

civilized South American states—all over the world British gold has been poured into veritable rat-holes by the millions. It is true considerable British capital has been sunk in the colonies, but the aggregate of such losses is small, in comparison with the vast sums sunk in foreign lands. Canada alone has room for a population larger than that possessed by the United Kingdom, and with this number added the country would still be thinly peopled, compared with the old land. Canada has untold natural wealth, which requires capital to develop it. The best way to further extend the greatness of the empire would be to keep our stout British hands and British gold under the British flag.

Manitoba.

K. Simpton, hotel, Neepawa, deceased.

T. Crother, grocer, Winnipeg, succeeding F. Henry.

J. E. McCrossan, dry goods, Winnipeg, assigned in trust.

Colquhoun & Munro, general store, Carleton Place, removed to Stockton.

Wm. Burton of Carberry will open a general store at McGregor on Sept. 15.

The stock of Arthur Bell, grocer, Brandon, has been sold to Geo. Wood & Co.

The bailiff is in possession of the stock of W. E. Hawthorne, harness, Arden.

Geo. Des Roisiers, blacksmith, Letellier, was burnt out on 1st inst.; no insurance.

Thos. D. Hall, grocer, Winnipeg, is giving up business and succeeded by F. Henry.

Angus McKenzie, hotel, Carberry, is out of business, and succeeded by Edward Mills.

Henry Felix, grocer, Winnipeg, has sold out to Carruthers, and continuing as butcher.

Ben. Zimmerman, clothing, and boots and shoes, Winnipeg, sheriff's sale advertised to take place on 8th inst.

Hon. Colonel McMillan, provincial treasurer of Manitoba, has returned from the British Isles. His mission was the negotiation of a million dollars loan, which he says he has completed successfully.

The agent of the Alberta Railway and coal Company here states that Galt Coal will be sold at Winnipeg during the coming winter at the usual price of \$7.50 per ton delivered, and that the price at outside points will also not be changed.

The total amount of the estimated expenditure of the Winnipeg municipal council for next year is \$487,013.44; this, less \$13,041.80, gives \$474,071.64 to be raised by taxation. The assessment for 1893 was \$21,692,300, and the rate required 19.60 mills.

Sir Charles Tupper, high commissioner for Canada in England, arrived in Winnipeg the first of the week. His visit to Canada is of a private nature, but while west he will visit the crofter settlements, to investigate and report to the royal commission on crofter colonization, regarding the condition of the settlers here.

Receipts at the Inland Revenue office, Winnipeg division, for the month of August were:

Spirits	\$10,668 72
Malt	2,828 44
Tobacco	13,434 75
Cigars	776 10
License	90 00
Other receipts	299 17

Total

Transactions for the month ending August 31, at the Dominion government savings bank, Winnipeg, were:—

Deposits	\$32,175 00
Withdrawals	31,171 95

Deposits exceed withdrawals by....\$ 403 05

The following statement shows the value of goods exported, imported and entered for consumption, with duty collected thereon, at the port of Winnipeg during the month of August, 1893, and compared with the same month last year:—

	Value. 1892.	Value. 1893.
Exported	\$244,577	\$197,788
Imported, dutiable....	324,470	308,745
Imported, free.....	51,920	52,132
Total imported ...	\$376,390	\$360,877
Entered for consumption, dutiable	335,022	304,046
Entered for consumption, free	51,920	52,132
Total for consumption.	386,942	356,178
Duty collected	\$98,708	\$83,278

Assiniboia.

The general stock in trade of J. T. Craig, of Oxbow, will be sold at a rate on the dollar at auction on the 14th September, at Winnipeg.

The "Soo" extension will be completed from Estevan to Pasqua by Saturday of next week, there being about forty miles left to iron.

The Dominion Coal company will endeavor to meet the demand for Souris coal this coming winter, and with that object in view two mines will be worked, the one at Estevan and one at Roche Perche. The mines are now being put in order for operation.

A subscriber writes from Qu'Appelle Station to the effect that there are a large number of fat cattle in that district, but there are no buyers. The Commercial would call the attention of our cattle shippers to this. Some of the dealers should undertake to relieve the Qu'Appelle farmers of their surplus cattle.

Alberta.

