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WINNIPEG, JANUARY 20, 1890.

J. BEAUBIER, fruit, Winnipeg; stock sold by bailiff.

ALFX. GOLDIE, hotel, Killarney, has sold out to P. McCabe.

PIFTZNER, tailor, Whitewood, Assa., is giving up business at that place.

THE Age newspaper, published at Gladstone, Man., has ceased to exist.

LOUIS CLARK has rented the Commercial hotel at Maple Creek, Assa.

J. & P. MOYIE, printers and publishers, Gladstone, Man., have given up business.

BOOTH BROS, fruit and confectionery, Brandon, have assigned to S. A. D. Bertrand.

WM. PUNGAN has recently purchased the hardware business of Wisch at Austin, Man.

It is rumored that Henderson, of Carberry, will shortly open a general store at Austin, Man.

THE new Alberta hotel, Calgary, was opened last week, under the management of H. A. Perley.

DER NORTHWESTEN, the German paper published in Winnipeg, came out last week in an enlarged form.

D. F. REID has established a fishing station at Garden island, Lake of the Woods, where he has built a freezer.

RUSSELL & DAVIS, butchers, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, have dissolved partnership; Davis continues the business.

THE firm of Maywood & Wallace, dealers in coal and wood, Brandon, has been dissolved, J. H. Wallace retiring. The firm will henceforth be Maywood Bros., composed of Charles N. and James Maywood,

S. HONGERFORD, of Carberry, Man., has imported two car loads of potatoes from Minnesota.

RETAIL merchants are requested to read the article elsewhere in this issue headed "A Retailers' Convention."

JOS A. LITTLE, agent at Portage la Prairie for A. Harris, Son & Co., implements, died last week from typhoid fever.

WM. B. McNAMARA, a Winnipeg commercial traveller, was married last week to Miss Constance Le Page, of Winnipeg.

McCAUL & HAULTAIN, barristers, Macleod, Alberta, have dissolved partnership. Both, however, will continue to practice independently.

It is estimated that about \$40,000 were expended in building at Medicine Hat, Assa., during 1889, including the new hospital, erected at a cost of \$15,000.

R. J. NICHOLSON, merchant tailor, Winnipeg, is dead. Mr. Nicholson has been very low for some months, his troubles commencing with typhoid fever last fall.

It is reliably reported that T. H. Preston, late manager of the Winnipeg Sun, has purchased the Brandon Sun, and will shortly publish a daily paper at that place.

PIPER & MATTICK, saddlers, Oak Lake and Griswold, Man., have dissolved. H. J. Mattick will continue the business at Griswold, and E. A. Pifer will continue at Oak Lake.

R. B. FEROUSSON, one of the pioneer physicians of Winnipeg, succumbed last week after a short illness which commenced with a cold and developed into inflammation of the lungs.

A LONDON cable says: A new company has just been registered, called the Manitoba & Northwest Land Corporation, with the object of acquiring land under an agreement with the Manitoba & Northwestern Railway.

THE holiday number of the Seattle Press, a journal published at Seattle, state of Washington, has reached this office. It is a mammoth issue, comprising twenty eight large pages, and is profusely illustrated with the principal buildings in Seattle. Seattle is a terminus of the Northern Pacific railway on Puget Sound, and is the principal port and city on the Pacific slope, north of Portland, Oregon.

W. F. DOLL, wholesale jewelry, Winnipeg, has purchased from Mr. R. Keby, of the Commercial bank, for \$10,600, the three storey brick block recently occupied by Mr. Grundy, next to the Commercial bank. Mr. Doll will occupy the three flats, and is now having the same fitted up. When finished he will have one of the most complete wholesale jewelry establishments in the Dominion.

THE sale of the business and plant of the Winnipeg daily Sun to local parties has been quickly followed by the announcement that the Sun has passed under the control of the Manitoba Free Press company, thus securing the amalgamation of the Free Press and Sun. This leaves Winnipeg with one daily paper, but already it is reported a scheme for starting a new daily is being floated. It is now apparent that the parties who purchased the Sun, were merely acting for the Free Press company. The Free Press in making the announcement of the amalgamation, states that henceforth the paper will be "absolutely non-partizan and independent."

The Badger Mining company, owners of the Badger silver mine near Port Arthur, have just declared a first dividend payable January 15th, of 50 cents per share on 50,000 shares, equivalent to 10 per cent. on the capital stock of \$250,000. This is all the more remarkable when it is considered that the mine had previously returned to the proprietors all the original capital invested in the lands, buildings, mining works, machinery and mill, besides having ample cash for ordinary working expenses still left in the treasury.

NEGOTIATIONS have concluded for the amalgamation of the two firms of J. W. Smith and Smith & Ferguson, hardware dealers, Regina, Assa. The business will hereafter be carried on as a joint stock concern, under the title of The Smith & Ferguson and Smith company, (Limited.) J. W. Smith will manage the retail and workshops. J. H. Smith will represent the company on the road, and A. D. Ferguson will have charge of the books and finances. The company proposes to erect a brick block in the spring.

REGINA JOURNAL: "The quantity of material that the Long Lake railway people are getting in readiness for next seasons work is the best possible evidence that they intend to rush things. About fifteen or twenty carloads of rails have been unloaded at the end of the track, between forty and fifty cars have been unloaded here at Regina and sixty cars stand loaded in the yard here all ready for hauling out next spring. Rails continue to arrive from Chicago and a large quantity are also stored at Port Arthur. Besides the gang of men in the Saskatchewan country cutting ties, 300 000 ties are being cut in the Rocky Mountains for use on this road."

THE Manitoba Dairy Association held its annual meeting at Portage la Prairie last week. President Wm. Wagner occupied the chair and gave an excellent and practical address. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Senator Boulton, Shellmouth; 1st vice-president, James Glennie, Portage la Prairie; 2nd vice-president, M. Champion, Reaburn; directors, Hen. W. Clifford, Austin; Creighton, McGregor; E. A. Struthers, Barnardo farm; W. Pearson, St Francois Xavier; H. J. Rockett, Manitou; W. S. Grant, Winnipeg; Riley, Cypress River; Prof. Barre, Wenman, Souris; secretary-treasurer, Richard Waugh; auditor, W. Wagner. The meeting decided to ask for a number of amendments to the Dairy act at the next session of the legislature.

A MEETING of the council of the Winnipeg board of trade was held Wednesday last, at which steps were taken to prepare for the annual meeting, which takes place on the 4th of February. A committee was appointed to draw up the council's report, which covers and reviews all the work undertaken by that body during the year. The matter of a third mail per week to Glenboro was discussed and it was decided to request the Manitoba members to again press it on the attention of the Postmaster-General. When the board petitioned last the answer received was to the effect that the revenue derived from the service now was so small that no additional expense could be incurred until the volume of business was greater. A meeting of the council will be held shortly to consider several suggestions that it is intended to make to the board regarding its work and mode of conducting it.