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### Mercantile Summary.

WE note that the business of the Ashley Carriage Co., at Belleville, has been sold to Hy. Canniff.

Mr. Winnett, who has been carrying on a boiler shop in London since 1867, has opened one in Petrolea.

REPORTS from Port Arthur say that navigation on Lake Superior promises to open between May 1st and 10th-not sooner.

Robinson, Little & Co., of London, have purchased the entire wholesale dry goods stock of John Birrell & Co., in that city.

THE Petrolea Advertiser brags of a big safe brought into that town by the local jeweller, Mr. Caneff. It is 6 feet by 41 feet by 3 feet, and was made by Goldie & McCulloch.

An offer of 50 cents on the dollar has been agreed to by the creditors of McInnis Bros., general dealers at St. Peter's, P. E. I. The indebtedness is some \$6,000, and assets \$4,000.

LUMBERMEN in St John confirm the report that the winter's cut is below the average of recent years. Fishermen along the Bay of Fundy coast continue to give unfavorable reports of the catch.

A BUILDER in Montreal, named Wm. Byrd, has got into deep water through unprofitable contracts, &c., and has been granted a settlement by creditors at 30 cents on the dollar, payments spread over twelve months and bearing interest. Liabilities are about \$15,000.

F. X. Marsoin, a dealer in provisions and feathers at Montreal, has assigned to the court, and a meeting of creditors is called for the 27th inst. Liabilities are \$5,013, a considerable proportion of which are for feathers to New York and Philadelphia dealers.

THE Montreal failures for the week are few and unimportant. Lonergan Bros., a baking firm, has assigned, liabilities \$1,592.--Alfred Pominville, a hotel man, and Wm. Denckert, saloon-keeper, have both passed into the hands of the assignee, and owe respectively \$1,094, and \$1,836.

For the past twenty years, Emilien A. Manning has been doing a foundry and general machine business at Beauharnois, Que., with indifferent success. Never very easy as to capital, the several late bad years have embarrassed him seriously, and he has just effected a settlement at 20 cents in the dollar, cash, on liabilities of about \$21,000, being assisted to