

ing the action of his creditors. He owes upwards of \$25,000.

THE past week has been very fatal for Canadian traders. We note 8 assignments, 2 of them among general dealers; 4 suspensions all by grocers; 4 traders in New Brunswick have failed. Twenty five attachments are announced, out of which 9 are general store people. Mr. Joseph Hunt, grocer, Guelph, and Mr. D. McIntyre, shoes, Mitchell, have obtained an extension, and Mr. James Watt, of Fergus, grocer, meets his creditors. No less than 10 people have sold out within the week and 5 given up business; out of these 15 there are 6 hotel-keepers, but no general dealer appears in the list to lessen the too numerous array of country stores. There are six dissolutions; among them those of Messrs. Henderson, Lowe & Co., milliners, Toronto; Rae, Burns & Murphy, Widder Station; Hurst & Ferguson, Stratford. Messrs. J. C. Macklin & Co., of Guelph, have removed to Brantford.

THE number of suits that have been entered against Messrs J. Sternberg & Co., manufacturers of caps in Montreal for some time, was a sure signal that the end was not far distant; but the recent admittance of a new partner with capital, would it was thought tide them over. The foundation was wanting however, and even with this assistance the result has been a most disastrous failure. The liabilities will reach \$50,000, and five cents in the dollar is what is predicted as the dividend.

THE city of Quebec, which has withstood the depression for three or four years past, would seem from the number of failures reported there during the past fortnight, to be at length feeling the pressure. Several important houses have come to disaster, the most prominent of which is the wholesale grocery house of M. G. Mountain, who has been a well known merchant there for over thirty years. Some years ago Mr. Mountain was in financial distress, and effected an easy settlement. Of late he has made considerable losses. His liabilities are placed at about \$100,000, though positive figures are not yet obtainable.

ALPHONSE DION, who has been in the grocery business in Quebec for upwards of 18 or 20 years is in financial difficulty, brought about by bad debts and heavy expenses, and has suspended payment. Condition of affairs not known, but liabilities will amount to about \$25,000.

THE late mild winter, which has been so unfavorable to the interests of the retail furriers, must be equally felt by the wholesale fur trade who have had to shoulder heavy losses or carry over many customers. Messrs. John Martin & Co., of Montreal, dealers in raw furs, are somewhat pressed to meet their engagements, and are endeavouring to effect an arrangement with English creditors. It is thought, with an extension of time, they will be able to work through, not owing much over \$10,000.

ON Wednesday last, the creditors of the banking & broking firm of Messrs. Almon & Macintosh, assembled in Halifax, to discuss the causes of that firm's unlooked for suspen-

sion. A statement by the firm gave the direct liabilities at \$191,000, with assets of \$248,000, showing \$57,000 of a surplus to place against indirect obligations stated at \$300,000. Such a favorable showing was scarcely anticipated, when the firm announced its stoppage, and the many wonder why its doors were closed. Their locked-up assets were, however, considerable, and the failures in the city during the present year had been productive of loss to them. The estate is to be put into liquidation under trustees, who are Mr. MacLean, the president of the Bank of N. S., and Messrs. Jack & Stirling, cashiers respectively of the Peoples and the Union Banks. The members of the firm will conduct the business in liquidation, but contract no fresh liability.

THE suit of the Globe Mutual Life Insurance Company, against the Sun Life Company of Montreal, has been settled, as we learn from the press despatches of this morning.

—“The chief end of man—Divid-end.”—N. Y. *Commercial*. “Just the place for gamblers—the Faroe Islands.”—*Detroit Free Press*. A man with a trade dollar feels as if he had a new moon in his pocket.”—N. Y., *Herald*. A commercial advertisement for ‘a man to travel,’ was answered by a tramp. He said he was used to the business.”—*London Tiser*. “‘Boys, don’t leave the farm.’ No, boys; just take the farm right along with you when you go anywhere. you will find it handy if you fail to get a situation in the city, as you probably will.”—[*Cincinnati Saturday Night*.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

3.15 o'clock, March 20, 1878.

Stocks.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transactions in Week.	Buyers.	Sellers.
Montreal.....	159½	162½	£26	16½	16½
Ontario.....	91	94	206	92	92½
Consolidated.....	77	79	23	77	78½
Peoples.....	79½	105	78	80	
Molson & Co.....			90½		
Toronto.....	136	140	14	135	
Jacques Cartier.....	45	49	232	46½	50
Merchants.....	60	64	229½	63½	64
Commerce.....	114½	115½	356	115½	115½
Metropolitan.....					
Maritime.....					
Exchange.....				74	
Hamilton.....					
Union.....					
Mon. Tel.....	120½	123	177	12½	122½
Dominion Telegra.....			83½		
Gas.....				117	149
City Pass.....		87½	100	87½	90
R. C. Insurance.....				82	81
Sterling Exchange.....	109½	109½		109½	109½
Gold.....	101	101		101	101½
Richeieu & Ont. Nav.....	53½	54½	45	53½	53½

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