

WITH THE FARMERS

TO BUILD MANY ELEVATORS.

Calgary, Dec. 15.—The abundance and excellence of Alberta red wheat is attracting the attention of eastern grain dealers and some of them have already established branch offices in Calgary and others propose doing so before another year. The latest to establish a branch office is Alex Wain, J. Bettington & Co., of Winnipeg. C. J. Walbridge is in charge of the Calgary office.

Mr. Walbridge states that although his firm had only been doing business in Alberta for a couple of months he had already shipped over 300,000 bushels of wheat to Fort William. It is the intention of the firm to build a line of elevators at all the principal shipping points along both the north and south branches of the C. & N. railway and make Calgary their headquarters for Alberta.

In speaking of the proposal to ship Alberta wheat to Liverpool by way of Vancouver, Mr. Walbridge said that in his opinion the scheme is quite possible and can be made to become an accomplished fact.

Mr. Walbridge has been in the grain business for over twenty years in different parts of the United States, and says that Alberta wheat beats any he ever saw both in abundance of yield and quality of grain at the close.

SEED FAIRS IN ALBERTA.

W. C. McKillop, Alberta representative of the seed branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, has supplied the Bulletin with the following list of dates of the Seed Fairs to be held in Alberta this winter. The dates of some others are to be decided later. All the fairs will be held in the month of January as follows:

Irvine, Jan. 14th; Three Hills, 14th; Taber, 15th; Lethbridge, 16th; Three Hill Valley, 16th; Raymond, 16th; Magrath, 19th and 20th; Alex. 21st; Lacombe, 21st; Cardston, 21st; Red Deer, 22nd; Macleod, 23rd; Sedgewick, 25th; Daysland, 26th; Gleichen, 26th; Didsbury, 27th; Fort Saskatchewan, 28th; Olds, 28th; Vegreville, 29th; Vermillion, 30th; Inverfall, 29th and 30th.

STOCK SHIPPERS AT WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 16.—About sixty members of the Western Live Stock Shippers' Association, principally from Manitoba and Alberta, are in session here today under the presidency of James W. Foley, president of the Plover Mount. At a meeting tonight, special resolutions will be passed regarding the attention of federal and provincial governments to what is claimed as a breach of laws by railways operating in the west regarding the moving of cattle trains and the feeding and watering of stock. It is stated cattle men are losing big money by the failure to get cars and the delay in sending for stock.

POULTRY MEETING.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Twin Cities Poultry Association was held on Wednesday night in the auction rooms of J. G. Tipton & Son, Strathcona. There was an attendance of about thirty persons. A very interesting lecture was given by A. W. Foley, chief of the poultry section of the department of agriculture. Mr. Foley took for his subject, "Poultry houses, care of poultry and egg production." The lecture was illustrated by stereopticon slides and was of great benefit, especially to raisers of poultry. A draft of by-laws for the association was submitted by the by-laws committee and discussed for some time. Arrangements were also made for the next meeting in Strathcona on the third Wednesday in January, at which time Mr. Foley promised to have a lady lecturer present. The number of fanciers and breeders of thoroughbred poultry in this section has increased one ever in the past year, and there has been a large number of birds bred, and as many more imported from the United States and England. The next poultry exhibition to be held in February is confidently expected to be the largest and most interesting one ever held in Alberta. The Department of Agriculture are taking great interest in the show, which will be held in the city and things are being left undone to make it a grand success.

COMMERCIAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK. Montreal, Dec. 16.—One thousand head of butchers' cattle, 51 milch cows and springers, 200 calves, 500 sheep and lambs and 1,046 lot 1 calves were offered at 5c per pound, and a few were sold at near 5 1/2c, while the general prices of prime beefs were about 4 1/2c per pound. Pretty good animals sold 3 1/2c to 4 1/2c; common stock, 2 1/2c to 3 1/2c per pound. Extra large milch cows sold \$5 to \$60 each. Other cows sold \$30 to \$50. Calves sold 3c to 5c. Good lots of fat hogs sold at 6 1/2c per pound.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKETS.

Chicago, December 16.—Western wheat receipts 620,000 bushels; receipts a year ago 751,000. Business taken altogether, was dull for the most part in all of confidence in prices was maintained. In wheat that was more particularly the case, and it grew in strength as the season progressed and was at its best when the market was closing. December in the end showed 1/2c advance and May a gain of 1 1/2c. Corn lost the appearance of firmness it had early in

ARBITRATION OVER G. T. P. RIGHT OF WAY

Some time was taken up in the discussion of the G. T. P. right of way which has been before the council on several previous occasions. It was ultimately given its second and third readings.

