

ON Saturday last, at a linen-making town in Ireland, 200 police charged the mob with fixed bayonets. The police were beaten back and twenty injured. The rival mobs fired at each other with rifles.

A MEETING of salt producers was held on Monday last in Clinton, and the Association of Salt Manufacturers broken up—some of the members having broken their agreement by selling under rates agreed on.

THE sugar refinery of David Martineau & Sons, London, England, was burned on Monday. Damage, £100,000.

MR. MULCAHEY, an Orillia merchant who was burned out at the recent fire in that village, will build a handsome brick block to replace his burned premises.

THE cost of the electric light at the Madison Square Gardens, New York, was \$57 for a week, against a former bill for gas of \$60 per night.

MR. JAMES MCHENRY, well known in British and American railway circles, has failed for a heavy amount; his assets are stated at £1,000,000.

MR. JOSEPH SHEHYN, M.P.P., has tendered his resignation to the Government as a member of the Quebec Harbour Commission.

THE deaths in Toronto for the first six months of this year numbered 719, and the births 1,324. For the same period last year the deaths were 679, and the births 1,345. The marriages numbered 371 against 368.

It is reported that the South Eastern R. R. Co., is negotiating for a lease of the Montreal, Portland and Boston road, which is at present under control of the Passumpsic road. A change in this direction would probably be advantageous to Canadian interests. The new branch of the Montreal, Portland & Boston road to the Longueuil wharf is completed, and trains are expected to commence running on Monday. Passengers and freight will be conveyed across the river to and from Montreal by ferry.

A CLOCK is about the only thing in the world which manages to go on all the better when its affairs are wound up. There are some men, however, who seem to have very carefully studied this peculiarity of the clock, and transferred it to some extent to their own business arrangements. They have a happy faculty of being worth nothing when their creditors become clamorous and demand a settlement, but the very moment their affairs are wound up away they go, cheerfully as ever, on tick, on tick, on tick. —N. Y. Herald.

ABOUT 420 tons of manganese was loaded for Liverpool, in the ship "Marquis of Lorne," at St. John N. B.

THE creditors of Mr. Wm. Rodden met the other day in Montreal, and Messrs. W. Clendinning, F. E. Gilman and George Sumner were appointed inspectors of the estate, when an offer of 50c. in the dollar was submitted. The liabilities will amount to probably \$100,000.

THE feeling has now become general in the

timber trade, says a recent Liverpool circular, that we have seen the lowest prices, and the falling off in the supplies, which amounts to 32,997 tons, as compared with 1878, and 80,242 tons as compared with 1877, will do more than anything else to strengthen the British market; prices of some articles have already become steadier, with a moderate demand.

SINCE last week the principal item of interest in Montreal financial circles has been the resignation of Mr. Angus, General Manager of the Bank of Montreal. The announcement of course caused rumors on the street, and Bank of Montreal stock was knocked down to 125½ on Friday last, but has since been stronger, though irregular, and was to-day advanced to 130½. There was not enough investment, however, to hold it at this point, and it fell off to 129½. Other bank stocks rose and fell in sympathy with Montreal, and there has been no particular feature of interest during the week except that Molsons is 6½ higher than a week ago. The money market keeps steady with a rather better demand for accommodation.

ESTIMATES from the different settlements of Manitoba, says the *Free Press*, make the average yield of wheat 30, barley 40, and oats 60 bushels to the acre. The area sown this year is fifty per cent. greater than any previous year. The harvest is about half through, and crops are garnered in excellent condition, the weather having been most favorable.

CONSTRUCTION trains are now running on the Lake St. John Railway as far as Connolly's mills, on the River Jacques Cartier, seventeen miles from Quebec. The piers for the iron bridge over the river are also being built, and the contractor has commenced building at the Palais a number of cars for the road.

