

**Business East.****ONTARIO.**

Excelsior Cigar Co., Hamilton, have sold out.  
C. Laister, brewer, Toronto, has assigned in trust.

Thos. Monkman, general storekeeper, Altona, is dead.

W. Coleman, hotelkeeper, St. Marys, has sold out.

R. C. Wade, grocer, St. Thomas, has assigned in trust.

Wm. Ruddy, baker, Lynden, is removing to Woodstock.

W. P. McLaren, druggist, Watford, was burned out.

E. J. Lasalle, jewellers, Dunville, is trying to compromise.

A. Falls, shoe maker, Blyth, has sold out to D. McKellar.

S. N. Erb, druggist, Toronto, has sold out to D. E. Horton.

A. M. Gilpin, jeweller, Uxbridge, has assigned in trust.

John Petrie & Son, tailors, Port Dover, have assigned in trust.

T. Wicks & Son, jewellers, Cobourg, have moved to Toronto.

M. O'Brien, hotelkeeper, Stratford, has sold out to A. Huffman.

Round & Son, of the Welland Saw Mill, Welland; Mill burned.

H. F. Holmes, hardware dealer, Rat Portage, is about to sell out.

John Nevison, hardware dealer, Uxbridge; bailiff in possession.

Jas. Drew, hardware dealer, Brussels; stock sold at 65c in the \$.

Robt. Livesley, dry goods dealer, London; sheriff in possession.

John Watson, shoe maker, Petrolia; style now J. & J. Watson.

W. R. Keating, general storekeeper, Osgoode Station, has assigned.

J. S. Tyler, dealer in gents' furnishings, Galt, has assigned in trust.

Jas. Fisher, general storekeeper, Havelock, has assigned in trust.

Jno. R. Munro, dealer in teas, St. Catharines, has assigned in trust.

Alex. Urquhart, hotelkeeper, Carthage; succeeded by A. Buchanan.

Jas. Robertson, general storekeeper, Windham Centre, has sold out.

Mrs. J. C. Thomas, dealer in groceries, Picton, has assigned in trust.

J. Marshall, harness maker, Mount Forest, has sold out to J. Reddick.

Wm. McIntosh, dry goods dealer, St. Marys, is closing his business here.

Andrew Little, of the Teeswater Flour Mill, Teeswater, was burned out.

Grell & Battagay, wholesale jewellers, Toronto, intend going to Chicago.

W. F. Carrier & Co., wholesale jewellers, Toronto, have assigned in trust.

Geo. S. Turner, shoe maker, St. Thomas, has compromised at 70c in the \$.

Cooke Bros, general storekeepers, Rat Portage, are removing to Boissevain.

John Russell & Co., dealers in implements, Ingersoll, have assigned in trust.

J. J. Guttard, dealer in gents' furnishings, Mount Forest, has moved to Paris.

J. L. Wells & Co., hardware merchants, Port Arthur, are removing to Winnipeg.

W. H. Cross, dry goods dealer, Toronto; stock advertised for sale by auction.

Wm. Graham, dry goods dealer, Cobourg; stock advertised for sale by auction, 30th.

Upper Canada Furniture Co., Bowmanville and Toronto, have sold out to Allan Bros.

Burt & Windsor, general storekeepers, Blake, have dissolved; G. D. Windsor continues.

Fremlin & Street, dealers in needles, Toronto, have dissolved; A. F. Fremlin continues.

P. W. Reynolds, general storekeeper, Norwood, has sold out to R. W. Waters & Co.

M. E. Wilson, book seller, Bracebridge, has sold out to I. Huber; gives possession April 1st.

Samuel Leverall, dry goods dealer, Hagersville; stock advertised for sale by auction, 30th inst.

Grip Printing and Publishing Co., Toronto, have sold out Job Printing business to John Murray & Co.

R. A. Stiner, general storekeeper, Unionville, has admitted J. C. Jenkins as partner; style now Stiner, Jenkins & Co.

The following were burned out in Forest. Frank Anderson, books; W. C. Dillon, grocer; Jno. M. McKenzie, dry goods; and Chas. Robinson, billiards.

