ern Alberta today was hard winter

the system of inspection which exist-

In reply to some further questions

by the chairman, Mr. Carson did not

think that it would be at all satisfac

tory to have a platform wagin scale

in each town unless there was an of-

ficial weighman in charge. The scale

would be difficult to keep in condi-

tion and too much opportunity would

He believed that if an independen

party could do the weighing it would

be a good thing, always provided that

the scales were properly looked after.

MR. STRONG GIVES EVIDENCE.

Mr. Strong, the manager of the

Alberta Pacific Elevator Co., was the

next witness. He gave evidence to

the effect that his firm had establish-

ed elevators practically all over Al-

berta, and He said the Alberta oats

bushel. The heaviest oats were grown

of only 40 pounds would take in at

SUGGESTS "ALBERTA EXTRA."

The total oat crop of Alberta from

eptember, 1905, to September, 1906,

would be about twelve million bush-

els. The bulk of this oat crop was

shipped east and the oats of Alberta

were bought according to the Fort

couver for export was 25 cents and

William market. The rate to Van-

the through rate to Japan and China

was 45 cents. A few car loads had

been shipped by his firm to China

and Japan and the oats had to be

shipped in sacks because there were

no terminal facilities at Vancouver.

the west would increase very rapidly

during the next few years and a ter-

minal elevator at Vancouver would

in Canada and for this reason if for

menced to ship their own grain to any

extent, although a few of the farmers

at Claresholm were doing so. The

agent of his firm had no instructions

purchase grain in car load lots, al-

lough if they came they would take

Mr. Strong did not think that the

WEIGHT OF OUR OATS.

George Hill, the government inspec

Mr. Hill said that no less than 8

grown in Alberta were superior to any-

BETTER WHEAT ALSO.

Elmer Johnston, the manager of the

ed most satisfactory.

# The World's Fashions



A CHARMING STREET SUIT FOR A

The loose box coat if well cut is exceedingly smart and nowhere appears to quite so good advantage as upon the slender Miss. The suit sketched is in a novelty serge with collar and cuffs of velvet. The sleeves are shown short but a general wear suit should have long ones and they are given in the pattern. The skirt is of



cular one and of unusual grace. It is excellent for thin silks and veilings as well as suitings, and a deep gathered flounce for trimming such is provided. The suit skirt may be stitched of trimmed with flat bands goods are needed for the skirt and 2 yards of 54-inch for the coat.

Two patterns-4082, sizes, 10 to 16 years; 4083, sizes 13 to 17 years. The price of these patterns is 20c, but either will be sent up on receipt

### A LITTLE PRINCESS APRON.

In this age of the world and fashions the term apron does not always mean dark gingham and corresponding unattractiveness, but more often a fetching little garment to protection which also answers all the purposes of becoming acas, and adornment. Such is the apron shown. The princess panel in front, which also forms the yoke in the back, gives a very quaint effect and one much liked by partic-



ular mothers. The back of the apron is full and held in place by the sash which ends at the side seams. Small sleeves are given and are far from detracting from the prettiness of the apron, but they need not be used unless desired. Bands of insertion may finish the seams as shown. For the medium size 8 1-8 yards of 36-inch material are needed. 4068-Sizes, 2 to 10 years.

### A LONG WAISTED PETTICOAT.

With the present mode for French dresses, the little maid should own some long-waisted petticoats to wear with them. These are even more necessary to the satisfactory appearance of the small French dress with its abbreviated skirt than the princ-

while the short, full attached petti- of feminine apparel any more than



worn over. The neck may be made high and the sleeves may be used if yards 36 inches wide, are needed. 4052-Sizes, 1, 3, 5 and 7 years.

A TEA GOWN OF QUIET ELEG-

There is perhaps no nation on the globe which appreciates the value of the luxuries of life as do the American people. Paris may set the pace in fashions, but the American woman wears them with greater grace and enjoyment. The gown portrayed is one of unusual gracefulness, every line of which bespeaks quality and elegance. Made of the simplest in folds of the material. For the materials and with unpretentious medium size 3 7-8 yards of 44-inch trimmings, it is still a garment to be



admired. The box pleats of front and back give long and flowing lines while the broad collar adds a dainty touch of becomingness. The sleeves may be finished in any desired manner, the angel ruffles to match the collar being suggested. A soft silk ars and ruffles of lace or embroidered batiste. The gown may serve for the medium size the pattern calls for terday. 1-4 yards of 36-inch material.

