

TEAS, SUGARS, WINES, LIQUORS and GENERAL GROCERIES CORNER PRINCESS AND BANNATYNE STREETS, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.

Lamber Cuttings.

The Minnesota and Ontario Lumber company, of Rat Portage, contemplate a cut of ten million feet next season.

W. J. Mathers now continues the lumber business of Wade & Mathers, of Deloraine, Man., the firm having dissolved.

An effort is being made to secure the operation next season of the sawmill at Birtle, Man. This mill has been idle for some years, though logs are taken through Birtle to the Assiniboine river.

Two hundred car loads of lumber, about three million feet, have been shipped this season by the Royal City Planing Mills at Westminster, B. C., to Sir John Lister Kaye's farms in the Territories.

Christies new mill building at Brandon, Mau, has been completed, and is ready for the ma chinery. Christic is preparing to bring down a lot of spruce logs from the Riding Mountain in the spring, via the Bird Tail Creek and Assiniboine river.

The Sabaskong Mining and Lumber Company has received its charter from the Dominion Government. The company has among its stockholders several Rat Portage men. Its object is to develop the mining and lumbering industries of the district.

The old saw mill at Moodyville, B. C., opposite Vancouver, which were established about 25 years ago, will be fitted up with modern machinery, and will soon be closed down for that purpose. The mill has done a large export business in past years.

Saw mill men in some sections still have to wrestle with the question of what to do with the sawdust, as they are prohibited from dumping it into the rivers. The day will come when sawdust will be too valuable a material to throw away. It is now being used largely in mortar instead of sand, and can also be used for mouldings, etc., to good advantage.

The supreme court at Ottawa has delivered judgment in the suit of Cameron et al. v. Tate et al. It was a case where the defendants failed to execute an agreement to supply machinery for a lumber mill at Rat Portage to cut logs lying on the shores of the Lake of the Woods, and the plaintiffs obtained a verdict for \$25,000 in the lower court, which was reversed by the court of appeal, and the plaintiffs appealed to the Supreme court. The appeal was dismissed with costs.

A Toronto telegram says. The lumbermen have taken another step in the proceedings against tariff rates of the Grand Trunk railway. Four weeks ago they held a meeting and decided to present their grievances to Hon. Mr. Mowat, and ask him to attempt redress through the courts The Premier, after a few weeks consideration, has accepted the retainer, and has instituted suits. The lumbermen are sanguine of the outcome of the coming struggle. A meeting of the lumbermen of the province will be held, probably during the last week of this month, in this city, for the purpose of organization.

Seven vessels cleared from Barrard Inlet, B. C., with lumber, during November, six of these being from the Moody ville milland one from the Hastings mill. The lumber went to Australia, four loads; South America two loads; and China one vessel. During the month, four vessels arrived to load at the mills, three for the Hastings and one for the Moodyville mill. Robert Ward & Co., of Victoria, in .neir last shipping report quote the following rates on lumber from British Columbia to the ports named: To Hobson's Bay, 57s. per m.; Melbourne Wharf, 55s. to 57s. 6d per m.; Sidney, 45s. per m.; Shanghae, 50s. per m.; West Coast South, America, 45s. to 50s. per m.

Editor's Table.

A copy of Grip's annual comic almanae has reached the table. Those who desire a real good laugh can get it at the book stores for only

Grip, Canada's comic paper, and a good one too, has celebrated its sixteenth birthday. Grip compares favorvably with the best journals of its class, published in the English language, and its enterprise deserves encourage-

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A Manitoba Testimonial.

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full for balance o 1 your contract for building and enlarging our mill, we without solicitation wish to state, that you have done your work in a manner highly salkefactory to this company. The capacity which you gusranteed at 275 barrels we find considerably under the mark, as we are at present making over 300 barrels, and the quality of the flour is all that we could wish for. Some of our largest purchasers trankly tell us, it is equal to any flour made in either Minnesota or this province. The yield also we find very ratisfactory. We must also bear testimony to your pleasing and gentlemanly manner, and your willinguess at all times to meet our wishes. This has made our business relations pleasant and we can honestly say, that we recommend you to any person, requireing anything in the mill building or mill turnishing line. Wishing you the success that straight dealing merits, we recommend your truly,

THE PORTAGE MILLING CO.

Jas. MacLenaghan, Managing Pirector.

The Dominion Illustrated, Canada's new illustrated journal, published at Montreal, is keeping up the excellent standard of its engravings reached in the first few numbers. The last issue contained a cut of a farm house and surroundings, near Brandon, Man. The journal deserves encouragement.

The most recent addition to journalism in this region is the Keewatin Hustler, a newsy little paper hailing from the future great manufacturing centre on the Lake of the Woods. The paper is filled with local and other matter, and bears evidence that a good deal of hustling must have been done to pick up so many newsy

The Manitoba Colonist for December appears in enlarged form, and makes an interesting number. A new feature is the addition of a couple of pages printed in the German language, and this department will be continued. The illustrations include a handsome engraving of the C.P.R. hotel at Banff, Alberta, with the mountains in the background; a view of Main Street, Winnipeg, and another of the Manitoba insane asylum, at Selkirk. Among the articles there are several which deserve special mention. "Curiosities of the Canadian Fur Trade." and "Nature in Canada," are articles which are well worthy of perusal, in point of interesting information about the Great West.

The enterprising Grip Publishing Co., of Toronto, has decided upon the publication of a children's paper, and the first issue, which has made its appearance, is an excellent sample of what a children's paper should be. It is pure in tone, but interesting and instructive. No space is given to sensational and fabulous stories, which tickle and at the same time degrade the young intellect. This is the first and only children's paper published in Canada, and it should therefore receive encouragement. Heretofore such papers have always come from the United States, and many of them are very poor intellectual food for the rising generation. A post card to the publishers will bring a sample copy.

The "New West" is the title of a book just published by the Canadian Historical Publish-