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## WINNIPEG, APRIL 3, 1883.

- J. V. DESAUTZELS, general store, Moose Jaw. has sold out.
- E. Doidge, pottery, East Schirk, offers his business for sale.

WHEAT is worth from 65 to 73 cents at Morris; oats, 40 to 45.

- W. W. Walsh, general store, Indian Head, has assigned in trust.
- W. J. Evans, general store, Pembina Crossing, has assigned in trust.
- G. A. MACKIE, in the restaurant business, Winnipeg, has closed up.
- T. H. KNIPE of the real estate firm of Knipe & Kuipe, Rapid City, is dead.

Robertson & Smith, of Crystal City, intend opening a branch in Clearwater.

T. McCRAE, general store, at St. Jean Bap. tiste, has been closed up by his creditors.

BRITTON & DALY, livery men, Crystal City, have dissolved. Mr. Britton continues.

GEO. DAVIDSON, in the hardware business, Winnings, has admitted J. Looby as a partner ALEX. CAMERON, saw-mill at Rolling River, proposes moving his establishment to Minne-

J. J. Ranford, jeweler, Winnipeg, has ussigned in trust to Robert E. Suter of Keewatin Mills.

The rush of business at the C. P. R. freight station has rendered it necessary to put on a night staff.

THE firm of McBains, Woods & Co., Inscuit manufacturers, Winnipeg, have dissolved, Mr. McBain retiring.

Joseph Sissons, confectioner, has formed a partnership with W. J. Taylor, under the style of Ingles & Sissons.

R. J. Bell, of Morris, has ordered a complete outfit for a saw-mill which he proposes establishing at Calgary.

Roy & Co., brewers, Winnipeg, have taken O. Allaine into partnership. The style of the firm has not been changed.

THE firm of A. B. Sabine & Co., West Lynne, has been dissolved. The business will be continued by E. F. Radiger & Co.

J. WHITE, of the Four Corners Hotel, West Lynne, is about to remove to Qu'Appelle. J. Reid will probably run the hotel.

HORSMAN & Co., Winnipeg, have admitted E. B. Skelley as a partner. The style of the firm will be Horsman, & Skelley.

H. BANKS, of Portage la Prairie has formed a partnership with Wm. Windatt of that place, and opened a branch at Moose Jaw.

Two trains a day are now run on the Manitoba road from St. Paul to Winnipeg. A new time-table came into effect on Sunday.

Post offices have been opened at Chater, Moline and Sheppardville in this Province. The office at Grand Valley has been closed.

ROBINSON BROS., hotel, Emerson, have been sold out under a chattel mortgage. The business will be continued by John Robinson.

THE Dominion Government has granted a subsidy of \$24,000 per annum to a monthly line of steamers between Antwerp and Canada,

A survey of the Little Saskatchowan at Rapid City shows that between the eastern boundary of the McLaren estate and Balkwill's mill, a distance of two miles, the river

has a fall of 18 feet nine inches, affording an immense water power.

The lowest reading of the thermometer at Fort MacLeod for the week ending March 5th was 12 degrees above zero; the highest it reached was 75.

H. T. McPhillips, publisher, has gone into partnership with P. Enright in the publication of the Herald. The firm style is McPhillips & Enright.

"Sterings" is the title of the latest journalistic venture in Winnipeg. It is neatly gotten up and is devoted to "gentlemanly sports, humor and amusements."

C. E. GATES, late with J. H. Ashdown, has opened on his own account on Arthur street as a coppersmith and steam titter. He is a thoroughly practical man in this line of busi-

LORD & MUNN, the largest shippers of western produce from Montreal to Great Britain, have failed with liabilities amounting to \$250,. 000. W. A. Desmartins & Co., of that city, have also failed; liabilities, \$100,000:

A SPECIAL fast freight train from Montreal to Winnipeg is to be run weekly by the Grand Trunk Railway. This is in addition to all special mixed passenger trains. The "Merchants Express Fast Freight Train," as it is to be called, will leave Montrea' every Monday morn-

MR. ABRAHAM SPEARMAN of the County of Lancashire, England, is shortly expected to arrive in Winnipeg to examine the North-west coal deposits. Mr. Speakman was manager for several years of the Laffack colliery near St. Helens, Lancashire. His father, Thos. Speakman, was a practical coal miner, also his uncle, John Speakman. The latter was proprietor of the West Leigh coal mines, near Manches-

THE United States Congress has passed a bill providing for a reduction in the letter postage rates to two cents, and also for transmitting money through the mails by a postal note payable to bearer at any money order office which may be designated by the purchaser of the note. This note must be for an amount under \$5, and will cost three cents. The two-cent letter rate will not go into operation until October 1.