Mr. Elliott brought up the matter of housing pool rooms. He said that the present time only one pool room in the city was paying a license. The others only paid floor space and unless they had licenses it was impossible for the chief of police to enforce the regulations. The city clerk was instructed to notify all pool rooms that they must take out a license at once.

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MEETING OF L.I.D. NO. 27, 4.

The Council of Local Improvement District 27, 4, met on Tuesday, December 7, at the Royal Hotel, Spruce Grove Centre, all the members being present. The following accounts were presented and ordered paid: Jacob Goebel, road work, \$12.00; Simon Whitner, road work, 9.00; S. C. Hagen, cutting hills, 10.00; D. Uniech, blacksmithing, 4.50; H. Oppertkiser, spikes, 4.25; Wm. Briston, part salary, 25.00; Vanacke, use of trailer, 10.00; D. Uniech, blacksmithing, 4.50; H. Oppertkiser, council fees, etc., 32.63; R. Sostear, council fees, etc., 32.60; D. Brox, council fees, etc., 31.80.

WEDNESDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Dec. 16.—Liverpool opened higher on the late firmness in American reports Tuesday, and the advance of 1 1/2 on Argentine offerings, and close came 1/2 higher. American markets continued to be influenced by the government report, and though dull were strong and considerable loss of ground was regained. Chicago December closed 1/2 up, May 1 1/2 and July 1 1/2. Cash wheat showed relatively the same advance with a fair amount of trading. Alberta No. 1 red winter is now 1 1/2 under No. 1 Northern. The market in coarse grains is without interest at the moment. Receipts were 229 cars with 559 in sight for Wednesday.

Winnipeg cash wheat—No. 1 Northern, 36 1/2; No. 2 Northern, 35 1/2; No. 3 Northern, 34 1/2; No. 4 Northern, 33 1/2; No. 1 feed, 67 1/2; No. 2 feed, 66 1/2; No. 3 feed, 65 1/2; No. 4 feed, 64 1/2; No. 1 Alberta red, 96 1/2; No. 2 white, 88; No. 3 white, 86; No. 1 feed, 35; No. 2 feed, 34; No. 1 Northwestern, \$1.20; No. 1 Manitoba, \$1.18.

American options—Chicago—December, \$1.05 1/2; July, 97 1/2; 95 1/2; Minneapolis—December, \$1.04 1/2; \$1.03 1/2; May, \$1.07 1/2; \$1.07 1/2; \$1.09 1/2.

THURSDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—The wheat markets have been somewhat erratic today, fluctuating up and down within a narrow range, and in the end closing around 1/2 higher than yesterday. Liverpool was 1/2 higher opening, but closed unchanged to 1/4 lower. United States markets opened around yesterday's closing, but were active for a time, but sold down 1/2 and advanced as much again, then sold off again, closing 1/2 to 3/4 under yesterday. Our Winnipeg market acted as usual as United States markets. Today's prices are: No. 1 Northern, 37 1/2; No. 2 Northern, 36 1/2; No. 3 Northern, 35 1/2; No. 4 Northern, 34 1/2; No. 1 feed, 68 1/2; No. 2 feed, 67 1/2; No. 3 feed, 66 1/2; No. 4 feed, 65 1/2; No. 1 Alberta red, 97 1/2; No. 2 white, 89; No. 3 white, 87; No. 1 feed, 36; No. 2 feed, 35; No. 1 Northwestern, \$1.20; No. 1 Manitoba, \$1.18; December, \$1.24.

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This being the last meeting of the council there was considerable business to get through. Mr. G. Best, one of the government inspectors, was present, and tendered to the council some interesting information and advice. The following pay sheets and accounts were considered and passed for payment: P. Beneychall, 4.00; J. Lute, 16.00; J. Brandon, 1.20; E. L. Schell, 10.20; W. Jays, 2.40.

Account Warren, for scraper, 20.50. Regarding the pay sheet of Davis, the secretary was instructed to find upon his homestead, and if entered upon after July 1st, 1908, the taxes charged against him to be remitted and the pay sheet of \$6 paid. Regarding the pay sheet of W. F. Brown for \$71, the secretary-treasurer was ordered to pay each man separately, because the orders upon the secretary-treasurer cannot be paid unless accompanied by an affidavit in each case, the secretary-treasurer so to inform Mr. Brown.

The payment to foremen in the fare will be a stated sum, viz. \$2.50 per day and ten hours, instead of \$2.50 per day and mileage. It was moved, seconded and carried that the council's of their respective divisions take all necessary steps to protect all bridges, culverts and structures from running trees. Moved and seconded that the returning officers for the ensuing election

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