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Pilot Mound Mills

This week we present our readers with a view of the oatmeal mills located at Pilot Mound, Manitoba, owned by Dow & Currie. These mills have done a very successful trade, not only in Manitoba, but throughout Canada. Shipments of the product have been made westward to the Pacific coast and also to the eastern provinces and for export to Great Britain. At present the trade is principally in Manitoba and Eastern Canada.

The main building is 30x40 feet and four stories high. The first floor contains the

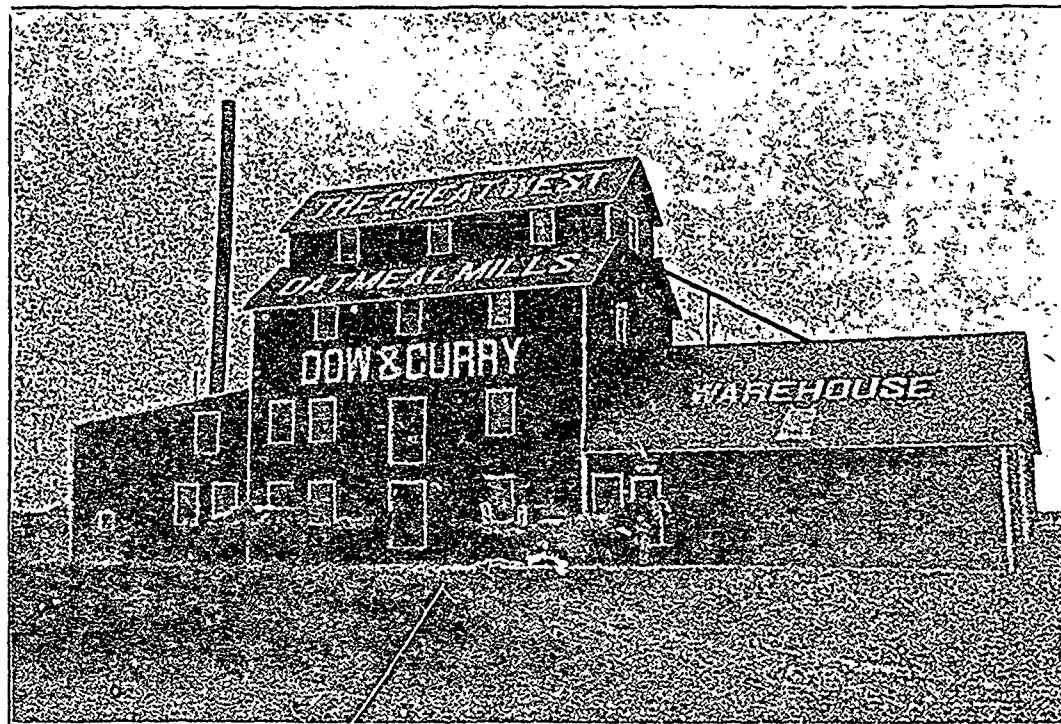
with steam from a 55 horse power boiler in an adjoining room 14x30 feet. Both engine and boiler were made by R. Whitelaw, of Woodstock, Ontario. There is a warehouse forming a right wing to the mill 30x42 and 20 feet high, with a storage capacity of 20,000 bushels. The drying kiln is situated at the back of the mill, is of stone, of the most perfect design and measures 24x24 feet. The dust house similarly situated measures 25x25 feet.

The mill was planned and erected by George Dow, who is a practical mill builder,

The mill has a capacity of 100 barrels per day, and is kept running full time.

W. F. Henderson & Co., Winnipeg, are the wholesale agents for the product of this mill, and through their wide business connections, the good quality of the product, and the assistance of The Commercial advertising columns, they have been enabled to keep the mill well supplied with orders.

It is expected that the shipments of poultry to England this season from Eastern Canada will be large.



heavy shafting, bins in connection with the drying kiln, and a rolled oat grader. On the second floor are three run of stones, two rows of rolls, an improved steamer with blast attachment, scouring and cockle machine, and dust reel. The third floor is completely taken up with a receiving separator, a milling separator, a dry-oats separator and grader combined, an oat hull separator, a planifier, four purifiers, and a centrifugal reel. On the fourth floor are the heads of the elevator, dust collectors and other purifiers.

The machinery is driven by a 45 horse power engine in a room 18x20 feet, supplied

and the machinery was built under his supervision. Mr. Dow, who is a native of Scotland, had, previous to his arrival in Canada, the advantage of his father's experience, who carried on business as a mill builder and furnisher. After coming to Canada Mr. Dow was employed with R. Whitelaw, mill builder, of Woodstock, for a number of years, during which time he planned and supervised the erection of a number of mills.

The mill at Pilot Mound is advantageously situated close to the Canadian Pacific Railway, with which it is connected by a siding.

Our Correspondence Column.

T. S.—The Ontario grade of straight roller flour is supposed to be a winter wheat flour. There is very little spring wheat grown in Ontario, the area this year (official figures) being only 223,957 acres; producing a crop of 3,321,700 bushels. For the ten years previous to 1891 the annual average area of spring wheat was 528,731 acres, but the crop has been rapidly going out of cultivation. The area of winter wheat this year in Ontario was 749,199, producing a crop of 13,254,000 bushels.