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## THE OREDTIOR8' RELIEF AOT.

The late session of tho Ontano Legisistare, atchough more fruitful of political clap-trap than real legisiation for tho good of the Province, should receave credt for.at least one good deed, viz.: the bill to pat in foree "The Creditors' Belhef Act of 1880 ." Our readers will remember that whon in 1870 "The Domunion Insolvent Act" was repealed, it at once became apparent that if nothing Fere done by the Prorincial Legralature to prevent such abuses, that tho fair name of Canadian merchants would be sernously damaged by the old abase of preferential creditors and assignments. In order to prevent this as. much as possible Mir. Mowat in 1880 introduced has Creditors' Rehef Act above alluded to, which was intended as a cheok apon, suob praotices, and was sapposed to come in forco as soon as proclaimed by the Leeut.-Governor of Ontario. Although there was mucol speculation at the tume as to the power of the Ontario Ierislatare to pass any such measure, it 18 stated that it was informally agreed between the Ontarto and Dominion Governmonts that.
tho latter should legisiato in suoh a man. nor as te cemove any do ibts upon the subject, and that on this being done tho Liout.Governor's proolamation was to issue.
The Dominion Government however not being strong onough in tho baols to resist the olamor of the lower Canadian members for a contivuance of the repena of the Insolveat Aot, nothing has been done in this direction by the Government themselves, although each session has furnislled its qnota of private insolvont bille, which have been quietly strangled along before the Usher of the Black Rod has had his final upportanity of posing before the members at three hundred dollars per bow.
In the meantime, as every reader of Tae Thader knows, fraudulent preferences have in many cases been the order of the day, and this state of things has done not a litte to curtail trade at home and injure Canadian credit abroad. Indeed in the case of British creditors it is an open secret that quite an agitation has been raised in the mother country to discontinuo credit sales in Canada altogether until English oreditors were placed in as good a position as those in Canada.

- "Urged by the necessity of the cane the Ontario Parliament at its session just closed decided to wait no longer for Dominion legislation, but to pat the Creditors' Relief Act at once into force. Accord ingly the clanse about the Lieutenant Governor's proclamation was repealed (Administration of Justico Act, 1884, ser. 2), and the Creditors: Relief Act thereapon came into force and is now the law of ibe land. It does not affect the rights of execation creditors ander writs of execution colivered to the sheriff before the Act came into force on 26th March last.
The object of the Creditors Relief Act is to abolish priority of and among execution oreditors. It provides that a sheriff on arecuting a-writ shall keep an account of money received and shall divide it rateably among all execution and other creditors whose writs, or certificates an 2 the Act, are placer in his hands within one month from the date of the ontry in his books. If a debtor permit an execation to remain unsatisfied till within two days of the time fized by the Sheriff for the sale of his gonds, other areditors muy proceed in the following manuer in respect of debts which are overdue :-
An affidavit of the debt is to be made
by the creditor ; $n$ cortifivate is to bo obtainod from the Shoriff showing that suoh proosedings have been had agninst tho dobtor as bring him within tho Aot; a copy of tho affidavit is to bo sorved on tho debtor; tho affidavit and SLeriff's oertitioate aro to be dopositod with tho County Court Clork. Then if, within ton days aftor the servico, tho olaim is not dis. puted, the County Court Olork will de. liver to the creditor a cortificato of tho claim ; thes corlifioato is to be delivered to the Sheriff, and, from the time of suol2 delivery, the claimant is to bo deemed an execution creditor, and entitled to sharo with other exeontion creditors. On receiving the certificate the Sheriff is to make further seizure sufficient, if possible to Eatisfy the now claim. The objeot of this procedure is to avoid tive expense of unnecessary suits. In case of tho debtor disputing the olaim he is to file with the County Court Clerk an affidavit stating that ho has a defonce, and the question will be decided by the County Court Jadge; or where there is a dispute as to material fnots, or when the sum in controversy exceeds $\$ 400$, the judge may send the matter to a superior court.

A Division Court judgment is to ontitle acreditor to cqual rank with a creditor holding a County Court judgment.
The judge is endowed with power to grant time to the debtor where this can be done without injustice to the creditor.
The procedare under the Act is axceedingly simple and inexpensive, and whilo affording creditors all the protection whioh it is in lhe power of the Lregislatare to grant, will not be oppressive towards any honest debtor.

It is bat fair to add that the clanse in the "Administration of Jastice Act, 1884," which brings into force the Creditors' Relief Act, was passed with the unanimous consent of both sides of the House."

