THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1897.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

AGRICULTURE. One of the visitors to the Chilliwack fair, who says he has been at similar exhibitions in California and other states and the eastern provinces, states that the display of roots and fruit at Chilliwack was the best he ever saw. The sheep he pronounced fairly good, and some of the other live stock was of high for there is no doubt as to the fertility of a dispute with the United States over particular time there is no prominent Columbia, and by consolidating port-British Columbia soil and the adaptabil- Cuba. If the picture of Spanish society local issue to occupy the attention of folios take one place away from both ity of the climate for the growth of all is correctly drawn, Spain is ripe for alparliament and the ministry. There- Ontario and Quebec. This would reduce of the world in a corresponding latitude. In the past considerable effort has been made to render this important fact generally known, but during the last year erally known, but during the last year tion from it. The time has come when, the find poverty and appalling ignorance—a neglect of intelligence which is positive-true Canadian development. All true Canadians will be glad of this, although some of the grittiest of the Grits tion and improvement, an actual and admirable pluck and cheerfulness, a temperature of the grittiest of the Grits and the toriest of the Tories may hanker a little after the old-time bones of convenience of the great there ought to question of Canadian development. All true Canadians will be glad of this, although some of the grittiest of the Grits and the toriest of the Tories may hanker a little after the old-time bones of convenience. In the past considerable effort has been tion from it. The time has come when, mirable pluck and cheerfulness, a temform a strict business point of view, it is per grateful, hospitable and affectionate, and a marvellous sobriety of living. necessary to demonstrate in the clearest possible manner that there is abundant wealth and prosperity of the country unpaid army.

In future articles the various aspects ers will be considered. At present we would like to stir up a lively interest in ers will be considered. At present we would like to stir up a lively interest in the matter and therefore invite from corpation. Spain is a country of Europe, but not of Europeans. It is a survival but not of Europeans. It is a survival but not of Europeans. It is a survival be found possible. Without in any way

Dairy farming and the breeds of dairy cattle best adapted for the province. Beef raising in connection with general husbandry, and as a specialty.

Pork raising upon home grown food.

Sheep raising in connection with gen-

farming. The home market and how it can best be secured to our home farmers. Practical legislative aid to farming.

THE OUTFITTING TRADE.

of people who will be on the move towards the Yukon in February, March, looked. April and May at 35,000, and it is more likely to be 55,000 or 60,000. The Journal thinks that Seattle can secure half

those of other cities are not.

in a couple of seasons.

While speaking on this subject it may be well to mention the fact that representations are being made daily in all parts of the United States that duties

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here if they were certain about having tions. States. Of course the necessary information was at once sent them; but the sented to any set of Canadian public than at present, that of Solicitor-Genall parts of the United Sta

THE CONDITION OF SPAIN.

Leonard Williams, who has resided in

But it is only in the peasant class that room in this province for farmers, and he finds these qualities, for "all that is that farming operations can be carried generous, all that is honest or capable of on here under exceptionally favorable honesty in the land" has completely from the Cabinet has started anew the and Provincial governments. Negotiacircumstances as to soil, climate and sunk from the higher to the lower levels discussion of cabinet membership and tions for this object have been markets. So impressed are we with this of society. These peasants, we are told, representation. On several occasions in progress for some time and that the Colonist will devote a great loathe the very name of Cuba, because during the last few years agreat deal has have terminated satisfactorily to the V. deal of space to the subject, and we in- the government of the country is the been said as to the number of salaried V. & E. people. The governments have vite the cordial co-operation of readers. synomyn for bungling, fraud and cow-ministers. The ministry consists of not yet been formally approached on the There is no politics in this thing. It is a ardice. They are patient and unvin-seventeen members, fifteen of whom are matter, but we understand that applicapurely business matter. If the hundreds dictive under grievous injury and wrong, in receipt of salaries. Three of these tion will be made to the provincial gov- not have our hands tied as a nation in of millions of dollars which will be paid a passive vehicle for ministerial extor- ministers are in a sense subordinate to ernment at an early day for the \$4,000 a out in British Columbia during the next tion. Their taxes are heavier than they two others. Thus the Solicitor-General mile subsidy granted at the last session ten years for farm produce are paid to our can bear, and each ministry adds to the may be said to occupy a secondary place of the legislature. The plans of the comown farmers, there is not a single line of burden; yet they have no roads, no in regard to the Minister of Justice, the pany are not yet disclosed, but we shall industry that will not feel the impetus. schools, an expensive and useless navy, Minister of Customs and the Minister not be surprised to learn that they in-

