

D. WILLIAMSON, who kept general store and also operated in lumber and cordwood at Grenville, Que., called his creditors together a few days ago, and made a proposition to pay 75 cents on the dollar, viz., 50 cents cash, balance spread over ten months, which in all likelihood will be accepted. He is well regarded personally, though it has been felt that he was attempting too much of late, and had shown evidences of uneasiness for some time past. He owes about \$15,500, and shows apparent assets somewhat in excess.

ACCORDING to the Quebec *Chronicle*, the estate of A. Mulholland, plumber and gasfitter, insolvent, is to be sold by auction next week. The liabilities are about \$5,000. — Mr. Bedard asked tenders for the stock of Blais & Emond, dry goods merchants, insolvents, of St. Roch's. The liabilities are \$34,000, and the insolvents have offered 50

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cents in the dollar, which has been refused. — Mr H. A. Gagne, merchant of River du Loup, assigned his estate last week to Mr. H. A. Bedard, for the benefit of his creditors. His assets are given at \$3,500; liabilities unknown. — Mr. Reid has been appointed by the court curator of the insolvent estate of Messrs. Bisset Bros., machinists. The insolvents' offer of 25 cents cash in the dollar has been rejected, and the estate will be wound up.

HAVING once been a traveller for a Toronto house, and formerly done business in Aurora as a shop-keeper, Mr. Henry Sheppard last year opened a clothing store in Peterboro. He has not succeeded, for we hear of his assignment to J. W. Lawrence, with John Macdonald & Co., Toronto, owing \$26,000, with assets nominally \$32,000. He had some capital, probably \$3,000 or \$4,000, but his purchases were entirely out of proportion to his means or the extent possible to be done at a profit.

Mr. E. R. C. CLARKSON, the well-known accountant and trustee of this city, desires that the report erroneously spread abroad in print, that he had purchased the Saskatchewan coal mine and intended working it, should be corrected. Mr. Clarkson, it appears, merely holds

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this property in trust for the proprietors, and has nothing to do with the working of it. He declares that his whole time is devoted to his business as trustee, and very properly says that he allows nothing to interfere with this.

UPON the return of the Hon. Edward Blake to the active practice of his profession in this city, his legal firm has undergone reconstruction. Some additions have been made to its membership, and some former members of it have begun upon their own account. Among the eight members of the new firm we find the name of Mr. William Creelman. And among the various new firms formed out of its old members, is that of Holman & Holman, barristers and solicitors, consisting of Messrs. C. J. Holman and Edward A. Holman, whose offices are in the new brick building, 9 Adelaide street east, close to Yonge street.

IN consequence of the financial troubles of Brodie Jamieson and John Jamieson & Co., varnish manufacturers in Montreal, the firm of McWaters, Jamieson & Co., in the same business here, have made an assignment to their book-keeper, C. R. Gray. It is understood that some accommodation paper was given by them to the Montreal concern. — A. C. Doerner, of Preston, having failed some little time ago, owing \$10,000, and having less than \$1,000 assets, it was found that his relative, John Zyrd, of Preston, dealer in tinware, &c., was involved with him, having endorsed for him to the extent of \$6,000. Zyrd has assigned to Clark, Barber & Co., of Toronto.

J. B. Brooks, of Cobourg, dealer on a small scale in boots and shoes, has assigned. — Two weeks ago T. W. & R. H. Howard, picture dealers place, asked an extension from creditors, having bought too heavily last summer. They did not effect this, and have made an assignment, owing \$4,000. — Last month Mr. J. D. Davis, of Norman Mills, away up North, came down and arranged with creditors for a compromise at 50 cents in the dollar of his general store liabilities, spread over sixty days. — A blacksmith by trade, Alex. Sutliff, who began to keep grocery two years ago at Selby, has assigned to the sheriff. He owes but little. — A general dealer at Walsh, named Jessie Johnston, who did a small business, has assigned to a London man.

REJOICING over the advance in price of square timber during the present season, resulting in the clearing out of all rafts held at Quebec, the *Perth Expositor* has the following: Mr. Wm. Caldwell of Lanark was one of the lucky ones, selling three years' timber at Quebec and this year's raft on the way down, at prices varying from 25 to 32 cents per foot. The total quantity was 560,000 feet, and it will realize about \$170,000, or an average of about 30 cents.

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