

THE WESTERN GRAIN CROP

Movement of Grain to Lakes in Three Months 115,570,590 Bushels, Against 67,367,592 in 1912

A despatch from Ottawa says: That the Western wheat crop for 1913 was almost 75 per cent. greater than that for last year, and by a previous one, is indicated by official figures issued by the Department of Trade and Commerce on Wednesday for the first time, covering the receipts and shipments of grain from Fort William and Port Arthur during the present shipping season. Advance figures which have been given out at Fort William have indicated that the total would be a large one, but the final figures show that it surpasses expectations.

The total receipts of grain, including wheat, oats, barley, and flax, at Fort William and Port Arthur during September, October and November, the three months of the shipping season, were 115,570,590 bushels, as compared with 67,367,592 bushels in 1912. In other words, over seventy per cent. more grain was received than during last year. The total shipments for this season were 96,434,190 bushels, as compared with 60,501,019 bushels during a similar period last year, an increase of sixty per cent.

The best showing was made during September and October, November receipts and shipments being about the same as for the same months in 1912. This was due, of course, to the fact that the crop was moved earlier this year. During November of this year the total receipts of grain were 45,128,381 bushels. The total receipts of wheat alone during the three shipping months were 83,641,742 bushels, as compared with 49,715,737 bushels last year. The total shipments of wheat were 70,190,910 bushels, as compared with 45,258,283 bushels last year.

ULSTER AND HOME URLE.

Leader of Opposition Thinks Serious Times Are Ahead.

A despatch from Carnarvon, Wales, says: Andrew Bonar Law, leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, speaking here on Thursday night, repeated his prediction that the imposition of home rule on Ulster would result in civil war. "If the Government," he continued, "has any proposal to make which holds out even a prospect of avoiding the evils we dread, we shall consider it without any regard to party advantage or disadvantage, but with sole regard for

the welfare of the nation." He added that the Government seemed content to let matters drift, and that meanwhile the likelihood of reaching a settlement by consent was growing smaller.

MEXICAN REBELS BUSY.

Blew Up a Train Conveying Federal Soldiers.

A despatch from Mexico City says: A troop train is reported to have been dynamited north of Monterey on Wednesday by rebels, and the loss of life is said to be heavy. The train was on its way to Nuevo Laredo to reinforce the garrison there.

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SIR LIONEL PHILIPS SHOT.

The Leading Gold-Mining Magnate of South Africa.

A despatch from Johannesburg, South Africa, says: An attempt was made on Thursday to assassinate Sir Lionel Philips, the leading gold-mining magnate of South Africa. Three shots were fired at him. The attempt was made while he was walking on Commissioner Street. The assailant of Sir Lionel Philips was identified as a Dutch store-keeper of the name of Nissau, and the crime was supposed to have been actuated by revenge for the loss of a recent suit against the mining group with which Sir Lionel is connected. One bullet pierced the lung and liver, but the attending physicians are hopeful of Sir Lionel's recovery. He has suffered much from shock and pain, and no attempt has been made to remove the bullets. The wound in the neck is slight.

Two women of respectable Hamilton families who were caught shoplifting were sentenced to jail for three weeks.

The engine-room workers and firemen of the Spanish steamer Alfonso XII., mutinied on the voyage from Corunna to Cadiz, and attacked the officers, but were overpowered after a desperate fight.

WINNERS AT GUELPH FAIR

Grand Sweepstakes for Cattle Carried Off by Red Paul, Exhibited by Adam Armstrong, Ferguson

A despatch from Guelph says: The grand sweepstakes for cattle at the Winter Fair was won by Red Paul, a two-year-old grade heifer exhibited by Adam Armstrong, Ferguson. This heifer, although much smaller and lighter, beat out Roan Champion, the animal which carried off the championship at the Toronto Fat Stock Show. The swine department never was bigger or better than this year. All the classes were well filled with the best that could be bred in the province. The championship for the best pair of bacon hogs at the show went to J. E. Brethour and nephew of Burford, the noted breeders of Yorkshires. Brethour and nephew annexed also the silver cup for the best pen of three bacon hogs, and won many first prizes in the general classes. They took firsts for Yorkshire barrow, six months and under nine, and for Yorkshire sow under six months. Joseph Featherstone & Son, Streetsville, stepped to the top in the classes for Yorkshire barrow under six months, and for sow nine months and under 15. Brethour and nephew had the champion Yorkshire barrow, and Featherstone & Son had the champion Yorkshire sow. The best Berkshire barrow was shown by P. J. McEwen, Wyoming, and the best sow by Adam Thompson, Shakespear, and these breeders divided all first prizes. In Tamworths, both championships went to D. Douglas & Sons, Mitchell.

