

**Business East.****ONTARIO.**

John Patterson, saw mill, Hollin, was burned out.

C. H. Nix, harness, Uxbridge, was damaged by fire.

A. W. Gordon, banker, Orillia, has assigned in trust.

Colgan Bros., tanners, Mount Forest, were burned out.

A. W. Green, knitting factory, Acton, was burned out.

Thos. Sheehan, grocer, Vesta, has sold out to A. Campbell.

Thos. Ryan, shoe dealer, Toronto, has assigned in trust.

F. H. Dinsmore, books, etc., Stayner,—sheriff in possession.

Jas. Rankin, hotelkeeper, Stratford, has sold out to M. Purcell.

J. B. Swaffield, hardware, Clinton, has sold out to R. M. Racey.

Wm. Hogg, general storekeeper, Flesherton, has assigned in trust.

J. E. Brayley, general storekeeper, Orangeville, has assigned in trust.

E. Thompson, dry goods, Chatham, is advertising to close out his business.

Berry & Sheppard, books, etc., Goderich, have sold out to Fraser and Porter.

W. H. Mitchell, carriages, Mono Road,—stock advertised for sale by auction.

Turner & Vicars, real estate, etc., Toronto, have dissolved; E. J. S. Vicars continues.

R. H. Gray & Co., overalls, Toronto, are succeeded by The Gray and Harold Manufacturing Co.

Jos. Kidd & Son, general storekeepers, Dublin and Seaforth, have sold out Seaforth business.

**QUEBEC.**

Sharpe's Express Co., Montreal, have assigned in trust.

Beuthner Bros., manufacturers' agents, Montreal, have assigned in trust.

Philippe L. Gagnon, trader, St. Roch des Aulnais, has assigned in trust.

Antoine St. Jean, general storekeeper, St. Timothe, has assigned in trust.

The following were burned out at St. Remi: E. Bonneville, general store and lumber; Mrs. Durivage, hotel; D. Gagne, foundry; C. Lamarre, general storekeeper; P. Therain & Co., general storekeepers; L. P. Lazure, general storekeeper, damaged by fire.

**NOVA SCOTIA.**

W. G. Sims, trader, Yarmouth, has assigned.

J. R. Lyons, hotelkeeper, Kentville, has sold out.

Peter S. Sinclair, —, Southampton, has assigned.

L. W. Drew, general storekeeper, Petite Rivierre, has sold out.

J. D. Payson & Son, hotelkeepers, etc., Westport, have assigned.

Wm. Ackhurst & Co., commission, etc., Halifax,—Wm. Ackhurst dead.

**Winnipeg Board of Trade.**

The semi-annual meeting of the Winnipeg board of trade was held on Tuesday last.

A report from the grain examining committee was made which showed that 1,342,600 bushels of wheat had been inspected by the Winnipeg grain inspector, which is but a small portion of the total exports of the province. A considerable quantity went to Port Arthur for inspection in addition to which a good deal was sold by sample. Wheat exported as flour or ground for local consumption, was not inspected, except in rare instances. The wheat of 1886 crop was of a high grade, running as follows:

No. 1 Hard.....	61 per cent
No. 2 Hard.....	9 per cent
No. 1 Northern.....	16 per cent
No. 2 and 3 Northern.....	4 per cent
No. 1 and 2 Spring.....	5 per cent
Rejected, all causes.....	5 per cent

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The greater percentage of barley and oats is sold on samples, and this explains why such small quantities of those grains are inspected here.

The hide and leather examiners reported that the quality of the hides from the city is very good, but those from the country are very inferior on account of mutilation in skinning, etc., and it was decided to request the hide examiners to prepare a circular for distribution in the country, giving the requirements of the law as to grading, and pressing on country merchants the necessity of proper preparations of hides, as all sales here are made on the inspector's figures. Six thousand and seventy-two hides and calfskins were inspected during the last six months by the official inspector, his fees amounting to \$303.60.

Discussions took place on the question of the experimental farm, immigration, and a pamphlet to be published by the board respecting its position on the disallowance question.

