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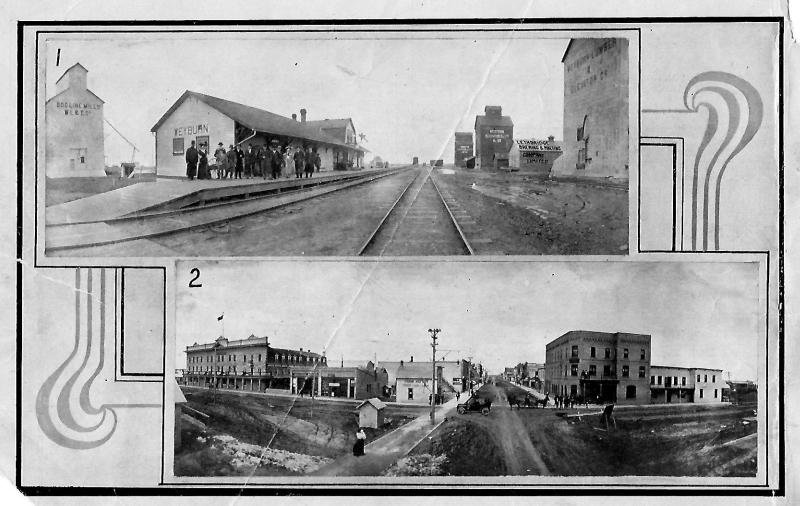
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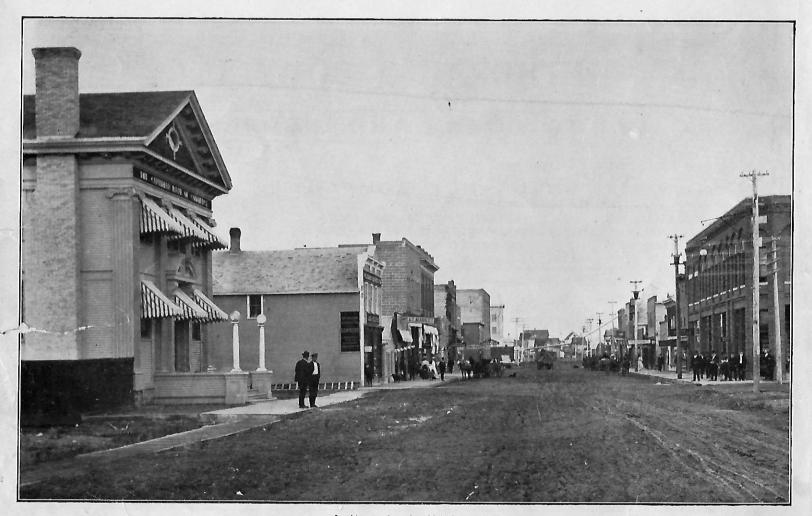
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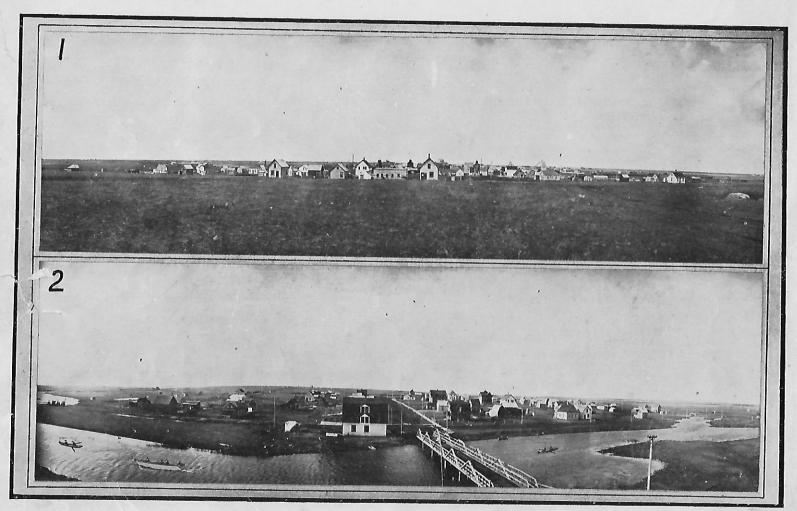
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No. 1—South Side looking north from Cemetery Hill

No. 2—Looking South from Mill

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Weyburn was founded in April, 1899. Incorporated as a village in 1902. Incorporated as a town on August 5th, 1903. Population, 1908, 1,740. Assessed value, \$950,000.

TOWN LIMITS.

The town limits comprise sec. 21, the east half of sec. 20, the northeast quarter of sec. 29, and the southeast quarter of sec. 28, tp. 8, range 14, west of the second meridian.

ORIGIN OF NAME.

As to the origin of the name "Weyburn," it is supposed to be Scotch. It is related that once on a time—before Wm. Hunt's advent, and when white men and running streams were hard to find in this then somewhat arid region—a party of Scotchmen were traveling westward. The day wore on and the sun showered its hot rays in merciless force upon the famishing travelers. Their lips were parched, they had no No. 10 in their wallets, and water was nowhere to be seen, when, in the hour of direst extremity, they suddenly came upon a creek, and with one voice exclaimed: "Wee bourne, wee bourne," meaning, small creek, from which is derived "Weyburn." This seems reasonable. The only weak feature about the story is that it was told by a Scotchman.

THE TOWN SITE.

The town site is divided by the Souris river, which at this point runs southeast. To the south of the river the land slopes upward to a commanding height, affording a good view of the surrounding country, then gradually declines to the west, south and east. To the north of the river the land is low for a considerable distance, then it rises gradually to a table land which extends as far as the eye can see. Our views, however, will serve to explain better than words can.

HISTORICAL.

Those who have not lived in this great Northwest will naturally suppose that it should not take long to relate the history of a community that has been in existence barely ten years. In this Greater

Canada, however, we move quickly—"do things"—and history is made much more rapidly than during the pioneering days of the older Provinces of Canada.

"Not with the snail-like stride of patient ox, Of foot sore pilgrim who seeks a distant home; Not with the slow march of the olden time, Ere steam propelled and the lightning bolt Was by man man's servile servant made, Do we progress in this our land and age. The glories of the Old World—its temples, Its pyramids—were the growth of ages. From rude hamlet to populous city, When its homes, castles and palaces, Pantheons, cathedrals and catacombs, Embraced generations of upbuilders, And the genius who inspired, who planned, Beheld not the fulfilment of his dream."

Not so with the pioneers of this new country, thanks to the mighty aids by man conceived and made to serve his ends. Many of we older people, who were born in the older provinces, can remember when we gazed with wonder at a locomotive or a steamboat, and when the old steel mouldboard plow, the sickle, cradle and flail, were the most perfect conceptions of the agricultural machinist's skill, and when 100 acres was considered a large farm. What a change! The old single mouldboard plow has almost passed out of use, to give place to the gang and steam plow; the sickle, cradle and flail have been laid away, and even the more modern reaper and horsepower thresher have given place to the self-binder and the steam thresher and separator.

As I say, we move fast these days, but no faster perhaps than the nece sities of the times require,

But let us learn something about Weyburn and district:

From various sources the writer learns that prior to the settlement of Weyburn in the spring of 1899, W. H. Hunt, H. J. Powley, Peter Wilkins and Alex. Perry had resided here for some years, Hunt and Powly ranching, Wilkins as section foreman. Alex. Perry wintered here and went to Manitoba during the summer months to work at his trade. A large number of the present settlers located on land here in the fall of 1898, but the commencement of Weyburn town dated from the arrival of J. A. Mitchell, Alex. L. Mitchell and Fred.

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Smith, on the 7th of April, 1899, and Thos. Tucker on the 8th. These were followed a few days later by John Knowling, Rev. John Smith and P. E. Metheral. For the first two weeks everybody lived and roomed in the station or freight shed, guests of Section Foreman J. P. Obyrn. As lumber was yet out of the question, those who were here applied to the government at Regina and secured two large tents, which were set up on the town site (if you could call it that. However, the C. P. R. called it that, and we had to take them at their word). The first consignment of goods to arrive by rail was a car load of Massey-Harris machinery; next was a carload of oats for J. A. Mitchell; next came a car load of lumber for Mr. Tucker. This, along with a car of hardware for the same gentleman, started the music of the hammer and the saw. The present building, now occupied by Mr. Spafford as a flour and feed store, was the first to be erected, and was occupied by Thomas Tucker as a hardware store, and Taylor & Metheral as a grocery. Before the completion of this building A. L. Mitchell had his blacksmith shop well under way. This was located on what is known as the space between the Weyburn Hardware and the stone building adjoining. W. H. Hunt also had his postoffice in course of construction, the carpenter being Jack Kyle, and J. A. Mitchell had an office built on the ground now occupied by J. N. Bacon's harness shop.

About this time the settlers from Marmora and Barrie, Ont., who had located their land the year before, began to arrive. Among them came the neucleus of the now Horne establishment—John Horne, Sr., and John Horne, Jr.—who commenced business in the shop now occupied by W. F. Parsons, butcher; which was erected by John McTaggart, the style of the firm being Horne, Wood & Co. During this time Dan Pretty arrived, built the stone barn on Second street, and opened up in the livery business. The first church (Methodist) was also built this year, and stood where the present church now stands, on the northwest corner of Main street and Coteau aye.

On May 13th Weyburn's pioneer doctor arrived on the scene. We refer to Dr. R. M. Mitchell, who is still a resident of the town. He at once purchased the lot on the northwest corner of Main street and Souris avenue, and erected the present drug store of N. S. Elwin & Co., and for over two years was the only druggist and doctor on the Soo Line. In May of this year th eold part of the present Waverley hotel was erected by George Henning and used as a boarding house. This year the C. P. R. opened the gravel pit at the south of the town and operated it during the summer, giving employment to about forty men, mainly homesteaders in the surrounding country.

Among the homesteaders then in the district were: John Robins,

H. McGowan, John Church, Louis, Charles and George Partridge, John Stander, Thomas Gardner, George W. Crittenden, George Taylor, Barrie, Ont.; Allen McGillay, Quebec, opposite Ottawa; Joseph Allen, Fred and John Fletcher, George Breckenridge, Mark and N. K. Devlin and C. Sills, Marmora, Ont.; A. W. Williams, Morden, Man.; John and William McMurray, Clinton, Ont.; Henry Mooney, Brussels, Ont.; C. C. Evans, Indian Head, Assa.; D. Tourigney and George Gunn, Woolsley, Assa.; E. W. Greer, Wellington, Ont.; Wellington Earle, Badjerds, Ont.; John and Johnson Kyle, Maple Valley, Ont.; Duff Spafford, Indian Head, Assa.; Hugh Greig, Ottawa, Ont.; Harry Leavens, Prince Edward County, Ont., and Andy Tate, Qu'Appelle Station, Assa.

The year 1900 brought little change to Weyburn and was a bad one for the farmers, being very dry up to July 3rd, on which date it rained an inch. On Aug. 6th it started to rain again and kept up the downpour for six days. In the low spots wheat was left standing in the water several inches deep, which it was impossible to save, and the wheat on the high spots was cut with difficulty, the ground being so soft that the wheels of the reapers sank down to the hubs. In some of the districts where hail fell there was a vigorous second growth which was all frozen in October, but it made abundance of fodder for the cattle. In this year the first section of the Royal Hotel was built by Fisher, but owing to the severe rain the foundation was undermined and the stone walls fell into the cella. Pan Pretty purchased the ruins and the following year erected the first-section of the present building.

One interesting fact, however, should be credited to this year, that is, the erection of the stone schoolhouse which stands to the south of the new brick structure.

In 1901 Weyburn progressed but slowly, only a few buildings being erected, among them the Wm. Hydron house on the northeast corner of Second street, and Souris avenue (now on the southwest corner of Second street and Coteau avenue), and another small house to the south of the McGilvray building, which has also disappeared. In this year Sam Hunter built his blacksmith shop, which stood where the restaurant now stands just south of Geo. Beischel's implement warehouse. J. A. Mitchell, John Horne and John Knowling also built residences. The Knowling residence stands east of the schoolhouse, on the corner of Souris avenue, and the Horne residence is just south of the Rogers Lumber Co.'s office. J. N. Bacon and J. Cummings also erected small frame shops this year, that of the former standing where his brick store now stands and the latter next south. This year the government built a bridge across the river on the section



West side of Main Street looking north from Railway Avenue.

line just west of the settlement, but it was washed away and rebuilt the following year. The population of Weyburn was now about 100 souls.

1902-WEYBURN A VILLAGE.

The year 1902 will always remain a red letter day in the history of Weyburn. This was, so to speak, Weyburn's "boom" year. From a hamlet comprising a little more than a score of buildings and a population estimated at 100 in the spring of that year, it increased its population to 350, and a large number of residences and a number of business places were built. This year Weyburn was incorporated as a village with P. E. Metheral as Over eer. This year also occurred what is referred to as the "American Invasion," when Joe Mergens, J. McBride, A. Schoenleben, L. A. Freeland and a score more of our now most prominent citizens took up their residence in Weyburn. Others took up homesteads and have not only been successful, but have by their skill and industry been an inspiration and an example to their less experienced neighbors.

Among the buildings erected this year were the Weyburn Security Co.'s building, Freeland's store; McKinnon, C. Worden's and J. C. Cuming's store, Lake of the Woods elevator, addition to Royal Hotel, the Western Elevator, addition to Taylor & Metheral's store, bowling alley on southwest corner Second street and Railway avenue; the residences of James McBride, D. Pretty, Thos. Ashford, Mr. Allen (now occupied by Thos. Gardner), Chas, Breckenridge, R. M. Sutherland (on Main street, north of the Tribune office—since burned), J. C. McClellan. The first cross sidewalks were put down this year, opposite the Weyburn Security Co.'s building and the Royal Hotel.

