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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 10, 1891.

Saskatchewan.

A quantity of freight went through to Prince Albert by teams from Qu'Appelle, instead of rail from Regina.

A telegram from Prince Albert on August 3 says: Crops magnificent. If weather continues fine, harvesting will be in full blast in ten days. Plaxton will cut Ladoga end of this week.

Manitoba.

Richard Saunders, butcher, Glenboro, is dead.

V. E. Limer, M. D. and drugs, Holland, moved to Birtle.

Winnipeg plumbers have again struck, this time for \$4 per day.

Fairbairn & Co. have opened a harness shop at Portage la Prairie.

Baird & Chalmer, of Pilot Mound, shipped a carload of stock to Winnipeg last week.

Murphy & Todd, tinware, Rapid City, have dissolved partnership; Murphy continues.

Braxton & Bowyer have purchased the florist and nursery business of M. Bull, Winnipeg.

Custom collections at Winnipeg for July were \$54,275, against \$46,395 the same month a year ago.

W. Endicott, has ordered a stock of furniture and will commence business at Pilot Mound.

John Wake, of Neepawa, says the *Herald*, leaves in a few days for Montreal with a train load of cattle for the British market.

Henry Ferguson, grocer, Winnipeg, is in the hands of the sheriff, and the stock valued at \$1,100, is offered for sale on Aug. 10.

Cowan & Co., who have been doing a banking business in Boissevain, have decided to move from that place and locate in Brandon.

Captain Patterson, of the steamer *Antelope*, is building another flat-bottomed steamer to run on the Red river between Selkirk and Winnipeg.

The western woollen mills at St Boniface, opposite Winnipeg, are very busy with orders, and will be obliged to run night and dry for some time.

Geo. F. Galt, of G. F. & J. Galt, Winnipeg, returned, on August 1, from England. His absence has been prolonged by serious illness in London.

The stock of C. A. Bradford, general merchant, Brandon, will be sold out at a rate on the dollar by public auction, on Friday, August 14, at Winnipeg.

It is estimated that over \$60,000 worth of building will have been done this year in Neepawa by the close of the season. By far the greater portion of this is brick.

John White, general merchant, Oak Lake, has bought the Campbell estate hardware store at that place from E. Dickson, and will have the building moved back to make room for his new store.

"The Manitoba Music Company" has received letters patent of incorporation. The members of the new corporation are R. H. Nunn, Chas. M. Farney, E. V. Chubb, and A. N. McCutcheon, all of Winnipeg.

The statistics of the Dominion Government Savings Bank at Winnipeg for the month ending 31st July, are: Deposits, \$23,971; withdrawals, \$31,094.53; withdrawals exceed deposits by \$2,123.53.

The Brandon Warehouse and Rink Company has been granted letters patent of incorporation. A. Kelly, A. C. Frazer, John Hanbury, D. McE. Stewart, and F. G. A. Henderson, compose the company.

Stephen Nairn, of the Winnipeg oatmeal mills offers a special prize in cash at the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition for the best ten bushels of white milling oats, the same to become the property of the donor.

R. Tyndale, livery and hack stables, Winnipeg, is in difficulties. His liabilities are placed at nearly \$7,000, and against these there are several secured claims, with assets roughly estimated at \$5,000. His effects are advertised for sale by the bailiff.

McClellan & Mills, of Minnedosa, have applied for a transfer of their hotel license to McMillan; and Lee Mills, of Headingly, has applied to have his license transferred to Fowler; B. Steel, of Boissevain, has applied for an hotel license for that place.

On some of the immense hay meadows in the Pembina valley, Manitoba, says the *Pilot Mound Sentinel*, grass is six feet high and as thick on the ground as it can grow. Some of these hay meadows cover several hundred acres and the quantity of hay produced is enormous.

J. D. McGregor & Co., of Brandon, says the *Times*, of Aug. 6, a few years ago commenced shipping hundreds of yearlings and two year old steers from Ontario to the firm's ranch south

of Calgary. Mr. McGregor arrived in the city on Thursday forenoon with a train of fifteen cars of these same cattle now in the prime and pink of condition. Another train of fifteen cars arrived yesterday and both Mr. McGregor and Mr. Munn have left for England with the lot which numbered over 600 head.

Assiniboia.

J. A. Breckon, hotel, Whitewood, has sold out to Daniel Hunter.

Myles M. McArthur, blacksmith, Whitewood, has sold out to Lindeblom & Lindskog.

Ten carloads of fat cattle will be shipped from Yorkton, making the third shipment for the season.

Newton & Co. have opened a harness shop at Yorkton and the Massey Harris Co. are erecting a large warehouse.

D. Campbell, who has held the agency for the Patterson Bro. Co. at Whitewood, has resigned, and Hart, his assistant, is to take charge of the agency.

The Manitoba Northwestern railway surveying outfit were camped at Yorkton recently. They intend surveying the line right through to Prince Albert.

The *Medicine Hat Times* of July 30 says: "Briar commences to-day to cut his wheat, and about the end of the week or early next week the self binders will be at work on the C. A. C. & C. Co. farms at Dunmore and Stair. The grain has filled wonderfully well this year and the yield will be large."

Alberta.

Edmonton Bulletin: "H. S. Holt visited Edmonton last week and arranged for the erection of a hotel at the Calgary & Edmonton railway terminus to cost about \$3,500

The Hudson's Bay Company's garden at the Landing 100 miles north of Edmonton had cabbages, cauliflowers, beets and potatoes fit for use on July 12th.

The town of Anthracite on the Canadian Pacific west of Calgary, presents a lively appearance now, since the reopening of the coal mines there, writes a correspondent of the *Free Press*. There is a large gang of men at work, and they are making good progress. One shaft runs down 300 feet on an incline, at the bottom of which two tunnels branch off and extend for 300 feet into the bowels of the earth. Numerous fine seams of coal have been located, and the management expect to begin making shipments during September, and will increase their output as the market demands. The coal having been decided by the courts at San Francisco to be pure anthracite, is given free entry into the United States. The output will shortly be 500 tons daily and the market is expected to range from Winnipeg on the east to San Francisco and Puget Sound on the west. The coal is shipped to Port Moody, B. C., where the company have extensive shipping facilities, and from there it will be taken along the coast and down the Sound. H. W. McNeill, manager of the company, says there are at present one hundred men on the pay roll. These men are engaged in developing work and the force will shortly be increased to a number sufficient to take out 500 tons a day. The company will seek a market for a portion of their output in Winnipeg and the towns along the line of railway.