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ANNUAL MEETING QUEBEC BRIDGE CO.

WHY RESIDENT ENGINEER MCCLURE WAS SENT TO PHOENIXVILLE

Special to The Leader.

QUEBEC, Sept. 3.—The annual meeting of the Quebec Bridge Co., was held today. President Parent presiding.

The treasurer's report showed that $3,116,000 has already been paid to the Phoenix Bridge Co., and $163,000 is at present due for work already done.

The annual report is accompanied by a report from Chief Engineer Hoare, who says:

"On the evening of the 27th ult., Mr. McClure, the resident inspecting engineer, came to me with a sketch showing that the ribs in one of the lower chords of the west truss of the anchor arm showed an inward side deflection.

"The matter was reported the same day to the consulting engineer, and Phoenix Bridge Co., but in order to avoid delays and any misunderstanding that might arise from the transmission of the messages, Mr. McClure left for New York and Phoenixville, to discuss the question.

"Soon after these interviews took place, the bridge very suddenly collapsed, whether the chord in question was the cause of the accident or not, is at present undetermined.

"Personally, I did not see any immediate danger, at the same time I considered the question of sufficient importance to send Mr. McClure to explain the situation to the consulting engineer and the Phoenix Bridge Co.

"Before Mr. McClure left he satisfied me as to the pier levels and line of the main post, etc. A few days previously, the levels were taken for detection, which agreed with the theoretical calculations showing that everything was making out as it should do."

Parent was re-elected president. He desired to retire, as during last session certain members of the House of Commons had commented upon his incapability for the position at the same time that he was chairman of the National Transcontinental. He was unanimously elected, a motion at the same time being carried fixing his indemnity at $3,000 per year.

British Government Cable Sympathy

Special to The Leader.

OTTAWA, Sept. 3.—Lord Elgin cables to Lord Grey, the deep regret of His Majestys Government regarding the bridge disaster, and expressing sympathy with the sufferers and the Canadian people.

CHEAPER RATES FOR OCEAN TRAVEL

STEAMSHIP COMPANIES REDUCE RATES—JUDGE WANTED FOR ARBITRATION

Special to The Leader.

MONTREAL, Sept. 3.—At a meeting of the passenger managers of the various Canadian lines, plying to Liverpool, held in the offices of the Dominion line this afternoon, it was decided that in view of the cutting of rates to Liverpool by lines, plying from New York, the winter schedule for the Canadian lines shall come into force on Sept. 15, instead of Nov. 1, as before. The result of the latest move is a reduction on the minimum rate from Montreal and Quebec to Liverpool, on other Empresses of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co's., or the Turbiners of the Allen Line to $65. This is a reduction of $15. The Lake Manitoba of the Canadian Pacific Railway Co., and the Dominion of the Dominion line, will have a rate of $50, while the Tunisian and Corsican of the Allen line and the Canada of the Dominion line will have a minimum rate of $55.

Cotton Company Dispute

Mr. D. McCormick, representing the Montreal Cotton Co., and Wilfred Paquette, president of the Canadian Federation of Textile Workers have failed to agree on a third arbitrator. It was decided to notify the minister of labor, that they could not agree, and ask for the appointment of a judge who can speak the English and French languages.

Advance in Milk Prices

Four cents per gallon increase in the price of milk over the price charged last winter, was agreed upon yesterday, after a lengthy controversy between the milk shippers and milk dealers.

Customs Revenues Increase.

Special to The Leader.

OTTAWA, Sept. 3.—The customs revenue of the Dominion for the month of August shows a phenomenal increase of over a million dollars over August 1906. The total receipts for the past month were $5,643,402, for the five months of the fiscal year ending August the receipts were $26,289,037 as compared with $20,337,034 for the same time last year, being an increase of $5,872,065.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN AGREEMENT

Will Result in Building of Railway Along Persian Gulf

By Associated Press.

