

Business East.**ONTARIO.**

Wm. Scobie, shoes, Parkdale, has sold out.
Isaac Pappin, builder, Toronto, has assigned.
P. Fitzpatrick, hotelkeeper, Arthur, has sold out.

Albert Lide, Sr., shoes, Chatham, has assigned.

W. D. Madden, books, Napanee, has assigned.

G. T. Stickles, furniture, Toronto, has assigned.

Fredk. Bleeker, shoe dealer, Bel'eville, has sold out.

J. Sutherland, flour, Mount Forest, is giving up business.

Fred. J. Zing, general merchant, Hanover, has assigned.

W. E. Trench & Son, millers, Chippawa, have assigned.

Frank Kean & Son, general store, Orillia, have assigned.

McLachie & Preston, blacksmiths, Toronto, have dissolved.

Ebenezer Woodbridge, fancy goods, Palmerston, has assigned.

Daniel M. Brown, grocer, Township Gloucester, has assigned.

Mrs. J. H. Rogers, gents' furnishings, Toronto, has assigned.

H. Wilkinson, groceries and shoes, Mount Forest, has sold out.

Greenshields & Mackay, tailors, Ottawa, are asking an extension.

Donald McDonald, groceries and provisions, Ripley, has assigned.

W. S. Kirkpatrick, general store, Lunenburg, is offering a compromise.

Mrs. E. Hartley, hotelkeeper, Walkerton, is advertising to sell out.

W. W. Sutherland, grist mill, Mount Forest, is giving up business.

A. D. McDonald & Co., general storekeepers, Alexandria, have assigned.

Geo. Steedsman, general store, Ratho, is offering his business for sale.

Husband & Co., dry goods, Toronto, have called a meeting of creditors.

A. Michener, dry goods and groceries, Berlin, is endeavoring to effect a compromise.

Jas. Lugsdin, wholesale furs, Toronto, is retiring, and is offering business and good will for sale.

QUEBEC.

John Farnan, baker, Montreal, has assigned.
Noe Brossseau, dry goods, Montreal, has assigned.

Elzear Drolet, carriages, St. Gregoire, has assigned.

Guimond & Co., general store, St. Raymond, has assigned.

O. Bouchard, dry goods, Quebec, has obtained an extension.

G. A. Drouin, shoes, Drummondville, is offering to compromise.

S. McNally, general storekeeper, Calumet Island, has assigned.

Pierre Valliere, shoes, Three Rivers, has offered a compromise.

Beauregard & Lapierre, grocers, St. Hyacinthe, have assigned.

Monette & Allard, butter manufacturers, St. Martin, have dissolved.

S. McNally & Sons, general storekeepers, Cambells Bay, have assigned.

Chapdelaine & Laconture, grocers, Sorel; demand made on them for an assignment.

Calixte Lavoie, general storekeeper, St. Cyrille de Wendoven; demand made on him for assignment.

Peck, Benny & Co., manufacturers of horse-shoe nails, Montreal, have had their factory partially burned.

Westminster, B. C., Board of Trade.

The annual meeting of the board of trade of Westminster, B. C., was held on Feb. 22. President John Hendry delivered an able address, in which he referred to the very successful efforts of the board during the past year. The assurance of the early completion of the Southern railway, largely through the efforts of the board, was dwelt on at length, together with the advantage which it would be to the city. He stated that this railway would give "the city of Westminster commercial advantages possessed by no other city in the province; it will open to us a great market hitherto inaccessible for our limitless and unsurpassed timber; it will bring us within touch of the great and growing cities to the south; it will furnish an alternative and competing line to the east; and it will supply the missing link which shall unite the railway systems of the two great nations of North America. Our city will find in this new commercial avenue the one thing lacking to make it the most desirable point for manufacturing purposes in British Columbia."

Lengthy reference was also made to the improvements being made at the mouth of the Fraser river, and to the efforts the board is making to impress upon the government the importance of this work, and the necessity for its early completion, so that the largest ships could safely navigate the river. The board has also taken an active part in endeavoring to secure a daily mail service by steamer with the North Arm, the construction of the Fraser River and Mud Bay canal, the providing of a suitable steamer for keeping the river navigable in the event of its becoming obstructed by floating ice, the dredging of the harbor in front of the wharves, the establishment of a U. S. consular agency at this city, the obtaining of a federal subsidy for the Southern railway, the improvement of the fishery regulations, the promotion of fruit-growing in the province, the establishment of street letter-boxes at this city, and many other matters which have been considered in the public interest.

The expenditure of the board for the year amounted to the sum of \$2,592.23. There is still a balance to credit of \$425.04, and assets show a balance of \$670.78 over all liabilities. The work of the board has grown to such dimensions that the executive wisely determined to secure a room for its sole use. It was also resolved that council meetings should be held regularly every two weeks.

A letter was read from the deputy minister of marine, in reply to a communication from the board, promising to have buoys placed where necessary in the Fraser river, under the direction of the resident engineer, and stating that the official chart of the river is nearly com-

pleted and will soon be issued. A resolution to recommend to the city council the striking off the prefix "New" from the name of the city, New Westminster, was lost. The secretary was instructed to prepare a memorial to the Dominion Government, asking to have the North Bluff surveyed with a view to fortifications being erected there.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—John Hendry, president; T. J. Trapp, vice-president; D. Robson, secretary-treasurer. The foregoing were re-elected by acclamation. Council—W. A. Duncan, E. S. Scoullar, A. Ewen, H. Elliott, James Punch, W. Wolfenden, T. Cunningham, and B. Douglas. Board of arbitration—W. McColl, C. M. Beecher, D. Drysdale, and R. Dickinson.

Lumber Cuttings.

C. A. Larkin has decided to establish a planing mill at Brandon, in connection with his lumber business.

Knight Bros., of Popcum, B. C., are rebuilding their sawmill and have purchased additional machinery which will double the daily output.

The Royal City Planing Mills Co., Westminster, B. C., has chartered a large vessel which will arrive in port shortly to load lumber for England. The vessel will carry away about 1,000,000 feet of lumber. The company has also about concluded arrangements to load a vessel for Apia, Samoan Islands.

Application is made for the incorporation of the Columbia River Lumber Company, limited, with headquarters at Toronto, and capital stock of \$30,000. The applicants are J. Ross, Sherbrooke, Que.; W. McKenzie, Kirkfield, Ont.; Fred. Robinson, Beaver, B.C.; Nicol Kingsmill, and A. J. Cattanaeh, of Toronto. The company will operate on the Columbia River, B. C.

Some conception, says the Vancouver World, can be formed of the magnitude of the C. P. R. bridge to be built across the Fraser river at Mission station, when it is stated that there will be over 3,000,000 feet of lumber used in its construction. The estimated cost is in the neighborhood of \$225,000. It is stated that fully 100 bridge carpenters will be employed for three months on the work. The framing will be done in one of the yards of our lumber mills, and then taken up in a scow and put in position.

General Trade Notes.

The Canada Presbyterian marks the commencement of its eighteenth volume by an enlargement that must make this old established journal more than ever welcome to its numerous readers. "Knoxonian's" racy and able article, published every week, is alone worth the yearly subscription, which, notwithstanding the increase in size, remains at its old price, \$2 per annum. The offer of a "Peerless" Bible is made as a premium to the getters up of a club, which should be the means of enlisting some in this work. Free sample copies will be sent on application to the publishers, 5 Jordan Street, Toronto.