

# CANADIAN NEWS.

## The Latest Happenings in The Dominion.

### CENSUS OF THE BUFFALO.

A world census of all the American buffalo or bison now living has just been completed by Mark Sullivan of Boston, Mass., who achieved his remarkable results by correspondence. He conducted a similar census about four years ago and found that the number of bison then in existence numbered 1,204. The latest census fixes the number at 1,233, an increase of 29 in four years. The largest herd is in the Pablo Altard herd on the Flathead Indian reservation in Montana. It comprises 330. The next largest wild herd is west of the Great Slave Lake, Northwest Canada, numbering 200. The James Phillip herd, Fort Pierre, S. D., numbers 160, and the J. J. Hill group at Cardigan, Minn., 18. In the Band (Rocky Mountain) park are 45; in the Yellowstone park, 70; at Winnipeg, Denver and other city parks, 30, and at the Gold Night ranch, Texas, 50. The average value is six hundred dollars, or the total nearly \$800,000. A mysterious herd in Lost Park, Colo., was not included.

### APPOINTMENTS GAZETTED.

A despatch from Ottawa says that the following appointments have been gazetted: John Moodie, superintendent of the Northwest Mounted Police, to be officer in charge of the Dominion ship Arctic, and a fishery officer under "The Fisheries Act" and "an act respecting fishing by foreign vessels." Ephrem Lambert Pelletier, an inspector of the Northwest Mounted Police, and to be a Justice of the Peace, with jurisdiction in any territory or place in the Dominion of Canada outside the provinces with power and the authority of two or more justices of the peace. Henry Hayne, a staff sergeant of the Northwest Mounted Police, and to be a Justice of the Peace, with jurisdiction in any territory or place in the Dominion of Canada outside the provinces. Charles Harry Deo, sergeant-major of the Northwest Mounted Police, to be a Justice of the Peace with jurisdiction in any territory or place in the Dominion of Canada outside of the provinces.

### A DUCK HUNTER SHOT.

Garfield Sheppard, a young man, 21 years of age, while duck shooting near Echo Lodge, met with a terrible accident, which resulted fatally, says a Brockville (Ont.) despatch. The gun was lying in the boat, and was in some way discharged, tearing the front part of Sheppard's body, exposing the stomach and liver, and wounding the liver severely. Part of the breast bone is gone, and several ribs as well. Two doctors are in attendance. A remarkable thing is that after being wounded in this horrible manner Sheppard actually walked up a hill after landing near the scene of the shooting.

### \$75,000 ARCHIVES BUILDING.

The Dominion Public Works Department awarded the contract last week for the construction of the new archives building in Ottawa to W. H. McGillivray, of that city, for \$50,000. Work will be commenced at once, and it will be finished in about twelve months. The new archives building will be situated on Mackenzie avenue, alongside the Bureau of Printing. It will be three stories with basement of 100 feet by 50, and thoroughly fireproof. The walls will be plastered in expanded metal. Before it is completed it will cost \$75,000.

### LECTURER FOR ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE.

Edward J. Williamson, M. A., of Kingston, Ont., has been appointed lecturer in German and French in St. John's College, Winnipeg, affiliated with the University of Manitoba. He graduated as master of arts at Queen's in 1899, and for two years was tutor in modern languages there. The following two years he studied at the Leipzig University, Germany, and for a short time at the University of Besancon, in France.

### STEEL TRUST FOR CANADA.

A Toronto paper has learned on the very best authority that the United States steel corporation is seriously considering the question of establishing in Canada a large plant for the manufacture of steel rails steel generally. It has been at work collecting data regarding the output, consumption, etc., as well as selecting a location for the proposed works, and when this report is ready the question will be settled.

### SMALL CANADIAN MERGER.

An Ottawa despatch says: The Governor-in-Council has been pleased to sanction a mutual agreement for the amalgamation of the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company and the Alberta and Railway Company, the Canadian Northwest Irrigation Company and the St. Mary's River Railway Company under the name of "The Alberta Railway and Irrigation Company." The said agreement is to come into effect on the 30th day of September, 1904.

