

Business East.

ONTARIO.

J. R. Warner, grocer, Glencoe, is dead.
 H. Stalker, dry goods, Ottawa, has failed.
 A. Mitchell, stoves, Mitchell, has been burned out.
 Chas. F. Smith, boots and shoes, Forest, has sold out.
 Adam H. Cline, grocer, Nellis Corners, has sold out.
 W. B. French, blacksmith, Oil City, is out of business.
 C. Pabst, hotel, Hespeler, has retired from business.
 J. D. Trenaman, foundry, Creemore, has been burned out.
 J. P. Thompson, boots and shoes, London, has sold out.
 J. B. Kelly, dry goods, Chatham, has assigned in trust.
 Lemon & Heartwell, blacksmiths, Bridgen, have dissolved.
 Albert Mickers has sold his hotel in Brussels to Joseph Fletcher.
 Ernest Gartung has sold his hotel in Platts ville to J. K. Sauer.
 E. Grange, fancy goods, Brussels, is about closing out business.
 The sheriff is in possession of the tailor business of Chas. Toye, Toronto
 Soper Bros., hotel, Guelph, have dissolved. Jos. Soper continues the business.
 Moore & Vandusen, general store, Harriston, have closed out their business there.
 John W. Freen, wholesale clothiers, Toronto, has compromised at 40c on the dollar.
 W. & D. Dincen, hats, &c., Toronto, had their premises damaged by fire; fully insured.
 Anthony Odrowski, has sold out his hotel business in Pinkerton to a man named Kaake.
 Wm. Poison & Co., merchants, Toronto, have dissolved, John Robinson retiring from the firm.
 The Grip Printing and Publishing Company, Toronto, were recently burned out; loss \$10,000.
 Weidman Bros., stoves and general store, Inwood, have dissolved. The style of the firm is now P. Weidman.
 Thomas Walls & Sons, commission merchants and trade auctioneers, Toronto, have failed with liabilities of \$80,000; assets small.

QUEBEC.

Laurier & Quintal, contractors, Montreal, have dissolved.
 Olivier Lefebvre, millinery, St. Johns, has assigned in trust.
 Jas. McDougall & Son, millers, Montreal, have been burned out.
 J. A. Gagnon & Co., grocers, &c., Three Rivers, have been burned out
 Angus McKay has withdrawn from the firm of J. Erdman & Co., bakers, Montreal.
 Jodoin & Seguin, grocers, Montreal, have dissolved. The business will be continued by A. Jodoin.
 Moss & Rushton, commission, thread, etc., Montreal, have dissolved. Geo. W. Moss continues the business.

NOVA SCOTIA.

J. F. Rice, Bear River, has made an assignment.
 W. H. German, general store, Digby, is reported away.
 Kerr & McKay, tinware, &c., New Glasgow, have dissolved.
 J. S. McDonald & Co., groceries and liquors, Pictou, have assigned.
 Wm. Fitzgerald & Co., boots and shoes, Halifax, have dissolved, W. J. DuBois retiring.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Jas. Haddock, general store, McAdam Junction, has assigned.
 O'Brien & Gilman, general store, St. George, have been burned out—insured.
 Jas. O'Neil, general store, St. George, has been burned out; no insurance.
 Recent fires in St. John destroyed M. V. Padlock's drug store, and J. R. Smith's variety.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Wiltshire, Heath & Co., general store, have dissolved.

General Notes.

