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Administrator.

Dated at Calgary, N.W.T., this Thirtieth day of October, A.D. 1884.

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## DOMINION OF CANADA.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA,

Monday, the 8th Day of September, 1884.

PRESENT:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS, the disease of pleuro-pneumonia prevails among neat cattle in the Western State of Illinois as well as in other more Eastern of the United States, and there is reason to believe that neat cattle for breeding purposes have been sent from the State of Illinois to more Western States and Territories;

On the recommendation of the Minister of Agriculture, and under the provisions of the Act of the Parliament of Canada, 42 Victoria, chapter 23, intitled "An Act to provide against the introduction of contagious diseases affecting animals" made applicable to the North-West Territories by Proclamation in 1883;

His Excellency by and with the advice of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada, has been pleased to order and it is hereby ordered, that the importation of neat cattle now permitted from the United States and Territories into the Province of Manitoba and the North-West Territory of Canada be and the same is hereby prohibited except on the following conditions, namely:

1. At Emerson, in Manitoba, or the points of Fort Walsh and Fort McLeod in the Provisional Districts of Alberta and Assiniboia, or such other point or points as may be hereafter indicated by the Minister of Agriculture.

2. For stock or breeding purposes neat cattle which have been brought to the Canadian frontier for importation may be allowed to cross, subject to the regulations hereinafter recited.

3. For transit, from West to East, through the Provisional Districts of Alberta and Assiniboia, and the Province of Manitoba, via Emerson or Grétna, to the State of Minnesota, neat cattle may be allowed to cross the Canadian frontier at the points of Fort Walsh and Fort McLeod, subject to the regulations hereinafter recited.

4. At Emerson, such cattle coming from the East shall not be allowed to cross the Canadian frontier unless after inspection by a duly authorized veterinary surgeon appointed by the Minister of Agriculture they shall be found free from contagious disease, and also from well-founded suspicion thereof.

5. The owner or owners of any such cattle desired to be entered at any of the points aforesaid, shall, on making application for entry, produce a duly attested certificate, signed locally from which they may have been brought.

6. The importer of such cattle shall pay a fee, graded on a scale hereto annexed, to the Customs Officer or other person duly authorized to act as such, for defraying the expense of such inspection and certificate not being allowed to cross the Canadian frontier until such fee is paid, that is to say, for:

One animal..... 1 dollar.  
10 animals and under..... 10 cents each;  
5 animals and under..... 50 cents each;  
but total fee for over 5 animals not less than..... \$2 50

10 animals and under..... 30 cents each;  
but total fee for over 10 animals not less than..... \$5 00

20 animals and under..... 20 cents each;  
but total fee for over 20 animals not less than..... \$4 00

50 animals and under..... 12 cents each;  
but total fee for over 50 animals not less than..... \$6 00

Over 50 animals..... 19 cents each.

8. No car which has been loaded with cattle in the United States and crossing the Canadian frontier shall be allowed afterwards to carry Canadian cattle.

9. No car or train carrying such United States cattle in transit from West to East between the points above named, shall be allowed to be or remain shunted in close proximity to any Canadian cattle.

10. Every car containing such cattle in transit between the points above mentioned shall be kept, as far as possible, apart from cars or trains containing Canadian cattle or Canadian goods.

11. No car containing such United States cattle in transit between the points above named, shall form any part of a train carrying Canadian cattle.

12. Every car or train carrying cattle in transit from West to East between the points above named, shall stop at such fixed place or places as shall be named by the Minister of Agriculture for the purpose of rest, feeding and watering, and such place or places shall be declared "infected" within the terms of "The Animals Contagious Diseases Act, 1879," being strictly isolated as all communications with them prohibited, except by the officers and men in charge of the trains or in charge of such infected place or places.

13. Every car which has been used for carrying animals from the United States or Territories, in transit through the districts of Alberta, Assiniboia, or the Province of Manitoba, via Emerson or Grétna, shall be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected before re-entering the Province of Manitoba, in such manner as shall be ordered by the Minister of Agriculture.

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Mr. S. R. Sanson was well disguised as Mr. Golightly, and his acting was acknowledged to be inimitable. He was not equalled. Mr. Stuart as Capt. Phobbs, well sustained a "difficult" character. Capt. Boynton, as Mr. Morland was easily recognized in spite of the sombre Imperial.

Mr. G. E. Bell looked rather piratical in a heavy beard which revealed itself somewhat too plainly. Mr. G. Borradaile as "Sam" the waiter, was inimitable. He was perfectly fifth avenue in salams, and took the "tips" with the finished grace of a professional "Dick." The ladies sustained their part with no little credit. Mrs. Johnston and Mrs. Smith in their respective casts proved themselves to be finished amateurs.

Mr. Rogers sang "Albion with Me," and Miss Roberts sang "Three Old Maids" and Mrs. Grant played the accompaniment. Miss Roberts was loudly cheered and she sang coming through the bye.

THE SECOND PART.

"Who Speaks First," introduced Mr. Stewart as Mr. Militant, and Mrs. Johnston as Mrs. Militant. The scene indicated a row in the camp—an impassable gulf between the party of the first part and the party of the second part—which chasm was finally bridged through the kind offices of the gallant Capt. Boynton, who in the disguise of a long-lost brother and at the risk of his anatomy finally succeeded in effecting a reconciliation which brought peace and happiness and a second honeymoon into the distracted domicile. Whether it was the kind offices of Capt. Charles or the way Capt. Boynton sustained himself in this piece, certes it is that this was the best piece of acting we have seen him yet sustain.

