

## Manitoba.

Hobbs & Reynolds, hotel, Brandon, have dissolved.

F. Stiver & Co., grocers, of Rapid City, has assigned.

Elias Bacon, blacksmith, Cartwright, sold out to A. Sutherland.

Thos. Adair, jewelry, etc., Winnipeg, has given up business.

Braut & Co., liquors, Winnipeg, recently burnt out, have assigned.

The *Gladstone Age* has been resuscitated. F. Armstrong is the proprietor.

Waugh & Osborne, general and insurance agents, Winnipeg, have dissolved.

Wiso & Dalton, general store, Carberry, have dissolved. A. W. Dalton continues.

W. D. Lambert, furniture and undertaker, Boissevain, admitting H. Bunting as partner.

Pratt & Ferris, livery and feed stable, Portage la Prairie, sold out to Prout & McRobbie.

Bennetto & Co., photographers, Winnipeg, have sold their Portage la Prairie branch to Wm. McIntyre.

J. H. Ashdown, wholesale hardware, Winnipeg, contemplates the erection of a large warehouse next spring.

W. Eadicott, furniture, Pilot Mound, has sold out to Adam Curry. Eadicott will now deal in musical instruments, etc.

The appraisers of the losses by the fire in the dry goods establishment of Preston & Norris have completed their work. They place the total damage at \$4,113.

Mr. Cloutier, grocer, Winnipeg, who was burned out and his entire stock destroyed, as reported last week, has opened out with a new stock at 279 Main street, in the Wesley Hall block.

The Beaubier house, Brandon, was burned down last week. The storm was raging furiously at the time, and it was impossible to successfully fight the flames. The building was a large frame structure, and the flames spread rapidly. The loss will be heavy.

Transactions at the Dominion Government Savings Bank Winnipeg, for the month ending 31 Jan., 1893, were:—

Deposits.....	\$18,896.11
Withdrawals.....	15,366.44

Deposits exceed withdrawals.....	\$ 3,529.67
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Following are the inland revenue collections for January, 1893, at the port of Winnipeg:—

Spirits.....	\$14,490 34
Tobacco.....	10,065 63
Malt.....	1,755 84
Petroleum.....	32 40
Liquors.....	449 10
Licenses.....	50 00

Total.....	\$26,873 81
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Total for January, 1892.....	\$25,174 51
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Increase January, 1893.....	\$ 1,691 30
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Two fires occurred in Winnipeg on Monday night last. The first occurred in the large retail dry goods store of Preston & Norris. The fire broke out in the basement, and was subdued without much damage to the building, but the stock suffered severely. Loss covered by insurance. The second fire occurred in the Harris block, occupied by Walsh's clothing store and Braut & Radiger, liquors. The rear part of the building was badly gutted, and both stocks seriously damaged, the clothing stock being nearly destroyed. Losses and insurance are, Walsh's clothing stock valued at \$30,000; insured for \$13,000; Braut & Radiger, \$2000 insurance.

The brick block of two stores and frame storehouse of T. A. Newman & Bro., wholesale grocers, and the frame grocery store of R. J.

Gilliland, Portage la Prairie, were totally destroyed by fire last week. Mrs. T. A. Newman discovered smoke coming from the floor of their dwelling on the second flat of the building, and no sooner was the alarm given than a serious fire was noticed running along the joist of the second flat. The fire brigade were early at the attack, but the blinding snow storm, with a strong wind from the northwest, coupled with the fact that it was most difficult to get water on the flames, rendered futile their efforts; and although they battled with the fiery elements for two hours, it was evident that the whole structure was doomed to destruction. Newman's family escaped without saving anything.

## Alberta.

The election of officers for the ensuing year for the Lethbridge Board of Trade has resulted as follows. President, C. F. P. Conybeare; vice-president, M. Freeman; secretary, T. C. West; treasurer, T. D. Kevin; executive committee, N. T. MacLeod, T. Curry, J. D. Higginbotham, L. N. McEwen, W. A. Galliher, J. H. Cavanah, H. Bentley (mayor), C. A. Magrath, M. L. A.

## Assiniboia.

W. D. Bailey, shoemaker, Qu'Appelle, burned out.

Morris & Watson, livery, Red Deer, dissolved; Watson continues.

## Saskatchewan.

F. Fraser Tims, general store, Fort Saskatchewan, is advertising stock for sale.

## Northwest Ontario.

P. Labby & Co., groceries, liquors, &c., Port Arthur, have been closed out under chattel mortgage.

By-laws were carried in Fort William on Wednesday granting \$50,000 bonus to a blast furnace and \$15,000 for school purposes.

