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New York. Montreal.**Mercantile Summary.**— Continued rains in Cuba again threaten to  
disastrously affect the sugar crop.— Sheep-raising, as well as cattle-raising, is  
becoming an extensive industry in British Col-  
umbia.— Edward Dupont, a general merchant of  
Three Rivers, has made an assignment. His  
liabilities are about \$6000.— We would direct attention to the advertise-  
ment of Porteous Bank, Paisley, Ont., which  
will be found in another column.— Willows are being sent from Chatham to  
the lake shore to be planted on the beach, to  
prevent the inroad of the waves.— The Allan Steamship *Sarmatian* arrived in  
port on Tuesday afternoon, being the first vessel  
of that line for the season.— The attempt to establish a butter factory  
at Walkerton has failed on account of lack of  
support on the part of the farmers.— The International Salt Co. has determined  
to sink a shaft at Goderich for mining salt. The  
Manhattan Co.'s shaft is progressing rapidly.— Newfoundland intelligence reports the  
total absence of ice and the presence of large  
quantities of cod fish on the Grand Banks.— Coal shipments for the season have com-  
menced at the Picton Mines, 440 tons having  
been sent off last week.— The Toronto Car Wheel Co., having become  
insolvent, their stock of car wheels is to be  
sold off by the assignees.— The Lake St. John Railway is to be pro-  
ceeded with at once, and a quantity of the  
material required is now lying at Quebec.— A dealer in this city is negotiating with a  
St. Louis firm to ship them 5000 tons of ice  
this season. The ice crop was very bad south  
of the great lakes.— The business of canning salmon is fast as-  
suming large dimensions in British Columbia.  
A new establishment is being erected, the  
buildings of which will cover an acre of ground.— Four carloads of lead have just been ship-  
ped from the Frontenac Smelting Works, the  
product of recent smelting. The metal is of  
excellent quality.