6471-6472 A MODISH STREET GOWN. Few women realize how great a



ess lining to mother's dress of that and style of a gown. But there

fitted easily to the lines of the body | cannot be overlooked in the creation in the arrangement of the hair. The tendency of the day is toward straight and slender effects and the gown which gives lengthening lines is a great aid to this result. The gown sketched here is one of the very charming new models. It is developed in the beautiful Vigoureux with chemisette and deep cuffs of embroidered and tucked Swiss, Small buttons in Persian colorings fasten the points and serve as a modish trimming. The skirt is one of the new circular models and not difficult to construct. Cashmere, taffets, chiffon broadcloth or one of the fashionable raw silks might fashion this gown. For the medium size 8 1-2 yards of 36-inch material are needed. Two patterns-6471, sizes, 32 to 42

nches bust measure; 6472, sizes, 20 o 30 inches waist measure. The price of these patterns is 20c ut either will be sent upon receipt

A SIMPLE BLOUSE OF HENRI-

had weighed from 35 to 45 pounds per The separate blouse has came to b so important a part of every woman's to the south of Calgary. A standard desired. For the medium size 1 3-8 gowning that the home sewer is looking for attractive models which she least 40 per cent. of the crop and at may create. The blouse sketched is least 15 per cent, would yield 42 quite simple yet stunning with its tucks, resembling box pleats and edged with a narrow silk pleating. A



blouse of this kind is very easily Gilfoy was secretary. This association made and as effective as one requir- sent out the street price which was ing much more time and expense. A to be paid at all points throughout soft silk made up in this fashion the province. The telegram was shown line up. would be pretty if adorned with to all buyers throughout the province French knots. The cuffs and collar on that market, but only one telegram may consist entirely of lace or of em- was sent to that point. The buyers broidery. In the medium size the did not all follow this price. The difpattern calls for 3 1-4 yards of 36- ference between the track and street nch material. prices varied from three to seven cents 6425—Sizes, 32 to 42 inches bust per bushel. The farmers had not com

## GRAIN COMMISSION

Calgary, Dec. 12-The royal grain car distribution act, which gave equal commission, which has been appointed facilities for the obtaining of cars to by the Dominion Government to en- the farmers as well as the proprietors quire into the working of the various of elevators was just. acts relating to the sale, transporta- The Association of the Alberta challis or albatross might have col- tion and other matters in connection Grain Dealers had been in existence with the production of wheat through- for about a year and a half and so out the Dominion, held a session in far it had very little complaint from ea, rest or morning occasions. In the offices of the board of trade yes- the country buyers. The country buy ers had not exceeded the prices which

The members of the commission are had been set by the association to any 6740-Sizes, 32 to 42 inches bust as follows: M. J. Miller, Indian appreciable extent. Head. chairman; J. McNair, Keys. Man.; George Golding, Ayr, Ont., and J. Boyle, M.P.P., secretary. Mr. Boyle stated to the Albertan that the tor, was the next witness. ession which had been held in Calgary had been one of the most interper cent. of the oats which were grown esting and one of the most instructive in Alberta would average over 43 which had been held throughout the pounds to the bushel. He had had tour. Considering that the commission seventeen years experience in the insion has visited most of the principal spection department at Winnipeg and

towns in Manitoba and Saskatchewan, he thought that the cats which were this statement reads well. The first witness who was sworn thing which either Manitoba or Saswas Mr. Carson, of the Western Mil- katchewan could produce. A separate ling Co. Mr. Carson said that during grade should be given to oats such as the course of his business he had were produced in Alberta. Oats which bought a considerable quantity of Al-weighed 43 pounds to the bushel ought berta oats. In his opinion the maxi- not to be classed in the same grade as mum standard of 38 pounds to the oats which weighed only 38 pounds. bushel which was laid down by the He could distinguish Alberta oats from Inspection Act for the best grade of Manitoba oats or from the oats which oats was entirely too low and did not were the product of Saskatchewan bedo justice to the grain which was rais- cause of their superior plumpness and ed in Alberta. The majority of the also because they were of a better oats which were grown in Alberta color than the oats of the other prowould stand a test of well over forty vinces. pounds, and even then the larger portion would be over this weight

