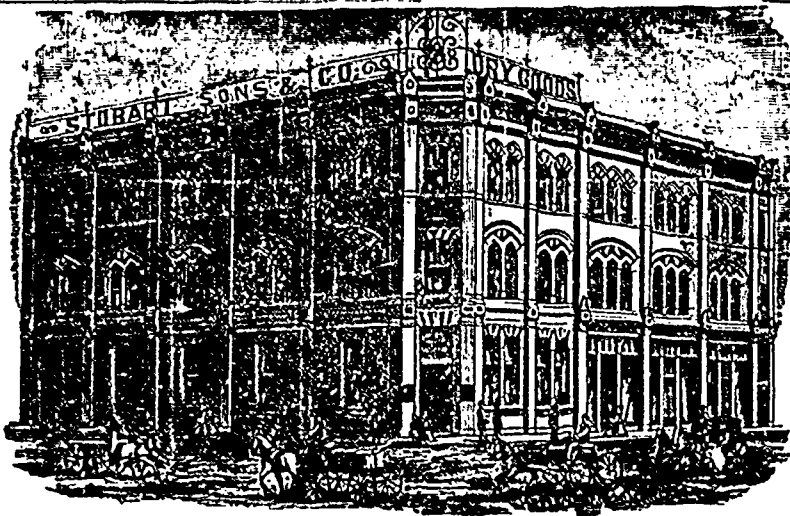


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Grain and Milling News.

J. E. Woodworth's elevator at Deloraine is nearing completion. It will have a capacity of 30,000 bushels.

Dykeman, contractor, from Portage la Prairie, is at Neepawa, Man., starting operations on Law & Pearson's elevator.

Figures recently compiled by the Regina board of trade show 22,000 acres seeded in the country tributary to Regina,

The ship Maggie McCrae, with 25,000 bushels of Manitoba wheat, from Port Arthur, consigned to Ogilvie, Montreal, has gone down in Lake Superior, from coming in contact with ice. Cargo fully insured. Cargo and vessel total loss.

Letters patent have been received by the Neepawa Milling Co. It has been decided to at once proceed with arrangements for the erection of a 100 barrel mill. A by-law was passed by which stockholders are to have the privilege of buying in each year flour and feed at cost to the extent of their paid up stock, which will be 25 per cent. below retail prices.

Calgary Tribune: Word comes from all over the district that the crops and grass are exceptionally good up to this date, much in advance of any former year at the same time. The abundance of rain we have had this season with the fine warm weather now prevailing almost assures a bountiful harvest this year. The acreage under crop is very large in comparison with former years, and nearly every farmer has from one to five acres in wheat.

The seeding of wheat in north Dakota is now completed, under most favorable auspices. The weather latterly could not have been more propitious or the soil in better condition. The acreage along the Northern Pacific railroad will be 25 per cent. greater than that of last year, while in north Dakota the proportion will be 50 per cent. greater. The oats production will be nearly double that of last year. The crop of potatoes and other roots and vegetables will be much greater than in the past.—*St. Paul Dispatch.*

Brandon Sun: A number of farmers in this

neighborhood have resumed threshing operations while others are only commencing. The other day a farmer living to the south finished threshing 1,700 bushels. The quantity of wheat yet to market will be in the neighborhood of 200,000 bushels. This in addition to that marketed to date 1,104,596 bushels will make the total marketed at this point over 1,300,000. Up to the 7th of April there had been marketed about 1,076,000. Since then up to the present about 30,000 have been marketed.

Edward Atkinson states that the Canadian farmer is better able to raise wheat at 34s per quarter now, than he could at 50s a quarter fifteen years ago, and that at 34s per quarter in London, England, that neither Russian or Indian wheat can come into successful competition with. This is about one dollar a bushel. *Bradstreet's* referring to this say: "There appears to be but little doubt that in the Northwest, wheat, by improved methods of cultivation over very large tracts of land with the most improved machinery, can be sold at the railway track at 50 cents per bushel, the carefully estimated cost of production in some instances being as low as 40 cents per bushel. This wheat can be shipped to Liverpool for about 37 cents per bushel, or, as flour, at a less rate.

The Swan River Valley is noted for its magnificent pasture lands. The Riding and Duck Mountains are covered with an abundance of valuable timber. Salt is found in the numerous brine springs at the base of the mountains, and small quantities of coal have been found on the banks of the Swan River and its tributaries. Between the west shore of this lake and the Riding and Duck Mountains, is the largest unbroken tract of good farming land in the Province to-day. It is about fifty miles long by ten broad and is not all surveyed yet. Three considerable streams, the Vermilion, Valley and Drifting, water this country. There is also an abundance of good firewood and some good timber. Its drawback is that it is some seventy miles from the railway. Still a few scattered settlers have taken up farms there. Indications of oil led some people to bore for it near the Vermilion river.

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