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WESTERN CIVIC NOTES.

WINNIPEG, MAN. The Provincial Government contemplates erecting new public buildings, as the present ones are proving far too small. — The C. M. & St. P. Ry. will build a branch from Fargo to this city. — The Sterling Bank will open a branch here. — A Morality Department will be created. — The Standard Bank has opened a branch on Portage Avenue.

VANCOUVER, B. C. A site has been purchased for the Bank of Ottawa, for \$170,000; it measures 92 x 120 feet; a building to cost a quarter of a million will be put up in the spring. — The Vancouver Opera House, which was sold about a month ago, has been sold again at an advance of \$50,000; the price is at \$2,000 per front foot. — A new eight story hotel is to be built, and existing ones will be enlarged. — A lot at the corner of Hastings St. and Westminster Avenue has been sold for \$85,000; it is 35 feet on the street and 24 feet on the avenue. — The negotiations between the Provincial Government and a company for building a dry dock have fallen through. — Point Grey will shortly be annexed to the city. — A Committee of the Council will study methods of Civic Government. — The company that will build a bridge over the Second Narrows has purchased the old Dominion Charter and has a capital of \$1,500,000 with which to proceed.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C. There are now 8 branch banks in the city, the latest being the Merchants' Bank of Montreal, the Banks of Toronto, Hamilton and Vancouver. — A lot of land with an area of about 45,000 feet and a river frontage of nearly a mile, above the Fraser River Mills, has been sold for \$25,000. — Concrete sidewalks are being laid under the new local improvement by-law, the proprietors paying two-thirds of the cost. — The Lulu Island Bridge is nearly completed. — The Merchants' Bank has opened a branch in temporary quarters, but will erect a handsome building on the site it has purchased.

VICTORIA, B. C. It is reported that a company with \$2,000,000 capital will establish shipbuilding yards at Esquimalt. — The Bank of Vancouver will open a branch here.

REGINA, SASK. The City Council will ask the Legislature to give the power to vote in municipal elections and on by-laws, to married women who hold property in their own name. — The Eastern Townships' Bank will build a branch on the site of the old City Hall.

BRANDON, MAN. A proposal is before the Council to ask Legislation to abolish the Council and govern the city by 4 elected and salaried Commissioners. — A by-law will be presented to the rate payers to spend \$10,000 on improving the roads leading into the city. — The dates set for the inter-provincial fair of 1910 are July 25 to 29. — The International Harvester Co. will put up a four story warehouse at a cost of \$75,000. — The duplicate water main, for fire protection, is now in use; the insurance rates will accordingly be reduced.

SASKATOON, SASK. In 1903, the population was 113; now it is 12,000. A corner lot recently sold for \$24,000.

CRANWOOD, B. C. The new Masonic Temple is being rushed to completion.

GRAND FORKS, B. C. The Eastern Townships' Bank and the B. C. Telephone building are nearly completed.

CARMAN, SASK. The waterworks system has been re-laid, and is now in first-class condition.

KINDERSLEY, SASK. A Board of Trade has been formed here.

TOFIELD, ALTA. The first elections for a town council have been held, and Mr. J.O. Letourneau was elected Mayor. — The G. T. P. has commenced laying the tracks from here to Calgary.

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C. The Federal Government has decided to build a floating dock, costing a million and a quarter.

ELSTON, SASK. The Bank of Toronto has opened a branch here.

MACLEOD, ALTA. The new line opened between Lethbridge and here is in excellent condition. — The population is now 2,062.

CLARESHOLM, ALTA. The C. P. R. will build a large freight shed here.

MOOSOMIN, ALTA. The new jail was opened recently; there was no transfer of prisoners, as the police barracks were empty.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, MAN. The Canadian Corrugated Pipe Company will erect a plant here, having bought a site.

EYEBROW, SASK. The foundation for the new C. P. R. station is well under way, and men are hard at work on the coal shutes.

STRASSBURG, SASK. The Imperial Oil Company will open a warehouse here.

PRINCE ALBERT, SASK. The Board of Trade has decided to urge the Federal Government to make a grant for the erection of a drill hall here. Ten thousand dollars is wanted.

MORDEN, SASK. A cider mill has been built here.

EDMONTON, ALTA. The G. T. P. shops and round houses are almost finished; regular freight tracks are now running to Winnipeg. — The C. P. Ry. will enter the city over a high level bridge, the city consenting to pay \$586,000 towards the cost; a by-law is being submitted. — The by-law agreeing with the C. P. Ry. as to sharing the expense of the bridge for the railway to cross from Strathcona to the city was carried by a majority of 1,311; a by-law for a library was also carried.

ROLAND, MAN. The Bank of Hamilton is erecting a building.

MELFORT, SASK. Three government bridges are to be built in this district, during the winter.

MAYFIELD, MAN. A new post office has been started here.

LETHBRIDGE, ALTA. The Board of management of the Galt hospital are establishing a training school for nurses in connection with the hospital.

SLOCAN JUNCTION, B. C. The Provincial Government is building a bridge over the Slocan river connecting this place with Thrums.

WETASKIWIN, ALTA. A creamery and cold storage plant is being built.

BATTLEFORD, SASK. The flour mill recently purchased by the town has been opened.

BIGGAR, SASK. A new elevator has been completed.