

THE TOWN OF REGINA.

We have not space for a full description of the town, nor is a lengthy description necessary: a mere passing glance at some of the features of the place, and a description of some of the leading business houses will suffice for the purposes of this work.

Regina is situated on the C. P. R., 356 miles west of Winnipeg in the center of the provisional province of Assiniboia. It is the seat of Government for the North-West Territories: headquarters of the North-West Mounted Police. All Indians in the North-West Territories are governed from Regina, where also is located the Dominion Lands and Registry Offices for the district. The town contains a population of about 2,000. The Church of England, Catholics, Presbyterian and Methodists, have comfortable places of worship. The Regina Public School, the largest in the Territories according to the last official report is conducted by four teachers and a new and handsome School building is to be erected during the coming summer. The town has been incorporated for five years, and the affairs of the municipality have always been managed with an eye to economy, while at the same time, public improvements have gone steadily on. Principal streets are well graded and there are about five miles of good side walks in the corporation. The town also owns a good town hall, built at an expense of \$4,000, which is largely used, as it last year contributed to the treasury of the town over \$600 in rentals. The total debenture and local indebtedness of the town is only \$12,500.

We here, as briefly as is consistent with the importance and prominence of their various enterprises, describe some of the business men of the town.

MOWAT BROTHERS, Wholesale and Retail Grocers, are the oldest merchants in east or west Assiniboia, first established at Fort Qu'Appelle in 1879, and on opening up of the country by the C. P. R., opened a branch at Regina in 1882. Were the first to pitch their tent and open up store in the present town site, since which they have done a large and growing trade. They carry a large and varied assortment of groceries imported direct and purchase largely direct from the manufacturer, enabling them to compete with other wholesale centres. Their jobbing trade is growing daily and if it continues we hope to soon see this enterprising firm among the first to go into wholesaling exclusively. Mr. D. Mowat was elected by acclamation Mayor of the town for the years 1886 and 1887 and retired from the Mayoralty carrying with him the good will and esteem of his fellow citizens.

DAWSON, BOLE & CO., Wholesale and Retail Druggists. This firm consisting of John Dawson and D. W. Bole, pitched their tent in 1882, since