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LONDON FUR SALES.

The closing series of fur sales for the year 1898 were held in London this week, by C. M. Lampson & Co. The sales took place on October 25 to 27. The sales were satisfactory, prices having held their own or advanced on about all important furs except bear. The latter declined sharply all around. Following is the cable report of the sales:

Mink, northern, 10 per cent higher than last March.

Mink, western, 10 per cent higher than last March.

Mink, southwestern, same as last March.

Skunk, same as last March.

Raccoon, same as last March.

Muskrat, same as last January.

Opossum, 15 per cent lower than last March.

Otter, same as last March.

Beaver, 10 per cent higher than last January.

Marten, 10 per cent higher than last March.

Red fox, same as last March.

Grey fox 15 per cent higher than last March.

White fox, same as last March.

Bear, black, 15 per cent lower than last March.

Bear, brown, 25 per cent lower than last March.

Bear, grizzly, 20 per cent lower than last March.

Lynx, same as last March.

Wild cat, 10 per cent lower than last March.

Badger, 20 per cent lower than last March.

Wolf, same as last March.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

P. A. Barnhart, hotel, Mission, has been succeeded by H. Windebank.

A. E. Howse, general store, flour mill, etc., Nicola, has had his flour mill destroyed by fire; partially insured.

H. J. Stubbs, jeweler, Westminster, has moved to Vancouver.

Mahrer & Co., are opening in wholesale liquors at New Westminster.

W. B. Pease & Co., grocer, etc., Revelstoke, has assigned to Percy Chapman.

Charles Keeley, butcher and feed, has opened a store at Trail.

C. H. Mouat & Co., are opening in men's furnishings at Vancouver.

C. J. Thorley have opened a men's furnishings store at Vancouver.

Ragstad & Oldershaw, watchmakers and jewelers, are opening at Victoria.

Richard T. Cooper, producer and commission agent, has opened at Victoria.

James Haynes, provisions, fruit, etc., Victoria, has admitted C. A. Haynes as partner; style now Haynes & Haynes.

A branch of the Imperial Bank of Canada will be opened at Nelson, B. C., on the 1st of November.

WESTERN BUSINESS ITEMS.

James Murdoch has purchased the Neepawa bookstore.

C. A. Bowler, swing machines, etc., Makinak, has been burned out.

John Street, Sr., is opening in the flour and feed business at Whitewood, Assiniboin.

Willis & Kress, implements, Brandon, have dissolved. Willis will now carry on the implement business alone.

Jas. MacArthur, of Colliston, has purchased the hardware and grocery business of John R. McPhail, at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

McIntosh & Co., general store, Morris, contemplate dissolving partnership.

A. Allan & Co., dry goods, and clothing, Calgary, have sold out their clothing business to the Calgary Clothing Co.

M. G. Seaman confectionery, Lethbridge, is reported admitting J. W. Kean into partnership.

TENDERS.

Tenders for the construction of a school house at St. Eustache, Man., will be received by Mr. Kochan, Winnipeg, until Oct. 31.

ONTARIO CHEESE MARKETS.

Belleville, Ont., Oct. 25.—Nineteen factories offered 1,415 white and 50 colored cheese: 83-4c was bid for most of the offerings: only 230 sold.

Ingorsoll, Ont., October 25.—Offerings to-day, 1,470 boxes September make; 80 boxes sold at 81-2c. Salesmen holding for 83-4c.

H. Cockshutt, of Brantford, manager of the Cockshutt Plow Works, has returned to Winnipeg from a western trip.

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