

## C. P. R. Crop Report.

The C. P. R. crop report, issued under date of Monday last, which, taken as a whole, gives a highly satisfactory showing. The following are extracts from same:

## Main Line.

Rosser—Favorable weather; wheat cutting nearly completed, oats and barley will be all cut by next week. Threshing started Aug. 27.

Marquette—For the last week weather has been favorable. Cutting almost finished. Threshing started. Reaburn—Weather very favorable. Cutting about finished. Threshing commenced to-day, will be general end of week.

Poplar Point—Favorable weather, 90 per cent cut. Wheat will run 20 to 25 bushels; oats 30 bushels. Threshing started to-day.

High Bluff—Warm and dry. Ninety per cent cutting done. Threshing general. Wheat grading No. 1 hard and 1 northern.

Burnside—Cloudy and damp. Wheat 20 bushels per acre. Threshing will be general Sept. 1.

Bagot—Crops not suffering in any way. Threshing stopped for few days on account of rain.

MacGregor—Very little wheat standing now, but considerable oats. Some hail north of here Sunday. No damage reported. Note—Later reports show no damage done by hail.

Austin—Wheat cutting finished and threshing began on Tuesday. Heavy rain yesterday stopped stacking.

Sidney—Wheat all cut; oats and barley cutting. Threshing general.

Carberry—Nearly all wheat here cut and farmers busy stacking. Some threshing done. First wheat marketed Aug. 28, quality No. 1 hard.

Sewell—Weather favorable. Threshing commenced yesterday.

Douglas—About 70 per cent, wheat cut and threshing just begun.

Chater—Cutting about finished. Very little stacking will be done owing to yield. Threshing commences this week and expected yield will be large.

Brandon—Favorable weather. Wheat yield 25 to 30 bushels per acre.

Alexander—Fine and warm. Cutting will finish first week in September. Wheat 25 bushels, oats 40 bushels.

Oak Lake—Generally favorable weather. Cutting finishes first week in September. Wheat 25 bushels.

Virde—Very favorable weather. Cutting finishes August 31. Wheat 22 bushels, oats 40 bushels. Threshing starts this morning and will be general in a week.

Elkhorn—Dry and warm. Cutting finishes September 3. Wheat yield averages 27 to 30 bushels, oats 40 to 50 bushels.

Fleming—Clear, warm weather. Yield will be high.

Moosomin—About 45 per cent. cut. Wheat 25, oats 40 bushels.

Wapella—Splendid weather. Cutting finishes Aug. 30. Yield heavy.

Whitewood—Very favorable weather. Still busy cutting. Threshing not commenced.

Grenfell—Weather very favorable, no drought, hail, frost or gophers. Cutting will finish end of week.

Qu'Appelle—Cloudy and warm. Cutting finishes end of week. Standing grain not suffering. Heavy yield.

Balgownie—Cloudy to clear and warm weather. Gophers plentiful. Cutting finishes in a week. Good yield. Best crop for years.

Regina—Fine, all busy cutting. No damage reported of any consequence or magnitude.

Moose Jaw—Fine, no hail or frost.

Weyburn—Fine to cloudy; cutting finishes Sept. 1.

## Prince Albert Section.

Saskatoon—Weather fairly favorable, some hail, very slight damage; frost on 23rd did damage to standing grain. Fifty per cent. of the crop is already all safe.

Rosthern—Clear and fine; five degrees of frost, but apparently no damage done.

Duck Lake—Two to four degrees of frost. No damage.

Macdowall—A light frost on Thursday last, but no damage done to any kind of crops.

## Souris Section.

Hartney—Favorable weather, threshing general, sample 1 hard. Wheat will be all cut this week.

Melita—Favorable weather; cutting finishes in a few days; prospects good.

Elva—Threshing will be general next week. No damage.

Pierson—Ninety per cent. wheat cut; 60 per cent. oats. No damage; good yield.

Gainsborough—Cutting nearly completed. Prospects good.

Carleton Place—Clear and fine. No damage. Wheat cutting general in a day or so.

Carnduff—Two-thirds wheat cut, one half of oats. Weather favorable. Threshing commences next week.

Oxbow—Threshing next week; cutting general.

## South Western Section.

Starbuck—Ninety per cent. wheat cut. No machines this district.

Elm Creek—Ninety per cent wheat cut; stacking commenced. Good sample.

Carman—Cutting near finished, stacking and threshing started. Sample No. 2 northern.

Rathwell—Threshing commenced, about 30 bushels to acre expected.

Treherne—Weather favorable, cutting mostly done; prospects good.

Cypress River—Weather all that could be desired. Wheat all cut, threshing just commenced, yield will be good.

