

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**  
Notice—To Millers and others.  
Public Notice—Thomas Dowling,  
Auctioneer and Valuator—J. G. Fitzgerald,  
Tenders for Cordwood—Northwest Mounted  
Police.

### THE NOR-WESTER.

CALGARY, THURSDAY, Feb. 26, 1885.

Mr. G. OLNER, of Winnipeg, paid the town a flying visit.

An Agricultural Society has been formed at Battleford with a membership of 45.

Mr. May had to shoot a valuable horse owing to its being attacked with glanders.

MR. BELL IRVIN and Mr. Arnold are getting out fence poles and posts for spring operations.

A DISPENSARY has been granted for a Masonic Lodge at Battleford, Major Crozier Master.

Mr. W. K. HARTING, Winnipeg, arrived on Thursday's train and registered at the Royal Hotel.

MAJOR M. BALLINGRAD, of Shell River, registered at the Central Hotel, and will take in the beauties of Calgary.

Mr. Paw met with a bad fall Monday afternoon, whilst practising on the horizontal bar, shaking him up somewhat.

REMEMBER the Carnival at Fraser's Skating Rink this evening, vs masqueraders, and come forth like an army and jubilate.

Up the Elbow, "you know," is considered the proper thing for equestrians. Nothing like opening up new fields for recreation.

The mining machinery at Clover Bar, Saskatchewan, has been got into position for experiment and will be started up for trial next week.

MESSRS. CUMMINGS & ALLAN are up to the times, as evinced by the neat manner of their turn-outs, and the public evidently know it.

MR. DAVE KENNEDY, of Innis & Kennedy, ranchers, down the Bow river, was in town, Tuesday, and reports his sheep doing well. No casualties.

The letter which appears in our columns, signed "Resident" will be dealt with in our next issue. We do not agree with all of "Resident's" ideas.

MR. PERRY, assistant superintendent of the C.P.R. division here, took a trip to Laggan on business last week returning on Friday. He did not hunger whatever.

All accounts due Dr. Lindsay can be settled through his agent, Mr. C. P. Moore, of Calgary.

MR. J. BUTLAND and Mr. Roselle are both building good houses and stables on lots they own, on the mission property, which shows enterprise on their part and a desire to stay with us.

We have been blessed with most delightful weather the past few days, almost like summer in fact. Some Manitobans are in town new, and thankful they are not in the east freezing.

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for me, sir? "What name?" "Ary B——k." "Yes." Party takes it, goes outside, presently returns, "This ain't for me, my name ain't 'Ary.' 'H'm, it's addressed 'Ary,' all the same."

As will be seen by an advertisement in our columns Mr. J. G. Fitzgerald has entered into the Auctioneer and Valuator line of business.

Mr. Fitzgerald is an old timer here and identified with the progress of our town, and so favorably known that we wish him every success.

THREE crews of extra men are on their way up from the east for the construction of breakwaters and general strengthening of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd crossings of the Bow. The C.P.R. are fully alive to another possible ice jam and wash out, so are taking time by the forelock.

MESSRS. J. G. McLEAN BROTHERS have returned and intend opening up in the fancy millinery business. Mr. J. G. McLean will be remembered as the gentleman who sold off a large stock recently and is well aware of what is wanted in our town, and no doubt will do well.

We dropped into Mr. Mark Cosner's new barber shop Tuesday and took note of the substantial improvements he is making, and when fully carried out he will have cause to congratulate himself on having such nice accommodation. The public will naturally appreciate his efforts.

The voting took place last Saturday to decide whether Calgary should be formed into a school district, 38 votes (yes) were polled with no opposition. The returns will be forwarded to His Hon. the Lieut.-Governor, as per instruction, after which the election of Trustees will take place.

MR. OSBURN's shop came near being razed through fire the other evening, but owing to the promptitude of two gentlemen it was quenched before it got headway. He says they need not have poured so much water down the stovepipe as he is not anxious to turn the place into a swimming bath.

MR. T. HENRY of the Hudson's Bay Co., Winnipeg, arrived here by last train, and has been busy occupied in looking over the Compton's stock, so as to form some idea of what is required for the spring trade. He goes east on Saturday. Mr. Henry is very favorably impressed with the situation of Calgary.

LAST Thursday evening, about 9:30, when Gus Gouine, a half-breed, wended his way home across the Bow by Mr. J. Barwise's, his chargin may be imagined, to find his tent raised to the ground and nothing but the smoking embers and some frizzled bacon to call his own. He sought asylum in a hotel to hide his woe.

THE McLeod stage going south on the 12th instant was relieved of a permit at the Leaving, belonging to prizes in McLeod. Mr. Johnson, the driver, with the assistance of a policeman, arrested one Dan Fraser for the theft, and took him along to the end of his trip, where he will have to answer for his actions before a magistrate.

