

SEND FOR SAMPLES OF THE BEST

ROLLED OATS IN THE PROVINCE

Manufactured at the Portage la Prairie Mills

Car Lots or Smaller Quantities

A. J. CRIGHTON WHOLESALE MERCHANT **PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE****Minneapolis Markets.**

Compared with a week ago flour is unchanged, oats 1c lower, corn 1 1/2c lower, flax seed 3 1/2c lower, cheese 1c lower, butter 1-2c higher, eggs 1 1/2c lower, potatoes 5 to 10c lower.

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patents, \$3.00 to \$3.70, second patents, \$3.40 to \$3.50.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$9.00 to \$9.25, bran in bulk, \$9.00 to \$9.25; corn feed, \$12.75 to \$15.50 per ton as to quality.

Oats—No. 3 white, 26 1-2c.

Corn—Quoted at 30 1-4c for No. 3 yellow; 30c for No. 3; and 28 to 29 1-2c for No. 4.

Barley—35 to 40c.

Flax seed—\$1.01 1-2 per bushel.

Eggs—10 1-2c for strictly fresh, including cases.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 10 to 11 1-2c; fair to good, 7 to 9c.

Butter—Creamery, 15 1-2 to 17c for choice to extras; seconds 11 to 11 1-2c; dairy 11 to 15c for choice to fancy; seconds, 10 to 11c.

Hides—Green salted hides, 8 1-2c for No. 1; 7 1-2c for No. 2; steers over 60 lbs. 8 and 9c; bulls, oxen and brands, 6 1-2 to 7 1-2c; sheepskins 25 to 70c each, veal, calf, 9 1-2 to 11c; tallow, 3 to 4c; seneca root, 22c.

Apples—No. 1 stock, \$5.50 to \$6 per barrel, boxes, \$1.75 to \$2.25.

Dressed meats — Mutton, 5 to 8c; lamb, 5 to 10c; veal, 6 to 9c; hogs, light, 4 1-2c; medium, 4 1-2c; heavy, 4 to 4 1-4c.

Poultry—Live chickens, 6 to 10c; turkeys, 9 to 10 1-2c; ducks, 5 to 9c; geese, 5c.

Potatoes — Straight varieties per bushel, 30 to 40c; mixed, 25 to 30c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 10 to 13c; medium 14 to 15c; coarse, 13 to 14c.

Hay—\$8.50 to \$9 per ton for timothy; mixed clover, \$5 to \$5.50.

Live stock — Hogs, \$3.50 to \$3.60; sheep, \$4.25 to \$5; cattle, butchers', choice cows, \$4.25; good steers, \$4.70; stockers and feeders, \$3.50 to \$4.80.

Western Business Items.

Geo. Gorst is starting a general store at Solsgirth, Man.

Thos. McKee, of Neepawa, is opening a furniture at Strathclair, Man.

A. I. Lagarde is opening business in implements at Duck Lake, Sask.

J. Boisvert, general store keeper, Laurier, Man., has assigned to S. A. D. Bertrand.

W. Grob, blacksmith, Portage la Prairie, is succeeded by Ballard & Hoover.

A. Hartle, butcher, is starting at Lumsden, Assa.

H. L. Chabot, grocer and crockery, Winnipeg, has sold out.

P. H. Hanson is opening a general store at Edna, Alberta.

G. A. Allan, tobacconist, Calgary, has sold out to Nelson Hoade.

W. B. Leavens is opening in tinware, etc., at Foxwarren, Man.

J. J. Yopni, builder, Winnipeg, has admitted H. Jalderson as partner.

Laidlaw & Fraser contemplate opening a general store at Lumsden, Assa.

A. A. B. Sprout, general store, Prince Albert, Sask., has sold out to J. D. McLeod.

The Selkirk Trading Co., Ltd., general store, Selkirk, Man., is moving to Dauphin, Man.

A. R. Stevens is enlarging his lumber yard at Cypress River, Man., and is also adding furniture.

T. F. Kirkham, stoves and tinware, Lethbridge, Alberta, is adding hardware to his business lines.

Saunders, McCartney & Corcoran, harness, Calgary, Alberta, have dissolved partnership; Wm. McCartney retiring.

The assets of A. E. Sommerfeld, general store, Plumus, Man., who assigned recently, have been sold to J. D. Ramsay at 65 cents of the dollar.

R. A. Lister & Co., started operations at their Brandon creamery on Monday last. Their new creamery at Morris, Man., will begin operations on Monday next.

S. W. Taylor, who lately arrived in Winnipeg from Philadelphia, Pa., has been appointed city agent for the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance company.

G. B. Housser & Co., Portage la Prairie, have opened a branch lumber yard at Bagot, Man. The report that J. C. Lowrie was opening business in this line at Bagot was an error.

Thos. L. Waldon, traveller for Clare, Bros. & Co., Winnipeg, has returned from a trip to the factory at Preston, Ont. Mr. Wilson, manager of the Winnipeg business, expects his samples for the fall trade at once.

The firm of Boucher, Langstaff & Holmes, Rainy River, has been dissolved. E. J. Boucher will continue that branch of the business, and is responsible for all the firm's obligations. C. R. Langstaff will continue at Emo and W. J. Holmes at Big Forks.

Safe manufacturers have advanced their prices sharply on account of the advance in raw material.

Press Excursion.

The Western Canada Press Association has arranged for an excursion, to start from Winnipeg on June 15 for the Pacific coast, via the Northern Pacific railway, returning via the Canadian Pacific railway. At Revelstoke the party will turn south through the Kootenay, and thence eastward via the Crow's Nest road. The cities along the route have already tendered receptions to the association, and no doubt a most enjoyable time will be experienced.

An outing for the average newspaper man is almost a necessity. Their work is trying and tedious, and a change of air and scene is necessary to enable them to carry on their work to good advantage. Besides the physical necessity for an outing now and again, newspaper men, as leaders of thought, require the knowledge which is to be gained only by travel. Every newspaper writer should try to take a good trip every year. It will widen their thought and brighten up their ideas. And it is well to begin by making an acquaintance with the to them unknown parts of their own country. The trip will no doubt be of great value in this way to those who take part in it.

Molasses Booms.

The Montreal Gazette of May 10 says: The excitement in the molasses market continues and prices have been steadily advancing. A cable from Barbadoes yesterday reported the market excited and bare of stock and quoted 15c first cost. This cable was followed by another one to-day noting a further advance of 1c per gallon to 16c first cost. This figure means 36 1-2c laid down at Montreal, with discount. In sympathy with the above the Wholesale Grocers' Guild have marked up prices to 31c for car lots, and 35c for smaller quantities. The position of the market was probably never so strong as it is at present, and the general opinion is that prices are going to be maintained. There has been a heavy demand this season from Scotch and United States refiners, owing to the scarcity of low grade cane sugars, and this accounts for the output which is small, being bought up at such an early date.

London, May 8.—The wool auction sales were continued to-day with competition very active. Superfine merino greasy wools realized 20 to 25 per cent above the March sales.