

pected, considering the scarcity and high price of feed. We quote choice bacon hogs, weighing 150 to 250 lbs. at 5 1-4c per lb; 250 to 300 lbs., \$4.50 to \$5.00; heavy hogs over 300 lbs. \$3.25 to \$4.25, as to quality. Live weight.

COWS—Milking cows are in good demand, and good cows will bring \$35 each. Poor cows and small heifers selling at \$18 upward as to quality.

Minneapolis Markets.

Flour has been advanced 25c per barrel. Corn and oats are practically the same as a week ago. Flax seed 4c lower. Eggs 1-2c lower. Cheese 1-2c lower. Creamery butter 1-2c lower. Potatoes 10c lower. Poultry lower. Hides 1 1-2c higher.

Flour—Prices 1 1/2 barrels. First patents, \$6 to \$6.20; second patents, \$5.75 to \$5.95.

Milled—Shorts in bulk, \$9.00 to \$9.25; bran in bulk, \$9 to \$9.25; corn feed, \$13 to \$14.75 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 31c for No. 3. Oats—Oats held at 26c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Feed quoted at 26c.

Flax seed—\$1.12 1-2 per bushel.

Eggs—\$1-2c for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 7c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 8 to 9c; fair to good, 5 to 6c.

Butter—Creamery, 14 to 15c; seconds, 12 1-2 to 13c; dairy, 12 to 13 1-2 for choice to fancy.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 4c to 7c; lambs, 5 to 8 1-2c.

Potatoes—Car lots mixed, 25 to 30c; named varieties, 30 to 50c.

Poultry—Chicken, 4c to 5c; turkeys, 6c; ducks, 6c; geese, 5c; all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides, 9 1-4 for No. 1; \$1-1 to \$1-2c for No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 7 to 8 1-4c; sheepskins, 40 to 80c each; veal calf, \$1-2 to \$1-2c; talow, 2 1-4c to 3 1-4c; seneca root, 19 to 21c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 10 to 11c; medium, 12 to 13c; coarse, 14 to 15c.

Hay—\$7.50 to \$10 per ton, including timothy.

Hogs—Sales 58 logs, av. 260, \$4; 72 logs, av. 201, \$3.80.

Cattle—Sales: 45 steers, av. 1,290, \$1.62 1-2; 20 steers, av. 1,080, \$1.40.

British Columbia Items.

R. Stewart, general store, Salmon Arm, has assigned.

J. K. Thompson, boots and shoes, is opening business at Trail.

R. J. McCann is opening a general store at Port Hammond.

C. N. Ecclestone, confectionery, etc., is opening at New Westminster.

Woodside & Marshall, groceries, have succeeded J. S. Smith at Silverton.

Grogan & Co., commission agents, etc., are starting business at Revelstoke.

Chas. Nicholson, confectionery, etc., has opened business at New Westminster.

H. Barnard, hotel, Elk River, East Keotenay, has sold out to Stedman & Nash.

The British Columbia Mercantile & Mining Syndicate, Ltd., is starting business at Cascade City.

Sinclair & Co., boots and shoes, have sold Vancouver business to James Rao and continue their New Westminster business.

A report from Montreal says the railway from Robson to Midway, 100 miles, will be built by three firms—McKenzie & Mann, Foley Bros. and Peter Larson, who have received contracts from the C. P. R.

R. I. Thompson has opened business at Vancouver in the manufacture of canoes from red cedar, which is said to be very suitable for the purpose.

High water has done damage in the Boundary creek region. At the saw mill above Midway the dam, with 100,000 feet of logs, went out. The water went over some of the bridges and washed several away.

The following items are reported from Vancouver: Wm. Holmes, teas, insane. J. W. Russell, dressmaking and millinery, has opened. L. Forton has opened in fish, fruit, etc. D. A. Howard, coats and shoes, has opened. N. S. LePage Glue Co., Ltd., is seeking incorporation. A. A. Boak & Co., real estate and insurance agents, have dissolved. J. P. Watts, cigars, confectionery, has opened. J. Rae, boots and shoes, has succeeded the Vancouver Shoe company. F. W. Barsbee, tobacconist, is giving up business.

