

offence, forfeit and pay a fixed penalty of \$500. The above-mentioned act, as thus amended, clearly supersedes, and by implication repeals so much of all prior acts, including those of 1882, as are inconsistent therewith. The circular is signed by M. Folsom, Chairman; Henry Webb, Geo. B. Douglas, Alep. D. Corson, Frederick A. Hart.

THE list of failures, &c., for the Province of Quebec for the past fortnight is as follows:—E. C. Bennett, mill owner, Harrington East, is seeking an extension of time.—In Montreal, Louis Cousineau and James Cullens, both grocers, have assigned.—J. A. Rause, general dealer at Pigeon Hill, is reported "in deep water."—E. Poliwick & Co., jobbers in glue and grocers' sundries, Montreal, have failed, not for the first time, and offer 50 cents on the dollar.—E. St. Jean, tailor of the same city, has settled at 25 cents.—Israel Sabourin, general store, St. Urbain, has failed and assigned.—L. Charpentier's dry goods shop at Sorel, has been closed by creditors.—At St. Hyacinthe, T. St. Jean, saddler, is trying to settle at 25 cents on the dollar.—C. E. Dion & Co., general store, St. Patrick's Hill, has made abandonment of his estate.

RESPECTING the miners in Nova Scotia, about the effect of whose strike upon Pictou and New Glasgow industries we had a paragraph last week, we are informed that the Nova Scotia Glass Company is not getting coal from the sources affected by the strike, but from the Drummond Mine, whose men are not among the strikers. The business of the Glass Co. is meanwhile going on as usual.

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MR. RUSKIN ON RAILWAYS.—The *Birmingham Gazette* publishes the following letter from Mr. Ruskin to a Cumberland gentleman, who had communicated with him on the Ambleside Railway project:—

"Brantwood, Coniston, Lancashire,  
"March 1, 1887.

"MY DEAR SIR,—I do not write now concerning railroads here or elsewhere, because they are to me the loathsome form of devilry now extant; animated and deliberate earthquakes, destructive of all wise social habit, or possible natural beauty; carriages of damned souls on the ridges of their own graves.—Ever faithfully yours,

JOHN RUSKIN."

—A Vienna tailor wagered recently that it took more than forty thousand stitches to make a winter overcoat. To decide the question a coat was ordered and a committee of experts sat to superintend the work, as well as to see that no unnecessary stitches were made. The result was announced as follows:—Body of the coat, 4,780 stitches; collar, 8,363; sewing collar on, 1,763; buttonholes, 2,520; sleeves, with lining, 980; pockets, 924; silk lining of body, with wadded interior, 17,863; braiding, 2,726. Total, 39,619 stitches.—*Fabrics' Fancy Goods and Notions.*

—The adjourned annual meeting of the St. John Bolt and Nut Company was held last week. The directors' report was read and referred to the auditors to report upon. The following directors were elected: B. R. Lawrence, E. R. Burpee, J. C. Robertson, W. F. Butt and L. H. Young.

### Commercial.

#### MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, March 16th, 1887.

ASHES.—The market has gained some additional strength since last writing. No. 1 pots being now quoted at \$4.35 to \$4.40, in seconds there have been no recent transactions, nor in pearls either. Receipts are light though a little freer than a week ago; there have been no recent shipments of consequence.

BOOTS AND SHOES AND LEATHER.—Orders for boots and shoes have fallen off since last report, probably due to bad country roads, and payments are also complained of, so that manufacturers are not apparently inclined to buy beyond present needs, and business in leather is not active. Quotations remain as they were, but there is a disposition to shade figures for fair lots. A lot of about 3,000 sides of sole is to be offered this week at auction to close consignment. We quote:—Spanish sole, B. A. No. 1, 24 to 26c.; do. No. 2, B. A., 20 to 23c.; No. 1 Ordinary Spanish, 21 to 23c.; No. 2 do., 19 to 21c.; No. 1 China, 22 to 23c.; No. 2, 21 to 22c.; ditto. Buffalo Sole No. 1, 21 to 22c.; ditto. No. 2, 19½ to 21c.; Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 25 to 29c.; oak sole, 42 to 48c.; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 38c.; ditto. heavy 32 to 36c.; Grained 34 to 37c.; Scotch grained 36 to 40c.; Splits large 22 to 28c.; do. small 16 to 24c.; Calf-splits, 18 to 32c.; Calfskins, (35 to 46 lbs.), 70 to 80c.; Imitation French Calf, skins 80 to 85c.; Russet Sheepskins Linings, 30 to 40c.; Harness 24 to 33c.; Buffed Cow, 13 to 16c.; Pebbled Cow, 11 to 15½c.; Rough 23 to 28c.; Russet and Bridle, 54 to 55c.

FISH.—The demand is falling off as Lent advances, and bad roads in the interior have also had their effect on the business. Prices rule easier; stocks of green cod are large on all hands. We quote:—Green cod \$4.50 for large draft; No. 1 large \$4.00; No. 1 ordi-

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nary \$3 to \$3.25; dry cod \$2.75 to \$3.00; Labrador herrings \$5.00 to \$5.25 for choicest; Cape Breton \$5.50. North Shore Salmon, No. 1, \$15.50; No. 2, \$14.00; British Columbia Salmon, \$13.00; Lake Trout, \$3.75; no white-fish.

DRY GOODS.—The bulk of goods sold on the late spring trip has now been shipped, and there is not much activity visible in wholesale warehouses. Travellers are all home with the exception of a few in Manitoba, from which quarter a little business is reported. Payments are still on the slow side, and some warmer weather is now needed to help retail trade. There is nothing new in prices.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—There is a fair jobbing trade reported in these lines, and orders for spring delivery of heavy chemicals are being placed in fair quantity. Values in all lines, except quinine, are very firm, the recent numerous advances being well maintained, and still higher prices probable in many cases. Quinine has shown some decline in New York. We quote:—Sal Soda 90 to \$1.00; Bi-Carb Soda

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