On the 3rd of October this year (1902), T. H. Blacklock issued the first number of the Weyburn Herald, his office being in the Cummings building on Main street, which stood near where the Union Restaurant now stands. In it we find the advertisements of the following firms: Canadian Investment Co., lumber; J. Cummings, watches and furniture; Tucker Hardware Co.; Sutherland & Broughton, meat market; Watson & Jordan, real estate; W. W. Bessard, livery; Dr. Chas. Moore, dentist; Horne, Wood & Co., general store; R. M. Mitchell, M.D., druggist; Frank B. Moffet, real estate; Thomas A. Blacklock, V.S. In the issue of the 10th of October appear the advertisements of the Weyburn Lumber & Elevator Co.; "Alex. Ross, Esq.," real estate; in the issue of the 17th that of Thos. Harvey, real estate; and in the issue of the 24th that of McKinnon & Co., general merchants, and Adam Eckert, shoemaker.

The Herald, however, did not contain advertisements of all the

business men in Weyburn at that time, J. N. Bacob, Massey-Harris and others were not advertising.

Among the new arrivals this year was our present mayor, W. J. Monaghan.

In this year was established Weyburn's first bank. The American invaders brought with them capital as well as ability and enterprise, and they were quick to see the necessity for a banking institution, as well as the possibilities of making such an institution a financial success. The founders of the bank were F. W. Murphy, Alex. Simpson and O. H. Hellekson, Wheaton, Minn.; S. C. Oscarson, of White Rock, S.D.; John Erickson, of Hancock, Minn., and Joseph Mergins, of Wheaton, Minn., the latter being the first manager. The present manager is W. M. Little. It is not saying too much to state that no institution of its kind in the west could have done more to aid the settlers of this district and to advance the general interest than this institution, and if it is enjoying the confidence of our business men and others to-day, and stands in the front rank of our Western banking in titutions, the reasons are not far to seek. When times were hard it was generous to a fault, and there are not a few in this district who owe them a debt of gratitude. Such a policy cannot fail to bring its reward, and no one who is acquainted with the history of the Weyburn Security Bank will begrudge it the popularity it enjoys to-day.

The year 1903 was one of the most prosperous in the history of Weyburn and district. Quite a lot of building was done in the milinge and the crop was good. Something like 400,000 bushels of an ad 40,000 bushels of flax were marketed. The average yield of wheat this year was 31 bushels to the acre, all of the highest grade.

Of the buildings erected this year in Weyburn were Tucker's Hall, the land offices of Alex. Connor, the Mills Land Co., and the Porter Land Co., residence of Geo. Jarrett, R. C. Andres, G. R. Fox, A. Schoenloben and J. A. Woods. Greig & Leavens built their feed and sale stable, the largest of the kind on the Soo Line; Andrew Walker built the North Star hotel and had a bakery in connection, and Dr. Bowman built the store now occupied by O. S. Mitchell, druggist. In this year also the I. O. O. F. built the premises now owned and occupied by the Union Bank. Another institution erected this year was Weyburn's first skating rink, by Peter Trumpe. It stood at the bend of the river just west of the town. The blacksmith shop now occupied by W. J. Duignan was another building erected this year. In the fall of this year J. R. Poff arrived and erected his present tailor shop on Main street.

A branch of the Union Bank was established in Weyburn in April of this year, with F. E. Harrison as Manager, he being succeeded in November, 1904, by Mr. C. H. Hartrey, the present manager.

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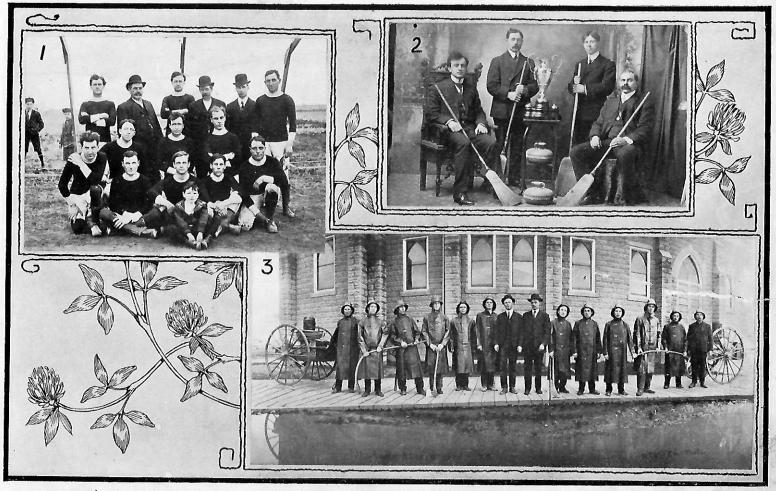
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No. 2—The Horne Rink, winners of the Grand Challenge 1907-8. Wm. Horne, Skip; W. Duncan, T. Robinson, H. McSherry. No. 3—Weyburn Fire Brigade, 1908.



No. 1-A Winter Scene (Land seekers from the U. S.)

No. 2-N. W. Corner of 2nd St. and Railway Ave.

No. 3-West side of Main St. looking south from Methodist Church.

A little later a branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce was established in the premises now occupied by Metheral & Bowman, with J. D. Bell, now of Elgin, Man., as manager, who was succeeded a few months ago by Arthur S. Swinford.

WEYBURN INCORPORATED AS A TOWN.

Weyburn had now outgrown a village, and on August 5th was incorporated as a Town, with T. H. Blacklock, editor of the Herald, as Mayor. As was fitting, the occasion was enthusiastically celebrated. There was a grand calathumpian and trades procession at 10 o'clock a.m., in which every business in town was represented. On this occasion also Weyburn's first band discoursed sweet music, led by A. Schoenleben. The members of this organization were: A. Schoenleben, leader; J. A. Wood, George Stewart, Thos. A. Blacklock, R. M. Sutherland, R. C. Sutherland, J. N. Bacon, Ed. Chappell, Quist Peterson, Wellington Powley, W. Leck, Tom Partridge, Geo. J. G. Jarrett, K. N. Greer, Lacy Price, James Gunn. It is not recorded whether a dance was given on this occasion, but doubtless this feature was not overlooked.

From the program issued of the day's proceedings we learn that the most important business concerns in Weyburn at that time were the Winnipeg, Western, Weyburn and Lake of the Woods elevators. and A. R. Leitch & Co., who are erecting a fine mill of one hundred barrels capacity and an elevator. Another site has also been sold for an elevator. The lumber trade is in the hands of A. J. Knowling, the Weyburn Company, and the Canadian Investment Co. The Union Bank and the Weyburn Security Company comprises the banking facilities. General stores are conducted by N. D. McKinnon, L. A. Freeland, and Horne, Wood & Co. Taylor & Metheral have a gent's furnishing establishment, and J. H. Dyer a grocery store. McSherry & Mitchell and J. C. McLellan conduct large and up-to-date hardware stores. J. Cummings handles furniture and jewelry, Sutherland & Broughton the meat market, and J. N. Bacon and A. K. Eckert harness and sadlery. The implement trade is an important industry and is in the hands of J. A. Mitchell for the Massey-Harris, Taylor & Metheral for the Deering Co., Tucker Implement Co. for the Mc-Cormick Co., A. W. Wood for Frost & Wood; W. Watson for the Champion people, and Weyburn Lumber and Elevator Co. for the J. I. Case Co. There are two excellent licensed hotels, the Royal, owned by Robinson & Walsh, and the Waverley by W. Powley.

"The rapid advance of land has made Weyburn the headquarters of numerous land companies, some of which are: Frank Moffet, Beischel, Petty & Bush Land Co., Canadian Investment Co., Porter Land Co., Connor & Martin, and many others.

"In medicine we have Dr. R. M. Mitchell, who also conducts an excellent drug store. The legal firms are W. Kelock, and Black & Hilliar, and T. A. Blacklock, V.S., has also an office here.

"There are numerous other firms engaged in many different occupations, but the former will give some idea of the wonderful growth

of the town."

The history of the years 1904-5-6-7 would take too much space to give in detail. From a population of 500 souls at the close of 1903 the number increased to 1,700 in the fall of the latter year. With the organization of the town the era of wooden buildings in the business district drew to a close, and a better class of buildings commenced to take their places. The cement block occupied by Wm. Horne & Co. was built by John McTaggart in 1905, and the year following J. R. Fox and J. N. Bacon erected their present brick premises. In this year the skating rink was built by Wm. Speers, and the Curling Club built their rink. In 1905 Third street was extended southward across the river, a bridge was built and building commenced. The first house was erected by Jack Adams; the next building was the General Hospital, built by Drs. Bowman and Smith. Since this time a number of handsome residences have been built, among them that of Dr. H. S. Smith, H. England, P. E. Metheral, A. McFarlane, H. O. Powell and W. Baxter, while on the south side of Third avenue is a fine row of houses, a view of which appears elsewhere. The River View House is another building worthy of mention which was erected in 1907 by Capt. Wiley. So great, in fact, has been the progress of the south side, that it bids fair to rival the main portion of the town. at least as a residential district. Certainly a more desirable place. from several points of view, particularly that of drainage, could hardly be desired. To the north, on the brow of the hill, which rises above its surroundings, and sloping gradually to the setting sun, is the public cemetery, where the dead sleep in dry beds.

In October of this year Weyburn had its first fire, when Sutherland (R. C.) & Broughton's butcher shop, McSherry's Hardware Store, and the residence of R. M. Sutherland, were destroyed. These buildings stood just north of what is now the Tribune office. McSherry then moved a small building from Ralph to the corner of Souris avenue and Second street (where the Hudson building now on the southwest corner of Coteau avenue and Second street formerly stood), and put in a stock of hardware, with W. Monaghan as partner, but was bought out soon after by the latter, who moved the building across the road to his present premises. The photograph gallery now occupied by Mr. McMullen also stood on this corner about this time.

In 1906, \$50,000 were spent in residences, and the New Waverley and public school were built, the Weyburn Turf Club was organized.

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the track fenced in and pavilion erected and other buildings provided at a cost of over \$4,000; granolithic sidewalks were laid costing \$3,000 and other municipal improvements made. In this year some 200 carloads of settlers' effects arrived and \$200,000 expended in agricultural implements and \$200,000 in lumber. In this year a Cement Block and Brick Company was organized and the manufacture of blocks and brick commenced, but owing to the increase in the cost of cement the works were shut down. The brick used in the construction of the New Waverley are the product of the defunct concern. In this year, too, a planing factory was established by Mr. Barret, on the south side, but it also has become a thing of the past, and the proprietor has left for the sunny south. The population of Weyburn at the close of this year is given as 1,350.

The year 1907 was an unfavorable one for the town and district. Winter lingered in the lap of spring several weeks longer than usual, and farmers were unable to get their seed in until very late, and, as a consequence, the grain did not ripen before the usual August frost, the result being serious. True, Weyburn district escaped with a fair crop, but the yield and grade were not up to the average. The enhanced price of grain, however, made up in a great measure for what

was lost.

In this year the Hunt Block, Weyburn's largest business block, and costing \$30,000, was erected. Another fine building erected this year is the Canadian Bank of Commerce, which is also an ornament to the Main street. The amount spent in building and municipal improvements, (the latter under the supervision of Engineer Rand) this year, owing to the unfavorable conditions, was only about \$90,000, many contemplated improvements having to be deferred until another year.

In the fall of 1907 Weyburn was honored by a visit from Hon. R. L. Borden, leader of the Conservative party of the Dominion, who was presented with an address on behalf of the people as a whole, to which he replied in complimentary terms, after which he held a

reception.

Unlike the year previous, 1908 gives promise of being a prosperous one for the farming community, and prosperity for the farmers means

prosperity for all.

As for the Town of Weyburn, not much improvement is to be done in a municipal way in 1908, the Council adopting the wise course of spending no more than is necessary, owing to the financial stringency. Next year, however, will, unless all signs fail, be a prosperous one for the Metropolis of Southern Saskatchewan.

As we go to press N. D. McKinnon has broken ground for a large addition to the south side of his department store, which will cost in

the neighborhood of \$10,000.

OUR SCHOOLS.

Good schools are the surest index of the character of a community, and judging by that standard the people of Weyburn town and district should be of an intelligent and enterprising class. It is not often that a community so recently organized can boast of the school facilities Weyburn can, or that so many schools can be found within a radius of 25 miles as have been established in the Weyburn district since July 12, 1899, when Weyburn school was erected, with Frank Moffet as teacher. Looking up the record we find that the next school district established after that of Weyburn was that of Prospect, which was erected on July 30th, 1900, T. H. Blackleck, teacher; next North Weyburn, Dec. 12th, 1901, W. A. Beatty, teacher; then South Weyburn, Feb. 11th, 1902, Robert Tate teacher; West Weyburn, Feb. 27th, 1902, Mrs. T. H. Blackleck teacher; Weyburn Plains, erected Aug. 26th, 1902, Miss Rogers teacher; River View, erected June 29th. 1903, Wm. Freeman teacher; Meadow Brook, erected May 9th, 1904: East Weyburn, erected June 30th, 1904, T. McDonald teacher: Marmora, erected Sept. 3rd, 1904; Little Glen, erected April 11th. 1906; Schneider, erected April 24th, 1907. Grand Bend is another school which will be opened shortly.

WEYBURN HIGH AND PUBLIC SCHOOL.