## TAE COMING METAL.

Although aluminum Las long been known as one of the most useful of metals, the difficulty of obtaining it has hitherto proved an almost insaperable obstacle to iis general use. It appears however, thit soientifio research has overcome this obje-tion and alurainum can now be ohioized in quantivies sufficient for the present necessities of trade, and at $\mu$ rices far below its former vsluo. If all, or even bulf is true, that is claimod for it, this metal which may almost prac
tioally bo regarded as a new ono, has a great futuro beforo it, and bids fair to rival iron in ita wido rango of adaptability. For many purposos it must cortainly suporsedo all motals in present uso, and if tho prico can bo reducod low enough to bring it within the reach of the practical trades it will give izon and steel a hard raco for snpromacy. Tho manafao turo and dovolopmont of this motal is still in ita infanoy, and wo arwait with a great deal of interost, its introduction on an cefondod scalo into the manufaotures of the world. Manufacturers have long boon looking for some suck motal, and if thes fills the bill its succoss is assured from tho start. In this connection we dip from our estoomod contomporary "Tho Watchmaker and Jewoler," of London, England, tho following account of this motal, which may prove of interest to our readors:
" Alnminum, writh ono exseption, is the most abundant motal known. The material, alamina or clay, from which it is producod is not confined to any locality or country. It is found everywhere. It is moro than balf a century sinco the eminent German chemist, tho late Fredenioh Wobler, who for fify ycars was Peofcssor of Medicine and Director of tho Chomical Instituto at Goltupgen, disgor: ered aluminum and that it conid be produced from common clay nad from alum and still it is among the least familiar of motals. Its usual price is \&4 per pound, asd until tho past year it has onl's been known as "aluminum gold." After many cxperiments oxtonding over a series of years its manufacture was abandoned, orcopt in ono instanco, to tho French, who only produoed itin inconsiderable quanti. ties. After more thau thirty years' labor and at a cost of moro than $\$ 250,000$, the eminont chemist nnd metallurgist, James Webster, has discorered a method of making aluminum by burning or roasting alum, instead of making it in the Jld and tedous way by precipitation. By the new prooess it takes only one treenty fourth of tho lime required by the old mothod and cosks less than ono tonth as much. Instead of producing the alumina powder by the old and slow method of pre. cupitation, Mr r. Wobster burns the alum with pitoh in a calcining or ronstung fur. naco, proparod expressely for this parpose, tho product boing a groy ash or powder, in sppearanco much like the ashes or cinders from an ongine farnace. This grey powder, according to all scientific anthoritios, is no moro or less than burnt alum. By anothor process this ash 15 oonsarted into another product, which contains from oighty-four to nirety fivo por cant of tho alumina, having left bo hind it soveral bi-producte, which noarly pay the cost of working. The alumina thes producod is bettor than by the old
method of precipitation, in that it is much finer in texture aud almost entirely freo from silica. Tho discovoror has beon producing 200 pounds of alumina por weok for moro than a year, the value of which is $£ 4,000$ or $£ 208,000$ por annum, the result of which bne been that at the present tima a manufaotory which covors moro than ono-balf an acere is lept busy night and day, with orders for moro than fircon monthe' work. The prosent output is twenty tons of aluminum metal por Fook. From tho results already obtsinod by the aluminum bronze factory (noar Birmingham) it is plainly evident that in a very short time tbis almost now and peculiar metal, which nover oxydises or corrodes, and which never inrnishes under nay circumstances, to which oan be given the color of rold, silver, brunze, or purple, and which differs from all other metals in that it is never produced direct from ore, but only by a long aud elaborate process, must becomo an importaut factor in the manufacture of jewellery ; and not ouly so, but that almost every articlo mado from metal, from the sorem-propeller or anchor of the largest ateamship down to the tiniest tesspoon, must bo manufactured frons it, or its alluy or brouze.

The chief value of aluminum, at present, is in tompering or giving strength and a surface or body to ailoys, bronzes or metals, so that they will not corrode. To copper, tin or zine it gives suoh propertice as,oan bo obtainẹ by no. other means, soflening their natare while inoreasing their real lardness and atrength, and enabling them to resist all the tests applied to gold or eilver, preserving them from corrosiou and reudering them more dnctilo and refined, and giving them a surface and body that withstands the chemical setion of the elements. As a r of this new prncees of mnking alunnnum, sll plated goods, nickel or silvor, watch cases, cups, saucers, spoons, knives, forks, gan and pistol barrels, pistol haudles, gun, haruess, carixiage and saddle ornaments made of brass, niokel, German silver, bronze or silver, must give way to those mado of sluminum or bismuth bronzo. Pinnoforte wires male from it will vibrate ten seconds longer than tho best now in nes. The tensilo strength of aluminnm or bismath bronze being the rame;only in tho latter 1-1800th part of bismuth is added, had been proved, by repeated tests, to bear a strain of forty-two tons to tho square inch, or fourteen tons more than gin metal, and twelve tons mors than the best Beasemer steel. Whenever and wherever there is need of a metal, and one is demandel that caniot crybtallise or corrode under any circumstancos, a metal that combines great strength and floxibility, it is plain that alominum must be used. In tho tests already made with propeller screma, blades, journal bearings and heary artillory made from alnwipum or bismath bronze, as against thoso made from the best gun metal, the ship build
ers decided in fnvour of tho former as tho strength was so much groster and the woight so muoh less, being only onefourth as great."

## Solected fiftutter.

## A STRANGE STORY.

"A more serious mattor than that oo. ourred to mo," said a littlo man seated near the firo, and whose hoad was bald and his whisbers groy, though tho was scarcely middle-agad.n,
It was. in the snag commorcial room of tho "Sersph," at the littio town of Ever. giveany, on the borders of Wales, one November evening, about ten years ago. Wo were six in namber. In the easy olnar reolined little Larkey; on the sofa sprawled Larkey's son, a big fellow sis feet ligh, who lad been a mato in tho merchant service, and: tired of the sea iife, had betely taken to helpiang hisshort parent on the road. Bonla; in the tea trade, geverally talkative and given to punning, was unusually silent, and sat quatly smoking, in which occupation wo were all engaged except one, who ap. peared too fidgety to do anylhing in particular. This man, Baldwin, after displaging symptoms of restlossness for aboat half an hour, rang the bell for "Boots." On that functionary appaaring, Baldwin said to him, "Has my portmanteaa arrived?" "Can't come yet, sir," replied Boots; " train not due for another tronty minntes. Let you know thon, sir," and exit.. Baldwin explained that, on changing trains at the Pwllypant Jnnction, he bad left his portmanteru in the carriago for Drakesa, and he feared it might havo been stolen, and shonld suoh prove to be the case the matter would be unpleasant, as there were fifty pounds of hard cash in.that porimantean. He bad, however, wared. to the junction, and loped to see bis property by tho noxturain rwhichamanwhatreliciled tho rowark from the small man with the bald head, who, till that moment, had not nttered a word since he had lighted his pipe for the erening.
We all trirned towards our new friend, who, after a short paise, said: "It's rather a long story. Would you like to hear-it ?"

