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CONSIDERABLE litigation has arisen out of the failure of H. G. Levetus, jewellery importer, this city, and the alleged purchase of the stock and book-debts by Mr. C. H. A. Grant, of this city. This week a petition was granted in Chambers on behalf of the Federal Bank, to compel the notary who passed the deed of assignment of a portion of the Levetus estate to furnish a copy of same. Yesterday an application was made on behalf of several creditors for the appointment of a sequestrator to take charge of the estate in the interest of the whole Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.



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NOTWITHSTANDING the financial stringency which prevails in the North-west, to which, in addition to the difficulty of making collections, the majority of the failures now occurring in Manitoba are mainly ascribed, there would seem to be thought room enough for the investment of increased banking capital. The establishment of a new local bank in Winnipeg, which has long been talked of as a desideratum, seems to be now on the eve of accomplishment. Mr. A. W. Ross, M.P., who has just returned Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal

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