### ······ A Canadian Teacher's Christmas in the Transvaal By Winifred Johnston Flowden

both lived in marquees. we would give the children a little immense. dren do in the country schools in this country. Lady Edward Cecil had Rhenosterfontein, a tiny village shut many other things in South Africa.

candy, but-would you believe it-the shopkeeper had only a very tew packages of butterscotch that had to be divided up into pretty small squares to be bethered by the world or its to go around that big school.

A few of the mothers and fathers and several of the babies came for the queer "public examination." Considering that 'more than half the ool could speak very little English we did not have many lessons. but Miss Train had trained them to sing rather well, and our biggest king. pupil, six feet one and aged twenty-

charge of the nearest post came over | Wise to give a military touch to our little the whole eight months.

gathering. often wished since that I could see a I, but we've had three since. W beautiful Christmas tree, loaded with gifts and particularly with picture books set up in their little school.

off to Mafeking to spend Christmas with friends. She had been six and made a fire, and boiled the water months in the burgher camp at Mafe- for our tea, and at lobster salad (als king and knew a lot of people, but as out of tinned lobster), and talked of my time there had been only a couple many things that were far from the of weeks I knew scarcely any one, and decided to remain at the school. I that matter. There were red dragon sent an invitation to Mafeking for flies with gauzy wings flitting to an

alone in a house—with a Kaffir maid, day. In the afternoon we made been mailed home five weeks before, Christmas in this country.

until New Year.

to be homesick, and to spend a pleasant Christma; in spite of the umpudding. And it was good! My heart how good it was! It was the spiciest, and the best flavored, and district, the personnel of the company of the co favorable conditions. I started in to make some plum puddings. Raisins spiciest, and the best flavored, and mitte is announced. It consists of make some plum puddings. Raisins the muttiest, and the lightest, and all mitte is announced. It consists the muttiest, and the lightest, and all Messrs. E. B. Edwards, K.C., J. B. things in proportion. The shop, of together the best plum pudding that Walker, Thomas Daly and A. T. things in proportion. The shop, of course, had never had a raism in it, ever was made in the Transvaal, so Cushing.

Cushing.

The committee will advertise a date miles off, and it wasn't a question of getting into a carriage and driving there. Not one Boer in that whole village had a Cape cart and a pair of mules, or horses. One man had a poor wreck of a Cape cart, but he had no Quite a number of them had

and take me anywhere. Whenever I was obliged to drive to investigation. Zeerust I had to send a message in Towns suffering now or recently, Zeerust I had to send a message to the head of the repatriation department in Zeerust, and ask him to send the subject brought up at the coming sessions of

I had also two Dutch assistants, but they had wives and families and they

did. But the bag was too small, and Miss Train and I made up our the puddings rose and rose and rose, minds that before the school broke up until they had to rise back upon themfor the Christmas holidays, or summer holidays, as they call them there, lead. However, the steamed one was

Christmas treat. We had eighty- It was a very queer feeling to get up four children in the school, and very on Christmas morning and not to have little indeed to give them in the way a single soul to say "Merry Christof presents, and they needed so many mas" to you, or to have a great heap things! Some little ones had to stay of present spread out to look at. at home because they had no shoes, And besides, it was the middle of sumfor a Boer child would never dream of going to school barefooted, as child and the fields all fresh green.

written to me, offering to send things in by great hills, and another valley out for a school treat, but Lord Salis meeting it, and hills as far as the eye bury died about that time, and I sup- could see-real kops, not kopies. Be Or perhaps they tween each two of these hills rushed never reached their destination, as so down little streams in the rainly season, and the tiny flat below was all Anyway, Miss Train had some mealies and tobacco, and beautiful as colored pictures, butterflies and anily mals, and we both had little prints of mals, and we both had little prints of mals, and we both had little prints of primitive place in the world, with there is a noted falling off, the lead had excited attention by his unwellwell known pictures, so by putting in leads of goats and tiny naked kaffirs Yorksbires, a few Tamworths and herds of goats and tiny naked kaffirs Yorksbires, a few Tamworths and village—his attentions being so markmanaged to get enough to go round. kicking about in the sunshine. We live if our tariff were cut to the shop to buy some called it "The Happy Valley." It & Sons of Rosser, were importers of ed and promiscuous that Mrs. Bertha was the sort of piace to go to with a fortune, and to build a lovely country hore and

