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WINNIPEG, MAY 5, 1885.

W. F. WILSON, hotel keeper, Winnipeg, has closed out.

E. P. BLAIKLOCK, grocer, Emerson, has assigned in trust.

MRS. DOWSER has opened up a restaurant at MacLeod, N.W.T.

JAS. FREDERICSON, has started a baking business at Rapid City.

HOLDEN CROSSLEY, general produce dealer, Brandon, has assigned.

A. B. CAIL, fruit and confectionery dealer, Winnipeg, intends taking in as partner L. Lane.

The steam yacht *Victoria* is now making daily trips between West Selkirk and Winnipeg.

HARRY EVERSON, late of the Manitou post office, intends opening up a produce business in that city.

DR. HAMILTON, Port Arthur, has formed a partnership with one Billings in the drug business.

BLACKWOOD BROS., soda water manufacturers, Winnipeg, have opened up a new general store near Indian Head.

— DAVIDSON, of Portage la Prairie, is about to open up a furniture store and cabinet making shop at Neepawa.

MORRISON, & Co., of Woodside, have sold their saw mill plant to one Hector McLean, who will take it to Calgary.

MARY ANN BROWNBIGG, trading under the style of M. A. Tierney & Co, general storekeepers, Winnipeg, has assigned.

NOYES & HURLEY, of the Long Lake hotel, Edmonton, Alberta, have dissolved partnership, Noyes retaining the business.

X. ST. JEAN, of Edmonton, Alberta, has fitted up as a tavern the store where he formerly carried on a furniture business.

VIROND, MCBRIDE & Co., wholesale fruit and provision dealers, of this city, have moved into new and more commodious premises in the Wishart block.

M. HUGHES, furniture dealer, Winnipeg, has taken in as partner T. M. Quigley and the business will be continued under the firm name of M. Hughes & Co.

WM. RANCE & Co., hotel keepers, Manitou, have taken in one Saults as partner, and their hotel will be continued under the new firm of Rance, Saults & Co.

M. BULL, trustee of the estate of H. L. Reynolds, dealer in groceries and liquors, Winnipeg, is continuing the business under the direct supervision of Reynolds himself.

THE Registrarship of the City of Winnipeg, made vacant by the death of Colonel Kennedy, has been given by the Government to Mrs. Kennedy, widow of the deceased.

It is reported that Mr. Wottan, of Winnipeg, has bought out the stock and leased the store of Francis & Fowler, late general storekeepers, Manitou, and that he will continue the business.

WOODS & Co., of Winnipeg, have leased the biscuit factory at Portage la Prairie, formerly run by the Pratt Manufacturing Co., and in conjunction with Paulin & Co, of this city will operate the same.

On the opening up of navigation on the Assiniboine river, we notice the steamer *Alpha* unshipped her rudder and damaged her hull so seriously she had to be backed a few miles west of Portage la Prairie.

On the 1st of the month the Commercial Bank, of Manitoba, commenced operations with Duncan MacArthur as president, in the commodious offices formerly occupied by MacArthur, Boyle & Campbell.

The steamer *Marquette* came down the river last week from St. Vincent with a cargo of about one hundred tons of general merchandise. It is expected that during the present week she will bring down much larger quantities in barges in tow.

We notice that a Packing Company on a large scale is about to be established in this city. The supplying of breeding stock to farmers will be one of their first aims. Amongst the promoters are Gullin & Douglas, who have carried on a similar business on a limited scale, backed up by Duncan MacArthur, Alex. Logan, Alex. McIntyre, Major Bell, McBean Bros. and others.

On Monday afternoon the President of the Winnipeg Board of Trade received a telegram from the Department of Inland Revenue, at Ottawa, stating that as soon as the new Inspection Act receives the assent of the Governor-General, Captain Clark would be appointed Grain Inspector at this city. The Secretary received a copy of the new Act by mail from the Department, and an examination of the wheat grades fixed by it shows that the Government in dealing with Manitoba have followed to the letter the suggestions they asked for and received from the Winnipeg Board of Trade. By the terms of the new Act Port Arthur, and Victoria, B.C., will be points of inspection, while the appointment of all Deputy Inspectors here will be in the power of Capt. Clark. The power of selecting the Inspectors at the different points is still wisely left in the hands of the local Boards of Trade. Altogether, the Act is favorable to Northwestern grain interests, and will doubtless be found to work smoothly. We shall give more of its details in next issue.