

Business East.

ONTARIO

James Pope, grocer, Toronto, burned out.
 Robt. Benner, grocer, Sarnia, has sold out.
 James Grieve, hotel keeper, Cobourg, is dead.
 Scott & Co., bankers, Oakville, have suspended.
 M. S. Campbell, banker, Watford, has suspended.
 M. Quinion, grocer, Peterboro, has assigned in trust.
 W. C. Baker, fruit dealer, Hamilton, has sold out.
 John Dandy, grocer, has retired from the business.
 Thomas Fawcett, Watford, the banker, has assigned.
 Mrs. W. Hockin's cooperage, London, was burned down.
 Reid & Co., tailors, Toronto, are winding up their business.
 R. F. Early, Watford, has gone out of the hotel business.
 S. L. Hitchcock, insurance agent, Sarnia, is reported gone.
 R. Dunbar, hotel keeper, Aiton, has sold out to John Willis.
 M. B. McGregor has sold out his hotel interests at Oil City.
 Theodore Martin, baker, Aylmer, has sold out his business.
 M. Rothschild, general store, Mattawan, has assigned in trust.
 Alfred Bisson, general store, Colchester, has assigned in trust.
 Mrs. E. Kerr, Bridgen, has sold out her millinery business.
 A. Burrows, miller, etc., Eastwood, has removed to Hemlock.
 F. McGuire, hotel keeper, Toronto, has sold out to P. O'Connor.
 Watterworth & Co., general store, Wardsville, have sold out.
 Robert Bennett, hotel keeper, Georgetown, has assigned in trust.
 Wm. Hewitt, commission agent, Toronto, has assigned in trust.
 Henry Arnold, blacksmith, Nixon, has removed to Fisherville.
 J. A. McIntosh, grocer, Parkhill, is advertising his stock for sale.
 W. J. Ward & Co., bankers, New Hamburg, have assigned in trust.
 Wilson Bros., druggists, Kingston, have sold out to A. J. Fisher.
 John Maeker, hotel keeper, Millbank, has sold out to P. Mulcahey.
 J. J. Brown, Guelpi, has sold out his livery business to Fred Johnson.
 Campbell & McLachlin, general store keepers, Middlemiss, have assigned.
 Baer, Moore, & Co., carriage makers, Doon, have dissolved partnership.
 Watt & Noble have removed their general store from Lucknow to Tara.
 Tobias Dolmage, boots and shoes, Toronto, has sold out to Wm. Pickles.
 Wm. O'Connor, agricultural implements, Guelpi, has assigned in trust.
 Gavin Hume, miller, etc., Galt, the estate is advertised for sale by auction.

Blunden & Michael, dry goods, Sarnia, are about to dissolve partnership.

F. D. Mitchell, Paris, has sold out his grocery business to G. J. Simpson.

Franklin Bros., flour and feed merchants, Hamilton, have been burned out.

Northwood & Stringer, produce, etc., Chatham, have dissolved partnership.

J. W. Cole, photographer, Brampton, has sold out his business to R. H. Trueman.

Beeson & Ross, and Geo. C. Ronan, tailors, Ottawa, have been closed by sheriff.

Wm. Farquharson, Lindsay, has sold out his confectionery business to A. B. Perry.

Reynolds & Son, general store, Markdale, the sheriff has been placed in possession.

McDonald Bros. have sold out their harness business in Sarnia and are reported gone.

Lucas, Leacock & Co., bankers, Watford were not affected as reported by Fawcett's failure.

Henderson, Mullen & Bolton, wall paper, etc., are dissolving partnership. Mr. Bolton retiring.

Kein & Smith, general store keepers, Ayton, have been closed under a chattel mortgage, and stock sold.

Martin O'Brien, Windsor Hotel, and George Sarsfield, boots and shoes, Kingston, have been burned out.

W. H. Johnson, hotel keeper, and S. Shields & Co., general store, were burned out at the recent fire at Victoria Road.

Ohlke & Leader, picture framers, Kingston, have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by Paul Ohlke.

