

## MANITOBA.

Sequoia is to have a business col-

The P. R. Co. will have expended \$50,000 on the railway shops at Winnipeg.

John Pringle has opened business in Winnipeg as manufacturers' agent.

J. Colmore, of Exeter, Ont., has opened up a blacksmith shop at Crystal Lake.

James Gathers, Dauphin, is shipping a considerable sawmill to Rainy River lumber during the summer.

Donald McCallister and James Thoms are in the implement business at Darlingford.

Selonds & Co., dry goods merchants, have started in business on Main street, Winnipeg.

Franklin, Man., is to have a farm or elevator this summer. The capacity will be 20,000 bushels.

Sieck & Co., photographers, Winnipeg, are seeking incorporation. The capital stock is to be \$80,000.

Butter is so scarce at Dauphin that merchants have been obliged to bring supplies from outside points.

A. G. Halstead, recently manager of the Hudson's Bay Co. at Portage la Prairie, will open up a private bank at that place.

The officials of the Selkirk fishery are busy planning for the present season.

The Brandon Hardware Company, Limited, is being incorporated to take over the business of The Jas. Roberts & Co., Ltd.

A Green River, Man., firm was fined \$50 on the charge of having bought away cattle, in contravention to the act in ranching.

E. F. Hatchings expects to commence boring for petroleum oil at his property at Bird's Hill, east of Winnipeg, this week.

J. H. Ashdown's new warehouse on Hamilton street east, Winnipeg, will be four stories high, instead of two as was at first intended.

Representatives of one of the big Minnesota lined oil companies have been in Winnipeg this week looking over the prospects for establishing a oil here.

H. Munro, who has been conducting a grocery and meat store at Portage la Prairie, will sell his effects by auction and leave shortly for Alberta to engage in ranching.

A fire broke out on Monday in the labour block on Horle street, Winnipeg, and slightly damaged the biscuit factory owned by Thomas & Rosser, commission merchants.

R. E. Trumbell, wholesale liquor merchant, with stores at Moonbeam and Brandon, is applying for a license at Brandon, and if given it will contract his business there.

The Winnipeg lined oil mills closed down on Saturday last after a run of about six months, and will not return to work until the next crop of flax seed is marketed.

The back and carriage business conducted for the past eighteen years at Portage la Prairie, by W. Jordan, has been purchased by Fred. Post. The business will be conducted at the same premises.

J. J. Philp, Dominion fruit inspector at Winnipeg, has started on the trip to the north of Manitoba and the Territories to advise the terms of the Fruit Inspection Act in anticipation of coming season.

W. J. Guest, fish and game merchant, Dauphin, is offering the frame building which he owns at 508 Main street on Saturday to erect a new building on the property in place to carry on his business.

A chartered pleasure boat is being built at Winnipeg by the Red river this summer. It is 100 feet in length, and will be fitted up for excursion parties for trips to river points.

It will accommodate 500 people.

The furniture business of R. P. Campbell & Co., Portage la Prairie, has been sold to Hay & Sons, of London, Ont. Mr. Campbell is one of the oldest firms of Portage, and has been in business there for nearly thirty years.

The bricklayers and masons of Winnipeg have been demanding an

increase in pay from 50 to 55 per cent. As the contractors were not willing to concede the request, it has been submitted to arbitration, and M. E. R. Nixon, who has for a number of years held the important post of grocery buyer for the Hudson's Bay Company, has been asked to arbitrate.

With E. W. Sprado, also a well-known Winnipegger, and together they will enter into a grocery business on their own account.

Brandon is to have its share of building activity this year. Many new houses are being erected, and the most important so far is a \$250,000 block for 22nd BROS. This building will be located on Kossar avenue and will contain three stories and basement. Part of it will be rented for offices, and the balance occupied by the owners. Burchell & Howay will also build a business block, also J. F. Hugginsbush, Jeweller.