are net to be compared with British Co- Mr. Williams, is horribly corrupt, and that of this Minister, but as they deal lumbia agriculture, when it has once is composed of a syndicate who with the two sources from which the MINING LICENSES been put upon its proper basis. The cripple and misuse her by selling places, revenue is drawn they are auxiliary to mines will be the active impetus, but privileges or monopolies, weekly, daily the Finance department. It will occur long after they have been exhausted our and hourly to the highest bidder. He to many that here there may be an opfertile valleys and hillsides, our broad plateaus and meadows will continue to tury Spain has produced a minister who conomy. Ever since Confederation we desirability of exacting from all persons going into the Yukon to mine or prospect a license fee, such as is levied in

eral husbandry and as a specialty, its hands. The review writer expects ful and seemed to justify the the matter. Horse breeding as an adjunct to mixed something of this sort, for he says that maintenance of the office; but if

Other topics may suggest themselves, surrounded the Spanish character. The observe evidence of it. We say this not itioned only as rest of the world has been slow to believe in any spirit of fault-finding, but because hints. The point aimed at is three-fold: that the splendid daring of the Spanish it has never appeared very clear that to object in urging this new regulation is the wild cat speculators, who are doing To stimulate an interest in agriculture, race of two centuries ago has been suc- abolish the office of Minister of Customs to emphasize the fact to all the world what is calculated to do the fair name to aid in the dissemination of information and to obtain suggestions upon
yet what other explanation can we give
which the logislature may set. The fact that with 240 000 soldiers at was not an arrow. to aid in the dissemination of informa- ceeded by corruption and poltroonry, and and substitute a Minister of Trade and which the legislature may act. The for the fact that with 240,000 soldiers at was not an error. coming winter ought to be devoted large- his command Weyler has not been able One reason for the multiplication of their outfits. ly to a discussion of these questions, for to subdue the Cuban rebels? How else ministerial offices is the desire to have The proposed license is a perfectly it is one of those things about which no can we explain the wretched misgovernall the provinces represented, but even legitimate arrangement. It would be if more can be truthfully done than to was made up a follows: The Seattle Mining Journal says that smooth down some of the harsher lines conservative estimates put the number and show that there are some good

NEW PUBLIC ISSUES. .

No matter what our political preferthe outfitting business, which means a ence are, we are all alike interested in months. Our contemporary very naturally urges that the only place to get an as to the best way of accomplishing this. ally urges that the only place to get an as to the best way of accomplishing this, bec and Ontario are mane equal to all tion in regard to the liquor traffic: "It outfit is in the city where it is published, but there will be perfect accord as to its the Maritime Provinces, Mantoba, Bri- is the crime of crimes, for it is the cause and gives as a reason that Seattle merdesirability. We will all likewise admit
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The content of If imprisonment is necessary, let them "Is over yonder as," is over yonder as, "Is over yonder as, "Is over yonder as," is over for it is undoubtedly very true that the Canada can supply of the best quality ters. We hardly think that an arrange- will deter them, let them be hanged." merchants of Seattle have had a much and in almost unlimited quantities, the ment of this nature will compared the l' The effect of Neal Dow's work is not to greater experience in this line than those United Kingdom imports \$600.000,000 to any one, or be regarded as permanen. be dismissed in a paragraph, and may of the cities named; but when it is ap- worth, of which only 7 per cent. has In the distribution of cabinet positions be referred to again. plied to Victoria it is time to protest, been going from the Dominion, there a premier must always, to a certain exand for the reason that here in Victoria will be a consensus of opinion as to the tent, be governed by political exigenare men who have had thirty year's ex- very great importance of securing more cies. Sir Wilfrid Laurier in forming his chen, of Nanaimo, in regard to the sale are men who have had thirty year's exvery great importance of securing more
cies. Sir Wilfrid Laurier in forming his chen, of Nanaimo, in regard to the sale
Beware the nimbly gay Canuck."

