

The Commercial

A Journal of Commerce, Industry, and Finance
 specially devoted to the interests of Western
 Canada, including that portion of Ontario
 west of Lake Superior, the Provinces
 of Manitoba and British Col-
 umbia and the Territories.

Sixth Year of Publication.
ISSUED EVERY MONDAY.
SUBSCRIPTION, \$2.00 PER ANNUM.

ADVERTISING RATES.

1 month weekly insertion	\$0 30 per line.
months, do	0 75 "
" do	1 25 "
12 " do	2 00 "
Transient advertisements, 10 cents per line each inser- tion.	

Fine Book and Job Printing Departments.

Office, 4 and 6 James St. East

JAMES E. STEEN,
 Publisher

The Commercial certainly enjoys a very much larger circulation among the business community of the country between Lake Superior and the Pacific Coast, than any other paper in Canada, daily or weekly. By a thorough system of personal solicitation, carried out annually, this journal has been placed upon the desk of the great majority of business men in the vast district designated above. The Commercial also reaches the leading wholesale, commission, and manufacturing houses of Eastern Canada.

WINNIPEG, MARCH 19, 1888.

M. E. JOHNS, hotelkeeper, Brandon, is out of business.

J. S. DOUGLASS & Co., boots and shoes, Winnipeg, are opening a branch at Emerson.

HAMILTON MORRIS & Co., general storekeepers, Morris, Man., have dissolved partnership.

THOS. MCKAY, dry goods and groceries, Pilot Mound, Man., has sold out to J. & J. Struthers.

J. D. PIERSON, late of the Commercial Hotel, Maple Creek, Assa., is said to be moving to Gretna, Man.

JOS. A. MERRICK, general storekeeper, Virden, Man., has admitted C. V. Anderson into partnership.

W. H. CONNORS' half interest in the Blockade saloon, Edmonton, Alberta, was sold at auction lately to Jas. Ross for \$600.

G. W. GIRDLESTONE has issued a prospectus of the Manitoba Cattle Co. (limited) which it is proposed to incorporate by Dominion letters patent, with a capital of \$200,000 in \$50 shares, the first issue being 2,500 shares. The company is to engage in horse and cattle raising and general live stock business at Baie St. Paul, Poplar Point and elsewhere in Manitoba. It is proposed to acquire the lands owned and occupied by the Assiniboine Valley Stock and Dairy Farming Co., together with all the live stock, etc., of that company. The land is situated 40 miles from Winnipeg, on the Assiniboine river. The directors of the proposed company are to be Robt. Tait, of Silver Heights, Colin Inkster, G. H. Balfour, G. W. Girdlestone and Felix Chenier of Winnipeg.

McCASKILL has leased the Ottawa hotel at Moose Jaw, Assa.

G. W. RAY will open a general store at Newdale, Man., shortly.

WM. DOWNS has taken the Occidental hotel at Moose Jaw, Assa.

C. CHRISTIE, grocer, Shoal Lake, Man., has sold out his business to G. Mauson, of Rossburn.

JOHN HANNA, saddler, Minnedosa, Man., has added a stock of boots and shoes to his business.

W. F. YOUNG has been appointed agent at Neepawa, Man., for the Manitoba Loan & Savings Co.

DAGG & HEWITT, general merchants, Selkirk, Man., have added a dress making department to their business.

W. McBRIDE has opened business at Moose Jaw, Assa., in boots and shoes and harness. He was formerly in business there.

JOHN MITCHELL, proprietor of the Grenfell House, at Grenfell, Assa., has fitted up commercial sample rooms for travellers.

MERRICK, ANDERSON & Co., wholesale agents in hardware, stoves, tinware, etc., Winnipeg, have moved to 99 Princess street, the premises lately occupied by G. F. & J. Galt.

J. DEAN the hardware dealer who was recently burned out at Gladstone, Man., lost all his stock, amounting to about \$3,500. He carried \$1,000 insurance. He will resume business at once, and already has a new stock en route.

