

MESSRS. BELDING, PAUL & Co., silk manufacturers of Montreal, have just acquired a large block of land in a central portion of that city, on which they purpose erecting a new factory and business premises generally.

A MONTREAL architect has received an order from Newfoundland for two first-class wooden houses, to be prepared in Montreal during the winter and shipped in sections to St. John's upon the opening of navigation.

MESSRS. ALEXANDER & JOHN B. ROBERTSON have been admitted to membership in the firm of Robertsons, Linton and Co., Wholesale Dry Goods, Montreal. The new partners are sons of Mr. Andrew Robertson, senior of the house.

JAMES BROUARD, a Quebec grocer, whose business career extending over some twenty years, has shown a want of success, is again in trouble, and likely to be closed up. His present liabilities are stated at \$2,000, while his assets are so small that it is questioned if they will more than pay the costs of liquidation.

R. J. MCKENZIE, druggist, of Pictou, N.S., who was burnt out last November has assigned. His creditors held his insurance policies as security, and he has been trying to make some sort of a compromise, which now has apparently fallen through.

HENRY ZEINAN has dealt in stoves, etc., at Tavistock since 1878, with doubtful success. He was not too attentive to his affairs, and was usually pressed to meet his payments. He has assigned, and his stock has been disposed of by creditors.

MR. SAMUEL FRISBY, a Yonge street tailor, has been in business for many years in this city, and made but little progress, being always under the control of one firm. Owing to pressing demands he has been compelled to assign.

A SMALL trader in Warwick, W. Sutton, began business eighteen months ago, and although honest seems to have lacked the tact and capital necessary to success. He has assigned.

THE Montreal ice men are looking confidently forward to sending large quantities of ice at high prices to the States next summer. But not much of it has frozen yet. Many American dealers are in the city making arrangements for a supply.

A GENERAL storekeeper at Fitzroy Harbour, Carleton county, T. G. Somerville, has manifested somewhat of a roving disposition. In that place he did business about two years. Now he has assigned, with liabilities of \$4,500. His estate shows a deficiency.

H. L. ROLLAND, a storekeeper of Beauharnois, Quebec, who, during a six years' term of business, had already failed twice, left the town a few evenings ago for parts unknown. The landlord has put a seizure in for \$278 rent, and Rolland has victimized his fellow townsmen generally, besides owing considerable sums to Montreal houses. His total assets left behind will not exceed \$800.

THE "J. L. MORRISON" is the name of a fine engine recently built by the Canadian

Locomotive and Engine Company at Kingston for the Credit Valley Railway. The engine was named after Mr. J. L. Morrison, of G. D. Morse & Co., who is one of the most energetic directors of the Credit Valley Company.

THE position of Peter Gavin, a general dealer of Alberton P. E. I., which has been none of the easiest for some time, has been aggravated by the suspension of the Bank of P. E. I. Mr. Gavin has assigned. Particulars as to his liabilities are yet wanting, but his indebtedness to the bank is heavy, having been stated at \$18,000.

WE observe the announcement of the dissolution of the law firm of McDougalls & Gordon in this city. Mr. J. E. McDougall joins Messrs. Bain, Gordon & Shepley, while Mr. Alfred McDougall and Mr. A. J. Sinclair retain the interest and carry on the business of the old firm, under the style of McDougall & Sinclair.

JOHN GOODWIN, a furniture dealer in Otterville, commenced on his own account in 1879, and shortly afterward lost by fire about \$500. His friends then assisted him and he again started business in a small way. This week he placed his affairs in the hands of creditors, and Mr. G. T. Bullock will wind up the business in their interest. It is thought that the creditors will realize their claims if properly managed.

APPLICATION has been made by the Canadian Steam Users' Insurance Association, to the Dominion Parliament, for leave to change the name of the Association to the "Boiler Inspection & Insurance Company of Canada," it having been found that the former title does not adequately convey to the public mind the scope and intent of the company's business, which is, as the new title implies, the periodical inspection as well as the insurance of steam boilers against explosion, a very useful and needful function, we should think.

MESSRS. PINKERTON & Co., wholesale boots and shoes have changed the style of the firm to Pinkerton & Turner, Montreal the partners remaining the same. G. Bourgoin & Co. wholesale fancy goods have added to the *personnel* of their firm, the style now being Bourgoin, Duchesneau & Co. A dissolution of the wholesale hat firm of Colin McDonald & Co., is being effected; the future style is not yet decided upon. Among other firm changes in Montreal we note the following: John Watson Junr., hardware commission and plated ware, has admitted Godfrey Pelton, for many years employed with Crathern & Caverhill, into partnership, under the style of Watson & Pelton.

IT has been an occasion of recent rejoicing to the employees of the North American Rubber Co., Quebec, that work was last year carried on in their factory all through the year for the first time since its opening. The proprietor gave a ball to the employees, at which about 125 were present. Mr. Wm. Withall, the proprietor, was presented by the operatives with his portrait in oil, and a like honor was done to Mr. W. F. Boxer the manager. These were accompanied by complimentary addresses, in French and English. That to Mr. Boxer expressed the esteem in which

he was held, testified to the fidelity with which he fills his responsible position, and the zeal with which he stimulates the efforts of those under him. The factory, after stock-taking, will be re-opened, in the manufacture of an entirely new line of goods for Canada, viz.: ladies' gossamer clothing and gents' waterproof coats, &c. The factory is turning out 1000 pairs of rubber shoes daily.

IT is natural that young business men of enterprise should find attractions in Manitoba and the North-west, as districts in which to begin business. Not a few promising young men from the older provinces have already thrown in their lot with their elders in the trade of the newer and remoter territory. We have to add to the list of firms in Winnipeg that of Messrs. G. F. & J. Galt, wholesale dealers in groceries & liquors. The senior is a son of Mr. Justice Galt, and has been for seven years past with the Toronto importing house of Messrs. Perkins, Ince & Co. Having been a travelling salesman for that house, he has thereby acquired a good knowledge of business. The junior partner has been for several years in the Bank of Montreal in New York and Chicago, and is a competent office man. They take to Winnipeg a large stock; they will have, we are told, adequate capital, the integrity and industry of both are unquestioned, and the new firm begins with excellent prospects.

MR. J. O. WALPOLE, formerly Stacy & Walpole, stationers, etc., at Kingston, has failed. The old firm purchased for \$8,800 the business formerly carried on by S. Woods, and gave notes extending over two years. Mr. Stacy retired and Mr. Walpole, who appears to be both honest and enterprising, continued the business. Campbell & Sons of this city appear to have taken entire control of the establishment, and other publishing houses consider that this firm has endeavored in its own interest to make the most of the situation. To the surprise of Mr. Walpole and the chagrin of other creditors, another party was put in charge of the premises, after which Mr. W. assigned in trust. Since this transpired a meeting of the outside creditors was held, and an effort will be made to test the claims of Messrs. Campbell.

THE firm of G. B. Smith & Henderson, dry goods dealers at wholesale, has removed from Yonge street to the premises 39 Front st. west, which has been refitted for their accommodation with all modern conveniences, including hydraulic hoist, etc. This step has been forced upon them by the growth of business, which, we are told, has steadily increased until it now demands all the space which the four commodious flats of the new warehouse will furnish. Messrs. S. & H. boast that their trade has been largely for cash, or short time, and they enlarge eloquently in the daily press upon the advantages thereof. It will probably be found, however, that this firm is very far from having a monopoly of cash trade; for we are glad to see that our leading importers are aiming at and doing their business more closely to a cash basis than ever before.

IT was only about the beginning of December last that a concern with the euphonious title of