MARTIN BEN GOVIN, son of Mr. Govin Crown Timber agent, met with what might have proved a serious accident. The little fellow whilst skating on the rink a few evenings ago, fell, striking his back against the platform. For some time it was doubtful as to what injury he had received, but we are glad to hear he is getting well.

THE Dominion Land Agent at Calgary has received instructions to offer for sale at \$2 per acre all odd numbered sections remaining undisposed of north of the Canadian Pacific Railway twenty-four mile belt; the terms to be cash in all cases. This does not include school lands, or lands included in a grant to a railway or a colonization company.

MR. R. HARTSTONE, of the C.P.R., Winnipeg, paid us a visit whilst here; he came on last train returning Saturday morning. For some years Mr. Hartstone has run the different refreshment rooms along the C.P.R., and has met with general favor. He has an eye on this place but is reticent. We are ready for 10 minutes' refreshments, so come along and start her up.

MR. DONALD McLEOD pulled out for Edmonton with 150 bags of flour and 1,450 lbs of other freight for H. B. Co., Edmonton; P. Labanac from H. B. Co., 7,500 lbs; S. Berland, from H. B. Co., 7,500 lbs, for the same place; B. Boussie, from H.B.C., 3,000 lbs, for Battle River; C. Whitford, from H. B. Co., 100 sacks flour, and A. Anderson, 20 sacks, for the Blood reserve.

A RUNAWAY occurred on Stephen avenue last Friday afternoon which for the time being afforded some little amusement. The fiery and untamed steed evidently had not the confidence of his master or he would not have secured him the way he did, by lashing him to a log, but he was averse to this form of tying up, we may say as logheads, decidedly. No damage done.

It affords us much pleasure to announce the appointment of Mr. J. H. Millward as a magistrate for the Northwest Territories. His position as one of our Councillors is proof of the esteem in which he is held by our community, and in the capacity of a Justice of the Peace we have no doubt he will uphold the dignity of the law and dispense it with a firm hand. He has our well wishes.

MESSRS. SIMONS AND FEW have put up their traps and horizontal bar in the Boynton Hall, and now await the shipment here of

clubs, gloves, dumb bells, etc., etc. when they will commence giving instructions. It only remains for our citizens to come forward and put their names down and help the movement. The subscription for monthly class is very moderate and should meet with proper support.

MR. C. WHITEHEAD, who was manager for his father on Section B some years ago and took to farming near Brandon, passed up west by Thursday's train en route for the coast where he intends resuming the contracting line. He has left his farm, which is considered one of the best in Manitoba to other parties. Mr. Mathewson accompanies him to help rake in the dusts. Good luck to you, and may you return loaded.

THE Grand Magistrate thought fit to make a change in their station agents here, Mr. Farrell going east much to the regret of business men, as he has proved himself both courteous and prompt in business matters. Mr. Ludwig, of Laggan, takes hold now, and in welcoming him amongst us, feel sure he will sustain the good opinion of the C.P.R. staff here. Very few places can boast of having such efficient officials.

THE Grand Scribe of the Sons of Temperance, Mr. Geo. P. Bliss, of Winnipeg, will visit our town next Thursday. On Friday, 27th, he will deliver his celebrated lecture, in the Methodist Church, on "The Advance of the Temperance Army and the retreat of the enemy." The position Mr. Bliss holds in the Order of Sons of Temperance is a guarantee of his ability as a speaker. The lecture will begin at 8 p.m. Admission free. A collection will be taken up to defray expenses.

One of those happy events that break the monotony of every day life took place Tuesday, in the marriage of Mr. J. Donohue, late of the N.W.M.P. to Miss Mary Drury. The sacred ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Lacombe at the Roman Catholic Mission, Mr. Dan McNeil acting as best man, with Mr. Lambert and Mr. Rutledge. The bridesmaids were Miss Lee, Miss Ellis and Miss Hediger.

After the solemn words of union and blessing were pronounced the party drove out to Fish Creek, and were entertained royally by Mr. Glenn. After the refreshment dancing was indulged in, the coterie returning to town about 7 o'clock, stopping at Mr. McNeil's, the Rossie House, where supper had been prepared, and the guests to the number of fifty sat down to the tables that were grouting under the weight of choice viands and the many presents to the happy pair, forming a brilliant scene, everyone enjoying themselves to their hearts content. Speeches apropos of the occasion were indulged in; but short time was given for congratulations, when dancing began, which was kept up till early morn, when all dispersed thoroughly pleased. Below is a list of the valuable presents:

Table Cover, Messrs. Rankin & Allan; Carved Bread Plate and Silver Knife, Miss English; 1 dozen Silver Knives, Mr. Perry; Silver Crest Stand, Mr. P. McNeil; 1 pair Vases, Mr. J. Allan; Pickle Stand (double) Mr. D. McNeil; Silver Butter Dish, Mr. Neil McLeod; Silver Cake Basket, Messrs. Blake, Bond, Lattimer and Percival, Messrs. M.P.; Silver Butter Dish, Miss Hediger; Pickle Stand, Mr. J. Munro; Jewellery Case Miss Ellis; Album, Mr. J. McNeil; Clock, Mrs. Fraser; Pickle Stand, Mr. J. W. Ingram; Set of Table Napkins, Mr. J. Robertson; Easy Chair, Mr. Geo. Murdoch.

