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WINNIPEG, NOVEMBER 12, 1894.

Manitoba.

Ramsay, livery, of Lauder, is burned out.
 Crearer & Hawkins are opening a general store at Forrest.
 T. T. Atkinson is opening a general store at Hamiota.
 Morse, Bradfield & Co. of Melita, hardware, have dissolved. H. V. Morse continues alone.
 Fox & Hubbs, Methven, general store; stock advertised for sale on Nov. 13.
 H. A. Manwaring, general store, is closing out branch business at MacDonald Station.
 T. Dempsey is opening in flour and feed at Reston.
 Nation & White are opening an hotel at Souris.
 Winnipeg Jewelry Co., Winnipeg; stock advertised for sale under chattel mortgage.
 E. Cook, picture frames, etc., is starting in business at Winnipeg.
 H. C. Hamelin, general store, Lauder, is burned out.
 James J. Armstrong of Belmont, furniture and lumber, has assigned to Frank Burnett.
 The Carberry planing mill will be sold by foreclosure of mortgage, on December 1.
 Parish & Lindsay have opened a wholesale flour, feed and grocery store at Brandon.
 A. G. Bain, barrister, Winnipeg, died at the General hospital of typhoid fever.
 R. H. Staples has opened in the butcher business at Hollnd.
 W. I. Carveth will begin packing hogs at Rapid City.
 A meeting was recently held at Lauder to consider the advisability of starting a cheese factory there in the spring.
 Taylor bros. of Minnedosa, shipped a train of thirteen carloads of fine cattle eastward on Nov. 3.
 The Canadian Anthracite company announce reduction in coal in the Winnipeg market.
 The Robinson Fish Co. are re-building their ice-house and freezer at Selkirk, recently destroyed by fire.
 The Woodlands Chees manufacturing Co. of Woodlands, are winding up business, and will hold an auction sale of the stock and plant on Nov. 21.
 Geo. W. Smith of Portage la Prairie shipped a car of fat cattle and hogs to Fort William on Monday night. He is preparing to ship a car of dressed meat to Fort William.

H. H. Smith, merchant tailor, of Rat Portage, formerly of Winnipeg, contemplates re-opening business in Winnipeg in a few weeks.

R. S. Meadows, of the Winnipeg Jewelry Co., died at the residence of his sister in Milwaukee recently. Mr. Meadows has been in ill health for some time.

A fire occurred at Lander on Nov. 3, when Hamlin's store, Ramsay's livery stable, including part of the stock and dwelling, were destroyed. The cause of the fire is not known, but it started in the stable. The loss is estimated at \$7,000.

The following statement shows the value of goods exported and entered for consumption at Winnipeg, with duty paid thereon, during the month of October, 1894, compared with the same month, 1893.

Description.	Value 1893.	Value 1894.
Exported.....	190,306 00	260,012 00
Entered for Consumption, Dutiable.....	144,131 00	103,940 00
Entered for consumption free.....	60,713 00	74,929 00
Total for consumption.....	204,844 00	181,878 00
Duty collected.....	55,300 57	40,799 73

Regarding the item in The Commercial of last week to the effect that a Patron's store would be opened at Crystal City, Ruttan & Co. write from Manitou as follows: "In your last issue we notice on page 171 that some busy correspondent (no doubt interested in keeping us away) has sent you a communication, stating that we are opening a Patron's store in Crystal City. We wish to give the statement a flat denial and to state that we are opening a branch general store at that point, handling a general stock of goods the same as in Manitou, giving the Patron's a discount in consideration of their large cash purchases and in proof of which we enclose circular herewith." The circular referred to reads as follows: "The undersigned beg to announce that they have opened a general store in Crystal City, where they will carry a line of general goods suitable for the country and will be pleased to see all who wish to get the most goods for the least money. We will sell strictly for cash or produce, and at prices that will make it pay you to borrow money at a high rate of interest and buy from us for cash. Discount given to the Patrons of Industry in consideration of the large quantity purchased. Your patronage is solicited. RUTTAN & Co."

Saskatchewan.

Prince Albert parties are shipping vegetables to Regina and Moosejaw.
 The Prince Albert Advocate says: "R. B. Ferguson, the Regina furniture dealer, has rented the store now occupied by Joseph Courtney, who is retiring from the business here to assume the management of the Prince Albert brewery. The new store will be opened about the 14th inst. As well as furniture Mr. Ferguson will deal in carpets and bicycles, and act as a manufacturer's agent."

British Columbia.

A new store is being built adjoining the post office at Nelson, which, when finished, will be opened as a butcher shop by Farley & Traves.
 The electric street railway and lighting systems of Vancouver have been sold to an English company. The price paid is said to be \$350,000.
 The Government Inspector has seized an entire car load of Oregon apples affected with codlin moth. They were destroyed at the Vancouver crematory.

Northwest Ontario.

E. A. Chapman has purchased the Rat Portage News and proposes to publish it as a social labor paper, independent in politics.

W. D. McBean, grain merchant, Fort William, has taken an office with G. T. Ware in the building recently occupied by Cooper's confectionery.

The Rat Portage Record has the following regarding the sale reported last week: "The Regina mining property in Whitefish Bay, located by J. Henessy, J. A. McLean and Paul Proulx, has been sold to an English syndicate, of which W. G. Motley is the representative. This deal was carried through on Wednesday by the first payment of money. The price agreed upon was \$30,000. This property was partially developed by the original locators, Henessy, McLean and Proulx, and its value was thereby demonstrated. The company purchasing will probably do some development work during the winter for more active mining operations next summer."

Lumber Trade Item.

Mill No. 2 of the Ontario & Western Lumber Co. at Norman closed down for the season, after the most successful run ever made. The season's cut was nearly 11,000,000 feet of lumber and nearly 3,000,000 lath. The increased cut was due to changes made in the internal arrangements by which means a greater cut was made with less men than formerly.

A crew has left Selkirk for Lake Winnipeg to get out logs for next season's cut of the Mitchell mill at that place.

About seventy men are now at D. E. Sprague's lumber camp on the Roseau river or engaged in hauling supplies to the camp. A greater number of logs than any cut in past seasons will be got out this year for Sprague's Winnipeg mill.

Herbert Moulton, representing one of the largest lumbering firms of Northern Michigan has returned from a trip to the northern part of Ontario, where his firm anticipate establishing a branch business. Since the new tariff law came into effect, he says a number of wealthy lumbermen in Michigan have been looking toward Canada as a field in which to extend their industries. In an interview Mr. Moulton said the new tariff law affected lumber prices in the United States in about the same position as Canada would be in the event of annexation, and as the forests of Michigan are gradually becoming exhausted they are almost forced to look about and Canadians may expect a rush for mill sites in the northern part before long.

Grain and Milling News

A table showing the wheat crop of all the countries of the world for six years, was published in The Commercial last week. A mistake was made in the figures of the crop of the United States for 1893, a typographical error making the crop appear 175,000,000 bushels. The correct quantity is 475,000,000.

A deputation representing the Dominion Miller's association, waited on the government at Ottawa on Thursday. They protested against the mixing of wheat at Port Arthur and against the overloading of cars. They also wished some steps to be taken by the government to put a stop to the practice of mixing smutty wheat with No. 1 hard Manitoba.

The wheat market at Carberry, Man., this week has been active, about 60,000 bushels have been delivered at the elevators. The price on Monday jumped from 40 to 44 cents, and on Tuesday 45 was paid. The deliveries have been the heaviest in the history of Carberry.