

THEREFORE, I DO ORDER that the restrictions hereinbefore referred to as imposed upon dogs in Townships 16, Range 22; Townships 16, 17 and 18, Range 23; Townships 16 and 17, Range 24; Township 17, Range 25; all west of the first Meridian in this Dominion, be extended to all dogs in Townships 13, 14, 15, 19 and 20, Range 23; Townships 13, 14, 15, 18, 19 and 20, Range 24; Townships 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, Range 21, and Townships 13, 14, 15, and 17, Range 22, all west of the first Meridian in this Dominion, and that all dogs within said Townships, except when securely attached to or kept within a kennel, stable, house, building or other like place, be properly and effectively muzzled.

AND I FURTHER GIVE notice that failure to comply with the provisions of this order will render owners or persons in charge of dogs liable to prosecution under the Provisions of the Animals Contagious Diseases Act.

GEO. F. O'HALLORAN,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

Ottawa, June 1st, 1907.

Plowing Match at Portage.

The annual plowing match at Portage la Prairie is to be held this year on June 27th and although the prize list is not yet complete the prizes will be in advance of those given at any former match.

The following classes have been arranged for:

- 1st class—14 inch walking plow open to all comers.
- 2nd class—14 inch walking plow open to all local men who have not won a first prize in previous competition.
- 3rd class—14 inch walking plow, boys under 18 years of age.
- 4th class—14 inch walking plow, boys under 16 years of age.
- 5th class—14 inch gang plow open to all comers.
- 6th class—14 inch gang plow, open to local men who have not won a first prize in previous competition.
- 7th class—14 inch gang plow, boys under 18 years of age.

The Portagers put up an interesting match and extend royal hospitality besides the plowing match is doing a world of good in developing interest in good cultivation.

International Independent Telephone Convention

(Special Correspondence.)

The annual convention of the International Independent Telephone Association was held at the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, June 4th to 6th, 1907. There were present, approximately, 1,000 delegates and officers interested in independent telephony. Among them was a large representation from various parts of the Dominion of Canada, among the more prominent being Alpheus Hoover, President of the Canadian Independent Association; Francis Dagger, telephone expert for the Government of the Province of Manitoba; Dr. W. Doan, of Harrietsville, Ontario, president of the Harrietsville Telephone Company, and Dr. J. T. Demers, general manager of the National Telephone Co., of Quebec.

The principal subject that came up before the convention was the question of connection of the Independent with Bell companies, and the sentiment was unanimous that no such connection should be made by any of the Independent companies in the United States and Canada, as such contracts would have a tendency to stop the development of independent telephony, and to restore in a great measure the Bell monopoly. It was the sentiment of the convention that the Independents should develop not only their local stations, but pay particular attention to the construction and standardization of toll lines.

The reports made by the Canadian delegates of the progress of the Independent movement in the Dominion were most enthusiastically received by the convention, which showed its appreciation of the importance of the Canadian field by electing Mr. Hoover, president of the Canadian Association, fourth vice-president of the International Association, this being the first time in the history of the association that such distinguished honor was conferred on anyone residing outside of the United States.

Reports made by the various states and provinces showed that there are now in operation in the United States and Canada, approximately, 3,400,000 Independent telephones, which are connected by a splendid system of proper long-distance lines. Mr. Dagger, of Winnipeg, announced that the Government of Manitoba had begun the construction of 1,500 miles of copper toll lines, which will make connection with the Government lines of Saskatchewan and Alberta, and also with the Independent telephone lines of the Tri-State, T. & T. Co., of Minneapolis. In an easterly direction the Manitoba toll lines will connect with the municipal stations at Neepawa, Port William and Port Arthur. This statement was received with great applause, as was also the statement made by Mr. Hoover, that the Independents of Ontario were connected with the Independent lines of the United States, by means of a cable under the Niagara river, this being done by the Provincial Long-distance Telephone Co. We append a copy of resolutions passed by the convention:

Whereas the Bell Telephone Company is insidiously proposing long-distance connection to local inde-

pendent telephone companies in various parts of the United States and Canada, offering in consideration of entering into such connection to abandon the local field; and

Whereas, it is the sense of this convention that any such connection is bound to injure the Independent telephone cause as a whole:

Therefore, be it resolved, that this association frowns upon and denounces any affiliation or connection of Independent companies with the Bell Company anywhere on the American continent as being injurious to the people as a whole.