Mrs. Smith as "Smart" was really cunning, while Mr. Borradaile as Potter deserves the highest encomiums. We have been informed that this was the first time Mr. E. has appeared in public; if this is really the case he is a prodigy. We congratulate him on his success in both characters.

The programme was repeated to a well filled house on Thursday evening.

Capt. Boynton and Mr. Stuart are to be congratulated on the success which has attended their efforts. The proceeds, we understand, were handed to the Rev. Mr. Smith for the Church of the Redeemer.

## MAIL NOTICE.

OUTWARD.

CLOSE—

For the East at 3 00 P.M. every Tuesday Thursday and Saturday.

For the West at 1 00 p.m. every Saturday Wednesday and Thursday.

For Fort McLeod and intermediate offices at 8 p.m. on Wednesday.

For Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan at 8 p.m. on every 2nd Tuesday of Wednesday, commencing Aug. 6th.

Letters for Registration must be posted half an hour before the mail closes.

INWARD.

ARRIVE—

From the East 1 30 on Sunday, Wednesday and Thursday and Saturdays.

From the West at 3 30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Saturdays.

From Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan at 5 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday, commencing Aug. 5.

From Fort McLeod and every intermediate offices at 5 p.m. every Tuesday.

(Signed)  
W. BANNERMAN, Post-master.

## GOLD!

A Half Pound of It From Canon Creek

situated by McRae.

"I have some of the yellow dirt," remarked Mr. J. S. Freeze, merchant of Calgary, to a representative of the Non-Western Friday morning, as the latter stood talking with an interesting group in front of the Grand Central hotel. The group consisted of J. E. Woodworth, Esq., M.P.P. of Brandon, Mr. McGee, of Toronto, and Mr. Blackhall, of Grisdale. Mr. Freeze then pulled out of his pocket a parcel wrapped in blue paper about six times as large as a sardine powder, and opened it. The precious contents were in flakes somewhat larger than the currents of commerce, but flatter. He said he had just got that from Canon Creek, one of the numerous little streams which flows into the Columbia river from the west, a little south of the main line of the C.P.R. This gold was silvered by Mr. McRae, who was present, and from whom our representative learned that a good deal of the yellow dust had lately been taken out of the creeks in that vicinity. Mr. McRae says he has quit for the season on account of the snow slides but he will return in the fall, and operate extensively. He says very rich places will likely be discovered next season. Two men took \$200 worth out of Canon in one week. That was a good clean up, but it is nothing compared with what is likely to be the finds next season. Mr. Freeze's package is worth \$135.00, the gold being valued at \$18 per ounce.

## NEWS DIAL.

Canadian.

A fresh mining fever has broken out at Silver Mountain, 17 miles beyond Rabbit Mountain, Lake Superior.

The inauguration of the Cartier Statue has been postponed until the return of Sir John A. Macdonald.

The Ontario Government has issued a proclamation warning of all persons from cutting or removing timber from the newly acquired district without license.

Judge Chambers, of Quebec, has commenced an investigation in the recent parliament explosion at Quebec.

At latest accounts Michipicoten was taken possession of by rowdies.

Dr. Truax, a member of the British Association, has opened fire on the insane asylum of the Dominion.

James Campbell & Sons, the celebrated Toronto bookbinders and stationers, have failed. Liabilities, \$158,000.

The Scott Act is carrying everything before it in Ontario.

The Winnipeg papers are filled with accounts of the Neptune's Hudson Bay exploration. The results show a practicable but a precarious navigation.

The anniversary of Sir John A. Macdonald's entry into politics is to be enthusiastically celebrated all over the Dominion.

The cattle in quarantine from the older provinces while in transit to the North-West have been released by the Department of Agriculture.

Provisions are being sent to the relief of the distressed fishermen on the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

All the papers in relation to the commission which sat at Calgary, to investigate the charges against the Northwest mounted police, fit alleged cruelty against the young man Pennock, of Ottawa, by a member of the force, have been received by the Minister of the Interior, and the evidence taken has been examined. It will be remembered that Pennock was taken from Fort McLeod to Calgary to be put in an hospital, and was tied to a back-board during the journey, which was in the broiling sun, and died some days afterwards. The department has arrived at the opinion that the officers of the police were not guilty of cruelty, from the evidence of the commission. The papers have been submitted to young Pennock's father here, and he considers that the evidence is somewhat contradictory. Fort MacLeod people seemingly hold that if the Calgary officers had netted out better treatment Pennock would have recovered; while the Calgary men the young man was not in a condition to be removed to that place. This will therefore end the matter.

## American.

A terrible tragedy occurred on Thursday evening at La Crosse, Wisconsin. F. A. Burton, President of the Blaine-Logan club, was brutally assassinated while at the head of a Blaine procession. The murderer is named Nathaniel Mitchell, nicknamed Scotty. The murderous ruffian was promptly lynched.

Ohio has gone Republican. Robinson has been elected by a plurality of 11,421. This is a Republican gain of 26,053.

The Bennett cable has been safely laid at New York.

## European.

Lord Randolph Churchill declares that it is impossible to compromise with the liberals upon the lines of the re-distribution bill.

English detectives are closely watching the ports of Belgium to prevent the departure of dynamite for England. Stringent measures are being adopted.

## The War.

Admiral Courbet has decided to blockade the northern coast of Formosa. He intends to resume offensive operations by land and sea next week.

## WHEELS

# THE NOR-WESTER.

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CALGARY, TUESDAY, OCT. 28, 1884.