The following firms were damaged by fire and water at St. Catharines: Coy Bros., hardware dealers; B. C. Fairfield, bookseller; J. R. Gibson, saloon keeper.

**QUEBEC.**

Magloire Gascon, grocer, St. Jerome, has assigned.

Alex. Waters, dealer in bark, Melbourne, has assigned.

Henry Sevigny, general storekeeper, St. Flore, has assigned.

Calixte Gaudette, hotelkeeper, St. Hyacinthe, has assigned.

C. J. Maguire & Co., tobacconists, Montreal, have dissolved.

Rousseau & Bernier, dealers in flour, Quebec, have compromised.

H. J. Brown, general storekeeper, Windsor Mills, has assigned.

S. T. St. Cyr, dealer in hay, Berthier en Haut, has assigned.

A. S. Vinet, dealer in shoes and gents' furnishings, has assigned.

Hermyle Parent, general storekeeper, Riviere Blanche, has assigned.

Jacques Grenier & Co., wholesale dry goods, Montreal, have dissolved.

Senecal & Deslieres, dry goods dealers, Montreal; partially burned out.

Frank Weir & Co., foundrymen, Montreal; advertises business for sale.

F. M. O'Donnell, general storekeeper, St. Giles, has assigned in trust.

Antoine Lapierre, dealer in chemicals, St. Cuneigonde, has assigned in trust.

Joseph Abraham & Sons, wholesale grocers; Joseph Abraham of this firm is dead.

S. P. Bellay & Co., general storekeepers, Fraserville, are offering to compromise.

Jno. A. Converse, cordage manufacturer, Montreal, is succeeded by the J. A. Converse Cordage & Plaster Works, Alex. W. Morris & Bro. proprietors.

**NOVA SCOTIA.**

John Bell, druggist, Stellarton, has sold out.  
H. G. Purdy, general storekeeper, Westchester Station, was burned out.

**NEW BRUNSWICK.**

C. B. Eaton & Co., St. Stephen, have dissolved.

J. B. McAlpine, boot and shoe dealer, Fredricton, has assigned.

Donald Morrison, general storekeeper and fish dealer, is offering to compromise of 50 per cent.

**British Columbia.**

The provincial revenue for the six months ending Dec. 31st was \$226,408.08, which leaves a deficit of \$129,454.

The salmon canning business in the province will not be as lively this season as was expected. Among those which have decided not to run is the Aberdeen on the Skeena river.

W. Spencer has taken one of the stores in Galpin's block, Victoria, where he proposes to manufacture, by white labor only, boots and shoes for the trade and custom work.

All kinds of business have been dull all the winter at Caribou, and very little gold has been taken out of the claims, on any of the creeks. The Barker Company and the Bald Head Company, owing to the mild weather and high water, have done scarcely anything.

The winter at Caribou, which is now about over, has been an extraordinarily mild one. Only about two weeks of what may be called winter has been experienced. The thermometer has been sixteen times below zero, and fourteen times of that was between the 6th January, and the 28th. From the latter date up to the present time, the weather has been soft and rainy.

**A Defunct Industry.**

The Winnipeg Barb Wire factory is a thing of the past, having been purchased by a combination of eastern manufacturers, who have closed it down, for good. It seems that the success of the Winnipeg factory depended mainly upon the ability to evade the payment to Washburn & Moene a royalty under their patents. Whether these patent rights were valid or not, the manufacturers of Eastern Canada, the United States, England and Germany have after a long fight acknowledged their validity, and the chances of the Winnipeg concern prolonging the fight alone were out of the question. The factory from the first was a sickly concern, and proved a financial pit in which some Winnipegers as well as eastern men dropped some money. Under these circumstances there is not the same reason for regret, as there would have been, had it been a flourishing industry, and there may be some people in this city who feel satisfied if not gratified that it is now out of existence never to return.