

CO-OPERATIVE MANAGERS

Quite a number of local farmers organizations throughout the West are considering the proposition of organizing a co-operative store on the Rochdale system. The need for the successful operation of such stores is a competent manager who has had experience in co-operative stores. These managers are very scarce in Canada, but there are plenty of them in Scotland who would be glad to come to Canada where there are greater possibilities. Any person desiring to get in touch with a capable and experienced Scottish co-operative manager should write to Mr. W. F. Stewart, Manager, Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society, Limited, 95 Morrison Street, Glasgow, Scotland. These managers could no doubt be secured for \$1,500 per year or possibly less. In writing to Mr. Stewart it would be well to set out exactly what is required and the possibilities of the future in order that he may give advice and the salary to be paid. Mr. Stewart is one of the oldest co-operators in Scotland and one of the most experienced, having been in his present position for the last twenty-nine years. He is deeply interested in the co-operative movement in Canada and will be glad to give any assistance possible.

BEEF HITS HIGH RECORD

NEW YORK, N.Y., April 29.—The wholesale price of beef advanced here today a cent a pound, to a higher record than any year since 1881. A carcass of native corn fed beef was quoted at Wallabout Market in Brooklyn at a top figure of 13 cents, which old timers agreed was the highest price in over 30 years. Retailers were charging 25 to 36 cents a pound for porterhouse, and 24 cents for sirloin steaks; 20 to 22 cents for rib roast; 30 to 32 cents for loin lamb chops; 18 cents for mutton shoulder chops; 26 to 28 cents for mutton loin chops, and even soup meat sold at 15 cents a pound.

THROUGH RATES EXPIRE

Today marks the expiration of the special through freight rate from the Canadian West to Duluth on wheat and barley. The Canadian Northern announces that this through rate will not be renewed, and in this action all the other roads concur, namely, the Soo Line, Duluth, Missabe and Northern, the Great Northern and Northern Pacific.

The through rate, covering wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed, from the Canadian West to Duluth for consumption in the United States, will expire on May 31.

This action of the railroads had been fully expected by local grain men, having been foreshadowed a couple of weeks ago.

It is now thought that unless the elevator and handling conditions at Port Arthur and Fort William change materially, the grain tariffs on the hauls to both heads of the lakes will be again placed on a parity next fall.

Receipts of bonded grain at Duluth last week aggregated 1,455,000 bushels, of which 970,000 was wheat.

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422,000 oats, 32,000 barley and 31,000 flax. This brings the total receipts of grain here from the three Canadian provinces since the movement began up to 17,190,000 bushels. Shipments during the past week of all bonded grains were 1,538,000. Including 800,000 bushels of wheat and 32,000 bushels of oats afloat, there is now in store at Duluth and Superior 12,180,000 bushels.

CROP OF 1911

OTTAWA, Ont., April 29.—The census and statistics office issued today a bulletin on crops and live stock.

The reports of correspondents show that out of a yield of \$15,831,300 bushels of wheat harvested last year, 188,255,000 bushels, or 87 per cent, were merchantable, and that at the end of March 38,129,000 bushels, or 27 per cent, of the whole were yet in the farmers' hands. The quantity held by farmers in the maritime provinces on March 31 was 349,000 bushels; in Quebec, 350,000 bushels; in Ontario, 3,874,000 bushels; in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, 53,626,000 bushels; and in British Columbia, 48,000 bushels. At the same date last year the quantity in hand in all Canada was 33,042,000 bushels, or 22 per cent, of the total crop of 149,989,600 bushels, of which 141,096,000 bushels or 94 per cent, were of merchantable quality.

Oat Yield Last Year

Oats, which last year gave a yield of 348,187,600 bushels, were merchantable to the extent of 310,074,000 bushels, or 89 per cent, and the quantity in hand at the end of March was 153,846,000 bushels, or 44.18 per cent. In the maritime provinces there was in hand at that date 4,007,000 bushels; in Quebec, 12,780,000 bushels; in Ontario, 24,870,000 bushels; in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, 111,735,000 bushels; and in British Columbia, 454,000 bushels. In the preceding year the quantity in hand out of a total harvest of 323,449,000 bushels, was 127,587,000 bushels, or 39.4 per cent, and there was a total of 301,773,000 bushels, or 93.29 per cent., of merchantable quality. The barley yield of 1911 was 40,641,000 bushels, and of this quantity there was in hand at the end of March 13,235,000 bushels, or 32.56 per cent. The merchantable yield was 36,683,000 bushels, or 90.26 per cent.

