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## RANGES WEST OF THE 1st PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN.

Location of Townships.

RANGE XV-WEST.

Township No. 1.—Is better adapted for stock raising than grain growing. It is entirely composed of prairie land and totally devoid of timber. Soil generally a sandy loam. Good water can easily be obtained by digging.

Township No. 2—This township is composed of prairie land except in the valley of Long River, which flows through the

north-east tier of sections. Along the valley of this stream, there is a belt of oak, poplar and birch timber. The land in the north part of the township is generally fit for cultivation, but the south part having a light sandy soil and stony in places is better adapted

Township No. 5.—This township is for the most part unduTownship No. 5.—This township is for the most part undulating prairie. The land where high is of a very gravelly nature.
There are numerous Lakes, ponds and muskegs, the water in
nearly every case containing alkali. There is a little poplar and
oak in the north part of the township and in the south some bluffs
of poplar suitable for fuel and fencing. The soil generally is of

an inferior quality.

Township No. 6.—The two easterly tiers of sections contain some excellent farming land. The remainder of the land is of inferior quality and in some cases in the north-west almost covered with boulders. There is a little good land also in the south-west, but much broken by small hay swamps. There is some timber suitable for fuel and fencing in the south-east corner, otherwise

this township is quite devoid of wood.

Township No. 7—Is almost all first-class land chiefly rolling prairie, with a fine rich loam in places mixed with heavy clay. The Assiniboine River runs through the north part of the township, and in its vicinity there is a considerable quantity of oak and sprace timber, suitable for sawn lumber. The water in the river is fresh and good, and abounds with fish such as pike, pickerel &c. The south part of township is watered by Oak Creek, a stream of good fresh water also abounding in fish. There is also plenty of timber in the north part suitable for fencing.

Township No. 8.—The north part is generally rough and hilly with a light sandy soil and generally unfit for cultivation, timbered with sprace, oak, and poplar, some of which, though much scattered, is suitable for sawn humber. The Assimiboine River runs through the south and in its vicinity the soil is generally a good clay loam, on which there is some good timber, chiefly oak

The remainder of the township has a light sandy soil.