

matter in this light, and accept the enclosure for the benefit it will be to their customers.

There is another way of looking at the matter. By freely accepting enclosures, jobbers are not only accommodating their customers, but they are also benefitting the trade of the city. This is one of the ways in which jobbers can work together for their mutual good. Anything which will make it more pleasant for outside merchants to do business here; which will be an accommodation or a benefit to those who do their buying here, will be a benefit to the jobbing trade of the city in general. We are informed by a party who is familiar with the jobbing trade in Toronto, that parcels for enclosure are freely accepted there. We believe it would be in the interest of the jobbing trade of Winnipeg to have an understanding upon this matter.

Business at Vancouver.

Vancouver, July 18.

The Australian steamship Warrimoo brought in a large consignment of canned meats which will for a short season take the place of United States goods as they are cheaper than the article which comes to us from the States and just as good. The market is flooded with fresh fruits, which are selling in some instances at sacrifice prices. Several cases of passion fruit have arrived from Australia and have met with ready sale. This is the initial shipment of passion fruit to Vancouver. Pineapples have arrived and are quoted at from \$2 to \$2.75 per dozen. Trade is very brisk with provision merchants. The supplies secured for the Klondike trade are giving out and they are working night and day shifts to supply the demand for lumber and mining camps. Sugar has made a fractional decline.

A serious failure reported this week is the British Columbia Iron Works of Vancouver. They were working night and day shifts for the past eighteen months and it was an institution that Vancouver pointed to with pride as one of her big paying concerns. When the suspension of the concern was announced it fell like a bomb shell in the business world. Thirty families are affected and most of them will be obliged to move elsewhere. It is said the failure was due to several heavy contracts being taken at rates altogether too low, which led to financial stringency and suspension.

A very large number of business blocks and private dwellings are going up in Vancouver at present and there must be good times among skilled mechanics although the labor organizations here say that there is barely enough work to go around and they want no help from outside.

United States War Taxes.

Following are some of the provisions of the new United States war revenue measure: A two-cent revenue stamp on every check or sight draft. A two-cent stamp on every inland bill of exchange, time draft, promissory note or money order for each \$100. One cent

on each telegraph message sent. Eight cents per \$100 on each life insurance policy, unless taken on the industrial weekly payment plan, when the charge is 40 per cent. of the first weekly payment. Twenty-five cents on each one year lease, 50 cents on a lease between one and three years, and \$1 on a lease exceeding three years. Twenty-five cents on each mortgage between \$1,000 and \$1,500, and 25 cents on each \$500 additional. One dollar extra for a passage ticket to foreign port costing not more than \$30, \$3 extra if it costs between \$30 and \$60, and \$5 if it costs more than \$60. Ten cents extra every time you occupy a seat or berth in a parlor or sleeping car. A tax ranging from 75 cents to \$15 per \$100 on legacies above \$10,000 according to the total value. Fifty cents on a surety bond. One cent a pint on wines. From 25 cents to \$1 on each custom house entry, and 25 cents on warehouse receipts. Twenty-five cents on each protested note.

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On the Red River.

Winnipeg is not noted for the picturesque nature of the country surrounding the city. While we can boast of a very rich and productive soil, our local prairie country is not particularly attractive from the scenic point of view. Along the wooded banks of the Red and Assiniboine rivers, even within the city limits, however, some very pretty views are obtainable, and such points as Bird's Hill and Stony Mountain, within short driving distance of the city limits, however, some very pretty monotonous prairie. Winnipeg is by no means without attractive spots, made so by nature. This week we show a snap shot scene on the Red river, Winnipeg.

The town of Portage la Prairie, Man., offers school debentures for sale by tender to August 16.



ON THE RED RIVER, WINNIPEG—Amateur Vibe Camera Photo by Geo. S. Dingle

The producer who ships a car of wheat under the new stamp law will pay taxes on that car as follows: On the telegram announcing its shipment, 1 cent; on the bill of lading, 1 cent, on the inspection certificate on arrivals at Chicago, 10 cents; on the weighing certificates, 10 cents; on the warehouse certificate when it is inspected into store, 25 cents; on the draft he draws against the car at shipment, 2 cents; on the sale of the grain at Chicago, 1 cent on every \$100 of value, 5 cents. His commission man will have to put a 2-cent stamp on the check with which he pays the countryman's drafts, and he will also have to put a 2-cent stamp on the check which he sends to the countryman for whatever balance there is after the grain is sold. These taxes the countryman will have to pay. The shipper who buys the wheat will have to go through about the same motions on the same car, paying new taxes on the new certifi-

Financial Notes.

Portage la Prairie four and a half per cent. school debentures are offered by tender to August 16.

F. R. Godwin, manager of the Bank of Ottawa branch at Mattawa, has been appointed manager of the Rat Portage branch. Mr. Neeve, of Rat Portage, has been appointed manager of the Rideau street branch in Ottawa.

General Manager Walker, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, in his address at the recent annual meeting of the bank, said of Manitoba: It is no longer a province to which the east finds it necessary to extend its financial indulgence. It has, instead, become the object of our admiration and sometimes of our envy. Immigrants are now rapidly settling in Manitoba, while at the same time farming operations are being extended.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce has