

A FIRM of general dealers at Wallace, N.S., named Kempton & Canfield, have assigned to A. B. Etter. The business was only established in 1897. Mr. Canfield died a week or two ago.

THE captain and the first officer of the wrecked steamer "Castilian," have been censured by the Court of Enquiry, which investigated the disaster on the Gannet Rock Ledges, but the court refrains from interfering with their certificates.

A PRECEDENT, which is likely to bear hardly against bucket-shops, was last week established by the judge of the General Sessions Court, in New York, who, by a decision against Henry M. Wade, the proprietor of the Colonial Stock and Grain Company, has pronounced bucket shops gambling places.

THE pretty Nova Scotia town of Truro is offering to investors four per cent. bonds, to the extent of \$50,000. There need be no apprehension about the security, for Truro has a realty assessment of \$1,600,000, and her ratepayers are assessed for \$586,000 personalty, while the rate of assessment is 1½ per cent. The present bonded debt is \$120,000, incurred for water, for fire protection and other purposes.

GEORGE S. FARRER opened a general stationery store in Dauphin, Man., in January, 1897, with but little capital. He has had two years' experience, but it was not enough to establish his success; on the contrary, he has made an assignment. We hear also of the assignment of J. J. Manley, a harness-maker, in the same Manitoba town. He owes \$2,500, and has stock and book debts amounting to \$1,100 or thereabout.

THE staff of the Harbor Commissioner's office in Montreal, on the occasion of his resignation of the secretaryship of the Board, presented Mr. Alexander Robertson with a feeling address and a handsome roll-top desk. Mr. Robt. Mackay, chairman of the commission, made the presentation. Mr. Robertson was an assiduous and efficient secretary, and his twelve years' occupancy of a responsible position have done him great credit.

IN November, 1897, John Hill, general storekeeper, removed from Glenannan to Wingham, where he opened out a stock of shoes and groceries. A year later, he sold out his boot and shoe stock. Now he offers his creditors 60 per cent. of their claims for a settlement.—We hear of the assignment of Wesley Bingham, dealer in hardware at Lindsay. For a dozen years he sold goods for the McClary Co., London. Hoping to improve his position, about two years ago he started a hardware store, and was then supposed to be worth about \$4,000. He found competition entirely too keen to make any money, and the result is as above stated.—A. M. Sharpe, Jr., succeeded to the boot and shoe business of his uncle at Burlington, five years ago. His father assisted him in purchasing the stock. This being his first venture in business, and not being successful, he assigns to his father.

A FIRE in the wholesale drug house of W. E. Saunders & Co., London, Ont., on Monday night, caused a loss of some \$15,000. There is \$13,000 insurance on stock, and \$4,000 on building. head of Lynn Canal to Dawson.

A ST. JOHN jury, in the case of Hesse versus the St. John Street Railway, returned a verdict for the plaintiff, assessing damages at \$25,000, instead of the \$5,000 or \$10,000 expected. Professor Hesse was an organist and was so injured last summer by a runaway car that his foot had to be amputated. The case will be appealed.

HON. JUSTICE NORTH and an English Court of Chancery will decide as to the affairs of the Great North-West Central Railway, from Brandon, Manitoba. The suit was brought by Messrs. Codd and Armstrong, plaintiffs for the shareholders, v. Delap, Charlebois, Judge Clarke, et al, defendants. The claim involves the ownership of the shares.

EIGHT years ago Harding & Co., of which concern Michael Harding was the sole owner, started a shoddy mill in Simcoe, and did pretty well with it for some time, but Mr. Harding locked up his capital in plant and building, and his banker generally became his chief creditor. According to his statement made one year ago, his nominal assets are \$22,850, and his liabilities about \$15,000. Want of realizable capital has been his chief difficulty.—Blight Bros., dealers in stationery, etc., here, made a failure in 1893, when the stock was sold to Mrs. Blight at a discount of 60 per cent. Since then she has continued the business under her husband's management. She now assigns.—E. R. C. Clarkson has been appointed liquidator of R. Hughes & Co., manufacturer of hats and caps in Toronto. The creditors will be paid in full.—Armstrong Bros., manufacturers of pumps, Goderich, are trying to arrange a compromise with creditors.

TOWN of TRURO.

LOAN OF \$51,200.00

Fifty 30-year Bonds, \$1000 each.
Two 40-year Bonds, \$500 each.
Interest four per cent., payable on presentation of half yearly coupons at Town Office, Truro.
The issue of these debentures is duly authorized by Acts of the Nova Scotia Legislature passed at session just closed.
Sealed tenders endorsed "Town of Truro Loan," and addressed Town Clerk, Truro, will be received till and including all of Tuesday, the 25th of April, 1899.
Bids to state amount of bonds wanted and also the amount of premium offered.
The money to be payable in Truro free of charge to the town.
The Town Council do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender.

By order,
W. D. McCALLUM,
Town Clerk and Treasurer.
Truro, Nova Scotia, April 4th, 1899

STAYNER WATERWORKS

TENDERS FOR DEBENTURES

The Council of the Town of Stayner are prepared to receive tenders for the purchase of Debentures of the town amounting to the sum of \$24,000, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable yearly and maturing in 30 years.

Sealed tenders addressed to A. M. McPaul, Esq., M.D., Mayor of Stayner, will be received until 8 p.m. of Monday the 1st of May next.

For further information, address C. E. Jakeway, M.D., Treasurer. The Council do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender.

S. L. DEVLIN,
Chairman of the Finance Committee.
Stayner, March 28, 1899.

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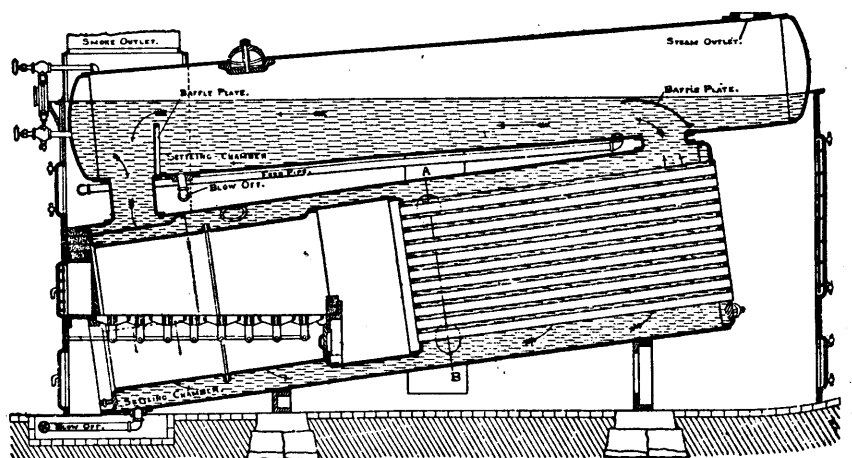
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