AN Indian Head, Assa., correspondent writes: The breaking up of the once famous Bell Farm is going on. Several car loads of stock were shipped away. A local firm have seized the implements, consisting of steamers, binders, etc., etc., in payment of store bills long past due.

THE Grand Union Hotel, Wapella, Assa., has changed hands, W. F. Upton having purchased the interest of Fleming, of the firm of Fleming & Copeland, proprietors of the house. The new style will be Upton & Copeland. The house will be re-fitted, with special view to the accommodation of the commercial trade.

THE *Emigrant* for March has been issued, and forms a specially interesting number. A mining department has been added, under the direction of an expert. A very complete sketch of the renowned Beaver mine, near Port Arthur, is given, illustrated with several original sketches. The Killarney district, Manitoba, falls in for liberal attention.

THE Northwest Aerated Water Co. has bought the plant formerly owned by McFarlane, at Winnipeg, and will commence at once the manufacture of soda water, ginger ale, syrups, essences, cordials, and temperance beverages generally, giving special attention to English ginger beer. The company is a new one, formed in England, for the purpose of acquiring the plant. T. Richardson will be the local manager. The machinery and appliances are of the latest patterns, and were only in use a few weeks last summer. Premises have been secured in the Cauchon block, and the proprietors expect to have their goods on the market this week.

It is proposed to use British Columbia cedar for block paving Winnipeg streets this season.

THERE is a first-class opening in this town for a watch maker. So says a Rapid City, Man., paper.

BEN STEELE has bought out the carriage and blacksmith business of Wm. Shepherd, at Deloraine, Man.

THE *Alberta Live Stock Journal*, published at Calgary, has been amalgamated with the *Calgary Herald*.

The Russell house, at Emerson, Man., is about to change hands, R. Smith retiring and J. A. Williams taking charge.

CONNACHER & McMillan, produce, etc., Van couver, have dissolved partnership. Business continued by W. J. McMillan.

DR. MORRISON, druggist, who was burned out at Birtle, Man., a short time ago, will again build and open out in his old business.

O. W. HUMBER will have charge of the branch store to be opened at Rapid City by Humber & Boyd, hardware dealers, of Minnedosa.

H. S. Wesbrook, agricultural implement dealer, Winnipeg, has issued a large sheet in colors, showing cuts of the various articles handled at his ware-rooms.

R. EASON is preparing to build on the sight of the old Russell house, at Birtle, Man., which was destroyed by fire. The building will be large and well constructed.

A CHEESE factory is being established on the Assiniboine Valley Rancho, near Reaburn, Man. It is proposed to pay cash for milk and take delivery at patrons' farms.

ROBERT RUTHERFORD, postmaster of Balmoral, has leased the store lately occupied by Jas. Herald, at that place, and intends carrying on a general trade in connection with the post-office.

CARVETH & Co., pork packers and provision dealers, Winnipeg, are moving from their location on Princess street, to the premises lately occupied by Doyle, on Jemima street, as a packing factory, where they will have increased facilities.

S. D. RYAN, the gentleman who has purchased the saw mills at Keewatin, in which W. J. Macauley was interested, arrived from the south Thursday. He is a nephew of Dennis Ryan, of St. Paul, Minnesota.

THE adjourned annual meeting of the shareholders of the British North American Fire Insurance Company of Manitoba, will be held at the office of the Secretary, at Winnipeg, on Monday, the 9th of April.

THE following resolution has been passed by the Hamilton, Ont., board of trade, regarding the Manitoba situation: "That this council, having considered the reference to the want of shipping facilities for wheat in Manitoba and the Northwest and having learned that a deputation from the Manitoba Government has gone to Ottawa to urge the matter on the Dominion Government, hope that it may result in a solution satisfactory to all parties." A large minority of the members were in favor of a much stronger resolution.