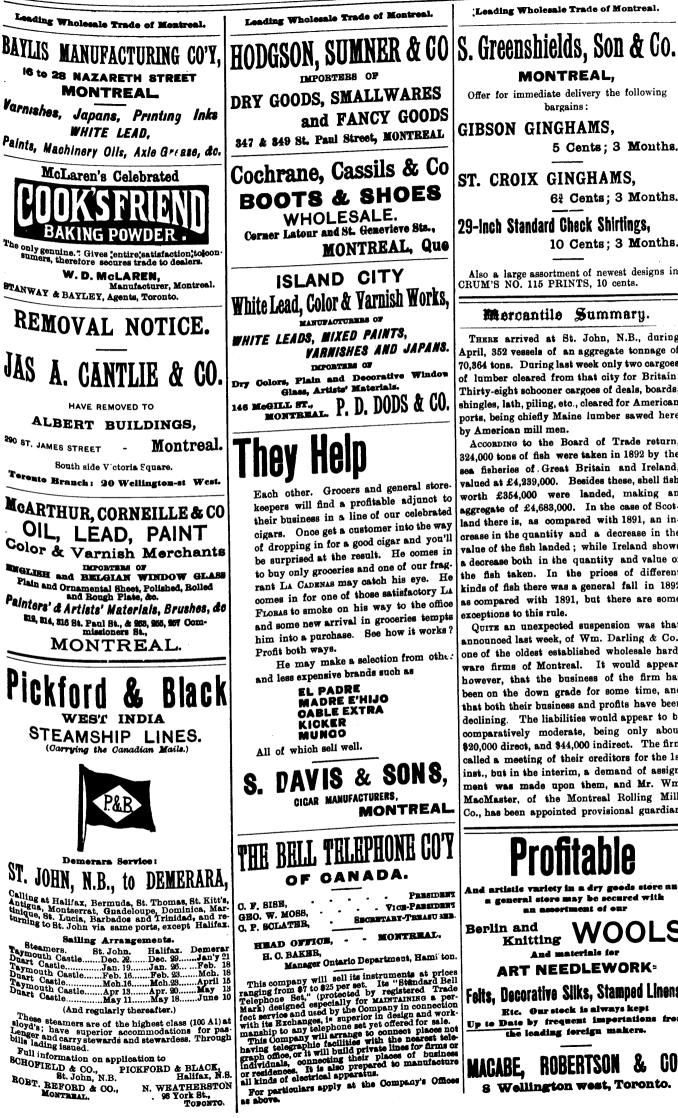
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ST. CROIX GINGHAMS. 6³ Cents; 3 Months. 29-Inch Standard Check Shirtings, 10 Cents; 3 Months. Also a large assortment of newest designs in CRUM'S NO. 115 PRINTS, 10 cents. mercantile Summary. THERE arrived at St. John, N.B., during April, 352 vessels of an aggregate tonnage of 70,364 tons. During last week only two cargoes of lumber cleared from that city for Britain. Thirty-eight schooner cargoes of deals, boards, shingles, lath, piling, etc., cleared for American ports, being chiefly Maine lumber sawed here by American mill men. According to the Board of Trade return,

324,000 tons of fish were taken in 1892 by the sea fisheries of Great Britain and Ireland, valued at £4,239,000. Besides these, shell fish worth £354,000 were landed, making an aggregate of £4,683,000. In the case of Scotland there is, as compared with 1891, an increase in the quantity and a decrease in the value of the fish landed ; while Ireland shows a decrease both in the quantity and value of the fish taken. In the prices of different kinds of fish there was a general fall in 1892 as compared with 1891, but there are some exceptions to this rule.

QUITE an unexpected suspension was that announced last week, of Wm. Darling & Co., one of the oldest established wholesale hardware firms of Montreal. It would appear, however, that the business of the firm has been on the down grade for some time, and that both their business and profits have been declining. The liabilities would appear to be comparatively moderate, being only about \$20,000 direct, and \$44,000 indirect. The firm called a meeting of their creditors for the 1st inst., but in the interim, a demand of assignment was made upon them, and Mr. Wm. MacMaster, of the Montreal Rolling Mills Co., has been appointed provisional guardian.

