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WINNIPEG, JULY 6, 1886.

J. A. Lock, grocer, Winnipeg, has given up business.

W. C. RAMSAY, blacksmith, Prince Albert, has sold out.

F. CONNELLY, fruit dealer, Winnipeg, is reported away.

WM. FERRETT, jeweller, Winnipeg, has given up business here.

JOHN GURN has opened an hotel at No. 9 Portage Avenue East.

A. B. MACKAY & Co. have opened a drug store at Battleford.

PASSENGER cars run daily on the Regina & Long Lake railway.

ONE store at Morden took in over 1,000 dozen of eggs in one day last week.

CLIMIE & ROBERTSON, furciture, Lothbridge, have sold out to John Craig.

P. J. McDERMOT, general storekeeper, Minnedosa, is moving to Shoal Lake.

SUTHERLAND & ATHERTON, Fort Qu'Appelle, have obtained an extension of time.

A. LINDSAY and Wm. Patterson will open in the provision line at Stonewall.

HERBERT SIMPSON will stock a ranch in the Calgary district with Oregon cattle.

McINTYRE & DAVIDSON, jewellers, Calgary, have opened a branch at Edmonton.

A POST OFFICE will be opened in the German settlement of New Alsace, near Regina.

The post office at Silver City, in the mountains, known as Silverton, has been closed.

FIFTY Hungarian families have settled 20 miles north of Whitewood, Assa. The settlement will be known as Esterhaze.

DR. BRETT has returned from the Banff hot springs, where he has been superintending the erection of his hotel and sanitorium.

THE Imperial Loan Co. have commenced business in this province, having opened an office at Brandon, which place will be their headquarters.

A SHIPMENT of creamery butter has been made by the Ontario Agricultural College, from Guelph to Edinburgh, and it is intended to continue consignments.

THROUGH passenger rates on the Canadian Pacific to Vancouver have been fixed at \$95 from Quebec, \$92.50 from Montreal, \$88 from Toronto. Colonist fares from Quebec are \$59.

THERE is keen competition this spring at North Saskatchewan points for the fur of that region. One trader lately sold his stock of furs at Edmonton, for \$8,000 and another for \$4,500.

ONE of the barges which left Medicine Hat, with freight for Prince Albert, came to grief on the south Saskatchewan. The freight which consisted of hardware for J. F. Johnson and furniture for W. B. Goodfellow, was somewhat damaged.

ABOUT 775,000 bushels of grain have been stored in the C.P.R. elevator at Montreal to date. A new elevator will be erected at once, at a cost of \$200,000, to provide accommodation for the rapidly increasing grain-carrying trade of the road.

MOORE & MACDOWELL of Prince Albert, contemplate opening a lumber yard at Battleford.

THE Dupont Powder Company of Wilmington, Delaware, have completed the construction of an extensive magazine near Winnipeg in which they will store a large quantity of their sporting and blasting powders. This will be the death of the powder monopoly, which has existed in the Northwest heretofore, and will be welcomed by men in that line all over the country. We understand that Messrs. Miller, Morse & Co., hardware merchants, have been appointed Northwestern agents of the Dupont Company.

THE liquor licenses, which expired on the first of June, have not yet been renewed, and there is a vague uncertainty hanging about the business which seems to be the delight of the officials in this department. All the hotel-keepers in the city, with the exception of two lately burned out, have applied for renewals, and two new hotels have stocked up with liquors, with the expectation of getting licenses. Holders of shop licenses have also applied for renewals, with but one or two exceptions.

THE Western Judicial Board has given instructions to test the liability of the Northwest Land Co. for taxes on their lands. This landed monopoly has heretofore refused to pay taxes, sheltering itself behind the tax exemptions enjoyed by the C.P.R., from which latter company the lands were obtained. A test will also be made as to the liability of the C.P.R. Co. for taxes on cancelled lands, that is lands which have been sold by the Company, but have reverted again, through the non-fulfillment of obligations on the part of the purchaser.

THE syndicate of gentlemen who have purchased the St. Boniface soap factory have at once commenced work to put the factory in order for permanent operations. A first-class practical man will be immediately secured, under whose direction the establishment will be refitted with the most modern appliances for the manufacture of all qualities of laundry and toilet soaps. Machiuo oils, glue and other products will also be manufactured in connection. Those interested in the scheme have every confidence in their ability to supply the home market with their goods. The company have applied for incorporation.