> trials. The people had peach trees and oranges and lemons, and hedges of po megranates with their gorgeous red blooms, and their workerful luscious fruit; or of quinces or prickly pear. far more beautiful than dusty Mafe-

colored pictures, and they all man- bacon, even from the States. All the 1902aged to smile and to murmur eight months I was there I never once The figures for 1906 were: 'danks,'' even if they couldn't speak could buy fresh meat there. We go One of the S.A.C. in it when we went to town, not othe And that was only ave times in

It was the first Christmas we eve Those poor little Boers! I have had together, that S.A.C. man and Holidays begun, Miss Train went where the water slid down over som one of the other Canadian teachers fro over the little pool among the to come over, but she did not arrive rocks, and monkeys barking shrilly in the krantz above the kloof, but they

to be sure—in a tiny Boer village sharp scramble and climbed the rocky where there was not one English walls of the kloof and came home with family. My Christmas presents had appetites equal to the plum pudding. There wasn't any turkey, but there and there was nothing of the wild ex- were dainty croquettes, so nicely rolled citement that immediately precedes and flavored that one would hardly suspect the meat also came out of a Christmas in this country.

However, I made up my mind not to be homesick, and to spend a pleatistime, and we also had the plum pudding. And it was good! My

PRODUCTION IS SHORT.

Minneapolis, Dec. 17.-Investigation of the present fuel famine crisis in the northwest may not stop at the investigation of the interstate come NO STAIN ON mules. Quite a number of them had a saddle horse, but they are the least obliging people under the sun, and they would not get the beast together and take me anywhere.

In the interstate commission, now on in Minne-apolis. It is probable that in every affected state, but notably Minnesota, North and South Dakota, the subject will be made a matter for legislative

out a spring wagon for me. The six the state legislatures. It is a race nules and two Kaffirs required to drive the thing had to make 120 miles in order to get me to town and back, so down the efficiency of the motivo Calcary. Dec. 18.—The ca of course I couldn't ask very often power and brings on heavy blizzards

# Live Stock from Europe

(Farmers Advocate) One of the best critics of Western Canada's prosperity in the fields rf agriculture and -pure-bred stock-

the world kept onions.

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## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT,

The following comparative tables It was a dream of a little valley, far, in 1906 and 1902. The dates appearing are those of week-ends, and the figures opposite each date are the The good S.A.C. man had twelve number of fish taken during that one, gave a very amusing Dutch re- miles to come, and he walked, through week. It will be noticed that the reall the dewy freshness of the morn-sults of eight weks' fishing in 1906 The children were delighted with ing, and he arrived with an appetite are about one-third less than the their few sweets, and their bright

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ntil New Year.

Now fancy a Canadian girl left all all went together to make one idyllic BOARD OF TRADE WILL CONFER

WITH FARMERS. In pursuance of a resolution pas at a meeting of the board of trade here on November 13th to appoint a committee to confer with the farmers to devise the best means of improving conditions in regard to marketing of

upon which a conference will be held and discuss the situation with a representation of the farmers.

# HIS CHARACTER

Jury Completely Exonerates Calgary Gentleman Arraigned on Serious Charge

#### DIED DECLARING HIS INNOC-ENCE.

Featherstone Hanged for the Murder of Mary Jane Dalton.

Victoria, B.C., Dec. 12-"I merely agriculture and -pure-bred stock-breeling is furnished by the figures re-my last breath, that I am innocent of lative to the importation of pure-bred the murder of Mary Jane Dalton, for ostrich and bury our heads in the

mantity considered.

The following official figures for all erstone was drunk when he committed the deed and really believed himself innocent, and the positive declaration of former employers that the man was generally regarded as half-

home and to spend a lifetime in, never bers of curebreds crossing the bound as Featherstone passed, "it was too uctions in foreign duties on Canadian had they didn't run that fellow out goods. link by link a chain of circumstanmurder, Hon. Justice Morrison con-

> The case was remarkable in that the vidence was wholly circumstantial. It titioners that direct evidence is not fact of our own increases and reducnaturally securable in a case of mur-der. There are usually, however, some thought of other nations. A surtax direct testimony supplement. ing and strengthening the array of jurious tariff hostility, or may pro-Featherstone case there were none. It was circumstantial evidence in toto. | doncy toward reciprocal reductions or Mary Dalton by the girl's father but a sceming weakness. No one can dogweek before the tragedy. A day or so matize as to such effects, as they delater, as she happened to pass as he chatted with a friend, he made a slighting remark as to her character. Day before the murder Festhewater. Day before the murder, Featherstone modiate schedule is the wide advertof which he frequently flourished a revolver such as was found in his room, lately discharged, shortly after the murder. In calibre the weapon fitted the bullets removed from the victim's

fered, chiefly that of the Meredith woman, that Featherstone was a degenerate of the basest sort.

