THE BUSINESS SITUATION

Saturday, March 1

Business during the past week has been moderately active so far as curhad an unsettling effect upon trade far traffic in the country with a corre most broke up the fie and lumber camps. Another week would have weather is now colder. We have had ident feeling in consequence. I March produces normal weather con operations of all kinds will be large. mereuse in bank clearing over last winter being from 35 to 40 per cent. from 6 to 7 and sometimes 8 per cent iow as 5 per cent for gilt-edge securi-

WINNIPEG MARKETS

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(All quotations, unless otherwise specifled, are wholesale for such quantities
as are usually taken by retail dealers,
and are subject to the usual reductions
on large quantities and to cash discounts.

BINDER TWINE.

Twine relice for the season of 1942 are not relice for the season of 1942 are not reliced for the season of 1942 are not reliced by representatives of the big factories here. Sisal and standard open at 11½ per pround, f.o.b., Winnipeg, and orders shich have been aiready booked, and on the season of the season

DITY GOODS.

Travellers are now starting out for full orders with blankets, cottons, and other heavy lines. Spring business is over with them so far as the placing commences they will put in time on fall orders. Shipping for spring still occupies the attention of the inside people, but this is now pretty well adpended by the commences of the control of the inside people, but this is now pretty well adpended by the control of the inside people, but this is now pretty well adpended by the control of the inside people, but this is now pretty well adpended on the control of the inside people, but this is now pretty well adpended on the control of and while not fully in effect here is bound to come as soon as fresh orders have to be placed, which will be short-ly. Further advances are looked for in the near future at mills as raw cottons are scarce and firm.

FUEL

Prices are steady and un-changed, as followed by Pennsylvania changed, as followed and No. 1 nut. \$10.50 per ton delivered, retail; No. 2 nut. 80; Canadian anthracite, 89.50 per ton for egg and stove sizes, and 88 for rut. Crows Nest Plass coal, 88 per ton, Galt bluminous, 57, 50 per ton. This Blume, 84, 50 per ton, carlots at

the mine, \$1.60, run of the mine \$1.35, and screenings the part to the mine \$1.35. and screenings, 60e per ton. Wood in carlots on track is worth about the following prices: Tamarac, per cord, \$4 to \$4.25; jack pine, \$3.25; poplar, \$3.00; oak, \$4.25 to \$4.50; slabs, \$2.50.

FISH

There is a good Lenten demand for this and prices are steady as follows: Whitefish, 5e per Br., pickerel, 4e per Br. pike, 22g. trout, 10g. salmon, 16g. hallbut, 11c, fresh cod, 7e per Br.; talibut, 11c, fresh cod, 7e per Br.; mackerel, 18k, 7e, shad, 6g. troub 8g. cods, 54gc; lbunders, 54gc; herrings, lee per dozen, salt cod, 9gc; Labra-dor herring, per barrel, \$4; salt mack-erel, \$18.0 per kit; Holland herring, in kits, \$1.00. Digby chicks, 15e per 1b; 'soucless tha, 5gc per Br.; oysters, \$2 to 82.25 per gallon, finnan haddie, i to 8e per Br. a good Lenten demand for

Fruit trade is quiet and offerings are limited to a few staple varieties, Lemons are weaker and in some cases the price is lower, but the regular quotation to country buyers is still \$5.25 per case. We quote: California the price is ower, but the regular qua-tion of the price is still \$5.25 and the large price is still \$1.25 and the price is still \$1.25 and the mayed oranges, per case. 216s. \$4.20, 209s. \$4.50, 176s. \$4.50, 159s. \$4.25, 120s. \$4.50, 176s. \$4.50, 159s. \$4.25, 120s. \$4.50, 176s. \$4.50, 159s. \$4.25, 120s. \$4.50, 159s. \$4.50, \$4.50, 159s. \$4.5 standards, \$2.00.

Trade is moderately active and prospects are bright. The most important price cange here during the week has been a decline of 5c per hundred pounds in granulated sugar and of the in yellows. The canonic many declines are also been a decline of the process of the canonic field of the process of the canonic field of the process of the decline Cooking stronger of few days ago. Cooking figs are stronger and searce. The price for these is now 4% c in boxes, an advance of ½ c. There has also been an advance in Muscatel raisins, which are now up ¼ to ½ c, and they will likely have to go still higher here. will likely have to go still higher here, in view of the strength at primary points. Apricots and peaches are much firmer, and the advance will amount to from ½ to ¾c, with no prospects of lower prices until another prospects of lower prices until another crop comes in. Glucose syrup is still holding the advance which we noted last week. Winnipeg jobbing prices will be found on another page of this

HARDWARE.

This market shows no changes this week. Rusiness is nettive for the season, and the prospects are for an active season's trade as soon as the cold wealther is over. Builders' hardware will be in particularly good demand, also garden tools, barbed wire, feming materials, etc. Winning jobbing prices are given on another pag

PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS PAINTS, OHS AND GLASS.
There is no change in this market, and priess hold at the range we gave an experience of the price Our news columns this cut of five per cent. in the price plate glass in the United States, a it is interesting to note in this connection that prices here are still means that prices here are still in the prices. in the price of ited States, and to that prices here are still more than 100 per cent, lower for plate glas than at Minneapolis. Prices at Winnipeg for commodities under this headare given on another page.

