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WINNIPEG, MARCH 10, 1885.

S. CROSSLEY, general storekeeper, Brandon, has assigned in trust.

A. BETHUNE, general storekeeper, Manitou, is giving up business.

THE sheriff is in possession of Sicotte & Gagnon's hotel Port Arthur.

A. H. MORRISON, butcher, Portage la Prairie, has sold out to R. C. Culbut.

A forty foot seam of iron, four miles north of Calgary, has been discovered.

GAGES BROS., Moose Jaw, are closing out their general store, and will retire.

J. C. WELLINGTON, general storekeeper, Moose Jaw, has assigned in trust.

D. G. DICK, Dominion City, has sold out his general store business to W. R. Dick.

C. R. LUNDY, Crystal City, contemplates removing his grist mill to Snow Flake.

SIDDONS & HERLAD, general storekeepers, Stonewall, advertise giving up business.

THE stock of the estate of J. H. Arkell, grocer, Winnipeg, has been sold to F. Weir.

ROBINSON & RENSEY, general storekeepers, Moose Jaw, have closed out their business.

THE first millinery store at Morden will shortly be opened by Misses Dewar & Gray.

GEO. A. NEW, general storekeeper, Dominion City, is closing out his business at that place.

IT is reported that 500 farmers with their families will settle at Moquet's Creek in April.

GARLAND & THOMPSON, Portage la Prairie, have formed a partnership in the sawmill business.

THE Emerson sawmill will be operated this summer by Mr. James Carney of Carney & Watson.

W. CLOUGHIER, Winnipeg, has sold out his Port Arthur hotel and restaurant to W. C. Johnston.

WM. CONNOR, general storekeeper, Darlingford, advertises that it is his intention to retire from the business.

IT is rumored that Captain Scott is to be appointed Collector of Customs in Winnipeg in place of Mr. Mingie.

MR. RALE, of the firm of Rale & Townsend, hotelkeepers, Port Arthur, is reported away, and the landlord has taken possession.

BRIGHT & McLEAN, grocers, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership, McLean retiring. The business will be continued by Bright alone.

THE St. Boniface woolen factory, which has been closed for some time past, has again commenced operations under the management of Mr. Hill.

GOLDSTEIN, ZINKAS & Co., general storekeepers, Troy, have dissolved partnership, Zinkan retiring. The business will be continued under the style of Goldstein, Beauchamp & Co., and Goldstein will continue alone at Fort Qu'Appelle.

A CONVENTION of farmers, members of the Farmer's Union, met in Victoria Hall, Winnipeg, last week, their meetings being held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The gathering was altogether a tame affair, and its proceedings were marked by an amount of moderation in marked contrast to those of last year's convention.

GARSDIE & WARR, printers and publishers of the Stonewall News, have dissolved partnership. The business will be continued by Samuel D. Garsdie alone.

THE South Winnipeg election of an M.P.P., took place last Tuesday, and resulted in a victory for the Government candidate, Mr. Hamilton, his majority being 77, while the total votes polled was 1,135.

IN our editorial columns will be found an article on "Equal Distribution of Assets," which is a matter of great importance in commercial circles at present. It is understood that if the Winnipeg Board of Trade will draft a bill of the nature described, Attorney-General Hamilton will take charge of it and press its passing during this session of the Provincial Legislature. There is no fear but the Board will undertake its portion of the work.

AT a meeting held on the 4th instant of the shareholders of the Manitoba Southwestern Railway the following gentlemen were elected directors of the Company: General Manager Van Horne, General Superintendent Egan, Hon. D. A. Smith, R. B. Angus, Mr. McTavish, J. A. M. Aikins, J. S. Aikins, D. M. Telford, and L. A. Hamilton. The new Board then elected Hon. D. A. Smith, president; J. M. Egan, vice-president; and J. Vanzill, secretary.

AT the meeting of the Winnipeg City Council, held last night, the matter of reduction of expenditure in the different departments was taken up and reports received from the different committees. The Finance Committee suggests a reduction of \$4,195; Board of Works, \$1,530; Fire, Water and Light, \$4,195; Licenses, \$100; Police Commissioners, \$8,328; Market, \$555; Health and Relief, \$400; Scavenger, \$13,000; Property, \$560; making all over a reduction of \$40,953, from a total expenditure of \$82,378. The pruning hook has been freely applied in connection with salaries of city officials, and if a similar policy is followed in connection with all other civic expenditure, Winnipeg has undoubtedly started upon a course of retrenchment which will soon bring the city out of difficulties, besides re-establishing its credit in foreign money markets.