THE town council met last night in the council chamber. Present—the Mayor, Councillors Hogg, Millward and Clarke. The minutes of the last meeting having been read over, the Council proceeded to business.

A letter was read from Councillor Lindsay, asking permission for leave of absence for three months.

Councillor Hogg moved that it be granted. Carried.

A letter was read from J. H. Warren, offering his house on the corner of Stephen avenue and Hardisty street for a look-up.

Moved by Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Millward, that the communication be filed. Carried.

A letter was read from the Waterhouse Company, Brantford, relative to the adoption of what system of water works, and asking for particulars so as to guide them in making for the cost, and what was wanted.

Moved by Councillor Hogg, that the communication be filed. Carried.

A communication was read from Mr. McDonald, that he will fulfil his duties as pound keeper faithfully.

Moved by Councillor Hogg, seconded by Councillor Clarke, that his declaration be received and filed.

The account of I. S. Fozze for two months rent for Hall being read.

Moved by Councillor Hogg, seconded by Councillor Clarke, that the account be paid. Carried.

A communication from H. J. Stuart asking that the rent charged for the hall at the time of the awarding of it of the Councillors be considered as part payment on license fees.

Moved by Councillor Millward, seconded by Councillor Hogg, that the communication be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried.

A petition from the proprietors of livery and feed stables, asking that the license fee be reduced.

On motion of Councillor Millward, seconded by Councillor Millward it was referred to Committee of the whole.

The Committee on Finance recommended that accounts of Mr. McVittie and Kamnaskia Coal company be paid.

Moved by Councillor Millward, seconded by Councillor Clarke, that the Council meet to-morrow, 26th, to consider the matter of building the Elbow bridge. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Millward, seconded by Councillor Hogg, that the penalty sections of 22, 16, 23, 31 of by-laws 2, 3, 16, 17 be amended by striking out the words with or without hard labor. Carried.

Mr. Garrett, before the Council, stated as the chairman of a committee to examine site for the Elbow Bridge, he wished to know if

the Council were going to do anything themselves in the matter.

The Mayor replied that they were in correspondence in regard to the matter with the Ottawa authorities, and they had called a meeting to-morrow for that purpose and the question was to be decided how much this Council would give towards the bridge and so the work at once.

Mr. Garrett understood that the rest of the Committee are in favor of building the bridge inside the Corporation and therefore he did not wish to clash with the Council.

The Mayor, in reply to the direct question said that they had already taken steps towards the construction of a bridge.

The clerk called the attention of the Council to the necessity of making a Health By-law.

Moved by Councillor Millward, seconded by Councillor Hogg, that the clerk be instructed to write out notices relative to Market By-law No. 20, and the Chief Constable to post same in public buildings.

Moved by Councillor Hogg, seconded by Councillor Clark, that the Council adjourn. Carried.

### VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

#### A TRIP SOUTH.

To the Editor of THE NOR-WESTER:

Sir,—As the winter wears along to its close great interest is manifested by many persons as to the condition of the stock in Alberta, especially as the winter is the most severe the territory has experienced in many years.

During last week your correspondent visited a large number of the ranches in the settlement of Pine Creek, Sheep Creek and High River and made special enquiry about the condition of the stock, and in every instance the reports were most cheering.

The cattle are looking well and the sheep are doing famously. Your correspondent as he drove along saw horses in their hands playing and skipping like lambskins in May. The general opinion among the settlers is that this winter by its severity has been a test one as far as the stock interests are concerned, and present indications are so encouraging that no one need have any doubts about the safety of wintering their stock even in our most severe winter.

We found the settlers hopeful and happy. Some of them already making arrangements for spring work by getting fence poles drawn and other winter work finished, so as to have a clear breeze for spring ploughing and seeding.

The religious services at Mr. McMillan's Sheep Creek, and Mr. Bunce's, High River, were well attended and much appreciated by the settlers. Your correspondent did not hold services at Pine Creek on his return but will do so next time he goes south.

J. DYKE.

### OUR TOWN COUNCILLORS.

To the Editor of THE NOR-WESTER:

Sir,—I think it time to make some reference to the doings of the town council. I do not wish to pass as a captious critic, but feel at liberty to criticize in a fair manner the public acts of our representatives.