The grain examiners' committee for the ensuing year was then elected, and is composed of the following members: Geo. J. Maulson, S. Nairn, E. L. Drewry, D. G. McBean, W. A. Hastings, S. Spink, N. Bawlf, D. H. McMillan, J. E. Steen and C. N. Bell, secretary.

The hide and leather examiners elected were: F. Ossenbrugge, P. Gallagher, James Penrose, James Hallam, N. Bawlf, S. Spink and C. N. Bell, secretary.

**Dairy Matters.**

Only one small lot of cheese was boarded on July 9th at London, Ontario, which sold at 8½c. All the June make of the district has been sold.

The Montreal Gazette, of Monday last, says: "It begins to look very like as if the June boom had collapsed. New York has broken badly on unfavorable weather, the heated condition of stock, and the withdrawal of support from shippers who have hitherto upheld the June deal. In this market a weaker feeling prevailed while the cable declined 6d, to 46s 6d; in fact the whole situation has a weak and feverish tone, which promises lower prices for next week."

Grant & Horne, commission merchants, who have been endeavoring to work up a trade in British Columbia for Manitoba cheese, received a telegram on Friday from a Victoria house to the effect that Ontario cheese was offered to be delivered at Victoria, at 10½ cents. Manitoba should command the cheese trade of British

Columbia, but before this can be done, manufacturers here must make up their minds to be guided to some extent by outside quotations. At present they are holding too high to allow of the shipment of cheese to the Pacific coast in competition with the Ontario product. There is even a probability of the Winnipeg market being supplied with Ontario cheese shortly, as it is rumored that negotiations were going on last week with that object in view. It is all very well to talk about encouraging home industry, but if Ontario cheese can be laid down cheaper than the manufacturers will supply the home product, some one will be found ready to import it. There will certainly be a surplus of cheese produced in the province this year, and therefore it is to be hoped that eastern cheese will not be imported.

Here is an excellent chance for Manitoba cheese to come to the front and gain a reputation abroad. It should be taken advantage of by every factory in the province. The following from the *Canadian Gazette*, of London, England, will explain: "The Frome District Agricultural Society has hit upon the happy notion of commemorating the Jubilee year by giving a series of valuable prizes for the best four cheeses of any make except Stilton. The competition is open to Her Majesty's dominions, and we heartily commend this opportunity to the agriculturists of Canada interested in dairy products. In addition to a sum of £30 offered as the first prize, a presentation cup, value £20, will be given; and there are also four other prizes, ranging from £20 to £4." The following advertisement appears in connection with the above announcement:—Frome District Agricultural Society, Somerset, England. To farmers and cheese factors. The Frome District Agricultural Society offer Jubilee Prizes for Cheese at their next annual exhibition, on September 28th, of £90. Conditions: Class 1.—For the best four cheeses of not less than 25 pounds each, of any system or make (except Stilton), open to Her Majesty's dominions:—1st prize, £30, and presentation cup, value £20; 2nd prize, £20; 3rd prize, £10; 4th prize, £6; 5th prize, £4. Last day of entry, Wednesday, 14th September. Entrance fee, \$1. Wm. Pulham, Secretary, Frome.

A. C. McPHERSON & Co., wholesale fruits, Winnipeg, contemplate adding a wholesale grocery department to their business.

THE stock and plant of John Cosgrave & Co, brewers, Winnipeg, will be offered for sale by the sheriff, on Tuesday, the 19th inst. The sale is under a judgment obtained by the Commercial Bank for \$8,550. Cosgrave came here less than two years ago, from Toronto, and commenced business with a flourish of trumpets, but with little cash. He has, however, managed to get considerably into debt, and the failure is a natural consequence of undertaking too much with little means. He first formed a partnership with Blackwood Bros., but the latter very soon withdrew from the business, which had been commenced by the leasing and fitting up of an idle brewery here. Lately he formed a partnership with a Mrs. Elliott, who put \$3,000 cash in the business and gave her note for \$2,000 in addition.