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A. S. ROWZ, undertaker, Brandon, has gone out of business.

R. SMITH has opened up a shoemaker's shop at Gleichen, Alberta.

W. T. SMITH, general storekeeper, Portage la Prairie, has given up business.

S. R. MARIATT, lumber dealer, Portage la Prairie, has gone out of business.

COCKBURN & Co., furniture dealers, Winnipeg, contemplate closing their business.

H. L. REYNOLDS, dealer in groceries and liquors, Winnipeg, has assigned in trust.

MITCHELL & SUTHERLAND have purchased the blacksmith and wagon business of George Graham in Stonewall.

A. C. McPHERSON & Co., wholesale fruit and provision dealers, Winnipeg, have sold out their business to — Phillips.

THE estate of Drake, Burrows & Rutherford, lumber dealers in Winnipeg and Selkirk, is about being sold by trustee.

LEESON, has retired from the firm of Nulty, Beer & Leeson, printers, Moosomin. The firm will now be known as Nulty & Beer.

DUNCAN McLAREN, blacksmith, Neepawa, has sold out his business to one Grant, of Gladstone, who takes possession on May 1st.

THE bankrupt stock of Robert Brown, late general merchant, Mountain City, has been purchased by James Rawson of that place.

T. RENWICK, retires from the firm of J. F. Rutta & Co., real estate agents, Winnipeg, and the business will be continued by J. F. Rutta, under the old firm name.

IN addition to the Northwest Navigation Co. Capt. Wm Petit, has chartered the steamer "Cteyenne" which will be run between Winnipeg and St Vincent during the season.

IT seems that there is enough clay soil amid the rocks round Port Arthur to allow of a brick yard, as the *Herald* of that city announces that one is about to be started by one F. O'Caïn immediately.

JAMES HERALD, of Siddons & Herald, general storekeeper, Stonewall, the dissolution of which appeared in our last issue, has decided to continue in the same business, while Siddons has gone into stock-raising.

THE contract for the construction of the Regina and Prince Albert railway has been let to Foley Brothers, of St. Cloud, Minnesota, and it is intended that work will commence at once, with the aim of constructing as far as Long Lake before next fall.

ON Sunday the steamer *Marquette* was detained several hours at Louise bridge on her first up-river trip, the C.P.R. authorities refusing to allow the opening of the bridge for her. The cause of their refusal was stated to be on account of repairs on the bridge being going on.

THE first steamboat of the season of the Northwest Navigation Company, the *Marquette*, started up the river for St. Vincent, on Sunday, where she will take in cargo from the St. P.M. & M. railway for this city. She is expected to start on the down trip on Wednesday, and bring quite a good load of freight, as many of our importers have ordered their through freight from the east to be sent by river from the boundary line.

IN our issue of last week we gave notice of the dissolution of the firm of Thibaudau Bros. & Co., wholesale dry goods dealers in Winnipeg, Montreal and London, Eng. The change will in no way affect the Winnipeg house which will continue under the management of S.A.D. Bertrand.

ALTHOUGH the past week was a wet one over a considerable portion of the Northwest, seeding operations have been progressing rapidly, and with the return of good weather will be pushed with more vigor. In the Northwestern portions of this province and west to beyond Regina teams are scarce, the transport service of the army having made heavy demands in that way. Some farmers who were depending upon hiring teams for seeding have been badly left, and will be heavy losers.

WE have received the first two numbers of the "*Merchant*" a Toronto trade publication, devoted to the interests of finance and commerce. It is a sixteen page magazine form journal the mechanical get up of which is very creditable. If we judge of its columns by the two first numbers, it will prove a valuable aid to trade in Ontario, and a journal of great interest to the trading classes. It is edited by Mr. R. Mortley formerly on the staff of the *Montreal Journal of Commerce*, and under his control it cannot but have the success we heartily wish for it.

WINNIPEG manufacturing industries have been flourishing during the past week, especially the manufacture of clothes-line telegrams to our newspapers. Although not a press dispatch from the front passed over the lines to Winnipeg between early on Saturday morning and Monday night, our contemporary, the *Times*, manufactured a defeat of our troops on Saturday afternoon and a victory on Sunday finishing up the latter with the killing of Dumont the rebel leader. The *Sun* was not so hard on our own boys, but polished-off Dumont completely along with 25 other rebels, all of which, except two Indians, it has since resurrected. It is fortunate that people with friends at the front have learned to place no reliance upon the telegraphic reports of these two journals. The *Free Press* acted with commendable caution and conscientiousness.