perience in the outfitting trade, and of this trade. The articles referred to
cabinet could not very well pass by Sir of Yukon mining licenses. We fully
This was the farmer's last good night:
"And take the last road to the right
"And take the last road to the right some of them have had personal experi- are: Wheat, barley, oats, flour, live Louis Davies, who was the only avail- subscribe to what he says about their ence in remote placer districts. There stock, dressed meat, cheese, butter, eggs, able piece of cabinet timber elected from being sold in all the British Columbia is no one in Seattle who has had any ex- fish, fruit, lard, condensed milk, pota- the maritime provinces in 1896 who had cities. But we have learned that under A man was found, to neck in snow, is no one in Seattle who has had any experience such as our merchants have toes, poultry and game. We have hunperience such as our merchants have toes, poultry and game. We have hunenjoyed much partiamentary experience. the Dominion laws a license is not
And hauled out by an Esquimaux
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All solid, rigid, stiff and dead,
His idea frozen in his head—
His idea frozen in his head who outfitted parties for Cariboo, Cas- dreds of millions of acres that can be It was on his advice that Blair and necessary before a prospector can locate siar and Omenica, and the requirements devoted to the production of these Fielding were taken into the cabinet, a claim. This being the case, we sugfor the Yukon journey are the same as for those localities. If experience counts for anything, surely a life-time's experifor anything, surely a life-time's experifor anything is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than down with 20 per cents only of her conin outsting is worth more than device in the cabinet, a ctain in the cabinet in ence in outfitting is worth more than dom with 20 per cent. only of her con- be found for him, and so he was given this province, every miner will come to that acquired by the Seattle merchants sumption of these things, it would mean the portfolio of Militia. If Mr. Ellis, British Columbia cities. This should the outlay in Canada of \$100 000 000, M.P., of St. John, N.B., had pressed his be urged upon Mr. Sifton on his return.

products that can be grown in any part most any sort of disaster. We quote: fore the statesmanship of both parties the esbinet to thirteen. Unquestionably In the Spanish lower classes you will can be concentrated upon this great there ought to be a minister from the

CABINET REPRESENTATION.

The retirement of Sir Oliver Mowat terms being arranged with the Dominion So far as the permanent increase of the a costly but undrilled, unofficered and of Inland revenue; the same in regard clude the immediate construction of the to the Minister of Finance. The point line from Penticton to Boundary Creek The ruling class in Spain, according to is not that their positions are inferior to without waiting for a coast connection would have been tolerated in office in have had a Minister of Militia; but in British Columbia. The tax is small and any other country in the world. Of the view of the fact that our militia service is willingly paid. Probably 30,000 people, eighteen millions of the population, six can hardly be said to be a very pro- at the lowest calculation, will go North respondents brief papers on the subject.

Will not some of them kindly favor us with papers on some one of the fellowing subjects:

Dairy farming and the breeds of dairy

The license would give a revenue of the found possible, without in any way interfering with this branch of the public service, to abolish this office and attach the responsibility for its administration.

The license would give a revenue of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the vague of \$150,000, and there are scores of ways in which the money can be used in the found possible, without in any way interfering with this branch of the public service, to abolish this office and attach the responsibility for its administration. dense what he said into brief space and tration to the department of Secretary lutely prerequisite to the staking off of ern territory, constituted the District of State who cannot have a very great vet use his own words. The indictment of State, who cannot have a very great a claim. That is to say, unless when a is a terrible one, and if the facts sustain pressure of serious duties. We are not it there is obviously no chance for imgreatly impressed with the necessity for provement until society is completely a Minister of Trade and Commerce. Sir his discovery, the staking would be void. overturned, and the honest, if ignorant, Mackenzie Bowell, when he held that We make this explanation for the benefit under-class gets the control of affairs in portfolio, made himself very use-

the conditions are very much what they Sir Richard Cartwright has achieved any able at Winnipeg, Edmonton, Kamwere in France before the revolution. | conspicuous success along the same That imperious Spain should have lines or displayed such a degree of activfallen to so low an estate is hard to real- ity as renders it clear that the portfolio ize. A romantic glamour has always ought to be retained, we have failed to

Quebec: Laurier, Tarte, Fisher, Joly, Fitzpatrick.

Ontario: Cartwright, Scott, Mowat, Fitzpatrick.

Mulock, Paterson. Nova Scotia: Fielding, Borden.

