

Business East. ONTARIO.

A. J. Winbourne, publisher, Toronto, is dead.
M. L. Ryan, hotelkeeper, Forest, has sold out.

D. L. Goodwin, grocer, Courtright, has sold out.

Thomas Rose, hotelkeeper, Forest, has sold out.

Geo. Hollinger, tanner, Hanover, was burned out.

J. J. Sully, hotelkeeper, St. Marys, is selling out.

Stephen Wismer, hotelkeeper, Aylmer, is away.

W. Keith, dealer in fax, St. Thomas, is burned out.

Gurd & Co., grocers, Toronto, offering to compromise.

A. Boothroyd, agent, Guelph, has assigned in trust.

Curry & Golden, grocers, Brampton, assigned in trust.

R. Dickson, general store, Carp, has assigned in trust.

John Downie, jr., coal dealer, Chatham, has sold out.

J. C. Ferguson, grocer, St. Catharines, has assigned.

Alfred McLeod, grocer, St. Thomas, was burned out.

Andrew Johnstone, grocer, St. Catharines, has assigned.

B. Williams, woolen mills, Glen Williams, is burned out.

J. F. Vanhous & Co., soap dealers, Picton, have sold out.

McNalty & Robb, liquor dealers, St. Thomas, have sold out.

J. A. Wood, grocer, Guelph, has sold out to Chas. Watson.

P. J. Boylan, hotelkeeper, Toronto, has sold out to Scott.

Mrs. E. Laidley, dry goods, Toronto, has assigned in trust.

R. N. Wheeler, grocer and butcher, Hamilton, has sold out.

Thos. Watts, hotelkeeper, Guelph, has sold out to F. Spiegge.

B. Bowman, cigar manufacturer, Toronto, has sold out and away.

T. B. Escott, grocer, Chatham, has sold out King Street branch.

A. Simpson, hotelkeeper, Toronto, has sold out to Joshua Conn.

James Fowler, shoemaker, Eastwood, has moved to Woodstock.

John Carter, general store, Sunbridge, called meeting of creditors.

C. McD. Williams, general store, McIntyre, has moved to Maxwell.

Wm. Berry & Son, coal and ice merchants, Chatham, have sold out.

Geo. Timms, saw mill, Rutherford, was burned out—no insurance.

Geo. W. Wilcox, dealer in liquors, St. Thomas, is out of business.

John Stinson, general store, Maxwell, has sold out to McD. Williams.

John Campbell, furniture dealer, Teeswater, has sold out to R. Hodgson.

James May, dealer in harness, Thamesville, has removed to Ridgetown.

J. W. Mitchell, dealer in gents furnishings, St. Thomas, was burned out.

Wm. Kough, hardware, Owen Sound, advertises stock for sale by auction.

Loughrey & Tackaberry, saddlers, London, style now Tackaberry & Wigmore.

E. Towns & Son, general store, Drayton, stock advertised for sale by auction.

Mrs. E. D. Beckett, fancy goods, Newmarket, has sold out to Henderson & Hughes.

Chas. Rogers & Co., dealers in furniture, Toronto, have merged into Joint Stock Co.

Ashley & Bone, furniture dealers, Oshawa, have dissolved; Geo. Ashley continues.

Skinner & Co., manufacturers of hames, Gananoque; Amasa Skinner of this firm dead.

Moulton & Larten, dealers in harness, Owen Sound, have dissolved; R. Larten continues.

James McGolrick, hotelkeeper, Chatham, is forming partnership with E. J. Roche in wholesale liquor; style McGolrick & Roche.

Houston, Foster & Co., wholesale woolens, Toronto, have dissolved; Thos. Houston continues under style of Thos. Houston & Co.

Brimmer & Nicoll, wholesale woolens, Toronto, have dissolved; Brimmer re-ines; new firm formed under style Nicoll, Sutherland & Jeffries.

QUEBEC.

Lizotte & Defoy, agents, Montreal, have dissolved.

Farniss, Lavolette & Co., wholesale liquors, Montreal, have dissolved.

L. I. St. Cyr, general store, Nicolet; demand of assignment made on him.

D. R. Northey & Co., wholesale leather dealers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Wm. Harvey & Co., dry goods, Montreal, have dissolved; Wm. Harvey continues under same style.

DeZouche & Atwater, pianos, etc., Montreal, have dissolved; Wm. Atwater continues under same style.

Benning & Barsalon, auctioneers, Montreal, have dissolved; business continued by Arthur Barsalon under same style.

G. De Fonteny & Co., dyers, Montreal, have dissolved; Robt. Darling and Thos. Highmore continues under same style.

Wm. King & Co., furniture dealers, Montreal, have dissolved; Wm. King, Alphonse Renaud and Robt. King continue under same style.

Beauchemin & Valois, stationery, etc., Montreal, have dissolved; Chas. O. & L. J. O. Beauchemin continue under style C. O. Beauchemin & Son.

NOVA SCOTIA.

The following were burned out at Annapolis: W. H. Banks, printer; G. S. Bishop, confectioner; Mrs. A. A. Bochner, confectioner; A. B. Bunningham, drags, etc., and H. West & Co., hardware.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Henry Wyse, baker, etc., Chatham, is dead.

J. M. Eaton, butcher, Moncton, has assigned.

Josiah Barrett, general store, Hartland, has assigned.

Johnson & Dobson, harness dealers, Sackville, has dissolved.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Philip Hutchings, general store, St. Johns, is dead.

Walter Grieve & Co., general merchants, St. Johns, have dissolved.

P. & L. Tessier, general store, St. Johns; Peter G. Tessier of this firm is dead.

Commercial Bank.

The first annual meeting of the Commercial Bank of Manitoba was held on Wednesday last, the President, Mr. Duncan McArthur presiding. The directors' report showed that the bank commenced business on May 1st, 1885, with a capital of \$100,000. Since that time, the paid up capital has increased to over \$200,000. This amount could have been greatly increased by outside capital, but the board decided to hold the stock for subscription here and maintain the character of the bank as a purely local institution. It is thought that the balance of the subscribed capital or the greater portion of it will be taken up within the province during the current year. In the twelve months that have elapsed since the bank commenced business, a profit of \$55,989.00 has been made, from which sum, deducting preliminary expenses, etc., a net profit of 19½ per cent. has been made on the average paid up capital for the year. Out of this profit two half-yearly dividends at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum have been paid, leaving nearly \$17,000 to carry over to the good. The sum of \$10,000 will be placed to the credit of contingent account, to form the nucleus of a rest. The report further showed: Notes in circulation, \$163,740; deposits, 394,714; loans and discounts, \$658,349.

The success which has attended the first year's operations of the bank has fully justified the action of the promoters in establishing the institution, and the result is much better than could have been expected. President MacArthur's address was an interesting document in itself, and dealt with the commercial situation in a clear and forcible manner. From it we take the following except:—The prospects of doing a safe and profitable banking business in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories are good. The field is large and the influx of population, whether Manitoba gets its share in the near future or not will undoubtedly continue, and the development of the country will be constantly on the increase as well as the financial requirements of the people, which, in addition to the ordinary wants of the mercantile community will give rise to a large amount of good business, and moreover the vast interior, comprising the Northwest Territories, affords an excellent field for the circulation of our notes.

The Calgary Herald of May 22 says: Ranchers now coming to town since the favorable change in the weather wear a smile on their weather-beaten countenances. Grass, which has been exceedingly backward this spring, is making rapid progress, and stock which were thinner than usual are mending daily. The late storms have been exceptionally severe and unseasonable, more severe and later than any for ten years back. Calves and lambs have suffered especially, but now all is happily over.