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Province of Quebec, and a well-known citizen of the city of Quebec, is Mr. Fraser Tim's father.

NORTHWEST MOUNTED POLICE.

The services of this fine body of men can hardly be overestimated, as were it not for them the country could not enjoy its present sense of security. The way in which the law is respected in these Territories presents a striking contrast to the reign of outlawry which exists in the Western States. The members of the Northwest Mounted Police are a finely disciplined and educated body of men, and their system of patrol throughout the Territories is so perfect that the outlaw's career is always short-lived. This district, which extends from the Innisfail on the south to Lac la Piche in the northeast, a distance of about 300 miles, and about the same distance east and west will give an idea of the large amount of territory looked after by government troops, whose headquarters are at Fort Saskatchewan.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVESTMENT.

Owing to its central position, surrounded by a rich farming country, where the grain product is constantly increasing, Fort Saskatchewan offers the best opening in the Northwest for the establishment of a roller process flour mill. Then there are excellent opportunities for improving a water privilege capable of furnishing power of different industries, including an electric light plant and saw mill. The water privilege is located just below the town on a island one mile long, forming a channel, which, with a moderate outlay of capital, can be utilized. There is also a good opening here for a brickyard, a tannery and a sash and door factory. It offers free sites to manufacturing industries.

Fort Saskatchewan has never had any boom, but has been growing steadily for the past two years. Fort Saskatchewan, as will be seen by the accompanying illustrations and notes, has a number of substantial and enterprising business men.

MESSES, LINDOW & GRINDLEY, GENERAL MERCHANTS.

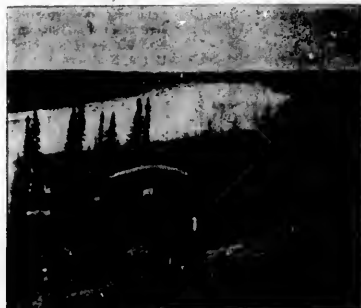
This extensive business, which has only been in existence a little more than one year, is one of the best examples of a general store in the country. The buildings, as will be seen by the illustration on this page, has a frontage of sixty-one feet on Government street, and extends back seventy-five feet. A commodious general warehouse adjoins the store, while at the rear are large grain warehouses, with separate entrances for freight trains, etc. The store is heated with hot air furnaces, and very conveniently arranged throughout. The stock carried by this firm comprises every commodity adapted to the needs of a new and growing country, each department carrying a fine assortment. A well managed wholesale liquor department is also a feature of this extensive business. The advantages to be derived by a farming community in having such a large and varied stock to select from, and an opportunity to exchange their products for the thousand and one necessities, is obvious.

Mr. H. Lindow, the senior member of this firm, has had a wide range of experience in the commercial world, and his energy and talents have brought him deserved business and popularity through this district. Mr. Thos. M. Grindley, the other member of the firm, though yet a young man, has held responsible positions in the west, being for many years salesman for J. H. Ashdown, of Winnipeg, who runs the largest hardware business in the country, and one of the pioneers of Calgary in the early days. These gentlemen, by their combined energies and experience, have built up a business through this district second to none. They are fortunate in having the assistance of Mr. W. T. Lissop, an energetic and business like young man (formerly with John Cameron, of Edmonton), who makes an excellent salesman for them. The firm is an ener-

getic one, and through their methods of square-dealing, good goods, and fair prices, have gained the confidence of the community at large.

A GUEST TO FORT SASKATCHEWAN.

One of the prettiest and most substantial structures in Fort Saskatchewan is the Mansion House, completed in June, 1894, and opened to the public on the last day of that month by Messrs. Maraggi and De Houa who also run the Alberta at Edmonton. Fort Saskatchewan long felt the need of a good hotel on the South Side, and with the completion of the Mansion House their every wish was gratified.



ALONG THE RIVER.

River Fort Saskatchewan.

The house, which is situated on the corner of Government street and Dennis avenue, in the heart of the town, is 45x70, and two stories high. The first floor is finished throughout in British Columbia cedar, and is splendidly laid out, while upstairs the sleeping chambers and drawing rooms are models of comfort and taste. The "Mansion" is managed by Mr. L. J. Vellat, an experienced hotel man and good all around fellow. The bar room is a novelty in itself, being the finest arranged in Northern

POSTMASTER AND MERCHANT.
A man closely associated with the interests of the Alberta district and Fort Saskatchewan in particular, is Mr. W. G. How, postmaster agent for the government telegraph service and member of the firm of How & Stewart general merchants. Mr. How was born in Ottawa 38 years ago. When only 19 years of age filled with an adventurous spirit, he came west and joined the Northwest Mounted Police, continuing in the service three years. Since leaving the force Mr. How has been actively engaged in business pursuits. Messrs. How & Stewart do a large general business, their store and warehouse being well located, on Governor

ment street. All kinds of goods and supplies peculiar to the needs of the country may be found at this store, and a large trade is carried on with the surrounding districts. Mr. W. G. How's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Ross, and other members of the family are also residents of Fort Saskatchewan, having moved here from the east six years ago.

MR. ST. JOHN'S HOTEL.

Mr. Xavier St. John, who runs the Fort Saskatchewan Hotel, on the north side of the



LINDOW & GRINDLEY'S STORE.

Fort Saskatchewan.

Alberta, and reflects great credit on Mr. Maraggi, designer of the fixtures. The table service of the Mansion House is equal to that of first-class metropolitan establishments, and strangers who visit the fort are delighted and surprised to find such accommodations. Any one visiting Edmonton should not go away without driving over to the Fort and lunching at the Mansion. The beautiful scenery, bracing air and genial hospitality met with at the Mansion will be enjoyed, and then you can get a glimpse at military as well as agricultural life in this favored portion of the Northwest.

river, opposite the barracks, is another man who has done well in this district. Mr. St. John came from Morby, Quebec, sixteen years ago, then a young man, and after two years residence in Manitoba, came to Fort Saskatchewan. His hotel is 70x30 feet, two stories high, and beautifully situated at the end of the cable ferry. The house contains twenty-five large rooms, and is well ventilated, well furnished throughout, and first-class in every respect, even to the bar, where nothing but the choicest liquors are kept. A large stable, 30x50, is run in connection with the house, and

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