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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 19, 1880.

J. M. SIMMINGTON, of Moose Jaw, will start a bakery at Regina.

F. A. BOEHLERSKY, restaurant, Vancouver, is retiring from business.

TED CAMPBELL has sold out his transfer business at Brandon to Micklebride & Peters.

NICOL, rancher, near Medicine Hat, Assa., recently shipped 400 fat sheep to Winnipeg.

BATE BROS. have bought out the butcher business of Ferguson & Riddell, of Moose Jaw.

F. J. CLAXTON, baker, Calgary, is out of business and succeeded by Halliday & McNeil.

D. W. CUMMING, banker, Birtle, Man., is giving up business and will move to Toronto this fall.

\$9,000 worth of beef cattle have been shipped eastward from Maple Creek, Assa., this summer.

THE fall exhibition of the Calgary District Agricultural Society takes place on October 9th and 10th.

GEO. H. RODGERS, shoes, Winnipeg, has purchased a portion of the bankrupt Brown estate, wholesale shoes, Ottawa, Ont.

THE C. P. R. Co's steamer Alberta was damaged in a collision at Sault St. Marie last week with the steamer Oregon, of Cleveland.

CARR & CAMERON have purchased the branch tailoring business lately carried on at Lethbridge, by Y. C. Kitley & Co., of Calgary.

THE business men of Pilot Mound, Man., have made arrangements to employ a night watchman, whose duty it will be to look out for fires and burglars.

A RECENT census gives Carberry, Man., a population of 780.

J. A. LOGAN, banker, Carberry, has been appointed agent for the St. Paul & Manitoba road at the place named.

THE book debts of Paisley, Miller & Carscaden, Brandon, are reported to have been sold to A. M. Peterson, for 36½c on the dollar.

THE Stair coal-mine, near Medicine Hat, is now being operated and the coal will be shipped to Winnipeg. This is the mine formerly known as the Saskatchewan. Medicine Hat will have two mines working this year, as a new mine is being opened near the place.

THE stock of Paisley, Miller & Carscaden, general merchants, Brandon, was sold by the assignee, by public auction, to Strome & Whitelaw, general merchants of the same place. There was brisk competition for the stock, which was bid up to 70½ cents on the dollar.

AMONGST the most noticeable improvements which have lately been made in Calgary says the *Tribune*, is the Alberta hotel. This handsome building has three storeys and a basement with a frontage of 75 feet on Stephen avenue and 124 feet on Scarth street. The building is constructed of solid stone quarried within two or three miles of Calgary.

A MEETING of the creditors of George Marks & Co., general storekeepers, Bruce Mines, was held in Toronto recently. An offer of \$10,600 was made by Mr. Marks, payments extending over a period of nine months, which the creditors have accepted, secured. Unsuccessful lumbering operations brought about the failure of the firm, together with that of Marks, Dobie & Co., of Thessalon.

EMERSON *Times*: A. R. Irwin, broker and agent, Emerson, Man., has decided to move to Brandon, where he will in future reside and carry on a brokerage, insurance and agency business. C. D. Maybee takes over Irwin's business at Emerson, and will carry it on in connection with the post office, Northern Pacific Ry., and G. N. W. telegraph offices.

THE seized sealing schooner, Black Diamond, has arrived at Victoria, B.C. When the schooner was captured, a prize crew of one man was put on board, and directed to take the schooner to Sitka. As soon, however, as the revenue cutter was out of sight, the captain of the vessel turned and sailed for Victoria. It is cabled from London that the British Government has resolved that British rights in Behring sea must be protected.

THE tax difficulty between the Northwest Land Company and the corporation of Calgary, has been settled. It will be remembered that the Land Company tried to get out of paying taxes, under pretence that it was entitled to exemption from taxation, through the exemption given the C. P. R. Co., from which the Land Company purchased its property. Calgary contested the case in the courts. An agreement has now been made whereby the Land Company pays half of the arrearages for the past two years and gives the town a deed of nine lots where the town hall now stands, an entire block south of the railway track and agrees to pay its taxes in future the same as private individuals.

THE by law granting tax exemption to the C. P. R. Co. for its proposed workshops at Fort William, has been carried by a vote of the electors.

THE Morden *Monitor* makes a very serious charge of glanders among horses imported from Dakota, and existing in that neighborhood. If these reports are true, they should have the immediate attention of the Provincial Government. At any rate they are too serious to go without investigation.

THE residents of Point Douglas, in the district where the new Winnipeg crematory is being erected, are very determined that the establishment shall not be located in their neighborhood. A mass meeting will likely be held to protest against what the residents term an outrage. It does seem that this location for the crematory is a very bad one. Were the crematory located outside the western limits of the city, garbage could be hauled from almost any point directly out of the city, but the Point Douglas location will necessitate the hauling of garbage for long distances directly through the centre of the city. It is anything but a pleasant spectacle to see these unsightly loads passing along the streets. This consideration alone would make a change of location desirable, to say nothing of the disadvantage of having the crematory in a settled district of the city. The council should see that the citizens are protected in this matter.

IN conversation with a *Sun* reporter Jas. Ross, railway contractor, said he had secured the contract for building and equipment of the entire line of the Regina, Long Lake and Saskatchewan railway, which is 235 miles in length. His contract provides for the furnishing of everything save the rolling stock. The C. P. R., which is to operate the line, will provide that. Mr. Ross says the work will all be completed next year. He is not yet definitely certain how much they will be able to build this year, but he expects it will be between 60 and 75 miles. It will depend upon the weather. Mr. Ross has purchased steel rails in England, and these are now on the way. In order, however, that no possible delay might occur, he purchased a quantity of rails in Montreal to enable the work to go on at once. They will be shipped to the ground next week. Mann & Holt are managing the work.

THE Calgary *Tribune*, in an article dealing with the Kay farms, says: Sir John has received permission from his directors to enter upon the butchering business, the centre of operations to be at Calgary. The plans of the slaughter houses and shops have been drawn up by Child & Wilson and have been sent to the directors for their approval. The attempt to domesticate range cattle for dairy purposes has been most successful, and at Balgonie, Stair, Dunmore, Kincarth, Crane Lake, Gull Lake, and Bantry (at which farms there are about 500 cows) cows are already being milked. Sir John has lately submitted a report to his directors regarding a creamery and cheese factory, and they are so satisfied with the report that arrangements will be made to begin the work at once. The creamery will be at Swift Current, and the operations will be commenced next October. The cream from 10 farms will be shipped per express every 24 hours to Swift Current.