In Chester Whites the champion barrow was shown by Daniel De Courcy, Bernholm, and the champion sow by W. E. Wright of Glandworth.

The poultry show has never been equalled in Ontario for quality. Baldwin silver cup for best female in the show—Buff Cochins, owned by Holmhurst Poultry Farm, Whitby.

Russell silver cup for best male in show—Barred Plymouth Rock cocker owned by John Pringle, London.

Zenoleum trophy for best bird in show—Buff Cochins owned by Holmhurst Poultry Farm, Whitby.

Best cock in show—Bronze turkey owned by W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove.

Best pullet in the show—White Orpington owned by Petrie & Christie, Mount Hamilton.

Great interest was taken in the seed exhibit at the show, and it was with great eagerness that the farmers purchased the various seeds when they were offered for sale by auction. Seed grain brought good prices, oats of the Lincoln variety selling for as high as \$4.10 for a bushel and a half. These were shown by George E. Foster, Honeywood. Corn went up to \$3.75 for a bushel and a half.

GILLETT'S LYE EATS DIRT

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LIVE SLASH MARKETS

Montreal, Dec. 16.—The best steers offered sold at \$7.50, but the bulk of the trade and the lower grades, including rough stock, at from \$4 to \$5 per cwt. Butcher's cows from \$4.50 to \$6.50, and bulk of \$3 to \$4 per cwt. Lambs, \$3 to \$3.25, and sheep at \$5 to \$6.50 per cwt. Selected lots of hogs from \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt. weighed off cars.

Toronto, Dec. 16.—Cattle—Choice butchers, \$8 to \$9; good medium, \$6.50 to \$7.25; common, \$5 to \$5.50; fat cows, \$4.50 to \$5.25; common cows, \$3.50 to \$4; butchers' bulls, \$3.75 to \$5.50; canners and cutters, \$3.50 to \$4.25. Calves—Good veal, \$8.75 to \$10; common, \$7.75 to \$8.50. Steers, \$5 to \$6.75; good quality, \$10 to \$10.50; light Eastern, \$9 to \$9.50; \$4.50 lambs—Light ewes, \$5.50 to \$6; heavy, \$3 to \$3.50; bucks, \$5 to \$5.50; spring lambs, \$2.50 to \$3; fat and wained; \$3.50 to \$4; off cars; \$3.50 to \$3.75, to \$4.

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THEY WANT AN INCREASE.

Machinists on Two Big Railways May Strike in Spring.

A despatch from Montreal says: The C.P.R. machinists, not alone of Montreal, but of all Canada, will make a demand in the spring for an increase of wages, and should the employees decline to agree to the demand there may be a big strike in the spring. This movement to increase the wages will also be extended to the Grand Trunk Railway shops, where the rate of wages paid is said by the labor officials to be lower than that paid by the C.P.R.

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Breadstuffs.
Toronto, Dec. 16.—Flour—Ontario wheat flour, 90 per cent., \$3.50 to \$3.55; seaboard, and at \$3.50. Toronto, Manitoba—First, 84.50; strong bakers, 100 lb. bags, \$4.50. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$4 to \$4.25; track, Bay ports, and No. 2 at \$1 to \$2.

Ontario wheat—No. 2 wheat at \$4 to \$5c, outside.

Ontario oats, \$4.12 to \$5c, outside, and at \$7.32 to \$8c, on track.

Western Canada old oats, 40c for No. 2, and \$2.50 for No. 3. Bay ports.

Peas—\$1 to \$1.05, outside.

Barley—Good malting barley, 65 to 67c, outside.

Corn—New No. 3 American is quoted at 77.12c, all rail, 75c, outside.

Eye—No. 2 at \$1 to \$1.05, outside.

Soybean—70c, outside, with none offering.

Wheat—Manitoba bran, \$2.10 a ton, in bags, Toronto freight, Sherbro, \$2, Toronto.

