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NORTH  
BATTLEFORD

✧ AND THE ✧
NORTH BATTLEFORD
DISTRICT

MAY ✧ 1906

SPECIAL NOTICE * * *

This booklet is issued under the authority of the Board of Trade of North Battleford for the purpose of furnishing reliable information in regard to the North Saskatchewan Valley in the district of North Battleford, and to furnish a general idea of the resources of the district. More particular information can be obtained from the Agent of Dominion Lands, The Overseer or Mayor of North Battleford, or the President of the Board of Trade. * * *

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have a milder annual temperature than obtains in the Red River Valley as far south as Grand Forks and Fargo. The blizzards and high winds of Manitoba and the Dakotas are exceptional in North Saskatchewan.

As a rule spring opens about April 1st, and is ideal seeding weather. The rainfall is not excessive, but sufficient, and the long period of sunlight of our summer days matures in their perfection all the vegetables and cereals grown in any part of the Canadian Northwest. It is the history of the North Saskatchewan valley that it is less liable to early fall frosts than many other parts that have been settled for many years.

It has a rich alluvial soil, and its general superficial features may be described as a mixed prairie and wooded region. It includes a portion of the great plains, and is well suited by climate and soil to the raising of wheat, cattle and sheep.

The North Battleford District.

The North Battleford District is that portion of Saskatchewan lying north of the North Saskatchewan River between Range 10 West of 3rd M. and the 4th meridian. There are free homesteads to be obtained within a reasonable distance of the town and along the lines of projected railways. Also first-class farm lands can be purchased from land companies at prices ranging from \$8 to \$15 per acre, on reasonable terms of payment. The quality of this soil with the climate of the district, make them among the most valuable lands in the Province of Saskatchewan.

In the North Battleford district, the country is, as a rule, gently undulating prairie interspersed with poplar bluffs, and in the

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north there are extensive districts heavily timbered with spruce and pine. The soil is a black clay loam with chocolate subsoil and is covered with a heavy growth of prairie grass. The country is watered by numerous lakes and streams which abound with fish. Good water, as a rule, can be obtained at a depth of from ten to twenty feet, and timber and fuel are within a reasonable distance. Ideal opportunities are here afforded for grain raising, mixed farming, dairying and ranching. In the northern portion of the district, the lumbering industry invites development, and with the advent of railways, this will be an important feature of the industrial life of the district.

Meota and Jackfish District.

Meota and Jack Fish District is that district in the region of Jack Fish Lake, and watered by the streams that flow into it. Jack Fish Lake is a body of water of about 40 sq. miles in extent, mostly situated in T. 47, R. 17, W. 3. It is about 20 miles north and west of North Battleford, and is reached by a well travelled road. This district has long been regarded as one of the choicest for settlement in the Province of Saskatchewan. South and west of the lake there is undulating prairie well suited to grain raising. On the north, it is more rolling and adapted to mixed farming, whilst on the east it is more broken and adapted to grazing.

The following is a description written by an enthusiastic settler of the district, living on Sec. 8, Tp. 47, R 17, W. 3:—

“Probably no district within one hundred miles of North Battleford, or even in the entire Saskatchewan valley, possesses more natural advantages than the famous Jack Fish Lake District. Within its boundaries one can see

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"Mr. Boles, of Carberry, Man. said that the barley, red fife and blue stem wheat that I had for seed, were superior to any he had seen in Manitoba; but my oats were not so good. 'This, according to my judgment,' said he 'is the best district I have seen since leaving home, and I have visited Southern Alberta, Northern Alberta, the Vermilion Country, Tramping Lake etc.' He was sincere, for three weeks later his son came here to homestead and buy land. The luxuriant growth of prairie grass and slough hay, and the abundance of good water, ensure a profit in stock raising and dairying. Poor cattle are a rare sight at any season of the year."

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"To the sportsman, Jack Fish Lake is a paradise. Partridges, prairie chickens, mallard, teal, canvas back, pin tail, ducks wild geese, cranes, badgers, wolves, antelope etc., are common while bear and moose have been seen and shot."

