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WINNIPEG, MAY 31, 1887.

DR. GRAIN has located at Manitou.

PHILLIPS BROS., tinware, Emerson, have sold out.

DONOHUE & McDONNELL have opened a hotel at Calgary.

JOHN GRENIER, blacksmith, Pincher Creek, Alberta, is dead.

JOHN ELLIS, general storekeeper, Calgary, is giving up business.

MURPHY & CLARKE, painters, Calgary, have dissolved partnership.

CLUXTON & Co., liquors, Emerson, contemplate giving up business.

E. M. GATLIF, lumber dealer, Emerson, has added tinware to his business.

PEEL & Co., general storekeepers, Holland, Man., have sold out to John Shaw.

SHAW & HIGGINSON, general storekeepers, Holland, Man., have dissolved partnership.

J. D. HIGGINBOTHAM & Co., druggists, Lethbridge, Alberta, have dissolved partnership.

McQUARRIE & Co., groceries and liquors, Rat Portage, contemplate giving up liquor branch.

A HUNDRED bushels of potatoes brought in from Prince Albert sold at Battleford, Sask., for \$1.25 a bushel.

PARISH, LINDSAY & WETZLER, groceries and provisions, Calgary, have dissolved partnership. S. A. Wetzler will continue the business.

HUGH DEMPSEY, of the Metropolitan Hotel, Medicine Hat, is building an addition to his premises, to be used for commercial sample rooms.

W. H. LEE, carriages, Calgary, has admitted Geo. King into partnership, under the style of Lee & King. Blacksmithing has been added to the business.

THE date fixed by the Government as a limit for the entry at old rate of duty of goods ordered under contract for delivery, duty paid, is June 13th.

A. GRANT, late of Rogers & Grant, hardware dealers, Calgary, has received his stock of hardware and opened out on his own account at that place.

B. AHERNE, who has been representing in Winnipeg the Mutual Accident Insurance Association of New York, has been fined \$25, under the statute which provides that insurance companies doing business in Canada must take out a license.

A SPECIAL meeting of the joint colonization committees of the civic council and board of trade was held on Monday afternoon for the purpose of hearing A. J. McMillan explain his views on immigration. W. Hespeler, chairman, presided, there being present F. B. Ross, J. B. McKilligan, J. H. Ashdown, T. J. Montgomery, Mayor Jones, Ald. A. Macdonald and C. N. Bell, secretary. The chairman having opened the meeting, Mr. McMillan explained that he simply wished to have a conference on immigration. He had been in England last year and had delivered a few lectures on emigration. He then discussed the system at some length, and suggested the formation of a permanent immigration committee, with paid secretary, etc., for the settlement of vacant lands about Winnipeg.

McLACHLAN & SPEARS will open a store at McGregor, Man.

D. MOOR & SONS have sold out their interest in the Oak Lake, Man., flour mill to Alex. Leitch, of Pembroke, Ont.

SIR DONALD A. SMITH has been elected successor to the late Mr. Smithers, president of the Bank of Montreal.

THE Office, a monthly journal issued from 37 College Place, New York, has been received. THE Office is described as a practical journal for business managers, accountants and office men.

NOVA SCOTIA has commenced to compete actively for the trade of the Northwest in the manufacture of binder twine. The Dartmouth Ropework Company, of Halifax, have placed their twine in competition for the trade of this country, and have taken active steps to ensure the extensive use of their product here during the present season. The manufacturers claim that their twine is superior to anything of the kind made, and this statement is borne out by the experience of those who have used the article.

THE great discussion on Mr. Watson's disallowance motion in parliament has come and gone, and has resulted about as everybody here had expected. The Government has declared its intention to uphold monopoly. Manitoba has come out of the contest badly worsted, and with two out of five of her representatives voting in favor of continuing the oppressive policy of disallowance against this province. One member at least has broken his solemn promises, and has declared that this province is by no means unanimous against disallowance. What could be more vile and loathsome than the conduct of this man? The territorial representatives, who professed to be opposed to monopoly, have gone over body and bones to the Government, and to the C.P.R. Winnipeg's own member has apparently not opened his mouth on the question, merely giving a silent vote against disallowance. The vote was almost a straight party one, the Conservatives voting for and the Liberals against disallowance. Manitoba can only rely upon her own efforts for freedom from monopoly, British liberty and British justice.