### STOLEN FROM CORNER STONE.

About four hundred dollars of Imperial Bank cancelled bills were stolen from the corner stone of Ridley College, St. Catharines, in July last. Bert Disher, former caretaker of the college, and Lou Webber, of Niagara Falls, were arrested a few days ago charged with the theft and passing the cancelled bills. Nearly three hundred dollars of the stolen bills were also found on Disher.

### SECOND CYCLE OF MUSICAL FESTIVALS.

The second cycle of musical festivals of the Dominion of Canada will be inaugurated in the spring of

1905 by Mr. Charles Harris, says a despatch from Ottawa. Thirty-seven choruses, representing 6,000 voices, will take up the work of preparation during this coming winter. Sir Alexander Mackenzie will again be associated with Mr. Harris in the great work.

### INCREASE IN C.P.R. EARNINGS.

The C. P. R. traffic receipts for the week ending Sept. 14 were \$933,000; same week last year, \$879,000.

### TORONTO STRIKE OVER.

The strike of the bricklayers and builders' laborers in Toronto was declared off last week. The men returned to work on the old terms.

### CAPT. BERNIER NOW TO GO ON THE ARCTIC.

Advices from Ottawa state that Captain Bernier, the explorer, has withdrawn his resignation and will now go as sailing master of the Arctic.

### PAY SERGEANT SENTENCED.

Pay Sergeant Hilton, of R. C. F. A., Kingston, Ont., tried by court martial on the charge of embezzlement and forgery, has been found guilty and sentenced to one year in the central prison and reduced to the ranks. Hilton protests his innocence.

### MORE ENGINEERS APPOINTED.

Advices from Ottawa state that the following named gentlemen have been appointed by the Transcontinental Commission of Engineers in the New Brunswick district: Charles Gardin, C. Loh, Miles, G. R. Bullock, F. D. Maxwell, L. G. Evans, C. O. Foss, Horace Longley, N. P. Clark and Karl Weatherbee.

### TORONTO'S LABOR TEMPLE.

The new Labor Temple, the home and headquarters of the labor movement in Toronto, opened its doors to the first important gathering on the evening of the 19th, when the eighth annual convention of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers began, under the presidency of Mr. Buchanan, of New York.

### A WELCOME TO BRITISH ENGINEERS.

The Canadian Society of Civil Engineers welcomed the members of the Institution of Civil Engineers on their arrival in Montreal on the 19th from New York. The party was composed of 125 persons, and was headed by Sir William White, ex-chief constructor of the Royal Navy, who is an eminent authority on battleships. The engineers were en route to St. Louis, where a convention is to be held.

### TO IMPROVE RURAL SCHOOLS.

Sir William McDonald, of Montreal, and James W. Robertson, of Ottawa, Canada's Commissioner of Agriculture, inspected the Stout schools at Menominee, Wis., a few days ago. They are making a tour of the Northern States with a view to adding improvements to the system of rural education in the Canadian provinces.

### PAINFUL THRESHER ACCIDENT.

A correspondent from Portage la Prairie writes: On the 19th Hugh Carmichael was admitted to the Portage Hospital on Saturday suffering from a badly crushed foot. It appears that the injured man, who was working for C. Cuthbert of Flee Island, had occasion to get on the top of the threshing machine while it was being worked, when a board gave way and his foot was caught in the machinery of the self feeder, inflicting painful injuries to that member.

### WINNIPEG SKATER INVITED TO PARIS.

Jack McCulloch, the well known Winnipeg athlete, received a communication from Paris a few days ago asking him on what terms he would be prepared to pay a visit to the French capital and give an exhibition of skating during the coming winter. Should satisfactory arrangements be made McCulloch intends to make the trip. Those who have seen him perform on the ice will agree that he would be able to give the Parisians a very favorable impression of Canadian style and speed.

### RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT IN B.C.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, who is on a tour of inspection in the West, on being interviewed in Vancouver a few days ago, stated that the company would build a branch line from Pentiction into the mine-section and through Hope Mountains to Ruby Creek. The company would also build from a point in the Crow's Nest Pass to Golden, on the main line. It was also intended to open up the Flathead country in the Kootenay, where vast coal areas would be tapped. The rich Windermere District is also, according to Sir Thomas, to be given railway facilities.

