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WINNIPEG, DECEMBER 18, 1887.

C. KEEFFERSCHMIDT, a Langenburg druggist, is dead.

H. NELSON, hotelkeeper, Solsgirth, is removing to Birtle.

MRS. SAVAGE has opened a dress-making business at Regina.

THE furniture stock of Winnett & Co., Winnipeg, was damaged by fire.

WM. JEFFERSON, dealer in wagons, Stonewall, has sold out to Thomas Lusted.

P. J. HUNT, groceries, Winnipeg, stock sold for sixty-five cents on the dollar.

DAVIDSON BROS., jewellers, Calgary, are opening a branch at Vancouver, B. C.

S. KIRKPATRICK, has sold his general stock at High River to Limoges & DeJournal for \$1,000.

R. NELSON talks of erecting a hotel building at Birtle.

THE Lethbridge mines are putting out 500 tons of coal daily.

ROSE has renewed business at Moosomin, Assa., and added stationery and fancy goods to his business.

E. L. DREWRY, of the Redwood brewery, Winnipeg, will require about 40,000 bushels of barley this season.

S. J. HOGG, of S. J. Hogg & Co., lumber dealers, Calgary, a well known business man of the western territories, is dead.

W. T. FRASER has retired from the management of the Ford hotel at Dunmore, Assa., and has been succeeded by Richard Porter.

By the amended municipal ordinance in the Territories, municipal councils are given power to license and regulate transient traders.

ROBERT DICKENSON, of the Queen's hotel, Brandon, has bought out the interest of James Guyer in the business, and now has full control.

W. H. HOLMES, of Wyld, Grasset & Darling, wholesale dry goods, Toronto, left last week on a business trip for the Pacific coast. He will be absent about six weeks.

THE Manitoba Northwestern railway will make application for an amendment to its charter, empowering the company to complete the line at the rate of twenty miles per year.

THE Messenger, a monthly magazine published in the interest of the Church of England in the Territories, will make its first appearance on New Year's day. It will be published from Regina.

DAWSON, BOLE & Co., wholesale druggists, of Regina, have just issued their Northwest Almanac for 1888. This almanac is the only one giving astronomical and other information peculiar to the Northwest, and it will therefore form a very useful book of reference. An interesting feature is the weather reports for each month of 1887, taken at Swift Current, Calgary, Medicine Hat, Regina and Qu'Appelle station. Cuts are also given of the four members of Parliament for the Territories. Dawson, Bole & Co. are to be commended for the publication of this useful annual.

ALL the fat cattle in the Neepawa district have been purchased at 2½ cents live weight.

THE Manitoba Electric and Gas Light Co., of Winnipeg, had their buildings and plant destroyed by fire on Wednesday evening last. Loss \$40,000 to \$50,000; no insurance. The works will be replaced as fast as possible.

A NEW company to be known as the Manitoba Building and Loan Company, has been organized at Winnipeg with a capital stock of \$300,000 in shares of \$100 each. The directors are: President, William J. Mitchell; vice-president, Alexander McIntyre; C. S. Hoare, F. L. Patton, T. C. Livingstone, E. B. O'Reilly, M. D., L. N. Betournay, G. W. Girldstone, G. Young, T. Gilroy and G. R. Howard.

THE regular quarterly meeting of the Council of the Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association was held in Winnipeg on Wednesday evening last. There were present W. J. Mitchell, N. H. Jackson, A. W. Bleasdel, H. E. Neelands and D. L. McIntyre, Winnipeg; B. M. Canniff, Portage la Prairie; and G. W. McLaren, Morden. The board recommended that J. A. Hobbs, of Pilot Mound, be registered as a pharmaceutical chemist. The annual meeting will take place in February.

THE Gazette, of Macleod, Alberta, says: Cattle still remain in splendid condition. Cows with late calves are the only poor stock. Cattle never went into a winter under more favorable circumstances, and from present appearances we may expect the loss to be merely nominal. Last year at this time cattle were not in nearly as good condition as they are now, and the winter was the worst in thirty years. The loss last winter was very far from being disastrous, and the prospects are a thousand per cent. better this year.

H. A. PERLEY, the well known caterer to the travelling public on the line of the C. P. R. west of Winnipeg, has lately been extending operations along the road. From having charge of the dining hall at Broadview, he has succeeded to the control of the halls at Swift Current, Moose Jaw and Glacier, the last two having very recently come under his management. It is expected that the dining stations at Field and North Bend will shortly come under his control. A. E. Sutton has the position of general manager in connection with Mr. Perley's system of dining stations.