

**Grocery Trade Notes.**

A rise in the price of currants is probable.

An increase in the price of figs may be looked for in the near future.

According to latest advices from London, the market for Ceylon and Indian tea is strong and prices have a steady upward tendency.

It is stated that a probable result of the recently concluded trade convention will be the removal of duty on raw sugar into the United States.

Cane advices from Demerara are far in advance in the price of Valencia raisins and an advance may be looked for here late in the future.

Advices from Santos reported that heavy rains are too late to do any good to crop, and that good rains would be a benefit to trees, but will not affect to any large extent next crop.

The refined sugar market of Essex, Canada is weak owing to increased offerings of the raw article at very low prices and manufacturers are looking for still lower prices for the refined article.

The combination of canners organized in Ontario last summer to limit the production of leading lines of goods and which are not renewed, as a number of canners found it impossible to limit the production of one portion of the crop, failed and more of the other fruits and vegetables had to be canned to use the materials on hand.

In connection with figs The London Gleaner says: "Although we are as yet only midway through the campaign the season of 1901-02 will long be remembered on account of the unexpectedly late opening, prices and large shipments at the commencement. This season's prices show a difference of 10s per cwt. under those of last year and those of 1898, and are such as usually obtain only at the very end of a season, with shipments amounting to 17,000 skeletons, and also after the bulk of the crop have been affected at much higher levels."

The present strong condition of the tea market is accounted for by a well-known New York representative of the tea trade as follows: "In 1898, when the duty on tea was imposed, there were many millions of duty free tea already in stock throughout the United States. In the bonded warehouses. Withdrawals now, therefore, closely approximate to actual consumption. The duty on tea in India and Ceylon have caused prices in London to rise higher than those in New York, so that some of supply is therefore not available. The trade has not been in such a strong position for years, yet if the duty were to be removed before the arrival of new season's tea large buying and high prices would result, as the bonded stocks would soon melt away in the face of such demand."

**Hardware Trade Notes.**

Pittsburg advices state that the average nail produced has made a cut of 5c a keg, and the independent manufacturers are cutting from 10 to 15c a keg.

Rolling mills announce the following important change in extras applying upon bar iron and steel cut to lengths: 2 ft. and over, 10c per 100 lbs.; 1 ft. and under 2 ft., 15c per 100 lbs.; under 1 ft., 20c per 100 lbs., over 20 ft., by special agreement, according to length and size.

**Dry Goods Trade Notes.**

A prominent New York silk agent said that, in his opinion, the three next best countries for raising outside of staples would be printed silks, woad silks and grenadines.

**Boot and Shoe Trade Notes.**

While shipments of footwear from London continue far in excess of previous years, the situation is not satisfactory as prices are not maintained at a profitable point owing to the phenomenal strength of raw materials and the stubborn resistance of buyers.

Prices for fine shoes are almost all

placing their orders for patent finished leather and dealers in patent calf, cow and kid are sold in advance of present stocks. Considerable talk is heard concerning a chrome tanned substitute leather that is one of the latest features of the day and for which success is promised from the start.

The customary advance in the price of rubber goods in the United States did not go into effect this fall, due to the fact that the price of crude rubber is 20 per cent lower than last year and also that competition in the manufacture of rubber goods is now more nearly normal than it has been in recent years. The independent rubber manufacturers, it is said, are able to produce their goods at a less cost than can the United States Rubber Company, the latter are burdened with outdated plants and over capitalization. It is reported that the independent manufacturers are talking of advancing prices five per cent.

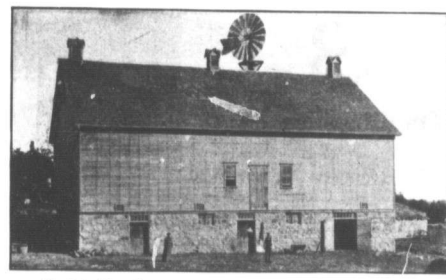
**Implement Trade Notes.**

Joe Maw & Co., Winnipeg, have secured the agency in this country for the Mitchell-Lewis wagons.

Manufacturers of buggies look somewhat higher prices next year owing to increased cost of materials and labor.

**Lumber Trade Notes.**

This season's cut of the Keweenaw Lumber Co. at Keweenaw amounted to 15,000,000 feet.



Manitoba Farm Improvements-Barn of Wm. McKay, near Morden

The mills of the Hat Portage Lumber Co. were closed down on the 10th inst. The cut this season was the largest in the history of the company, amounting to 40,000,000 feet. The mill at Beaver Mills is to be enlarged to a capacity of 35,000,000 feet per season.

