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HUGH GARDNER, trader, Rat Portage, Ont., is dead.

F. WEIR, grocer, Winnipeg, has sold out to one Pease.

A MOVEMENT is on foot to start a cheese factory at Manitou.

MRS. NAGLE, fancy goods, Winnipeg, is giving up business.

THE Hudson Bay Co. will move their store at Fort Ellice to Birtle.

MRS. MCGREGOR, millinery, Clearwater, Man. is going out of business.

A. C. FREEBORN, of Virden, has applied for a wholesale liquor license.

H. LANDERKIN, clothier, Winnipeg, advertises giving up business. GEO. BAWDEN, wholesale clothing, Brandon, advertises giving up business.

D. F. KNIGHT, grocer, of Emerson, will open a general store at Gleichen, Alberta.

CHENIER & LARENDEAU, general storekeepers, Canmore, Alberta, will move to Banff.

JAS. BANNERMAN, flour and feed, Calgary, will open a branch store at Banff, Alberta.

THOMAS HUDDLESTONE, of Portage la Prairie, will erect a building for the manufacture of plows at that place.

THE newly-formed board of trade at Birtle has taken hold of the project of erecting a roller flour mill at that place.

S. BAYMER & Co., marble manufacturers, Portage la Prairie, have dissolved partnership. S. Buymer will continue alone.

THE Emerson grist mill has been shut down, and there is some talk of moving the machinery across the boundary to St. Vincent.

D. JOHNSON, of the Pioneer Oat Meal Mill, Portrge la Prairie, has sold out his interest in the business to P. Barclay, of Birtle.

PARRISH & LINDSAY, of Brandon, and Wetzler, of Calgary, will open a grocery, provision and flour and feed business at Calgary.

JOHN DICKINSON, general storekeeper, Brandon, has formed a partnership with John Murray in the crockery and provision business.

G. C. LONG & Co., clothing, Winnipeg, have been awarded \$1,500 by the insurance company for the damage done to their stock by fire.

THE Ontario and Sault Ste. Marie Railway Co. have applied for an injunction to restrain the C.P.Ry. from interfering with the former's line.

An electric light company has been formed at Brandon, [with a view to illuminating that town with electricity. Nothing will be done until spring.

HAY is scarce in some parts of the province, owing to the destruction of stacks by prairie fires last.fall. The Birtle Observer thinks, there may be some loss among the cattle in that disrict, on this account. R. W. WOODRUFF, jeweller, of Ingersoll, Ont., will move to Winnipeg and take charge of the stock of W. T. Harris, which he has purchased from the creditors.

THE Land Corporation of Canada advertise for tenders for the erection and equipment of a butter factory and a cheese factory, at their Kinalmeaky farm, near Winnipeg. Both factories will be established on the latest centrefugal system.

THE Minnedosa Tribune says: "As an evidence that Manitoba's worst days are over, it may be noted that there is an increasing demand for homesteads at the land office, and a good deal of enquiry about farms for sale, several having been purchased recently by incomers."

THE Manitoba Telephone Co., which was started for the purpose of supplying Winnipeg merchants with a telephone service at a lower rate than the Bell Company has been charging, but which never got any further than putting up some poles around town, has cuded ignominiously by selling out to the company which it was to rival.

At the annual meeting of the National Investment Company of Canada, which was held lately at Toronto, manager Rutherford said :---"The returns from Manitoba during the year have been very satisfactory indeed, and I have had no reason to change the opinion I expressed at the last annual meeting regarding our investments there."

MALEE & BROWN, wholesale liquor merchants, Vancouver, B.C., have made an assignment to Turner, Beeton & Co., Welsh, Richet & Co. and C. Strouss & Co., of Victoria. Their liábilities are stated to be \$36,000, with nominal assets \$49,000, placing the value of the Harrison Hot Springs hotel, owned by the firm, at \$27,-000. In the Vancouver fire the firm lost very heavily, and in arranging for the opening of the springs they also invested largely. About \$12,000 is divided among the firms to whom the assignment was made. The balance of liabilities are with castern Canadian and San Francisco houses,