

USUALLY EARLY HARVEST EXPECTED

Advices From Oklahoma Checked Rising Tendency in Wheat Market.

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Grain Statistics.

ARGENTINE SHIPMENTS.

Table with columns: Wheat, Corn, Last yr., This wk., Last wk., Yr. ago.

ARGENTINE VISIBLE.

Table with columns: Wheat, Corn, Now, Wk. ago, Yr. ago.

NORTHWEST CARS.

Table with columns: Minneapolis, Duluth, Winnipeg, Yesterday, Last wk., Last yr.

PRIMARY MOVEMENT.

Table with columns: Wheat, Receipts, Shipments, Yesterday, Last wk., Last yr.

CLEARANCES FROM CHICAGO.

Table with columns: Wheat, Corn, Shipments, Yesterday, Last wk., Last yr.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Erickson Perkins & Co. (J. G. Besty), 14 West King street, Toronto, report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade:

Table with columns: Wheat, Open, High, Low, Close, Prev. Close.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce on the street market were 20 loads of hay.

Hay—Choice No. 1 hay sold at \$19 to \$20; No. 2 mixed sold at \$18 to \$19 per ton.

Grain—Wheat, fall, bushel, \$1.00 to \$1.01; Barley, bushel, 82c to 84c.

Wholesale seed merchants are selling to the trade: Red clover, No. 1, \$19.00 to \$20.00.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET.

May, 89%; July, 89%; No. 1 hard, 95%; No. 2, 92%; No. 3, 89%; No. 4, 86%; No. 5, 83%; No. 6, 80%; No. 7, 77%; No. 8, 74%; No. 9, 71%; No. 10, 68%; No. 11, 65%; No. 12, 62%; No. 13, 59%; No. 14, 56%; No. 15, 53%; No. 16, 50%; No. 17, 47%; No. 18, 44%; No. 19, 41%; No. 20, 38%; No. 21, 35%; No. 22, 32%; No. 23, 29%; No. 24, 26%; No. 25, 23%; No. 26, 20%; No. 27, 17%; No. 28, 14%; No. 29, 11%; No. 30, 8%; No. 31, 5%; No. 32, 2%; No. 33, 0%; No. 34, 0%; No. 35, 0%; No. 36, 0%; No. 37, 0%; No. 38, 0%; No. 39, 0%; No. 40, 0%; No. 41, 0%; No. 42, 0%; No. 43, 0%; No. 44, 0%; No. 45, 0%; No. 46, 0%; No. 47, 0%; No. 48, 0%; No. 49, 0%; No. 50, 0%; No. 51, 0%; No. 52, 0%; No. 53, 0%; No. 54, 0%; No. 55, 0%; No. 56, 0%; No. 57, 0%; No. 58, 0%; No. 59, 0%; No. 60, 0%; No. 61, 0%; No. 62, 0%; No. 63, 0%; No. 64, 0%; No. 65, 0%; No. 66, 0%; No. 67, 0%; No. 68, 0%; No. 69, 0%; No. 70, 0%; No. 71, 0%; No. 72, 0%; No. 73, 0%; No. 74, 0%; No. 75, 0%; No. 76, 0%; No. 77, 0%; No. 78, 0%; No. 79, 0%; No. 80, 0%; No. 81, 0%; No. 82, 0%; No. 83, 0%; No. 84, 0%; No. 85, 0%; No. 86, 0%; No. 87, 0%; No. 88, 0%; No. 89, 0%; No. 90, 0%; No. 91, 0%; No. 92, 0%; No. 93, 0%; No. 94, 0%; No. 95, 0%; No. 96, 0%; No. 97, 0%; No. 98, 0%; No. 99, 0%; No. 100, 0%.

DULUTH GRAIN MARKET.

