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ONLY think of it! A despatch from Medicine Hat, N.W.T., states that on Monday last Wm. Gobbet commenced ploughing; the snow is all gone, and the thermometer sixty above zero.

It is said that there is 8,000 tons of coal above ground, between New Glasgow and Truro, U. S., that cannot be shipped owing to a scarcity of engines with which to move the rolling stock.

PARRSBORO', U. S., is a stirring place. Last season there were shipped from that harbor to trans-atlantic ports 31,000,000 superficial feet of deals, 1,000,000 feet to the United States, and 50,000 tons coal to various points.

At Raeburn, twenty-one miles from Portage la Prairie, quite a good trade is being done in frozen fish. Four firms are shipping from that point, and so far about 300,000 pounds has been sent to St. Paul, Chicago and Buffalo.

THE telegraph announces the suspension of D. Breeze, dealer in wholesale liquors and groceries, and Geo. Morrison, Jr., wholesale grocer and commission merchant, at St. John, N. B. The former, it is said, was a considerable loser by the New Brunswick paper mill, and his embarrassment affected Morrison. Hope is expressed that both houses will resume. A despatch to the Halifax Herald states that much of the strained feeling in business circles in St. John, N. B., is due to the Maritime bank troubles.

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MESSRS. Bryant, Powis & Bryant, (limited) of London, Eng., give notice that Mr. Ch. G. Davies, who opened last month in Quebec as a broker and shipping agent on his own account, will continue to act as agent for their concern.

NEW YORK's assessment roll for 1888 shows the valuation of real estate to be \$1,306,310,133 an increase of nearly \$52,000,000 over 1887. This marvelous addition to the value of property in that city is accounted for by the fact that within the past two years barren hills and wastes of gneiss, in certain wards, have given way to elegant brown stone fronts and expensive improvements.

AMERICANS seldom do things by halves. Messrs. Mitchell & Co., of Vention, Iowa, who are perhaps the largest packers of frozen poultry in the world, had packed down since the cold weather set in, upwards of half a million pounds of turkeys, chickens, ducks and geese. This immense lot, making the largest sale of the kind ever known, has been sold to a New York dealer for about \$50,000.

CALIFORNIA wine growers are, it is said, projecting a bank, the principal feature of which will be advances on wines. A cellar is to be connected with the bank where any wine maker may store his product and obtain a loan of ten cents per gallon and at the same time be enabled to look after the liquid until the maturing process affords him the opportunity of

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a favorable market. The New York Commercial Bulletin sees in this an advantage over banking institutions, inasmuch as Canada-bound cashiers, or presidents, might find it rather difficult to carry away any great quantity of the collateral security. This may be so, still the temptation to watering the stock would not be slight.

A RETAILER in an eastern town, writing to a Toronto boot and shoe manufacturer for a further supply of rubbers said: "I suppose I'll have to carry part of these over until next season; but some one has to do it and I might just as well be the some one." If he doesn't ask the manufacturer to carry the account over as well, there can be no objection to this piece of philanthropy on the part of the retailer.

UNDER the heading of "Winter in Canada," a description of ice-travelling on the St. Lawrence is given in the issue of the Illustrated London News, dated 28th January, delivered in Toronto on Monday last. Of course the paper mailed in London could not reach here by the date named, but there is an American edition, prepared from duplicate plates and supplied to subscribers at the very reasonable rate of four dollars a year in advance. This should result in a goodly Canadian subscription list. The high artistic and literary character of the paper is well-known.

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