

Wigle & Brush, hardware, Leamington, have dissolved; Brush continues alone.

Cobban Mfg. Co., mouldings, etc., Toronto, partially burned out; fully insured.

Julius Mader, general storekeeper, Newmarket, is removing to Clarksburgh.

Bryant, Gibson & Co., manufacturers of pickles, etc., Toronto, have dissolved.

McCreary & Young, general store, Glencoe, have dissolved; each will continue business alone.

#### QUEBEC.

Joseph Labbe, teas, Quebec, has assigned.

J. T. Anderson, foundry, Valleyfield, is dead.

Isaac Harris, trader, Lachine, has assigned.

P. A. Donais, tailor, St. Cunegonde, has assigned.

Louis Robert, tailor, etc., Montreal, has assigned.

V. D. Richard, grocer, St. Henry, has assigned.

Gooley & Davey, plumbers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Miss H. Mousseau, milliner, Montreal, has assigned.

Jos. Cadieux, planing mill, Montreal, has assigned.

Fra. Bouchard, general store, St. Felician, has assigned.

Fontaine & Brodeur, teas, etc., Montreal, have dissolved.

E. T. Favreau, printer, Montreal, demand of assignment made.

Frank Donovan, shoes, Montreal, demand of assignment made.

Chas. Lemire, general storekeeper, L'Assomption, has assigned.

W. C. Ravenhill, agent, straw goods, Montreal, has assigned.

Albert Manseau, general storekeeper, Plaisance, has assigned.

Pewny, Elliott & Co., manufacturers agents, Montreal, have dissolved.

C. H. Craig & Co., gents' furnishings, etc., Three Rivers, have assigned.

Alderic Seguin, general storekeeper, St. Marthe, is offering to compromise.

William Donohue & Co., grocers, Montreal, have suspended and are calling a meeting of creditors.

Jos. Courtemanche & Co., general storekeepers, Chambly Canton, have dissolved; Mrs. Jos. Courtemanche continues under same style.

#### NOVA SCOTIA.

J. A. DeWolfe, Cornwallis, has assigned.

Lynch Bros., grocers, etc., Digby, have dissolved.

Alex. Davidson, carpenter, Halifax, has assigned.

Wm. Phelan, Sen., hotelkeeper, Mill Village, is dead.

C. F. Goreham, dry goods, etc., Liverpool, has assigned.

A. Robb & Sons, foundry, Amherst, was burnt out; partially insured.

Benjamin Young, lumber, Parrsboro, has sold out to Young Bros.

Buchanan & McLean, general store, North Sydney, have assigned.

W. J. Glencross, hotelkeeper, Bridetown, has sold out to E. Longley.

Power & Co., plumbers, etc., Halifax, have admitted J. U. Power as a partner.

S. Locke & Sons, general store and W. I. merchants, Lockport, have assigned.

The Willis Organ and Piano Company, Stelerton, have dissolved; J. F. Willis is now sole partner.

Watson, Eaton & son, commission produce, Halifax; registered partnership—Watson, Eaton & W. L. Eaton.

A. W. Homer & Sons, confectionary, etc., Yarmouth, have dissolved; W. B. Homer will continue the business in his own name.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK.

M. Goggin, miller, Cardwell, has assigned.

J. W. Bowser, victualer, Sackville, has assigned.

W. S. Thistle, general store, Hartland, has assigned.

Estate of Jas. White, groceries, St. John, has assigned.

A. C. Jones, hotelkeeper, Moncton, has sold out to Wm. Brown.

Mrs. M. L. Geddis, general store Weldford, is offering to compromise at 40c on the dollar.

Harris, Cowling & Co., dry goods, Moncton, have dissolved; C. P. Harris retires, and Wm. Cowling continues the business under the name of Wm. Cowling & Co.