Oar repiies may be readily imagined, and the bald-hesded man, after a fer preliminary paffe of his pipe, began his talo as followe:
"It's eome years since, when I trafel.

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led for Lever, Garnott \& Co., tho great watchmakers and jowolers, that tho affair I have alluded to occurred. I did uot tako intterns or stock of juwolry, but roprosented the wath branch of the concorn only, nad carriod willt mo on my juurnoys a stock of watches worth consilorably moro than a thousnud pounds. These watches wore arranged on trays in an oblong mahogany box, seourely bound with brass and fitted with patent locke, and tho box was of a sizo to go conveniently under a railway soat. It was my duty not to loso sight of this box whon on the rail, aud when at an hotel I almays had it sent into my bedroom at night. On ono occasion I was going to Irelnud, and had laken the night oxpress from Stafford, booking to Dnblin, vis Holyhead. I saw my box ilopositod under tho seat of a secondclase casriage, and had tho compartmont to myself till the train arrived at Chester. Thoro anothor passenger entered, and seated bimsolf in tho further corncr, ou tho opposite side to me. For a while I took no particular notice of the now-comer, but indulged in reverio while smoking this morschaum. [It wns not so highly colored thon as it is now, he added, parenthetically.] Aftor some timo I looked at my companion, and wondered who or what ho could be. Ho was of angular and rathor powerful build, nand, being in ill-fitting, seedy black clothes, with a dirty white necktio aud a shabby box hat, he had somomhat the appearance of $a$ backsliding preacher or dissipated undertakor. But there were two littlo matters connected with this goutlomnn mhich I could not quite reconcilo with cither of these hypotheses. Tho first was, that, although his hair was rough and short belind, he had a loug greasy lock tristed formard from cach ear ; the other, that out of a bundle ho had with him protruded tho dirty ends of a pair of conduroy trousers.
"Being tired, I soon gave up thinking about the man, as I could make nothing of him, and weat to sleop. I was arakened by the train stopping at the Holyhead station. My lato travelling companion had doparted, and as I know that overy compartment rould bo soarched and all the luggage taken down to the Dublin eteamer, I haft my box nader the seat, went to the refreshment rooms for a short time, after which I walked down the rails to tho pior and on boand tho boat. There was the usual
sceno of confusion attendant on tho do. parturo of a Channel stenmor at nightpassengers waudering abont, sailors Unwling, hauling and colliug, stenm blowing off, and 80 ob . Tho baggagu had been deposited promisouously on the deck, and some men with lanterns wero ongaged in sorting tho paoknges aud preparing to lower the larger ones into the hold. I cid not seo my box, but at first was not uneasy sbout it, bolieving it to bo biddon somowhere nmong the rest; till, as ono packago aftor ninother was shiftod and it did not appear, somo mirgiviags cume over mo. I askod the men as unconcernedly as I could it they had seen a box of tho doscription I gavo; they had not, and then I became larmed for its safety. My neat stép was to speak to the mate, who, on hearing of the valuable contents of the box, took a lantern and helped me in my scarol. Wo looked in ovary likely and uulikely place, 'but with no succes. By this timo the vessel was ateaming: ong on her way to Dublin, and the captain had descended from the bridgo that tho mato might take his place as usual. On learning what was tho matter the captain asked if there were any othar passengers in the comparturent in which I had travelled from Stafford. I then thought of, and desoribed, tho man who had got in at Chester. Thinking he had probably stolen the box, and was on bonrd the bnat, we looked about for him. Ho was not among the cabin passengers, aud I accopted the captnin's invitation to go ' for'ard,' where wie scrutinized those in tho forecabin ; but with no result, except that of making them wonder what on earth-or, rather, water-we were lochmg at.
" ' I'm afraid it's a bad job, sir,' said the captain; ' but yonr only clance is to mako yourself comfortable and go back by the return boat to Holyhead, where you will be ablo to make enquiries abōat your box of the station master. You'll be there in the morning, and I wish you success. l'm just going to have a glass of grog, and then I shall turn in.'
" Jaking myself comfortablo was out of the question; but I did return by the noxt boat. I met with erery attention I could wish for from the officials at tho Holghend statinn. Every nook and oorner was searched; porterd, éngine cleanors, and all were had up and examined by the station master ; but with no result."

