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Manitoba.

Wm. White & Co., hardware, Winnipeg, have assigned.

A. Gibson, grocer, Winnipeg, has opened a branch store at Rat Portage.

Mr. Bradley has secured the agency of Frost & Wood, implements, at Thornhill.

Andrews & Picblado, have opened a branch law office at Treherne, with Jas. Reid in charge.

Hamilton & Whitman, general store, Treherne, Hamilton retires; Charles A. Whitman continues.

The Confederation Life Association have appointed W. H. Sparling as their agent at Portage la Prairie.

A new store building is to be erected at Souris by Mr. Munroe, of Brandon, who intends opening a general store.

Leon Abremovich, of Winnipeg, a small general dealer, Main street, has made an assignment to S. A. D. Bertrand.

A. C. Sutherland & Co., have secured the contract for building the new warehouse for McKenzie, Powis & Co., on Princess St.

The proprietors of the Brandon Times will erect a new building shortly for the business of that journal. A new outfit has also been ordered.

The enlargements and changes to the Ashdown block, make a great improvement to that property. Mr. Ashdown has one of the finest warehouse properties in Winnipeg.

J. Hiebert of Pilot Mound is making a shipment of butter to British Columbia. The but-

ter is packed in improved air tight firkins and is a choice lot. During the first 22 days of June, Mr. Hiebert has taken in, from farmers, \$1,600 worth of produce.

Emerson Times: Thompson Bros made their first shipment of cheese from here on Monday. The price sold at was 11½ cents per lb. which is equal to over 30 cents per lb. for butter, as the quantity of milk required for a pound of butter will make from 2½ to 3 pounds of cheese.

Morton, Alexander & Morton, tanners and shoe manufacturers, Winnipeg, have opened a branch store in the south end of the city, for the convenience of their customers in that quarter, where orders will be taken and samples of goods shown. The shop is on the west side of Main street, south end.

Mr. Leacock has opened his new hotel, the Grand Central at Russell. Mr. Cleo expects to have his ready in another week or ten days. These are the finest buildings in the village, and would compare favorably with other places of a much larger population. This is the greatest building season the village has ever witnessed.

Harry Sloan, one of the best known restaurant men in Winnipeg, has recently moved to more elegant and commodious quarters in the Clement block, east side of Main street, where he has had one of the apartments of this block fitted up in good style for his business. Those desiring a quiet place for a meal, in an establishment not connected with a bar, will prefer Sloan's.

Dakota settlers still continue to migrate, says the Deloraine Times, and not a few are settling in Manitoba and the Territories. The following gentlemen arrived at Deloraine this week from Dakota, and are on their way to Alberta to select cattle ranches: F. C. Conim and J. F. Romansen, of Willow City, and Thomas O'Neil, of Fish Lake. They have some 400 head of cattle each, which they contemplate bringing in.

The C.P.R. summer excursions to Rat Portage was begun on Saturday evening. A car specially fitted up to accommodate about twenty-five passengers and placed in charge of a porter will be attached to the regular train. The fare, \$1, will entitle the holder of a ticket to remain from Saturday until Monday; and for \$1 additional he will be entitled to all the conveniences of the car. The names of parties wishing to go should be left with the city ticket agent.

The Manufacturers' Life Assurance Company have moved their Winnipeg branch office to new quarters, the location now being at 415 Main street, on the ground floor. This is more convenient than climbing a stairway or two to reach the office. Mr. Miller, who lately received the appointment as local manager, is at present on a trip west, and will go as far as the coast, with the object of re-organizing and otherwise looking after the interests of his company all along the line. The Winnipeg office is in charge of R. J. McDonald, formerly of Portage la Prairie, who has been recently appointed cashier for the company here. Mr. McDonald until recently represented the Confederation Life at Portage.

The Pilot Mound Sentinel says: J. T. Gordon, who has been to England with a train load of Manitoba cattle, returned on Tuesday in a most healthy and happy condition. Mr. Gordon seems satisfied with his venture and

speaks highly of the steamship company and of the Canadian Pacific Railway over which his train load of cattle was taken from Pilot Mound to Montreal in 81 hours. Mr. Gordon strongly recommends farmers who desire to feed cattle for the English market, to raise a sufficient supply of turnips, as cattle fed on these roots were in a fine glossy condition on reaching their destination and were eagerly sought by purchasers. It is not yet too late to sow turnips and all who have cattle to feed should attend to the matter.

Winnipeg Free Press: The Pacific Express which arrived here yesterday was the largest express train that ever entered Winnipeg. It comprised nineteen cars and was only seventy-two feet less than a quarter of a mile in length. The train was drawn by a new mogul locomotive which has just come out of the company's Myntreal shops, and which was built for use in the mountains. The train was in two sections until Rennie was reached, and was then consolidated. There were over 400 Ontario excursionists on board besides a considerable number of immigrants and first-class travelers. W. J. Scott, of the Manitoba immigration department accompanied the excursion party from Poronto. The party is largely composed of Ontario farmers who have come up to see the country. The most of the party left in the afternoon for various parts of the province and territories. Quite a number of them will attend the settlers' picnic at Griswold to day.

Saskatchewan.

Crop prospects in the Territory are good, rain having fallen in sufficient quantities.

James Taylor, assignee of the estate of J. M. Campbell, Prince Albert, has declared a second dividend of 20 per cent. The remaining liabilities amount to \$8,100, in addition to which there is a mortgage claim of \$600. Further dividends will follow.

When the railway was completed to Prince Albert, it was stated in these columns that the Prince Albert district would soon add considerably to the quantity of surplus products for shipment. Sheep and oats have already been shipped from Prince Albert, and now a shipment of butter has been made to Vancouver from that place.

Alberta.

Wm. Carroll, tailor, Calgary, has assigned. John Hamston has opened a hardware store at Edmonton.

Work has been again started at the anthracite coal mine west of Calgary. There are now some forty men employed in tunnelling from the foot of the present slope (350 feet down) to cut three or four overlapping veins which will let them into over 18 feet of coal. From these veins by the beginning of the year at least 500 tons per day can be safely counted upon.

Assiniboia.

The new hotel at Indian Head is about completed and will be appreciated by the travelling men.

A. J. Osment, general dealer, Indian Head, has returned from the coast and is satisfied that there is no place like home. He will build a large stone store, his present accommodation being too limited for his business.