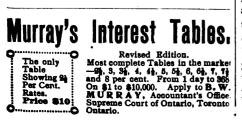


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Mercantile Summary.

ONE good feature of the Nova Scotia Exhibition will be an exhibit from Jamaica, and possibly exhibits from other of the West Indian Islands.

A DEMAND of assignment has been made upon T. L. Girard & Co., doing a small grocery and hardware business at Shawenigan, Que., since last spring.

THE Ontario Beet Sugar Association is making efforts to induce the provincial Government to grant a bounty on beet sugar, for a short term, until the industry should have become established.

THE Republic Mining Company announces that, owing to the non-completion of the mill, the dividend has been discontinued for the present. They expect the mill to be in full operation by the end of this month.

IT is stated that the British and Canadian Governments have spent \$120,000 in horses in this country during the past eight or nine months-mostly in the neighborhood of Ottawa, Peterborough and Kemptville. The average price given was \$100 per head.

THE Piano and Organ Makers' Association, of Canada, have elected the following officers: President, O. Newcombe, Toronto; 1st vice-president, R. B. Andrews, Bowmanville; 2nd vice-president, G. Heintzman, Toronto; and secretary-treasurer, H. H. Mason, Toronto.

WINDING-UP orders have been issued in the cases of both the Montreal Cold Storage and Freezing Co., and the Croil & McCullough Dairy Co., of the same city, whose troubles we referred to last week, and meetings of creditors are to be held on the 12th and 10th inst., for the appointment of liquidators.

A LARGE deposit of lithographic stone has been found on Burnt Island, Lake Temiscamingue. This is said to be the only bed of pure lithographic stone in Canada. Most of the stones now in use are imported from Bavaria. An idea of the value of lithographic stone may be obtained from the fact that a perfect slab four feet in width and six feet in length is valued at \$1,500.

THE Maritime Provinces are not wanting for appreciation both from Canadians and Americans. Now it is one of the latter who sings his meed of praise, and is also willing to back his opinion of the city of Halifax with hard cash. He expresses his willingness to invest in a new hotel enterprise to the extent of onethird of the cost, provided the other twothirds were local capital. The estimated cost is \$150,000.

THE following officers were elected by the Canadian Electrical Association: President, A. A. Dion, Ottawa; vice-presidents, E. E. Cary, St. Catharines; and P. G. Gosser, Montreal; secretarytreasurer, C. H. Mortimer, Toronto; executive committee, A. B. Smith, J. J. Wright, Toronto; O. Higman, D. R. Street, Ottawa; B. F. Reesa, Lindsay; W. H. Brown, W. J. Camp, Montreal; F. W. Simmons, Kingston; John Yule, Guelph; and Edward Slade, Quebec.

