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system whereby that whole city may be thus illuminated. They have invented a battery, the plan and ingredients of which are kept a profound secret, and at a private exhibition given a few nights ago they proved that they had at least produced a steady and constant light for the illumination of small areas. The light produced by this system is brighter than that of the full moon and, unlike the latter, it does not destroy colors. The inventors claim that they can light the entire city for about \$100,000 per annum, which is one-third of the present cost of gaslight.

— Sir John A. Macdonald's resolutions in favor of a national policy have been defeated by 11t to 77, or 37 majority in favor of the Government. The Province of Quebec gave a majority to the Opposition. Outario and the Maritime Provinces supported the Government.

- Messrs. Cameron, McKenzie & Co., importers of fancy goods, &c., who suspended a couple of months ago and effected a composition with their English creditors, have decided to retire from business, and have sold their stock to Messrs. Skelton, Tooke & Co.

— We notice that an attachment has issued against Joseph Sissons, confectioner, of this city, who was in trouble last September. It will be remembered that he at that time compromised liabilities of \$52,000 at 60 cents on the dollar, but is apparently unable to carry out this arrangement, and creditors will have to extend better terms or put the estate into insolvency.

—W. H. Dunkin, of Cornwall, a grocer and heretofore engaged in the hotel business, has been obliged to go into insolvency. Unfortunate real estate speculations were the original source of his troubles, which date back some time. Last spring he was obliged to get a compromise of 50 cents on the dollar, which afforded only temporary relief, and the estate will now most probably be wound up.

-The affairs of the Great Western Railway of Canada appear to be in a very flourishing

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condition. Their accounts for the half year show a balance, after providing credit for the various reserve funds sufficient to write off the revenue overdraft and arrears of dividend on preference stock for the previous half-year, to pay a dividend on preference stock, to pay a dividend on ordinary shares of five-eighths per cent., and to carry forward two thousand pounds.

— Picault & Co., druggists, of Notre Dame street, have been attached. At an informal meeting held a tew days ago, they showed liabilities of \$19.000 and assets \$13,000. Several of our wholesale drug houses are interested for large amounts, and it was demed expedient to keep the business running under the supervision of inspectors until the first regular meeting should decide how the estate is to be disposed of

—Mr. Charles C. Gregory has taken an action in the Superior Court against Hon. John Hamilton and Sir Hugh Allan for S113,826.14. It appears that a company was organized to build a railroat in New Brunswick, Mr. Hamilton and Sir Hugh Allan being made Directors. Plaintiff has a claim for a large amount against the railway company, and as it was not a limited liability concern he desires to make the Directors individually responsible.

—Davis & Phillips, eigar manufacturers of this city, have been attached at the suit of Mr. S. Moss. They have had a hard row to hoe for some time past, owing to lack of capital, and having no bank accommodation to speak of, their discounts have cost them probably all the profit on their goods. They failed once before in 1875, with direct liabilities of about \$25,000, and compromised then at 20 cents, but this settlement did not leave them much of a margin to work upon, and it has been uphill work ever since.

— This is a clever rendering of an old fable applicable to modern business life, which we find in an exchange:—A Venetian merchant who was lolling in the lap of luxury was accosted

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upon the Rialto by a friend who had not seen him for many months. "How is this?" cried the latter; "when I last saw you your Gaberdine was out at elbows, and now you sail in your own Gondola." "True," replied the merchant, but since then I have met with serious losses and been obliged to compound with my creditors for ten cents on the dollar. Moral.—Composition is the Life of trade.

— At an adjourned meeting of the creditors of Messrs. H. & H. Merrill, held on Monday, a composition was offered on the basis of 15 shillings in the pound, which was unanimously accepted by the creditors present. All Canadian creditors not present at the meeting have since signed and accepted the composition. This is much more than the Messrs. Merrill anticipated paying, but the liberality of their creditors in granting them sufficient time in which to dispose of their very rich stock of goods will enable them to go on with their extensive business with better facilities than ever before.

- A writ of attachment has been issued, at the suit of D. Shannon, against John Hatchette, wholesale grocer, of this city. Mr. Hatchette was unfortunate last spring, having failed in April last, but effected a composition at 25 cents on the dollar upon liabilities of \$130,000. and continued in business. It was generally supposed he had done well by this arrangement, and latterly there had been some talk of his purchasing Mr. Mullarky's interest in the wholesale shoe business of Wm. Stafford & Co., which his recent misfortune, of course, effectually prevents. An instalment of his composition fell due on the 4th inst., and we presume his inability to meet it has been the occasion of above action. Amount of liabilities not yet ascertained.

— Lawyers sometimes indulge in pleasantries that border very close upon the humorous. A client called upon his legal adviser recently and told him this sad tale:—"You see, I collected all the money I could, and turned