Whereas, there are difficulties and dissensions arising from an infringement by an Independent Company on the territory already occupied and served by another Independent Company; and

Whereas, such an infringement is injurious to the case of independent telephony;

Therefore, be it resolved, as a sense of this convention, that the company on the ground and satisfactorily serving the public shall be entitled to recognition by this association, and any company or individual infringing on the rights of such Independent Company shall be repudiated, and shall not be admitted to membership in this association.

Things to Remember.

- Shorthorn Sale, A. & G. Mutch, Regina Exhibition Grounds..... June 26
- Blyth Plowing Match..... July 26
- Calgary Exhibition..... July 9, 10, 11 and 12
- Portage la Prairie Exhibition..... July 9, 10, and 11
- Hackney Sale, Rawlinson Bros., Calgary..... July 24
- Winnipeg Exhibition..... July 13 to 20
- Brandon Fair..... July 22 to 26
- Regina Exhibition..... July 30, August 2
- Killarney..... July 30, August 2

MANITOBA SUMMER AND FALL SHOWS.

- Glenboro..... July 1
- Springfield..... July 3 and 4
- Wawanesa..... July 3 and 4
- Morris..... July 3 and 4
- Neepawa..... July 3 and 4
- Carman..... July 4 and 5
- Miami..... July 6
- Emerson..... July 8 and 9
- Birtle..... July 8 and 9
- Elkhorn..... July 9
- Minnedosa..... July 9, 10 and 11
- St. Pierre..... July 10
- Cypress River..... July 11
- Virdee..... July 11 and 12
- Souris..... July 29 and 30
- Hartney..... July 30 and 31
- Oak Lake..... August 1
- Swan Lake..... August 1
- Dauphin..... August 6
- Gladstone..... August 6
- Strathclair..... August 6
- Melita..... August 6
- Oak River..... August 7
- Deloraine..... August 7
- Boissevain..... August 8
- Shoal Lake..... August 8
- Swan River..... August 8
- Manitou..... August 8 and 9
- Hamiota..... August 9
- Holland..... August 9

ALBERTA FAIRS.

- Edmonton..... July 1-2-3-4
- Innisfail..... July 4 and 5
- Calgary..... July 9-10-11-12
- Okotoks..... July 16 and 17
- High River..... July 18 and 19
- Red Deer..... July 22 and 23
- Strathcona..... July 24
- Port Saskatchewan..... July 26
- Macleod..... July 31, Aug. 1-2
- Lethbridge..... Aug. 6, 7 and 8
- Leduc..... Aug. 8 and 9

SASKATCHEWAN FAIRS.

- Battleford..... July 24, 25 and 26
- Hanley..... July 30
- Prince Albert..... August 1 and 2
- Saskatoon..... August 6, 7 and 8
- Rosthern..... August 8 and 9
- Indian Head..... August 13 and 14
- Ft. Qu'Appelle..... July 31
- Sintaluta..... August 2
- Moosomin..... August 6 and 7
- Grenfell..... August 8
- Wapella..... August 9
- Fairmead..... August 9
- Broadview..... August 13
- Wolseley..... August 14
- Yorkton..... August 15
- Saltcoats..... July 9 and 10
- Churchbridge..... July 23
- Dubuc..... July 25
- Strassburg..... July 26
- Abernethy..... July 30
- Carlyle..... August 2
- Arcola..... August 6
- Gainsboro..... August 8
- Regina..... July 30, 31 and August 1 and 2
- Milestone..... August 2
- Moose Jaw..... August 6 and 7
- S. Qu'Appelle..... August 8 and 9