rather than under. Mr. Carson firmly believed that the Calgary Biscuit factory, swore that the Alberta wheat was fully equal to the flour which was made from Southern Manitoba number one northern which Alberta wheat was superior to any was imported chiefly from the pro- other flour for the purpose of making vince of Saskatchewan. The firm soda biscuits. It gave better results which he represented had ground over than the flour from Kansas, Missouri, two thousand barrels of biscuit flour which he had used in the past. which had been made from Alberta | The last witness called by the comsof winter wheat and they had always mission was Mr. Sillen, the accountorder. The waist portion of this is art in everything beautiful and it found that it produced most satisfac- ant of the Calgary Milling Co.

ory results. Moreover, it was the He informed the commission that kind which had proved itself to be the his firm did a small amount of businost satisfactory for the purpose of ness with Japan in the lower grades the manufacture of biscuit. The wheat of flour. His knowledge of the trade which had been mostly used for this with the far east was not very extenkind of business had been the Dawson sive because the business was not vet Golden Chaff. This was a soft wheat on a very sure footing. He had reaand could be bought at about three | son to believe that it would develop cents less than the hard wheat. Mr. greatly in the near future. Carson thought that provision should

This closed the session of the com he made in the act whereby a standard mission. The members of the commisshould be established for the soft sion left this morning for the south, white winter wheat. The majority of where they will visit Claresholm, the wheat which was grown in South, Pincher Cross and Macleod. After they have completed their work in these wheat. The witness had always found towns they will go through to the

The investigations have occupied a period of about four months.

# **SPORT**

### be given to the vendor to go crooked. WESTERN CANADA NOW ON THE MAP

Recognized As Baseball Territory By The National Board

(Saturday's Dally) the first intimation from secretary Donnolly of the National Board that Western Canada is on the baseball map which had been bought by his firm of America. The intimation was conveyed in the official bulletin for December which sets down the province of Alberta as beseball territory covered by a franchise issued to the western Canada league which protects country from invasion by any other organized ball team. The bulletin also brings the distres sing news that Rillian, the south paw

> "DEACON" WHITE GETS FLAT-TERING OFFER.

of Detroit, whom the Edmonton tear

Heigh ho, well, we'll find another.

drafted by the Boston

hoped to purchase for '07 has been

Can Have \$200 a Month to Manage Team in Three I. League.

Deacon White received a wire this morning offering him \$200 a month cu a five and a half months' contract to manage the Bloomington, Ill., team in the Three I. League for the season of '07.

The witness thought that the trade to Deacon immediately wired that he had thrown in his lot with Edmonton and was going to chance his fortunes here. As he could not go back to his native state of Illinois, he advised all the peomaterially increase the trade in this ple in Illinois to come to Alberta, asdirection. The oats of Alberta were suring them that this is a good counsuperior to any oats which were grown

HOCKEY

no other they were entitled to have a special grade. The name by which this The Revillon hockey team had a good grade should be known should be "Altryout last evening at the Thistle and me fast work was done. Mr. J. W. Morris manager of the team was re-In answer to some questions which fores. The line up was as follows; ere put by Mr. Boyle the witness Locks point stated that there was a grain growers' Wilson cover association in Alberta of which Mr. Kent (Holly wings

VEGREVILLE Vegreville, Dec. 13 .- Mr .C. Charlebois has secured his license for a Johnnie Borwick with his four in-hand took a jolly crowd of sharp shooters over to Andrew to participate in the turkey shoot there on the 14th. The poll in connection with the bylaw number 8 for fire protection was carried, 54 for and 2 against. By law No. 9 for flown hall and fire hall was carried 50 for and 5 against. Now that both by-laws are carried the town council will get busy and buy a site for a town and fire hall. The skating rink is well under way and if we don't get any more snow will be in readiness for X mas.