## RETROSPECTIVE

The year is in its sere and yellow leaf and it will soon have passed into the silent majority. A glance at 1884 is therefore not premature. A mild winter in this district and unprecedented rains in the summer months, in brief, make up the meteorological report for the year 1884. In high latitudes one extreme invariably follows another, so that now when autumn has tinted the leaves there is likely to be a prolonged Indian summer, far into Old December's bareness. The old timer oracularly declares this as the probability, and the old timer is an authority upon the probabilities who is entitled to some respect, though it seems that his prognostications have always been a fair weather record, that is to say, he is reliable when the weather promises to be fair, but when the indications are of an opposite character the ancient prob of this district has either nothing to say, or his barometrical powers fail, hence no one was found in the spring who had the temerity to predict an unusually wet, summer. It is related of a Chippewa Indian that on being questioned one autumn day near the Emerson Bridge in Manitoba, if the coming winter was going to be a cold one, the untutored savage replied to his interlocutor that "he would know better in the spring." That was a wise answer if it was not a courteous one, and we have a shrewd suspicion that all of us are good post mortem prophets.

The excessive rains during the past summer had, as a matter of fact, an injurious effect upon roots and cereals, and the hay crop was scant owing to the want of sunshine, and the copious rains which prevented hay from being made. We are, of course, referring to the Calgary district especially. Less rain appears to have fallen in the McLeod district, though even there the rainfall was excessive.

There was, however, a wholesome absence of the much referred to summer frosts, and considering that the copious fall was not local, but extended throughout the western country over a great area, there is no reason that the people of this district should feel that the wet season was theirs exclusively. Rain in unusually enormous quantities appears to have fallen in such of the interior States as Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska, and in the neighboring territory of Montana the rainfall there was similar to ours.

The result merely shows that the summer season was an exceptional wet one, that these wet summers occur at long intervals, and that their recurrence is not easily foretold.

Of the cereals in this immediate district barley appears to have been the only crop that ripened thoroughly as a whole crop. A considerable quantity of oats and wheat did not ripen. The quantity of sap which the rank stalks contained would have been fatal to maturity even had the rainfall been one half what it was. The superabundance of the sap together with the rank growth was doubtless largely owing to the heavy rains which kept the soil completely soaked, still the rank growth can be largely prevented by judicious sowing.

Some persons are of the opinion that the heavy rainfall prevented the summer frost, and that after all of the two evils the least was furnished. This we do not believe. Upon enquiry in this district, and which many years personal experience in other portions of the northwest confirms, we are satisfied that there is greater liability to frost in a wet season than in a dry one, that is to say:—after a rainfall there is more liability to frost than in an atmosphere which has been uniformly dry, and the causes are obvious. While the attitude of this district must not be overlooked, there are good reasons for believing that with the settlement and cultivation of the country summer frosts will entirely disappear from the benches, and even on the bottoms they will occur only at rare intervals. We say these frosts will disappear because there have been summer frosts in this district, but they have appeared only in patches or streaks, nor have they been of that destructive nature which the word frost implies. The word has more of a terror in it than the effect itself, but observation extended over a period of many years, goes to prove that in all new countries in the west these frosts are more or less encountered, but that they disappear on the approach of settlement and cultivation.

Our eastern readers will, therefore, understand that in spite of an excessively wet season in this immediate district barley has ripened well. Oats in most instances have ripened. Wheat has not done so well, but it is a matter of fact that it is looked upon here as almost an unnecessary crop. "What is the use of my raising wheat?" said an old time farmer to us the other day. There are no mills to grind it, and until there are I have no use for it. The wheat, therefore, in nearly every case was sown late, and where it did not ripen this reason suffices. Wet as the summer was, sufficient has been demonstrated to prove the adaptability of this country to settlement, and next year will doubtless witness a very large immigration of the agricultural class.

It must be intensely amusing to the members of the Ottawa Government—the Right Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald especially, to receive from time to time certain wise suggestions upon the subject of "How to govern the North-West," "Leases versus Losses," "Alberta First, etc., etc." With such a pair of constitutional tinkers and experienced statesmen as Frank Oliver of the Edmonton Bulletin and Major General Wood of the McLeod Gazette any further occupation of the North-west by Dominion hirelings is unnecessary. Sir John A. Macdonald is advised to withdraw his forces. Wood and Oliver say let there be but one province west of Manitoba, let provincial districts be wiped out; let us have but one provincial legislature, one governor, and but one province. "The time," says the constitutional philosopher of the Gazette is about passed when the North-west can be treated as an overgrown school boy." We "are rapidly passing into manhood's estate, and as we are about ready to give up our long dresses in favor of the next infant our measure should be at once taken, and the new clothes ordered lest in the interim we go naked, and be exposed to the jeers and ridicule of others." What a touching syllogism! Let Sir John mark it and beware! The danger of going "naked" is too great in such a northern climate in winter, but it is not the nude contingency which is so much to be apprehended as the "jeers" and "ridicule" of others.

Sir John if you do not act at once upon the suggestions of the Gazette and Bulletin something dreadful will happen. Both are patriots, with Northwest first-ism oozing out over their boot straps. Let eastern statesmen beware and make a virtue of a necessity. Independent journalists like Wood and Oliver are not to be trifled with. The blood is in their eyes and not on the moon.

