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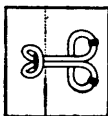
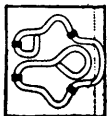
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Mercantile Summary.

CITIZENS of Perth decide by their votes that they will give a bonus of \$5,000 to the Perth and Lanark Electric Railway.

GALT ratepayers voted on Tuesday last, approving, by the requisite majorities, two money by-laws—\$7,500 for waterworks extension, and \$4,000 for market improvements.

THE customs receipts at Rossland, British Columbia, for April, amounted to \$6,161.56, for Trail \$3,500, and Waneta \$708.20. This month's receipts are the highest yet for Rossland.

THE grocery and liquor stock of Ed. Brown, at Peterboro', has been purchased by Mr. W. J. Hall. The groceries sold at 70c. on the dollar, the liquors at 80c., and the book debts for \$400.

CURSED be fire-bugs. McDonald, who was convicted of fire-raising at Blenheim, has been sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary. Half a dozen incendiaries have been sent to penitentiary lately in Canada, and all for long terms. We are well rid of them.

THE land sales of the Canadian North-West Lands Company are steadily increasing, and a good feature about these transactions is that cash is paid down by purchasers. The sales from January 1st to April 30th were 4,785 acres for \$26,000, a large increase as compared with last year.

THE failure of another country harness maker is reported in Quebec province this week. Emile Briere, of Weedon Station, owes just about \$1,000, and is anxious to have his creditors accept 20 per cent. in full of their claims. —O. Desmarais & Co., general store, St. Francois du Lac, Que., have settled their liabilities of \$2,946 at the rate of 40 cents on the dollar.

THE new ministry of the Province of Quebec, Hon. Mr. Taillon, the late Provincial Premier, having accepted office in the Dominion Cabinet, was sworn in on Monday last. The members are: Hon. E. J. Flynn, Prime Minister and Commissioner of Public Works; Hon. Louis Beaubien, Commissioner of Crown Lands; Hon. L. P. Pelletier, Attorney-General; Hon. G. A. Nantel, Commissioner of Agriculture; Hon. T. Chapais, President of the Executive Council; Hon. M. F. Hackett, Provincial Secretary. The Treasurer is Hon. A. W. Atwater of Montreal.

CANADA is capturing some immigrants, though the most of those coming by last week's steamers seem to have gone to the States. Those by the steamship "Labrador" arrived at Montreal on Saturday night. Their destinations were as follows: Montreal, 28; Ontario, 11; Manitoba, North-West Territories and British Columbia, 53; United States, 105; total, 197. The "Numidian's" passengers arrived in on Sunday evening. The C.P.R. party comprised 81, destined as follows: Ontario, 7; Manitoba and British Columbia, 38; United States, 36.

V. LEMAY, formerly a grain and hay dealer, Montreal, who recently went into saloon-keeping, has arranged to pay off his liabilities of \$7,651 at the rate of 13 cents on the dollar, a remarkable reduction. —Cleophas Rivet, formerly an operative in a Montreal shoe factory, started manufacturing slippers, etc., in a small way, in St. Henri suburbs, two or three years ago. He has now been obliged to assign, owing some \$2,000 to \$3,000. —Charles Blanchard, a Montreal butcher, has abandoned his estate, and owes \$3,260.

A MEETING of the creditors of Wm. Simpson, who has a planing mill on Queen street west, will be held to-day; but as we go to press we cannot learn any particulars.

SEVEN retail grocers, whose premises are in different parts of Montreal, who refuse to comply with the early closing by-law and close their stores at eight o'clock in the evening and keep them shut until five a.m., are accordingly to be tried, or rather the case of one of them, Paul Legard, has been fixed upon as a test case on which the judgment in the others will rest. The outcome will be watched with great interest by Montreal merchants.

THE Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co. has decided to manage the Tadousac Hotel this season, and are spending a considerable sum in improvements thereon. With an improved hotel service will come an improved boat service. With this object in view the company have decided to put the two fast boats, the "Carolina" and "Canada," on the route. One or other will sail daily from Quebec, excepting Sundays.

AN assignment has been made by Stewart & Killackey, roofers, in this city. The former has been in business here many years. —The bailiff is in possession of the premises of John Verner, soda water manufacturer. His trouble is owing to real estate operations, and his assets will be sold to-day. —A Parliament street grocer of the same name is also in trouble. At one time he was in a good position, but he too has been dabbling in real estate, and this, we believe, has caused his assignment.

THERE is some excitement at Verona, on the Kingston & Pembroke Railway, over the fact that the Standard Oil Company's men have struck oil at High Falls, near that village, where they have been boring for some time past. Oil was reached at a depth of about 1,200 feet. The Carleton Place Herald reports that the entire district is rich in this product, and the company has secured possession of the greater portion of it. Arrangements have been made to sink wells at Sharbot Lake and other places in this locality.

RESPECTING a lengthy paragraph in the Montreal Gazette stating that Sherbrooke is to have, by 1st January next, a Brussels carpet factory, to employ 300 hands and to pay out \$75,000 annually in wages, we are told upon enquiry that the same parties as are concerned in this scheme have been trying to get bonuses from St. Henri, in Quebec, and from Brantford and Hamilton, in Ontario. We shall rejoice if Mr. Talbot shall be able to get capitalists to assist him in founding a Brussels carpet industry somewhere in Canada, but it is as well not to be too sanguine in naming dates and illustrating by figures the scope of the proposed works.

A GENERAL dealer at L'Islet, Que., named J. B. Cloutier, is asking his creditors to accept 40 per cent. on liabilities amounting to about \$1,800. It is feared Mr. Cloutier has attempted too many things for his limited means. Besides his store, he has done an undertaking business, run a boarding house, and contracted for lumbermen's supplies. He has been found slow pay for some time past, being a poor collector, and not unfrequently sued. —Jeremie Gobeille, tailor at Waterloo, Que., reported last week as offering 50 cents, has now assigned. —Z. Lacerthe, a country merchant in a small way at Ste. Sophie de Levrard, Que., before reported as insolvent, has been able, lucky fellow, to arrange his liabilities of \$1,900 by paying \$475 in full. —Joseph Giguere, a young man of St. Guillaume, Que., who began in the carriage making line in 1893, on very slight means, is numbered among recent assignments.