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THE Dominion Coal Co. are about to transfer their head offices from Boston to Montreal.

MR. D. P. HATCH is organizing a project to establish a smelter in Kaslo, which would do much to develop the mining interests of that region.

On the 25th inst., a by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers of Aurora, to grant a bonus of \$10,000 to Underhill & Sisman, boot and shoe manufacturers, Markham, if they will erect a factory at the former place.

THE Granby smelter, at Grand Forks, which commenced operations on August 21st, had, at the beginning of the present month, treated 81,000 tons of ore, which produced 2,700 tons of 50 per cent. matte, valued at \$500,000.

THE general store and contents of Mr. George Dean, of Lobo village, was completely destroyed by fire. The loss will be nearly \$4,500, while the insurance is said to amount to only \$2,250, of which \$1,500 is on the building.

THE creditors of Mr. J. A. Caslake, plumber, Stratford, met on Monday, when the assignee, Mr. J. B. Capitaine. presented his report, which was read and adopted Inspectors were appointed, and Mr. Caslake was given until yesterday to consider what he could afford to pay for the estate.

On Monday last, a meeting of the creditors of E. Hodgins, hotelkeeper at Stratford, whose assignment we noted a week ago, was held in the sheriff's office. The statement submitted showed that he owed \$5,700, and had nominal assets of only \$2,892. In view of these figures, the unsecured creditors were not long in concluding that there was not anything in the estate for them, and were willing to give possession to the landlord, if he would assume the claims of servants, etc. The property is advertised for sale to-day for taxes, by a bailiff.

A short time ago, a small meeting of the creditors of Benor, Taylor & Co., general storekeepers, Alliston, was held, when the senior member of the firm was examined as to the disposition of the stock. Since then, the effects of the firm have been seized, under an execution, and advertised for sale on Monday next. -In November last, C. B. Scantlebury, dealer in books, etc., at Belleville, disposed of his stock of wall papers in the Winnipeg branch store. Now he asks creditors to consider the situation, and accept 60 per cent. of their claims, on time, unsecured. But if paid in cash, 10. per cent. reduction will be desired.

In April last, Hilliard & Morlock, grocers, Waterloo, dissolved partnership, and David E. Morlock continued the business. Last month he gave a chattel mortgage to a Hamilton firm. This has already been foreclosed and the stock is offered for sale.-Walter G. Leaney opened a grocery and confectionery store in Port Arthur, in July last. Having but little capital to start with, his assignment is already announced. D. G. Sutherland, druggist, and fancy goods. dealer, at Chesley, became involved, and after paying some of his creditors, nothing remains to pay other unsecured.

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