Hore the spoaker paused to refill his pipo.
"Ah l" said Baldwin, " of course you nevor hoard more of the boz or its con. tonts."
"Hold on," baid Larkey, junior ; "the yarn's not finibhed yot I"
"The rest may appear improbable," resuraed ho of tho balk hoad; "but is true, I assure yon.
"As you may imagine, I was nearly distracted by anxiety and want of rest; but it was of no uso to wait about at Holyluead, so I deformined on going up by the noxt train. The question was, where to go? I could not bear the thought of prosenting myself before my emplojers minus their property, which lad been entrusted to mo, without making some farther effort. As it ap. peared utterly hopeless to rocover tho box and its contents. I took a ticket to Chester, haring some vague notion that, as the sugpectod party had enterel the carriage at Chester, I. might find him there."
" Not likely," said Larkey, senior.
"You are quite right, but in those cases one catoles at a straw.
"I had settlod myself in an empty compartment, when, just as the train was moving off, a man got in, and, after taking off his hat, pulled out of his pocket n nowspanor, and appeared to read. He was an ordinary-looking in-dividuni-might have been taken for a farmer, or, perhaps, a well-to do tradesmau. After ecrutinizing him attentively for some time, I moved torwards him, and said, 'Excuse me, you are a policeman, aro you not ?' The man looked up from his paper, and gave me a searching glance, and said, quietly, ‘Well, suppose I am? ? I told himabout my loss. He appeared to pay very little attoution to what I was saying, keeping the nerspnper in his hand, aud looking at it from -time to tima, except when I described the man who got in at Chester, about whom he questioned mo rather closely. When I bad finished he said, - I am a detective; but how do you know it ?' • By your boots,' said I. 'You have the regalation police boots.' My new ecquaintance said there was little chance of my over secing the watches again, though he moald do what be could for me if I would strictly follow his instructione, which, of courso. I was glad enough to do ; and thoy were as follows - At Chester there will be a delay of ten

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" Four o'clook came; fiva; bix. My travelling frend did uot appear. Could I bo honxed? You may imagine tho state of my mind and norvous systemiesoribo them I canuot. Townads sivon o'olock he walked in, as he asid, ' just to show himsolf.' Conld give me no hopo. 'Keep yoursolf quiel,' said ho; ' I'll seo you again at mine, and went away. ' Nine I' said I to mysolf, 'that will be ton or later.' However, at half-past eight in camo tho dotcetive, and said, 'Como out quictly with me.' I went with him to the police station, where I was introduced to tho superintendent, and shown into a dimly lighted room. Tho supernutendont, prouling to sume thug ind the corner, 'rand, 'Is that: your box? Yes: there it war. At fir $t$ I was ready to danco for joy; but, in a moment, I thought, here is the box, but how about the contenss? Whero are the watohes? The box was opencd-overy wath was there-but not ouly were the trays sadly bnttered nbout, nearly every watch-glass was brokon, and the watches arranged-or, rather, disarrauged-in a most remarkable mamner. The first thing I did was to select a trenty guinen watoh, and present it to the detective; my noxt to invito him and tho superintondont to supper. The superintendent dechned, but tho detective came, nnd we kept it up rather late. I was not a very early riser on the following morning.
"' Woll,' said I, 'how did it all come about?

- • In this way. The dotective and an aseistant were on the track of two men .auspected of robbuyg and attempting to murder a farmer in Yorkslize on bis return from market. They had tracked the thioves to Holyhend, and then lost scoath My affar, throngh tho fortanato circumstanco of the dotective getting into tho same compartment as myself, put them on the rigbt track, nud hence the resalt. Thoy were canglit at Stafiord.

A atruggle onsued, which necounted for the brentage of tho watoh glasses; and the fellows wore tried and conviotod subsequoutly for tho othor offonce."
"How about Lover nad Garnet?" said Bould.
"I wont up tho noxt dny and reported the menter faithrully."
"Well ?"
"They disoliarged me."
"Sorved you right," snid Larkoy, senior.
"Hard lines-very!" observed Baldwin in \& cympathotic tone.
"Bub hoey reinstated mo the next day, saying thoy hoped the affair rould be a waraing to mo to be moro caroful in fature."

Hero the door opened, and the Boots of the "Soraph" yut in his head. "Mr. Baldwin, your portmantean's come, sir, and quite safo." "That's a relief," said Baldwin. "lling the waiter's bell."J. R., in On the Road.

## ARTIFICIAL DIAMONDS.

New York Post. - Whito the attempts of cheunsts to m.nuffacturo genuino diawuuds have always endod in failure (ex cept, porhaps, in tha proảnotion of carbon utvews too minuto to have any commercial valuel, the ranay (fforts to imitate the dianond have resulted in consideratle success, and all proviuno imitatious have beeu surpassed through a process lately introdnced in France. Large qunutitios of the artuficinl gems thus made have recently been mported into this country, where thoy are sold in the trado under the name of "heliolns," a diminutive of the Greek word helios, the sun. They aro manufactared from the colourless glass known as stra is, which bas long been extonsively used as a basis for artificial jewels, but which in this case is subjected to a new treatment. After the application of great heat, this substance is plunged into cold mater, and the con. sequout sudden chilling has a porterfal contractigg infuence, so that the grain of tho strass becomes exceedingly close aud fina. Henco the glaes is mado very clear and transparent, and giveu a remarkably hard surface, which is sasceptible of a high polish. Then it is out and pohshed hike a real dinmond, the outter asing a loadon wheal, with oil and diamond dust ; but, while tho genuine stones are always out singly, a number of the beliolas are fastened with wax in a row
upon a stiok and are all out at tho samo time. For tho origianl foil backivg to givo brillinncy to an artificial gem, a very small bit of foil is substituted, which is attaolied to the cutlet, or contro of the back. In this way the transparoucy of tho stono is preserved, while the light is reflocted into iis hoart.