### IN MEMORY OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

The Department of Public Works at Ottawa have called for tenders for the erection of the new Victorian memorial museum, which is designed to house the Geological Survey and Museum, the National Art Gallery and Fisheries Exhibition. The museum is to be built upon the site of Appin Place, at the foot of Metcalf street. The building, which will be a four-story structure, with a frontage of 400 and width 50 feet. Two wings (one at the east end and one at the west end of the building) will each have a depth of 126 feet. In the center of the building on the front there will be an extension tower, while in the rear the extension will take the form of a semicircle, the ground floor of which will be used as an auditorium and upstairs for geological survey and library. The entire building will be constructed of Nova Scotia stone, and will cost in the vicinity of one million dollars.

# OLD WORLD NEWS

## INTERESTING BUDGET FROM BRITAIN

### GREAT STRIKE ORDERED IN ITALY.

The strike in Rome has begun, but it is not general, says a despatch dated the 17th. At Naples it has been decided to strike Monday. In other towns troops are kept in readiness and the police everywhere have been reinforced. The Socialist agitation is on the increase, especially in the northern part of Italy. In some places it is assuming the character of a rebellion. Another fight has occurred at Genoa between the police and strikers. The whole night was passed in darkness, there owing to the strike. The mayor and other municipal officers of Milan came to Rome to-day to present to the government an expression of indignation of the population of Milan as a result of what they term the slaughter of the people. The real cause of the whole agitation is an attempt of the extreme party to overthrow the cabinet. In spite of the fact that it is a Liberal ministry it energetically keeps the extremists in hand. The Paris Journal's Genoa correspondent reported that he had travelled to Nice in order to file the following uncensored despatch: "The situation throughout Italy is most serious. At Rome the council of ministers has called out two classes of reserves in order to reinforce the authorities. Premier Giolitti has postponed a journey to Racine, which he had intended to make for the purpose of extending his personal congratulations on the birth of the crown prince. At Port Nova crowds of people stopped the railroad trains, many children lying down before the engines. Troops were powerless. One person was killed and several badly hurt in a collision with soldiers at Genoa where the strikers prevented the departure of trains. Railway tracks were also torn up near Rivarolo. No trains left Milan Sunday night."

### SALVATION ARMY'S AUTOMOBILE.

"What do I think of automobilism, now that my trip is over," queried General Booth of the Salvation Army, in reply to a question asked him on his return to London after his tour from Land's End to Aberdeen. "Well," with a mischievous twinkle in his eye, "I don't think a man ought to start motoring unless he is prepared to die at full speed. Of course my trip was hardly fair to the motor, but it shows me the providence of God. If I was a manufacturer I would leave all the swell cars go to the French and turn my attention to a car for the butcher, the grocer, the doctor and the tradesman, so that they could keep them for business and pleasure. It ought to be cheap, good and substantial." Asked if the tour answered his purpose, the general replied, exultingly: "The trip has resulted in a lot of prejudice against the army being removed from the minds of the people. I could not have covered the distance in time without an automobile."

### LIVED IN MIRROR HALL; IS MAD.

A cable from St. Petersburg says: From Tomsk comes a curious story of a modern Narcissus. He is Vladimir Yevdokimoff, son of one of the richest merchants in Russia. After spending millions of roubles in all sorts of foolish ways he retired to Tomsk with a considerable fortune still in his hands. He bought a wooded hill in the neighborhood and on the summit built a glass palace. One of the largest of the rooms is a hall, in which walls, roof and floor are formed only of mirrors. In the middle of this hall he had a throne erected which revolved on a pivot like a pigeon stool. Here he would sit for hours admiring himself. His admiration of himself was sometimes varied by elaborate banquets, to which only women were invited. They were attired as Bacchantes, and he presided crowned with roses. In five years he squandered 7,000,000 roubles and now is in an asylum for the insane.

