

## BELDING, PAUL & CO., SILK MANUFACTURERS, MONTREAL.

Beg to notify the trade they are preparing, and will have ready February 1, 1881, a full stock of

## KNITTING SILK

Of very superior quality and variety of Colors, especially adapted for

**Hose, Mittens, Wristlets, Purses, &c.**

## D. MORRICE & CO., Canadian Manufactures, MONTREAL & TORONTO.

Hochelaga Brown Cottons, Canton Flannels, Yarns and Bags,  
Valleyfield Bleached Shirts, Wigans and Shoe drills.  
Stromont Col'd Cotton Yarns, Ducks, Tickings, Checks, &c.  
Knitted Goods, Tweeds, Flannels, &c., &c.

**The Wholesale Trade only supplied.**

charged to him in his bank book. An enquiry instituted as to who had obtained the cash met with little success, until Stapelton, the accused pointed to another young man as having possessed himself of the cheque. This the young man not only denied but the charge proved untrue. Suspicion next pointed to Stapelton, and on his being placed before the magistrates he acknowledged having received half the money but denied stealing the cheque. The magistrates, however, seemed to have little doubt of his guilt.

J. C. Hunsr, dry goods, Brampton, Ont., who removed his damaged stock from Toronto a few months ago, to the great annoyance of the Brampton merchants, made an offer of 60c on the dollar at a meeting of his creditors in this city last Tuesday, which was accepted.

At the recent annual meeting of the Dundas Cotton Co., in this city, it was announced that the profit for the last year upon the capital of \$400,000 was some 34 per cent., which was agreed to be distributed as follows:

Dividend 10 per cent.....	\$40,000
Replacing old machinery.....	7,500
Set apart to meet bonded debt.....	80,000
Reserve to profit and loss.....	10,000

Dividends will be declared half yearly for the future.

The "Silver Plume" Mining Company, based upon a mine at the Black Hills, Dakota, U. S., has been declared by our authorities an illegal concern, as the result of a suit instituted to test the validity of the corporation by holders of the worthless stock. The mine which was advertised as very rich, is said to have been purchased by some enterprising Canadians for \$15,000.

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**CANADA TOBACCO WORKS**  
MONTREAL, QUE.  
**A. D. PORCHERON**  
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MADE from Finest Natural VIRGINIA PLUG of Medium strength, and naturally Fragrant; burns nicely, and a most Pleasant Companion.

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OFFICE: 17, 19 and 21 ST. NICHOLAS ST., Montreal.  
William Johnson, Manager.

## ESTABLISHED, 1861. *Ostrich and Vulture* **PLUMES.**

The Stock of OSTRICH AND VULTURE PLUMES for the spring season, will be thoroughly assorted in all its departments, on or about March, 8th. All letter orders, will receive personal attention and quick shipments.

**J. H. LEBIANC,**  
**547 Craig Street, Montreal.**

A CHECKERED CAREER.—Absconding merchants and traders from either side the line if assembled at one place, would doubtless form quite a regiment. What town or city in Canada with any history cannot recall its absconding merchant? But of them all, perhaps J. J. Borrie, the St. Catharine street grocer in this city, who left his store last Saturday afternoon, remarking to his clerk that he did not feel well and might return in the evening, but who has not been seen since, in Montreal, is the most exact type of the Protean character. When quite a young man, Borrie left his home in Britain, and betook himself to Australia, where, after spending a small fortune, recovered it and lost it again in gold mining operations; subsequently coming to Canada, he was employed for a considerable time with Messrs. Gilmour & Co., and Hon. Jas. Skend, respectively, in the lumber trade at Ottawa, but, meeting with disappointment, he returned to this city, and was associated with the publication of the History of Canada by G. R. Tuttle, in which

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failure Borrie also shared. He next embarked in the business of a commission merchant and jobber in groceries, and for a couple of years had an office on St. Sacrament street, this city; in a comparatively short time he advertised for a partner, one without capital and plenty of working capacity would have then suited him. In October last he bought out the stock and plant of the late Thos. Crathern, on St. Catherine street, and commenced as a wholesale jobber in teas, but soon launched out into general groceries. He seemed to be doing a fair business, and within the past month took a lease of the store; he bought freely from the wholesale trade, especially during the past three or four weeks, of teas, sugars, liquors, etc., and disposed of the goods in a jobbing way often at a sacrifice, as well as at retail. He is reported to have recently bought sugar from both the refineries here on fourteen days (sugar terms), and sold it at cost price on four months' time, discounting the paper and pocketing the cash. Another dodge attributed to the clever absconder is that of getting