THE North American Agricultural Implement Manufacturing Co. of London Ont. bids fair to be one of the largest concerns of its kind, if not the largest in Canada. It is simply a consolidation of The Globe Works Company, The Stevens, Turner & Burns Foundry and General Manufacturing Company, The Plummer Waggon Company, and Messrs. Wesbrook & Fairchild of Winnipeg, and upon advantageous terms with the Deere Plough Company and Moline Waggon Company, for the manufacture of their wellknown ploughs and waggons at the works of the Company. The capital is to be one million dollars. One fourth of which sum will be called in for working capital. The stareholders of the Stevens, Turner & Burns Company accept stock in the new company for the whole amount of their real estate, plant, machinery, stock in trade etc. While Wesbrook & Fairchild and the stockholders of the Globe and Plummer Works Companies, not only accept stock for the whole price of the properties, but also subscribe for stock of the cash issue, and by agreeing that if in any year during the period of five years the dividend paid to the holders of the cash stock is less that eight per cent. the deficiency shall be made up out of the dividend in the steck taken by them for their properties. Messrs. Wesbrook & Fairchild are to undertake the management of the North-West business of the Company and Mr. Samuel Crawford, a retired manufacturer has agreed to superintend the business in London and to invest a considerable sum in the cash stock of the Company. The provisional directors are Messrs. Benjamin Cronyn, London; H. S. Wesbrook, Winnipeg; Samuel Crawford, Manufacturer, London, Ont.; Charles Deere, Moline, Ill., President of the John Deere Piough Company; M. Rosenfield, Moline, I.I., President of the Moline Waggon Company; William Woodruff, M D. London, Ont.; Frank Fairchild, Win nipeg; John Labatt, Brewer, London, Ont.; F. A. Fitzgerald, President of the Imperial Oil Company and Charles Murray, President of the Ontario Investment Association, London.

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—At a meeting of stockholders of the Great Northwestern Telegraph company in Toronto last week, the following directors were elected: Messrs. Erastus Wiman, D. H. Bates, Hon. W. Macdougall, C.B., William Gooderham, James Hedley, Adam Brown, A. S. Irving, O. S. Wood, Richard Fuller. At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Mr. Wiman was elected president, and Mr. Gooderham, vice-president.

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