Ohio is no longer the Buckeye State. During the quadrennial agony it is the Keystone State. It has gone Republican and the political prophets on both sides of the line who pinned their faith upon the practical result of the Ohio election are now predicting Blaine and Boom, Logan and Luck. Nothing is so successful as success. The white plume is not synonymous with the white feather, but as an accompaniment to the bloody shirt it is an oriflame which rouses up the spirit of the old Ninth Army corps and once more gives victory to those grand old political smirches the leaders of the Republican party.

The Medicine Hat and Fort McLeod Railway is to be a narrow gauged one. This road was projected at a time when it was supposed that there was no coal west of Calgary. The fallacy of this supposition was shown months ago. Several coal mines will shortly be in operation at the foot of the Rockies. Three of these are anthracite coal, and the rest soft coal of a quality far superior to the Bow and Belly River coal. A splendid soft coal has been discovered forty miles west of this place. It is said to be bituminous and the best soft coal yet discovered in the Northwest.

The fact that Mr. Tuttle has declared the Hudson's Bay route practicable is quite sufficient. The Manitoba Pree Press does not dispute Mr. Tuttle, therefore there must be something in it. Mr. Tuttle should next be sent to the north pole. There is no danger of his not returning. Mr. Tuttle is able to look out for that, besides there is a strong probability of his declaring that route to be not only feasible but exceedingly tropical.

The man who is continually shouting Northwest first needs to be watched. His game is to gather under his banner that great army the chronic gambler, and also trade upon ignorance, for it is astonishing how easy it is to delude people who are not in the habit of thinking for themselves, or those who do not take the trouble of looking fairly at every question. It is by tactics such as these that the champion kicker hopes to secure his point.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that, if after the fourth publication of this Notice in THE NOR-WESTER, no proceedings be taken against the erection of the Municipality hereinafter mentioned, His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of the northwest territories, intends erecting under the provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1884, intitled "An Ordinance respecting Municipalities," the following tract of land, into town by the name of the

### "Town of Calgary,"

Namely:—All those parts of Section Nos. fourteen, fifteen and sixteen, Township 24, Range 1, West of the Fifth Initial Meridian, South of the Bow River in the northwest territories of Canada.

By Command,  
A. E. FORGET,  
Clerk of Council.

Council Chamber,  
October 23d, 1885

## PROCLAMATION

NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.  
Victoria, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of Faith, Etc., Etc.

E. DEWDNEY,  
Lieutenant-Governor.

[SEAL.]

To all to whom these presents may come, or whom the same may concern—

GREETING:

Whereas by Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor General, Thursday, the sixth day of November next, has been set apart as a Day of General Thanksgiving;

And whereas it is our duty to acknowledge publicly to the Governor of all good our thankfulness for the bountiful harvest and other blessings and mercies He has vouchsafed to the North-west Territories during the present year.

Now know ye that we have thought fit to appoint Thursday, the sixth day of November next a Day of Public Thanksgiving to Almighty God, in the North-West Territories, and we do invite all pastors with their people and the inhabitants generally to observe the said day as such.

In Testimony Whereof we have caused the Seal of the North-West Territories to be hereunto affixed, and His Honor the Governor Dewdney, Lieutenant-Governor of the North-West Territories, at Government House, Regina, this twenty-seventh day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four, and in the forty-eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command,  
A. E. FORGET,  
Clerk of Council.

## MAIL CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on 8th November, 1884, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, once per week each way, between

### MARIETON AND REGINA

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Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices at Marieton, Longlake, Craven, Rose Plain and Regina, or at the office of the subscriber.

W. W. McLEOD,  
P. O. Inspector.  
Post Office Inspector's Office,  
Winnipeg, 15th Sept., 1884.

## TO THE ELECTORS OF CALGARY.

Gentlemen:—By request, I am in the field, a candidate for the office of mayor. I favor with a majority of your suffrages I will exert my utmost endeavors to forward the interests of this place, and will regard the welfare of all Calgarians as my own.

I therefore place myself in your hands, and remain, gentlemen,  
Yours truly,  
GEO. MURDOCH.

### Silver City and Columbia River Mail Route

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Boots and Shoes, Groceries, Hardware, Crockery, etc., and are now opening it out at

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And will be cleared out at prices never before near of in this vicinity, the stock having been bought at very low figures.

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Jewellery and Specs will arrive in a few days. Call and examine. If you have a watch or clock other watchmakers have failed to make run we will take it and make give satisfaction or charge you nothing. All watches and clocks repaired warranted for one year at

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We are opening up a large assortment of FALL AND WINTER GOODS, which were Selected especially for the North-west.

#### LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

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CARPETS, Hemp and Tapestry, in great variety, Cheap.  
OIL CLOTHS, Stair and Table.  
BED TICKS, Double & Single Bed Ticks, Bolster & Pillow Slip.  
BLANKETS, All Sizes.  
BATH AND LINEN TOWELS, From 12c each.  
Some of the latest styles in Ladies' and Childrens' Boots and Slippers. Also Rubbers, Lined and Underlined.

#### GENTS' DEPARTMENT.

UNDERSHIRTS AND DRAWERS, All Wool, Scarlet and other colors, will be found very heavy and good value as we buy direct from the manufacturers. From \$1.75 per suit.  
CANTON FLANNEL UNDERSHIRTS AND DRAWERS.  
TWEED OVERTHIRTS, manufactured especially for us.  
A Lot of Wool Socks. From 20c per pair.

German and Felt Socks, Tuques, &c.  
A large Assortment of Winter Overcoats, including Boys' and Youths' Ulsters, Buffalo Coats, Suits of the latest Styles and Patterns, which we are selling at very low figures. A good Tweed Suit for \$10.00

Latest Styles in Lined Boots and Shoes for winter wear, also Overshoes, snow Excluders and Manitobas.  
Gents' Shoes and Slippers in various styles.

