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THE ENEMIES OF THE DOMINION Provincial electorates. The British Columbia Legislature an educational test which must be passed by prospective immigrants.

ever way it goes, of most concern. posed to lessen.

be pictured as an aggregation of na- ment. tage it may offer simply means that so.

and present course. Not infrequently this opens to the be a proposal to lessen the revenues many rural schools of the older Prov- mendable enterprise, opened a branch gentlemen are bluffing, indeed they supposed proximity of a general elecity to assail the national existence ed as such. A proposal to stop the structed as settlement advances, has recently secured the investment ity to do very little else than bluff. about as poorly prepared as possible.

MENT OF INTEMPERANCE

been disallowed by the Federal Parsible. His purpose he claims is to in Promoting Intemperance. liament, and the last was "with lessen the evils of intemperance. Toheld" by the Lieutenant-Governor at ward that end he professes to be imthe suggestion, it now seems clear, of pelled by an uncomfortable feeling Canadian trade returns for January Altogether we spent \$2,520,025.3 however, announce their intention of the public in legalizing. To ease this ports of \$4,000,000. This should oc- Works Department is the great spend. enforcing the present measure imme- feeling he would make them wholly casion jubilation among the protecting department of the Government diately against new comers from Ja- responsible, would make them not tionists, but one of them—the Winni- the expenditures in this branch ready applied in one case. This of actual participants in the traffic. He whether the appropriate sentiment is \$308,000 went for bridges, \$238,000 for to respect and defend those rights, reasoning processes of the honorable Telegram holds with the school who Agriculture dibursed an aggre take action to prevent the Province reason assigned is not the real one, ing away everything and getting noth. this \$182,000 was advanced as pay traversing them in this manner. Per. The dispensary bill proposed by Mr. ing in return. The trouble is that ments to creamery patrons, \$13 °C haps this will bring the matter into Hiebert carries strong internal evi. this theory will not fit the facts. For loaned for the establishment of cream enact and enforce such legislation re- practicable or undesirable, and that fore she should have been laboring in \$11,000 expended in the dairy inter-

considerable number of cases indeed would not even temporarily lessen the won't mix. this admirable quality appears to have misery that flows from the vice. But been extinguished by an overwhelm- whichever it might do temporarily, its ing desire for notoriety and power a future and permanent consequence wholesome regard for the means by ment of public opinion against the review of the Provincial business for consolidation of the Ordinances cost which these ends are to be obtained, liquor traffic, if not even a reversal the past year, and an optimistic fore- \$7,000 and commissions \$7,000. and in some cases rather disposed of that sentiment and a popular de- cast of the work for the coming year, ion. To such it need not be expected quence of the Act would probably be cessarily surveyed the work of the va-

Their eyes are ever on the hustings It is safe to assume that no rightly al Ministers in charge, beside a more and the highest merit a cause can constituted person is insensible or in- particular reference to the two Depossess is that it rouse the inflam- different to the misery that accom- partments over which he presides,

to himself whatever political advantinuous and tangible inducement to do when needed.

Columbia Government touches one of how much more misery would it pro- inces and Governments generally is with the real or seeming approval of sale altogether would be a proposal to schools are established whenever and of \$750,000 trust funds of the Synod For two years they have bluffed us The Halifax "platform" has collapsed

