

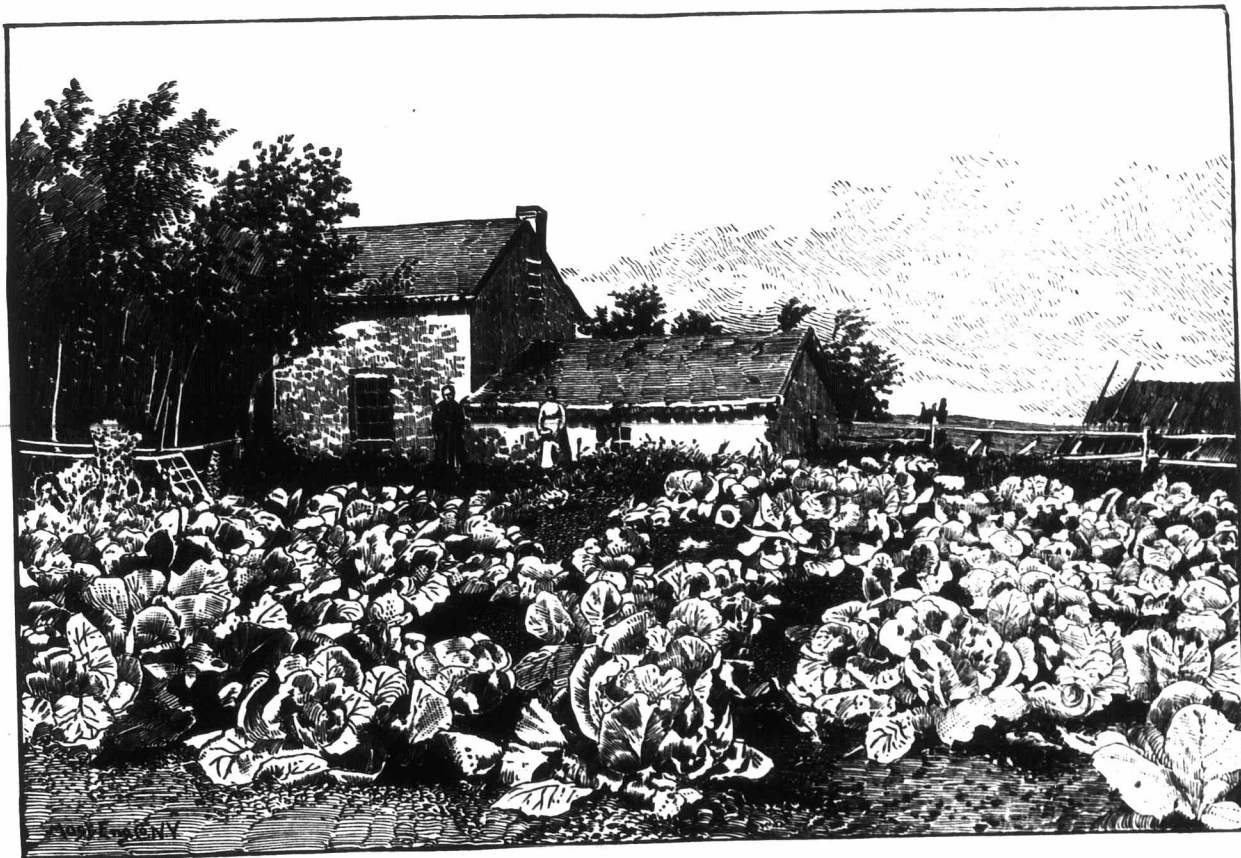
Manitoba Notes.

MIAMI.—This village, 80 miles southwest of Winnipeg, on the Morris Brandon Branch of the N. P. Railway, is one of the most pleasant and fortunately situated in the province. It contains some 200 inhabitants and has three churches—Presbyterian, Methodist and Episcopal. The present school-house is small, affording accommodation for 150 only, being inadequate to the requirements of the place. A much more commodious one is to be built in the near future at a cost of about \$5,000. The very best water is obtained here at a depth of 15 to 22 feet. There is at present one elevator of 30,000 bushels capacity, owned by Martin & Mitchell. Messrs. Carson Bros. are about to build a second, however, which will be of the same capacity. The Grand View Hotel, owned and operated by S. A. Cowan, is fairly commodious and very comfortable, and the charges

