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WINNIPEG, NOVEMBER 25, 1889.

DR. PATRICK, of Saltcoats, will open a drug store at that place.

ROBERTS & WHATLEY, commission agents, Winnipeg, are dissolving partnership.

A. J. LONG, dry goods, Winnipeg, has sold out balance of his stock to G. H. Rogers & Co.

The Martin Elevator company have just completed a commodious elevator at Belmont, Man.

A. CHISHOLM, manager of the Manitoba Barb Wire Co., has returned from a business trip east.

RODERICK SMITH, of Selkirk, Man., has secured a wholesale liquor license and has opened a liquor store.

O. H. DINGMAN, dealer in boots and shoes, Morden, Man., has assigned in trust to Thos. Nixon, Winnipeg.

THE Queen's hotel, Moosomin, has again changed hands, Harry Ireton being succeeded by A. Ball and Amos Kinsey.

THE Royal hotel, Lethbridge, Alberta, has been leased by W. Lynch. The name has been changed to the International hotel.

A. W. MCKENZIE, of the McAlpine Tobacco Co., of Toronto and New York, was in the city last week in the interest of his company.

ARCHIE MILLOY has again opened the Farmers' Home hotel, at Brandon. The hotel has been refitted and is now named the Pacific.

J. J. RYAN, representing Michel Leiebvra & Co., manufacturers of the celebrated lion "L" brand of pickles and vinegars, was in Winnipeg, last week. He will go west as far as the coast.

THE new Winnipeg city market is about completed, and though not large it is well-built and affords comfortable and convenient accommodation to its occupants. Altogether it is quite a creditable structure.

BRANDON *Times*: Wheat is not coming in nearly so fast lately owing to the roads not being fit either for sleigh or wagon. The average per day would not exceed 1500 bushels. About four cars are shipped east daily.

PARRISH & LINDSAY, produce dealers, Brandon have been experimenting with a new pickle for keeping eggs in good condition. The firm "put down" about 15,000 dozen eggs this season, and found the pickle to work entirely satisfactory.

PORTAGE *Review*:—A. R. McLeod, lately with T. A. Garland, has taken a partnership in the Excelsior boot and shoe store, and will conduct the business in place of his father, A. D. McLeod. The name of the new firm will be A. R. McLeod & Co.

THE Lake Dauphin settlement in Manitoba is growing. J. McDowell, from Strathclair, is about to open a harness shop, and it is said here that the Hudson's Bay Co.'s post, now at Elphinston, will be moved into the settlement. W. McIntosh is also opening a temperance hotel.

THE Kayo Farming Company is going extensively into the butchering business, and will open shops at Calgary, Medicine Hat, Lethbridge, Dunmore, Gleichen, Swift Current and perhaps other points in the Territories. At Medicine Hat the company has bought out Nicol, a local butcher.

THE Port Arthur *Sentinel*, of Nov. 20, says: The cargo of wheat taken out yesterday by the Algonquin, which was exactly 63,544 bushels, was the largest which ever left this port. It was the intention to take 75,000 bushels, but owing to the bad channel and low water at Owen Sound this could not be done.

THE report that D. A. Hopper, of Rapid city, would open a store at Portage la Prairie, though denied by Hopper, is repeated. The Portage *Review* says: "We understand the double block just got into position west of Newman's block is to be occupied by D. A. Hopper & Co., of Rapid City. The new firm will have extensive premises and a very good business stand."

BRANDON *Times*: The Souris branch is now graded within two miles of Melita, and the probabilities are that it will be pushed to the coal fields early in the spring. There has been a delay in laying track on account of getting rails forward. The Canadian Pacific railway have large quantities of material to handle for the Central and for the Regina and Long Lake road and on that account are kept more than busy.

THE Ottawa authorities have at last granted the Northern Pacific & Manitoba railway the right to cross the Canadian Pacific railway at Portage la Prairie. This does not include facilities to connect with the Northwestern railway at Portage. This matter will probably come up again before the railway committee. The connection between the Canadian Pacific railway and the Northern Pacific at Winnipeg was discussed, but has not yet been ordered by the committee.

REGINA *Leader*:—Grading operations on the Long Lake railway were suspended on Saturday of last week. One hundred and thirty-two

miles of the road have been graded, which brings the dump to within nine miles of Saskatoon. The men and teams of four or five of the grading outfits will go into the bush near Prince Albert to take out ties during the winter. Geo. Strelve says the dump of the road is one of the best in the country. Rails are being laid at the rate of two miles a day, and the work will be continued until the whole dump is ironed. Preparations are now being made to build a bridge across the Saskatchewan at Saskatoon.

THE vigorous protesting which has been done against the threatened closing of the Emerson branch of the Canadian Pacific railway for the winter has evidently had its effect. Grain men have been given notice by the company that the order to close the branch has been suspended, and that therefore they need not take immediate action to move out any grain which they may have in store along that line. This change of front on the part of the great railway corporation, shows that it is a little more amenable to public opinion and to the rights of the people than it was under the monopoly regime. A little wholesome competition is not such a bad thing after all.

BRANDON *Times*. The Northwest Central company have now employed in the different parts of their work about three hundred men. Two steam shovels and two ballast trains are steadily employed and the fencing, telegraph lines, bridging, station building, tank building, well digging and tracklaying are all going forward together. The management fully expect to complete the fifty miles by December 15th. On interviewing one who is posted on the working of the road we learned that between \$35,000 and \$40,000 will be paid out during the time the road is being completed. This company is leaving much cash with our business men and they speak of great benefit being done them already by this company as they are using our business men entirely to furnish them with all kinds of supplies.

A DISSOLUTION of partnership is announced by the well-known Toronto wholesale house of McMaster, Darling & Co. Henry W. Darling retires, and the business is continued by his former partner, J. Short McMaster, who associates with him John Muldrew, under the style of McMaster & Co. The senior in the new firm has long been the respected resident partner in London of the house of McMaster & Nephews and its successors. He intends now to make Toronto his residence and will give his whole attention to this business. Mr. Muldrew has been connected with the dry goods trade for some twenty years. In 1872 he went into the employ of Mills & Hutchinson, of Montreal, whose western business he opened. When the firm of Wyld, Brock & Darling dissolved he was chosen to assist in the conduct of H. W. Darling & Co.'s business, and has remained with the house of McMaster, Darling & Co. He possesses a good knowledge of Canadian trade and has made himself deservedly popular upon the road as well as in the warehouse. The new firm continue to occupy the handsome premises in the McMaster building on Front street, and will doubtless strive to maintain the worthy name of that house for value and fair dealing. It is understood that Mr. Darling intends now to give his attention to the various financial institutions with which he is connected.—*Monetary Times*.