

have been made by way of export trade. Stocks of fall wheat in store at Toronto are placed at 99,409 bushels, as compared with 101,055 bushels last week. The condition of winter wheat in the United States on April 1, as reported by the statistician of the Department of Agriculture, averages 86.7 per cent. for the entire country, as against 77.4 on the same date last year. The corresponding condition of rye was 94.4 per cent. The averages of wheat for the principal States are: Kentucky, 83; Ohio, 90; Michigan, 83; Indiana, 90; Illinois, 87; Missouri, 88; Kansas, 72; Nebraska, 85; California, 87. This estimate, however, was taken before the recent cold "snaps," which it is feared have injured the crop, and the favorable announcement did not depress prices in Chicago. On the contrary an advance has taken place, and values on the local market of winter and spring wheat are 1c. per bush. higher than they were a week ago. Barley is dull and there is little doing in the market. A steady market is reported in oats; farmers are now making preparations for seeding operations and their offerings in consequence are light. Peas are firm at quotations; there are good enquiries for export, but in the absence of any considerable stocks little business is doing on the market. There is nothing of special interest to note in rye, corn and barley.

STOCKS IN STORE.

Stocks of grain in store in Toronto on April 9th, and at a corresponding date last year, are:

	April 9, 1894.	April 10, 1893.
Hard wheat, bush.....	12,685	65,643
Fall wheat, ".....	99,409	159,813
Spring wheat ".....	7,390	45,982
Goose wheat ".....	1,523	700
Barley ".....	43,718	51,518
Peas ".....	6,266	3,440
Oats ".....	51,961	50,843
Corn ".....	1,100	727

Total grain, bush....224,052 378,666

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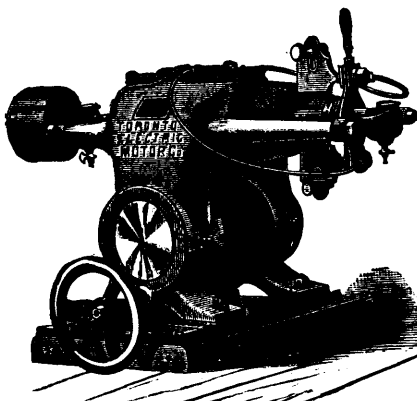
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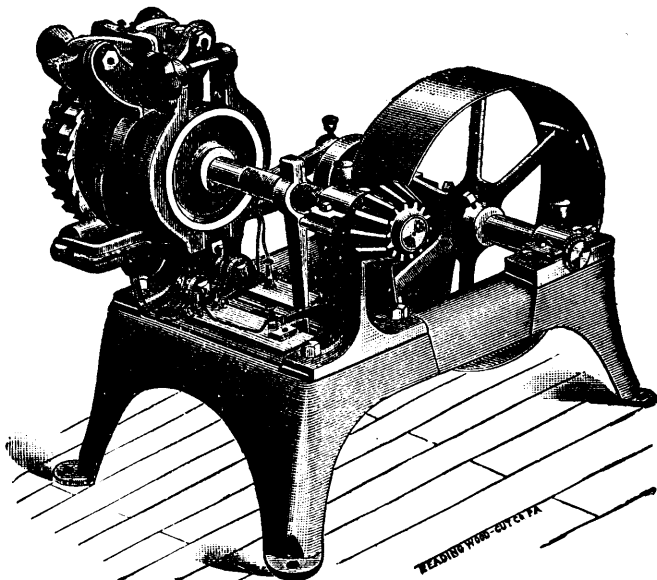
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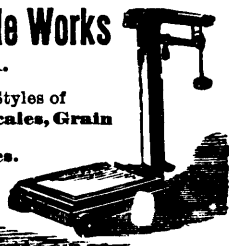
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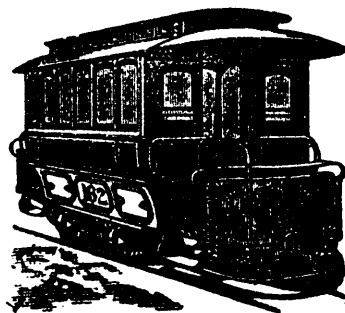
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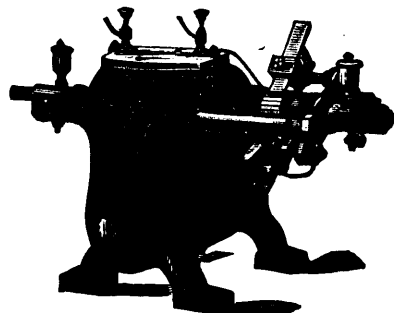
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