

Business East.**ONTARIO.**

Joseph Lapier, saddler, Woodalie, is away.

J. L. Stokes, baker, Tilbury Centre, has sold out.

Mrs. C. D. Morden, millinery, Picton, has failed.

C. Tidron, general store, Leamington, has assigned.

John Logan, grocer, Seaforth, has assigned in trust.

Thomas McNeil, general store, Ilderton, has sold out.

Thomas Twiggs, grocer, Thamesville, has sold out.

W. C. Cliff, general store, Aurora, has been burned out.

James O'Connor, hotel, Stratford, has been burned out.

A. Barrett, photographer, Whitby, has sold out to R. Bell.

A. H. Elliot, stationery, Aurora, has suffered damage by fire.

S. L. Doolittle, Aylmer, furniture, has assigned in trust.

H. Brown, fish dealer, Shelburne, has assigned in trust.

C. B. Gamble, woollens, Toronto, has assigned in trust.

W. Sutton, general store, Brantford, has been burned out.

P. Patterson & Son, hardware, Toronto, has assigned in trust.

J. & D. Curry, saloon, Goderich, has sold out to William Craig.

B. Way, hotel, Desoronto, is succeeded by William Jamieson.

J. C. Henry, hotel, Palmerston, has sold out to Joseph Wilson.

The Oshawa Cabinet Company, Oshawa, has assigned in trust.

C. H. Curts, hotel, Queensville, has sold out to George Randall.

John Jewett, liquors, Lucknow, has sold out to J. R. Armstrong.

T. A. Middleton, grocer, Lindsay, has sold out to Burk & Smith.

Robert Smart, general store, Mount Elgin, has closed up business.

James Naylor, fancy goods, Hamilton; stock advertised for sale by trustee.

Davitt & Angle, lumber, Clavering, have dissolved; M. D. Davitt continues.

Orr & Coad, general store, Wingham, have dissolved; Robert Orr continues.

Bennett Furnishing Co., London: plant, stock, etc., sold to Henry Taylor.

Schultz & Strachan, general store, Rockwood, has sold out to Mahie & Strachan.

Mallory & Lee, Windmill builders, Mallorytown, have sold out to Buell Bros.

N. Reynolds & Co., general store, Stayner, has suffered damage by explosion of boiler.

Russell & Lennon, furniture, Lindsay. J. H. Lennon has bought stock and is now alone.

James S. Henry, Son & Co., general store, Beansville, are about to dissolve partnership.

Berry & Snider, tins, Oshawa, have dissolved partnership, William Berry continuing the business.

Albert Purvis, general store, Mallorytown, has sold out to Kelly Bros., and will remove to Brockville.

A. & C. Boelmer, manufacturers of paper boxes, Berlin, have dissolved partnership; C. Boelmer retires.

W. L. Graham & Co., gents' furnishings, London, have dissolved; James Priddis retires and Graham continues alone.

Dingman & Co., grocers, Toronto, have dissolved partnership; J. McBurney retires and John Pugsley admitted; stylo Pugsley, Dingman & Co.

Goold & Agnew, hardware, Brantford, have dissolved partnership; Agnew goes out and Knowles is admitted. The style is now Goold & Knowles.

Kelly & Buell, general store, Mallorytown, have dissolved partnership; Buell retires and Henry Kelly takes his place. Business style is now Kelly Bros.

McLaughlin & Moore, millers, Toronto, have dissolved partnership; James F. McLaughlin retires and Michael McLaughlin and Arthur Moore continue.

QUEBEC.

John Howie, tins, St. Johns, has assigned in trust.

L. Perodeau, tailor, St. Jerome, has assigned in trust.

William Samuel, hatter and furrier, Montreal, is dead.

Nazarie Devesque, blacksmith, St. Simon, has sold out.

F. L. Dery, general store, D'Israeli, has assigned in trust.

E. J. Faulkner, general store, Hull, has assigned in trust.

I. Rozand & Co., tailors, Montreal, have assigned in trust.

Gareau Stanislas, furniture, Montreal, has assigned in trust.

