

DIARY OF OUR MAN ABROAD.

Oct. 28 - Aside from its A. J. hotels - it has two of that grade - Qu'Appelle is chiefly famous for its straight-out Prohibition paper, the Progress, a unique product of Tory journalism.

Oct. 29 - An all-night run lands us in Verden, which is a bright little town, though, alas! this season it is the centre of a district which has "enjoyed" a very poor harvest.

Oct. 31 - Brandon - quite a city, but not quite



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Unquestionably one of the big places of the not-far distant future. A large number of people from the world in general are here making their times, but for particulars as to the "how" etc. the anxious enquirer must be referred to this daily appointed representative, Mr. Queen's thing, by the way - the Daily Mail published upon here as a Daily paper. The Sun and Times are not built that way.



Nov. 1 - We find ourselves once more in Martinville - otherwise known as Portage la Prairie. Things have apparently gone on as well as could have been expected in our absence. In fact, since the Hon. Joseph lifted the town out of the slough of Financial Despond, it has been booming - and will no doubt continue to boom after we have left the Province. The portrait of the handsome young man (who edits the Liberal here - which somehow we omitted from these notes on our first call) is given in no. 2 above.



Nov. 4 - From Portage la Prairie the M. & N. Railway carries you through a fine farming country pretty well wooded for Manitoba. You may have to travel in a freight if it happens to be an off-day on the time-card, but if Walmsley is in command you will enjoy the Caboose as much as if it were a Pullman. On this road are



Winkler, Neepawa, Minnedosa, and other thriving towns and villages, inhabited for the most part by hardy emigrants from Ontario.

Nov. 6 - We get back to Winnipeg in time to join with the truly good folks of that Capital in the services of Thanksgiving Day - and not even Toronto on a wet Sunday could exhibit a more becoming deportment than.

Nov. 8 - We must now take a brief glance at Southern Manitoba, which we reach via the Pembina branch of the C.P.R. First we look in on Morris. This town is built all over the prairie, so as to give the land its lord of the Commercial room to get about. It is slightly dull at present, but as they have now got railway number 3 to the place, lively times are expected with the opening of Spring.

The citizens of Morris are chiefly Scotch - especially the Lawrie families.

Nov. 11 - This date finds us in Manitowish. There are other good towns further west, but as the water supply is said to be poor, we decide not to visit them at present. Water is our staple drink. This difficulty is the principal one to contend with. Manitoba has the land is magnificent, but farming has been terribly hard. The land is capped for two or three seasons by drought. Manitowish is one of the best located and most promising places in the Province.

Nov. 12 - Morden, however, is really the town of this section, but we defer any remarks about it to the next - and last - chapter of this hasty history.

