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## Mercantile Summary.

LAST month we noted that P. A. Ferguson, who kept a general store at Mattawa, was endeavoring to arrange a compromise. Failing in doing so he this week assigns.

THERE has been more than the usual number of cattle shipped westward this season. The Winnipeg Free Press says that over 100 carloads of young cattle have been sent to western ranches.

OWING to a succession of bad crops in his district, S. G. Marling, general storekeeper at Pense, Man., has been unable to collect his debts. Now creditors write off 50 per cent. for him. This will give him a small surplus.

J. R. KIRK, according to the Cornwall Standard, has disposed of his stock-in-trade at Avonmore to J. H. Wert, of that village, and intends to devote his time wholly to the lumbering business here and his other business in Finch.

J. ALEXANDER & Co., general merchants at Richmond, Que., lately reported insolvent, will be wound up. The stock has been sold at 58½ cents. The stock of W. H. Dubrule, tailor, in the same town, has also been sold by the curator at 54 cents.

LAST week the steamer "Warwick," of the Donaldson line, took on board at St. John, N.B., took on board about 316 cattle, 650 sheep and four carloads of horses, all for England. The "Lake Ontario," of the Beaver line, took on board 386 head of cattle and 38 horses at the same port.

It was generally believed that the prices of horses were low in Canada, but the breeders who shipped good horses to the spring sale in this city last week were hardly prepared to accept the rates offered. While a good many animals changed owners, some of the more valuable ones were withdrawn.

WE hear of the assignment of Nicholas Robson, who has been in the grocery and crockery business at Clinton since 1887. Only last month he claimed to have assets of \$4,500, while his liabilities were less than one-fourth of this sum. It will now be in order for him to explain how this deficit arose in less than three weeks.

MESSRS. O'HARA & Co. tendered successfully for \$16,000 Essex County debentures issued for the purpose of improving the jail and court house of that county. The premium paid thereon was \$475.55. This firm also bought \$45,000 Ottawa city debentures, bearing 4½ per cent. interest, and having thirty-seven years to run. A considerable premium was paid for this lot.

THERE were only two competitors for the property and franchise of the Victoria Electric Railway and Lighting Co. They were F. S. Barnard, M.P., of the Consolidated Electric Railway and Lighting Company of Vancouver, and Mr. C. A. Holland, of the British Columbia Land and Investment Agency, representing the bondholders, who ordered the sale. Mr. Barnard secured the property, bidding \$340,000. Mr. Holland's bid was \$5,000 less.

IN Toronto, in the good times of 1888, John Carter opened a grocery store, and apparently prospered for some years. But lately he has granted credit too freely, perhaps because as a matter of fact he could not get the cash. Now he finds it impossible to meet his bills, and is therefore obliged to assign.—Last week we noted the difficulties of Steele Bros., tobacco-nists here. Now we hear that their creditors have been very kindly disposed, and have written off 70 per cent. of their claims.

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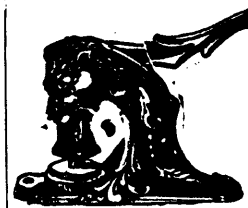
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