Cheese.
Butter—Cheddar dairy 35 to 36c; inferior, 30 to 31c; farm-made separator, 34 to 35c; creamery prints, 27 to 28c, 28c, outside.

Cheese—Case lots of new-made, 42 to 50c per cwt. in cases, 38 to 40c, and storage, 32 to 34c.

Cheese—New cheese, 14 1/2 to 14 3/4 for large, and 15c for twins.

Bacon—Manufactured, \$2.20 to \$2.25 per bushel; hams, \$2.20 to \$2.25.

Poultry—Turkeys, 11 to 12c per lb.; chicken, 10 to 11c; ducks, 12 to 14c; geese, 11 to 12c; turkeys, 12 to 14c.

Potatoes—Ontario, 40 to 45c per bush, on track, and Delaware at 30c.

Provisions.
Bacon—Long clear, 18c per lb. in case; short cut, 22c; 10c, 10c; medium to light, 19 1/2 to 20c; heavy, 18c; pork, 15 1/2 to 16c; breakfast bacon, 19 to 20c; hams, 22 to 24c; shoulders, 13 3/4 to 14c; tubs, 14c; pails, 14 1/4c.

Baled Hay and Straw.
Baled hay—No. 1 at \$14.50 to \$15 a ton, on track here; No. 2 at \$13 to \$13.50, and mixed at \$12 to \$12.50.

Baled straw—Car lots, \$8.50 to \$8.75, on track, Toronto.

Winnipeg Grain.
Winnipeg, Dec. 16.—Cash—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.40; No. 2 Northern, \$1.35; No. 3 Northern, \$1.30; No. 4 Northern, \$1.25; No. 5 Northern, \$1.20; No. 6 Northern, \$1.15; No. 7 Northern, \$1.10; No. 8 Northern, \$1.05; No. 9 Northern, \$1.00; No. 10 Northern, \$0.95; No. 11 Northern, \$0.90; No. 12 Northern, \$0.85; No. 13 Northern, \$0.80; No. 14 Northern, \$0.75; No. 15 Northern, \$0.70; No. 16 Northern, \$0.65; No. 17 Northern, \$0.60; No. 18 Northern, \$0.55; No. 19 Northern, \$0.50; No. 20 Northern, \$0.45; No. 21 Northern, \$0.40; No. 22 Northern, \$0.35; No. 23 Northern, \$0.30; No. 24 Northern, \$0.25; No. 25 Northern, \$0.20; No. 26 Northern, \$0.15; No. 27 Northern, \$0.10; No. 28 Northern, \$0.05; No. 29 Northern, \$0.00; No. 30 Northern, \$0.00.

Montreal Markets.
Montreal, Dec. 16.—Corn, American No. 2 yellow, \$1.12; Oats, Canadian Western, No. 2 at \$1.12 to \$1.15; Canadian feed, \$1 to \$1.05; matting, 65 to 67c. Buckwheat, No. 2, \$4 to \$5c. Flour, Man. Spring wheat patents, firsts, \$5.40; second, \$4.80; choice, \$4.75 to \$5; straight rollers, \$4.50 to \$4.60; straight rollers, base, \$4 to \$2.10. Rolloed oats, barrels, \$4.40 to \$4.50; bags, 50 lb., \$2.10 to \$2.12. Bran, \$2 to \$2.10. Car lots, \$2 to \$2.10. Hay, No. 2, per ton car lots, \$14 to \$15. Cheese, finest west, 13 1/4 to 13 7/8; finer eastern, 13 1/4 to 13 3/4. Butter, choicest cream, 28 1/2 to 29c; second, 28 to 28 1/4c. Eggs, fresh, 55 to 60c; selected, 52c; No. 1 stock, 50c; No. 2 stock, 26c. Potatoes, per bag, car lots, 75 to 80c.

United States Markets.
Minneapolis, Dec. 16.—December wheat, \$1.75c; May, \$1.40c; No. 1 hard, \$2.14c; No. 2 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 3 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 4 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 5 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 6 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 7 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 8 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 9 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 10 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 11 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 12 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 13 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 14 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 15 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 16 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 17 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 18 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 19 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 20 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 21 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 22 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 23 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 24 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 25 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 26 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 27 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 28 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 29 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15; No. 30 Northern, \$1.14 to \$1.15.

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