TOKIO, Sept. 3.—It is reported here on reliable authority that the new Anglo-Russian agreement divides Persia into two sections, but the respective spheres of influence of the two nations remains unchanged. The principal benefit to result from the agreement will be the building of a railroad along the Persian gulf.

SPORTING JUSTICE HEAVILY FINED

FOR SHOOTING DUCKS ON SUNDAY—WEYBURN MAN PAYS FOR TRYING TO SHOOT

From Our Own Correspondent.

WEYBURN, Sask., Sept. 3.—Because he was shooting ducks out of season, though on the first day of September, and Sunday at that, James Wheeler, justice of the peace for McTaggart, Sask., was this afternoon fined $100 and costs, by Magistrates Kittson and McTaggart of this town. Mr. Wheeler thought he knew all about the law, but his brother J. P. had him cinched.

At the same sitting Sam Buffan of Weyburn district, was fined $50 and costs, for attempting to shoot game on Sunday. Sam had a gun but it would not shoot straight. Two companions, the Denforth brothers, who carried no guns, paid the costs of the court and got off on a suspended sentence.

BETHUNE NEWS ITEMS

Presentation Trade Changes—Machinery Business is Booming

From Our Own Correspondent.

BETHUNE, Sept. 3.—Mr. Fred G. Curtis, blacksmith, on his departure from here was presented with a handsome and valuable rifle by his friends. The present was accompanied by an illuminated address beautifully executed by M. E. B. Aitkins, a local artist. The function was held in the dining room of the Palmer and a jovial evening was spent in speeches, songs and music to which solid and liquid refreshments were added. Messrs. Blakeley, Locke and Officer were the acting hosts.

Mr. Brooks formerly of Pense, Sask., is now the proprietor of the blacksmithing business recently carried on by Fred Curtis.

Mrs. William Nuttall is quite ill and is now in Regina undergoing surgical treatment. Her many friends hope to learn of her speedy recovery.

Ralph Parsons lost a valuable team of horses recently by lightning.

Fred Gibson of Lumsden, was a recent visitor to Bethune. So was Sam Moore, editor of the Regina "West."

The machinery business is booming here; about ten big manufacturers of binders, threshers and so on, are being represented. This may serve as an index to the grain growing capabilities of the Bethune district.

The post office now presents a handsome appearance in its dress of red colored brick shingles.

NO COAL SHORTAGE HERE

Fifty Thousand Tons Taken From Mine in Month

Special to The Leader.

NANIAMO, B. C., Sept. 3.—Close on to fifty thousand tons of coal will be taken out of the Western Coal company's mine this month, and the pay roll will aggregate $125,000. The amounts constitute a record in British Columbia mine operations.

CONTRACTED DEBTS HAGUE CONFERENCE

ALL COUNTRIES BAR SWITZERLAND—AGREE TO PROPOSAL OF UNITED STATES

By Associated Press.

THE HAGUE, Sept. 3.—General Horace Porter, of the American delegation to the peace conference, lead his proposal for the collection of contracted debts to a practically unanimous approval today, by the committee of examination, and at the conclusion of the meeting he was the recipient of many congratulations upon the success of his efforts. The importance of this proposition, it is pointed out, lies in the principle which it establishes, rather than in its practical application which may be very seldom.

General Porter met all the objections raised with ready argument, and finally brought all the countries represented into line, with the single exception of Switzerland, which is neither a debtor nor creditor country. There is reason to believe, however, that even the Swiss Government will sign the convention with a reserve regarding the matter of jurisdiction.

CHINESE GAMBLERS RAID IN SASKATOON

KEEPER OF GAMBLING HOUSE FINED—PLAYERS IN GAME TO BE TRIED

From Our Own Correspondent.

SASKATOON, Sept. 3.—Matthew Chin, accused of keeping a Chinese gambling house was fined $20 today, by Magistrates A. Turner and J. Jackson. The case was heard by Thibaudeau for the Defence. Thirteen other Chinamen charged with participating in the game, will come up for trial tomorrow.

