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THE Manitoba Law Journal has ceased publication.

Wm. GREEN has opened out a restaurant in Brandon.

A. ROBERTSON, has opened a furniture store, at Carberry.

E. & S. COSTELLO, traders at Donald, have removed to Calgary.

D. MAXWELL, has re-opened his implement agency, at Minnedosa.

SIX per cent discount was allowed by the city on all taxes paid Friday.

J. C. STEEN, general storekeeper at Donald, has gone out of business.

LAURENDEAU BROTHERS, bakers at St. Bonifacio, have been burned out.

MRS. McCOMB, millinery storekeeper, Winnipeg, is giving up business.

C. P. CONYBEARE, barrister and solicitor, has opened an office at Lethbridge.

Wm. GARRATT, blacksmith at Nelson, has removed his business to Morden.

Jos. NAISMITH, hotelkeeper, Winnipeg, has sold out his place to Pointz & Conway.

—McINTYRE, has sold out his interest in the Commercial Hotel, Neepawa, to B. Lyone.

A SAW-MILL and a blacksmith shop, is about to be erected at the colony of New Sweden.

THE partnership between Hall Brothers, general storekeepers, Pilot Mound, has dissolved.

STEVENS & PALMER, lumber merchants of Virden, have opened a branch lumber yard at Oak Lake.

T. G. POINTZ, saloonkeeper, Winnipeg, has formed partnership with E. J. Conway in the Russell House.

THE saw and grist mills of James H. Fraser, Nelson, known as the Belmont Mills, were burned last week.

H. C. McLEOD, lately in charge of the Winnipeg branch, has been appointed inspector of the Bank of Nova Scotia.

ALEXANDER, CLAUS & TILLEY, printers, Port Arthur, have dissolved partnership. H. E. Alexander has retired from the firm.

W. H. RANCE & Co., have disposed of their interest in the Stewart House, Manitou, to W. C. Kennedy, who will conduct it in future.

JOHN ROBERTSON, merchant tailor, Minnedosa, contradicts the rumour that he intended to give up business at that place, he having no intention of doing so at present.

In noticing the dissolution of the firm of Goldstine & Beauchamp, general merchants at Qu Appelle station, it was stated the business would be continued by F. Beauchamp in error, and this should have been J. P. Beauchamp.

THE Grain Examining Board of the Winnipeg Board of Trade were engaged last Thursday in examining candidates for positions of Deputy Grain Inspectors. Mr. David Horn passed a very creditable examination, and when appointed will act as an assistant to Mr. Clark in Winnipeg. The examination of Mr. James Bowden, the candidate from Portage la Prairie, was adjourned until January 5th.

THE Chicago and Grand Trunk Railway in conjunction with the Detroit, Grand Haven and Milwaukee road, have made arrangements to run a line of steamers between Scrivia and Duluth next season. Three boats will be placed in this trade, and will do both passenger and freight business, and with its connections, should prove a valuable acquisition to the carrying trade of the Northwest.

THE Manitoba Milling and Brewing Company (Limited) has been incorporated, with a capital stock of \$100,000 in shares of \$100 each. The business of the company is to be carried on in this province with headquarters at Carberry, and will include the purchase of and manufacture of grain into flour, bran, shorts, etc., storing and cleaning, and such other business as is usually done by millers and proprietors of elevators, besides that of malting and brewing.

ELSEWHERE in our columns will be found the eleventh annual statement of the Bank of Ottawa as presented to the meeting of shareholders on the 9th inst. The facts and figures therein are concisely stated showing a clear net profit for the year of \$123,078.83, out of which \$50,000 is carried to rest account, making a total rest of \$210,000, to supplement a paid up capital of \$1,000,000. Altogether the statement is a healthy looking and very encouraging one, and is free from the long winded apologetic explanations too common during the last two years in bank statements. Another pleasing but unconventional point about it is the utter absence of complaints about losses in the Northwest. It is well worth the perusal by our readers.

THE case of the Union Bank vs. J. B. McKilligan was before Chief Justice Wallbridge yesterday. Plaintiffs sued on a note for \$7,253.33, made by A. W. Ross and indorsed by defendant, which fell due on Sept. 15th, 1885. The note was not paid at maturity, as our readers might well expect, but owing to a change of management at the Union Bank, notice of protest was not mailed to the indorser until the evening of the day after its falling due, and was received by him next morning. On the strength of this delay plaintiffs were non-suited, his Lordship reserving to them the right to move for a verdict of \$7,800 before the full court. The whole case was one of washing "loom" dirty linen, and showed how recklessly banks acted in these days of inflation.