

JOHNSTON & HAINES, hardware dealers, Sandon, B.C., are in difficulty and have assigned. Formerly they were tinsmiths.

THE Brantford firm of W. Paterson & Son, biscuit makers, who employ 150 hands, are said to be desirous of securing another location. St. Thomas will make an effort to get them to remove thither.

ONTARIO assignments include those of John McKinnon, tailor, Galt; W. N. May, grocer, Port Stanley, and J. C. Hertel, tailor, Dutton. The machinery and other assets of the Burford Canning Co. are to be sold by auction on 10th February.

THE creditors of the Midland Trust Company, to the number of 300, met in Port Hope yesterday afternoon, when the assignee, T. Dixon Craig, M.P., surprised the gathering by a statement showing that while the liabilities were \$235,807, the available assets were only \$218,726. There are further nominal assets of \$57,675 in doubtful accounts, bad debts and Consumers' Cordage Company stock, whose value is problematical.

A. BRIGNALL, who was formerly of the firm of Brignall & Thomson, dealer in dry goods, Belleville, has been traveling for a wholesale dry goods house, and about two years ago opened a millinery store managed by his wife. Severe competition and lack of capital has rendered an assignment necessary.—A notice has been posted on the store of Jas. McCombs, dry goods dealer in Peterboro that it is closed for stock taking, and for further information apply at the office of Stratton & Hall, barristers, etc.

MONTREAL BOARD OF TRADE.

THE annual meeting of the Montreal Board of Trade was held on Tuesday afternoon last, the retiring president, Mr John McKergow, in the chair, and between one and two hundred members present. The president's comparatively brief review of the year's transactions made reference to the expansion of trade of the port of Montreal, the improve-

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UNION LOAN & SAVINGS CO.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Union Loan and Savings Company will be held at the office of the Company, Toronto Street, Toronto, on

Wednesday, the Ninth Day of February, 1898.

at 12 o'clock noon, to receive the Report of the Directors, for the Election of Directors, to confirm general By-laws passed by the Directors, and for other purposes.

By order of the Board.

JAMES C. MCGEE, Manager.

ment visible among the farming, dairying, mining and other industries, and to the visit of a deputation to Ottawa for the purpose of urging upon the Government the importance of an insolvency law. The report of the Council was submitted and adopted. We regret having to postpone consideration of it to-day.

Mr. Edgar Judge moved a resolution impressing upon the Government the importance of enlarging the Welland Canal to 20 feet, to permit the largest vessels of the Upper lakes to pass to Lake Ontario without breaking bulk. Mr. McBean submitted statistics in support of the same motion, which he seconded.

The election of officers resulted as under: President, James Crathern.

First vice-president, Chas. F. Smith.

Second vice-president, Robert Mackay.

Treasurer, Henry Miles.

Members of council, Thos. McDougal, banking; E. L. Bond, marine insurance; W. B. Matthewson, tea importer; James W. Pyke, hardware; David Watson, drugs; A. J. Bryce, dairy produce; H. Laporte, groceries; Wm. McMaster, iron; Thomas Harling, shipping; Fred. W. Evans, fire insurance; Arch. W. Stevenson, chartered accountant; Robert Peddie, grain.

The Board of Arbitration consists of: E. B. Greenshields, John McKergow, W. W. Ogilvie, Robert Bickerdike, Robert Archer, A. F. Gault, David Robertson, John Torrance, A. G. Thomson, Edgar Judge, Hon. A. A. Thibaudeau, David McFarlane.

TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE.

ANTICIPATIONS of a contest for some of the principal offices of the board brought together a large gathering at the Board of Trade rotunda on Tuesday last. Mr. Edward Gurney, the retiring president, took the chair at 3.30 p.m., and after the adoption of the reports of the treasurer, the harbor and exhibition delegates delivered a lengthy and weighty address, to which we must refer another time. His successor, Mr. Elias Rogers, then took the chair and made a brief speech containing some suggestive points.

A ticket, known as the "Anti-Gratuity" ticket, from its resolution to wind up the gratuity scheme of the board, consisted of the following candidates: For second vice-president, Paul Campbell; for treasurer, Ald. John Hallam; for council, John Morrison, Thos. Woodbridge, Charles Reid, Thomas Dunnett, F. J. Phillips, H. C. Boomer, R. L. Patterson, Henry Pellatt, James Goodall. Only two of these gentlemen were elected, for it was found when the 500 or 600 ballot votes cast were counted, that Mr. Ellis had beaten Mr. Campbell for the vice-presidency, and Mr. Ames had beaten Mr. Hallam. The officers for this year are as under:

President—Elias Rogers.

First vice-president—A. E. Kemp.

Second vice-president—M. E. Ellis.

Treasurer—A. E. Ames.

Members of Council—Edward Gurney, W. D. Matthews, E. B. Osler, H. N. Baird, Stapleton Caldecott, D. R. Wilkie, W. G. Gooderham, Peleg. Howland, M. McLaughlin, J. Herbert Mason, W. C. Matthews, Thos. Dunnett, James D. Allan, George Keith, Henry Pellatt.

Board of Arbitration—John I. Davidson, J. H. G. Hagarty, Thomas Flynn, John Carrick, J. D. Laidlaw, C. W. Baird, W. K. McNaught, J. H. Sproule, D. O. Ellis, R. J. Score, C. Goode, P. R. Miller.

Harbor Board—W. A. Geddes, J. T. Matthews.

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NOTICE

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Dated this seventh day of December, A.D., 1897.

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