

MANITOBA.

A. W. Myers is opening in Jewell at Winnipeg.

Burkell & Betts have opened a carriage and repair shop at Neepawa.

Arthur & Lyons have entered business in dry goods at Bradwardine.

The city of Winnipeg will have its own fire alarm system in use shortly.

James Braund has shortly opened a jewelry store at Cranell.

Speers & Paul, general merchants, Griefwood, are opening a branch at Griefwood.

R. Cross, of Killarney, is opening in food and groceries at Holmfeld.

G. Bonnycastle has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the M. B. Lee Co., Limited, Winnipeg. Mr. Bonnycastle is also a considerable stockholder in the company.

The Winnipeg city council has decided to spend a further large sum of money on additions to the waterworks plant. This is made necessary by the increased demand for water.

The decision of the Winnipeg council has finally been made that the site of the Carnegie library is to be the lots between Dugan and Ellen streets, facing on William avenue. The price to be paid for this property is \$12,200.

G. D. Dun & Co. announce that the appointment of E. J. Mackay to the management of its Winnipeg branch has been confirmed. Mr. Boyd has had an experience extending over six years in the management of its Winnipeg branch.

The Winnipeg city by-law governing the use of the wood business has come into effect. It requires that the racks used must be 8, 12, 14, or 16 feet in length, and the stakes at least five feet in height. The name of the dealer must be painted on the bottom of the rack, and each driver must hold a ticket signed by the dealer, or someone in his employ, specifying the quantity of wood in the load.

Several Winnipeg concerns have been petitioned by the city for permission to build spur tracks to their premises. The Royal Crown Soap Company has been granted that privilege.

The McLaughlin and Wallace Companies stated their intention of building a warehouse in the city. The city has given them permission to build a spur track from the property of the McLaughlin and Wallace Companies and thence along the lake bounded on the west by the Paulin brick factory, and on the east by the old Grand Union property. The Winnipeg Machinery and Supply company asked permission to build a spur from the Canadian Northern to their property. Both requests were recommended to be granted.

ASINIBOIA.

W. T. Patterson is opening a tailor shop at Regina.

Dr. Declaire is opening a drug store and will enter into practice at Milestone on the 8th line.

Hanbury, Gourley & Hanbury have sold their banking business at Wolseley.

Shawns Bros., general merchants, of Wawanawa, Man., are opening a branch store at Rocanville, Assa.

J. W. Berlin has purchased the fruit and confectionery business of E. L. Lat at Medicine Hat and will continue the same.

BASKATCHEWAN.

A. E. Matheson is opening in clothing and boots and shoes at Prince Albert.

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO.

The C. P. R. will build a new passenger dock at Port William next year.

On Thursday morning fire broke out in D. M. Davidson's bakery, on Park street, Port Arthur. Before the fire was controlled it destroyed the Davidson building and the adjoining one on the corner occupied by Wing Lang, a laundry, and several outbuildings on the rear, and invaded the building to the east owned by J. L. Neelin, and occupied by F. Witherspoon, harness maker, also the shop to the east of the building owned by W. H. Williams, and occupied by H. E. Reid, ironmith, and a barn in the rear of William Swig-

glers, of the Mining Exchange hotel. The loss has not been ascertained, but it is understood that it is fairly well covered with insurance.

Movements of Business Men.

W. A. Black, western manager of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company, is being visiting in the east for several weeks.

Fred Starkey, wholesale produce and commission merchant of the M. B. C., returned west this week after spending several weeks in the east.

Starkey is a well known ex-Manitoba man, formerly a resident of Winnipeg. He is well pleased with his present location at Nelson, which place he believes has a great future ahead of it.

Starkey says the great drawback to the Kootenay country is the difficulty in the way of profitably handling the lead ores. The people there think the federal authorities fail to realize the importance of the mining industry, or they are indifferent about that part of the country.

Starkey says that he has so far apparently paid little attention to the representations made to them in regard to the needs of the country. If the handling of the lead ores could be made profitable, there would be a powerful inducement in that part of Canada, Mr. Starkey says.

