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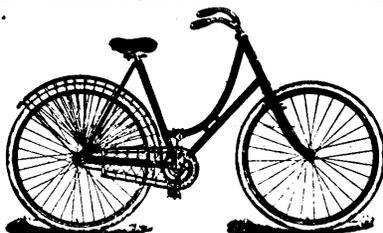
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## Mercantile Summary.

LETTERS patent have been issued incorporating the J. T. Long & Brother Company, of Collingwood, Ont. Capital \$100,000.

THE city council of Brandon is petitioning the legislature for power to loan \$8,000 to the promoters of a felt factory who desire to establish the industry in that place.

THE stocks in store at Port Arthur on February 27th were 2,740,627 bushels, and there were received 96,039 bushels, and shipped 2,001 bushels, leaving in store on March 6th, 2,834,665 bushels.

A NEATLY framed and glazed photograph of several of their machines, such as the combined steam engine and electric generator, the alternator motor, arc lamps, etc., etc., has been recently distributed by the Toronto Electric Motor Company, of 103 Adelaide street, this city, and 216 St. James street, Montreal.

FROM Rossland comes the report that Ferguson & Co., general dealers, have assigned. This concern has branches in other places, and it is said that the dull winter season just past has been hard on them. They are taking stock and a statement will shortly be prepared.—A. T. Maen, general storekeeper at South Edmonton, has assigned.

THE lobster industry this year shows a slight falling off thus far, says the Yarmouth News. The number of crates of live lobsters exported from Yarmouth during the months of January and February of the present year was 4,772, as against 5,777 in 1896. The amount received for them was \$51,105 this year, compared with \$62,392 in 1896.

THE United States consulate district of London takes in Ingersoll, Woodstock, Lucan, Glencoe, Glanworth, and all intermediate towns. During the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1896, the total amount of the shipments passed was \$116,000. This was an unusually large output. The quarter previous totaled \$40,251, and that ending June 30th was \$74,507, while the first quarter was \$67,503, making a total of \$298,261 for the year.

MESSRS. T. DOHERTY & Co., wholesale teas, Montreal, lately suspended, have evidently been unsuccessful in securing the general acceptance of their offer of 30 per cent., and have filed consent to assign. Another failure in the tea trade, supposed to be more or less due to the troubles of the above-named house, is that of Stroud Bros., of Ottawa, who have also stores in Kingston, Peterboro' and Toronto, and whose creditors met last week and advised the firm to assign. They compromised at 30 cents last spring.

THE oldest established business in Cobourg has been forced to the wall, and one of the reasons advanced for the failure is that old-fashioned methods of conducting the business have been employed. The firm is that of A. Hewson & Son, dry goods merchants. Their assets are about \$16,000 against liabilities of \$22,000. It may be interesting to know that the senior member is 80 years old and the younger 50.—Henry Sadowski, a general storekeeper at Massey, has assigned.—For over thirty years John Waterhouse has conducted a woolen mill at Tilsonburg, and this is the first time that he has been in financial difficulties. He assigns to the sheriff, owing about \$7,000, with assets of half that sum.—The Misses Lipsitt have been milliners at Port Elgin for several years. They began without any capital, and have now assigned.

FURTHER commercial complications are reported from Nova Scotia as follows: W. A. Robertson, general dealer, North Sydney, withdrew last fall from the firm of W. H. Moore & Co., and began business alone. As Mr. R. has been unable to get a release from the firm's creditors, he has been obliged to assign.—E. Quillinan, a small general dealer at Sheet Harbor, has gone into insolvency.—H. T. D'Entremont, dealing in general merchandise and fish, at Pubnico, is reported to be getting an extension of time, showing a surplus of about \$10,000 over liabilities of some \$26,000.—J. F. Amiro, same place, also wants time.

MATTERS are looking lively at Nakusp, British Columbia, according to the Vancouver World of the 4th inst. A sister boat to the "Nakusp" is to be launched there next week, and the C.P.R. propose building another large boat, fast, for passenger traffic only. Two new hotels are in course of construction. A cold storage building and others are going up. The townsite company are improving the grades of the streets, and a new wharf is being built. Genelle's Co. have just started building a new sawmill with a capacity of 100,000 feet per day. It was badly needed. People cannot get lumber in the Slocan Lake country fast enough.

MONTREAL news tells us of the retirement from business of the long-established and well known Green & Sons company, which for certainly fifty years, possibly nearer sixty, has been known in the hat, cap and fur trade, and made for itself a good record. We are told that the stock-in-trade and good-will of the company has been sold to a new firm, to be known as Edgar, Swift & Co. The senior of the new firm, Mr. Edgar, has been for many years connected with the business, and has been a shareholder and director of the company for twenty-five years. Mr. Swift is also an old employee. There are many all over Canada who will wish the new management a continuation of success.

A MEETING of the shareholders of the Banque du Peuple was held in Montreal on Monday last, when it was decided to authorize the management to defer further payment for a period of two years, so as to allow the bank's assets to be disposed of to greater advantage. The manager, Mr. Ovide Dufresne, jr., showed a statement of circulation outstanding, \$25,560; due depositors, \$2,120,536; due other banks, \$116,880. There are assets shown amounting to \$3,543,094, among which is the bank premises valued at \$334,000, also \$49,300 in deposits or cheques on other banks and the circulation redemption fund. But it is the overdue debts of \$1,392,000: the real estate, \$785,375; debentures, \$104,532, and current loans, \$859,184, that need time for realization. The sum of \$249,350 has been struck off for debts absolutely bad.

IN the February number of the St. John Gripsack is an interesting map of the Maritime Provinces, for business men, tourists and sportsmen, designed and published by Joseph S. Knowles, St. John. By means of references one can discover from this map the haunts of the moose, caribou and deer, woodcock and partridge, wild geese and brant; he can tell where to go for trout, salmon, lobsters and oysters. Then if he be materially-minded there are iron mines, gold mines, coal mines, mineral springs, deposits of gypsum, freestone, manganese and granite indicated on the map by hieroglyphics and by marginal numbers. A table of routes, distances and fares completes this remarkable map of a remarkable group of Provinces, namely, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island.