

It is stated that the fish merchants of London England, are considering a proposition to be made to Canadian fishermen, by which salmon shall be shipped in bulk instead of in tins, as a much better price can be obtained for the fish in its unbroken shape.

MONTREAL harbor presents a scene of more than ordinary activity; some sixty-five seagoing vessels, besides the usual complement of river craft, lie at the wharves busy discharging or loading. At the same date last year there were forty-seven vessels in port, showing a gratifying increase of eighteen.

MR. W. A. FOWLER, a grocer at Corsley, commenced business in the early part of this year with a small capital and fair prospects of success, but these have been suddenly brought to a close. He is now charged with obtaining goods under false pretences.

DAVID JERMYN, formerly in business in Denfield, went from there to Woodham about six months ago, but in the new quarters he still continued to be unsuccessful, several judgments being obtained against him by business creditors. His property is to be sold by the sheriff this week.

A CABLE from London states that it has been decided to run a line of steamers in connection with the Erie and other American railways to carry merchandise which reaches New York from Chicago and other western towns, to all parts in the north-west of England via West Hartlepool.

MR. W. J. WARD, late manager of Mr. Fawcett's banking house in Arkona, has, in conjunction with his late employer, opened an office in New Hamburg, for the conduct of a general banking business. The firm style is W. J. Ward & Co.

THE leading items of export from Amherst, N. S., during the fiscal year 1880, were:

Wrought stone, 2,300 tons, value.....	\$ 9,500
Spilling " " " " " " " "	28,000
Deals, " " " " " " " "	60,000
Coals, 1,150 tons, " " " " " " " "	3,000
Grindstone, " " " " " " " "	5,000
Spars, " " " " " " " "	3,000
Timber, " " " " " " " "	2,000

The electric lamps put up in Montreal harbor by the Brush Electric Light Co., having successfully stood the long continued tests to which they have been subjected, have finally been taken over by the Harbor Commissioners. They have ordered besides five additional double lampse making in all twenty-one lights which will be available for illuminating purposes.

WE noticed in a recent issue, the fact that \$200,000 of the new Montreal five per cent. bonds had been allotted to the Bank of British North America, at 1½ per cent premium. Since then smaller sums have been placed at three per cent. premium, and a few days ago the last \$20,000 of the amount required was disposed of at four per cent. premium. Montreal may congratulate herself upon her excellent civic credit.

WM. Somerville & Co., storekeepers, of Kincburn, Ont., were burnt out about two weeks ago, and were only insured for \$1000. It appears that some of the creditors have been trying to get control of the insurance policy to protect

their own claims, hearing of which, a more fair-minded creditor has taken proceedings to attach the policy for the general benefit, basing his action upon an alleged admission of insolvency by the firm.

BUSINESS in Chatham would not appear to be prosperous just now. No less than four firms are anxious to sell out. Among these are Wm. Ball, tinsmith, who has been pretty successful, although latterly he has not been making much money; D. McNaughton, mills, also, has grown tired of that business after having made some property. The other two are furniture dealer and brewer respectively, both doing business in a small way.

WE have to record the death of E. L. Chandler Esq M. P. of Brome Corners, Que, whose name has always been associated with all schemes for the development of the section in which he lived. Mr. Chandler engaged early in mercantile pursuits, in which he acquired a competence, and was one of the first promoters of the South Eastern Counties R. R. with which he remained identified up to the time of his death. He was very generally respected and esteemed.

A GALT grocer, Mr. Sault, formerly a clerk in that town, commenced business in the autumn of 1878. His capital was small, keen competition and with his prospects were never bright. Upon getting behind with his payments, he evidently saw nothing but failure before him. Then he endeavored to make the best of the circumstances, regardless of the interest of his creditors. In order to realize all he could, he sold his book debts, getting \$1,000 in cash, and with this sum he left for foreign climes.

THE annual meeting of the Ontario Rolling Mill Co. was held this week in Hamilton. The directors elected are:—Mr. R. Brown, President, Mr. S. A. Fuller, vice-president, Mr. A. M. Wilcox, treasurer; Mr. C. S. Wilcox, Secretary, and Messrs. P. M. Hitchcock and C. E. Doolittle. The latter formerly representing Messrs. Cleveland Brown & Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, will have charge of the sales' department. Mr. Albert Fuller remains as book-keeper and cashier. Mr. Doolittle is elected managing director of the American Nail Works Company, a branch of the Rolling Mill.

THE following is a statement of duties collected in Nova Scotia, outports and vessels in and out, for the year ended 30th June last:—

		Vessels.	
		In.	Out.
Amherst,.....	\$20,847.70	1	0
Joggins,.....	268.28	97	113
Pngwash,.....	423.98	13	19
Wallace,.....	153.62	4	13
Tignish,.....	60	7	6
Northport,.....	3.60	5	6
		127	153

THE County of Leeds has lost one of its oldest settlers, and most estimable and successful business men, in the person of Coleman Lewis Esq., of Addison. While driving home last Friday evening, he was seized with an apoplectic fit and died in a few minutes. Mr. Lewis was one of the first settlers in the Township of Elizabeth-

town, and his business career of over forty years was marked by no commercial disaster.

ON Wednesday last a deputation of members of the Industrial and Arts Association waited upon the Finance Minister at the Queen's Hotel here, and urged upon him the importance of extending the south-eastern portion of the Exhibition grounds to the bank of the lake, which will include the site occupied by the rifle butte. To this proposition Sir Leonard Tilley expressed himself favorably disposed, provided suitable grounds for military practice could be elsewhere obtained. The deputation named High Park as an excellent place for the purpose.

THE Grange Co-operative Company have decided, it is reported, to close up their business in Nananee and place the company in liquidation. It appears that no money could be made out of the grangers, in that locality, and some of the company's operations in grain were unprofitable. The Nananee Beaver states that the company have determined to do a wholesale business in Toronto, "it being the centre of commerce for the province, and an excellent distributing point." After the adverse experience this company has had, it seems folly for it to come here and endeavour to compete with business men, who have not only large capital, but long experience in trade.

"THE Universal Knitting Machine Company of Ontario, Limited," is the name of a company recently formed to manufacture underclothing by the help of a new knitting machine, from which great things are expected. The first annual meeting of the company was held here on the 19th instant. The by-laws as amended were adopted, and the meeting then proceeded to ballot for directors who were chosen as follows, to hold office till the general annual meeting to be held on the 1st Tuesday in February, 1882: Messrs. D. McIntosh, President; Wm. Reford, Vice-President; F. C. Innes, H. E. Kirk, A. J. Close, Wm. Reford, D. McIntosh, H. A. Reesor, Robt. George; Mr. W. B. Close is appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

THERE seems to be a "boom" in joint stock companies in New Brunswick, three companies having received letters of incorporation within the last few weeks. The "Gladstone Boot & Shoe Co." has been incorporated for the tanning of leather and manufacture of boots and shoes, at Fredericton, with a capital of \$15,000 in \$5 shares. The "Hibbard Antimony Co." composed of St. John and Boston capitalists proposes to work mines at Prince William, N. B., with a capital of \$50,000 in \$5 shares, and lastly, the "Poquiock Mining Company" has been organized, with a capital of \$250,000 to develop the mines at Poquiock, N. B.

THE sixth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Anglo-French Steamship Co., was held in Halifax on the 17th inst. The annual report submitted was accepted by the meeting, it shows a net profit of the year's business of \$7,741.62, which enables the company to declare its first dividend to the holders of original stock. They announce a dividend of 15 p. c. The re-