

EMERSON.

Messrs. Balfour & Fraser are running their new saw-mill to its full capacity in cutting material for the repairing of the old bridge at the foot of Park street.

Mr. Smith, of the Russell House, will soon make an extension to his hostelry. The bar is to be enlarged, and billiard and pool tables will be added and the main part of the house will also undergo some renovating.

Two car-loads of dressed stone arrived in town last week for use on the new railway bridge.

Your correspondent has been informed by Messrs. Harris & Chapman, customs brokers at this place, that the increase in goods handled by them for merchants in southern Manitoba is quite perceptible. The above firm have recently opened a branch of their business in Winnipeg, and will forward the goods to southern Manitoba that arrive via Prince Arthur's Landing.

It has been decided by the Council to expend \$8,000 on the temporary bridge that has done service since the flood. It will be raised some four feet higher and will be, when completed, a first-class bridge. Considerable of the old material can be utilized in the shape of piles, draw, etc. Balfour & Fraser have the contract.

Work on the new railway and traffic bridge is being pushed forward very rapidly. The contractors have a large gang of men at work driving piles. They are all driven for the centre pier and are cut off below the surface. Stones have arrived for filling in the centre pier and are being utilized as fast as possible.

It is not definitely decided yet whether Mr. A. Davidson will transfer his lease of the Carney House or not.

Mr. F. E. Burnham will erect his block, recently burnt, in the spring. The owners of the ground cleared by the fire may amalgamate and build a mammoth block.

The receipts of grain for the past few days has been very light, little or nothing being offered. The prices still remain firm, wheat at 80c and oats at 36c.

In what is estimated to be the most delicate pair of scales in the world, according to the account given in the scientific papers, the beam is made of rye straw, and together with the pans, which are made of aluminium, weighs only fifteen grains. In the most delicate scale heretofore made the beam and pan weighed sixty-eight grains—the beam being made of aluminium—and the instrument being capable of weighing to the one ten-thousandth grain. A piece of hair one inch long being weighed with this wonderful apparatus was found to represent the almost infinitesimal of one thousandth of a grain.—*Ex.*

Emerson's unsettled state of municipal affairs is materially retarding the progress of the town. It is to be hoped that now the Ontario elections are over, the Dominion Government will take steps to settle the boundary dispute.

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