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WINNIPEG, JUNE 15, 1886.

MRS. GRAHAM will start a bakery at Virden.  
DR. SCOTT, of Gladstone, will move to Neepawa.

MRS. A. HAMMOND, grocer, Winnipeg, has formed a partnership with John Mason.

LETTERS patent have been granted to the Turtle Mountain Creamery Association.

THE Calgary Lumber Co. expect to have supplies ready for the market by June 15th.

THE capital stock of the Winnipeg and Western Transportation Co. has been decreased from \$173,000 to \$119,000.

IT is estimated that the number of immigrants coming into the Northwest this spring will average 50 per day.

THE annual round-up is now going on in the ranching districts of the far west, and the calf crop is said to be excellent.

RUMORS are again afloat that construction will soon be commenced on the proposed Duluth and Winnipeg railroad.

MORRIS & SHAW, ranchers, Macleod, have dissolved partnership. Each will continue in the same business separately.

MEIKLE & COPPINGER, general merchants, continue to do business at Morden notwithstanding the report that they had gone back to Nelson.

NEARLY all our provincial and territorial exchanges report building operations going on actively in the towns and districts which they represent.

T. S. KENNY, C. Blanchard and James McKay, of Winnipeg, have formed a partnership in law, under the style of Kenny, Blanchard and McKay.

THE Home Cattle Company, of St. Louis, Mo., have established a ranche in the Wood Mountain district, Assiniboia, which they propose to stock with 25,000 head of cattle.

THE Canadian Manufacturer advises the establishment of a branch of the Manufacturers' Association in Manitoba, which by the way, is a suggestion well worthy of consideration.

A HANDSOME brick block will be erected on the corner of Main and Market Streets, Winnipeg, on the site of the late fire. The season now promises to be fairly active in the building line.

THE C. P. R. propose to run trains from Montreal to Vancouver in 130 hours, a distance of 2,900 miles. It is thought that the time will eventually be reduced to about 90 hours or about 32 miles an hour.

THE Brandon Times has made its appearance. The new paper will be published in the Conservative interests, by J. M. Robertson, formerly of the Portage la Prairie Tribune Review. The first number is fully up to expectations.

N. D. McDONALD, who lately withdrew from the American Plumbing Co., has established a new plumbing, steam and gas fitting business at 225 Main Street, Winnipeg. The business will be conducted under the style of N. D. McDonald & Co.

A COMPANY with a capital stock of \$75,000 has been formed for the purpose of raising do-

mesticated buffalo. S. L. Bedson's herd at Stoney Mountain, near this city, has been purchased and will form the nucleus of the proposed industry.

THE Long Lake Railway was opened for traffic on Wednesday last as far as Craven station, 25 miles from Regina. Track laying will be completed to Long Lake this week, when a steamer will be placed on the lake. It is expected that this route will be used for Battleford traffic.

ABOUT 15,000 head of cattle have passed through Winnipeg since the 20th of March. Some of these have been brought in by immigrants, but by far the greater portion have been destined for ranches in the far west. The cattle come mostly from Ontario. In addition to the cattle passing through the city, a large number have been brought into the ranching districts from British Columbia and Montana. A considerable number of sheep and horses have also been imported this spring.

THE Northwest Central Railway Charter has lapsed, owing to the inability of the company to make the prescribed deposit with the Government as a guarantee that the road would be gone on with at once. The amended charter required that \$50,000 be deposited with the Government as a guarantee that fifty miles of the road would be put in operation this year. It is understood that other parties are carrying on negotiations with the Government, and that there is a fair prospect of the work being gone on with this season.

ON Saturday evening a number of members of the Winnipeg Board of Trade proceeded to the house of Mr. Kenneth MacKenzie the president, who has recently returned to the city with a bride. Arriving there, Mr. J. H. Ashdown, vice-president, in the name of members of the Board, presented Mrs. MacKenzie with a very handsome silver tea set of eleven pieces, and Mr. MacKenzie with a beautifully carved merchaum cigar holder. In making the presentation Mr. Ashdown added a few happy remarks, and Mr. MacKenzie, although completely surprised, replied in very appropriate words. The visitors after partaking of refreshments and enjoying a pleasant hour in conversation withdrew wishing every joy to the happy couple.