

Manitoba.

The hardware business at Melita until recently conducted by W. G. Blyth has been purchased by Hamlin Bros.

Notice is given that John Malcolm Phillips, of the town of Morris, trading as thinsmith, has made an assignment to F. J. C. Cox, Winnipeg, for the benefit of his creditors.

The new Commercial club, Winnipeg, was formally opened on Saturday afternoon last. The building on Main street, which has been thoroughly overhauled, is handsomely fitted up and furnished.

Recent heavy rains washed away some of the bridges on the Canadian Northern Railway, north of Dauphin, which interfered with traffic for some days. The damage is now all repaired.

Mr. R. G. O'Malley, noxious weed inspector, for Manitoba, returned this week from a trip through southern Manitoba. Mr. O'Malley states that one of the unfortunate features of the season is the favorable conditions for the spread of noxious weeds, which have sprung up in many places where they were not expected. This, he says, emphasizes the necessity of summer following.

Building Inspector Rodgers, of Winnipeg, had, up to noon Monday, given out permits for buildings to the value of \$975,000 and he expected other applications which would bring the total value to over the million dollar mark. Last year the total value of buildings erected was \$1,500,000, but as things are going now, it is likely that there will be an increase of at least \$500,000 for this year.

Assiniboia.

The annual exhibition at Regina will be held on August 13 and 14. Arrangements are well under way.

The Elevator at Indian Head owned by Baker & Held was totally destroyed by fire at noon on Thursday, together with about fifteen thousand bushels of wheat.

The town of Yorkton will hold an exhibition on July 11 and 12, and great preparations are being made for it. A special train will run from Portage la Prairie and all intermediate stations on the section and return, for the occasion, July 11.

Alberta.

An English syndicate has bought out the meat and cattle business of Hull Bros., at Calgary.

The merchants of both Edmonton and Strathcona have agreed to close their respective places of business at 12:30 o'clock, just after noon, each day of the Edmonton fair, July 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Bonnett's livery stable at Lethbridge was burned at 1 o'clock on Thursday morning. There were no horses in the building at the time; but one carriage was destroyed. The loss is about \$1,000. The building was insured for \$500.

On Monday a flood bore through Okotoks carrying away whole slices of land at a time. The mill house there hangs four feet over the stream and the mill is reported damaged. The same storm has wrecked the railway bridge and put the tracks in bad repair. It seems impossible that the trains can be run to Edmonton for the summer fair which starts Monday. Indeed it is estimated that it will take 100 men at least a fortnight to fix the track and they will not clear it till the main line is repaired.

Northwestern Ontario.

Rodgers & Barnes, formerly of Rat Portage, have opened up a ready-made clothing business at Beaver Mills.

W. J. Holmes, general merchant, Fort Frances, has taken his brother, R. J. Holmes into partnership with him.

Slas Rogers, whose hotel burning at Big Forks, on the Rainy River, was recently burned, has sold out his interests in that place and will move east. The purchaser, P. Kerr, is rebuilding the hotel.

Geo. Swanson, of Rat Portage, received instructions this week from Murray M. Hunter, of Milwaukee, instructing him to proceed at once with the work of developing mining localities in 256 and 23 township of Jaffray. Sixteen men left on Tuesday for the claim to begin work.

Statistical Wheat Report.**WHEAT IN CANADA.**

Stocks of wheat in Canada at principal points of accumulation are reported as follows:

Montreal	222,000
Toronto	158,000
Vancouver	182,000
Regina Harbor, Ont.	50,000
Kingston	50,000
Quebec	1,082,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	330,000
Winnipeg	875,000
Manitoba elevators	3,713,000

Total June 15	3,713,000
Total previous week	3,707,000
Total a year ago	3,185,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, as reported by Bradstreet's June 15, were 45,043,000 bushels, as against 57,429,000 bushels for the previous week.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 57,429,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Stocks of wheat at Pacific coast ports on June 1 were 4,672,400 bushels.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ending June 22, was 22,903,000 bushels, being a decrease of 2,121,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 45,521,000 bushels, two years ago 28,843,000 bushels, three years ago 17,225,000 bushels, four years ago 18,794,000 bushels, five years ago 47,000,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 10,601,000 bushels, compared with 5,261,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 17,186,000 bushels, compared with 12,162,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe and about for Europe June 1 in each year for a series of years, were as follows—Bradstreet's report:

Year	Bushels
1901	124,000,000
1900	132,000,000
1899	110,000,000
1898	90,000,000
1897	94,000,000
1896	153,000,000
1895	158,000,000

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1900, to date, compared with the same period of last year.

