

which is doing more and better work to secure settlers, for not only Manitoba and the Northwest, but for the whole Dominion, than all other policies or schemes put together. If the Dominion Government would only put their shoulder to the wheel in the same manner we would have such a tide of emigrants coming into the country that would cause the next census returns to tell a different story. To the present Government we owe much, for not only the immigration policy, but several other acts as well have been passed and carried out by them for the benefit of the people. We trust that the next four years will prove a term of prosperity and that the Province of Manitoba may continue to lead as in the past, in all things pertaining to the advancement of our country. It is an old saying, and one which is being every day verified, that "you cannot check Manitoba." Throughout the Dominion Manitoba is being gradually looked upon to take the lead in reforms and although it may appear presumptive on her part yet she can teach her older sister provinces a good many things which they are only finding out.

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THE *Winnipeg Free Press* in a local the other day said "let the boys swim in the river if they want to, they can't hurt the water any." This is probably as near the truth as you can get it but should be reversed in order to fully understand why the boys shouldn't swim in the river. It is the water that hurts the boys and not the boys the water and herein lies the mischief. To

the bather or swimmer who ventures into either the Red or Assiniboine Rivers, and is seized with cramps there is not much hope for escape, as he is sure to be suffocated or choked to death by the terrible stuff he has to swallow and death is inevitable.

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WHEN visiting the recent Industrial Exhibition, held in this city, we were particularly struck with the exhibits from the different Indian Industrial schools. The manner and quality of work shown was something which set people thinking, and in it we could almost see the solution of the Indian problem which has been a great deal written about and which has bothered Uncle Sam so much that their solution of the question seems to be that the only good Indian is a dead one. In looking at the specimens of work by the little Indian boys and girls we have a different view of the case, and believe that in them we have the means whereby our Indians can be taught to be self-sustaining and a benefit to the country instead of otherwise. The teachers and instructors deserve the greatest of praise while the many excellent specimens of handiwork done by these children of the Red men put to the blush work done by our professedly skilled workman. It was a wise move on the part of the Government in thus teaching the children, for in this way they learn the future generations. There is no reason why the Indians should not be taught to be as useful as their white brethren; and we question if our children were