

Smith & Co., the beautiful Smith & Fergusson block, the Paul and Martin block, and the Court House, all of which are solid brick. The press of Regina stands in the front rank of journalism, the "Leader" and "Standard" each enjoying a wide circulation. There are four churches, namely, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Catholic and Methodist, each of the buildings being large and commodious.

The Public Schools are a credit to the town, the building being of solid brick, costing \$12,000, three stories high, with a good basement, and a very efficient staff of six teachers, the regular attendance of pupils being 300; the corporate body is composed of a Mayor and six Councillors; there is also a Board of Trade.

Regina is situated in the centre of a great fertile belt, which is destined to become at a very early date the greatest wheat growing country in the world, and the fact that the land is being so rapidly taken up and cultivated is a proof of the future greatness of this western town. The Board of Trade has been the means of getting lands opened up for settlement, which had been held by speculators. To give some idea of the extent of the Regina district and the strength of the soil it has been computed that if the even numbered sections alone were cultivated with wheat and the yield was 20 bushels to the acre (which is only a medium crop) the C.P.R. would not be able to carry away the entire crop in one year.

The fact of Regina occupying such a central position in this immense country assures its becoming the distributing point for all kinds of farm and garden product as well as live stock. Since the immense immigration to British Columbia, that Province has been wholly unable to supply the demand, and many car loads of stock raised in this country are being sent there annually. Another notable feature with regard to the stock and grain growing in this district is the fact that they always obtain the highest price in the markets of Eastern Canada.

In addition to the foregoing remarks showing the general advancement of this western town the following facts are worthy of mention as proving that the citizens are fully alive to the benefits to be derived from having all the latest improvements: The streets and stores are lighted with electricity some 900 lights being in constant use; the Bell

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