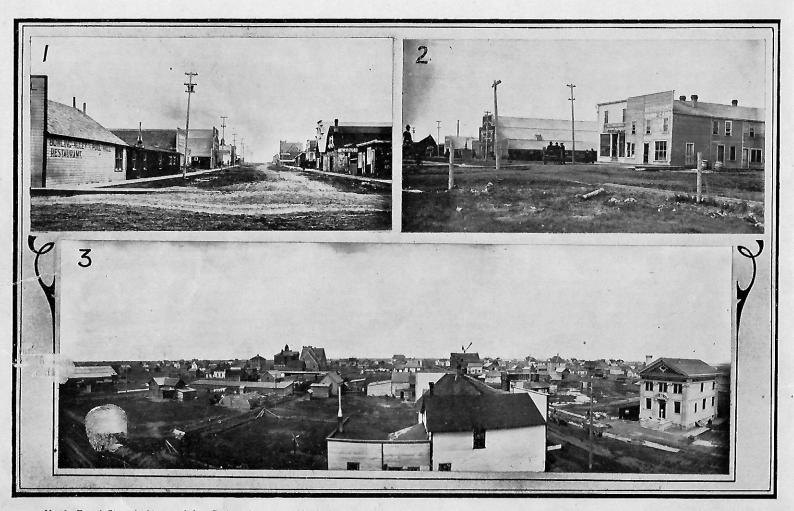
The growth of educational facilities in Weyburn has kept pace with the rapid progress of the town. The first school in Weyburn was opened in 1899 in the old Methodist church building, with Frank Moffet in charge. About the end of the same year the stone school was built, but the accommodation was soon found to be inadequate and two other buildings were pressed into service. In the summer of 1906 the School Board took steps to build a fine brick structure of eight rooms, costing about \$30,000. The work of erection was carried on under great difficulties by the contractor, Mr. Frank Rooney, during the severe winter of 1906-7, nevertheless the building reflects great credit upon the School Board and the contractor.

In December, 1907, a high school was organized under the Secondary Education Act. No expense has been spared in providing scientific apparatus, library, maps, etc. No fees are charged to students.

Mr. Moffet was succeeded as principal by E. A. Chappell, E. M. Biggs and N. F. Black. Present attendance, 260.

Staff—M. J. Duff, M.A., Principal; Miss O. C. Lindsay, B.A.; Miss C. de la Mater, B.A.; Miss J. Little, Mrs. A. Cardwell, Miss M. E. Weir, Miss B. Currie.

The first Board of School Trustees consisted of H. J. Powley, Chairman; John Tucker (since deceased), Treasurer, and John Horne, Jr.; Secretary, Frank Moffet.



No. 1-Fourth Street looking north from Railway Ave.

No. 2-Looking south on West side of Second Street.

No. 3-A view from Hunt's Block, looking north.

The present Board consists of Dr. R. M. Mitchell, Chairman; G. M. Bowman, M.D.; J. Mergens, P. E. Metheral and C. T. Partridge.

Trees have been planted and other steps are being taken to beautify the grounds.

Churches

KNOX CHURCH.

The history of the Presbyterian Church in Weyburn is at once interesting and instructive. While its progress has been wonderful,

there have been times of trouble and adversity.

Its real history began when in the spring of 1899 Rev. John Smith was sent to Weyburn by the Missionary Society of Manitoba College. Here he remained until March, 1900, during which time he organized the Church with Dr. Mitchell, Wm. Broley (since dead) and Henry McGowan as members of Session, while the Board of Management consisted of the members of Session, John Knowling and Thomas Tucker.

Dr. Wardlaw Taylor was the successor of Mr. Smith, who perhaps of all the student missioneries holds the chief place in the affections, not only of the Presbyterians, but of those of other communions who were privileged to know him. Mr. Taylor remained six months and was succeeded by Mr. Sources in the fall of 1900. He in turn was succeeded by Thos. Robinson, who conducted services during the fall of 1901. His succes or was J. C. Robinson, who remained a year and did excellent work, practically making preparations for an ordained minister. However, six months passed, during which time Mr. Squires again supplied before Mr. James McCrea was sent as ordained missionary by the Home Mission Committee of the Church. For one year and a half—from the spring of 1903 until the fall of 1904—Mr. McCrae conducted services in the town and surrounding country and enjoyed the confidence and e teem of the entire community. When he left for the east a purse of nearly \$200 was given him by a host of admiring friends, who will always have a kindly interest in his personal welfare.

It might be interesting to refere to the different places in which services were held. viz.: The station house. Thomas Tucker's implement shop. John Knowling's lumber office, Mr. Hunt's postoffice, Dr. Mitchell's drug store, Methodist church, and the Massey-Harris implement shop. In the fall of 1900 the stone school was finished, where services were held until the fall of 1906, when the congregation moved into the basement of the new church, then in course of erection. After the departure of Mr. McCrae the congregation determined to call a minister of their own, and asked the Regina Presbytery for permission pro tem, and candidates were sent. Several came and went

without success. The people had made up their minds to be suited, and so nothing was done until New Year's day, 1905, when Rev. R. S. Leslie, BA., of Alameda, spoke his straight gospel message to the congregation of Weyburn. The reverend gentleman accepted a call from the congregation and arrived in Weyburn in March, 1905. Congregational affairs were not in a very satisfactory state, but Mr. Leslie was not daunted and vigorously flung himself into the work of producing harmony and the upbuilding of the church. In this he has been eminently successful, as results show. He immediately commenced his plans for the erection of a church building. Subscriptions were liberally forthcoming, a building committee appointed, plans were submitted and the building was commenced in 1906, and finally completed and opened with much thankfulness in the spring of 1907, at a cost of \$15,000. For the size of the town it is a most excellent structure and seated for 450 persons. Two beautiful stained glass windows rdorn the east and west walls. A large basement, with Sunday school class rooms, kitchen, library and gymnasium makes the church the most complete of any denomination in Saskatchewan, and the reverend gentleman in charge is boyishly proud of the result of his labours in this building.

Mr. Leslie is a graduate and medalist of Manitoba University, a popular preacher and a general favorite with all classes. Democratic and easy in his manner and hospitable in his home, he enjoys the confidence of all and especially his young men. He is a solendid financier, and organization work is his specialty. He believes strongly in the "open door policy" so far as his home goes, and in this he is

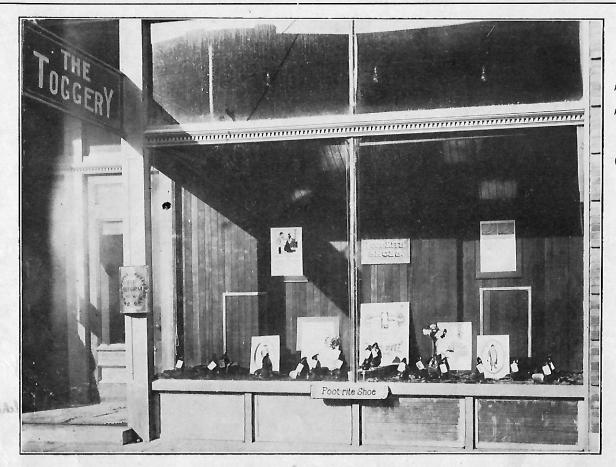
aided and abetted by his charming wife.

The present session is composed of Rev. R. S. Leslie, B.A., Dr. Mitche'l, Wm. McIntyre, W. J. Bullie, Harry McGowan and Neil D. McKinnon.

The different organizations are all in splendid condition mony and co-operation express the relationship existing thing points towards splendid results in Christian we is denomination.

METUODIST.

The Methodist Church of ... by the Rev. O. Darwin, then paster of Moose Jaw, m... the a membership of about 20. The fall of that year a succept which was built (which, by the way, was the first church on the Cop Line between Moose Jaw and Estevan). This served as both church and school for about a year. In 1903 an addition-was built which doubled the seating c pacity. This served the congregation until the present magnificent structure was built, three years ago. The first paster was Rev. Wm. Eltom, followed by H. Galley and W. Rothwell as probationers, the

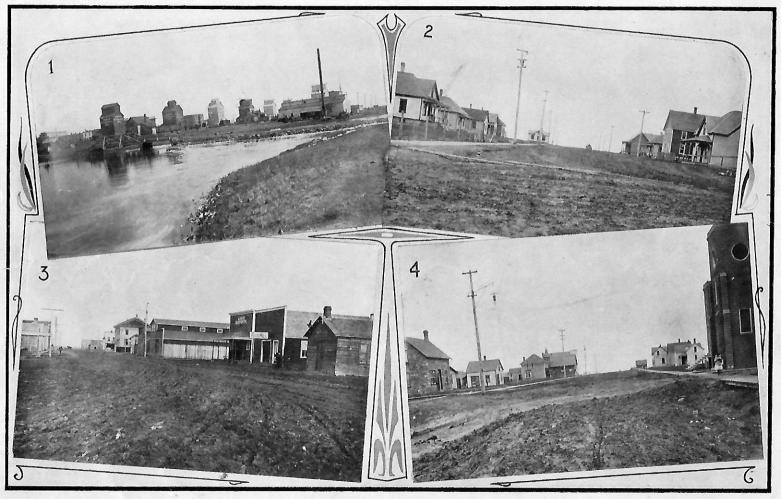


The Toggery

¶Everything for Men



No. 1—Residence of Jas. McBride. No. 2—Residence of H. England. No. 3—Residence of Mrs. Crane. No. 4—Residence of J. J. Kitson. No. 5—Residence of C. Worden. No. 6—Residence of H. A. Stavely. No. 7—Residence of Robt. Sutherland. No. 8—Residence of Harry Walsh.



No. 1—View showing Electric Light Plant and Elevators.

No. 2—Foster Street looking north from Coteau Ave.

No. 3—North slde of Souris Ave, looking west from 5th tStreet looking north from Coteau Ave.

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first resident probationer being Rev. H. McConnell, who remained four years. He was followed by the Rev. J. G. Ediott, who was recently succeeded by Rev. Haw. The progress of this congregation has kept pace with the town, until the Weyburn Methodist Church compares favorably with most of the other congregations in the Saskatchewan Conference.

ANGLICAN CHURCH.

An Anglican congregation was organized in Weyburn about five years ago, services for the first three years being held in the Orange Hall over the Union Bank, Rev. Mr. Terry pastor. He was succeeded a little over two years ago by Rev. Richard Cox, now of Crookston, Minn., who resigned this spring. The present vicar is Rev. T. E. Rowe, formerly of Milestone, formerly of the British West Indics. Under the pastorate of Rev. Richard Cox the church made rapid progress. The property on the corner of Bison avenue and Main street was purchased from H. England and a church was built at a cost of \$1,500. Another lot with 100 feet frontage was also bought just south of Mr. Laroch's residence, on the east side of Main street. A bell was also provided and placed in the tower. A view of the church is given elsewhere.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Baptist Church in Weyburn is but a little more than two years old. Previous to February, 1906, no organization existed. Brethren Towner, Parnell and Ewart ministered to this people, meetings being held in Tucker's Hall. In November, 1905, W. C. Parsons began to minister to this people, and in the fall of 1906 an organization was formed, the membership of which numbered fourteen. In August, 1905, the present house was formally dedicated and opened for worship. Brother Parsons continued to supply these people till January, 1907, when Rev. J. E. Gosline became pastor, under whose labors the original membership has grown from fourteen to fifty-six.

ROMAN CATHOLIC.

St. Vincent de Paul Church, on the corner of Main street and Bison avenue, was built in the fall of 1906, at a cost of \$5,000. Previous to that services were held in the stone school house, Rev. Father Duprez being then pastor. He was succeeded in the early part of 1907 by Rev. Father Terpeau, the present pastor. A Presbytery was built this year and a steeple erected on the church which adds much to its appearance. Since the erection of the church the congregation has increased so rapidly that the pastor has been given an assistant priest. The site upon which the church and presbytery stand comprises half a block, and is one of the most valuable in Weyburn. A view of the church is given elsewhere.

SOME LEGAL GENTLEMEN.

O. S. Black and T. H. Hill'ar (associated as Black & Hilliar), barri ters and attorneys, came to Weyburn in 1903. The former is from Oakville, Ont., and is an Osgoode Hall man, while the latter is from Toronto and is a graduate of Toronto University. Mr. Black was clerk of the Board of Trade in 1905-6, and President of that body for part of 1907, when he resigned, and was succeeded by Dr. Bowman. Mr. Hilliar was Secretary-Treasurer of the Town Council for three months in 1907, when he resigned and was succeeded by the present secretary-treasurer, Ed. Chappell. The firm enjoys a very extensive practice

W. M. Kellock, M.A., is a graduate of Queen's and Osgoode Hall, coming to Weyburn in 1902, since which time he has worked up quite

a large legal clientage. He was elected mayor in 1905.

