

The Commercial

A JOURNAL DEVOTED TO THE FINANCIAL, MERCANTILE AND MANUFACTURING INTERESTS OF THE CANADIAN NORTH-WEST.

Published by James E. Steen—Every Tuesday—Subscription, \$2 per annum.

VOL. II.

WINNIPEG, SEPTEMBER 16, 1884.

NO. 51

The Commercial

Journal devoted to keeping a comprehensive record of the transactions of the Monetary, Mercantile and Manufacturing interests of Manitoba and the Canadian Northwest.

ISSUED EVERY TUESDAY.

THE COMMERCIAL will be mailed to any address in Canada, United States or Great Britain at \$1.00 a year in advance.

ADVERTISING RATES.	
1 month, weekly insertion	... 50 30 per line.
3 months, do	... 0 76 "
6 " do	... 1 25 "
12 " do	... 2 00 "

Casual rates for all advertisements inserted for a less period than one month, or for all transient advertising, 10 cents per line each insertion.

Reading notices in news columns, 15 cents per line each insertion. Special location will be charged extra.

THE COMMERCIAL will be circulated extensively among the wholesale and retail Merchants, Jobbers, Bankers, Brokers, Manufacturers, Hotel Keepers, Insurance and Loan Agencies throughout the entire Canadian Northwest.

Book, Newspaper, Railroad, Commercial and Job Printing specialties.

Office, 16 James St. East.

JAS. E. STEEN,
Publisher.

WINNIPEG, SEPTEMBER 16, 1884.

HONDE & Co., liquors, Carman, have gone out of business.

ORRIS & Co., fruit etc., Winnipeg, have been closed out.

WM. LOGAN & Co., bankers, Carberry, have given up business.

JAS. HUSTON, general store, Manitou, has sold out to — Barr.

MCCRACKEN & McLEAN, druggs, Pilot Mound, are giving up business.

JAS. McHARDY, blacksmith, Mountain City, has removed to Morden.

WM. SAULTS, late hotel, Manitou, is starting a liquor store at Morden.

G. C. LONG, boots and shoes, Winnipeg, has sold out to Rogers & Co.

HERMAN & Co., liquors, Emerson, have opened a branch at Morden.

WINNIPEG BOTTLING WORKS, Winnipeg; Mr. Armstrong of this firm has retired.

J. P. DILL & Co., general store, Wolseley, have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by J. P. Dill.

NEELANDS & Co., druggs, Winnipeg; N. H. Jackson & Co. have bought out the interest of the late J. S. Neelands in this firm.

THE new elevator at Morden is vigorously proceeded with, and it is expected that it will be completed by the 10th of October.

THE Canadian Western Loan Company sold the Duffield property on Jemima Street last week to Mr. Johnson, of G. F. & J. Galt, for \$1,000 cash.

MR. J. C. CAMERON, Edmonton, received by cast nail a number of shares of the new company formed to work the petroleum deposits on the Athabasca.

LEWIS ARNETT has sold out the Golden Lion dry goods store on Main street to Parkes & Co., and confines his efforts now to the Boston Clothing House.

THE McCLARY MANUFACTURING Co., have got their new offices and show room at the corner of Owen and Roric streets fitted up, and Mr. Driscoll, their local manager, is now in comfortable and commodious quarters.

THE wet weather of the past week has put a temporary stop to harvesting operations. Farmers are discouraged and no wonder, but this world is full of disappointments, the only remedy is to keep a stiff upper lip, and do your level best when the weather becomes favorable.

MR. YARKER, general manager of the Federal Bank, states that the Montreal Branch will soon be closed, the Bank of Montreal consenting to act for the Federal there on a fair basis. By closing that branch he was simply carrying out his policy of retrenchment, and concentrating the bank's strength in Ontario.

THE business failures in the United Kingdom and Ireland reported to *Kemp's Mercantile Gazette* for the week ending August 16, numbered 85, as compared with 213 and 216 in the corresponding weeks of 1883 and 1882 respectively. England and Wales had 53 failures as against 188 in 1883 and 195 in 1882; Scotland had 30, as compared with 19 and 17, and Ireland had 2, as against 6 in 1883 and 3 in 1882.

R. ROLLINS, general store, Crystal City, have opened a branch at Killarney.

MR. A. C. MATTHEWS of Dun, Wiman & Co., who returned Saturday night from a week's drive through Southern Manitoba reports seven eighths of the crops cut, and about one half in stack. Farmers say three days of bright weather would enable them to get all into stack, and the bright sunshine of to-day gives promise of their getting all they want.

THE Saskatchewan Coal Co. have opened up head offices in this city next to the old Post Office, and in the former premises of Rolls & Neelands. Mr. J. D. Foreman and J. S. MacDonald are in charge, and have arrangements to place a much better coal than the mine produced last year, on the Winnipeg market at \$7.50 a ton delivered.

A FRENCH correspondent of the *London Economist*, under date of August 21, gives most favorable reports of the wheat harvest which has just ended. According to his report the crop this year will reach fully 120,000,000 hectoliters (27 bushels), which is in excess of an average crop. The farmers evidently apprehend lower prices and are anxious to sell at present prices, but millers confine their purchases to immediate requirements, and prices further declined during the week 1f. 50c. per 100 kilos (2 cwt.) On August 20, in the Paris market French wheat sold at 21f. per 100 kilos. American wheat on truck at Havre sold at 20f. 50c.

THE Chicago *Northwestern Lumberman* of August 30, reports a considerable demand for lumber generally, but nothing approaching a boom has yet appeared. Stocks of lumber in many retail grades are low, but country dealers will not order much, fearing to anticipate the fall demand. Looking over the country and noting the different markets, it must be confessed, says the *Lumberman*, that there is no improvement in prices, notwithstanding the increase in distribution. Trade at Albany is reported fairly brisk, a good deal of lumber having gone forward during the week. Prices are reported steady, though stocks in pile are large. At Philadelphia's consumption is active and gives a favorable tone to trade.