

Business East.

ONTARIO.

B. B. Baker, grocer, Toronto, has sold out.
 Gilchrist Bros., grocers, Ottawa, have failed.
 E. Tolden, grain dealers, Clifford, was burned out.
 Richard King, physician, Port Robinson, is dead.
 P. D. Conger, coal merchant, Toronto, is dead.
 F. A. Howland, mills, etc., Lambton mills, is dead.
 J. Caldwell, grocer, Toronto, has assigned in trust.
 Alden Johnson, builder, Blenheim. Away to Dresden.
 Campbell & Cross, books, etc., Warton, have dissolved.
 Wm. Montgomery, tailor, Perth, has assigned in trust.
 Wm. Simpson, hotelkeeper, Parkhill, is out of business.
 Paul Rauger, hotelkeeper, St. Eugene, was burned out.
 J. A. Duquette, tailor, St. Eugene, was damaged by fire.
 James Homan, wagons, Yarker, has sold out his business.
 A. Morrin, general storekeeper, Minesing, has sold out.
 John F. Jackson, general storekeeper, Mount Albert, is dead.
 W. D. Williamsen, grain dealers, Clifford, was burned out.
 Octave Gauchier, saddler, St. Eugene, was damaged by fire.
 J. Fairfield, carding mill, St. Eugene, was damaged by fire.
 George A. Mills, gents' furnishings, Hamilton, was assigned.
 Peter Powell, miller, Dresden. Style now Powell & Johnson.
 Elliot, Rontledge & Co., general storekeepers, Arva, have assigned.
 E. Davis, of the firm of Davis Bros., Jewelers, Toronto, is dead.
 J. A. Shibley & Son, general storekeepers, Yarker, have sold out.
 Hiram Follett, dealer in shoes, Maidstone Cross, wants to sell out.
 G. F. Rice, watches, Toronto, is advertised to be sold out by bailiff.
 Simon Labrosse, general storekeeper, St. Eugene, was burned out.
 Mrs. Skene, general storekeeper, Warton, has moved to Dobbington.
 Chew & Weeks, grist mill, Midland, had mill partially destroyed by fire.
 The sheriff is in possession of the stock of Wm. Whitten, grocer, Toronto.
 Wm. Taylor & Co., grocers, Toronto, have dissolved. Wm. Taylor continues.
 Cooper & Donnelly, saloon, Toronto, have dissolved. G. E. Cooper continues.
 Geo. Lee, of the firm of Lee & Edwall, hardware merchants, Bowmanville, is dead.
 John Sherman, general storekeeper, Tamworth, is succeeded by his son Jas. F. Sherman.
 J. W. G. Whitney, estate agent, Uxbridge, has admitted his son C. T. Whitney, as partner, style now J. W. G. Whitney & Son.

The estate of Mills & Kiscock, wholesale confectioners, Toronto, is advertised for sale.

R. Hay & Co., furniture manufacturers, Toronto, have dissolved. Chas. Rogers, retires.
 The sheriff is in possession of the stock of McIntyre, Stitt & Co., general storekeepers, Uxbridge and Meaford.

QUEBEC.

Thomas Leveson, grocer, Montreal, is dead.
 Acme Counter Co., Montreal, have dissolved.
 J. R. Lippe, grocer, etc., St. Jean de Matha, has assigned.
 Mount, Martin & Co., plumbers, Montreal, have dissolved.
 Chrysologue Bernier, general storekeeper, Tring Station, has assigned.
 Odell & Therrien, manufacturers boots and shoes, Montreal, have assigned.
 Come Bourget, general storekeeper, Windsor Mills, has obtained an extension.
 Laird Paton of the firm of Laird Paton & Son, carpenters, Montreal, is dead.
 Mrs. J. A. Erement, general storekeeper, St. Gabriel de Brandon, has compromised.
 Joseph James & Co., roofers, Montreal, have dissolved. Business continued by Enoch James.
 Alex. Sencz, general storekeeper, Roxton Falls. Meeting of creditors called for 18th inst.

Joseph Lepine, grocer, Montreal, has admitted Camille Robichaud as partner under style Lepine & Robichaud.