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"You need no better recommendation for this district, than the class of intelligent men settled here. The majority are Americans who have seen a number of districts before taking up land here, whilst a great number have bought C. P. R. land."

"A branch line of the C. N. R. is expected through here soon, and, when it comes, this district will stand second to none in any respect. Without being partial to this district one can well term it the Garden of the Saskatchewan Valley."

F. W. Tobey.

The Meeting Lake District.

The Meeting Lake District, now being opened up and rapidly settled, is that district extending southward from Meeting Lake, including Townships 46, 47 and 48, in Ranges 10 to 13, West of 3 inclusive. It is about thirty-five miles north-east from North Battleford, and is reached by a good road. The country is

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gently undulating prairie, interspersed with bluffs. The soil is a heavy black clay loam, with a brown chocolate clay subsoil, and ranks as first and second class for farming purposes. Water is plentiful at a depth of from 10 to 15 feet. The lake abounds with jackfish and pickerel. The district is rapidly being settled up by a good class of American settlers. It lies in the direction of a projected line of railway, and will soon have all the advantages of railway transportation. To the north of the district, is a timbered belt of 100 miles in length containing millions of feet of pine, spruce and poplar which is available for the homesteader. With all the advantages to be enjoyed it is bound to become one of the most important sections in the whole district. Settlers and land seekers should make careful enquiry from the agent of the Dominion Lands North Battleford, in regard to available homesteads before locating elsewhere.

Round Hill and Long Lake District.

This is the country in and around Township 46, Ranges 15 and 16, West of 3. In this district are being developed some of the most fertile and beautiful farms to be found in the Canadian North-west. The lands here were early selected by settlers and land seekers. The soil is rich and deep and of a gently undulating surface. The best samples of cereals and vegetables are produced every year, and the rich natural grasses are nutritious, and stock raising is a paying industry. The natural beauty of the district is a striking feature, and the following extract written by a local settler is descriptive of the place.

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As a farm of ideal beauty and fertility, the settler and prospector are referred to the farm of Mr. Vedera Richards, Sec 3-47-16, W. 3rd.

GENERAL ❀ ❀ ❀

Almost all the land in the vicinity of North Battleford is well adapted for farming purposes and beyond, to the north, north-east and north-west, there are many thousands of acres of ideal farming and ranching land yet to be opened up. With the advent of railways, this extensive territory will become the homes of many thousands of prosperous settlers. We believe there is, in the Saskatchewan Valley, the largest body of undeveloped fertile land on the continent of North America.

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The Saskatchewan River has been a barrier to railway construction, and accordingly, the development of the North Saskatchewan valley has been delayed until the present, and Battleford as a centre of population, has of later years, been a place of relatively less importance than Edmonton, Calgary, Regina and Prince Albert, cities upon well established lines of railway. It maintains however, its natural central location and a circle with North Battleford as a centre, and three hundred miles of a radius, includes, with these four leading cities, the larger part of the population of the two new provinces, and more of the population than is included within the same radius of any one of them.



With the completion of the great Canadian Northern system, the Hudson Bay Railway, the Grand Trunk Pacific and numerous branch lines, North Battleford occupies the position, and has the undeveloped resources, to take first place among its rivals as a commercial centre of the Canadian north-west. There are no more promising rewards for the settler, and no safer investment for capital, and no better commercial opportunities in Canada to-day than are to be found in the North Battleford district. Real estate and farm lands will rapidly anticipate values in view of the completion of the great Canadian Northern system and the Hudson Bay Railway, and the investor and settler can, to-day, lay the foundation of fortune and prosperity.

