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WINNIPEG, MAY 27, 1889.

M. GAGLIETTO & Co., grocers, are opening a store at Kamloops.

J. W. LUND, saddler, intends opening business at Prince Albert.

S. McKELVY, blacksmith, Gladstone, advertises his business for sale.

C. M. McLELLAN, blacksmith, Clinton, B. C., offers his business for sale.

T. W. RUTLEDGE, baker, Fort William, has sold out to Jas. Plummeridge.

ARTHUR BIGGAR is erecting a building for his pork-packing industry at Whitewood.

SKIDGATE OIL Co., Skidgate, B. C., have sold out to R. Tennant. Style now Skidgate Oil Works.

TENDERS are called for the erection of a brick building for a Lands' Title office at Portage la Prairie.

SCHUBERT & McDUGALL have gone into partnership and have opened the Vernon Hotel at Kamloops. B. C.

BRANDON is to have its new post office at once. Tenders are called for by the Dominion Government for its erection.

A BY-LAW authorizing the raising of a loan of \$125,000 for street improvements at Vancouver, B. C., was carried last week.

CHARLES STEWART, general merchant. Meadow Lea, is offering his business for sale, and contemplates giving up mercantile life.

In one of the provincial papers last week a Government advertisement was headed with a cut of "the glorious and immortal" King William III.

R. KEE, grocer, Brandon, is selling out and going out of business.

JOHN CURRIE, grocer, Winnipeg, offers to dispose of his business.

R. CAMPBELL, boots and shoes, Vancouver, B. C., is going out of business.

LUNDBERG & BECAN, fish, etc., Vancouver, B. C., advertise business for sale.

J. S. Clute & Co., hardware merchants, Vancouver, B. C., intend going out of business.

PAISLEY, MILLER & CASCADEN, general storekeepers, Brandon, contemplate dissolving partnership.

LEESON & SON, shingles, Vancouver, B. C., have formed a new partnership under the style of Leeson & Hawes.

NEUMYERS & PARES, brewers, Brandon, are about dissolving partnership; W. H. Pares disposing of his interest to G. Agg.

MOWATT BROS., general storekeepers and ranchers, Regina, are retiring from the general store business and purpose engaging exclusively in ranching.

THE Southern Manitoba Liquor dealers have formed a protection association and will meet at Morden on June 3rd to discuss trade matters generally.

A PEDDLER by the name of S. Narovlansky, while doing the Territories, was recently relieved of goods to the amount of \$500, during a short absence, of the proprietor.

THE firm of Wishart, Bishop & Co., wholesale and retail furniture dealers, Winnipeg, having been dissolved, the new firm in future will be known as the Bishop Furniture Co.

THE first disagreement in the camp of the Grocers' Association has developed, and is in the flour trade; the millers still selling flour at wholesale prices to farmers who are customers, being the ground of complaint.

CAPT. W. C. B. GRAHAME has formed a partnership with one Foussard, under the firm name of Grahame & Foussard, and opened up in the lumber trade in St. John, Dakota. In this manner both sides of the international boundary line are occupied. Van Etten & Grahame in Winnipeg and the new firm in St. John.

THE Prince Albert Times advises the residents of that town, on the confines of civilization, not to become unduly excited over the prospective railway, assuring them that a land boom is out of the question with their sparse population and the high prices for land that now prevails.

APPLICATION is made for incorporation by Benjamin Parkyn Richardson, Gilbert Wellington Faulkner, Richard Stuart Lake and Thomas Flemming, all of Grenfell, farmers, and Robert William Francis, grain merchant, under the name of The Grenfell Cheese Company. The capital stock of the company will be \$2,500.

APPLICATION for incorporation is made by George H. Strevel, Frank G. Walsh, Jefferson Davis, James M. Johnston and Henry J. Dexter, under the name of The Northwest Electric Company, with power to acquire, build, construct, erect, operate and maintain electric-lighting system or systems, electri-

street railways, electric motors, or other electrical power, in the province of Manitoba. The amount of capital stock to be \$100,000.

A MEETING of the market, license and health committee was held on Saturday evening, for the purpose of considering the tenders for the city scavenging and cremating. The tender of W. S. Reid for \$34,485 for scavenging and cremation for three years was accepted, he to provide the site for the crematory, the work to be done strictly in accordance with the specifications for each submitted, the scavenging to include the removal of the scrapings from paved streets, the same to be placed in heaps by the board of works.

On Friday evening at a meeting of the special committee of the Winnipeg city council on water-power, it was decided, on the recommendation of City Engineer Ruttan, to call in the services of J. T. Fanning, C. E., of the St. Anthony's Falls Waterpower Company, of Minneapolis, and secure from him a report on the available water-power of the Assiniboine River. Mr. Ruttan had previously communicated with Mr. Fanning, and received from him an offer to undertake the work required of him at a cost of \$30 a day while engaged thereon. The members of the committee readily assented to this expenditure, although the whole expenditure sanctioned to them by the council is only \$300. So far there seems to be a well-meant effort to push along this very necessary project.

NOTICE is given for the incorporation of The Saskatchewan Printing and Publishing Company (Limited), for the purpose of printing and publishing a weekly newspaper at the town of Prince Albert, and for carrying on the business of printers and publishers at said town. The capital stock is \$3,000; the applicants are: James McArthur, John Stewart, J. R. McPhail, Rev. Robt. Jardine, D.L., Thomas A. Davis, H. W. Newlands, James L. Johnston, Richard C. Wymore, Rev. John H. Howard, Samuel Macleod, Robert Buckley, William Plaxton, M.L.A., John M. Campbell, Alexander S. Stewart, George Brown, James Sinclair, Andrew Goodfellow, William Knox, Graham Neilson, Joseph Courtney, Charles Hamilton, William Gerrard, and James Moffat; all of Prince Albert.

THE Free Press of Wednesday states that definite news had reached Winnipeg on the previous day, to the effect that the Souris branch of the C. P. R., from Brandon to the coal fields, and an extension from Deloraine to these fields would be constructed this summer. For years these coal fields have been unworked for want of railway communication, and Manitobans have been paying fancy prices for coal the bulk of which went in long haul freight rates to the C. P. R. company. Now it is decided that the N. P. & M. will enter these coal fields, and the C. P. R. company are hastening to run two different roads there. Verily relief when it does come, comes in a lump. It will be interesting two years or so hence, when both companies are hauling coal west, north and east from these fields, to note the freight rates on coal from Port Arthur to Winnipeg. A calculation can then be made as to how much blood was sucked from this young country, by a voracious monopoly.