

But, on their assenting, the Sunday School Union, the Sabbath Protection Association and several churches denounced the traffic as unholy and demoralising and "an infringement of the fourth Commandment." So the directors have promised to stop the Sunday work, and those residents of the suburbs who have not carriages, horses and flunkys to turn out, must walk from two to four miles to church, in the usually moist atmosphere of Glasgow.

A FARM on a grand scale is being undertaken in St. Norbert, Manitoba, by Messrs. Melburn and Benyon, connections of Sir Hugh Allan. They purpose breaking up 1000 acres this season, and the Emerson papers say have bought six "sulky" and eight common ploughs for the purpose. Mr. Asa Westover, well known as a practical farmer from the Eastern Townships, is to join these gentlemen.

MORE attachments, and more assignments, but not quite so many as in a former week. Nearly a dozen traders are noted as having changed their location, as householders are wont to do on 1st May; ten have sold out or gone out of business, four of the former being hotel keepers in Windsor, Wingham, and Woodstock.

A FIRM of jobbing grocers in this city, Joseph Dick & Co., being unable to meet their composition notes, have been placed in insolvency by Mr. Thos. Bryce, who had endorsed for them. Liabilities about \$10,000.

A MERCHANT who had been long in business at Hagersville, Mr. J. H. Hager, and who was at one time well-to-do, has gone behind gradually until now an attachment has been issued against his estate; his assets are unrealizable, and his trade has been cut into seriously.—The flax mill of Mr. S. S. Fuller, of Stratford, has been closed until the times get more propitious for that industry.—We notice the dissolution of the well-known Montreal firm of Devins & Bolton, druggists and manufacturers of proprietary medicines. Mr. Bolton retires and Mr. R. J. Devins continues the business, assuming the obligations.

LOWER Province failures include that of Geo. J. Wilson, dry goods dealer, Chatham, N.B., owing \$11,000, mainly to Montreal houses; he offers 50c over 14 months, unsecured.—R. A. Chapman & Co., large merchants and shipbuilders at Dorchester, N.B., propose to pay 20 per cent., half within nine months and half within two years.—J. & W. Simonson, of Jacksonville, Carleton Co., have been attached by a Montreal house, owing \$10,000; they had asked time to pay in full.—Ephraim Wright, Halifax, produce dealer, has absconded, owing in the Upper Provinces over \$4,000.—A Liverpool, N. S., grocer, J. H. Freeman, jr., has effected a compromise at 75c in the dollar.

WINGHAM is disquieted somewhat by the sudden leaving of George Green, shop keeper and tanner, whose estate has been attached. His brother-in-law, Adam Boland, who was supposed to be wealthy and had been endorsing Green's paper, has also "left the limits," having sold his property. He is supposed to have gone to the Black Hills.

THE Boards of Trade of Montreal and Toronto have protested against the repeal of the Insolvent Act, and hopes are now held out that the Senate will prevent it. That body discussed the question yesterday, and adjourned debate till to-day.

#### BANK ITEMS.

Mr. H. M. Price, late accountant of the Bank of British North America in Quebec, has been chosen Manager of the agency of the Merchants Bank in that city.

The Wingham agency of the Consolidated Bank is now in charge of Mr. F. J. Gosling formerly teller in the Toronto branch of the same bank.

After eighteen years' faithful service as one of the staff of the Merchants Bank, Belleville, Mr. John G. Campbell has resigned his position in that institution, to seek rest and retirement. He was the recipient of a handsome letter from the General Manager, and a substantial bonus from the directors.

The annual meeting of the Bank of New Brunswick stockholders has just been held. The last dividend, declared in April, amounted to \$50,000, and the reserved profits at that time amounted to \$565,028.

—An agency of the Merchants Bank of Canada has been established in New York, at No. 48 Exchange Place, under the charge of Messrs. Henry Hague and John A. Harris, Jr. Bills will be drawn on the Clydesdale Banking Company in London.

—J. S. Paquet, lately cashier of the Banque d' Hochelaga, Montreal, has been found guilty at the Montreal Assize Court, of embezzlement in investing \$80,000 of the bank's funds in a phosphate mine.

#### STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, 7th May, 3.15 p.m.

STOCKS.	Average Price, like Date, 1878.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transactions in Week.	Buyers.	Sellers.
Montreal .....	168	138	141	206	138	138
" x.d....	161	135	135	113	133	136
Ontario .....	85	63	65	663	63	64
Consolidated ..	79	44	45	255		
Peoples .....	78		53	68	50	53
Molson .....	53			8	77	80
Toronto .....	137		110	20	110	111
Jacques Cartier ..	47	35	36	150	35	35
Merchants .....	98	8	82	291	80	8
Commerce .....	118	03	104	147	103	103
Union .....						60
Hamilton .....						
Exchange .....						57
Mon. Tel. ....	121	102	105	747	102	103
Dom. Tel. ....						
Rich & O. Nav. ..	59	41	43	195	41	41
City Pass .....	92				80	83
Gas .....	147	108	108	200	108	109
R. C. Ins. Co. ....						
Sterling Ex. ....						
Gold .....						

#### OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

PETROLIA, May 6, 1879.

The Mutual Crude Oil Association is "burst," and Crude Oil now sells at 40c. per brl. of 43

gallons; Refined at 7½ to 8c. per gallon, W. M. The Woolsey well has gone down in production to 15 brls. per day; the McWhorter has improved to 80 or 100 brls. per day. Some wells are shut down, and no doubt a great many others will follow suit, so that the breaking of the ring will have the effect of lessening the production, which at present is fully three times our requirements, besides which we have about a two years' supply on hand, and no chance of an export trade. Business is at a stand still, and everything here looks flat. There is really no quotable market, but Refined can be bought, barrels included, at 7½ to 8c. per W. gall., and London quotes it at 9c. per W. gall. A still farther decline may be looked for if no export trade opens out, or no other outlet for our surplus stock. There are still a number of wells going down, but not completed.

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