The town of Calgary has been only for a short period incorporated from a strip of the prairie into a town. A few months ago the present town site was worth very little; it has not acquired any magical value by being incorporated.

It is true we have a number of buildings and a quantity of surveyed lots, but have no large resources. We have a beautiful town site and splendid prospects for a town if our municipal affairs are only managed economically; but in order to prosper a firm hand must be kept on the expenditure. Is this being done?

We think not. But for one thing, we were not in need of incorporation greatly, and the most of our citizens would have opposed it on the ground of expense; it, however, seemed a general desire on the part of all to secure a system of fire protection, and the citizens to secure this supported the idea of incorporation. Now the town has been incorporated for some months and as yet no move has been made to secure us against fire except the passing of a by-law for fire protection, which will never be enforced uniformly, and which would be an injustice to enforce uniformly.

There are a number of objections to the by-law; I do not propose to discuss them now, but will make a passing reference to one or two. For instance, in clause 9, stovepipes are prohibited from passing through a roof. This I presume shuts out the saddle tin chimneys. Now, the most of the houses in town have this kind of chimney and in most cases when they are properly put on they are fully as safe or safer than any other chimney used in town. It is therefore clear to be seen that public sentiment will prevent the enforcing of this clause in so many instances and at such an expense as it would entail. It is true that there are a number of small alleys in the place with only a pipe run through the roof and with such places the Committee on Fire, Water and Light cannot be too strict or severe, as it is from one of such places that we will have a disastrous fire if there is any.

There is no more to say for the organization of a look and later company or any kind of a fire preventative company; no bucket brigade or apparatus of any kind proposed, or proposed to be procured, for the prevention or extinguishing of fires, and so far as we can see there are no other improvements carried out or contemplated.

Yet our councillors do not seem willing to learn from the experience of other towns the disastrous effects of a young and rising place in the enclaves of a heavy debt or great taxation. They are going on appointing all sorts of officers at liberal salaries; in fact, there is hardly an office mentioned in the Municipal Ordinance but has been appointed here, and it is estimated that it will require a moderate heavy assessment on all the taxable property in town to pay salaries and the expenses of running the town machinery. I make no charge against the officers. They may be all good men, but the town ought not to be taxed to pay them. The Mayor with a hired officer ought to be able to do all the business that the town will require to transact for a year

or two, outside of the ordinary duties of the council. It is done in other towns in the Northwest, and these towns seem to manage their affairs as cleverly as we do in Calgary. Regina paid \$500 last year for her municipal expenditure, and it will be ascertained before the year is out, unless a severe curb is put on our generous expenditure, that ours will fall little short of \$4,000 or \$5,000.

A council chamber has been rented at a good rental from one of the councillors, by-laws which are really not needed yet are being passed and these have to be printed, and then the rates for licenses are fixed too much in the interests of the saloon-keepers.

Who ever heard before of granting a license to keep a saloon for the nominal fee of \$10? We might just as well have free trade in saloons. It is argued that the fee is increased by the billiard tables. This is true when tables are kept at saloons also, but in these cases they have a double means of making money, and I know of no place in Calgary in which there are more than two tables, the licenses in which would be only \$30, so that for a saloon and two tables only \$70 in licenses would have to be paid. Then consider for a moment what benefit, what value, to a town is a saloon or billiard table. They are not producers, they don't add to the wealth of a town. They merely occupy the doubtful position of being consumers or absorbers of a great quantity of money in circulation, for which they return no real value. If this is the case the return should be got at a large license. It is not so with a drayman or liverman. People engaged in such business give a fair return for the money they receive. Yet, a drayman with a double team is taxed \$25 for each team. If he wants to hire out a horse he must pay \$30 for the privilege, and if he wants to take in a horse for feed he must pay \$30 more. Now, a large number in this business in town wish to engage in all these separate lines, and to secure licenses to that end they must pay no less than \$65. Mr. Mickle thinks this too much in the jug handle line and has decided to move his property out of town. He has bought or purposed buying lots on the mission property, outside of the Corporation, in consequence of this act on the part of the Councillors. This is only one of many others who will do likewise. In this way we are losing good citizens and valuable taxable property from the town, and the mission property is being built up and increased in value at the expense of the town. If any more short-sighted or suicidal policy could be adopted it has yet to be suggested.

RESIDENT.

Billy Hawkins' challenge to the light weight pugilists of Canada has brought out replies from George Fulljames, Harry Gilmore and Sam Hirtle. All are anxious to meet the Winnipegger, Hawkins has a card in the Mail offering to meet any lightweight for stakes as high as \$4,000. Fulljames has issued a card offering to fight Hawkins for \$500 a side and the lightweight championship. If Hawkins does not accept the challenge is open to any man in Canada for one week. If nobody will accept, Fulljames says he will retire from the ring forever.

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TENDERS FOR CORDWOOD.

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Thursday, the 19th March, 1885.

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