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WINNIPEG, MAY 11, 1886.

JOHN WILLIAMS is opening a drug store at Killarney.

THE Elkhorn grist mill scheme is progressing favorably.

J. H. FRASER is building a grain warehouse at Morden.

AN Icelandic colony has been established near Shellmouth.

THE Echo is the name of a newspaper started at Shoal Lake.

— TENDR, of Wapalla, has gone into the furniture business.

COONEY & MCKENZIE are erecting a livery stable at Killarney.

C. D. ANDERSON has opened a grocery store at 245 Main St., Winnipeg.

It is stated that Calgary will be made head

quarters for the Dominion Express Co., for the western division of the C.P.R.

W. J. McCLOY, dealer in lumber, White wood, is giving up business.

THE Union Bank of Lower Canada has opened a branch at Lethbridge, Alberta.

W. R. THOMAS, M.D., has commenced the practice of his profession at Elkhorn.

IVES & SHARPE, ranchers, Pincher Creek, Alberta, offer their business for sale.

THE balance of the stock of Boddy & Co., Emerson, is being sold off by auction.

— BEECH, of the Ottawa house, Virden, has taken the Queen's hotel of the same place.

E. MAWHINNEY, of Portage la Prairie, has opened a hardware store at Holland, Man.

ALEX. GODFREY, hardware dealer, Morden and Manitou, has closed his Manitou branch.

It is said that traffic on the Manitoba North-western is nearly double what it was last year.

SOMERSET & PICKARD, ranchers, near Calgary, have dissolved partnership. Pickard continues.

OVER \$4,000 has been subscribed to assist in the construction of a roller flour mill at Moose-min.

WM. PERRETT, jeweller, Winnipeg, has compromised with his creditors at 50c in the \$ for cash.

R. J. CHALMERS & BRO., hardware dealers, Manitou, have admitted A. Bethune into partnership.

R. B. JERMYN, late of the Hotel Brunswick, Minnedosa, has purchased a dry goods business in Acton, Ontario.

A. E. RETLEDGE, baker and dealer in fruits and confectionery, has given up the bakery department of his business.

CALGARY merchants are doing quite a little wholesale trade with traders in the mountains. Four car loads were sent west on Sunday of last week.

THE by-law to grant a bonus of \$10,000 for the erection of a roller mill at Stonewall, has been carried by a large majority of the electors of Rockwood.

G. R. HUGHES, rancher, Pine Creek, has purchased 100 head of British Columbia Cattle.

They will be delivered as soon as traffic is commenced through the mountains.

THE Macleod Gazette says: John Northwood, of Chatham, Ont., is thinking of going into the ranching business. He will probably stock Lowell & Ebarts lease on Willow Creek.

THOS. BELL, a successful farmer near Birtle, keeps several hundred hens. The eggs are gathered fresh from the nests and at once packed in cases received from the merchants.

THE municipality of Saskatchewan will vote on a bonus to assist in the erection of a roller flour mill at Rapid City. McCullough, of the Piam Creek Mill will likely undertake the enterprise.

A COMMITTEE has been appointed by the Brandon board of trade to correspond with the C. P. Ry. officials in reference to the proposed southwestern branch from Brandon. The people of Brandon are anxious to have this branch constructed at once.

Lafferty & Martin have leased a range of half a township on Nose Creek, Alberta. They will stock it with 1500 Merino ewes, and will bring up from Ontario 50 thoroughbred Shropshire rams. In this grade they expect to get an animal much larger than the pure bred Merino and having a wool midway between Shropshire and Merino in fineness.

A new industry has been developed in the Northwest, and it consists in nothing less than the exportation of the only visible remains of the former great food supply of the country, the buffalo. The bones which whiten the prairie in many localities, are now gathered up and exported to the United States, for manufacturing purposes. Three car loads passed through last week.

THE last issue of the Manitoba Gazette contains three notices of by-laws to raise bonus for the purpose of aiding in the construction of roller flour mills. The first one at Stonewall has already been voted. Another provides for the raising of \$2,500 by way of bonus for the erection of a mill at Fort Ellice. This by-law will be voted upon on May 31. The third notice is for the purpose of assisting A. H. Smith, of Winnipeg, to the extent of \$3,000, in the erection of a mill at Shoal Lake, and will be voted upon on the 25th inst.