

As a specimen of the size of New Brunswick granite pillars or monoliths, Messrs. Epps, Dodds & Co., of St. George, hauled a large piece of granite to their mill last week. It measured 17 by 3 by 3 feet, and weighed about thirteen tons.

THE sheriff has disposed of the assets of Alfred C. Wilson, manufacturer of pottery, New Westminster, B.C.—Rob. Oschner, bricklayer by trade, started a brewery in Vernon, B.C., about four years ago. He had no knowledge of the business, and it ended by the sheriff selling him out.

WE observe that the Standard Life has issued its sixty-ninth annual statement, showing the great revenue of \$5,139,000 and the large amount of nearly nine millions of new risks taken last year. Close upon three millions of dollars was paid out in the shape of death claims or matured endowments and bonus additions. The Standard is a strong and a liberal company, never heard of as disputing claims. It has the large amount of \$11,000,000 invested in Canada, in the shape of real estate, mortgages, government and municipal bonds.

AFTER disposing of his stock to Crawford & Deeds, compromise is asked by W. E. Milner, grocer, Brampton, at 33½ per cent. When he succeeded his father in June, 1886, he was believed to have a surplus of about \$6,000, but it does not appear that he improved his position, for we learn that he assigned in Oct., 1893. At that time he compromised at 40 per cent. This arrangement was carried out. Now, as above stated, he is again in difficulty.—Two years ago John Allard started a grocery at North Bay, with but small capital. Since then he has continued to pile up liabilities until an assignment is in order.

WE hear of the assignment of L. G. Crosby, of Yarmouth, N.S., engaged in the shipping and commission business with the West Indies. He is understood to have made some serious losses in that trade during the last nine months. Direct liabilities are estimated at about \$20,000, and it is expected he will make an offer of 50 per cent.—Anthony J. Crosby, grocer, &c., of Halifax and Waverly, N.S., whose troubles we have already noted, is offering 25 per cent. cash.—Mrs. M. G. Sabourin, general store, Glen Sandfield, wife of J. H. Sabourin, who was in trouble in 1890, is reported to have compromised at the rate of 25 cents in the dollar.

ON Friday next the general stock of J. F. Showler, Arkona, will be sold.—C. S. Shaw & Co.'s wholesale crockery stock will be disposed of on the same day.—Mrs. Doggett, St. Thomas, has bought the marble stock of her husband at 51 per cent.—J. Sutcliffe & Sons, of this city, have bought the dry goods stock of Garland & Co., which was formerly owned by C. S. Herbert.—The general stock of James Allan & Co., Beamsville, will be sold on the 3rd prox.

THE firm of John McGillivray & Co., Montreal, has made a judicial abandonment of its estate at the instance of Th. Michau & Co., of London. The creditors are eight in number and are all in Europe. From the firm's persistent endeavor to meet its obligations to the last, the direct liability has been brought down, it is said, to about \$12,000. The amount under discount and secured by customers' paper is also very small. Th. Michau's & Co.'s claim is the largest, but was reduced considerably by the voluntary surrender of a number of cases in bond last November. The Messrs. Michau appear to have done quite a business with this house, as by the books of the firm the purchases since the initiation of the business come to within a little of \$300,000.

THE assignment is reported of J. F. Poirier, of Bonaventure River, or Caplin, Que., whose name it has been supposed is used as a cover for O. Forest, who failed some years ago.—Mrs. Virginie Robichand, doing business at St. Perpetue, on the Old Elgin Road, has made a voluntary assignment; liabilities about \$1,500.—A harnessmaker and tanner on a small scale at Hull, Que., A. E. Leblanc, is reported to be in embarrassed circumstances and to be offering 50 cents on the dollar.—A demand of assignment has been served upon L. W. Brissette, general dealer at St. Eustache. He was formerly of the firm of Gauthier & Brissette, who dissolved in December, 1893, after ten years partnership; they had a short time previous arranged an extension, and at dissolution Mr. B. assumed all the assets and liabilities.

JACKSON & Co., dealers in pianos, etc., Peterboro, after six years find they cannot make any money, and assign.—McLean & Griffith, general storekeepers at Port Elgin, were succeeded by McLean & McKay. In the fall of 1891 the latter firm moved to Underwood. The business not being sufficient to maintain two families, they have assigned.—Assignments are

made by Nich. Sehel, carriage maker at Baden, and R. B. Hamilton, baker, Attwood.—In January last the Kay Electric Works at Hamilton got an extension of nine months, but being unable to meet the first payment, about due, they assign. It is probable that the business will be disposed of.

THE Dominion Organ and Piano Company, of Bowmanville, have opened branch ware-rooms at 244 Yonge street, Toronto. Mr. Wm. Fralick will have charge of the new branch. The premises, while not large, are convenient, and the new branch will undoubtedly have the effect of increasing the favor which the citizens of Toronto have already extended to these instruments.

IN 1888, Thompson Bros. began business in Orangeville as general dealers. Previous to this they had been dealing in bankrupt stocks. They have had branch stores in Shelburne, Durham, Walkerton, Mount Forest and Lucknow. All of these they claim have been closed, resulting in loss. This, with dull trade, slow collections, etc., has obliged them to consult with creditors to-day in this city.

FROM Quebec Province the following failures are reported: A demand of assignment is made upon E. St. Amour, Acton Vale, a dealer in dry goods and shoes. It was only in August of 1893 that he made a settlement with creditors at 40 cents in the dollar.—The creditors of Napoleon Latraverse, a hotelman of Sorel, had a meeting last week, after which he made an assignment; he owes \$2,470.—Philippe Cossette, formerly a horse trader of Champlain, who started storekeeping in a limited way in the fall of 1893, has had to put his affairs into the hands of an assignee; liabilities are only \$815.—J. B. Poirier, dealing in sewing machines at Ste. Scholastique, has been asked to assign.—T. Allard, a butcher, of Sherbrooke, is reported offering a compromise; liabilities mostly local.—A demand of assignment has been served upon A. I. Gravel, general dealer, of Louiseville. He compromised liabilities of some \$16,000 last summer at 60 cents on the dollar.—J. B. Godin, crockery, etc., Three Rivers, is reported failed, owing \$1,680.—L. A. Corbiere, of Lacolle, who has been doing quite an active business for several years, a good deal of it on a credit basis, has arranged an extension with his larger creditors. He shows a fair margin over liabilities of about \$13,000.

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