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A PRIVATE bank has been opened at Crystal City, by Johnston, Wallbank & Co.

JOHN WOODS, hotel keeper, Winnipeg, has been sold out under landlord's warrant.

THE fire record of the week consists of the burning of an old boarding house, near to McMillan's Mills. The house was completely destroyed.

BEHAN & MCINTYRE, grocers, Winnipeg, have assigned in favor of their creditors. The liabilities are not heavy, and assets make a fair showing.

BENNET & DOUGLAS, of the Douglas House, have dissolved partnership. Capt. Douglas retires, and the house will be conducted by W. Bennett alone.

A GOOD share of valuable information can be had from the prospectus of the Winnipeg Consolidated Mining Co., just issued. They can be had at the Company's office.

THERE have been some wild rumors of glanders among horses in this vicinity, all of which

are greatly exaggerated. Less than ten actual cases are now known of in the vicinity of Winnipeg.

E. MANUEL, manufacturer of brooms, Winnipeg, has given up business, owing to insufficient demand for the goods he manufactured, and an inability to compete with the goods from the east.

CONTRARY to general expectation, the new addition to the City Hall has been making rapid progress, and as yet only three days building operations have been suspended owing to cold weather.

IT SEEMS as if the hopes of the farmers are likely to be in part realized very soon. Wheat in Chicago and other American cities of the east has advanced fully five cents a bushel during the past week.

A REGULAR stage is now run between Pilot Mound and Manitoba City, twice a week by Baird & Stonewall. It leaves Manitoba City Wednesdays and Saturdays, and Pilot Mound Tuesdays and Fridays.

THE eastern hop markets are again on the rise, and an advance to \$1.50 a pound is again predicted by some parties, most of whom, however, are interested in an advance, and the wish is with them father to the thought.

THE Hub Hotel is another institution which has closed its career during the past week. M. A. McLean held a chattel mortgage on its contents, and foreclosed the same. Several other creditors are out of pocket.

THE Toronto Globe has published a telegram from London, England, to the effect that the Duke of Manchester has not resigned the presidency of the North-west Land Company, and has no intention of retiring from its directorate.

While the thermometer has been oscillating between 30° and 40° below zero in the Red River Valley, track laying has been progressing on the C.P.R. west of the Saskatchewan, at the rate of two miles a day, and the weather has been mild and pleasant.

THE Selkirk Herald of the 5th, says:—"A great many of our merchants and others have been speculating in wood and have bought to such an extent that all the available space in the G.P.R. yard is occupied, notwithstanding

the fact that upwards of fifty car loads are shipped each day.

At a meeting of the leading butcher's of Winnipeg, held at the Norfolk House, on the evening of the 2nd, it was unanimously resolved to discontinue the practice of giving credit, and make all business transactions strictly cash. The resolution takes effect on the 15th of this month.

THE Sheriff's sale of the goods at the Grand Union did not come off, as was advertised, last Thursday. Mr. R. Gerrie, the proprietor entered some objections, and threatened to enforce them with a club, and after a parley and consultation of creditors, the sale was postponed for ten days longer.

MCDONALD & SHIELDS are still in possession of the C.P.R. from Rat Portage to Thunder Bay, and as their terms of contract extend to next Fall, they insist upon holding the line in their possession all summer, and upon having a heavy subsidy for carrying mails between Winnipeg and Thunder Bay.

At the Provincial Court on Saturday, a case of obtaining goods on false pretences came up. F. B. Robertson charges Hutchings & Rice with obtaining \$500 worth of furniture on false pretences. The defence is that the goods were obtained in the ordinary course of business. Bail was given, and the case sent up for trial. It will be of interest.

MR. DUNCAN McARTHUR has retired from the management of the Winnipeg branch of the Merchants' Bank, and is succeeded by Mr. Miller, the assistant manager. Mr. McArthur has been ten years in the banking line in this city, and was the senior manager of a Winnipeg chartered bank. In fact, he was the pioneer in that line. He will remain in the bank directorate.

THE Chicago Times Jan. 1, the most plethoric paper that has ever entered our office, contains nearly six columns on Manitoba and its wonderful progress, which is from the pen of Mr. Richards, their representative, who spent several weeks in the province recently. The review is the most unbiassed we have seen in any American paper, and deals generally with the Prairie Province.