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WINNIPEG, SEPTEMBER 29, 1885.

J. & W. WALLEY have opened a grocery store at Birtle.

SHORT BROS., grocers, Winnipeg, have assigned in trust.

JOHN CUDDY, Grocer, Winnipeg, has assigned in trust.

— COOPER intends erecting a photographic gallery at Virden.

JAS. CAMPBELL has leased the Grosvenor Hotel at Moosomin.

GEO. AGNEW, general merchant, Dominion City, has assigned in trust.

PARADISE & KILGOUR's saw mill at Manitowish has been destroyed by fire.

R. TEES has received the agency of the Galt Coal Company at Moosomin.

THE New York Piano Co. have closed their branch establishment in this city.

ROBERT McDOWELL, general storekeeper, Rapid City, has assigned in trust.

GATLIFF & FRAZER have purchased Jas. T. Carney's lumber business at Emerson.

FLETCHER & McINTYRE have opened up a confectionery establishment at Calgary.

MCNEILL BROS., proprietors of the Rosain House, Calgary, are giving up business.

THE contract for the erection of a Baptist church at Morden has been let to Alex. Cruickshank.

JOHN BLACK has been awarded the contract for the erection of the Presbyterian church at Morden.

THERE is some talk of the Hudson's Bay Company leasing the joint stock elevator at Manitowish.

J. B. RIVET is making arrangements for the erection of a foundry on his property at Calgary.

THE sheriff is in possession of the stock and premises of the Griswold Farmers' Elevator Co., at Griswold.

ARMARD BROS., hotelkeepers, Clearwater, have dissolved partnership. W. Armard continues the business.

THE dining hall at the C.P.R. station, Emerson, has been taken by R. Smith, who will cater to the travelling public.

THE stock belonging to the estate of R. S. Bradley & Co., cigar dealers and tobacconists, Winnipeg, has been sold at 59c on the \$.

HALEY & SUTTON, general merchants, at Nelson, have closed up their business at that place and removed to Morden, where they will continue in their old line.

THE partnership existing between York & Traves, carrying on business as wholesale and retail butchers, at Moosomin, has been dissolved. The business will in future be carried on by A. York.

It is expected that the International Mining and Smelting Co., of Winnipeg and St. Paul, will shortly commence operations in their iron mines on Big Island, Lake Winnipeg, there being rumors of an agreement with a capitalist which grants him the privilege of mining their claim and taking out 20,000 tons of ore per annum for a period of twenty-five years.

THE Nova Scotia Bank, which has for some months back been endeavouring to close out its business in the Northwest, has so far succeeded that they expect to close their branch office in this city in a few days.

ON last Saturday the last block of the Main Street pavement was laid. The contract has been finished a month ahead of time, and is without a doubt a thoroughly complete and good job. We can now boast of one mile and a third of the finest street to be seen in any city on the American continent.

M. T. FERON has been appointed manager, for Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, one of the most solid and reliable companies on the continent. We congratulate Mr. Feron on this appointment, and have no doubt but his wide connection and other local advantages will prove of great value to him in his new position.

DURING the past two weeks about 7,000 head of Montana cattle, via Map's Creek, passed through Winnipeg destined to eastern markets. Seemingly the Government can twist or pervert any quarantine regulations in connection with cattle coming into the country when the necessities of the C.P.R. require it, but when a poor farmer wishes to import a few hogs to feed his refuse grain to, he has to bring them from the east, one thousand miles over the C.P.R., or submit to the delays and expense of a quarantine which would be ruinous to him. Verily the tail wags the dog at times.

SOME idea of the quality of hard wheat, produced in Manitoba this year, can be gathered from the experience of the grain examiners of the Winnipeg Board of Trade in their efforts to secure samples, to send to Toronto, when on to-morrow delegates from the different Boards in the Dominion will fix the standard for the coming season. There were thirteen samples of red fife on view, the lightest of which weighed 61½ pounds and the heaviest 65½ pounds to the measured Imperial bushel. Equal quantities of the thirteen mixed together and tested gave an average weight of over 63 pounds to the bushel. Yet some of our enemies state that our wheat is all destroyed by frost.