Glenboro—About 50 per cent. wheat cut. Threshing general to-morrow; prospects good.

Stockton, Methven, Nesbitt—Favorable weather; crop good.

## Piperton Section.

All wheat cut and good part of barley and oats. Threshing begins this week.

## Pembina Section.

LaSalle—Wheat cutting done; only two machines threshing; no unemployed men. If weather clears up, threshers will require ten to fifteen more men.

Morris—Cutting about completed; no damage.

Rosenfeld—Average twenty to twenty-five bushels; weather very backward last week.

Altona—Eighty per cent. of wheat cutting completed; damage, nil.

Gretna—Ninety per cent. cut; sample fair; threshing general.

Plum Coulee—Eighty-five per cent. cut; rains during week have bleached some wheat.

Winkler, Morris—Cutting slightly delayed by rain; threshing commenced.

Thornhill, Manitou, LaRivière—Weather not very favorable; no damage.

Pilot Mound—Threshing will be general on Monday.

Crystal City—Heavy rain has delayed harvest some.

Clearwater and Cartwright—Weather a little backward; threshing will be general next week. No damage.

Holmfild—Sixty-five per cent. wheat cut.

Killarney—Rust has done slight damage; threshing will commence next week.

Ninga and Boissevaline—Average 25 bushels to the acre.

## Minnedosa Section.

Macdonald—Threshing starts to-morrow.

Westbourne—No damage.

Gladstone—Yield good.

Keyes—Cutting slightly delayed by rain.

Neepawa—Crop not suffering in any way.

Franklin—Yield good.

## Yorkton Section.

Nowdale—No damage.

Strathclair—No damage of any kind.

Birtle and Russell—No damage from any cause.

Langenburg—Harvest in full swing; twenty-five bushels per acre average; no damage.

Snowflake—Threshing will be general September 2.

North Portal—No damage.

In the Edmonton section the weather is favorable; wheat cutting began this week at several points.

## Winnipeg Industrial.

Since the closing of the fair, four weeks ago, the executive staff of the Industrial exhibition has been busily engaged in straightening out the innumerable financial and other details preliminary to ascertaining the association's position. Though results can, at the present time, be stated only approximately, enough is known to stamp the exhibition of 1901 as a record-maker in every important particular. Altko from the standpoints of attendance, of finance and of attractions, this year's fair was a notable advance on any of its predecessors.

President F. W. Thompson was seen

by a reporter and was asked to make public such information as he possessed concerning the achievements and results of this year's exhibition. "Well," said Mr. Thompson, "a meeting of the directors was held last night when the finances of the fair were gone into as thoroughly as it is possible with the present incomplete statements available. It gives me great pleasure to state that these results are most satisfactory. We started business this year with a deficit of \$10,000. We have been able, thanks to the generous support accorded the exhibition from all classes of the west, to reduce this by fully \$5,000. This deficit, it must be understood, was incurred by expenditures for permanent improvements. I may say that this result is very gratifying to me, as it must be to everyone who has at heart the welfare of the Industrial. It reflects the highest credit on General Manager Heubach, and also the chairman of the different committees. I cannot speak too highly of the individual work and energy of every director. From the visitors' standpoint, the fair was undoubtedly an unequalled success, for the sports programme and the attractions were of the very highest order. When we consider the general scarcity of money during the past season, and also the existing strike on the C. P. R., and the fact that our receipts were the largest on record, it speaks volumes for the popularity and usefulness of the exhibition. I am satisfied that, but for these conditions, the attendance would have reached phenomenal figures. As it was, the turnstiles registered 7,000 more than had ever passed through them in exhibition week. In connection with this fact, too, it is well to remember that this year the fair suffered from the disadvantage of the opening day having no special feature. Last year the exhibition was formally opened by Governor-General and Lady Minto, and their presence induced large numbers of people to visit the fair earlier in the week than they would otherwise have done. The matter of having special features earlier in the week is being considered for next year's exhibition. It is possible that American Day will be held on Tuesday or Wednesday, instead of Friday, as heretofore, and also the advisability of having some attendance-drawing and attractive feature for opening day is being carefully considered. Recommendations in these directions will be made to the incoming board. In view of the fact that Monday was children's day, and that thousands of scholars were admitted free to the grounds, I think the financial results of this year's exhibition are as a whole highly satisfactory. The total receipts of the association, from all sources, will aggregate between \$50,000 and \$55,000. No more conclusive proof of the magnitude of the Industrial could be found than these figures. In prizes alone, the board will pay out between \$10,000 and \$17,000, and the competition and stimulus thus provided to the farmers of the west must be of untold benefit in improving live stock and general farm methods.