When first mado in Paris, about two years ago the heliolas were producoid in comeraratively small numbers, anil, being sold by but fow establishments, were introduced at first among tho bettor class of peoplo, for whom they wore set in silices" combs, tiaras, and other ornamonts for the harr. Their brilliancy and close resemblanco to genuine diamonde gradually cansed a large demand for them, and the Paris trade in them became extensifo about a year ago. Their importation to this country began somo seven or eight months since, and is, rather singularly, controlled by a Maiden Lano fru of dealers in genuine diamonds. They are used for a varisty of parposes. Besides being suitod for stago jewels, they are largely taking the place of Rhino stones, in back combs, and they are set in rolled plate or low-carat gold for jewellery of overy form. To a mach greater estent than the minitinted would imagine, thay are worn by ladies who are the omuers of real dismonds, but who have temporari's parted with the possession of their gems. When a speoulator in Wall-street or else. where "comes to grie!" of a scrious character, it is not infrequently found advisablo to pawn his wife's diamonds if they represpnt a considerable capital It is also considered advisable that their ab. scuce should not be remarked, and as temporary substitates the heliolas aro found very convenient and deceptive.
A jeweler of this oity succeeded last geason in greatly astonishing the guests of a summer hotol, where he was stasing with his wito and several daughters. A ball being given at.the resorf, haborrowed from friends in the trade a large quantity of heliola jomeiry, and the femalo members of the family appeared at the enter tainment in suol a blaze of gema that tho admiration and guvy excited were surpassed by the general amazement.

The heliolas are out in both brilliaut and rose forms, and are of all sizes, shapes, and colours. Generally they are pare white. The unsot stones are : ded in cortain sizes, to conform to the caret sizes oif genuine diamonds, snd are sold, according to sizo, at from $\$ 20$ to $\$ 50$ per

gross. Whon sot and woru, their robem. Hinnco to tho real goms is suoh that thoy aro likely to bo mistaken for them by all but oxperts. The Inttor, howovor, cannot In deceivod, as there is a peouliar light in tho flnalh of tho true dinmond whioh ovon this imitation does not reprodace.

## GERMAN WATOH AND OLOOK MAKERS.

Tho old olhurch at Lubools is considered to contain ono of tho most ingonious spocimons of early clookfork that has boon preserved. It represents tho ohangos of tho hoavonly bodies until the year of 1875, and whon it atrikes twolve, a numbor of nutomaton figaree are sot in motion; the electors of Germany outer from a small aido door, and perform the coromony of inaugurating the Emperor, who is sented upou a throno in front. Another door is openod, and Clarish nppears, when, aftor recerving His benediction, the wholo cavalcudo disnppears midat a lourish of trumpots by a choir of angels. On enols sido aro bas.roliofs illustrative of passages in tho lifo of our Baviour. In that of tho Last Suppor a mouso is seon poep- ing from beneath tha white tablo cloth, and this animal represonts the armorina bearings of the once puissant city of Labeck.
Tho Englisb and the Augsbargians became famous for their clocks nud wntches, and made many of the lattor, as woll as olocks, which showed the hours, phases of the moon, and the days of tho month. At Augsburg were also sonstructed mostof theclocksand watches with moving figures, such as a moon, a mozkey blowing a trampet, and similar togs moved by clookrork concealed with. in thom. Those toys pero olicfly made and used for presents from the ambassa. dors of Curstana countrios to Oriental princes and barbarians. It is statod that a miniature silver army of cavalry and infantry was made at Nuremberg which moved their limbs, wont through their exarcises and fired, by clockwork within them. In tho citios of Augshurg, Naremburg and Ulm, olook and watchmakers wero obliged to obsorve certain orda. zacos; and also, as a proof of thoir skill and ability for a mastarpiece, to make a horizontal square or heragonal table clook; mastars' sons woro free to chooso which, anil eiglet months' time was given
thom to comploto tho work. Tho arlists of Augsburg and Nuromberg usod to tako thoir clooks and watohes in groat num. bors to tho fair at Loipzig, and thus thoy wero spread abroad ovor Eurono. Nicholas Rugendas was a colobrated clock-makor of Augsburg in tho fifteenth contary. Ext of Correspoul.

Jean Mouchel was tho proprictor, in 1810, of an estate in Normnoty that had beon in the possession of his family since 1715. A foundry was on tho ostato, and ho was tortanato onough to discovor the secret of an alloy that produced tho fincest brass yot kuown, whioh is still prized in tho market, and called Mouohel brass after its inventor. Tho foundry and estato lave desconded to J. O. Mocchel, whose oxlibioit of brass at the Paris Etoctric Exposition did honor to his family namo. One coil of copper wire was shown that only woighed four kilogram. mos, and yot it was 00,000 motors in length. A Gorman silver wiro was also exhibited one millimetor in diamoter and 10,000 meters in length. The Mouehel establishmont furnishes platinum wire, when desired, only a fraction of a millimeter in diameter-a diffoult job-bësides overy varioty of metal in every conceiv. able slapo.

