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WINNIPEG, APRIL 12, 1887.

H. B. ROSE, tailor, Winnipeg, has assigned in trust.

SCOONS & Co., auctioneers, Winnipeg, have sold out to Hutton & Co.

JAS. WHITE, tinsmith, Rapid City, is adding hardware to his business.

THOS. ORMISTON has opened a blacksmith shop at Fort Qu'Appelle.

W. D. COATE, druggist, Rat Portage, will open a branch at Keewatin.

KERR & SIBBALD will open a grocery and butcher shop at Rapid City.

JOHN WEYMSS, barrister, of Winnipeg, will open a law office on Neepawa, Man.

THERE is some prospect of a drug store and a lumber yard being opened at Stonewall.

F. DIXON, of Elkhorn, has rented the Ottawa house, Virden, from J. Cobb, the late conductor, who will go into farming.

H. G. JOHNSON, general storekeeper, Shellmouth, Man., has assigned in trust.

PEDDIE & Co., agents and importers, Winnipeg, have moved to No. 31 Princess Street.

HEADLY & STRIPP, hotelkeepers, Boissevain, Man., have dissolved partnership. Headly continues.

HUNT & DICKSON, grocers, Winnipeg, have dissolved partnership. The business will be closed out.

BLAND & VEASEY, of Fargo, Dakota, have bought out the photo business of Parkin & Co., of Winnipeg.

HALPENNY & Co., wood, brick, etc., Winnipeg, have dissolved; Halpenny continues under same firm style.

E. PENNER & Co., general storekeepers, have opened a tin shop in connection with their Morden business.

DURING March the C.P.R. land agent at Calgary, disposed of 1962 acres of land, at an average price of \$4 per acre.

THERE is a movement in northwestern Manitoba to separate from the western judicial district, and establish a new judicial division.

J. CRERAR, barrister, of Minnedosa, was presented with a meerschau pipe and an address, previous to his leaving that place for Birtle.

THE butchering business carried on in the Winnipeg, city market by S. Knight, will hereafter be conducted by Knight & McKittrick.

A BUCKET-SHOP has been opened at Brandon, and the speculative fraternity of that place are being initiated into the mysteries of Chicago options.

THE Rat Portage council have decided to purchase a Ronald steam fire engine and 2,000 feet of hose. Debentures will be issued to raise the necessary funds.

SECRETARY J. O'Loughlin, of the Northwest Commercial Travellers Association, has received notification that the certificates of the association will hereafter be honored and entitled the members to reduce fares at any stations on the eastern division of the C.P.R. Up to the present the members were only entitled to consideration on the western division of the road.

FARMERS in Southern Manitoba are said to be taking considerable lumber this spring, which indicates that building is going on to some extent in that part of the province.

H. C. McQUARRIE has secured the blacksmithing business formerly carried on at Stonewall, by John Montgomery. The latter will continue his hardware business at the same place.

THE C.P.R. are calling for a supply of beef by tender, for the Pacific division. The beef will have to be procured in the territories principally, owing to the short supply in British Columbia.

A SECOND company has been formed to prospect for oil in the Lake Dauphin district, Man. Experts who have examined the territory claim that the indications are most favorable for a very rich find.

THE fifth annual report of the Canada Northwest Land Company says the sales of farm lands and town sites were satisfactory last year, that settlement is increasing, free homesteads are being rapidly taken up, and that a material increase of sales is expected in the near future.

THE annual meeting of the Manitoba Mortgage Investment Company was held in London, England, recently. The report was satisfactory, and a dividend of eight per cent. was declared. To increase the sphere of operations of the company, it was proposed to increase the capital by 25,000 preference shares of £10 each.

THE following persons, who are to be the first directors of the proposed company, have applied for incorporation, under the name of "The Manitoba Packing and Provision Company (Limited)": T. J. Montgomery, agent; George W. Girdlestone, insurance agent; John S. Aikins, agent; J. A. M. Aikins, barrister; William H. Culver, barrister; William Ferguson, pork packer, and George H. Balfour, bank manager, all of the city of Winnipeg. The object of the Company is to carry on business in slaughtering and curing beef, pork, and deal in stock, produce etc. The amount of capital stock is placed at \$50,000, in shares of \$100 each. This is the company which a short time ago secured from the City Council the privilege of carrying on a slaughtering business on Point Douglass avenue east.