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WINNIPEG, APRIL 5, 1887.

Fat cattle bring 3½c at Brandon.

H. WILSON, tailor, Oak Lake, is dead.

B. GORDON will shortly open a wholesale grocery at Vancouver, B. C.

BATCHES of immigrants are arriving at the C.P.R. depot almost every day.

LAFAYETTE FRENCH, butcher, Banff, Alberta, has added groceries to his business.

WELLINGTON & MCKENZIE will open a general store at Calgary, about the middle of April.

A. E. SMITH, shoemaker, Virden, has bought out Louis Bourdon, Winnipeg, in the same line of business.

THE Thunder Bay Colonization has been changed in name to the Port Arthur Duluth & Western railway.

THE firm of W. E. Sandford & Co, wholesale clothing, Hamilton, will be incorporated as the Sandford Manufacturing Co.

JOHNSTON'S new hotel at Anthracite, Alberta, in the mountains, has been opened.

THE Rainy Lake Lumber Co's mill at Rat Portage will commence sawing about April 15th.

A. L. JOHNSTON, general storekeeper, Cartwright, Man., has sold out to Burk & Strome.

THE Winnipeg *Manitoban* will shortly take the morning field. The name of the paper may be changed.

DUNN & LINEHAM, butchers and stock dealers, Calgary, are having plans prepared for a block of three stores.

THE Rat Portage *Progress* has ceased to exist, and the *News* now occupies its place, published by Holmes & McCrossan.

HAZELWOOD & Co have opened a wholesale establishment in Winnipeg, in biscuits and confectionery, at 118 Princess St.

THE Rat Portage *News* reports that the Keewatin Lumber Co., will open a yard at Winnipeg, with R. F. Souter in charge.

REPORTS were coming in last week from various sections of the province and territories, that seeding operations had commenced.

THE Dominion Government has disallowed the act of the Manitoba Legislature, chartering the Souris, Brandon and Rock Lake railway.

THE journeymen tailors of Winnipeg, have gone out on strike, the employers having refused to accede to the demand for higher wages.

JAMES HAY & Co., furniture manufacturers, Woodstock, Ont., have opened a branch warehouse in Winnipeg, and are now ready for business.

THE value of property within the corporation of Calgary is placed at \$1,297,000. The rate of taxation will probably be about 10 mills for all purposes.

A CALGARY dealer has received orders from Victoria, B.C., for 500 beef steers. This does not say much for the condition on the British Columbia ranches.

THE Calgary *Tribune* says: Sir John Lister Kaye's foreman was in town last week and has decided to establish a farm of about 12,000 acres in the vicinity of Langdon. A staff of men will begin operations in a short time.

A PETITION is being circulated at Selkirk to be presented to the Dominion Government, asking that docks be constructed at that place.

THE following is the tariff of fares charged on the Saskatchewan and Western railway for passengers: First class, four cents per mile; Immigrants, two cents per mile.

THE Northwestern Railway Co will shortly have a handsome dining hall opened at the Birtle station. As the station is a mile from the town hall it will be of great convenience.

THE total amount of seed grain to be delivered at Regina station is as follows: Wheat, 6,468 bushels; barley, 693 bushels; oats, 10,727 bushels. About 250 farmers have now been supplied.

BUILDING material is said to be in good demand at Brandon as for the same time last year. It is thought that a considerable amount of building will be done this season notwithstanding the quiet times for the past year.

OWING to the death of Alfred Mackeand, the wholesale grocery firm of Turner, Mackeand & Co have been dissolved, and is now in liquidation. The surviving partners will carry on the business under the same firm name.

THE lumber mill men at Keewatin, which place is included in the municipality of Rat Portage, considered that they were taxed too heavily in proportion to other parts of the municipality and for the advantage they received in return. They objected to paying the taxes, and got up a petition to the Government, asking that Keewatin be formed into a separate municipality. The Rat Portage people objected strongly to the withdrawal of the mill men from the municipality, and a deputation was sent to Toronto to look after the interests of the council. A compromise has since been effected by the Rat Portage council agreeing to exempt logs and lumber from taxation; remit one-half of taxes on mill buildings, plant, etc., except school rates; and exempt all mill property from any debenture by-laws which may in future be passed by a majority of the people in the western part of the municipality. The arrangement will apply to all mill property in the township of Rat Portage.