Other testimony showed that shortly

our wares, and cesire the widest possible advartisement. The intermediate tariff will be studied in all parts of the world by merchants desircus of opening up trade with Canada. It will be a couple of feet or more by means stimulate them to seek for reciprocal of a dam or a wing dam. To carry at the Nicoll home at which Feather advertisement does not imply that we stone boarded, leaving mail and papers for Mrs. Nicoll When she left Feathestone followed. He was seen by three with seatons followed. He was seen by three stone followed. There is a possibility of developwitnesses going in the direction of the Dalton house just prior to the sound of the three shots fired. When arrested the proved the sound of the three shots fired. When arrested the proved the sound of the three shots fired the proved the sound of the three shots fired. When arrested the proved t a blood-stained handkerchier in his pocket. He had boasted in flourishing felt alarmed at the new departure at its next meeting. He will leave life before—in the States. When ar- rate does not come into effect autom- this afternoon for Niagara Falls, Onrested he merely denied even naving heard the name of the Dalton's; then his old police training asserted itself—

Tate does not come into caution and atically, and that the caution and sound judgment of the government are safeguards against injurious changes. he was an ex-N.W.M.P. trooper-and he became strictly non-committal. He protested his innocence throughout, however, and hoped until the last for a commutation of the dread penalty. Singing, dancing and eccentric behavionr while occupying the condemned cell are believed to have been part of came to Canada in 1872 and joined

CRITICISES NAVAL SYSTEM. Calgary, Dec. 18.—The case of George cd deep concern over the existing con-Bryan the principal of the normal ditions of the commissioned personnel

that is essential to the full development of their skill and efficiency. The naval academy supplies the navy with splendidly equipped young officers
Toronto until his death, which took unsurpassed by any in the world, and place at St. Michael's hospital after tem and order. it is the fault of our system of pro- a short illness from heart disease, on After reeding, say in June, call a sale motion that they are not developed in Nov. 11, 1906.

unexcelled captains and flag officers. 'Let us look facts squarely in the face and not follow the example of the The school district where I was the first one of the results or war.

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# The Intermediate Tariff

Toronto Globe) In establishing an intermediate tariff the Dominion announces to the naone of frandship, and not of hostillong statement for his family elaborlong statement for his family elaborary willing to show similar economic
wisdom or a similar concillatory spirwisdom or a similar concillatory spir-In horses the Clydesdale importations predominated, the following Western men making entry through the Customer MacMiller Featherstone atoned to society upon while fully valuing stability, we do toms. John Graham, Carberry, MacMil-aln, Colquboun and Beattle, Brandon, the gallows, was committed upon the Brown and Carruth, Mutch 1870s. 21st July last, when Mary J. Dalton, It proclaims the horse a handsome girl of 22, was shot dead to the perpetual dependence or incapacity of any class. Trotter and Trotte: Brandon John a handsome girl of 22, was shot dead It proclaims the hope that all prod-Trotter and Trot e., Brandon, John in her home at South Wellington, market by the merit of their products bia, ucers will to able to hold their home Turner W. H. Bryce, Arcola, J. McCallin for noise at South West Highlanders; R. S. Caswell, Sanday West Home and South West Highlanders; R. S. Caswell, Sanday West Home at South West Highlanders; R. S. Caswell, Sanday Noise at South West Highlanders; R. S. Caswell, Sanday Noise with the south was a south west highlanders; R. S. Caswell, Sanday Noise with the south was a south west highlanders; R. S. Caswell, Sanday Noise with the south was a state by the merit of their products in shead of by artificial obstructions on their customers. It announces that their customers it announces that our policy is one of tariff reduction, not by hasty and ill-considered changes, but by a gradual unfolding that state of the boats used bergetfore and south will insure the will be a south Fatoon, and Sir William Van Horne weapon being at most but a few inch- will insure the widest range of benwere practically the only Western im- es from her head when the fatal of its in roturn for the losses incident perters of cattle this sasson.