N. W. Styles, general store, Innisfail, has assigned to Jos. De Dory.

A large number of Edmonton business men are seeking incorporation under the name of "The Edmonton Oil Company." The object for which incorporation is sought is to explore for petroleum and other minerals.

Northwest Ontario.

The partnership subsisting between Arthur O. Butler and Chas. J. Hollands, general merchants, Fort Francis, has been dissolved.

A change has taken place in the banking firm of Ray, Street & Co., of Port Arthur and Fort William, Col. Ray having purchased the interest of Mrs. Street in the business.

A telegram from Rat Portage on Monday says:—"The Sultana mine will resume work at once. The proprietor, John F. Caldwell, brought in a gold brick valued at seventeen hundred and fifty dollars, from sixty tons of ore. Largest gold brick ever produced in Canada.

Grain and Milling.

The Brandon Farmers' Elevator, Milling and Trading Co., Limited, has been incorporated.

A. D. Matthews proposes establishing a flour mill at Elkhorn, Man. He has gone to Toronto to purchase machinery. It is expected that the mill will be in running order by the first of December.

A largely signed petition has been presented to the mayor of Virde, Man., asking him to call a public meeting to discuss the question of a grist mill for Virde, to replace the one burned a short time ago.

The flour mill, elevator, engine house and office, belonging to the Bell farm at Indian

Head were destroyed by fire on Thursday. The total loss is about \$25,000. The origin of the fire is not known.

F. R. Hutt has purchased the elevator of the Moosomin Elevator Co., of Moosomin, Assa., and will run it under the name of the Moosomin Elevator Company. Richard Teas, secretary of the old company, continues the management.

There was considerable excitement among Winnipeg grain men for a brief time last Monday and Tuesday, when it became known that Winnipeg would have only one representative upon the board which meets annually to fix the grain grades. Last year Winnipeg had three representatives. Vigorous remonstrances were at once made to the Inland Revenue department at Ottawa, which department has charge of the grain grades, and word was received back that Winnipeg would be given three representatives the same as last year. It was explained that there was no intention to lessen the representation of the Winnipeg grain interests upon the standards board, and that the first letter from the department asking for the nomination of one representative was an oversight.

Saskatchewan.

Tenders will be received until 15th September next, at so much on the dollar for \$3,000 debentures issued by the Municipality of the town of Prince Albert, payable at the end of twenty years. Interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, payable annually on 21st August.

An exhibition car from Prince Albert district has been sent east. The car is in charge of Conductor Stovel. The display of roots, vegetables, grains, grasses, etc., is fine. Grain in the straw, made up in small and fancy sheaves, is tacked up on the sides of the car and tables extending the entire length of the car are loaded down with mammoth garden vegetables, threshed grain, fruits, preserved and otherwise, flowers and all else which goes to make up an ideal farming country. There is a small display of school work in one end of the car, maps, etc., drawn by the public school children, and this is surmounted by a beautiful wreath of cut flowers. A space is devoted to the natural woods of the district and several very fine cross sections of spruce and tamarac occupy a conspicuous position. Among the exhibits are bundles of native grasses, of which there are forty-nine varieties, from the short, succulent bunch grass to the blue joint, ten feet in length and the wild vetch or pea vine, which measures over twenty feet from root to tip and is the finest beef producing fodder that can be found anywhere. Amongst the grain shown are several bags of No. 1 hard. Red Fyfe wheat, which Mr. Stovel intends making up into small sample packages and distributing to the agriculturists in the east. The car was at the C.P.R. depot in the afternoon and was sent east by last night's express. The first place it will be exhibited at will be Toronto, and all the larger fairs will be taken in. A fresh supply of vegetables will be sent east every week to keep the display up to the mark. Such exhibits as this are bound to do unlimited good for the country and the effect will doubtless be seen next year when the immigration returns are made up.

The premises of Cooper & Smith, wholesale boot and shoe merchants, Toronto, has been seized by the sheriff under a judgment for \$120,000, at the instance of the executors of the estate of the late John Smith.

The *Cosmopolitan* magazine for September is a superb number, devoted as it is largely to the Columbian Exposition, described by ex-President Harrison, Walter Besant and others, with about 100 fine illustrations. The *Cosmopolitan* is always good, but the September number excels.