## - Business Bast.

ONTARIO.
J. F. McRac, tailor, Toronto, has assigned.

Thomas Snith, genernl store, Fingal, is dead. Mrs. Rawclife, grocerics, Parkdalo, has sold cut.
Hobort Grant, merchant tailor, Brantford, is dead.

McClung, Briggs \& Co., Toronto, have suspended.
T. E. Tilloy, carriages, Dutton, has assigned in trust.
D. I. Bastedo, fura, Toronto, has assigned in trust.
Amos Robinson, hotel, Bruckville has been burned out.
J. S. McCarthy, hotel, Lindsay, has sold out to M. Saway.
S. Granton, wagons, Midland, has sold out to Robert Elliott.
J. E. Schiller, hotel, Torouto, has sold out to Angus Cameron.
Hatch Bros., hardware, Toronto and Whitly, have dissolved.
Stitt Bros., dry goods, Toronto, have arsigned in trust.

Gcorge Bailey, carriages, Ingersoll, has as signed in trust.
Robert Elliott, blacksmith, Wyebrilge, has removed to Midland.
B. H. Rothwell, books, Toronio, advertises his business for sale.
W. N. Morley, gent' furnishings, Chatham, has assigned in trust.
Wm. Vandusen, general etore, Tara, has sold out to H. A. Vandusen.
J. W. Clyno, manufacturer, Walsingham, has assigned in trust.
The crockery stock of E. A. Sims, Toronto; has been damaged by fire.
Timms, Moore, \& Co., printers, Toronto, have been damaged by fire.
J. E. Duniam \& Son, hotel, Cobourg, have sold out to Williams \& Loughi.
The boot and shoe stock of Henry Burrows, Toronto, has been sold by the bailif.
James Seitz, hotel and grocery, Wcisenburg, has sold out ard removed to Chepstow.
The sheriff is in possession of the dry goods business of Williamson \& Co., Brantiord.

The dry goods stock of Wm. Iailey \& Co., Toronto, suffered damage by a recent firc.
W. \& C. Baines, brokers, Toronto, have dissolved. W. J. Baines continues the business.
Haugh Bros., furniture, Thamesville, have dissolved. G. C. Haugh continues the business.
James McMaster \& Co., foundry, Ridgetown, are amalgamating with the Essex Centre Manufacturing Co . of the latter plare.
Wim. Haslem, hotel. :indsay, has sold out to John Maunders. Mr. Haslem has bought out the brewery Jusiness of C. H. Lloyd.
The following merchants in Port Colborne lave been burued out by fire, viz.: : G. Chown, tins; W. A. Hawkins, general stise ; Peterson \& Co., general store.
R. Philp, wholesale undertakers ${ }^{+}$\{furnishings, Toronto, has admitted into partin, rship L. C. Hawlsey. F W. Co'rs and A. J. Ei ishert. Tho firm style is R. Philp \& Co.

Tho following parties woro burned out by a recent firo in Pholpston: W. L. Alleu, drugs; E. J. Powell, general storo; Wm. Raymero, hardware; A. J. Smith, furnituro; John Work, general storo.

## QUEBEC.

G. H. Kendall \& Co , merchants, Montreal, have dissolved.
Forest \& Co., goneral store, Joliette, have as. sigued in trust.
T. J. Dawson, millinery, Montreal, hins assigned in trust.
James Murray, fancy goods, Montreal, hips assigned in trust.
A. H. Bertio, tolaceo, Montreal, is in the hands of tho bailiff.
B. L. Nowell \& Co., horns, etc., Montreal, have been burned out.
Koch Marchand, carringes, Vercheres, is out of business and away.
McKay \& Wilders, hotel, Huntington, advertise their business for sale.
Ovide Yelle, carriages, St. Urbain, has com. promised with his creditors.
S. Davis \& Son, cigar manufacturors, Montreal, have been burnell out.
The Sorel Wadding Co., Sorol, have sold out to tho Domiuien Wadding Co.
Westgato Bros., boot aud shoo manufacturers, Montreal, have assigned in trust.
Kerry, Watson \& Co., wholesale druggists, Montreal, have adinitted Wm. Simons Kerry as partner.
The firm style of E. J. Green \& Co., wholesale liquors, Montrenl, has been changed to Green \& Houston.
W. Clendenning, foundry, Montreal, has odmitted his son as partner, under the stylo of $W$. Clendenning \& Son.
H. Bulmer, jr., lumber, Montreal, has ad. mitted J. A. Bulmer as partner, under the style of H . Buimer, jr., \& Co.
Belding Paul \& Co., sowing silk, Montreal, have admitted Fred. Birks as partner. The firm style remains unchangel.
Lefebvre \& Michaud, boot and shoc manufacturers, have dissolved. The business will be continued by Lefebvro \& Co.
IV. C. Lawless \& Co., printers' materials, Montreal, have dissolved, E. F. Carter retiring and Wm. C. Lawless continuing the busicess under the same style.
E. F. Cartcr has sold out his interest in the Montreal Carpet Beating Company to Geo. H. Kendall, who continues as solo proprietor, under the the same style.

