



Winnipeg.

## PROVINCE OF MANITOBA



### Area.

THE province, in area, is about 300 miles from east to west, and extends northerly from the 49th parallel, embracing 73,956 square miles, or some 47,331,840 acres. In other words, it is nearly as large as England and Scotland combined. Deducting, say, 10,000,000 acres for water areas, town sites and broken lands, there is left 37,000,000 for active farm cultivation, or homes for 116,000 families, on 320 acres, which is considered a large property for a well-to-do farmer. There are many families doing well on half that area, 160 acres, while a few of the wealthier hold more. A snug living and money to the good can be made on the smaller farm, where the family is not unusually large. As there are so far but 27,000 actual farmers in the province, it

will be seen there is ample room for many more.

The land is laid out in blocks of six miles square, called townships. These latter are again subdivided into 36 square parts called sections, one mile square, the mile being again subdivided into quarters containing 160 acres. The townships in turn are all numbered from a principal meridian two miles west of Winnipeg. The tiers of townships are numbered northerly from the southern boundary of the province in ranges. From this class of survey the settler has no difficulty at any time in naming any location. It is simple and complete. There is a road allowance around every section, or square mile, so any property is readily accessible by team, each quarter section or farm of 160 acres having a road allowance on two sides.