Merrick, Anderson & Co., manufacturers' agents, Winnipeg, announce by circular that they have again taken the agency for the Dominion and M. & M. Imperial Standard scales and will hereafter carry a stock of these in Winnipeg. In connection with this agency they have established in their Winnipeg warehouse a scale repairing department, and have secured an expert from the factory of Burrows, Stevens & Milne and will henceforth be prepared to do all kinds of scale repairing.

## ASSINIBOIA.

The Medicine Hat News says: "The prairie fire which started along the railway between Irvine and Dunsmuir last Tuesday has proved the worst fire ever visited this district. Thousands of acres of prairie range have been burned over. High winds made it impossible to stop the fire. P. McLeay and fifteen men fought with it at the start into Ross creek at Demarey's ranch. Practically the whole of the country north of the C. P. R. is burned. A number of ranchers lost hay stacks, and C. Strong, of Walsh, lost his stock. At Portage la Prairie last week a fire has burned over the range on the north side of the river to the Red Deer. These fires are very serious affairs for this district. The N. W. M. P. turned out every day and did what it could to combat the fire."

## ALBERTA.

A steam boiler and machinery built for the Oblique Farmers of Peace river, are now on the way to their destination. The shipment consists of one propeller, 90x12, one boiler, 20x24, with two boilers and machinery complete; a launch set up complete, 27 ft. by 6 ft., and machinery for a launch, for which the hull is already constructed at Port Chippewyan. The weight is 20,000 tons.

## N. W. ONTARIO.

The town of Port Arthur is taking over the local electric lighting plant, with the intention of making it a municipal enterprise. Arbitrators have been at work placing a value upon the plant, and their award is that the city should pay \$38,129 to the company, which should be paid for the property.

The C. P. R. steamer Manitoba arrived at Port Arthur from Owen Sound on Monday and left on Tuesday with a complete miscellaneous cargo. This is the last passenger steamer out of Port Arthur this year. The Manitoba brought in 500 tons of freight and a first cargo.

A wire from Port Arthur on Tuesday said: "The shipping season at this port was practically opened on Sunday with the arrival of the Northwest Company's steamer Monarch, carrying a cargo of 1,100 tons of merchandise and two first-class passengers. The Monarch has on board 500 tons of through freight for the west, besides the first straight shipment of freight made from Port Arthur for many years, was also the first made over the new Canadian Northern Railway for pelts in Manitoba and the Territories."

Hamilton, Ontario, has a city improvement society, one object of which is to secure the beautifying of the city by the planting of trees, shrubs and flowers. The officers, who are at the head of the Dominion experiment-

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at farms, spoke recently in Hamilton, under the auspices of this society, on the question of tree planting in cities. Prof. Saunders spoke at length to a large audience, describing the best kinds of trees to plant and how to plant them. He also spoke of ornamental shrubs and flowers for lawns and gardens.

The market for grain freights is a thing but active, says the Montreal Trade Bulletin. Some of our steamship lines say they have been pretty well booked for May, but one of the same lines offered to take a good jag of heavy grain for Liverpool this week at 18-3d, and another asked is 18-3d for five loads to London. Glasgow freights are very quiet, and quoted at 18-3d; Manchester is quoted at 18-3d; Avonmouth, 2s to 2s-3d; Leith, 2s 6d; 2s-3d; Antwerp, 1s 6d to 1s 8d, and Rotterdam, is 1s 6d to 1s 8d. In four there has been further business at 18-3d per 100 lbs. to Liverpool and Glasgow, and at 18-3d per ton to London.

## STEAM LAUNDRY.

Good opening for a man with \$1000 capital. Address Box 431, Portage la Prairie, Man.

## FARM FOR RENT.

In Winnipeg District. Apply at The Commercial office.

## RARE CHANCE.

General store business and stock for sale in one of the best towns in Manitoba. Or would sell the hardware department separately. Would sell or rent building. Address: Bargain, care The Commercial.

## FOR SALE CHEAP.

The Ponoka Butcher Shop, doing a good business. Enquire of F. C. Case, Ponoka, Alberta.

