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WINNIPEG, JULY 30, 1888.

JAS. MURPHY will open a general blacksmith shop at Bridge Creek, Man.

DAVID PHILIP, dealer in stoves and tins, Brandon, is out of business.

GREY BROS., painters, Fort McLeod, have opened a branch at Lethbridge.

R. W. DULMAGE, dealer in tins, Battleford, is advertising his business for sale.

TODD & HEAP, brewers, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership; Heap retires.

THE estate of A. H. Clark & Co., druggists, Prince Albert, was sold to one LaFond.

JOHN NEOBARD, saloonkeeper, Winnipeg, business closed out on chattel mortgage.

HOFFMAN & Co., general storekeepers, Gretna, have assigned to Jas. Redmond.

GUYER & JOHNS, hotelkeepers, Brandon, have dissolved; business will be continued by J. A. Guyer.

JOHN A. McDONALD, hotel and restaurant, Winnipeg, has disposed of his restaurant business to Frank Maraggi.

P. L. MITCHELL, lumber dealer, Brandon, has admitted J. H. Hughes into partnership, under style of Hughes & Mitchell.

THE contract for building a store and hotel for the Calgary Lumber Co. at Cochrane Mills, west of Calgary, was awarded to J. G. McCallum.

THE contract for the supply of bread to the Manitoba asylum was given to Wm. Gibbs, and

the contract for the supply of beef was awarded to Pearson, both of Selkirk.

THE first number of the *School Times*, published at Winnipeg, has appeared. It is neatly printed and interesting in reading matter.

A LONDON cable says: McLean & Co. offer 2,500 shares of \$100 each of the Commercial Bank of Manitoba at \$22 per share to meet growing business.

THE estate of R. J. Cole, general merchant, Keewatin, will be offered for sale by auction, in Winnipeg, on Friday, Aug. 3. The stock amounts to \$6,600, and book debts to \$3,950.

BROMLEY & MAY, tent awning and mattress factory, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership. John May retires. M. Bromley will continue the business, under the style of Bromley & Co.

GROUND is being broken for a number of new stores at Fort William, and a couple of Americans are making preparations, it is said, for building a large hotel before the close of the season of navigation.

ONE agent at Neepawa, Man., made a delivery to farmers on one day recently, consisting of 61 binders, 10 mowers, 11 horse rakes and 22,000 pounds of twine, valued at nearly \$17,000.

It has leaked out at Qu'Appelle, says the *Progress*, "that D. S. Davies, teller in Caswell's bank here last winter, had embezzled \$2,000 before leaving." Davies is now in the United States.

J. K. PATTON, of Minnedosa, is enlarging his store. On one side a stock of wall paper, books, stationery and fancy goods will be kept, and on the other side will be the drugs, medicines, etc. He will close his Rapid City branch store.

HEREAFTER light beer may be imported into the territories under permit. The beer must not exceed four per cent. of alcohol. Only hotels having separate bedrooms for at least twelve persons, and stable accommodation for five horses will be granted permits for this beer.

OWING to the short hay crop East, it is quite possible that it may be found profitable to ship baled hay from Manitoba to Ontario next winter. A large quantity of prairie hay could be prepared here, if it were known that it could be shipped eastward to advantage.

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask., *Times*: The early closing movement, which was inaugurated last spring in Prince Albert, has proved entirely successful, much to the credit of the merchants, who do not have to be compelled by law—as in the east—to give their employees a chance for a little recreation after a hard day's work.

M. HUGHES & Co., furniture dealers, Winnipeg, have leased the Potter House block, on the corner of Main and Notre Dame St. East, and will fit it up for their business, using the entire block for this purpose. The building is well situated for a furniture business, and will afford ample space and elegant quarters for a large trade.

As a result of the inspection recently made by Chief Clark of the places licensed to sell liquor within license district No. 4, (Winnipeg district), seventeen of them are to be closed up for various reasons. In most of the cases they

have not the hotel or restaurant accommodation required by law; in other cases there are more saloons to the number of people than the law allows. The places to be closed in Winnipeg are the Merchants' House, Franklin House, Royal Oak Hotel, Oriental Hotel, Exchange Hotel and Dominion House.

THE farmers in the district south of Calgary are forming a Farmers' Mutual Benefit Association for the purpose of bringing the farmers more together to have an interchange of opinions on matters of general interest to the farming community. Among the subjects that will naturally be discussed will be dairying, cheese-making, the best and most profitable grain to sow.

THE Portage la Prairie newly formed board of trade has elected the following officers: Jas. McLenaghan, President; Wm. Garland, vice-president; W. A. Prest, secretary; council, H. J. Woodside, R. Stidson, John Hunter, Chas. Graban, B. M. Caniff, T. A. Garland, Jas. Anderson, J. Macaulay, T. B. Miller, T. A. Newman, A. L. Ashdown, Wm. Forsyth. A committee composed of President, Woodside, Stidson and Hunter was appointed to draft by-laws and report at the next meeting a week or to-night.

A LONDON cable says: The Canadian Pacific railway's actions as regards the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic line, is still the talk in city circles. The Standard to-day says Grand Trunk stockholders are anything but encouraged by the way those responsible for the policy of the company have allowed the Canadian Pacific to walk round them. It adds that unless things mend, an agitation will presently arise to change the management. President Sir Henry Tyler's approaching visit to Canada is understood to be in connection with matters of this sort.

A LONDON cable says: The recent rise in the price of rancho cattle has made a move in the purchase of pedigree stock. The agent of one of the Alberta ranching companies is now buying 110 polled Angus Aberdeen bulls, and 400 Shropshire sheep for the Northwest. The steamer Oxenholm sailed to-day for Quebec with 800 Shropshire and Southdown sheep, the greatest number ever conveyed to Canada on one steamer. Other large purchases are being made for Ontario and the Northwest. The shipment of dairy cows from Canada to be sold in Liverpool, is declared to have realized a paying price. There is a good demand for this class of animals.

JAS. TEES & Co., the well known music house of Winnipeg, have secured the agency for the old reliable firm of A. & S. Nordheimer, of Toronto, and will hereafter control the sale of their justly celebrated pianos in Manitoba and the Territories. The agency includes the famous Steinway, Chickering, Hame, Behr Bros., and Nordheimer pianos, all of which makes are well known to those familiar with the piano trade, and stand high in the estimation of musicians. The agency has fallen into good hands. With this valuable acquisition to their business, Jos. Tees & Co., will be enabled to greatly extend their business connections throughout the West.