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Toronto, Nov. 1, 1875.**

MR. WM. KIRWIN, the well known proprietor of the Albion Hotel, Quebec, has made an assignment.

A NEW coal mine has been discovered on the New Brunswick side of the Bay of Fundy twenty-six miles from St. John. For years this deposit has been known to exist, but it is only recently that anything has been done towards working the mine.

HEAVY penalties have been inflicted on parties in Yarmouth for smuggling oil from Boston. A schooner called the *Gladiator* has been confiscated and judgment rendered against the parties concerned, making the aggregate loss \$6,000.

A YOUNG firm of general merchants in Portage du Fort Messrs. Murphy & Bourke have been put into insolvency by one of their Montreal creditors. They began business nearly two years ago with very fair prospects and for a time seemed to prosper, but the dullness of the lumber trade on which so much is depending in this district, and the great difficulty of collections brought about their suspension.

THE death is announced at St. Thomas of Mr. Edward Ermatinger in his eightieth year. The deceased gentleman was successively manager of the Upper Canada, Commercial and Montreal Banks, and afterward president of the Bank of the County of Elgin while it existed.

THE Quebec street railway has carried up to date 14,000 passengers less than in same time last year. The Montreal City Passenger Co. announce a decrease of half a million in the number carried this year. Nevertheless the Company declared at their annual meeting, last week, a dividend of nine per cent., and still have a balance of \$9,000 on hand. The capital stock is to be doubled, and offered share for share to stockholders on 1st prox.

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WE are occasionally and sometimes unpleasantly reminded that the good folks across the ocean are far from perfect in their knowledge of our geography. And so long as their mistakes 'please them and don't hurt us' we can smile and wait. But here is a Canadian writing from England about a matter which seemingly hurts his feelings, as he alleges it does our repute. Canned fruits, fish &c., sent to Europe from Canada are insufficiently labelled; says this gentleman: "I have seen lobster tins labelled Halifax, N. S. These things are sent into inland towns and villages both in England and the continent. Now not one in a hundred would know any more about where Halifax, N. S., was than if it was in the moon, except that it is always supposed that such things come from the United States, and they get all the credit. Every package should be stamped Dominion of Canada."

It is gratifying to hear that Almonte, which suffered extensively from fire not long ago, is taking prompt steps in the way of reconstructing her burned district. Several shops and factories are under construction, and the Almonte furniture Co. which has just been granted by the municipality a bonus of \$10,000 towards setting their business once more in motion, and by a resident a free site, are about to rebuild their factory in a substantial manner.

A COLLINGWOOD paper objects in lusty language to what it terms "the tan bark fallacy" as applied to the paving of that town. It appears that whole streets and squares have been coated with this substance, it is probably got cheap, and the odour of it is stated to be healthful. But this village style of wooden pavement is found to have a marked tendency to absorb water and to degenerate into a peculiar slush. The *Bulletin* thinks therefore that it is a nuisance

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ance and a snare and should be done away with.

AN Illinois retailer, in a letter to a New York journal, thus gives testimony in favour of the cash sale experiment: On 1st December, 1873, he ceased doing a general credit business, and sold for cash except to such as would make monthly settlements. By January, 1875, he found that seventy-five per cent. of his business had been cash, and that that the remaining quarter yielded no profit. He then issued a circular to his customers as follows: "On the first day of December next, 1875, I shall adopt the absolutely cash system in my business. My books will be closed and no accounts of any kind or nature will be kept. I attempted two years ago to introduce this system in my business, but met with a signal failure, by reason of trying to do a book and cash system together." The results of this move were that December, January and February sales of that winter were in excess of those months in 1874-5; the following months up to June slightly less, because of rains, bad roads, &c; but every month since has been equal to former years in spite of bad times in that section. His business for the year will be fully up to last in extent, he has handled the cash for his goods, his expenses are less by one clerk's hire, \$500, and there are also savings in such items as—omitting to charge goods, allowance on disputed settlements, &c. How many retailers have we who can tell a similar tale, and rejoice as this writer rejoices over the success and comfort of the change.

THE old firm of Messrs. A. & J. Cleghorn & Co., in Brantford, have assigned. They had obtained an extension, of which the first payment matured on 1st September, but could not meet it. For some twenty-five years this house has carried on the hardware business, and dur-