E. H. Eddy, of Ottawa, has purchased at auction timber berths Nos. 101 and 182 on the north shore of Lake Superior in the Algoma district for \$300,000. The berths comprise 72 square miles, and ten years ago were estimated to contain 110,000,000 feet of logs.

One of the biggest saw mills in Canada will probably be built within a few miles of Ottawa in time for the opening of next season's business. Those interested in the project are the Shepherd and Morse Lumber Co., the Rideau Lumber Co., Hurdman & Co., and other well known lumbermen.

Notice has been received by the Ontario department of crown lands that the Keweenaw Pulp and Paper Co., which obtained a concession from the legislature in 1900, have acquired several lots about two miles south of Nipigon, Ontario, on which they intend to prosecute the erection of a large pulp mill as expeditiously as possible.

The recent move at New York to consolidate the competing Pacific railways, through the instrumentality of the newly formed Northern Securities Company, is creating a feeling of great hostility in the states south of the boundary. A conference of state authorities may be held to consider the matter.

**Live Stock Trade Notes.**

Recent prairie fires in Alberta have caused the loss of many horses and cattle, as well as hundreds of tons of hay.

This year British Columbia took about \$15,000 worth of thoroughbred stock from Ontario for breeding purposes.

The department of agriculture at Regina is testing a branding fluid to replace the burning of iron at present used for branding cattle.

**Railway and Traffic Matters.**

It is positively stated that the projected railway from Dawson to the Yukon will be completed next spring and that it will be twelve miles long with forks to different creeks.

Resident engineers have been appointed by the C. P. R. for every division of the road in the west. This has been made necessary by the great increase of business.

An injunction is to be applied for against the Canadian Northern Railway Company to restrain them from running their trains and keeping their tracks on South Railway street, Chatham.

In the contract which the C. P. R. has awarded for the reducing of the grade and shortening of the road to Field, B. C., fully 400 men will be given work for upwards of a year. The contract price of the work, as previously stated, is over \$1,000,000.

The C. P. R. has announced that

**Power from Gas.**

The Burrigge Co. of this city, agents for Messrs. Goldie & McCulloch Co., Galt, has just delivered to G. F. Stephens & Co., for their new paint factory the first gas engine for power purposes in this country. Mr. Stephens purchased a gas engine instead of an electric dynamo, considering that this power is cheaper than electric power, and it is expected that there will be a great saving in utility costs. The Electric Light and Gas Co. are making special accounts for gas used for power purposes, and it is expected that the use of gas will be a great deal cheaper than electric power.

The Burrigge Co. have also delivered recently a fifty horse power, high speed, Ideal engine, 10x10, to the North-West Laundry Co., who have built one of the largest laundries in this province. They have also delivered to Gordon, Ironsides & Faras, of this city, a fifty horse power Ideal engine for their abattoir. It is the intention of the company to open up in the spring large samples and keep a stock of the Goldie-McCulloch goods. They are also agents for Burrigge, Stewart & Milne Co., Imperial mill and elevator scales, the Canadian Sewer Pipe Co., the Kerr Engineering Co., for waterworks and steam valves.

**WANTED—SEVERAL PERSONS** of character and good reputation in each waste-line in this country required to represent and advertise and establish wealthy business houses of solid financial standing. Salary \$18.00 weekly, with expenses additional, all payable in cash each Wednesday direct from best offices. Horse and carriage furnished, when necessary. References. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manager, 216 Carlton Building, Chicago.

**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP**

The partnership heretofore existing between A. Code and G. B. SenSmith, in the village of Oda, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to the said firm are to be paid to A. Code, and all debts due by the said firm are to be paid by him.

A. CODE.  
G. B. SENSMITH.

Witness—W. H. Hall,  
Oda, Oct. 31st, 1901.

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Overalls  
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Smocks  
Shirts

OUR GOODS ARE WILL MADE. They will please customers. You will be pleased yourself. Send us your orders. Satisfaction guaranteed.

**The Hoover Mfg. Co. Ltd.**  
Maw's Block. Winnipeg.

**SITUATION WANTED.**

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**PARTNERSHIP**

**WANTED—A PARTNER WITH FROM \$15,000 to \$20,000 in cash.** For goods man preferred; for a general store business. Apply Box 49, Swan River, Man. Partner can be either active or silent.

**FOR SALE.**

The only Butcher Shop in Ponoka, Alberta. Doing a good business. Enquire of Case & Fisher, Ponoka, Alta.

**WANTED**

To invest about \$3,000 or take a partnership in a well established and paying business. Produce and general merchandise. Apply to Cash, care of The Commercial, Winnipeg.