

C. W. Vanderburgh, Port Carling.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Isaac Giroux, sen., Montreal.

ATTACHED.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Cruise, Stirling & Sharon, St. Thomas.
Geo. Blain, Brampton.

Wilker & Schaaf, New Hamburg.

Boomer & Co., St. Catharines.

T. J. Donoghue, Kingston.

Thos. Knipe, Toronto.

Henry C. Young, Walkerton.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Venance Lemay, Montreal.

Dion & Carrier, dry goods, Quebec.

Amedée Deshaies, Joliette.

Ed. C. McKay, Lingwick.

B. Darpentigny, Hull.

M. Marteau, hotel, St. Felix.

The Montreal & Carillon Navigation Co., Montreal.

James Lenihen, wines and spirits, Montreal.

Jno. O. Hibbard, Roxham.

W. R. Smith, Montreal.

E. Pepin & Co., Montreal.

Ascher & Co., Montreal.

Ascher, Laurie & Co., Montreal.

Davidson Bros. & Co., wholesale dry goods, Montreal.

L. Hamburger & Co., Montreal.

T. Rapin, hotel, Montreal.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Levi Curry, Windsor.

James Lohness, Lunenburg.

FIRE RECORD.

QUEBEC.

Montreal, July 24.—Mr. Forsyth's loss last week was \$50,000, insured as follows: London and Lancashire, \$15,000; Citizens', \$7,000; Queen's \$4,500; Northern, \$8,500; Scottish Imperial, \$3,000. Quebec, 30.—The houses of Mrs. Draynor, Mrs. Patton, Mr. Lloyd and Mr. O'Hair totally destroyed. Insurance: Mrs. Draynor, \$4,300 in London, Liverpool and Globe; Mrs. Patton, \$3,300 in Quebec Assurance Co., and \$4,400 in the London; Mr. Lloyd, \$2,000 in the Western; Mr. O'Hair, \$3,000 in the Quebec, and \$600 in the Northern, and \$3,000 in the Queen's on the building. Quebec, 30.—The barque "George," owned by F. E. Kenny, Halifax, almost totally destroyed. Vessel and cargo insured. Montreal, Aug. 2.—The sheds used for storehouses by Lyman, Sons & Co., destroyed. P. Vautier's shipcarpenter's shop was also burned. Loss \$10,000; partly covered by insurance. Montreal.—Mrs. Germain's millinery shop was damaged to the extent of \$100. Insured in the North British and Mercantile for \$1,400.

ONTARIO.

Stouffville, 31.—E. Milner's hotel, together with stables and sheds, also a house belonging to E. Wheeler, and J. Hopkins' stable. Insurance: E. Milner, \$1,200 in the Waterloo Mutual; loss \$6,000 E. Wheeler, no insurance; loss \$800. J. Hopkins, loss \$500. Lucan, Aug. 1.—The Dominion hotel totally destroyed. Florence, 1.—The Baptist church and the Orange hall both destroyed. The church was insured for \$1,500; loss \$3,000. The Orange hall was valued at \$1,700; insured for \$10,000. Aviston, 1.—A. Clark's steam saw mill with 62,000 feet of lumber. Loss \$4,000; no insurance. London, 1.—The planing factory of — Broadbent, and the pump and windmill factory of J. M. Cousins. Losses as follows: — Broadbent, \$8,000; insured for \$1,600. J. M. Cousins, \$4,000; no insurance. Hamilton, 1.—McInnes' block, occupied by D. McInnes & Co., Furner, Livingston & Co., Hamilton Provident and Loan Society and the Bank of Hamilton, also the B. M. E. Church, all totally destroyed. Larkin's block, Sandford, Vail & Bickley's new warehouse, occupied by the Dixon Bros., E. & C. Gurney, and the Merchants Bank, badly damaged. Insurance as follows: Sandford, Vail & Bickley on stock: Royal, \$15,000; Phoenix, London, \$15,000;