H. N. MORPHY.

Another legal gentleman, returned a Canadian, who lives on the South Side, is Mr. H. N. Morphy. He was born in Brampton, Ont., about 50 years ago, and came westward to Winnipeg in the early eighties. He was at Moose Jaw in the spring and summer of 1883, practicing his profession, but most of the time waiting for clients, business not being on the "h.m" in the Jaw in those days. Once in a while he got a chance to make the price of a meal ticket for defending some poor illegal dea'er in "wet goods," which kept the boarding house man in good humor. Later he drifted over to For' Qu'Appelle, where he was when Riel threw down the gauntlet to Sir John and the latter promptly took it up. Qu'Appelle being in the line of March of the incoming "Soldiers of the Queen," naturally the village was full of excitement. As became a loyal Canadian, Mr. Morphy joined the Home Guard-being always ready to strike for home—and in the excitement of the times was often called out at night to repel what always proved to be an imaginary foe. There is a b ilge crossing the river at that point, and one night our hero was ordered out on picket duty, to guard the bridge, it having been rumored that the reds were to make an asseult that night. As was his right, he took cover behind a wood pile and awaited the approach of the enemy—not like Horatius, on the bridge—but behind the aforesaid woodpile. On in the night he heard a noise. The enemy was approaching! He brought his gun to "ready," and stealthily approached the bridge. The noise came nearer and nearer, and our hero braced himself for the struggle, when, lo! a Mounted Policeman loomed up. Disgu ted. Corporal Morphy—that was his full title returned to the woodpile and thence to town. Later our hero was court martialled (illegally, he contends, as is a lawyer's legal right). for refusing to turn out two or three times a night to repel these

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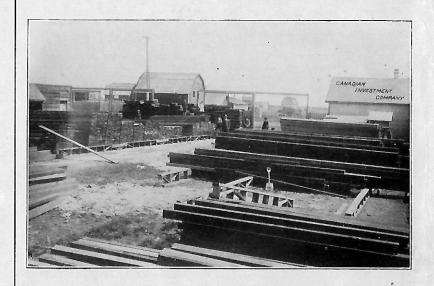
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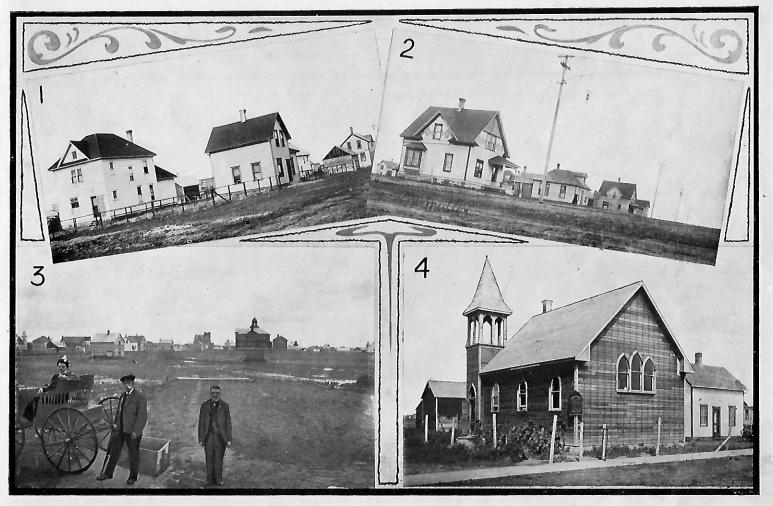
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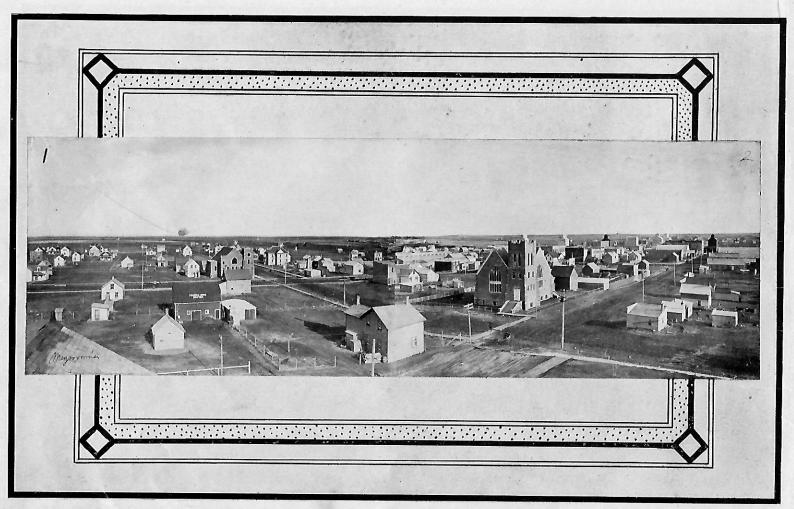


No. 1 -Dr. Eaglesham's Hospital on left corner of Coteau Ave. and Sixth Street.

No. 3-A Snap Shot-by Meyssonnier.

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No. 2—West side of Fifth Street looking north from Souris Ave. No. 4—Anglican Church.



Looking East from School House Tower. (Meyssonnier.)

imaginary attacks. From Qu'Appelle Mr. Morphy drifted southward to Minicapolis, Minn.; from there to Toronto, then back to Minicapolis, Later he settled in North Dakota, and last summer came from Wappeton to Weyburn, where he is now doing a large business and is deservedly popular with his clients. In these days of prosperity he often thinks of the old days at the Jaw, when Senator Ross was plain Jim Ross, and on Hallowe'en night the "boys" transferred signs to strange houses, and the d ctor and the lawyer awoke to find that they had changed p'aces of business. The local editor never had a sign, except the sign of poverty. Which ever sticks to such like a poor man's plaster,

OUR BANKS.

Weyburn has three banking institutions—a private bank financially strong, and two chartered banks.

The Weyburn Security Co., Bankers, which consists of American capitalists, was established in Weyburn in 1902, the promoters being Alex. Simpson and O. H. Hellekson, of Wheaton, Minn.; S. C. Ocarson, of Hancock, Minn., and Jos. Mergens, of Bellingham, Minn. The present manager is Wm. Little, and the head officers of the institution are: F. W. Murphy, President; Alex. Simpson, Vice-President; H. O. Powell, General Manager. Branches of the bank have also been opened at Ha'brite, Sask, Wilfrid Legget, Manager; Midale, Chas. A. Johnson, Manager; McTaggert, Hazlet McLean, Manager; Yellow Grass, A. Ququhart, Manager, all on the Soo line.

A branch of the Union Bank of Canada was established in Weyburn in April, 1903, with F. E. Harrison as Manager, who was succeeded in November, 1904, by C. H. Hartry, the present manager. This bank is one of the stronge t in Canada, and since 1885 has paid particular attention to the advancement of the farming interests of the West.

A branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce was established in Weyburn about two and a half years ago, with J. D. Bell, now of E'gin, Man., manager, who was succeeded a few months ago by the present manager, Arthur S. Swinford. This is another branch of one of Canada's great banking institutions.

MUNICIPAL-1903-1908.

As has been said in another place, Weyburn was founded in April, 1899, incorporated as a village in 1902, and as a town on August 5th, 1903, on which occasion there was a civic demonstration.

The first meeting of the Town Council was held in Tucker Hall on that date, P. E. Metheral acting as clerk pro tem.

The members of the Council were: T. H. Blacklock, Mayor; N. D. McKinnon, J. C. McClellan, J. H. Dyer, Thos. Tucker (since dead), John Cummings, and J. A. Mitchell, Councillors; Frank Moffet was the first Secretary-Treasurer.

For the year 1904 Dr. R. M. Mitchell was Mayor and R. M. Sutherland, Thos. Harvey and John Knowling comprised the new members elected, Frank Moffet being Secretary-Treasurer.

For 1905 W. M. Kellock was Mayor, and Geo. J. G. Jarrett and H. Leavens were the new members. A. Waddell, Secretary-Treasurer.

For 1906, N. D. McKinnon was Mayor, and J. R. Poff and Dan Pretty comprised the new members. Waddell resigned as Secretary-Treasurer during the year and was succeeded by R. M. Sutherland.

In 1907 Dr. Mitchell was again chosen Mayor, and Dr. H. S. Smith, J. R. Fox, J. J. Kitson and J. McBride were the new members. T. H. Hilliar served as Secretary-Treasurer for the first three months, when he was succeeded by Ed. Chappel, the present Secretary-Treasurer.

The present Town Council consists of: Mayor, W. J. Monaghan; J. R. Fox, Dr. H. Smith, J. J. Kitson, Sam Murray, Geo. Beischel and C. H. Hartney.

LUMBER DEALERS.

There are four lumber dealers in Weyburn and all are substantial concerns:

THE ROGERS LUMBER CO.

The Rogers Lumber Co. vis the successor to John Knowles, the pioneer lumber dealer of Weyburn, having bought that gentleman out. The concern does a large business, and have faith in the town and district of Weyburn. The present manager is Mr. E. Everson.

THE INDEPENDENT LUMBER CO.

The Independent Lumber Company established itself here in March, 1905, with R. C. Sloan as its first manager, and has been very successful. It now has one of the largest yards in the west. Its present manager is W. C. Dowd, who came here a couple of years ago and is very popular with all classes.

WEYBURN L. & E. CO.

Another lumber firm which justly claims to have the largest lumber shed west of Winnipeg, and to carry the largest stock in Saskatchewan, is the Weyburn Lumber and Elevator Co., whose yards are on the southwest corner of Souris avenue and Fourth street. It was

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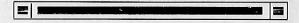
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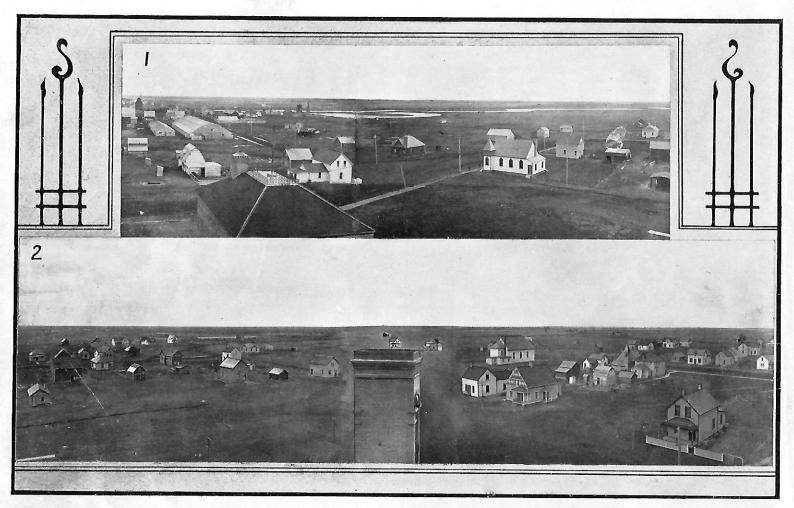
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No. 1—East side of Main Street looking north from Worden's Hardware Store No. 2—East side of Main Street looking north from Fox Building



No. 1-Looking N. E. from Schoolhouse Tower.

No. 2-Looking North from Schoolhouse Tower.

established here in 1902, its manager being A. Schoenleben, who is still acting in that capacity. It is another American concern and a product of the American invasion. One of its founders (with its present manager), was Mr. J. McBride, who has managed the Weyburn mill since taking it over from the original owners, some four years ago. A view of the inside of the company's large shed appears elsewhere.

CANADIAN INVESTMENT CO.

Talking of lumber concerns, perhaps the Canadian Investment Co. holds quite as high a place in the regard of the public of Weyburn di trict as any concern of its kind in the West. It was established in 1902, with Jos. Mergens as its manager, who still holds that position. It is an American concern, and its yards are on the corner of Railway avenue and Fourth street, on the east side of Fourth street, where everything in the building line is kept in stock. Besides the manager, the staff consists of Wm. Geddes, Wm. Mertz and R. A. Mergens,

WEYBURN'S HOTELS.

Wm. McKenzie, proprietor of the Royal Hotel, came to Winnipeg from Grand Rapids in 1882. He is a hotelman of long experience, which stands him in good stead in the management of the splendid hotel which he is now conducting. His first venture in the hotel line in Manitoba was in Ninga, from which place he moved to Dauphin, then to Swan River, coming to Weyburn four and a half years ago, and purchasing the Royal from Robinson & Walsh. Since purchasing the property he has made extensive improvements, tearing down the old frame structure erected by his predecessors, on the west side, and extending the building to the corner of Second street; also building an addition to the rear of the diningroom. He has also supplied each room with individual telephones, and put in electric lights and a water plant, making the hotel one of the most up-to-date in the West. As it stands to-day the Royal cannot have cost less than \$80,000, and would be cheap at \$100,000.

The New Waverley is another hotel which is a credit to Weyburn. Indeed Weyburn is fortunate in this regard. No town of its size west of Winnipeg can boast of such splendid structures. The New Waverley was commenced in 1906 by Sid Conant and completed the year following. It is a brick structure and was built from sand brick made by the Weyburn Cement Bleck and Brick Co., now a thing of the past. The old part to the east was the pioneer hotel of the place, and was commenced by John Hening in 1899, who sold out to the Powleys—Henry and Bill—who in turn sold out to the late Ed. Sawver, and he later sold it to Sid Conant. The present proprietor is F. L. Wilson, an Englishman, and an old hotelman, who has spared

no pains since taking over the property to make it second to none in all respects in the west. A view of this building will be seen, as well as of the Royal, the former on the right and the latter on the left of the initial street scene in this publication.

The North Star Hotel on Railway avenue, just west of Second street, was built by Adam Walker about six years ago, who conducted it up to July, 1907, when he sold out to the present proprietor, F. J. Thompson, an American from Valley City, N.D. Since taking over the property the new proprietor has made considerable improvements, enlarging the dining room and providing more sleeping accommodation, and now can accommedate quite a large number of guests. The North Star is a strict temperance house.

BENEVOLENT AND SECRET SOCIETIES.

The following societies are represented in Weyburn and were organized on the dates given:

- I. O. F., Court No. 1008.—Organized in 1903, with the following officers: W. R. Brown is the present Financial Secretary, and W. G. Pearson, C. R.
- I. O. O. F.—Organized in 1903, with R. M. Sutherland as N. G., Thos. Tucker, V.G., and Angus Curry, R.S. The present officers are: Angus Currie, N.G.; J. R. Bacon, R.S.
- A. F. and A. M.—Organized in February, 1905; Thos. Mawson, W.M. The present officers are: John Garrison, W.M.; George Ross, Secretary.
- K. of P., Weyburn Lodge No. 8811—Organized Sept. 13, 1907; D. Davidson, C. C.; B. C. Robson, K.R.S. Present officers: William Baxter, C.C.; J. McKenzie, K.R.S.
- I. O. F.—Organized 1904; Secretary, E. M. Bigg; T. A. Spafford is the present Secretary;
- L. O. L.—Organized in 1903, the first Master being Ed .Potts. W. R. Brown is the present secretary.
- A St. Andrew's Scciety was organized on the 31st of November, 1904. The meeting was held in the law office of W. M. Kellock and the following office's were elected: Hon. Pres., John McTaggart; President, A. Waddell; Secretary-Treasurer, J. C. McClellan. The present officers are: R. M. Sutherland, President; Hugh Craig, Secretary. The first public entertainment was given on Burns' anniversary, 1905, and entertainments and suppers have been an annual occurrence ever since, all characteristized by the enthusiasm common to the Scotch race on such occasions.