## NKW BRUNSWICK.

G. C. Hatfield, grocer, St. John, has assigned.
Alex. Kcarns, groceries and liquors, St. John, has assigned.

Harrison, Peterson \& Co., stone works, St. John, have assigned.

## General Motes.

Losses by firo in the Cnited States and Canada in 1883 amounted to the enormous sum of S $104,000,000$.
The first regular train over the Newformdland Rivilway, between St. John's and Harbor Grace Itunction, was run on the lifth December.

Thes council of the British and Irish National Association is considering the employment of a : chemist at a salary of $\$ 1,500$ per annum, to mako regular and carcful analysis of flour, cte.
Cuicaco has nearly $10,000,000$ bushels of grain in-her clovators, Now York and Brookiyn havo nbout $13,000,000$ bushels, and tho total supply in tho Uuited States and Canada is estimated ut 68,000,000 bushels.

Since tho McGeoch failure, in Milsaukee, MeGeoch and his banker partner, D. L. Wells, have begun heavy suits against each other, but now it is said that these cases will not come to a trial, a connpromise having been arranged.

The latest noteworthy commercial offer of payment on an insolvent estate is that of a former Bedford Row merchant, at preseut in Veylon, says the Halifax Recorder. It is ten percent., payable in five ycars without security.
The importance of the Glasgow shipping trate may be gathered from the printed list of shipowners entitled to vote for the election of the Clyde Trustecs. Five hundred and seventeen ship-owners are voters. Several own flects of steamships worth millions sterling, while no voter owns less than 100 tons. The estimated value of vessels owned on the Clyde is $£ 26.000$,000 sterling, or in round numbers, $\$ 130,000,000$.

Is a brief retrospect of th. past year, in the Mark Lane Express, London, it is said that to. day prospects aro certainly brighter for farmers in England than they were at this time last year. The harvest was a good one taking it all round, and the crons were for the most part well got in. Prices have ruled very low, at least for wheat and barley, and profits cannot bo large; but it is a great deal to bo free from such losses as have been gencral, at any rate up to last year.
There is rather strong fecling in some quarters on 'chauge, Chicago, against the proposal to declare vessel room "regular" for the storage of grain. It is arged that the receipts for grain stored in vessels might be discriminated against by lenders, and that the board has no right to take such action as would force any of its members to take those receipts against his will. The grain can be put on vessel and sold there to bo delivered on the seaboard in the spring or subject to the cost and risk of placing it again in store here if it should be wanted is elevator.

Oxe of the many rocks upon which buainess men strike is oxtravagance in liviag, says our sensible contemporary, the Commercial List, of New York. Extravagance is a relative term, to be measured not by the amount expended, but by the income. It is cxiravagant for the man who makes $\$ 5,000$ per annum to spend $\$ s$, . 000 , and the ultimato result must be failure, but if he makes a net profit of $\$ 10,000$ a year he may spend $\$ 5,000$ a ycar, and still grow rich. To which the Honctary Times adds, "It requires great moral courage in a man of limited means who has ambition for social dictinction and belicves be has a good business, to keep his expenses down to a safe basis, and moral courago is a quality which many do not possess.
Tue details of the new loan of the Oregon and Transcontinenial Company are understood to lo as follows.-The $\$ 8,000,000$ borrowed is to he divided into eighteen blocks oî $\$ 43,500$ each,

