

Business East.

ONTARIO.

A. Leslie, hotel, Napanee, has sold out.
 John Caldwell, grocer, Toronto, is dead.
 Wm. Nevison, harness, Drumbo, has sold out.
 Thomas Hinch, provisions, Centreville, is dead.
 Charles Everett, livery, New Hamburg, has sold out.
 The Willson Sewing Machine Co., Hamilton, have sold out.
 Jeffrey & Nachnachtan, hardware, Cobourg, have dissolved.
 John Shepherd, hotel, Delhi, has sold out to J. W. Shearer.
 C. McDonald, cigars, Belleville, has sold out to H. & J. Fenn.
 Amsden & Son, general store, Florence, are giving up business.
 J. D. Wager, general store, Enterprise, has sold out to Miles Caton.
 Busséy & Co., hotel, Port Arthur, has been burned out: partially insured.
 J. B. Meyers, general store, Stratford, has had his stock seized by the sheriff.
 John Thompson, general store, Roblin, is selling-off, and intends giving up business.
 Russel, Everett & Co., wholesale fancy goods, Toronto, have sold their stock to Eby, Blair & Co.

McDonald & Co., groceries and liquors, Picton, have dissolved; C. A. McDonald continues alone.

O'Donnell & Matthews, boots and shoes, Ottawa, have dissolved; Frederick Matthews continues.

The following parties in Brussels were burned out: E. Dumford, tailor; Fred. Frey, hotel; and T. McCullough, shoes.

T. & J. P. Boyes, agricultural implement agents, Chatham, have dissolved; T. Boyes and H. Dagneau continue under style of Boyes & Co.

Thomas Leeming & Co., commission agents, Montreal, have dissolved; Isaac O. Woodruff retires, and new firm formed under same style composed of Thomas Leeming and Thomas Gil-mour.

The following parties in Arkona were burned out: Wm. Vahey, general store; McKay & Bro., furniture; Frank Donley, hotel; B. Learn, general store; and N. & W. George, bakers.

The following parties were burned out in Port Perry: R. F. Ackerman, harness; Aaron Koss & Sons, general store; Laing & McNarry, hardware; T. S. Corrigan, general store; W. H. McGan, hotel; Joshua Wright, shoes; S. Allison, drugs; T. C. Forman & Son, general store; A. J. Davis, drugs; J. W. Davis & Sons, cabinet; A. Campbell, flour and feed; W. H. McGan, jeweller; Davenport & Jones, general store; and William Brock, dry goods.

QUEBEC.

C. L. Brown, tins, etc., Dunham, is away.
 W. Goyer, general store, Sault au Recollet, is dead.

Alfred Fortier, general store, Capelton, has assigned in trust.

Jolicœur & Frere, dry goods, Montreal, have assigned in trust.

Rocheleau Damaso & Frere, boots and shoes, Montreal, have dissolved.

William Gregg, sawmill, Jamestown, has had his mill destroyed by lightning.

J. W. Marcolte, general store, St. Anne de la Perade, has assigned in trust.

Jeffrey Bros., agricultural implements, Cote de la Visitation, have dissolved.

L. W. Scott & Co., laundry and shirt manufacturers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Arthur Amiot, shoes and groceries, Berthier en Haut; stock advertised for sale by the trustees.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Levi Manard, M.D., Brooklyn, is dead.
 William Kandiek, wholesale liquors, Halifax, is dead.

W. W. Beardsly, boots and shoes and general store, Berwick, has assigned, and offers 30c on the dollar.

Buckley & Allen, stationers, Halifax, have dissolved; Thomas C. Allen continues under same style.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

James McConnell, boots and shoes, St. John, has assigned.

Granville Bros., grocers, Portland, have dissolved; Thomas F. Granville continues.

The Board of Trade.

