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WINNIPEG, OCT. 31, 1882.

FRANK HICKS, butcher, Morris, has sold out his business in that town.

A. McLeon, grocer, of Virden, has given up business there and gone to Elkhorn.

WM. GIBBENS, publisher of the Rapid City Standard, has given up business in that town.

MILLER & FRERORS grocers, of this city have sold out their business to Gray & Haddock.

Mr. H. C. DENNIS has retired from the firm of Dennis, Sons & Co., but the firm name will remain unchanged.

D. S. THORNE & Co., have admitted Mr. Gillmore into partnership, and the firm name will in future be Thorne, Gillmoro & Co.

REPORTS from different portions of this Province state that quite a number of stacks of grain have been seriously damaged by the late rains.

GORDON & MADISON, grocers, of Qu'Appelle, have dissolved partnership, and the business will in future Le carried on by George E. Madison:

GEO. M. FRANCIS, confectioner, of Strathroy, Ont., is about to move to Winnipeg, where he will probably soon embark in the same line of business.

CARTWRIGHT & BURRELL, commission agents, of Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership, and the business will in future be carried on by J. C. Burrell.

Mr. Thos. Taylor, bookbinder, is preparing to open up a stationery and blank book branch, which he will carry on at his place on Owen Street. He is now getting his stock in.

Mr. J. C. McLagan, business manager of the Sun, returned from Guelph, Ont., on Sunday, where he had been on the sad mission of attending to the funeral arrangements of his wife.

THE wholesale dry goods business of Wurtelle & Co., in the Gerrie Block, has passed into the hands of Rowe, Newton & Co., an enterprising firm, who will push the business with energy and vigor.

MESSRS. BLACKWOOD BROS., manufacturers of acrated waters, have made an extensive addition to their works on Colony Street, which will enable them to work up to the full capacity of their machinery.

What has become of the electric light? During the fine moonlight nights of last week it was in full blaze, but on Saturday and Sunday nights when darkness and mud prevailed, it was conspicuously absent.

A fire broke out in a vacant house in the Point Douglas district between one and two o'clock Sunday morning, and before the brigade could reach the scene the building was burned down. The damage is estimated at \$1,000, and the origin of the fire is a complete mystery.

TRAVELLERS westward will be satisfied to learn that a good frame building hotel has been erected and is now in operation at Regina. A commercial man who arrived in Winnipeg from there a few days ago spoke favorably of the fire he received there, and stated that the new house was a great improvement upon tent life.

An index to how the erection of good business buildings will pay in Winnipeg, is furnished by the fine block at the corner of Main and Post Office Streets; treeted by Mr. Duncan Mit

Arthur. The building altogether is rented for \$11,000 a year, and the cost of construction is somewhere in the neighborhood of \$33,000, Besides being a paying investment it is an ornament to the city.

MESSRS. TRAILL, MAUISON & CLARK, produce brokers, of this city, are about to erect grain warehouses at both Carbery and Smugglers' Point, and furnish regular markets for the farmers at these towns. Next spring this firm intend erecting elevators at these and other places and going heavily into the business of exporting grain. It is to be hoped they will meet with success, and that other good firms will follow their example.

An unsuccessful merchant from Regma called in the office of THE COMMERCIAL this week and gave a very gloomy report regarding the future capital of the North-west territory. He said that there were many dealers in staple goods there, and competition in these was so keen that prices were as low as in Winnipeg. On that account he sold out and came East again. His report, however, differs very much from those of commercial travellers, who report business good and collections easily made at Regina. But there always will be discontented people under any circumstances.

Our evening contemporary, the Sun, the 26th, entertained its readers to a column and a half of a wail over the going astray of THE COMMER-CIAL on the "Railway Question." We are not astonished that the Sun should object to a plain business view of this question, and hint at, as it does, a way out of the difficulty through the duplicity of a Dominion minister. Being a journal conducted upon business principles and not for a political purpose, and not having a politician plaster of any description clinging to it, it is but natural that the views of THE COM-MERCIAL would not meet with favor in the eyes of extremists of any political party, and especially with journals whose relations with politics and politicians are so much closer than its own.

In another portion of our columns will be found the prospectus of the Emerson Agricultural Works, (limited,) which it is intended to organize with a capital of \$100,000 in shares of \$100 each. We advise persons looking for an investment to tarefully peruse the saint.