WITH THE FARMERS

THURSDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, August 13. — Markets opened fractionally higher and ran up a cent in Chicago and 1½c in Minneapolis, and Winnipeg holding around that basis the greater part of the session. Liverpool closed ¼ lower, not responding to full to the break in American markets yesterday. The main feature in causing this advance was wet weather and reports of light frost in parts of Saskatchewan and prospect of still lower temperatures. Trade, however, in all markets was reported to be light. August option advanced 1½c, closing at $1.08, with a good demand for all grades of cash wheat, particularly for spot stuff available for prompt shipment from terminal elevators. Receipts continue to be light and cash transactions small. Oats continue dull with very little demand. Winnipeg cash wheat —No. 1 Hard, 1.09; No. 1 Northern, 1.08; No. 2 Northern, 1.05; No. 3 Northern, 1.03; No. 4, 97; No. 5, 87; No. 6, 77½; No. 1 feed, 69½; No. 2 feed, 60. Barley—No. 3, 47½; No. 4, 46½; rejected, 42½. Flax—No. 1 Northwestern, 1.24; No. 1 Manitoba, 1.22.

American options: Chicago—September 92⅞, 93½; December 94⅜, 95⅛; May 99⅞, 99⅞. Minneapolis—September 1.00⅝, 1.01⅝; December 99⅞, 99⅞.

FRIDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, August 14.—Liverpool coming unchanged and weather being favorable for the opening of crops and harvesting operations had a tendency to check any rapid advance in prices. Although American markets opened around ⅜ higher, Winnipeg did not fall in line until late in session and the close shows a gain of ⅜ on October and 1 on August. Chicago shows similar advance and Minneapolis 1⅛. Cash transactions in Chicago for the past two days have been very heavy, amounting to about a million bushels. The local market has been quiet on cash business, although prices are good there is very little wheat available. The weather has cleared throughout Manitoba and the west and the cold wave has moved towards the east. In Manitoba it was cool during the night, but very little frost reported. Fine weather is now predicted with slightly higher temperature.

Winnipeg cash wheat—No. 1 Hard, 1.10; No. 1 Northern, 1.09; No. 2 Northern, 1.06; No. 3 Northern, 1.04; No. 4, 97; No. 5, 87; No. 6, 77½; No. 1 feed, 69½; No. 2 feed, 60. Barley—No. 3, 47½; No. 4, 46½; rejected, 41½.

American options: Chicago—September 91⅞, 93; December 94⅜, 95⅞; May 99½, 1.00½. Minneapolis—September 1.02½; December 1.00⅜, 1.03⅛.

TO-DAYS GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg, August 15.—Liverpool closed ¼d lower. American markets opened unchanged to a shade high, but markets quietly became dull and dragging and closed ⅜ to 1⅛c lower than yesterday. There was nothing special in the day's market news to influence the markets either way and the decline was practically caused by dullness in trading. Our Winnipeg market followed the United States markets and closed ½ to ⅞ lower. Today's Winnipeg prices are—No. Northern, 1.08½; No. 2 Northern, 1.05½; No. 3 Northern, 103½; No. 4 wheat, 96½; No. 5, 87; No. 6, 77½; feed wheat, 69½; No. 2 feed, 60, spot on east. Futures closed—August 1.08½, September 97⅝, October 95½, December 93, May 99½. Oats are dull—No. 2 white, 43; No. 3 white, 40; rejected, 39, spot or en route; No. 2 white, October delivery, 38⅞. Barley quiet—No. 3, 47½; No. 4, 46½; rejected, 42½; feed barley, 42. Flax firm at 1.24 for No. 1 Northwestern spot and 1.19⅞ October delivery. No market here Monday, civic holiday.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Ills., August 14.—The cattle trade was steady today. Fresh receipts were light. Local heifers sold at $5.20. In the sheep house a further improvement was shown, lambs selling up $6.50 to 10 to 15 cents advance. Scarcely enough cattle arrived to make the market strong. The receipts figure about 3,500 and include no good or choice steers. Buyers having indulged freely yesterday, they were very indifferent today, and the market was very dull. Most of the offerings were light common steers, which were not attractive to buyers, and they had to sell to low rates. A few range heifers brought $5.20, which is considered about 10 cents higher. Stockers and feeders were relatively scarce and the market was steady to strong for that class of cattle.

THE EDMONTON MARKETS.

