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Owing to present peculiar world conditions, our usual yearly grain letter will not be issued until September. In the meantime farmers need not look for any big decline in prices, and they might easily go higher, but of course heavy receipts may depress prices for a short time. Ship your grain to us and we will make you big advances on each car of wheat, oats, flax or barley. If prices are too low at time of shipment, we will make you the advance and hold the grain until such time as you are ready to sell. Farmers on the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Railways ship to Fort William, and on the Canadian Northern to Port Arthur. "Advise McBean Bros., Winnipeg," so that we can look after the grading. NOTE—Hold your flax.

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GRAIN EXCHANGE

WINNIPEG, MAN.

just now and no alteration is noted in prices this week. Fancy dairy butter is 19 to 21 cents per pound; No. 1 dairy 19 to 20 cent, and good round lots 18 to 19 cents per pound.

Eggs—There are less eggs coming in, but the demand is not so heavy just at present, so that dealers are only paying a cent more this week for eggs. Today eggs are quoted at 18 cents per dozen, subject to candling.

Potatoes—So far no reliable idea of the recent frost damage to the potato crop can be ascertained. The territory from which the potato crop is drawn is a large one and as a consequence it will take some time to arrive at some conclusion as to the extent of the available crop. Today dealers are offering 40 cents per bushel.

Milk and Cream—There is very little sweet cream coming to market, hence dealers are offering a higher price today. Sweet cream this week is worth 30 cents per pound of butterfat delivered in Winnipeg. Sour cream is worth the same, namely, 25 cents per pound of butterfat delivered. Milk will be the same for September, namely, \$2.00 per hundred pounds.

Hay—Hay is available in larger quantities now and prices are lower, as follows: No. 1 Timothy, \$16 per ton; No. 1 Red Top, \$14 per ton; No. 1 Upland, \$12 and No. 1 Midland \$11.

Hides—There is a tendency towards a lower market in hides in the near future. Dealers are waiting news concerning the Dardanelles being forced, which will let loose a large quantity of Russian hides. Seneca root is in fair demand, good, clean roots being worth 20 cents per pound.

WESTERN MARKET CONDITIONS

A feature of the Western livestock market at the present time is the large number of grass cattle which are being turned off by Western farmers, many of them in an unfinished condition. Most of these cattle are being shipped south to the St. Paul market, where they are bought up as feeders and stockers. On one day last month,

out of 125 cars of cattle arriving at the Winnipeg yards, 101 were shipped South. The turning off of this large number of unfinished cattle onto the market here would have had a more depressing effect on prices but for the fact that the demand for stockers and feeders to the South has attracted a number of speculators who are buying in large numbers and shipping South. Cattle shipments have been strong since May, increasing each month.

Comparative figures showing the receipts of cattle at the Union Stockyards, Winnipeg, for the last three months are as follows:

	1914	1915
June	3,998	5,407
July	5,906	10,454
August	13,828	22,377
Total	23,732	38,238

One speculator in one day bought \$30,000 worth of stocker and feeder cattle for shipment South.

Hog shipments were lighter in July and August. In July the receipts were 36,685, as compared with 49,285 in July last year. Receipts for last month totalled only 17,492, as against 36,089 in August last year. This is no doubt owing to the heavy shipments which were made in the spring. Hog receipts for the first eight months of the year are still well over corresponding receipts last year.

It is rather noticeable that while the receipts of hogs from Manitoba and Saskatchewan are lighter, the shipments from Alberta have nearly doubled as compared with the figures for the summer months of last year.

The receipts of all classes of livestock during the eight months January to August are greater this year than last year. The figures are: Eight months, January to August, 1914, 41,435 cattle, 282,336 hogs, 4,894 sheep, 1,881 horses. Eight months, January to August, 1915, 56,582 cattle, 407,975 hogs, 5,463 sheep, 4,720 horses.