City	This Crop	Last Crop
Minneapolis	72,122,455	79,436,402
Milwaukee	2,265,000	10,764,842
Duluth	17,069,626	51,200,269
Chicago	42,201,154	23,074,771

Total... 131,758,235 164,476,284

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1900, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

City	This Crop	Last Crop
Toledo	2,027,318	10,764,822
St. Louis	20,648,496	9,178,719
Detroit	3,184,000	3,670,000
Kansas City	26,507,617	15,473,245

Total... 52,367,431 39,086,846

Winnipeg Prices a Year Ago.

Following were Winnipeg prices this week last year:

Wheat—No. 1 hard closed at 85¢ in store Fort William.

Flour—Local price per sack: Patent, \$2.50; best bakers', \$2.25.

Milwaukee—Bran, \$12.50 per ton; shorts, \$12.50 per ton delivered.

Oats—Carlots on track, 40¢43¢, according to quality.

Barley—46¢42¢ per bushel for mulling and feed grades.

Country Wheat—65¢ per bushel, according to grade and freight rate to farmers at country points.

Corn—In carlots, 51¢ per bushel of 56 lb. Flax—Nominal.

Butter—Dairy, 11¢14¢ per pound for best grades; new creamery, 10¢16¢ per pound at the factories.

Cheese—New cheese, 24¢41¢, laid down here.

Eggs—12¢ for Manitoba fresh, less expense.

Potatoes—75¢ per bushel.

Beef—65¢ per lb.

Hides—No. 1 hides, 8¢.

Wool—74¢ for unwashed fleece.

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Manitoba Wheat Stocks.

There were 1,211,907 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on June 24. Receipts for the week were 40,463 bushels and shipments were 150,541 bushels. A year ago stocks in store at Fort William were 1,710,683 bushels. Stocks in store at Fort William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior points are estimated approximately at 2,897,000 bushels, compared with 4,000,000 bushels a year ago, 6,000,000 bushels two years ago, 1,400,000 three years ago.

Winnipeg Grain Inspection.

For the week ending June 21 there were 235 cars of grain inspected, which graded as follows:—

Wheat—1 hard, 26; 2 hard, 40; 3 hard, 60; 3 northern, 3; no grade, 90.

Oats—No. 2 white, 3; rejected, 1 car.

Barley—None.

Flax Seed—None.

Grain and Milling Notes.

A Topeka, Kansas, dispatch says: "Hot winds in western Kansas have withered the grass and hay crop, which will be hardly more than one-third an average yield. Harvest in full swing, but farmers cannot get help enough to save all the wheat."

Dow & Curry are going to refit their oatmeal mill at Pilot Mound with all the latest milling machinery, which will be placed in position before the crop is taken off. They also put in a new boiler. If the crop is good this year they intend building a 25,000 bushel elevator near the site of the oatmeal mill.

The Cincinnati Price-Current says: "The wheat crop condition has been fully maintained, and where harvesting is in progress it is meeting expectations. Corn is improving, and is now nearly an average condition. Oats are improving, but there will be a short crop in usually surplus States. Hogs packed during the week were 545,000, against 475,000 last year."

The River Plate Review gives a calculation of the cost of raising wheat in Argentina during the past year, calculated on a track of 5,000 acres, and nearly 14 bushels to the acre; 60 per cent more than this, and even double this quantity, is said to be not infrequently produced on new, well-titled land. The total figures, reduced to United States gold, on an average of eight years, are as follows: Cost per acre, \$3.77; value of crop per acre, \$5.33; net profit per acre, \$2.16. But for the year 1900-1 the figures in American money on 5,000 acres of land would be, cost, \$4.77; value of the crop at seaport, \$9.19; net profit, \$3.42. On a farm of a hundred or two hundred acres this does not afford a princely income; on a wheat field of 5,000 acres it is a handsome revenue.

A report from Ottawa, on Tuesday, said: "The government will within a few days advertise for tenders for a fast Atlantic service between Canada and the United Kingdom. Sir Richard Cartwright and Mr. Parmlee, deputy of trade and commerce, were in Montreal to-day in connection with the matter. Interest in the subject seems revived of late and correspondence is flowing into the government here. For instance, Cartwright received some time since an American offer for a 21-knot service and 40-day has one for a 30-knot service, made by the same people."

The creditors of the Lelpshager Bank, of Lelpshager, Germany, were notified on Tuesday that the bank had been obliged to suspend payment. The locking up of its capital in industrial enterprises is regarded as being responsible for the failure. The directors state that creditors will be paid in full.

The ocean steamer Lusitania, with 300 passengers on board, was wrecked on Tuesday off Cape Ballard, Newfoundland. The passengers, mostly immigrants, were panic-stricken. They stampeded and fought for the boats, but were overcome by the officers and crew. This vessel was to have entered the new service between Canada and France on her outward voyage.

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