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WINNIPEG, MARCH 25, 1884.

WM. GRIST, hotel keeper, Winnipeg, has assigned in trust.

JOHN GOULD, general storekeeper, Troy, has assigned in trust.

JAMES BUSHELL, tobacconist, Winnipeg, has given up business.

NICHOLLS & PARKER, photographers, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership.

G. F. R. HARRIS, customs broker, Emerson, has sold out to Simcox & Irwin.

THE Rock Lake Herald has suspended publication owing to insufficient support.

THE Stonewall paper mill will be put in operation again as soon as spring opens.

F. R. GEMMEL, general storekeeper, Selkirk, contemplates selling out his business.

COWAN & ROBBINS, dealers in farm machinery, Winnipeg, are about to give up business.

It is expected that the C. P. R. telegraph line between Montreal and the Northwest will be completed by the month of May next. Already it is open from the east to Algona Mills, and from the west to Michipicoton.

C. A. LEFT, insurance agent, Emerson, is about giving up business and leaving that town.

GORDON & DAGG, lumber dealers, Manitou, have dissolved partnership, and the business will be continued by T. G. Gordon.

GEORGE WILSON, dry goods dealer, Winnipeg, is about to sell off his stock by auction, previous to starting back to Ontario.

MR. MCKAY, of the Carberry sawmill, has the material on the ground for the elevator to be erected in that town during the coming summer.

THE influx of immigration has continued during the past week, and some two hundred actual settlers have reached the city mostly bound west.

HOLMES & Co. have opened up an employment agency in the Harris Block, Winnipeg, and intend giving special attention to supplying domestic help.

THE oatmeal mill at Stonewall is completed and starts operations this week, this makes the second industry of this kind in this province. There is room for more.

THE bailiff has taken possession of the store of John Buchanan, stove and tinware dealer, Winnipeg. It is hoped that the difficulty will be only a temporary one.

ROWE & NEWTON, wholesale dry goods merchants, Winnipeg, have gone out of business and have sold their stock, *en bloc*, to Reddie & Co., at 62½c on the dollar.

CONSIDERABLE life is already being shown in the Winnipeg labor market, and several contractors have put in their orders for men to the different employment agencies.

MR. H. A. PERLEY, of Carberry, is selling-off his store goods. He purposes giving up the mercantile business and devoting his entire attention to the hotel and post office.

ON Sunday a number of miners from Pittsburg, Pa., passed through Winnipeg on their way to the Galt coal mines west, which are to be developed with as much speed as possible.

It is understood that as soon as navigation opens the St. P., M. & M. Railway Co. will put on a fleet of steamers, between St. Vincent and Winnipeg, to carry freights from the south and east, instead of sending them over the C. P. R.

THE prospects of an early spring are very favorable all over the Northwest this season. In several districts west, ploughing will commence this week, and with two weeks more of such weather as the past ten days it will be general all over the prairie.

MR. FIELD, formerly manager of the Ontario Bank here, has joined interests with John Haffner, produce and commission merchant, Winnipeg, under the firm name of Field, Haffner & Co. Mr. Field will bring both strength and popularity to the business.

THE trade sales at Coolican & Co.'s auction rooms, on Wednesday and Thursday last were well attended, and goods sold at good figures, showing that trade is improving. The first day's sales were of groceries and general merchandise, and the second was confined to dry goods and clothing.

THE bye-law enabling the city of Winnipeg to issue fresh debentures to the value of \$671,000 was voted on yesterday and carried by a good majority. This will relieve the City Council from all inconvenience as far as funds at their disposal are concerned, and the present Council have a chance given them of making a record of improvement and judicious economy at the same time.

THE Committee appointed by the Local Legislature to inquire into the workings of the tariff on agricultural machinery, lumber and canned goods, will hold its sittings this week with the Hon. A. A. C. LaRiviere, Minister of Agriculture, as chairman. The committee will have no difficulty in securing the evidence of dozens of importers of these goods, who can give thoroughly practical and reliable testimony.

AT a meeting of the Manitoba Land Law Amendment Association, held in the city yesterday, it was decided to ask an order from the Local Government to have the bill framed printed by the Association, in order to facilitate its progress through this session. Petitions in favor of the bill are coming in from the different Municipalities, and as yet the measure has practically no opposition. It is to be hoped that a bill embodying the principles of the Torrens System will pass during the present session of the Legislature.