Business East.

ONTARIO.

F. W. West, crockery, Brockville, has closed

W. Irwin, tin dealer, Peterboro, has assigned in trust.

W. H. Scott, jeweler, Cobourg, has assigned in trust.

Jas. McGowan, grocer, Lucknow, has moved to Kintail.

R. C. Suttaby, saw mill, Gravenhurst, was burned out.

M. Hayhurst, grocer, Palmerston, has assigned in trust.

Edward Conley, furniture, Toronto, has assigned in trust.

Geo. Willis, grain dealer, Exeter, has assigned in trust.

Geo. Troutbeck, fancy goods, Brockville, has assigned in trust.

Geo. Andrews, dry goods, Acton, has removed to Toronto.

Alex. Young, hotelkeeper, Kintail, has sold out to Jas. McGowan.

Varley & Smith, yarn dealers, London West, have assigned in trust.

B. J. Hickie, general storekeeper, Uxbridge, has assigned in trust.

Tierney & Budd, general storekeepers, Carle-

ton Place, have dissolved.

H. Brooks, hotelkeeper, Fencion Falls, has

sold out to J. Twomey, Jr.
P. T. Robertson, groceries and liquors, Hamilton, has resumed business.

R. Spence & Co., file manufacturers, Hamilton, are closing up business.

Mrs. M. Mackenzie, general storekeeper, Durham, has assigned in trust.

Denton & Decew, grocers, Tilsonburg, have dissolved; E. S. Decew continues.

QUEBEC.

Laroche & Co., drugs, etc., St. Sauveur, have dissolved.

Hall Bros., tin dealers, Stanstead, have as signed in trust.

Mrs. Win. Fay, crockery, etc., Sorel, has assigned in trust.

J. M. Daval, trader, St. Antonin, has assigned in trust.

J. B. Phenix, trader, St. Theadore d'Acton, has assigned.

H. R. Beveridge & Co., cloths, etc., Montreal, have assigned in trust.

Blanchet & Co., general storekeepers, St. Bridgitte des Sault, have assigned in trust.

Clerk, Terroux & Co., wholesale millinery, Montreal,—Jas. G. Piton admitted partner under same style.

P. E. Paulin & Co., jewelers, etc., Quebec, have dissolved; Peter E. Paulin and P. C. Lacasse continue under same style.

The following were burned out at Sher-brooke:—S. B. Jeneks & Son, machinists; Sherbrooke Water Power Co.; Symmes Bros., manufacturers of pulp; C. J. Thompson & Co., manufacturers of spindles; S. Twose, furniture.

The tenders for 300 tons of coal for the Mounted Police at Battleford, lately advertised for, have been rejected by the commissioner, as the price, \$18 a ton, was considered too high.

British Columbia.

D. C. Culbick, the undertaker, has sold out W. E. Fales.

A large number of tourists have visited the coast this season.

Gifford will open a watchmaker's shop at New Westniinster.

The Isabella mine at Illevillewaet, is said to be turning out rich.

James Gray will open a fruit and eigar store at New Westminster.

The whole country is now enveloped in smoke coming from bush fires.

Allan & McPherson, hotelkeepers, Vancouver, have dissolved partnership.

D. Spencer, dry goods, Victoria, had his stock slightly damaged by water.

The new woolen mills at New Westminster, are about ready to commence operations.

Cook & Sweet, contractors, Vancouver, have dissolved partnership, Sweet retiring.

A soap factory in course of erection at Vancouver, will shortly be ready to commence operations.

The new machinery for the Nanaimo coal mines has arrived. It came over the Northern Pacific railway.

The graving dock at Esquimalt has been finished, and H. M. S. Cormorant was the first vessel to enter.

Salmon were plentiful in the Fraser River last week. The canneries are packing to their utmost capacity.

Robt. Grant has commenced the construction of a building at Vancouver, which he will use for a drug store.

J. Shupe, of Shupe & Winch, fruiters, Vancouver, has gone into the ranching business in the Chilcoten district.

The New Westminster board of trade has been interesting itself in the improvement of the navigation of the Fraser River.

English & Hance, general storekeepers and ranchers, Soda Creek, have dissolved partnership. Business continued by O. T. Hance.

The building and lease of the Syndicate Saloon, Vancouver, was sold at auction for \$950 cash. John C. Douglas was the purchaser.

The American barque, Escort, has cleared for China, with a cargo consisting of 450,064 feet of rough and finished lumber, valued at \$5,640.69.

It is said that the SS. Parthia received \$75,-000 for carrying her cargo of 3,000 tons of tea and merchandise from China and Japan to Vanconver.

The directors of the Bank of British Columbia have recommended a dividend for the last half year of six per cent. per annum and a bonus of 1 per cent.

Hugh Ferguson, of the firm of Buchanan & Ferguson, contractors for snow-sheds on the weft slope of the Selkirks, was drowned in the Illecillewaet on July 22nd.

Lang's store at Golden was entered one night recently and \$100 and some valuable papers taken out of the cash box. Two weeks before the same till was relieved of \$200, The recent reduction infreight on the C.P.R., from the coast to points in the interior, is a matter of general satisfaction, especially to the wholesale trade of the coast cities and interior trades

Instructions have been sent to Capt. Lewis to survey the channel of the Fraser River, and when necessary to readjust the buoys without telegraphing the department at Ottawa for permission.

Mr. Taylor, of San Francisco, has arrived at Vancouver, where he will have the management of the Bank of British North America, which will be opened about the middle of August.

A gentleman arrived in the city on Thursday from England with the intention of opening a wholesale tea broking establishment. This will be the first step in what will some day be one of our most important lines of trade.—Vancouver News.

The people of the coast must feel somewhat uncomfortable with twenty-seven cases of dynamite at large. The dynamite was stolen recently from the Hamilton Powder Company's floating magazine, at Deadman's Island. Rather courageous thieves these must have been.

The Hastings saw mill property at Vancouver has been purchased by a joint stock company. The company will have a cash capital of \$150,000, one-half of which is held by Dick son DeWolf & Co., San Francisco, (E. D. Heatly), and the other half by the Vancouver Imp ovement Co. The property consists of the saw mills, timber limits, store and land known as the Mill Point. The new company will increase the capacity of the mill with a view to exporting largely.

The Vancouver News of a late date says: The new steamer for the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., "The Premier," was launched yesterday in San Francisco. Her upper works are all built and very little now remains to be done now to make her ready for sea Capt. Irving will go down to San Francisco to make arrangements for bringing her up and other matters in connection with her sailing. It is expected the new vessel will sail under the American flag as the high duty on foreign bhilt vessels would make her total cost about 25 per cent. greater. The extra benefits to be derived would scarcely make up the difference. The steamer will be placed on the Vancouver and Puget Sound

A contract has been closed with the C. P. R. Company to deliver at Vancouver for the San Francisco market 1,800 tons of Banff anthracite coal. This is regarded as the inangural shipment to that city: others will follow in rapid succession. It is believed that a regular fleet of colliers will be established between Vancouver or Po.t Moody (for it is on the boards to make Port Moody the headquarters for the coal shipping trado) and San Francisco and other coast cities and towns. A thorough test has been made of this coal at the request of the Government of the Dominion, and it has been found to equal many of the best and most popular brands of the Pennsylvania article. Special transportation rates have beed agreed upon by both the railway and the owners of the mines at Banff.