residences in Miami East has been erected since last fall. The land is high and dry, and there are some beautiful shade trees which make the place very attractive. The residence referred to is owned and occupied by Mr. Chris. F. Collins, banker, etc. Mr. Collins has been a resident of the place since 1878, and has occupied the position of clerk of the municipality and registrar for the county. He has been asked several times to run for the Provincial Legislature but has declined all such honors on account of pressure of business. Miami has a very nice public hall, furnished with chairs, organ, etc., which will accommodate 200 people. It is over the store of Mr. Anthony Wilson, who keeps a large and varied assortment of all kinds of goods. Mr. Wilson is also a genial, kind-hearted man such as it does the stranger good to meet. Mr. J. S. McGiffen, J.P., of the hardware firm of McGiffen & Campbell, dispenses

respected. James Carson, agent for McCormick machines, also handles building materials and does general contracting work. The land in the immediate vicinity of Miami is a heavy clay loam, very rich in plant-food, getting somewhat lighter nearer the Pembina Mountains. Crops in this district have never suffered by frost, and the farmers are very successful. It is to be regretted that more space cannot be devoted to this review; however, anyone wishing to settle in Manitoba will not make a mistake in stopping off here and taking a look around. Excellent farm lands can be obtained at from five to fifteen dollars per acre.

DOUGLAS, MANITOBA.—Especially worthy of notice, among the rapidly growing towns and villages of Manitoba, is the village of Douglas, one hundred and twenty miles west of Winnipeg, on the main line of the C. P. R. Douglas has about one hundred and fifty inhabitants, a



A PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEW OF A MANITOBA CABBAGE GARDEN.

reasonable, all things considered. Mr. Cowan is one of the pioneers of the village. The health of the town and vicinity is looked after by Mr. McPhillips, B.A., M.D., a graduate of Manitoba Medical College. Although but eighteen months a resident of the place, the doctor has made many friends and stands high in the estimation of the general public. He reports the district a very healthy one. Mr. W. Thomson, postmaster, has filled the position for twelve years. He is one of those kind, genial fellows that it does a man good to meet. He has been a resident of Miami since 1874, during which time he has served three years as reeve of the municipality of Dufferin and three more as councillor. He has a large farm in the immediate vicinity of the town, and is generally spoken of as Mayor Thomson. Miami East has recently been surveyed for residences, and a number of choice lots are now in the market. About fifteen cottages have been built, and one of the finest

justice for the town and vicinity. Mr. B. C. Bunby provides the farmer with harness and saddlery goods. He has been in business here two years, occupies his own place and expresses satisfaction with business in the town. Durant Bros. are also making rapid strides successward. They have been in the place three years and are well spoken of. Mr. Thomas Whitely, carriage builder, special agent for pumps, will, in future, keep in stock carriages, sleighs and buggies. He reports large sales of the celebrated Buckeye force pump. Meikle & Coppinger, general merchants, of Morden, have also a store here and do a good business in groceries, dry goods, boots and shoes, etc. They have been here eighteen months and appear to have made their mark. Messrs. Meikle & Coppinger are both highly spoken of. Messrs. McMullen, Lane & Laurence are extensive dealers in lumber, lath, lime, bricks, building paper, etc., etc. They have been in business here two years and are highly

Methodist and a Presbyterian church and school-house, general stores, blacksmith shops, implement, harness and lumber business as is usual in Manitoba towns. No whisky is sold here, but two excellent Temperance hotels, kept by Messrs. Alex. Colquhoun and J. C. Berry, respectively, provide ample accommodation for travellers. These places of entertainment seem to be sufficient, as will be seen by their advertisement, the Douglas people do not want a licensed hotel. This speaks well for the moral sentiment of the place. It has three elevators with a combined capacity of 85,000 bushels, the owners being Thos. E. Greenwood, Milne & Beresfield and Lake of the Woods Milling Co. Last year 300,000 bushels of grain were shipped from this point. Excellent water is found at a depth of twelve to fifteen feet. Fuel is plentiful and the price merely nominal. While especially adapted for mixed farming, Douglas is a great wheat centre as well. Considerable building is being