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**Mercantile Summary.**

THE printing plant of the Windsor  
"Review" was destroyed by fire early  
this week. Loss, \$3,500.

WE regret to hear of the death of L.  
J. Marien, superintendent of the Water  
Department, Montreal.

JARVIS & FRAID, a Montreal hotel  
firm, only in existence since last spring,  
have assigned on demand, showing lia-  
bilities of \$7,400.

THE Chicago & Grand Trunk Railroad  
was sold at Port Huron, Mich., under  
first mortgage foreclosure proceedings,  
brought by the Mercantile Trust Com-  
pany, of New York, in accordance with  
the decree of the United States district  
court. Mr. Charles M. Hays, general  
manager of the Grand Trunk Railway,  
and Mr. E. Meddaugh, of Detroit, re-  
presenting the stockholders of the road,  
were the only bidders, the line being  
sold to them for \$5,708,701.04, of which  
amount \$5,437,000 represented the mort-  
gages, and \$271,701.04, the interest. Ar-  
rangements will be made at once for the  
transfer of the road in Indiana, Michi-  
gan and Illinois.

A VOLUNTARY assignment has been  
made by C. Charron & Co., of Montreal,  
manufacturers of slippers, etc., in a  
small way. The business of late had been  
carried on in the name of Mrs. Charron  
and J. B. Gagnon, as Mr. Charron was  
unfortunate in business in 1899, owing  
to complications with the suspended  
Ville Marie Bank.—W. J. Duval, a  
cap manufacturer, of the same city, is  
arranging a compromise at 25 cents on  
the dollar. In January last he claimed  
a surplus of some \$5,000.—Assign-  
ments have been made, on demand, by  
L. Dionne, butcher, and J. C. Hogue,  
contractor, owing respectively \$4,300  
and \$1,700.—J. R. Leblanc, hardware  
dealer, Montreal, lately reported as try-  
ing to compromise at 40 cents, has now  
assigned on demand, and owes \$3,100.

THIS week, representatives of Ottawa  
City Council and Board of Trade held  
a conference in Montreal with the Fire  
Appliance Committee of the Canadian  
Underwriters' Association, with a view  
to securing a reduction of insurance  
rates. The latter took absolute ground  
on the lumber piling question, and said  
so long as it was permitted, the section  
affected by it must be discriminated  
against. The Ottawa representatives  
tried to convince them that the risk was  
not so hazardous as supposed, but they  
were not open to conviction. As re-  
gards the fire appliances, the under-  
writers were not satisfied, and thought  
there should be at least two more fire  
engines and two chemical engines. No  
fault was found with the number of  
men on the force, and the references to  
Chief Prevost were most complimentary.  
The leak in the supply pipes was men-  
tioned, and the underwriters did not  
think that increased pumping facilities  
would be sufficient owing to the small  
mains. They were also dissatisfied about  
the building by-laws.

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ings, Toronto, on

**Tuesday, 11th Day of Dec., A. D. 1900**

At the hour of 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose  
of considering and, if thought fit, of approving  
an agreement between the said bank and the  
Bank of British Columbia for the sale and pur-  
chase of the whole of the assets of the Bank  
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By order of the board of directors,  
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