

OPENINGS IN WINNIPEG.

When we assert that the mercantile field is filled at present in Winnipeg, and state that there are still many promising business openings in the city, we feel bound to mention some of the openings most inviting to intending investors. This we propose to do, and in so doing we have no intention of picturing the city as a place where any class of manufacturing concerns would prove lucrative. On the contrary it is the desire of the members of the Winnipeg Board of Trade that no hot-house plant of an industry should be established here. There is no necessity in this city for anyone to start into a branch of general manufactures, and expect without some special advantages to compete with the low-priced labor centres of the east. There are numerous branches in which advantages in raw material and otherwise are so much in favor of local manufactures that competition from outside could be met with ease, and thoroughly checked if necessary. A few of the lines in which such advantages exist we shall now quote.

A STARCH FACTORY

could scarcely fail to be a profitable undertaking in Winnipeg. Year after year hundreds if not thousands of bushels of potatoes are allowed to freeze and rot on account of the expense of providing frost proof storage for them. The fabulous crops, which can be raised of this root around the city make it a simple matter for them to be supplied at very low prices and still be a profitable crop. The benefit of an ever-ready market is all that is necessary to stimulate potato growing to an extent that would supply unlimited raw material for such factories, and at figures such as would make the industry profitable. If the manufacture of potato starch can be made profitable in any country it surely should in one where nearly eight hundred bushels of potatoes have been