#### Groceries and Provisions.

KING & CO. also carry a heavy stock of Groceries and Provisions, which we are selling at low figures.

STOVES.--A few heating and cooking left. Will be sold cheap.  
CROCKERY & GLASSWARE of every description, including a large variety of Chamber Sets, etc., at very low figures.

TINWARE.--Every Article in this line complete.  
HARDWARE & STATIONERY, and a great variety of Wall Paper, will be sold out at cost

We have also on hand Drugs, Patent Medicines, Artist's Materials, etc.

Ranchers and Settlers will find it to their Interest to Give us a Call before Purchasing Elsewhere

AGENTS FOR SINGER SEWING MACHINES A Consignment of which will be here in a few days. AGENTS FOR THE ALLAN LINE OF STEAMERS

# KING & COMPANY,

## THE MAMMOTH STORE, CALGARY.

#### FROM THE PEOPLE.

##### PROHIBITION AND LICENSE.

To the Editor of the NOR-WESTER:—  
Sir,—Your P.D. made a slight error or two in my last letter.

Line 14 for "assures me," read "assured by" line 73 for "then," read "thus," line 77 for "whiskey to-day," read "whiskey today," line 102 for "too good of their daffy," read "too fond of their daffys."

It would seem arrogance on my part to have said "he assured me," as the Rev. was replying to B, and for the general public reading.

I note the Rev. gentleman wears the shield of a friendly spirit towards me as the head and tail of his letter, and then twists, turns, and misconstrues my letter, and tries to damage my principles and character, in every shape and form, to suit only his own ideas.

He first objects to my using the word "controversy," but if I understand the English dictionary the word "controversy" applies to any one who enters into an explanation or argument, and the controversy on "Prohibition of manufacture and license to sell" is now general, and spread throughout Canada and America, and through his preaching a sermon on the above, he decidedly entered into a controversy with any one who liked to differ in opinion with him, and his attempt to slide out of it is only the old case of "splitting a straw."

As to his having twenty years' experience in temperance, only proves he has made very bad use of his time. I can remember some twenty years ago, (and probably before the reverend gentleman was in his swaddling clothes), when Father Mathew first opened the Temperance movement, and all honour and praise to his name I say; and I would persuade any man or woman to join the Temperance party that has not mind strong enough to keep them from perpetually abus-

ing the good things which a wise and bountiful God has given us for our use.

In Australia they term themselves "Rehabilitates," and members join on a twelve-months pledge, and whilst managing an hotel in a friend's absence, I have had men come in at the end of their year, on the spree, and as they could be whitewashed and re-admitted on payment of half a dollar, I have induced several to rejoin, and have gone to their secretary to tell him to hunt up his man, whilst in the humour.

If the reverend gentleman kept his eyes open he must admit the temperance movement has made great strides the last twenty years, and to such an extent in England late years, that the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his last budget alluded to the great deficiency in the receipts of the wine, spirit and beer duties, owing to the temperance of the people, and there is no need of total prohibition of manufacture and sale, and God knows the Colonial boys drink nothing compared with the John Bulls.

The reverend gentleman is in error if he imagines I call the temperance move "a sudden and radical change," but prohibition of manufacture and sale is most decidedly so, as for instance:

The news arrived lately of the death of the Hon. Mr. Bam, M.P., at the ripe old age of 85, and whose name as a good citizen and successful brewer of "Light Pale Ales," is as familiar as "Household Words," all over the world, and his sales are drunk by the millions also. In the account of his life, one of his officials added up the number of barrels his stock consisted of, and if put end to end, they would reach from his brewery to the city of London, about 200 miles, added to which he wrote a cheque daily to the government for malt duty of \$5,000. To carry on such a business as this, he had to employ a large staff of men, and thus the circulation of money in every direction was immense; but perhaps the reverend gentleman will ignore the fact of the barrels being

made by human hands, and like "Topsy," "they grew."

Referring again to a sudden and radical change, we will suppose the reverend gentleman to be the appointed "closure up" of all beer and spirit manufacturers, and he appeared at Bam's brewery one fine morning, and with closed doors, he told all the workmen they could return home and find another job, would not this be a sudden and radical change for one and all? I ask the reverend gentleman for his reply to this.

And now, Mr. Editor, if you would favour us with your opinion on Prohibition and political power combined, it would interest your readers.

I am, yours faithfully,  
W. J. COMPTON.

#### NOR-WESTERS.

##### Regina.

In our summer, magnificent weather since the Agricultural Show and very warm. See our meteorological report for last week.

Mr. C. Howson, of the Windsor, returned on Sunday night from a visit to Calgary, which he thinks is a pretty town. He admired the large stores there, as well as the horses which the inhabitants delight to drive about, and he says they have lots of fine beef in that country. The view of the snow-capped Rockies in the distance quite char-

med the visitor. He says there is no place worth calling a town between Regina and Calgary.

Mr. F. Fraser Timms has for a few weeks past been purchasing a large quantity of buffalo bones, which he is shipping to St. Paul, Minn., where they are used in the process of sugar refining and the refuse afterwards used for fertilizing purposes. Many of the bones are also used for making knife and fork handles, etc. They are collected from the surrounding prairies by Indians and half breeds, who cart them into town. Mr. Timms has already sent off eight car loads, weighing upwards of two hundred thousand pounds.