### BATTLE IN PARAGUAY.

The rebel vessel *Saonia* attacked San Antonio, on the 15th, says a cable from Buenos Ayres, General Ferreira making a simultaneous attack by land with cavalry and infantry after a reconnaissance towards Litterone, where a considerable number of Government troops were encountered. The combat lasted three hours and resulted in the defeat and dispersal of the Government forces. The extent of the losses is unknown. The Argentine consul at Ascension has telegraphed confirmation of the defeat, but gives no facts as to the losses sustained. The *Saonia* returned to Villa Rica without having sustained a single casualty.

### RELIEF EXPEDITION HAD TO TURN BACK.

In the Journal of the Board of Agriculture, A. P. Hall, writing of the Rothamstead experimental station, enlightens Manitoba wheat, which enables bakers to make two more loaves from each sack of flour. While No. 15 hull Manitoba sold last season 35 shillings per quarter, the best British brought only 29 shillings.

F. W. Leigh, president of the Federation of Grocers' Association, London, in speaking of the grocery exhibition, expressed the hope that the enterprise displayed by the Canadian Government would next year be emulated by other colonies and the daughters of the motherland.

### W. S. CHAMP, SECRETARY OF WILLIAM ZEGLER, WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF THE RELIEF EXPEDITION SENT IN SEARCH OF THE ARCTIC EXPLORATION STEAMER AMERICA, HAS ARRIVED IN TROMSØ, NORWAY, ON BOARD THE STEAMER FRITHJOF. MR.

Champ, in a statement given out on his arrival said: "I regret to report my failure to reach Franz Josef Land. The ice conditions were insurmountable and the approaching winter and the heavy frosts compelled us to abandon further efforts to get north."

### JULES VERNE HAS NEW NOVEL.

The veteran fiction writer, Jules Verne, says a Paris despatch, who has attained the ripe age of four score years, is to publish a new story entitled, "Automobilisme," which, it is said, will be even more interesting to old and young than any of his numerous works of past years.

### TO DISCUSS ROENTGEN METHOD.

A congress to discuss the Roentgen method will meet in Berlin April 30, 1905. Professor Roentgen will be the guest of honor of the congress, which marks the tenth anniversary of the publication of his discovery.

### KIPLING SLAPS LAZY BRITONS.

A Paris correspondent writes: After reading the *Vicomte Robert D'Aumier's* kind and sympathetic volume, "Impressions of London, English Society and English Rule in India," Rudyard Kipling has written to the author a letter, which the *Figaro* publishes. Mr. Kipling declares he is glad that another Englishman, who he says is spoiled by too much ease, who sleeps and because it snores aloud imagines that it thinks, has escaped the French author's notice.

### DO NOT USE DUM-DUM BULLETS.

General Sakharoff telegraphs from St. Petersburg a formal denial of General Oyama's statements. He says the alleged dum-dum bullets found at Liao Yang are simply the regular square long bullets of the service revolver. They are of the same calibre as the Russian rifle of 1891, and the bullets are all lead, are not jacketed and are in no way dum-dum. The general also makes the statement that the Japanese captured a large quantity of ammunition. He says they obtained possession only of a few boxes of empty cartridge shells, and says it is not true that the Russian rolling stock fell into the hands of the Japanese. Only two old trucks, he adds, were left on a siding.

Andrew Carnegie has written a little volume on James Watt, the great engineer, which will appear soon as the concluding volume of the "Famous Scots" series.

### TO REMAIN ON STRIKE.

Advices from Chicago state that because of alleged discrimination against the sheep butchers at the Union stock yards the Sheep Butchers' Union workmen have decided to remain on strike. All of the packing companies excepting Armour & Co. are alleged to be discriminating.

### TROQUIOS THEATRE REOPENED.

The Troquios Theatre in Chicago, in which nearly 600 persons were burned and smothered on December 30, 1903, was re-opened last week as a vaudeville playhouse. The theatre has been refitted at a cost of nearly \$100,000, and constructed so as to meet every requirement of the law.