THE TURKS IN PERSIA.

Several of the Shah's Officers Killed by Invaders.

TREHERAN, Sept. 3. — General Samsam Dowlh and other Persian officers, according to reports received here, have been killed by the invading Turks, after having been taken prisoners. Many inoffensive villagers including women and children, have been slaughtered, a number of women have been carried off, a church has been defiled and much grain and other property has been taken or destroyed. Turkish regular troops, with artillery, were within four miles of Urumiah August 15. There are no signs of the withdrawal of Turks from Persian territory.

Special Commission Despatched

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 3. — The government is despatching a special commission of high officials to the Turko-Persian frontier to open an inquiry on the invasion by Turks of Persian territory and the bloodshed and destruction of property that followed. The Porte repudiates the allegation that Ottoman troops advanced beyond the frontier.

CRAIK SHOOTING ACCIDENT

Duck Shooter's Gun Explodes Scattering Man's Right Hand

From Our Own Correspondent.

CRAIK, Sask., Sept. 3.—O. F. Folk, of the Russian settlement near Chamberlain, was in town last evening to have his badly injured hand attended to. He sent to Regina for a new gun, and while out shooting ducks on Monday, the opening day of the season, his gun exploded, shattering his right hand. It was necessary to amputate the first finger and thumb, other fingers were terribly lacerated.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT NEAR TORONTO

C. P. R. TRAIN WITH EXHIBITION PASSENGERS WRECKED AT ORANGEVILLE

Special to The Leader.

TORONTO, Sept. 3.—Six were killed and a large number badly injured in a wreck on the Canadian Pacific Railway, which occurred near Orangeville, 42 miles from Toronto, this morning. The dead are:

James Banks of Perma, P. O.

Norman Tucker, 13 years old, son of Bandmaster Tucker, Flesherton.

John Thurston, Walter Falls, Armstrong.

A. Miller of Markdale.

James Brander or Buller of Priceville.

Two persons unidentified.

A special train from Markdale was bringing passengers to the Toronto national exhibition. At Orangeville, it was one hour late, and at this side there is a steep grade down which it is said the engineer attempted to gain time. While rounding a horse shoe curve, at a high speed, the train left the rails. Two cars were telescoped into the engine.

Six men, sitting in the smoking compartment, were killed.

The injured were brought to Toronto where the civic authorities placed the hospitals at their disposal.

BORDEN SPEAKS AT MONTREAL MEETING

IS LUNCHED AND GIVEN ADDRESS BY MEMBERS OF LAFONTAINE CLUB

Special to The Leader.

MONTREAL, Sept. 3.—R. Borden spent today in Montreal. At noon he was the guest at a luncheon in his honor given by the Lafontaine club, and was presented an enthusiastic address.

In the evening he addressed a meeting in the Monument National hall, which accommodates three thousand people. Long before the meeting, the people were turned away.

His address consisted of a defence of the platform laid down by him at the Halifax meeting.

The other speakers were Monk, Bergeron and Marechal.

ALL FOR THE LOVE OF A LADY

Rival Suitors Quarrel at a Saturday Night's Dance—Man Stabbed

Special to The Leader.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 3.—Slashed in more than a dozen places by a knife wielded by Olie Daniels, Jack Churchill lies at St. Paul's hospital alive, but near to death. The fight grew out of a suit for the hand of a young lady, and the quarrel started at a Saturday night dance in an alley back of the Dane hall, whither the two gallants repaired, and began the scrimmage with their fists, Daniels pulling a vicious looking knife, and using it with undoubtedly murderous intent. At the alley entrance the young lady waited for the victor, and when Daniels emerged, he took her arm and led her off. In passing down the street the couple walked by a policeman, who allowed Daniels to get away, giving as his excuse that he did not know there was any trouble, although he had been informed there was.

