

western boards. Also that the order-in-council requiring that all disputes between inspectors of grain in Canada must be settled by a board of arbitrators in Toronto, be amended so as to provide for a board having jurisdiction over all cases of dispute arising between inspectors west of Port Arthur.

On the 8th April, in view of the fact that steps were being taken at Ottawa to oppose the requests made by the western boards, your council sent a deputation to Ottawa to represent to the Government the manner in which the existing regulations for selecting standards was injurious to both producer and dealer in Manitoba and the Territories. [The report of the delegates follows this report.] On the 14th of May an order-in-council was passed restricting the power of the Toronto board of arbitrators to try cases of dispute between inspectors of grain, to cases between inspectors stationed at points east of Port Arthur. At present the Minister of Inland Revenue shall arrange for the settlement of disputes arising between inspectors west of Port Arthur, but no doubt an order will soon be passed naming a board of arbitrators for the western district, as this board has been asked to nominate members for such a body.

Your committee has been much interested in the question of having government weighmen appointed to weigh, in and out, grain passing through elevators at such points where there is a sufficient business to maintain an official weigher on a moderate scale of fees. A Dominion Act, chap. 37-50, 51 Vic., provides authority for the government of official weighmasters, and your committee are now working to have the act put in force at certain elevator points where Manitoba grain is handled.

With this report is presented a statement covering the official returns of grain inspected and graded at Winnipeg by Grain Inspector Horn during the year ending 30th June, 1889.

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