SEMI-WEEKLY-Subscriptions per abundant proof that the assumed well enforced, and which has done vanced for the about a half million dollars of them party in the same game. The Council ability of Mr. Borden's followers to year \$1. Subscribers in the Unquality has not always been too liberited States \$2. All subscriptions ally bestowed upon those who underper and the unitigate the evils of intemper and the weary industry. At the same time will be loaned in the West during the have the overwhelming endorsation of the unitigate the evils of intemper and the unitigate the evils of intemper ally bestowed upon those who underper and the unitigate the evils of intemper and the unity the unitigate the evils of intemand the unitigate the evils of intemper and the unitigate the evils of intemper and the unitigate the evils of intemper and the unitigate the evils of intemand the unitigate the evils of intemper and the unitigate the evils of intemand the unitigate the evils of intemper and the unitigate the evils of intemand the unitigate the evils of intemand the unitigate the evils of intemand the unitage the unitage the evil the unitage the unitage the unitage the evil the unitage the evil the unitage the evil the unitage that the unitage the unitage the unitage the unitage that the unitage the unitage that the unitage that the took the task of directing public because the people of the Province the nature of permanent investment; The Manager of the Huron and Eric need lose much sleep over the composition represents to the public mind thought. If the Dominion is to con- generally were under no financial in- court houses and other public build- is naturally feeling aggrieved, and he munications from the Canadian Ma- to-day just one predominant idea—the tinue a Dominion public opinion must ducement to encourage drink. There ings are being erected, including the must need attack the security of West-chine Telephone Co. So far as Ed-Fosterian "cult" and their financial resolutely repudiate the activities of is every reason to believe that the Provincial Parliament buildings, and ern investments in his complaint. His monton's experience goes the manu-operations with the money of other those who in self-interest or malice progress of public opinion will be to- a Provincial telephone system is be- interview, regarding the losing of this facturing activities of the Company people. About those operations the scatter the seeds of dissension in the ward more stringent laws equally well ing created of which six hundred miles account as presented in the London appear to consist mainly in the mak- people of Canada have only one opinhas passed a "Natal Act," prescribing A BILL FOR THE ENCOURAGE. public were made the beneficiaries of Provincial University has been se Mr. Hiebert announces that his dis-Several similar measures have been pensary resolution did not aim at should have been called An Act to rent revenues of the Province. Albert

WON'T MIX

THE PROVINCIAL FINANCES. age the use of liquor. The conse- vincial Treasurer he properly and neinterest, nor the legal decision, which- perpetuate the suffering it was sup- ters more fully detailed in departmental reports and speeches by the sever-

matory elements to extravagant panies and follows intemperance. The Premier found gratification in nonsense. Recognizing the potential- Public opinion is thoroughly prepared the fact that the Province had known ity of a quarrel with the Dominion as in this Province to endorse whatever no financial stringency during the a force in Provincial elections, they offective measures may be possible to year. This should be equally satisfacare not at all likely to neglect the on-lessen this misery and to sanction a tory to the people of the Province. It portunity of provoking a row with Ot- policy of restriction and regulation is one of the favorable aspects of our for long distance lines and exchanges dividend-earning powers of its funds. the debate on the treaty with France tawa if that be possible, and if that tending toward the discouragement of financial status. The great proportion in rural municipalities or villages. be not possible, steadfastly pretend indulgence and the promotion of tem- of revenue coming from the Federal ing that it is an accomplished fact. perance. More, there are in the Prov. Government, Alberta is not dependent From these eruptive individuals we lince a very large number of people upon the conditions of the commer may expect to hear of wars and ru- who believe that within the measur- cial realm or the fluctuations of the mors of wars. The Dominion we shall able future public opinion will war- money market. Provinces which debe told is impelled by a malicious de rant the enactment of prohibitory rive revenue from the public domain sire to populate one of its provinces legislation. This is the real interest must gauge their expenditures by the by an unassimilable race: Britain will of temperance and its advocates—the general conditions prevailing in the be maligned as an unnatural mother interest of the future—that the pro- country and the world. When montieing the hands of her child and gress of temperance sentiment be not ey is plentiful, they are tolerably sure handing it over to the tender mercies paralyzed by the introduction of a of revenue and may plan their operaof barbaric allens; the Empire will counter-motive stronger than senti-tions accordingly. When money is scarce and development dwindles tions concentrating their influence The motive behind the liquor traffic their revenues fall off and retrench and policy in the fell design of taking is the desire for gain. At present this ment must be exercised. When busi the bread from the mouth of the Brit motive does not move public opinion ness is brisk, when Government expenish Columbia working man. Whither to encourage the traffic, for the rea-ditures are not needed to relieve un-em the lurid imagery of the inflammables son that the public treasury benefits ployment, and when Government work may lead is indeed a matter of specu- comparatively little from it. But can only be carried on in competition lation, but history will not repeat it under a dispensary act the public with all other work, then such Provself if one manifestation of the frenzy treasury would benefit enormously inces have money to spend. But is not a proposal to secede from the from the trade. The revenue derived when business is stagnant, when in-Dominion, if not from the Empire. from the traffic would be large; and dustries lag, when men need employ-This outburst might be passed over the more liquor sold the larger the ment, when work could be economic in silence as a harmless ebullition of revenue would be. The Province cally done, then such Provinces themsuper-heated nonsense if we were sure would then be the liquor dealer and selves are hard driven and have neiththat it would be confined in sympathy subject to the temptation that besets er money to spend nor employment to to those who will emit it. Unfortun- the dealer. The larger the sales the give. Alberta and Saskatchewan work year, ately we have only too many in- larger the revenue, and if the private under no such handicap. Their revestances of those who would not hold dealer finds it to his advantage now nues are assured, good times or bad, such language tolerating it, even en- to encourage intemperance the public are payable cash in hand, and may take pride both in the splendid finan- eration are to use the new telephone "Government Days" have been busy couraging it, and gladly profiting by dealer would not it financially pro- be utilized where and when employ- cial condition of Alberta and in the system we must get it elsewhere than days usefully employed. But the the spirit it creates. That Premier fitable to do the same. What is now ment is most needed and where and record and policy of the Provincial from the Canadian Machine Tele- "private members' days" have been McBride will descend to mouth the the self-interest of the few would then when work can best be done. Provin- Government. Our financial arrange- phone Co. If it is not correct then simply monopolized by the Opposition nonsense himself is improbable; that be made the self-interest of the many, cially we know no such thing as a ments provide ample funds to meet its explosion will do no harm, and in the business of slandering men both he will give its emissaries the benefit Public opinion, which now has little money stringency. Our legislators our requirements without running inof a thinly disguised sympathy is inducement to encourage the trade plan their expenditures with assur- to debt. The policy of the Govern- In either event the coolness of the any attempt on the part of the Governprobable; and that he will try to draw would then have great, general, con- ance that the money will be available ment as proven by the record and proposition is refreshing ernment to direct attention to the