J. E. Barnabe, leather merchant, Montreal, has assigned in trust.

Andrew Neville, general store, River Desert, has assigned in trust.

J. L. Taillefer, general store, Montebello, has assigned in trust.

William Hood & Co., stationery, Montreal, have suffered damage by fire.

Verroneau & Langlois, horse dealers, Montreal have dissolved partnership.

Alex. Thirl & Co., commission merchants, Huntingdon, has assigned in trust.

Rivet & St. Jean, dry goods, Montreal, have dissolved, each continuing on his own account.

Cadieux & Derome, books, Montreal, has admitted Henri Bertrand as partner. Style same.

Brault & William, dry goods, Montreal, have dissolved partnership; Alphonse William continues.

W. M. Knowles & Co., comm. hardware, Montreal, has admitted William W. Wayne as partner under same style.

James Lee & Company, who have been doing business under the style of the Montreal Novelty Company, Montreal, have assigned in trust.

Bronillet, Bogue & Co., wholesale fancy dry goods, Montreal, have dissolved partnership; A. Bronillet retires, and H. Bogue, jr, admits H. B. Brault under style of Bogue, Brault & Co.

NOVA SCOTIA.

A. J. Patterson, grocer, Pictou, has assigned. R. G. Campbell, harness, Kentville, has assigned.

Isaac North, general store, Lakeville, has assigned.

W. Charles Wilson, confectioner, Parrsboro, is away.

Outhit, Eaton & Co., produce and commission, Halifax. New co-partnership, C. W. Outhit & C. L. Eaton.

Wm. Cummings & Sons, general store, Truro, have admitted George B. Layton as partner; the style is now Cummings, Sons & Co.

Gigantic Comparisons.

The United States owns within her two ocean frontiers more than three million square miles of land; a fourth part of a million square miles of water, either salt or fresh; a range of Alps, a range of Pyrennes, a range of Appennines; forests, by the side of which the Schwarzwald and the Ardennes would be no more than German toys; rivers exceeding the Danube and the Rhine, as much as these rivers exceed the Mersey and the Clyde; truly the republic is a Big Country! Here in England we have no lines of sufficient length, no areas of sufficient width to convey any idea of its size! Our longest line is that running from Land's End to Berwick, a line which is some miles shorter than the distance from Washington to Lexington! Our broadest valley is that of the Thames, the whole of which would lie hidden from sight in the Sierra Madre! The state of Oregon is bigger than England! Texas is larger than France! If the United States were parted into equal lots they would make fifty-two kingdoms as large as England! Fourteen empires as large as France! Then look at their rivers, and you will be able to form some idea as to measurement and size in talking of this country. A steamboat can go 90 miles up the Thames; 200 up the Seine; 550 up the Rhine. In America the Thames would be a creek, the Seine a brook, the Rhine a local stream, soon lost in a mightier river? Some of these great rivers, like the Kansas and the Platte, flowing through boundless plains, are nowhere deep enough for steamers though they are sometimes miles in width, but the navigable length of many of these streams is a surprise. The Mississippi is five times longer than the Danube; the Columbia is four times longer than the Scheldt! From the sea to Fort Snelling the Mississippi is ploughed by steamers a distance of 2,131 mile, yet she is but the second river in the United States! Looking at the map we cannot fail to notice the group of great North American lakes. Our English notion of a lake is derived from Coniston, Killarney, Lomond, Windermere, Leman or Garda. But these sheets of water give us no idea of what Huron and Superior are like; Coniston, Killarney, Lomond, Windermere, Leman and Garda, all put together, would not cover a tenth part of the surface occupied by the smallest of the five great American lakes! All the waters lying in English, Scotch, Irish, Swiss, Italian and German lakes, might be poured into Lake Michigan without making any perceptible addition to the waters! Ontario drowns as much land as would make two duchies equal