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The Commercial certainly enjoys a very much larger circulation among the business community of the country between Lake Superior and the Pacific Coast, than any other paper in Canada, daily or weekly. By a thorough system of personal solicitation, carried out annually, this jour-nal has been placed upon the desk of the great majority of business men in the vast district designated above. The Commercial also reaches the leading wholesale, commission, and manufacturing houses of Eastern Canada.

WINNIPEG, JUNE 11, 1888.

THE Ogilvie company have under consideration plans for the erection of three or four elevators at different points throughout Man-

HUGH SUTHERLAND calls for tenders for building stations, tanks, and furnishing rolling stock for the constructed portion (40 miles) of the Hudson's Bay railway.

THE Brandon city council has authorized a loan of \$2,700 to the agricultural society, on the advice of the solicitor, that all documents relating to the grounds are in legal shape.

H. Young, of Young & Co, eider manufacturers, Winnipeg, has had a successful trip in introducing his goods along the branch railways of Manitoba, and will work the C. P. R. main line to the coast.

THE Winnipeg Brick, Tyle and Pottery Company is pushing operations with a full staff of help. This promises to become one of the flourishing industries of the city. Quite a variety of articles are being turned out.

THE Canadian Pacific Colonization Corneration (limited) has recently been registered in the Territories and has opened an office at Calgary, with Mr. Bernard in charge. The scope of the operations of this corporation are, The establishment of an agricultural college for the Northwest in which young men can go through a course of agricultural training calclated to fit them for profitably carrying on general farm operations, also the development of colonies in desirable centres, in which towns will be established, provided with clubs, library, reading rooms etc. A further object will be the starting and working of supply farms, cheese factories, creameries and other industries suitable to the locality.

- L. VINEBERG, pawnbroker, Winnipeg, is giving up business.
- G. MAROTTA, restaurant, Winnipeg, has sold out to Jennie Bunell.

W. Smith, hotel and blacksmith, Treherne, has sold out his hotel business to Smith & Cameron.

J. & W. WALLEY, general storekeepers, Birtle, Man., have dissolved partnership. John Walley continues alone.

THE Winnipeg City Coun'il will enforce the placing of fire escapes upon certain buildings, considered to be otherwise dangerous in case of fire.

E. M. Robinson & Co., who bought the bankrupt stock of Woods & McBride, of Moose Jaw, have recently purchased the stock of the estate of McLean Bros., of the same place.

McCaul and Haultain, advocates, of Macleod, Alberta, have formed a partnership under the firm name of McCaul & Haultain. It is their intention to open a branch at Lethbridge, with C. C. McCaul at the head

NOMINATIONS for candidates for the new Territorial Legislative assembly take place on June 20th, and elections on the 27th. In Battleford, Prince Albert, Kinistino and Batoche, the nominations and elections are three days later.

A LONDON cable of Thursday says: Lord Suzeley is about to call the attention of the House of Lords to the position of defences at Esquimalt, on the Canadian Pacific coast, and to the superior advantages Burrard Inlet.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Manitoba Northwestern railway will be held at Montreal on July 13, for the purpose of authorising the directors to issue debenture stock and to ratify an agreement entered into with the St. Paul construction company.

Tue plant of the Call Printing Co., Winnipeg, was completely destroyed by fire, on Monday morning, June 3rd. The loss is estimated at \$30 to \$35,000. Insured for \$21,400. The building, owned by Macarthur, Boyle & Allan, was insured for \$5,000. The Call, with commendable promptitude, appeared as usual on the following Monday morning, surplus material from the other city offices having been secured for setting up the paper.

Brandon Sun: Up to last Monday farmers in this district spoke somewhat discouragingly of the prospects of crops for this season, which was owning to the continued drought during the Things have now happily taken a change, as since the late refreshing showers reports are coming in from every section that "all is well." Wheat and other grains that were looking a little backward have put on their mantle of green, and give promise, if no other intervention of Providence, of repeating the record of last year. In some parts of Manitoba it is reported there will be a decrease in acreage under crop from last year, but so far as the Sun can learn, after careful enquiry, there is as much land, if not more, under cultivation in this immediate vicinity as last year. Should the yield this season come anything near that last, our farmers will have every reason to feel jubilant, and it is to be hoped that their expectations will be verified,

- S. McHugit, confectioner, Victoria, B. C., has sold out to R. H. Burgess & Co.
- T. G. KIRKPATRICK, general store keeper, Ashcroft, B. C., has sold out to Oliver Harvey.

COWDEROY BROS., groceries and dry goods, Vancouver, B. C., offer their grocery business for sale.

THERE were eighteen applicants for hotel and other license, read at the Brandon council meeting on Monday last.

CAPT. JOHNASSON, a well known Icelandic resident, says a thousand Icelanders will come to Manitoba this summer.

J. W. PEDDIE, of Winnipeg, will continue to represent several eastern wholesale and manufacturing houses in Manitoba and the Territories.

AT Brandon last week, according to the Sun. wheat was coming in at the rate of about two thousand bushels per day, bringing from 68 to 72 cents. Oats were scarce and in demand at 32 cents. Butter brought 15 cents per pound; eggs 10 cents per dozen; beef (stall fed) 4 cents; pork 5 to 51 cents per pound.

THE COMMERCIAL has received a copy of The Social World, a new journal hailing from Victoria, published by The Social World Publishing Company, and under the editorial management of G. Hamilton Griffin, M. D. The Social World will be a weekly journal, devoted to the interests of British Columbia. The copy received contains a considerable amount of reading matter, the original articles and selections being above the average in quality.

THE early closing movement under the new Manitoba Act providing for the early closing of stores, is being rapidly worked up in Winnipeg. At the meeting of the city council on Monday evening last, petitions were presented, signed largely by the boot and shoe dealers, stationers, grocers, jewellers, milliners, dry goods dealers, hardware dealers, tailors and barbers. requesting that the act, as applying to the various branches represented, be put in force at once. The petitions name the hour of closing at seven o'clock, excepting Saturdays and days preceding public holidays, when the hour for closing shall be ten o'clock. The petitions were referred to committee, and no doubt the early closing act will soon be enforced in the city.

A FIRE at Pilot Mound, Man., on Thursday last, which commenced in Stewart's blacksmith shop, destroyed Watson's harness shop, Doyle's jewelry, Struther's store and Morden's dwelling. James Stewart's blacksmith and carriage shop was totally destroyed. There was \$300 insurance on each, in the Western; loss on stock and tools \$3,000, no insurance. James Watson, harness, had \$500 insurance on building, and \$800 on stock, in the Commercial Union. Some of his stock was saved. R. N. Doyle, jeweller, has \$300 on his building in the Commercial Union. His stock was saved. Dr. McIntyre saved his stock and instruments. Philip Morden, dwelling, loss \$700, no insurance. Thos. McKay and J. & J. Struthers & Co. had \$900 insurance on building in the Commercial Union, and on stock, \$1,000 in Commercial Union and \$2,000 in the City of London.