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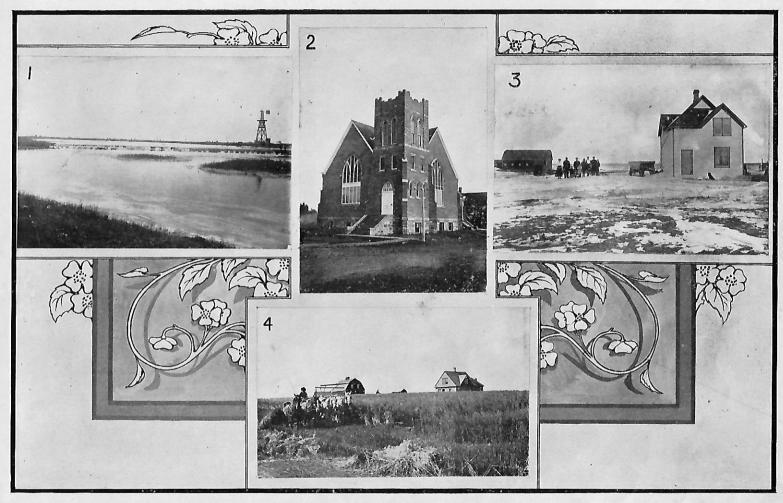
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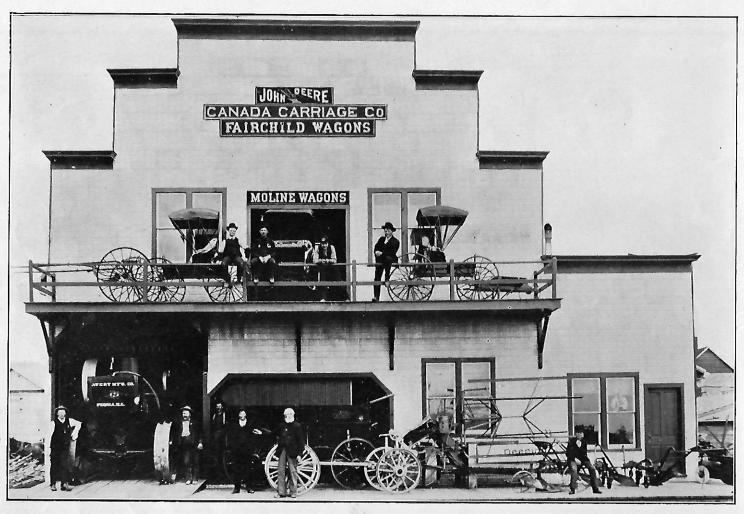
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No. 1-The Raging River.

No. 2-Presbyterian Church.

No. 3-A Winter Scene-Residence of David Tourigney. No. 4-Scene on Frank Moffet's farm west of Weyburn.



The above cut is the Warehouse of the Weyburn Implement Co., Limited. This is a Farmers' Co-operative Joint Stock Co., Limited, composed of 150 of the best farmers in Weyburn district. They handle a complete line of Deering Harvesting Machinery, John Deere Plows, Canada Carriage Co's goods, Nichols & Shepperd Co's Threshers and all other articles in the implement line.



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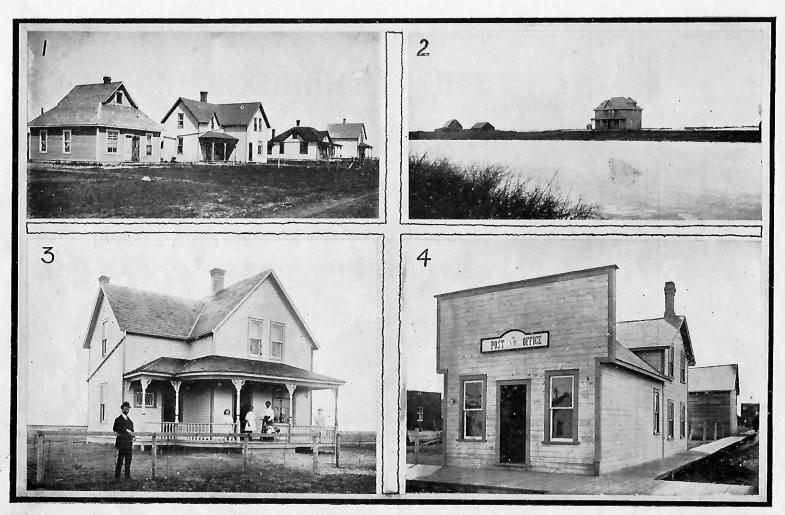
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HIGH ROCK WATERS IRON BREW CIDERS ETC., ETC.

THOS. SIMONS

Representative



No. 1-West side of Division Street.

No. 2-Jas. Sherrick's Residence.

No. 3-Residence of H. McGowan.

No. 4-Post Office, 1899-1906.

WEYBURN BOARD OF TRADE.

A Board of Trade was organized in Weyburn in 1902, the meeting being held in P. E. Metheral's store, Dr. M. Mitchell in the chair and T. H. Blacklock acting as Secretary. On motion \$1.00 was fixed as the annual fee, and the following gentlemen paid the required sum: R. M. Mitchell, Joseph Mergens, F. B. Moffet, J. McBride, P. E. Metheral, J. A. Cummings, Thomas Jordan, R. M. Sutherland, J. A. Wood, W. Watson, E. A. Chappel, N. D. McKinnon, J. N. Bacon, J. A. Mitchell, T. H. Blacklock, T. A. Blacklock and L. A. Freeland.

The following permanent officers were then elected: President, Joseph Mergens; Vice-President, T. Tucker; Secretary-Treasurer, F. B. Moffet; Executive Committee, P. E. Metheral, J. A. Wood, J. McBride. At this meeting exception was taken to the then single tax system in force, and a motion was proposed by T. H. Blacklock and J. A. Mitchell that a committee be appointed to draft a system of taxation on personal property and submit the same to the annual meeting of the ratepayers, which was carried, and Messrs. T. Tucker, Dr. E. Metheral and N. D. McKinnon were appointed. At this meeting the Secretary's salary was placed at \$10.00 per year. Another matter taken up at the meeting was the proper drainage of the town.

At the meeting on Dec. 5th a motion was adopted "That land be assessed at its full value and buildings at two-thirds their value."

At the meeting on Jan. 10th, 1903, the question of cement sidewalks was brought up, as also the question of erecting Weyburn into a village and the extension of Third street across the river.

At the meeting on Feb. 17th, 1902, it was recommended that a census be taken with a view to erecting Weyburn into a town. At this meeting the sidewalk, fire engine and mill site questions were taken up, and at the March 30 meeting the site offered for the mill by A. R. Leitch was accepted.

The officers for 1904 were: President, James McBride; Vice-President, Thomas Tucker; Secretary, Joseph Mergens; Executive Committee, Messrs. Metheral, McTaggart and McKinnon. At this meeting Drs. Bowman and Smith appeared in connection with the establishment of a hospital, the present general hospital, I presume.

The officers in 1905 were: President, P. E. Metheral; Vice-President, John Knowling; Secretary-Treasurer, R. Beach; Executive Committee, N. D. McKinnon, J. A. McBride, J. Mergens; Clerk, O. S. Black.

The officers for 1906 were: President, T. H. Blacklock; Vice-President, J. R. Fox; Secretary-Treasurer, O. S. Mitchell; Council, Messrs. Cummings, McTaggart and McBride; O. S. Black, clerk,

For 1907 the officers were: O. S. Black, President; Thomas Harvey, Vice-President; Council, J. Cummings, McTaggart and McBride; T. H. Blacklock, Secretary pro tem. The president and secretary resigned during the year, and Dr. Bowman and Wm. Little were elected to fill their respective unexpired terms.

The officers for the present year are: President, Dr. R. M. Mitchell; Vice-President, C. H. Hartney; Executive Committee, T. H. Blacklock, J. Mergens, N. D. McKinnon, F. Moffet, W. J. Gallon; Secretary, Jos. B. Martin. The yearly fee is now \$5.00 and the membership 51.

Personal Mention

THOMAS TUCKER.

Speaking of Early settlers, while W. H. Hunt was one of the earliest settlers of this district, having located near Weyburn in 1892, the honor of founding the Village of Weyburn belongs to others and the honor of erecting the first building is very generally conceded to the late Thomas Tucker, who built the store now occupied by T. Spofford and Kitson & Murray, in the spring of 1899. Here Mr. Tucker carried on a hardware business and Taylor & Metheral a greery store. Mr. Tucker was also in the implement business. In 1902 he built the present stone residence opposite the Methodist church. Mr. Tucker was a member of and treasurer of the first School Board of Weyburn District, and a member of the first Council of the town of Weyburn. He died in 1906, greatly regretted by his fellow citizens.

THE MITCHELLS.

The Mitchells, Dr. R. M., J. A. and Alex., have been so often referred to in this book that it is scarcely necessary to give them further notice. As has been stated, the doctor came here in the early days, and has been prominent ever since in every movement having for its aim the upbuilding of Weyburn. He was instrumental in organizing the Board of Trade in 1902, and is President of that body for the present year. He was also Mayor in the years 1904 and 1907. He also is an enthusiastic sport man and an active member of the Weyburn crack football team. In politics he is a Liberal and in religion a Presbyterian. The doctor is a big-hearted and social gentleman and is deservedly popular with all classes.

J. A. Mitchell, ex-postmaster, is Weyburn's pioneer implement dealer and one of the founders of the town. He came here as the representative of the Massey-Harris Company in 1898, and remained in its service up to the time of his appointment as postmaster, and on retiring from the latter position he again entered the employ of the company as travelling agent, which position he still holds. He was a



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No. 2—Methodist Sunday School Choir. Spencer Gray, Organist. Mrs. J. G. Elliott, Teacher. 1st Row--Austin Metheral, Miss Annie Stewart, Miss Mabel Ateyo, Miss Mary Stewart.
2nd Row—Elliott Robins, Miss Hazel Ateyo, Spencer Gray, Miss Grace Fate, Albert King. 3rd Row—Miss Lena Scarrow, Harry Osborne, Mrs. G. J. Elliott, Little Tom,
Carmen Metheral, Miss Mary King. 4th Row—Miss Elsie Zuell, Miss Norma Noble, Miss Amanda Osler, Jas. Culham, Miss Nellie Metheral, Johnny Owens

member of Weyburn's first Board of Trade, and also a member of the first Town Council. He built a fine residence some years ago on the corner of Souris avenue and Fourth street, and is one of the few in Weyburn who possess and who believe in an automobile. The Mitchells are from Swigley, Dufferin County, Ont.

MR. W. H. HUNT,

the first settler to live in Weyburn, was born at Listowel, Perth County, Ont., about 45 years ago. He came west as far as Indian Head in the spring of 1889 and commenced farming. Like most men who came West, Mr. Hunt was desirous of obtaining a homestead for himself, and as there were none to be had near Indian Head, he, accompanied by John Tate, Henry Powley and Pete Wilkins, drove across country from Indian Head to Alameda, and from there west and along the Soo line until they came to where the town of Wevburn now stands, where they decided to locate. He moved from Indian Head to Weyburn in July, 1893, and during that summer the Soo line was completed from North Portal to Pasqua. In the fall of this same year Weyburn station was built, and it, along with Mr. Hunt's and Peter Wilkins' were the only buildings within fifty miles of Weyburn, until the spring of 1899, when people commenced to settle in that place. To Mr. Hunt belongs the honor of raising the first wheat in Weyburn district, all No. 1 hard. He did not, however, confine himself to farming, but engaged mostly in ranching, as the country was more adopted for that business at that time, there being no settlers.

In 1895 he was appointed postmaster, which position he held up to 1906, when he resigned, owing to the ever-increasing demands upon his time by his many other business affairs. In this year he decided to creet a business and office block, which would also embrace a public hall or opera house. This block was completed the following year, and is to-day one of the most up-to-date in the West, being constructed of Twin City brick, trimmed with Bedford stone, and costing about \$30,000. It is also a striking testimony of Mr. Hunt's great faith in the Weyburn district.

Mr. Hunt has also been agent for many years of the North of Scotland Loan Co., which is one of the largest financial companies doing bu iness in the West, and he believes that this company has proved one of the greatest boons to the early settlers of the Weyburn di trict, on account of its liberal dealings with the public. He has also been agent for Galt coal since 1899. He also operated a lumber yard at Yellow Grass under the firm name of Hunt & Bunting from 1900 to 1907, when the firm sold out, realizing good returns from their investment. At the present time he owns about one thousand acres of

land in the vicinity of Weyburn, which is mostly improved and within a few miles of the town. He also owns town property in Weyburn and Yellow Grass, and is now financially interested in the Western Clay Products Co., Limited, recently formed for the purpose of manufacturing fire brick, tile, poteery and building brick. From specimens of building brick produced from clay found on Mr. Hunt's homestead, there is no doubt whatever that this new enterprise will prove a success and a boon to the Weyburn district, as the bricks shown are a high class press brick. Mr. Hunt is a man of stering qualities, and has ever been noted for his honest and liberal dealings with the public, ever being found ready and willing to help his fellow men, and is highly respected and esteemed throughout the whole community.

FRANK B. MOFFET

real estate dealer, whose office is on the southwest corner of Main street and Railway avenue, is a native of Ontario, coming to this district from the village of Jordan, Lincoln county, in the spring of 1899. His early years were spent on the farm, after leaving which he taught school for eight years in his native province. To him belongs the distinction of having been the first teacher in Weyburn school. He was also Secretary of the School Board for the years 1899, 1890 and 1891. In November, 1901, he started in the real estate and insurance besine s in partnership with Alex. Ross, now of the firm of Ross & Biglow, of Regina, a temporary office being secured in the Waverley Hotel, until they took up quarters in the Weyburn Security Bank Building. This partnership only lasted a few months, however, and Mr. Ross went into business for himself. In 1904 Mr. Moffet opened out in his present office, where he has carried on a successful land busine s. Mr. Moffet was also Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of Trade in 1902, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Town of Weyburn during 1903-4, succeeding P. E. Metheral, who acted as Secretary pro tem for a short time. Politically speaking, Mr. Moffet is a staunch Liberal and contested South Qu'Appelle in the interests of his party in the election of 1905, in opposition to the Hon. G. W. Haultain, but was defeated. Besides being interested in real estate, Mr. Moffet is extensively engaged in farming, having 1,120 acres under crop this year, and being the possessor of a large herd of thoroughbred cattle.

