

## Business East.

## ONTARIO.

J. A. Chase, drugs, Paris, has sold out.  
 John Hewer, hotelkeeper, Guelph, is dead.  
 Toronto Stone Co., Toronto, have sold out.  
 M. Strebe, hotelkeeper, Salem, has sold out.  
 C. C. Jackson, grocer, Simcoe, has sold out.  
 M. O'Hearn, blacksmith, Waterford, is dead.  
 John Newburn, hotelkeeper, Jersey, is dead.  
 D. H. Warren, tailor, London, has assigned.  
 J. Braun, hotelkeeper, Toronto, was burned out.  
 McBride & Co., grocers, Toronto, have sold out.  
 Miss L. Murdoch, milliner, Windsor, has sold out.  
 W. S. G. Knowles, groceries, Guelph, is dead.  
 Henry Orien, dry goods dealer, Guelph, has assigned.  
 David Clark, hotelkeeper, Thornhill, has sold out.  
 Sidney Hobart, furniture, Cobourg, is out of business.  
 Ansley & Tibbetts, drugs, Port Dover, have dissolved.  
 Cannam & Talbot, printers, London, have dissolved.  
 Proven & Stevenson, grocers, Toronto, have dissolved.  
 Wm. Brunsell, hotelkeeper, Davisville, was burned out.  
 Jos. Rayston, general storekeeper, Alliston, has assigned.  
 Jos. Taylor, ivory and watch dealer, Hamilton, is dead.  
 Fleishman & Feldman, clothiers, Trenton, have assigned.  
 H. G. Fleck, jeweller, St. Thomas; stock sold at auction.  
 J. K. Finlayson & Co., clothing, Paris, are out of business.  
 J. B. Wagener, hotelkeeper, Flora, has moved to Salem.  
 Simmons & Pool, planing mill, Newcastle, were burned out.  
 Henry Miller, hotelkeeper, Wartburg, has moved to Brunner.  
 Jas. C. Macpherson, late saloonkeeper, Hamilton, has assigned.  
 A. C. Thick, general storekeeper, Carleton Place, has sold out.  
 Jas. M. Kingston, groceries and confectionery, Morrisburgh, is dead.  
 A. C. Laruse, dry goods, Ottawa, has called a meeting of creditors.  
 Thos. Monkhouse, general storekeeper, Altona, has sold out.  
 H. Charlebois, general storekeeper, St. Eugene, has assigned.  
 T. E. Elliott, general storekeeper, Comber, advertises business for sale.  
 Smith & Rawlinson, grocers, Kinmount, have dissolved—Smith continues.  
 Harry Elton & Co, jewellers, Toronto, have dissolved—Paul Rigby retires.  
 Lindsay Bros., general storekeepers, Shelburne, is offering 40c in the \$.  
 Williams & Longhi, hotelkeepers, Cobourg, have dissolved—Longhi retires.  
 Corey & Platt, nitro glycerine, Petrolia—Geo. A. Platt killed by explosion.

J. H. Willoughby, dealer in dry goods, Trenton, has compromised at 33½c on \$  
 Hugh Batson, hotelkeeper, Brantford, has sold out—gives possession Oct. 1st.  
 Wanless & Cook, tin dealers, Chatham, have dissolved—Wanless continues alone.  
 Geo. Hall, hotelkeeper, Scotland, has sold out—gives possession September 1st.  
 R. H. Hemstreet, general storekeeper, Chippewa, has sold out to Noble & Bodell.  
 Wm. Jewell, groceries, Oshawa, has admitted his son as partner—style now Wm. Jewell & Son.

Philip Henry, hotelkeeper; Wm. Munson, tailor; Wm. A. Robb, general storekeeper; J. T. Sifton, implement agent; William Woolen, shoe dealer, Wallacetown, were burned out.

## QUEBEC.

J. L. Forest, grocer, Montreal, has sold out.  
 Lefebvre, Fox & Co., hotelkeepers, Montreal, have dissolved.

M. Rothschilds, general storekeeper, Kazabazua, has assigned.

Brault & Gagnon, dry goods dealers, Montreal, have dissolved.

G. Boivin, manufacturer of boots and shoes, Montreal, has assigned.

Theophile Jean Fradette, general storekeeper, St. Prime, has assigned.

