

tion. Thousands are blindly rushing to the same goal, but nothing will enlighten them but experience."

The creditors of Mr. George Smith, of the Lambton Woollen Mills, have met and appointed a committee to arrange a basis of settlement; the aggregate of unsecured debts is \$40,579, but there is \$49,621 indirect and unsecured, and how much of this may rank is a question. The assets are \$50,039, half of it in machinery and plant, 20,000 pairs of shoddy blankets, partly hypothecated, is a main item among the products of the mill. Mr. Smith's difficulties have been hastened, it would appear, by an excess of enterprise in certain directions. Of sealettes, for example—a cloth imitation of seal skin—he made some 15,000 yards, and sent it to Britain to be stamped and finished. This cost him freight, insurance and handling both inward and outward, besides the duty on the printing, and these neutralized all the advantage of protective duty and swamped his profit.

The Hamilton Bridge and Tool Co. held its annual general meeting on Tuesday last at the company's works. All the shareholders were present. The annual statements presented for the year ending 31st March, 1885, being found very satisfactory a motion was passed declaring a dividend of 8 per cent. on the year's business. The election of directors for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Mr. William Hendrie, president; Mr. W. A. Robinson, vice-president; Directors, Messrs. A. T. Wood, D. Moore and M. Leggat. Officers of the company are Mr. C. Teiper, engineer and manager, and Mr. John Stewart, secretary and treasurer. The following are some of the principal structures turned out

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Queen street subway bridge, Toronto; Province
of Nova Scotia, three iron bridges; Quebec, two
iron bridges; Ontario, four iron bridges; G. T.
R., four iron bridges, &c., &c.

This week's failure list is not a large one, and
more than half the mishaps have occurred
amongst general store keepers. One of this
number is a well-known name, that of Jas.
Whitesides, at Delhi, who, after thirty years ex-
perience, as a country dealer, has assigned with
liabilities of \$14,000 and assets nominally
\$17,500.—D. C. McFarlan, of McIntyre, Hy.
Knister, of South Woodalee, and Jno. Melross,
of Beeton, all in the same line of business, have
also assigned.—J. F. Atkinson, who kept a
small grocery at Glanford, and who acted also
as postmaster, has failed but cannot owe much.

—As was anticipated, the failure of the

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Messrs. Phelps, at St. Catharines, has brought
about the assignment of the Merritt and
Phelpston firms bearing that name.—A To-
ronto jeweller, Wm. Wharin, is offering 50 cents
on the dollar.—The estate of W. Leslie,
Puelinoh, who kept a store, is offering fifty per
cent., but his creditors are not in accord on the
matter; the estate will be, or has been, placed in
chancery.—The creditors of B. B. Hamilton,
a grocer at Neepawa, Man., have granted him
an extension of 3, 6 and 9 months.—H. L.
Reynolds, in the grocery and liquor line at
Winnipeg, has called his creditors together; he
finds himself unable to meet maturing liabili-
ties.—R. Dick, a tailor in Belleville, and J. &
D. Shoults, millers, of Park Hill, have assigned.
—C. H. Errington, a hotelkeeper in Petrolia,
offers 50 cents on the dollar, his liabilities
amount to about \$36,000.—A lumber dealer
in Aurora, Alex. Brodie, has assigned.

—"John," said a certain grocer to his new
clerk, "to succeed in the retail grocery line, it
is necessary to practice a reasonable amount of
economy. 'Wilful waste makes woeful want,' is
a truism you should always bear in mind."
"Yes, sir." "Now I was surprised," the under-
selling grocer went on, "when you picked the
flies out of the sugar barrel this morning, that
you didn't brush their legs off. Don't let that
happen again, John."

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