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Mercantile Summary.

GREENWOOD, B.C., will, during the coming summer, expend \$16,000 on new streets and sidewalks.

ON Monday of last week, over \$90,000 worth of school lands were sold at Carberry, Man., the cash receipts being about \$10,000.

A FACTORY for the manufacture of alcohol has been started in Port Dover. The product is to be used for manufacturing purposes only.

HARRISTON ratepayers on Monday endorsed the by-law to grant Dowling & Leighton, furniture manufacturers, a loan of \$11,000. It passed, however, by the narrow majority of thirteen.

ACCORDING to a New Westminster despatch, spring salmon fishing has not been very successful lately, and some fishermen declare the season a failure as far as "springs" are concerned.

A FIRM in Lynn, Mass., is making proposals to the Windsor, N.S., Board of Trade, looking towards the establishment of a shoe factory in Windsor. A committee is looking into the matter.

FRANCOIS FOURNIER, contractor, Montreal, who owes \$6,000, has assigned; as also has J. Dumont, in the same line, with liabilities of \$6,790. J. C. Gaudry & Co., grocers, of the same city, have made a voluntary assignment.

THE tailoring firm of J. Boyd & Co., Kingston, have assigned. Mr. Boyd was formerly a steamboat engineer, and started business five years ago. In 1896 he failed, subsequently resuming, but with no better results. His creditors are to meet on the 18th inst.—Miss Fannie Campbell, who began a millinery business a year ago, in Ottawa, has assigned.

MR. H. V. NOEL, one of the oldest bankers in Canada, died at his home in Ottawa on Wednesday night of last week, at the age of 86. Mr. Noel was a native of the Island of Jersey. He came to Canada in 1828, and in 1853 was commissioned to open in Bytown, as Ottawa was then designated, a branch of the Quebec Bank. For nearly half a century he held the position of manager of that institution. He was also connected with various charitable institutions.

PROMISING news, as to gold yield, comes from the Harrigan Cove district of Nova Scotia, says the Maritime Merchant. The mining areas owned by J. P. Wallace and others which have been worked during the last few months are giving excellent returns. During April 126 tons of quartz were crushed in the McMann mill, and 143 ounces of gold were secured. At the Hurricane Point gold mine in the Stormont district the workmen uncovered a new lead of gold-bearing quartz. The crushings from this property show improvement. The mill of the Tunnel Mining Co., at Gay's River, started operations on the 20th of May. The mill comprises 50 stamps and the entire machinery is strictly modern. A fine smooth running engine and an electrical plant have also been provided for.

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