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remedy a line of propellers running from Lake Ontario through to Quebec is suggested; but whether this plan be approved or not it is believed that some solution of the difficulty must be found.

A GENERAL dispersion of the busy tribes who haunt the thoroughfares of business is now the order of the day since the heated term has set in; many go to Europe—more than ever before—others confine themselves to an airing on the lakes and rivers, but almost everybody is "from home," or about to leave. This exodus has its effect on trade, causing a sort of hiatus which will last as long as the dog-days. The stock market for this reason has fallen off into a comatose condition; sales are limited to a few shares at a time, mostly between brokers themselves, there being no speculative demand, and little enquiry for investment. Prices of shares are therefore flat, and will not revive for a few weeks, when, as the thermometer falls, the public pulse may be expected to rise.

THE ANNUAL meeting of the Hamilton Board of Trade was held on Monday, the 8th, when the annual report was presented and officers elected for the ensuing year as follows:—President, A. T. Wood; Vice-President, D. Moore; Secretary, W. Mackay. Members of the Council:—Messrs. John Brown, Adam Brown, Hon. I. Buchanan, B. E. Charlton, W. F. Findlay, S. E. Gregory, E. Gurney, A. Hope, A. Harvey, M. Leggett, D. McInnes, J. I. Mackenzie, A. Murray, W. McGivern, John Proctor, A. F. Skinner, T. Saunders, G. E. Tuckett, James Turner, John Winer, Andrew Wilson, James Watson, James Walker, J. M. Williams, and John Young. Board of Arbitration—Messrs. D. Gillies, J. Hespler, W. H. Gillard, John Har-

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vey, T. C. Kerr, W. M. Lottridge, A. I. Macdonald, John McPherson, W. E. Sandford, and A. Turner.

A meeting of the creditors of A. C. Brown, of Petrolia, who seems to be in difficulties, was held in this city on the 1st inst., but we believe no arrangement was come to with reference to his affairs. Since writing the above, we have learned that Mr. Brown has assigned.

DURING the year ended June 30th, the imports of hardware were \$444,697, and \$269,553 in the previous year; of dutible iron, \$146,426 against \$133,131. The total imports of all articles were \$13,097,295 against \$10,384,093.

THE IMPORTATIONS of dry goods at Toronto for the year ended 30th June, compare with the previous year as follows:—

	1871.	1872.
Woollens.....	\$1,646,168	\$2,419,330
Cottons.....	1,787,187	2,022,625
Silks and Velvets.....	461,676	558,976
Fancy Goods.....	528,345	666,701

The increase in woollens is about 30 per cent; in cottons 22 per cent; in silks and velvets 18 per cent; in fancy goods nearly 20 per cent.

IMPORTATION of groceries at Toronto for the year ended June 30th, 1872, show an important increase over last year in all the leading articles; the figures for two years compare thus:—

	1871.	1872.
Sugar, all kinds.....lbs.	3,487,495	5,299,894
Tea, Green and Japan..	1,181,078	1,458,755
Tea, Black.....	249,828	413,614
Coffee, green.....	369,699	401,571
Spices.....	19,837	8,928
Dried Fruits.....	120,227	111,824
Rice.....	432,880	773,448

A MR. R. C. CAMPBELL, general store, Kirkfield, Ont., to whom we made an indirect refer-

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ence two weeks ago, is seeking to compromise with his creditors at 75c. on the dollar, without interest. He has indignantly thrust aside the leniency of his creditors, who offered him an extension of time, that being all he asked in the first instance. The presumption of his proposal will be apparent when we state that he commenced business two years ago penniless, and that the effect of his demand will be, if conceded, to make him a gift of \$2,000, to say nothing of what he may realize out of doubtful debts. The appearance of the affair is rendered much worse by the fact that his father and brothers figure as creditors for a considerable amount. If the creditors accept this man's demand, they will but add another inducement to persons without means or character to embark in business, in the hope of realizing, by adventitious circumstances, the profits which they have not the ability to earn by legitimate trade.

A RATHER interesting case is reported in the Montreal journals—Reford & Dillon v. Jones—in which the plaintiff sued defendant for damage to 500 bags of rice shipped in 1870 by W. Ross & Co. from Liverpool by the barque America to Montreal. Judgment was granted in favor of the plaintiff in the Superior Court, but on the case coming before the Court of Review, Judge Mackay reversed that decision. It was claimed that the rice was damaged by being improperly stowed near chloride of lime in the vessel. The rice was sold at auction for \$3,918, and Reford & Dillon issued an attachment against the vessel for \$500, the balance of a claim made up to \$4,418. The Defendant tendered \$204 for damages, interest and costs with his plea. This was declared insufficient in the Superior Court, and judgment was given for the