IMPLEMENTS

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Deaders are busy receiving, sorting and shipping spring lines. The demand for these indicates that a large-smount of land will be seeded in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories this spring. Seeder business promises to be exceptionally good.

RAW FURS.

Receipts are moderate and the market stead, as follows: Bad-ger, prime, 25 cents to \$1.00; bear, black, small, \$5.00 to

prices, according to their value proportion to the above quotation

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Receipts here are fairly liberal, and the demand for most and the demand for most of the second of the second sec

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WHEAT — The past week in the wheat markets has not been just so wheat markets has not been just so the property of the pro Monday, there has been some develop-ment in the promulgation of cron damage reports. These have been com-damage reports. These have been com-leted by the comparison of the com-lete of the comparison of the com-lete crop is really damaged to any considerable extent prices will easily one of the comparison of the comparison of the can be fairly estimated. In the mean-time whether the reports have any real foundation or not they cause the mar-less to be stronger. The movement foundation or not they cause the mar-kets to be stronger. The movement of wheat from first hands in the States over the same time uses this week over the same time uses this work the other hand the week's exports are much smaller than last year. The world's shipments were again moder-ate, and should they not increase very soon there is a fair prospect that Eu-vipeati markets will show more opened, markets will show more afte, and smount may not merces, versoon there is a fair prospect that Rue
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strength as the requirements there for
the balance of the crop year are considerable. There is every indication
that the supply from Argentine will
remain small throughout the season,
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there will be the greater demand on
the American supply. Crops in Europe
are doing well in the western countries but in the eventre and Russia the
vield of the American visible supply
decreased 1.221,000 bushels, against a
decrease of 1.190,000 bushels last week
year. The American visible slapt week
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supply according to Bradstreet's desupply according to Bradstreet's debushels list year. The world's visible supply according to Bradstreet's de-creased 2.041,000 bushels against a decrease the previous week of 1.783,-000 bushels, and a decrease last year of 3.362,000 bushels. Manifoba wheat is dull and drag-ging, the demand being small. The

want of ordinary transportation ities is a great hindrance to a During the week there has most no change in values, beginning of the week owing decline in United States mar situation became very lifeless tations were ½c less, but this gained by the middle of the v gained by the middle of the wat the end the feeling is firm the close of yesterday's busin quote 1 northern 70%, and 2 · 67% in Fort William or Port of Two in Fort William or Port of the gain of the

ard brands as follows: Ogilvi-garian Patent, \$2 per sack of Glenora Patent, \$1.85; Albert: Manitoba, \$1.45; Imperial

MILLFEED—Demand is sto

MILLIFEED—Demand is steady, prices unchanged. We quote lie in bulk, per ton \$14.50; shorts, \$16 in bulk, per ton \$16.50; shorts, \$16 in bulk, per ton \$16.50; shorts, \$16 in bulk, \$

wheat market is very qui-

Where wheat is being bough rule from 54 to 60c per bushel OATS—Offerings of oats at liberal and this market is we plied from Manitoba country to be had, and the only diff to get cars in which to ship. There is still some all rall being done with points in the The market is easy, but p main unchanged bushel for feed grades in car track here. Prices being p farmers at country points for

white oats range around 28
Brandon rate of freight. Str
are worth 30 to 33c per bush
BARLEY—Receipts are in
the demand for both malting;
qualities is good. Buyers ha quarties is good. Buyers have paying an advance of 2c per for some lots of feed barley this as compared with a week agoing grades are worth 38 to 16 bushel in car lots on track herfeed grades 36 to 38c.

FLAXSEED-Market nomina

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und sack. POULTRY—Receipts are POULTRY—Receipts are in-deman a good. Fresh killed deman a good. Fresh killed are worth 11 to 12 ½ per per per livered here; ducks and geore. 11c, and turkeys, 12½ to 14c. GAME—Rabbits are bring-each for the ordinary kind. J. bits are worth 25c each. RUTTER—Creamery—A few lar shippers are getting 219.

down here for fresh made cro BUTTER — Dairy — Choice grades are in demand and but of the is offering. Seconds are pand slow sale. Dealers are pand slow sale. Dealers are pand some succession of the commission basis.

CHEESE—The market for elbeing supplied with Ontario 11½c per pound delivered to the

EGGS-Stocks are increasing British Columbia. One lot of has been sent to Montreal, are allowing 16½c per dozen here for case eggs subject

VEGETABLES—Potatoes h VEGETABLES—Potatoes note or clined 10c per bushel. We quoe if F tatoes, farmers' loads, deliver ber 20 to 30c per bushel; carries, 60 per bushel; beets, 50 to 55c per bushe el; turnips, 25c per bushel; abbus 2c per pound; lettuce and radish, 48