

The *Gazette* will contain notice of applications for letters patent by the Bishop Engraving and Printing Company, Montreal, with a capital \$100,000; by the American Export Co., capital \$50,000, and by the Hetherington Mining, Exportation and Improvement Co., capital \$400,000;

M. GODFROI CHAPLEAU, who has worked up a very fair reputation as a manufacturer of safes, vault doors, etc., in Montreal, has got into "deep water," and being pressed by some of his creditors, has called a meeting of them all with the object of seeking an extension of time. His liabilities reach to about \$32,000, and he shows assets of \$40,000, but largely locked up in real estate, plant, etc. He has met with a good many losses in the last couple of years. —A furniture dealer in a small way in Montreal, Stanislas Gareau by name, has assigned, and is to be wound up. His debts will foot up to about \$1,600, assets \$300 less.

We note a rather important business change in Montreal. Messrs. Crathern & Caverhill having decided to retire from the general hardware trade, sold their stock of shelf goods to the new firm of Caverhill, Learmont & Co., composed of Messrs. Frank Caverhill, Joseph B. Learmont, George Caverhill, and Thos. H. Newman, all of whom have held positions of trust with the old firm. Messrs. Crathern & Caverhill will hereafter devote themselves, we learn, entirely to a wholesale business in metals, heavy hardware, &c. —Mr. G. A. Broillet has retired from the wholesale fancy goods business of Broillet, Bogue & Co., which will hereafter be carried on under the style of Bogue, Broillet & Co.

ONEZIME BOISVERT, of St. Zephirin, Que., who since a former failure has done business under the name of his wife, C. G. Boisvert, has obtained an extension of 9 months. He claims a surplus of \$3,000. —P. O. Frigon, doing a small general business at St. Tite, Que., is reported in difficulties. We understand that he failed at St. Germain a few years ago, and also at St. Prosper in 1882. Query, will the third time be the lucky one for him? —Methot & Jaire, two young men who made a plunge into business at Fraserville, Que., early last summer, are already embarrassed and call their creditors together to consider their affairs. —L. P. Lesage, for some years general dealer at St. Leon, Que., has apparently fallen behind, and creditors have sent a man to examine into his affairs. He owes only \$3,000 to \$4,000.

MESSRS BERTON BROS., well known commission merchants of St. John N. B., have assigned. When the firm failed before in 1879 it owed some \$87,000, which was compromised at a very low figure. One of the partners died suddenly in January last, and the remaining partner has now assigned the firm's assets to H. L. Sturdee. —W. E. Blanchard, a fancy goods dealer, of St. John N. B., whose career in the past has not

been unmarked by disaster, has assigned. He compromised some seven years ago at thirty cents, and again in 1879 at fifty cents. His present indebtedness amounts to somewhere near \$12,000, one of his larger creditors is preferred.

—Reuben S. Thorpe, a general dealer of Centreville, N. S., has assigned owing about \$6,000, preferences covering about \$2,000 of this amount. Thorpe claims assets of \$8,000, and says if the season had not been so unfavorable he could have pulled through.

THE plan to extend by cable the telegraphic system of Ontario, to the Islands of Lake Erie, for meteorological and marine purposes, originally brought before the Government by Mr. J. C. Patterson, M. P., for North Essex, at the request of Dr. McCormick of Pelee Island, is, we hear, to be revived this session. A telephonic connection, (by a second wire in the same cable) is also shadowed forth. The idea is to extend the line from Leamington, South Essex, to Point Pelee Dunney light, thence to Pelee Island Light House, and down the island to the south end, from which a short cable only about two miles long would connect with middle Island Light House, the extreme southerly point of the Dominion, and from thence if deemed desirable to Killip Island Ohio, there connecting with the American system, as these American Islands have long had telegraphic connection. Upon each light house storm signals would be shown and from them despatches sent in case of wreck, a very common occurrence upon the shores and sunken reefs off the east and south shores of Pelee Island.

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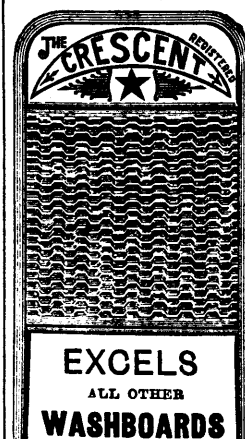
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