

Mercantile Summary.

THE total revenue of the city of Ottawa for the year 1895 was \$333,810, and the expenditure \$342,000.

FOR the year 1895, the exports from Brockville to the United States amounted in value to \$225,543, as compared with \$140,953 for 1894.

DIEBEL & BRICKER, of Essex, have bought a lot opposite the post-office, where they propose to erect a grain elevator, capacity 50,000 bushels.

LAST week a cable received in Montreal announced the death in England of a gentleman once among the best-known merchants of that city, Mr. Henry Chapman. The Montreal firm which bears his name is still carried on.

THE Port Hope Times states that Hugh Paterson has resigned his position in the Bank of Toronto, Montreal, where he has been for the past few years, and has entered the service of the Midland Trust Co. at Port Hope, of which his father, Stanley Paterson, is president.

LOUIS PERRAULT, manufacturer of shoes, Montreal, embarrassed by the Leggatt failure, has been obliged to assign. He owes \$33,088 direct and \$29,140 indirect.—J. Thiviere, a Quebec currier, also involved from the same cause, is reported to be arranging at 50 cents.

THE exports from Victoria, B.C., to the United States for the quarter ending December 31st, were valued at \$152,011, showing a slight decrease as compared with the corresponding quarter in 1894. The main items were bullion, \$93,726; fresh fish, \$7,649; furs and skins, \$20,565; liquors, \$9,518.

THE Packard Electric Co., of St. Catharines, have been appointed the Canadian representatives of the Bryant Electric Co., at Bridgeport, Conn., manufacturers of electric specialties, and of the R. Thomas Sons Co., East Liverpool, Ohio, who make porcelain goods. Mr. Geo. A. Powell, the assistant manager of the Packard Company, was in Toronto last week.

THOMAS CLARKE, doing business in the dry goods line at Pembroke, Ont., is reported embarrassed, and a statement of his affairs is being prepared. His business record has been marked by misfortune in the past. In July, 1894, he compromised at 50 cents.—E. O'Callaghan, of Cornwall, another dry goods man, who obtained an extension last summer, is also reported to be again in deep water.—D. Clement, gen-

eral dealer, Alfred, Ont., who compromised at 50 cents a year ago, has assigned, owing \$2,000.

THE troubles of several Montreal grocers are reported as follows: C. A. Lavigne, with liabilities of about \$4,000 and assets of \$1,500, is seeking a settlement at 30 cents.—J. D. White & Co., not in difficulty for the first time, propose paying 20 per cent. cash, on liabilities of \$3,800.—Mr. Rodrigue & Co. have been trying to arrange liabilities of about \$4,000 at 25 cents on the dollar. Mr. R. is understood to have been engaged in some unprofitable speculations of late.

THE New Year number of the *Canadian Architect and Builder* is in many respects an interesting issue. In addition to such practical matters for its special readers as "Office Methods for Architects" and "What a Young Builder should Know," it contains a three-page resumé of building in Canada in 1895. The illustrations are attractive in colors and half-tone and the cover is especially dainty. Indeed the paper is so good and the press work so clear that it is a pleasure to read this journal.

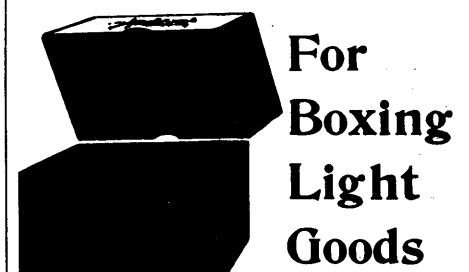
LALLY & CAVANAGH, running the telegraph office in Cornwall, Ont., and dealing in tobacco, confectionery, etc., have assigned to the sheriff. They got an extension in 1893, a compromise in the next year, and now stand a fair chance of being wound up.—A Belleville grocer, named C. G. Row, is offering 25 per cent. on liabilities of \$2,500.—W. H. Sproule, in business about five years in Ottawa, as a jeweller, has had to assign. He owes about \$3,000, with apparent assets of \$4,000.

JUST too late for last issue we received from a Quebec correspondent news of the death, last week, of two well-known citizens of Quebec, Mr. J. T. Dawson and Mr. W. Hossack. The former was of the long established firm of Middleton & Dawson, publishers, more lately known as Dawson & Co. He was a brother of the Queen's Printer at Ottawa, and in business, as in every other relation of life, commanded universal respect. Mr. Hossack's was a well-known name in Quebec. He was a merchant there fifty, perhaps sixty years ago, and had retired about a quarter of a century. His was a useful and honorable life. He had reached the great age of 82.

A GENERAL merchant at Alberton, P.E.I., T. Wilkinson, is asking an extension of time. He sold out several years ago and went to Toronto to reside; returning lately, he took the business

over again, but it had been suffered to run down during his absence.—John Pratt, of Bloomfield, and Louis Rennie, of Elmsdale, in the same province, two Italians with Anglicized names, who have been operating in eggs, and running small stores, more or less on joint account, have made assignment.

RESPECTING the appointment of Mr. George B. Reeve to the new office of general traffic manager of the Grand Trunk Railway system, the *Railway Age* thinks Mr. Hays has made no mistake in the choice. Mr. Reeve has been thirty-six years with the company, for the last fifteen as traffic manager for the Chicago and Grand Trunk. "After serving under five successive managements, he has the reward of being selected to fill the position upon the wise conduct of which the earnings of the road largely depend." He has an intimate acquaintance with trunk line and traffic associations, and with the handling of through business.



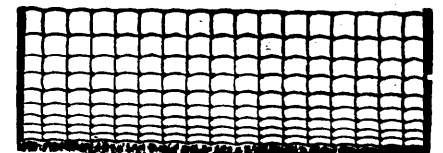
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