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FORT MACLEOD seeks incorporation as a town. TRACK for street railway is being laid on Portago avenne.

T. Sparling has opened a carriage shop at High Bluff.

Euslie & Bell, customs brokers, Winnipeg, have dissolved.

THE Selkirk and Winnipeg Railway is doing a good business.

W. S. SUFFEL, general store, Emerson, has assigned in trust. ·

G. F. BRYAN, cigar dealer, Winnipeg, has assigned in trust.

CARMAN & BRO., general store, Stonewall, have assigned in trust.

MAHAFFY & CLINSKILL, general store, Prince Albert, are removing to Battleford.

ANNIE A. JASPER, millinery, Emerson, has made an assignment in trust.

E. FRIEND, dealers in cigars, &c., Winnineg, has been closed by the sheriff.

DESCENT & Co., of the McCaskill House, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership.

A. L. Ashpown, hardware, merchant, at Prince Albert is removing to Edmonton.

McLfor & Co. have opened a store at what is known as The Crossing, near Fort Macleod.

CAMPBELL & CARMICHAEL hotelkeepers, Win nipeg, have dissolved. A. Carmichael continues

W. Cousins, general store, Medicine Hat, has taken Harry Scatcherd, from London, Ont., info partnership.

THE Post Office Department are locating a number of large boxes in various parts of this city for the posting of transient newspapers.

W & J. HEMBROFF, grocers, Auburn, have sold out their business to R. W. Hector, who was formerly in the butchering business at Bran-

QUEBEC failures last week were: Geo. Payne, gunsmith, Montreal; Remillard & Quigley, confectioners, Montreal; A. Boyer & Co., tailors, Valleyfield.

A LARGE cattle ranche is to be started out on the Broken Head river, about twenty miles from Selkirk, by Messrs. Cowan & Smith, two young Englishmen.

THE McLeod Gazette has received a large amount of new machinery, in the shape of presses, etc., which they expect to have in operation next week.

A NEW journal has been started in Rat Portage. It is styled The Argus and Northwestern Ontario Mining and Lumbering Record. It is a neatly gotten up anp well edited sheet.

LYON MACKENZIE & Powis are building a large addition to their premises, extending from the present building to Albert street. This will nearly double their warehouse accommodation.

OGILVIE'S elevators throughout the country are being finished with all despatch. A large gang of men are at work, and it is expected that they will be ready in good time for this season's

A cent stamp, partly on the wrapper and partly on the newspaper, in the United States constitutes a scaled package, and the package will go only to the dead letter office. The pub lic should govern themselves accordingly.

THERE was a considerable frost on Thursday night, but so far as heard from there has been no damage of serious account done to the crops. Tender garden stuff in the city, such as tomatoes, cucumbers, &c., however, suffered considerably.

THE report of the Department of Agriculture and Statistics for the Province of Manitoba has been received. It contains a great deal of valuable information, arranged in a careful and concise manner, which reflects credit on the energetic Deputy Minister, Mr. Acton Burrows.

MR. BOYLE, of Macarthur, Boyle & Campbell, has returned from England, where he went in connection with floating the bonds of the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway. He met with excellent success, and negotiations will be completed at a meeting to be held in Toronto shortly.

THE golden spike which marked the completion of the Northern Pacific Railway was driven on Saturday amidst great enthusiasm. In about two years we may expect a similar demonstration on this side of the line when the Great All Canadian Rail route is opened from ocean to ocean.

THE steamer Lily, of the Northwest Transportation Company's line, sunk in the South Saskatchewan, below Medicine Hat, last week. This is a heavy loss to the company, as about \$35,000 was spent last year in fitting her up. There were no passengers on board, and the crew got off in safety.

W. J. PATTERSON, secretary of the Montreal Board of Trade and of the Corn Exchange Association in that city, has issued an elaborate report relating to the home and foreign trade of. Canada, and the commerce of Montreal for 1880 to 1882. A mass of valuable statistical information is given, including a summary of the Dominion census for 1881.

The following failures are reported from Ontario: R. Barker, general store, Bayfield; Wm. Robertson, general store, Beaumiller; Jasper Cross, jeweller, Bothwell; W. F. Reid, general store, Bracebridge; L. St. Jean, hardware, Henderson; J. L. Bean, tinware, Lindsay; The Lindsay Paper Mills Co., Lindsay; T Hood, gilder, London; Geo. Malcolm, miller, Tavistock; Wm. Monteith, produce, Toronto; Moorehouse & Godson, dry goods, Teronto; Burton & Reynolds, ceal. &c., Windsor.