> opinion and even against public opin- venues are ample for the needed exion, intemperance produces misery, penditures. The quagmire of Prov-

THE EDMONTON BULLETIN do so under pretence of peculiar loy enterprise, and to deprive the Prove fies, liberal aid is given to means for some years in the hands of the Huron ing a telephone system for us, and the Opposition have not. If the Govalty to the Province in which he finds ince of a very large revenue. How the information and assistance of the and Erfe Co., of London, Ont., but that the more robust of the ratepayers ernment business were allowed to proit profitable to ply his miserable trade, could the friends of temperance re- farmer, ample provision is made for the Trust and Guarantee Co., by might live to see it in operation. That ceed uninterrupted, the splendid re-Confederation is founded on the as ply to such arguments in a way likely the administration of justice. Sub- means of its Western branch, was they did it well we must admit. But cord and the progressive policy of the yes'. By mail, per year, \$3. By mail, per year, \$3. By mail to United States per year \$6. people. Its stormy history affords Alberta has a stringent liquor law sugar industry, and a large sum ad-trol of the funds, with the result that enforced, and ultimately to the era- of line are now under operation and Free Press is as follows: dication of the traffic. But if the eighteen exchanges, A site for the the traffic the progress might very cured and buildings will be erected well be found to be in the other di- as necessary. All these expenditures rection. The measure of Mr, Hiebert are being made from the ordinary curbut have never become law. Some have not consider this practicable or posis no likelihood that we shall have to open one.

either Premier McBride or Attorneythat the Legislators are in part regeneral Bowser.