Williamson & Barelalay, pumps, Owen Sound, have dissolved. The business will be carried on by W. M. Barelalay.

QUEBEC.

A Pilon, dry goods, Quebec, has assigned in trust.

S. Jacobs & Co., cigars, Montreal, is reported away.

James Wilson, ship chandler, Montreal, was burned out.

Bienvenu & Brizeau, Furniture Factory at Vercheres, was burnt out.

Barsalou, Masse & Co., Billiard Hall F. X. E. Maille & Co., boots and shoes; Tate & Ruston, produce and grain; and Napon & Ledue, plasterers, have dissolved.

NOVA SCOTIA.

W. H. Ross, tailor, Stillarton, has assigned.

Thos. P. Connolly, stationer, Halifax, has assigned in trust.

J. Eleazer, general store, La Have, have made an assignment.

H. Mouchouse, general store keeper, Sandy Cove, is dead.

C. E. Tyler & Son, Brush Manufacturers, Halifax, have given a mortgage on their machinery stock, etc.

W. M. Blackwood, general store, Tatamagouche, is dead, and David Malcolm, general store, has assigned.

Miller, Telfer & Co., general store, &c., have dissolved; the business will be continued by Miller & Crosby.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

J. J. Goggin, hardware, Chatham, was burned out.

THE failures in the United Kingdom for the week ending September 20 reported to *Kemp's Mercantile Gazette* numbered 71, as compared with 135 and 170 in the corresponding weeks respectively of 1883 and 1882. England and Wales had 61 failures, as against 115 and 166 in the weeks specified; Scotland had 28, as against 18 and 15, and Ireland had 2, as against 2 in 1883 and 5 in 1882.

A Destructor.

The *Building Record*, for September, contains a description of a new destructor, invented by Mr. John E. Stafford, of Burnley, England, from which we call the following:—It consists of a "lofty brick shaft, 90 feet in height, attached to which on two sides are furnaces in the form of beehives." These dome-shaped furnaces "are connected by flues to the chimney-shaft, which carries off the smoke and gaseous matter, creating a draught." "Each beehive is about 6 feet in diameter, banded with iron at the springing, and composed of fire-bricks made to a mould for every course; it is divided into three parts vertically by two tiers of bars," the lower bar receiving the fuel and the upper grate holding the refuse which is cast in through an opening in the side of the dome. "A sliding iron door closes after the refuse has been thrown in and the process of destruction can be watched or the material stoked through inspection openings in the dome or from the furnace doors."

A ton of coal is sufficient to run the Destructor for one week, consuming 15 cwt. of refuse per hour. One piece of apparatus is required for a population of 20,000 or 25,000 people. The first cost is about \$300 and the expense of working will, of course, depend upon the price of fuel.

Everything imaginable in the way of refuse, may be disposed of by this means. Rags, tins, cans, old clothing, ashes, house-waste, both animal and vegetable, store and street sweepings, slaughter-house offal and the like may be quickly reduced in this Destructor to harmless clinker. Even human excrement, by the addition of twice its bulk of ashes, may be consumed and leave only an innocuous debris. The process is unattended by disagreeable or dangerous odor, and the smoke produced is light and harmless. By way of experiment, a ton of ashes and a half ton of excreta were placed in a "beehive destructor" at Burnley, a short time since, and were disposed of within an hour and a half leaving a residue free from apparent impurity.

A telling argument in favor of the use of this apparatus, is that the calcined product of the furnace-fires can be utilized. This clinker when pulverized, makes an excellent material for the under layer of roads and may be safely employed for filling in ground-pits, and even for the manufacture of mortar. In this way a sufficient return may be obtained to pay an ample interest upon the investment, and the ashes may be made to serve the same purpose as that to which the unconverted refuse is frequently and dangerously put. The introduction of these "destructors" in the United States, and their adoption in large communities will be a signal advance in sanitary conditions which are at present so deploring imperfect.