### MODEST MILLIONAIRE.

Samuel Davis, who recently died in San Francisco, had lived simply in two rooms. The estate was found to be worth \$1,193,522, all of which was in valuable stocks and bonds, except some real estate valued at \$400,000. The aged man left a will in which he nominated Julius C. Heis, of San Francisco, as executor, and named a great many heirs extending from Scotland to the Pacific coast. Davis was born in Galway, New York, in 1862.

### LAWYER'S ADVICE COMES HIGH.

President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, arrived in Wilkesbarre a few days ago and attended a conference of the lawyers engaged for the defence in the case of A. D. Wales, attorney of Birmingham, N. Y., who has instituted a suit against President Mitchell and the United Mine Workers for \$200,000, for a suggestion which he claims he made to Mr. Mitchell, and which, he alleges, was the means of settling the great strike of two years ago. Mr. Mitchell declined to make any statement, but at the trial it is understood he will make a denial that he acted on any suggestion made by Mr. Wales.

### LENA'S CREW MUST REMAIN IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Admiral Goodrich has telegraphed to the Navy Department, says a despatch from Washington, D. C., that the agreement he entered into with Captain Berlinsky of the Russian vessel *Lena* for the parole of the officers and crew of the ship provides for the freedom of the city of San Francisco, but they may not go beyond the bounds of the city during the continuance of the present war, and under no conditions can they be permitted to return to Russia, except upon the conclusion of an agreement on that point between the Governments of Russia and Japan, which would relieve the United States of any responsibility.

### SUICIDE BY AGREEMENT.

Nellie Geyer and James Day, sweet hearts, of Zanesville, O., committed suicide one day last week by agreement, although they did not die at the same hour. The girl left a letter to her mother foretelling the deed and leaving no doubt that there had been an agreement for the double tragedy during the night. Mrs. Parker, with whom Nellie Geyer was staying, was aroused before day-break by groans and found Nellie in a pool of blood in her room. Later James Day was found about three miles outside the city, having shot himself while en route home from a visit to Miss Geyer. Neither of the suicides lived long enough to tell the motive for self-destruction.

# MARKET JOBBING PRICES

from THE COMMERCIAL

Winnipeg, Sept. 23, 1904.

### GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

FLOUR—The market is steady at last week's advance. We quote: No. 1 grade at \$2.99 per sack of 48 lbs., delivered to the trade, No. 2, \$2.70; No. 3, \$2.10 to \$2.40 and No. 4, \$1.50. These prices are subject to the usual trade discounts.

SPELTZ—There is none in sight and the price is nominal at 40 to 45c. per bushel of 50 pounds.

MILFEED—Business good and prices steady at last week's advance. We quote: Bran, \$13 per ton, in bulk, delivered to the trade; shorts, \$20 per ton.

GROUND FEED—The demand is good. Prices are steady. We quote: Oat chop, \$28 per ton, delivered to the trade; barley, chop, \$22; mixed barley and oats, \$25; oil cake, \$27 per ton.

HARLEY—The market is stagnant. A nominal quotation is 38 to 40c. Winnipeg.

FLAXSEED—The mills are now closed for the season. Practically no business is doing.

HAY—Receipts are increasing, prices steady. We quote: Baled hay, new, in carlots on track here, \$3.50 to \$7.50 per ton. Loose hay, farmers' loads, \$5.50 to \$7.50 per ton.

OATS—Offerings are very light. The market is firm at about last week's figures. New No. 2 is worth about 31c. per bushel. We quote: No. 2 white, old, on track, Winnipeg, 30c. to 40c.; No. 3, white, 37c.

VEGETABLES—We quote new potatoes, farmers' loads, 40c to 45c per bushel; Swede turnips, 25c per bushel; parsley, 20c per doz.; onions, 2c per lb.; pickling onions, 5c per lb.; Spanish onions, \$1.50 per crate; plantain, 1c per lb.; carrots, 45c per bushel; cabbages, 1 1/2c per doz.; cauliflower, 75c per doz.; new beets, 1 1/2c per doz.; celery, 30c per doz.; butter beans, 3c per lb.; Ontario tomatoes, 65c per basket; vegetable marrow, 75c per doz.; pumpkins, 1c per lb.; cucumbers, 15 to 25c per dozen; zherkins, 5c per lb.; green corn, 15c per doz.; green tomatoes, 1 1/2c per lb.