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade was held on Tuesday, the 8th inst., in the rooms of the Historical Society, Ryan's Block. The attendance was large. Mr. McKenzie, the president, reported on behalf of the committee appointed to wait on Mr. Egan in regard to giving Winnipeg merchants a chance to compete with their brethren in eastern cities for the furnishing of supplies to the C.P.R. The result has not been satisfactory so far. Tenders asked for, by the Company, have been put in by our city merchants, but with little if any success. The secretary read a letter addressed to Mr. Egan, to be forwarded to Mr. Van Horne, together with a table of rates showing the discrimination against Winnipeg, by comparing the tariff on the several classes of freight from Montreal to Winnipeg, and then adding local rates to the different points west as far as Calgary, with the through rates from Montreal to those places, it was shown that the discrimination against Winnipeg was, in some cases, more than the entire profit on the goods sold. The request was simply that Winnipeg be placed on an equal footing with eastern trade centres. The new rates were even more oppressive than the ones complained of. Mr. Egan, in reply had promised to bring the matter to Mr. Van Horne's attention as soon as possible. The secretary had tried to arrange an interview between a deputation of the Council and Mr. Van Horne during his recent visit to this city, but the effort failed on account of Mr. Van Horne being called suddenly to Montreal. Mr. G. F. Stephens endorsed what had been said in reference to the extent of the discrimination complained of, and stated that it amounted to 15 to 20c per 100 pounds. He urged making arrangements with other roads and bringing

goods from St. Vincent by boat. Mr. S. C. Drummond related an interview which he had with Mr. Manuel in St. Paul last April regarding this matter. The Northwest Navigation Company, he said, was prepared to receive six hundred tons of freight per day, and would put on four or five boats daily if necessary. The average rate would not exceed \$3 per ton.

On motion of G. F. Stephens, and seconded by Mr. L. M. Jones, the President and Mr. J. H. Ashdown were appointed a committee to go to St. Paul, and, if necessary, to Chicago, to confer with the managers of the different railroads interested, and make arrangements to bring freight by rail to St. Vincent, thence by boat to the city.

Mr. Bathgate, Mr. Murdoch and Mr. Drummond discussed at length the necessity of improving the Red River, so that navigation would be possible during the whole season. It was also shown that out of \$65,000, voted for the improvement of the river navigation, \$47,000, had been spent on the dredge which had been built at Lockport, N.Y., the freight on it alone had amounted to \$7,000, and the cost had been about \$8,000 more than if it had been built here. It was then resolved, on motion of Mr. Wm. Bathgate, seconded by Mr. A. Strang:

"That, whereas, \$65,000 was put in the estimates of the Dominion Government for the improvement of the Red River, and, as the largest portion of that sum was expended in the purchase of the plant, and as the remainder of said sum is sufficient for the improvement of the channel of Red River to Winnipeg to a depth of ten feet, and of making the necessary improvements on the Assiniboine, therefore, be it resolved that those facts be laid before the Dominion Government."

The following gentlemen were appointed a committee to draw up a memorial for that purpose. The President, Messrs. C. S. Drummond, James Bissett, A. Strang, W. Clark, A. McKend and Wm. Bathgate.

Mr. Bathgate next discussed the question of Local Railroads, the greatest difficulty in the way was in floating the debentures, owing to the one dollar per acre demand for the lands by the Government, acting as a first mortgage on the property. If this could be done away with the companies could go into the money markets with the land as an available asset, and issue debentures on it. The present grant was 6,400 acres per mile. Mr. Drummond then moved:

"That this Board, seeing the great difficulty in the way of procuring capital for the construction of branch railways throughout Manitoba and the Northwest, while one dollar an acre has to be paid the Dominion Government on land grants, therefore, this Board desires that this charge be abolished, or at least reduced to the expense of survey, as an incentive to the construction of local railways; and that a committee be appointed by the President to draw up and forward a memorial upon the subject to the Dominion Government."

The President nominated the following gentlemen as the committee: Messrs. C. S. Drummond, Wm. Bathgate, W. F. Henderson, J. H. Ashdown, and K. McKenzie.

The meeting then adjourned.

REPORTS from New Orleans, La., state that old oil cake and meal are dull. Crude cotton seed oil is in liberal supply and very weak. Refined is very dull and dragging.