

HAD NOTHING WHEN HE STARTED.

Wetaskiwin, October, 1896.

I left Mancelona, Michigan, April 10th, 1894; arrived in Wetaskiwin April 18th; had a good look at the country until August; then located within five miles from Wetaskiwin. I like the country well. Of course, I came here without anything; now I have a comfortable home and plenty to eat, which I would not have had if I had stayed in Michigan. If anyone wants a free home for \$10, and would like to raise cattle and horses, I know of no better country. Horses need no care summer nor winter; abundance of hay for the cutting.

(Signed)

Levi Bradshaw.

Swan River, Manitoba, 10, 35, 29.

November 11th, 1898.

W. F. McCreary, Esq., Commissioner of Immigration,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dear Sir,—I intended to write to you long ere this and tell you how I got on, but I have been very busy, and time flies by. If you remember, I came from the North of Ireland last June with a family of 12 and my brother. I took two homesteads, one for my eldest son James and self—northeast and northwest quarter of Section 10, 35, 29. I like the land of the Swan River Valley better than any I have seen. I have about 12 acres of land plowed, have a dwelling house 32x22 feet, a stable 24x15 feet, six head of cattle, a yoke of oxen and a horse. I did not get here till the 14th August. In fact, I think the government of the Dominion has done everything possible for the comfort of the settlers; indeed, I must say that the government and railway officials of Manitoba are the kindest people I ever met.

I am, dear Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

Richard Lyons.

Bridge Creek, December 5th, 1898.

John Flesher, Esq.,

Dear Sir,—I arrived in Manitoba in the month of May, 1880, and selected a homestead and pre-emption on the west half of Section 10, Tp. 15, Range 16, and have resided there ever since. My capital amounted to \$500, besides my household effects, with a family of five, all too small to be of use in the way of help. My two sons now own