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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 31, 1886.

DR. PULFORD has removed from Stonewall.

G. CHAMBERS has opened a butcher shop at Shoal Lake.

F. J. CLANTON, baker, Calgary, offers his business for sale.

MISS I. ANDREW, millinery and fancy goods, Winnipeg, is dead.

GALLAGHER & CLINK have opened a butcher shop at Battleford.

A. H. CLARK & Co., of Stonewall, have sold out to W. R. Clark.

F. H. DAVIS, lumber merchant, Killarney, has sold out and left the town.

THE estate of Deamark & Brown, of Russell, has been sold to Bolton & Co.

BUILDINGS to the value of \$20,000 are being erected at Brandon this year.

THE stage running between Swift Current and Battleford has stopped running.

— TREVELLAN, of Manitou, contemplates opening a harness shop at Killarney.

J. A. McDUGALL & Co., general merchants, Edmonton, have dissolved partnership.

— WALKER, dealer in boots and shoes, of Birtle, is about to remove to Shoal Lake.

G. M. WEBB, of Brandon, has sold out to W. Perry Williams, and will retire from business.

E. D. MOORE & Co., wholesale oil dealers, etc., Winnipeg, are about to dissolve partnership.

P. W. MITCHELL, grain buyer, Brandon, has we hear, leased the Bowerman elevator in that town.

GRIFFIN & SMITH, builders, Port Arthur, have dissolved partnership. Smith continues the business.

F. F. KIRKPATRICK, general storekeeper, Killarney, is about to take into partnership Mr. F. S. Moule.

THE extension of the C.P.R. twenty-five miles west of Boissevain, has commenced and grading is now going on.

WADE & DOERING, hotel keepers, Vancouver, B.C., have dissolved partnership; Doering continues the business.

GEO. R. THOMPSON, general storekeeper, Port Arthur, is giving up business there and moving to London, Ont.

THERE is a movement at Shoal Lake, for the erection of a roller mill and an elevator. A bonus of \$5,000 is offered.

CROTHERS, TREGENT & Co., bankers and brokers, Fort Qu'Appelle, contemplate opening a branch bank at Moosomin.

A. M. BERNIER is about to erect a refreshment station at Big Woods, on the trail between Swift Current and Battleford.

JAMES ANDERSON, in the employment of Geo. Craig & Co., general merchants, Brandon, is about to open up in the same line of business in Portage la Prairie.

THE long warm summer has played havoc with stocks of ice in Manitoba and Dakota. Winnipeg has abundance, and car load lots are being shipped from here south.

DR. HARRISON has been admitted a member

of the Norquay Cabinet as Minister of Agriculture and Statistics. Mr. Norquay takes the new portfolio of Railway Commissioner, and the change round gives Mr. La Riviere that of Provincial Treasurer, Mr. Brown of Provincial Secretary and Dr. Wilson of Public Works. The shuffle is for purely party purposes, and so far as the Manitoba public are concerned means only another minister's salary to pay out of the public revenue.

REPORTS agree that harvesting and stacking is about finished throughout the province except of some oats and barley sown very late, which never sprouted or grew until the rains in July came. The results show that there will be no falling off from the estimated wheat yield, namely three-fourths of an average crop, or about 16 bushels to the acre on the average of the province. Should we get ten days or two weeks of bright weather before frost comes, there are some promising fields of oats and barley still uncut, which will help up the aggregate crop materially.

YESTERDAY afternoon at 4.30 o'clock the President, Vice-President and several prominent members of the Winnipeg Board of Trade waited upon J. M. Egan, of the C.P.R. at his office, and in the name of the Board presented him with an address expressing regret at his leaving this city, and testifying their appreciation of him as a genial and courteous official. Mr. Egan replied in his usual modest and unassuming manner. Considering how much the Board and the C.P.R. management have had occasion to differ during Mr. Egan's term as General Superintendent, this tribute on his leaving here speaks loudly in his favor.

THE people of Portage la Prairie, are again considering an offer made by W. L. Boyle, on behalf of the town's creditors, which is that the new debentures for the total debt of the town (\$202,000) be issued bearing 3 per cent. interest for the first ten years, 4 per cent. for the second ten and 5 per cent. for the third ten, without any provision for a sinking fund. There are doubts expressed about the offer being accepted, but it is to be hoped that some arrangement will be reached, and that Portage which promises to be one of the live industrial centres of Manitoba, will be allowed to start anew on a course of prosperity which is open to its citizens.