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WINNIPEG, AUGUST 24, 1891.

Manitoba.

Mr. E. M. Wiles, merchant tailor has located at Carman for business.

A large number of fine cattle were shipped from Gladstone last week by Mr. Ironside for the British market.

Henderson's Manitoba, the Territories and British Columbia Gazetteer and Directory, 1891, has just been issued.

Gordon, of Pilot Mound, secured six car loads of cattle during his trip to the Moosomin district which he will export.

Neepawa Register: Indians brought in some \$86 worth of seneca root a few days ago. They got 19c per pound for it at the Neepawa drug store.

C. Christie, who recently moved to Wawanesa, from Shoal Lake, has leased his premises at the latter place to Dr. Lawson, for a drug store.

David Kilgour has taken Geo. H. Rodgers & Co.'s old stand at Morden and will open out about the 1st September with a general stock of merchandise.

Fire broke out in Alex. Spoers' stable, Griswold, last Monday. The stable, and lean to, together with three horses were burned. Geo. Lindsay's stable on the adjoining lot was also burned. Loss about \$3,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Jas. Collins, says the Brandon Sun, leaves on August 14 for Bristol, England, with seven car loads of fat stock. Some of these cattle are a credit to Manitoba, as they are all in good con-

dition, one steer in particular, which weighed a trifle over 2,000 lbs.

A thrugh C. P. R. tea train from Vancouver came to grief while passing through McGregor station, by striking a steer on the track. Fourteen cars were derailed and badly smashed up. The tea, which was not badly broken, will be shipped on new cars.

The union picnic of Winnipeg grocers, butchers, etc., will take place on August 26, to Brandon. A big turnout is certain. Trains for the accommodation of the excursionists will be run over both the Canadian Pacific and Northern Pacific railways, so that the choice of two routes to the Wheat City is given.

T. Moss, a cheese manufacturer, of High-bridge, Eng, was in Winnipeg last week. Mr. Moss came to this province with the intention of studying its suitability for the manufacture of cheese. If appearances suit him, as doubtless they will, he proposes to return to England and make arrangements to build several factories in the province.

The St. Malo creamery, near Joly, Man., was awarded a gold medal at the Jamaica exhibition for its butter. The proprietors, P. G. de La Borderie & Co., sent exhibits in tin boxes of one and two pounds. This process of putting up butter is after the Normanly and Denmark system, which gives the produce the advantage of exportation in foreign countries. This creamery was established in 1889. Grant, Horne & Buckzal, of Winnipeg, have secured all this year's produce of this creamery.

The Morden Monitor of August 20 says:—Barley and oats have been falling before the binder in this district throughout the week, while many farmers who possess a piece more forward than others have cut much wheat. By Saturday, August 22, the harvest will have become general all over, and the following week will be a heavy one for work on every farm within ten miles of Morden. The crops are simply immense, so much so that the present binders are found to be almost incapable of turning out the huge sheaves.

A company has been formed to assume the business of the paper mill at Portage la Prairie, and incorporation has been applied for, for this purpose, by the following persons: Robert W. Paterson, of New York, merchant; John W. Paterson, of Montreal, merchant; James C. Patterson, of Portage la Prairie, manufacturer; John T. Wilson, of Montreal, merchant; Geo. A. Merrick, of Winnipeg, merchant, and Thomas A. Anderson, of Winnipeg, merchant. The name will be The Manitoba Paper Company. Capital stock \$70,000. The head office will be in Winnipeg.

British Columbia.

J. Schmidt, clothier, Nanaimo, has sold out J. McGregor and Hobbs.

McEnnery & Billinghamurst, liquors, etc., Victoria, have dissolved. Now styled McEnnery & Co.

J. A. Skinner & Co., of Hamilton, Ontario, have opened their proposed Vancouver branch. J. A. Buscombe is in charge locally.

L. Hobbs has bought out G. Stefan's interest in the Palace hotel, Nanaimo. The latter will in future run the Italian hotel in place of G. Dunbar.

At the regular meeting of the council of the Nanaimo board of trade, it was decided to extend an invitation to Colonel Howard Vincent, delegate of the United Trade League of England, to visit Nanaimo, and deliver a lecture on the objects of the league.

Major & Eldridge, wholesale produce, etc., Vancouver, are having a large cold storage apartment established in connection with their business. McMillan & Hamilton are also having a cold storage room put in their warehouse.

W. E. Norris has resigned his position of the staff of the Nanaimo Free Press, and has opened an office in the interests of the Union Brewing Company, Ltd. The Union Brewing Company, Limited, has been incorporated with a capital of \$50,000 of which sum a great portion has been taken up by the business men of Nanaimo. A fine building has been erected, and will soon be ready for operating.

B. T. Rogers, manager of the British Columbia sugar refinery, has returned from Vancouver from a fortnight's business trip to San Francisco. He has been successful in many respects and as a result of arrangements made during his absence the refinery here will be modified so as to give it a capacity of about 150,000 pounds per day. Two new filters, additional pumps and return pipes will be put in and the capacity of the tanks increased so that the refinery will be able to turn out much more sugar than formerly. While in San Francisco Mr. Rogers purchased ex-warehouse \$1,200 tons raw sugar of a higher grade than any used heretofore.

Vancouver News: Yesterday Captain Webster, the manager of the Union Steamship Co., closed the negotiations for the lease of some land to be used as a shipbuilding yard in which to build the company's new steamers which are being brought out in the steamship Grandholm. He has selected some land on Coal Harbor on the east side of the floating dock. The land has about 300 feet of water frontage. A number of men are now employed clearing the land, and under the direction of H. Darling, the company's engineer, blocks will be put down on which to lay the keels of the vessels. A blacksmith's shop will be erected, and several other preparatious made, so that everything will be in readiness when the Grandholm arrives.

Victoria Times. The secretary of the board of trade, Mr. Elworthy, has transmitted to the members the following suggestion for raising funds for the new building. The available funds of the board, including income for the current quarter, will amount to \$5,000, and it has been suggested that each of the members loan the institution \$50, or more, free of interest. \$50 dollars each would produce \$7,500, and after paying for the land, leave \$2,400 towards a building fund. With such a small interest bearing debt on the premises, the revenue to be derived from rents of offices, etc., would admit of the repayment, at a comparatively early date, of the suggested loan, and also become a source of income to the board. It is therefore hoped that every member will aid the project in the manner suggested, and thus enable the committee to lay before the general meeting the plans of a desirable building, together with their scheme for repaying the cost of same.