es from her head when the latal to every advantageous change. Many some cases even to loss of life. With timation he had made to the postmaster the shots were fired. Featherstone, who decided advantages would result to every advantageous change. Many the gasoline launch the missionaries can Mr. Blain, was that the present rent of transportation inverests in general, to commerce, and to many lines of indus-

of town; he was frightening all the for improvements in the tariffs of forwomen around"-was promptly ar- sign countries before making improverested by Constable Stephenson and monts in our own. Such an actitude would have denied us the many advantages of the British preference, and show the number of sockeyes caught tial evidence was forged which justified a jury at the subsequent session solves with many senseless imitations of assize in finding him guilty of of the abnormal American duties. While it is never advisable to copy or continue the felly of other nations in curring in the verdict and imposing tariff legislation, we should improve every opportunity to use our own tariff in promoting improvements in foreign tariffs. How far this can be done must always remain unceran axiom of police and legal practain. We can foretell the economic ef-

incriminating circumstances. In the rocal concessions. An intermediate rate may promote a corresponding ten-Featherstone had been introduced to an aggressive antagonism toward a

was one of a party of several men and isement it gives to our basis of negoone woman, Annie Meredith, a demi- trations. This has been objected to in monde, on a heavy spree, in the course some quarters as a premature d'sclosthe bullets removed from the victim's remains. Conclusive testimony was ofof a dam or a wing dam. To carry the Nicoll home at which Feather. there were scratches upon his face and a blood-stained handkershier. When arrested morcial agents in their own countries itial cost would be very large. Mr. Mitchell is preparing a report which his revolver that it had taken human must remember that the intermed a e at its next meeting. He will leave

## AN OLD-TIMER PASSES AWAY.

Calgary Herald: Captain Frank Norman, who was born in Dublin in and C. Ross Palmer have been ap-1847, his father being a barrister, a pitiful attempt to escape the gallows the Royal Northwest Mounted police an insanity plea at the eleventh as a trooper at the organization of that body. He was private secretary to the late Colonel Macleod, who, on the retirement of Colonel French, the first commissioner of the N.W. M. P. Washington, Dec. 17 - Admiral greatly devoted to his commanding succeeded that officer. He was Dewey, in an interview today, expression officer, and when the colonel retired Being a personal of the colonel retired Being a

He was retired from the Mounted cal supervisors be appointed, by the police when the force was reduced in Government in each constituency is a day 1897, on a pension, and he lived in fair salary to devote time to get weil

Shortly before his death Captain completion and have stated time for the Norman requested that his sword supervisor to inspect the work, and should be sent to the son of his old done up to specifications, give the con-

London, Dec. 20-The education bill day. of Lords today. Both sides spent the first policy would not be carried forward tast three days in practically inces- after he would throw off this mortal sont conference with the object of to be devoutly hoped that our law-makers, who alone can remedy the evil, will take immediate action."

discovering an acceptable compromise, but the Opposition found themevery particular. Similarly in this case, discovering an acceptable comproselves unable to accept the conces- but I presume there is no need of fear sions offered by the Government. These were formally presented by the lord president of the council, the outlined by me as our Government Earl of Crew, when the House of Lords met this afternoon, but Lord vancement and improvement in each Lansdowne, on behalf of the opposi- branch of the public service but in adtion, refused the proffered olive vance a suggestion offered from any tions of the world that her policy is branch, and moved that the Lords man was generally regarded as half ity. It is an olive branch of commer-insist on their amendments to the witted. The executed man left a cal poace held out to all nations that bill. This was adopted by 132 to 52

> FORT SASKATCHEWAN Fort Saskatchewan, Dec. 17. - Dr. Herdman, of Calgary, superintendent of missions for Alberta and British Columreaching the different islands on the today, Mr. J. M. Douglas of the form of stiad of the boats used heretofore and the building, gave a denial to the rewhich made the work very difficult in some cases even to loss of life. With reach the lumber camps and good work \$35 per month would be increased at s now being done amongst the loggers the expiry of the present itage. in camps which were hitherto saturated with drink and vice. Good work is all being done amongst the Mormons and Galicians. This year there is an inchurches arranged for gymnasium exman. Union Bay, B.C., and the Koot- animal took fright from a shunting en men in the mission field, to supply the ever increasing need. selze the reins and managed to store ever increasing need.

> The Presbytery met here today in the or two. Dr. McLean was uninjure! as thurch. Those present were Dr. Mc-Queen Edmonton; Rev. McEachran, Edmonton; Rev. Reskie, Leduc; Rev. Gold. Vegreville,; Rev. Hillocks, Mannville Rev. A. F. Forbes, Fort Saskatchewan; Rev. Dr. Herdman, Calgary. Inspector Ellis is visiting the school today and tomorrow.

