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Lamont, another brother, failed in the boot and shoe business at Chatham recently. Is it a family failing?

A "MERCHANDISE Brokers Association" is about to be established in Montreal.

Mr. J. S. Reid, proprietor of a general store at Linwood. Ont., has been missing for some time, and his creditors have taken possession of the stock. It is thought he has gone to the United States. Notwithstanding a former unsuccessful attempt, which terminated unfavorably for his reputation, and the fact that there never was any prospect of his doing a paying trade in that locality, he found creditors willing to set him up again, with the above result.

A LATE failure is that of Chas. E. Kyle, Uxbridge, general store, with liabilities of \$13,000 and assets \$9,600. He offers his creditors 40c, which has been declined. The reason which induces the creditors to determine on closing the concern is that Mr. Kyle has been in business but two and a-half years or thirty months in all, during which time he has gone behind \$3400, or at the rate of a little more than \$100 per month. This has no doubt been considered a rather extravagant price to pay for the luxury of keeping Mr. K. in the trade; and as this particular set of creditors have now supported his family handsomely for two and a-half years they are willing to retire in favor of somebody else.

THERE IS the same mysterious disappearance of assets in the case of the failure of Mr. McGibbon in Montreal, that has attended a good many other bankruptcies. Last year he showed a surplus of over \$120,000; at the first meeting of the creditors this had dwindled down below \$80,000; but now it appears certain that the

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estate will not pay over 50c. His retail grocery transactions reached from \$250,000 to \$300,000 per annum, and this including dealings with the best families in the city. The insolvent cannot explain the losses which he seems to have suffered. He denies speculation; but, there has evidently been an enormous leakage somewhere. The creditors of Wm. McGibbon -whose failure followed that of his brother, being supported by him-met on the 9th. It appeared at the meeting, that William had lost \$50,000 in two years, and no account could be given as to where the money had gone. There is a suspicious air of mystery about these failures which it is not easy to penetrate. It is more than possible that if the Bankrupt Act provided for the discharge of no debtor who did not pay ten shillings in the pound, some of these settlements would be much more favourable. As usual, we hear that the book-keeping of those firms was of the loosest kind. No profit and loss account seems to have been kept; no stock account either; and cash was taken as it was wanted, without any proper account being made of it.

OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

PETROLIA, June 2nd, 1873.

The Crude Oil Association ended on 1st June, so it is at an end, and whether another will be formed to meet the views of all is a question. A great many producers are of opinion that such a combination is not required amongst crude producers, as the failure in the supply must work its own cure. The Refiners' Association appears stronger than ever, and the crude men must benefit by it, as owing to its provisions the producer will be able to sell his

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oil at a much higher rate. There have been no new wells got this week, and the production is not up to the demand and does not exceed 8000 barrels per week. The shipments from May 16 to May 22, both inclusive, are as follows:

 Crude
 10,540 brls.

 Refined
 273 "

 Distillate
 2,260 "

Total from I July, '72, to date 347,948 ' " refined 12,249 ' " distillate 83,573 ''

The last week's shipments amounted to over 13,000 barrels of oil, and its production is the largest for some time, and nearly double our present supply. Business better in all its branches, and more enquiry for development lands, held firmer but no sales to quote. Crude, \$1.25 to 1.30; Refined, 26c to 28c per gallon.

Petrolia, June 10, 1873.

The Crude Oil Assoction have again resumed but under rather a different basis. Instead of being united with the Refiners Association they propose to sell to refiners, crude at prices for home consumption that will allow them a good margin, and to export firms the price will be the highest offer, of course guided by the New York markets.

No new wells to quote: The Moncalvo has been cleaned out and now pumps well again being fully up to fifty barrels per day. The production is between eight and ten thousand brls. per week, the demand being greatly in excess of that. Refiners generally fixing up for fall operations, and as all oil is now in the hands of the association a good trade for them must open shortly. Prices are about the same: with refiners 28c. is quoted by the car load; crude \$1 to 1.25 per barrel.

A railroad from the Southern at Oil Springs to Petrolia is in contemplation, this will bring Oil Springs within easy access and enable deuelopers to try again that once favored locality. Wells are being drilled between this and Oil Springs, and there success is looked for with much anxiety.