

THE death is announced of Mr. Jos. Fleury, the extensive Agricultural Implement Manufacturer of Aurora. Deceased filled the position of Reeve for the County of York.

WORK on the Napanee, Tamworth and Quebec Railroad will be commenced immediately. A committee has been appointed to engage engineers to locate the line, draw plans, etc.

ONE million of bricks have been used in the masonry of the Moncton N.B. sugar refinery, which was commenced on the 14th of June last, and is now completed.

THE Messrs. Barber have purchased the Caledonia, Ont., woollen mills from the heirs of the late Mr. Mackinnon. It is said that they intend running it solely as a knitting factory.

MR. A. M. MORROW, a Listowel marble cutter, has been very slow in paying his bills for a considerable time, and now he has assigned in trust. Before commencing business he sold a farm for \$5,000.

MR. N. CLEMENTS, an enterprising shipbuilder in Yarmouth, N. S., and proprietor of the Clement's line of steamers which run between Boston, Yarmouth and St. John, N. B., died a few days ago.

WE note a change in the woollen manufacturing firm of Elliot, Sheard, & Co., Almonte. Mr. Sheard has retired, his place being filled by Mr. Sheriff, late Manager of the Rosamond Company who brings considerable practical experience to the new firm.

BUSINESS in Quebec has considerably improved this year, and the St. Louis hotel has fully shared in it. The number of visitors has so much exceeded former seasons that there is some encouragement to go on with the new hotel that has been so long talked of, and is so much needed.

MR. WM. WARWICK, publisher and bookbinder of this city, who was thrown out of a buggy while proceeding to the Exhibition about two weeks ago, died on Monday last from the injury he then sustained. Deceased was 58 years of age, and was proprietor of quite an extensive book-binding and stationery establishment.

THE difficulties of Messrs. Trott & Co., druggists, Winnipeg, to which reference was made last week, were caused by one of the partners leaving the country with all the ready money the firm had on hand. We are told that Mr. Trott has a surplus, and will ultimately pay his creditors in full.

MONTREAL horse thieves display a considerable amount of ingenuity in disguising and doctoring animals for the market. A case has just transpired, where a grey horse was transformed into a very natural looking piebald, with the help of a brush and some brown paint. Even the dealer who bought him was deceived, and the counterfeit was only manifest upon close investigation, the owner having first been attracted by the peculiarities in shape which marked his beast. If this artist, for such he may be called, were to put his brush to proper uses, he might rival a Landseer or a Bonheur.

MESSRS Wilson & Sanborn, grocers, London, have been attached by sheriff. Last spring, Mr Wilson's father retired from the firm and withdrew his capital. This impaired the credit of the young men and no doubt contributed largely towards bringing about their present unfortunate condition.

LAST Tuesday the Halifax Exhibition was formally opened the attendance was small partly owing to the fact that the Provincial Fair is to be held in Kentville, N. S. next week, and the Halifax Show is looked upon with a good deal of jealousy by the farming community. Consequently it is not a success, neither the farmers nor the manufacturers having gone into it with any enthusiasm.

WE are pleased to hear of another convert to the ready pay system of doing business, Mr. Henry Robinson, of Markham, has determined to do away with the credit system, and after the first of October, customers may expect better bargains. There will no longer be any necessity for charging an extra profit to recoup the losses made by selling to the non-paying class.

ON Saturday last there were offered for sale at Coate's auction room here five townships of timber limits on the Spanish and Serpent Rivers, on the North Shore of Lake Huron. The limits cover 167 square miles. They were put up in blocks. A bid of \$1,000 was made, which, of course, was not accepted. The property was offered in blocks of one township, but there was no bid for the land in this shape either and it was then withdrawn.

AN investigation is being made on behalf of the creditors of Mr. E. Hooper, Napanee, who has been an insolvent for some time. It appears that while he was County Treasurer he became in default for a very large sum, and that after a commission was appointed to examine his books he refunded \$15,000 of the amount of his deficiency. Now the creditors are anxious to know from what source this money was derived.

STEPS are being taken towards the establishment of a railway car factory at Montreal. It is stated that one of the largest concerns in this line in the United States, is disposed to take a considerable stock in the proposed company, and to assume the practical management. If their offer be accepted, the proposed company will assume the corporate name of the American concern, which, no doubt, would be an advantage in the way of securing business.

AN application was made last Tuesday for an injunction to restrain the "Graphic Company" from passing resolutions to reduce the capital stock in accordance with the special act obtained at the last session of the Quebec Legislature. The judge held that the power of the Legislature was supreme, and that the Bench had no jurisdiction in the premises. On the afternoon of the same day, the adjourned special meeting of the company was held, when the resolutions necessary to give effect to the Act, were passed by more than a two-thirds vote.

MUCH sympathy is felt for Messrs McKensie Bros. mill owners, Kirkfield, who became involved through contracts for building stations for the Credit Valley Railway Company. They own considerable property, but are unable to realize upon it; consequently they are asking their creditors to accept one half of their indebtedness until a settlement is made with the company, when creditors may expect a further dividend.

MR. Robert Anderson of Newbury writes an indignant letter about our remarks last week in reference to himself. In it he says, "I never sought a compromise with my creditors; it was offered me by their solicitor, and I accepted." Creditors are not unfrequently charged with treating their debtors harshly, but it cannot be so in this case. Generous people they are who write off 55 per cent. of their claims unsolicited, as Mr. Anderson states his creditors did.

REFERRING to a recent paragraph concerning the seizure, by the U. S. Customs officials, of some eighteen pieces of luggage belonging to the wife of an expatriated Montreal merchant, which she endeavored to pass, upon the strength of a consular certificate that they were personal effects, we learn that the Collector at Burlington has allowed the goods to be released upon payment of duties. As stated before, the personal effects consisted largely of silks, champagne, silverware, &c., and Uncle Sam's little bill foots up to about \$600.

AMONG the list of new manufactures we notice the Fonthill Canning and Fruit Drying Company, with a capital of \$10,000. The Desert Lake Iron Company, with a capital of \$50,000; of the Essex Dunn Manufacturing Company, with a capital of \$20,000; of the St. Lawrence Foundry Company, with a capital of \$100,000; and the Robert's Iron Company of Frontenac, with a capital of \$100,000. At Ingersoll, worsted stuff mills are to be erected by some English gentlemen who come from Bradford, one of the leading centres for the manufacture of that class of goods. A small bonus is asked from the town on condition that one hundred hands be employed.

A SERIOUS strike among the weavers in the West of England is threatened. The sum of £12,000, says the *London Times*, is at the disposal of the Wages Committee to support Accrington strike. In the Blackburn and Manchester districts, the owners of mills have agreed to run on short time. The *Manchester Guardian* says:—The threatened strike has not had any appreciable influence on the market, and it is hoped that the struggle will be averted. Everybody that the struggle will be averted. Everybody practically acquainted with trade is aware that neither manufacturers nor spinners are making any profit at present, and it is thought probable that the operatives are gradually becoming aware of this. Since the present agitation began, the margin between yarn and cloth has diminished.

As an evidence of the great celerity with which the discharging and loading of cargo on ocean going vessels, can be effected at Montreal, we note that the Allan Steamship "Scandinavian" arrived in port one day last week at 4.30 p.m., and left port the following day at 1.30 p.m.