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— Said one of our enterprising industrious merchants the other day to a citizen of the ornamental class:—"How on earth do you manage to get along so well? I thought that only three or four years ago you were heels over head in debt." "O, those were old debts; I never pay my old debts." "But your new ones?" "I tet them get old."

— The annual Christmas fair was held in Guelph, Ont., the 12th inst. There were about a thousand fat cattle, and half that number each of sheep and pigs. Buyers were present from all parts of the Dominion, and prices for cattle ranged from \$3 to \$6 per cwt, the average being \$3.75, choice bringing the higher figure. A large number were purchased for the eastern markets.

— George Thompson, a sewer contractor of Toronto, has decamped, leaving his men two weeks in arrears for wages. The men, whose claims amounted to \$400, have been paid out of a drawback of \$2,000 which the city held on the contract. Mr. Thompson is sixty years of age, and leaves behind him a wife and family. He had previously finished several contracts satisfactorily, but at very low figures.

Wednesday last a demand of assignment was made at the instance of Henry Phillips, sr. against Elliott, Phillips & Co., of this city, wholesale hardware merchants, for \$1,600. It will be remembered that the present firm succeeded Elliott, Sawtell & Co., and bought the

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assets of the insolvent firm of Delisle Bros. & McGill, carrying on business in the same premises. Their liabilities are about \$65,000.

- F. H. Perrault, Perrault & Co., furriers, St. Gatherine street, who was served with a writ of attachment last Monday, was subsequently arrested on a capius at the instance of Isaac Levy, on the altegation that he had secreted his goods and was about to leave the country. It is alleged the firm bought a large quantity of goods in May, which they have failed to account for satisfactorily.

— The individual who victimized several banks in this city last October by getting them to cash forged ten-pound bank notes drawn on the Union Bank of London has been arrested in San Francisco for uttering forged circular notes in that city. The extent of his operations here amounted to about two hundred at d fifty pounds at most, and some of it was from tobacconists and other retailers.

— The Windsor and Annapolis Railway Company, although laboring under great disadvantages, owing to the loss of the Windsor branch, have made much improvement in the road and rolling stock during the past summer. Steel rails have been laid from Windsor to Cambridge and from Annapolis to Roundhill. During the coming year a further extension of steel rails will be made.

— The failure of W. C. Brennan, of Halifax, shoe dealer, has involved Wm. Kandick of that city to some extent, he having been in the habit of endorsing for that firm. He has had some pretty heavy calls made upon time on their account, and is now arranging for an extension of time, which it is expected will enable him to eventually meet all his obligations in fall.

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A bold attempt at robbery was eleverly frustrated last Monday at the office of the Ville Marie Bank in this city. Mr. Damouchel, sectorry of the City Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was making a deposit in the bank of four \$1,000 notes, when two men who were present managed to possess themselves of one of them. Owing to Mr. Damouchel's presence of mind, the robbers were retained in the bank till the police arrived and both were marched to jail.

In the case of the Canada F. & M. Ins. Co. vs. the Western Assurance Co., argued last Monday in Toronto, at the conclusion of the argument Vice-Chancellor Blake delivered judgment holding that there was no case established against the agent at Moutreal, and that the evidence clearly proved there had been a valid contract of insurance with the former Company on the 30th of October, and he dismissed the bill with costs.

. — The experiment of heating the city of Detroit by steam has been so far successful that