California's wine crop is estimated at \$10,000,000.
 The Valencia raisin market is reported firm, and is expected to rule from 7½c to 7¾c in Montreal.
 The total debt of the United States is \$1,365,052,995, of which \$1,317,446,050 is interest bearing.
 Last week 15,000 boxes of cheese were taken off the Montreal market for English account, at about 11½c.
 Potatoes in Chicago are worth 30c to 35c per bushel, in New York and Boston 45c to 55c; in Montreal 47c to 50c.
 Rice has advanced 5 to 10 per cent. in the New Orleans market, and the feeling is strong under brisk inquiry and limited supplies.
 The earnings of the Manitoba Railroad Company for the third week in October, 1883, were \$200,000, 1882, \$224,430—decrease \$24,430.
 The Anchor line of steamships between New York and Liverpool has been permanently suspended, owing to bad freights and competition.
 Up to the 27th ult., New York canals had carried 1,692,684 tons of freight, against 41,091,009 tons for the same period last year—a gain of 611,675 tons.
 Cable advices from England report the cattle trade worse with no prospect of improvement for some time to come. Montreal shippers have been advised to exercise great caution in their purchases.
 Paper is now made in Sweden it is said, from the bleached and blanched remains of mosses that lived centuries ago, and now found in enormous quantities. The paper is turned out in all degrees of excellence, from tissue to sheets ¾ of an inch thick.
 Oliver Daly, ymple, the bonanza farm king of Dakota, has threshed this season 150,000 bush. of wheat and 40,000 bush. of oats, getting a total of 40,000 bushels more grain at \$10,000 less expense than last year. This crop was grown on 9,500 acres of ground.
 The *Financial Chronicle*, in its issue of the 27th ult., makes a visible supply of cot-

ton 2,116,409 bales, which indicates an increase over the same date of 1382 of 277,801 bales, and an increase of 2,320 bales as compared with the corresponding date of 1881.

A total of 2,200 trains leave London railway stations every twenty four hours, whilst every hour between 10 a.m. and 11 p.m. 1,600 trains start for the metropolitan termini, this being at the rate of two per minute. Of this number, 1,750 are suburban trains, the remainder comprising the country and continental service.

There are said to be engaged in the logging and lumber industry of Canada 100,000 men who support families, and on this basis it is estimated 500,000 people are dependent on this occupation for support, or one-ninth of the Dominion's population. The total investment in industrial establishments in Canada is \$165,000,000, of which \$25,000,000 is in saw mills and \$50,000,000 is invested in lumber outfits.

Sugars are advancing at eastern points. It is reported there are only two Canadian refineries in operation, the others being practically out of the market, having either to curtail their productions to a very limited extent or close up altogether for want of raw material and other causes. Stocks in jobbers' and retailers' hands are said to be lighter now than for several years past, and in view of the increased demand that is expected to take place shortly, together with the limited output of our refiners, it is almost certain present prices will hold good for some time to come.

Quite gorgeous railroad cars are run between Paris and Bucharest. They are carpeted with Smyrna rugs two inches thick, and the sides of the compartments are covered partly with embossed Japanese leather paper and partly with Gobelin tapestry. The dining room cars, in which triumphs of French cookery are served, are supplied with handsome clocks, damask curtains, and Venetian mirrors. Breakfast consists of five courses and dinner of eight. The sleeping cars are splendidly furnished, and have hot as well as cold water. The average speed is 40 miles an hour.

A new use for the electric light has been developed by the Cumberland Valley Railroad Co. It has wired several camp meeting grounds on the line of its road, so as to have them ready for electric lighting. A baggage car containing the necessary machinery is run to a siding on the ground to be lighted. A few hour's work suffices to put the lamps on the circuit already wired, and this migrating plant is ready for use. It is also employed for lighting up wrecks on the road, or for any emergency that requires night work, and for this purpose the top of the car is provided with electric lamp fixtures.

A Paris cable states that Mr John W. Mackay, of the Postal Telegraph Company, and J. Gordon Bennett have contracted with Messrs. Siemens Brothers for two transatlantic cables now constructing at the works of the firm near London. The first cable is expected to be ready for use June 1, 1884, and the second a few weeks later. Mr. Bennett's own paper in announcing the above says: "The policy of the company to be organized will be to maintain the absolute secrecy of messages intrusted to it, to forward and deliver them with the utmost