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Montreal.**Mercantile Summary.**— A Lucknow firm has shipped several car-
riages of their own build to Australia— The Ballad of the Merchant:—"Trust—
Bust."— An Esquimaux sealer has arrived at
Gaspé with 250 seals on board.— A new Irish Catholic paper has made its
appearance in Toronto. It is called the *Irish
Nationalist*.— The total value of silk manufactures
imported at New York in March was \$3,451,-
028.— A Galt firm have just shipped a lot of
Canadian built buggies to Melbourne, Aus-
tralia.— "The Winnipeg and Western Transporta-
tion Company, Limited" and the "Templeton
and North Ottawa Mining Company, Limited"
are applying for incorporation.— A recent return shows the total value of
dried, cured and potted meats imported into
Canada in 1877 to be \$1,622,495. The value of
what was entered for consumption was \$962,468.— Official returns show the value of horned
cattle, horses, sheep and swine imported into
Canada from 1st February, 1877, to 1st Febru-
ary, 1878, to be \$20,544. Exports, \$672,065.— A member of a Chicago music firm has
invented a resonator for the wound strings on
upright pianos, which promises to be a valuable
addition to this class of instruments.— The once famous Modoc, Shack Nasty Jim,
raised 1,200 bushels of corn last year, and
wants to learn the process of preparing it so
that it may be eaten out of a flask.— The Montreal *Herald* of last Saturday
copied the whole of our article on the Quebec
crisis, headed "A Constitutional Governor,"
without giving us credit therefor.— The mails to Ottawa, hitherto carried by
the Ottawa Navigation Co.'s steamers, will this
season be forwarded by the Q. M. O. & O. Rail-
way.— The question of butter factories appears to
be as popular in Western Ontario as cheese
factories were some years ago. There is every
prospect of a number being established this
season.