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At Halifax, the customs receipts last month were \$65,922, an increase of \$7,538, but at St. John they showed a decline from \$58,179 in the previous June to \$57,095 last month.

The customs receipts at Montreal during June were \$638,377, an increase of \$54,904 over the previous May. Excise receipts at the same city were \$200,976, as compared with \$182,484 the previous June.

News came from Carlsbad, Germany, on Friday last, that Anthony J. Drexel, the head of the banking houses of Drexel, Morgan & Co., New York; Drexel, Hargess & Co., Paris, and Drexel & Co., Philadelphia, died suddenly from apoplexy.

The dry goods firm of R. J. Bowes & Co., Kingston, are reported in embarrassed shape. They have been sued several times of late, and Toronto creditors have been investigating their affairs. We hear that Mr. Bowes claims that he can show a large surplus.

The Customs entries at the port of Toronto during the fiscal year 1891-92, numbered 65,438; in the fiscal year just closed it was 70,482. The total of Customs duties collected at the port for the year was \$4,579,280, as compared with \$4,364,977 in the previous fiscal year.

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ACCORDING to the New Glasgow *Enterprise*, the charcoal iron works at Bridgeville will shortly resume operations. The blast furnace at Acadia Mines is in operation, but the mill and pipe shops have been closed down for some time. The latter is to resume operations this week.

HERE following we note some few Montreal failures of minor note. F. Conart, a restaurant-keeper, established only about a year, is reported as absent from the city, and a meeting of his creditors is ordered for the 11th inst.—Another absentee is Alex. Menard, a liveryman, and his creditors have also been notified to meet.—Raymond Brien, a grocer in the Point St. Charles district, has assigned, with liabilities of about \$3,000.

THE German government, it appears, has decided to establish a general consulate for Canada with its office in Montreal, and Dr. Lenz, the present vice-consul of the Empire at Yokohama, has been appointed, says the *Gazette*, to the office of consul-general. Since the death of Mr. Munderloh, the business of the German consulate in Montreal has been conducted by Mr. Edward Sandreuter, consul for Switzerland.

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THERE were shipments of live cattle to British ports by eleven ships from Montreal during the week ended with July 1st, three to London, five to Liverpool, two to Glasgow, one to Bristol. The total number of cattle carried was 4,688, and of sheep, 99.

MR. HOLLIS SHOREY, of Montreal, died suddenly at Bay View, Maine, on the 30th June, in the seventieth year of his age; and his death removes an active, clear-headed man of business. He was born at Hatley, in the Eastern Townships of Quebec, and was a merchant in Barnston for a good while. Thirty years ago or more he went to Montreal and entered the employ of a wholesale firm, in which he was extremely successful as a salesman. Beginning upon his own account, he built up an extensive wholesale clothing business. Mr. Shorey was a member of the Montreal Board of Trade, and for many years rendered able service on its council. He was president of the Citizens' Improvement Association, and for some months represented St. Antoine ward in the City Council. He was well and widely known in church circles, and in short was a valuable citizen, for he had a good heart besides a strong sense of public duty.

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