FREE PRESS CROP ESTIMATE

Below is the crop estimate for 1915 of the Manitoba Free Press, published on September 1. The Free Press estimate is the result of a lengthy tour of inspection made annually by the Commercial Editor of that paper, Miss E. Cora Hind, and is generally regarded as one of the most reliable estimates published each year:

	Wheat		Total
	Acres	Average	
Manitoba	3,664,281	19	69,621,339
Saskatchewan	6,884,874	18	123,927,732
Alberta	1,245,000	23	28,635,000
	11,794,155		222,184,071
Oats			
Manitoba	2,121,845	35	74,264,575
Saskatchewan	2,846,945	40	113,877,800
Alberta	1,450,000	45	65,250,000
	6,418,790		253,392,375
Barley			
Manitoba	1,039,849	32	33,275,168
Saskatchewan	272,299	30	8,168,970
Alberta	420,000	30	12,600,000
	1,732,148		54,044,138
Flax			
Manitoba	64,863	10	648,630
Saskatchewan	539,674	10	5,396,740
Alberta	50,000	12	600,000
	654,537		6,645,370

BELGIAN BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION

The Saskatchewan Belgian Draft Horse Breeders' Association held a meeting at Regina on the 30th day of July last and the following officers were elected: A. A. Downey, of Arlington Beach, president; Geo. Rupp, of Lampman, secretary-treasurer. The following directors were elected: D. J. McKellop, Rucarth; W. H. Scott, Arlington Beach; R. H. Edwards, Arlington Beach; J. E. Price, Regina; Fred Weeks, Imperial. The membership fee was set at \$2.00 per annum.

COVERING CREAM CANS

A great part of the value of keeping cream cool on the farm and at the station or creamery is lost if the cream is exposed to the direct rays of the sun while being hauled from the farm to the point of sale. Far too few people stop to realize the importance of covering their cream cans when bringing them in to town. Expensive jacketed cans are not a necessity to keep the cream cool. In summer weather just an ordinary piece of wet burlap thrown over the cans will keep the temperature of the cream as much as 20 degrees below what it would rise to if left uncovered while being transported over the average hauling distance.—R. McCann, Colorado Agricultural College.

COMPOSITION OF SCREENINGS

Screenings from the terminal elevators at Fort William and Port Arthur are composed of shrunken and broken kernels of wheat, oats, barley and flax with a varying proportion of different kinds of weed seeds. Following is the analysis of a sample representative of 6,000 tons of screenings from the 1912 crop, as shipped from different periods to United States points: scalpings 37 per cent., succotash flax 7 per cent., buckwheat screenings 18 per cent., and black seeds 38 per cent. These are the ordinary commercial separations of screenings. The scalpings were about 65 per cent. small and shrunken wheat, 25 per cent. other grains, 3 per cent. weed seeds and 7 per cent. chaff, etc. Succotash flax was 30 per cent. flax, 40 per cent. broken wheat, 15 per cent. weed seeds, 15 per cent. chaff and dust. Buckwheat screenings were 58 per cent. wild buckwheat, 29 per cent. grains (most cracked wheat), 9 per cent. weed seeds, and 4 per cent. chaff, etc. Black seeds were lamb's quarters 45 per cent., tumbling mustard 4 per cent., wild mustard 2.5 per cent., dust 33.5 per cent.

Sometimes only two separations are made, scalpings and black seeds. If the black seeds are removed from screenings, the remainder comprising about 60 per cent. of the whole is a valuable feed for live stock.—Seed Branch, Ottawa.

RED CROSS FUND

Previously acknowledged	\$588.60
Willow Hollow W.F.A., Killam, Alta.	61.00
Total	\$649.60

The Rev. Dr. John Scrimger, principal for eleven years of the Montreal Presbyterian College, died suddenly at his summer residence in Bic, Que., on August 6, aged 66 years. The principal was one of the strongest advocates for Church Union which has been so long discussed in Presbyterian councils and throughout Canada.

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