

DAIRY PRODUCE.

The Montreal *Trade Bulletin* says: "Butter receipts during the past week were 1,711 pkgs., against 1,897 pkgs., for the week previous. The outlook for butter is most discouraging, and holders of early makes who expected to dispose of it in England are trying to dispose of it in this market at prices ranging all the way from 16c to 19c, while the freshest winter made creamery is selling in single tubs at 22c, and finest late fall made at 21c. In Western dairy there is very little doing, and prices range from 13c to 16c as to quantity and quality. We quote:

Creamery, finest fall	21½c to 22½c per lb
Creamery, early made.....	16c to 19 c per lb
Eastern Townships dairy.....	16c to 20 c "
Western.....	13c to 16 c "

Cheese receipts during the past week were 168 against nil for the week previous. The market is a waiting one; but holders of finest Western September will not accept less than 10½c for white. Buyers, however, expect to get in at lower prices. Whether or not they will do so, time will tell. Advices by last mail from Liverpool state that the future of the market all depends upon the situation on this side, as retailers in England are pretty bare of stocks, and if any more were made here, a general demand it is thought, would follow in England. On the other hand, it is contended that it is known that considerable stocks are held here and that English operators will be content to buy from hand-to-mouth."

TUBERCULOSIS IN MANITOBA.

The result of the slaughter of a cow in Winnipeg recently, suspected of having tuberculosis, is alarming. The lungs of the cow were completely filled with tuberculosis, the disease being manifest in the most advanced and dangerous form. There would seem good ground for the theory that

the epidemic which has carried off so many people of late, and the origin of which has been the subject of so much speculation, may be traced more closely to the milk of diseased cows than anything else. It is impossible to say how great is the percentage of deaths in Winnipeg due to that cause. Dr. Inglis, the city medical health officer, and Dr. Hinman, dairy inspector, are hopeful now that those in authority will awaken to the gravity of the situation, and there is little doubt the authorities will move immediately in the matter.

The Manitoba *Free Press* views the situation with some alarm, and says editorially: "The discovery by Dr. Hinman of tuberculosis amongst the dairy cows supplying Winnipeg with milk is a very serious matter and calls for immediate attention by the city authorities. To what extent human life is endangered by drinking milk from such animals may be open to differences of opinion, but that there is more or less danger is, we believe, admitted by all medical men. A full and immediate investigation of the discovery of Dr. Hinman is therefore required."

In view of the above, would it not be well for those in authority to act upon the suggestion of the Victoria medical health officer, and appoint an inspector for the ranches throughout the Province, and take the other precautions necessary to minimize the danger of infection from cows suffering from tuberculosis.

The evil effects of a general system of prolonged credit business has been abundantly demonstrated in the financial crisis in Newfoundland. The disaster is the most severe of the kind which has overtaken any English-speaking country during recent years. Traced back to its real source, an explanation of the disaster is found in a vicious credit system.

A whale can remain under water for an hour and a half.

Oxen and sheep fatten better in company than when kept alone.

Twenty-two dollar bills weigh just as much as an American silver dollar.

A Boston electrician asserts that the common poplar tree is a natural lightning-rod.

Some of the insurance companies of Paris refuse to insure people who dye their hair.

Profane words are unknown in the Japanese language; therefore the people of that country never swear.

A new rifle, in use by the Italian army, sends a bullet through five inches of solid oak, at a distance of 4,000 feet.

Terra cotta sleepers are in use on Japan railroads. The increased cost is compensated for by the greater resistance to decay.

Brazil grows miniature corn, the ears of which are as large as a man's little finger, and the grains are of the size of mustard seed.

A medical authority asserts that colds and catarrh are most frequently caused, not by cold, outdoor air, but by warm, impure indoor air.

Judges of horse races may now follow the horses around the track. A trolley-chair has been devised to run above the track, and in it two judges will be whirled around the course.

A Russian physician asserts that new bread is far more beneficial to the consumer than that which has been cut and exposed to the air, and has had time to gather the numerous germs which find in the material a nutrient medium.

Diamonds worth \$1,000,000 have been taken from the mines of Kimberley, South Africa, since 1871, the year of their discovery.

Phonographic clocks, which verbally announce the hours of the day, are made in Geneva. You can get a clock that will speak in any of the modern languages.