North British and Mercantile, \$15,000; Commercial Union, \$45,000; Liverpool, London and Globe, \$19,000; Lancashire, \$10,000; Phoenix, Brooklyn, \$15,000; British America, \$10,000; Imperial, \$20,000; Scottish Commercial, \$10,000; Canada, \$20,000; Guardian, \$20,000; London, \$5,000; Queen, \$5,000; Dominion, \$5,000; Western, \$10,000; National, \$5,000; Etna of Hartford, \$10,000; Hartford, \$5,000; Citizens, \$2,500; Scottish Imperial \$5,000; Royal Canadian, \$5,000. Total, \$276,000. On buildings: Royal, \$3,000; Phoenix, London, \$5,000; North British and Mercantile, \$4,000; Etna of Hartford, \$4,000; Royal Canadian, \$4,000. Total, \$25,000. McInnis & Co. on buildings: Royal, \$37,000; London, \$12,000; Queen, \$3,000; Etna of Hartford, \$10,000; Hartford, \$10,000; Royal Canadian, \$8,000; Scottish Imperial, \$6,000. Total, \$86,000. On Stock: Phoenix of London, \$28,000; North British and Mercantile, \$12,000; Commercial Union, \$18,000; Lancashire, \$10,000; Imperial, \$8,000; Scottish Commercial, \$5,000; Guardian, \$10,000; London, \$6,000; Queen, \$20,000; Dominion, \$5,000; Etna of Hartford, \$12,000; Royal Canadian, \$8,000; Scottish Imperial, \$5,000; Hartford, \$10,000. Total \$157,000. Furner, Livingston & Co., on stock: Phoenix of London, \$10,000; North British and Mercantile, \$5,000; Hand-in-Hand, \$5,000; London, \$5,000; Dominion, \$5,000; Etna of Hartford, \$10,000; Royal Canadian, \$5,000. Total \$45,000. Bank of Hamilton, Northern, \$2,000. Dundas, 3.—Moffat's foundry, occupied by Little & Man as a moulding shop, destroyed. Loss \$2,500; insured for \$1000. Marysborough, 3.—Jas. Rannie's barn and contents, consisting of 14 tons of hay and 60 bushels of oats, a quantity of wheat and farming implements. Insurance \$700. Madoc, 3.—Dwelling of H. Seymour. Loss \$1,300; insured for \$500. Cobourg, 4.—Pratt & Wright's confectionery. No insurance. Penetanguishene, 4.—Chas. Beck & Co.'s saw-mills destroyed. Partly insured in Commercial Union and Queen. Loss over insurance about \$15,000. Orillia, 5.—Over twenty buildings destroyed. Loss, \$100,000. The following are the names of those burned out: Alex. Kennedy & Co., groceries and dry goods; Jas. Shannahan, shoemaker; Mrs. Sheridan, millinery; J. A. Frost, bakery and confectionery; Jas. McGough, harness maker; Thomas Mulcahy, dry goods and groceries; Mr. McKerrill, groceries; M. C. Drew, watchmaker and jeweller; Thompson & Dunn, flour and feed; Mr. Parkhill, merchant tailor; Jno. Hammond, Albion Hotel; Mr. Gunnigall, livery; Mr. Harvey, dentist; L. McKinlay, livery and dwelling; Jas. Bennett, refreshment saloon; M. L. Booth, dwelling; Mr. Cherry, harness shop; J. B. Thompson, watchmaker and jeweller. Insurance not yet known. Lucan, 5.—S. Flannery's barn, containing a large quantity of grain destroyed. Loss partly covered by insurance. Meadowville, 6.—The frame buildings belonging to W. B. Hunter destroyed. Partly insured.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

St. John, 30.—The ferry boat, "Forest Queen," was damaged to the extent of \$300. Insured in the London, Liverpool and Globe and the Queen. St. John.—Kane & McInerney's workshop partially destroyed. Insured in the Lancashire for \$250.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Glasgow, 5.—Thos. B. Smith's, carpenter shop, five buildings, and the Skating Rink all destroyed. Insurance not yet known.

Correspondence.

MERCANTILE AGENCIES.

To the Editor of the JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.

DEAR SIR,—Having read your kind article of 25th ult., as well as the letter of "Mercator" in your issue of 1st inst., I beg to ask "Mercator," who writes like a fair spirited man, and intelligently, to send you the name of the person for whom he claims a capital of \$15,000, and goes on to state that this person has no rating; this name you can submit to us, or, if you like, you

can have access to our records and judge for yourself if we have neglected to pay due attention to the merits of his case.

We pass over his comments in relation to the point of the party having been solicited for a subscription, etc., feeling that we can (by our record) afford to bear slurs which, if "Mercator" would himself duly ventilate, would be found groundless. A man should upon general principles, and before committing himself to print, fully know the subject he treats upon. In this case we cannot but feel that "Mercator" has insensibly allowed himself to take but one side of the story, and we are open to convince him or yourself that he is wrong in his premises.

We do not know the case to which he alludes, and this should bear in our favor when we say we are ready to show cause for absence of a rating in an unknown case, for if we were not sensible that justice is merited by all whom we report, and that we do try to extend it impartially, we would hardly be found ready to present facts and reasons in this case.

Truly yours,

MERCANTILE AGENCY.

Montreal, August 1st, 1879.

Financial and Commercial.

GENERAL MARKETS.

THURSDAY, August 7, 1879.

The summer exodus, we presume, may now be considered at its height, and the general condition of the markets accords well with this assumption. Our accounts, therefore, are but little better than variations upon the theme of dulness, for which the absence of a goodly portion of the active business community may well account. Here and there instances of activity are noted, but they are exceptional. Those of our merchants who remain in town have not, however, been without commercial topics of absorbing interest, as is only too well known. The affairs of the Consolidated have been under constant discussion, and have given rise to a good deal of excited and scatter-brained comment, such as almost invariably overtakes and seeks to fasten itself upon important disclosures. No facts are known or even reported which go directly to the impeachment of the integrity of any of the officials of the suspended bank, nor is there any serious expectation, amongst those in a position to form a reliable judgment, that the fullest developments will disclose any more grave offences than those of weak, ill-advised management and most reprehensible concealment. Talk of criminal prosecution, which has been openly advocated, would seem, under these circumstances, the merest folly, and we are pleased to report that we have encountered no expressions of sympathy with such a course in any quarter. The distrust of the Exchange Bank which has existed for a long time past, but took more vigorous growth upon the suspension of the Consolidated, culminated this morning in the closing of its doors. We were given to understand that arrangements had been effected whereby, come what might, this bank would be enabled to meet its obligations promptly, but it now appears that the run upon its resources has outstripped the best exertions of the management, which we are satisfied have been latterly of the heroic order. It is not surprising, it is almost inevitable, that