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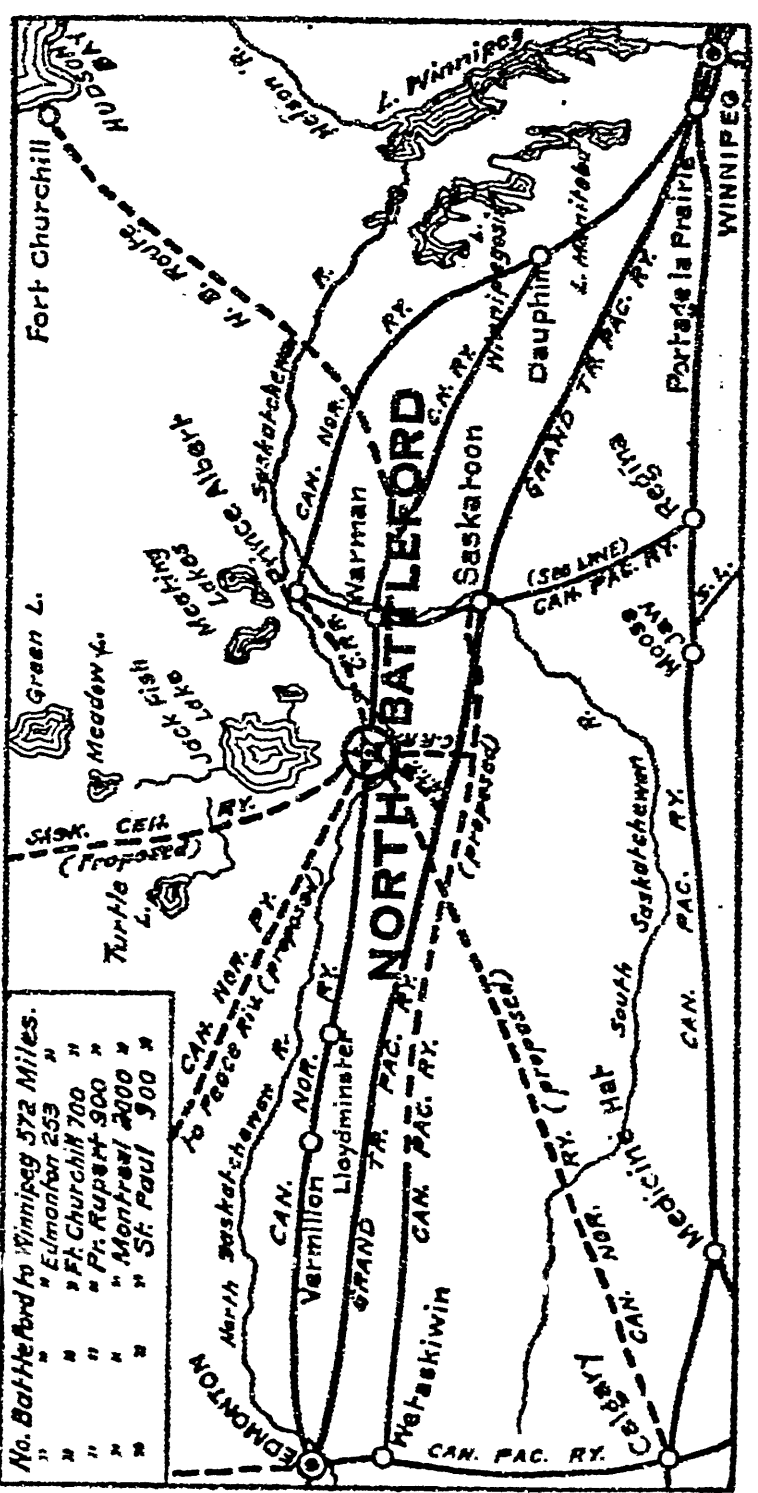
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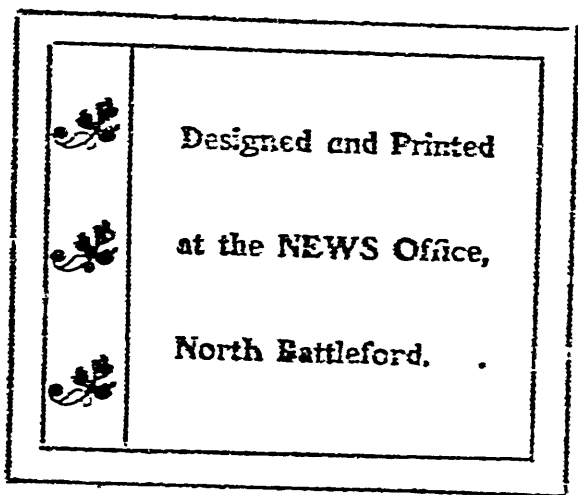
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