The suggestion of "Canadian" in his letter in the Montreal Gazette on the 40th anniversary of Sir John Macdonald's entrance into public life is being acted on. Funds are being raised to endow a chair of political economy in the Queen's University Kingston.

##### McLeod.

On Thursday week, the water in the Old Man's River began to rise, and by Friday evening it was impossible to ford it with a wagon, and the mail and any one wishing to cross had to be ferried. It kept coming up on Saturday, and the water again ran quite deep into the slough. Belly River, Kootenai and all the other streams in this vicinity were also swamping. The coach ferried this week, but found the river very deep. We have failed to discover a precedent for such high water at this time of the year. The water always comes up a little, but not worth mentioning. The only way in which it can be accounted for is the fact that there is a great deal of snow in the mountains, which has been melted by heavy rains up there, and under the influence of warm winds which have blown constantly of late.

##### Moosomin.

Moosomin is badly in want of a public weigh scales. The first car load of coal has arrived, and there is no means of ascertaining the quantity retailed through the town except by cubic measure, which is very tedious and unsatisfactory, both to buyer and seller.

Prairie fires are raging in every direction, and reports of losses of houses and stacks of grain and hay of over twenty different farmers.

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addition is being built. They tore it down on Monday, and on Tuesday had enough of it up to live in. The Rev. Fathers Legal and Van-Tighera did most of the rustling, and it may be remarked that they are good ones.

W. F. Parler is threshing his grain, which, from the size and general appearance of his stacks, will turn out a big crop. He had 1,500 bushels of potatoes.

##### Edmonton.

P. G. Laurie, proprietor of the Saskatchewan Herald, will leave Battleford shortly to take a position on the Regina Leader. Messrs. W. & R. Laurie will continue the publication of the Herald.

Cheques arrived from Regina for \$200 on Black mud bridge account, \$237 on Canningham's bridge, and \$200 in aid of the agricultural society. The promptitude with which these cheques were forwarded on demand is most satisfactory.

A report was in circulation here this week that Louis Reel had been shot when near Duck lake. The report turns out to be false.

The Edmonton Exhibition has been a great success.

##### Courier.

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The Winnipeg Times says:—

"The Ottawa Citizen, referring to Sir John's visit to England, says: 'A few Opposition journals are not yet satisfied that Sir John Macdonald's chief object in visiting England is to consult eminent physicians there. The most nonsensical rumours have been circulated, rumours manufactured out of whole cloth.' The truth is that upon Sir John's return from Riviere du Loup he was prostrated by illness and was obliged to consult the physicians both in Ottawa and Montreal. The advice given was that if certain treatment produced no favourable results, he should immediately consult Sir Andrew Clark. This he decided to do, only determining upon this course on Thursday last. The Times is doubtless well informed."

##### More Testimony.

A correspondent who has been doing the mountains thus gives his impression of Calgary to the Prince Albert Times: "Calgary is reached. Near to Strathmore there is a very large stock ranch, managed by Major General Bland Strang. On our journey thus far we passed several groups of Blackfoot Indians. I will say very little about Calgary as I observed a detailed and instructive account of it in one of the back issues of your valuable paper. But one thing I must observe is, the striking difference between Calgary of today, and the Calgary of a year or two ago. A handsome new town on the west side of the river has superseded and thrown into the shade the old frontier-looking collection of log huts, which was once the distinguishing feature of Calgary. The new town has a bright, airy appearance, with comfort and prosperity strongly marked on its face, while of cattle and horses. It would take a very small stretch of imagination indeed to lead one to suppose he had suddenly been transported into some of the old settled parts of Lower Canada. The journey from Calgary to Mount Logan, a distance of 119 miles, was to us the pleasantest and most interesting part of our long trip."

THE NOR-WESTER.

CALGARY, TUESDAY, OCT. 23, 1884.

BEAUTIFUL weather and balmy chinooks.

SEE the Royal Hotel card in another column.

THE pay car arrived last night with the "shekels."

J. E. WOODWORTH, Esq., M.P.P., left for Medicine Hat on Saturday's train.

A TIX pan attached to a dog's tail made things lively on Stephen avenue yesterday.

A COLD wave struck Manitoba the other day. Refrigerators there are now at a discount.

WINNIPEG is to have eighteen mills, but they are to be on the \$1.00 as well as mother earth.

HOTEL ARRIVALS—At the Royal—Monday, Oct. 27. T. B. Strange, Thos. Chalmers, Strathmore.

THERE are forty-two pupils attending the public school here, and teacher Douglas is asking for more.

As we go to press Mr. G. Hanes is busily engaged in photographing the pupils of the public school.

PREPARATIONS for cold weather are fashionable but they are not on such an extensive scale as they are in Manitoba.

MILLWARD has painted the bar and office of the Grand Central sea green. It will be aptly color to the "blues."

Two hundred and twenty tons of Medicine Hat Cal were shipped last week to Winnipeg, where it is selling for \$7 per ton.

INSPECTOR MORRIS of the Mounted Police has been transferred to Battleford. It is rumored that other changes will shortly be made.

MESSRS SPARROW BROS. have received the contract for supplying the Medicine Hat Co. with the best par excellence of the west.

THERE was a cool, brisk breeze from the north on Saturday, and the open ground predicted snow which however failed to prove up.

MR. ROGERS, of Rogers & Grant, (hardware merchants) officiated in the Church of the Redeemer on Sunday, Pastor Smith being absent.

F. WHITE, Esq., Comptroller Mounted Police, arrived on Wednesday's train. Mr. Macdonald and Mr. White were guests of Col. Herchimer during their stay.

