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LEWIS POWERS, furniture dealer of Kingsville, Ont., intends shortly to give up business in that town and move to Manitoba.

Good oak wood is now selling in Morris for \$4 a cord. Does it take \$6 a cord to bring it to Winnipeg? where it sells for \$10.

THE trouble about the location of the Emerson bridge across the Red River is settled, so Mayor Carney has telegraphed from Ottawa.

MR. SWAZIK, restaurant keeper, Carberry, is giving up business in that town, and will move into Winnipeg to engage in hotel business.

BANSFIELD & SMITH, commission merchants Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership, and the business will be carried on by J. A. Bansfield.

THE high price of hops is being felt in Winnipeg also, and the local brewers have given notice of an advance in the price of beer and ale.

MCLACHLAN & COLLUM, hotel keepers, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership, and the business will now be conducted by Collum & McRae.

THE joists for the roof of the new C. P. R. depot are being laid and the building will be covered in within ten days from the present date.

DR. LANDRY has retired from the firm of Nagle & Co., grocers and liquor dealers, Main St. Winnipeg, but the firm name remain unchanged.

THE *Manitoba Mountaineer* of Nelson says that dressed hogs are selling in that town at 8c to 9c a pound, and fresh beef by the quarter at 9c to 10c.

GEORGE McDONALD, of the Grand Central Hotel, Winnipeg, has secured leases of the Toronto and C. P. R. houses, and is now conducting all three hotels.

HAMBLY & GRIFFIN, of the steam laundry, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership. Hambly removes to Regina, while Griffin will continue the business in Winnipeg.

WITH the opening of the C. P. R. branch to Morris, the erection of a depot and freight sheds are being pushed in that town, and will be completed before the end of the year.

THE new bridge across the Red River at Morris is about to be commenced at once and pushed with vigor during the winter. It will be 500 feet in length, and will be a substantial structure.

ONE side of the store-room on Main street, now occupied by W. A. Fowler & Co., jewellers, is being fitted up as a stationery and book department, and will be carried on by W. A. Perry & Co.

NELSON is to have telegraphic communication with the outer world by next spring, and contracts are now to be let for the supplying and erecting of the poles from the town to a point on the C. P. R. track four miles south.

SEVERAL specimens of iron ore have been picked up in the vicinity of Rapid City lately, and some who have made investigation assert that rich veins of this mineral are to be found there, which are quite close to the surface, and very easy to work.

THE pool which has been arranged between the *Manitoba Central and Canada Southern*

railways supplies a competing line to the Grand Trunk, between Chicago and the leading cities of Ontario, and it completes the link of Vanderbilt's lines from New York to Chicago through Canada.

THERE is not much chance of hay reaching the famine figures of last winter, but if prairie fires continue to burn stacks, higher prices may be expected. Over a dozen fires of this class have been reported from different portions of the province within three weeks, and in every case stacks of hay were destroyed.

Le Manitoban, published at St. Boniface by the Hon. A. A. C. LaRiviere, Provincial Secretary, announces that the Provincial elections will take place on December 23rd, and there is reason to believe that the announcement is correct. The time is short, and it is well so, as the excitement of the contest no doubt has a bad effect on business generally.

THERE is considerable complaining about the delay in running trains to Morris. There are thousands of bushels of grain around that town waiting railway transportation to Winnipeg. Since the closing of navigation roads have not been in a state for farmers to travel to Winnipeg or Emerson, and a rush of grain will greet the opening of freight traffic by rail.

THE latest Grand Trunk rumor is to the effect that that company are going to construct a line from Duluth to Pembina, Dakota, and thence westward to Devil's Lake, and that the right of way has already been secured. It does seem strange that these rumors do become common property before Mr. Joseph Hickson, the G. T. General Manager, can hear anything about the arrangements.

A CASE was decided in the Assize Court yesterday which was of interest to the business public, as it bears upon the point of oral contracts. The Gold Seal Oyster Co. sued Snyder for the balance of a bill for oysters, supplied to one Peteman, the payment of the same having been guaranteed by Snyder. Defendant denied liability on the ground of no written contract, but Justice Miller held the verbal guarantee good and gave judgment for plaintiffs for amount claimed.