Insurance Items.

A. McT. Campbell, of the Canada Life, has returned from the east.

Municipal hall insurance and debenture by-laws, voted on by the ratepayers of Arthur municipality. Manitoba were both defeated.

Richard H. Scott has been appointed agent at Carberry, Man., for the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance company.

W. A. Ferguson, inspector of the Standard Life Assurance company, visited Rat Portage recently in the interests of his company. While there he appointed J. B. Young local agent for the Standard.

A change has been made in the management of the Sun Life Insurance company's western business. T. Gilroy and E. S. Baker having been made joint managers for Manitoba and the Territories. Mr. Baker has been cashier of the company for several years.

In the senate banking and commerce committee at Ottawa the bill to incorporate the Sons of England Benefit society was defeated. The committee demanded an amendment providing for an increase of the society's rates and also providing for a reserve fund and sooner than accept this the promoters withdrew the bill.

A. H. Corelli, manager at Winnipeg for the Equitable Life, has returned from a trip to the head office of the company at New York. He says there is a great deal of talk in New York about an alliance with Great Britain and the ideal is generally received with favor there. In fact he says the people in New York believe that the British fleet would not permit the Spaniards to bombard the United States coast cities.

Dairy Trade Items.

At Brockville cheese board on June 2 about 7,000 boxes were represented. Free sales after the board adjourned at 7 to 7 1-10c.

Offerings of cheese by the eastern Canada factories from the opening of the season to the 31st May this year were 70,000 boxes, against 113,600 last year, so that this year the May

make was some 43,000 boxes behind last year. Last year up to the 31st of May 99,900 boxes were received in Montreal or 44,000 more than this spring.

The Montreal Gazette of Tuesday says: The cheese market as a result of Saturday's operations at country points was firm in its tone. The only reliable indication of the spot situation was the buying at the wharf, where 3,000 were offered, and were all cleaned up at 6 3-4c. Western makes were purely nominal at 7 1-8c to 7 1-4c. Butter was quiet, but prices showed no change, ranging from 16c to 16 1-4c for creamery.

Winnipeg Newspaper Change

The Winnipeg Nor'Wester newspaper has ceased to exist, and in its place the Morning Telegram has appeared. The Telegram is published by the Winnipeg News and Publishing Company, Limited, a corporation which has hitherto been publishing the Nor'Wester. One edition will be published daily, and also a weekly edition. Politically it will occupy the same field as the late Nor'Wester. The change in name at least is appropriate. The Commercial wishes the Telegram prosperity.

The Commercial Men.

Lawrence Benny, late with K. McKenzie & Co., has engaged with Thompson, Codville & Co., to represent them in the territory formerly covered by H. Bruce Gordon. Mr. Gordon remains with the firm in another capacity.

J. D. Roberts, who has been representing the Blue Ribbon coffee and spice manufacturers in British Columbia, visited the city this week, but returns again at once to the coast.

Toronto Wholesale Trade.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, June 11.

Dry goods—Active. Sorting trade prolonged later than ever before, and interfering with fall sales. Bradford, French and German dress goods are firm. Payments on the 4th of June were better than for many years, and few renewals. All goods are firm.

Groceries—More movement; sugars dull and firm, teas, firmer, two large lots were sold here for Chicago at 3c more than local prices. There is considerable pressure to sell canned vegetables and prices are lower. Tomatoes \$1.15 to \$1.25; peas 80c to \$1; corn, 85 to 95; rice strong, American green rejected teas are being sold here.

Hardware—Increased activity. Northwest orders large. Manila and sisal rope are dearer. Better demand for nails. Wire nails are selling at cut prices.

W. G. Wyatt, a successful and well known business man of Virton, Man., who recently sold out his hardware and lumber business at that place, is dead.

The Northwest Central railway of Manitoba has applied to parliament for an extension of time to build the road and issue bonds, etc. The bill has been amended to require the construction of ten miles this year.