

Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta, 1909.

cultural schools located at Winnipeg and Saskatoon give practical courses in scientific farming, preparing graduates to take up the responsibilities of farm life. Fortunate are those farmers who locate along the line of railway that reaches these important institutions. Thus it will be seen that the question of higher education for the young folks is solved in the beginning.

Church organizations are numerous and there are few spots that can be found, even now, where they are not accessible.

One of the modern, practical and convenient inventions of the age is the telephone. This has been a great factor in lessening the labor on the farm and putting the country in touch with town and city. It is a factor that welds together agricultural communities into closer social contact. It may be noted here as in no other part of the American continent that the Provincial government lends substantial aid in the installing of telephone systems, so that new communities are not long without the aid of the telephone. The main telephone lines in the three provinces are all owned and operated by the government.

The newcomer settling in this favored section will find the social conditions far beyond a pioneer stage. He will find helps on every hand. Instead of his going to the "jumping off place," as is often supposed when thinking of Western Canada, he will find himself surrounded by wonderful opportunities for social advancement in a new country fraught with promise. He will find the social problems working themselves out quickly, and as the large farms become smaller and the population increases, better and better will become the social conditions of this new country. With an organization such as the Grand Trunk Pacific railroad behind the movement for the betterment of farm life, the future of the new settler in his relation to home life and social conditions is assured.