Montreal Baggage and Transfer Co., Montreal, have held a meeting of creditors.

Arthur Gingras & Co., shirt manufacturers, have dissolved; Arthur Gingras continues under same style.

Charles Huston & Co, wholesale clothing, Montreal, have dissolved by the death of John Liddel; business continued by remaining partners, Charles Huston and Charles N. Dobbin under same style.

## NOVA SCOTIA.

Walter Barron & Co., tailors, Halifax, have assigned.

McKenzie & Gordon, general storekeepers, River John, have dissolved.

## The State of Trade.

Special telegrams to *Bradstreet's* this week do not indicate any gain in the distribution of general merchandise. The moderate volume of sales reported for several weeks past is noted, with continued widespread confidence in greater activity and larger profits during the coming autumn. The movement of flour, grain and provisions by rail eastward from Chicago does not increase in proportion to receipts of produce at western centers, though this is to be explained in part by the increased lake shipments which have rendered the lake shipping business more prosperous than for several years. Specially telegraphed reports to *Bradstreet's* of earnings of 35 railways for July aggregate \$17,090,131 in 1886, against \$14,553,706 in 1885 (34 roads), and \$12,952,913 (33 roads) in 1884. For seven months the earnings of 33 railways are \$88,888,140 in 1886, \$85,165,693 in 1885 and \$81,663,977 in 1884. Here are \$2,536,425 increased July earnings against 1885, \$3,765,511 against 1884. The gain for 7 months this year is \$3,722,447 against 1885, and \$7,225,062 against 1884. The total of bank clearings at 29 cities as wired to *Bradstreet's* for the current

week is \$347,420,192 against \$747,586,078 last week, a gain of nearly \$100,000,000. The total for the first week in August a year ago was \$741,754,000 or \$105,738,162 less than in the current week. There has been a noticeable hardening of interest rates at financial centers, owing to the increased demand from wool, lumber and clothing dealers, as well as to advances on grain shipments. Exceptions are noted at Kansas City, Louisville, Indianapolis and Cincinnati. Rate-cutting at Chicago tended to depress prices of railway stocks, but the market is so entirely controlled by manipulation that an upward tendency was speedily arranged. Foreign exchange is extremely weak on a better supply of commercial bills, joined to a free offering of stock bills. The total of bond sales at the New York Stock Exchange was \$14,600,000 this week, against \$12,000,000 last week, and \$11,500,000 the week before. Stock transactions aggregated 1,291,000 shares this week, against 1,029,000 last. The more significant industrial feature of the week is found in the improved demand for finished iron in Pittsburgh. Special advices are that makers are more sanguine than for two years past. Prices are unchanged, but the mills are pushed to meet requirements. Like reports come from Philadelphia and St. Louis. Dry goods sales are airily well sustained, the aggregate being in excess of last year. Cottons are strong at advances. Prints are less active, but no lower. Stocks of flannels are light. There is less doing in raw wool, but the market favors holders. Prices depend on the results of the opening of flit-weight fabrics, which are not fully known. There has evidently not been so general an advance as expected, though late London and Antwerp sales have been at full figures. Later advices from the spring-wheat crop are more favorable than previously anticipated. Heavy receipts continue to depress prices. The damage to corn from drouth is also less than was recently reported, the probable yield being nearly 1,600,000 bushels against 1,640,000 bushels last year. There has been slight damage to the cotton crop from shedding. The plant has improved in the Carolinas, Georgia and Alabama. Hot weather has threatened central and western Texas. The Louisiana rice crop promises to be heavy. The weather of late has been unfavorable to the growth of the cane in that state. The price of sugar has gone to the lowest point on record, with a light demand and with heavy probable supplies. The tea market is demoralized under large visible supplies and heavy eastern exports. The total number of failures in the United States reported to *Bradstreet's* this week is 124 against 162 last week, 192 last year, 241 in 1884, 166 in 1883 and 105 in 1882. Canada had 12 against 22 last week and 19 last year. The total in the United States this year to date is 6,257 against 7,207 in a like share of 1885, 6,427 in 1884 6,004 in 1883 and 4,230 in 1882. *Bradstreet's*.

THE NEWS, of Morden, says the Mennonites at Gretna are now selling wheat there at 75c. We wish they were, but we fear the price is at least ten cents above the mark.