#### MITCHELL EXAMINES WATER. Finds Sixteen-Foot Head Forty Miles up the Rive-Could Develop 100,000 Horse Power.

(Wednesday's Daily) C. H. Mitchell, the water power expert engaged by the city to examine he power possibilities up the Saskatchewan, and F. Kitto, who was working with him, returned to the ity yesterday after making examinaions of a power site about 40 miles

### UNDERWRITER'S APPOINT. COMMITTEE.

(Wednesday's Daily) J. B. Walker, Dr. Blais Thibadeau pointed a committee by the insurance men to prepare and place before the legislature a bill to professionalize insurance underwriters. Their bill will come up at the next session.

# Correspondence

of course I couldn't ask very often for it.

Well, I couldn't go in for the raisins and the other things, but I found one of the SAC. who was willing to rise that thirty miles and back ror me. I save him a long list and impressed upon him the pmortance of not forgetting a simple item on true list. They all had to be brought together me would not be back until five days, so I sat down and did a little hand sewing while I was wairing. There want but one sewing making. There want but one sewing making. There want but one sewing making. There want but one sewing making hand seemed the service of the united states. He would not be back until five days, so I sat down and did a little hand sewing while I was wairing. There want but one sewing making have been the place, and the owner wouldn't let me me it for fact, I should been parts of North Dakota were freezing because of a lack of fuel, due to the referred the needle, and there wouldn't be target of the commissioned personned the new, and is gratification over the president's special dother he navy, and his gratification over the president's special dother he navy, and his gratification over the president's special distributed with the member of the service of the servi from the commissionership, he pre-

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or competition and let the work to it tractor his money; otherwise, if done satisfactorily, to point out where the work lacked and have it done ac

cording to contract.

In latting the work at this time of the year, in June, the farmers are not over pressed with work, also as the figcal year begins in July the money of that year could be readily expended

with good results.

It seems to me to be waste of money to be road-making when the frost is in the ground and paying men by the

Once on a time, one of the Neros coil, and in consequence the downfall or worrying as the Government is young yet and a system or method will be inaugurated far superion to the one order.

M. McKINLEY.

## REPORT DENIED.

A report has been current on the streets of Strathcona for some time that the post office authorities would be unuilding at the expiration of the pres ent less e in July next, and also that the entire building was to be used by one company after that date. In conversation with the Bulletin representative Louglas Bros., who recently purchased

A serious runeway accident was crease of thirty-eight missions in Al- threatened but narrowly averted at the berta; being one hundred and nineteen Strathcona railway station shortly bein all; twenty-one ministers were or-dained in two months. Institutional train on Saturday. Dr. McLean and h s wife had just arrived at the station as ercises, etc., have been built at Cole- as he was getting out of the sleigh, the enay The good work being done in the gine, throwing him to the ground and Vegreville training school was also dashing down West Railway street. A touched on In closing the Doctor made an earnest appeal for more young smash-up, but Mrs. McLean pluckity the horse after he had gone a block

WHO IS ANANIAS? (Wedneslay's Daily) Ald. Colroun is the councillor who figured on injuncting the signing of

the contract with the Canadian White Ald. Colhoun found on inquiry that the contract had already been signed it a binding contract. Therefore an injunction would have been too late, and it consequently was not applied

Tois is the answer to the Journal. Ald. Calhoun will corroborate at any

# Trade

time.

We can supply you with an Article second to none in the market, in the line of Hams. Bacon, Lard, etc, Fresh Meat, Sausage, etc. at reasonable prices.

Patronize Home Industry and help keep the Money in the Country. Satisfaction guaranteed or

money refunded The Vogel Meat and Packing Co., Limited

Strathcona

# at St. Albert

TENDERS will be- received until January 15th 1907, by the undersigned, for a Stock of General Merchane consisting of a clean, seasonable well assorted combination of Dry Goods, Groceries and Hardware (to the approximate amount of \$5,000.00) at Albert, the store enjoying a well established trade, is located in the best position in the town, and may be rented at a reasonable figure. PERMISSION to go over the stock and further particulars may be obtain-

### J. W. Lewis P. O. BOX 314 **EDMONTON**

ed at the Store or-from

STRAYED-FROM MY PREMISES Aug. 13th last, one four year old sorrel gelding, branded on left shoulder "heart pierced by arrow and bar and R" underneath. dollars reward for information leadentanglement of the representative, I mig to recovery. Rochfort, Paddle would suggest that one or two practice. River, Lac Ste, Anne.