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FINANCIAL.

Winnipeg Bank Clearings.

Returns for the week ending Thursday, show as follows:
 Corresponding week, 1900, \$1,632,622
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 Corresponding week, 1902, \$1,823,429

Financial Notes.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce is opening a branch at Moosemin, Assa.

D. C. McIvor, late of Morden, will manage the Union bank at Wawanawa.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce will likely open a branch in Portage la Prairie.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce have leased an office at Moosemin, Assa, and will open for business there.

The Merchants Bank is opening a branch at Carleton Place, Ont., with J. Galloway, formerly accountant at Portage la Prairie, in charge.

The directors of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company have decided on the erection of a new steel plant, and on this account have decided on the issue of \$1,910,000 stock now held in the treasury.

La Banque Franco-Canadienne, of Paris, is submitting to the Federal parliament for the incorporation of the British Columbia Trust and Loan Company, with headquarters at Winnipeg. Its capital is \$2,000,000.

Tenders will be received by S. Schooley, secretary-treasurer of the town of Gladstone, Man., for the sale of \$1,500 of debentures of the town. \$500 of said debentures will be due the first day of January, 1901, payable January 1st, 1921, \$500 of the said debentures will be due the 1st of July, 1902, payable July 1, 1922.

The Manitoba and North-West Loan Company, which has been winding up its business for the past four years, will complete the process shortly. It is expected that the shareholders will receive their capital in full, but the net amount is looked for in the shape of dividends.

The authorized capital of the company was \$2,000,000, of which \$1,000,000 was subscribed and \$375,000 paid up.

LUMBER FREIGHTS.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 20.—The Lake Lumber Carriers' association has decided to eliminate the words "going rate" from all future charters, and fixed the following rates: From head of Lake Superior to Chicago and Lake Erie ports, \$2.50; Baraga to Grand Marais, Chicago or Lake Erie ports, \$2.25; Whitefish Point to Chicago and Lake Erie ports, \$2.25; Georgian Bay to Chicago and Lake Erie ports, \$1.70; Strathville to Chicago and Lake Erie ports, \$1.75; Straits to Buffalo, \$1.50; hemlock, \$2; Straits, Cheboygan and Sault Ste. Marie, to Chicago and Ohio ports, \$1.50; hemlock, \$1.75.

The association was amended to provide that the association make such agreements with the longshoremen or freight handlers as such agreements shall be considered as part of the by-laws, a violation of which would result in the suspension of the association's membership, and the association is to be made in rates without giving all shippers twenty days' notice.

White Girls Replace Chinese.

An important change has come over the factory of Messrs. Turner, Beeton & Co., of Victoria, manufacturers of shirts and overalls. This firm formerly employed Chinese, but within the last month decided, for business reasons, that white labor was preferable.

To-day some scores of girls work at the machines in a clean, well ventilated and well lighted building, which it is a pleasure to visit. Nor is that all. After the factory started the garment workers' union organized the operatives, who are now all members of that body, receive union pay for an eight hour day, and have a half holiday on Saturday. It is gratifying to learn that the girls have been so satisfactory to the firm from a financial standpoint, the work being better done, and with a consequent increase of orders.

A month after the Chinese were cleared out eight new machines were installed, and even so the change of the factory cannot keep pace with the demand.—Clarion.

Weather and Crops in Northern Alberta.

The past week was very fine for filling and ripening the grain. Early season barley was reported quite ripe in many parts of the district and cutting had commenced. Oats and wheat were turning fast and cutting is expected to begin in ten days to two weeks, if the good weather holds.

There have been few storms and scarcely any of the crop is lying down. To-day, however, the weather has changed. The sky is cloudy and drizzling showers are occurring. This is a serious set back to having which will be well progressing very well.—Edmonton Bulletin, Aug. 18.

Coal has gone up to \$11 per ton wholesale at New York.

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