The Besancon Chamber of Commerco in its annual report states that the total number of watchos made in that town last year was only just-short of 600,000 , or nearly 50,000 more than in 1881, whon the total mas 448,030, the arearage for the preceding fivo years laving been 440,000 . Tho proportinn of gold to silvar watches throughout this period has been about oue of the former of two of tho lattor, and taking the average value of the gold watches at $£ 88 \mathrm{sm}$., and that of the silver watches at $£ 1$, the Chamber.of Commerce estimates the total value of the goods manufactured last year as a trille over 5900,000 . Tie namber of watches inported from abroad is dimin. ishing every year. In 1881 there were iwported 82,156 gold and 00,054 silver watches, but last year tho total bad fallen to 28,218 gold and 48,704 silver watchos, and pearly an of theso cano from Switzerland. In other words the total number of watches sold in France last year was 568,722 , of which 86 per cent. was mado at Besancon.

## A VALUABLE, OLOOK.

Some time ago a well-known nativo of Bombay offorod to give a now nlock and obimos to tho University of Bombay, and doposited a lnrgo sum of money with the authoritiosdo carry ont his genorons intontion. The git has boou manufactured in Londou and is about to ho slipped to Bombay. Doubtless it is such a tiwopicoo as India novor satr. The dials, of opal glass, aro thirtoon foet in dinmetor; it is fittod with an apparatus onabling is to tolegraph its tims daily to tho observatory and to correat all tho othor clocks in the city, and conneoted with it is a ohimo of aixteen bells which can play automatically, sixteen tanes and 150 ohanges.

## A NOVEL EXHIBITION.

A steamboat of 8,000 tons, named the "Vicaros," has been been equipped in London, for carrying a portable exposition, and is to receive a large variety of English oxihibits. It will make the tour of the world, snd stop in the principal ports of the different osantries. The aim of this entirely nòvol onterprise is to bring before the eyes of foreign bus. gras the specialties of the maunfactories of London, Birmingham, Mauchester and other great oentres of industry, and thus save to foreigners the trouble of $a$ voyago to England. The cabius and all available apace will be transformed into exhibition rooms.

Herr Oharles Reuge, watchmaker, of St. Croix, has invented a pooket watch which is a mastor-picee of art. It shows hoars, minutes anid seconds, and contains miniature musical works with two lunes. It piays only evory hour, but by pressing a littlo spring it can bo made to play at will.

## BUBLNEES OEANGES FOR APRUT.

W. Sanderson, jeweler, Peterboro, Unt., stock damaged by fira; "Derby Silver Co.," Toronto, Ont., have closed their Canadian branch factory, John A. Moore, crockery, Winnipeg. Man., assigned iu trust: Arthur Chown, hardware, Kingston, Ont., admitted A. F. \& O. Chown as partners, style now A. Chown \& Sons: Thompson Bros. \& Forest. jewelors, Winnipeg. Man., dissolved, C. F. Forest continues alone: Pollock \& Co. jowelers, Wianipeg, Man., stock in possession of the Customs authorities: John M. Campbell, hardware, Drommondville, Ont., sold out; G. M. Welton, handivare, Mount Forest, Ont., sold out to H. R. Welton.

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## BUSINESB NOTES.

Mr. Saxuil Strbn, the well known whole sale merchant and "clock king" of Canada, sailed for Lurope on the roth of last month, to purchase goods for his fall trade. We wish him a prosperous trip.

Micharl. Cronin, a watch caso manufacturer of Germantown, Pa., was arrested yesterday on a charge of obtaining 817.000 wurth of gold bullion under false pretences from a firm in New York city.

Mr. Charles Segsworth, of the firm of John Segsworth \& Co., Torsato. sailed for Ungland rija New York last week Tie Trader wishes him 2 prosperous voyage. a pleasant trip, and a sale return.

Gxo. A Nevrux's hardware store, Windsor. was enterod by burglars on the morning of April 1st. The showcase, containing $\$ 75$ worth of cutlery, was relieved of its contents. and between 85 and $\$ 10$ were taken from the till
The Warthan Watch Coupany, having got down to hard pan prices first have been the Grst to reap the advantage of the change. They repurt trade grod and demand for both bome and export increasing.
Jous Ce,sworta \& Co., the well known whe'esalt jeuelers, of Toronto. have purchased the uarehouse next door to the Bank of Bratish Vintb Amerira, on Wellington si:cet cast. where they propose eventually to remore. Wellinging strect should now be dubbed tho Maiden Lane of Toronto.

S T. Tllp. jeweler. of Toroato, has not d.sinvered perpetual motion, bpt be clams, ta have 2 machine that works $c \infty 2$ two per cent. margin Mr. Culp's invention is well acapted for rerolning plat forms in show uiodous and in this line at least there should be a fortuace in it for hins