Spring Wheat, Street Prices.	
No. 1 Northern	85c
No. 2 Northern	82c
No. 3 Northern	78c
No. 4 Northern	67c
No. 5 Northern	58c
No. 6 Northern	43c
Feed No. 1	35c
Feed No. 2	31c
Rejected No. 1	72c
Rejected No. 2	63c
Rejected No. 3	55c
Export steers, per lb.	3 1-4c
Butchers cattle	3c
Cows	2 1-2c to 3c
Calves	4c to 5c
Light hogs, per lb.	4 3-4c
Heavy hogs	4 1-2c
Sheep	5 1-2c
Lambs, each	$3.50 to 4.00
By the ton on Market Square:	
Slough	$8 to 11
Upland	10 to 12
Timothy	12 to 17
Market Square Prices.	
New Hay	$8 to 9
Oats	30 to 34
Potatoes, per bushel	90c
Eggs	22 1-2 to 25c
Flour, retail.	
Five Roses	$3.60
Harvest Queen	3.25
Household	3.50
Hides.	
New, hides, green salted	3 to 4c
Dry	5 to 6c
Dressed Meats.	
Beef (in carcass)	7 to 7 1-2
Pork	8 to 9c
Lamb, spring, per quarter	$1.00 to 2.00
Mutton	14 to 16c
Butter and Eggs.	
Strictly fresh, per dozen	30c
Choice dairy	25c to 30c
Fancy dairy farmers' 1 lb. prints	25c
Creamery	30c
Hay.	
Slough, per ton	$8.00
Upland, per ton	9.50
Dressed Poultry.	
Chickens, per lb	17c
Fowl, per lb	14c
Geese, per lb	16c
Ducks, per lb	17c
Vegetables.	
Potatoes, per bush	60c
Flour, Retail Prices.	
Capital, 98 lb. sack	$3.15
Capital 49 lb. sack	1.60
Superior, 98 lb. sack	2.75
Superior 49 lb. sack	1.40
Strong bakers', 98 lb. sack	2.75
Strong bakers', 49 lb. sack	1.40
Straight grade	2.55
Leader	2.30
Cream of Wheat, 6 lbs. for	25c
Feed.	
Shorts, per 100 lb. sack	$1.15
Bran, per 100 lb. sack	1.05
Market Square Prices.	
Oats	30c 35c
Beef, (in carcass)	6 1-2 to 7c
Pork, per lb.	8c to 9c
Eggs	22c 25c
New hay, per ton	$8
Slough hay	$8—9
Upland	$10—12
Timothy	$12—15
Retail Produce Prices.	
Dairy butter	20c—25
Creamery	25c
Farmers lb. prints	20c
Eggs, strictly fresh	30c
New Potatoes, per lb	4c
Turnips, onions, carrots, lettuce, spinach, per bunch	5c
Dressed Meats.	
Mutton, per lb.	15c
Veal, per lb.	8c to 10c
Live Stock Prices.	
Feed.	
Oats, per bush.	35c
Wheat, per bush.	75c to 80c
Bran, per cwt.	1.25
Shorts, per cwt.	1.25
Chops, per sack	1.00
Live Stock.	
Hogs, heavy, per cwt.	$4.25
Choice steer, per cwt.	$3.50 to 4.00
Cows, per cwt.	$2.75
Sheep, per lb.	5c to 5 1-2

FORT SASKATCHEWAN MARKETS.

Ft. Saskatchewan, Aug. 10.—Following are the prevailing market prices here:

Oats, per bu.	27c
Barley, per bu.	30c
Hay, per ton	$5.00
Timothy, per ton	$6.00 to 10.00
Wool, per lb.	20c
Coal, per ton	$3.50
Wood, per load	3.00 to 3.50
Live Stock.	
Beef	3c
Mutton	5c
Hogs	4 1-4 to 4 1-2
Veal	4c to 4 1-2c
Spring Lamb, each	$4.50 to $5.00
Poultry, very scarce.	
Butter, per lb	20c
Eggs, per doz.	20c
Vegetables.	
Potatoes, new, per bu.	75c
Cabbage, per lb	3c
Carrots, per lb	2c
Onions, per bunch	5c
Beets, per bunch	5c
Parsley, per bunch	5c
Cucumbers, each	10c
Turnips, per lb.	1c

RED DEER MARKETS.

The following are the prevailing prices on the market here:

Eggs, per dozen	20c
Butter, dairy, per lb.	20c
Butter, creamery, per lb.	25c
Potatoes, new, per bushel	1.50
Potatoes old, per bushel	35c
Beef, dressed	5c
Cattle, export	3 3-4
Veal, dressed	7c
Hogs, dressed	6 1-2
Hogs, live	4 3-4
Flour, patent	$3.50—3.75
Flour, bakers	3.25—3.50
Bran, per sack	1.50
Shorts, per sack	1.60
Wheat, per bu. (seed)	1.00
Oats per bushel	50c
Turkeys	18c

FIGHT FOR HARVESTERS.

C.P.R. Refuses to Distribute to C.N.R. Points—Latter Cut Rates.

