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MR. EMBREE, store-keeper, Mountain City, is dead.

PAULINE & WARD, confectioners, Winnipeg, have assigned in trust.

A GENERAL store has been opened at Neopawa, by Geo. Brownell.

NOBLER & JOHNSON have succeeded McLean Bros., grocers, Winnipeg.

THE COMMERCIAL Hotel, Neopawa, has been leased by John McKenzie.

It is reported that a cheese factory will be started at Nelson in the spring.

R. G. BISSETT, photographer, Manitou, has sold out his business to James Weidman.

PARKER & DICKSON, general store-keepers, Oaklake, have assigned in trust.

J. KROKER, general store-keeper, Rhineland, has sold out to E. Penner & Co.

A. TURNER, hardware merchant, St. Boniface, has been burned out. Insured.

OWING to want of patronage, the *Rapid City Standard* has ceased publication.

JOHN POLLOCK, hotel-keeper, Manitou, has sold out his business to Mr. South.

ARRANGEMENTS have been completed to start a paper at Lithbridge in the spring.

THE PORTAGE MILLING Co. has declared a dividend of sixteen per cent. on last year's operations.

MESSRS. NAT MACLEAN & Co., wholesale grocers and liquor dealers, Winnipeg, have assigned in trust.

MR. D. P. MCLAURIN, lumber merchant, Brandon, has sold out his business to Messrs. Hughes & Patrick.

JAMES GORE, Rat Portage, who recently disposed of his general store and hotel businesses, has assigned in trust.

BEDFORD BROS., of the Mountain City mills, have dissolved partnership. The business will be conducted by F. H. Bedford.

THE STEAMER Alpha, now lying at Brandon, is to be thoroughly refitted, and as soon as navigation opens will ply on the Red River and Lake Winnipeg.

THE FIRM of Woods, Ovens, & Co., biscuit manufacturers, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership. The business will in future be conducted by Woods & Co.

THE GOVERNMENT has decided to grant lands to the Qu'Appelle, Longlake, & Saskatchewan Railway on the same terms as to the Southwestern & Northwestern.

THE *Stonewall News* reports an improvement in business during the past week, and also states that the difficulty in making collections has to a great extent disappeared.

FRANK BURNETT, of Millford, has been appointed by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario as a commissioner in Manitoba, for taking affidavits to be used in Ontario courts.

LAST NIGHT a very interesting and instructive lecture was delivered at the Young Men's Christian Association rooms, by Mr. Duncan MacArthur, on the subject of "Success in Business." We regret that our space will not allow of a lengthy report, as the lecture was one containing a great amount of valuable information for young business men.

MELTHORP & DADÉ, hotel-keepers, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership. The business will now be continued by Hobbs & Dade.

A CONTRACT to deliver 26,000 ties at High Bluff station, for the Manitoba & Northwestern Railway, has been awarded to Mr. David Wark.

A BY-LAW has been passed by the Town Council of East Selkirk, granting a bonus of \$50,000, payable in twenty years, conditional upon the building and maintaining of a forty-ton blast furnace, and a staff sufficient to keep it in continual operation. The company to whom this has been granted have at present a gang of men working at their docks, and other buildings near the mines on Big Island, in Lake Winnipeg, preparatory to commencing work at East Selkirk in the spring.

THE MONTH of February has been fruitful in birth of monthly periodicals in Winnipeg, two having made their first appearance during that. The first, the *Manitoba and Northwest Monthly*, is a thirty-two-page journal, about the same size as the COMMERCIAL, and is devoted to the immigration interests of Manitoba and the Northwest, and is intended to be freely circulated in the eastern provinces and Europe. It is published under the management of Mr. J. M. Leet. The second is the *Winnipeg Real Estate Register*, a twenty-page, pamphlet-sized publication, and is devoted to the real estate interests of the city. It is published by Mr. S. A. Rowbotham. We wish both publications success.

THE TWENTY-SECOND annual meeting of the Western Canada Loan and Investment Co. was held in Toronto on Wednesday last. The report presented by Mr. Walter S. Lee, the company's manager, showed that on a capital of \$1,200,000 the company has a rest of \$600,000, and contingent and guarantee funds of nearly \$40,000, while the repayments on mortgage loans amounted to \$938,346.36. Among the other arrangements of the company is the setting aside of the profits earned in Manitoba as a guarantee fund, against depreciation of property here. The report is altogether a very satisfactory one, and speaks well for the management of the company, both in Ontario and Manitoba.