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The Commercial certainly enjoys a very much larger circulation among the business community of the country between Lake Superior and the Pacific Coast, than any other paper in Canada, aily or weekly. By a thorough system of personal solicitation, carried out annually, this journal has been placed upon the desk of the great majority of business men in the vast district designated above, and including northwestern Ontario, the provinces of Manitoba and British Columbia; and the territories of Assiniboia, Alberta and Saskatchevan. The Commercial also reaches the leading wholesale, commission manufacturing and financial houses of Eastern Canada.

WINNIPEG, JULY 23, 1888.

.. THE Hudson's Ray butcher shop at Macleod, Alberta, has been closed up.

J. UREN, photographer, New Westminster, is offering business for sale.

BLANCHARD & Co., druggists, Victoria have sold out to A. B. Cook.

JAMES Young, Shoal Lake, Man., has sold his blacksmith shop to McGregor.

T. G. McClelland & WM. Bethume, restaurant, Calgary, have dissolved partnership.

JACQUES Bros. furniture, Calgary, have decided to close out their stock and go to California.

Owing to the closing of the coal mine, the railway station at Anthracite has been closed up.

McMillan Bros., have sold the Grand Union Hotel at Shoal Lake, Man., to a party from Winnipeg.

MRS. GEORGE TAYLOR, Japanese Bazaar, Vancouver, has sold out to Galbraith & Campion.

M. D. & J. P. Gray, painters and paper hangers of Macleod, have opened out business at Lethbridge, Alberta.

BOOTHE of Qu'Appelle, has purchased the stock of Battiscombe Bros., at Sintaluta, Assa. and will carry on the business.

R. IRONSIDE is preparing for the erection of an elevator at Manitou, the capacity of which will be 30,000 or 40,000 bushels.

LaFond, druggist, from Winnipeg, has purchased the stock and business of A. H. Clark & Co., druggists, Prince Albert, Sask.

J. E. CURRAN, saloonkeeper, New West-minster, has sold out to Thos. Brennan.

DEAN & Co., hardware, Gladstone, Man., has sold out to Foster & Conter.

WEND & KITTERIDGE, dealer in feed, Winnipeg, is out of business; succeeded by Porteous & Co.

A. B. A. CUNNINGHAM & Co., Bakers, Calgary, have dissolved partnership; business continued by A. B. A. Cunningham.

CAPT. ROBINSON'S manager is at Grand Rapids at the head of Lake Winvipeg super-intending the building of a refrigator barge of large dimensions, for the fishing trade on the lake.

WOODMAN BROS., saloon, brewery and livery stables, Prince Albert, Sask., have dissolved partnership. H. Woodman will continue the saloon and C. Woodman the brewery and livery.

N. D. McDonald & Co., plumbers, Winnipeg, have received the contract for the steam heating and plumbing in the Grand hotel, Calgary, a new \$40,000 hostelry now in course of erection there.

THE Calgary Tribune complains of great delay in getting stock brands recorded, a year sometimes passing before the recording of a brand can be obtained. This is proving an annoyance to stock dealers.

THE Regina board of trade is collecting statistics relating to crop in this district. Reports received from all parts in the Northwest where settlement has been made uniformly agree that the yield of cereals, roots and vegetables will be ungrecedented.

THE Winnipeg grocers and butchers have reconsidered their decision as to holding their annual picnic at Rat Portage. At a later meeting Selkirk was selected as the point for holding the picnic. The date remains unchanged, namely, July 26th.

A LIVERPOOL cable says: Henry S. King & Co. have invited subscriptions at par for £220,000 debentures in the Canadian and coal colonization company carrying 5½ per cent. interest. The company will operate in the Northwest. Sir John Lester Kaye is manager in Canada.

A DEPUTATION of those interested in the projected Winnipeg & Southeastern railway, waited upon Premier Greenway recently to ask the government to extend to their road the provisions of the Railway Aid Act. In reply Mr. Greenway promised to lay the matter before his colleagues.

A London cable say: The Canadian Pacific Colonization corporation to found the town of Queenstown in the Northwest has been formed with a capital of £500,000, in £10 shares. At present half this will be created, applicants for the first £40,000 being entitled to a bonus of one fully paid share for every four shares allotted. The lands of the company are in Alberta, on the C. P. Railway line.

THE dam built by the Dominion government, at the Lake of the Woods, near Rat Portage last spring, gave way last week carrying with it the colonization bridge, built by the Ontario government. The loss will be over \$10,000. The lake is very high. There is plenty of

water power without the dam, to run the mills, the dam only being of use when the water is very low, in occasional seasons.

The N. W. C. & N. Co., of Lethbridge, has purchased a Diamond Drill. It is the intention to bore a hole cast of the freight shed for the purpose of testing the coal in that vicinity. The company has ordered new rolling stock for the railway, consisting of 25 coal cars with hopper bottoms, 10 coal cars with side dumps and two new engines. The engines are from the Hinckley Locomotive works, Boston, Mass. Three new stalls are being added to the roundhouse at Lethbridge and two at Dunmore. With the arrival of this rolling stock the output of coal will be increased considerably.

THE publication of a paper has just been commenced at St. Paul, Minnesota, called the Western Tree Planter. The paper will advocate the planting of trees on the western prairies, and will give special directions as to tree planting. We should like to see every farmer on the Canadian prairies take an interest in this matter, and if they could be induced to do so, the result would soon prove of great benefit to the country at large. The Tree Planter will also give attention to fruit tree growing. The price of the paper-50 cents per year-is within the reach of all. Its wide circulation should do a great deal to awaken interest in tree culture, and every farmer in the country should therefore subscribe. Address, Western Tree Planter, St. Paul, Miun.

In chambers at Regina, Judge Richardson delivered judgments in the cases of MacDonald & Co. and O'Rrien & Co. against W. E. Sandford & Co.; and Woods & McBride, and E. M. Robinson & Co. against James Ross. Plaintiffs sued on behalf of themselves and other creditors of defendants for the purpose of having a chattel mortgage for \$1,404.67, dated eighth September list, declared void. After a clear and careful statement Judge Richardson said the judgment of the court is that the injunction will be made perpetual, and such decree or order made as will declare the mortgage void against the assignment for the creditors of the estate vested in Ross for the purposes included by such assignment. Any further evidence is to be taken before the clerk of the court at Regina for making such enquiries as may be necessary to give effect to the assignment to Ross. Costs go against the defendants. In O'Brien & Co., and MacDonald & Co. against Campbell, Spera & Co., Woods, McBride & Co., and Robinson & Co the action is similar. Plaintiffs sought to have a chattel mortgage for \$4,535.89, declared voi on the ground that such mortgage contravene. ordinance 31 of 1884, being given by Woods and McBride on the eve of insolvency. Richardson said judgment in this case was that a decree issue declaring that the interim judgment be made perpetual and that the mortgage and assignments of debts given by Woods & McBride to Campbell, Spera & Co. be void against Ross, who represents the creditors to whom the property included is vested, and cancelled, and that Campbell, Spera & Co. account to Ross for monics collected under the assignment of debts to them. That all proper and necessary means and enquiries be taken before the clerk of the court at Regina to carry into effect the decree. Contesting defendants pay all costs of the suit,