sponsible for the mischief worked by

\$3,000,000 as compared with January over. The apportionment of the ex-The British Columbia Government, a traffic which they are the agents of a year ago, and an increase in expenditures is instructive. The Public pan. It is reported to have been al- only the consenting authority, but the peg Telegram, is puzzled to know amounting to \$1,271,437.46. Of this course is in violation of the treaty shudders at the thought of partial intights of the Japanese, and the Feddirect guilt, but longs to become it admits that the process is not very and \$282,000 was invested in the eral Government, as in duty bound wholly and directly guilty. Either the pleasant. This is strange, for the telephone system. The Department of will have no other recourse than to gentleman are past finding out, or the teach that prosperity consists in giv. gate expenditure of \$314,946.23. Of court, and pave the way for a deci- dence that the gentleman's pronounce- ten years Canada has been importing eries, \$23,000 paid in bonuses to the sion by the Privy Council on the right ment regarding prohibition was corlong claimed by British Columbia to rect; that he considers it either im- ported; according to the theory there- for the destruction of noxious weeds. gardless of the Dominion Parliament, he introduced his measure for the the hardest of hard times; but accordests, \$10,000 for farmers' institutes and This no doubt is the point aimed purpose of retarding the growth of ing to the facts she was so phenomen. \$14,000 in grants to agricultural so at by the saner heads among the temperance sentiment, and of side- ally prosperous that the Telegram cieties. The administration of justice British Columbia legislators, but un tracking the possibility of prohibition. could not publish an edition without cost \$205,000. The Education Departfortunately those gentlemen are not A dispensary act might lessen the unwillingly admitting it—in the news ment spent \$339,000, chiefly in grants all crowned with heads of conspicu- immediate consumption of liquor, or columns. The facts of Canada's pros- to schools. Legislation cost \$32,000, ous and unwavering sanity. In a it might not, and if it did not it perity and the theory of protection the expenses of civil government were \$147,000, hospitals, charities and the protection of public health cost \$31. 000, hail insurance payments amount The budget speech of Premier Ruth. ed to \$33,000, the Government printdesire not always accompanied by a must be a checking of the develop-

than otherwise to seek them by in-sire to encourage rather than discour- As head of the Government and Pro- not less than \$900,000 was expended case he must expect to be beaten by about \$600,000, and it cannot be far would be sanctioned by either Coundirectly and primarily for the benefit the competition of Companies who of the agricultural interests of the recognize the importance of getting in 000 per month, while Parliament is in trouble of selling debentures when that the legal point will be of most to increase and would certainly be to rious departments, touching on mat; of the agricultural interests of the highest formula that the legal point will be of most to increase and would certainly be to rious departments, touching on mat; of the agricultural interests of the part that the legal point will be of most to increase and would certainly be to rious departments, touching on mat; of the agricultural interests of the part touch with the business of this part tures for roads and bridges made by of the Dominion. As to security, the the Public Work Department; the dis- town and city property in these prov- the present session. With the cost of sold. From these pit-falls 'the present bursements of the Department of Agri- inces has a hundred chances to in- Hansard this brings the amount up to ent Council should escape. With the sustained by hail. But the total Eastern Provinces have one, and as must pay for the portion of the ses- tory offer for debentures, the Alderamount expended in the rural dis- long as the Synod of Huron has either sion already past, tricts primarily for the farmer's bene- the productive city or town property fit was far in excess of this. Of the here or the rich agricultural soil of \$262,000 invested in the telephone Alberta as security, it need have no tically untouched. Aside from the in hand, system the greater proportion went fear either as to the safety or the Of the \$339,000 spent by the Education Department probably very much more than half went to rural schools. A similar proportion of the cost of prise in opening business in "the administering justice must be charged West," so much despised by Major as expenditures on account of rural Cronyn. districts All told therefore the expenditure on behalf of the farmers, through all the branches of the Govceeded one million dellars. This is as prompt installation of an efficient been reviewed, the new Dominion If you have Catarrh, rid yourself of this it should be, and illustrates the Gov. telephone system. That in so doing Lands Act has not yet been introductive disease. Ask Dr. Sloop of Ra.

manager of the Huron and Erie, for we gave them what we think a much better tender than did the Toronto company, and besides it was thought that a local concern would at least receive the prefer-

The agreement that has been made

charge them only one-eight of one House. per cent., which on a fund of \$750 .-000 would amount to about \$900 in

from 6 to 7 per cent. on Ontario the speeches is calculated to be \$5.42 ter position than any preceding Coun think the chances for a higher rate of interest than we have guaranteed

any chances on investing in Western less than a pure speculation.

sion to give the fund to an outside he said. "but as for our investments, no matter how good House.