DULUTH, May 8.—Close—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 94%; No. 1 northern, 92%; No. 2 do, 91%; No. 3 do, 88%; No. 4 do, 85%; No. 5 do, 82%; No. 6 do, 79%; No. 7 do, 76%; No. 8 do, 73%; No. 9 do, 70%; No. 10 do, 67%; No. 11 do, 64%; No. 12 do, 61%; No. 13 do, 58%; No. 14 do, 55%; No. 15 do, 52%; No. 16 do, 49%; No. 17 do, 46%; No. 18 do, 43%; No. 19 do, 40%; No. 20 do, 37%; No. 21 do, 34%; No. 22 do, 31%; No. 23 do, 28%; No. 24 do, 25%; No. 25 do, 22%; No. 26 do, 19%; No. 27 do, 16%; No. 28 do, 13%; No. 29 do, 10%; No. 30 do, 7%; No. 31 do, 4%; No. 32 do, 1%; No. 33 do, 0%; No. 34 do, 0%; No. 35 do, 0%; No. 36 do, 0%; No. 37 do, 0%; No. 38 do, 0%; No. 39 do, 0%; No. 40 do, 0%; No. 41 do, 0%; No. 42 do, 0%; No. 43 do, 0%; No. 44 do, 0%; No. 45 do, 0%; No. 46 do, 0%; No. 47 do, 0%; No. 48 do, 0%; No. 49 do, 0%; No. 50 do, 0%; No. 51 do, 0%; No. 52 do, 0%; No. 53 do, 0%; No. 54 do, 0%; No. 55 do, 0%; No. 56 do, 0%; No. 57 do, 0%; No. 58 do, 0%; No. 59 do, 0%; No. 60 do, 0%; No. 61 do, 0%; No. 62 do, 0%; No. 63 do, 0%; No. 64 do, 0%; No. 65 do, 0%; No. 66 do, 0%; No. 67 do, 0%; No. 68 do, 0%; No. 69 do, 0%; No. 70 do, 0%; No. 71 do, 0%; No. 72 do, 0%; No. 73 do, 0%; No. 74 do, 0%; No. 75 do, 0%; No. 76 do, 0%; No. 77 do, 0%; No. 78 do, 0%; No. 79 do, 0%; No. 80 do, 0%; No. 81 do, 0%; No. 82 do, 0%; No. 83 do, 0%; No. 84 do, 0%; No. 85 do, 0%; No. 86 do, 0%; No. 87 do, 0%; No. 88 do, 0%; No. 89 do, 0%; No. 90 do, 0%; No. 91 do, 0%; No. 92 do, 0%; No. 93 do, 0%; No. 94 do, 0%; No. 95 do, 0%; No. 96 do, 0%; No. 97 do, 0%; No. 98 do, 0%; No. 99 do, 0%; No. 100 do, 0%.

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET.

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MAPLE LEAF

Earnings Reduced by Heavy Interest on Bank Accommodation.

Full particulars of the Maple Leaf yearly statement are not yet available, but our unofficial announcement made that the net earnings were 11 per cent. on the preferred stock. This would leave room for the payment of the preferred dividend and shows an earning of 4 per cent. on the common stock. Reduced earnings for the past year are ascribed to the large amount of bank accommodation, together with a high rate of interest owing to the money scarcity.

LONDON MARKET IS IN BEST CONDITION

Canadian Issues of the Better Class Are Still in Favor There.

MONTREAL, May 8.—H. S. Holt, president of the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Company, and the Royal Bank of Canada, who has returned from an extended trip abroad, says: "London is in the best position of any of the world's big financial centres, and, although prominent men are not optimistic of the immediate future, the depression there is not so acute as on the continent."

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

EAST BUFFALO, May 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; active and strong; prices unchanged. Receipts, 1500; active and steady; heavy, \$8.00 to \$9.00; mixed and light, \$7.00 to \$8.00; roughs, \$6.00 to \$7.00; stags, \$5.00 to \$6.00; dairies, \$8.50 to \$9.50.

UNION STOCK YARDS.

Receipts of live stock at the Union Yards on Friday were 8 cars—22 cattle, 42 hogs and 7 sheep.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

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INCREASE OF FREIGHT RATES.

NEW YORK, May 8.—It is now confidently anticipated that the interstate commerce commission will so deal with the application of the railroads for a 5 per cent. increase in rates that an advance will be made that will practically total 5 per cent.

MORTGAGE LOANS

We have a large amount of money to loan on first-class city property. Building loan made. For particulars, apply to GREGORY & COOPERMAN, 46 King Street West, Toronto.

RAPS COUNSEL FOR INSULTING WITNESS

"I Won't Let You Torture Her," Says Chancellor Boyd to R. H. Holmes.

