

Business East.

ONTARIO.

John Morris, hotel, Morpeth, is dead.
 S. Perrin, Photos, Midland, is burned out.
 T. Offer, furniture, Midland, is burned out.
 A. G. Dunning, furniture, Ottawa, is away.
 H. A. Gleeson, furniture, Ottawa, is away.
 W. G. Walker, Fruit, London, has sold out.
 P. C. Lemon, tins, Brockville, is burned out.
 E. English, Blacksmith, Midland, is burned out.
 E. Beal, general store, Alvinston, is burned out.
 Samuel Elliott, liquors, Ridgeway, has sold out.
 James Gerry, grocer, Toronto, has assigned in trust.
 C. Doney, shoes, Ottawa, is offering to compromise.
 McCosh Bros., general store, Lucan, have sold out.
 Nolan & Co., tailors, Toronto, bailiff is in possession.
 G. A. Fastman, general store, Alvinston, is burned out.
 J. Glover, boots and shoes, Alvinston, is burned out.
 S. S. Fuller & Co., shoddy, Stratford, are burned out.
 R. Pape, hotel, Bowmanville, has sold out to R. Strowger.
 Geo. Brown, grocer, Galt, has sold out to John Brown.
 T. W. Smart, broker, etc., London, is removing to Toronto.
 Gibb & Gallon, provisions, Toronto, have assigned in trust.
 Ella Ward, millinery, Chesley, has sold out to Eliza Brown.
 W. H. Manning, tins, &c., Coldwater, have assigned in trust.
 C. C. Simpson, shoes, &c., Chesley, has sold out to Wm. Adams.
 Mrs. C. Earnst, fruit, &c., Point Edward, has assigned in trust.
 Andrew, Nesbitt and Heller, foundry, Port Elgin, are burned out.
 Hackett & Co., gent's furnishings, St. Thomas, have assigned.
 Farm & Dairy Manufacturing Co., Brantford, have assigned in trust.
 H. A. Haerback & Co., liquors, Kingston, have assigned in trust.
 H. T. Cameron, general store, Gravenhurst, has given up business.
 Robert Strowger, hotel, Newcastle, has moved to Bowmanville.
 A. McPherson & Co., tins, Hamilton, Andrew McPherson of this firm is dead.
 Sanborn & Co., teas, London, are offering to compromise at 60c in the dollar.
 British Canadian Lumbering and Timber Co., Toronto, have assigned in trust.
 Shain & Williams, general store, Essex Centre, their stock is advertised for sale.
 McKay & Champagne, liquors and cigars, Ottawa, Champagne of this firm is away.
 Jewell & Clow, restaurant, Toronto, have dissolved; W. Clow continues alone under same style.

Collin Bros., manufacturers paints, Toronto, have formed partnership with A. G. Peuchene; style now Peuchene, Collins and & Co.

James Brayley & Co., wholesale millinery, Toronto, have admitted E. C. McClung as partner, under the style of Brayley, McClung, & Co.

McDonald, McNally & Co., tins, Toronto, have dissolved. P. McNally retires and T. McDonald continues alone under style of Thomas McDonald & Co.

Parsons & Co., wholesale, glass and oil, Ottawa, have dissolved; Edwin Plant retires, and business continued by C. E. Parsons and Rollin O. Smith; style unchanged.

THE propriety of reducing the contract deliveries of wheat and corn from 8,000 to 5,000 bus. lots is again discussed in New York, meets with favor and will probably be done.

QUEBEC.

W. Skinner, furniture, Montreal, is dead.
 T. C. Beaudry, grocer, Montreal, is burned out.

S. R. Evans, hardware agent, Montreal, is dead.

Hochelaga Cement Co., Montreal, have dissolved.

H. C. Charland, grocer, Sorel, has assigned in trust.

Berian & Poirier, provisions, Montreal, have dissolved.

McIntosh & Taylor, produce, Montreal, have dissolved.

Lemay Telesphore, baker, Lake Megantic, is burned out.

H. Guillette, general store, Bedford, has assigned in trust.

D. C. Tabb & Co., hardware, Montreal, have assigned in trust.

M. J. Smith, grocer and shoes, Lake Megantic, is burned out.

J. H. Leblanc, wholesale flowers and feathers, is partially burned out.

L. N. Lussier, boots and shoes, St. Hyacinthe, has assigned in trust.

J. A. Teller, general store, St. Eugene de Grantham, has assigned in trust.

Charles Malo, groceries and tobacco, West Farnham, has assigned in trust.

Alex. Langlois, general store, St. Francois de la Beauce, has assigned in trust.

MacPhie, Bentham & Co., grain, etc., Montreal. D. MacPhie of this firm is dead.

W. Agnew & Co., furniture, Montreal, have dissolved. W. Riley retires and a new firm is formed, as restaurant keepers, composed of W. Agnew and W. J. Haight.

NOVA SCOTIA.

W. F. Shedd & Co., canned goods, Halifax has assigned.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Barton Bros., grocers, Indiantown, have dissolved. C. F. Barton continues.

Tennant, Davies & Co., dry goods, Fredericton, have dissolved. W. Wheeler, withdraws.

Pollard & Wadman, produce, Moncton, have dissolved. Pollard goes to P. E. Island, and Wadman continues here.

George Thomas, ship broker, St. John, has admitted J. O. Thomas as partner. Style is now George Thomas & Son.

Ganong Bros. & Pickard, soap manufacturers, have dissolved. Pickard withdraws and his place in the firm is taken by — Carson.

The Price of Wheat.

The farmer who markets his crop promptly this season is likely to fare as well as he who carries it over winter in the expectation of an advance in prices. It is a year of big crops, and therefore of low prices. England, Germany, Russia, Hungary, in fact all Europe, with the possible exception of France, gather in full average crops and will require to import less from this continent in the next twelve months than is their wont. On the other hand the United States crop runs into big figures, the best authenticated estimates making the product 475,000,000 bushels, a crop only once equaled in the past and capable in itself from present appearances of making good the best part of Europe's deficiency. And when to the American surplus is added that of India and Australia, it becomes evident that prices will rule low, and that no possible combination of producers can appreciably influence the situation. The current value of Western wheat in Chicago is eighty cents a bushel, in Ontario the range runs from eighty to ninety cents with a downward tendency, and in the Northwest seventy to seventy-five cents is the established basis of value, the superiority of the grain there overcoming the increased cost of transportation to the markets of export. According to the Ontario Bureau of Industries the average price obtained for wheat in that province last year was a trifle over a dollar a bushel; this year eighty-five cents may be the best average, and because of this decline some croakers are asserting that the bountiful crop is of no greater value than that of 1883, and that it can exert no influence towards reviving trade. If the twenty million bushels gathered last year are multiplied by the average price, \$1.03, said to have been obtained, and the thirty-five million bushels obtained this year are taken at 85 cents, the actual value of the product in the two years would stand: 1883, \$20,600,000; 1884, \$29,750,000, showing an increased value of some nine million dollars. But the real increment is much greater, because in estimating the profit to the farmer the reservation for seed purposes must be deducted, and another factor worth considering is that of the milling interests, as the retention in Canada of the money sent into the United States in the past year for the purchase of wheat will materially promote the general prosperity of business. So that while lower prices of wheat will prevail, the greatly enlarged yield of grain will far more than offset this drawback, and give the basis of a substantially increased general trade.—*The Gazette*.

PETROLEUM has been discovered in the North German province of Pomerania.

THE largest roller mill in England is in course of erection. It will have a capacity of about 2,000 barrels daily.