Winnipeg, August 13.—The employees of the provincial immigration and employment bureau were very busy this morning sending out men to fill some of the numerous vacancies for farm hands. When questioned as to the number sent out, Superintendent Burke said: "We sent about 500 to various parts of the province yesterday and about the same number will go out tomorrow morning.

"But," continued Mr. Burke, "this is a mere drop in the bucket and the demand coming in from various points on the C.P.R. cannot possibly be dealt with for some days yet. The bulk so far have been sent to C.N.R. points, but many of these going out tomorrow will be sent to farmers between here and Virden.

"There will be a cut in tel rates for men going out to assist in the harvest fields at C.N.R. points, taking effect tomorrow morning. This cut has been made by that railway on account of the C.P.R. having refused to distribute the harvesters they are bringing from the east over the entire province, leaving out those parts served by the C.N.R."

"What class of men are you securing for the work in the fields?" the reporter asked.

"I am very particular in telling the men applying for work that it is not a picnic they are going out to, and unless they are prepared to perform a good days' work for the farmers by whom they are engaged they had better stay at home. If they expect good pay they must do good work. No class of men in the world have a better judgment or are quicker to express an opinion than the farmer."

"As to the wages paid and length of engagement?"

"I cannot tell. It will depend on the supply; but I think the pay will be good. Harvest is now in full blast at many points, and the season, although it will be long, will end sooner than has been the case during the past few years. I will be glad to take advantage of these cheap rates to help any good men who want to go to the country to work, and I will be in my office daily to issue certificates to those wishing to go to points where hands are most needed."

CALGARY BRAKEMAN KILLED COUPLING TRAIN

Distressing Accident by Which John W. Bush Lost His Life—Contracts Let for Street Paving—C. P. R. Mechanics' Strike is Endorsed.

Bulletin Special.

Calgary, Aug. 11—Late yesterday afternoon a distressing accident at Aldersyde gravel pit resulted in the death of John W. Bush, a Calgary brakeman. The unfortunate man was endeavoring to make a coupling on a work train. The work was being done on an up grade and the coupling did not hold. Bush attempted to adjust the couplings and the car behind came down and crushed him badly. He had strength to signal the engineer to go ahead and then fell across the tracks. The car behind continued to advance and severed his legs above the ankles. He was immediately placed on a caboose and rushed to Calgary, but died from his injuries before reaching the city.

Deceased was an old railroad man, having been in the service of different roads for 19 years. He leaves a wife, son and daughter, and three brothers and three sisters.

Paving Tenders Accepted.

The city council yesterday afternoon accepted tenders for paving from J. C. McNeill and from the Kettle River Quarry company. Eighth avenue will be paved with creosoted wood blocks by the Kettle River Co. and the remainder of the paving will be done with California asphalt by J. C. McNeil. The tenders were as follows: Bitulithic Paving Co., total sum, $127,485. For extra work a deduction of 15 per cent. would be made on this schedule. Street paving per square yard, $2.98; single track, per lineal foot, $6; double tracks, $12; excavations, per cubic yard, 60 cents; combined curb and gutter work, per lineal foot, $1.

The Kettle River Quarry Co., for creosoted wood block pavements, quoted the total sum of $135,000 with 15 per cent. deductions on the extra work; street and side paving per square yard, $3.48; double track work, including paving, per lineal foot, $12.50; for single track, $6.25; combined curb and gutter work, per lineal foot, 75 cents.

J. C. McNeil, for asphalt paving, using California cement, the total sum of $115,000; extra concrete, per cubic yard, $7; extra asphalt, 8 inches thick, per square yard, $3; excavation at the rate of 75 cents per cubic yard.

The street rails for the street railway will be ordered today and it is expected that in six weeks work will commence on the paving.

Enforce Machinists' Strike.

At the regular meeting of the Trades and Labor Council here last night the members passed the following resolutions: Resolved that we, the Calgary Trades and Labor Council, heartily endorse the action of Federated Railroad organizations (mechanical department) including machinists, blacksmiths, boilermakers, carmen and their helpers in their strike against the Canadian Pacific Railway company. At ten o'clock last Wednesday morning the strike was inaugurated and the walkout accomplished throughout the whole length of the transcontinental railway which in itself was a marvel of organization and a tribute to the training and discipline which the labor organizations are imparting to their members. Furthermore we pledge our support as far as possible and request all union men to assist the strikers in every way to bring the strike to a successful issue.

IS THE EMPIRE ON THE ROAD TO RUIN?

Lord Rosebery's Criticism in the House of Lords of Old Age Pensions—Prodigal Finance May Endanger National Defence—Measure Is Socialism Pure and Simple.

