

SEVERAL changes have taken place in the tailoring business of W. W. Larmour, of this city. The firm originally was Walker & Larmour, then Johnston & Larmour. Last February the former died, and the latter assumed the liabilities and undertook to pay the heirs their share in the estate. This has evidently crippled him, and now he assigns.—In February, 1891, A. E. Vennor bought the Toronto tobacco business of W. A. Thorpe, paying him \$500 and assuming his trade liabilities. Lately he has found it difficult to make his expenses, and now assigns.

FIVE years ago Thomas Price succeeded F. W. Beck in the furniture business at Delhi, but it is evident that he did not possess the elements of success, and those who best know him will not be surprised to hear that he wants to compromise his debts.—M. Gates migrated from Philadelphia to Woodstock in the fall of 1889 with about \$3,000 worth of machinery, and began the manufacture of carpets. For some time he made fair progress, but in April last moved to St. Catharines and joined one Syer under the style of Gates & Syer. The latter was not able to carry out his agreement, and so one Gardner took his place. Then the style was changed to Gates & Gardner. The firm now assigns.

FOURTEEN years ago the Hamilton Bridge Co., of Hamilton, was formed with a capital stock of \$100,000, of which \$60,000 was paid, and it purchased the assets of the Hamilton Tool Co., which had failed. They did a good business for some years, but met with some losses, and the concern was not always worked amicably. Finally a writ for \$10,000 was issued by Mr. A. T. Wood, one of the directors, who had endorsed the company's paper to that amount. This resulted in an open disagreement among the shareholders; consequently the assignment, which was made a few days ago, will not be a surprise. It now looks, we regret to say, as if the company would be wound up.

JEAN PLAMONDON, a shoe manufacturer of Quebec, involved through the recent failure of Noel & Co., hardware dealers, has assigned to the court, and a meeting of creditors is called for the 30th inst. His direct liabilities are \$10,840, mortgages \$7,500, indirect \$4,700.—Upon the demand of a Montreal house, an assignment has been made by J. A. Hamel, Quebec, physician and dealer in drugs. The liabilities are \$2,100, of which \$825 are privileged.—A. A. Cantin, an extensive grocer in St.

Roch's suburb, Quebec, is in embarrassed circumstances, owing to heavy recent losses, and will ask an extension. He claims he can show a surplus of some \$20,000. Mr. Cantin has always been an ambitious trader, and got into trouble seven years ago, when he compromised at 60 cents.

A MOST unexpected suspension in the Montreal dry goods trade is that of Jeremie Perrault & Co., now about the oldest retail concern in the city and without a previous unfavorable break in its record. Mr. Perrault has always stood very highly personally, has occupied a seat on the city finance committee, and has always been considered to be in easy shape, though trade has been largely diverted from his locality, and it was not believed that he had been making money of late years. It would now appear, however, that a sort of dry rot has been present in his affairs for some time past; his real estate is found to be heavily mortgaged, and among

his assets is a large item of book accounts carried along for the past twenty years, many of them. His liabilities will aggregate about \$63,000, some \$20,000 to \$25,000 being due, it is said, to a bank, which discounted his own notes.

CELIA HODGE, grocer, etc., at Wallaceburg, finds after a year and a half's experience that she has not improved her financial position, and now assigns.—C. F. Weir and W. F. Fair, both grocers at Port Stanley, have also assigned. The former was burnt out in January, 1892. In May last year he bought the stock of Wm. Berry and was supposed to be making progress, but we fear that granting credit too freely has brought about his trouble. The latter succeeded McQueen Bros. in May last, but had no experience, and in a short time was obliged to mortgage his chattels for \$900, hence the difficulty.—Nearly one year ago James Fyfe failed in Barrie as a dry goods dealer, with liabilities of \$21,500. His wife afterward, with the assistance of a wholesale firm, bought the stock, giving security of \$4,000 in the shape of a chattel mortgage, which is now being foreclosed.

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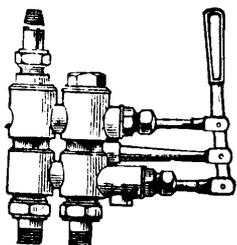
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