Th. Lancastra Watch Conpans after a gund many selapses has finally ceased so cuist. Thes bad a good thing but did not know hou to handle it, and its demise may be fat down liko lots of other falures, to incompetence and bad management.
Tuy Cus.oms authoritics havo seired the stock of Miessrs Yollock \& Co.. jewe'ers, of Winniper, 3lan. The firm are chargod by the department with smakgling goods, and a searching inves. tigation of their athirs has boen ordered. We bave no doobs that the firm will beable to shew 2 clenn socord $2 n d$ free themselres from any taint of evading the law.
Sars the Halifax Recorice:-A man giving his name and address-Thomes A. Gough, 90 Kenpt soad-writes to the Reciender saying: I have a clock that always has keft excellent till the "standard" came in rogue. On the day of the cbange $I$ altered the clock to the new time To my surprise it returned within ten minntes to the regular time. I have tried selting it to standard time on ad.zen cocasions, but aluajs with the same result. 1 am willing to let any one try it on this clock, as I am convisced it will nut keep the standard sime. Is this clock more intelligent than our wiseacres ?
Two sixn were recently arsested in Windsor on sumpicios of having attempted a burghary at Hall's jewelry store. The dose was found
forced nearly off its hinges. The burglars were frightened away and subsequently arrested. Thoy claimed to be brothers, and gave the names of Edivard and William Steentons. They were discojered hiding behind the building. After a struggle they were arrested by two officers. During the struggle one of them attempted to use a revolver, but was knocked down. They were taken to Sandwich, and will be held at the Assizes on a charge of altempted burglary.
Larcery from an Express Company.-About two weeks ago the officials of the American Express Company found that a gold and silver watch had been stolen from their office at the Unon depot. The police were notufied, and Detectaves Hodgins and Burrows were detailed to work up the case. On Thursday last they found one of the watches and yesterday they found the otber, and arrested Samuel Smith, a clerk in the employ of the company, on the charge of stealing the watches, and Thnmas Naismith for receiving them, known them to have been stolen.

Mrdals.-At 2 meening of the exective of the Toronto Industral Exhibution Associatiod. beld on the 220d 1ast., Miestrs. P. W. Ellis \& Co., of this city; were awarded the contract for making shers gold, silver and bronze credals. This is highly gratafying, seeing tbat beretofore the) bave always had to have them rande in England. Wn understand the above firm are now mating medals a special branch of their business, and have at considerablo expense purchased machinery for that purpose.

Buly Laiklor 20d. Mark R. Lazier were
 Fisna of Fiamilton and Jailer Batler of Simeoe. lawlor goes down for 10 years and iarise for 3i jears. Both men are 2000 mplished croo. lawlur was convicted as the principal in the recent bir jewelry robbery at Simcoe, but nonc of his confederates were convicted. Hi has been engaged in many robberies throughout Ontario. but the police were until now caable to get him a long sentence. Lawlor is a clever cracksman, but he is nearly broken down in health and spirits and it will be a monder ir he lives his sentence ont. Lazier is 22 imported confidence 표an. He flecoed several rarnish bouses in the United States and Canada. C. O. Olloott, of New York, chairiman of a committec of the varnish trade in the United States, issued a circalar offering rewards for Lazier's conviction. Laxier lately arrived in Canada and commenced operations. He strack Simcoe. succeoded in oblaiaing \$100 from two rarnish deajers io that town by false pretences, was convicted and went 10 Kingston for the term indicated.
Tare jewelty store of J. M. Proctor, 272 Youge street, was the scene of a most complete burglary no the 9th of April last. Some time during the night thieres effected an entrance through 2 back miadow, and after securng all the doors, carrod off the eatire contents of the saife except the cash-box, which was so securely fixed in tee upper part ef the safe as to defy romoral. So quietly was this effected, that the frrs intimation of the robbery was when afr. Proctor tried inellectually to enter the store in the moraing. The police anthorities were inm-
mediately notified, and Detective Rebura has the case in charge. Mir. Proctor gives the following list of the articles which he kept in the safe and which have all been stolen. -14 silver watches. double case, value $8150 ; 48$ gidiangs, \$200: 40 pairs gold earrings, $\$ 50$ one gold necklace. 820: four gold-plated chains. \$16: fifteen gold slewve buttons, $\$ 50.8$ gola lockets, Sac. 4 Lanca ter watch movements, $S_{4} 4$ Elgin. 1ll., do. , \$24, 2 Montauk, do., $\$ 6$. a pair of gold bracelets, 860: total. 8jta. Mr Proc. tor's stock-book and day-book, which were in the salc, were also stolen. So far none of the goods have been discovered.
"Hanpdra Watches" have ever had as enviable notoriety in the United States, where thej have always commanded the very highest price in the market. and even then the demand has almays exceeded the supply. The company bas lately crected new buildings thereby more than doubling its productive capacity, and now proposes to keep pace with the demand for their goods whe?her for home trade or export. Their prices have also been reduced to keep pace with the times, and they now clatm to furnish not only the best watch made in the United Statcs, but the best value for the mones. Mr. Rood, the general manager of the Hampden Company, is the right man in the rugh place, and while be is bound to keep his guds up to the haghest standard of excellence atian able, he takes good care that they do not lag behind in the matter of prece. Under sach carefal and energetic maragement we du not wouder that the company has achicved its present high standing and success or that it aspioes fareren soceatix thingsin the futare
We were pleased to receite a visit last week from Mir. Norrow, the general manager of the Illinois Watch Company, of Springfield. Ill. who visited Canada with a riew to pushing the sale of the goods his company manufacture. The result of Mr. Aforrow's visit bas bear 2 swapiag reduction in price in Illinois $m \cdot v e$ ments, and the planning of a rigorous mission ary campaign amongst our retail jewe!ers This rejuction in price we predicied some tume ago, and in making it the Illinois Compans bare shown themselves lerel haded business men, able and willing to discern the signs of the times.

## WORESHOP NOTES.

Old leather articles, soch as leather bags. can be restored to their pristine freshness by an application of good blacking, a sabsequeat brashing, 2 rery slight oiling, and 20 after dressing of gum iragacanth.

Hign chimacys for factorits are now be coming unnecessars, by reason of the introdustion of 2 new kind of orea. Any manufactures. it is asserted, can place one of shese oreas is his works, and obtain from every ton of slack he uses coke worib $\$=$, $22 t$ and 2 ammonia worth Sx. and 14.000 feot of gas to gencrate stead The coke, iar and ammoaia hill thes, it is claimed. consulerably more than pay for stant, wear. and tcar, etc.

