

Disc Harrow .....	44.00
Plow (riding) .....	63.00
Mower .....	63.50
Rake .....	39.00
Wagon (new) .....	92.50
Harrow .....	32.00
Wagon (second hand) .....	25.00
Buggy .....	50.00
Potato Cultivator .....	12.00
Potato Plow (second hand) .....	5.00
Horses (7) .....	1130.00
Harness for four teams .....	134.00
Cedar Posts for 1 mile of fence .....	23.40
Barb Wire, 2,000 lbs. ....	82.00
Wages .....	35.00
Cow and Calf .....	30.00
Hogs (5 small) .....	15.00
Chickens (10) .....	16.50
Ducks (2) .....	2.50
Furniture and 2 heating stoves .....	160.00
Cooking stove, kitchen utensils, etc., for 20 men..	140.00
Living expenses per month .....	11.00
Seed wheat (50 bushels) .....	55.00
Seed oats .....	30.00
Cost of buildings—House, story and a half, 48 x 18, 5 rooms on first floor: stable, 28 x 18, for 8 horses; shed, 28 x 14 .....	801.29
Wages of carpenters .....	151.00
Well, 38 feet deep, fitted with pump and cribbed	134.60

The cost of well and buildings would have been much less if we had done all the work ourselves.

Yours truly,

K. OTSUKI.

## The City of Calgary.

### The Commercial Centre of Alberta.

"And ever we come back to the pulsing heart of this great foothill country, fascinating Calgary. One can study on its streets London fashions and fat stock, prize horses and headed moccasins, the very newest capers in automobiles and the most ancient and approved aroma of the Plain Indians." ("Saturday Evening Post.")

Calgary is a live city, with 75 automobiles, upwards of 300 retail stores, 106 wholesalers, 43 manufacturers, 13 banks, branches of practically all the friendly societies, one morning and two afternoon daily papers, several weekly and monthly publications, five clubs (The Ranchers, St. Mary's, Alberta, Canadian and Young Men's), and Young Men's Christian Association building in course of construction, when completed will cost \$90,000; excellent public schools, and various other educa-

tional institutions, including High School, Western Canada College for boys, St. Hilda's for girls, and Provincial Normal School completed at a cost of over \$150,000; General Offices of the Canadian Pacific Railway western officials, Government offices, such as Land Titles Office, Courthouse, and Provincial Public Works Office, beautiful churches, street letter delivery, in fact, everything necessary to make an up-to-date progressive city of nearly 25,000 population. The famous Calgary sandstone, which is used so extensively in the erection of business blocks, public buildings, wholesale houses, and manufacturing plants, gives the city a beautiful and substantial appearance, which is most favorably commented upon by all visitors. Calgary's business blocks, schools, churches, and many of its residences would be a credit to the larger Eastern and United States cities. A street car service is just being inaugurated, and will add one more convenience to the city life of Calgary, and two companies have only recently completed very large street paving contracts. The building campaign planned for 1909 will be one of the most aggressive in the history of the city.

The city owns its sewer, electric light and waterworks system, and is now completing a gravity water system at a cost of \$340,000. Water will by this means be taken from a point ten miles west of the city, and in sufficient quantity to supply a city of at least 200,000 people. Brick and tile clay are to be found in large quantities in the immediate vicinity.

## Cost of Living and Home-Making in Southern Alberta.

In the preceding pages information has been given in regard to the subject of starting a farm within the Irrigation Block, and other information that may be of interest to the homeseeker.

To the farmer with limited resources, however, it is important to know how far his capital will go and how it should be expended. The cost of living is also a vital feature entering into his calculations. The company is anxious that every person who settles in the Irrigation Block shall become prosperous and satisfied, and it is, therefore, important that they should labor under no misapprehension in regard to the conditions prevailing in this country, so that they may not over-estimate their resources or fail to lay out their capital to the best advantage.

Wishing to obtain absolutely correct information, the company is quoting below the actual prices prevailing at Calgary on the 10th of November, 1908, as secured from the retail merchants. It might be mentioned that a discount of about 5 per cent. is often given for cash, and that there is no reason why prices in the various towns throughout the Irrigation Block on the commodities quoted should be any higher than they are at Calgary. In fact, owing to the smaller expenses in connection with carrying on business in a small town, the prices should, in some cases, at least, be lower.