One of the features of the debate on the old age pension bill in the House of Lords was Lord Rosebery's brilliant dissection of the measure. He said: I believe this is the most important bill by a long way that has ever been submitted to the House of Lords during the forty years that I have sat here. I view its consequences as so great, so mystic, so incalculable, so largely affecting the whole scope and fabric of our empire itself, that I rank it as a measure far more totally important than the great Reform bill. I hope the House will bear with me for a moment when I express, not hostility to the measure, but the deep, solemn disquietude which that measure and its inevitable consequences produce in me. I will not tonight say a word about its being on a contributary basis. Nor will I dwell on the pauperizing effects, which have been so frequently dealt with by so many speakers in the House of Commons. There was a time when, certainly in Scotland, and in a less degree, in England, the maintenance of the aged poor was a privilege that poor people would not surrender to the public or to the state. That time is passed, and I think we may say that, under the provisions of this bill, it is never likely to return. Some of us may turn, with somewhat sentimental regret to those days, and may think, with some regret, of the pauperizing effect the bill must inevitably have.

Effect on National Defence.

"I wish, however, to make an earnest appeal to the Government on one point as to which I wish them to reassure me—I mean its effects on the empire as a whole. I am beginning to think that the empire may at last be destined to be wrecked by this finance. After all, the defence and the maintenance of an empire depends to a large extent on all its different parts. But the point which I think must be seriously considered—and I hope it has been seriously considered by the Government—is how far an enterprise or experiment of this kind, which (over you like to call it, can be carried on without serious risk, to what is the first task of every government of every country, and of every nation—namely that of national defence. In the old days which have, unfortunately, long ceased to exist, the days of Gladstone, inherited by tradition from Peel, the policy was to cut your coat according to your cloth, when we were acting on behalf of the nation, and that you should not enter into any financial liability without reckoning how much it was to be and how you were to meet it. No one can say that the Government have performed either of these functions on this occasion. We have not been given more than the slightest vagueness of indication as to what the cost will be, nor any indication as to how the cost is to be met.

What the Cost Will Be.

"Is the cost going to stop at £8,000,000 or even £10,000,000? Every one in this House or outside of it who has given the slightest consideration to the subject knows that there is no chance of stopping the cost at even ten or twenty millions. You have the Prime Minister telling us in the budget that this was only a beginning, and you have some of the advanced followers telling you with greater frankness, because they have not the responsibility of office, that they mean to use this bill as a lever to obtain any amount more. But the inevitable course of events, whatever they may say, either from the extreme left or right of the Government bench is that the measure means an indefinite extension of this principle.

"We know by a prominent example that looms in our eyes when the pension list is the custody of a democracy. We have the case of the United States, where the pension list, which I think every friend of the United States believes to be something of a gross scandal, has risen to $141,000,000 a year, a pension list, also which does not touch old age except in so connected with the army and he may, a pension list purely military in its operation, which, in the natural demand of the democracy that when so much money is going every man shall have his share, has swollen to that figure.

Democracy and Pensions.

"What is the inevitable course of events in the party system of this country? Parliament, by the operation of its septennial act, will have a general election in due course. I do not wish to say anything which is not strictly courteous to either of the parties represented in this House; but do you mean to say that when the general election comes both parties bidding for the favor of the democracy will not emulously knock down every barrier which conflicts with the free granting of the pension, and with every limit fixed by its operation? I said that there was the example of the United States, but the other day the Commonwealth of Australia by an operation much more summary than our own, raised the old age pension to 10s., and the age limit was lowered to 65, in a sitting which I do not think lasted 24 hours. Do you believe that in any general election in this country, when this principle is once introduced, both parties will be naturally bidding for the favor of the democracy by lowering the age and raising the extent of the pension? You cannot, when once the State undertakes the operation of charity, limit the sphere of your operations.

Enormous Liability.

"I do not wish to prolong this discussion, but I do wish that those who listen to me, who may read what we say tonight will bear in mind the enormous liability we are undertaking by this bill. I myself, see no limits to it. You have begun it without waiting for enquiries, and there has been very little inquiry of your own. Is your trade so swelling, is your revenue so swelling that you think this is to be a favorable moment to undertake this experiment? We have listened to a war budget of £155,000,000; you have no one tax at 1s. in the pound! I saw some rather gruesome figures this morning as to local debt and local taxation. Apart from the £53,000,000 of Imperial taxation you have had to add for England and Wales alone, £114,000,000 of local taxation, and now at this moment, you are going to take upon your shoulders a burden which is at present estimated at £8 millions, but which I venture to say involves with the greatest certainty in the world a liability of thirty millions.

A Gloomy Prospect.