JAMES McBRIDE

came to Weyburn in 1902 from Bellingham, Minn., and has been one of the town's most public spirited citizens, being engaged in the milling and lumber business, besides taking an interest in everything calculated to advance the interests of Weyburn. He was a member of the first Board of Trade and President of that body in 1904, and has

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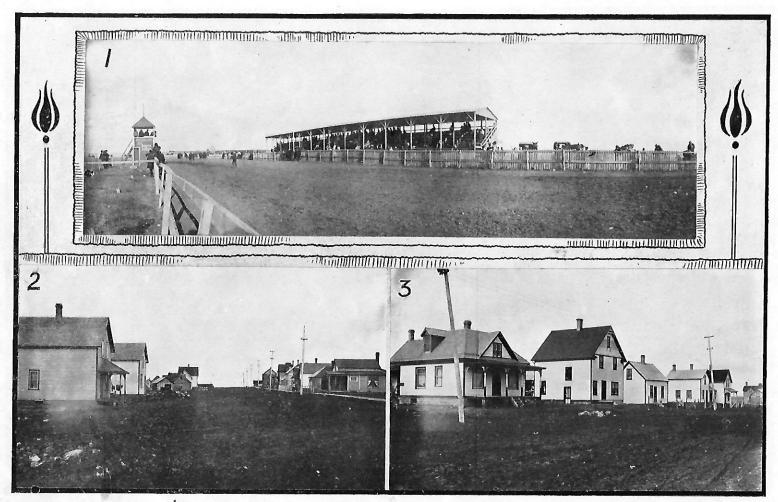
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No. 2-F. W. Smith, 12 miles S. W. Weyburn, Sask.



No. 1--Pavillion and Homestrench on Weyburn Turf Club Grounds 1908.

No. 2-Third Avenue, south side, looking east.

No. 3--Second Avenue, south side, looking west.

been an active member of that body ever since. He was also a member of the town Council for 1907, but was defeated in the race for the mayoralty in the election of 1908. He is largely interested in the Weyburn L. & E. Co., which commenced business here in 1903, and has been manager of the Soo Line Mill since it was purchased from the original owners, A. R. Leach & Co.

JOSEPH MERGENS.

manager of the Canadian Investment Co., is another Bellingham, Minn., man, and was one of the American invaders. He was the first manager of the Weyburn Security Co., Bankers, which was established here in 1902, and has been one of Weyburn's most enterprising citizens ever since. He was President of the first Board of Trade (1902), Vice-President in 1905, and is now a member of the Executive of that body.

A. SCHOENLEBEN,

manager of the lumber yard of the Weyburn Lumber & Elevator Co., came to Weyburn in 1902, from Bellingham, Minn., was leader of and organizer of Weyburn's first band, and is a member of the present band. This does not mean, however that he is all the time, or most of his time, blowing his horn, for he plays close attention to business, which is increasing with the years.

THOMAS ASHFORD,

whose farm is partly within the corporation of Weyburn, is a native of England, and was born near Bristol in 1856. He came to Canada when he was 21 years old and lived in Brantford for six years, when he moved to North Dakota, locating west of Grandin. Six years after he moved to the Pacific coast, where he lived for two years, then returning to North Dakota, buying 1,280 acres in Barnes and Steel Countier. In 1901 he sold out his American possessions and again returned to Canada, locating in Weyburn district, buying 2,100 acres. His farm near Weyburn consists of 700 acres, inclusive of homestead. He built his present home in 1902. To Mr. Ashford belongs the honor of being the first man to deposit money in Weyburn Security Bank.

COUNCILLOR SAM MURRAY,

grocer and farmer, was born in Caledon East, Ont., 44 years ago, and spent his young days in New Lowel, Sunnydale township, 16 miles north of Barrie. He worked for several years in the lumber camps of Muskoka, as foreman, and also served as brakesman on the G. T. 'R. for some time, and later traveling out of Toronto for a patent medicine concern. He came west ten years ago, having Yellow Grass

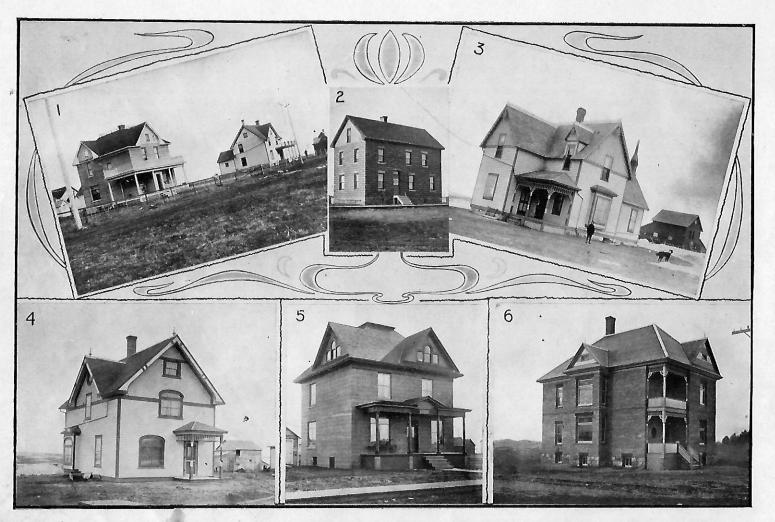
as his objective point, to which place his car of outfit was shipped, but happening to visit Weyburn in the interval between his arrival and the arrival of his car, he changed his mind and located here. He bought out T. Spofford, who was then engaged in the grocery business in the present premises, as also the building from P. E. Metheral. To say that Mr. Murray has been successful is to express the idea mildly, as his business has increased ever since, and to-day he does a wholesale and retail business, and is enjoying the distinction of conducting the only select grocery store on the Soo line. Like other business men in Weyburn, Mr. Murray could not be content with one line of business, and combined farming with his other cares. He first rented a farm, then he bought a half section on the grade straight north of Weyburn. This year he has 237 acres in wheat and 70 acres of oats, the balance being reserved for pasture. He has now gone into stock raising, his only possession in that line other than what he requires for farming being the standard bred mare, "Lou Fakir," and a half interest in "Joe Interest," the splendid inbred stallion and fast pacer. At the last town election Mr. Murray was elected a member of the Town Council. He was also the chief mover in the organization of the Weyburn Volunteer Fire Brigade, of which he is honorary captain, his experience as chief of the Gravenhurst Fire Brigade having qualified him for that honor. He is also President of the Weyburn Lacrosse Club, one of the strongest organizations in the West. Mrs. Murray is a sister of Robert and Albert Johns, painters and decorators. Weyburn, and a daughter of K. Kimber Johns, barrister, Gravenhurst, Ont.

JOHN MCTAGGART,

Though John McTaggart, Provincial J. P., did not settle permanently in Weyburn until five years ago, there are not many men in the town who have done more for its advancement. One of the old landmarks on the Main street, Parson's butcher shop, was built by him in 1899, when he was engaged on the railway. This building he still owns, as well as the cement store occupied by W. Horne & Co., which he built two years ago. Mr. McTaggart is a native of Middlesex County, Ont., and came west in 1882, and up to the time of his settling in Weyburn was engaged in railroad work of one kind or another. He has always been an active member of the Board of Trade, and he finds time for an occasional game of baseball. His home is on Second street, and is known as the Horne residence, and one of the old landmarks.

L. A. FREELAND, GENERAL MERCHANT.

Hope, North Dakota, lost, and Weyburn gained an enterprising citizen when the subject of this sketch took up his residence in this



No. 1--Sixth Street, showing Hilliard and Fox residences. No. 2--Drs. Bowman & Smith, Hospital, Weyburn, Sask. No. 3--Residence of John Q. Nickel, Souris Ave. No. 5-Residence of Dr. H. D. Smith. No. 6-Residence of G. A. Mitchell, Souris Ave.

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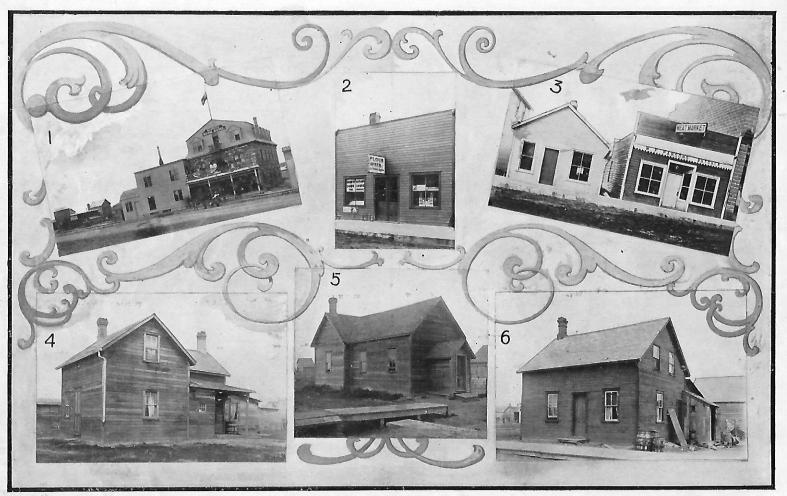
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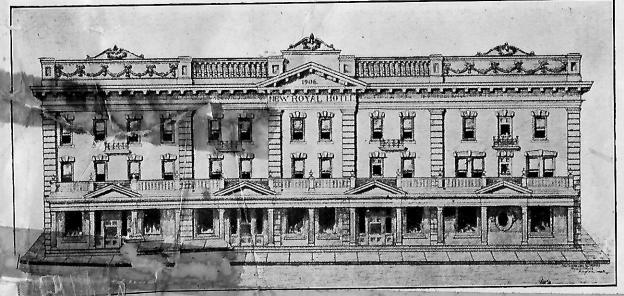
WEYBURN,

SASK.



No. 1-Old Royal Hotel.

No. 2—Tucker's Store. No. 3—Healey's Store, now a Barber Shop, Horne's Store, now a Meat Market. No. 4—The Horne Residence. No. 5—The First Church—Methodist. No. 6—"The Orphan's Home" First boarding house in Weyburn.



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B. McKinnon, Left Wing



Residence of Thomas Ashford



community. Like the great majority of those who have come from the great Republic to the south, Mr. Freeland has shown a keen American instinct for business and has been successful in a somewhat remarkable degree. He is a native of Ohio, from which state he moved to North Dakota over twenty years ago, locating in Hope, where he conducted the Hope House for a number of years. He was also engaged for some time selling land for the Southern Pacific Railway. In 1900 he came to the Canadian Northwest, locating in Weyburn, and for the first two years was engaged selling land for the Canadian Pacific Railway. On March 26th, 1902, he embarked as a general merchant in the present premises, his pusiness increasing every year until he now carries one of the largest and most complete stocks in Weyburn, consisting of dry goods, millinery, boots and shoes, clothing, hats and caps, groceries, etc., his yearly business now aggregating in the neighborhood of \$100,000. But while Mr. Freeland has done a large trade in the mercantile line, he also has farmed on an equal, if not larger, scale, being the possessor of over four sections of land, 1,500 acres of which he has under cultivation this year, of which 1.240 acres are seeded with wheat and the balance with oats, flax, barley, etc. Last year Mr. Freeland threshed over 26,000 bushels of grain, 20,000 bushels of which were wheat. This bowever, if sign, the week of the we - Jacketto, and - casily retain his place

reeland has achieved does not fall to the lot of every man who comes to the Northwest, and it is but fair to say that it is due in a great measure to the able assistant he has in the person of Mrs. Freeland, who is ever on duty and ever keeping a watchful eye to business interests.

O. S. MITCHELL,

Druggist, came from Hamilton, Ont., arriving here in 1903, and forming a partnership with Dr. Bowman. Under his management the firm established a large trade and opened branch stores in Halbrite and Macoun Last year Dr. Bowman retired, going into the real estate business, since which time Mr. Mitchell has disposed of his branch stores and is giving his sole attention to his local business, which is one of the largest in the West outside of the cities. As a citizen Mr. Mitchell is very popular, being big hearted and generous, giving freely to any and every cause he thinks deserving. He takes a lively interest in all manly sport, particularly lacrosse and hockey, and to his efforts the good standing of these clubs is in a great measure due. He is also a member of the Weyburn Turf Club, and takes an active interest in its management. Mr. Mitchell has an able assistant

in the person of George Wiberg, who has been in his employ some time.

THE HORNES,

The prosperous house of Wm. Horne & Co. is an example of how little beginnings make big ends. The foundation of this house was laid in 1899 by John Horne, Sr., and John Horne, Jr., who commenced business under the name of John Horne & Co., in the building now occupied by W. F. Parsons as a butcher shop, which was built by and belongs to John McTaggart. Later the style of the firm was changed to Horne, Wood & Co., J. A. Wood, now in the employ of the C. P. R., having become a member of the firm. After three years the firm was again changed to Wm. Horne & Co. The original members of the firm, father and son, are now living on their homesteads to the south of the town. Wm. Horne was at one time engaged on the C. P. R. as section foreman, but left that life to go into the mercantile business, in which he seems to be quite successful. Mr. Horne is a curler of considerable note, his rink winning the challenge trophy at the last local bonspeil.

F. S ST. JOHN,

Auctioneer and real estate dealer, is one of the old settlers. He was born in the State of Wisconsin, where he lived unti' grew to manhood's estate. He then moved to Bellingham, Minr. to Clear Lake, finally settling in Reville, S.D., where he remained until 1902, when he came to Weyburn. He first took up a homestead and bought 3,000 acres of land, and in the following year (1903), started in the butcher business. In 1904 he sold out to Wm. Geroux, since which time he has confined himself to auctioneering, real estate and dealing in horses and cattle. Mr. St. John, of course, did not come into the country with an absolutely empty purse, having ample means to carry on business, and has added to his wealth in money and lands. He is, however, one of those men who succeed in most anything they undertake, and would prosper where a hundred others fail. As a citizen he is loyal and enterprising, being ever ready to give a helping hand to any movement having for its aim the prosperity of Weyburn and district.

