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WM. Morrison will establish a lumber yard at Birtle.

WINKS & Co., jewellers, Winnipeg, will give up business.

MRS. R. E. VIDAL, small grocer, Winnipeg, has assigned.

M. TURRIFF has opened a real estate office at Rapid City.

J. BUCHANAN has opened a stock of boots and shoes at Neepawa.

W. W. WADE, lumber dealer, Boissevain, has moved to Deloraine.

D. McDonald has opened a bakery and restaurant at Edmonton; Sask.

F. & J. SEELDING, hardware dealers, Neepawa, have assigned in trust.

The opening of the Saskatchewan coal mines has greatly improved business at Medicine Hat.

- Brown has opened a butcher shop at Oak Lake, Man.

A LOAD of apples was taken from Calgary to Edmonton lately, where they sold for \$12 per barrel.

REGULAR trains are now running over the extensions lately completed on the two Southwestern lines.

WM. ALEXANDER, dry goods dealer, Winnipeg, is selling off his stock and will give up business here.

Fraser & Co.'s saw mill at Edmonton has been closed for the season, after cutting 270,000 feet of lumber.

GOLDSMIDT, FLINDT & RENDELL, general storekeepers, Shellmouth, Man., are said to be giving up business.

SMITH & BURTON will open an exclusively wholesale grocery business in Brandon. They expect to be ready for business about the 20th inst.

THE Regina Board of Trade is agitating for the establishment of stock yards at that place. The Board has also decided to expend \$200 in improving the trail to Wood Mountain.

THE Northwest Central Railway scheme has not been entirely abandoned yet, it would appear. Some New York capitalists interested in the project, were said to be looking over the ground last week.

ABOUT 130 tons of fish were taken on Lake Winnipeg, up to the commencement of the close season, on October 5th. Preparations are now being made for the winter catch, which is usually the busiest season.

It is estimated that about 10,000 immigrants settled in Manitoba and the territories during the past season. Nearly all of these were of the most desirable classes, consisting of Scotch, English, Irish, German and Scandinavians.

A REPORTER of the Emerson Times has been interviewing the merchants of that town, with the result that business is said to be much better than it has been for years. The Emerson wheat market has been an active one this searon, and trade in consequence has been given quite a "boom."

A DAILY edition of the Brandon Sun is now issued.

The estimated number of cattle in the Maple Creek district is 15,000 head.

F. F. NELSON, general storekeeper, Port Moody, will give up business.

Wood & Babbitt, general storkeepers, Spallumcheen, have been succeeded by E. C. Cargill & Co.

W. H. Fraser, late of the firm of Gatliff & Fraser, lumber dealers, Emerson, has gone to Edmonton, where he will go into business with his brother in the saw mill.

Frank Dick of Calgary has received a consignment of B. C. lumber and shingles from the new mills at the Beaver. He says he expects to be able to lay down lumber cheaper than it has ever before been done in Calgary.

The Maclood Gazette says: There appears to have been a considerable falling off in the price of beef cattle since this time last year. We, have heard of recent sales in the Calgary district at from \$38 to \$40 per head. Last year the prices ranged from \$50 to \$60. From present indications the prices will be still lower before they are higher.

The grist mill at Stonewall, owned by Rutherford & Co., and the mill at Balmoral, owned by Geo. Buckpitt, will both be changed to the roller process. The bonus by-law granting \$4,000 each to the owners of the respective mills, having been endorsed by a large majority of the electors of Rockwood, within which municipality the mills are situated.

The Calgary Tribune says: James Hallam, manager of the Toronto Hide and Wool Co., of Winnipeg, has just returned from a trip to British Columbia, where he purchased about 3,000 hides, from the firm of Hull, Trounce & Co., of Kamloops. This will be the first shipment of hides from that Province to Eastern Canada. Formerly the B. C. hides were sent into the San Francisco markets. This is probably the largest single purchase of hides from any one butchering firm in Canada. Mr. Hallam also bought several car-loads of wool in and around Calgary.