"The first responsibility of every country and every nation is national defence. I confess this prospect fills me with despair. I understand that the Government already acknowledges some liability in respect of an increase in the navy for next year and I strongly suspect that in spite of the somewhat ambiguous proceedings of which we have read, they do not expect any material reduction in the army. Surely the moment is ill-chosen for such an uncertain and this vague experiment, so prodigal of expenditure, and I would ask the Government—I say it in no spirit of hostility, but in a spirit of earnest and deep anxiety—to meet some of the points raised in this debate, and to assure us that in enrolling and not opposing this measure which they offer to the old of the United Kingdom we are not dealing a blow at the empire which may be almost mortal, and that we are not embarrassing and encumbering our finances to a degree which no man now living, however young he may be, will see the limit or the end of."

FEDORAH.

Bulletin News Service.

The new post office, Mr. Leroy postmaster, has been opened and is a great convenience to a very large settlement with two in and two outgoing mails weekly.

T. McDairmaid, homestead inspector, was here on Saturday. Several new settlers have arrived and are busy upon their claims.

Haying is in full swing and some barley has already been cut. Wheat cutting will be general, in a few days. The crops have never looked better than they do this year. This will be the banner year in this part of the province. No hail so far.

Fedorah, Aug. 8.

NIAGARA POWER LINE.

Contract for Construction of Transmission Lines Let for $1,250,000.

Toronto, August 13.—An agreement was signed this evening awarding the contract for the building of the Ontario government power transmission lines to the F. H. McGuigan Construction Company. The line is from Niagara, to St. Thomas in the west, and Toronto in the east, 233 miles, and the contract is for $1,250,000. The tender was the lowest presented and was half a million dollars under the highest. There were 27 tenders, two in bulk, 15 for towers, five for cables and five for the transmission line.

The tender was wholly Canadian. The steel towers, 3,176 in all, are to be supplied by the Canadian Bridge Company, Walkerville, and the Ontario Iron & Steel Company, Welland. These will require 6,334 tons of steel. The cables will be aluminum wire, weighing 1,013,200 pounds, and will be supplied by the Northern Aluminum Company of America, of Shawenegan Falls.

McGuigan's tender was the lowest of all the combinations of tenders. A marked cheque for $35,000 accompanied the tender and a bond for $175,000 will be provided. The work is to be completed in fifteen months. To provide for possible extensions of the line, McGuigan undertakes, if requested before February 4th next, to execute a contract for an additional 233 miles on the same terms. The tender is in all a quarter of a million dollars below the government estimate.

24 YEARS AGO TODAY

From the Old Fyles of the Bulletin on August 16th, 1884.

D. McLeod arrived from Calgary on Saturday, bringing in Rev. Father Leduc.

Wm. Inkster has the contract for building W. L. Wood's new house.

James McDonald is refitting and finishing the outside of the store occupied by John Sinclair.

Lumber is being laid on the ground for the construction of a house for J. McAuley of the H. B. Company.

Mail arrived Monday evening bringing in ten bags. The outgoing mail left Thursday morning taking 450 letters.

The close season for ducks, etc., expired yesterday. Ducks are numerous and shooting parties are in order.

S. Whitford left Thursday for Snake Hills Landing, with a raft of lumber for the government farm at Saddle Lake.

Mr. J. C. Cameron received by last mail a number of shares of the new company formed to work the petroleum deposits on the Athabasca.

Mr. Forsythe of Harris, Son & Company arrived Monday last. He will put in working order the self binders, and other machinery purchased by the settler here from his firm.

Two Grey Nuns arrived by D. McLeod's team on Saturday last on their way to St. Albert. Two nuns will leave the Mission the early part of next week to take charge of the Mission school at Calgary. They will go by D. McLeod's team.

Mrs. Ross, mother of Mr. D. Ross, accompanied by her daughter and grandson, arrived here by mail stage from Calgary on Monday last. They have come direct from Scotland.

W. F. Bredin writes from Laggan under date of July 30: "All the hay round on the Columbia is covered with water. Rain here every day. End of track two miles west of Kicking Horse Lake. On one of the pieces of heavy grade one of the engines was unable to hold the train. The locomotive ran away, jumped the track, and injured some fourteen men, but none fatally. Grading has commenced in the Selkirks. Winter contracts are being let. One firm has a contract for 1,500 tons of hay to be put up between Calgary and Gleichen. Business is very dull in the mountains.

The auction sale of government property was held yesterday, and attracted a larger crowd than has been in town for some time. Mr. Metcalf officiated. The horses, carts and harness were sold. One outfit went as low as $32. Owing to the low prices obtained, the rest of the horses, etc., were withdrawn. The crowd then proceeded to the H. B. fort, being transported by the unsold horses and carts. The turnout was very fine, and would remind a stranger of the Carnival of Venice, or a bridal party on their way to church. The balance of the stuff, mostly provisions, was sold at very good prices.

The C.P.R. has now a through route of its own from Winnipeg to Toronto, which is more than 200 miles shorter than the old rail route by St. Paul and Chicago. The eastern end of the journey is over the line of the old Toronto, Grey and Bruce railway, which has been acquired by the syndicate.

