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WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 26, 1891.

## Manitoba.

J. L. Taylor, butcher, Winnipeg, is dead.

J. W. Lannin, millinery, Virden, has assigned.

A great scarcity of dwelling houses is felt in Morden.

Philip Brown, tailor, Winnipeg, has sold out to C. E. Marilton.

A. W. Law & Co., bankers, Souris, have opened a branch at Melita.

Stephen McLean, hotelkeeper, Glenboro, is succeeded by John Crawford.

R. Smith, Manor hotel, Winnipeg, is succeeded by T. W. S. Jennings.

Geo. Webb, livery and feed stable, has sold out feed department to Chas. Little.

The Farmers' Elevator Co., Treherne; have had letters patent of incorporation granted.

Wm. Bertrand & Co. have opened in the fruit and confectionery business at Brandon.

R. Muir & Co., machine agents and grain, Winnipeg, have sold out to Stuart & Harper.

A. B. Bethune, of Carscaden, Peck & Co., Winnipeg, has returned from the Pacific coast.

Manitoba Paper Company, paper manufacturers, Portage la Prairie; incorporation granted.

J. J. Schragg, miscellaneous dealer, Winnipeg, was burned out last Thursday night. Insured.

The new Manitoba hotel, at Winnipeg, will be completed and opened not later than January 1st next. W. J. Gunning, of St. Paul, has been appointed manager.

Rountree and Conner, of the New Douglass house, Winnipeg, have dissolved. The business will be carried on by Rountree.

The partnership existing between Orr & Christie, boot and shoe manufacturers, Winnipeg, has been dissolved by mutual consent. A. S. Christie continues.

Burchell & Howey, of Brandon, recently made a shipment of seven car loads of two year-old heifers to Saskatoon, to stock a rancho. The animals were purchased in the Brandon district and were all good stockers.

The Morden Monitor says: "We hear that the firm of Warnken & McKay, implements, will shortly be dissolved, and that Henry McKay will retain the McCormack agency in Morden, while the Gretna and Plum Coulee agencies have been offered to Mr. Warnken.

J. W. Bartlett, editor of the *Farmers' Advocate*, Winnipeg, has accepted an offer from the Manitoba government, to become chief clerk in provincial department of agriculture. This position places him at the head of the practical portion of the work of this department. Mr. Bartlett is well fitted for this position, and under his care we may expect the department to accomplish some good work. It is pleasing to know that in this case the appointment is not made for political reasons, nor through any personal influence or wire-pulling, as Mr. Bartlett had no negotiations with the department, previous to the time the offer was submitted to him.

The Morden Monitor relates the following: "D. J. McCuish got through with his grain cutting on Saturday, the 17th of October. At that time he had erected fifty stacks of wheat and there remained the product of ninety acres of wheat, barley and oats in stock. He assures us that the last acre cut shows no trace whatever of frost. Although there has been some frost here since September 23th, the grain had become so hard that no effect was noticeable. McCuish had 240 acres of wheat, and owing to the want of help he has been cutting for the past two months. Think of it, ye people of Ontario, wheat being cut on the 17th day of October, entirely free from frost, in the Province of Manitoba."

## Assiniboia.

Regina District Elevator Co., Regina, incorporation granted.

F. W. Boake, butcher, Saltcoats, has admitted Geo. Pringo as partner.

## Northwest Ontario.

A daily paper is talked of for Fort William.

The partnership of Miller, Morton & Co., grocers, Fort William, has been dissolved, Miller retiring from the firm.

The Bank of Montreal has decided upon a branch office at Fort William at once. It is the intention of the bank to erect a block there next year.

At a recent meeting of the Rat Portage council, the report of Walpole Roland, on the reduction works was submitted and the report being favorable the council passed a resolution to hand over the bonus debentures to the smelter company.

Mayor Ruttan, of Port Arthur, has returned from Toronto, where he had gone to raise

money for street railway purposes. The Canada Permanent Company has agreed to advance \$25,000 upon the security of \$40,000 of debentures, which will tide the council over their immediate necessities.

## Grain and Milling.

The St. Lawrence is now opened on Sunday for traffic in order to facilitate the transport of grain to Montreal for export.

The announcement that on November 1, the wires would once more be placed on the floor of the Chicago board of trade, has been followed by the formation of a bucket shop company ready to start in the moment the field is open.

Brackman & Ker's new oatmeal mill at Victoria, B. C., has been completed and will be operated at once. The mill is erected at the outer wharf, where large steamers can land right at the mill.

The elevator capacity of Minneapolis is 18,307,000 bushels, of which 13,395,000 bushels is in "public or regular" elevators. Duluth's elevator capacity is 13,000,000 bushels, and West Superior, practically in Duluth, has 3,300,000 bushels capacity.

A second application was made at Winnipeg last week on behalf of W. F. Henderson for an order to wind up the Manitoba Milling Company, of Carberry. Two other petitions were also presented by other creditors, Blake and Lyon. The order was granted, and the company will be accordingly wound up.

Orders have been given for the completion of the Canadian Pacific elevator annex at Fort William. The foundation has already been finished and work on the superstructure will be commenced at once and pushed forward with all possible speed. The annex will have a capacity of 1,300,000 bushels.

The Lake of the Woods Milling Co. have decided to distribute \$2,500 among their employees, who have been with them a year or more. The company has evidently done a very profitable business for the past year, and in a liberal spirit the managers have decided to divide up with their employees.

Letters patent have been issued incorporating J. L. Campbell, of Melita, lumber dealer; A. Tre-rice, of Melita, farmer; Peter Powell, of Dresden, Ont., miller; Patrick McConnell, of Deloraine, merchant; John Watkins Crawford, of Melita, contractor, and Charles Sidney Dobbyn, of Melita, farmer, under the name of "The Melita Milling Company, Limited," for the purpose of erecting and operating a roller process flouring mill, of purchasing and dealing in grain and flour and of erecting and operating such elevators and warehouses, as may be deemed expedient in connection with the same. The business of the said company to be carried on at Melita, Manitoba. Capital stock \$40,000.

Over 300 representatives of the United States and Canada are attending the convention of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association and the association of manufacturers and wholesale dealers in proprietary articles, at St. Louis, Missouri. One of the subjects being considered is that of the offering for sale of substitute standard medicines. This, of late, has become uncomfortably common in the case of patent medicines.