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ing to a credit in preference to a cash business, when the advantages of the latter are so clearly recognized. Small dealers should insist on farmers paying their debts promptly. And farmers ought to accept a reasonable price for their produce instead of holding it back with the view of getting extravagant prices, and thus keeping both the country merchant and the wholesale dealer out of the necessary funds for carrying on their legitimate business. Were our country merchants to act upon this suggestion, and do their part as well as has been done by the wholesale dealers, money would soon become more plentiful, circulate freely, and do much to relieve the present depression. Those who have looked most closely into the present situation, feel confident that if our country merchants could be induced to press collections at once, and continue to do so until their outstandings were reduced to the lowest possible point, we should ere long have occasion to rejoice in a better state of affairs, more money, fewer failures, and less anxiety in commercial and financial circles.

ATTENTION is directed by some of the American journals to the heavy and increasing stocks of coffee in the ports of the United States, and to the efforts of speculators to uphold the excessive prices now asked for that article. The visible supply, it is claimed, is 46,985 tons, and taking an average of imports and consumption for the next four months, there will be on the first of April next a stock of 54,463 tons on hand, or sufficient to meet all demands for six months after that date. It is whispered there will be an application to the coming session of Congress for a duty on coffee, which, if put at 3 cents per pound, will amount to \$3,659,913, or at 5 cents to \$6,099,856.

AMONG the assignments of the past two weeks are the following: Hamilton—Earnest Kraft, saddler. Georgetown—Robert Burchill, general storekeeper. Kingston—B. Holder, cabinet-maker; James Hope, shoe dealer. Cobourg—

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**OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.**

(From our own Correspondent.)

PETROLIA, Dec. 6, 1875.

There is very little change in oil matters since last report, no new strikes worthy of note although several are being tested with fair show. The shipments of crude have been rather larger this week as the G. W. R. Co.'s contract with the Association expires shortly. Prices remain unchanged. Crude \$1.00 to 1.25. Refined 23½ to 25c, according to quantity.

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