

Samuel Perrin, hotel-keeper, Chatham, has sold out.

Walter Grobb, blacksmith, Dunnville, is selling out.

E. A. Newton, publisher, Alliston, was burned out.

Chas. K. Stewart, grist mill, Milton, was burned out.

Bonj. McNichol, grocer, Orangeville, was burned out.

Schleihauf Bros., saw mill, Wallacetown, burned out.

John F. Otwell fruit canner, etc., St. Marys, has assigned.

Robt. P. Leask, gents' furnishings, Hamilton, has assigned.

T. H. Broad, general storekeeper, Aurora, has assigned.

Francis Wilson cheese manufacturer, Strathroy, is dead.

Brwnell & Shaver, dry goods, Cornwall, have assigned.

J. B. Hughes, tinware, St. Thomas, has gone out of business.

Sheffield Bros., general storekeepers, Berlin, have dissolved.

Fobt. Mann, grocer, Orangeville, stock damaged by fire.

Win. Eustis, hotelkeeper, Dutton, was partially burned out.

A. C. McKenzie, general storekeeper, Kirkfield, has assigned.

Chas. Leggat wagons, Rainham Centre, removed to Winnipeg.

J. P. Wells, general storekeeper, Dunvegan, is about leaving there.

Somerville & McNab, general storekeepers, Carleton, have assigned.

M. H. McGarvin, auctioneer, Chatham, has sold out to C. P. Pilkey.

David H. McMahon, general storekeeper, Crookstown, has assigned.

W. F. Schooley, general storekeeper, Alymer, style now Schooley & Lyon.

Clark, Maitland & Co., general storekeepers, Smith's Falls, have assigned.

Husband & Co., general storekeepers, Toronto, stock advertised for sale.

McPhail, Hewat & Co., wholesale furs, Toronto, succeeded by Stirling, Macredie & Co.

Groff & Hymmen, dry goods and millinery, Berlin, style now Groff, Sheffield & Hymmen.

B. Greening & Co., wireworkers, Hamilton, incorporated as the B. Greening Wire Co., Limited.

Brydges & Trato, painters, Chatham, have dissolved. Business continued by E. P. Bridges.

QUEBEC.

M. Markus, fancy goods, Montreal, has assigned.

Robitaille & Fils, shoes, Montreal, have dissolved.

Joachim Laberge, trader, Chateauguay, has assigned.

F. L. Dery, general storekeeper, St. Hilairo, has assigned.

J. L. Brown, general storekeeper, Inverness, has assigned.

A. J. Fortin & Co., dry goods, Three Rivers, have assigned.

Frere Frenette, safe manufacturer, Montreal, has dissolved.

R. T. McArthur, general storekeeper, Brownsburg, has assigned.

Beauchamp, Pigeon & Co., wholesale grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Ulric Lovesque, general storekeeper, St. Sophie, offering to co-promise.

Charbonneau & Vermette, saw mill, etc., Coteau St. Louis, have dissolved.

W. G. Brown & Co., rubber goods, Montreal. W. Godbee Brown registers as the only member.

NOVA SCOTIA.

J. A. Robicheau, Metoghan, has assigned, J. M. LeBlanc, dry goods, Arichat, has assigned.

C. C. Hart, general storekeeper, Sheet Harbor, has assigned.

H. W. Lydiard, general storekeeper, Kentville, has assigned.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Bardley Bros., hats and caps, St. John, business closed.

P. E. ISLAND.

McEachern & Co., general storekeepers, Souris, have assigned.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

J. Edens, grocer, St. Johns, is dead.

Arye & Sons, general storekeepers, St. Johns, have dissolved.

The Macleod Board of Trade.

This association of business men and merchants of Macleod, and ranchmen of the surrounding districts, was organized last fall, with the following officers:—President, D. W. Davis, M. P.; vice-president, J. B. Smith; secretary-treasurer, D. J. Campbell. Executive committee—J. Hollies, J. Cowdry, T. H. Stedman, C. E. D. Wood, H. Taylor, A. F. Grady and Dr. Kennedy.