Detectives are now searching for Daniels, but he has not been apprehended.

FAILURE OF FRUIT CROPS

In Western Ontario, Unless Rain Comes at Once

Special to The Leader.

LONDON, Ont., Sept. 3.—The fruit crop in this section of the country is likely to be almost a complete failure, unless rain comes at once. Nearly all the fall varieties of apples are scarce an of poor quality.

The condition is general throughout western Ontario.

HAMAR GREENWOOD AT VANCOUVER

SPEAKS ON "CANADA AND THE EMPIRE" CUSTOMS RECEIPTS SHOOTING ACCIDENT

Special to The Leader.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 3.—Hamar Greenwood, the English member of parliament spoke here today, before the Canadian club on "Canada and the Empire." He reviewed his career and expressed his loyalty to Canada. In his case he declared he had attained some distinction of being parliamentry secretary to Winston Churchill. However, he thought that it was little more than folly for a Canadian to attempt to rise to distinction in these days, for the task was too great.

LUMSDEN NEWS

Grading Disley Line—Shooting Parties—Wolves Plentiful

From Our Own Correspondent.

LUMSDEN, Sept. 3.—A portion of the new Canadian Northern Railway route to Disley, is being graded in town, at the southwest side of the school and other portions of the grade is rapidly closing.

A representative of the Retail Merchants' association of Western Canada has secured several members.

W. B. Watkins, town clerk left for Toronto last week. He will be absent a couple of weeks.

R. Jamieson broke several bones in his left arm on Monday, whilst moving a stick of timber.

Nearly everybody in town who can secure a team is at Pelican lake, at Little lake, or on the marsh at the foot of Last Mountain lake, slaughtering ducks. No accidents have been reported, beyond a couple at Port Hyman, one of whom was slightly peppered. Some big bags were brought into town.

Dundas street is being improved by the grader. James street, since the grader disturbed it, looks like a piece of summer fallowed land.

Lumsden beach was well patronized with picnic parties on Monday.

Wolves are plentiful in the ravines on either side of the valley.

William Riddell a prominent rancher up the valley, is prostrated with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Halsted of Mt. Forest, Ont., after spending six weeks with her daughter, Mrs. D. M. Balfour, returned east on Saturday.

Mair & Sons big stable on James street is going up rapidly with a big force of men on the job.

Farm lands are quietly looked after here. J. G. Miller is disposing of his property at Craik. D. A. Purdy is looking for a 50-acre garden patch near town.

Dr. Cairns has gone to Toronto for a couple of weeks.

Farm hands from Ontario are arriving here daily.

Fool Hardy Teamster

Special to The Leader.

FERNIE, B. C., Sept. 3.—A teamster with more nerve than brains, attempted to ford the Elk river on a boom of logs, but when the loaded wagon and logs struck the swift current the whole was carried down the stream with the flood. The driver escaped, but both horses were drowned, entailing a loss of $700 to the Elk Lumber Co.

BASEBALL

EASTERN.

At Buffalo—Buffalo 2; Montreal 1. Second game—Buffalo 4; Montreal 1.

At Baltimore—Baltimore 3; Jersey City 1.

At Rochester—Toronto 1; Rochester 4. Second game—Toronto 2; Rochester 3.

At Providence: Providence 5 Newark 0.

Second—Providence 4; Newark 2.

AMERICAN.

At Cleveland—Cleveland 0; St. Louis 1.

At Chicago—Chicago 6; Detroit 9.

At Philadelphia—Washington 6; Philadelphia 15.

At Toledo: Toledo 0; Columbus 14.

Second—Columbus 4; Toledo 3.

At Pittsburg: Pittsburg 2; Cincinnati 4.

Second—Washington 1; Philadelphia 9; (5 innings, darkness).

At New York: Boston 5; New York 10.

NATIONAL.

At St. Louis—Chicago 5; St. Louis 3.