W. T. RAMSAY, J. H. MILLWARD, S. H. HOGG, J. Clark, Wheeler Mickle and others have been referred to as probable candidates in the fourth coming municipal contest.

SEE the card of the Royal Hotel in another column. The Royal is the leading hotel in town and the resort of all first-class travelers who come to this district.

MR. FITZ COCHRANE's communication in reply to Mr. Godsal's letter in a late number of the McLeod Gazette, will appear in our next. It came too late for publication in this issue.

We have seen the plans of Mr. Bleeker's proposed cottage. It is Swiss in design. Messrs. E. McCookie & Co. were the draughtsmen. They are really handsomely executed.

The Conservatives of this locality intend to forward an address to the Right Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of his entry into public life.

A NEW wagon attached to a new horse's tail was a new thing on Stephen avenue the other day. The animal did not kick but proceeded upon the even tenor of its way with the utmost gravity.

LT. GOVERNOR DEWDNEY returned from Edmonton on Saturday and left for Regina on the afternoon's train. His Honor is in good health and not finding the prospects favorable for a sail down the Saskatchewan preferred the overland route.

THE NOR-WESTER office had a pleasant call on Friday from Hugh Macdonald, Esq., barrister, of Winnipeg, and F. White, Esq., Comptroller of the Mounted Police, Ottawa. Both these gentlemen add their testimony to the fine situation and brilliant future in store for Calgary.

On Friday morning the sun was obscured in the east by leaden colored clouds, but it was all "clear in the west," and owing to the great height of the mountain peaks the sun shone brilliantly on the snow capped cones, the only visible evidence that the sun was shining for anything tall enough to great its rays.

REV. MR. ROBERTSON, missionary of the Presbyterian Church, leaves here to-day for Medicine Hat, to take charge of the Presbytery Church. He preached his valedictory sermon on Sunday night. During his stay here Rev. Mr. Robertson was well liked, and his departure is a matter of much regret, especially among the young people, with whom he was quite a favorite.

JACQUES rapped at the window the other day, and thinking that he was going to "watch" us we stepped in and were soon encircled with watches, 10 carat gold hunting cases, and interchangeable such as

heavy swells likes to sport, Jacques is always on the watch, especially for customers who are sometimes on the watch, and whose tastes he appears to consult with the greatest care. His stock is well worth inspecting.

MESSRS WRIGHT and Critchley, two of Calgary's best citizens, came into town on Saturday evening with a big catch of the speckled beauties—one hundred and twenty pounds of our own Bow River trout. It was the result of two day's sport. They were caught 18 miles from Calgary. The fish were of various sizes; some of them weighed six pounds. They were bought by Gerald, of the Gerald House, and realized \$21.60. Messrs. Wright and Critchley are two of the best fishermen on the divide.

OUR late townsman and respected friend Mr. T. H. Schneider, has a communication in a late number of the Manitoba Free Press, in which he vigorously defends the platform of prohibition. Mr. Schneider is an earnest as well as an honest advocate of prohibition—a gentleman who possesses far most of a practical knowledge of men and the world than the average temperance advocate, and while everyone may not accept his invitation to become a total abstainer, the spirit in which it is given and the motive which supports it are worthy of the highest respect and no doubt they are bearing good fruit.

YESTERDAY a Mr. Glens, a Jew, of Montreal, called at the Nor-West office and told the following story:—He came on the train a few days ago peddling. He met on the train Hiram Resenton, also a Jew. He traveled with this man and also with a man named Belmont. They went to Lagan together. Belmont lost the key of his satchel, and Glens lent him his key which appeared to fit the satchel. This occurred on the train. Nothing more was said and Glens went to sleep. He was awakened by Belmont, who said some watches had been taken out of his satchel, and he accused the complainant of stealing them. This was denied, but on search being made the watches were found in the complainant's baggage. Belmont then threatened to have complainant arrested, unless he compromised, which he was glad to do, giving Belmont \$250 in goods. Glens says this was a conspiracy, as he was made sign a paper not to prosecute. He has now turned the tables on the alleged conspirators, having laid an information before Col. Herchimer. Warrants have been issued for the arrest of the blackmailers, and a lively time is expected as they will doubtless be arrested. Mr. Glens claims to be a respectable and well known Jewish merchant in Montreal, high up in the synagogue.

In company with J. E. Woodworth, Esq., M.P.P., of Brandon, Man., we took a drive on Friday afternoon as far as Mr. May's farm. We called at the mission and learned from Rev. Father Cloe that Rev. Father La-Comb had gone to Fort McLeod. We were shown through the mission and entertained with some music from the Rev. fathers. A short drive brought us to Mr. May, who was not at home. Mr. Bell Irving showed us his ranche and we interviewed his root house which is snugly built for winter. Mr. Irving has one of the nicest farms in the country. The ford of the Elbow at this point is an excellent one. We crossed it and a short drive brought us to the McLeod trail, which we pursued for a short distance and then struck across the country to the saw mill of Major Walker. Mr. Woodworth was enraptured with everything he saw—arms, rosas, ranches, the clear waters of the Bow and Elbow, and the rolling benches and dome-shaped hills, scenery which is entirely new to the old Manitoban. Major Walker's saw mill was in full operation and the conventional board was being sawed out by the dozens from the massive trees. The lumber yard is well represented by huge logs which have been floated down the Bow, and an extensive boom showed how the Major protected his logs from taking a voyage down to Medicine Hat. Mr. Woodworth thinks everything in this vicinity is lovely, and he will return to Beautiful Brandon with the most favorable impressions of this locality.

