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## MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The close of this year, and the close of the nineteenth century also, is fast approaching, and it is not too soon for our citizens to consider the question of who should be our councillors for the first year of the twentieth century. Municipal work should attract the most capable business men of the town—capable by education and proved natural ability. It is just the men who are at the head of their trades or callings who should be found most active in serving their fellow citizens. The town councillors should be thoroughly representative of the life and business interests of the community which they serve. Capable business men would not fail to recognize the importance, from a business point of view, of having business affairs properly administered, and although some of them have important enterprises of their own to look after, they should not begrudge the time spent in attending meetings of the council. It is regretted that there is not the readiness on the part of successful business men to serve on our municipal council that the importance of the work to be done deserves.—Ex.

## FARMING IN MANITOBA.

An Athenian's Opinion of the Great Land of Promise and Fulfillment—Prosperity Abounds and the Future is Bright—Home of the Branta Canadensis.

A conversation with Mr. Sheldon Bullis since his return from the great West brought to view the following thoughts which reflect bright prospects for the future of the localities he visited:

"From my observations, taking Deloraine as one centre, acting on my convictions," he said, "I would expect as much increase of value from \$2,500 I had given a son there as I would look for from one who had received a seven or eight thousand dollar farm here, taking, say, a run of ten or twelve years—less ability required here, less competition to meet there. The whole country is rising en masse, and the individual must float up with the mass. The settlers are frugal, thrifty and getting rich."  
"As I pass around and look at that country and think that it is only 20 years old, and remember that it was settled by very poor people, many of them financial failures from Ontario and elsewhere, I am astonished. Many of them have good, stone base ment stables and keep fifteen or sixteen horses to work, with ample stores of feed."  
"They have no grain barns, nor do they need them, elevators fully supplying their place. The present management of the elevators is a scourge to the farmers and the joy of some of the grain buyers. If any of our enterprising, aspiring young politicians would go to that country and take with them pluck, brains and honesty enough to put in operation an equitable system of elevators and thus deliver the people from the old extortion and oppression, such a one will ever after find an easy path to the Legislature. It will remain for some time a 4-inch plank in future platforms."

"All agricultural lines are projected with phenomenal rapidity. The people are confident, cheerful, and not more than one in fifty will buy what they are not determined to pay for."  
Mr. Bullis bought 160 acres, 77 acres improved, not far from Deloraine. This village is 202 miles south west of Winnipeg, 15 miles from the Dakotah line, and has a population of about 900. He feels satisfied from the evidence around it that the clear profits from this farm in a ten years' run will equal that on this old farm valued at \$8,000.  
The rapidity with which grain dries after long rains, remaining uninjured, is surprising. The same exposure here would make a fertilizer of it. In that pure air, meat will remain a long time untainted without salt. Cases of throat and lung troubles and asthma are quickly improved and finally cured here. He said to one man to whom he was selling horses, "These two horses have a touch of the heaves." The man replied, "That is no matter; it will soon disappear in our life-giving air."

"The people live in the lovely after glow of hope and the possibilities that beam in the future are grand, even the climate is becoming more gentle and mild, as trees are planted, while ours is more vigorous as we cut the forests down. In the vicinity of Mr. Bullis' farm is a lake, 10x12 miles, literally filled with wild geese. During the three months there, he shot

and got 16. The evening before he left for home a wealthy farmer came to him and made him a present of six wild geese to take home.

During a political campaign, party feeling is not so rabid there as here. Mr. Bullis enjoyed the pleasure of an hour or two with Mr. Sifton at Deloraine. The next day he and an old settler drove forty miles, took the special train to Brandon, 70 miles, to witness the debate between Hon. Mr. Sifton and Sir Hibbert Tupper.

There are 129 polling booths in the riding and 4000 of the scattered population convened in Brandon on that memorable occasion.

Sir Hibbert was at his best and spoke with telling effect. At the close of his hour and a half, Mr. Sifton opened up, being allowed an equal time to reply, and his remarks were probably more pointed and forcible than they would have been if scattered over a three hour speech. The meeting was convened by Sir Hibbert's friends, but before an hour had passed it was evident that the meeting had passed under the control of Mr. Sifton. The unfortunate letter that Sir Charles signed lost the election to Hugh John, as it was handled with annihilating effect.

On the return, the pioneer settler missed the trail, so they experienced the sensation of being lost in the dark on the trackless, boundless prairie. That forty mile drive looked, mile after mile, far as the eye could view, like one vast city of grain stacks. The like can be seen nowhere else in the world.

The inference is that the trip of Mr. Bullis was one of profit and that he had variety and pleasure without limit.

W. S. H.

## THREE BABIES MIXED.

BINGHAMPTON, Nov. 17.—There are three distracted mothers in this city and a father who laughs maliciously in his sleeve, though he is directly affected.

Mrs. William Robinson recently became the mother of a bouncing boy. As a coincidence a sister and a cousin were visited by the traditional stock about the same time.

Mrs. Robinson conceived the idea of playing a joke on her husband, who was away on a business trip by surprising him with triplets on his return home. The other mothers were consulted and fell in with the plan.

Yesterday the babies were all dressed alike and laid in the bed by the nurse and when the happy father arrived home he was ushered in to see his thriving family. To say he was astonished only faintly expresses it. He, however, survived the shock, and when the nurse went to sort out the babies she was first puzzled and then dismayed, for she could not tell them apart. The others were in a like fix. Then the joke leaked out and Robinson became hilarious. Not only the fact that his family had been materially reduced, but that his wife did not know her own baby, he declared, more than evened things for the fright they had given him.

Now the mothers are puzzling brains for some method of telling which is which.

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It is to be hoped that you did not wager two much "dough" on the elections. You might "knead" it now.

**The President a Slave to Catarrh**—D. T. Sample, president of Sample's Installation Company, Washington, Pa., writes: "For years I was afflicted with Chronic Catarrh. Remedies and treatment by specialists only gave me temporary relief until I was induced to use Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. It gave almost instant relief." 50 cents.—49

The Ontario government is seriously thinking of encouraging in some way the growth of the sugar beet in Ontario.

**"Regular Practitioner—No Results."**—Mrs. Annie C. Chestnut, of Whittby, was for months a rheumatic victim, but South American Rheumatic Cure changed the song from "despair" to "joy." She says: "I suffered untold misery from rheumatism—doctors' medicine did me no good—two bottles of South American Rheumatic Cure cured me—relief two hours after the first dose."—50

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Israel Stevens, Delta, says: "The Economic Feed Cooker is a grand thing, but the 40 gal. size is too small for to feed a large herd of pigs."

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The Postmaster-General has under consideration for some time the proposal to introduce the insurance of registered letters up to the value of \$25. Suggestions on the subject have been made from all parts of the country, and will be carefully considered. In Great Britain the method is not actual insurance, but is called voluntary compensation. A charge of two pence over and above the usual registration rate is made for the sum of five pounds and there is a graduated scale for amounts up to one shilling and two pence for 120 pounds. It is believed that the system results in profit in that country.

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