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OGILVIE'S HUGE PROFITS Earnings of Milling Company are 55 per cent.

Montreal, Oct. 15.—A strong statement was made before the shareholders of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company, at the annual meeting held here yesterday. Total profits for the year amounted to \$1,660,594, against \$581,943 a year ago, an increase of \$1,078,651 or about 185

Formed Big Reserve

Profits from the flour side of the company's business are given as \$600,780, an increase of \$18,837 over total profits for the previous year. Outside the flour business the company made a profit of \$1,059,813, which was chiefly made by purchasing wheat in the fall of 1914 and selling it in the spring of 1915.

This large profit would have enabled the company to pay a dividend of 55 per cent. on the common stock, but it was

decided to place \$1,250,000 in a new reserve fund, and the usual dividend of per cent. only was distributed to the shareholders.

DR. JOHN CLIFFORD

Rev. John Clifford, D.D., has completed his pastorate at Westbourne Park church, London, England. At twentyyears of age he began his pastorate in 1858 and continued for fifty-seven years, respected and beloved beyond measure. In the British Weekly of Sept. measure. In the British Weekly of Sept. 2, Sir W. Robertson Nicol speaks of Dr. Clifford's main strength as follows: "The main strength of Dr. Clifford has been his unsullied and noble character. That have the reservoir is the possession and the pride character is the possession and the pride of the whole nation. Dr. Clifford has been a man of war, but there is no stain upon his sword, and even those who have differed from him most deeply acknowledge with reverence the fact that he has lived his sermons and preached his life. He has done this in such a ed his life. He has done this in such a fashion that his preaching has been a kind of ideal autobiography. His public labors have been beyond measure. They can, in a manner, be traced, but who is to tell the story of his secret toil and seeking? Of the way in which he has unweariedly searched for the lost, stretched his hand forth to the weak and stumbling, raised the broken-down and the hopeless? It is to Dr. Clifford that many an anxious father and mother have turned to find for them those who have wandered out of the way and have been lost to sight in the huge world of London. Of these things Dr. Clifford has never had a word to say. He is the least ostentatious of men. He has always been willing to take the lowest place, and has come to the front and held his place there simply because his qualities made it inevitable that he and no other should lead. He is the same man at seventy-eight as he was at eighteen, the same in fame as he was in obscurity, always simple, always brave, always true, always unselfish, always Christian."

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The Dominion Government's Forest Nursery at Indian Head is now distributing evergreens such as spruce and pine for farm planting under special conditions. The distribution is confined entirely to farm planting and no stock of any kind is supplied for planting on town or city lots. Applicants must be bona fide owners of farms. Those who desire to learn further regarding the opportunity to secure evergreens are asked to com-municate with the Forest Nursery Station, Indian Head, Sask.

MULCHING STRAWBERRIES

The object of mulching strawberries in the fall is to prevent winter-killing. Winter-killing is usually caused by the plants drying out too much during the winter months, or by alternate freezing and thawing. The best mulch material to use is clean straw; this is placed on the plants 4 to 6 inches deep after the ground

has been frozen.

"In the spring after the ground is thawed, the straw is worked around the plants. This serves several purposes, such as keeping the patch free from weeds, conserving the moisture and forming a clean mat for the berries to ripen on. clean mat for the berries to ripen on. After the fruit has ripened the straw should be removed.—E. F. McKune, Colorado Agricultural College.

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