General Notes.

The line of the M. & N. W. Railway has been surveyed about one hundred miles west of Birtle.

The statistic fiend has been at it again and has figured out that Presilent Cleveland's message contained 16,269 words.

The Dominion Government, are sending seed wheat, sats and barley, for spring sowing. This with plenty of snow will give our farmers a good heart to begin farming operations with vigor.

A substitute for india rubber is being introduced under the name of adamanta rubber. It is claimed that it can be used alone, or can be mixed with other materials used in the manufacture of rubber fabrics,

The Windsor Hotel Co's annual meeting was held in Montreal some days ago. The financial statement showed that sufficient had been earned to pay a dividend of 7 per cent., one of 33 per cent, having been paid. There is now a surplus of \$150,000.

A carloal of prime cattle for the Christmas market, Winnipeg, was shipped from Minnedosa by John Wake. Another good carload, besides a large quantity of dressed beef, pork, poultry, etc., was shipped from Neepawa for the same market this week by the same gentle man.

Glenboro is the name of the new Manitoba Southwestern town situated at the terminus of the Rulway. Though only two weeks old. There are alrealy four stores and two hotels and two blacksmith shops. There is also an engine house or round house, and two lumber yards.

The firmness previously reported in the Montreal evaporated apple market has been supplemented by a sharp advance, holders now asking 12c per lb. for 50 lb. boxes. Supplies are very light, and consumers have considerable difficulty in satisfying their wants. We quote prices firm at 11c to 12c.

In the Montreal market there has been a very good demand for fresh kille l, dry picked turkeys, and such lots have been placed for shipment at 19c to 194c. The sale of a ton of choice birds being made at 10c., whilst a lot of 500 lbs. of scaldet stock was sold at 81c. per lb. Chickens have sold at 61c. to 7c. per lb., geese at 6c. to 7c. and ducks at 9c. to 10c.

The cattle market in Great Britain is said to be utterly demoralized and there are no present prospects of improvement. The total exports of cattle from the port of Montreal for the season just closed, amounted to 65,824 head, and of sheep 98,648. There were also 74 hogs, 113 horses and 9 mules. The aggregate value of the cattle was \$4,030,300 and of the sheep \$869,832.

The Foreign Trade Gazette is the name of a somewhat unique commercial journal, published by a company of a similar name, at New York. Each article in the paper is printed in English and reproduced in the Spanish language in a parallel column. The object of the paper is to further international trade relationship between the United States and Mexico and the South American republics.

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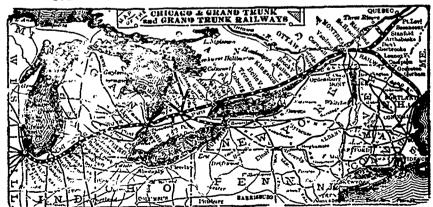
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