

### Business East. ONTARIO.

M. Shewan, books, Toronto, is dead.  
George Jones, hotel, Toronto, is dead.  
John Nitschke, pianos, London, is dead.  
J. Eby, hotel, Galt, has assigned in trust.  
C. Bartlett, butcher, Lindsay, has sold out.  
Henry Horsley, mattresses, Toronto, is dead.  
W. W. Grant, sail maker, Hamilton, is dead.  
George R. Brien, tailor, Ridgetown, is away.  
George Hall, baker, Toronto, has been burned out.  
S. R. Maner, saw mill, Vane, has assigned in trust.  
R. Pickard, grocer, Exeter, has assigned in trust.  
Vallada & Co., general store, Kingston, are away.  
F. Nicholson, grocer, Barric, has assigned in trust.  
E. Widmeyer, Ayton, has sold out to T. H. Miller.  
W. H. Mann, foundry, Aylmer, has assigned in trust.  
W. I. Myers, boots and shoes, Hamilton, has sold out.  
John Stokes, mills, Newmarket, has been burned out.  
Miss E. Fagan, confectioner, Toronto, has closed up.  
J. J. Smith & Co., inks, Toronto, have assigned in trust.  
M. T. Hemsworth, books, Brantford, has assigned in trust.  
Chisholm & Co., milliners, Ottawa, have assigned in trust.  
Connor, Webb & Co., foundry, Toronto, are about dissolving.  
Mrs. Gardhouse, general store, Bolton, has assigned in trust.  
J. T. Sturgess, general store, Huntsville, has assigned in trust.  
Wm. Keetch, general store, Newmarket, has assigned in trust.  
Thompson Bros., shoes, Perth, are in the hands of the sheriff.  
J. M. Scribner, hotel, Zopher, has been succeeded by R. Munro.  
James Adams, groceries and liquors, Toronto, has assigned in trust.  
J. C. McKeand, hardware, Hamilton, is in the hands of the sheriff.  
D. Macdonald general store, Medina, has sold out to A. Goodbow.  
M. F. Hughes, general store, Escott, has sold out to W. J. Kavanagh.  
T. Doncaster, hotel, Port Perry, has been succeeded by B. McQuay.  
Lyons & Haney, grist mill, Aylmer, are involved, and Lyon is away.  
The estate of R. A. Garland, gents' furnishings, London, has been sold.  
J. Hoch & Son, wagons, Sebringville, have been succeeded by Hoch Bros.  
James McKenzie, hotel, Penetanguishene, has been succeeded by John Hogan.  
The sheriff is in possession of the drug business of G. H. Brown, Palmerston.  
The bailiff is in possession of the confectionery business of Mr. Fox, Hamilton.

Mitchell & Kemp, marble dealers, Listowel, have dissolved. R. T. Kemp continues.  
Brayley & Howorth, Toronto, have dissolved. The style is now Howorth & McMichael.  
The Wildermuth Spring Bed Company, Cananogue, have dissolved, Wm. Foley retiring.  
Niles & Johnson, teas, London East, have dissolved, Johnson continuing the business.  
James Adamson, warehousemen, and Chapman & Son, elevator, Toronto, have been burned out.  
Dowdell & Fitch, cigar manufacturers, Toronto, have dissolved. James Dowdell continues alone.  
The stock of D. Melville & Co., dry goods, Owen Sound, has been sold at 50¢ on the dollar.  
Samuel Bloom, dry goods: Samuel McLaughlin, grocer, and J. K. Strong, Napanee, have been burned out.  
W. Reeves & Co., gents' furnishings, Kingston, have dissolved. Z. Prevost retires and W. Reeves continues in his own name.

