

Manitoba.

B. J. Oliver has opened a butcher shop at Ochar River.

The fine new McIntyre block in Winnipeg is approaching completion.

Jas. Lovering has sold his butcher business at Emerson to Smith & Tolton.

L. D. McPherson, tailor, Winnipeg, has left for Vancouver, where he intends to re-engage in business.

J. K. Patton, Minnecosta, has sold his drug department. He will sell out his stationery business and move east.

C. A. Garner, late of Treherne, has bought the harness business formerly carried on by T. A. Wood at Rathwell.

P. J. McDermott, general merchant, Minnecosta, has moved into his fine new store, which is one of the best in any provincial town in Manitoba.

It has been decided to have an examination of Winnipeg dairy cows for tuberculosis, under authority of the Dominion department of agriculture.

Thirty-four miles of the Southeastern railway have been completed, and the first passenger train will be run over the road on Nov. 1st as far as St. Anne des Chenes.

Manitoba is receiving a great many visitors from Kansas, Nebraska, and other states south of the boundary, who contemplate locating here. Many of them come as delegates for others.

Twenty-eight hundred parcels of Winnipeg city property will be offered for sale on November 10 by auction. This is not a tax sale as some have supposed, but a sale of properties bought in by the city at previous tax sales.

The Neepawa Press says: The store that Lunn & Co. were about opening at Carberry will be carried on by Wm. Broderick and S. W. Johns, they having assumed Lunn & Co.'s interest therein. The new firm will be known as Johns & Co.

It was expected 'racking on the extension of the Stonewall branch railway would be completed as far as Balmoral this week. When this branch is complete to Foxton the outfit will be moved to the Pipestone branch extension to lay the track on the new grade there.

F. Cloutier, formerly a Winnipeg merchant, is suing Doull & Gibson, of Montreal, for arresting him on the charge of obtaining goods by false pretences. The case against Cloutier was dismissed when it came up some time ago, and now he seeks to get back at his prosecutors.

The new Winnipeg Lodging and Coffee house is announced to be ready for business on November 1st. A clean, well-kept bedroom at 10 to 15 cents and meals from five cents upward will make life much more worth living to a class of people who need just that kind of help. The building is really a fine structure.

During the past season no less than fifteen buildings have been erected at McGregor, Man. Following is a list of the new buildings: Chas. Ren, dwelling; W. Raith, dwelling; Rev. Cunningham, dwelling and stable; Jas. Mason, dwelling; R. Lowyn, addition to bakery; R. B. Hill, furniture store; T. Shuson, store; F. Course, brick shop and dwelling; J. Mundell, addition to Albion hotel; W. Cook, opera hall; Roger Bros., office and addition to elevator; F. Thompson, dwelling; W. Logan, dwelling; J. Smith, dwelling.

The Carman Trading Co., Limited, announce that they have purchased the stock in trade and good will of Tombs & Co.

D. Honeywell, D. G. Rodgers and T. J. Noble have formed a partnership in the real estate business at Carman.

Prest & Co., Portage la Prairie, have completed the sale of their book and stationery stock to T. W. Fisher, who was formerly in business at Russell.

The Boddy block, Portage la Prairie, was burned on October 27. The Review newspaper occupied the block, and the plant is a total loss. W. J. Honey, photographer, and B. Lierce, wall paper, etc., were also burned out.

Weather and Crops.

Minnecosta, Oct. 24.—The weather has been delightful for the past few days, enabling the farmers to complete stacking and many of them to thresh.

Morden, Oct. 22.—Threshing was resumed to-day. Farmers who attended properly to stacking report very little damage as yet, but there is no doubt that upon the whole, considerable damage has been done.

Carberry, Oct. 22.—After two weeks of wet weather, the sun has again commenced to shine. It was feared that much damage had been done to the grain in the stacks as well as that which still remained in the stook. Threshing has again commenced, and farmers are now assured that no serious damage has been done to the big crop in this district. Your correspondent visited some of the machines at work in this district yesterday, and was pleasantly surprised to find that only a few sheaves on each stack were spoiled.

Cypress River, Oct. 22.—With the improvement in the weather, the threshing machines have started work again.

