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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 1, 1887.

DR. J. B. FRASER, Morden, Man., is dead.

P. M. DALY, hotelkeeper, Port Arthur, Ont., offers to sell out.

H. McINTOSH, hotelkeeper, Winnipeg, has sold out to J. T. Headley.

GEO. HODDER, Jr., liquors, Port Arthur, Ont., is giving up business.

F. WALL & Co., grocers, Winnipeg, have been succeeded by P. J. Hunt.

J. C. HASKINS, hotelkeeper, Port Arthur, has sold out to W. J. Schwigler.

A. PERRY is erecting a building at Stony Mountain, Man., to be used for a store.

West & Co., soda water manufacturers, Winnipeg, have sold out to H. McIntosh.

R. N. DOYLE, of Winnipeg, jeweller, has commenced business at Pilot Mound, Man.

THE Winnipeg tailors closed up their respective places of business on Tuesday last, and all hands picniced down the river.

VAILLANCOU & LAVORE are erecting a portrait gallery at Norman, near Rat Portage, and J. B. Davies has a new store nearly completed.

H. F. POUND, carriage factory, Morden, Man., has taken a partner in the person of Chas. Keane. The firm name will be Pound & Keane.

The plant of the Winnipeg *Siftings* has been sold to the proprietors of the *Industrial News*, and the former paper ceases to exist.

THE contract for the elevator at the Rapid City mill has been let. S. L. Head has the contract for the wood work and Thos. Houlding the stone work.

P. A. COWAN, recently employed in the Winnipeg *Sun* office, has purchased the plant of the *Liberal*, Portage la Prairie, and will continue the publication of that journal.

H. G. HENDERSON, general storekeeper, formerly of Minnedosa and Solsgirth, has located at Laugenburg, the present terminus of the Manitoba Northwestern railway.

G. F. & J. GAULT, wholesale grocers, will have their handsome and commodious new warehouse completed in the course of about three weeks, and will at once commence moving to their new quarters.

THE stock and plant of C. H. Girdlestone, manufacturer of spices, etc., Winnipeg, sold for 37 cents in the dollar. The business will be continued by Girdlestone & Company, and under the same management as formerly.

THE Hudson's Bay Railway Company are opening land and general offices on the corner of Main and Logan streets, Winnipeg, adjoining the Northwestern Railway offices. The premises will be commodious and handsomely fitted up.

RAT PORTAGE municipality proposes to issue debentures to the amount of \$2,500 for fire protection at Norman, which place is situated within the municipality. The intention is that the debentures shall be made payable in ten annual instalments, to be paid by the people of Norman, the municipality as a whole guaranteeing the bonds.

THE contract for the fencing in connection with the R.R.V. Railway, has been awarded

to Mr. Gelly, and the Manitoba Wire Company has received the contract to supply all necessary barbed wire. The contracts for the bridges and laying of the telegraph line will probably be awarded to-day. The necessary telegraph wire has been purchased in the east.

RAILS are expected to commence to arrive for the Red River Valley road about August 10th. Between twenty-five and thirty miles have been graded, and this part of the work will be completed about August 20th. An extra of the *Manitoba Gazette* has been issued, proclaiming the road a public work. The local Public Works Act, it is claimed, will bar any injunctions which may be served to stop the work. So far all reports of action on the part of the Dominion authorities to block the work have only amounted to rumor.

WE have been favored with a copy of volume one, number one, of the *Canadian Traveller*, a "journal published in the interests of the commercial travellers of Canada." The *Traveller* is neatly printed, on fine paper, and gotten up after the style of THE COMMERCIAL, which is a sufficient guarantee of its artistic appearance. No doubt the gentlemen of the road will gladly welcome the publication of a journal in their interests, by extending to it their support. One dollar sent to John Goss, managing editor, 18 Wellington street, Toronto, will bring the *Traveller* for a year.

THE Winnipeg board of trade has issued a pamphlet dealing fully with the disallowance policy of the Dominion Government, as applied to acts of the Manitoba Legislature, to prevent the construction of independent lines of railway to the United States boundary. The question is dealt with in its every aspect. First it is shown that Manitoba possesses the legal right to charter roads. Then follows a mass of information regarding freight rates, which are simply incontrovertible, and which prove beyond the shadow of a doubt, the grinding nature of the C. P. R. monopoly in the Northwest. The pamphlet closes with an appeal to the intelligence and sense of justice of the people of Eastern Canada, for their moral support in the cause of the settlers of the Northwest.