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Winnipeg Free Press;

plen ented by the holding of seed grain fairs, in th judging classes and breed the department at Ot.a. the judges. By these of crean farming is at ome upon the farireis ed that of all the cars the spection at Winnipeg, 18 were rejected for weeds up-to-date, show an alr percentage of rejected, the has not been quite so prev no doubt to the larger per sted treated before plan The holding of seed grain cultural sociaties assisted sed grain branch of the l partment of agriculture callinghly commended. The pr based first of all cicanness of seed, and, see trueness to type and one The judge at the seed grain sition to show the farm the matter of seed grain ci not only akin to, but is actu aware he had wild oats o learned that sad but impor when his wheat was judged grain fair. These seed grain sass both commercial and features. Many of the evil exist in the production of g remedied very largely by good seed, and to provide ocure this is the primary o winter show. Men who have soed grain are encouraged to at the fair, not so much by given as by the prospect representative of a stated an sale by the exhibitor. Anyone good grain for soed can, after the exhibit, buy the qua

suits him. This is the comme burs of the show. It is especially appropriate fairs should be held in conjunc livestock meetings, as next sand one of the best means of eing wheds is mixed farming. T crally adopted system of al growing, while found to pay ve for a decade or two, has brough the younger generation of farm tility, the prevalence of noxiou and other equally important q

have stopemet.
The feeding of cattle, hogs and has already proved a partial s of these dificult problems, and farmer who has grown noth! wheat attends a sced grain fair clean seed, he is not likely to p breaders' maetings being held i same building. A fairly complet of fairs and dates is published with in a form convenient to c pasie up. Two fairs will be ov fore this list appears, those of C. and Manitou, but all the others a and there are still some spare Any agricultural society that ha you decided to hald a seed grai has still an opportunity of doing applying to J. Bracken, superinte Manitoba of the seed grain

Wm. Saunders, director of emental farms, Ottawa, writes as

lows; By instruction of the hon. min
of agriculture a distribution wi
made this season of samples of s 10: sorts of grain to Canadian fa for the improvement of seed. bost and has been secured mainly the excellent crops recently had branch experimental farms at I Had, Sask and at Brandon, The distribution will consist of eles of oats spring wheat, barie dian corn (forensilage only) and tatoes. The quality of oats to be will be 4 lbs., and of wheat orbar lbs., sufficient in each case to sow twentieth of each of the following ietles has been secured for this

Oats - Banner, wide-awake. giant. Danish island, thousand improved ligowo (white varieties) goldfiner (yellow). Wheat-Red fife, Preston, Prin

champion, Percy, Stanley , Huron white fife.

Barley —Six rowed —Mensury, (
sa, Mensfield and Claude. Two-ro
— Standwell, invincible, Cana Thorpe and Sidney.
Indian Corn (for ensilage.)—E sorts ,angel of midnight, Compt early and Longfellow; later variety

selected learning, early mastodon white cap yellow dent. Potatoes—Carman No. 1, early w prize, Rochester rose, money maker late Puritan. Only one sample can be sent to e applicant, hence if an individual ceives a sample of oats he cannot a receive one of wheat, barley or po toes. Lists of names from one inc dual, or applications for more than

sample for one household cannot be tertained. The samples will be free of charge through the mail.

Applications should be addressed the director of Experimental Far Ottawa, and may be sent in any before the 15th of Frbruary, which the lists will be closed so the samples asked for may be sent in good time for sowing. Applica yourd ment on the variety they pres Applications will be filled in the or in which they are received, so long the supply of seeds lasts. Farmers advised to apply early to avoid possi disappointment. Those applying Indian corn or potatoes will please be in mindt hat the corn is not usua distributed until March, and that po toes cannot be mailed from here un danger from frost in transit is over No postage is required on mail matt

ddressed to the Central Experiment Farm, Ottawa. Now that the rush of fall work over the Free Press is desirous th every farmer in the west shou'd ta upth e matter of wheat exhibits f the Industrial exhibition next Jul The prize of \$200 for the best 25 bus els is one that should tempt ever wheatr aiser in the Canadian Wes and \$100, \$75 and \$35 are prizes n to be despised. Prizes of like amoun were offered for the exhibition in Ju and the number of entries we small in comparison, but the management felt that this was not a fair te