At New York: Brooklyn 3; New York 2.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

At Kansas City—St. Paul 1; Kansas City 9.

At Milwaukee—Milwaukee 2; Minneapolis 1.

At Indianapolis—Louisville 1; Indianapolis 0. Second game—Louisville 1; Indianapolis 0.

At Kansas City: Kansas City 9; St. Paul 1.

ARCTIC PASSENGERS REACH EDMONTON

"MIDNIGHT SUN" WITH FURS FROM FAR NORTH ARRIVES LOSS OF EXPLORERS

Special to The Leader.

EDMONTON, Sept. 3.—The steamer "Midnight Sun" arrived yesterday at Athabasca landing with the Hudson's Bay furs from the far north and a number of passengers. Harrison, one of the party who has been in the Arctic circle for the last two years, reports of Mr. Stevens, arriving at Herschel island, from Fort Atmous island, reporting that the "Duchess of Bedford," a ship belonging to the Anglo-American expedition, had filled with water, and they had removed everything to the main shore, and that the ship would probably sink. Captain Pickleson, Mr. Leturgeville and another man whose name he did not know, had left the ship in February, with sixty days' provisions for a supposed land to the north, and had been gone seventy days, and no news had been received from them. One of their train of dogs had returned. It is likely the party will never be heard from again.

The Hudson Bay Co. steamer "Wrigley," arrived at McPherson on July 21, bringing Major Jarvis and Corp. Selog and three men to relieve Major Howard, Corp. Hawkes and Constables Pritchard and Walker. The steamer left again at midnight on July 22. The return trip being made in three favorable weather, arriving at Athabasca landing on Sept. 2. Constable Walker, of the R. N. W. M. P. of Herschel island, and mate Stein of the wrecked whaler "Bonanza," and two whale boats, arrived at Fort MacPherson, from the island on July 10, to await the arrival of the steamship "Wrigley," to take the police supplies to the Herschel island detachment, and leave again on the 22nd of July with Major Jarvis and Constable Carter, who relieves Constable Walker. The weather in the far north during the past winter has been excellent, as compared with the winters of 1905 and 1906. The lowest temperature being about 56 below.

Debenture Tenders Refused

The city council have refused tenders for the sale of $56,000 local improvement debentures recently received. The commissioners are of the opinion that a better price than that offered can be obtained and it is upon their recommendation that the sale has been deferred for the present.

Number of Laborers Wanted

E. Blake Robertson, assistant superintendent of immigration at Ottawa, left today, to travel along the Grand Trunk Pacific right of way, to ascertain the number of laborers required to carry on the railway construction of the line. He has made similar trips in British Columbia this season and will report the results of his investigation to the department at Ottawa. Last year 10,000 men were brought to Canada for this purpose.

WOMAN MARTYR BURNS TO DEATH

BELIEVING SHE HAS BEEN CALLED BUILDS FUNERAL PYRE, AND MEETS DEATH

Special to The Leader.

MONTREAL, Sept. 3.—Believing that Christ had ordered her to die like Joan of Arc, Mrs. Jos. Lalonde, 46 years of age, residing at St. Lazre, a few miles from Vaudreuil, went up on to a hill, built a funeral pyre, and burned herself to death.

Mrs. Lalonde spent several hours gathering fence rails, and logs on her own farm preparing for her immolation. After she had the huge pile of wood assembled, she sat down and wrote several letters, in which she stated that she had decided to respond to the call of God.

She placed the letters in her hat, and hung it on the limb of a tree near the scene of the tragedy, she had taken the precaution to bring plenty of matches with her.

She removed all her clothing, and hung it along the tree limbs which shadowed the fatal bonfire.

This tragic affair took place just when high mass was being said in the village church, and the discovery was not made until after the congregation had been dismissed. During the service, however, the flames from the fire reflected through the windows of the little church, but it was not thought to be anything more than rubbish burning.