This year, too, the board, in addition to reducing its liabilities by 50 or 60 per cent, expended over \$3,000 in permanent improvements."

The only matter of regret in connection with this year's fair was the limited display in the main building. This brings up the question of the positive necessity for a new main building, that will be sufficiently capacious and attractive for merchants and manufacturers to make effective displays without the running of any undue risk. This is a matter of pressing importance, with which the board has determined to deal. A special committee will give the question its attention, and something will probably be done in this direction before the next exhibition opens."

## Paper Bag Prices.

Canadian manufacturers of paper bags have announced the following new scale of discounts:

	Bags.	P.C.
Over.....	300,000	55
From 150,000 to ..	300,000	52½
" 50,000 to ..	150,000	50
" 20,000 to ..	50,000	47½
Under.....	20,000	45

This scale shows an increase in the discount rate over old figures of about 5 per cent., and means correspondingly lower prices. The reason for the reduction is competition of imported bags, which have been sold in large quantities in Canada lately.

## Must Pack Better.

Special Commissioner Palmer Gives Advice—B. C. Fruit in Manitoba.

R. M. Palmer, C. P. R. special freight rates commissioner, writing from Winnipeg, Man., to Secretary Brandreth, of the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association, says:

"You will be pleased to know the outlook for marketing fruit in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories generally is very promising. The wheat crops are fine everywhere and if the harvest is secured in good condition there will be plenty of money with which to buy fruit.

"Market conditions in Winnipeg are very steady owing to the existence of a fruit exchange composed of all the wholesale fruit dealers. There is no overloading the market or cutting in prices, and the retail dealers are allowed only short credit.

"Unfortunately British Columbia plums have a bad reputation, owing to the poor condition in which most of the fruit shipped in previous years arrived at its destination; Okanagan fruit excepted. All dealers speak well of this and want all they can get of it.

"At the present time plums are wholesaling at from \$1.50 to \$2.25 per crate. Most of the supply is from California, but there are some peach plums from Oregon on the market. These are good prices but it is hardly likely they will be maintained, and I am informed that Washington and Idaho growers are quoting low prices for September shipments.

"I trust your arrangements regarding the packing are proceeding satisfactorily and would urge the necessity of great care in making up shipments to exclude all fruit infected with 'brown rot.'

"The C. P. R. have agreed to furnish transportation for the expert fruit packer engaged by the Fruit Growers' association, also for a man to go with the car of fruit proposed to be shipped. Please apply to F. W. Peters, at Vancouver, for the necessary passes in this connection. I am of opinion that there are ample facilities here for placing the car of fruit referred to. In any case cars of fruit going to Winnipeg are distributed amongst the different wholesale houses through the agency or the fruit exchange referred to previously. This ensures quick marketing and distribution."

## Tenders.

Tenders, addressed to H. B. Spratt, Edmonton, will be received up to 12 o'clock noon, on 4th September, for the purchase of the stock of cigars, pipes and fixtures, etc., lately carried by Robert Hockley, insolvent debtor, Edmonton.

Scaled tenders for the supply of 40 suits of winter clothing for the members of the Winnipeg fire department, addressed to the chairman of the fire, water and light committee, will be received at the office of the city clerk up to 8.30 p. m. on Wednesday, Sept. 4, 1901.

Offers will be received up till Friday, Sept. 20th, 1901, for the purchase of \$2,000.00 debentures of the Swan Lake school district, Man. Said debentures are payable in 20 annual instalments and bearing interest at 5 per cent. per annum. Thomas A. Griffith, of Swan Lake, is secretary.

Scaled tenders, marked tenders for bankrupt stock of James Duffy, Wolseley, Assa., will be received by the assignee at Wolseley, up to the 21st day of September, 1901, for the purchase of a stock of merchant tailors' goods and trimmings, the wholesale price of which is about \$400.00; and also the book debts of said James Duffy, insolvent.

Tenders will be received for the following waterworks supplies by Wm. Adair, Medicine Hat, Assa., up to September 1st, 1901: 2,100 feet 4 inch pipe; 1,050 ft. 6 inch pipe; specials 2—single 4 off 6; specials 3—double 4 off 4; specials 5—single 4 off 4; specials 2—single 5 off 6; specials 3—6 inch gate valves, specials 4—1 inch gate valves, specials 1—reducer 6 inch to 4 inch; specials 2—6 inch hydrants 5 ft. bury; specials 5—4 inch hydrants 8 ft. bury.

Ontario apple growers are awakening to the fact that the dishonest practices in connection with the packing of this fruit which have been in vogue in the past have injured their business and they will endeavor to see that the new Dominion act forbidding such crooked work is properly enforced.