

THE electric light is being put into the Waterloo, Que., chair factory.

WATERLOO is soon to have a starch factory and Granby a tool factory.

THE Richmond *Guardian* favors Sherbrooke as the location of the proposed E. T. agricultural farm.

THE Magog Ice Company has sold out to Mr. Wilson, of Stanstead, who intends removing to St. John's.

A HALIFAX man has secured the contract to fit up electric lighting plants in the pulp mills at Milton and New Germany, N.S.

CLARK, SKILLING & Co. (Ltd.), spool wood merchants of Glasgow and Boston, will erect at Newcastle, N.B., a mill for cutting spool wood. They are asking for tenders for a large quantity of white birch.

THE erection of the proposed C. P. R. elevator, which was to have been built in Winnipeg this fall, has been postponed until next year.

A COMPLIMENT was paid to Mr. W. H. Pearson, manager of the Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto, in his unanimous election as president of the American Gas Light Association, at the meeting held in Chicago on the 18th inst. This is the first time that this office has been conferred on a Canadian.

THE sheriff's sale of Cooper & Smith's stock and equipment attracted a large number of bidders last Friday. The goods sold were: Factory goods, \$34,042.91; rubber goods, \$62,724; Eastern made goods, \$23,104.66; leather and goods in course of manufacture, \$7,608.23; findings, \$3,253.96; machinery, etc., \$30,300.91. J. C. Hemond & Co., of Montreal, purchased the stock at 55c. on the dollar. Shoe men from Rochester, Chicago, Montreal and Quebec were present.

CANADIAN brass manufacturers have had a meeting this week in Toronto, and, we are told, have entered into a fresh contract—a renewal of the former one—to last a year. Robert Mitchell, Montreal, was re-elected president; James Morrison, Toronto, first vice-president; and A. W. Glassford, Montreal, secretary. It was resolved by the meeting to request the Government to withdraw the duty of 10 per cent. now on the raw material. This duty, it is contended, prevents a successful export trade.

WE learn from the Halifax *Chronicle* that Mr. Robert Simpson, ex-manager of the Drummond colliery, Westville, has been appointed manager of a coal mine at Lethbridge; N.W.T.

ALREADY a demand of assignment has been made upon F. X. Beaucage, a Montreal saloon keeper, who only began business in May last. —Wilfred Tremblay, a painter in the same city, also dealing in hardware to a small extent, has arranged a compromise at 50 per cent., secured.

THE city of St. Thomas has just completed the sale of fifty thousand dollars local improvement debentures to Mr. Geo. A. Stimson, of Toronto. We understand the city got a handsome premium for them, and as part of the issue was only bearing four and a half per cent. interest, the sale is considered a very good one. These bonds went to Europe.

AT Sherbrooke a company has been formed with Hugh Leonard as president, and G. B. Loomis as secretary-treasurer, to work a patented process for extracting or separating asbestos from crushed rock. It is claimed that the refuse matter from asbestos workings will pay well for working by this process, and the material obtained is valuable for felting and other purposes when a long fibre is not essential.

WE hear that the Dundee steamer "Dracona," with 1,000 tons brandy and fine wines for Halifax and St. John, arrived at Halifax last Friday from Charente, Bordeaux and Oporto. For St. John the "Dracona" has 1,600 cases, 5 puncheons, 67 quarter casks, 58 octaves of brandy; 40 quarter casks, 15 octaves, 2 hogsheds of port wine, 45 cases claret wine, some rum and some champagne, besides a quantity of cream of tartar.

MR. M. R. MORROW, of Halifax, has been appointed provincial agent for the Dominion Coal Company. Sydney *Reporter* speaks of Mr. Morrow as "the best known coal dealer and banker in this province, and enjoys the confidence and respect of everybody. For years associated with the Franklyns, he was the agent of the General Mining Association. Mr. Morrow is a firm believer in the great advantage of reciprocity in coal, and holds that under such a policy the markets of Montreal and Quebec could be held and a large trade profitably done with the New England States."

THE firm of Huggitt & McIntyre, saw-millers and loggers at Genoa, B.C., dissolved in March last. The former and his two sons continued under the old style. The old firm purchased, in 1890, W. J. Sutton's mill and limits for \$135,000, paying \$90,000 cash. After spending a considerable sum in improvements, the present depression in lumber began to hamper them, and now they make an assignment. Sutton was evidently a fortunate man.

W. H. MACALPINE, the Montreal lumberman recently failed, shows direct liabilities of \$16,800, indirect \$4,535. He has made a proposition to pay his creditors 20 cents on the dollar, which hardly seems acceptable, however. —Isidore Fortin, shoe manufacturer in Montreal, whose failure we recently noticed, is also proposing to pay his creditors 20 cents on the dollar in 4, 8 and 12 months, but the chances are that the creditors will wind the estate up.

THERE are but few assignments to notice in Ontario this week, but the deficiency in number is more than made up in the western provinces. We hear that the sheriff is in possession of the premises of J. D. Gare, a young man at Glencoe, Ont., who began business about two months ago. Finding trade not prosperous he sold out and has assigned. —A. H. Dunlop started a drug store in Madoc in 1891. Neglecting his business a good deal, it is not surprising to hear that he has now assigned with liabilities of \$2,500. Assets nominally the same. —James G. Stewart, who does a tailoring business in Windsor, has assigned to Hector Lamont.

A SUBSCRIBER in the wholesale trade writes from Montreal, as under: "We herewith annex copy of a letter received from a customer (a lady), who for cause objects to pay interest on past due account. It is needless to say that under the circumstances, we remit the interest, and not only this, but forward a present." Here is the letter:—"I accepted, today, your draft, but expect you will refund the interest charged, as when you advised me that the time had expired, I was absent on my wedding tour, and could not attend to that little bill."—Subscriber asks us: "Don't you think she deserves what she asks for?" We reply, most certainly; and we congratulate the firm on the promptness with which they complied with the customer's request, and the gallantry that induced them to send her a wedding present.

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