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#### WESTERN PROVINCES.

ANDAR, SASK. The new C. N. R. line between Radville and here, which is to be opened immediately, will give the farmers easy access to Moose Jaw, which is only six miles distant

BLAIRMORE, ALTA. The Provincial Government is placing a mine rescue station here for the Crow's Nest Pass district, one-half of its construction and equipment to be borne by the operators of these mines; the station will be fully equipped with the most modern mine rescue apparatus, and will be in operation from the first of the new year.

BRANDON, MAN. The Convention of the Union of Manitoba Municipalities held a three-days' session here. Over 250 delegates attended. The Good Roads Association also tended. - The Manitoba Breeders Association held their First Annual Sale of Pure Bred Stock on Wednesday. This being the finest lot of horses that has ever been offered for sale in the West, there was a very large crowd of interested buyers. The whole of the horses sold realized good prices. - The City Council received an application from Messrs. B. C. Donham & Co., New York, for a franchise of the whole of the Civic Utilities; the Council will receive applications from anyone. - The Annual Winter Fair is fixed from March 2nd to 7th; new auditorium will have accommodation for about 15,000 people and seating for about 6,000. - The fine new Fire Hall which has cost \$45,000 is completed. This building is fitted up with every modern electrical appliance. —The City Council is prepared to receive offers for a street railway franchise.

CALGARY, ALTA. A whirlwind campaign was instituted to raise \$250,-000 for the university of Calgary. The Dominion Bridge Company will establish an extensive plant on the fifty acres of ground, which have been purchased. - A large packing plant is being installed near the new Dominion Bridge land. — The C. P. R. has awarded the contract for the construction of their million dollar railway shops. - A Drill Hall will be built on the Police Barracks property.

CAMROSE, ALTA., was founded in 1905, and has now a population of 1,600; the local improvements, this year, include installation of waterworks, and sewers, and cement sidewalks; last year a municipally owned electric plant was installed; there is a 40 acre Agricultural Park, a Municipal Hospital, a fine Town Hall, wellequipped fire hall, and good school with a staff of six teachers.

LETHBRIDGE, ALTA. The Council has decided to prepare a by-law adopting the single tax principle.

MARCELIN, SASK. The Village has just elected its first councillors; in May last, there was one building on the town site, where now there is a population of 200.

MOOSE JAW, SASK. The year's civic doings include the passage of the Library by-law, the purchase of the New Hospital, the erection of the new fire hall and the \$60,000 traffic bridge. - The Robin Hood Flour Mills have been destroyed by fire at a loss of \$700,000.

NANAIMO, B. C. The B. C. Hydraulic Co. is likely to install a street car

OUTLOOK, SASK. The Norwegian Lutheran Church has decided to build the Saskatchewan College here.

PRINCE ALBERT, SASK. A local company has been formed to operate a transportation system on the Saskatchewan River between Edmonton and here, partly to bring coal down the river. - As a result of a special census, the population is nearly 8,000 instead of 6,000, as given by the Dominion census. — It has been decided to organize a Y. M. C. A. here, and erect a building costing about \$25,000.

ST. BONIFACE, MAN. For the first time, an English mayor has been elected, Mr. J. Berry having been successful in a contest. - The Board of Trade is in favour of a municipal gas plant.

WINNIPEG, MAN. The Winnipeg Hospital has received a gift of \$25,-000 for the equipment of the operating room. — A Harbour Commission is to be appointed, and it is understood that the Federal Government will spend \$100,000 on improving the Red River; the Commission will be formed from Winnipeg and St. Boniface. A Town Planning Conference is being arranged for next summer, by secretary Cole, of the Winnipeg Town Plan Commission.

VANCOUVER, B. C. The Port of Vancouver Dry Dock and Shipbuilding Company has arranged for a dry dock to be designed in two sections, which practically gives the company a double plant for taking care of the ordinary shipping, and also making a huge dock, by joining the two sections, with a capacity for accommodating ships of any size; the dock is being built in the old country, and will be shipped out in sections.

### A NEW TOWN.

One of the baby Towns is Athabaska Landing, in Alberta, in the Peace River District, and at present many miles from the nearest railway, which is at Edmonton. It is interesting to read in the "Northern News," which is published at Athabaska Landing, the prices that are being asked for lots. For a double corner lot, \$5,000 is asked, \$2,500 for two lots. A Canadian Club and Board of Trade keep up the interest.