## FOR SALE.

Butcher's Refrigerator, Sausage Machine, Block, Scales, Hooks, Tools, etc. Apply to Frank Russell, Box 203, Brandon.

## A CATTLE PROPOSITION.

Every head of breeding stock bought now will increase to several in a few years' time. I will buy you the right kind of stock from \$5.00 per head up and will keep them for you for a share of the increase. Write "Dairy-Rancher," care The Commercial.

## FOR SALE.

The undergranted offers for sale his stock of general merchandise at Beach \$100.00. In first-class shape and the turnover last year was about \$20,000.00. Selling in connection with stock and the premises will be sold or leased at option of purchaser. This is a splendid opportunity for a man with small capital. Payments (if required) for further particulars apply to E. J. Boucher, Boucherville, P. Q., Ont.

## SITUATION WANTED.

SITUATION WANTED as salesman in general store. Two years experience in dry goods, six years in groceries; Swiss class references furnished. B. Shepard, Dauphin, Man.

## Employment.

is now the question for many men. You can make money selling a complete assortment of fruit and ornamental stock for fall or spring delivery. Write for terms. Address: The Jewell Brothers, Co., Lake City, Minn. (Established 1868. One thousand acres.)

## FOR SALE CHEAP.

A J. & J. Taylor safe, 28x17 inside, with steel vault; also a Dayton computing scale. In use less than 3 years. Apply to C. E. Gutteridge, Deloraine, Man.

## BUSINESS CHANCE.

In the centre of the irrigated district of Alberta, Toronto, is a chance to get up to the last day of May, 1902, for the whole of the following season.

General Dry Goods of the approximate value of \$2,000.

Boots and Shoes of the approximate value of \$1,000.

The above is the stock in trade of the only exclusive dry goods business in the flourishing town of Lettbridge, population 2,500.

Mining, ranching and agricultural centre.

Particulars may be had upon written or personal application to the undersigned.

G. H. JOHNSTON,

Lettbridge, Alberta.

## NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, as hardware merchants in the village of Carleton Place, trading as Murphy, Brown & Co., has been this day dissolved by mutual consent of the said partners. All claims against the partnership are. All debts of the partnership are. All claims against the partnership are. All debts of the partnership are. All claims against the partnership are. All debts of the partnership are.

Dated at Carleton Place this first day of February, A.D. 1902.

(Signed) G. B. MURPHY,

H. W. BROWN,

J. J. ARMSTRONG.

Witness: (Signed) ROBT. A. GARLAND.

## MAIL CONTRACTS.

Separate sealed tenders, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 20th day of May, for the conveyance of His Majesty's mails, on a proposed contract for four years, over each of the following routes:

(A) Winnipeg post office and sub-offices, 3 times per week.

(B) Winnipeg post office and street letter box, 3 times a week, 1 time a week.

(C) Winnipeg post office and Canadian Pacific and Canadian Northern Railway stations, 12 times a week, or more or less frequently, as may be required.

(D) Between the mail trains arriving at and departing from the C. P. R. station and also to and from the mail room, the said station an often as may be required from the 1st July next.

Tenders will also be received at the same time for the above services, on a proposed contract for four years, from the 1st of July next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the post office and sub-offices in Winnipeg, and at the office of the post office inspector.

W. W. McLEOD,

Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector, Ottawa.

Winnipeg, 18th April, 1902.

WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS OF

character and good reputation. In each recent and in this country required to represent and advertise in established healthy business house of solid financial standing. Salary \$250.00 per month, expenses additional, all payable in cash each Wednesday. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manager, 215 Cassin building, Chicago.

OVER-ALLS, PANTS, SHIRTS, SMOCKS

Our traveller is leaving on his regular Spring trip and will shortly call on you. Kindly save him your overall orders.

The Hoover Mfg. Co. Ltd.

Maw's Block, Cor. King and William (opposite Leland Hotel), Winnipeg.