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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

WHEN Manitoba became a Province, she received a credit of \$500,000; for her government and legislature \$30,000 per annum; she received 80 cents per head upon an estimated population of 17,000 people, \$13,600; she received 5 per cent. per annum on the sum of \$551,447 being the amount of the public debt for which she was liable for annually, \$27,572.

So she receives, for the support of her government and legislature \$50,000; 80 cents per head upon an estimated population of 15,000 souls, \$120,000; annual indemnity for her public lands \$100,000; 5 per cent. on the sum of \$4,062,500, the amount of the public debt for which she is nowhere liable, on a population of 125,000 souls, \$203,125; her total subsidy being \$473,125, or an increase of \$301,953.

"Hurrah for Manitoba."

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THE discussion which has taken place in regard to Manitoba's attitude at the World's Fair, has proved the best advertisement for this country we could

have. There is no doubt that we will receive a large share of attention this coming season, and we trust that it may be the means of increasing immigration in a corresponding measure.

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AS IF following up the views of the *Manitoban*, Brandon has set about the Temperance question in earnest. We shall watch their progress with interest as we are more convinced, the longer we think of it, that the control of the liquor by the state is the first step towards reforming the evils that now exist.

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GLADSTONE'S Home Rule Bill for Ireland which has been so long and anxiously looked forward to does not appear to meet with as great favor as was expected. Evidently the Irish are divided among themselves as a large number of them are said to be opposed to the measures advocated and threaten rebellion.

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THE agitation in favor of tax reform will go on as long as there are taxes to pay. Even in Caesar's time they had their grievances and until Bellamy's dream is realized or the millenium comes some one will be dissatisfied.