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WE note a change in the well known wholesale grocery house of Whitehead & Turner, Quebec. Mr. Whitehead retires, and the business will be continued by Mr. Richard Turner alone, under the old firm name.

WRITING upon the present fashion of killing feathered songsters, in order to put their wings or bodies on hats, Oliver Wendell Holmes says: "Certainly do I feel the shame of the wanton destruction of our singing birds to feed the demands of a barbaric vanity."

Messrs. Sheppard, Morse & Co., an American lumber firm, have, according to the Brockville Recorder, purchased about six hundred and sixty-eight million feet of lumber in Ottawa and district. "Most of next season's cuts of the different mills have already been sold."

During the year 1885 the Americans spent nearly \$47,000,000 for about 573,000,000 pounds of coffee. In 1884 our coffee bill was about \$50,000,000, we receiving therefor about 535,-000,000 pounds, which shows that the price per pound of coffee was less last year than during the preceding year.

THE reduction of freight on flour from Minneapolis to Chicago from 17½ to 15 cents merely restores a rate which existed previous to the advance in the East-bound rates of the trunk lines. As the old rates have now been resumed, it is evident that the roads found it impossible to maintain the advanced tariff.

THE partnership heretofore existing at Stratford, under the firm name of "Macdonald, Macpherson & Co.," as manufacturers of agricultural implements, was on 28th January last dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Alexander Macpherson retiring from the business, which will be continued by the other partners, John P. and James Macdonald, under the firm name of "Macdonald M'f'g Co."