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THE charge for carrying grain from the West to Atlantic ports has declined on an average ten cents per bushel within the past three years. Upon the two hundred million bushels annually shipped to tide water from western sections this amounts to a saving of \$20,000,000.

THE colored people of Richmond, Virginia, propose to establish mechanical schools embracing nearly every branch of trade to give their youth a fair start in life. Suitable buildings have been purchased and this industrial enterprise is likely to prove a success.

THE rich Temescal tin mines near Los Angeles in Southern California, closed by litigation for more than ten years, will soon be re-opened and vigorously worked. These are the only mines of the kind known in America, and they are considered inexhaustible.

AN auctioneer named Ferguson failed some time ago in Halifax and little was expected from his estate, but as he had a property in California which has since been sold to advantage, like an honest man he is now paying his creditors in full.

CABLE despatches from Europe say that two hundred and eighty vessels have sailed for Quebec and Montreal. This number is nearly a hundred in excess of the fleet at a similar date last year. The first steamer of the Allan Line, the Polynesian, has arrived at Montreal.

AN old and once prominent merchant of Montreal, Mr. James Tyre, died in that city on Wednesday last. He was in former years a member of the firms of Scott, Tyre & Co., in dry goods, and Tyre, Colquhoun & Co., well-known names from twenty to forty years ago.

WE understand that the Minister of Marine and Fisheries has altered the close season for the fishing of lobsters along the coasts of the Maritime Provinces in accordance with the views of prominent packers. As a fixed time

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would not suit different latitudes, the change has been wisely made. We suggest that suitable changes be also made in the close seasons for fishing on our upper lakes.

MR. ELLERSHAUSEN, who is well known in the Lower Provinces, is prepared to work the Betts Cove copper mines vigorously this year, and is now engaged in collecting and forwarding a large force of miners and labourers to Newfoundland. The latest advices from the mines are very favourable for a large yield of copper.

THE prospects for a coal trade between Picton, Quebec, Montreal, and points further west, will be thoroughly tested this year both by rail and water.

A SWEEPING change has been made in the separation of the grocery and liquor business in St. John. Applicants for licenses are required to sign a declaration that they will not engage in the grocery trade on the premises for which the license is sought.

THE lumber trade between St. Lawrence ports and South America, which was so brisk a few years ago, is now inactive. The condition of affairs is so unsatisfactory in South American countries as to preclude any demand for some time to come.

MESSRS. John McDougall & Son, extensive iron manufacturers, Three Rivers, have suspended payment. We have not been able to ascertain the amount of their liabilities. The firm have been struggling for some time past.

MESSRS. Donaldson and Sinclair, wholesale grocers in this city, have suspended payment. A meeting of creditors, we understand, will be held to-morrow, and it is thought that an arrangement will be made to enable the firm to resume business shortly.

WORK has commenced on the proposed enlargement of St. Peter's canal.

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THE French Atlantic Cable broke a few days ago, near Brest, and about the same time the cables on this side of Newfoundland stopped working. The Direct cable was the only one by which for a time communication could be had. The working of the Cable to Prince Edward Island was also stopped, probably by ice.

ST. CATHARINES has been added to our list of cities, and her coming of age was celebrated in her own lively way last week. The population is close upon 12,000. Probably the next to take the step will be her rival in population, Belleville.

SIR John Rose has arrived in this country to arrange it is said for his coming retirement from the firm of Morton Rose & Co., of London, and Morton Bliss & Co., of New York. He was in Ottawa last week, and is now we believe in Montreal.

OUR Government has withdrawn the permits hitherto given American steamers to carry goods and passengers between Canadian ports. American owners and shippers on the Atlantic coast will perhaps learn from this step how it feels to be treated as many of our shipping lines on the western lakes and rivers have been used by the interpretation put upon American coasting laws.

THE mills of the Messrs Rathburn, manufacturers & shippers of lumber at Millpoint near Belleville have been closed this season, as well as three others near by. The amount of timber cut in that section is estimated at but forty to fifty per cent of last year.

THE Merchants Bank of Halifax which has for years been occupying an obscure site on Bedford Row, has purchased a finely situated property fronting the custom house and Parliament Square, on which they will erect a banking house. The price paid for the lot was equal to \$32,000.