DRESSED MEATS—Dressed beef is 1c per lb. easier, veal firmer at 8c per lb. Spring lamb is 1 1/2c per lb. lower, while hogs, owing to the firmness of the live market are 1/4c higher. We quote: Beef, 5 1/2 to 5 3/4c per lb. for city dressed, 1/4c less for country; veal, 8c for choice weights; mutton, 8c; spring lambs, 11c per lb.; hogs, 8c, delivered to the trade here.

POLLTRY—The market is steady. The duck season is on and dealers are paying 15 to 40c per pair for mallards. We quote: Fowl, live weight 10c per lb.; spring chickens, 13c per lb., live weight.

CHEESE—The market is easier, the top price receding 1c per lb. We quote, \$1c to 8c, factory.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is steady. We quote, 18c f. o. b. factory, being about the prevailing figure paid by local jobbers for assorted boxes.

BUTTER—Dairy—The market is a shade firmer. We quote prices paid by jobbers, Winnipeg, as follows: No. 1, 14c; No. 2, 9 to 10c; pound bricks, 17c. Price for round lots, Winnipeg, is 11 to 12c, and from 1c to 2c more for special selected shipments by express.

EGGS—Under moderate offerings and a good demand prices have advanced 1 1/2c per lb. Jobbers are paying for good stock 19c. f. o. b. Winnipeg, subject to candling.

HIDES—Although prices are steady the market has a lower tendency, as prices are about 1/4c higher than in Chicago. We quote: Abattoir hides, 7c for No. 1's, 6c for No. 2's. Country cured butchers, at 6 1/2 to 6 3/4c for No. 1 grade; lambs, 30c to 40c.

TALLOW—The market is steady. No. 1 tallow is worth 3 1/2c to 4c per lb., delivered at Winnipeg; No. 2, 3c.

WOOL—Supplies are pretty well cleaned up and the season practically over.

SENECA ROOT—The falling off in the demand last week has resulted in a decline of 2c to 3c per lb. Local buyers are paying 60c per lb. for good dry root.

### LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Exporters are a shade easier, a low quotation of \$3 being made. Butchers are easy. Export stock is worth \$3 to \$3.25, Winnipeg, weighed at the point of shipment. We quote: \$3 for cars here for choice butchers, down to \$2.50 for inferior grades.

SHEEP—The market is 25c per cwt. easier. We quote, \$3.25 per cwt., Winnipeg.

HOGS—Offerings are light and quotations 1c per lb. firmer. We quote, 5 1/2c per lb. selected weights.

Winnipeg, Thursday, Sept. 22, 1904.

WHEAT—The course of the wheat markets during the past week has been nervous and erratic, sharp declines and sharp advances alternating. The day after our report of last week was written there was a heavy slump in the prices running from 2c. in New York and Chicago to 4c. and even 5c. in Minneapolis and Duluth. The influences causing the decline were better weather conditions over America and lower cables from Europe, which so worked on the nerves of weak holders and gave such encouragement to short sellers that the markets for the day became completely demoralized in the eagerness of traders to get rid of wheat. Saturday's and Monday's markets continued to feel the influence of Friday's slump and declined further, but on Tuesday European Markets, especially London and Paris, became quite strong owing to reported cargoes on ocean passage, and this caused a firmer feeling and moderate advance in American markets.