New Brunswick: Blair. P. E. Island: Davies. Manitoba: Sifton.

day a letter from Butte, Montana, in try on the glooe and within a generation Manitoba, so Mr. S. don was given the scientific investigator, for no one worthy which a party said they would outfit place her in the very front rank of na- Interior depart, and Quebec and of such a title would pretend to a cer-Ontario de vided up what was left. In tain knowledge of the effect upon seal to pay duties on goods from the United The Laurier ministry has before us Sir Charles Tupper's ministry the mari-

incident proves how important it is that men, and we feel as if the discordant eral, while British Columbia had a Condant account of the discordant eral, while British Columbia had a Condant account and the discordant eral, while British Columbia had a Condant account and the statement in the facts in regard to the collection of notes which have been sounded over trollership. This was a more equitable "The Yukon Gold Fields" that "no duties should be at once mad known in worn out issues should be stilled, while arrangement, from a territorial point of hardy man need be deterred from going we watch now this great problem is view, than that now prevailing. If the into the Yuken by reason of the cold." dealt with. The time has come in ministry were reduced to eleven, the The Gazette is hardly in a position to Canada to rise above the narrow ruts of following distribution would be equit- criticize, for its facilities of ascertaining personal politics, which have for the able: Three each to Ontario and Quebec, the facts must be limited. The statemost part occupied public attention for and one each to the other provinces, ment excepted to is borne out by all Spain for several years, writes to the a decade. There will be Conservatives Such a reduction would be possible by a Westminster Review an account of the and there will be Liberals, but both consolidation of departments, and probquality, but generally, he thought there Spanish peor le, which is of special inwas room for improvement along the terest at the present time, when the beeking to discover how its material service. Another change that might be templates going there to engage in min-latter lines. His testimony only corroblished in the property can best be promoted. It is or attack that of all independent judges; forced into new prominence by reason of singularly fortunate that just at this surrender one of her positions to British could be cold.

COAST-KOOTENAY.

We are informed that the Victoria have effected arrangements with leading Canadian capitalists for the construction of the railway in the event of satisfactory

FOR THE YUKON. We again direct attention to the

These licenses should be made obtainloops, Vancouver, Westminster, Vicon the Yukon, the latter for the convenience of those persons who are now in the country.

come to the cities of Canada to purchase

time is to be lost. A tide is setting in our ment of the Philippine Islands? There this result has not been reached, since exacted of British subjects and foreigners The shades of night was falling fast, direction and British Columbia should take the current when it serves.

British Columbia has to-day no representation; but we doubt this terrific indictment will undoubtedly cause its early presentation; but we doubt until the resignation of Sir Oliver Mowat its serves.

British Columbia has to-day no representative in the ministry. The ministry the trade of the Yukon to Canadian With this sign fastened of British Subjects and foreigners alike. Hon. Mr. Sifton wants to bring As through his native village passed A man with saddened eye and dim, with this sign fastened of British Columbia has to-day no representative in the ministry. The ministry the trade of the Yukon to Canadian With this sign fastened with the trade of the Yukon to Canadian With this sign fastened with the trade of the Yukon to Canadian With this sign fastened with the trade of the Yukon to Canadian With this sign fastened with the trade of the Yukon to Canadian With this sign fastened with the trade of the Yukon to Canadian with the trade of the Yukon to Canadian With this sign fastened with the trade of the Yukon to Canadian with the trade cause its early presentation; but we doubt until the resignation of Sir Oliver Mowat cities. Here is a master stroke for that purpose which can be accomplished in

> THE death of Neal Dow removes one All fleeced and woolly was his coat He was a man of wonderful eloquence, A coonskin cap was on his head magnetism and determination. Perhaps nothing gives a better idea of his char-

will not be collected on outfits. A pro- the development of our mines would prived British Columbia of a capinet branding. The use of such language Hood's Pills act easily and promptly on the minent business house received only to- make Canada the most prosperous coun- office. Semething had to be done for places Prof. Jordan outside the pale of a liver and bowels. Cure sick headache.

THE Stock Exchange Gazette, of Lon-

THE Vancouver World does not like what the Colonist said about the word Liberalism having no meaning in connection with Canadian politics. We did not suppose that it would, and yet we think our contemporary has only proved by its interesting article that what we said is true. It makes a good many Vancouver & Eastern Railway company claims for what it calls Liberalism, but there is hardly one of them which Conservatives cannot claim for themselves with equal justice.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

TOO MUCH PUBLIC BONUSING.