A JOINT stock company with a capital of \$100,000, for the manufacture of window glass, is proposed to be begun at Napanee by Mr. Davis, of St. John, N. B. It will employ from 200 to 300 hands when in full operation. The Council was interviewed, with the object of getting a bonus from the town, and have appointed a committee to discuss the matter.

A FAILURE of some importance among the dry goods retailers in Brantford is that of Mr. William McIntosh; his liabilities are large and his heaviest creditors are in Montreal. The stock is being offered for sale at auction.

CROFTS & Co., dry goods dealers, Chatham, who lately assigned with liabilities of \$6,000, are now asking a compromise at 65 cents in the \$. The assets are \$8,900, of which stock and book debts amount to \$7,700.

A ST. CATHARINES shoe dealer, Mr. James Reilly, got into difficulty recently; feeling unable to pay in full, we understand he has succeeded in carrying a compromise at forty cents in the dollar, and resumes business.

Although Yonge street is popularly supposed to be a subliminary paradise for retail merchants, especially shoe dealers, of whom that thoroughfare has a large sprinkling, Messrs. W. West & Co. have not escaped the difficulties which

heavy expenses and restricted business bring about. A week or two ago they negotiated for a compromise, and have effected one at 60 cents in the \$. Their stock of foot ware is varied and their creditors not few.

THE *Pall Mall Gazette* notes a more cheerful feeling and other signs of improvement in the iron trade in Great Britain.

THE shipments of dairy produce from Montreal to Great Britain for last week are stated by the *Gazette* at 14,069 boxes of cheese and 3,318 packages of butter, as compared with the previous week's shipment of 14,529 boxes of cheese and 2,819 packages of butter, thus:—

| | pkgs. | Cheese boxes |
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| Per S. S. Moravian for Liverpool | 2,762 | 4,655 |
| " Scandinavian do do..... | 105 | 1,582 |
| " Texas, do do..... | | 5,300 |
| " Lake Nepigon, do do..... | | 732 |
| " Canadian do do..... | 450 | 1,800 |
| Total | 3,318 | 14,069 |

A WEEK'S notice of five per cent. reduction has been posted in most of the cotton mills at Staleybridge, Eng., where 200,000 spindles are running on short time, 200,000 stopped and 636,000 are working full time. A more general adoption of the short time system is expected this winter. In Ashton-under-Lyne, 425,000 spindles are stopped, and 200,000 working short time.

LEO HARBURGER & Co., Montreal, offer their creditors 10c. in the dollar partly secured. A meeting of the creditors of H. Beattie & Co. another of the firms in which the Consolidated Bank is interested, was held on 20th; an offer of 10c. cash was made; the necessary number of creditors voted to accept the offer, but their claims were not of the required amount, consequently no decision was arrived at and the meeting was adjourned to the 27th inst. The insolvents' direct liabilities are \$120,600, indirect \$65,700; privileged claims \$1,177. The assets show: stock \$23,000; good debts \$10,000; bad and doubtful debts \$78,000; a fair sample of reckless trading.

At a meeting of the creditors of D. McInnes & Co., of Hamilton and Montreal, held in the latter city on the 19th inst., an offer of 45c. cash was made and favorably entertained by the creditors present, and a deed of composition and discharge on this basis is being prepared for signature. Direct claims \$390,000, with assets \$286,000; indirect claims \$580,000.

ERNEST KRAFT, for years a well known harness dealer in Hamilton, and at one time considered a good mark, is offering a compromise. Davis and Son, painters, Toronto, call a meeting of their creditors. James L. Russell, retail dry goods, Port Hope, has been served with a writ of attachment. Ewen McLachlan, general store, Lancaster, is attached. G. and T. Pocock, builders, St. Catharines, held a meeting of their creditors on Monday last. G. R. Lantier, general dealer, Hull, has made an assignment. Other general dealers in trouble are John W. McGuire, Onslow, and Jules Drapeau & Co., Rimouski, who have assigned; A. Bisailon, St. Remi, general store; Solomon J. Strong, and