Moosomin, Oct. 22.—Threshing is again in full swing, and the grain is turning out better than was expected. Indian Head, Assn., Oct. 24.—Notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather in the past very little damage has been done to the grain in stook. All the available threshing outfits are busily employed. About 50,000 bushels of wheat have been delivered, 90 per cent of which graded No. 1 hard.

Brandon, Oct. 24.—Threshing is now in full swing in this district. From the west comes word that much of the wheat suffered but little from the recent rains.

Strathclair, Oct. 24.—Threshing is started again, the weather having cleared up.

Brill, Oct. 24.—Owing to the very wet fall much of the grain in this district remains unstacked and considerable of that stacked has been partially spoiled.

Qu'Appelle, Oct. 27.—No loss through rain in this district. The sample is good.

Portage la Prairie, Oct. 25.—Half the crop is safe. The remainder, if the weather holds good, is damaged more or less.

S. A. Bedford, of the Dominion Experimental farm, Brandon, writing on Oct. 25, says: Have had six successive fine days. Fifty per cent of grain is threshed within a radius of twelve miles. No grain a complete loss. The grade is injured ten per cent.

Killarney, Oct. 25.—Sixty per cent uninjured; forty more or less injured.

Moose Jaw, Assn., Oct. 25.—Crops threshed in first class condition; no damage through rain.

Neepawa, Oct. 24.—Wm. Sharnau brought in a sample of his wheat which has stood in stook throughout the entire season of inclement weather and it grades No. 1 hard.

Killarney, Oct. 22.—After a partial hindrance of some two weeks from rain the threshing machines are at work again in full swing. The stacks that got wet were opened and the strong wind for several days had a beneficial effect on drying up the stacks and stooks.

Plum Coulee, Oct. 25.—The weather took a turn for the better, on Thursday last, and should it continue fine the farmers will come out all right after all, though some wheat has been damaged by the wet.

Pilot Mound, Oct. 25.—The weather has cleared up and threshing is again in full swing. About 2,000 bushels came into the elevators yesterday from four different machines and the grain was all in good order and brought 60c. If the stacking all turns out as well as what has been threshed the past two or three days there will be very little loss here from the recent wet weather.

Neepawa, Oct. 25.—The unusual amount of rain has retarded threshing operations. The most of the stacks are in good condition.

Morden, Oct. 27.—The weather so far this week continues favorable for threshing operations and the result of threshing shows that the damage done by wet weather is very much less than was expected, in fact in many cases threshers report very little damage done. Deliveries on the market are increasing and everything looks hopeful for a prosperous season's business.

Mr. Marlatt, after driving over the Portage plains, estimates that the injury done by the late rains is equivalent to only 5 per cent of the crop.

Carman, Oct. 27.—The grain that has been threshed has turned out excellent in quality and yield; the past wet weather has apparently done but very little damage to the stacks, as is evidenced by the quality of grain marketed the last two days. The deliveries were also large but the slight snow storm last night will delay matters somewhat. The roads are very bad.

Edmonton, Oct. 26.—No damage from rain or snow, estimated yield of wheat six hundred thousand bushels; oats, eight hundred thousand bushels; barley one hundred thousand bushels; generally a fair sample.

Assiniboia.

Yorkton is flourishing: \$45,000 is a low estimate of the value of the buildings that have been erected there this year.

James McNaughton, of Qu'Appelle Station, will move to Indian Head, where he has purchased the implement business of S. R. Edwards.

ACTIVE SOLICITORS WANTED EVERYWHERE for "The Story of the Philippines," by Mural Halstead, commissioned by the Government as Official Historian to the War Department. The book was written in army camps at San Francisco, on the Pacific with General Merritt, in the hospitals at Honolulu, in Hong Kong, in the American trenches at Manila, in the insurgent camps with Aguinaldo, on the deck of the Olympia with Dewey, and in the roar of battle at the fall of Manila. Bonanza for agents. Brimful of original pictures taken by government photographers on the spot. Large book. Low prices. Big profits. Freight paid. Credit given. Drop all trashy unofficial war books. Outfit free. Address F. T. Barber Sec., Star Insurance Bldg., Chicago.