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WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 17, 1888.

John Huxtable, baker, Winnipeg. is offering to sell out.

BRANDON has a school population of 550.

Miss Sheppard, millinery, Winnipeg, is giving up business.

H. Crick, grocer, Calgary, has gone to Vancouver, B. C.

Fitzgerald & Ellis, auctioneers, Calgary, have dissolved partnership.

THE census of Rapid City shows there are 118 children of school age.

McCaughy & Beattie, hotelkeepers, National Park, have dissolved partnership.

STEWART BROS., of Miniota, propose starting in business as blacksmiths at Brandon.

JOHN CABLE, liveryman, Carberry, Man., has sold out and removed to Rapid City.

Madell & Robinson, dealers in wall paper, etc., Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership.

THE Saskatchewan river, on December 1st, was open at several places below Battleford.

JOHNSTON & Co., clothiers, etc., Emerson, are giving up business and removing to British Columbia.

A. W. DRAPER, late of Macleod, Alberta, it is said, has gone into the drug business in Vancouver.

ROBERT KERR will build an implement warehouse at Rapid City, Man., for the Massey manufacturing company.

THOMAS McCaughey and Francis Beattie, Banff Hot Springs Hotel, have dissolved partnership. Francis Beattie continues.

THE Portage tax sale was very successful.

ONIONS away up north, at Edmonton are worth \$4 per bushel.

THE C.P.R. authorities contemplate erecting a new passenger depot at Keowatin

THE *Keewatin Hustler*, is the name of a paper to be started at Keowatin, Lake of the Woods.

FRANK A. FAIRCHILD, wholesale implements, Winnipeg, returned home on Saturday from a trip south.

W. LITSTER, of Carberry, will represent the implement firm of John Elliott & Son at Neopawa, Manitoba.

HUNTER has opened a millinery and fancy goods store in the building vacated by Darroch, at Minnedosa, Man.

THE well known hardware dealers of Minnedosa, Manitoba, Humber & Boyd, have dissolved partnership. J. F. Boyd continues the business.

Y. C. KITELY & Co, merchant tailors, Calgary, have purchased the tailoring department of Rankin & Allan, general merchants of the same place.

GREGORY BARRETT, who passed his examination as barrister and attorney in November, will locate for the practice of his profession at Carberry, Manitoba.

A BY-LAW to grant a bonus of ten thousand dollars to establish reduction works for reducing silver and gold ore and for other purposes, will be voted on at Rat Portage on January 9th next.

THE settlers in the Battleford district, Saskatchewan territory, are going into sheep raising extensively. A herd of two hundred head was recently brought in from Montana, by J. M. Skelton.

THE loss by the recent fire in the McClary Manufacturing Company's works at London, Ontario, is estimated as follows: \$15,000 on one building; \$5,000 on the second; machinery and stock, \$60,000. The insurance is about \$50,000.

AT the last meeting of the Calgary council, a communication was read from a woolen manufacturing firm at Rapid City, asking what inducements the town would hold out for the establishment of a factory. It was referred to the finance committee.

GEORGE CRAIG & Co., the large dry goods dealers of Winnipeg, and who also have a general store at Portage la Prairie, have arranged to dispose of the Portage branch of their business to J. E. Brown, of Brown Bros., Paisley, Ontario, and Edward Brown, his brother.

J. R. TACEY, stove and tinware dealer, Winnipeg, who recently patented a heating apparatus which is pronounced a great fuel saver, has sold out his rights in the United States for \$10,000 to St. Paul parties, who have organized the "Tacey Radiator Company." Tacey retains the Canadian right.

THE Brandon council for 1889 will consist of the following: Mayor, A. C. Fraser; Aldermen, A. Kelly, James Russell, G. R. Coldwell, Charles Pilling, John A. Brown, T. E. Kelly, N. J. Halpin, and W. E. Flummerfelt. It is believed that this council will compare very favorably with former years.

It is stated that the anthracite coal mines, near Banff, Alberta, will shortly be worked by a force of 500 men. The mines have been closed down since last summer.

B. B. BRADLEY has sold his butchering business at Qu'Appelle Station, Assa., to C. A. Bonner. Bradley will resume his former business at Qu'Appelle, that of brewer.

GODDARD, of Toronto, a member of the company which will operate the Saskatchewan coal mines, near Medicine Hat, Assiniboia, arrived at the mines recently. He says work will be commenced at once.

CALGARY *Herald*: Some considerable sales of town property have been made of late which bodes well for the future of the town, as these sales were made for cash and to persons who have been acquainted with the town and its prospects for two or three years.

HOUGH & CAMPBELL give notice of application to the Dominion Parliament for an Act to authorize the city of Winnipeg to construct and maintain all works, canals, dams, mill-races, gates, locks, buildings, machines and all other things necessary to obtain or make use of the water-power of the Assiniboine river.

W. E. DAVIS, of the Edison Electric Light Company, has arrived in Winnipeg from New York. He states that a contract has been about closed with the Winnipeg Electric Light Company for putting in 2,500 incandescent lights in this city, and work will be commenced in the spring. It will be altogether for interior purposes. The company will also erect a station at Brandon, with a capacity of 450 incandescent lights.

A CABLE from London, England, says: McLean and friends, who desire to introduce new blood into the Hudson's Bay Company management, are determined to continue the agitation, and have formed an association to promote a more advanced policy. It is believed that, seeing the large support given, the movement at the meeting, the board will speedily effect some change of methods in northwest trade.

THE Bank of British North America has decided to open a branch at Brandon, Manitoba, H. M. Breedon, manager of the Winnipeg branch, visited Brandon recently, and after inspecting the situation, decided that Brandon would be a desirable point for the establishment of a branch. A building was accordingly secured and the bank will be opened shortly. The establishment of a branch of this sterling financial institution at Brandon, is another evidence of the prosperity of Manitoba's western city.

A BOARD of trade was formed at Macleod, Alberta, recently, when the following officers were elected: President, D. W. Davis; vice-president, J. B. Smith; secretary-treasurer, D. J. Campbell. Committee, T. H. Steadman, A. F. Grady, H. Taylor, G. A. Kennedy, C. E. D. Wood, J. Cowdry, and J. Hollies. A committee to frame by-laws was appointed. A resolution was adopted requesting the immediate construction of a bridge over the Old Man river at Macleod. Parliament granted \$10,000 for the erection of this bridge some time ago, but the Government has been very slow in undertaking the work.