

WE would strongly urge every new arrival, whether he is going to take up land or not, to call on Mr. Alex. Smith, the Provincial Government immigration agent, near the C.P.R. station, and see his fine selection of grains, grasses and other products of Manitoba. A visit to his office will amply repay any person interested in Manitoba and its progress.

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BEAUTIFY your homes, now that spring has come. Procure from the florist some seeds; sow them in boxes and pots and you will be delighted during the summer with their beauty and perfume. In addition to their beauty they remind you of the country and the green fields, and serve to refresh you during the very hot days of summer.

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NEARLY all Temperance effort is converging towards straight Prohibition, and a combined attempt is evident to strike straight at the root of the monster evil of this and other lands; and it is a hopeful sign that "society people," as they are called, are gradually yielding to public sentiment and excluding spirituous liquors from their festive gatherings. The Churches, too, are almost an unit in denouncing the system, and at the annual Church gatherings of last year in this Province, all but one of the Protestant bodies, passed resolutions calculated to aid temperance workers in their efforts. It is to be regretted that we have still individual instances of clergymen, who may be seen openly using spirituous liquors, but the number is small indeed, and the example

thus set cannot be very widely extended. That the Prohibition movement is a live earnest one in this Province, no one who reads the names of the delegates to the Prohibition Conference, published in another part of this magazine, can doubt, and we are much mistaken if they do not make their efforts felt.

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THERE seems to be a good deal of determined opposition on the part of the Winnipeg Street Railway, against the bill now before the local Legislature, incorporating the Winnipeg Electric Street Railway Company. There must be a good deal in Railway's or the opposition would not be so strong. We sincerely hope that the Legislators will not be guided by the case which two or three able lawyers make out, but will accede to the wish of the city and allow the bill to pass. Should there be anything wrong about the "vested rights" that we hear so much about, being in danger, the courts can settle it afterwards. What the Legislators have to do with, is to accede to the unanimous wish of the City Council, and leave the pros and cons to be fought out afterwards.

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It is said that nothing is surer than death and taxes, but it is seldom we see them go hand in hand as they did in Toronto the other day, when Mr. H. E. Clark, M.P.P., who was on the floor of the House speaking against the passage of a bill to amend the Assessment Act, suddenly ceased, and sitting down in his seat expired. With blanched faces the members