At a special meeting of the Rat Portage board of trade two resolutions were passed, one asking for the appointment of a local crown lands agent and the other for the issue without delay of local licenses to fish in the Lake of the Woods.

The committee of the Rat Portage town council have finally shipped the mineral exhibit from that district for the World's Columbian exhibition. Says the *Record*. "The exhibit is an extraordinarily fine one. There are large blocks of ore from the various mines now working. Mr. Fogg's collection comprises a large number of glass jars containing many specimens with nuggets of gold showing in great profusion. It is a thing of wonder and astonishment to all who have seen it, and we believe we are safe in saying there is no other new gold district in Canada that can show anything like it."

## Grain and Milling.

A shipment of flour was made on Monday by the Ogilvie Milling company, Winnipeg, to the Royal Agricultural and Commercial Society of British Guiana, South America.

The Minneapolis *Northwest Miller* intimates that the New York produce exchange is secretly opposing the interests of shippers in their effort to secure an improved bill of lading.

375,000 bushels of grain have been delivered by farmers at Pilot Mound, Man., this season, and dealers expect that the quantity will be increased to 400,000 before the winter ends.

Macdonald & Cameron are the proprietors of the new flour mill at Baldur, Man., on the Morris-Brandon branch of the Northern Pacific. The mill has been bonused to the extent of \$3,000.

Stuart and Harper, mill machinery dealers,

Winnipeg, have received the contract for the machinery for the farmers' mill at Portage la Prairie. The cost of the plant will be about \$10,000.

Additional mills have been bought by the North Dakota Milling Association at Casselton, Cavalier and Melton, the combined capacity of which is 400 barrels per day. The association now has 22 mills under control, with a combined capacity of 3,500 bbls. per day.

A deputation from the grain exchange waited on Robert Kerr, of the Canadian Pacific railway, on Thursday, in reference to the free transportation of seed grain. Mr. Kerr promised to recommend to the authorities at Montreal to grant the wishes of the exchange, with some few restrictions as to the grades of grain for seed, etc.

Stuart and Harper, the Winnipeg agents of the North American Mill Co., have received a letter from the head offices that it is the intention of the company to establish a manufacturing branch of the concern in Manitoba during the present year. This company, which manufactures mill and elevator machinery, is one of the largest in Canada, with headquarters at Stratford. Mr. Harper has visited Portage la Prairie and Brandon during the past week, to find a suitable location for the business, and see what inducements these places would offer to have the factory erected in those towns; and returned on Saturday, strongly predisposed in favour of Winnipeg for the proposed enterprise. The branch works will employ about 60 or 70 men the twelve months of the year, and the necessary buildings will cost over \$100,000.

McCoy Clarke, mechanical superintendent of the Ogilvie system of mills, is on his annual trip, looking up new ideas in milling. During his visit to Winnipeg he arranged for a number of improvements in the Ogilvie mill here.

## The Galt Road.

An important railway is reported by telegram from Ottawa. It is stated that the Canadian Pacific has acquired the Galt road, 109 miles long, from Danmore to Lethbridge. If this report is true, as it appears to be, it is no doubt the intention to make the Galt road a link in a line of railway through the Crow's Nest pass of the Rocky Mountains. In this case the road would be extended westward from Lethbridge to MacLeod, and continued westward beyond that point, through the mountains, tapping the rich Kootenay mineral territory of British Columbia. The Columbia and Kootenay railway would become a further link in the line.

## Ancient Food.

"I have eaten apples that ripened more than 1,800 years ago, bread made from wheat grown before the Children of Israel passed through the Red sea, spread with butter that was made when Elizabeth was Queen of England, and washed down the repast with wine that was old when Columbus was playing barefoot with the boys of Genoa," said a gentleman of a Chicago club the other day. This remarkable "spread" was given by an antiquary named Gobel, in the city of Brussels, in 1871. "The apples were from a jar taken from the ruins of Pompeii, that buried city to whose people we owe our knowledge of canning fruit. The wheat was taken from a chamber in one of the smaller pyramids, the butter from a stone shelf in an old well in Scotland, where it had lain in an earthenware crock in icy water, and the wine came from an old vault in the city of Corinth. There were six guests at the table, and each had a mouthful of the bread and a teaspoonful of the wine, but was permitted to help himself liberally to the butter, there being several pounds of it. The apple jar held about two-thirds of a gallon, and the fruit was as sweet and the flavor as fine as though put up yesterday."