The Barley Crop

The barley crop of 1910 was 45,147,000 bushels, and the quantity on hand at the end of March last year was 13,135,000 bushels, or 29 per cent. The merchantable quantity of that crop was 41,505,000 bushels, or 91.93 per cent. Ontario's crop last year was 13,760,000 bushels, and that of the three northwest provinces 24,043,000 bushels.

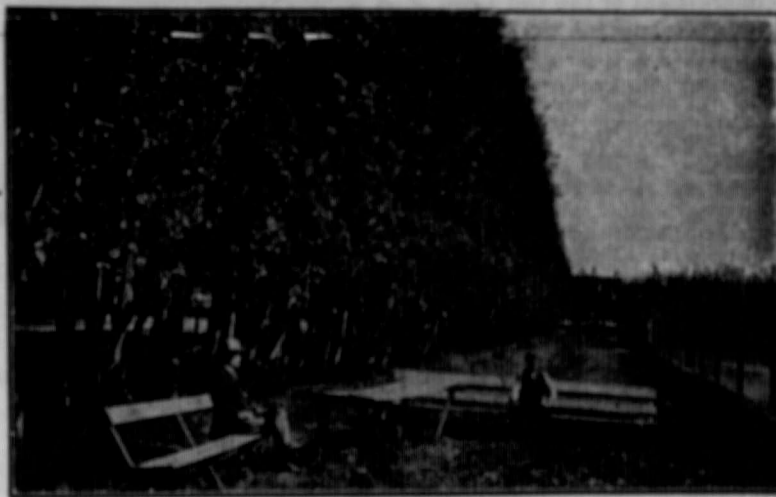
The merchantable yield of corn last year was 84 per cent. of the whole crop; of buckwheat, 84 per cent.; of potatoes, 80 per cent.; of turnips and other roots, 85 per cent.; and of hay and clover, 88 per cent.; as compared with last year's percentages of corn, 84 per cent. buckwheat, 87 per cent.; potatoes, 77 per cent.; turnips, etc., 87 per cent.; and hay and clover, 88 per cent. The quantities on hand at the end of March were, in bushels: Corn, 3,659,000, as compared with 4,734,000 in 1911; buckwheat, 1,728,000 against 1,750,000; potatoes, 20,404,000, against 23,564,000; and turnips, etc., 14,055,000 against 16,159,000. Of hay and clover there were on hand at the end of March last 3,134,000 tons on hand at the end of March, 1911.

Condition of Live Stock

The condition of live stock at the end of March, expressed in the percentage of a standard representing a healthy and thrifty state and denoted by one hundred, was, for horses, 96; milch cows, 92.58; other cattle, 95.53; sheep, 93.40; and swine, 94. Only in Prince Edward Island for cattle in Nova Scotia, for milch cows; in Ontario, for cattle; and in British Columbia, for cattle other than milch cows and for sheep, do the figures representing condition fall below a percentage of 90.

C.N.R. CONTRACTS LET

Contracts have been awarded by the Canadian Northern for the construction of 331 miles of new branch line extensions in the prairie provinces. One of the most important is the contract for the completion of the Goose Lake line, which has been awarded to the Northern Construction company. This calls for the construction of a gap of



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This year the Northern Construction company is to complete the Brazeau coal branch, a distance of 170 miles, 100 miles of steel being already laid on the line.

The Northern Construction, in addition to the above, has the contract for the construction of 100 miles on the Edmonton-Peace River line.

Throughout the world the total capital expenditure on railways is over \$45,000,000,000.

The world's highest tunnel is 11,400 feet above the sea level, and is on the Jungfrau railway, in Switzerland.