The bowling alley has changed hands J. C .Smith has sold out to F. McQueen

and A. Maxwell and Mr. Smith is go ing to open out a flour and feed store in J. Spellman's new store on Main A large real estate deal was out

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# World's Mar

GRAIN LETTER Wheat-There was an small amount of business of day and prices for the most ruled steady to a shade trade was of a holiday ch professional pit element was Liverpool closed 1-8d lower. quiet and unchangel. The Br weekly cable said "Weather nd unfavorably affected." rent said, "Interior wheat light owing to bad roads, car maintained an excellent cond totalled 701, against 662 this year ago. Minneapols stocks 100,000 bushels for five days p Flour shipments from that po-parrels. Clearances of wheat 639,000 bushels and mount 508,000 is in the share The market we think is a train for some time yet. Not ter than good scalping profits looked for, quick buys can be uttle dips and sales made or

STOCK LETTER Stocks-Great Northern, North cific and some of the other hig shake up today, selling of sales in these shares. The ba the market, while rather nerv remarkably well considering turbing factor and we advise buy good stocks on any further briceially the medium and low prosues which will soon come in i

The bullish state of C. P. feli off a little, the quotations ing two points during the day dip is merely temporary as the good reason to think that C. not nearly reached its value. familiar with the stock market C. P. R. to outclass the Great ern. A few years ago Great was selling at par, \$100 a sha today it is over \$300 with strong for another melon cutting. The traverses as good a country sweep and taps a greater terri land grants which should alone the road as valuable ads the Grea tage over the G. N. in that it ti the continent from sea and is an ral portion of the great overlan overseas commercial routes

QUOTATIONS The following are the quota showing open, high, low and close of the most important stocks on New York stock exchange: C. P. R., 195 1-4; 195 3-4; 193; A. C. P., 114; 114 3-4; 112 1-2; 1 A. R., 153; 153 3-8; 151 1-4; 1 Un. Fac., 148 1-2; 185; 181 7-St. Paul. 188 3-8; 192 3-4; 187 3-4

London, Dec .14.—The Bank of bay has raised its discount rate fr to 9 per cent.

New York, Dec. 14.— Buy Cana Pacific, St. Paul will also go his Get some L. & N. and don't be wit a little Brooklyn for a tong put en if you have to keep it until the

Washington Dec. 14. - Secretary S before the house committee on ban and currency today advocated the currency to serve as a buffer and ty valve. He advocated a tax of 6 per cent on emergency currency

New York, N.Y. Let. 18:- The persency of rumers that St. Paul we "cut a melon" in the near future the cause of exceptional -display strength in yesterday's market. details of the new deal were guarded but enough leaked out to c considerable excitement. London cable-Argentine cables

light rain has fallen locally. The ther has been generally favorable harvesting creations of wheat flax. The yield and quality are ex Chicago Dec 14 .- (learances, w

200,000 bushels; nour 47,000; corn 100: oats 41,000; wheat and flour, New York, Dec. 14.—Forty loads wheat worked for export so far t

Winniper, Tec 14.—A Liverpool casays, 'crop outlook in Russia go Weather told and showery. The sto of wheat amount to 8.800,000 busin against 6,400 000 bushels on November 1985. but the stock corsists mainly of i owing to renewal of strike.

Chicago Dec 14.—The Argent no ne is now considered the all-important fo ture of the grain market. The profe sional pit haders supplied all the nee of commission houses, and at the clo there was a decidedly overs condition apparent and we believe th purchases around the opening this mo ing will be protable.

QUOTATIONS.

The following are the open, high, and closing quotations on the most change vesterday G. B. R. 194 1-2; 201 1-4; 194 1 201 1-2 A. C. P. 118; 113; 112 5-8; 114 1-2. Smelter, 151 7-8; 152 7-8; 150 7-8;

Un. Facteic, 182 1-2 185 7-8; 181 3 St. Paul, 13; :-4, 198 1-2; 192 Reading, 145 1-4; 148; 144 5-8;

Mo. Pac, \$4 1-2 94 7-8; 94 1-2; Twin City, 105 1-2; 105; 100 1-2; 10

STOCK LETTER Stocks opened generally a little easter and for the first hour held some what casy and below last night's cloing figures, thus giving those who for lowed our advice an excellent opportu ity of taking advantage of this bre and picking up some soom bargains. A ter the first hour, stocks became ver active and strong lead by Canadian cific, for which as you all know have been predicting a big advnace. To day C. P. R. again spurted and read