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WINNIPEG, OCTOBER 17, 1887.

JERMYN & DARROCH are preparing to purchase grain at Minnedosa.

CALGARY has been classed "C" by the Manitoba Board of Underwriters.

F. C. PATTERSON, stationer, Brandon, has sold out to — Cliffe, of the place.

C. D. BUSH has sold out his stock exchange to May & Co. and removed to the Pacific coast.

FRANK LIGHTCAP, Winnipeg, has opened up at 32 Princess Street for the purchase of hides, pelts and furs.

THE Union Bank is erecting a new stone building at Lethbridge for the accommodation of their business.

THE Occidental Hotel at Moosejaw has been reopened after undergoing extensive repairs, by J. H. Dickinson.

J. B. MANX, accountant of the Bank of Ottawa, has been transferred to the new branch of the bank opened at Keewatin.

T. IRELAND, brewer, Medicine Hat, is out of business.

VANCE & Co., fruit dealers, Banff, are giving up business.

GRAHAM & HEWSON, livery, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership.

MRS. HERSBERG, hotelkeeper, Vancouver, has sold out to Wm. Prout.

RANKIN & ALLEN, dry goods, Calgary, have sold out their branch at Banff.

R. R. Keith & Co., dealers in seeds and grain. Winnipeg—stock sold to A. Leith for 45c on the \$.

CLARK & SUTHERLAND, saw mill, Winnipeg, has sold out their St. Boniface branch to Fred Walker.

J. E. McCROSSAN, dry goods and grocer, Winnipeg, has sold out grocery business to J. R. Roberts.

WELLINGTON & MCKENZIE, general storekeepers, Calgary, are opening a branch at Athabasca, N.W.T.

F. FRASER TIMS, general storekeeper, Swift Current, offers his business for sale, intending to engage in the ranching business in future.

APPLICATION has been made to court to pay over to the plaintiff the sum of \$109,763.43, with interest, in the case of Wright vs. Winnipeg.

J. G. DOWNEY, of Minneapolis, is in Winnipeg, with the intention of locating in some of the grain centres to purchase Manitoba No. 1 hard.

THE stock of Woods & McBride, general storekeepers, Moosejaw, has been purchased by R. J. Whittle, Winnipeg, at sixty cents on the dollar.

A. J. SMALE has purchased the entire interest of the late firm of Smale & Somerville, boot and shoe dealers, Winnipeg, who continues the business.

MESSRS. F. A. FAIRCHILD & Co., wholesale dealers in agricultural implements, Winnipeg, are not contemplating a removal to the Gerrie Block, as was announced in the dailies in the early part of the week, their old premises being more adapted to their requirements.

F. H. BRAZER, merchant tailor, Winnipeg, is reported left for parts unknown.

THOS. MARKS & Co., merchants, Port Arthur, have sold out their retail grocery business to Wm. Bishop, who will continue under style of Bishop & Co.

W. J. CLOKER, representing the Mowat Manufacturing Company, Toronto, manufacturer of mowers, etc., is in town for the purpose of opening branches of that company through the Northwest.

JOSEPH WOLF held an auction sale of real estate last week with all the old time enthusiasm of the days of "boom" but failed to make a heavy sale, eight lots being disposed at \$1,072.50, the balance were then withdrawn.

SATURDAY morning at an early hour a disastrous conflagration occurred in Winnipeg, destroying property to the value of about \$30,000. The plant and building of the defunct Bishop Engraving and Printing Company, but latterly occupied by Messrs. Buckle & Sons, printers, and R. I. Boyd, bookbinder, being totally consumed. The high wind blowing at the time caused the flames to spread with marvellous rapidity, the efforts of the fire brigade being almost futile in their endeavors to check the fiery element. Burning fragments and sparks were carried blocks away, and in this manner the warehouse of Messrs. Tees & Perse, commission merchants, was also destroyed, the fiery cinders having been blown beneath their building, and igniting the lower timbers soon sealed its doom. By untiring efforts on the part of the firemen, a most serious conflagration was confined to these two buildings. The losses are as follows: The building was the property of the Ottawa Bank and was fully insured for \$4,000. Buckle & Sons estimate the value of their stock at about \$7,000, with an insurance of \$4,000. R. I. Boyd is insured for \$2,000, his loss estimated at \$4,000. Messrs Tees & Perse had a stock valued at \$10,000, insured for \$6,000. The building they occupied was owned by a Kingston gentleman whose agents are Messrs. Carruthers & Brock, who held insurance for \$3,000. John A. Tees loses about \$250, covered by insurance. The total loss is estimated at \$31,250; insurance about \$20,000.