

the Bankers' Association, who when put up in the collar admitted there was no real money stringency and that our money was playing the game of "high finance" in other parts of the world at the very time that we were compelled to take Five to Ten Cents per Bushel less for our Wheat. Are such facts sufficient or not sufficient to cause every farmer to stop and ponder where he is at?

Now what can it all mean but just this: That we are concentrating our capital in the hands of men who are using it for their own special advantage. We are giving them the opportunity and assisting them to lay awake at nights studying out how they may be able to take a little more off our profits. Let us therefore concentrate our capital in the hands of men who will use it for our best interests, and in doing so we will have one of the strongest financial institutions in the Dominion,—one that will be able to take care of all the grain grown in the three great Provinces. Just fancy, 130,000 Farmers taking one share each, would make A PAID-UP CAPITAL OF SEVENTEEN MILLION DOLLARS!

In conclusion I would say,—FARMERS COME TO THE FRONT AND TAKE YOUR PLACE LIKE MEN. Stand united, as the large Corporations stand together and who stood together at Ottawa last session—the Grain Interests, the Railroads and the Bankers' Association—as one united front in their effort to take away from the Farmer the privilege he now enjoys of loading his grain from the platform. They certainly would have won their point had it not been for the splendid fight put up by the Delegates of the Three Provinces, so you will see that in these matters it is concentrated action that counts. By the joint acting of the Three Provinces in conference, a situation was saved which meant Millions of Dollars to the Farmer.

Then Brother Farmers do not hesitate to make your Grain Growers' Association stronger and stronger, for you cannot tell what may come next, and the stronger the Association the better and quicker the result.

Yours faithfully,

THE PATIENT CAMEL.

A TOUGH SUM.

"Why, Tommy," said a school teacher to a little boy who had just taken off his shoes and stockings in the school room, "what on earth do you mean by having your feet bare?" "Please, sir," said Tommy, pleadingly, "the book wants to know how many four times five are, and I have not enough fingers, so I have to count my toes."

"MOSSBACK" ON THE ONE MAN JUDGE IN THE GRADING SYSTEM

How any intelligent public can support the fiction that any one man is able to determine the value of our 100,000,000 bushels of wheat is beyond my comprehension.

How long will the people stand for such a doctrine? Is it possible that we are to submit to such unfair treatment for some time to come?

Do you not see that when the Chief Inspector pronounces his judgment and fixes the grade that settles the price of our grain? The price has been attached to the grade by a gang of special privileged men who are in business to get cheap wheat to make profit—to make DOLLARS AND CENTS.

They themselves have the settling of the price and no one has any say in the matter, even should he wish or make an effort to do so. If you are not a member of the Exchange you will be told you have no business in that very important apartment, that is for the specially privileged, and you, as a farmer, must not tread on "holy ground."

What could be more natural to expect than that the men who hold the key to the situation would play the game to make all the profit possible out of a business that was put in its present monopolistic position for the special purpose of making profits—DOLLARS AND CENTS. They have entrenched themselves so that no power on earth can successfully deal with them while they have control of the grain storage facilities.

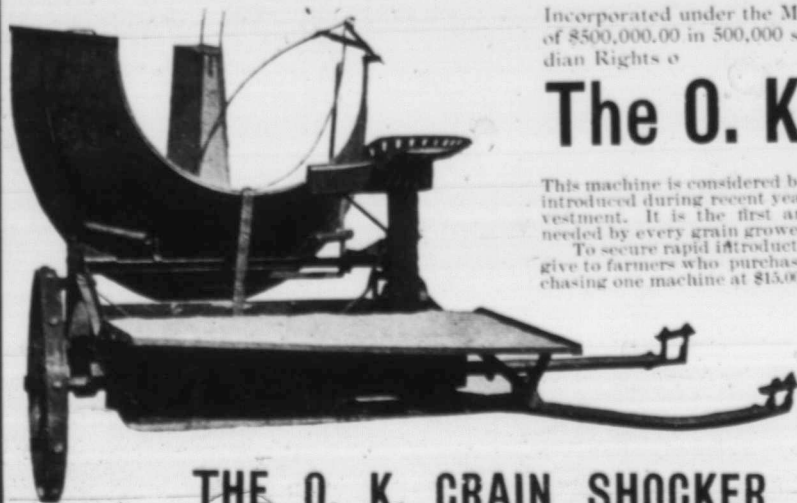
What they think wheat should be is what they quote to the public, and if they think the price too high to-day they will make it lower to-morrow.

You say, How can they do that? Well, they do it in this way:—Four or five members of the Grain Exchange come together at 1.15 of the clock, the close of the market, and one of the number says: "We must drop the price of wheat 2c. for to-morrow. I will sell 5,000 bushels at 2c. less than the quotations of to-day. I will lose \$100.00 and you four will "pony up" even and the loss for the five will be \$20.00 each.

The result—we will buy to-morrow one or 200,000 bushels at a drop of 2c., when as a matter of fact there is no drop in the world's value, making a net gain of from \$20,000 to \$40,000 according to the amount of wheat purchased.

Now, how could you expect any different result when as a matter of fact the only men there who can make a price are the men wanting cheap wheat? Then, do you

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