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WM. CALDWELL, hotel keeper, Rapid City, has sold out his business to Wellington Elliott.

NICKLIN, DUNN & Co, bakers and grocers, Winnipeg, have sold out their business to Pauline & Ward.

DONALD McASKILL, hotel keeper, Winnipeg, has taken in S. Waite as partner, forming the firm of McAskill & Waite.

W. J. ROSS, dealers in groceries, of Iona, Ont., is about to move out to Manitoba to engage in the same branch of business.

P. McCaffrey has sold out his interest in the Terapin restaurant, and is about to commence business in the Woodbine hall restaurant.

D. G. SMITH & Co., dealers in groceries, of Broadview, have removed with their stock to Regina, where they will in future carry on business.

N. WHITTON, boot and shoe dealer, Pilot Mound, has sold out his stock of ready made goods, and will in future conduct a manufacturing branch only.

WOODINGTON, ARNOLD & Co., wholesale dealers in wines and liquors, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership, and the firm name will in future be Arnold, Sinclair & Co.

MR. F. S. CAPRON, agent of the Chicago and Grand Trunk has been in Winnipeg during the past week, looking after the North-western interests of that company.

The Palmer House is the most recent addition to the hotels of Winnipeg, which will be conducted by Mr. John A. Brooks, and is located on Post Office street.

DR. LAFRANC has been admitted a partner of the firm of Nagle & Co., grocers and wine merchants, Main street, Winnipeg; but the firm name will remain unchanged.

JAMES A. PELKEY, dealer in groceries and clothing, Main street, Winnipeg, is closing out his grocery branch, and will in future carry on a clothing and mens' furnishing business only.

DIXON BROS., grocers, Oshawa Ont., have decided to close out their business in that city, and move out to Manitoba, where they will probably embark in the same branch of trade.

PEDESTRIANS are inconvenienced a little at present owing to the city engineer's operations in laying new side walk on Main Street. But the fine new 18 feet walks that are being laid are worth undergoing a little annoyance for.

ACCORDING to the Selkirk Herald the people of that town are only waiting the arrival of General Manager VanHorn to locate the sidings and switches of the C. P. R., and the work of constructing wharves on the river will be proceeded with at once.

A valuable addition to the wholesale trade of Winnipeg is the business established a few weeks ago by F. B. Bryant & Co., importers of and dealers in butter, eggs, fruit, potatoes, poultry and other produce. The business is a branch from Minneapolis, where the firm also carry on operations.

MR. NICHOLAS FLOOD DAVIN has spent a portion of the week in Winnipeg making arrangements regarding the establishment of a newspaper in Regina. He will probably go east to order material, and in a few weeks the capital of the North-west Territory will have a journal well managed and ably edited.

THE cheap excursion about the Christmas holidays, an appeal for which appeared in the last issue of THE COMMERCIAL, is going to come off. Mr. Harder is at present making arrangements with the different railway managers between this and the east, and the terms of the excursion will be made public in a few days. As the moving power in the matter emanates from Winnipeg there is all the more reason to believe it will be a success.

Lisgar is now having a test of the validity of the Scott Act in that county. Before Capt. Kennedy on Tuesday last Bullock, Howell and others were convicted of its infringement, but proceedings were stayed until the cases were tested by an appeal. The prohibitory liquor law, which is merely a relic of legislation for Indians, is fast dying out in the North-west.

The Paris, Ont., Transcript of the 10th inst., makes a comparison of Muskoka and Manitoba as points for settlement, with, of course, a strong bias in favor of the former. Manitoba, says the Transcript, received from 1871 to 1881 one settler for every 238 acres of land, while Muskoka has received one for every 159. That journal would create an excitement could it only publish figures regarding 1882; and it should remind its readers that Manitoba has only had railway communication with the Eastern World for three years. Winnipeg contains nearly as many white people now as the whole Province of Manitoba did five years ago. But people will flock to the North-west.

A LEGAL fight between the City of Winnipeg and Capt. Donaldson is about to commence regarding the removal of the latter's buildings at the corner of Portage Avenue and Main Street, and the opening up of the entrance to the former thoroughfare. The city authorities claim that the ground in question was secured by Wm. Drener on a conditional lease which expired in July last, while Capt. Donaldson claims to hold a Crown Patent granted to Drener. The building in question was the second erected on Main Street, the Exchange Auction Rooms being the first, and a bitter contest took place in 1863 over its location, which the legal authorities of that day were unable to settle, and it remains to be seen if the law courts of the present day can satisfactorily settle the matter.