A LUDICROUS incident happened during the theatrical performance the other evening. Miss Roberts ascended the platform to sing and while she was singing those famed verses, two dogs, one an elderly gentleman-like looking animal, and the other a semistupider jet black overgrown pup with flap like ears and a head like a coal scuttle, gravely took up positions one on each side of the singer. At first the occurrence did not attract much attention, but a gentle titter was heard, and then another, and then another, then there was a succession of them in which the singer participated. Then there was one long, loud, prolonged roar of laughter, and the lady fled while the cause of the interruption sat on their tails and contemplated the picture before them as if they would like to know what it was all about. As the roars of laughter increased in loudness, the junior animal began to get nervous and show signs of retreat. The senior, however, while gazing at the audience maintained a dignity and a coolness that showed him to be a veteran. Without exhibiting any signs of fear or anger, he concluded to investigate what was behind the curtain, and in a calm dignified manner quite in keeping with his behaviour throughout strode behind the curtain through the curtains, pushing it aside with the grace and ease of an actor. His ungainly looking companion followed him in loose, irregular, ambling fashion, rendered more ludicrous by the fear which had seized him. The laughter deepened as they both disappeared, and then Miss Roberts returned and sang her song without further interruption.

PERSONAL. J. E. WOODWORTH, Esq., M.P.P., was a passenger on Thursday's train from the east.

HUGH MACDONALD, Esq., Winnipeg, son of the Right Honorable Sir John A. Macdonald, was a passenger on Thursday's train.

FROM THE PEOPLE.

A LETTER FROM MR. MOULTON.

To the Editor of THE NOR-WESTER.

SIR,—I feel called upon to ask for short space in your valuable paper in which to give a few explanations in defence of my character which has been the subject of most unwarranted persecution since I left Calgary. In the first place I wish to say that when I left for the south the idea of abandoning country or creditor was entirely foreign to my thoughts. To confirm the truthfulness of this statement I beg to say that I was in Winnipeg for four days, saw several of my old creditors and drank with them and conversed with them on general topics.

I gave them no particulars regarding my trip, simply because I had no particulars to give. I did not know just where I would go myself, except that New Orleans would be the extreme end of my trip, which I had talked of freely and openly with most of my old friends in Calgary for two or three weeks before I started. Now, I will give you a few details regarding the nature and object of my journey south. At an early date I read an advertisement of the great World's Fair and Cotton Centennial to be held in New Orleans. The idea struck me that there was a good opening for me to make some money in my line of business and enjoy the luxury of spending a winter in that tropical climate, and having the offer of a pass that would take me more than half way there and back I decided to go down and look the matter over, and as it was only three months before the fair opened I thought I would have plenty of time to return to Calgary and adjust our affairs there, and get back in good time to commence operations in the Crescent City. But on my arrival there I found it necessary to enter into an arrangement at once in order to get desirable properties. So the best I could do was to get the refusal of certain properties for a sufficient number of days for me to get home and remit sufficient funds to New Orleans to secure what I wanted. I had also arranged on this trip to pay my poor dying sister a visit, who is now living in Stratford, Ont., and whom I never expect to see again in this life, so you will perceive I could not make this visit and get home in time to keep my engagements in the south. However, my friend who was with me came promptly to my rescue, and suggested a plan that was subsequently adopted. He stated that he was going to Calgary almost immediately on his arrival in Winnipeg, and he thought with the assistance he would gladly render Mrs. Moulton that she could settle matters as well as I could, especially as everything was her own personal property, in which I concurred; it seeming to me the same time to be a very simple matter of business—merely paying and collecting a few bills, settling effects, etc., that giving me sufficient time to visit my sister and funds could be sent to meet me in Chicago, thus saving time and money and enabling me to get back to the tropical city in ample time to get the machinery running there in good order before the fair opened. But it appears that the furnished wolves had their eyes on the lamb, and as soon as the shepherd's back was turned certain half-starved thin-skinned, narrow-beaked, soulless creatures, calling themselves men, and doubting the audacity to call themselves gentlemen, flattering themselves that I had left the country and dare not return, so that with a few well-directed bluffs and intimations they would be able to extract money from my wife, or perhaps they think as I have heard some men say, that there is neither law nor justice in the northwest, and they can swear what they please and carry things with a high hand, and in my absence it will be all right. But I will say to those "beware" lest it should very shortly be their turn to become slightly intimidated, for as I live I will be on hand to attend the court, and look after my own interests, as it is and always has been my intention to return to Calgary in the spring. I have formed too strong an attachment for our beautiful young city to leave it for more than a few months, and now my persecutors I am made it necessary for me to return for a time, for never will I leave any place with such a stigma on my character as some people seem determined to fasten upon me. I am perfectly satisfied to have my grievances come up before any magistrate sitting on a bench in the northwest or any jury that is empanelled from the intelligent, broad-minded and just men, such as characterize our business men in general of Calgary. I believe we have just as honorable men on horse, just as clever counsel, just as much intelligence in our juries as they have in the known world, and we will see if the courts of a free country, such as we boast of having in the great Canadian northwest will stand up for my friends and the citizen of my own adopted city, and let them judge whether my action in this matter is deserving of such cruel and unscrupulous censure or not, as I am prepared to go before any Justice and make affidavit as to the correctness of this statement.

Thanking you for your patience and space, I am most respectfully yours, J. D. MOULTON. [We know nothing of this matter, but we cheerfully give Mr. Moulton space to be heard.—ED. NOR-WESTER.]

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