Mercantile Summary.

DEALS are now shipped from St. John, N.B., to Bordeaux for 52 francs, and to England for 37s. 6d.

THE Ferris wheel, so conspicuous at the World's Columbian Exposition, has been re-erected in the northern part of Chicago, not far from Lake Michigan.

MESSRS. DOUPE & Co. have disposed of their dry goods business in Aylmer, Ont., to Messrs. Ballantyne & Barber. Stock taking is now going on, and the new firm will shortly open up for business.

A SHIPMENT of 500 tons of light steel rails was recently made to Japan from the Bay View, Wis., works of the Illinois Steel Co. The rails were sent by lake to Buffalo, there transferred to the cars for New York and then loaded on a steamer for Japan.

OWING to the scarcity of heavy rain in New Brunswick about 3,000,000 of lumber is said to be hung up chiefly on the banks of Salmon river, Coal creek and the Gaspereaux. The stranded logs are owned by Messrs. G. & W. King, Hugh McLean, Porter and others.

A MEETING of the creditors of Henry Arland was held in Toronto. No offer was made by the insolvent, and it was decided to sell the stock.——The creditors of Messrs. Parsons & Smith, dealers in glass, oils, etc., Ottawa, have accepted an offer from Mrs. Parsons of 40 cents on the dollar above all expenses of the liquidation.

THE stock of the Canadian Grocery Company, Hamilton, the proprietor of which disappeared some days ago, was sold by auction last week to Mr. J. Springer, grocer, Toronto, at 60¾ cents on the dollar. He will ship the goods to this city The company's liabilities are over $4,000, and the creditors will not get 50 per cent. of their claims.

MR. F. A. WINTER, of Sydney, New South Wales, writes to Mr. Larke, the Canadian agent in that part of Australia, that he saw Canadian cranberry pippin apples sold at retail in Sydney for three pence (six cents) each. These were of the experimental lots sent out per "Warrimoo" last December by Mr. Woolverton, of Grimsby, and Mr. Cline, of Winona. This variety and the Baldwins had kept best; the Kings and Northern Spies were mostly unmarketable. Apples should be in ventilated barrels for such long journeys, and should be kept in a cool place.

THE assignment is announced of J. & R. Craig, a leading firm of Ottawa tailors, who have been in business some twenty years. A too liberal policy in the matter of credits is assigned as the cause of their collapse. Their liabilities are placed in the neighborhood of $10,000.

MR. J. B. COYLE, president of the International Steamship Company, is anxious to make better terms with the city of St. John, N.B. He pointed out to Mayor Robertson that it was hardly fair to charge the company's steamers on every trip the same harbor dues that are imposed on tramp steamers coming there perhaps only once in a year. He did not object to wharfage fees levied on the company.

NUMBERED among the insolvents of the week are Trahan & Co., general merchants, at Nicolet, Que. Mr Trahan is one of the oldest merchants in the place, and has in the past done a large trade, but his business career shows a marked lack of success. He is reported to have been in difficulties on four former occasions, namely, in 1874, 1876, 1884 and 1889, but has always resumed business in some shape or other. In the present instance the liabilities are put at about $7,000; we have not heard the amount of assets shown.

A MEETING of subscribers to the share list of the Western Ontario Trusts Company (limited) was held in London last week, when the chairman, Mr. George C. Gibbons, stated that the stock books showed that $427,000 capital had been subscribed. The following provisional directors were appointed, namely: Messrs. Geo. C. Gibbons, Q.C., John Labatt, John McClary, T. H. Smallman, T. G. Meredith, Robert W. Puddicombe, J W. Little, D. Regan, Geo. B. Harris and M. D. Fraser, London; John Idington, Q.C., Stratford; John McLean, St. Thomas; Robert Fox, Lucan; J. T. Garrow, Q.C., M.P.P., Goderich; Geo Moncreiff, Q.C., Petrolea; Charles McKenzie, Sarnia; W. H. Bowlby, Q.C., Berlin, and J. H. Nellis, Woodstock. The solicitors, Messrs. Fraser & Fraser, were instructed to proceed with the incorporation of the company as speedily as possible.