

Manitoba.

Dr. Stewart will open a drug store at Plummas.

D. H. McLean is starting a brick yard at McGregor.

A furniture store is being opened at McGregor by Shirriff.

A. E. Summersfeld, general merchant, Plummas, has assigned.

S. H. Roseborough will open a jewelry store at Dauphin.

Lugrin is opening a butcher shop and fruit store at Rathwell.

Reid & Partridge have opened a blacksmith shop at Shoal Lake.

A. E. Pirt contemplates opening in the drug business at Cypress River.

R. Haslam has purchased the Arlington hotel, Market street, Winnipeg.

The first provincial crop bulletin will be issued the first week in June.

Stuart & Harper, Winnipeg, sold a 250 horse-power engine a few days to a New Brunswick firm.

Arthur Creighton has purchased the stock and business of Young & Co., hardware dealers at Cypress River.

T. Stubbs has opened in the furniture business at Carman. McCulloch & Ferris are also opening in that line.

Advance copies of the live stock prize list of the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition programme are being sent out.

J. Malcolm, hardware and lumber merchant, Rosebank, contemplates adding a meat and poultry department to his business.

One Ontario nursery alone shipped three carloads of nursery stock into Manitoba this week for distribution among farmers. This is an indication that interest in fruit growing, etc., is increasing.

The Portage and Northwestern railway will ask for further powers at the adjourned session of the Manitoba legislature to enable it build another twenty miles of road through the municipality of Manitoba westerly or northwesterly to the western boundary of the province.

L. Mitchell and other Winnipeg fruit merchants have communicated with the city council asking that the license on fruit peddlers be raised from \$15 to \$100. They urged that they are paying taxes, rents, etc., while there are about 30 or 40 peddlers selling fruits of inferior quality at small prices, without such expenses.

A meeting of the council of the Manitoba Pharmaceutical association was held at the Clarendon hotel, Winnipeg on May 10. It was reported that the following candidates had passed the major examinations recently: Wm. Young, Neepawa; W. Harrison, Neepawa; H. H. Agnew, Winnipeg; J. Mooney, Elkhorn; C. F. Oke, Morden; W. B. Wilton, Morden; G. A. Ostrander, Carman; J. P. Leveque, Winnipeg.

The upper floors of the fine, new McIntyre block, in Winnipeg, are nearing completion, and the apartments are being rapidly taken up by a good class of tenants, as fast as they are ready. John M. O'Loughlin, manufacturers' agent, will move into this block the first of next week. This means that the headquarters of the Northwest Commercial Travellers' association of which Mr. O'Loughlin is secretary-treasurer, will be in the new block. A number of commercial travellers have also taken permanent rooms in the block.

Alberta.

Carl Intermin will open a grocery store at Edmonton.

D. Morcault will open a general store at South Edmonton.

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Jos. Darragh has sold out his livery business at Oxbow to T. Wiggins.

D. R. Anderson, of Elkhorn, was the purchaser of the stock of Manson Bros., at Sinituluta.

Northwest Ontario.

Through tickets can now be had from the C. P. R. to Fort Francis and Mine Centre, as navigation is open on Lake of the Woods.

The steamer Van Horne arrived at Rat Portage from Rainy River on May 10. This is the first boat from Fort Francis.

The Dominion Express company will open offices on Rainy river, at Emo and Fort Francis, Ont., and will accept shipments for these points from this date.

The sailing of the steamer Keenora from Rat Portage for Fort Francis and intermediate points had to be postponed from the 11th to the 13th inst.

The steamer St. Andrew arrived at Port Arthur on May 7, from Goderich, being the first boat of the season to reach that port, thus opening navigation at Thunder Bay. The following day the steamer Manitoba, of the C. P. R. line, arrived at Fort William, followed later by the Alberta and Athabasca of the same line.

Tenders.

Tenders for the new addition to the Hudson's Bay Co.'s stores in Winnipeg close to-day.

J. H. G. Russell, Winnipeg, is calling for tenders, to May 15, for the erection of a residence.

Tenders are called by Rev. H. W. Ballock, Foxton, Man., to May 30, for the erection of a church.

Tenders have been let for the improvements to the post office and immigration buildings in Winnipeg.

The Manitoba Clothing Co., Winnipeg, invite tenders for the erection of a new store building, to May 16.

Plans for a new court house at Medicine Hat, Assn., have been prepared by D. Smith, of the public works department, Winnipeg, and tenders are called for the work.

Tenders addressed to the chairman of the Winnipeg committee on works, for the supply of a quantity of sewer pipe, will be received up to Wednesday, May 17.

The owners of the Thunder Bay mine situated in the township of Macgregor, near Port Arthur, are prepared to contract for the purpose of pumping out the shaft of the mine, and also for sinking said shaft for an additional distance. Address C. S. Campbell, 11 Hospital street, Montreal.

Tenders addressed to the chairman of the Winnipeg committee on works, will be received until Wednesday, May 17, for the construction of the following works, viz: Sewers—In Portage avenue, from Kennedy street to Carlton street. In Main street, from St. John's avenue to Redwood avenue, and in Redwood avenue from Main street to Atkins street. In Atkins street, from Redwood to St. John's avenue;

in St. John's avenue and the proposed street north of St. John's park, from Atkins street to the Red river. In Main street, from Church avenue to St. John's avenue. Macadam pavement.—On St. Mary avenue, from Main street to Hargrave street. On St. Mary avenue, from Carlton street to Colony street. On Kennedy street, from Portage avenue to Lillice avenue. Boulevard—On both sides of Kennedy street, from Portage avenue to Lillice avenue.

Dry Goods Trade.

The wholesale warehouse of R. J. Whitla & Co., Winnipeg, will close at 5 p. m. daily for the summer months. It is likely that other firms will follow this example.

In the color line cyano is the favorite of favorites this season. This color or shade is practically a cerise and runs from a light to a dark shade in that color.

Advances of 1-1c to 1-2c in staple lines of prints were made by leading New York houses last week, and mark the beginning of an onward movement in values that will carry all varieties of prints at least that much above spring prices. The recent advances in bleached cottons have been met by nearly all agents, and print cloths and allied goods are moving actively and are 1-16c to 1-8c higher than they were.

The strike of 120 spinners at the Merchants Cotton Manufacturing company continues. The management offered a general advance of 6.1-2 per cent in the wages, which they claim is 1.1-2 per cent better than the rate before the schedule of 1894. They further state the rate of wages for like work in the United States is not within three per cent as high as that which they now offer. The manager says: If the strike continues very long, the mills which now employ about 1,500 men will have to shut down.

This promises to be a very good season for sailor hats. There is a certain freshness and jauntyness or novelty about the sailors this season which is very attractive. To begin with they run mostly on the coarser brads. There is no very striking change in the shapes used, but the trimming is more taking than ever seen in any previous season. Many are trimmed with fancy silks, the bands around the crown being made with a fold of feet. The sailor hat at its best is bound to be a plain affair, because the nature of the thing does not admit of much trimming, but the mode of trimming the sailor hats this year gives them a character and style refreshingly new. Most of the sailors have a couple of quail feathers. The sales of sailor hats this season promise to be larger than in any previous season.—Globe.

Live Stock News.

Mr. Stimson, of High River, Alberta, has shipped a train load of stockers to his ranch.

Gordon & Ironsides have shipped six double decked carloads of hogs from western points to British Columbia this spring.

Insurance Items.

The Winnipeg office of the Equitable life has been moved to the new McIntyre block.

The Ontario Mutual Life Insurance company will hold its annual meeting at Waterloo, Ontario, on Thursday,