WERE CONDEMNED TO DIE.

Six Japanese Who Attacked Soldiers Appeal to Capital.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 13—Six Japanese whom Russia condemned to death at Nikolavicsk for attacking the guard have appealed to the supreme military tribunal at St. Petersburg. The appeal is now being considered. The condemned men were sailors on the Japanese schooner Miye Maru, which was recently captured by the Russians while seal poaching in the Kommander island sin the Bering sea. While the troops were conveying the prisoners through the streets of Nikolavisck, the Japanese sailors objected to walking in the middle of the road, which is in accordance with the Russian regulations, and attacked the soldiers with stones and wounded several of them.

The town of Nikolavicsk is under martial law and the Japanese therefore tried by a military district court six prisoners being condemned to death. The schooner Miye Maru was one of the two which took part in the fatality of June 16, 1905, at St. Paul island, Bering sea, when five Japanese were killed and twelve wounded by Alaskan special policemen under command of Special Agent Lembkey.

FIVE CENT CASH FARE.

In Cleveland—Deficit Caused by Time Lost in Making Change.

Cleveland, Aug. 13—Mayor Johnson and President du Pont, of the Municipal Traction Co., have framed up another scheme to prevent a deficit. Johnson, in an interview this morning, says the company probably will charge a nickel cash fare, but three cents with tickets, thus compelling people to buy the three cent discs. He says the other alternative is to return to a penny charge for transfers, with no rebate, or a nickel cash fare or six tickets for a quarter.

He says that if people bought tickets the conductors would get all the fares, which is impossible now because of the delay in making change, which causes most of the deficit. Some of the councilmen say the company should sell nine tickets for a quarter and give free transfers, which would produce the same result.

Hearst to Offset Bryan.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 13—The independence state convention will be held here Aug. 30. August 25 was the original choice, but it was thought better not to clash with Kern's notification on that date and have Hearst here the day Bryan is speaking.

Says We Need Aid.

London, Aug. 10 (C.A.P. cable)—The Archbishop of Canterbury in a memorandum about the Pan-Anglican congress thank offering, states that the colonies urgently require aid and Northwest Canada has a paramount claim, because the need is paramount.

MELODRAMATIC MILLIONAIRE.

Young Millionaire Will Toil in the Miners' Ranks.

Mexico City, Aug. 13—Kingdon Gould, son of George J. Gould, an heir to millions, will work in the mines of Caunajuato for the next month as a common miner, learning the practical rudiments of mining and learning to set his blast so as to get the most out of a charge of explosives. All his work will be done under the intruction and supervision of Professor Kemp, instructor of geology of Columbia university, where young Gould has been studying mining engineering for the past two years. He worked his first shift yesterday.

B.C. JUDGES AT WAR.

Chief Justice Censures Action of Mr. Justice Martin.

Victoria, Aug. 13—Alleging that Justice Martin of the Supreme Court of British Columbia pretended sickness in order that he might not be compelled to hear the habeas corpus application of C. B. Bratton, in jail on a charge of incendiarism arising out of the series of mysterious fires here a month ago, J. A. Aikman, counsel for Bratton, obtained an order from Chief Justice Hunter today for Bratton's release. Aikman has had a writ issued against Mr. Justice Martin seeking to recover $500 damage under an old English statute providing this as the penalty for the refusal on the part of any judge to hear a habeas corpus application.

Aikman, in referring to the case before the Chief Justice, read the letters he had directed to Mr. Justice Martin, couched in very bitter language, and alleged that the latter had not been sick at the time and submitted affidavits to pursue his regular business. The judge's action, he alleged, was in pursuance of his refusal to act under rule 13 of the Supreme Court, claiming that unless specially assigned to each case, he has no jurisdiction. The Chief Justice described Judge Martin's position with regard to this rule as "empty, absurd and preposterous," and the papers have been forwarded to the Minister of Justice at Ottawa.

GREAT BRITAIN POWERLESS.

Mother Country Cannot Intervene in Dispute in Venezuela.

London, Aug. 13—It has been definitely decided that Great Britain cannot intervene in the dispute between the Venezuelan salt and match monopolies, two English corporations owned by the Ethel Burtna Syndicate, Limited, of London, and the Venezuelan government.

The concessions owned by the match and salt companies were annulled by the Venezuelan government early this year. At the time of the cancellation of the concessions Mr. Williams, the representative of the Syndicate at Caracas, protested, declaring the government's action to be both ruinous and illegal.

The matter was brought to the attention of the British Foreign Secretary, Sir Edward Grey, who advised that the British government could not intervene until all means to secure redress through the Venezuelan ports has been exhausted.

Minister's Books Were Leaking.