A small piece of resin dipped in the water which is placed in a vessel on a store, says one who lowows, will add a pecaliar property to the

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atmosphere of the room, which will give great selief to persuns troubled wath a cough. The heat of the water is sufficient to throw off the atoma of the resin, and gives the same relicf that is afforded by a combustion of the in. It is preferable to combustion, because the evaporation is more durable. The same resin maj be used for weeks.
Cinders in the Eye.-An exchange has the following: "A very simple and effective cure for cinders in the cye is within the reach of every one, and would prevent much suffering and expense were it generally known. It is simply one or two grains of flaxseed. These may be. placed in the eye without injury or pain to that delicato organ, and shortly they begin to swell and dissolve 2 glutinous substance ihat covers the ball of the eye, enveloping any foreign substance that may be in it. The irritation of cutting the membrane is thus prevented, and the annoyance may soon be washed out. A dozen of these stowed away in the vest pocket may prove in an emergency worth their number in gold."
When an Armenian wishes to embellish a watchcase. he gets the procious stone set in gold or silver, with the lower part of the metal made flat or to correspond with that part to which it is to br fixed: it is then warmed gentiy and some glue applied, and the parts thus cemented never separate. This cement is thus made- Dissolve five or six bits of gummastic, each the size of a large pea, in as much alcohol as will sofice to render it liquid; in another vessel dissolve as much-isinglasspreviously a little sofiened in water, though none of this water may be used-in good brandy as will make a two-ounce phial of very strong glue. adding two small bits of gumgalbanum or animoaiacum, which must be ground until they are dissolved: then mix the whole with sufficient beat. Heep the glue in a phial close!; stopped, and when it is so be used set the phial in boiling water. To aveid cracking the phial by exposure to such sudden heat, use a thin green giass phial, and hold it to the steam for a few seconds before imaicring it in the hot water.

## OTHER NOTES.

Stsce the barbed wire first made its appear: ance over 500 patents tave been issued in the United States for the various improvements and alterations which have been made in its construction. There is more than 85.000 .000 invested in real estato and machinery for its production, and it requires a working capital of $815,000,000$ per $2 n n u m$ to carry on its manafactare.

Tur newest style of cheap advertisiag in London, that hotied for such things, is this: A chid of aine begins to cry terribls at the cormer of a strext till the crowd preus larace and larger. Nothing uill he say till it becomes lager still, when at last te calls out quite inad of that all may hear that they may tale him hnme to "ig Acenue road, at Smith, ite bootmater's, who bas recently zeceived a fresb importation of ha shoes from Paris."
Dx. Grabens, in the Farifi Nodical and Sure
gical fournal, cites a cass of hypochondria in which a farmer imagined his nose to be a bundle of hay. He took great care not to go near a horse or cow lest his hay noso should be destroyed. Men aro more likely than women, says the doctor, to have hypochondria, though women havo hysteria oftener tban men. The diseases are closely allied in their origin and nature.
Cazmists havo just comploted a series of ox perimente with zirconia as the baso of carbon points in electrio lights. Tho present base is potrolem coke Zirconis is practically indoatructible. The experiments aro said to have beon highly sucocssfal, and it is oxpected that with this matcris! points may bo mado which nill hast a jear.
The standard of the Mabdi, captured at Tokar, has been presented to the Queen. It is ahout two and a half yards long and tro yards wide, and is composed of red and yellow silk. On one side is an Arabic inscription, stating that it was presented by the Mahdi to the Governor of Tokar, and on the other a text from the Koran: "There is no god but God, and Mahomet is his prophet: every ono professes the knowlodge of God.:
Thi culting of a diamond, believed to be the largest ever cut in the States, has just been completed in Boston, the process baving oecenpied about three moiths. The stone was round in South Arrica, and was imporicd by a Now York firm. Its weight in the rough was nearly one hundred and twenty-five carats. The gem as perfected is very brilliant and beantifal, though it is not perfect in color, a marked yellowish tinge prevailing. As cat it weighs 77 carats. It is cut in a rounded cushion shape, with 56 facets, its size being nearly a full inch across and a littie more than five-eighth of an inch in depth. The sellowish tinge disappears in artificial ligbt. The value of the stone, which is about two-thirds as large as the Kohinoor diamond, cansot be stated, as diamonds of unusnal size bave no absolute value.
How Boys Marbles Are Made.-Almost all the " marbles" nith which boys everywhere amuse themselves in season and out of season on pavernent and in shady spots, are made at Oberstein. Germany. There are large agate quarries and mills in that neighborhood, and the refase is turned to good account in providing the small stone balls for experts to "knuckle-down" with. The stone is broken into sinill cubes by blows of a light bammer. These small blocks of stones are thrown by the shorelfol into the hopper of a small mill, formed of a bedstone, having its surfave grooved with concentric furrows: above this is the " ronner." which is of some hard wood bating 2 level face on its lower surface. The upper block is made to revolve rapidly, water being delivered upos the grooves of the bedstone where the marble are being rounded. It iakes about fifteea minutes to finish a bushel of good marbles, ready for the boys' knuckles. One mill will turn out 260,000 marbles per weck. The very hardest "crackers," as the bojs call them, are mado by 2 slower process, somewhat analogous, howerer, to the other.

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