

Bevil Granville & Co., opened a grocery warehouse on Front St. in this city, and set about buying goods on 30 days in Toronto and Hamilton. Mr. Albert J. Granville, "a je ne sais quoi young man," was the resident agent, and he stated that Mr. Bevil Granville of Madison, Ind., was the sole partner. Naturally, the mercantile agencies were applied to for information about the enterprising strangers, and through their American offices in Cincinnati, Chicago and elsewhere, it was learned that Bevil had left Fort Wayne, Ind. without paying his bills, where he was doing a grocery trade as 'J. W. Gerrish & Co.' that he had been a sauce maker in Chicago, and that he had pretended to receive, in November last, a legacy "from England" of £1,900 stg. out of which, clever fellow that he was, he "sent \$10,000 to his brother Albert to open a house in Toronto". The game here was to buy goods on 30 days and sell them at less than cost for prompt cash and then clear out; but they could not get credit enough, thanks to the recorded knowledge of their antecedents, to make much of a haul. They cleared out on New Year's Eve.

In London Ont. Messrs. Heath & Finemore, extensive grain dealers have dissolved. In future the business will be carried on by A. Finemore & Co. Messrs. Pavay, McAuley & Co., wholesale woollens etc. dissolved, the latter retires. The style will now be changed to A. E. Pavay & Co. Messrs. Wright and Glass, stock-brokers have also dissolved, Mr. Glass retiring from the firm. Messrs Sutherland & Co. auctioneers in this city have disposed of the good will of their business to Mr. Peter Ryan, Possession to be given on the 1st. proximo.

DAVELNY & MCGEE, a firm who started a spool factory in the vicinity of Yamachiche, Quebec, a year ago the past Autumn, are in hot water, and have written their creditors that they had better look after their interests. It would appear that there has been a want of harmony between the partners for some time, each attaching the business premises, and trying to hold the fort against the other.

—Owing to the disastrous character of Fire Underwriting in Canada during the past year the insurance companies have been compelled to take a sensible view of the question of rates, and will probably now act in accordance with their convictions. A minimum tariff will, we understand, be adopted in a few days in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. So far as this Province is concerned we may say that arrangements are already completed for carrying out this arrangement. When everything is perfected we hope that the companies will carry out the programme in good faith with each other.

—Mr. Arthur Wickson, who has been manager in Chicago of the Merchants Bank, is now appointed inspector of that bank. He is succeeded by Mr. J. S. Meredith, late manager at Galt, whose successor is Mr. G. V. Greenhill.

—The Council of the St. John Board of Trade has decided to assist the movement now in progress in the Upper Provinces—to have the

Stamp Act repealed, as far as it applies to stamps upon commercial paper.

### THE FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO.—Woodford, Dec. 28.—Jno. Lemon's stable burnt, loss, \$500; no insurance.—Louisville, 29.—D. Bedford's store with telegraph office; no insurance on building, contents partly covered in Sovereign.—Ingersoll, 29.—Sutherland & Higgin's carriage factory, Campbell & Ross' pump factory, D. Kerr's dwelling house burnt; Mrs Dyke loses \$600, no insurance; Sutherland & Higgins, \$2,400; in British America for \$1,000; Angus Sutherland insured for \$100, others, no insurance.—Napanee, 30.—Arthur Toomey's office destroyed; loss about \$2,000; no insurance.—Ottawa, Jan. 2nd, 1882.—James Martin's house destroyed, loss, \$500; not insured.—Wellandport, 3rd.—About eighteen buildings, comprising an hotel, several stores, barns, etc., burnt. Losses as follows: Wm. Zink, \$1,000; A. McKeague, \$2,000; Jos. Durham, \$200; D. C. Holmes, \$2,500; mostly insured.—Kingsville, 3.—E. R. Shipley's house burnt; loss, \$2,500; insurance, \$1,300 in Standard; supposed incendiary.—Cobocok, 3.—University Hotel, (W. J. Chirham) burnt; loss on furniture and stock, \$2,000, no insurance; loss on house \$3,000, insured.

OTHER PROVINCES.—New Glasgow, N. S., Dec. 29.—Caffrey & Nelson's Foundry burnt, loss, \$13,000; insurance, \$6,000. The firm will rebuild immediately.—Truro, N.S., January 3.—Geo. McLeod's dwelling burnt; insured in North British & Mercantile.—Montreal, 2.—Michael Lefebvre & Co.'s vinegar factory burnt; loss between \$6,000 and \$7,000, insurance, \$32,000.

—There are 194 drummers in the army. None of them pay a license.—New Orleans *Picayune*.

—"Another lie nailed," as the wag remarked when the merchant tacked up a sign, "At cost."—Rochester *Express*.

—A bill presented is like a task completed, because it is done.—*Wit and Wisdom*.

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