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Manitoba.

J. Mcnefather, M. D., is opening an office at McGregor.

Lamont & Co., druggists, of Treherne, have sold out to S. L. Taylor.

Geo. Vellie, hotel keeper, Winnipeg, has sold out to J. J. Welterhouse.

Alex. McIntyre, wholesale liquor merchant, Winnipeg, succeeded by Vellie, Carey & Co.

D. J. Dyson, & Co., spice mills, Winnipeg, have admitted C. L. Farnworth into partnership.

Horsely & Todd, butchers of Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership; Richard Horsely continuing.

Reid & Gorhardt, general merchants of Neepawa and Arden, have added Grugs to their Arden branch.

Thomas Huckell has let the contract for the building of his brick block at Carberry, to Bossons, of Portage la Prairie.

The book debts of the estate of Allan M. Chaney, of Brandon, insolvent, are offered for sale by tender at a rate on the dollar.

Murray & McDerpid, Winnipeg, have purchased the planing mill on Smith St. from the Commercial Bank. They paid \$5,000 for the property.

The high wind recently carried off the roof from the Revere house, Deloraine. The inmates were badly frightened, but no further damage done.

The Farmers' league, of Cartwright are making arrangements for purchasing their own binder twine this year. A meeting was held at which prices, &c., were considered.

The Portage *Liberal* of Saturday contains the announcement of H. J. Woodside's retirement from the editorial chair of that journal. The paper will be continued by Mr. Curtis, of Martin & Curtis, who has purchased the interest of Mr. Woodside in the concern.

H. G. McMicken, of Winnipeg, who recently returned from Chicago, brought with him the latest invention of the telephone. It is the Makrophone transmitter, and by adjusting it to the telephone the speaker only has to whisper to be heard distinctly at the other end.

A Winnipeg hardware man says: "On the 5th inst. there was shipped from Toronto via Owen Sound and the lakes, consigned to us, a carload of barbed wire, which was delivered to us here on the 9th inst., being only five days on the way. This is almost as fast as passengers can be carried, and we think that the C. P. R. are deserving of credit for their enterprise in matters of this kind, and in justice to them should be noticed in the public press."

The annual meeting of the Commercial Bank of Manitoba, was held at Winnipeg on Wednesday. The president's report stated that the bank has met with an increased measure of support from the general public, and has done a profitable business during the year. After paying a dividend at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, and providing for all ascertained losses and doubtful debts, the sum of \$10,000 was added to the rest. The paid up capital of the bank has been increased since last year from \$381,000 to \$525,000. The directors intimated that they had made arrangements to establish an agency in London, Eng., under the charge of R. A. McLean & Co.

A. J. Jackson, general manager, and A. W. Belfry, travelling agent of the Canadian Mutual Loan and Investment company, head office Toronto, were in Winnipeg recently with a view of establishing a branch of their company here. Their mode of doing business is on the building society plan. A branch was decided upon here and the following local board of officers and directors was selected from among Winnipeg business men: Mayor Pearson, President; Ald. H. McDougall, 1st Vice-President; Ald. T. W. Taylor, 2nd Vice-President; G. A. Glines, Secretary-Treasurer; Wm. Brydon, Valuator; Directors, D. E. Sprague, John Patterson, A. McMicken, W. F. Doll, George Brown, S. A. D. Bertran, Dr. A. H. Ferguson, G. H. Brown; Solicitors, Mulock & Roberts. Glines & Co., have been appointed local agents.

At the adjourned annual meeting of the Manitoba Medical association, which took place in Winnipeg recently, the election of officers for the year was as follows: Dr. Jones, president; Dr. Blanchard, 1st vice-president; Dr. Thompson, (Manitou), 2nd vice-president; Dr. A. H. Ferguson, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Hart, editor of the British Medical Journal, who is now on his way home from a trip around the world, was present and he was unanimously elected an honorary member of the association. Dr. Nuttall, Vacteriologist of the John Hopkins hospital, of Baltimore, Md., was also elected an honorary member. Interesting papers were read by Dr. Ferguson and McArthur. It was decided to organize a branch of the British Medical association in this province, which will be the first in the Dominion. The next annual meeting was fixed for the second

Tuesday in August, 1892. Four delegates were selected to represent the association at the meeting of the Canada Medical association, which takes place in September. These were, Drs. O'Donnell, Ferguson, Jones and McArthur.

Saskatchewan.

A party named Toogood has opened a confectionery store at Prince Albert.

The issue of Prince Albert debentures recently advertised has been taken up by the Imperial Bank at par.

The Queen's Hotel, Battleford, has changed hands, Mr. Arcand having leased it to Mrs. Callaghan and J. D. Dewan.

The Saskatchewan newspaper of Prince Albert says: Geo. R. Russell is out in the country with a man from Winnipeg purchasing cattle for shipment to Europe. They have already purchased 300 head.

A splendid pamphlet has been issued, descriptive of the district and town of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan territory. Those in search of a place to locate should write to J. C. Coombs, Prince Albert, Sask., for a copy.

"The heavy rains of the past week," says the Battleford *Herald* of June 5th, "have already made a marked change in the appearance of the country, and raised the hopes of the agriculturists. A gentleman who keeps a careful diary of his farming operations and of the weather says the spring opened this year just as it did in 1882, except that the rainy season set in two days earlier, and that the crops of 1892 were the best ever raised in the country.

Complaint is made at Prince Albert, that the mails for that place are delayed at Regina. Mail matter forwarded in time to reach Regina on the day the train leaves for Prince Albert, frequently does not arrive, it is said, until the following train, three or four days later. There is ample time at Regina to connect with the Prince Albert train the same day, and the Prince Albert people would like the mails forwarded from Regina the day they arrive, on train days. It is also stated that mails from Prince Albert, often lay over a day at Regina before being forwarded by the Canadian Pacific.

Alberta.

In the year ending October 31st, 1891, there were 117 homestead entries made in the Edmonton land office, and 8 homestead entries cancelled. Twenty patents were granted.

The report of the crown timber agent at Edmonton shows that 840,180 feet of lumber were cut by Moore & Macdowall and Lamaureux Bros saw mills last season, besides 326,166 shingles and 83,109 lath.

D. D. Mann, railway contractor, returned last Monday from the seat of operations on the Calgary & Edmonton railway. He reports the end of track five miles north of Battle river or thirty six miles north of Red Deer. Grading is going on within twenty miles of Edmonton.

At the cheese market at Belleville, Ontario, on June 9th 45 factories offered 3,904 boxes of cheese, consisting of 2,221 white and 1,683 colored, which comprised all the May makes of these factories. The following were the sales:—76 colored, 8½c; 593 colored, 8½c; 1,626 white, 8½c.