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WINNIPEG, JANUARY 5, 1886.

A. P. SAMPLES & Co., butchers, Calgary, have sold out.

W. J. BARKER has opened a general store at Prince Albert.

THE Commercial Hotel, Morden, is advertised for sale by auction.

THE Caldwell Hotel, Rapid City, was burned on Sunday morning.

D. C. MCKINNON, hotelkeeper, Brandon, offers his business for sale.

THOS. TOWERS, hotelkeeper at Brandon, has sold out his business to F. White.

ACCORDING to the Edmonton Bulletin strong bakers' flour is worth \$10 at Victoria and \$15 at Lao la Riche.

OSMENT & FREEMAN, general storekeepers at Indian Head, have dissolved partnership, and the business in future will be carried on by A. I. Osmont.

STEAMBOAT inspector E. R. Abell has moved his office from Winnipeg to Selkirk.

MR. J. W. CASTELLO has been appointed inspector of weights and measures at Calgary.

THE merchants of Manitou have adopted the early-closing system for the winter months.

P. C. DONOVAN, M.D., and drug storekeeper at Neche, Dak., has opened a branch store at Gre'na, Man.

THE Calgary Board of Trade will petition the Minister of Militia, in the matter of the unsettled rebellion claims.

ANOTHER grain warehouse is being built at Shoal Lake, in addition to the one being erected by the railway company.

THE first shipment of green hides ever made from Battleford, was forwarded to Winnipeg a couple of weeks ago.

MACHINERY for a saw mill and blacksmith shop was forwarded to the Hungarian settlement near Neepawa, last week.

A PUBLIC meeting has been held at Neepawa to discuss the matter of building a roller flour mill and elevator. No conclusion was arrived at.

EIGHTY-EIGHT shares out of a total of 200 shares, have been subscribed for by Hanlan farmers, with a view to starting a cheese factory.

MAILS west of Canmore, the western terminus of the C. P. R. for this winter, will be run by dog train to Golden City and Farwell, once a fortnight.

JAS. BARR has opened a general store at the end of the Manitoba Southwestern track. Bailey & Duffie are erecting a feed and sale stable at the same place.

A BRITISH COLUMBIA coal dealer has been making inquiries to ascertain the cost of coal in the Northwest, with a view to shipping coal from British Columbia to western points in the Territories.

THE deposits in the Winnipeg branch of the Dominion Government Savings Bank, for the month ended 31st December, 1885, were \$65,724.94. The withdrawals were \$45,038.63. The excess of deposits over withdrawals was \$20,686.31.

ONE of our foremost commercial travellers, T. J. Lawlor, for many years with Messrs. Thibaudeau Bros. of this city, left yesterday for Killarney, Man., where he is opening up a general store.

THE farmers of the Hanlan district, near Portage la Prairie, talk of building a flour mill on the co-operative plan, alleging as a reason that the local millers "take the grist and leave them the toll.

W. T. RUTHERFORD, formerly a cigar manufacturer in London, has opened up business in Winnipeg as a manufacturer's agent, in the same class of goods, and has located in the Clements' block.

THE early closing system came into effect in Winnipeg on Monday evening. Dry goods dealers, stationers, etc., now close their places of business at 7 p. m., and grocers at 8 p. m., every evening except Saturday.

RAPID CITY was the scene of a disastrous fire yesterday in which Caldwell's Hotel and Newcomb's billiard parlor were completely destroyed. Incurdianism was supposed to be the cause. No insurance.

THE Manitoba Live Stock Company is the name of a new corporation formed for the purpose of stock raising, principally sheep. About 1 000 head of the latter have been placed on the Company's property near Rapid City.

THE new winter time table on the C. P. R., went into effect on Monday. The changes at Winnipeg are as follows: The Port Arthur train will arrive at 8:10 a. m. and leave at 6:15 p. m.; and the one going will leave as now, at 8:40 a. m. From Moosejaw west, there will be three trains a week; namely, on Tuesday's, Friday's, and Saturday's.

THE Inland Revenue returns for the month of December show an enormous increase over the same month last year. The receipts are nearly \$8,000 in excess of those of 1884.

	1885.	1884.
Tobacco	\$4,615 60	\$2,107 38
Spirits	14,743 26	10,288 54
Malt	1,209 87	158 96

\$20,568 73 \$12,554 88