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Tuos. Mills, dealer in hats and caps and clothing, Stratford, Ont., has sold out.

THE BRIG Carabeau, anchored at Annapolis, N.S., has brought out a cargo of sugar from the West Indies.

THE BARQUENTINE, George E. Corbitt, owned by A. W. Corbitt & Son, left Annapolis, N.S., last week, for Barbadoes, with a full cargo of lumber.

THE SUM of \$1,500 has been voted by the citizens' committee for the erection of a building for the display of Manitoba products at the forthcoming Dominion Exhibition in this city.

THE GAS-LIGHTING of the city of Quebec is progressing slowly. It is reported that a large number of lamps, chiefly in upper town, has not yet been replaced.

MESSES. L. DELAP & Co., Annapolis, N.S., propose to build another ship in their yard this season. This Company have been ship-building since 1873.

IT IS RUMORED that an enterprising citizen of Montreal intends running a steamer from Annapolis, N.S., to England this fall, to carry apples.

THERE HAS BEEN some talk of opening a subscription in this city to raise \$10,000 to be presented to Mr. Dansereau, late proprietor of La Minerve, and now joint clerk of the Crown, for his services to the Conservative cause for many years past.

THE NOVA SCOTIA FORGE Co., New Glasgow, N.S., have engaged to supply a new shaft for the steamer " Carrol," which was disabled by the breaking of her shaft in Northumberland Straits, a few days ago. Heretofore, when such an accident happened to a vessel, she could not be repaired nearer home than Boston. Part of Leading Wholesale Trade of Montreal.



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the repairing is being done at J. Matheson & Co.'s Foundry.

MR. FORRESTER, of Mitchell, Ont., is doing a large business in flax this year. He is now busy threshing it, and, in the language of a correspondent, "circulating his money amongst the poor and needy, who find that flax-growing is a lucrative business. He circulates about \$30,-000 annually amongst the farmers residing near the town."

IT IS REPORTED that a beet root sugar factory is to be started in St. Johns, Que. The Hon. F. G. Marchand, in company with an expert from France, has visited various parts of the country to examine the capabilities of the soil, etc. The News thinks a sugar factory at St. Johns would be a grand thing, but suggests that it might be advisable to await the result of the experiment in Farnham and Conticook before sinking further capital in the enterprise.

SINCE THE LATE FIRE at Annapolis, N.S., a local Fire Insurance Company has been talked of, but nothing has yet been accomplished. That portion of the town destroyed already shows signs of resuryam. George Runciman & Son have commenced the foundation of a threestory brick building, A. W. Dargie is re-building a carriage factory and furniture warshouse, and other parties are commencing the erection of new structures.

THE WOODSTOCK, Ont., Sentinel-Review publishes a wail about the thrifty housewife receiving only from seven-and-a-half to nine pounds of sugar for a dollar under the National Policy ; to which the Orillia Packet replies that, if such is the case at Woodstock, the "thrifty housewife" must not blame the N. P., but the grasping and unscrupulous or very unenterprising merchants of that old-fashioned town. In Orillia

the thrifty housewife is invited week by week, through the local papers, to come and get good bright sugar, 13 lbs. for a dollar; or very bright, 12 lbs. for a dollar.

THE MERCHANTS of Mitchell, Ont, still complain loudly of the scarcity of small silver for "change." A correspondent says it is not unusual to see half-a-dozen persons in that town running around at one time for change for four dollar bills or twenty-five cent pieces. It appears that the new issue of small silver coins has not yet reached Mitchell, whose citizens should rest thankful that they have the four dollar bills and twenty-five cent pieces, which will certainly purchase the new Canadian silver now being circulated by the Banks It has been stated that the scarcity of the small Canadian silver was caused by the withdrawal of large quantities from circulation for conversion into that class of jewellery now so fashionable in this country.

The impending advent of the Omnium Securities Company (limited), with its \$3,000,000 to be scattered broadcast among eligible borrowers, has somewhat "fluttered the dovecotes" of loan societies, and private capitalists who lend money on mortgages. The rate of interest seems to have taken a sure and steady turn downwards. One large company having funds for investment has been loaning at seven per cent. for some time, and complains that even so the demand is limited. A solicitor in Hamilton, Ont, has deposited in one of the city banks some \$50,000 for which there are no borrowers, and a legal firm in that city a day or two since advised a client to accept six per cent. on a large loan on the very reasonable ground that he might have to wait long and put up with inferior security before he could get a better rate.