After the service an investigation was made, when the charred remains of Mrs. Lalonde were found lying a few yards from the burning timbers. She was apparently unable to stand the frightful ordeal, and had jumped out of the fire after she had been fatally burned. She was found lying face downwards with the grass clutched in both hands.

The body was taken to her late home here.

Her several small children were terrified at the sight when she was removed to her home.

Joseph Lalonde died about six months ago, and since that time the poor woman has been acting strangely, but it was never thought by the neighbors that she contemplated such an act.

Coroner McMahon went out and, holding an enquiry, decided that the woman killed herself while of unsound mind.

THE WEATHER AND THE WHEAT

Weather Bulletin

The Canadian meteorological service observations taken at 6 o'clock last evening, Regina time, were as follows:

Regina, clear	66
Port Arthur, cloudy	56
Winnipeg, fair	62
Minnedosa, clear	62
Swift Current, fair	68
Battleford, cloudy	68
Prince Albert, fair	66
Medicine Hat, fair	70
Calgary, fair	62
Edmonton, fair	70

The pressure continues high over Manitoba, and the weather has been fine and moderately warm. In Saskatchewan and Alberta, some scattered showers and local thunderstorms have occurred. The outlook is for fair and moderately warm weather generally.

Forecast:—

Manitoba: Fine and moderately warm.

Saskatchewan and Alberta, mostly fair, and moderately warm, but a few scattered showers.

Cash Wheat

WINNIPEG, Sept. 3.—The following are the prices paid for cash wheat on today's market:

One hard	98
One northern	97
Two northern	94¼
3 northern	89½
No. 4	86½
Oats	42½
Barley	51
Flax	1.20

Number of cars inspected 122.

Winnipeg, Sept. 3.—Fluctuations in options.

	Open	Close
Wheat		
Sept.	96 a	97 b
Oct.	98 a	98¾s
Dec.	98 b	99 b
May	105 a	105¼ b
Oats:—		
Sept.	42 b	42 b
Oct.	41 b	41 b
Dec.	40¼ b	40¼ a

Winnipeg Markets Lower

Special to The Leader.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 3.—Unresponsive Liverpool cables to our advance Saturday, and brighter weather throughout the western provinces, caused the prices in the local market to open considerably lower, over a cent and a half being knocked off values before a level was reached, which absorbed all the offerings.

On the extreme low point, commission houses and scalpers came in and bought quite freely, causing a rally, the early loss to be recovered.

On the more favorable harvesting conditions there appeared to be plenty of wheat for sale on every little rally and it took a lot of persistent buying to get the prices up to the figures of the previous close. Nothwithstanding the fact that the American markets were extremely strong and higher over Sunday and the holiday.

The weather throughout the prairie provinces has been generally fair, and temperatures have risen slightly in all districts.

The forecast for Manitoba is fine and moderately warm today, and on Wednesday, and mostly fair, but comparatively cooler weather is predicted for Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Receipts Falling Off

The receipts of wheat are falling aff, and are expected to run light until the new crop begins to move, as the interior elevators are pretty well cleaned up.

Demand for export does not improve although there is fairly good demand for good milling wheat from the local and eastern millers.

The first delivery day of September did not bring out much wheat, although larger deliveries are expected on this contract in a day or two. Sentiment at the close is mixed, and prices at this level seem to be on debatable grounds.

New York's Visible Supply

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—The visible supply of grain on Saturday, Aug. 31, compiled by the New York produce exchange was as follows:

	Bushels.	Increase.	Decrease.
Wheat	49,530,000	.....	1,988,000
Oats	1,933,000	371,000	.....
Barley	452,000	203,000	.....

Strong Chicago Market

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.—The continued excellent demand for cash wheat and higher cables caused a strong wheat market here today.

At the close December wheat was up 1 5-8 to 3-4c. Oats were 1 to 1 1-8c higher.

The wheat market opened steady on the initial quotations, but soon eased off because of the large world's shipments, favorable weather and easy Liverpool cables.

