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WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 15, 1894.

Manitoba.

John K. Peplov, drugs, etc., Selkirk, is dead.

James Jestur, lumber, Icelandic River, has assigned.

A Mr. Hurdman is opening a bakery at Carberry.

J. C. Sproule is opening in groceries at Winnipeg.

G. Batchart, druggist, Cypress River, has sold out to N. Little.

Matthews & Co., jewellers, Winnipeg. Bailiff's sale advertised.

J. G. Dagg, general merchant, Selkirk, has sold out to Roderick Ross, Jr.

R. D. Richardson, stationery, etc., Winnipeg, is in financial difficulties.

Hopper Bros., general store, Rapid City, have opened a branch at Newdale.

Mr. Martin, of McGregor, blacksmith, will open a shop in his line at Carberry.

Burnett & Cameron, financial agents, Winnipeg, are forming partnership.

W. Priestly has purchased the bakery and confectionery business of B. Fowler of Minnedosa.

Stacy & Wilson, Grand Union hotel, Winnipeg, have dissolved; Thos. G. Wilson continues.

R. E. Heamen, proprietor of the Winnipeg Electro Plating Co., has decamped, removing machinery and effects.

The Equitable Savings, Loan & Building Association is opening a branch of the Toronto business in Winnipeg.

O'Kelly Bros. & Co., aerated waters, Winnipeg. Meeting of creditors called for 15th inst.; stock sold by sheriff to M. M. Rooney.

A large party of German immigrants of promising appearance arrived last week, and are quartered at Immigrant hall, Winnipeg.

Notice is given that the partnership subsisting between Bowman & Nichol, grain-buyers, in the village of Plum Coulee, has been dissolved.

The Scandinavian-Canadian, which has for years past been edited and published by Emanuel Ohlen, has changed hands, Mr. Ohlen having sold out to C. H. Lurdgren.

The oddtelows hall, corner of Princess street and McDermott avenues, Winnipeg, is to be overhauled. The building will shortly be occupied by the Ames, Holden & Co.

The Harris block, corner of Main and Market streets, Winnipeg, is to have a stone basement placed under it this month. The building will be raised several feet and the exterior appearance made more attractive.

T. M. Parker, of Parker's steam dyeing works, Winnipeg, has added to his already extensive plant, a steam cylinder and rollers for finishing piece goods, ribbons, velvets, &c. This firm can now compete satisfactory with eastern firms in re-dyeing and finishing shop worn goods for stores and dry goods merchants.

Fire broke out at West Selkirk on October 9 in the stable belonging to W. H. Eaton & Co. The stable and contents, including three horses, also his warehouse, were burned: loss \$10,000. Magnusson's stable and contents were also burned; loss \$200. A. F. Pook's block smith shop and contents were likewise destroyed; loss \$1,000. There was no insurance on any of the buildings.

Some time between Sunday night and Monday morning the store of Hartney & Dickson of the village of Hartney was entered by burglars who effected an entrance through three doors before they entered the office, where the safe is kept. They drilled a hole into the door of the safe and placed therein a dynamite cartridge, which blew the door open. They took all the money to be found, in all amounting to about \$2,700, belonging to the Ogilvie Milling company, Hartney & Dickson, and the Lake of the Woods Milling company.

About 10 o'clock Thursday, the Bellview stables, Portage la Prairie, were found to be on fire. A stableman in the loft, throwing down hay, noticed a little fire in the hay, and tried to smother it with his coat, but could not. He saw a man lying in the hay and dragged him down, and then ran and gave the alarm. The stable was full of horses below, but all were got out; also the vehicles. It was insured in the Phoenix, of London, for \$1,000, and is a total loss. The hotel was very little damaged by water; it is covered by insurance.

Assiniboia.

W. L. Clarey, drugs, is opening a business at Moomsin.

The C. P. R. dining cars on this division says the Moose Jaw Times, are supplied with butter from the Moose Jaw creamery. 30 pounds per day is the quantity consumed.

An order in council has been passed placing at the credit of the minister of agriculture \$25,000, voted by parliament last session for an exhibition of territorial products at Regina next summer. \$15,000 of this amount is to be given in prizes, while the remaining \$10,000 will go towards the expenses of the exhibition. It is expected that Northwest municipalities will make grants toward the exhibition. Liout.-Gov. Macintosh will act as the representative of the Dominion government in the expenditure of the grant.

Alberta.

John Cameron, general store, Edmonton, has assigned to J. M. Douglas.

Wm. Bullock, formerly of the Ford hotel, Dunmore, is opening a hotel at Canmore.

Calgary Tribune: Beveridge & Ingles have now on the way between Calgary and Macleod a flock of sheep, numbering in the neighborhood of 4,000. The sheep are being brought in from Montana.

The plant for the South Edmonton News has arrived. R. P. Pettipiece will be editor and publisher. This will make three papers at Edmonton, including the two papers published in the old town on the north side.

Sixty-one settlers came in on Monday's train says the Edmonton Bulletin of October

4. of whom all were from the United States with one exception. Twenty-three came from Nebraska, twenty-three from Minnesota, six from Dakota, four from Kansas, two from Iowa, two from Washington and one from Ontario. Of these, twenty-one came to Edmonton, twenty-one to Wetaskiwin, twelve to Lacombe, six to Penhold and one to Red Deer.

The Lethbridge News of October 7 says: "The mines here have been closed since Monday owing to the drivers in them refusing to go to work unless their wages were raised from \$1.87, which they have been working for all summer, to \$2 per day. Two of the number were up before Supt. Deane on Tuesday for having left their employment without giving fourteen days notice as required by the agreement signed by them on resumption of work last spring, and the case was postponed until to-day. The men, in defence, state that the company broke their agreement first and that they were justified in their action."

Northwest Ontario

W. J. Hasking has decided to start a flour and feed store at Port Arthur.

W. Crooks, formerly with W. J. Clarke, druggist, Port Arthur, will open business on his own account in that place.

The Sultana mine at the Lake of the Woods cleaned up on Monday and the result was a brick of 53 oz. of gold as the result of three days work.

Port Arthur Sentinel: Mr. Bartles, manager of the Standard Oil Co, has been in town to see to his company's interests here. He bought an acre lot from Thomas Marks, for storage purposes, and Port Arthur will, in future, be the distributing point for the west.

Grain and Milling News

A Mr. Ferguson has taken charge of the flouring mill at Minnedosa.

The Rapid City Milling Company is building a piggery in connection with the mill.

N. Bawlf has rented the Johnson elevator at Minnedosa, and placed a buyer on the market.

A new flat warehouse is being constructed at Pettipiece station by Mr. Thompson Jr., who will buy grain there during the balance of the season.

Notice is given of the incorporation by letters patent of "The Altona Farmers' Elevator Co., limited," with a capital stock of \$5,000, divided into shares of 50 each.

The flour mill at Moomsin, Assn., is now being operated by J. Riddle and J. Fraser. Both of these men were on the old staff of the Smith & Brigham employees.

The machinery for the new mill at Virden, Man., has been shipped and will be placed in position as rapidly as possible. It will not be long now before the mill will be ready to commence operations.

The new machinery for the barrel factory in connection with the Lake of the Woods Co's flour mill at Kewatin, has arrived and will be put in position as soon as possible. It is of the latest design, and will prove quite an acquisition to the plant.

Financial and Insurance Note.

P. D. McKinnon, who has for four years been connected with the Confederation Life Association, as general agent, at Winnipeg, has accepted the position of manager of the Ontario Mutual Life company for Manitoba, with headquarters in Winnipeg.