Norwich's rate of taxation will be 20 mills on the dollar.

Granby will restrict bicycle riders to a minimum speed of four miles an hour.

A joint stock company is being organized in Windsor to make signals for electric railways.

The creditors of Cadieux & Co., a Montreal dry goods concern, have held a meeting and the firm will likely assign. Mr. C. is evidently lacking in some of the elements necessary to success, having come to grief before in 1889, and again in 1891.——Labelle & Co., another Montreal concern in the same line, are arranging a quarterly extension, spread over a year, on liabilities of $8,787. They compromised in 1892 at 60 cents, liabilities then being about $20,000, and it would be no great risk to predict that they will get another compromise settlement now.——N. E. Brais, engaged in the shirt manufacturing business in Montreal for the past four years, has had to assign. He owes about $25,000, and claims a small surplus.

Nearly two years ago a small machine shop was started in Paisley, Ont., by J. B. Bowes, who had little or no capital. Perhaps he might have done better if he had possessed some means, but we now hear of his assignment at this early date.——In 1890, T. J. L. Orme left London, Ont., and opened a general store at Port Stanley. At that time he owned a farm and was supposed to be worth $6,000 or $7,000, but it appears he has not been able to make any money. Several writs were issued against him last month and an assignment is now made. ——Last week we noted that the sheriff had possession of the assets of Thos. Donkin & Co., harness makers, Shelburne, and now they assign.——A chattel mortgage appears to have been the means of closing the jewellery premises of T. W. Huff, Parry Sound.

One of the oldest grocery firms in Port Hope is that of Simpson & Read, who did a good trade. They are now, however, in trouble. For some time past the junior partner has been unable to attend to business, and they have assigned.——There are two assignments of traders to notice in Petrolia this week. Oliver Bros., dealers in wall paper, and D. M. Shields, grocer, who began business long ago, but was burnt out in 1889. Since then he has struggled to make ends meet.——Another assignment is that of H. C. Georke, dealer in boots and shoes at Sault Ste. Marie——Since his failure as a general store-keeper at Blezard Mines, W. J. Moore has been doing business under the name of his brother, J. A. Moore. At Worthington, a couple of months ago, he was obliged to give a chattel mortgage for $1,300. Now we hear of his assignment, which can be no surprise.——We have previously noted the failure of A. Paul & Co. at Sudbury. Since then they have assigned.

In August, 1881, the British American Starch Company was incorporated in Brantford with a subscribed capital of $33,000. Of this sum $25,000 has been paid. In addition to this $27,000 preference stock was issued about a year ago and taken by creditors. They have been doing a trade of good extent, but were not able to make much out of it. For a considerable time they have been slow pay, and during the past month several suits have been entered against them. Now we hear of their assignment, but have not learned what their liabilities are.——Some years ago A. C. Fraser succeeded the old established hardware business of James Warnock & Co., at Galt. Before this he had been twelve years a partner. The business has always shown a good surplus, and up to a recent date he was believed to be doing a good trade. Lately, however, he has found difficulty in making collections, and now we hear that a meeting of his creditors has been called for today.——The failure of Carson Price at Holland Centre was noted in these columns last week. Since then we hear of his assignment.——G. B. Hoskins, dealer in tinware, Melbourne, Ont., has also assigned.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, 5th Sept., 1894.

Stocks.	Highest.	Lowest.	Total.	Sellers.	Buyers.	Average price 1893.
Montreal	221	220¾	22	225	220½	216
Ontario	......	......	......	......	......	......
People's	......	......	......	130	120	111
Molsons	167½	167½	10	168½	166½	160
Toronto	249½	249½	10	258	249½	230
Jac. Cartier	......	......	......	115	110	......
Merchants	167½	167½	60	168	165	151
Commerce	......	......	......	142¾	141	132
Union	103	103	45	......	......	......
M. Teleg	......	......	......	152½	151½	140
Rich. & Ont	84½	81⅞	438	82½	81¾	80
Street Ry	154½	153¾	631	154½	153¾	177½
do new stock	150½	149½	1230	150	149¾	......
Gas	165	163½	895	167½	163¾	195
C. Pacific Ry	67	67	125	67½	66½	76½
Land gr'nt b'nds	109	109	$6000	......	109	......
N. West Land	......	......	......	55	......	......
Bell Tele	149½	148½	37	149½	147½	137
do new stock	146½	146½	50	149	146½	......
Montreal 4%	......	......	......	......	......	......