It may be quite possible that the recently been appointed Public Ad, the immigration department, the prespect of an early opening of navigo in Alberta, as a result of its enter- eration of a question of vital or na- ice breaker Whetford is resting as her

BLUFFING.

ernment's proper recognition of the they are accused and will be accused ed. In fact that great bulk of Gov-cine preponderant interests of agriculture. of repudiating an existing contract ernment business remains to be taken will in no way or degree shake the up. This means that the session can-For the current year it is proposed to loyalty of the ratepayers toward the not close for three or perhaps four For Sale by all dealers. expend \$2,600,000. As usual the Pub- Mayor and Aldermen. If the contract months yet, and that it may easily be expend \$2,600,000. As usual the Public Works Department requires \$1,110. with the Canadian Machine Telephone protracted until September, And every broken day that it is protracted costs the 500. The appropriation for the De- Co. has been broken, it was broken day that it is protracted costs the partment of Agriculture is increased by the Company. If it has not been country \$12,000 in hard cash, beside to \$470,000, and that of the Educa- broken the fault is certainly not with the sessional allowances of the memtional Department reduced to \$270,000. the Company, whose manager declares bers. The administration of justice is ex- it was never their purpose to fulfil it. Whose fault that the past three pected to cost \$366,000. This expendi. The Company assumes the position months have been wasted, and over ture the revenues are confidently ex- that the city was bound by the con- \$300,000 of the taxpayer's money pected to provide and to leave a small tract, presumably for all time, but that squandered in party bickering and the balance on hand at the close of the the Company was not bound by it for manufacture of campaign literature? any time. If this is correct, then the The Government business has been sooner we find it out the better, for it is ready for consideration and the Gov-The people of the Province may well pretty plain that if the present gen- ernment anxious to introduce it outlined in the estimates is to spend enough to reward us in some small de real business of Parliament has bee the money where it is most needed gree for the infliction we have suffer- hailed as an unwarrantable infringe he will consistently pursue his past If without the sympathy of public Equally gratifying is it that the re- and where it will do the most good. ed from the designed procrastination ment on the privileges of the scandal of the Company. That it will be any mongers, as an evidence of Governthing more than a refreshing breeze ment cowardice or an instance of Gov. An article in a recent number of the nobody believes probably not even effiment tyranny. Parliament has the gravest dangers that threaten the duce if public opinion were impelled debt. From this Alberta has happily London Free Press gives another il- the Machine Telephone Company. simply been held up for three months solidarity of the Dominion. The un- by universal self-interest to encourage kept free. Nor has it been necessary lustration of the patriotic feeling some These imposing deliverances from while Opposition members delivered certainly defined bounds between intemperance? And what then would to stint the expenditures to do so. For Ontario corporations have for the their solicitors are in all human stump speeches to be circulated the Provincial and Federal authority be the position of the advocates of roads and bridges last year we expend- West, and these are the corporations likelihood intended merely to over- among their constituents at the authority be the position of the advocates of roads and bridges last year we expendoffer to Provincial politicians an in- temperance legislation? The financial ed more than the Province of Ontario, that Mr. Robertson, the leader of the awe the ratepayers and to stampede of \$12,000 per day saddled on the taxducement to curry favor in their own welfare of the Province would depend Some of our public schools receive Opposition here, is fearful about tax- them against the proposal to instal a payer of Canada. Province by posing as champions of on the amount of liquor sold. Any annual Government grants larger than ing. The Trust and Guarantee Com- telephone system by holding over a grievance against the Dominion. proposal to limit that amount would the salaries paid the teachers in pany of Toronto which, with comtraitor or the demagogue an opportun- of the Province, and would be assail- inces. Everywhere roads are con- in Calgary a little over a year-ago, have as yet demonstrated their abil- tion. For this the Opposition are

ing of contracts and the construction ion-that they are defenceless and "I cannot understand why it was of threats; and if those who seek that their perpetrators should be condone," said Major Hume Cronyn, justice must come with clean hands, signed to oblivion. An appeal to the

