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Mercantile Summary.

THE steamer "Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse" has again broken the Atlantic record, running from New York to Cherbourg in 5 days, 20 hours and 55 minutes. The distance was 3,190 knots, and she averaged 22.62 knots per hour.

THE Acadian Recorder, of the 14th, notes that the jewelry firm of Levy and Michaels, Barrington street, have had writs issued against them to the extent of \$18,000, and hopes that some arrangement may be made by which the financial embarrassment may be satisfactorily settled.

FURTHER trouble is reported in the Quebec boot and shoe trade, W. H. Polly & Co. having assigned. The ordinary liabilities are scheduled at \$10,360, divided among some sixty creditors, privileged claims foot up to \$6,898, and the apparent assets are \$16,300, principally in real estate and plant.

THE late M. C. Mullarky was a well known man among shoe manufacturers in Canada and the Eastern States. He learned his business at Lynn, Mass., and arrived in Montreal fifty years ago. By energy and native shrewdness he built up a large business in manufacture and export, and though he failed, in the sixties, he paid everyone up about 1870. Of late years he had not been in active connection with shoe manufacture.

THE following are among recent engagements made by the United Electric Company, Limited: A contract with the Kingston Hosiery Co. for a 30 k.w. direct-connected generator, switchboard, engine, and the installation of lights throughout their mills at Kingston. They have also received an order from the Kootenay Electric Supply and Construction Co., of Nelson, B.C., for 100 k.w. generator, connected direct, to Pelton waterwheel, to operate under 360 feet of water head. Messrs. Corey & Campbell, of Bedford, Que., have given the United Electric Co. an order for one of their 1,000-light inductor alternators for street and commercial lighting, and the McLaughlin Carriage Co., of Oshawa, have placed an order with the company for a 25 k.w. direct-connected generator and engine with complete accessories for operating same.

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