

Business East. ONTARIO.

C. Moody, jeweller, Hamilton, has assigned.
C. L. Papst, jeweller, Seaford, has assigned.
Mrs. Gaskell, milliner, Berlin, is winding up business.
W. Powell, shoe maker, Essex Centre, has assigned.
Olmsted Bros, foundrymen, Hamilton, have assigned.
J. McComb, glove manufacturer, Orono, has assigned.
Steve Rymal, hotelkeeper, Hamilton, has sold out.
D. S. McDonald, shoe maker, Ailsa Craig, has assigned.
Chas. Trick, general storekeeper, Port Perry, has assigned.
H. P. Sanders, tailor, Barrie, has sold out to — Whittaker.
Geo. A. Norris, physician and druggist, Omamee, is dead.
Dickie & Mitchell shoe makers, Toronto; about to dissolve.
T. G. Vivian, general storekeeper, Sault St. Marie, has assigned.
La Haye Octave, general storekeeper, Killarney, has assigned.
Claus & Tilley, printers, Port Arthur, have sold out to — Dickinson.
Summers, Smith & Summers, lumber merchants, Toronto, have assigned.
Johnson & Geach, general storekeepers, Fenelon Falls, have assigned.
R. W. Keeler, general storekeeper, Mitchell, has compromised at 50c in \$.
J. C. Arnold, hotelkeeper, Waubauskene; succeeded by George Peppiatt.
D. Davidson, general storekeeper, Mount Forest has sold out to Scott & Son.
Wm. Campbell, general storekeeper, Cross-hill; stock advertised for sale 24th inst.
J. W. Sutherland, general storekeeper, Katrine; stock advertised for sale by auction.
Jennings & Hamilton, dry goods dealers, Toronto; called meeting of creditors for 30th.
Pringie & Adams, general storekeeper, Marlbank, have dissolved; M. D. Adams continues.
J. D. Ivey & Co., dealers in wholesale millinery, London, have dissolved by retirement of John T. Mutchmore; John D. Ivey continues alone under old style.

QUEBEC.

J. B. Parent, saddler, St. Anne, has assigned.
T. Dudoir & Co., saddlers, Montreal, have dissolved.
Alex. Pare, general storekeeper, Longueuil, has assigned.
J. John State & Son, plumbers, Montreal have dissolved.
Roger Dandrand, saloon keeper, Montreal, has gone away.
L. E. De Gonzague, manufacturing agent, Montreal, is dead.
John Sexton, jr., general storekeeper, St. Nicholas, has assigned.
Phillip Marcotte, general storekeeper, St. Zephirin, has assigned in trust.
Mailloux & Baisalon, saddlery and hardware, Montreal, have dissolved—business continued by Philias Mailloux under old style.

NOVA SCOTIA.

A. Cowie, tanners, Liverpool, are asking compromise.
Matthew Fishie, broom manufacturer, Somerset, is dead.
Mrs. McKimmon, general storekeeper, Sheet Harbor, has assigned.
Mrs. Burke, dealer in dry goods, Windsor; stock damaged by fire; insured.
NEW BRUNSWICK.
Wm. Bruckhof, photographer, St. John; stock damaged by fire—insured.
B. O. L. Warlock, watchmaker, St. John; stock damaged by fire—insured.

Recent Legal Decisions.

PATENT RECOVERY OF LICENSE FEE IN VALIDITY. A licensee who has paid a license fee for the use of a patent privilege of which he has had the benefit cannot maintain an action to recover back the amount so paid upon the ground of the invalidity of the patent, according to the decision of the Maryland Court of Appeals in the case of Schwarzenbach vs. Odorless Excavating Company.

BROKER'S BOUGHT AND SOLD NOTES—PAROL EVIDENCE. In a recent case, Bigelow vs. Legg et al., The New York Court of Appeals decided that parol evidence could not be received to show that a broker's bought or sold note which was made by authorized agents of the buyer and in terms stated a sale of goods to him was by usage among dealers merely a memorandum of a proposal which until both should have accepted either party might reject.

BILL OF LADING—DELIVERY OF GOODS CONVERSION.—Under the statute of New York forbidding common carriers to deliver goods transported unless the bills of lading thereof are delivered up and canceled, a delivery to the consignee will not protect the carrier from a demand for the goods made by one to whom the bills of lading have been assigned, but the carrier will be liable to an action by the assignee for conversion of the property. Colgate vs. The Pennsylvania Company, decided by the New York Court of Appeals.

CONVEYANCE TO PARTNERSHIP—EFFECT OF— A conveyance or mortgage of real estate, in which a partnership is designated by its name as grantee or mortgagee, operates in law only in favor of partners whose names are in the firm name, and not in favor of any whose names are not contained in the firm name, according to the decision of the Supreme Court of Minnesota in the case of Gille vs. Hunt et al.

BANK—CHECK—COLLECTION—NEGLIGENCE.—In the case of the Drovers' National Bank vs. The Anglo-American Packing and Provision Company the Supreme Court of Illinois held that where a bank took for collection a demand upon another bank in another state, to send the same by mail directly to the debtor bank for payment was such negligence as would render it liable for a loss of the debt caused thereby.

VENDOR AND PURCHASER—GOODS LOST IN TRANSIT.—A manufacturer of leather belting at Lowell, Mass., sent by mail to a leather merchant at Brighouse, England, an order for certain leather goods, together with some ship-

ping instructions directing the latter to ship to a firm of Liverpool shipping merchants "for their next steamer." The instructions were carried out, and the Lowell manufacturer in enclosing drafts in payment for the goods shipped ordered certain other goods, directing that they be shipped "in like manner" as the first. The goods were sent by the Brighouse merchant to the Liverpool shipping firm, who wrote asking him whether they should keep the goods until one of their steamers were ready to sail or ship them by a vessel of another line for which they were not agents. The Brighouse man ordered them to send by whichever steamer should arrive first. They shipped them upon a vessel of another line, which floundered in mid-ocean. The Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts held (Wheelhouse vs. Parr) that the vendor had in his instructions to the Liverpool shipping firm departed from the orders of the purchaser in Lowell, and that in consequence, the goods being lost in transit, the vendor could not recover their value from the purchaser.

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