

Mr. Miall, the Commissioner of Inland Revenue, in passing through Winnipeg, made full enquiries regarding the state of the crop, the difficulties attending the collection of samples and of the peculiarities that appear with each successive year, and was thus enabled to gain practical information on the points at issue.

An examination of applicants for certificates of qualification to act as Inspectors of Grain was held the 24th August, when Mr. James Massie presented himself, and after a thorough examination as directed by the Act, he was passed with credit and a certificate issued to him. The Council having recommended his appointment as a deputy inspector for grain passing south, an Order-in-Council was passed and he was gazetted as an inspector. Mr. D. Horn, who had been acting as deputy inspector to Capt. Clark, was also appointed as an inspector, the Department deciding that the Act does not provide for deputy inspectors of grain. Since the resignation of Capt. Clark we understand that Mr. Horn is now the head inspector in charge of this district.

Several disputes regarding the grading of grain have been laid before the Examiners for settlement under the regulations of the Inspection Act. In every case, when an appeal has been made from the grading of Inspector Horn, his ruling has been sustained.

Before acting as Examiners the members elected have, in each case, taken the required oath of office.

Seven regular meetings and many conferences have been held during the past half year.

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