Later the report of substantial gains on the European markets, and the excellent demand for cash wheat here and elsewhere, turned the prevailing sentiment to the bull side and it was an easy matter for the longs to keep prices advancing.

Liberal sales of flour by southwestern mills, was a strong bullish factor.

The foreign demand for cash wheat was perhaps the greatest influence in stiffening prices.

December opened 1-8c lower to 1-8c higher at 97 1-2 to 97 3-4, sold between 97 1-8 and 99 1-2 to 5-8, and closed strong at 99 1-4 to 3-8c.

Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 513,000 bushels.

Primary receipts were 1,345,000 bushes aainst 1,061,000 bushels on the same day last year.

Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 754 cars against 480 cars last week, and 392 cars a year ago.

Liverpool Markets Steady

By Associated Press.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 3.—Wheat was steady at opening, 1-8 to 3-4 higher, due to excessive covering on the part of shorts, and to strength in the Berlin market.

Later the market eased somewhat, prices losing 3-8 to 1-2, owing to an official report from Canada stating that the crops had sustained no damage as a result of the recent frost, and the fact of continued Russian offerings.

Crop Report Coming

Varying reports as to the condition of the crops in and about twenty-five districts of the province have been received by the Department of Agriculture, and many more are expected in the next day or two. The towns from which replies are to hand include: Carnduff, Qu' Appelle, Abernethy, Welwyn, Fleming, Yellowgrass, Saskatoon, Oxbow, Antler, Lumsden, Broadview, Carlyle, Wolseley Maymont, Summerberry, Arcola, Creelman, Esterhazy, Maple Creek Whitewood, Radisson, Ellisboro, and Bladworth. Over sixty letters of inquiry were sent out.

Provincial Labor Supply

According to a recent estimate there have been already imported to Saskatchewan for harvesting purposes, 3,472 laborers from the east. About 1,800 of these went to Moose Jaw and have been either distributed in that district or sent on to Alberta. Many are scattered at points along the branch lines, and more are expected. It is anticipated that in addition to those already engaged, four to five thousand men from outside the province will be needed.

Threshing Starts

From Our Own Correspondent.

CRAIK, Sask., Sept. 3.—The first threshing of the season was done on Monday on the farm of Angus McQuilkan, near Aylesbury. He had his barley threshed and reports a good yield. Great numbers of farmes have started wheat harvest and if the present hot weather continues, cutting will be general, in this wide district, this week.

A Promising Outlook

A. B. Cook returned to the city on Monday after an extended driving through the Kirkella line district and the G. T. P country north. In the course of his driving, Mr. Cook passed tnrough Dubuque, Grayson, Stockholm, Esterhazy, Earl Grey, Southey and Cupar, and a careful investigation of the crops he saw, led him to form an extremely optimistic view of the outlook in the districts mentioned. In the vicinity of Stockholm, Mr. Cook states that he saw crops which will easily average 30 bushels to the acre, many fields promising to yield as high as forty bushels.

Bethune Crops Good

From Our Own Correspondent.

BETHUNE, Sept. 3.—The crops in this district are looking fine, with an expected wheat average of 20 to 30 bushels per acre. Barring frost, and a week or less of fine weather favoring us, we will land a crop worth talking about.

Cutting at Lumsden

From Our Own Correspondent.

LUMSDEN, Sept. 3.—Weather conditions of last week proved somewhat disappointing to farmers. Many expected to cut grain in the latter part of the week after the promising weather of Wednesday. Rain fell for 18 hours on Thursday and Saturday. It cleared on Sunday and indications were more hopeful Monday and today, the weather has been ideal for producing No. 1 hard.

S. S. Dickson's wheat on the north plain is ahead of anything in that vicinity. Charles Bennett started the binder on Monday.

John Herman, Longlaketon, interviewed today, says it is safer to allow the wheat to freeze than cut it when showing the least sign of greeness.