The hearing of the suit of George Washington Westcott to obtain \$10,000 damages from his mother-in-law, Mrs. R. H. Holmes, and from his brother-in-law, Robert Boyd, was an exceedingly stormy one for R. H. Holmes, solicitor for the plaintiff. The case was heard by Chancellor Boyd ruled out many questions asked by Mr. Holmes.

SUING MOTHER-IN-LAW

Westcott-Webb Action Adjudges Some Startling Testimony in Court.

When Hannah Webb was being cross-examined by the solicitor for you to refrain from making insulting remarks? If her son is ill-looking, is the way he was created by the Maker. If it is possible for you to conduct this examination properly, do so."

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34 Yonge St. 233 College St. 1,630 Dundas St.

BROKERS ARE LIABLE FOR STOLEN GOODS

New York Court Decision on Speculation by Defaulting Employees.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., May 8.—A jury in the supreme court here today established a precedent of holding stock brokerage firms responsible for money spent with them which had been obtained illegally by returning a verdict for \$65,268 against C. J. Hudson & Co., New York City, and J. J. Carver, an employee of the firm of Devo & Hitchcock, agent \$50,000 in speculation and then disappeared. The Devo Company sued the brokerage firm for the amount.

PIONEER RAILWAY BUILDER IS DEAD

John G. Steacy Built Many Lines in Early Days of Construction.

Special to The Toronto World. BROCKVILLE, May 8.—John Graham Steacy, a railway contractor of continental reputation, died at his home here today, aged 77. In early life Mr. Steacy was associated with the Grand Trunk Railway, which built the first railway in New York City, the North American Railroad, running out of St. John, N. B. He also had important contracts on the Cairo and Elton Railway in Illinois, the Lake Fort branch of the Denver and Rio Grande Railway, Colorado; the Mexican Central and National Railways, the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railway in the western states and the new Croton Aqueduct in New York City. In the latter undertaking he had full control of the work. In 1886 the gauge of the St. Louis, Arkansas and Texas Railway was changed from narrow to standard between Cairo and Gatesville, a distance of 750 miles. This was an especially difficult bit of work. Mr. Steacy showed his remarkable ability in organization and building by carrying the work thru without a hitch in 1895. One of his last big undertakings was the construction of a large section of the railway in Jamaica for the West India Improvement Co. He once held the position of general manager and assistant superintendent of the St. Louis and Southwestern Railway Co. He was unmarried, and is survived by three brothers and three sisters, all of Brockville.

CONFIRMATION SERVICES.

(Special Correspondence.) Confirmation will be administered by the Bishop of Toronto at Grace Church, College Heights, tomorrow morning and at St. Edmund's tomorrow evening.

CONSTRUCTION COMPANY TO INCORPORATE.

(Special Correspondence.) ST. JOHN, N. B., May 8.—Articles of incorporation have been filed by Messrs. John H. Gorman, R. C. Gilmore, Oscar Ring, E. C. Wemyss and Mrs. E. M. Gorman of St. John as the Atlantic Construction Company, Limited, with a capitalization of \$48,000, with head offices in this city.

LIBRARIAN LOCKE INVITED TO ENGLAND.

At the April meeting of the library board yesterday afternoon the following gentlemen were appointed to the committee of five to invite Mr. William Furnell, Lee and Self, the statistical reports were submitted, and notwithstanding the short month in April owing to Easter and the Ontario Library Association, the decreases were smaller than could have been expected. It was announced that the chief librarian had been invited again to address the association of the United Kingdom at Oxford this year and to represent Canada at the International Book Exhibition at Leipzig. Mr. Banton presided at the meeting.

SACRED CONCERT AT ISLAND.

On Sunday afternoon and evening the first sacred concert of the present season will be given at Toronto's popular amusement resort. Manager Solman has arranged with the Highlanders to furnish a musical program of classic and popular selections befitting the occasion.

MARINERS INTERESTED IN NAVIGATION SCHOOL.

(Special Correspondence.) ST. JOHN, N. B., May 8.—Mariners are much interested in the navigation school recently opened by the department of marine and fisheries at St. John, N. B. Already a large number of seamen have signified their intention of preparing to take their examinations as masters and mates.

EDUCATIONAL

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