De Fontenay & Co., feather dyers, etc., Montreal, has admitted Robert Darling as partner under same style.

Wm. H. Dixon, manufacturer clay pipes, Montreal, has admitted J. M. Dixon as partner under style W. H. Dixon & Co.

Isaie Frechette & Fils, machinists, St. Hyacinthe, have dissolved. Business continued by Isaie Frechette under same style.

James Bros. & Taylor, Actinote, Montreal, Quebec and Bridgewater, Ont., have dissolved. Business continued by Joseph James and Charles Taylor, under style James & Taylor.

NOVA SCOTIA.

A. D. McIntosh, drugs, etc. Hopewell, is selling off to close business.

George Crosby, W. I. trader, Ohio, Yarmouth Co., has compromised at 50 per cent.

W. E. G. Brown, general storekeeper, Westville, has removed to Vale Colliery.

Robt Morrow, of the firm of Wm. Stairs, Soa & Morrow, hardware, etc., Halifax, is dead.

NEW FOUNDLAND.

James Browning, of the firm of G. Browning & Son, bakers, etc., St. John's, is dead.

Commercial Summary.

Special telegrams to *Bradstreet's* from leading business centers report a continuance of the improvement recently noted in the movement of staple dry goods, of wool, and of boots and shoes. This is specially noted at the east, at all the larger cities. At most western centers this is reflected in reports of a somewhat heavier movement of merchandise and a more hopeful feeling among merchants. Chicago states that northwestern farmers are in a fairly satisfactory position to make fall purchases,

but the expected call for funds to move the crops has not been felt there. The situation is rather better at the south, where the bright cotton crop prospects are encouraging interior merchants to purchase in excess of earlier expectations. At the east bleached cottons and flannels are strongest. Brown cottons are firmer and print cloths are a fraction higher at Fall River. Bleached cottons are $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ per yard higher, and on other brands there has been a gain of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. Flannels are selling at an advance of 5 per cent. Wool maintains its late firmness. Purchases are fairly liberal, and while many buyers are very conservative in taking supplies, it remains true that sales are heavier than at the like period last year. Prices, however, while firm are unchanged. A widely extended inquiry by *Bradstreet's* among New England woolen mills shows that there has been a measurable revival in manufacturing, and that the volume of the output is larger. The increased amount of machinery running is not offset by a reduction in working hours. The returns also indicate that the curtailed production has been somewhat overestimated. The mills reported have 2,045 sets of cards, or 65 per cent. of the 3,126 sets returned by the last census. The improvement in the print cloth market has been followed by a decided advance in the quotations of numerous Fall River mill stocks, and shares which have for a long time been offered freely have within a few days been withdrawn from sale. In grocery staples the deliveries of coffee and sugar are behind those of last year. Dairy products are still depressed, with a falling off in the exports of cheese. *Wheat is dull and weak and lower.* Heavy stocks and the light export demand are the chief depressing influences. Indian corn is moderately firm, with light stocks and small receipts. The statement from the west that no official reports on the grain crops of Minnesota have been made by the Washington Agricultural Bureau of late, owing, as stated, to the lack of funds, opens to inquiry the value of the August report on the extent of damage done to wheat in that region in July. Our own advices, including those received by wire yesterday, report a greater amount of damage than had been previously reported. There is no improvement in actual business in iron or steel. The few new inquiries thus far have resulted in no new business in pig iron. The late orders from rail mills were from southwestern and southern roads, but the decision of rail manufacturers to curtail production next year points to the extent of the depression in that line. There were 160 failures in the United States during the past week, as compared with 192 the preceding week, and with 237, 174 and 143 respectively, in the corresponding weeks of 1884, 1883 and 1882. About 77 per cent. were those of small traders whose capital was less than \$5,000, as compared with an average of from \$3 to \$5 per cent. weekly during the past year. Canada had 17, a decrease of 2.—*Bradstreet's*.

THE average freight on wheat from Chicago to Buffalo by lake during July 1885, was 1.3 cents, and from Buffalo to New York by canal 3 cents. These are the lowest averages on record.