.

THE creditors of B. H. Unger, the dry goods dealer who failed in St. Thomas some time ago, will receive a dividend of twenty per cent. It is now ascertained that Unger was insolvent before beginning business in that city. His liabilities are upwards of \$13,700, while the assets are only \$3,690, the amount realized from the sale of the stock.

FROM the latest issue of the Quebec official *Gazette* we learn that M. Louis C. Rivard, of Joliette, and Messrs. J. R. Savignac, J. O. Villeneuve, L. H. Boisseau, L. C. Rivard, and John Lee of Montreal, have secured incorporation by letters patent to manufacture pianos, under the name of "The Montreal Piano Company," with a capital stock of \$50,000.

It is pleasing to find Montreal business men and capitalists continuing to assist in providing the means and appliances of higher education. We observe that Messrs. Joseph Hickson, Robert Mackay, Richard B. Angus, W. V. Lawrence, Richard R. Grindley, of Montreal, and Donald W. Davis, M. P., of Fort McLeod, are incorporated under the name of "Eliock School," to carry on within the Province of Quebec an institution for higher education, with a capital stock of \$25,000.

THE tern schooner in the yard of A. Mosher, Avondale, N. S., and now ready for launching, is said to be the largest three-sticker of her kind ever built in that province. The "Alberta's" keel is 147½ feet, length over all 156 feet. She has two decks, is 15½ feet in the hold, with 36½ feet breadth of beam. An exchange says that the extreme length of the foremast is 94 feet, and is of Michigan pine. She will spread 3,700 yards of canvas. The mizzen contains 640 yards, the boom being 64 feet in length. She registers 609 tons, and will carry about 1,200 tons of plaster.

A DESPATCH by wire from St. John, N. B., gives some statements about the St. John Building Society which indicate a heavy loss to some persons interested. It appears that the Society's assets had shrunk in value and the directors deeded the real estate, mortgages &c. to F. Sharpe and Arthur J. Trueman, of

St. John, and Thos. Williams, of Moncton, hoping by this means to best secure depositors &c. But some depositors have applied to the Supreme Court to put the society into liquidation under the Winding-up Act. A motion will be heard at Fredericton this week.

WE learn from the *Huron Expositor* of a partnership formed between George McEwen, manager of the Hensall salt well, and Wm. Hood, who carried on the Hensall oatmeal mill with Mr. Wm. Robertson. The firm name will be McEwen & Hood, and they will carry on the Hensall oatmeal mill. Mr. Wm. Robertson leaves his partnership in the Hensall oatmeal mill with Mr. Hood in order to carry on milling for himself in a neighboring village.

THE most important manufacturing industry of Winnipeg is that of flour. Mr. W. A. Hastings, manager of the Ogilvie mills, tells our representative that owing to severe competition the manufacture of this article has not been so profitable as in former years. The mills have been running to about their full capacity, and altogether, up to the 1st September, 160,000 barrels were manufactured; of this 250,000 sacks, 98 pounds to the sack, were turned out at the Ogilvie mills. The present price in Winnipeg is \$1.85 for strong bakers' and \$2.05 for Hungarian patent.

RECENT failures in the Province of Quebec are as follows:—N. A. Guilbault, grocer, Joliette, has failed owing \$4,300.—E. Bourret, general store, Louiseville, owes \$5,900 which he can't pay in full.—F. Genest, tanner, Cap Madeleine, has gone under, owing \$18,000.—At Clarenceville, C. H. & D. H. Sawyer, general merchants, have assigned, with liabilities of about \$6,000.—A. C. Soucie, of Fort Coulonge, has made a failure, but owes only about \$1,000.—V. E. Roy, general dealer, Coaticook, is on the list with an indebtedness of \$3,800, and P. L. Brault, a St. John's photographer, has come to grief, owing a couple of thousand dollars.

SEVERAL business changes or events at Omeme are announced by the *Post*. Among them we note that Mr. John Tisdale has fitted up one side of his grocery shop for dry goods, and asserts his purpose to make things lively therewith. Also that Mr. Joseph Parsons will build this summer a shop 20x60 feet, wherein to keep dry goods, and boots and shoes, as well as groceries. Mr. J. Waugh, merchant, of Omeme, has bought a bakery and confectionery business in Thorold, and purposes sending Mr. Isaac Laidley, his brother-in-law, to look after it. Mr. McGregor, hotel keeper in the town, is leaving the place, and Mr. Boyd, of Peterboro, will succeed to his stand.

"DEBIT and Credit," is the title of a new comedy at the Palais Royal, in Paris. It is also the title of an old tragedy played by several Ontario traders during the past week. Here are some of the actors: J. & G. Peppler, general dealers, at Bloomingdale, whose troubles we have already referred to, have assigned.—In Cainsville, M. Sager, a general storekeeper, is behind in his payments and has been sued. It is altogether likely that he will assign.—Another general trader at Calander, Jos. Hicks, has likewise been unable to meet his payments and has abandoned his estate to creditors.—Cuykendall & Co., a canning firm in Hamilton, who were before their creditors with an offer of 25 per cent. have now assigned. The unsecured will get nothing.—Last week we referred to the embarrassment of J. & A.

Clark, flour merchants of this city. Failing in their efforts to effect a compromise, Mr. Clarkson is now in charge and will see what can be done with the assets, which appear to be about half of the liabilities.

IN the Eastern Townships of Quebec, as well as in the adjoining state of Vermont, sugar-making from the sap of the maple tree is a large industry. This year the sugar season has been unusually favorable. The *Guardian*, of Richmond, says it is the best for many years. Already fifty per cent. more has been made than in the entire season last year, and the run promises to continue to the end of April. In some of the orchards the make is likely to exceed three pounds a tree all round. One Kingsey farmer made 400 pounds from one hundred trees.

SOME very fine public buildings and business blocks have been erected in Winnipeg within a year or two. The city hall and the post office are among these, the latter a very stately edifice. In front of the city hall is the handsome granite monument erected to the memory of those who laid down their lives during the North-West rebellion of 1885. On the corner of Main street and Portage avenue is the elegant block, built of stone and brick, owned by the Western Canada Loan and Savings Company, one of the finest on the street. Mr. W. Mitchell's drug store on the ground floor is a most complete one, finer, we are told, than anything in Toronto, and next door to him is the dry goods store of Wright Brothers. The offices of the company and of Mr. A. Holloway, general insurance agent, together with those of Munson & Allan, solicitors, absorb the space of the second flat. The Masonic fraternity occupy the higher floor and they have a very fine lodge room fitted up with great taste. Suitable apartments for literary and social entertainment adjoin the lodge room. The visiting brethren have no occasion to climb "Jacob's ladder" either, they can reach the lodge by elevator. Another handsome and solid business block is occupied by a wholesale house. It has a frontage of 135 feet on one business street and 99 feet on another, and contains 51,000 feet of floor space. A large butter house is on the first floor, so arranged that butter can be frozen during the hottest part of the summer months, i.e. in August. The building is heated with hot water, has gas, elevators, and all modern improvements. On Princess street, near Vallentine, stands the building, just finished, owned and occupied by Miller, Morse & Co., wholesale hardware merchants. This is built of white brick, with stone basement, and stone facing, presenting a neat and substantial appearance, well fitted within and substantial without.

## BOYD BROS. & CO'Y.

### 1888 SPRING 1888

Our Staple and Fancy Travellers are now on the road with a full line of samples of Spring and Summer Goods.

For Value, Selections, Style and Prices, we defy competition.

See our Samples on the Road or in the Warehouse.

COR. BAY and FRONT STS.,  
TORONTO.