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CARSON has erected a blacksmith shop at Moosomin.

A LARGE hotel is being built at Shellmouth by G. Eoulton.

MES. GEO. AGNEW, Dominion City, is opening a general store.

W. A. MEIKLE, livery keeper, Calgary, has gone out of business,

G. F. R. HARRIS has opened a private banking office at Emerson.

WARD BROS., grocers, Winnipeg, have sold out their business to Roberts Bros.

THE Merchants' Bank has closed up the business of their branch at Emerson.

LEASK & Rosz, general merchants and druggists of Brandon, have assigned in trust.

PREST & Co. are about to open a wholesalo crockery and glassware house in this city.

THE Headlight Oil Co. have recently opened up in the oil and lamp goods business in this city.

THE M. & N.-W. will open their telegraph line for commercial work about the first of next month.

HERRIOTT & McColloch of Plum Creek have erected an elevator of 25,000 bushels capacity, which is run by steam power.

D. J. McLean, grocer, Winnipeg, has been closed out by landlord's warrant. Stock is advertised for sale on 28th inst.

GEO. H. ROGERS & Co., Winnipeg, have purchased the stock of Robt. McDowell, general storokeeper, Rapid City, at 40c on the \$.

LETTERS patent have been issued to N. Boyd, J. D. Carscadden, Jno. Peck, G. R. Crowe and J. Burrows as The Selkirk Lumber Company.

A REPRESENTATIVE of Bradstreet's mercantile agency has been in the city for the past few days and likely to open up a branch office here.

John Osborne has purchased the stock belonging to the estate of Wm. Stephenson, bardware and tin derler, Winnipeg, for 58½c on the dollar.

WM. TAIT & Co. have purchased the St. Boniface woolen mill. Machinery is to be at once erected for making the capacity double that of the old mill.

H. Shorey & Co., wholesale clothiers, who have closed their warchouse here will in future have an agency only at this point. Mr. S. O. Shorey returns to Montreal to-day.

JOHNSTON & Co. have purchased the grocery business of Blaiklock & Co., Emerson, and will carry on a general business. Blaiklock has opened out in the grain and provision line.

It is rumored that H. A. Strong is applying for the position of Emerson immigration agent in this city, and that a petition in support of his application is being signed by a large number of our leading and most prominent citizens.

The deposits in the savir pank last month amounted to \$531,581, an excess of \$67,039 over the withdrawals. The total amount of the deposits at the end of September was \$15,473,869, an increase of \$1,720,750 over the total at the end of September, 1884.

McCaul, McNicol & River, of Regina, are about to commence the election of a roller mill of 100 barrel capacity in that town. The machinery has been ordered through Robert Muir & Co. of this city.

THE committee appointed to look into the financial condition of the town of Emerson have completed their labors. Their report shows that es a compromise, they have got the creditors to agree to waive all other claims for the sum of \$120,000 payable in twenty years.

AT Shoal Lake on the M. & N. W. R'y building lots are being rapidly disposed of, and large quantities of lumber are being received for building purposes. A Mr. Marshall is going build a large storehouse for grain. A black-smith shop is to be built by one King and a carriage shop by a Mr. Simpson.

WORK has been resumed on the Regina and Long Lake Railway. The grading is finished to Long Lake and track laying is being pashed forward at the rate of a mile a day. A working staff of seventy men and twenty teams is employed at present, and it is expected that the road to Long Lake will be completed within ten days.

D. L. McKenzie, grain merchant of this city, intends commencing at once the construction of a storage cievator in Winnipeg of at least 75,000 bushels capacity, which he intends to have ready for receiving grain about the middle of December. It is by no means settled that the other clevator of 100,000 capacity, which the council refused to bonus, will not be proceeded with this year.

Some of the party who went to the Northern shore of Lake Winnipez on the preliminary survey of the Hudson's Bay Railway have returned to Winnipeg, and they report that a discovery has been made of a waterway for craft of six or seven feet draft extending North fully 150 miles from the lake, the only break being at a point where a lock and a canal of half a mile long is all that is necessary to complete this valuable channel of navigation. Major Jarvis is now exploring along its banks and may make further discoveries before he returns. Evidently the difficulties of a Hudson's Bay outlet are fast disappearing.