

### Winnipeg Board of Trade.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade took place in the Board Room on Friday afternoon. Mr. J. H. Ashdown occupying the chair in the absence of the President and Vice President.

After reading of the minutes of last meeting and other routine had been passed, the Secretary reported on behalf of the Exemption petition committee, stating that the petition had been forwarded with 3310 signatures on it, and that it had been presented at Ottawa by the President of the Board, accompanied by deputations from the Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton Boards and other trade organizations. The results of the presentation so far were already known through the newspaper reports.

The following were put forward for membership of the Board, balloted for and duly elected. Messrs. A. G. Hamble, James Penrose, E. W. H. Van Allen, Thomas Bennie, Robert McKiechan, H. S. Masterman and John Mather.

The question of appointing a grain examining Board for the current year was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Pearson seconded by Mr. Harvey, the following gentlemen were appointed: Messrs. G. J. Maulson, D. H. McMillan, W. A. Hastings, D. G. McBain, D. L. McKenzie, S. Spink, E. L. Drewry and Stephen Nairn; Mr. Maulson to be convener.

The question of the appointment of a hide and skin inspector for this city was discussed, and on motion of Mr. Penrose, seconded by Mr. Osenbrugge the following resolution was carried.

Resolved: That in the opinion of this Board, the hide and skin business of this city and province has reached such proportions, as to necessitate the appointment of a hide and skin inspector here; therefore, it is the duty of the Board to provide for the early appointment of one, in compliance with the provisions of the Dominion Inspection Law.

On motion of Mr. Harvey seconded by Mr. Nairn, the following gentlemen were appointed as examining Board, with full power to take the necessary steps for the appointment of an Inspector here: Messrs. Osenbrugge, James Penrose, A. G. Hamble, Nicholas Bawif, Henry Bose, H. S. Masterman and S. Spink; Mr. Osenbrugge to be convener.

The Secretary handed to Mr. Osenbrugge the applications for the inspectorship of Messrs. Bird, Frank Lightcap and A. A. MacArthur.

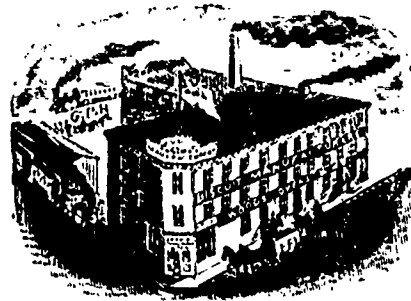
Mr. Nairn asked about the collection of market fees upon grain coming into the city, to which Alderman Pearson replied, that he believed these fees could not be collected by law, and that opinion was steadily gaining ground. He hinted that the market fees difficulty would not trouble the citizens much longer.

Mr. Anderson brought up the question of a cattle market or stock yards, which was discussed at length by Mr. Penrose and others, without the Board's deciding to take any action at present.

The meeting then adjourned.

The corporation of Iberville have granted a bonus to Mr. A. J. Corriveau, for the establishment of a silk factory in that town.

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