

We read in the *Warton Echo* that the trade in cattle and sheep from the Manitoulin seems to be increasing steadily. Some fine cattle are raised and shipped from there. Last week two fine droves of sheep and lambs went from that thriving town by the "Pacific" and "Atlantic," for through shipment.

An Ottawa dry goods concern—Fournier Bros.—have assigned to a representative of Messrs. John Macdonald & Co., Toronto. The concern has fought an up-hill fight for several years past, under adverse circumstances. They were chronically hard up, had given chattel mortgages, etc., and had only recently been under extension. They are believed to owe about \$15,000.

THE herring fishing in the vicinity of Curran Island and Flowers Cove in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, where large quantities of fish are usually taken, is almost a complete failure. Lobsters have been doing somewhat better for the past fortnight, but the storm of September 27th destroyed a large number of traps, which will cause some of the factories to close down for the season.

WHILE his wife carried on the general store, he, W. B. Sheridan, of Winthrop, worked in Michigan. An assignment has now been made. —When McGachie Bros., dry goods dealers at Woodstock, failed in May, 1889, another brother, J. F. McGachie, bought in the stock of \$9,000, at 50 cents on the dollar. He has now failed, being indebted principally to Toronto firms.

THE Charlottetown *Patriot* understands from the president of the Charlottetown Steam Navigation Company (Ltd.) that they have contracted with a firm at Newcastle-on-Tyne for a steel twin-screw steamer of the following dimensions: Length, 225 feet; beam, 33 feet; depth, 21 feet; draft of water, 11½ feet; speed, not less than 15 knots, loaded. She is to be delivered, afloat, on 30th April next.

F. X. Billy, a tailor at Arthabaska station, Que., has assigned owing about \$2,000. —F. Wood, a small general dealer at St. Leonard, has also assigned. He was unfitted to compete with the close competition prevailing, and had been very slow in payments, and sued of late. —Wilbrod Dore, a small Quebec grocer, is reported insolvent. —Joseph Labelle & Co., a grocery firm at St. Johns, Que., are in trouble, and a meeting of creditors is called to appoint a curator. Labelle previously failed as a baker at Iberville, and has been using his wife's name.

NEARLY the whole of a recent consignment of furs received by the Hudson's Bay Co. from McKenzie River and Athabasca consisted of musk ox.

THE Lake of the Woods Milling company has just completed five new elevators in anticipation of a heavy business to be done this year. They are located at Hartney, Souris, Virden, Carberry and Griswold. Each has a capacity for 30,000 bushels.

VERY clever counterfeits of the American silver dollar of 1880 are said to be in circulation in the country over the Sound. They are, says the *Vancouver Advertiser*, the production of skilful coiners, and pass well. It is believed that the mint is or was located somewhere near Victoria, and that there are several thousands of the spurious cartwheels afloat.

THERE was burned on Friday last, at Woodstock, N.B., the fine shingle mill of Fred Moore, built in 1887. It contained five first-class shingle machines, with all the latest appliances for making shingles for the American market, and it had been running full capacity this season, employing twenty-five men. Mr. Moore had yet a large quantity of cedar logs to saw, so the loss all round is very heavy. There is probably no insurance.

WE observe that the town of West Toronto Junction has authorized the issue of debentures, and proposes to use them for water-works, schools, sub-ways, and other necessary purposes. The assessment of the town for the current year is \$5,090,801, while the debt, exclusive of above issue, was only \$140,000. The Imperial Trusts Co. offers these debentures to the extent of \$264,000. This company, we understand, has offices in St. John and Winnipeg as well as in this city.

IN the New Brunswick *Royal Gazette* appears the application of parties who desire to be incorporated as the Standard Trading and Mfg Co., head office, St. John. They propose to make and deal in flour and meal, &c.; capital stock, \$40,000. The applicants are: J. D. Shatford, and Edmund I. Simmonds, of St. John; R. Willis Ambrose, of Digby, commercial traveller; Wm. E. Skillon and Jas. Bourke, of St. Martins; John E. Shatford, of Hubbard's Cove, merchant; Alma H. Shatford, of Chicago, accountant.

THERE was launched this week from the shipyard of Roderick Rose, at Cheverie, Hants County, N.S., a strong and well-built barque of 500 tons, named the "Glenrosa," owned by Windsor parties. She has been classed A 1

for 12 years in the American Record. And there was launched at Meteghan River, says the *Yarmouth Times*, a handsome barque named the "Mary A. Law," to be ready for sea by Monday next. She is a strong vessel, is 890 tons register, or 1,106 carpenter's measurement, copper fastened throughout. She is classed for 12 years in Bureau Veritas, and is owned by Wm. Law & Co., Blackadar & Co., and Capt. Albert Baker.

A YOUNG country druggist named A. Boyce, who went to Montreal to seek his fortune about a year ago, has been asked to assign by his leading creditor. He owes \$6,728. —J. A. Genest began business in Sherbrooke last fall; he had been before keeping store at Marbleton, but not very successfully. He is now reported as failed, and shows liabilities of \$6,000 about. —A general dealer of Ste. Monique, Que., is seeking a settlement on the basis of 50 cents on the dollar. He owes \$4,300, and shows a deficiency of about \$1,000. His name is Eusebe Camirand.

A MEETING of the creditors of Jos. Lowrie, carriage maker, Sarnia, has been held. His own statement showed a surplus of \$30,000, but this has been found to be wide of the mark, and the liabilities greater than was expected. The unsecured claims amount to about \$32,000, while the sum of \$35,000 is secured to the bank. Mr. Lowrie's affairs appear to be somewhat mixed. He did quite a large trade in the North-West. —A small tobacconist in Berlin, G. Yanke, by name, has been closed by the bailiff. —E. S. Garnham, a general dealer at Guysboro, who was burnt out a few months ago, has assigned. He was formerly in the saw-mill business.

Two firms of merchant tailors are in financial trouble. Roblin & Ford, at Napanee, show liabilities of \$8,000 and assets of \$5,000. Clark & Cook, at Orillia, have been in business for four years. The former conducted the tailoring, and the latter was employed in his brother's drug store. Both firms have assigned to Mr. E. R. C. Clarkson. —A meeting of the creditors of Frawley Brothers, general store-keepers, at Sudbury, was held in Ottawa on the 7th. They did the best trade in the town, carrying a stock of about \$15,000. An assignment has been made. —The troubles of W. J. Guy, the Toronto plumber, have culminated in an assignment to Campbell & May. —The creditors of Sam. Wolf, a Queen street tailor, in this city, have been called together, and will meet next week. The liabilities and assets are nominally the same.

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