Wednesday brought a great improvement in the weather over the Northwest and wheat country, especially on the Canadian side, and it caused a somewhat weaker feeling in New York, Chicago and Winnipeg, but had no effect on prices in Minneapolis and Duluth. To-day, with a return of less favorable weather in the Northwest, an advance has taken place of 1c. to 1 1/2c. in all markets. The difference in prices on the week, however, still shows an advance of from 5c. to 6c. per bushel, and in Minneapolis and Duluth a drop of 9c. per bushel on September wheat. The above shows how erratic and uncertain the wheat market is at the present time. And it is likely to continue more or less so throughout the present season. The level of price is higher than the grain trade or speculators have been used to for a long time. European stocks and amount on ocean passage are fair, but American stocks are decidedly small for the time of year. Crops in Europe and America are small compared to recent annual yields and the American crop is mixed in quality. World's consumption of wheat flour has largely increased in recent years. Naturally high prices will lessen consumption by causing economy in use and prevention of waste, and will give opportunity for cheaper breadstuffs being used to a small extent. But before the effect of such influences have time to be generally recognized, actual movement of wheat and quality of new crops as shown by inspections, together with weather influences on the final gathering of this year's crops for next season will give the speculative trade plenty of material for playing its game, and the prices of wheat may in that way be carried much above present level for temporary periods. In the long run the crops of the Southern hemisphere and the prospect for next year's crops in the Northern hemisphere will help to decide whether prices will hold up to present level or not. The movement of wheat in America is not large considering high prices and visible supply stock is still two million bushels under last year, and at the same time exports are not much over half last year's figures. In regard to new crops reports from the winter wheat States tell of good progress made in seeding under favorable conditions, and the prospect of increased acreage. The new crops in the Argentine and Australia are doing well, although there are rumors of locusts appearing in the Argentina which, however, may come to nothing. The visible supply increased 895,000 bushels last week against an increase of 307,000 bushels the previous week and an increase of 1,761,000 bushels last year. The world's shipments were 11,392,000 bushels, against 10,422,000 bushels the previous week and 9,181,000 bushels last year. The world's visible supply, according to Bradstreet's, increased 1,301,000 bushels, against an increase of 2,800,000 bushels the previous week and an increase of 4,779,000 bushels last year.

Manitoba wheat has been rather dull during the week. The delay in new wheat moving restricts trade. From the 1st inst. to date only 407 cars of wheat have passed Winnipeg, compared to 1,554 cars for same period last year. Exporters are scarcely doing anything yet, the price holding rather above export. Demand from the milling trade is good. With good increase in movement prices must come to export level, but weather is far from favorable for completing harvest, and getting ahead with thrashing. This delays movement, and also is making more or less no grade wheat. Prices show a decline of around 4c. on the week, and to-day are \$1.01 1/2 Northern; 98 1/2c. 2 Nor.; 93 1/2c. 3 Nor.; 82c. No. 4 wheat; 55c. feed wheat, and 46c. No. 2 feed, spot, September or first half October delivery. On the option market prices closes October, \$1.01 1/2; December, 98 1/2; May, \$1.03 1/2; all prices are for in store Fort William and Port Arthur.

SAVED FROM SINKING SHIP. A despatch from Grand Rapids, Mich., says: The steamer *Pentland*, bound from Potosky to Grand Haven, on the 19th, saved eighteen lives in a heavy gale. When seventeen miles off Big Point Sable the barge *Pewaukee* was sighted in a sinking condition. The crew of eight were taken off.

### SUITORS TO PLAY CARDS FOR WIDOW.

A despatch from New York says: Some day next week a game of pinocle will be played in the parlors of 224 Hudson avenue, Guttenburg, N. J., between two suitors for the hand of a widow who owns the house. The widow, who is to abide by the result of the game, is Mrs. Amelia Arkland, who is styled by her neighbors as "fair, fat and forty," and admits the forty. She has been married three times and weighs 200 pounds. She is worth \$25,000. One of the suitors is Rainold Van Blessing, a carpenter, 30 years old. He has been courting the widow for some time and is a good hand at cards. The other man is Captain John Taylor, 43 years old, who has command of a tramp steamer. He also is a good card player. Captain Taylor was well acquainted with the widow's last husband, Arkland, who also was captain of a tramp steamer. Mrs. Arkland thinks a good deal of both men, and was undecided which to take. Van Blessing had, if anything, the better of the contest, as he was at home near the widow all the time. Recently both men have been so urgent that she did choose between them that she did not know what to do. Finally she said she would let a game of pinocle decide the matter. She said that 100,000 points would be the game. Mrs. Arkland is a lover of the game, and is herself no mean player. The contest, she stipulated, must be played in the parlor of her home in the presence of all concerned.