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ACCORDING to the assessor's returns, the population of Stratford is 9,812, against 9,417 last year. The value of property is placed at \$7,875,445, which is an increase of \$79,900 over last year's assessment

LICORICE root comes principally from Asia Minor, and is the root of a bush not more than three or four feet high. The dried roots are sent to Bagdad and thence to London and America. The black licorice sticks in the drug stores comes mostly from Spain, and is made of pure juice mixed with a little starch, which prevents it from melting in warm weather. The word licorice means "sweet root," and is of Greek origin.

In October, 1870, Simpson & Co. succeeded Grover & Co. as general storekeepers at Dresden. They have not been successful, for we hear that last spring they compromised at 75 per cent. Being unable to comply even with the terms of this arrangement they have assigned.—Thos. Farley, general storekeeper at Ruskview, has been in business about five years, but lately has been slow in meeting his paper. Now assignment is made.

A successful ingrain manufacturer of Philadelphia says that capital should not take "experience" for a partner, unless the conditions are safely stipulated. "Hire the experience," he says, and if the future should make

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a co-partnership advisable, well and good. When experience is placed in one scale and money in the other, an even balance seldom results. Sometimes, however, experience outweighs.—*American Carpet Trade.*

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HAVING found a large deposit of clay suitable for the manufacture of terra cotta brick in the neighborhood of Warton, Ont., Messrs. Porter, Reekin, Hunter, and Irwin, of that wide-awake little town, have formed a company to engage in this industry. They are all men of means, with a fund of hard-headed practicality, and given good material and good machinery—a Waterous brick-making machine for instance—they ought to turn out a good article.

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1890. She has already assigned and is reported away. Her sister, to whom she gave a chattel mortgage and bill of sale, claims to own the business. Creditors will not get anything unless this instrument is set aside.—The sheriff is in possession of the premises of A. E. Clark, livery, etc., at New Westminster.—It is reported that E. W. Whiff, auctioneer, etc., at Nanaimo, is away.

ELLEN KEANE, the wife of Wm. Keane, failed as a cigar and tobacconist, in Stratford, four years ago with liabilities of \$2,000 and assets of \$800. The stock was then sold for 45 per cent. to Mrs. Keane's father-in-law, who handed it over to her. Now she has assigned.—In the same town And. Rowe, harness maker, failed. In 1883 Rowe & Kilpatrick began this business and it was dissolved about three months ago without taking stock. It has now been discovered that they had nothing like the value of assets on hand that they guessed, and this is now the cause of the trouble. Rowe's liabilities are nearly \$1,400. To pay this he has stock, \$400, and book debts, \$350. A compromise is asked.—C. B. Mackinnon & Co., dealer in dry goods at Windsor, began in August, 1890. He was formerly at Strathroy, where he made some progress, but owing to severe competition he is now unable to do this and an assignment has been made to R. Elliott, of London.

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