ROBINSON & WALSH,

wholesale liquor dealers, who occupy the premises erected by them just east of the Royal Hotel, Railway avenue, are both Canadians, the former coming originally from Orangeville, and the latter from Toronto. They first tried their fortunes in Wheaton, Minn., in 1892, where they remained until 1902, when they came to Weyburn, purchasing the Royal Hotel from Dan Petty that year, and adding a





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No. 2-Barn of Thos. Harvey.

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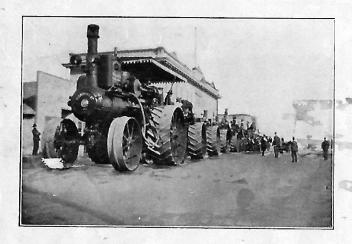


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frame addition to the west side and a third story. A year and a half later they sold out to the present proprietor, Wm. McKenzie. Later they erected their present place of business on Railway avenue, just east of the Royal Hotel. Mr. Robinson is an enthusiastic curler and takes a great interest in all the bonspiels, being a crack player. Mr. Walsh, on the other hand, believes in horse flesh, owns a fast horse, and is a member of the Weyburn Turf Club. He owns a handsome residence on the southeast corner of Souris avenue and Fifth street.



Snap Shots by George Ross



BUFFALO BONES

One of our snapshots shows the relics of an occupation that is past and gone. Some 28 years ago a Winnipeg firm started out to collect buffalo bones from the far west. They were gathered in piles and drawn by ox teams to Regina which was then a siding on the main line. The above is one of a few heaps that are left, it lies some distance to the S. W. of here and is daily diminishing as the tide of immigration is increasing.

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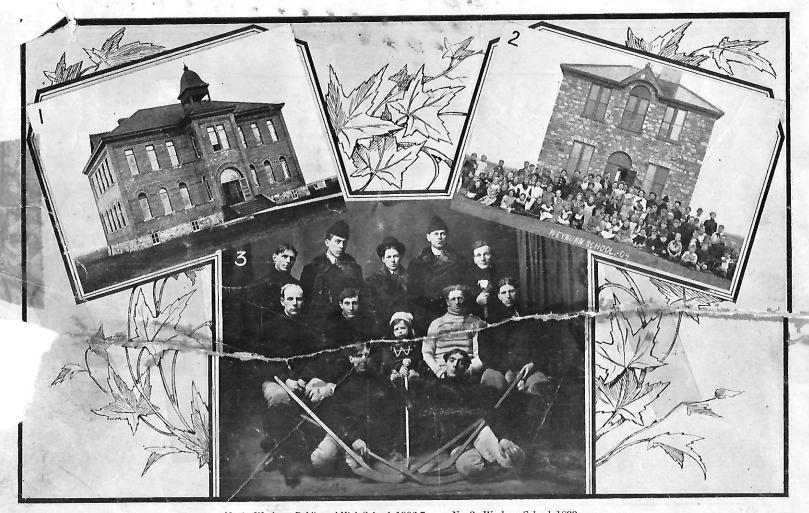
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Second Row—J. B. Tripp, Point; W. McMurray, Cover Point; Clifford McKenzie, Mascot; Harry Leavens, Spare; A. Gourlie, Goal.

Wing and Top Row—H. McSherry, Left Wing; T. Best, Right Wing and Captain.

HROUGH some misunderstanding the printer omitted a number of personal notices, and the publisher has been forced to take this means of making amends for the omission. The gentlemen to whom personal reference had been made are among the most prominent in all Weyburn, and it would not only be unfair to them, but a serious mistake on the publisher's part to pass them by unnoticed. The printer has also made a few typographical errors, but none of a very serious nature, and they may be overlooked. The most serious error in the book is in one of the principal groups—that on page 56, in which, by some unaccountable means, the Milestone School is substituted for that of Weyburn. This mistake will be more than compensated for by the additional full page illustration of Weyburn Public School, which appears in the first part of the book. Another mistake on the part of the artists, was, in omitting Elwin's drug store from the second view, which appeared on the original photograph, directly opposite the Canadian Bank of Commerce. Otherwise, the work of the printers has been creditably executed.

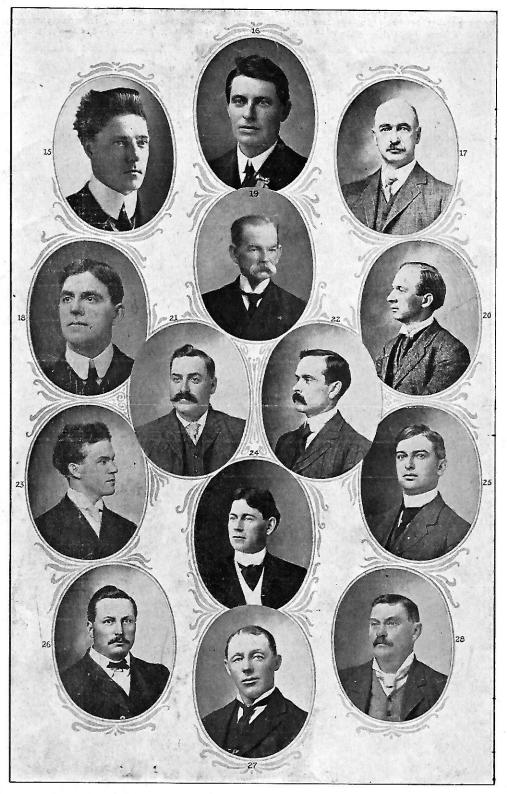
- ¶ POSTMASTER McGOWAN was one of the first settlers of the Weyburn district, having arrived from Barrie, Ont., in 1899, near which place he was born and grew to manhood. His early days were spent on the farm, in the logging camps, running a stumping machine, and for some time as road-master in his native township. His farm, which comprises 350 acres, is situated a short distance to the north-west of Weyburn, and is one of the most valuable in the district. He also owns a fine house in Weyburn, built last year, together with the post office building, which he also built since he was appointed post master about a year ago. For some time after settling in the district Mr. McGowan acted as assessor, and while acting in that capacity he was instructed to assess all Hudson Bay lands in order to make a test case, and thus have it settled once for all if the company's lands were assessible. At the trial which ensued, Mr. McGowan was the chief witness, and it was decided that the company's lands were assessible. Mr. McGowan is a prominent member of the Grain Growers' Association; in the work of which he takes a lively interest. In politics he is Liberal, in religion a Presbyterian, and there are few men in the community more widely known and respected.
- ¶ MAYOR W. J. MONAGHAN is a native of Osprey township, Grey County, Ontario, and came to Weyburn in 1901. For the first couple of years he followed his trade as stonemason and plasterer, and there are few of the houses built in these years in the construction of which he was not engaged. He then went into the hardware business in the premises now occupied by him on Second street, and which he built and owns. In this venture he has been most successful, and a short time ago he added a stock of groceries to his stock in trade. At the last town election he was chosen as mayor, a position for which he is well qualified by reason of his past experience as reeve and councillor in his native township. As a business man Mr, Monaghan is careful and believes in going slow rather than too fast, and keeping the taxes down to a minimum, thus encouraging people to settle in the town.
- ¶ GEORGE BEICHEL needs no introduction to the people of Weyburn district, for there are few men more widely known or more generally respected. He is an American of German parentage, and has all the energy and dash of the former and the

stubborn honesty and independence of the latter. He came to Weyburn from Iowa in 1900 and opened out the Pioneer Real Estate Office in a frame building where the liquor store of Robinson & Walsh now stands. Later he went into the implement and horse trade business with Dan Pretty as a partner, and the firm soon established one of the largest businesses in their line in the West, and it is safe to say that no other firm did more to populate and advance the interests of Weyburn and district than the firm of which George Beichel was the head and guiding spirit. As a citizen Mr. Beichel has always taken a prominent part in any movement having for its aim the advancement of the interests of Weyburn, and has always contributed generously of his means to any good cause. He is president of the Weyburn Turf Club, of which he was one of the chief organizers, and in the success of which he takes a deep interest. At the last town election he was chosen a member of the council, and at the recent Conservative convention to nominate a candidate for the Provincial legislature, he was unanimously chosen as their standard bearer. He is a young married man, and resides in a handsome residence on the south-eastern limits of the town. Recently he disposed of his implement business to the Weyburn Implement Company, Limited, of which Thos. Asford is president and L. E. Yingst, manager. Fred

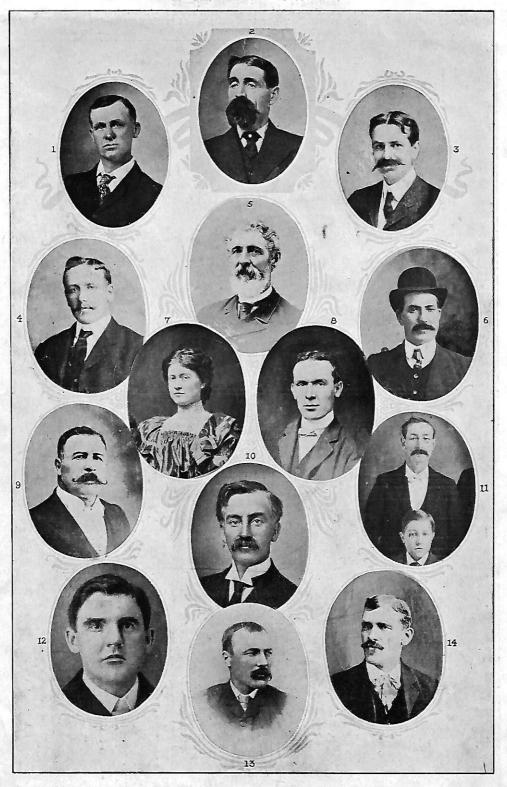
¶ WM. LEROUX, proprietor of the Weyburn Meat Market and Grocery, is another of Weyburn's most enterprising business men. He is a native of Montreal and came to Weyburn'in the early days, taking up a farm on the eastern limits of the town, which he still cultivates. Later he bought out the Weyburn Meat Market, then being conducted by S. F. St. John. Since embarking in the butcher business he has succeeded in establishing one of the largest businesses in his line in the West and has the largest refrigerator capacity on the Soo line. He makes a specialty of raising pure Berkshire hogs, of which he has several hundred. This year he went into raising small fruits quite extensively, from which he expects to derive quite a revenue in the near future. A portrait of himself and wife appears elsewhere.

- ¶ The publisher had written some nice things about Thos. H. Blacklock, one of the pioneer teachers of Weyburn district, and Weyburn's first mayor and pioneer newspaper man, but out of respect for his well known modesty he will not rush into print further than to say that no citizen of Weyburn has been more closely identified with the town's interests than Mr. Blacklock since he came here in 1900 from Grey County, Ontario. In politics Mr. Blacklock is a Conservative and has the very handy and happy faculty of giving reasons for the faith that is in him, either with the pen or on the public platform. In 1902 he established the Herald, his first office being in a little frame building where the Union restaurant now stands, built by Jack Cummings, and about five years ago he moved to his present premises. Mrs. Blacklock also enjoys the distinction of being one of the pioneer teachers of Weyburn district.
- ¶ ED. CHAPPELL, who recently resigned from the position of Town Clerk, came to Weyburn from Red Deer, Afberta, in 1900, succeeding Frank Moffet as principal of the village school. He then taught in the country schools for some time, after which he went into the land business. In April, 1907, he was made town clerk. He has been a member of the Weyburn band since its organization in 1902. In politics he is a Liberal and has the reputation of being a fluent speaker.
- ¶ W. C. PARSONS, editor and publisher of the Weyburn Tribune, is an Englishman by birth and came here from South Africa a couple of years ago, where he was engaged in the printing business during the Boer war. Since establishing the Tribune a few months ago he has experienced all the trials which usually fall to the lot of the newspaper man, but bids fair to overcome his difficulties with time. He is a member of the town football team, also the fire brigade. In religion he is a Baptist and an earnest worker in the church.
- ¶ J. N. BACON, harnessmaker and shoe dealer, whose portrait appears elsewhere, enjoys the distinction of being the longest continuously in business of any man in Weyburn, having established himself in the frame building which formerly stood where the store of Robinson & Walsh now stands, in 1900. Later he moved to the site of his present brick store. Mr. Bacon has also been a member of the town band since its organization and is recording secretary of the I.O.O.F. Besides owning town property he is also the possessor of three quarter-sections of the best land in the district. He is the pioneer harnessmaker of the town and does an extensive trade.
- ¶ J. C. McCLELLAN, who conducts a gent's furnishing establishment on Main street, was formerly engaged in the hardware business with J. R. Fox, of the Weyburn Hardware Co., but dissolved partnership and engaged in his present line. He was a member of the first town council, mention of which is made elsewhere, and has always been one of Weyburn's most enterprising citizens.
- ¶ JOHN GARRISON, proprietor of the Union Restaurant, is another of Weyburn's most respected citizens and a prominent Free Mason, being G. M. of the local lodge. He also owns a large farm to the south-west of the town, which is almost all under cultivation and which he has rented this year to a Mr. Wheeler, late of Waskada, Man.
- ¶ J. R. FOX, of the Weyburn Hardware Co., came to Weyburn from Winnipeg in 1904 and went into partnership with J. C. McClellan in the hardware business. He made no mistake in locating in Weyburn, and to-day he is the owner of a handsome brick block on Main street, also a comfortable residence on the eastern limits of the town. He is a member of the town council and chairman of the Finance Committee.