What is needed is a popular move limit would probably not be beneficial in the face of imperatively needed public works. But the leaders of both parties seem to have much too great facility in borrowing money in our name, and the taxnavers who must keep up the interest they regard going to the money-lenders excusable only in extreme cases .-Montreal Star.

GAME DID NOT WORK. If our neighbors hoped to entrap Britain and get possession of the fisheries by a snatch verdict of the Asiatic powers and themselves they deceived hemselves.—Mail and Empire

BAFFIN'S ISLAND. One of the dispatches tells of an at tempt to annex Baffin's Land to Canada by landing and hoisting a British flag. This is ridiculous on the face of it. expedition may, indeed, have landed on Baffin's Land, and may have hoisted a Canada. For a while it was included in the vague term "unorganized territory." But by proclamation of 2nd October 1895, it was, with some other far northannex it to Canada than there is to annex Manitoba.-Nor'-Wester.

OUR SPLENDID CEREALS.

When a great agricultural country like Russia comes to us for seed to im lasses of grain, it pays us a complimen which we must not be too modest to refer to.-Mail and Empire.

KLONDYKE.

[Longfellow Up-to Date.]

Goonskin cap was controlly said:

He hurried on and only said:

"Klondyke!"

Beside him trotted as he went.

The Chilcoot Pass," the old man said.

Oh, stay!" the maiden said, "and rest Thy weary head upon this breast."
Go to—! "he cried, "thy love will trus The fellow who brings back the dust From Klondyke.'

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A NANAIMO SUGGESTION. To the Editor.—Under the heading power of argument which in my ex-"A Good Suggestion" as to what Hon.

Mr. Siften can do to help the Coast for a period of over half a century I have cities, you say it has been suggested that
A SECRET HUMBUG.

One of the Klondyke projects in Great other in Vancouver where persons going only secular matters and to handle Britain boasts of a "secret pass" which into the Yukon can obtain mining these in a way which shall best promote will expedite ingress. The government licenses, and you go on to say "so that the general good of society, and this ought to purchase that secret. It is to both cities would be on an equal foot would be all that is required if a moral Is not Nanaimo a Coast city? and basis was not an important factor in the speculators into difficulties, and equally why leave it out? It must read Vic- power and progress of a nation, but no ria. Nanaimo and Vancouver, and as moral power can be sufficiently poten toria, Nanaimo and Vancouver, and as you ask for further suggestions, I will give you a good one, viz., that you mention to Hon. Mr. Sifton that Nanaimo is the Coast port of call between British Columbia and the Klondyke Yukon. We here are alive to this fact, and are taking means to let the outside world and which will best be discharged by devicing a position of tremendous responsibility, and which will best be discharged by devicing a position of tremendous responsibility, and which will best be discharged by devicing a position of tremendous responsibility, and which will best be discharged by devicing a position of tremendous responsibility, and which will best be discharged by devicing a position of tremendous responsibility, and which will best be discharged by devicing a position of tremendous responsibility. and why should the crowd we in- voting a portion of its pages to tend to bring here have to go to either which most deeply concern individual Dawson City, Victoria or Vancouver for their licenses? No, Mr. Editor, there are at least three in this family, if not South Saanich, Sept. 27, 1897.

four; for why leave out New Westminof British Columbia in general, and by making everything as easy and convenient for the crowds that will be passing through next year, and by fair dealing, win a name that will is a crowd of the convenient of t gether in friendly rivalry for the benefit win a name that will, in a great and a sure manner, draw the outfitting trade from Washington cities, where it does not rightfully belong. Suggestion No. 3 as to place where licenses can be obtained. Why not utilize the already averaged with the strength of the strength as to place where licenses can be obtained. Why not utilize the already existing recording offices? the natural my wife. She can change her mind twenty

THOS. KITCHIN.

place for strangers to aim for.

"Yggdrasil," in your impression of the 23rd has, I think, very little comfort from what he says. Your statement Bah! I only married you because I pide that Christianity has placed woman on an equality with man is in its broad and general sense so well understood and admitted that it is strange to find an intelligent individual, which your critice.

Ban! Tonly married you because I placed you when nobody else thought anything about you. Mr. Henry Peck (wearily)—Ah, well, my dear, everybody pities me now!—Boston Traveller.

