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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

## Manitoba.

Grace Church, Winnipeg is to have a new organ. The cost of it will be \$6,000.

The Carman Farmer's Elevator Company is increasing its capital stock from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

The assessment roll of the village of Virden shows an increase of population since last April of 130.

Among the industries to be established in Winnipeg is a branch of the terra cotta works of Deseronto, Ontario.

Thursday, May 5th, was proclaimed a public holiday, by the Lieutenant-Governor, to be observed as Arbor Day.

A horse show was held at Winnipeg on Saturday April 23rd. Many fine animals appeared in the parade.

The Carman Standard has been revived. It is published under the management of A. K. Hogg, formerly of Winnipeg.

The storm which swept over Manitoba and the eastern parts of the Territories on Wednesday, April 27th, was a very severe one.

Mr. Robert Guane, agent for Dominion lands, for the Lake Dauphin district, will open the office at that place on or about the 1st of May.

The road-bed of the C. P. R. between Winnipeg and Rat Portage is being improved and the old rails replaced with 72 pound steel rails.

The Icelanders employed in sewer construction in Winnipeg have struck work for an advance in wages from 17½ to 20 cents per hour.

The C. P. R. telegraph service is to be extended on several of the branch lines this year. One of the proposed extensions is from Deloraine to Nepinka.

Steel & Wing, photographers, Winnipeg, have received an order from the C.P.R. for a large number of views of western farms for distribution in Europe.

Wm. Bell, Manitoba's sheep king, is making some very large shipments to the coast lately. He sends every month cattle, sheep and hogs to the value of \$35,000 to British Columbia.

Messrs. Gordon & Ironsides, of Manitou, shipped on May 4th twenty eight cars of livestock to Liverpool. Their train carried some of the finest cattle ever sent out of this county.

The Hudson Bay Company have decided to advance the price of lots in the best residential portion of their reserve in Winnipeg from \$1,000 to \$1,200 each for inside lots.

The C. P. R. intend erecting stations buildings at Gainsborough, Carnduff and Oxbow on their Souris extension. Other work for the improvement of the line is now being done.

Farmers in the Steinback and Clearsprings districts of Southeastern Manitoba have petitioned the local Government to grant the bonds asked for by the Manitoba & Southeastern Railway company

The Canada Gazette gives notice that application will be made for the Manitoba & Northwestern railway company of Canada for an act relieving it of the statutory obligation of building twenty miles during the present year.

The ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, of Winnipeg, held a meeting recently to discuss the matter of serving hot coffee to the firemen during the progress of a fire. The idea was suggested after the late fire in Winnipeg.

A meeting has been held at Winnipeg of the voyageurs who accompanied Colonel Kennedy on his memorable trip to Egypt in 1884 and from which he never returned, with a view to having a monument placed over his grave in Highgate cemetery, England.

Dominion Government Savings Bank transactions in Winnipeg for the month ending April 30, were :-

Deposits .....	\$19,275 00
Withdrawals .....	27,457 87
Withdrawals exceed deposits by .....	\$8,182 87

A syndicate is being formed at Wawanesa, Man., to erect a flour mill with possibly suitable power attached for the purpose of establishing a woolen factory. The promoters of the enterprise include some business men in Wawanesa and adjoining municipalities.

One hundred and sixty bags of English mail passed through Winnipeg on April 24th over the C. P. R. Forty bags were for China, thirty for Japan, and the rest for British Columbia and India. This was the largest steamship mail that ever crossed the continent over this line of railway.

St. David's Society of Welshmen, Winnipeg, held a meeting in the Y.M.C.A. rooms at Winnipeg on the evening of May 2nd. A programme of entirely Welsh numbers was rendered, after which the meeting was brought to a close with the singing of "Hen wlad fy Nhadau" (the land of our fathers.)

The passenger department of the C. P. R. in addition to the company's lake service, between Fort William and Owen Sound, have completed

arrangements with the Great Northern Transfer company and the North Shore Navigation company of Ontario, whose steamers ply between Owen Sound and Sault Ste. Marie, so that tourists can visit points on Georgian bay and Manitoulin Islands. These latter steamers sail from Owen Sound on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and from the Soo on Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays.

From the Pilot Mound Sentinel: Smoke during the day and fires at night mark the horizon. Farmers are clearing their fields of straw and stubble preparing for another crop.—During the week many new birds have arrived, crocuses have become common on the prairie, roads and streets have dried up, plows have been started by farmers and many fields have been seeded.—There is a prospect that the wild fruit crop will, this summer, be a good one, as the blossoms are not likely to be too early and so will not liable to injury.

Boyce's Carriage Works, Winnipeg, has issued a handsome illustrated catalogue. It gives a list of the various vehicles now being manufactured or handled at the works. A specialty is made of hand made work, more particularly delivery and commercial wagons. Mr. Boyce superintends the manufacturing department himself and as he has had a long experience in the business that is a guarantee of its excellence. A number of excellent lines of imported buggies and wagons are shown. This business is justly entitled to rank among the foremost in western Canada.

The sales made by the Canadian Pacific railway land department, at Winnipeg, for the month just ended are the largest in the history of the company since the days of the boom. During the month considerably over 68,000 acres were disposed of. The major portion of this was in Manitoba and much of it in the southwestern portion of the province. For the corresponding period last year only about 12,000 acres were sold, the sales this year having increased fivefold. The greater portion was disposed to actual settlers.

The following are inland revenue returns for Winnipeg for the month of April :-

Spirits .....	\$23,489 92
Malt .....	2,904 88
Tobacco .....	11,223 25
Cigars .....	614 85
Petroleum .....	67 60
Other receipts .....	147 70
Total .....	\$38,543 10
Collections for April, 1891 .....	\$21,584 08
Increase .....	\$17,009 07