ROBBING THE TAX-PAYER.

on November 28th. On Friday last, selves. This is the motive behind the with the Toronto company is to the therefore the session had been under slander-bund, and the reason the peoeffect that on all Ontario loans the way three full months. Omitting Sun- ple of Canada have been robbed of Synod will be guaranteed 5 per days and the Christmas holidays the \$311,000 for nothing. cent., and on Western investments they will be guaranteed 6½ per members have had seventy clear working days to devote to the considera-The Huron and Erie did not pro- tion of public affairs. The House mise any such fancy guarantee as meets daily at three o'clock and conthe Western loans offered, but guartinues with a two-hour intermission the season's work to Council early in anteed by per cent. on all Ontario usually until about midnight. Somethe year. This is the ideal aimed at amount that they might get, and for thing like five hundred hours have by the City Charter, if not a condi-

already exceed two thousand pages, the year's operations before they be-We have been getting anywhere The cost of reporting and printing something like \$11,000

pany were too conservative and too bagatelle in the total sessional ex- be not controlled by the Council careful of their own interests to take pense. Beside the reporters and print. it soon comes to control the Council. any chances on investing in western loans, where a few years' bad crops ers employed in this work is the army. The dissatisfaction with former adin succession would place them in of pages, attendants, care-takers, mes- ministrations was in no small degree serious predicament, and while he sengers, and house servants of vari-due to the fact that they plunged hoped that the Synod would come ous kinds employed during the ses- into the execution of the work without all right on their deal, yet the transaction was nothing more nor sion. Then there are the innumerable out a clear perception of how much secretaries and clerks required for the was to be done or where or how "There is no doubt but that the various committees of the House, and much it was to cost, or whence the offer of 61/2, per cent, on the Western the extra clerks and stenographers money was to come. From such loans was the reason for the decito prepare the copies of documents to be unsatisfactory. With no clearly

pense. Their volume depends on the improvements. And when these de-Major's company has not sufficient length of the session. Last session mands come thick and fast, the aggreenterprise to engage in business in these expenses incidental to the meet-Summarizing, it will be seen that Western Canada, but that being the ing of Parliament cost the country the amount that, carefully considered, astray to estimate them at about \$100,- cil or ratepayers. Then comes the session. At this rate they have al- the money is urgently needed-and of ready reached the total of \$300,000 for paying bank interest until they are culture and the payments for losses crease in value where towns in the \$311,000, that the people of Canada estimates before them and a satisfac-

> men may intelligently judge the end But the end is not yet. The real from the beginning and be prepared business of the session remains pract to keep the work of the season well discussion of the Japanese question, The Trust and Guarantee Co. has and the year's review of the work of

ministrator for four judicial districts House has seldom risen to the considtional concern. The real business of operations disturb Engineer the country remains to be considered surveying operations. This work will be and must be considered before the will then split up the ice in the har-House adjourns. The budget has not bour. Ten thousand bushels of white yet been delivered, the estimates have cats were shipped west for seed and a Public opinion will back the City not yet been passed, the operations of ernment, must have considerably ex- Council in moving resolutely for the the various departments have not

Why this blocke le of public busi g Provincial Administration, and to cut off a highly profitable government wherever the number of pupils justi- of Huron. These monies were for into the notion that they were build- beyond resurrection. Public policy

these gentlemen scarcely fulfil the country with this thought uppermost

conditions of legitimate application. in the public mind would mean disaster complete and irretrievable. Their only hope of averting this is to paint The Federal Rarliament assembled their opponents as black as them-

> A GOOD MOVE. The city commissioners have don

handling would been spent therefore in session of the tion expressly demanded, but hitherto it has not been attained. The The Hansard reports of the session Council are now in position to survey gin-and will consequently be in betloans," said Major Cronyn, "and I per page. The total cost of producing cil to suprvise them when the work is Hansard has already therefore run to under way. Without such foresight adequate control of the year's work re good." adequate control of the year's work

Major Cronyn said that his comBut the cost of Hansard is a mere is practically impossible, and if it. company, we will not touch such called for by the committees and the defined limit which must not be exceeded a Council has no good public These are all variable items of ex- reason to assign for declining to grant

Early Opening of Navigation.

