A HEAVY contract for knit goods for the Government has been awarded to the Astoronga Knitting Mills, Little Falls, N.Y. One contract is for 14,000 shirts for the department of the Pacific and the other for 10,000 for the National Home of Disabled Soldiers at Columbus, Ohio.

At the auction rooms of Suckling, Cassidy & Co., in this city, the dry goods stock of Jennings & Hamilton, amounting to \$34,890, was sold this week at 58 cents in the dollar, to J. E. Allan. The same firm sold the stock of W. Hawkins, of Whitby, (\$6,896) at 63 cents in the dollar, to A. W. Cooper, of Shelburne, and that of McDougall & Richardson, Owen Sound, (\$5,037) at 50 per cent, to J. M. Martin.

MR. JOHN E. MITCHELL, well known as an accountant in this city, and Mr. Kenneth Miller, who will be remembered in connection with the old Virginia Tobacco Company, have formed a partnership under the style of Mitchell, Miller & Co. They have leased commodious premises on Front Street, where the overcrowded warehouses of merchants may find relief in the ample room for storage which Messrs. Mitchell, Miller & Co. now possess.

A NEW whiskey pool has been formed in Chicago. On Friday last the members of the Western Export Association succeeded in perfecting their new pool, only one Nebraska City concern not coming in. The association provided sufficient funds to pay for the closed houses up to August 1st, and the price per gallon on spirits was raised from \$1.07 to \$1.08 from the 14th inst. The pool will operate at once, and is intended to continue for one year. The running capacity was fixed at 28 per cent, and an assessment of 6 cents per bushel will be made from the running houses to those closed during August.

AT Minnedosa, in Manitoba, J. B. Harrison, a stationer, finds himself unable to meet a recent compromise of 75 cents on the dollar. His liabilities are small. -- Sprague & Scarlett, general store men at Regina, are asking an extension of time. They show assets of \$13,000 and liabilities of \$8,000, which latter sum is distributed amongst twenty creditors. -It is said of Stone & Murdock, two ladies doing a millinery trade at Qu'Appelle, that they have been paying out money, which should have been devoted to the liquidation of their liabilities. Their assignment discloses the fact that there is little or nothing left for creditors.-T. H. Corrigan & Co., commission agents in Winnipeg are in difficulties their effects having been seized for rent.

SINCE our last issue the following traders have made various changes affecting their businesses: At Appin, the general store firm of McGregor Bros., has dissolved.-From Essex Centre, E. S. & A. G. Bedford, dealers in boots and shoes, will remove to Chatham. -After selling off his stock of groceries, J. A. Chambers, at Madoc, will retire .-Wyatt & Purvis have bought the dry goods and grocery business formerly done by T. Purvis, at Otterville.---- In Paris, W. Duncan, stationer, has sold out to Jno. Kay. ---- Two grocers at Ridgetown, Chas. and James Grant, have gone out of business. --- Roffey Bros., confectioners in Stratford have been succeeded by Wm. Roffey.-G. D. Devlin will take on the hardware business of J. C. Jenkins at Unionville.----A dissolution has been announced by Whaley & Bell, confectioners, Orangeville ; J. A. Whaley will continue alone.----Cheeseborough & Osborne, in the general store line at Utterson, have sold out .--- In Donald, Manitoba, J. C. Steen has admitted R. A. Kempton a partner in his general store busi-

ness. They will trade as J. C. Steen & Co. —At Grenfell, in the same province, W. G. Anderson, a jeweller, contemplates retiring. —J. G. Melvin, in the same line at Winnipeg is also going out of business. —Another firm in Winnipeg, F. R. Jacques & Co., has disposed of its stock of hardware to R. Wyatt, and R. P. Edwards, grocer, has sold out to Lewis Morrison.

EVERY prosperous and promising year is marked by the erection of new mills, and this year will see a large investment of new capital in the knitting business at Cohoes, N. Y. The enterprise of Messrs. Williams & Powers is one; Bilbrough & Hume have opened a threeset mill in the old box shop on the Islandsuburb of the city; the McCarthy Brothers have plans for a six-set mill in the hands of contractors ; J. C. Sanford, a former dry goods merchant, will have a three-set mill, and Luke Kavanagh a yarn mill. Canadian knitting mills are showing a still further tendency to reduce production, according to the correspondent of the Textile Recorder, it being reported that the Thorold Woollen and Cotton Manufacturing Company is about shutting down, and that Price Bros., of Merritton, are trying to sell out.

To his vocation of stationer, J. H. Thompson, of Bobcaygeon, added the offices of town clerk, treasurer of corporation and insurance agent, in all of which he was well-regarded. This fact makes his sudden departure from Bobcaygeon, where he has lived for a number of years, all the more surprising to those who knew him. He has, it is said, left behind him divers debts and little with which to pay them.---The fates have dealt swiftly with Smith & Rawlison, grocers of Kinmount. They commenced business on the 1st of this month, dissolved a few days after and the remaining partner, Smith, is now closed up by a Wood--D. C. Bullock & Co., generstock creditor .-al dealers, at Brighton, have been doing a large trade under, it is said, a heavy expense and much competition. They are endeavoring to effect an arrangement with creditors at 62 cents on the dollar.----A young man named Hugh Jones, has been doing a small shoe business at Dresden, but apparently without profit. He has assigned.----At Glen Williams, Jos. Williams, a grist miller, has assigned. He owes considerable. Mrs. Heap doing a small dry goods business in Owen Sound has failed.

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— A hotelkeeper at Stirling, K. Bennett by name, has assigned owing \$2,000.— The principal creditors of McAllister & Co., tailors at Trenton are Toronto firms. J. F. McAllister formerly did business in Napanee, where he failed last September the stock being bought in by his brother. The second assignment, just recorded, will be discussed at a meeting to be held to-day.— A Toronto house will bear the brunt of the loss occasioned by the assignment of Chas. H. Gilpin, an Uxbridge jeweller.— A too liberal dispensation of credit and a tardiness in making collections are, no doubt, mainly responsible for the assignment of J. L. Barber & Co., furniture dealers at Waterford.

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