### QUEBEC.

Benson Bros., lumber, Quebec, have assigned in trust.  
M. G. Blain, grocer, Montreal, has assigned in trust.  
The Victoria Straw Works, Montreal, have suspended.  
Bombardier & Co., grocers, Montreal, have assigned in trust.  
Magloire Dube, general store, St. Agapite, has assigned in trust.  
M. A. Gauvreau, general store, St. Raymond, has assigned in trust.  
Maxime Feron, general store, St. Wencelas, has sold out to O. Tessier.  
Leon Montplaisier, wagons, St. Leonard, has sold out to Cyprien Losier.  
James H. Blair, general store, Hallerton, has sold out to T. & E. Kenny.  
J. E. L'Ecuyer & Co., hardware, Berthier en haut, have assigned in trust.  
H. Beaudry & Co., dry goods, Montreal, are about to retire from business.  
J. L. Johnston, fluid beef factory, Montreal, has been partially burned out.  
Fluet & Desormiers, manufacturers boots and shoes, Montreal, have dissolved.  
Sawmoisette, Morin & Co., planing mill and timber, St. Johns, have been burned out.  
P. Rathier, general store, River David, is closing up there and will remove to St. George de Windsor.  
The firm style of A. Giberton & Co., wholesale general merchants, Montreal, has been changed to Lucien Huot.  
Shaw & Gowdey, auctioneers, Montreal, have dissolved. Alex. Gowdey retires and W. E. Shaw continues in his own name.  
L. Chaput, Fils & Co., grocers, Montreal, have admitted L. N. St. Arnaud and E. Geoffrin as partners under the same style.  
Strathy & Strathy, stockbrokers, Montreal, have dissolved. The business will be continued by H. Gordon Strathy under the same style.  
Forest, Huber & Co., mills, St. Wencelas, have dissolved. Onesimo Tessier retires and Henri Martin is admitted under the same style.

### NOVA SCOTIA.

George A. Corbin, auctioneer, Bridgewater, is dead.  
Henry A. Kempton, general store, Lockport, is dead.  
Thos. A. McNeil, liquors, Halifax, has assigned.  
G. G. Smith & Co., tinware, Acadia Mines, have dissolved.  
E. A. Melorison, general store, etc., Joggins Mines, has assigned.  
Hendry & McMillan, general store, Liverpool, have formed a new co-partnership, the members of the firm being A. W. Hendry and Wm. McMillan.

### NEW BRUNSWICK.

H. M. Trites, grocer, St. John, has assigned.  
James McCullough, men's furnishings, St. John has been burned out.  
McLeod & Baker, tailors, Woodstock, have dissolved. S. McLeod continues.

### General Notes.

HOLLOW steel shafting, which has come very generally into use in Europe, even for such heavy work as steam ship propeller shafts, is found to very much lessen the weight in proportion to the decreased strength. It appears, for example, that a 10-inch shaft, with a hole four inches in diameter, has its weight reduced 16 per cent, with a loss of only 2.56 per cent. of strength.

PROF. HUNLEY maintains that in fishing districts an acre of sea was more profuse in food production than an acre of land. Salmon rivers required protection. But in the case of the great sea the circumstances were entirely different. He believed that the cod, herring, pilchard, mackerel, and similar fisheries, were inexhaustible, and were entirely beyond the control of man either to diminish the number of fish or to increase them by cultivation.

ACCORDING to the forestry bulletins there was about 82,000,000,000 feet of mercantile white pine standing in 1880 in the lumber states of Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, and only 35,000,000,000 long leaf pine in Florida, Georgia and the Carolina. But the estimate of long and short leaf in Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas was above 134,000,000,000 feet, and this reserve has scarcely been touched yet. Louisiana alone has 48,000,000,000 feet standing.

WHAT cannot be made out of paper is something which cannot yet be safely decided. A Hartford, Conn., man has lately taken out patents for devices by which very beautiful and substantial carpets can be made of papers at prices much lower than the cost of common cotton matting. This new fabric even seems to have qualities entirely superior to ordinary carpets. It can be doctored so as to resist water, fire and insects, without losing any of the soft elegance which is common to fine woollen carpets. So saith the inventor and his friends.

THE smallest savings bank in the world, the directors of which are the smallest directors in the world, is the Irving Penny Savings Bank of Brooklyn, established in Public School No. 9. It has, according to its last annual report, 144 accounts, and the total amount in bank was