The objects of the board of trade may briefly be described as the advancement of the interests of the whole district by all legitimate means, and not the least important of these objects is the settlement of the fertile vacant lands of the district. It numbers among its members nearly every business man in Macleod, and a large number of the most prosperous and influential settlers in the district.

Among other things, the board of trade during its brief history, has accomplished the following:

A bridge will in all probability be built across the river here before high water, or at any rate before next fall; and one will also be put in at Kipp in the near future. Through its representations a surveyor was sent, and surveys made at both places.

Samples of grain have been placed in the C. P. R. exhibition car, and in the permanent C. P. R. exhibition at Toronto.

A move has been made toward the securing of railway communication, and a joint application from Calgary and Macleod is now before the House of Commons, for a charter from the former place to Great Falls in Montana via Macleod, traversing one of the richest countries in North America.

Through its representations, it is probable that new mail routes will be opened up and old ones improved.

Last, but not least, is this issue of the *Gazette*, which will be very widely circulated, and it is expected to do an immense amount of good in removing false ideas about the country, and inducing a fair proportion of intending settlers to locate here.—*Macleod Gazette*.

British Columbia.

Following were the customs collections at Victoria for the month of February:—Duties, \$36,093.13; Miscellaneous, \$263.46; Chinese Immigration Act, \$65.50. Total—\$36,427.09.

M. S. Davys has opened a laboratory and assay office at Nanaimo.

A consignment of Montreal eggs sold by auction at Victoria last week, at seven cents a dozen.

J. C. Holden, of Ames, Holden & Co., Montreal, has been on a visit to the coast, and left for home via California.

"The Vancouver Fisheries Company, Limited," applies in the *B. C. Gazette* for incorporation. The capital stock is \$100,000, of 1,000 shares of \$100 each. Headquarters of the company is Vancouver.

W. D. Port & Co., fish dealers, Westminster, have brought their supply of ice for next season all the way from Donald. The winter has been so mild on the coast that ice has been a scarce commodity.

Westminster *Columbian*: A prominent architect says that fully 80 building are at present in course of erection or under contract to be commenced within the month. Present appearances indicate that fully \$500,000 worth of new buildings will be erected in Westminster this year.

The *Budget and Town Mayors Journal* is the name of a new weekly paper which has been started at Victoria. The *Town Mayor* was lately connected with the *Victoria Times*. The salutatory says *The Budget* will be devoted to social, commercial, manufacturing and industrial interests of the city of Victoria and the province at large.

British Columbia swells its exchequer by a provincial revenue tax of \$3 per capita, commonly called "poll-tax." The tax is collectable from all persons 18 years of age resident in the province. Employers of labor are required under a penalty to supply the assessor and collector with a list of their employees, and may deduct the \$3 from the salaries of such employees.

The prospectus of the British Columbia Tanning Co. (limited), of Nanaimo, has been issued. The capital stock of the company is \$50,000 in \$50 each. The object of the company is to carry on the business of manufacturing all kinds of leather, belting, trunks, and the manufacturing of all kinds of leather goods, etc. The provisional directors are E. Quennell, J. W. Stirton, T. D. Jones, A. Haslam, T. Glaholm, R. Craig and James Abrams.

Victoria Times: It is understood that two new canneries are about to be erected on the Fraser river, one on the North Arm on a small island near the mouth, and another on the South Arm at Steve's. The former will be erected by the Bon Accord Company, the latter by Hobson & Co., a Montreal firm. Some think that the business is going to be overdone and in considering the fate of Columbia and Sacramento rivers it does not appear to be the best thing in the world that new canneries should go upon the Fraser.

Personal.

Mr. A. W. MacKenzie, representing the McAlpine Tobacco Company of Toronto, and New York, arrived in Winnipeg last Monday, and will spend some time in the city, looking after the company's interests here, which have extended very rapidly within the past year or so.