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Notes and Comments.



THE manager of the Dominion Experimental Farm in the north-west territories, in his report to the Minister of Agriculture, says he is satisfied after numerous experiments that smudges or

smoke is of no use in protecting the grain against frost. After repeated tests he finds that the temperature is not much effected and that it is uncertain as to just where the smoke will go when you want it. This has been a subject of much discussion among those interested, and where experiments have been made certain beneficial results were effected. We are of the opinion that for one farmer to start a smoke for protection against frost is useless. We believe a whole neighborhood should act in concert, and by their united efforts such a cloud of smoke would be raised that if there was any efficacy in it, they would prove it beyond a doubt.

WE do not hear very much this season about the rainmakers. They must have gone out of the business since Providence has delegated that portion of the business to Himself.

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AND now comes a remedy for cyclones. An inventive genius has come to the rescue of the country with a cure, if taken when the disease is near at hand, will promptly stop such antics. He purposes to discharge torpedoes in mid-air, and by a series of explosions break the forces which are preparing to sweep down on mother earth. This plan might work very well but it would have to be like a fire escape, always ready.

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The month of July is one fraught with great importance to the people of Manitoba. In this month the people are called upon to decide as to who shall be our rulers for another four years. The Temperance question will be also decided for some time to come, as prohibition or no prohibition will be answered by the ballot box. The Industrial Exhibition as a summer fair will receive its initial trial,