MARKETS

The "shaking out" process was in full swing in the markets last week, and it is probable that the public lost a large part of the money it made in May. On the 10th the United States Government June crop report came out and although as compared with other years it indicated lower total yields, still the Chicago trade seemed to think that it was more hopeful than had been expected and began to harness the markets down by heavy selling. Brighter reports from the country also discredited the sentiment of the report and helped on the downward tendency. On the week there was a decline in the American markets of from 5c. to 8c. and on the Winnipeg market about the same amount. This is the natural result of carrying prices up with a rush and what was expected by many dealers, although the tenacity with which the public kept the prices up was rather surprising. It now looks, however, as if people were more hopeful of the crops and are taking losses. This, however, does not imply that crop conditions have so wonderfully improved, for there is still every prospect of a short crop in America. The weather has been fine for growing and the people have become more hopeful; hence the change of tone in the trade. Export demand, however, is springing up, which has a tendency to bolster prices and indicates that the world's markets are bullish.

The situation is well summed up by Thompson, Sons & Co. in their week-end letter which says:

"The decline has brought forward an export inquiry, and a large quantity has been worked for export. This is satisfactory as showing our prices are on export basis. Including wheat in store Fort William we have probably 16,000,000 bus. of the old crop still to dispose of, but there will be a good market for it. Almost greater interest is manifested in the prospects for the new crop than in present markets for the old.

The recent rains which were believed to be general all over the country were only liberal in the Red River Valley. Outside of that there seem only to have been light showers and we are already receiving complaints from Western points of too little rain, backed up by customers instructing us not to sell wheat we are holding for them. On the other hand should we have plenty of wet weather from this out, the crop may grow so rank that it will run into a late ripening, and late harvest, with all the risks of frost and inclement weather. It seems to us, therefore, that the American and Canadian spring wheat crop is likely to turn out a short yield should we have a hot, dry summer, or a damaged crop should we have the kind of weather that would produce an average yield. Should our summer turn out to be hot and dry we shall not only have a reduced wheat crop, but it will be unfavorable weather for the production of other crops, especially oats, barley and hay; prices in our Winnipeg market are as follows, viz.: 1 Hard 87½c, 2 Nor. 86½c, 3 Nor. 85½c, No. 4 wheat 79½c, spot or June delivery. Futures, June 86½c, July 87½c, August 89c, September 90½c, and October 89½c. All prices are based on in store Fort William and Port Arthur.

Prices for oats, barley and flax have held firm during the week, flax advancing slightly."

Oats.....	40	
Barley.....	54	
Flax.....	33	
Bran.....	17 00	
Shorts.....	18 00	@ 19 00
FEEDS—		
Barley and oats.....	24 00	
Barley.....	22 00	
Oats.....	27 00	
Hay per ton (cars on track		
Winnipeg).....	17 00	@ 18 00
Loose loads.....	18 00	@ 19 00
POTATOES, in cars or small lots,		
less freight, track Winnipeg.....	75	@ 85
BUTTER—		
Prints, fancy, in small lots.....	21	@ 22
Dairy, in tubs.....	19	@ 20
CHEESE—		
Manitoba new cheese at W'peg.....	11½	@ 12
EGGS—		
Manitoba fresh gathered f.o.b.		
Winnipeg.....	17½	@ 18½
POULTRY (Cold storage stock)—		
Spring chickens.....	16	@ 17
Spring ducks.....	16	
Fowl.....	13	
Young turkeys.....	10	
Geese.....	15	

LIVE STOCK.

Receipts are not liberal and grass stuff will be late arriving. Some of the winter fed cattle have been arriving and more are expected. Some of the best bring from \$4.50 to \$5.50 per cwt. Other stuff runs down to \$2.50. Sheep bring from \$6.50 to \$7.00 per cwt. and hogs \$7.75 for best bacon types, with heavy, light and coarse lines down to \$6.75.