Port Arthur, Feb. 28.-There is every considerable quantity of wheat

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TIME FOR SEED GRAIN APPL

Owing to the application for seed grain being delayed in rea farmers' hands, the time set for 2nd, was found to be far too sl in consequence of this the time extended to 1st March, but as t again liable to prove too short a it has been further extended t 10th of March: Every effort should made, however, to have applicate in as long before anis date as poss in order to give ample opportunity arranging for distribution.

The Seed Grain act recently pa by the legislature makes every tary of a local improvement d

a commissioner for taking affida connection with applications tne large local improvement distributers there are few officers availa provision is made for Dominion ngents, sub-land agents, home masters or members of the applications, and for this purpose also have powers of commissione taking affidavits. Those who have already made application, should tricts where farmers are finance able to procure seed grain, but not done so owing to the fact tha seed grain was available in the ediate neighborhood, arrangem have been made to supply such f expected to pay cash for same

delivery.

All applications must be approximately applications. by the council of the local im ment district and forwarded to the minion lands office, Edmonton, m ed "Seed Grain Distribution."

PURCHASE OF SEED GRAIN.

Arrangements have been comple be suitable for seed purposes throu out Alberta. Mr. Castle, the purel ing agent, has appointed Mr. C. N Edmonton, buyer for that po of the province tributary to Edm ton, and Mr. Wm. Carson, of Calga for that portion of the province t tary to that city. Grain will be] chased in car lots only, and of

following grades:— Wheat, Nos. 1 and 2 Northern, if there is not sufficient of these grathen No. 3 Northern and No. 4, w purchased west of Winnipeg; w oats, Nos. 1, 2 and 3; barley, Nos. and 3 extra and 3. The above grades will be purcha

on the basis of store Fort William, ficial weights and grades to govern all cases, subject to the right of buyer rejecting any cars rejected the grain inspector as unswitch All grain must be free from

oats, darnel and cockie.

Alf grain will be bought at eu a reasonable premium, dependen purposes, subject to the conduct Seed grain for the province of

berta will, as far as practicable, b cleaned and distributed from Calg and Edmonton. Re billing-Until further notice,

ing to an arrangement with the road companies regarding fro rates, all grain for seed purposes filling the above conditions, ating in Alberta, must be billed Dominion seed commissioner at monton or Calgary. Send bill of ing and at the same time advise wi you wish to handle your car if rele for seed purposes, as the buyer not handle such cars. Farmers others snipping car lots of grain

MARKET SQUARE PRICES.

Trade on the market square been rather quiet during the week, and owing to the unsettled dition of the country roads the i ber of farmers in attendance is so large as usual. The prices ar maining fairly firm with a sight The following are some of the ma

ket prices prevailing on the man square during the past week: Hav-timothy ... \$11 to \$14 per Hay-upland ... \$7 to \$12 per \$3 and up per \$4 to \$4.50 per Straw ... Oats 32c to 40c per Pork dressed Beef fore quarters ... Beef hind quarters ... 6c to 8c pe Eggs fresh 30c to 35c. per \$3 to \$3.50 per ... \$2.75 to \$3 per Potatoes.

SASKATCHEWAN STOCK SHOW

Regina, Sask., Feb. 27-The norse show and pure-bred cattle 18, 19 and 20 at me amphitheatre the fair grounds. The donating handsome challenge cup and other excellent prizes makes the of awards one of the largest everging in western Canada.

GRAIN APPLICATIONS. Regina, Sask., Feb. 27-Applicatio for seed grain are pouring into city from all parts of the provin

At the close of business last 4,118 applications had been rece and the staff engaged under R. E. Leech are kept busy. On Satur Saskatchewan were:-Whi At .. 176 Barley So far 209 applications have t

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