

to fall off now that the grass is thickening; oatmeal is not so active as it was, but the price continues steady at \$4.25; more rolled wheat is selling; it appears to be taking the place of oatmeal in some degree.

FRUIT.—There is a slackness in movement of fruit usual at this time of year. "It is between seasons with us," said a dealer, "the small fruits of this year's crop are not in yet, and people are tired of the old, whether domestic or foreign." Both lemons and oranges are inadequate supply, the former good and very cheap, the latter dear. Regarding California fruit crop prospects, the *Fruit Grower*, at the end of April, said: "The outlook continues bright for the largest fruit harvest in the history of the State. A large acreage of new orchards is coming into bearing, and the old ones are loaded down with good prospects, but it cannot be stated at this time what the fruit crop will be. The rain will make it possible to cultivate the orchards and vineyards, and thus save the moisture now in the ground, and this will go a long way towards insuring the fruit crop."

FURS.—Furriers and hat dealers tell us that while the recent warm weather has helped the sale of summer hats and caps, the retail trade is dull. As to furs, the regulations of the Ontario Fish and Game Commission have restricted the killing of beavers and otters in the province. The market for raw furs generally is not active; mink are bringing low prices; lynx is worth \$3 to 4 per skin; raccoon bring good prices, say 75c. for No. 1 skins; they are not plentiful, the catch being small; marten are worth 75c. to \$1, according to color; red fox will bring \$1.25; not many bears are offering, some fetch as high as \$25, while summer skins have been bought as low as 50c.; for muskrat 18c. is about the price.

GRAIN.—Export demand appears to be nil this week; wheat is not wanted except by local millers in small quantities at quotations; the barley season being over, there is nothing doing in this grain except for feeding purposes, a few cars are selling at 39 or 40c. per bushel at outside points; peas are scarce and the price firm; they are being used for feed and no stocks are left in the country; oats are in good request for local consumption at unchanged quotations; other grains are nominal.

The stocks of grain in store at Port Arthur on 28th April were 2,272,893 bushels. During the week there were received 11,855 bushels, and shipped nil bushels, leaving in store on the 5th May 2,284,728 bushels.

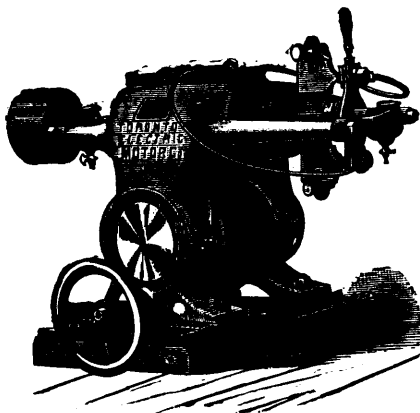
STOCKS IN STORE.

The following were the stocks of grain in store in Toronto on Monday morning, and other date indicated:

	May 7, 1894.	May 8, 1893.
Fall wheat, bush.....	88,354	142,773
Red wheat "	nil	nil
Spring wheat "	5,395	42,901
Hard wheat "	7,185	49,242
Goose wheat "	1,523	300
Oats "	49,572	45,571
Barley "	76,784	47,110
Peas "	3,766	9,424
Rye "	nil	nil
Corn "	900	nil

Total grain, bush.... 234,479 337,321

GROCERIES.—There is not a pronounced activity in this trade, most orders being of hand-to-mouth character. Teas are comparatively quiet; some new Japans have arrived, at prices not materially changed. The Macdonald factory notifies changes in price of some brands, notably "Brier," from 51 to 47c. The sugar market is $\frac{1}{2}$ c. higher on yellows, and the refin-



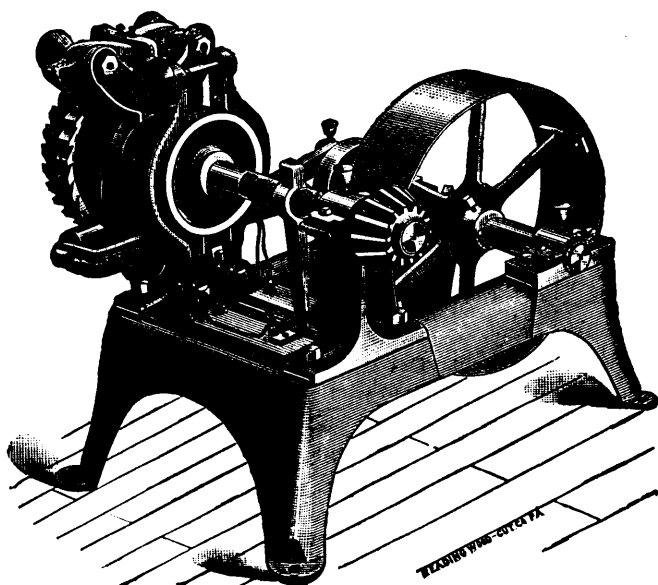
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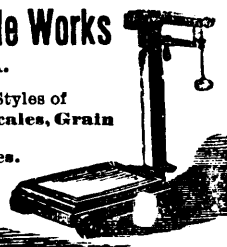
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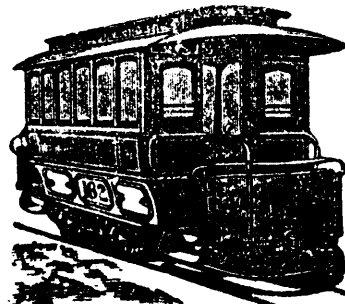
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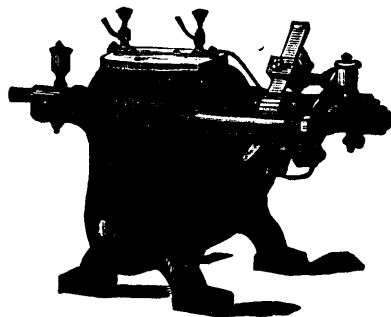
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