

the Provincial authorities. The Council, after learning the facts of the position, endorsed the petition. As the matter stands at present, two miles of roads are constructed, and if the Municipality will pass a by-law to raise the value of half the cost of a bridge whose plan is approved of by the Provincial Government, the latter will pay the balance of the cost of construction. During last summer the Provincial Department of Public Works has carried on the work of drainage and roadmaking, as referred to in our last Annual Report, in the Brokenhead River District; some five miles of drains and two miles of roads having been completed at the cost of the Province.

GRAIN STANDARDS.

Under the Amended Inspection Act of last session of the Dominion House, the Government appointed: Messrs. N. Bawlf (Chairman), S. A. McGaw, S. Spink, Winnipeg; H. S. Paterson, Chas. Braithwaite, Portage la Prairie; K. Campbell, Brandon; John Benson, Wolseley; J. D. Sibbald, Regina; W. W. Ogilvie, Montreal; M. McLaughlin, Toronto; Inspectors F. E. Gibbs and D. Horn. The Board met on the 7th and 8th October and selected the following standards for grain grown west of Lake Superior, viz: Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Manitoba Hard, No. 2 Northern, Nos. 1 and 2 Frosted, Nos. 1 and 2 Oats. In cases where standards were not selected, the Inspectors have graded in accordance with the terms of the Act. Samples were secured from sixty-four shipping stations in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. The greatest possible care was taken to secure samples that would distinctly represent the crop in the different localities. As usual the Standards Board placed the matter of collection in the hands of Grain Inspector Horn and in his circular to collectors that gentleman states:

"What the Committee desire, and what would assist them most, would be your sending such samples as would, in your opinion, about cover the crop in your vicinity—marking them your 'One Hard,' 'Two Hard,' and so on—and if you have any frosted, a sample or samples of what you believe that would run.

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