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MESSES. FOLGER BROS., of Kingston, are going to build a new steamer for the Gananoque route. It will be adequate to accommodate 1000 persons if necessary.

It is reported that James Reid, general storekeeper at Gagetown, N.B., has taken his departure across the border.-E. A. Tapley, grocer, at Indiantown, N.B., has assigned .-Todd, of Newcastle, N.B., and W. H. Hemlow, at Liscomb, N.B., have also assigned.

ELI SPENCER, a tailor in Newmarket, Ont., has been in business several years. By reason of the mildness of the season last winter affecting hls business he became involved, it is stated, and the sheriff is now in possession. The stock will be sold by auction.

Tite postmaster at Komoka, Mr. Robert Hord, who is also a general storekeeper, surprised his creditors very much a few days ago by making an assignment, owing \$3,300. His stock and book debts will amount to about an equal sum, and it is thought that his estate will yield a good dividend. He was supposed to own some real estate, but now it all appears in his wife's name.

MESSRS. Bautz, Clayton & Burton, lithographers, Hamilton, unfortunately for themselves, have not been conducting their business very harmoniously. Partly in consequence of this they became involved. Their liabilities are about \$12,000. It is thought that an arrangement can be made by which the principal creditor will become the purchaser of the assets. If this can be accomplished it is hoped that a large dividend will be paid, and the general creditors will not lose much, if anything.

THE citizens of Winnipeg will welcome the Herdic coach line which is about to be established there. In view of this prospect it is not surprising that the Omnibus and Transfer Company should be anxious to dispose of their business. The Herdic Company, if they have a sufficient number of carriages to do the work, ought to be well patronized-strangers, at least, are tired of complying with the extortionate demands made by the Omnibus Company.

One of the prominent members of the Bar in Montreal, Mr. T. W. Ritchie, Q. C., Crown Prosecutor &c., died suddenly on Monday last, while upon the boat returning from Lake Memphre. magog. Mr. Ritchie removed to Montreal from Sherbrooke, some thirty years ago and became a partner with Mr., now Sir John Rose. He was solicitor for the Bank of Montreal, of which for some time he was a director, and was on the direction of the Montreal, Portland & Boston, and the New Brunswick & Canada Railways and of other commercial corporations. "Mr. Ritchie has long been recognized " as the Gazette says, "as one of the leaders of the Bar in this Province, and was an authority upon commercial law." He was a man of great tenacity and of much force as a counsel, and had many warm friends in the mercantile community.