Presence of Mind.—He (just introduced)—What a very homely person that gentlegeneral sense so well understood and admitted that it is strange to find an intelligent individual, which your critic appears to be, arguing to the contrary. If St. Paul, St. John and other leaders of the early Church could not in their day and at once shake themselves free from the traditions of the past, and see all that Christianity was to accomplish, surely that is no reason why we should not acknowledge the glorious work it has done in raising woman to a position of moral power and influence exercised for the advancement of the race.

Your article on this subject, and others of a similar kind which lately have appeared in your columns, sets an

others of a similar kind which lately have appeared in your columns, sets an example to other members of the press which is worthy of being followed. If religion is an essential in the life of the individual, and if on its influence depends the vitality and life of the nation, surely it is the highest duty that can be

of such articles as have appeared in your paper, possessing as

South Saanich, Sept. 27, 1897.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

times in twenty seconds without let the room."—Cleveland Plain Dealer. EQUALITY OF THE SEXES.

To THE EDITOR: — Your critic George and I could get out of hearing of the caddie for an instant.—Yonkers States

surely it is the highest duty that can be discharged to the state to promote it by every possible means.

The religion taught in our churches is well and enough for those who accept such teaching without doubt or question, but above and outside of this and belonging chiefly to the more educated classes, there is a large number upon which the church's teaching has little or no effect, and hence the importance

MANITOBA FIE

Black Desolation Large Tract of P Bush Coun

Great Loss of Life, Escaped Settlers Left Quite De

WINNIPEG, Oct. 4.-Th last night of death and bush and prairie fires in toba during the heavy g are by no means exagge lestruction in all section he fires were confir where there is but a sp or the loss of life would greater. No fatalities as prairie fires; it was in lements where loss of The district east of W Darwin and Whitemo heavily wooded and entirely swept. The m occurred in the Beause dren lost their lives. tress. The families of t everything and are des Dimlap, T. T. Myssko John Pfifer, E. Jones, Brown, W. Saunders, Rocksedler, E. Huffma German families who ost everything but th lost everything but Buchanan, A. Beatti lost 200 tons of hay and 200 tons of hav and a Sinnott, 1,200 cords of

are now somewhat abate J. Launderv, a hunt was caught in the flame near Whitemouth. His in a swamp this mo yond recognition. A syond recognition. A Galso missing from the sa Section men and thei the line were picked up trains and carried to woods were destroyed. Young, living five miles lost everything, and lives by staying in the Wm. Slander lost every

team, which was work Passengers from the one of black desolation ourning near the track, tance, on either side, smoke could be seen presence of large bush While reports from

day indicated that which raged with su Saturday had pretty fury, nevertheless, fur severe loss were brough Mesers. Mitt. Sissons. gan lost everything, with their lives. Fr reports come in that seventeen settlers have and fears are entertained

Bad reports are also Fort Laurent. Around haystacks have been have been burned by do Some miles north of Res thers named Upjoh together, and on observi proaching their pren urday, they took pre-preservation of their l They took shelter in th side to see how mat minutes later the driven out of his sh of the building, but co trace of his brother feared he was cremate

buildings. W. W. McMillan, etors of the elevator returned from the scen irms the report of the He says the men must standing, as all state t upon them with great f
At Marquette, farmer
his entire crop. Nort
fire swept from Parkda

stroying hay and oth

routh, also a house at l

In the Morris district buildings and stock. 1,000 cords of wood be Lyons and 100 cords b Dagg were destroyed. Subscriptions have Winnipeg for the relief as many have lost things. During the pas minion immigration settled many families Vhithmouth and Bear feared these new arrive severely. Immigratic McCreary, accompanie Gordon and immigrations of the second of the sec left at noon to make a The commissioner is of great destitution has not more fatalities known. He took with provisions for the 11 the destitute, while for the sufferers from party will drive throughtion of the burned of Beausejour and Whit At Clearwater a from the southwest pr prairie fires from the the boundary, which of townships 1, 2 and and 14. Joseph Lawr of hay, all his oats in granary and all his im Croskery lost his dwel George Little lost two several farmers lost he saving his granary, ir.. was severely but

Prairie fires prevaile son branch of the C graph poles. Section er the line and thin the passage of the reg All available section

or no effect, and hence the importance THE SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST leads.