THE Ferrona Iron Works are now using coal from the mines of the Dominion Coal Co. at Glace Bay, C.B.

Youngclaus, a clothier, at St. John, N.B., is reported suspended, and owes about \$28,000-a considerable proportion of which is due in Montreal.

SHIPMENTS of hardware and cutlery from Great Britain in 1893 were worth £2,048,000, against £2,194,000 in 1892 and £2,527,000 in 1891, according to the Steel and Trades Journal.

ROBINSON & McKNIGHT, general storekeepers, at Ninga, Man., have assigned.——Another assignment in that Province is that of S. Cunningham, trader, at St. Albert.

INSTEAD of saying, as we did last week, that John Bond, general dealer at Aurora, had assigned, we should have said that he effected a compromise at 70 cents on the dollar.

WE are told that the S.S. "Taymouth Castle," which sailed from Halifax 1st inst., took of Ontario flour and split peas, via St. John and Halifax, nearly 4,000 barrels for West Indies and Demerara.

H. S. Scheyer, of Montreal, a wholesale fur dealer, and also manufacturer of water-proof clothing, has filed consent to assign, at the demand of La Banque Nationale. His total liabilities will probably aggregate \$40,000.

SPEAKING generally, says the St. John Globe, there were sent from the port of St. John to U, S. ports in 1890 goods of all kinds to the extent of \$2,000,000; in 1891 the value was \$1,720,000; in 1892 it was \$1,970,000; in 1893 it was \$1,620,000. In a number of goods, such as lime, fish, and animals, there is a decline, but lumber keeps up well. Although American lumber is treated separately, it may be regarded as an important branch of industry in the city and province.

A DEMAND of assignment has been made upon Euchariste Laflamme, baker at Maisonneuve, a suburb of Montreal, by the Lake of the Woods Milling Company.—Some Montreal happenings are: Edouard Lemay dit Delorme, a small saloon-keeper, has assigned to the court. Liabilities are \$1,216.—A. Lalonde & Co., dry goods, are trying for a composition at 40 cents, cash. —J. H. Galarneau & Co., hats and furnishings, have called their creditors together.—Joseph Desautels, a small grocer, has assigned in trust.

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An exchange says that activity is looked for in building circles in Sussex, N.B., as soon as spring opens up.

THE foreign coal shipments from Nanaimo, B.C., amounted in January to 50,183 tons, the New Vancouver Coal Co. supplying 21,478 and the Wellington collieries 25,759 tons towards this amount.

THE Bank of Nova Scotia intends to fit up the offices of [its Monoton branch in more excellent style, and with this end in view has recently purchased a three-story brick structure.

H. W. Wilson & Co., dealers in fancy dry goods at Ottawa, have assigned, and are said to owe about \$15,000, divided among Montreal and Toronto houses. The concern is reported to have compromised before, about ten years ago.

Percival & Craig, of Smith's Falls, Ont., heretofore supposed a rather well-doing general store firm, have approached their creditors with the view of obtaining a general extension of fifteen months, upon their liabilities of about \$19,000.

JUDGING by the large sales of raw material reported the past few days, says the N.Y. Shipping and Commercial List, the woolen mills propose turning out more stock in the immediate future than they have been doing of late.

THE Hamilton Biscuit and Confectionery Works is dissolved, and a new partnership will be composed of John Davidson, W. H. Kerner and John's. Reid.——In the same city James G. McIllwraith has bought the dry goods business of McIllwraith & Tregenda.

St. John, N.B., ship laborers have refused to accept the reduction proposed by the Furness S.S. line, and declare that they will not work for 25 cents an hour. The union, however, has decided to do away with the restriction that twenty-one men be employed on a vessel after the first day of loading a cargo.

Our weekly letter from James Watson & Co., Glasgow, on date of January 27th, says: "During the past week the pig iron market has been very active and a large business has been done "at advancing prices. The outside public are now taking some interest in iron. Consumers, especially the steel companies, have been buying more freely, as it is understood they have been receiving large orders for shipbuilding steel."

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THE contract for the Singer Company's tops, worth \$60,000 a year, has been secured by James Hay, jr., of Woodstock, but where the work will be done is uncertain.

The employees of Joseph McPherson & Co., shoe manufacturers in Hamilton, have returned to work at a ten per cent. reduction in their wages. We are told that there is a further stipulation that in the event of a new bill of wages being accepted by Toronto shoemakers, the same bill is to take effect in the Hamilton factory.

SHIPMENTS of pig iron made since the beginning of the year are as follows:—Scotland, to Jan. 20th, 9,495 tons; Middlesbro, to Jan. 25th, 51,868 tons; Cumberland, to Jan. 20th, 10,290 tons. Shipments during the corresponding periods last year were: Scotland, 14,821 tons; Middlesbro, 37,509 tons; Cumberland, 16,253 tons.

Boyd & Co., agricultural implement makers, Huntingdon, reported by us last week as involved by the failure of A. Somerville, banker, have filed consent to assign. The schedule of liabilities foots up to \$103,763, with assets nominally estimated at \$177,273, the principal items being: property and plant, \$46,000; bills receivable, \$47,700; due by agents, \$38,000; open accounts, \$21,690; mortgages, \$21,000. W. H. Robinson, manager of the Eastern Townships Bank, has been appointed provisional guardian, and by the order of the judge the business will be continued under his charge.

Some Toronto business changes are noted in this item: An assignment has been made by Byrnell Bros., dry goods dealers, who owe about \$10,000. Three years ago they succeeded Munns & Co., starting with a cash capital of \$4,000. Beside this they had an interest in a farm.—The stock and effects of John Clark, shoemaker, were sold yesterday by the sheriff. --- About fifteen years ago N. H. Weinberg failed in Buffalo, and then came here and started a clothing and men's furnishing store, carrying a stock of \$4,000 unfashionable clothing, which will not yield 50 per cent. He assigns. - E. A. Wilkinson, liquor dealer, has assigned to W. A. Campbell. In August, 1892, he succeeded F. P. Brazill & Co., buying the business for \$9,200, paying \$4,000 cash, supplied from the estate of his mother. Falling behind in payment, Mr. B. takes possession, and the assignee turns him out .-- T. D. Plumtree, tailor, has assigned.

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