- ¶ W. J. GALLON, of the Toggery (a view of the window of which is given on page 20) though a comparatively recent arrival, is one of the best known business men in Weyburn. He is from Montreal, where he held a responsible position in a prominent whole-sale concern for a number of years. Since establishing himself in business here he has done a large trade, having the reputation of carrying the best in his line. Socially Mr. Gallon is a boon companion and takes a deep interest in all athletic sports.
- ¶ THOS. HARVEY, real estate dealer, is an Englishman by birth and previous to coming to Weyburn was engaged in the life insurance business in Winnipeg and Emerson. He built the real estate office now occupied by H. A. Syavely, the first real estate office built in Weyburn, and later moved to his present office on Railway avenue, east of 4th street. After locating here Mr. Harvey travelled for some time in Illinois and other states, selling Canadian lands and drumming up settlers, in which he was very successful, and not a little credit is due to him for the settlement of the Weyburn district with a good class of farmers. As was his due, Mr. Harvey has been successful, and last year he erected the finest house in the Weyburn district, costing about \$12,000, a view of which is given on page 32 of this book. As a citizen there are few more enterprising and none more respected.
- ¶ W. J. DUIGNAN, blacksmith, who conducts a business on the north-west corner of 2nd street, formerly owned by Frank Bauer, is also a native of Grey county, and is known far and wide as an expert horse shoer, his specialty being track horses. Since coming to Weyburn about three years ago he has worked up a large and paying trade. He also owns a large farm to the south-west of the town, which he has under cultivation.
- ¶ PHOTOGRAPHER C. F. McMULLEN, who furnished the greater number of the views in this book, is an American by birth and came to Weyburn from Iowa some years ago, first establishing himself on the corner of 2nd street and Souris avenue, later moving to his present stand on the S.W. corner of 4th street and Souris avenue. He is an artist of good ability and does a large business. He, too, has great faith in western soil and is the possessor of a considerable number of acres.
- ¶ J. R. POFF, merchant tailor, is another of Weyburn's enterprising business men, and has been very successful in his business, working up quite a large trade, which keeps him constantly employed. He finds time, however, to take an interest in athletic sports and is a member of the Weyburn football team, in which he takes a deep interest. He also owns a farm to the north of the town.
- ¶ P. E. METHERAL, of Metheral & Bowman, real estate dealers, can justly claim to be one of Weyburn's pioneers, and its pioneer merchant, having sold goods from a trunk in a tent in 1898, while the Tucker building was under construction. When the building was completed he occupied one-half and Mr. Tucker the other. He was also Weyburn's first Overseer. He sold out his business a bout a year ago to W. J. Gallon and went into the real estate business with his present partner, since which time the firm has been very successful. He owns a fine house on the south side of the river besides other valuable property.
- ¶ DR. BOWMAN, of Metheral & Bowman, real estate dealers, has been in Weyburn about five years, and came from Jordan, Ontario, where he practised his profession after obtaining his degree of M.D. On coming here he went into partnership with Dr. R. H. Smith, in conjunction with whom he established the General Hospital, located on 2nd



15—Dougald Davidson; 16—Frank Rooney; 17—W. J. Gannon; 18—J. N. Bacon; 19—H. T. McPhillips; 20—T. H. Blacklock; 21—Dr. R. M. Mitchell; 22—J. J. Duff, M.A.; 23—J. B. Martin; 24—O. S. Mitchell; 25—H. Hilliar, Barrister; 26—Dr. R. H. Smith; 27—Geo. Beischel; 28—L. Ä. Freeland.



1—Gouncillor S. Murray; 2—Mayor W. J. Monaghan; 3—Gouncillor J. R. Fox; 4—Thomas Harvey; 5—J. J. Kitson, J.P.; 6—H. McGowan, Postmaster; 7—Mrs. W. Leroux; 8—Mr. W. Leroux; 9—W. Baxter; 10—P. E. Metheral; 11—F. S. St. John and son Floyd; 12—W. M. Kellock, B.A.; 13—John McTaggart; 14—A. Gordon.

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avenue, south side. He also erected the store now occupied by O.S. Mitchell, druggist, with whom he was in pattnership up to his going into business with P.E. Metheral. The doctor is one of Weyburn's most public spirited citizens and is widely known and respected.

- ¶ ALEX. CONNOR, of Connor Bros., real estate dealers, comes from Oxford County, Ontario. The brothers have been engaged in the real estate business in Weyburn for something like four years with connections in Iowa, to which state Mr. Connor makes occasional business visits, selling improved lands and inducing desirable farmers to locate in the Canadian West, in which the brothers have been very successful. See view 1, page 14.
- ¶ N. D. McKINNON, Weyburn's merchant prince, comes from Creemore, near Barrie, Ont., and has been in Weyburn since the early days, having been a member of the first town council, a photo of which body is given on page 38, standing in front of his store. Since coming to Weyburn, Mr. McKinnon has been successful in a remarkable degree, and now has one of the largest establishments west of Winnipeg outside of the cities, Just now he is making a large addition to his premises and making improvements in the old store, which will give him the necessary room to handle his ever increasing trade. In the management of his extensive business, Mr. McKinnon is ably assisted by his son, Norman, who is a most painstaking and capable business man. Besides his store business, Mr. McKinnon also owns an elevator and handles grain. He lives in a handsoone house on 4th street.
- ¶ MASSEY-HARRIS. Among the many implement firms doing business in the West none take higher rank than the Massey-Harris Co. It was the first to establish a branch in Weyburn and no institution of its kind has done a larger trade or done more to help along the struggling farmer. As stated elsewhere, John Mitchell was the first agent here, that was in 1898, and filled that position continuously up to the time he was appointed postmaster, when he was succeeded by D. L. Croston, the present agent who is deservedly popular with the farming community.
- ¶ WORDEN & CO., hardware merchants, are Americans, and are worthy representatives of the people to the south, of whom Weyburn can happily boast of not a few. A view of their premises is given in the foreground of the top view on page 99. Like all those who came in from the neighboring Republic they have been successful in establishing a large business, which is increasing every day. A view of the residence of Mr. Worden, is given on page 21.
- ¶ BORGEN BROS., implement dealers, is another American firm and of recent arrival who bought out Hunter & McParlane a little over a year ago and succeeded to a large and remunerative business. Being men of experience in the implement line they cannot fail to succeed. Their place of business is on 2nd street.
- ¶ H. A. STAVELEY is another of our American cousins who deals in real estate and who has been successful. His office is just south of the Union restaurant and a view of his residence is given on page 21.
- ¶ Among other business men not specially mentioned are W. H. McCallum, real estate dealer, who owns considerable city property in the eastern part of the town; J.Q. Nickel, real estate and insurance agent, also livery man, a view of whose residence is given on

- page 46; A. A. Eich, implement dealer, and agent for the McCormick Co., whose place of business is on River avenue, west of 1st street; Jno. and Jas. Tedford, blacksmith and harness maker respectively from Grey County, Ont.; H. Stanbridge of the Star bakery; W. A. Conley, baker, 4th street; R. C. Andros, auctioneer; Curzon Bros., Avery Smith and G. Laroche, draymen; Levi Seeley, blacksmith, whose shop is on the N. E. corner of 4th street and Souris avenue, and who is one of the eldest citizens of Weyburn, he having been employed by Alex. Mitchell and W. J. Hunter in the early days, and E. O. Gauthier and G. Mathers, carriage makers, and O. A. Borgen, butcher, Main Street.
- ¶ GEO, J. G. JARRETT, architect, who has been in Weyburn since the early days is a native of Port Perry, Ont., and arrived in Winnipeg in 1883. Later he drifted to Weyburn, where he established an office, since which time he has succeeded in acquiring considerable landed property as well as building up a good business, many of the buildings in the town and district having been designed by him. He has been a member of the town band since its organization. His office is in the Fox building.
- ¶ J. J. KITSON, J.P., came to Weyburn from Creemore, near Barrie, Ont., about three years ago, where he for some time held a similar office. He is the father of J. R. Kitson, of Kitson & Murray, who owns a large farm to the south of the town. Since settling in Weyburn, Mr. Kitson has built a comfortable residence, a view of which appears on page 46.
- ¶ FRANK ROONEY, contractor, is a Minnesota man, and came to Weyburn from North Dakota about four years ago. Since locating in Weyburn he has constructed a number of buildings, among them are the public school, a page view of which appears elsewhere; the Fox and the Hunt blocks, all of which are a credit to the town. At present he is engaged on the addition to McKinnon's store. As a mechanic he has few equals, and is as handy with the trowel as with the plane. As his name indicates, he is of Irish parentage.
- ¶ J. R. DIXON, barber, was born in Edinburgh, and came to Canada with his parents when but a child, which accounts for the fact that he is such a good Canadian, and which goes to show what can be done with a Scotchman if you catch him when young. His parents lived in Grey County, where he grew to manhood, and where he learned his trade. He came to Weyburn a few years ago and opened a shop on Railway Avenue, since which time he has built up a large business. He is a member of the Weyburn football team. Last year he built himself a home on the south side of the town, in which he now resides.
- ¶ HARRY LEAVENS and HUGH GREIG, who conduct a livery and feed barn on Second street. a view of which appears on 2nd street, are both natives of Ontario, and have been identified with Weyburn since the early days and have succeeded in establishing one of the largest businesses in the West, and have the largest barn on the Soo line. They are known to horsemen, far and wide, as honorable men.
- ¶ THE LETHBRIDGE BREWING & MALTING COMPANY, (Limited), whose advertisement appears on page 35, lately established a cold storage plant in Weyburn and appointed Robinson & Walsh, wholesale liquor dealers, as their representatives. This company is one of the strongest in the West, and the beer manufactured by the firm is rapidly taking rank among the best, not excepting the beer that made Milwaukee famous. The fact that this company has established a cold storage here goes to show that wholesale men are recognizing the importance of Weyburn as a distributing centre.

¶ THE WEYBURN MACHINE and ELECTRIC LIGHT CO., of which G. V. Reed, formerly city electrician of Moose Jaw, is manager, is an institution of which Weyburn has reason to be proud. There is nothing in the line of farm machinery from a plow shear to a steam engine its mechanics are not capable of repairing, and several very complicated models of new inventions have been turned out. The company are also expert electricians and do everything in that line. Their works are situated on the bank of the river in the vicinity of the railway depot. See page 47.

¶ Of veterinary surgeons, Weyburn has two:—D. A. McArthur, V.S., M.D.V., whose office is in Greig & Learen's barn on 2nd street; and J. G. Gibson, whose office is in Tedford's harness shop on 2nd street.

¶ Of Weyburn's Chinese colony, which consists of restaurant keepers, laundry men and cooks, Chan Koi, who keeps a restaurant and fruit store on Railway avenue, and who erected and owns the building in which he does business, is the acknowledged leader, and a credit to his race. He came to Weyburn from B.C. several years ago and formerly cooked in the Royal hotel.

ELEVATORS AND MILLS

¶ Weyburn being the centre of one of the largest and most productive wheat districts in Southern Saskatchewan, it is natural to suppose that its elevator capacity would be equal to the demand for storage space. Weyburn, at present, has seven elevators with a combined capacity of something like 250,000 bushels. There is also a shipping platform, which is taken advantage of by many of the large farmers who ship by the car to different eastern points. Among the companies having elevators in Weyburn are the Dominion Elevator Co., the Lake of the Woods Milling Co.; Soo Line Mills & Elevator Co. Winnipeg Elevator Co.; Western Elevator Co.; Weyburn Lumber & Elevator Co.; and W. D. McKinnon's elevator. From indications there is every fear that Weyburn's elevator capacity will be taxed to its fullest capacity this fall.

¶ Weyburn is also possessed of a large flour mill which was built some years ago, the product of which is distributed over a wide area. The quality of the output of it has no superior, as is natural from the quality of the wheat raised in the district. It was built by A. N. Leitch & Co., and afterwards purchased by its present proprietors, the Weyburn Lumber & Elevator Co., the mill being under the direction of Mr. Jas. McBride.

¶ A small feed mill is also conducted on Souris avenue east, by E. C. Smith, which proves quite a convenience to the farming community.

¶ Among the Scotch colonists should be mentioned the Gordons, of whom Roy Gordon established the present jewelery business of A. Gordon, his father; Dangold Davidson, clerk in W. M. Kellock's office, and Registrar of Vital Statistics, who came to Weyburn from the old country a couple of years ago, and George Ross, lately appointed city clerk, who has been in Weyburn for several years and who was for some time in the office of Metheral & Bowman, real estate dealers. Then there are the Waddells, who have been in the district some years, but came here direct from Scotland, and with the exception of A. Waddell, are farming south of Weyburn. A. Waddell is Dominion Lands Sub-Agent and also carries on a general insurance and collection business. He was the first president of the St. Andrew's Society, and is a prominent Oddfellow. See page 8.

¶ The most modest man in Weyburn is James B. Martin, secretary of the Board of Trade and agent for the Saskatchewan Investment and Realty Co. Ltd., who does not think himself worthy of mention. The writer thinks differently, however, and classes him among Weyburn's most public spirited citizens. His portrait appears elsewhere.

¶ HORACE COOKSON, stenographer, of Connor Bros'. office, and E. Gentry, of the Porter Land Co., are two young men worthy of more than a passing notice. Both are capable and trustworthy and cannot fail to succeed.

¶ Then there is T. A. Spofford, proprietor of the Soo Line Seed Store, Tucker building, who should not be overlooked. He is a son-in-law of Henry Moony, whose farm lies to the north-west of Weyburn, and has been resident a number of years. The writer interviewed him once and wrote him up (as he did others) but the manuscript is in Hamilton, Ontario, and he has no data. However, as Mr. Spofford is a modest man, we will cut this notice short, saying that his seeds are the best, and his separators never fail to separate the milk from the cream. See page 32.

¶ Among the latest acquisition to our population are Dr. A. G. Clark, dentist, in the Hunt block, who came here from Regina; G. W. Scott, harness and shoe dealer, Hunt block; R. A. Armit, jeweler, Main street, successor to Arthur Burch; and W. R. Bracken & Co., proprietors of the Red Star Furniture Store and successors to John Cummings, who was one of the early settlers of Weyburn, and who sold out about a year ago.

