

The municipality of the city of Vancouver offers to public tender 5 per cent. local debentures to the amount of \$72,350, maturing in twenty years.

In the far West there are but few failures to report this week. In Victoria, B.C., the Victoria Iron Works Co. is in trouble, and the mortgagees have taken possession on a chattel mortgage of \$3,700.

MORTIMER & Co., bookbinders and general stationers at Ottawa, whose embarrassment we noted last week, being unable to arrange an extension, have assigned, and a meeting of creditors is called for the 4th of April.

On Friday next, printers will have an excellent opportunity, in this city, of adding to their plant. The estate of James Murray & Co. is in liquidation now, and their presses, type, machinery, etc., will be offered for sale by auction without reserve.

A FARMER, storekeeper and lobster packer, of Arichat and D'Escoisse, N. S., named Chas. Mauger, has made an assignment. His position has always been more or less of a mystery. — Melancon & Goyette, doing business at Iberville, Que., under the style of the Central Stone China Ware Co., have assigned. The liabilities are stated at \$25,000, largely due to the estate of the late C. Melancon, Montreal.

At Quebec, D. Guay & Co., manufacturers of shoes, have assigned on demand. They have had more than an average share of misfortune during the last few years, having effected a compromise at 35 cents two years ago, and last fall got an extension on liabilities of \$17,000. — Elise Roy, an old-time dry goods retailer of the same city, never before reported in trouble, now finds himself embarrassed, and will have to get indulgence in some shape from creditors.

A MEETING of the creditors of R. Miller, Son & Co., wholesale stationers, was held at Montreal last week, when they showed direct liabilities of \$36,803, indirect, \$14,519; apparent assets, \$49,895. A proposition has been made to pay the creditors 32½% on the dollar, cash, 35% half cash, and half on time, or 40% all on time, we believe. — Charles Wilson, a custom shoemaker of Montreal, has assigned. His troubles are due to endorsements and giving accommodation. His merchandise liabilities are only \$1,732, while his indirect indebtedness rolls up to \$13,788.

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Here are a few mirror Montreal failures: D. E. Vian, a tobacconist, has assigned, with liabilities of \$1,292. — R. A. Precourt, a hardware dealer in a small way in the north-eastern suburbs, has been asked to assign; liabilities \$1,867. — A. Yapha, dry goods, has made an assignment, and owes \$1,775. — Archambault & Leveille, hardware, recently reported as failed, have arranged a compromise at 50 per cent. cash, and Archambault will continue the business alone.

The general stock at Belmont of D. McKellar & Son, was sold to W. Dyer at 42 per cent. — The following stocks were sold by auction in this city on Tuesday last: James Rogers, Cheltenham, general stock, 53 per cent.; R. Clegg, of Claude, 42 cents. The Toronto stocks sold were those of G. Dant, dry goods, at 49 cents; J. A. Forbes, boots and shoes, at 63½ cents; McMillan & Co., men's furnishings, at 47½ cents. Of the various stores of W. M. Milligan, limited, one stock realized 50 per cent., the other 45 per cent.

The affairs of the Stanley House Company, of Victoria, B.C., only recently organized to take over the dry goods business formerly carried on by W. S. Hampson, have got into somewhat tangled shape, and a meeting of creditors was held in Montreal last week, at which Mr. Hampson, who had just returned from England, attended. He could, however, furnish no regular statement of affairs, and as the holder of a bill of sale for \$15,000 had taken possession of the stock, he was advised to return as speedily as possible and make an assignment.

The proprietors of that valuable English weekly, *The Timber Trade Journal*, have just published another of their astonishing special issues. It is a quarto of 231 pages, more than half of which is reading matter connected with the wood trade of Great Britain and the globe. Nor is the abundant advertising matter without interest. The paper used is pure white and of good surface, which is necessary in order to get the best effect from the illustrations. Of these there is great profusion. By actual count there are 87 photo-lithographic portraits of men connected with the timber trade. This mass of interesting material is sold for a shilling. We note with interest that the publishers, Wm. Rider & Son, limited, have an office at 136 Liberty street, New York. The American or Canadian subscription is \$5.00.

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One of the oldest carriage manufacturing firms in Hamilton, H. G. Cooper & Co., is in trouble. About eight years ago they became involved through the failure of a large local house. Not being able to recover their former position, they now assign. — R. H. Potter, livery, Napinee, assigns to the sheriff. — D. W. Vance, of the firm of Abel & Vance, Toronto tailors, retired in the fall of 1892, and bought a hotel in Paisley. Having no knowledge of hotel-keeping, his assignment did not cause surprise. — Another hotel man at Simcoe, named J. E. Balmer, is in difficulty and assigns. — A third is T. E. Overend, of Lindsay, who offers creditors 40 per cent. — An old resident of Orangeville is Thos. McAdam, grocer, who is now in financial trouble, but not for the first time. In Jan., 1889, he arranged a compromise of 50 per cent. on liabilities of \$15,000, nominal assets \$12,000; since then he has found it difficult to get along, and now he assigns to W. A. Campbell.

BOOKS AND PAPERS RECEIVED.

THE PEOPLE'S ATLAS of the World.—This quarto publication of 124 pages is issued by Mast, Crowell & Kirkpatrick, Springfield, Ohio, in connection with the Farm and Fireside Library, whose subscription price is \$3 a year. In its description of Canada the atlas says: "In commercial importance Canada ranks next to the United States in North America. Her vast territory, her approximation to the U. S. in character of population, in location and in enterprise make her industrial future assured. . . . She undertook the greatest public work ever undertaken by so young a country, the Canadian Pacific Railway. Her canals have cost since 1887, \$29,876,000, and \$8,284,000 has been spent in light houses and the improvement of navigation."

KATHARINE LAUNDERDALE, by F. Marion Crawford.—An American story this, the scene laid in New York, and told in the clean-cut, breezy, strong style the author has made his own. A most startling plot is comprised in the first 100 pages—how it is worked out we must not tell, but the interest is undeniable. By what means Mr. Crawford acquired the New York business slang we do not know, but he uses it, on occasion, very neatly. And one finds an occasional bit of observant wisdom in the book, such as: "The contradiction between the disposition of literary men and their works is often a curious study." Or this,

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