#### Leather.

As an instance of the sharp advance that has taken place in some kinds of black leather we may state that Oshava splits are now selling at 24 to 25c per lb., against 18c per lb. about six or seven weeks ago, showing an advance of 7c per lb. or 39 per cent. The price of the raw material, however, has moved up fully 80 per cent., so that it is calculated by the trade that either leather must advance still further, or the price of hides will have to recede. A fair turnover is mentioned in waxed upper at prices ranging from 26 to 31c as to quantity and quality. The English market continues to absorb a considerable quantity of splits which of course tends to keep down surplus stocks here. In fancy leather some good sized sales of Dongola amounting to between 2,500 and 3,000 dozen have been made representing in value about \$35,000. The prices realized averaged about 20c per foot. Finished calskins have advanced 5c per lb., good ordinary lots having sold at 65c per lb. In sole leather some trading is reported at 20½ to 23c for jobbers No. 1, R. A., and sales of good manufacturer's sole have transpired at 18 to 18½c. On the whole the market partakes of a firm and healthy tenor.—*Montreal Trade Bulletin.*

#### FURS.

The sealing schooner *Triumph* has arrived at Victoria, B.C., from Behring sea. The captain reports foggy, wet weather, and a scarcity of seals. The season was very bad, and the catch small. The cutter *Rush* was met, but did not interfere. The *Triumph* spoke of a number of the other sealers, several of whom were on their way home, but all had the same story of poor luck and bad weather to tell. One had got into a thick fog and had lost six canoes, but whether she had since picked them up or not Captain Cox was not able to say. Barring the bad weather, and the worse luck in hunting, all went well. So far as he could gather from

rambling reports the following is the approximate catch of the undermentioned schooners: *Triumph* (actual), 500; *Mary Ellen*, 200; *Ocean Belle*, 300; *Viva*, 123; *Pathfinder*, 64; *Rich*, 200; *W. P. Sayward*, 60; *Penelope*, 200; *A. C. Moore*, 600; *Maggie Mac*, 100; *Cuppliter*, 250; *C. H. Tupper*, 100; *Ariel*, 200; *F. B. Marvin*, 400; *Junita*, 400.

The *Colonist*, of Victoria, B. C., says:—"It is understood that the entire catch of seal skins brought to Victoria from the north by the steamer *Mischief* was disposed of en bloc at the rate of \$10.50 per skin. This is considered a gilt edge price, but as the skins are all first quality, they are no doubt, worth the amount paid. In the event of the figure mentioned remaining firm, the sealing men of Victoria will be very well satisfied." While on the subject of furs the *Colonist* also says, "Last fall a very large percentage of the best furs on the London market were from British Columbia. This year that percentage will be very largely increased. At the Hudson's Bay Co's headquarters in this city, from which the heaviest exports are made, the receipts of big furs—bear, beaver, musk ox and otter—are already unusually heavy, and all indications point to the fact that they will form a heavy shipment alone this year. Small furs—mink, wolverine, ermine and fox—are scarce this year.

The Leipzig, (Germany) correspondent of the *New York Fur Trade Review* writes as follows: "Trade here has somewhat improved during the past four weeks, owing to the fact that various kinds of goods were wanted for the fair at Nijni Novgorod. Furs directly imported from New York have also been sold, but not so largely as the best goods from the last London sale. Considerable supplies of musquash have been sold, German and English manufacturers, and Hungarian visitors being the buyers; some large parcels were taken by Leipzig dealers from direct importers. Fresh mink has found much favor, good colored skins being preferred; large parcels of lower sorts were purchased by Siberian visitors. Raccoon meets with but little demand; single parcels have been taken by dealers, dyers and manufacturers; some lots of medium and inferior sorts have been exported to Russia; the Russian buyers, it is said, will want more raccoon if the business is satisfactory at Nijni Novgorod. Black dyed raccoon sells as usual for Germany; fresh parcels have been given out for dyeing. Skunk from the London market has sold fairly well, owing to the moderate price; better grades from the March sales have also found ready buyers. Beaver and nutria have sold slowly. American otter is quiet, affording no opportunity for speculation; it may sell later, when dark skins will be required for making coat collars. Directly imported red fox, mainly inferior skins, has been taken for Russia and Turkey. Cheap monkey is in demand; black dyed skins sell freely for Germany and America. Roumanian visitors have taken supplies of cased common cat. Black dyed Astrakhan, as all know, is in good demand for America; other countries buy with more caution as to quantity. Persians are purchased for France, England and the United States, but not as largely as formerly; lower prices are expected at Nijni Novgorod: in the country dealers believe the article will decline in fashion if present prices prevail. Large parcels of squirrel linings have been purchased for England; German-worked squirrels have been taken to some extent for France. Squirrel tails are much lower in price than one year ago.