Milford, Del., Aug. 13—One of the ministers here was embarrassed yesterday when he received a message from an express office that read as follows:—

"Dear Sir—There is an express package for you marked books. Please claim it at once, as they are leaking."

A messenger was at once sent for the "leaking books," and they were at once removed to the parsonage. Persons who saw the books said that they must have made strong reading, if one could judge from the smell. Milford is in the Delaware district which voted dry last year.

oGuld Makes General Denial.

New York, Aug. 14.—In answer to his wife's complaint in divorce proceedings, Frank J. Gould, has filed a general denial of her allegations. The answer contains less than one hundred words, and does not seek to establish an allibi. No counter accusations are made.

Another Pageant in Calgary.

Calgary, Aug. 14.—The Calgary exhibition board met yesterday afternoon, and decided to have a pageant the next ear yto usher in the exhibition that will exceed in magnificence even the tremendous pageant of July 1st, 1908.

Operator Essayed New Method of Descent Which Failed.

Lemans, France, Aug. 14.—Wright's aeroplane suffered an accident this morning and will require several days and possibly weeks to repair. After two superb flights, Wilber Wright essayed a new and daring method of descent. He stopped the motor at a height of seventy-five feet and tried to come to earth on a gradually descending glide. His calculations were not absolutely correct, and the left wing of the aeroplane came in contact with the ground, which tore the frame of the machine. Wright was no tinjured. The damage can be repaired easily, although because of the absence of the necessary material the work will require several days.

Sir Knights at Toronto.

Toronto, August 13.—About three hundred Sir Knights arrived in the city this morning for 25th Sovereign Great Priory. This afternoon a reception was tendered the delegates at the King Edward Hotel. Several local members will tender the visitors a sail on the lake.

Whitney Power Gold Brick.

Toronto, Aug. 13—Contrary to what had been expected, tenders for the power time of the Ontario government were not let today. Hon. Adam Beck stating that in so important a matter it was deemed best to go slowly.

Boy Received Fatal Shock.

Winnipeg, Aug. 11—William Wise, fifteen years old, C.P.R. call-boy last night saw a street incandescent light going out and went to investigate. He found the wire down and touching it received a shock which proved fatal this morning.

PLANS FOR QUEBEC BRIDGE.

Will Be Prepared by Engineers at Head of Profession.

Ottawa, Ont., July 13—This afternoon's concluding cabinet meeting passed an order approving the appointment of H. E. Vautelet, C.E., Montreal, chairman; Maurice Fitzmaurice, C.M.G., London, England and Ralph Mojeski, Chicago, to constitute the board of expert engineers to prepare plans for the reconstruction of the Quebec bridge. These engineers who are at the head of their profession are to have a free hand in the bridge plans ,and will commence work by inspecting the piers and approaches of the wrecked bridge, as the incorporation of these in the new structure would represent about $3,000,000. The government has taken these in return for assuming the bond of indebtedness of the bridge company.

CIVIL SERVICE CLASSIFICATION.

Deputation Asked the Government to Adopt a Uniform System

Ottawa, August 13.—A deputation representing the Civil Service Association and comprising Messrs. Kingston, president; Doyon, vice-president, and Payne, secretary, waited on the Premier, Mr. Fielding and Mr. Fisher, and asked that in the re organization of the civil service a uniform system of classification be adopted for the various departments. Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated that the question would be submitted to the Civil Service Commissioners as soon as they are appointed.

Bob Compliments Our Troops.

Ottawa, August 13.—In his report to the King of the review of troops during the Quebec tercentenary celebration, Lord Roberts says the troops looked well and he was very much impressed with the precision, order and organization generally. There were, he says, about 12,000 men under arms and there was no hitch anywhere. "Canada," he adds, "appears to me to be dealing adequately with problems affecting her militia, and care and improved organization to be building up a very useful force."

Waiter Heir to Sixteen Million.

New York, August 13.—Godfried Probst, a waiter in a little Brooklyn restaurant, has received word that he has fallen heir to $16,000,000, left by a distant relative in Germany. He will immediately go to claim the money, returning to marry a waitress and settle down to luxury on Fifth avenue.

No Hope for the New Parties.

San Francisco, Aug. 13—Early returns from today's primaries held throughout the state indicated that the Republican regular organization will have a majority in the state and congressional convention over the Lincoln Roosevelt league. In the Democratic party the indications are also that the organization has won the Theodore Bell faction.

Auto Explosion Causes Fire.

Montreal, Aug. 11—An explosion in an automobile started a fire in the automobile garage on Stanley street resulting in the total destruction of the Stanley street concert hall above. The loss is $60,000.

Senator Merner Dead.

Berlin, Ont., August 13.—Senator Samuel Merner died here this morning. He was born in Switzerland in 1825 and came to Canada in 1837, settling on a farm west of New Hamburg. He was appointed to the senate by the late Sir John A. MacDonald.

