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Mercantile Summary.

UPON demand, an assignment has been made by Savage & Co., hotelkeepers, Montreal. Liabilities are scheduled at \$3,350.

A DEMAND of assignment has been made upon Mrs. Henri Dubois, Montreal, as tutrix to the estate of her husband, formerly saloonkeeper, but now interdicted as of unsound mind, and confined in Longue Pointe Asylum.

FOUR years ago, J. A. Raymond, of Plantagenet, Ont., left a farm and took up business in the tailoring line. His assignment is now reported, and he is said to show assets of about \$1,700, as against liabilities of \$2,300. He is said to wish that he had stuck to the farm.

JOSEPH and Eugene Leclere, of Montreal, formerly shoe travellers, started in business for themselves in 1901, as boot and shoe jobbers in a moderate way, under the style of Leclere Freres, but have not proved successful, and they have assigned owing \$9,600. An element of tragedy attaches to the failure, as Eugene Leclere died in the hospital on the very day that the assignment was made.

THE bush surrounding the village of Edrans, in Manitoba, last week caught fire, and a terrible conflagration was the result. The village proper was saved by heroic efforts, but vast quantities of standing timber and cut cordwood were consumed. Messrs. J. and C. Bredin are the losers of probably \$100,000 worth.

THE assignment is noted of Gillies & Patterson, doing business in Montreal as manufacturers' agents and jobbers in paper and stationery. The firm dates back three or four years, and Mr. Gillies was formerly of Boyd, Gillies & Co., wholesale stationers, Montreal, who proved unsuccessful. They owe about \$4,700, and are said to show assets of only \$650.

A DEMAND of assignment has been made by J. M. Garland & Son, of Ottawa, upon L. Diotte, of Joynt, Que., who has carried on a small store business for the past six years, besides doing general teaming for several Ottawa lumbering firms. He is said to owe about \$2,500, with assets nominally of same figure. Consent to assign has been filed by Alfred Bacon, sash and door manufacturer, of St. Thecle, as the result of three small judgments appearing against him recently.

THE city of Sydney, C.B., and the Nova Scotia Legislature are negotiating with the Dominion Iron & Steel Company for the establishment by the latter of a large shipbuilding plant at that place. While not probable immediately, it is likely that something will come or the matter. The Nova Scotia Government have offered a bonus of \$100,000 for the erection of a shipbuilding plant either at Halifax or at Sydney, while the latter city has already voted a bonus of \$250,000 in an open offer.

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