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WINNIPEG, NOVEMBER 30, 1886.

B. FRASER has opened a bakery at Morden.

THE Shoal-Lake Echo has suspended publication.

A. MONCTON & Co. have opened a drug store in Winnipeg.

R. IRONSSIDE, lumber dealer, Manitou, advertises giving up business.

JOSEPH KELLY will open out with a stock of boots and shoes at Calgary.

WM. BROWN & Co., dry goods, Port Arthur, contemplate giving up business.

MISSES JASPER, millinery and dressmakers, Winnipeg, are giving up business.

SINCLAIR & Co., musical instruments, etc., Winnipeg, are giving up business.

DUNS & LINHAM are erecting a building at Calgary to be used for packing beef.

F. PADMORE has opened a store at a point on the Battle River, Edmonton trail.

R. S. MERRILL, formerly of Portage la Prairie, will open a furniture store at Brandon.

-- KENNETT, of Toronto, will commence business in Manitou, as watchmaker and jeweler.

THE Hudson's Bay Company have opened a store in the Battle River settlement, Alberta.

TAIT & McDONALD have secured the Royal Roller Rink, and opened the same as an ice rink.

GEO. McCUAIG, of Medicine Hat, has opened a branch store at the Saskatchewan coal mine.

H. DEMPSEY has purchased the Cosmopolitan Hotel, Medicine Hat, lately owned by W. J. Casey.

S. F. HAMPTON, late proprietor of the defunct Shoal Lake Echo, will start a paper at Rapid City.

JOHN STUTTERFORD, of Maple Creek, Assa., will open in the merchant tailor line at Medicine Hat.

T. H. TOWERS, of Brandon, will build a grain warehouse at Deloraine, where he will establish himself in the grain line.

J. FAROEY has commenced the erection of a store at La Riviere, and R. Ironside is building a grain warehouse at the same place.

THE newly completed extension of the M. & N. W. Railway will be opened for traffic as far as Binscarth, by the first of next month.

S. H. CASWELL, storekeeper, Qu'Appelle Station, has purchased a large stock of groceries, etc., and has opened a wholesale warehouse in such lines.

THE Royal Soap Manufacturing Co., of Winnipeg, now have their toilet soaps on the market, and it is expected that the sale of imported soaps will thereby be greatly curtailed.

THE Selkirk Record completed its first year of publication last week, and celebrated the event by coming out in enlarged form. The Record is a well-printed and newsy sheet.

GEO. CRAIG, general storekeeper, Brandon, and also doing business in the same line at Portage la Prairie, under the style of J. E. Thomas & Co., is reported by the Portage Liberal as about to give up business at Brandon and move to Winnipeg. The firm at Portage will be dissolved.

THE final statement of Dominion revenue and expenditure for the fiscal year, 1886, shows a total deficit of \$5,865,553, due chiefly to expenses caused by the Northwest rebellion.

THE merchants of Morden have agreed to put the short hour system into practice during the winter. After 1st December the stores will close at 7.30 p.m., Saturday evening excepted.

THE report that wheat has been damaged by smoke from prairie fires, has turned out a mistake. It arose from the fact that a few bags of grain had been damaged by smoke from the burning of a straw stack.

IT was reported in a city paper some time ago, that a car load of butter had been brought in from Ontario, and had sold here at 17c. Several city dealers spoken to about the matter, expressed their doubts as to the correctness of the report. Good butter could not be purchased at Toronto for the price stated.

DAWSON, BOLE & Co., wholesale druggists and manufacturing chemists, of Regina, have taken a new departure in issuing the first almanac ever published in this country. The little book is carefully compiled and contains considerable special information relating to the Northwest, in addition to the matter usually found in an almanac, making it a very useful book of reference. All druggists should see the "Northwest Almanac" for 1887.

THE enormous growth in the wheat industry of Dakota and Minnesota will be seen by a reference to our Minneapolis market report. Referring to the Minneapolis figures, the Chicago Daily Business says: "It is an ascertained fact that the Government estimate of last year's yield in Minnesota and Dakota was out of line, and that the crop was close on 75,000,000 bushels instead of 61,000,000 bushels as 'officially' estimated. There are no good reasons for believing that the yield in the Northwest this year is in excess of last year. Last year, however, a great majority of the Minneapolis millers and their followers were bullish in their views and held the wheat back. This year they are nearly all bearish, and they are pushing the grain to the front with all possible dispatch. As a result the receipts to date at the Northwestern primary points included in the visible supply statement, are nearly 5,000,000 bushels greater on this crop than last.