Both Legs Severed by Saw.

Woodstock, Aug. 11—While attempting to throw a belt from a circular saw Frank Elliott was drawn onto the saw and both legs were severed.

Cheapening Price of Coal to West.

Chicago, Ills., August 14.—The cheapening of the price of coal to consumers in the great northwest, through the shortening of the railway haul at both ends, making most of the trip by water, is the object of a new corporation being organized by Chicago men. The object is to supply the states with coal shipped in barges via the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, direct from the coal fields of Ohio and West Virginia.

Young Society Woman Suicides.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 14.—Mystery, romance and tragedy surround the death of Miss Francis Sholes, daughter C. G. Sholes, millionaire, who was found dead in bed at her home, 1402 Chicago avenue Evanston. She was a young woman, aged 22, popular in society and pretty. It is believed she suicided as a result of despondency over an old love affair. She died from asphyxiation.

Balloon Exploded, Causing Panic.

London, Aug. 14.—The huge balloon which Capt. Thomas Lovelace, of New York, aeronaut, has been giving exhibitions at the Franco-British exhibition, exploded while inflated, killing two spectators and frightfully burning a dozen, and causing injury to a score of others in the panic which followed. Lovelace was dangerously hurt, but insisted on aiding the police to stop the panic. His secretary, a young American woman, is missing, and it is feared she is a victim.

Drowned at Almonte.

Almonte, Ont., August 13.—John Wm. Rosamond, manager of the Almonte Knitting Company, and son, Bennett, ex-M.P., were drowned in the Mississippi river last night. How the accident happened is not known.

To Move Whole Town.

Hobart, Okla., Aug. 14—Grant Harriman house mover, has closed a contract with H. M. Martin, representing the town of Eachitl, to move the town a distance of three miles to a new site to be known as Bethel. In the contract is included the village of Kell, the two agreeing to combine in one. Kell has sixty houses. Harriman will commence at once.

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[illegible] News Service.

Speculation is rife in the [illegible] regarding the ultimate settle[illegible] differences between the C. [illegible] J. Gainer. The C. P. R. has [illegible] of men at work extending the [illegible] putting in sidings. The com[illegible] ing to obtain possession of [illegible] Gainer's property at the [illegible] city, offered him a price for [illegible] being refused. Operations w[illegible] pended pending a settlement [illegible] steam shovel was taken to t[illegible] on the east side getting dirt [illegible] the sidings here. In the m[illegible] Gainer proceeded to get out a[illegible] against the C. P. R., but [illegible] hours necessary to secure th[illegible] the C. P. R. men started o[illegible] his property and completed [illegible] while the other work there [illegible] finished. The situation is now [illegible] up.

It is announced that Monda[illegible] will be proclaimed as civic h[illegible]

George L. Owens was ele[illegible] claimation on Monday last to [illegible] on the Alexandra school board [illegible] the resignation of O. H. Av[illegible]

Camrose plays here on Tu[illegible] provided the weather is favor[illegible]

At the regular meeting [illegible] council held on Tuesday even[illegible] matter was brought up for ex[illegible] Donald street to connect with [illegible] ton road north, as the entrance [illegible] in this direction is being shu[illegible] work done for the C. P. R. [illegible] works committee was instru[illegible] into the matter thoroughly a[illegible] at a later meeting. At this [illegible] matter of increasing Constal[illegible] salary was discussed at leng[illegible] finally decided in the negati[illegible] mittee was appointed to see [illegible] ing the electric light rates [illegible] the city. The new gas produ[illegible] the power house has resulted [illegible] er production of light. The c[illegible] to report at the earliest opp[illegible]

Dr. Hoare left this week [illegible] week's trip to Ontario.

Miss Maude Bell, of the [illegible] public school teaching staff, [illegible] of Mr. Charles Rubbra.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rutt[illegible] White expect to move the [illegible] month into the house recently [illegible] by Mr. White from George [illegible]

Ed. F. Williamson has rente[illegible] at present occupied by Mr. [illegible] will move as soon as it is va[illegible]

Operations have started on [illegible] Bank of Commerce on the corn[illegible] and Railway street.

Rev. J. E. Hogg left on [illegible] for Red Deer to attend a meet[illegible] Temperance and Moral Refo[illegible]

On Monday Dr. R. C. D[illegible] who has had charge of Dr. [illegible] practice during his extended a[illegible] ing up further courses of stu[illegible] Edmonton, where he will prac[illegible]

Mrs. A. G. Gross left the c[illegible] week for Iowa, where she w[illegible] her old home for about three [illegible] Frank Nelson came in from [illegible] stead on Wednesday and is [illegible] nephew Rige Nelson and Mr. [illegible] George Rix. He is